

# **EQUITY RESEARCH**

# EXPERT.AI NEWS

BUY, TP of 1.7€ Up/Downside: +116%

# The US market is the growth driver for the business

# Strong revenue generation in the US, from €0.9m H1 2021 to €3.8m H1 2022

The company has published an overview of the first half results which will be released in September. Revenues generated were around €13.7m against expectations of €15m, but it should be noted that:

- -Around 50% of SaaS revenues are now recurring (€6.8M vs. €4.5M in H1 2021).
- -The US sales force managed to generate €3.9M, a 300% growth rate compared to H1 2021.
- -More than 20 new customers have signed up and integrated expert.ai's technology into their business.

These results are in line with the strategic development plan for the US market.

We therefore confirm our current Buy recommendation, with an adjusted TP of  $\epsilon$ 1.7 (versus  $\epsilon$ 2.7) after taking into account the sharp rise in interest rates. The upside potential remains significant.

#### **Key data**

Price (€)	0.8
Industry	Packaged Software
Ticker	EXAI-IT
Shares Out (m)	50,776.870
Market Cap (m €)	39,402.9
Average trading volumes (k shares / day)	31.683
Next event	29 Sept S1 2022

#### Ownership (%)

Ergo s.r.l.	8.6
Marco Varone	6.3
Stefano Spaggiari	6.1
Free float	79.0

EPS (€)	12/22e	12/23e	12/24e
Estimates	-0.24	-0.09	0.04
Change vs previous estimates (%)	na	na	0.00

Performance (%)	1D	1M	YTD
Price Perf	2.1	-4.0	-65.4
Rel FTSE Italy	0.1	-2.6	-56.7



TP ICAP Midcap Estimates	12/21	12/22e	12/23e	12/24e
Sales (m €)	39.7	50.5	65.0	85.0
Current Op Inc (m €)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Current op. Margin (%)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
EPS (€)	-0.31	-0.24	-0.09	0.04
DPS (€)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Yield (%)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
FCF (m €)	-17.8	-16.0	-9.0	-0.8

Valuation Ratio	12/22e	12/23e	12/24e
EV/Sales	780.0	606.3	463.7
EV/EBITDA	na	6,614.3	2,583.3
PE	na	na	19.7

Consensus FactSet - Analysts:na	12/22e	12/23e	12/24e
Sales	39.5	52.9	72.5
EBIT	-12.0	-6.0	4.2
Net income	-12.1	-6.6	1.7







# FINANCIAL DATA

Income Statement	12/19	12/20	12/21	12/22e	12/23e	12/24e
Sales	39.7	37.4	39.7	50.5	65.0	85.0
Changes (%)	11.9	-5.8	5.9	27.4	28.7	30.8
Gross profit	38.5	37.4	39.7	50.5	65.0	85.0
% of Sales	96.9	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
EBITDA	5.5	-1.9	-9.5	-3.6	6.0	15.3
% of Sales	13.7	-5.1	-23.8	-7.2	9.2	17.9
<b>Current operating profit</b>	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
% of Sales	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Non-recurring items	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
EBIT	-2.9	-9.5	-17.2	-11.3	-3.7	3.5
Net financial result	2.1	3.1	-1.6	-0.7	-0.7	-0.7
Income Tax	0.2	-0.9	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.8
Net profit, group share	-1.0	-5.4	-15.7	-12.0	-4-4	2.0
EPS	na	na	na	na	na	0.04
Financial Statement	12/19	12/20	12/21	12/22e	12/23e	12/24e
Goodwill	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Tangible and intangible assets	13.8	14.3	19.2	20.3	20.6	19.4
Right of Use	0.0	0.0	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5
Financial assets	0.3	0.3	7.9	7.9	7.9	7.9
Working capital	9.6	12.6	14.2	17.9	22.8	27.3
Other Assets	3.8	3.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Assets	27.5	30.6	43.8	48.5	53.8	57.1
Shareholders equity group	20.9	44.6	32.0	19.9	15.5	17.5
Minorities	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
LT & ST provisions and others	0.1	0.0	9.8	5.6	5.6	5.6
Net debt	1.6	-20.9	-3.3	16.2	25.9	27.2
Other liabilities	4.8	7.0	5.3	6.8	6.8	6.8
Liabilities	27.5	30.6	43.8	48.5	53.8	57.1
Net debt excl. IFRS 16	1.6	-20.9	-3.3	16.2	25.9	27.2
Gearing net	0.1	-0.5	-0.1	0.8	1.7	1.6
Leverage	0.3	10.9	0.3	-4.4	4.3	1.8
Cash flow statement	12/19	12/20	12/21	12/22e	12/23e	12/24e
CF after elimination of net borrowing costs and taxes	1.2	2,2	-8.0	-4.4	5.2	13.8
ΔWCR	-3.5	-2.9	-1.6	-3.7	-4.9	-4.5
Operating cash flow	-2.3	-0.8	-9.6	-8.0	0.3	9.2
Net capex	-6.6	-8.1	-6.7	-8.7	-10.0	-10.5
FCF	-5.4	-11.6	-17.8	-16.0	-9.0	-0.8
Acquisitions/Disposals of subsidiaries	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Other investments	7.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Change in borrowings	4.0	12.7	-7.5	1.5	0.0	0.0
Dividends paid	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Repayment of leasing debt	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Others	7.1	32.7	0.3	-2.7	0.0	0.0
Changes in exchange rates	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Change in net cash over the year	9.6	36.5	-23.5	-18.0	-9.7	-1.3
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