

Romgaz

Buy

Unchanged

Price: RON 40.0 Price target: RON 47.6

(from RON 65.6)

Keeper for the longer term

After the peak seen in summer 2022, driven by the gas price rally, the Romgaz share price has been dragged down by news of the solidarity tax, and the accelerated decline in European gas prices. We see Neptun Deep as a game changer for the company, with the FCF yield during the plateau years at close to 30%, which could push the dividend yield towards 20% by 2028E. Until first gas from Neptun, which is expected in 2027E, investors should get a minimum 50% payout from the net result, with an average yield over 2023-27E of 8%. We keep our BUY rating on the stock and continue to use a dividend discount model (DDM) to set our target price. We have reduced our European gas price estimates and accounted for the solidarity tax, which has lowered our figures considerably vs. our previous update. This has led us to cut our 12M price target (PT) to RON 47.6 (from RON 65.6).

Peak profitability in 2024E. Although we see better operating profitability yoy in 2023E, from lower taxation applicable to volumes sold at regulated prices, the upside could be offset by the solidarity tax at the net profit level, which consumes 36% of the profit before the tax. We do not expect the tax to be extended beyond the end of 2023E, and thus forecast a jump in 2024E profitability. In the longer term, we expect European gas prices to fall towards EUR 25/MWh, which would lead to the removal of the regulated price system, in our view, and thus declining profitability once taxation becomes aggressive again after March 2025E. We see the dividend yield at 8-12% over 2023-25E, before falling to 5% in 2026E.

Neptun Deep to jumpstart profit. At the end of June, OMV Petrom and Romgaz took the final investment decision (FID) to develop Neptun Deep, which should almost double Romgaz's production from 2028E-onwards. The fiscal burden for offshore exploration is much less cumbersome vs. onshore, leading to a stronger positive impact on profitability from the added output. Assuming gas prices of EUR 25/MWh, we see Neptun adding c.RON 3.1bn p.a. to Romgaz's EBIT of in the plateau years of 2028-37E.

Expected payout of >50% until 2028E. We see Romgaz keeping its payout at just above 50% over the coming years, as it will be shoring up reserves to fund the Neptun development capex (EUR 2bn for Romgaz). The yield should be ~9% in 2023E, jumping to 12% in 2024E, then falling from 2025E on lower gas prices. With the end of the Neptun investment cycle, we assume a hike in the payout to 80% from 2028E, and a generous rise in yields towards 19%.

Multiples paint a mixed picture. With higher capex due to Neptun and increased debt, combined with a weakening EBITDA due to lower gas prices, we see net debt/EBITDA peaking at 2.6x in 2026E. This pushes the 2025E EV/EBITDA close to 6x, significantly above its peers. On the P/E multiples, the stock is cheaper than its peers in 2024E, on lower taxation, and in line for 2023E and 2025E. The peers comparison fails to capture the upside from Neptun, where production is scheduled to start in 2027E, in our view.

Key risks: i) extension of the solidarity tax into 2024E; ii) faster deregulation of the market and a return to harsher taxation; iii) a faster and more abrupt decrease in gas prices; iv) cost overruns and delays in developing Neptun; v) a worsening production profile; and vi) cost inflation.

Expected events

2Q23 results	11 August
3Q23 results	15 November

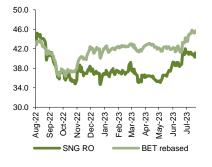
Key data

Market cap (EURm)	3,115
Free float	30.0%
3M ADTV (EURm)	0.65
Shares outstanding	385.4m
Major shareholder	RO State (70.0%)
Bloomberg code	SNG RO
BET index	13,111

Price performance

52w range	RON 34.6-45.2
52w performance (TR)	-8%
Relative performance	-12%

Romgaz 12M share price performance



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	Sales	EBITDA	EBIT	Net inc.	EPS	P/E	P/CF	P/BV	EV/EBITDA	ROCE	DPS	Div yield
	RONm	RONm	RONm	RONm	RON	x	x	x	x	%	RON	%
2021	5,853	2,785	2,099	1,915	4.97	7.8	5.7	1.7	4.0	23%	3.80	10%
2022	13,360	4,527	3,977	2,542	6.59	5.7	4.0	1.4	3.1	37%	3.42	9%
2023E	9,258	5,323	4,748	2,581	6.70	6.0	4.3	1.4	2.6	39%	3.47	9%
2024E	8,848	4,985	4,357	3,716	9.64	4.1	4.3	1.1	3.2	29%	4.99	12%
2025E	8,048	3,294	2,663	2,265	5.88	6.8	5.1	1.1	5.8	15%	3.04	8%
2026E	7,069	2,392	1,759	1,458	3.78	10.6	7.8	1.1	9.0	9%	1.96	5%

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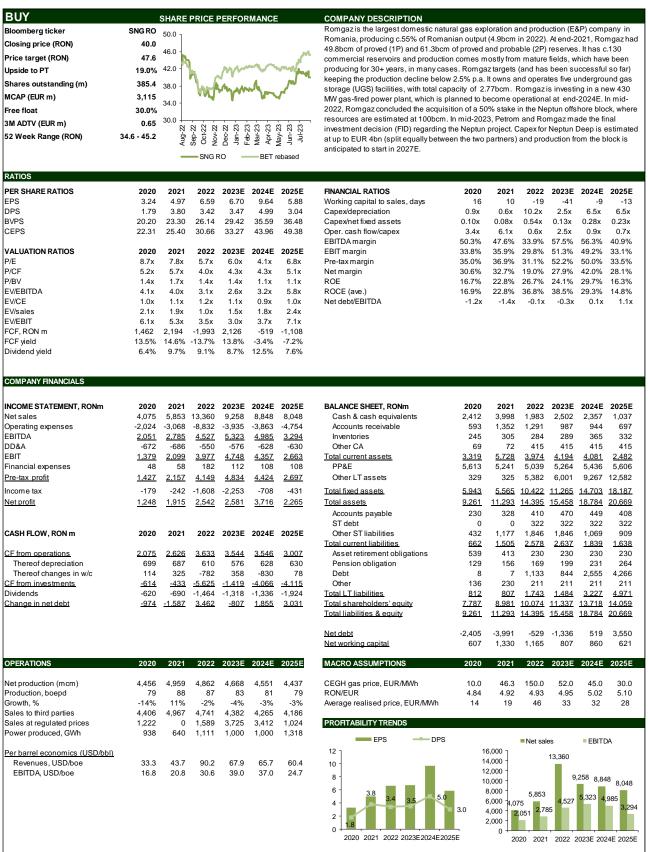
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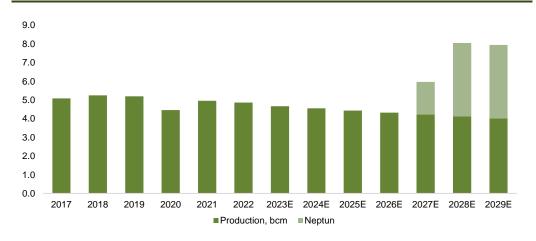
Company snapshot - BUY, PT RON 47.6



Strategy focused on gas

Stronger production decline in 2023E. Romgaz reported a 2% production decline for FY22, despite guiding for flat yoy output at the start of 2022. Since 4Q22, the quarterly production figures have shown 5-6% annual falls. Management claims that the annual reduction should be below 2.5% in 2023E, as per the approved company strategy, but with 1H23 output down 5% yoy, we rather expect the FY23E fall to be 4% yoy. From 2024E, we expect the decline to reduce towards 2-2.5% p.a.

Production, showing Neptun production cumulated



Source: Company data, WOOD Research, OMV Petrom

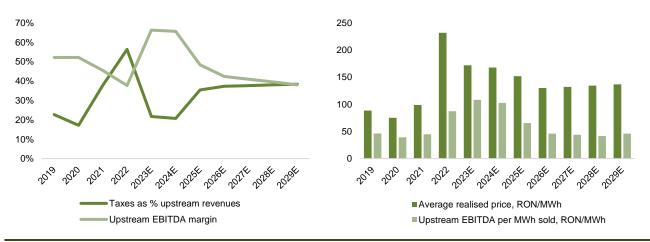
We now expect a stronger decline in gas prices than anticipated in our previous update, in <u>September 2022</u>. We see European gas prices at close to EUR 50/MWh in 2023E, dropping to EUR 45/MWh in 2024E and EUR 30/MWh in 2025E, then stabilising at EUR 25/MWh from 2026E. We expect spot and forward gas prices on the Romanian commodities exchange to follow European trends.

The company is guiding that 88% of its gas will be sold at the regulated price of RON 150/MWh (c.EUR 30/MWh) in 2023E. On these volumes, it does not pay the windfall tax and royalties are paid at the realised price, not the Central European gas hub (CEGH) level, which is the reference price for the calculation of royalties. Looking at net realised prices, excluding royalties and the windfall tax, the net price for the volumes sold stood at RON 104/MWh in 2022, on our numbers, vs. RON 57/MWh in 2021. In 2023E, with 85% sold at RON 150/MWh and no windfall tax on these volumes, the net realised price is closer to RON 126/MWh. This is the key driver behind the 20% increase in EBIT in 2023E vs. 2022, on our numbers. We assume the same regulatory environment and 80% of output sold at RON 150/MWh in 2024E, which results in a marginally-lower net realised price yoy for the gas sold.

As we see gas prices moving to EUR 30/MWh in 2025E, we expect the current regulatory environment to cease, and the taxation system to go back to "normal", with: 1) royalties paid on CEGH levels for volumes sold; and 2) the windfall tax back at 60% for prices between RON 47.5/MWh and RON 85/MWh, and 80% when prices exceed RON 85/MWh, with deductions for royalties and 30% from the tax base for investments applicable to the bracket to RON 85/MWh. We see net realised prices at RON 91/MWh in 2025E, moving to RON 74/MWh in 2026E.

Upstream taxes as % of revs, EBITDA margin*





Source: Company data, WOOD Research; *both charts exclude Neptun Deep

We estimate RON 1.5bn of solidarity tax payments for 2023E. On 28 December 2022, the government introduced a solidarity tax, to be paid by oil & gas exploration companies, refiners and coal producers from both the 2022 and 2023 results. The tax stands at 60% of the respective year's taxable profit, minus 1.2x the average taxable profit over 2018-21. Romgaz computed the solidarity tax for 2022 at RON 1.0bn. Based on the reported EBT figures, however, we believe it would have been close to RON 1.3bn, with the discrepancy to the tax reported by Romgaz coming from the differences in taxable profit vs. EBT. We do not have enough details on the items leading to the divergence to say whether the same delta would occur in 2023E. In 1Q23, the booked solidarity tax of RON 537m was 15% lower than that computed using the 1Q23 EBT and the average of 2018-21 1Q EBT. To determine the solidarity tax payable for 2023E, we have used our EBT estimate and the average 2018-21 reported EBT, and applied a 15% discount.

At the beginning of April 2023, Romgaz closed a new contract with Duro Felguera for the completion of work at the new lernut power plant. The work started on 1 August and Duro Felguera has 16 months to finalise the project. We expect the plant to be commissioned towards the end of 2024E and become operational in 2025E. With capacity of 430MW, the new plant should use c.2MWh of gas for 1MWh of power produced, and its CO2 emissions should be considerably lower, at 0.35t/MWh power produced vs. close to 0.6t/MWh at the moment. We expect the plant to generate an annual profit before tax of RON 200m, starting in 2026E.

The storage business has been deregulated since April 2021 and tariffs were raised 46% in April 2022 and 18% in April 2023. We expect this to generate improving profitability for the segment, given the broadly-fixed cost base.

Neptun Deep. Following the FID on Neptun, which is 50:50 owned by OMV Petrom (BUY, PT RON 0.654) and Romgaz, we have decided to present the main data points for the project once more. These were disclosed by OMV Petrom, following the FID.

- ✓ Capex of EUR 3.8-4.0bn, with the bulk to be deployed over 2024-26E.
- ✓ Gross gas resources of 100bcm, with first gas in 2027E. The plateau should be reached in 2028E and last 10 years, after which production will decline gradually. Gross production at the plateau is seen at 140kboe/day, of which half will be Romgaz's.
- ✓ Royalties of 13%, the maximum level, given the expected production per well.
- ✓ Unit production costs estimated at an average of USD 3/boe for the life of the field.
- The infrastructure to take the gas over and inject it into the National Transport System, to be built by gas operator Transgaz (HOLD, PT RON 278), should be ready by end-2025E.

Neptun Deep: key figures

See below our estimates for the project, assuming:

- European gas prices of EUR 25/MWh for the life of the project, and a net realised gas price of EUR 23/MWh for Romgaz, with the difference reflecting mainly transport costs.
- 2. EUR 4bn of capex, with the bulk deployed over 2024-26E.
- 3. A production profile in line with Petrom's guidance, of 140kboe/day (split 50:50 between Romgaz and Petrom), with a 10-year plateau and a 20-year total life.
- 4. Royalties of 13%.
- 5. No windfall tax payable under the current legislation, based on the assumed realised gas price, which is below the lowest threshold from the sliding scale determining the windfall tax payable, i.e. no tax payable for prices below RON 85/MWh, adjusted by inflation, starting from 2019.
- 6. Opex in line with the guidance, at USD 3/boe for the life of the field.

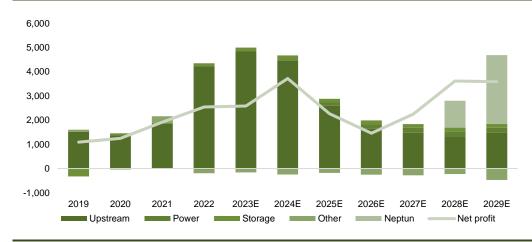
Based on our projections, the IRR for the project stands at 22%, with the NPV to Romgaz at RON 7.0bn, using our WACC estimate, and the average EBIT to Romgaz during the plateau years at RON 3.1bn p.a.

Neptun Deep: key figures

RONm	2023E	2024E	2025E	2026E	2027E	2028E	2029E	2030E
Production (bcm)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	3.5	7.9	7.9	7.9
Capex	-1,238	-6,532	-6,629	-5,176	-788	-107	-108	-110
Revenues	0	0	0	0	4,525	10,317	10,472	10,629
Opex/boe (USD)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	3.8	2.8	2.8	2.8
Opex	0	0	0	0	-407	-681	-691	-702
Royalties	0	0	0	0	-639	-1,458	-1,480	-1,502
Windfall tax	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SGA	0	0	0	0	-300	-350	-357	-364
EBITDA	0	0	0	0	3,178	7,828	7,944	8,061
OCF	0	0	0	0	2,822	6,918	7,016	7,116
FCF	-1,238	-6,532	-6,629	-5,176	2,034	6,811	6,908	7,006
EBIT	0	0	0	0	2,229	5,688	5,795	5,904

Source: WOOD Research

EBT breakdown segments, net profit, RONm



Source: Company data, WOOD Research

Weaker 2Q23 results yoy

The company had already disclosed its gas production and sales volumes for 2Q23. We have assumed that 85% of the gas sold to third parties went to households and heating producers at RON 150/MWh. With no windfall taxes and royalties paid on the effective price for these volumes, instead of CEGH levels, we expect a jump in 2Q23E EBITDA of 37% yoy. We estimate the solidarity tax at RON 395m, which pushes the net result to RON 630m, down 16% vs. the net profit reported in 2Q22. We note that Romgaz booked the full 2022 solidarity tax in 4Q22, while this year we are going to see the results impacted quarterly by the tax.

Although the drop in net profit comes solely from the fact that the 2Q22 results were not restated to reflect the impact of the solidarity tax, there could be some disappointment over the results (due on Friday 11 August). This could turn into a good buying opportunity in our view.

Romgaz 2Q23E results preview

RONm	1Q22	2Q22	3Q22	4Q22	1Q23	2Q23E	yoy	qoq
Gross gas production, mcm	1,307	1,208	1,172	1,249	1,237	1,147	-5%	-7%
Gas sold, mcm	1,374	1,108	1,041	1,219	1,302	1,048	-5%	-19%
Revenues	3,926	3,570	3,317	2,547	2,909	2,237	-37%	-23%
EBITDA	1,227	956	712	1,637	1,882	1,310	37%	-30%
EBIT	1,138	826	562	1,457	1,742	1,180	43%	-32%
EBT	1,169	888	612	1,484	1,785	1,220	37%	-32%
Solidarity tax	0	0	0	1,003	538	395	n/m	-27%
Net profit	980	746	512	309	970	630	-16%	-35%

Valuation

We base our valuation for Romgaz on our dividend discount model (DDM), which we believe is better suited for the company, given that it is State-owned and its strategy and capital allocation are determined by the majority shareholder. Our new price target (PT) is RON 47.6/share, implying 19% upside and yielding a BUY rating.

We base our DDM valuation on the following assumptions:

- A risk free rate (RFR) of 7.5% over 2023-25E, and 5.5% going forward and in the TV.
- ✓ An equity risk premium (ERP) of 5.0%.
- ✓ A levered Beta of 1.2.
- ✓ Equity at 80% of the capital structure.
- An average payout ratio over 2023-27E of 52%, and 80% starting 2028E.
- ✓ A terminal growth rate of -3%.

Dividend discount model valuation

RON	2023E	2024E	2025E	2026E	2027E	2028E	2029E
DPS	3.47	4.99	3.04	1.96	3.01	7.50	7.44
Discount factor	0.89	0.78	0.70	0.63	0.57	0.51	0.46
Discounted dividends	3.09	3.92	2.14	1.24	1.71	3.81	3.39
TV growth rate	-3%						
TV	49.77						
Discounted TV	22.65						
Sum of discounted dividends	19.28						
Equity value per share	41.93						
12-month target price	47.6						
Current share price	40.0						
Upside	19.0%						

Source: WOOD Research, dividends reflected in the year for which they are due, not paid

WACC

	2023-25E	2026E-TV
Beta	1.2	1.2
Risk free rate	7.5%	5.5%
Equity risk premium	5.0%	5.0%
Cost of equity	13.5%	11.5%
Cost of debt pre tax	8.0%	6.0%
Marginal tax rate	16.0%	16.0%
Cost of debt after tax	6.7%	5.0%
Weight k (e)	80%	80%
Weight k (d)	20%	20%
WACC %	12.1%	10.2%

Source: WOOD Research

DDM sensitivity analysis (RON)

	Levered Beta (x)									
_	0.9	1.0	1.1	1.2	1.3	1.4	1.5			
0.0%	64.4	61.1	58.1	55.3	52.8	50.5	48.4			
-1.0%	60.2	57.4	54.7	52.3	50.1	48.1	46.2			
-2.0%	56.8	54.2	51.9	49.8	47.8	46.0	44.3			
-3.0%	53.8	51.6	49.5	47.6	45.8	44.1	42.6			
-4.0%	51.3	49.3	47.4	45.7	44.1	42.5	41.1			
-5.0%	49.1	47.3	45.6	44.0	42.5	41.1	39.8			
-6.0%	47.2	45.6	44.0	42.5	41.1	39.8	38.6			
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Source: WOOD Research

DDM sensitivity analysis (RON)

		Equity risk premium (%)									
	_	2.0%	3.0%	4.0%	5.0%	6.0%	7.0%	8.0%			
	2.5%	91.8	78.5	68.3	60.4	54.0	48.8	44.5			
	3.5%	81.1	70.4	62.1	55.4	50.0	45.5	41.7			
	4.5%	72.6	63.8	56.9	51.2	46.5	42.6	39.2			
Risk free rate 2026E-TV (%)	5.5%	65.7	58.4	52.5	47.6	43.5	40.0	37.1			
20201-17 (70)	6.5%	59.9	53.8	48.7	44.5	40.9	37.8	35.1			
	7.5%	55.2	49.9	45.5	41.7	38.6	35.8	33.4			
	8.5%	51.1	46.5	42.6	39.3	36.5	34.0	31.9			

Source: WOOD Research

DCF

We do not use the DCF result in our valuation, but have presented it for comparison purposes.

Discounted cash flow valuation

RONm	2023E	2024E	2025E	2026E	2027E	2028E	2029E
EBIT	4,748	4,357	2,663	1,759	2,729	4,314	4,218
NOPLAT	3,988	3,660	2,237	1,478	2,292	3,624	3,544
CAPEX	-1,419	-4,066	-4,115	-3,388	-1,194	-853	-854
Depreciation	576	628	630	632	1,109	1,707	1,714
Working capital	358	-830	78	-154	-16	-21	0
FCF	3,502	-608	-1,169	-1,432	2,192	4,457	4,403
Discount factor	0.95	0.85	0.76	0.69	0.62	0.57	0.51
Discounted FCF	3,339	-517	-886	-985	1,368	2,524	2,262
Sum of discounted FCF	7,106						
TV growth rate	-3.0%						
TV	32,333						
Discounted TV	16,615						
EV	23,721						
Net debt end-2022 ex. 2022 DPS	789						
Provisions end-March 2023	395						
Equity value	22,537						
Value per share	58.5						

Source: WOOD Research

Multiples paint a mixed picture

With higher capex due to Neptun Deep, and thus higher debt, combined with the weakening EBITDA due to lower gas prices, we see net debt/EBITDA at 1.1x in 2025E and peaking at 2.6x in 2026E. This pushes the EV/EBITDA in 2025E to close to 6x, significantly above its peers. Looking at the P/E multiples, the stock is cheaper than its peers in 2024E, due to lower taxation, while it trades in line in both 2023E and 2025E. We believe the multiples fail to capture the impact from Neptun, where production starts in 2027E.

Oil and gas peers

	E	V/EBITDA	١		P/E		FCF yield			Dividend yield		
	2023E	2024E	2025E	2023E	2024E	2025E	2023E	2024E	2025E	2023E	2024E	2025E
ENI	2.9	3.0	3.1	6.0	6.6	7.5	12%	10%	12%	7%	7%	7%
OMV	2.5	2.6	2.8	4.7	5.3	5.9	16%	17%	16%	10%	9%	9%
MOL	3.1	2.6	2.3	4.9	4.5	4.8	16%	17%	16%	12%	8%	9%
PKN	1.8	2.2	2.5	3.8	5.1	5.5	10%	-5%	-10%	8%	6%	6%
Repsol	2.0	2.2	2.3	4.1	5.5	6.1	9%	13%	10%	5%	5%	6%
Galp	3.7	3.9	3.8	10.3	11.0	10.7	12%	8%	8%	4%	5%	5%
Equinor	2.0	2.2	2.9	6.4	5.4	6.8	15%	13%	8%	11%	8%	7%
BP	3.2	3.2	3.3	6.7	7.0	7.5	14%	15%	13%	4%	5%	5%
OMV Petrom (BBG)	2.0	2.2	2.9	6.4	5.4	6.8	9%	3%	4%	10%	8%	9%
OMV Petrom (WOOD)	2.6	2.8	3.3	10.2	5.5	6.6	9%	3%	4%	8%	8%	9%
Integrated oil & gas, median	2.5	2.6	2.9	6.0	5.4	6.8	12%	13%	10%	8%	7%	7%
Romgaz	2.6	3.2	5.8	6.0	4.1	6.8	14%	-3%	-7%	9%	12%	8%
Premium/(discount) to peers	5%	24%	96%	-1%	-23%	1%	1.9pp	n.m.	n.m.	0.8pp	5.5pp	1.0pp

Source: Bloomberg, Prices as of 4 August 2023, WOOD Research

Financials

Income statement

RONm	2020	2021	2022	2023E	2024E	2025E	2026E
Revenues	4,075	5,853	13,360	9,258	8,848	8,048	7,069
Cost of commodities sold	-19	-282	-184	-200	-212	-222	-229
Gross profit	4,056	5,571	13,176	9,058	8,636	7,826	6,839
Other gains and losses	11	373	-65	-100	-100	-100	-100
Changes in inventory	-16	75	-2	-50	-50	-50	-50
Raw materials and consumables used	-58	-81	-118	-130	-138	-144	-149
Employee benefit expenses	-767	-767	-846	-958	-1,044	-1,123	-1,196
Provisions	-17	-17	-27	-30	-32	-33	-34
Exploration expenses	-27	-1	-60	0	0	0	0
Other expenses	-1,131	-2,369	-7,531	-2,467	-2,287	-3,083	-2,919
EBITDA	2,051	2,785	4,527	5,323	4,985	3,294	2,392
Depreciation, amortisation and impairment	-672	-686	-550	-576	-628	-630	-632
Operating profit	1,379	2,099	3,977	4,748	4,357	2,663	1,759
Investment income	48	58	177	99	88	71	31
Interest expenses	0	0	-5	-13	-20	-37	-54
Net financial result	48	58	172	86	67	33	-23
Profit before tax	1,427	2,157	4,149	4,834	4,424	2,697	1,736
Upstream	1,376	1,844	4,229	4,847	4,446	2,585	1,635
Neptun Deep	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Power	-35	16	-50	-17	72	141	199
Storage	67	33	116	147	151	154	154
Other	18	264	-146	-142	-246	-183	-252
Income tax expense	-179	-242	-1,608	-2,253	-708	-431	-278
Net profit	1,248	1,915	2,542	2,581	3,716	2,265	1,458
Dividends	690	1,465	1,318	1,336	1,924	1,172	755

Source: Company data, WOOD Research

Balance sheet

RONm	2020	2021	2022	2023E	2024E	2025E	2026E
PPE	5,613	5,241	5,039	5,264	5,436	5,606	5,773
Intangible assets	15	16	5,140	5,140	5,140	5,140	5,140
Other long-term assets	315	309	242	861	4,126	7,441	10,029
Fixed assets	5,943	5,565	10,422	11,265	14,703	18,187	20,943
Inventories	245	305	284	289	365	332	292
Receivables	593	1,352	1,291	987	944	697	612
Financial assets	1,996	418	100	100	100	100	100
Cash	417	3,580	1,884	2,402	2,258	937	59
Other short-term assets	69	72	415	415	415	415	415
Current assets	3,319	5,728	3,974	4,194	4,081	2,482	1,478
Total assets	9,261	11,293	14,395	15,458	18,784	20,669	22,421
Share capital	385	385	385	385	385	385	385
Reserves	2,252	2,999	3,579	3,579	3,579	3,579	3,579
Retained earnings	5,150	5,597	6,110	7,372	9,753	10,095	10,380
Total equity	7,787	8,981	10,074	11,337	13,718	14,059	14,345
Decommissioning provisions	539	413	230	230	230	230	230
Pension liabilities	129	156	169	199	231	264	298
Long-term portion of bank loans	8	7	1,133	844	2,555	4,266	5,977
Other	136	230	211	211	211	211	211
Non-current liabilities	812	807	1,743	1,484	3,227	4,971	6,716
Short-term debt	0	0	322	322	322	322	322
Trade liabilities	230	328	410	470	449	408	359
Other liabilities	432	1,177	1,846	1,846	1,069	909	679
Current liabilities	662	1,505	2,578	2,637	1,839	1,638	1,359
Total liabilities and equity	9,261	11,293	14,395	15,458	18,784	20,669	22,421
Total debt	8	7	1,455	1,166	2,876	4,587	6,298
Net debt	-2,405	-3,991	-529	-1,336	519	3,550	6,140

Cash flow statement

RONm	2020	2021	2022	2023E	2024E	2025E	2026E
Net profit	1,248	1,915	2,542	2,581	3,716	2,265	1,458
DD&A	699	687	610	576	628	630	632
Other non-cash (FX, impairment)	14	-300	1,263	30	32	33	34
Cash earnings	1,961	2,302	4,415	3,187	4,376	2,929	2,125
Change in NWC	114	325	-782	358	-830	78	-154
Operating cash flow	2,075	2,626	3,633	3,544	3,546	3,007	1,971
Capex	-614	-433	-506	-800	-800	-800	-800
Other (Neptun)	0	0	-5,119	-619	-3,266	-3,315	-2,588
Net Investment	-614	-433	-5,625	-1,419	-4,066	-4,115	-3,388
Dividends	-620	-690	-1,464	-1,318	-1,336	-1,924	-1,172
Change in borrowings	0	0	1,446	-289	1,711	1,711	1,711
Other	132	82	0	0	0	0	0
Cash from financing	-488	-608	-19	-1,607	375	-213	538
Net (decrease)/increase in cash	973	1,586	-2,011	518	-144	-1,320	-879
Cash eop	2,412	3,998	1,987	2,502	2,357	1,037	158
Change in net debt	-974	-1,587	3,462	-807	1,855	3,031	2,589

Source: Company data, WOOD Research

Financial ratios

	2020	2021	2022	2023E	2024E	2025E	2026E
Working capital to sales, days	15.7	9.5	-18.6	-41.0	-8.6	-13.0	-6.9
Capex/depreciation	0.9	0.6	10.2	2.5	6.5	6.5	5.4
Capex/net fixed assets	0.1	0.1	0.5	0.1	0.3	0.2	0.2
Operating cash flow/capex	3.4	6.1	0.6	2.5	0.9	0.7	0.6
EBITDA margin	50%	48%	34%	57%	56%	41%	34%
EBIT margin	34%	36%	30%	51%	49%	33%	25%
Pre-tax margin	35%	37%	31%	52%	50%	34%	25%
Net margin	31%	33%	19%	28%	42%	28%	21%
ROE	17%	23%	27%	24%	30%	16%	10%
ROCE (ave.)	17%	23%	37%	39%	29%	15%	9%
Net debt/EBITDA	-1.2	-1.4	-0.1	-0.3	0.1	1.1	2.6

Source: Company data, WOOD Research

Ratios

	2020	2021	2022	2023E	2024E	2025E	2026E
P/E (x)	8.7	7.8	5.7	6.0	4.1	6.8	10.6
P/CF (x)	5.2	5.7	4.0	4.3	4.3	5.1	7.8
P/BV (x)	1.4	1.7	1.4	1.4	1.1	1.1	1.1
EV/EBITDA (x)	4.1	4.0	3.1	2.6	3.2	5.8	9.0
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EV/sales (x)	2.1	1.9	1.0	1.5	1.8	2.4	3.0
EV/EBIT (x)	6.1	5.3	3.5	3.0	3.7	7.1	12.3
FCF (RONm)	1,462	2,194	-1,993	2,126	-519	-1,108	-1,417
FCF yield (%)	13%	15%	-14%	14%	-3%	-7%	-9%
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