



# **PGS Software**

# PGS Software (Buy; PLN 15,0)

## Return of demand for software development services globally

Income statement (PLNm)	2017	2018	2019	2020E	2021E	2022E
Revenues	99,1	124,0	144,7	140,6	156,1	176,3
COGS	77,6	98,1	118,8	116,9	130,5	147,5
Gross profit	21,5	25,9	25,9	23,7	25,6	28,9
Sales expenses	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0
Management costs	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0
Profit from sales	21,5	25,9	25,9	23,7	25,6	28,9
Result on other operating activity	-0,1	0,1	0,0	-0,1	0,0	-0,2
EBITDA	23,0	27,7	27,7	25,4	27,5	30,9
EBITDA adj.	23,0	27,7	27,7	25,4	27,5	30,9
Amortization	1,5	1,7	1,9	1,9	1,9	2,2
EBIT	21,4	26,0	25,8	23,6	25,6	28,7
Financial net	3,5	0,4	3,3	-1,2	0,2	0,2
Gross profit	24,9	26,3	29,0	22,4	25,8	28,9
Income tax	4,8	4,8	2,2	1,5	2,1	2,6
Minority interest	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0
Net profit	20,1	21,5	26,8	20,9	23,7	26,3
Net profit adj.	20,1	21,5	26,8	20,9	23,7	26,3
gross margin (%)	21,7%	20,9%	17,9%	16,9%	16,4%	16,4%
EBITDA adj. margin (%)	23,2%	22,4%	19,2%	18,1%	17,6%	17,5%
EBIT margin (%)	21,6%	21,0%	17,9%	16,8%	16,4%	16,3%
net margin (%)	20,3%	17,4%	18,6%	14,9%	15,2%	14,9%

Indicators	2017	2018	2019	2020E	2021E	2022E
P/E (x)	18,3	17,1	13,7	17,6	15,5	14,0
EV/EBITDA (x)	15,4	12,9	12,0	12,9	11,9	10,6
EV/EBITDA adj. (x)	15,4	12,9	12,0	12,9	11,9	10,6
P/BV (x)	15,7	13,4	6,8	6,2	5,9	5,6

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31,6%

Ticker	PSW
Sector	IT
Price (PLN)	13,00
52 week min/max (PLN)	7,45 / 15,1
No. of shares (mln)	28,3
Market cap (PLNm)	367
EV (PLNm)	328
Free-float	35,3%

11,7%

-12,5%

**COMPANY DATA** 

Avg. turnover 3M (PLNm)



PLNm	4Q18	1Q19	2Q19	3Q19	4Q19	1Q20	2Q20	3Q20	4Q20E
Revenues	34,9	35,0	36,1	38,5	35,2	39,5	31,3	33,2	36,7
EBITDA	7,6	7,7	7,5	9,1	3,5	6,3	4,7	5,9	8,5
EBIT	7,1	7,2	7,0	8,6	3,0	5,8	4,3	5,5	8,0
Net profit	6,0	5,3	6,8	6,8	7,9	3,1	5,5	4,8	7,4
P/E12M trailing	17,1	16,1	14,4	14,8	13,7	14,9	15,7	17,2	17,6
EV/EBITDA 12M trailing	12,9	11,5	11,5	10,8	12,0	12,6	13,5	16,2	12,9
revenue y/y	37%	30%	19%	20%	1%	13%	-13%	-14%	4%
EBITDA margin	21,7%	21,9%	20,8%	23,7%	9,8%	15,9%	15,2%	17,9%	23,1%
EBIT margin (%)	20,4%	20,6%	19,5%	22,4%	8,4%	14,6%	13,7%	16,6%	21,9%
net margin (%)	17,0%	15,3%	18,8%	17,8%	22,5%	7,8%	17,6%	14,5%	20,3%
Net debt	-11	-16	-16	-25	-35	-36	-48	-36	-39
Balance sheet (PLN m)		2	2017	2018	2019	202	0E 2	2021E	2022E
Fixed assets			4,2	5,3	5,3		5,2	5,7	6,5
Current assets			30,1	34,7	60,7	6	7,1	71,2	75,6
Inventory			0,0	0,0	0,0	(	0,0	0,0	0,0
Trade receivables			15,4	20,3	19,2	19	9,3	21,5	25,1
Cash			14,1	11,5	35,2	39	9,8	41,6	42,3
Assets			34,3	40,1	67,6	72	2,2	76,9	82,0
Equity			23,5	27,5	54,3		9,3	62,6	65,9
Minority capital			0,0	0,0	0,0		0,0	0,0	0,0
Long-term liabilities			0,7	0,9	0,5		0,5	0,5	0,5
Interest-bearing liabilities			0,0	0,0	0,5	(	0,5	0,5	0,5
Short-term liabilities			8,9	10,5	11,4	11	1,0	12,2	13,8
Interest-bearing liabilities			0,5	0,7	0,2		0,2	0,2	0,2
Trade liabilities			4,2	5,3	7,3		7,1	7,1	7,1
Liabilities			34,3	40,1	67,6		2,2	76,9	82,0
Net debt adj.		-	13,7	-10,8	-34,5		9,1	-41,0	-41,6
ND/EBITDA (x)			-0,6	-0,4	-1,2		1,5	-1,5	-1,3
ROE (%)		171	-	84,5%	65,6%	-		88,9%	40,9%
CCC (days)			41	39	34		31	31	34

Cash Flow (PLNm)	2017	2018	2019	2020E	2021E	2022E
Cash flows from operating activitie	18,7	18,4	25,4	22,3	24,8	26,5
Net profit (loss)	20,1	21,5	26,8	20,9	23,7	26,3
Amortization	1,5	1,7	1,9	1,9	1,9	2,2
Cash flows from investment activi	-1,8	-2,0	-2,4	-1,8	-2,5	-2,9
CAPEX	-2,5	-2,5	-2,1	-1,8	-2,4	-2,8
Cash flows from financial activities	-15,5	-17,9	-0,5	-15,9	-20,4	-23,0
Dividend	-15,2	-17,5	0,0	-14,1	-18,8	-21,3
Net cash flow s	1,4	-1,5	22,5	4,6	1,9	0,6
Cash opening balance	10,9	14,1	11,5	35,2	39,8	41,6
Closing balance of cash	14,1	11,5	35,2	39,8	41,6	42,3
FCF	16,2	16,0	23,3	20,5	22,4	23,6
FCF Yield (%)	4,4%	4,3%	6,3%	5,6%	6,1%	6,4%
DPS	0,54	0,62	0,00	0,50	0,67	0,76
DY (%)	4,1%	4,8%	0,0%	3,8%	5,1%	5,8%



## **PGS SOFTWARE** (BUY, PLN 15.0)

- We maintain our Buy recommendation and increase our target price from PLN 13.6 to PLN 15.0.
- Global leaders comparable to PGS Software see a significant rebound in demand for software development services (Epam, Globant) in 3Q20 and the last months of the year. Epam, which recruited 1–2k new employees a quarter in the past, has returned to 1.5k in 3Q20 after a decline in 2Q20, and is expected to recruit over 2k employees in the last quarter (the most the Company has recruited so far). Despite the expected increase in employment, Epam's Management Board expects it will take several quarters to adjust the supply of workers to the demand.
- We assume an increased demand for PGS Software services to be seen again at the end
  of 2020 and the beginning of 2021. The lack of qualified staff on the market may prove to
  be a barrier to growth, but given that the largest competitors are in a similar situation, we
  believe that the Company will be able to increase prices of services and compensate for the
  growing staff costs.
- The bench cut at the end of 3Q20 combined with the return of demand should result in an improvement in q/q results. We raise our net profit forecast from PLN 18m to PLN 21m in 2020 and from PLN 21m to PLN 24m for 2021. We model revenue growth of 11% in 2021 (there is a risk of cooling if the current rebound is due to a desire to consume 2020 budgets, but we assume that the current rebound is not only short-term).
- Risk factors: demand for outsourced IT specialists in Western Europe, FX changes, cost inflation, reputation risk.



Change of f	orecasts	20208		20218	E	2022E		2020	E	2021	E	2022	E	2020	E	2021	E	2022	E
		New	Old	New	Old	New	Old	New	Old	New	Old	New	Old	New	Old	New	Old	New	Old
PGS Software	PSW	141	138	156	153	176	171	25,4	23,0	27,5	25,3	30,9	28,2	20,9	18,2	23,7	21,0	26,3	23,4

## **History of recommendations**

Date	TP
20.10.2020	13,60
15.10.2020	13,60
20.07.2020	14,00
08.06.2020	14,90
	20.10.2020 15.10.2020 20.07.2020

**Change in recommendation** 

Company	Ticker	Recommendation	TP		Previous recommenda	Previous TP tion
PGS Software	PSW	Buy	<b>→</b>	15,0 ↑	Buy	13,60

### **Summary of valuations**

PGS Software	
Valuation	
DCF	15,0
Peers	31,2





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EBIT – operating profit
EBITDA – operating profit plus D&A
adjusted profit – net profit adjusted for one-off transactions
CF – cash flow
CAPEX – sum of investment expenditure on fixed assets

ROA – rate of return on total assets
ROE – rate of return on equity
gross profit on sales margin – gross profit on sales divided by net revenues from sales
EBITDA margin – earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization divided by net revenues from sales
EBIT margin – earnings before interest and taxes divided by net revenues from sales
net margin – net profit divided by net revenues from sales

EPS – net earnings per share
DPS – dividend per share
P/E – market price divided by net profit per share
P/BV – market price divided by the book value of one share
EV/EBITDA – EV divided by EBITDA of a company
EV – sum of present capitalisation and net debt of a company
DY – dividend yield, i.e. ratio of the dividend paid to the stock price

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