More balanced portfolio and increased earnings quality - Buy

MAX reported figures for Q4/FY 2022, which were in-line with the company's upgraded guidance. The Q4 revenues of EUR 111m were softer than expected by us (miss of 8%) due to revenue shifts and delayed orders. However the EBITDA of EUR 9.4m exceeded our estimate by 11%. The development in 2022 has shown that MAX Automation now has a much more balanced portfolio, which has benefited from the overall market recovery. The also improved earnings quality shows that the management was able to solve the difficult cases of the past years. The published guidance for FY 2023e offers potential for upside, in our view. We increase our 2023e EBITDA estimate by c.9% and roll forward our valuation methods. With a new TP of EUR 6.20, we continue to rate the shares a Buy.

FY 2023e guidance with scope for upside

For FY 2023e, MAX guides group revenues in the range of EUR 410m to EUR 470m (2022: EUR 409m) and an operating EBITDA in the range of EUR 35m to EUR 41m (2022: EUR 32.7m). The mid-point of the revenue guidance range implies an increase of c.8% yoy, which we would consider as rather conservative. Order backlog per end of FY 2022 with EUR 303m (+7% yoy) is the highest level of recent years.

Our estimates

We leave our FY 2023e revenue estimate of EUR 433m unchanged. Given the fact, that we are early in the year and in some business areas with high portion of project business revenue fluctuations can always appear, we feel comfortable with our revenue estimate that is close to the mid-point of the guidance range. However, we increase our EBITDA forecast to EUR 37m from EUR 34m, as we were below the guided range and thus to cautious.

EURm	2021	2022	2023e	2024e	2025e
Revenues	349	409	433	455	477
EBITDA	26	33	37	42	45
EBIT	12	25	28	32	34
EPS	(0.05)	0.40	0.41	0.52	0.45
EPS adj	-	-	-	-	-
DPS	-	-	-	0.10	0.15
EV/EBITDA	7.9	9.0	7.9	6.4	5.6
EV/EBIT	17.6	12.0	10.6	8.4	7.4
P/E adj	-	-	-	-	-
P/B	3.26	2.14	2.00	1.67	1.51
ROE (%)	-	22.1	16.7	17.6	13.3
Div yield (%)	-	-	-	1.9	2.8
Net debt	73	96	71	41	22

Source: Pareto Securities

Target price (EUR) Share price (EUR)	6.2 5.3	A	BUY
Share price (EGI)	0.0	-	HOLD
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Forecast changes

%	2023e	2024e	2025e
Revenues	-	-	13
EBITDA	9	1	-
EBIT adj	13	2	(6)
EPS reported	61	35	(36)
EPS adj	NM	NM	NM

Source: Pareto Securities

Ticker	MAXG.DE, MXH GR
Sector	Industrials
Shares fully diluted (m)	41.2
Market cap (EURm)	220
Net debt (EURm)	71
Minority interests (EURm)	2
Enterprise value 23e (EURm)	294
Free float (%)	37

Performance



Source: FactSet

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Review Q4/FY 2022

MAX Automation reported Q4 results, which were in accordance with the company's fully year guidance. The revenue decline of 7% yoy to EUR 111m (PASe: EUR 120m) was mainly related to the segment MA Micro Automation (-53% yoy to EUR 11.6m), that provides automation solutions in microassembly for the medical equipment sector. Due to the customer concentration in this business and their investment cycles, fluctuations during the year with major impacts on single quarters cannot be ruled out. Vecoplan, the company's largest segment continued to perform well with a revenue increase of c.10% yoy to EUR 51m. The overall revenue picture in Q4 and even more in the full year is encouraging from our point of view. In FY 2022 all segments have contributed to the revenue increase of 17% yoy to EUR 409m (PASe: EUR 418m), which has not been seen in the last few years. Bear in mind, that end of October last year, MAX has increased its revenue guidance for 2022 to the range of EUR 400m to EUR 440m from EUR 360m to EUR 420m.

Review Q4 2022

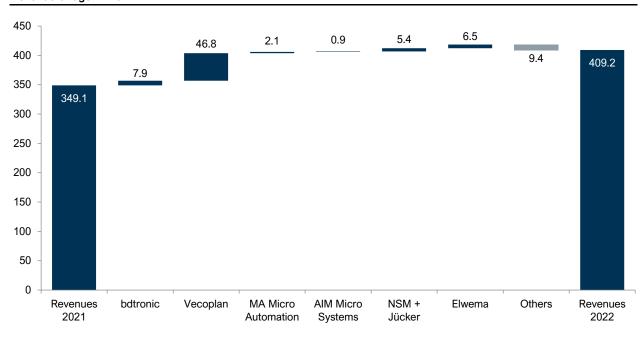
EURm	Q4 2022	Actual Q4 2021	% yoy	PA Q4 2022e	Se Deviation
Colum	Q+ ZUZZ	Q+ 2021	70 yOy	Q+ Z0ZZC	Deviation
Order intake	78.8	117.8	-33.1%	-	-
Order backlog	303.3	284.2	6.7%	-	-
Revenues	111.1	119.8	-7.3%	120.2	-7.6%
EBITDA	9.4	15.2	-38.1%	8.4	11.8%
EBITDA margin	8.5%	12.7%	-421 BP	7.0%	147 BP
EBIT	6.6	8.4	-20.5%	5.9	12.5%
EBIT margin	6.0%	7.0%	-100 BP	4.9%	107 BP
Net income	10.1	5.1	98.6%	6.3	60.7%

Source: Pareto Securities, MAX Automation

Group EBITDA in Q4 amounted to a very solid level of EUR 9.4m, implying an above-average EBITDA margin of 8.5% (PASe EUR 8.4m and 7%, respectively). The yoy decline is to be seen in conjunction with a very tough comparison base, which was unusual high for a single quarter. More important, as in the previous quarters of 2022, all segments have contributed with positive earnings to the EBITDA, showing that the turnaround at the difficult cases has been achieved sustainably.

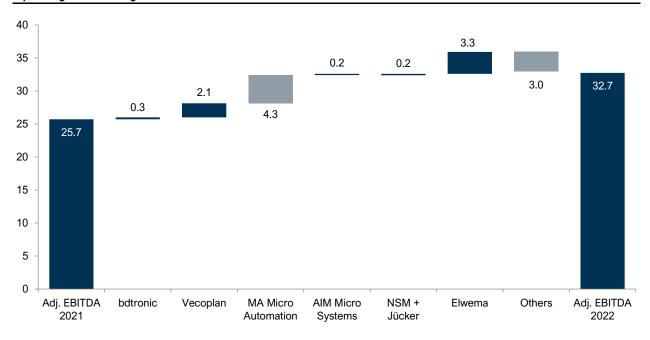
Full-year EBITDA of EUR 32.7m (PASe: EUR 31.7m) and the EBITDA margin of 8% were the highest levels in recent years. Adjusted for provisions of EUR 1.56m for a special audit in connection with the acquisition of the AIM Group in 2013, EBITDA would have exceeded EUR 34m and thus the upgraded guidance range of EUR 30m to EUR 34m. MAX has started the year 2022 with an EBITDA guidance range of EUR 23m to EUR 29m, before it was raised in October.

Revenue bridge FY 2021-22



Source: Pareto Securities, MAX Automation

Operating EBITDA bridge FY 2021-22



Source: Pareto Securities, MAX Automation

Our estimates and valuation

The mid-point of the FY 2023e revenue range of EUR 440m implies an increase of c.8% yoy, which we do not consider as very demanding. Considering the order backlog of EUR 303m (+7% yoy) and no further disruption within the supply chain, the announced guidance should even have potential for upside, in our view. However, given the fact that we are very early in the year and in MAX' business segments with a high portion of project business revenue fluctuations always can occur, we remain conservative and leave our revenue estimate unchanged. Furthermore, the relatively wide span of the revenue guidance range also reflects some continuing uncertainties in the market.

However, we increase our EBITDA estimate by c.9% from EUR 34m to EUR 37m as we now consider a healthier earnings development across the segments. With our new EBITDA estimate we are slightly below the mid-point of the company's guidance range of EUR 35m to EUR 41m.

FY 2023e guidance vs PAS estimates

EURm	2022	Guidance FY 2023e	PASe 2023e	yoy	delta*
Revenues	409	EUR 410m to EUR 470m	433	5.8%	-1.6%
EBITDA	32.7	EUR 35m to EUR 41m	37.1	13.5%	-2.3%
EBITDA margin	8.0%	8.5% to 8.7%	8.6%	58 BP	-6 BP

^{*} compared to the mid-point

Source: Pareto Securities, MAX Automation

We continue to value the shares based on our DCF and peer group model. Furthermore, the company's listed investment Zeal Network (TIMA) is included with the corresponding share (5.69%) of the related market capitalization.

With a new TP of EUR 6.20 (prev. EUR 5.50), we continue to rate the shares a Buy.

DCF model

			Phase I					Phase II			Phase III
EURm	2023e	2024e	2025e	2026e	2027e	2028e	2029e	2030e	2031e	2032e	
Revenues	433	455	477	501	526	550	572	592	610	625	
growth rate	5.8%	5.0%	5.0%	5.0%	5.0%	4.5%	4.0%	3.5%	3.0%	2.5%	
EBIT	26	30	33	35	37	40	43	45	48	50	
EBIT margin	6.1%	6.7%	6.8%	7.0%	7.1%	7.3%	7.4%	7.6%	7.8%	8.0%	
Tax	(1.3)	(1.5)	(9.1)	(9.8)	(10.4)	(11.2)	(11.9)	(12.6)	(13.3)	(14.0)	
Tax rate	5%	5%	28%	28%	28%	28%	28%	28%	28%	28%	
Depr. & Amort.	10.8	11.4	11.9	12.5	13.2	13.6	14.0	14.5	14.9	15.2	
% of sales	2.5%	2.5%	2.5%	2.5%	2.5%	2.5%	2.5%	2.4%	2.4%	2.4%	
Capex	(10.3)	(11.6)	(12.2)	(12.8)	(13.5)	(13.9)	(14.4)	(14.8)	(15.3)	(15.6)	
% of sales	2.4%	2.6%	2.6%	2.6%	2.6%	2.5%	2.5%	2.5%	2.5%	2.5%	
Change in WC & P	6.6	5.8	1.8	(2.9)	(3.0)	(3.1)	(3.3)	(3.4)	(3.5)	(3.4)	
% of sales	-1.5%	-1.3%	-0.4%	0.6%	0.6%	0.6%	0.6%	0.6%	0.6%	0.6%	
Free Cash Flow	32.2	34.4	25.0	21.9	23.5	25.3	27.0	28.8	30.5	32.2	492
growth rate	nm	6.9%	-27.4%	-12.2%	7.1%	7.6%	7.0%	6.4%	5.8%	5.7%	2.0%
Present Value FCF	30.2	29.7	19.8	16.0	15.8	15.6	15.4	15.1	14.7	14.3	218
PV Phase I		111			Risk free	e rate	3.5%		Targ. eq	uity ratio	75%
PV Phase II		75			Premiun	n Equity	5.0%		Beta		1.4
PV Phase III		218			Premiun	n Debt	2.0%		WACC		8.7%
Enterprise value		404			Sensi	itivity			wth in pl		
- Net Debt (Cash)		96				,	1.0%	1.5%	2.0%	2.5%	3.0%
- Pension Provisions		1				7.8%	7.9	8.4	8.9	9.6	10.3
 Minorities & Peripherals 		1			ပ္ပ	8.2%	7.3	7.7	8.1	8.7	9.3
+ MV of financial assets		43			WACC	8.7%	6.7	7.1	7.4	7.9	8.4
- Paid-out dividends for la	st FY	-			\$	9.1%	6.2	6.5	6.9	7.2	7.7
+/- Other EV items						9.5%	5.8	6.0	6.3	6.7	7.0
Equity value		350									
Number of shares		41.2									
Value per share (€)		8.49									
Current Price (€)		5.34									
Upside		59%									
Source: Pareto Securities											

Peer group model

Company	EV/EBIT 2023e	EV/EBIT 2024e	EV/Sales 2023e	EV/Sales 2024e
Blue Cap AG	13.4	9.3	0.5	0.4
GESCO AG	5.5	4.3	0.5	0.4
INDUS Holding AG	8.3	5.9	0.6	0.5
MBB SE				
MS Industrie AG	12.3	7.4	0.5	0.5
Median	10.3	6.7	0.5	0.4
MAX Automation SE	9.5	7.3	0.6	0.5
relative	92.7%	110.3%	111.9%	109.7%
Fair value per share at peer median	4.8	3.9	3.7	3.9
Fair value / share (average)	4.08			
Source: Pareto Securities, FactSet				

PROFIT & LOSS (fiscal year) (EURm)	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023e	2024e	2025e
Revenues	277	425	307	349	409	433	455	477
EBITDA	24	(1)	6	26	33	37	42	45
Depreciation & amortisation	(10)	(15)	(25)	(14)	(11)	(11)	(11)	(12)
EBIT	12	(31)	(19)	12	25	28	32	34
Net interest	(3)	(4)	(9)	(8)	(9)	(11)	(11)	(11)
Other financial items	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Profit before taxes	10	(34)	(29)	3	16	16	20	22
Taxes	2	(1)	2	(4)	(1)	(1)	(1)	(6)
Minority interest	5	1	(0)	(1)	(0)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Net profit	(31)	(35)	(26)	(1)	15	17	21	18
EPS reported	(1.05)	(1.18)	(0.90)	(0.05)	0.40	0.41	0.52	0.45
EPS adjusted	-	· ,	-	` <i>-</i>	-	-	-	-
DPS	0.90	0.23	-	-	-	-	0.10	0.15
BALANCE SHEET (EURm)	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023e	2024e	2025e
Tangible non current assets	25	64	59	55	57	57	57	57
Other non-current assets	63	69	50	49	86	86	86	86
Other current assets	245	184	125	143	194	182	169	166
Cash & equivalents	32	41	48	30	36	60	90	109
Total assets	364	357	282	278	373	385	402	418
Total equity	92	68	40	41	94	113	136	152
Interest-bearing non-current debt	-	-	114	1	117	-	-	-
Interest-bearing current debt	_	_	1	86	1	_	_	_
Other Debt	273	289	127	150	162	272	266	266
Total liabilites & equity	364	357	282	278	373	385	402	418
CASH FLOW (EURm)	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023e	2024e	2025e
Cash earnings	101	(68)	58	36	(44)	42	47	37
Change in working capital	(80)	44	(33)	(9)	41	(7)	(6)	(2)
Cash flow from investments	(13)	(7)	(9)	(3)	(8)	(10)	(12)	(12)
Cash flow from financing	0	39	(20)	(42)	16	-	-	(4)
Net cash flow	7	7	7	(18)	6	25	30	19
VALUATION (EURm)	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023e	2024e	2025e
Share price (EUR end)	4.80	4.59	4.22	4.40	4.83	5.3	5.3	5.3
Number of shares end period	29	29	29	29	41	41	41	41
Net interest bearing debt	46	101	85	73	96	71	41	22
Enterprise value	183	237	210	204	296	294	266	249
EV/Sales	0.7	0.6	0.7	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.6	0.5
EV/EBITDA	7.6	-	37.1	7.9	9.0	7.9	6.4	5.6
EV/EBIT	14.8	-	-	17.6	12.0	10.6	8.4	7.4
P/E reported	-	-	-	-	12.1	13.0	10.4	12.0
P/E adjusted	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
P/B	1.5	2.0	3.1	3.3	2.1	2.0	1.7	1.5
FINANCIAL ANALYSIS	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023e	2024e	2025e
ROE adjusted (%)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dividend yield (%)	18.8	5.0	-	-	-	-	1.9	2.8
EBITDA margin (%)	8.7	-	1.8	7.4	8.0	8.6	9.2	9.3
EBIT margin (%)	4.4	-	-	3.3	6.0	6.4	7.0	7.1
NIBD/EBITDA	1.91	(113.10)	15.08	2.84	2.93	1.91	0.99	0.50
EBITDA/Net interest	-	-	-	1.52	3.79	-	-	-

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Huddly	1,188,823	0.56%
Par eto Bank	14,732,232	21.09%
Pexip Holding	732,095	0.70%
Spar ebank 1 Nor d-Nor ge	5,012,452	4.99%
Spar ebank 1 SM N	2,800,224	2.16%
Spar ebank 1 SR-Bank	2,406,375	0.94%
SpareBank 1 Østf old Akershus	1,237,140	9.99%
Spar eBank 1 Østlandet	5,772,206	5.44%
Spar ebanken Mør e	566,833	1.15%
Spar ebanken Sør	333,149	0.80%
Spar ebanken Vest	7,801,795	7.11%
NEXT Biometrics	700,000	0.76%
Spar of ank 1 Car act Nor ac	2.746.620	4 25%

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Company	Analyst holdings*	Total holdings
Adevinta	0	950
Adevinta Aker ASA		
Aker ASA Aker BP	500	2,288 9.713
	-	
Aker Horizons	0	170,767
Aker Solutions	0	1,388
AMSC ASA	0	3,600
Aprila Bank ASA	0	22,675
AURELIUSEquity Opportunities	0	500
Austevoll Seaf ood	0	3,548
Awil co LNG	0	30,000
Belships	0	40,000
BioInvent	0	15,000
Bonheur	0	30,350
Borregaard ASA	0	518
Bouvet	0	980
BW Energy	0	94,381
BW Of f shor e	0	4,900
Cool Company	0	5,000
DNB	0	33,084
DNO	0	71,391
Edda Wind	0	5,000
Elkem	0	29,520
Elmer a Group A SA	0	37,305
Embracer Group	0	8,600
Equinor	0	1,616
Europris	0	17,745
Flex LNG	0	895
Frontline	0	8,000
Gaming Innovation Group	0	25,000
Gjensidige For sikring	519	1,960

Company	Analyst holdings*	Total holdings
Grieg Seaf ood	0	13,491
Haf nia Ltd.	0	125,220
Huddly	0	1,188,823
Hydr ogenPr o	0	34,922
International Petroleum Corp	0	5,511
Kahoot	0	36,118
Kambi Group plc	0	430
Kitron	0	2,314
Komplett ASA	0	21,754
Komplett Bank	0	153,800
Kongsber g Gr uppen Lea bank	0	500 16,355
Ler øy Seaf ood Group	0	38,951
Media and Games Invest	0	5,000
Meltwater	0	24,000
Mowi	0	2,742
Multitude	0	2,443
NEXT Biometrics	0	700,000
Nor Am Drilling	0	6,883
NORBIT ASA	0	1,706
Nor dic Semi conductor	0	12,305
Noreco	0	1,000
Nor sk Hydr o	0	80,711
Nor ske Skog	0	83,449
Odfjell Drilling	0	2,081
Okeanis Eco Tankers	0	290
Orkla	0	8,526 14,733
Panor o Energy Par eto Bank	0	761,886
PetroTal	0	74.000
Pexip Holding	0	732,095
Protector Forsikring	0	7,300
PyrumInnovations	0	100
Quantaf uel	0	23,665
REC Silicon	0	32,539
Sal M ar	0	3,724
Sandnes Spar ebank	0	2,500
Scatec	0	20,129
Seadrill Ltd	0	10,300
SignUp Software	0	1,264
Sol stad Of f shor e	0	107,500
Sparebank 1 Nord-Norge Sparebank 1 SMN	725 0	6,775 9,421
Sparebank 1 SR-Bank	0	9,421 8,545
Spar eBank 1 Øst landet	1,100	11,100
Spar ebanken Mør e	0	1.080
Spar ebanken Sør	0	15,840
Spar ebanken Vest	0	3,494
Stolt-Nielsen	0	3,800
Stor ebr and	100	3,110
Stor ytel	0	5,390
Subsea 7	0	21,470
Teekay Tankers	0	208
Telenor	0	3,004
TGS	0	10,830
Transocean	0	10,000
Valaris	0	3,000
Vestas Wind Systems Vow	0	1,235 3,281
Vow Vår Energi	0	3,281 82,479
Webstep	0	2,000
Wilh. Wilhelmsen Holding	0	2,000
Yara	0	16,014
Zaptec	0	6,200
AAC Clyde Space	0	52,700

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BioInvent

BioInvent
Bluewater Holding
Bor r Drilling
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BWLPG
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Cadeler
CCSFinansiering AS
CERAFILTEC
Cloudber ry Clean Ener gy
COOL Company
DNO

DNO

EdR Certified Origin Physical Gold Plc

Endur ASA First Camp Group Floatel International

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Haf nia Ltd.
Haf slund Eco
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Kraft Bank

Kraft Bank KronAS

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Mime Petroleum

Multitude SE Nor Am Drilling

Nor Am Drilling
Nor dic Unmanned
Nor eco
Nor landia Health & Care Group
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Qred Holding Salmon Evolution

Salmon Evolution
Scala Elendom
Schietter International B. V
Seacr est Petroleo Ber muda
Shamar an Petroleum
Skandia GreenPower
Skandia GreenPower
Standard Supply AS
Tierklinik Hofheim GbR
Tise AS
Trander energi AS

Trønderenergi AS Vantage Drilling International Vestby Logistikk Holding

Viking Venture 27 AS

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Waldorf Production Ltd Waste Plastic Upcycling

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Disclosure requirements pursuant to the Norwegian Securities Trading Regulation § 3-11 (4)

Distribution of recommendations Recommendation

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Sell	4%
Distribution of recommendations (transactions*)	
Recommendation	% distribution
Buv	% distribution 91%

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Appendix F

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