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### **SUOMINEN**

Paper & Forest Products/Finland, February 4, 2022 Company update

### Soft start for the year

Suominen's Q4 performance didn't meet estimates, at least in terms of profitability, and FY '22 guidance also disappointed as the issues which surfaced last summer continue to trouble in the short-term.

#### Certain customers still suffer from high inventories

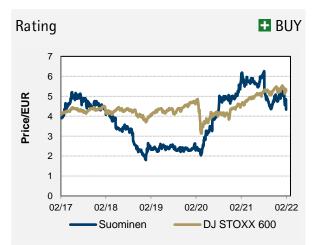
Suominen's Q4 revenue grew by 4% y/y to EUR 115.6m, ahead of the EUR 113.0m/113.3m Evli/cons. estimates. Europe amounted close to what we expected, while Americas was ahead, but gross profit was only EUR 8.4m vs our EUR 14.4m estimate. Suominen's pricing improved but not to the extent we expected, and hence high variable costs ate margins. The pandemic also caused plant-level problems. The EUR 9.0m EBITDA benefited from cost cuts but didn't meet the EUR 12.1m/12.6m Evli/cons. estimates. Some customers' high demand resumed, but others continued to languish as inventories remained elevated. There's now a short-term see-saw pattern in demand which manifests itself in y/y lower Q1'22 top line. The demand issues are very customer-specific but happen to impact Americas for the most part. There seem to have been no major changes in this respect. Suominen expects end consumer demand to remain above prepandemic levels, and the picture should again improve in Q2.

#### We cut especially H1'22 estimates

Raw materials prices have overall stabilized, but there's been mixed development as e.g. pulp has declined while viscose has advanced. Meanwhile US logistics issues persist, and transportation costs remain high. The completed investments, on the other hand, pose no major ramp-up costs. We cut our FY '22 revenue estimate to EUR 455m (prev. EUR 467m) and that for EBITDA to EUR 40.8m (prev. EUR 50.9m). We cut FY '23 profitability estimates by ca. EUR 2-3m. The estimate cuts concern particularly H1'22, from where we expect improvement.

#### Margins and multiples are low relative to peers

Suominen's multiples remained low before the report, but they still didn't sufficiently reflect the persistent current uncertainty. Suominen is valued around 5.0-6.5x EV/EBITDA and 8.0-12.5x EV/EBIT on our FY '22-23 estimates. The absolute multiples are not that low for this year, but we expect improvement over the year; Suominen remains valued below peers while margins are also low. Our new TP is EUR 5 (6); we retain our BUY rating.



Share price, EUR (Last trading day's closing price)	4.33
Target price, EUR	5.0
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KEY FIGU	RES									
	Sales EURm	EBIT EURm	EBIT %	FCF EURm	EPS EUR	P/E (x)	EV/Sales (x)	EV/EBIT (x)	FCF yield %	DPS EUR
2020	458.9	39.5	8.6%	38.3	0.52	9.8	0.7	8.5	12.9	0.20
2021	443.2	26.9	6.1%	3.5	0.36	14.6	0.8	12.9	1.2	0.20
2022E	455.0	20.8	4.6%	46.7	0.26	16.5	0.6	12.6	18.5	0.20
2023E	468.7	30.5	6.5%	27.2	0.39	11.1	0.5	8.1	10.8	0.20
2024E	480.4	33.6	7.0%	29.9	0.44	9.8	0.5	6.8	11.9	0.20
Market cap	o, EURm		252 G	earing 2022E,	0/0		6.0 CAGR	EPS 2021-2	4, %	7.6
Net debt 2	022E, EURm		10 Pi	rice/book 2022	?E		1.5 CAGR	sales 2021-	24, %	2.7
Enterprise	value, EURm		262 D	ividend yield 2	022E, %		4.6 ROE 2	022E, %		9.3
Total asset	s 2022E, EURr	n	306 Ta	ix rate 2022E,	0/0			8.0		
Goodwill 2	odwill 2022E, EURm 15 Equity ratio 2022E, %						54.5 PEG, F	P/E 22/CAGR		0.7



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### Estimates and peer group valuation

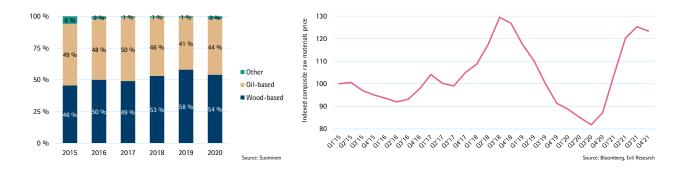
Suominen	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2021	2021	2021	2021E	2022E	2022E	2022E	2022E	2022E
EURm	FY	FY	FY	FY	FY	FY	FY	FY	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	FY	Q1E	02E	03E	Q4E	FY
Revenue	374	402	444	417	426	431	411	459	115	114	99	116	443	107	117	113	118	455
growth, %		8 %	11 %	-6 %	2 %	1 %	-5 %	12 %	5%	-7 %	-14 %	4 %	-3 %	-7 %	3 %	14 %	2 %	3 %
Geography																		
Europe	150	153	172	171	174	171	150	170	43	46	42	47	178	45	48	47	48	188
Americas	224	249	272	246	252	260	262	289	72	67	57	69	265	62	69	66	70	267
COGS	-334	-352	-386	-365	-384	-400	-377	-389	-95	-97	-93	-107	-392	-99	-104	-99	-103	-405
Gross Profit	40	50	58	52	42	31	37	70	20.2	16.7	5.5	8.4	51	8.0	12.9	13.6	15.3	50
Gross-%	10.7 %	12.4 %	13.1 %	12.5 %	9.9 %	7.3 %	9.0%	15.2 %	17.5 %	14.7 %	5.5 %	7.3 %	11.5 %	7.5 %	11.0 %	12.0 %	13.0 %	10.9 %
SGA & R&D	-22.4	-24.6	-28.0	-27.9	-28.9	-29.2	-30.6	-30.7	-7.2	-7.5	-6.7	-7.5	-28.9	-7.3	-7.3	-7.3	-7.3	-29.0
Other	1.7	0.8	1.8	1.3	1.7	2.5	1.8	0.4	0.6	1.1	0.4	2.9	5.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
EBIT	18.9	25.9	31.8	25.6	15.0	4.6	8.1	39.5	13.6	10.3	-0.8	3.9	26.9	0.8	5.6	6.3	8.1	20.8
IAC	-0.5	- 1.0	0.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
EBIT ex IAC	19.4	26.9	31.2	25.6	15.0	4.6	8.1	39.5	13.6	10.3	-0.8	3.9	26.9	0.8	5.6	6.3	8.1	20.8
EBIT-% ex IAC	5.2 %	6.7%	7.0 %	6.1 %	3.5 %	1.1 %	2.0 %	8.6 %	11.8 %	9.1%	-0.9 %	3.4 %	6.1 %	0.7 %	4.8 %	5.6 %	6.9 %	4.6 %
Depreciation	-13.9	-15.6	-17.7	-18.5	-19.4	-21.0	-25.5	-21.4	-4.9	-5.0	-5.1	-5.1	-20.1	-5.0	-5.0	-5.0	-5.0	-20.0
EBITDA ex IAC	33.3	42.5	48.9	44.2	34.3	25.6	33.6	60.9	18.5	15.3	4.2	9.0	47.0	5.8	10.6	11.3	13.1	40.8
EBITDA-% ex IAC	8.9 %	10.6 %	11.0 %	10.6 %	8.1 %	5.9 %	8.2 %	13.3 %	16.1 %	13.5 %	4.3 %	7.8 %	10.6 %	5.4 %	9.1 %	10.0 %	11.1 %	9.0 %

Source: Suominen, Evli Research

	MCAP		EV/EBITDA			EV/EBIT			EBIT-%	
SUOMINEN PEER GROUP	MEUR	21	22	23	21	22	23	21	22	23
Ahlstrom-Munksjo										
Berry Global Group	7513	8.5x	7.6x	7.4x	13.4x	11.2x	10.6x	10.1 %	10.8 %	11.3 %
Kimberly-Clark	40260	15.8x	15.0x	13.4x	20.1x	19.6x	16.8x	14.6 %	14.1 %	16.0 %
N.R. Spuntech Industries	127									
Neenah	687	10.2x	8.3x	7.2x	138.3x	12.3x	10.1x	0.9 %	9.3 %	10.6 %
Glatfelter	684	8.9x	6.3x	5.6x	17.7x	11.8x	9.6x	5.8 %	6.3 %	7.6 %
PFNonwovens										
Peer Group Average	9854	10.8x	9.3x	8.4x	47.4x	13.7x	11.8x	7.8 %	10.1 %	11.4 %
Peer Group Median	687	9.5x	8.0x	7.3x	18.9x	12.1x	10.4x	8.0 %	10.1 %	11.0 %
Suominen (Evli est.)	252	7.4x	6.4x	4.9x	12.9x	12.6x	8.1x	6.1 %	4.6 %	6.5 %
Suominen prem./disc. to peer median		-23 %	-19 %	-33 %	-32 %	5%	-22 %	-24 %	-55 %	-41 %

Source FactSet, Evli Research

#### Suominen raw materials mix and composite price development



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VALUATION RESULTS	BASE CASE DETAILS	VALUATION ASSUMPTIONS	ASSUMPTIONS FOR WACC	
Current share price	4.33 PV of Free Cash Flow	219 Long-term growth, %	2.0 Risk-free interest rate, %	2.25
DCF share value	6.79 PV of Horizon value	222 WACC, %	7.9 Market risk premium, %	5.8
Share price potential, %	56.7 Unconsolidated equity	0 Spread, %	0.5 Debt risk premium, %	2.8
Maximum value	7.4 Marketable securities	101 Minimum WACC, %	7.4 Equity beta coefficient	1.00
Minimum value	6.3 Debt - dividend	-146 Maximum WACC, %	8.4 Target debt ratio, %	20
Horizon value, %	50.3 Value of stock	395 Nr of shares, Mn	58.3 Effective tax rate, %	28

DCF valuation, EURm	2021	2022E	2023E	2024E	2025E	2026E	2027E	2028E	2029E	2030E	2031E	Horizon
Net sales	443	455	469	480	490	500	510	520	530	541	552	563
Sales growth, %	<i>-3.4</i>	2.7	3.0	2.5	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0
Operating income (EBIT)	27	21	30	34	37	37	38	39	40	41	41	42
Operating income margin, %	6.1	4.6	6.5	7.0	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5
+ Depreciation+amort.	20	20	20	22	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	
EBITDA	47	41	50	55	57	57	58	59	60	61	61	
- Paid taxes	-3	-4	-6	-7	-8	-8	-8	-8	-8	-9	-9	
- Change in NWC	-25	25	- 1	- 1	-1	-1	- 1	-1	-1	- 1	-1	
NWC / Sales, %	14.1	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.3	
+ Change in other liabs	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
- Operative CAPEX	-18	-13	-14	-16	-18	-20	-20	-20	-20	-20	-24	
opCAPEX / Sales, %	3.6	2.9	3.1	3.4	3.7	4.1	4.0	3.9	3.8	3.8	4.5	
- Acquisitions	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
+ Divestments	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
- Other items	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
= FCFF	2	48	29	31	31	29	29	30	30	31	27	471
= Discounted FCFF		45	25	25	23	20	19	18	17	16	13	222
= DFCF min WACC		45	25	25	23	20	19	18	17	16	13	253
= DFCF max WACC		45	25	25	22	19	18	17	16	15	12	195

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INTERIM FIGURES												
EVLI ESTIMATES, EURm	2021Q1	202102	2021Q3	2021Q4	2021	2022Q1E	2022Q2E	2022Q3E	2022Q4E	2022E	2023E	2024E
Net sales	115.3	113.7	98.6	115.6	443.2	107.0	117.0	113.0	118.0	455.0	468.7	480.4
EBITDA	18.5	15.3	4.3	8.9	47.0	5.8	10.6	11.3	13.1	40.8	50.5	55.1
EBITDA margin (%)	16.1	13.4	4.4	7.7	10.6	5.4	9.1	10.0	11.1	9.0	10.8	11.5
EBIT	13.6	10.3	-0.8	3.8	26.9	0.8	5.6	6.3	8.1	20.8	30.5	33.6
EBIT margin (%)	11.8	9.1	-0.8	3.3	6.1	0.7	4.8	5.6	6.9	4.6	6.5	7.0
Net financial items	3.3	-1.6	-1.0	-1.1	-0.4	-0.4	-0.4	-0.4	-0.4	-1.5	-1.6	-1.0
Pre-tax profit	16.9	8.7	-1.8	2.7	26.5	0.4	5.2	5.9	7.7	19.3	28.9	32.6
Тах	-3.1	-2.6	0.1	-0.2	-5.8	-0.1	-1.1	-1.2	-1.6	-4.1	-6.1	-6.9
Tax rate (%)	18.3	29.7	6.6	9.2	21.9	21.0	21.0	21.0	21.0	21.0	21.0	21.0
Net profit	13.8	6.1	-1.6	2.5	20.7	0.3	4.1	4.7	6.1	15.3	22.8	25.8
EPS	0.24	0.10	-0.03	0.04	0.36	0.01	0.07	0.08	0.10	0.26	0.39	0.44
EPS adjusted (diluted no. of shares)	0.24	0.10	-0.03	0.04	0.36	0.01	0.07	0.08	0.10	0.26	0.39	0.44
Dividend per share	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.20	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.20	0.20	0.20
SALES, EURm												
Group	115.3	113.7	98.6	115.6	443.2	107.0	117.0	113.0	118.0	455.0	468.7	480.4
Total	115.3	113.7	98.6	115.6	443.2	107.0	117.0	113.0	118.0	455.0	468.7	480.4
SALES GROWTH, Y/Y %												
Group	4.6	-7.0	-14.6	4.1	-3.4	-7.2	2.9	14.6	2.1	2.7	3.0	2.5
Total	4.6	-7.0	-14.6	4.1	-3.4	-7.2	2.9	14.6	2.1	2.7	3.0	2.5
EBIT, EURm												
Group	13.6	10.3	-0.8	3.8	26.9	0.8	5.6	6.3	8.1	20.8	30.5	33.6
Total	13.6	10.3	-0.8	3.8	26.9	0.8	5.6	6.3	8.1	20.8	30.5	33.6
EBIT margin, %												
Group	11.8	9.1	-0.8	3.3	6.1	0.7	4.8	5.6	6.9	4.6	6.5	7.0
Total	11.8	9.1	-0.8	3.3	6.1	0.7	4.8	5.6	6.9	4.6	6.5	7.0

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Soles     4260     431.1     411.4     48.98     443.2     45.0     4687       Soles growth Phyle     2.2     2.4     -4.6     17.5     -3.4     2.7     3.0       ENTDA     44.3     2.56     32.6     60.9     47.0     40.8     60.5       EMTA     15.0     -6.6     1.3     3.6     20.0     -20.0     -20.0     -20.0     2.00     0.0     0.0     0.0     0.0     2.00     2.00     2.00     2.00     2.00     2.00     2.00     2.00     2.00     2.00	INCOME STATEMENT, EURm	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022E	2023E	2024E
EATDA     34.3     25.6     33.6     0.0.9     47.0     40.8     90.5       EATDA margin (N)     1.13     -21.0     -25.5     -21.4     -20.1     -20.0     -20.0       EBTA     15.0     4.6     8.1     33.5     22.8     20.8     30.5       Codvalit amount factor     15.0     4.6     8.1     33.5     22.8     20.8     30.5       EBT margin (N)     3.5     1.7     2.0     6.6     6.1     4.6     6.5       Reported EBT     15.0     4.6     6.1     33.5     22.8     20.8     30.5       EST margin (Reported Nu)     3.5     1.7     2.0     6.6     6.1     -1.5     -1.6       Reported EBT     15.0 <t< td=""><td>Sales</td><td>426.0</td><td>431.1</td><td>411.4</td><td>458.9</td><td>443.2</td><td>455.0</td><td>468.7</td><td>480.4</td></t<>	Sales	426.0	431.1	411.4	458.9	443.2	455.0	468.7	480.4
ÉBTIDA magnin (hi)     4.1     5.9     4.2     11.3.2     10.4     9.00     10.8       Depreciation     -16.3     -21.0     -25.5     -21.4     -20.0     -20.0       BBTA     15.0     4.6     8.1     39.5     26.9     20.8     30.5       Goodwill impritization / writedown     0.0     0.0     0.0     0.0     0.0     0.0     0.0       EBT     15.0     4.6     8.1     39.5     26.9     20.8     30.5       EBT magnin (hig)     3.5     1.7     2.0     8.6     6.4     4.6     6.5       Horn regin (reported (hig)     3.5     1.7     2.0     8.6     6.1     4.6     6.5       Her sprint     12.4     -10     2.1     33.9     26.5     13.3     28.9       Taxes     2.0     -0.8     -19     -3.8     -5.8     4.1     6.1       Mort systems     0.0     0.0     0.0     0.0     0.0     0.0     0.0     0.0       Stars S	Sales growth (%)	2.2	1.2	-4.6	11.5	-3.4	2.7	3.0	2.5
Depreciation     19.3     21.0     25.5     21.4     20.0     20.0     20.0       BRTA     15.0     4.6     8.1     38.5     26.3     20.8     30.5       Bart martization / writedown     0.0     0.0     0.0     0.0     0.0     0.0     0.0       Bart martization / writedown     0.0<	EBITDA	34.3	25.6	33.6	60.9	47.0	40.8	50.5	55.1
Bill A     150     4.6     8.1     39.5     2.8     2.08     30.5       Bod Mill anoritzation / writedown     0.0	EBITDA margin (%)	8.1	5.9	8.2	13.3	10.6	9.0	10.8	11.5
Goodmilliamontization / writedown     0.0     0.0     0.0     0.0     0.0     0.0       EMT     15.0     4.6     8.1     39.5     26.9     20.8     30.5       EAT/ margin (Rep)     3.5     1.1     2.0     8.6     6.7     1.6     6.5       Reported BMT     15.0     4.6     8.1     39.5     2.69     20.8     30.5       Reported BMT     3.5     1.7     2.0     8.6     6.7     1.4     6.6       Net financials     -2.6     -5.6     -6.0     -5.6     -0.4     -1.5     -1.6       Pre-tax profit     12.4     -1.0     2.1     13.3     2.65     19.3     2.83       Taxes     2.0     -0.8     -1.9     -3.8     -5.8     -4.1     -6.1       Minority shares     0.0     0.0     0.0     0.0     0.0     0.0     0.0     0.0     0.0     0.0     0.0     0.0     0.0     0.0     0.0     0.0     0.0     0.0     0.0     0	Depreciation	-19.3	-21.0	-25.5	-21.4	-20.1	-20.0	-20.0	-21.5
Ent     15.0     4.6     8.1     39.5     2.8     2.0.5       Reported ENT     15.0     4.6     8.1     39.5     26.9     20.8     30.5       ENT margin legancted (Ha)     3.5     1.1     2.0     8.6     6.7     4.6     6.5       ENT margin legancted (Ha)     3.5     1.1     2.0     3.35     2.6     -5.6     -0.4     -1.5     -1.6       Pre-tar profit     12.4     -1.0     2.1     33.9     2.65     -1.6     -1.7     -1.6     -1.6     -1.7     -1.6	EBITA	15.0	4.6	8.1	39.5	26.9	20.8	30.5	33.6
<i>EBI</i> margin (Na)     2.5     1.1     2.0     8.6     6.1     39.5     2.69     2.08     30.5       Reported (Na)     3.5     1.1     2.0     8.6     6.7     4.6     6.5       Net financials     -2.6     -5.6     -6.0     -5.6     -0.1     1.3     2.8     2.9       Texes     2.0     -0.8     -1.9     -3.8     -5.8     -4.1     -6.1       Minority shares     2.0     -0.8     -1.9     -3.8     -5.8     -4.1     -6.1       Non-cash NBis     0.0	Goodwill amortization / writedown	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Reported/Ref     15.0     4.6     8.1     39.5     26.9     20.8     30.5       EBIT margin (reported) (Ne)     2.5     1.1     2.0     8.6     6.1     4.6     6.5       Pre-tax profit     1.2.4     -1.0     2.1     33.9     26.5     19.3     20.9       Taxes     2.0     0.0     <	EBIT	15.0	4.6	8.1	39.5	26.9	20.8	30.5	33.6
Édif mançia (reported) (NI)     3.5     1.7     2.0     8.6     6.1     4.6     6.5       Net finançiais     -2.6     -5.6     -6.0     -5.6     -0.4     -1.5     -1.6       Pre-tax profit     12.4     -1.0     2.1     3.39     2.6.5     19.3     28.9       Taxes     2.0     -0.8     -1.3     -3.8     -5.8     -4.1     -6.1       Minority stares     0.0 <t< td=""><td>EBIT margin (%)</td><td>3.5</td><td>1.1</td><td>2.0</td><td>8.6</td><td>6.1</td><td>4.6</td><td>6.5</td><td>7.0</td></t<>	EBIT margin (%)	3.5	1.1	2.0	8.6	6.1	4.6	6.5	7.0
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Pre-tax profit     12.4     -1.0     2.1     33.9     26.5     19.3     28.9       Taxes     2.0     -0.8     -1.9     -3.8     -5.8     -4.1     -6.1       Minority stares     0.0     0.0     0.0     0.0     0.0     0.0     0.0     0.0       Net profit     14.5     -1.7     0.2     30.1     20.7     15.3     22.8       Cash NRIs     0.0     0.0     0.0     0.0     0.0     0.0     0.0       BALANCE SHEET, FURM	EBIT margin (reported) (%)	3.5	1.1	2.0	8.6	6.1	4.6	6.5	7.0
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BALANCE SHEET, EURm       Assets     Fixed asets     160     156     143     126     129     122     116       Goodwill     15     16     17     16     18     16     16     17     16     13     16     13     13     13     13     13     13     13     13     13     13     13     13     16     17     17     18     10     10     10     10     10     10     10     10     10     10     10	Cash NRIs	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
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KEY FIGURES	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022E	2023E	2024E
M-cap	119	153	296	302	252	252	252
Net debt (excl. convertibles)	83	70	40	45	10	-6	-24
Enterprise value	203	223	336	347	262	247	228
Sales	431	411	459	443	455	469	480
EBITDA	26	34	61	47	41	50	55
EBIT	5	8	40	27	21	30	34
Pre-tax	-1	2	34	27	19	29	33
Earnings	-2	0	30	21	15	23	26
Equity book value (excl. minorities)	131	131	146	163	167	178	192
Valuation multiples							
EV/sales	0.5	0.5	0.7	0.8	0.6	0.5	0.5
EV/EBITDA	7.9	6.6	5.5	7.4	6.4	4.9	4.1
EV/EBITA	44.1	27.5	8.5	12.9	12.6	8.1	6.8
EV/EBIT	44.1	27.5	8.5	12.9	12.6	8.1	6.8
EV/OCF	7.2	8.9	6.7	18.0	4.4	5.9	4.9
EV/FCFF	11.7	12.3	7.4	195.7	5.4	8.5	7.3
P/FCFE	9.0	10.8	7.7	86.1	5.4	9.3	8.4
P/E	-69.4	766.1	9.8	14.6	16.5	11.1	9.8
P/B	0.9	1.2	2.0	1.8	1.5	1.4	1.3
Target EV/EBITDA	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	7.4	5.7	4.9
Target EV/EBIT	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	14.5	9.4	8.0
Target EV/FCF	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	6.5	10.5	8.9
Target P/B	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.7	1.6	1.5
Target P/E	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	19.1	12.8	11.3
Per share measures							
Number of shares	58,259	58,259	58,259	58,259	58,259	58,259	58,259
Number of shares (diluted)	58,259	58,259	58,259	58,259	58,259	58,259	58,259
EPS	-0.03	0.00	0.52	0.36	0.26	0.39	0.44
Operating cash flow per share	0.48	0.43	0.86	0.33	1.03	0.72	0.79
Free cash flow per share	0.23	0.24	0.66	0.06	0.80	0.47	0.51
Book value per share	2.24	2.24	2.50	2.80	2.86	3.06	3.30
Dividend per share	0.00	0.05	0.20	0.20	0.20	0.20	0.20
Dividend payout ratio, %	0.0	1,456.5	38.7	56.3	76.3	51.0	45.2
Dividend yield, %	0.0	1.9	3.9	4.6	4.6	4.6	4.6
FCF yield, %	11.1	9.2	12.9	1.2	18.5	10.8	11.9
Efficiency measures							
ROE	-1.3	0.2	21.8	13.4	9.3	13.2	13.9
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	1.9	3.4	16.6	9.7	8.0	14.4	
ROCE	1.9	3.4	16.6	9.7	8.0	14.4	10.0
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ROCE Financial ratios Inventories as % of sales	12.0	11.0	7.7	11.2	11.0	11.0	11.0
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COMPANY DESCRIPTION: Suominen manufactures nonwovens for global consumer brands on eight production plants located on three continents. The company sources the raw materials from fiber producers and sells the output as roll goods to global consumer brand manufacturers. Suominen's nonwovens are mainly used in wiping products such as wet wipes for baby care, personal hygiene, and household and workplace wiping. Other end-uses include hygiene and medical applications such as sanitary pads, diapers, and surgical drapes and swabs.

INVESTMENT CASE: Suominen's recent challenges with nonwovens' gross margins and delivery volumes are no longer present. In our view the demand outlook for household wiping products is especially strong. Suominen also seems to be making good progress with sustainable wiping products, meaning the company is increasingly able to replace synthetic raw materials with wood-based fibers. Although supply will no doubt grow in the long-term, the surge in wiping demand has nevertheless turned the current supply-demand balance much more favorable also from a nonwovens manufacturer's point of view. We view Suominen's long-term financial targets realistic.

OWNERSHIP STRUCTURE	SHARES	EURm	0/0
Ahlstrom Capital Bv	13,953,357	60.418	24.0%
Oy Etra Invest Ab	8,700,000	37.671	14.9%
Nordea Nordic Small Cap Fund	3,435,147	14.874	5.9%
Ilmarinen Mutual Pension Insurance Company	3,046,892	13.193	5.2%
Etola Group Oy	2,900,000	12.557	5.0%
Nordea Life Assurance Finland Ltd.	2,882,300	12.480	4.9%
Mandatum Life Insurance Company Limited	2,881,547	12.477	4.9%
Elo Mutual Pension Insurance Company	1,944,651	8.420	3.3%
Varma Mutual Pension Insurance Company	1,689,751	7.317	2.9%
OP Life Assurance Company Ltd	1,688,830	7.313	2.9%
Ten largest	43,122,475	186.720	74%
Residual	15,136,744	65.542	26%
Total	58,259,219	252.262	100%

EARNINGS CALENDAR	
May 04, 2022	Q1 report
August 09, 2022	Q2 report
October 26, 2022	Q3 report

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DEFINITIONS

	- FDC
P/E	EPS
Price per share	
Earnings per share	Profit before extraord. items and taxes- income taxes + minority interest Number of shares
P/BV	DPS
Price per share	Dividend for the financial period per share
Shareholders' equity + taxed provisions per share	
Market cap	OCF (Operating cash flow)
Price per share * Number of shares	EBITDA – Net financial items – Taxes – Increase in working
	capital – Cash NRIs ± Other adjustments
EV (Enterprise value)	FCF (Free cash flow)
Market cap + net debt + minority interest at market value -	
share of associated companies at market value	Operating cash flow – operative CAPEX – acquisitions + divestments
EV/Sales	FCF yield, %
Enterprise value	Free each flow
Sales	Free cash flow Market cap
	Warket cap
EV/EBITDA	Operative CAPEX/sales
Enterprise value	Capital expenditure – divestments – acquisitions
Earnings before interest, tax, depreciation and amortization	Sales
EV/EBIT	Net working capital
Enterprise value	Current assets – current liabilities
Operating profit	
Net debt	Capital employed/Share
	Tatal accete non interact bearing debt
Interest bearing debt – financial assets	Total assets – non-interest bearing debt Number of shares
Total assets	Gearing
Balance sheet total	N
	<u>Net debt</u> Equity
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Div yield, %	Debt/Equity, %
Dividend per share	Interest bearing debt
Price per share	Shareholders' equity + minority interest + taxed provisions
Payout ratio, %	Equity ratio, %
Total dividends	
Earnings before extraordinary items and taxes – income taxes + minority interest	Shareholders' equity + minority interest + taxed provisions
	Total assets – interest-free loans
ROCE, %	CAGR, %
Profit before extraordinary items + interest expenses+ other financial costs	Cumulative annual growth rate = Average growth per year
Balance sheet total – non-interest bearing debt (average)	······································
ROE, %	
Profit before extraordinary items and taxes – income taxes Shareholder's equity + minority interest + taxed provisions (average)	
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