Befimmo

Belgium/ Real Estate

Preview note

Investment Research

Hold

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Recommendation uncl	hanged		
Share price: EU	R	5	50.77
closing price as of 14/02/2014			
Target price: El	JR	5	54.00
Target Price unchange	ed		
Reuters/Bloomberg		BEFB.B	R/BEFB BB
Daily avg. no. trad. sh. 12 ı	mth		20,816
Daily avg. trad. vol. 12 mth			1,059.93
Price high 12 mth (EUR)	(11)		52.03
Price low 12 mth (EUR)			45.48
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Abs. perf. 1 mth			0.8%
Abs. perf. 3 mth			-1.4%
Abs. perf. 12 mth			3.7%
Market capitalisation (EUF	Rm)		1,074
Current N° of shares (m)			21
Free float			74%
Key financials (EUR)	12/12	12/13e	12/14e
Gross Rental Income (m)	129	137	138
EBITDA (m)	87	115	116
EBITDA margin	64.5%	81.2%	81.1%
Portfolio Result (m) Net Financial Result	(35)	(10)	(5)
Net Profit (adj.)(m)	(41) 75	(21) 85	(34) 77
Funds From Operations	74.93	84.59	77.38
EPS (adj.)	4.24	4.36	3.99
DPS	3.45	3.45	3.50
IFRS NAVPS	54.10	56.06	56.35
EPRA NAVPS	54.18	56.06	56.35
Premium/(Discount)	(13.2%)	(10.0%)	(9.9%)
Earnings adj. yield	8.4%	8.6%	7.9%
Dividend yield	6.8%	6.8%	6.9%
EV/EBITDA	22.4	17.7	18.0
P/E (adj.)	11.1	11.6	12.7
Int. cover(EBITDA/Fin.int)	2.1	5.5	3.5
Net debt/(cash) (m)	948	973	1,020

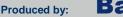
Shareholders: AG Insurance 15%; AXA Belgium 9%; Own shares 2%:

For company description please see summary table footnote

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2013 preview

The facts: Financial year 2013 results will be released on February 20 after market close. An analyst meeting will be organised the same day.

Our analysis: 2013 earnings will have benefited from a EUR 3.4m indemnity from the tenant General Electric leaving earlier than the break date (recorded in 1H) in a very good location in the Brussels CBD (Rond-Point Schuman).

Financial year 2013 and in particular the first half has been charachterised by some big changes in the composition of the portfolio. Befimmo activity was made during 1H by the acquisition of two major additional assets (Blue Tower from Morgan Stanley P2 Value in Brussels and AMCA building from Axa in Antwerp) and, as a consequence of one of these transactions, of the entry into the capital of a new shareholder, Axa Belgium, with 9.6%.

As a result, at the end of 1H the debt ratio was down at 48.5% (46.1% with AMCA) from 49.3% at the end of December 2012 so that the firepower of Befimmo for new investments climbed to EUR 209m (with AMCA), compared to EUR 99m earlier, before reaching a LTV of 50% that the company does not want to exceed. This compares to a lower amount of unused credit lines of EUR 113.7m. The doubling of the firepower may excite the appetite of Befimmo for potential major deals rumoured in the market, having however in mind a higher committed capex program for 2013 and 2014 (cf details at the end of this note) on top of the possible construction of the WTC IV (issue of a tender in September).

Comparison Table:

Befimmo (EUR m)	FY2012A	1Q 2013A	1H2013A	3Q2013A	9M2013A	4Q2013E	2H 2013E	FY 2013E
Net rental income	128754	32500	68709	33991	102700	34499	68490	137199
Operating res of buildings	86754	30500	59647	n.a	n.a.	n.a.	55714	115361
Operating margin (%)	67.4%	93.8%	86.8%	n.a	n.a.	n.a.	81.3%	84.1%
Net profit adjusted (gr share)	74926	n.a.	44836	18720	63556	21039	39759	84595
EPS adjusted	4.24	1.13	2.39	0.96	3.35	1.01	1.97	4.36

Sources: company data, Degroof estimates

We anticipate that Befimmo will continue to benefit from a lower charge of interest rates despite a somewhat higher debt level.

Taking into consideration the release of Cofinimmo results, we should expect some pressure on the NAV figure that we anticipate at EUR 56.1, compared to EUR 56.29 at the end of September but before the detachment of the interim dividend of EUR 2.59 that occurred in November.

We may anticipate some news about the future lease of the building Rond-Point Schuman (somewhat more than 1% of the total area of the portfolio) of which about the rental level.

Conclusion & Action: We will particularly keep attention to the evolution of the NAV and of the 2014 outlook considering at the one hand some encouraging news about the liquidity of the Brussels office market but at the other one, and strangly enough, some possible further pressure on the value of the portfolio. No change in TP and recommendation.

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Befimmo: Summary tables

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EBITDA growth 5.7% 15.0% -32.7% 33.0% 0.8%	1.2%
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Befimmo: Summary tables

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RATIOS	09/2010	12/2011	12/2012	12/2013e	12/2014e	12/2015e
Net Debt/Equity	0.7	0.8	0.9	0.8	0.9	0.9
Net Debt/EBITDA	7.0	6.8	10.9	8.4	8.8	8.8
Interest cover (EBITDA/Fin.interest)	4.2	4.4	2.1	5.5	3.5	3.4
Total Debt/Total Assets	45.5%	47.2%	50.8%	47.6%	48.5%	48.7%
LTV	41.8%	44.3%	48.3%	44.1%	45.1%	45.2%
Cash Flow from Operations/Capex	1.5	1.8	1.0	0.5	1.8	4.2
ROE	7.8%	8.4%	7.5%	7.1%	6.5%	6.5%
ROCE	6.0%	6.7%	4.4%	5.6%	5.3%	5.2%
WACC	6.0%	6.0%	6.0%	6.0%	6.0%	6.0%
ROCE/WACC	1.0	1.1	0.7	0.9	0.9	0.9
Payout ratio	140.3%	101.3%	n.m.	84.4%	93.8%	89.9%
PER SHARE DATA (EUR)**	09/2010	12/2011	12/2012	12/2013e	12/2014e	12/2015e
Average diluted number of shares	16.8	16.8	17.7	19.4	19.4	19.4
Diluted Number of shares end of period	16.8	17.5	19.1	21.2	21.2	21.2
EPS (reported)	2.8	4.9	0.4	4.1	3.7	4.0
EPS (adj.)	5.0	5.4	4.2	4.4	4.0	4.0
DPS	3.9	4.9	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.6
IFRS NAV	56.0	52.4	54.1	56.1	56.3	56.9
EPRA NAV	61.7	51.9	54.2	56.1	56.3	56.9
EPRA NNNAV	60.3	52.1	53.4	56.1	56.3	56.9
PORTFOLIO KEY FIGURES	09/2010	12/2011	12/2012	12/2013e	12/2014e	12/2015e
Occupancy Rate	93.8%	93.8%	95.5%	95.0%	95.0%	95.0%
Portfolio Yield	6.9%	7.0%	6.8%	6.8%	6.8%	6.8%
Portfolio Yield on Full Occupancy	6.6%	6.6%	6.7%	6.7%	6.7%	6.7%
Average length of leases (end of contract)	0.0	9.2	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Average length of leases (first break)	9.4	9.2	9.2	9.4	9.4	9.4
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VALUATION	09/2010	12/2011	12/2012	12/2013e	12/2014e	12/2015e
Premium/(discount) to NAV	6.5%	(7.8%)	(13.2%)	(10.0%)	(9.9%)	(10.7%)
Premium/(discount) to EPRA NAV	(3.3%)	(6.9%)	(13.3%)	(10.0%)	(9.9%)	(10.7%)
P/E (adj.)	11.8	9.0	11.1	11.6	12.7	12.7
EV/Earnings adj.	22.8	20.7	25.9	24.1	27.1	27.2
EV/EBITDA	17.3	14.5	22.4	17.7	18.0	17.9
EV AND MKT CAP (EURm)	09/2010	12/2011	12/2012	12/2013e	12/2014e	12/2015e
Price* (EUR)	59.6	48.3	47.0	50.5	50.8	50.8
Outstanding number of shares for main stock	18.2	19.1	21.2	21.2	21.2	21.2
Total Market Cap	1083.5	924.4	993.4	1067.4	1074.2	1074.2
Net Debt	787.3	874.3	947.8	973.5	1019.6	1033.9
o/w Cash & Marketable Securities	-3.5	-4.2	-2.3	-4.6	-4.6	-4.6
o/w Gross Debt (+)	790.8	878.5	950.1	978.0	1024.2	1038.4
Other EV components	64.4	67.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Enterprise Value (EV adj.)	1935.2	1866.5	1941.2	2040.9	2093.8	2108.1
Source: Company, Bank Degroof estimates						

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Notes

*Price (in local currency): Fiscal year end price for Historical Years and Current Price for current and forecasted years **EPS (adj.) diluted= Net Profit (adj.)/Avg DIL. Ord. (+ Ord. equivalent) Shs. EPS (reported) = Net Profit reported/Avg DIL. Ord. (+ Ord. equivalent) Shs.

Sector: Real Estate/Real estate

Company Description: With a portfolio predominantly made by public tenants in Brussels, Befimmo has probably the most defensive and transparent portfolio among Belgian REITs. Befimmo is one of the two largest Belgian REITs listed in the BEL20 but also on EPRA Europe.



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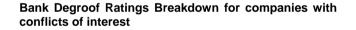
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- Recommendations Total Return Range changed as below:

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Recommendation	Target price	Price at change date
Hold	54.00	49.34
Hold	52.88	50.00
Hold	51.92	51.87
Hold	50.00	45.48
Hold	48.08	42.84
Hold	51.92	47.65
Hold	54.81	50.23
Hold	56.73	55.18
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Source: Factset & ESN, price data adjusted for stock splits.

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