

# **ESOTIQ & HENDERSON**

#### **ANALYTICAL REPORT - SUMMARY**

We are lowering our buy rating on Esotiq & Henderson from Buy to Hold with a target price of PLN 37.0. We believe the current valuation takes into account the expected earnings decline this year. The Company will publish its Q1'22 earnings report at the end of May. After a strong recovery in stationary sales and a surge in online sales in 2021, we expect the period's results to be weaker than a year ago due to pressure on gross margins and rising rental and utility costs. However, the decisive drag on valuation is the increase in the risk-free rate from 3% to 6.5%. A potential opportunity for the company is the success of the Vosedo online store, but due to the delay and lack of details we are not including it in the valuation.

Since the beginning of 2022, the online stores have been particularly buoyant (the company has four platforms), which in March'22 got a new look and became more transparent for the customer. Work continues on the mobile app, which is expected to make online shopping more accessible and strengthen the Esotiq brand. We expect that thanks to the omnichannel sales model, the company's products will reach a wider audience. The Group is also investing in RFiD technology that would enable autonomous stores. We assume that the expenditures on this technology will be charged to management expenses, which will be mitigated by other operating income due to NCBiR's subsidizing of the project starting in Q2'22.

The war in Ukraine has thwarted the company's plans to expand in that country. Currently, 15 of its 22 stores operate there on a limited basis. Given its business model abroad, this situation will not have a significant impact on the company's results this year (in Q4'21 an impairment charge of ca. PLN 1.7m was recognized). Moreover, we expect that the inflow of Ukrainian women to Poland and the brand recognition among this group will have a positive impact on sales in Poland. Esotiq is also actively looking for alternative markets that could fill the space left by Ukraine. Talks with new partners in the Arab Emirates, Saudi Arabia and Kuwait are in progress. We expect the company to consistently increase its presence in foreign markets in the coming years.

In Q1'22 the Polish International Development Fund, owned by PFR, exercised its option to exit its investment in the subsidiary ESOTIQ Germany. The company bought a 49.5% stake in the subsidiary for EUR 1.6m (PLN 7.3m), which we view negatively. The German subsidiary has been responsible for the bulk of Esotiq's losses in recent years.

The outbreak of war, high inflation, unfavorable currency exchange rates, rising rents and salaries are a challenge for the retail business. As a result the above, we have lowered our forecasts for the full year 2022. We expect revenues to continue to grow to PLN 214.8m, while EBIT is expected to fall to PLN 10.3m (-55% y/y) and net profit to PLN 7.2m (-56% y/y).

If our assumptions are realized, the group is trading at EV/EBITDA of 4.4. We expect the company to return to regular dividend payments only in 2024.

	2019	2020	2021	2022P	2023P	2024P
Revenues [PLNm]	179,9	173,7	205,9	214,8	236,6	258,6
EBIT [PLNm]	8,8	7,8	22,7	10,3	13,9	13,7
EBITDA [PLNm]	21,7	22,7	37,4	24,5	28,0	27,9
Net income [PLNm]	3,9	3,8	16,3	7,2	10,0	9,9
P/E	21,6	21,7	5,1	11,7	8,4	8,5
P/BV	1,6	1,5	1,3	1,3	1,1	1,0
EV/EBIT	15,2	16,4	4,4	10,3	6,7	6,5
EV/EBITDA	6,2	5,6	2,7	4,3	3,4	3,2
DPS	0,5	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,9
DY	1,3%	0,0%	0,0%	0,0%	0,0%	2,4%

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(PREVIOUS: BUY)

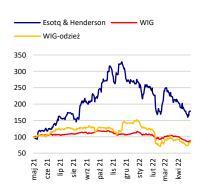
## **TARGET PRICE 37,0 PLN**

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Township (DIAI)	27.0
Target price [PLN]	37,0
Price upside/downside	-1,2%
Cost of capital	12,4%
Price [PLN]	37,4
Market cap [PLNm]	83,5
No. of shares [mn]	2,2
Max. price 6M [PLN]	72,4
Min. price 6m [PLN]	35,1
Rate of return 3M	-24,7%
Rate of return 6M	-36,6%
Rate of return 9M	11,0%
Shareholders (% of votes):	
Patronado Ltd.	56,0%
Esotiq & Henderson S. A. (own shares)	8,1%
Adam Skrzypek	5,8%
Marek Warzecha	1,8%
Pozostali	28,3%

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Valuation	summary

	Share	Valuation
DCF valution	100%	37,0
Peer valuation	0%	36,3
Target price [PLN]	3	7,0

Source: BDM S.A.

DCF	val	1112	tin	n

	2022P	2023P	2024P	2025P	2026P	2027P	2028P	2029P	2030P	2031P
Revenues [PLNm]	214,8	236,6	258,6	275,5	290,9	305,7	319,2	332,6	345,8	358,5
EBIT [PLNm]	10,3	13,9	13,7	15,6	17,2	18,3	19,2	19,9	20,5	20,8
Tax rate	19,0%	19,0%	19,0%	19,0%	19,0%	19,0%	19,0%	19,0%	19,0%	19,0%
Tax on EBIT [PLNm]	2,0	2,6	2,6	3,0	3,3	3,5	3,6	3,8	3,9	3,9
NOPLAT [PLNm]	8,3	11,3	11,1	12,6	13,9	14,9	15,5	16,2	16,6	16,8
Amortization [PLNm]	14,2	14,1	14,2	14,5	14,7	14,9	15,1	15,3	15,5	15,7
CAPEX [PLNm]	-13,9	-16,0	-14,3	-14,5	-14,8	-15,1	-15,3	-15,5	-15,7	-15,7
Working capital movement [PLNm]	4,7	-2,7	-3,8	-2,9	-2,6	-2,5	-2,3	-2,3	-2,3	-2,2
FCF [PLNm]	13,4	6,7	7,2	9,7	11,1	12,2	13,1	13,7	14,2	14,6
DFCF [PLNm]	12,6	5,6	5,5	6,6	6,8	6,6	6,3	5,9	5,5	5,0
Total DFCF [PLNm]	66,5									
Terminal value [PLNm]	160,0			Termina	l growth rat	e: 3,0%				

Terminal value [PLNm] 160,0 Discounted terminal value [PLNm] 54,8 Enterprise value [PLNm] 121,2 Net debt 2021 [PLNm]\* 41,2 Equity value [PLNm] 82,6 Number of shares [mn] 2,2 Value per share [PLN] 37,0

WACC calculation										
	2022P	2023P	2024P	2025P	2026P	2027P	2028P	2029P	2030P	2031P
Risk-free rate	6,50%	6,50%	6,50%	6,50%	6,50%	6,50%	6,50%	6,50%	6,50%	6,50%
Risk premium	5,0%	5,0%	5,0%	5,0%	5,0%	5,0%	5,0%	5,0%	5,0%	5,0%
Beta	1,2	1,2	1,2	1,2	1,2	1,2	1,2	1,2	1,2	1,2
Credit premium	1,5%	1,5%	1,5%	1,5%	1,5%	1,5%	1,5%	1,5%	1,5%	1,5%
Cost of equity	12,5%	12,5%	12,5%	12,5%	12,5%	12,5%	12,5%	12,5%	12,5%	12,5%
Contribution of equity	73,9%	75,3%	78,0%	82,5%	86,7%	90,9%	94,1%	97,1%	98,4%	98,6%
Cost of debt after tax	6,5%	6,5%	6,5%	6,5%	6,5%	6,5%	6,5%	6,5%	6,5%	6,5%
Contribution of debt	26,1%	24,7%	22,0%	17,5%	13,3%	9,1%	5,9%	2,9%	1,6%	1,4%
WACC	10,9%	11,0%	11,2%	11,4%	11,7%	11,9%	12,1%	12,3%	12,4%	12,4%

Source: BDM S.A.; \*net debt adjusted for 263 thousand treasury shares and the acquisition value of 49.5% of ESOTIQ Germany (PLN 7.3 million)

# Sensivity analysis

		Terr	minal growth	rate			Terr	minal growth	rate				Beta	
		2,0%	3,0%	4,0%			2,0%	3,0%	4,0%			1,1	1,2	1,3
	1,1	36,9	39,8	43,5	Risk	4,0%	40,9	44,4	49,0	Risk	4,0%	47,4	44,4	41,7
beta	1,2	34,4	37,0	40,1	premium	5,0%	34,4	37,0	40,1	premium	5,0%	39,8	37,0	34,4
	1,3	32,1	34,4	37,1		6,0%	29,3	31,2	33,4		6,0%	33,9	31,2	28,7

Source: BDM S.A.

## Peer valuation

		P/E			EV/EBITDA			EV/EBIT	,
	2022P	2023P	2024P	2022P	2023P	2024P	2022P	2023P	2024P
Firmy odzież/obuwie PL									
LPP	16,3	21,7	15,4	8,0	10,0	7,2	12,9	19,0	11,9
CCC		20,3	14,3	8,1	7,8	6,1	45,5	21,1	15,8
VRG	10,8	9,3	8,6	5,2	4,6	4,2	9,8	8,4	7,4
Zagraniczne									
VICTORIA'S SECRET	6,4	6,5	6,0	3,4	3,5	3,1	4,6	4,7	4,0
GAP	10,0	9,5	8,0	3,9	4,3	4,2	6,2	7,5	6,6
CHICO'S FAS	14,3	10,9	8,8	2,5	7,3	1,5	5,2	13,0	2,0
ABERCROMBIE & FITCH	6,0	8,8	8,1	1,9	3,6	2,8	2,7	5,6	4,4
AMERICAN EAGLE OUTFITTERS	5,5	5,5	4,6	2,5	2,3	1,7	3,1	3,0	2,1
Mediana	10,0	9,4	8,4	3,6	4,5	3,6	5,7	7,9	5,5
ESOTIQ	11,7	8,4	8,5	4,3	3,4	3,2	10,3	6,7	6,5
Premia/dyskonto grupa	16%	-11%	1%	18%	-25%	-11%	80%	-15%	19%
Wycena wg wskaźnika [PLN]	32,2	41,9	36,9	30,1	51,5	42,6	16,3	44,7	31,0
Waga roku	33%	33%	33%	33%	33%	33%	33%	33%	33%
Wycena wg wskaźników [PLN]		37,0			41,4			30,7	
Waga wskaźnika		33%			33%			33%	
Wycena końcowa [PLN]	36,3			•			•		

Source: BDM S.A., Bloomberg

Main risks: 1) Unfavorable changes in the USDPLN exchange rate; 2) High inflation and decline in disposable wealth; 3) The protracted lock down in China and problems with supply chains and the formation of supply rates; 4) Escalating war between Russia and Ukraine; 5) Risk of fixed  $network\ expansion; 6)\ E-commerce\ development; 7)\ Seasonality\ of\ results; 8)\ Market\ competition; 9)\ Risk\ of\ misguided\ collection; 10)\ Legislative$ changes



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rating	price target	previous rating	previous target price	report date	report date (hour)	price	WIG
Hold	37,0	Buy	57,1	18.05.2022*	17:30 CEST	37,4	56 293
Buy**	57,1	-	-	31.08.2021*	07:00 CEST	33,7	70 572

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#### Explanations of terminology:

EBIT - earnings before interest and tax

 ${\tt EBITDA-earnings\ before\ interest,\ taxes,\ depreciation,\ and\ amortization}$ 

Net debt – interest bearing debt minus cash and equivalents

WACC - weighted average cost of capital

CAGR - cumulative average annual growth

EPS - earnings per share

DPS - dividend per share

CEPS - net profit plus depreciation per share

EV - market capitalization plus interest bearing debt minus cash and equivalents

EV/S - market capitalization / sales

EV/EBITDA – EV / sales

P/EBIT – market capitalization / EBIT

MC/S — market capitalization / sales

P/E — market capitalization / net profit

P/BV — market capitalization / book value P/CE - market capitalization / net profit plus depreciation

ROE - net profit / equity

ROA - net income / assets

Gross margin - gross profit on sales / sales

EBITDA margin – EBITDA / sales EBIT margin – EBIT / sales

Net margin – net profit / sales

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Accumulate	0	0%	0	0%
Hold	1	33%	0	0%
Reduce	0	0%	0	0%
Sell	0	0%	0	0%

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