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## KGHM – Upside At Stock Veers Away From Metal Prices

Rating: buy | target price: PLN 118.98 | current price: PLN 90.60

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KGHM's stock performance has diverged sharply from the trends in the prices of copper and the Company's other key metals (as reflected in the index below, tracking the prices of these metals, weighted by the production of each metal over KGHM's total production of all four metals).

In our view the market is overlooking the bullish prospects for the rest of the year, stemming from a 60% March surge in the prices of molybdenum, and the zloty's depreciation versus the US dollar observed in May, which will boost KGHM's nominal second-quarter zloty profits, as well as having pushed the zloty price of a metric ton of copper up to a year-to-date high of PLN 25,000.

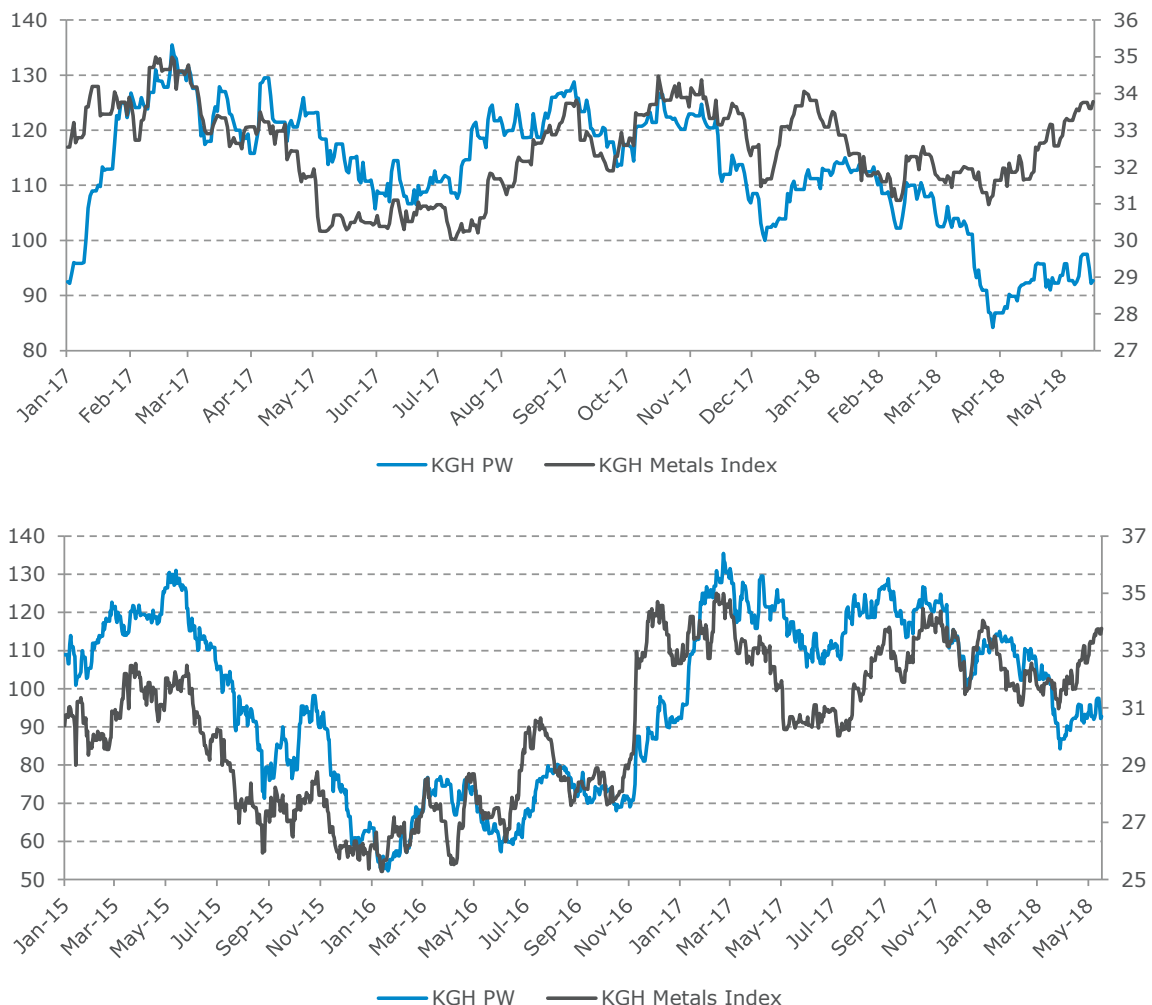
Note also that KGHM's copper refining business is poised to recover from the momentary first-quarter

slump once the HMG2 Copper Smelter and Refinery comes back from maintenance, scheduled for the second quarter, while the HMG1 smelter continues to regain capacity after the temporary failure of last October.

Last but not least, we feel investors have not picked up on the positive message sent out earlier this week by the Polish Energy Minister, who said he did not expect KGHM to be involved, financially or otherwise, in Poland's first nuclear power plant project. The looming nuclear expenditures weighed on KGH's performance through March and April.

Looking at how far KGHM's market value has veered away from the prices of its core metals, by closing the gap, now at 25%, the stock would return to its original "default" value of about PLN 120.

KGH performance (PLN/share, lhs) vs. production-weighted index of key metals (Cu, Ag, Au, Mo) (PLN, rhs)



Source: Bloomberg, Dom Maklerski mBanku

**List of abbreviations and ratios contained in the report.**

**EV** – net debt + market value (EV – economic value)  
**EBIT** – Earnings Before Interest and Taxes  
**EBITDA** – EBIT + Depreciation and Amortisation  
**PBA** – Profit on Banking Activity  
**P/CE** – price to earnings with amortisation  
**MC/S** – market capitalisation to sales  
**EBIT/EV** – operating profit to economic value  
**P/E** – (Price/Earnings) – price divided by annual net profit per share  
**ROE** – (Return on Equity) – annual net profit divided by average equity  
**P/BV** – (Price/Book Value) – price divided by book value per share  
**Net debt** – credits + debt papers + interest bearing loans – cash and cash equivalents  
**EBITDA margin** – EBITDA/Sales

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