

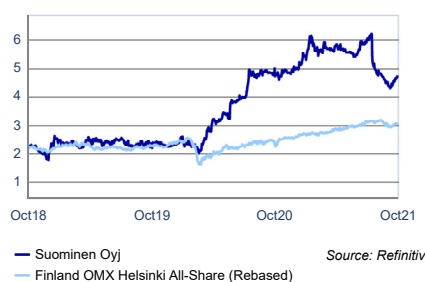
Suominen

Food, Beverages and Ingredients
Finland

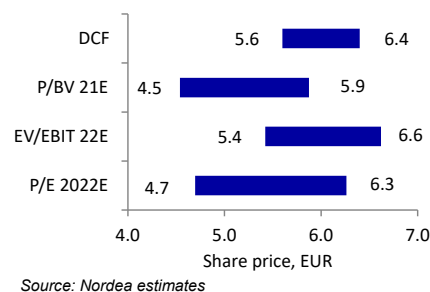
KEY DATA

Stock country	Finland
Bloomberg	SUY1V.FH
Reuters	SUY1V.HE
Share price (close)	EUR 4.80
Free Float	76%
Market cap. (bn)	EUR 0.28/EUR 0.28
Website	www.suominen.fi
Next report date	28 Oct 2021

PERFORMANCE



VALUATION APPROACH



ESTIMATE CHANGES

Year	2021E	2022E	2023E
Sales	0%	0%	0%
EBIT (adj)	0%	0%	0%

Source: Nordea estimates

Nordea Markets - Analysts

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Destocking and cost inflation denting Q3

Deceleration of demand in North America and a rapid increase in costs will dent H2 margins, as indicated by company guidance. There is scope for a margin recovery once the destocking phase is over.

Deceleration in demand in North America affecting Q3 volumes

The guidance issued by Suominen on 12 August suggests 2021 comparable EBITDA will decrease from the 2020 level of EUR 61m, due to a short-term slowdown in nonwovens demand, especially in North America, as well as a rise in costs. The guidance suggests that H2 EBITDA will decline markedly from the EUR 34m level seen in H1, down to EUR ~20m or lower.

Comparable EBITDA of EUR 9m expected for Q3

Vara Research consensus expects comparable EBITDA of EUR 9m on sales of EUR 100m, implying an EBITDA margin of 9% (13.4% in Q2 and 16.1% in Q1). Our EBITDA estimate is in line with consensus. Organic growth came to a halt in Q2, at -1% y/y. This marks a difference to the growth seen in the early stages of the pandemic – organic growth was 12% in 2020 and that level continued in Q1 2021. For Q3, we foresee organic growth of -5% y/y.

Eyes on mitigation costs – pulp prices peaking

COGS was EUR 389m in 2020, i.e. 85% of sales, and we estimate that raw material purchases accounted for approximately EUR 270m (59%) of sales. Pulp prices have risen more than 60% YTD in Europe, but price momentum stabilised in July. Prices in China have eroded; we expect prices in Europe to follow suit and weaken from their current peak, even if the disruptions in the global logistics systems have kept the European market tight. The rebound in oil prices also inflates prices for downstream products.

Value to emerge after the tough H2

We leave our EBITDA estimates unchanged, assuming a tough H2 2021, followed by recovery in 2022. Cost increases will likely start pushing up sales prices with a lag of three to six months. The biggest unknown is the timing for a normalisation of demand, which management expected to start in Q4. We estimate a fair value range of EUR 5.1-6.3 (5.3-6.6) per share, based on a combination of our four valuation approaches (DCF, 2021E P/BV, 2022E EV/EBIT, and 2022E P/E).

SUMMARY TABLE - KEY FIGURES

EURm	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021E	2022E	2023E
Total revenue	426	431	411	459	450	478	495
EBITDA (adj)	34	26	34	61	53	55	56
EBIT (adj)	15	5	8	39	32	35	36
EBIT (adj) margin	3.5%	1.1%	2.0%	8.6%	7.2%	7.3%	7.4%
EPS (adj, EUR)	0.25	-0.03	0.00	0.52	0.44	0.45	0.47
EPS (adj) growth	-16.0%	-111.8%	113.1%	3,268.1%	-16.3%	2.7%	6.0%
DPS (ord, EUR)	0.11	0.00	0.05	0.20	0.20	0.20	0.20
EV/Sales	0.8	0.4	0.5	0.7	0.7	0.6	0.5
EV/EBIT (adj)	22.3	41.2	24.8	8.4	9.1	8.0	7.1
P/E (adj)	17.5	n.m.	n.m.	9.8	11.0	10.7	10.1
P/BV	1.9	0.9	1.0	2.0	1.8	1.6	1.5
Dividend yield (ord)	2.5%	0.0%	2.2%	3.9%	4.2%	4.2%	4.2%
FCF Yield bef A&D, lease	-4.6%	14.7%	14.6%	15.6%	7.2%	10.8%	11.7%
Net debt	81	71	69	37	17	-2	-23
Net debt/EBITDA	2.4	2.8	2.0	0.6	0.3	0.0	-0.4
ROIC after tax	5.1%	1.6%	2.9%	14.5%	12.7%	14.3%	15.3%

Source: Company data and Nordea estimates

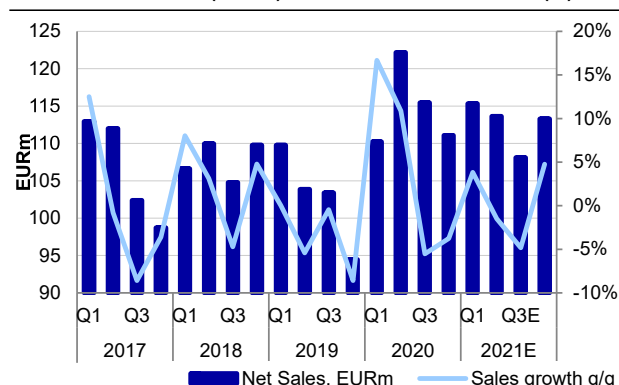
Q3 2021 and full-year estimates

OUR ESTIMATES AND VARA RESEARCH CONSENSUS (DPS AND EPS IN EUR)

EURm	Nordea estimates				Consensus estimates				Difference %			
	Q3 21E	2021E	2022E	2023E	Q3 21E	2021E	2022E	2023E	Q3 21E	2021E	2022E	2023E
Sales	108	450	478	495	100	432	456	n.a.	8%	4%	5%	n.a.
Comparable EBITDA	9	53	55	56	9	53	52	n.a.	-2%	-1%	5%	n.a.
EBITDA margin	8%	12%	12%	11%	9%	12%	11%	n.a.	-0.8pp	-0.6pp	0.0pp	n.a.
Comparable op profit	4	32	35	36	4	33	31	n.a.	-6%	-1%	11%	n.a.
Operating margin	3.5%	7.2%	7.3%	7.4%	4.0%	7.6%	6.9%	n.a.	-0.5pp	-0.4pp	0.4pp	n.a.
EPS	0.04	0.44	0.45	0.47	0.04	0.44	0.39	n.a.	0%	-1%	16%	n.a.
DPS		0.20	0.20	0.20		0.17	0.18	n.a.		18%	11%	n.a.

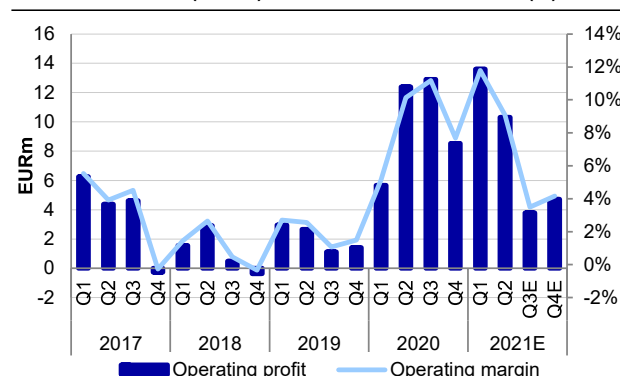
Source: Vara Research and Nordea estimates

QUARTERLY SALES (EURm) AND SALES GROWTH Y/Y (%)



Source: Company data and Nordea estimates

QUARTERLY EBIT (EURm) AND OPERATING MARGIN (%)



Source: Company data and Nordea estimates

OPERATING PROFIT BRIDGE (EURm), 2021E-23E

Bridge	2021E	2022E	2023E
EURm			
Previous EBIT	39.5	32.4	34.9
Volume	-1.7	2.8	2.8
Price	12.3	16.2	9.6
Cost inflation	-18.2	-17.2	-10.8
Currency	-1.4	0.2	-0.1
Structural	0.0	0.0	0.0
Savings through efficiencies	2.0	0.5	0.0
Change in EBIT	-7.1	2.5	1.5
Current year EBIT	32.4	34.9	36.4
Change y/y	-18%	8%	4%

Source: Nordea estimates

Reported numbers and forecasts

INCOME STATEMENT

EURm	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021E	2022E	2023E
Total revenue	443	402	444	417	426	431	411	459	450	478	495
Revenue growth	-2.5%	-9.4%	10.5%	-6.1%	2.2%	1.2%	-4.6%	11.5%	-1.9%	6.2%	3.5%
of which organic	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	0.0%	0.0%
of which FX	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	0.0%	0.0%
EBITDA	34	41	49	44	34	26	34	61	53	55	56
Depreciation and impairments PPE	-17	-16	-18	-18	-19	-21	-26	-21	-20	-20	-20
of which leased assets	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
EBITA	17	26	32	26	15	5	8	39	32	35	36
Amortisation and impairments	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
EBIT	17	26	32	26	15	5	8	39	32	35	36
of which associates	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Associates excluded from EBIT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Net financials	-7	-8	-5	-3	-3	-6	-6	-6	0	-2	-1
of which lease interest	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Changes in value, net	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Pre-tax profit	10	18	26	22	12	-1	2	34	33	33	35
Reported taxes	-8	-8	-9	-7	2	-1	-2	-4	-7	-7	-8
Net profit from continued operations	2	10	17	15	14	-2	0	30	25	26	28
Discontinued operations	-19	-5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Minority interests	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Net profit to equity	-16	5	17	15	14	-2	0	30	25	26	28
EPS, EUR	-0.33	0.10	0.34	0.30	0.25	-0.03	0.00	0.52	0.44	0.45	0.47
DPS, EUR	0.00	0.01	0.02	0.11	0.11	0.00	0.05	0.20	0.20	0.20	0.20
of which ordinary	0.00	0.01	0.02	0.11	0.11	0.00	0.05	0.20	0.20	0.20	0.20
of which extraordinary	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

Profit margin in percent

EBITDA	7.6%	10.3%	11.1%	10.6%	8.1%	5.9%	8.2%	13.3%	11.7%	11.5%	11.4%
EBITA	3.9%	6.4%	7.1%	6.1%	3.5%	1.1%	2.0%	8.6%	7.2%	7.3%	7.4%
EBIT	3.9%	6.4%	7.1%	6.1%	3.5%	1.1%	2.0%	8.6%	7.2%	7.3%	7.4%

Adjusted earnings

EBITDA (adj)	34	41	49	44	34	26	34	61	53	55	56
EBITA (adj)	17	26	32	26	15	5	8	39	32	35	36
EBIT (adj)	17	26	32	26	15	5	8	39	32	35	36
EPS (adj, EUR)	-0.33	0.10	0.34	0.30	0.25	-0.03	0.00	0.52	0.44	0.45	0.47

Adjusted profit margins in percent

EBITDA (adj)	7.6%	10.3%	11.1%	10.6%	8.1%	5.9%	8.2%	13.3%	11.7%	11.5%	11.4%
EBITA (adj)	3.9%	6.4%	7.1%	6.1%	3.5%	1.1%	2.0%	8.6%	7.2%	7.3%	7.4%
EBIT (adj)	3.9%	6.4%	7.1%	6.1%	3.5%	1.1%	2.0%	8.6%	7.2%	7.3%	7.4%

Performance metrics

CAGR last 5 years											
Net revenue	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	-1.3%	-0.6%	0.5%	0.7%	1.6%	2.3%	2.8%
EBITDA	n.m.	n.m.	n.m.	n.m.	3.8%	-5.4%	-4.1%	4.3%	3.5%	9.9%	17.1%
EBIT	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	6.3%	-23.3%	-20.7%	4.5%	4.8%	18.4%	51.3%
EPS	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.m.	n.m.	-47.9%	9.0%	7.7%	12.1%	n.m.
DPS	n.m.	n.m.	n.m.	n.m.	n.m.	n.m.	0.0%	14.9%	12.7%	12.7%	n.m.
Average last 5 years											
Average EBIT margin	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	5.2%	5.4%	4.9%	4.0%	4.3%	4.6%	5.4%	6.6%
Average EBITDA margin	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	9.1%	9.5%	9.2%	8.8%	9.3%	9.5%	10.2%	11.3%

VALUATION RATIOS - ADJUSTED EARNINGS

EURm	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021E	2022E	2023E
P/E (adj)	n.m.	40.1	18.4	13.8	17.5	n.m.	n.m.	9.8	11.0	10.7	10.1
EV/EBITDA (adj)	5.8	5.7	7.0	6.1	9.7	7.4	6.0	5.5	5.6	5.1	4.5
EV/EBITA (adj)	11.3	9.2	10.9	10.5	22.3	41.2	24.8	8.4	9.1	8.0	7.1
EV/EBIT (adj)	11.3	9.2	10.9	10.5	22.3	41.2	24.8	8.4	9.1	8.0	7.1

VALUATION RATIOS - REPORTED EARNINGS

EURm	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021E	2022E	2023E
P/E	n.m.	40.1	18.4	13.8	17.5	n.m.	n.m.	9.8	11.0	10.7	10.1
EV/Sales	0.44	0.59	0.78	0.64	0.79	0.44	0.49	0.73	0.66	0.58	0.52
EV/EBITDA	5.8	5.7	7.0	6.1	9.7	7.4	6.0	5.5	5.6	5.1	4.5
EV/EBITA	11.3	9.2	10.9	10.5	22.3	41.2	24.8	8.4	9.1	8.0	7.1
EV/EBIT	11.3	9.2	10.9	10.5	22.3	41.2	24.8	8.4	9.1	8.0	7.1
Dividend yield (ord.)	0.0%	1.2%	1.6%	2.7%	2.5%	0.0%	2.2%	3.9%	4.2%	4.2%	4.2%
FCF yield	-18.3%	5.1%	1.6%	-10.0%	-4.6%	14.7%	14.6%	15.6%	11.3%	10.8%	11.7%
FCF Yield bef A&D, lease adj	-18.3%	14.7%	1.6%	-10.0%	-4.6%	14.7%	14.6%	15.6%	7.2%	10.8%	11.7%
Payout ratio	0.0%	49.5%	29.6%	36.6%	43.6%	0.0%	1,284.7%	38.4%	45.9%	44.7%	42.2%

Source: Company data and Nordea estimates

BALANCE SHEET

EURm	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021E	2022E	2023E
Intangible assets	28	28	29	30	33	37	36	32	28	28	28
of which R&D	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
of which other intangibles	12	13	13	14	17	21	20	17	13	13	13
of which goodwill	16	16	16	16	16	16	15	15	15	15	15
Tangible assets	99	89	98	136	137	129	136	122	109	102	95
of which leased assets	0	0	0	0	0	0	14	18	18	18	18
Shares associates	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Interest bearing assets	0	8	8	7	3	3	4	4	4	4	4
Deferred tax assets	6	6	4	3	5	3	2	4	4	4	4
Other non-IB non-current assets	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Other non-current assets	1	3	2	3	2	1	0	0	0	0	0
Total non-current assets	134	134	142	179	180	174	178	164	146	139	132
Inventory	32	32	33	43	44	52	39	35	39	42	43
Accounts receivable	47	52	52	54	58	58	47	51	52	56	58
Short-term leased assets	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other current assets	8	7	10	11	16	9	8	9	9	10	10
Cash and bank	19	38	56	30	27	28	38	58	63	67	73
Total current assets	105	130	150	137	145	147	132	154	164	174	184
Assets held for sale	0	0	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
Total assets	239	264	292	316	326	321	310	317	310	312	316
Shareholders equity	79	109	126	143	136	131	132	146	156	170	186
Of which preferred stocks	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Of which equity part of hybrid debt	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Minority interest	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Equity	79	109	126	143	136	131	132	146	156	170	186
Deferred tax	7	9	11	11	15	12	13	13	13	13	13
Long term interest bearing debt	70	82	94	87	95	81	82	83	68	53	38
Pension provisions	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Other long-term provisions	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other long-term liabilities	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	0	0	0
Non-current lease debt	0	0	0	0	0	0	10	15	17	17	17
Convertible debt	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Shareholder debt	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hybrid debt	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total non-current liabilities	79	92	106	99	111	94	107	114	99	84	69
Short-term provisions	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Accounts payable	57	60	56	65	63	75	53	55	54	57	59
Current lease debt	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	3	0	0	0
Other current liabilities	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Short term interest bearing debt	24	3	3	8	15	21	14	0	0	0	0
Total current liabilities	82	64	60	74	78	96	70	58	55	58	60
Liabilities for assets held for sale	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total liabilities and equity	239	265	292	316	326	321	310	317	310	312	316
Balance sheet and debt metrics											
Net debt	76	38	34	58	81	71	69	37	17	-2	-23
of which lease debt	0	0	0	0	0	0	13	17	17	17	17
Working capital	29	31	37	42	55	43	41	41	46	49	51
Invested capital	163	165	180	220	235	217	219	204	192	188	183
Capital employed	173	194	223	237	247	232	242	246	241	240	241
ROE	-18.5%	5.3%	14.5%	11.4%	10.4%	-1.3%	0.2%	21.6%	16.8%	16.0%	15.5%
ROIC	7.4%	12.3%	14.4%	10.0%	5.1%	1.6%	2.9%	14.5%	12.7%	14.3%	15.3%
ROCE	9.1%	14.1%	15.2%	11.1%	6.2%	1.9%	3.4%	16.2%	13.3%	14.5%	15.1%
Net debt/EBITDA	2.2	0.9	0.7	1.3	2.4	2.8	2.0	0.6	0.3	0.0	-0.4
Interest coverage	n.m.	n.m.	n.m.	n.m.	n.m.	0.8	n.m.	n.m.	n.m.	n.m.	n.m.
Equity ratio	32.9%	41.1%	43.1%	45.3%	41.8%	40.7%	42.7%	46.0%	50.2%	54.4%	58.9%
Net gearing	96.7%	35.3%	26.6%	40.7%	59.6%	54.7%	51.9%	25.4%	10.9%	-1.0%	-12.2%

Source: Company data and Nordea estimates

CASH FLOW STATEMENT

EURm	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021E	2022E	2023E
EBITDA (adj) for associates	34	41	49	44	34	26	34	61	53	55	56
Paid taxes	-8	-8	-9	-7	2	6	-1	-2	-7	-7	-8
Net financials	-7	-8	-5	-3	-3	-5	-5	-4	0	-2	-1
Change in provisions	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Change in other LT non-IB	-1	-2	1	1	-1	3	3	-2	-2	0	0
Cash flow to/from associates	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dividends paid to minorities	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other adj to reconcile to cash flow	-34	6	-1	0	-3	-3	-2	5	-4	0	0
Funds from operations (FFO)	-16	31	35	35	30	27	28	58	40	46	48
Change in NWC	0	6	-8	-6	-8	6	2	-1	-6	-3	-2
Cash flow from operations (CFO)	-16	37	27	29	22	32	30	57	34	43	46
Capital expenditure	-6	-8	-22	-50	-34	-15	-11	-11	-14	-13	-13
Free cash flow before A&D	-22	29	5	-21	-12	17	19	46	20	30	33
Proceeds from sale of assets	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	12	0	0
Acquisitions	0	-19	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Free cash flow	-22	10	5	-21	-12	17	19	46	32	30	33
Free cash flow bef A&D, lease adj	-22	29	5	-21	-12	17	19	46	20	30	33
Dividends paid	0	0	-3	-5	-6	-6	0	-3	-12	-12	-12
Equity issues / buybacks	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Net change in debt	0	0	0	0	0	-8	-10	-17	-15	-15	-15
Other financing adjustments	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other non-cash adjustments	26	10	15	0	15	-3	0	-6	0	0	0
Change in cash	4	20	17	-26	-2	1	10	20	5	4	6
Cash flow metrics											
Capex/D&A	33.8%	49.7%	n.m.	n.m.	n.m.	70.6%	41.2%	50.8%	69.7%	64.7%	66.0%
Capex/Sales	1.3%	1.9%	5.0%	11.9%	7.9%	3.4%	2.6%	2.4%	3.1%	2.7%	2.7%
Key information											
Share price year end (/current)	2	4	6	4	4	2	2	5	5	5	5
Market cap.	119	199	312	210	254	118	133	296	280	280	280
Enterprise value	195	238	345	268	335	189	202	333	297	278	257
Diluted no. of shares, year-end (m)	49.6	49.2	50.3	50.8	57.4	57.5	57.5	58.3	58.3	58.3	58.3

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