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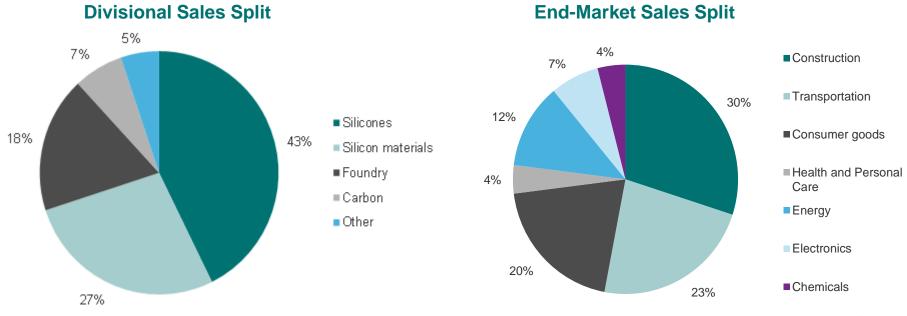
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Elkem: Third largest producer of silicones globally

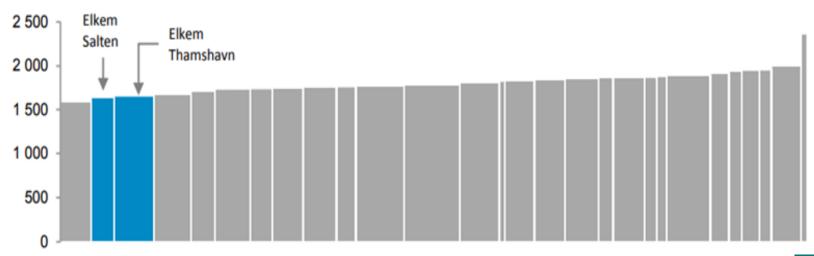
- Established in 1904, acquired BSI and Xinghuo Silicones in 2015 and is a fully integrated silicone company
- Largest geographic markets are Europe and China
- Wide range of uses with largest end markets in construction, transportation and consumer goods



Elkem: Leading upstream assets and improving downstream revenue mix

- Elkem is one of the most cost-efficient silicon producers globally
- Production facilities in Europe and China limit the consequences of a trade war and tariff increases
- Increased revenue share of speciality silicones which have better margins than commodity products
 - Speciality silicones are 2/3^{rds} of sales ex-China and 1/3rd of China sales

Elkem: Net Operating costs (ex-China), USD/tonne

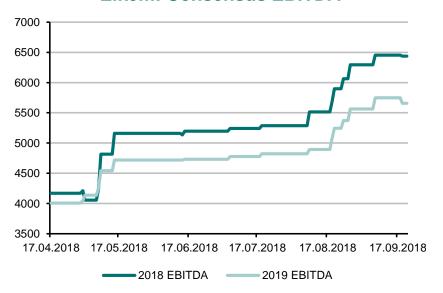




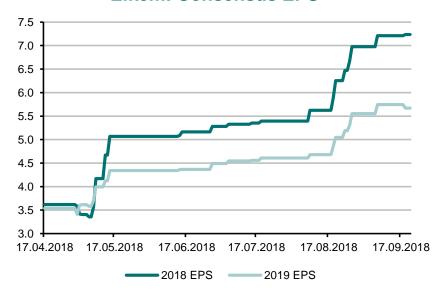
Elkem: Positive consensus estimate revisions

- Management was careful to moderate investor expectations after the strong Q2 results
 - Consensus Q3 EBITDA expectations are 25% below the level reported in Q2
- Consensus 2018 EPS estimates have risen by 60% since April

Elkem: Consensus EBITDA



Elkem: Consensus EPS

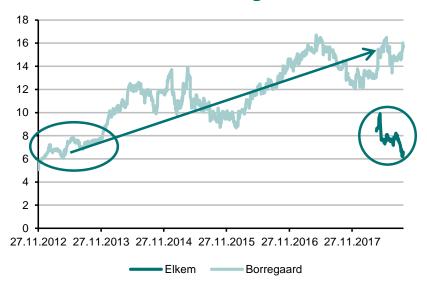




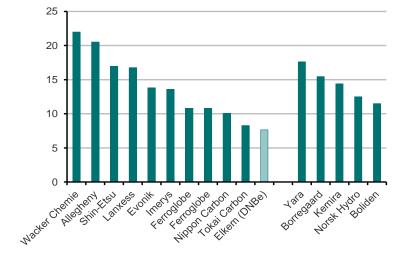
Elkem: Re-rating potential as the market becomes more familiar with the story

- Is trading at a low multiple because investors are still unfamiliar with the company
 - Has only published two sets of quarterly results since the IPO in March this year
- Current valuation looks similar to Borregaard after its spin-off from Orkla in 2012
 - When investors became more familiar with the Borregaard investment case, the valuation multiples expanded

Elkem and Borregaard P/E



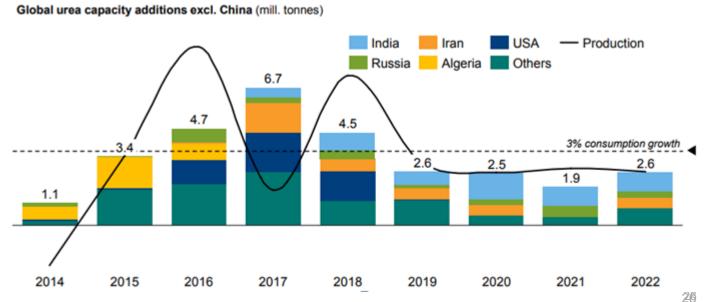
Elkem P/E versus peer group





Yara: Upside to earnings estimates

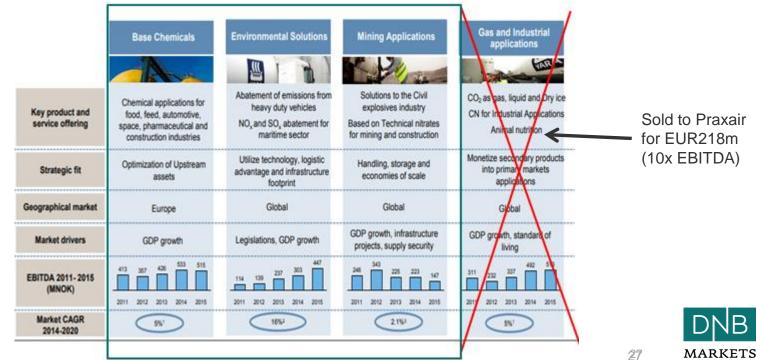
- Industry capacity growth is set to decline to ~2.5% in 2019/20 compared to an average of 5% in 2015-18
 - Sanctions against Iran could limit the supply growth even further
- Yara has launched various projects to remove production bottlenecks, increase capacity and reduce costs
 - The programme has been running ahead of schedule in recent quarters
- Run-rate EPS is currently USD3.8 compared to FY 2019 consensus of USD3.3/share





Yara: Structural improvement potential

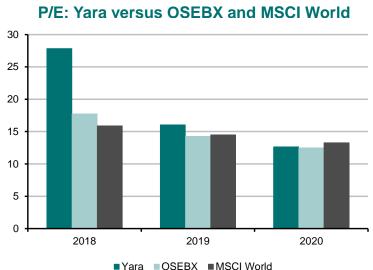
- Activist investor Magni Partners should be a catalyst for crystalising shareholder value
 - Magni disclosed a 1% stake and is likely to get board representation in our view
- This should keep pressure on the company to increase the scope of the current efficiency programme
- Divestments could unlock shareholder value



Yara: Quantitative rank improvement should generate buying interest

- Has had a low quant ranking on P/E, share price momentum and earnings revisions in H1 2018
- Share price rebound in Q3 has already resulted in an improvement in momentum rankings
- Consensus earnings estimates bottomed out after the Q2 results
- The normalising of EPS results in the P/E multiple falling from 27x in 2018e to 12x in 2020e







Source: Bloomberg (underlying data), DNB Markets (further calculations)

Sector Preference: Energy

- Energy is a sector that typically outperforms the market in the late cycle phase
 - Demand rises faster than supply can adjust while spare capacity has already been absorbed
- The sector has now grown into its valuation
- But late in the cycle, stock picking becomes more important
 - We prefer E&P relative to Oil Service due to better earnings revisions

Oil Price and US recessions 140 120 100 80 20 01.02.1970 01.12.1975 01.10.1981 01.08.1987 01.06.1993 01.04.1999 01.02.2005 01.12.2010 01.10.2016 Oil Price (USD/bbl) US Recessions

MSCI European Energy Sector P/E



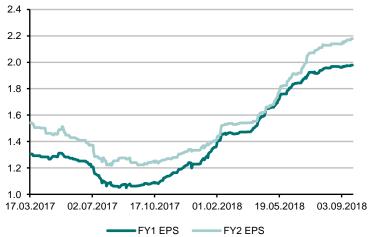


Equinor: In the cash flow sweet spot

- Positive earnings revisions set to continue
 - Gas prices have continued to move higher despite the oil price moving sideways over the summer
 - Tax guidance looks too conservative (guide to 50-55% effective rate versus 30% in H1)
 - Upside potential for production guidance (we estimate 3.3% growth in 2018 versus guidance of 1-2%)
- 2018 capex on track to come in below guidance (H1 capex USD4.6bn versus FY guidance of USD11bn)
- Valuation looks more attractive now after the shares have been range-bound since May (12.5x fwd P/E)

Gas and Brent Crude price 85 80 75 70 65 60 55 40 02.01.2017 02.05.2017 02.09.2017 02.01.2018 02.05.2018 02.09.2018 Brent Crude (USD/bbl), LHS USD/MMBTU (RHS)







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