

# BerentzenGruppe Aktiengesellschaft

Outperform | Target price: 9.00€

Price (23/10/2023) : 5.75 € | Upside : 57%

Revision

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## Full release of Q3 2023 - In line with weak preliminaries

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	Share data				
	BEZ3 GR   BEZ.DE				
	Market Cap (€m)		55		
	Enterprise value (€m)		63		
	Extrema 12 months (€)	5.18 _	6.90		
	Free Float (%)		73.8		

Performance (%)	1m	3m	12m
Absolute	-7.3	-6.5	10.6
Perf. rel. Country Index	-3.0	0.5	1.2
Perf. rel. Food producer	-2.5	3.6	14.0

P&L	12/23e	12/24e	12/25e
Sales (€m)	186	191	197
EBITDA (€m)	15.7	16.1	16.5
Current EBIT (€m)	7.1	7.5	7.9
Attr. net profit (€m)	4.6	4.9	5.2
Adjusted EPS (€)	0.49	0.52	0.55
Dividend (€)	0.25	0.26	0.28
P/E (x)	11.7	11.1	10.4
P/B (x)	1.0	1.0	0.9
Dividend Yield (%)	4.3	4.5	4.8
FCF yield (%)	ns	6.3	7.5
EV/Sales (x)	0.34	0.33	0.32
EV/EBITDA (x)	4.0	3.9	3.8
EV/Current EBIT (x)	8.9	8.4	7.9
Gearing (%)	4	4	3
Net Debt/EBITDA (x)	0.1	0.1	0.1

Earnings Release

### Subdued revenue and earnings momentum

Berentzen has reported final Q3 2023 operating results which were in line with the preliminary release of 16 October 2023. While the third quarter of 2022 was one of the strongest quarters in Berentzen's history due to catch-up effects after the pandemic, Q3 2023 was characterised by an extremely negative market situation (i.e. consumer restraint due to economic concerns, high inflation) with a decline in revenues (-5% y-o-y to € 45.6m) and margins (EBITDA margin -210bp y-o-y to 8.6%) and below ODDO BHF's forecasts (revenues € 50.2m, EBITDA margin 9.6%). The company is now countering the market situation with a comprehensive sales marketing programme which is to take effect in Q4 2023.

Q3 2023 results review						
€m	Q3 23	Q3 22	Ү-о-у	ODDO BHFe	Δ	
Revenue	45.6	48.1	-5.2%	50.2	-9.1%	
EBITDA	3.9	5.2	-24.4%	4.8	-18.9%	
EBITDA margin	8.6%	10.7%	-210bp	9.6%	-100bp	
EBIT	1.7	3.1	-43.2%	2.7	-34.9%	
EBIT margin	3.8%	6.4%	-260bp	5.3%	-150bp	

Sources: ODDO BHF Securities, company

#### Segment revenues with mixed results

In Q3 2023, revenues in the major segments, except for the largest one (the spirits segment) were down y-o-y and below our estimates (except for the "other" segments).

- Spirits segment € 26.6m (+4% y-o-y) vs € 28.1m estimated
- Non-alcoholic beverages € 11.9m (-22% y-o-y) vs € 16m estimated
- Fresh Juice System € 5.1m (-2% y-o-y) vs € 5.5m estimated
- Other segments € 1.9m (-9% y-o-y), vs € 0.6m estimated

#### Outperform rating maintained

Following the release of preliminary numbers, we have already adjusted our estimates for FY 2023e to FY 2025e and have lowered our target price to € 9.0. For further details see our report "Slower growth ahead. Target price cut to €9.0" published on 17 October 2023. We confirm our rating (Outperform) and target price (€ 9.0).

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BEZ.DE   BEZ3 GR	Oı	utperform				Price 5.75	5€	
Beverages   Germany	Ups	side 56.	52%			TP 9.00	)€	
PER SHARE DATA (€)	12/18	12/19	12/20	12/21	12/22	12/23e	12/24e	12/25e
Adjusted EPS Reported EPS	0.52 <b>0.55</b>	0.47 <b>0.52</b>	0.07 <b>0.13</b>	0.30 <b>0.39</b>	0.35 <b>0.22</b>	0.49 <b>0.49</b>	0.52 <b>0.52</b>	0.55 <b>0.55</b>
Growth in adjusted EPS	ns	-9.5%	-84.8%	ns	14.3%	42.3%	5.5%	6.5%
Net dividend per share FCF to equity per share	0.28 -0.10	0.28 1.03	0.13 0.91	0.22 0.34	0.22 -0.44	0.25 -0.81	0.26 0.36	0.28 0.43
Book value per share	5.05	5.24	5.03	5.20	5.33	5.60	5.87	6.15
Number of shares market cap (m)	9.60	9.60	9.60	9.60	9.60	9.60	9.60	9.60
Number of diluted shares (m)  VALUATION (€m)	9.60 12/18	9.60 <b>12/19</b>	9.60 <b>12/20</b>	9.60 <b>12/21</b>	9.60 <b>12/22</b>	9.60 12/23e	9.60 <b>12/24</b> e	9.60 <b>12/25</b> e
12m highest price (€)	8.55	7.20	7.70	7.10	6.90	6.90	,	
12m lowest price (€) (*) Reference price (€)	6.10 7.36	5.86 6.48	4.95 5.89	5.66 6.22	5.00 6.17	5.74 5.75	5.75	5.75
Capitalization	7.36	62.2	56.5	59.7	59.3	55.2	55.2	55.2
Restated Net debt	-7.6	-12.5	-16.0	-17.5	-9.6	1.9	2.1	1.8
Minorities (fair value)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Financial fixed assets (fair value) Provisions	0.0 9.5	0.0 9.3	0.0 8.6	0.0 8.0	0.0 5.8	0.0 5.8	0.0 5.8	0.0 5.8
Enterprise Value	72.7	58.9	49.1	50.2	55.4	62.9	63.1	62.8
P/E (x)	14.2	13.8	82.5	20.6	17.9	11.7	11.1	10.4
P/CF (x) Net Yield	5.8 3.8%	4.8 4.3%	7.8 2.2%	13.1 3.5%	4.4 3.6%	7.5 4.3%	7.0 4.5%	4.1 4.8%
FCF yield	3.6% ns	15.9%	15.5%	5.5%	ns	4.5% ns	6.3%	7.5%
P/B incl. GW (x)	1.46	1.24	1.17	1.20	1.16	1.03	0.98	0.93
P/B excl. GW (x) EV/Sales (x)	1.46 0.45	1.24 0.35	1.17 0.32	1.20 0.34	1.16 0.32	1.03 0.34	0.98 0.33	0.93 0.32
EV/EBITDA (x)	4.2	3.2	3.5	3.3	3.3	4.0	3.9	3.8
EV/Current EBIT (x)	7.4	6.0	9.4	7.5	6.7	8.9	8.4	7.9
(*) historical average price PROFIT AND LOSS (€m)	12/18	12/19	12/20	12/21	12/22	12/23e	12/24e	12/25e
Sales	162	167	155	146	174	186	191	197
EBITDA Depreciations	17.3 -7.5	18.4 -8.5	14.1 -8.9	15.4 -8.6	16.7 -8.3	15.7 -8.6	16.1 -8.6	16.5 -8.6
Current EBIT	-7.3 <b>9.8</b>	9.8	5.2	-6.0 <b>6.7</b>	-o.s 8.3	-6.6 <b>7.1</b>	-o.o 7.5	-0.0 <b>7.9</b>
Published EBIT	9.0	8.7	3.7	6.7	5.8	7.1	7.5	7.9
Net financial income Corporate Tax	-1.6 -2.3	-1.5 -2.3	-1.5 -1.0	-1.4 -1.6	-1.7 -2.1	-0.5 -2.0	-0.5 -2.1	-0.5 -2.2
Net income of equity-accounted companies	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Profit/loss of discontinued activities (after tax)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Minority interests Attributable net profit	0.0 5.2	0.0 4.9	0.0 1.2	0.0 3.7	0.0 2.1	0.0 4.6	0.0 4.9	0.0 5.2
Adjusted attributable net profit	4.9	4.4	0.7	2.8	3.2	4.6	4.9	5.2
BALANCE SHEET (€m)	12/18	12/19	12/20	12/21	12/22	12/23e	12/24e	12/25e
Goodwill Other intangible assets	6.1 6.0	6.1 5.6	6.1 4.7	6.1 3.7	6.1 3.3	6.1 2.8	6.1 2.4	6.1 2.0
Tangible fixed assets	45.8	45.4	42.2	43.5	44.4	47.3	49.6	51.8
WCR	37.8	33.9	27.3	20.2	28.5	33.5	28.7	28.6
Financial assets Ordinary shareholders equity	1.9 47.4	2.8 49.2	4.0 47.2	4.1 48.9	4.6 50.1	11.1 52.6	16.8 55.1	17.5 57.8
Minority interests	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Shareholders equity Non-current provisions	47.4 57.7	49.2 57.0	47.2 53.0	48.9 46.2	50.1 46.4	52.6 46.4	55.1 46.4	57.8 46.4
Net debt	-7.6	- <b>12.5</b>	- <b>16.0</b>	- <b>17.5</b>	-9.6	40.4 <b>1.9</b>	2.1	1.8
CASH FLOW STATEMENT (€m)	12/18	12/19	12/20	12/21	12/22	12/23e	12/24e	12/25e
EBITDA Change in WCR	<b>17.3</b> -6.5	<b>18.4</b> 4.0	<b>14.1</b> 6.5	<b>15.4</b> 7.2	<b>16.7</b> -8.4	<b>15.7</b> -5.0	<b>16.1</b> 4.9	<b>16.5</b> 0.0
Interests & taxes	1.3	-1.0	-2.5	0.3	-0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0
Others	-6.6	-4.8	-4.5	-11.2	-3.2	-8.5	-8.3	-3.3
Operating Cash flow CAPEX	5.6 -6.5	16.6 -6.9	13.6 -5.0	11.6 -8.4	4.9 -9.0	2.1 -9.8	12.6 -9.2	13.3 -9.2
Free cash-flow	-0.9	9.7	8.6	3.2	-4.1	- <b>7.7</b>	3.4	4.0
Acquisitions / disposals	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Dividends Net capital increase	-2.1 0.0	-2.6 0.0	-2.6 0.0	-1.2 0.0	-2.1 0.0	-2.1 0.0	-2.4 0.0	-2.5 0.0
Others	0.0	-0.7	-1.2	-1.2	-1.3	-1.3	-1.3	-1.3
Change in net cash	-3.1	4.9	3.5	1.5	-7.9 <b>12/22</b>	-11.5 12/23e	-0.2	0.2
GROWTH MARGINS PRODUCTIVITY Sales growth	12/18 1.1%	12/19 3.2%	12/20 -7.7%	12/21 -5.5%	19.2%	6.5%	12/24e 3.0%	12/25e 3.0%
Lfl sales growth	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Current EBIT growth Growth in adjusted EPS	6.3%	0.1% -9.5%	-46.9%	28.8%	24.2%	-14.9%	5.4% 5.5%	6.0%
Net margin	ns 3.0%	-9.5% 2.6%	-84.8% 0.4%	ns 1.9%	14.3% 1.9%	42.3% 2.5%	2.5%	6.5% 2.6%
EBITDA margin	10.7%	11.0%	9.1%	10.5%	9.6%	8.4%	8.4%	8.4%
Current EBIT margin CAPEX / Sales	6.0%	<b>5.9%</b> -4.3%	<b>3.4%</b> -3.3%	<b>4.6%</b> -5.8%	<b>4.8%</b> -5.2%	<b>3.8%</b> -5.3%	<b>3.9%</b> -4.8%	<b>4.0%</b> -4.7%
WCR / Sales	-4.2% 23.3%	20.2%	-3.3 <i>%</i> 17.7%	13.8%	16.4%	18.1%	15.0%	14.5%
Tax Rate	27.5%	27.5%	27.4%	30.9%	31.1%	30.0%	30.0%	30.0%
Normative tax rate Asset Turnover	30.0% 1.7	30.0% 1.8	30.0% 1.8	30.0%	30.0% 2.2	30.0% 2.2	30.0% 2.2	30.0%
Asset Turnover ROCE post-tax (normative tax rate)	1./ <b>7.4</b> %	1.8 <b>7.4%</b>	1.8 <b>4.3</b> %	1.9 <b>6.1%</b>	7.5%	5.8%	2.2 5.9%	2.2 <b>6.3</b> %
ROCE post-tax hors GW (normative tax rate)	7.9%	7.9%	4.6%	6.6%	8.1%	6.2%	6.4%	6.8%
ROE DEBT RATIOS	10.6% 12/18	9.2% 12/19	1.4% 12/20	5.9% <b>12/21</b>	6.6% <b>12/22</b>	9.0% 12/23e	9.0% <b>12/24</b> e	9.2% 12/25e
Gearing	-16%	-25%	-34%	-36%	-19%	4%	4%	3%
Net Debt / Market Cap	-0.11	-0.20	-0.28	-0.29	-0.16	0.03	0.04	0.03
Net debt / EBITDA EBITDA / net financial charges	<b>-0.44</b> 11.1	- <b>0.68</b> 11.9	- <b>1.13</b> 9.6	- <b>1.14</b> 10.9	- <b>0.58</b> 10.0	<b>0.12</b> 30.8	<b>0.13</b> 30.6	<b>0.11</b> 31.5
Sources: ODDO BHF Securities, SIX	11.1	11.7	7.0	10.7	10.0	50.0	50.0	51.5



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Date	Reco	Price Target (EUR)	Price (EUR)	Analyst
17/10/23	Outperform	9.00	6.10	Klaus Breitenbach
30/05/23	Outperform	10.00	6.50	Klaus Breitenbach

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