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# **CREATIVEFORGE GAMES**

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

We are starting our recommendation for CreativeForge Games with a BUY recommendation with a target price of PLN 39,0 per share, that is 17% above the current market price. The roots of the company go back to 2011, but it was 2019 that had the greatest impact on the current shape of the studio, which saw staff reshuffles, strategy changes and tightening of cooperation with the PlayWay group. From that moment on, the company began to grow dynamically, working on many interesting projects at the same time. The most important game currently being produced is "Stargate: Timekeepers" a title set in the popular "Stargate universe", whose publisher will be Slitherine (famous, among others from titles such as Warhammer 40k). The game's gameplay presentation is planned for the turn of September / October. We expect its premiere to take place in 1H'22. In addition, CFG can boast of other projects with great sales potential - "House Flipper City" (a spin-off of the best-selling games of the PLW group), "Builders of Greece" (a production similar to "BoE" - one of the most important games of the PLW group, which CFG is a co-publisher) and "Aircraft Carrier Survival", which will be the first to make its debut on the market. Wwe expect that in Q4'21 this will be reflected in the company's results. We forecast that in 2021 the company will become profitable and generate a net profit of PLN 0,7 million.

CreativeForge Games is a studio founded in 2011 that focuses on the production and publishing of games. In 2019, it underwent a thorough transformation - the replacement of almost all employees with the president at the helm, strengthening cooperation with the PLW group and changing the strategy from creating costly and time-consuming productions, moved to smaller titles, with greater monetization potential. The most important games in the company's portfolio include "Hard West" and "Phantom Doctrine".

The company is currently working on a number of games. For the most important projects own production includes such titles as: "Stargate: Timekeepers", "Project Y" (multiplayer game), "House Flipper City", "Aircraft Carrier Survival" or "Builders of Greece". Each of them, in our opinion, has big monetization potential. The gameplay of the first of them, and in our opinion the most important, will be unveiled at the turn of September / October (publisher's announcement).

In addition to its own productions, the Group is also developing a publishing department. There are also some interesting projects such as "Cartel", "Saloon" and "Colonize". The imagination is also awakened by "City of Atlantis" - a gameplay game comparable to "Frospunk", also "Orc Warchief" which builds its wishlist well (currently approx. 56 thousand).

	2018	2019	2020	2021P	2022P	2023P	2024P	2025P
Revenues [mln PLN]	3,7	1,6	2,8	6,4	26,0	34,4	33,0	32,3
EBITDA [mln PLN]	-0,6	-0,1	-1,2	0,1	8,5	14,0	12,7	13,1
EBIT [mln PLN]	-0,7	-0,2	-1,2	0,1	8,5	13,9	12,7	13,0
Gross income [mln PLN]	-0,9	-0,2	0,0	0,4	8,5	13,9	12,7	13,0
Net income [mln PLN]	-0,9	-0,2	0,1	0,7	8,0	12,5	11,4	11,7
P/BV	12,2	12,4	12,3	8,0	4,7	2,8	2,7	2,4
P/E	-	-	1 534,0	134,2	11,2	7,1	7,8	7,6
EV/EBITDA	-	-	-	670,8	9,0	4,8	5,0	4,9
EV/EBIT	-	-	-	1 315,3	9,1	4,9	5,0	4,9
DPS	0	0	0	0	0	0	3,5	3,2
DY	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	10.5%	9.6%

## BUY

(INITIAL REPORT)

### **TARGET PRICE 39,0 PLN**

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Target price [PLN]	39,0
Price upside/downside	17%
Cost of capital	10,0%
Price [PLN]	33,5
Market cap [mln PLN]	89,2
Shares mln. szt.]	2,7
Max. price 6M [PLN]	40,8
Min. price 6m [PLN]	31,3
Rate of return 3M	-12,0%
Rate of return 6M	-15,3%
Rate of return 9M	-4,4%
Shareholders (% of votes):	
PlayWay	47,8%
Andrzej Goczoł	10,5%
Capeman Investments Limited	8,4%
Jarosław Dąbrowski	7,3%
Pozostali	26,0%

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	Share	Valuation
DCF valution	100%	39,0
Peer valuation	0%	48,5
Target price [PLN]	39	9,0

Source: BDM S.A.

DCF	1/2	11124	ion

	2021P	2022P	2023P	2024P	2025P	2026P	2027P	2028P	2029P	2030P
Revenues [mln PLN]	6,4	26,0	34,4	33,0	32,3	24,5	33,3	30,0	31,1	33,5
EBIT [mln PLN]	0,1	8,5	13,9	12,7	13,0	5,6	13,1	9,5	11,4	10,4
Tax rate	0,0%	6,0%	10,0%	10,0%	10,0%	10,0%	10,0%	10,0%	10,0%	10,0%
Tax on EBIT [mln PLN]	0,0	0,5	1,4	1,3	1,3	0,6	1,3	1,0	1,1	1,0
NOPLAT [mln PLN]	0,1	8,0	12,5	11,4	11,7	5,1	11,8	8,6	10,2	9,4
Amortization [mln PLN]	0,1	0,1	0,1	0,1	0,1	0,1	0,1	0,1	0,1	0,1
CAPEX [min PLN]	-0,1	-0,1	-0,1	-0,1	-0,1	-0,1	-0,1	-0,1	-0,1	-0,1
Purchase of investmen[mln PLN]	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0
Working capital movement [mln PLN]	-1,6	-0,3	-3,3	2,1	-3,7	0,8	-1,0	1,0	-5,4	4,6
FCF [mln PLN]	-1,6	7,6	9,2	13,5	8,0	5,9	10,8	9,6	4,8	14,0
DFCF [mln PLN]	-1,5	6,7	7,4	9,8	5,3	3,5	5,9	4,8	2,2	5,7
Total DECE [mln PLN]	49 7									

125,7 Terminal value [mln PLN] Discounted terminal value [mln PLN] 51,4 Enterprise value [mln PLN] 101,1 Net debt 2020 [mln PLN] -2,8 Dividend 2021 [mln PLN] 0,0 Equity value [mln PLN] 103,9 Number of shares [mln] 2,7 Value per share [PLN] 39,0

Terminal growth rate: 3,0%

WACC calculation

WACC calculation										
	2021P	2022P	2023P	2024P	2025P	2026P	2027P	2028P	2029P	2030P
Risk-free rate	3,0%	3,0%	3,0%	3,0%	3,0%	3,0%	3,0%	3,0%	3,0%	3,0%
Risk premium	5,0%	5,0%	5,0%	5,0%	5,0%	5,0%	5,0%	5,0%	5,0%	5,0%
Beta	1,40	1,40	1,40	1,40	1,40	1,40	1,40	1,40	1,40	1,40
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	10,0%	10,0%	10,0%	10,0%	10,0%	10,0%	10,0%	10,0%	10,0%	10,0%
Contribution of equity	100,0%	100,0%	100,0%	100,0%	100,0%	100,0%	100,0%	100,0%	100,0%	100,0%
Cost of debt after tax	4,5%	4,2%	4,1%	4,1%	4,1%	4,1%	4,1%	4,1%	4,1%	4,1%
Contribution of debt	0,0%	0,0%	0,0%	0,0%	0,0%	0,0%	0,0%	0,0%	0,0%	0,0%
WACC	10,0%	10,0%	10,0%	10,0%	10,0%	10,0%	10,0%	10,0%	10,0%	10,0%

Source: BDM S.A.

Sensivity analysis

		Terr	ninal growth	rate			Terr	ninal growth	rate				Beta	
		2,5%	3,0%	3,5%			2,5%	3,0%	3,5%			1,3	1,4	1,5
h.ata	1,3	40,1	41,8	43,7	Risk	4,0%	45,7	48,1	50,9	Risk	4,0%	50,2	48,1	46,3
beta	1,4	37,6	39,0	40,6	premium	5,0%	37,6	39,0	40,6	premium	5,0%	40,5	39,0	37,7
	1,5	35,4	36,5	37,8		6,0%	32,0	32,8	33,8		6,0%	33,9	32,8	31,9

Source: BDM S.A.

### Peer valuation

		P/E			EV/EBITDA	
	2021P	2022P	2023P	2021P	2022P	2023P
11 bit studios	34,6	29,0	34,4	23,9	18,9	21,6
PlayWay	18,5	15,6	13,5	16,7	13,5	12,0
Ten Square Games	23,5	19,5	18,6	17,2	14,3	13,6
CD Projekt	68,3	69,8	9,4	39,3	37,6	5,8
Median	29,0	24,3	16,0	20,5	16,6	12,8
CreativeForge Games	134,2	11,2	7,1	670,8	9,0	4,8
Premium/discount	461,9%	46,1%	-55,6%	3268,8%	54,1%	-62,2%
Valuation [PLN/share]	7,2	72,6	75,3	2,8	57,9	75,2
Year's contribution	33%	33%	33%	33%	33%	33%
Average valuation [PLN/share]		51,7			45,3	
Multiple's contribution		50%			50%	
Value per share [PLN]	48	3,5		•		

Source: BDM S.A., Bloomberg

Main risks: 1) The risk of diversified and unforeseen demand for different products
2) The risk related to possible delays in game
production 3) Risk related to the loss of key
employees 4) Risk related to difficulties in acquiring experienced employees 5)The risk related to the possible failure of IT systems, telecommunications infrastructure and servers 6) The risk related to the competitive environment 7) Risk related to the development of new technologies and industry 8)Risk of volatility of foreign exchange rates



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rating	price target	previous rating	previous target price	report date	report date (hour)	price	WIG
Buy	39,0	-	-	17.08.2021*	08:00 CEST	33,5	68 812

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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

 ${\sf MC/S-market\ capitalization\ /\ sales}$ 

 ${\rm P/E-market\,capitalization\,/\,net\,profit}$ 

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	1	33%	0	0%
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Reduce	0	0%	0	0%
Sell	0	0%	0	0%

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