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Sygnity: Forecast of 2021/22 Q2 Results

Recommendation: accumulate | target price: PLN 10.70 | current price: PLN 11.45

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Sygnity is expected to report 4% higher revenue for the three months ended 31 March 2022 (Q2 FY2021/22) than in the same period a year earlier.

The quarterly EBITDA margin was probably squeezed 3.7pp y/y by upward pay pressures, resulting in nominal EBITDA of approx. PLN 10.5m – a similar amount as posted in Q2 FY2020/21.

We are looking forward to hearing how Sygnity sees the rest of the year at the 14 June earnings conference.

- We expect to see a 4.4% y/y rebound in the revenue for Q2 FY2021/22.
- Gross margin might post a 2.4pp y/y decline to 29.0%, led by upward pay pressures experienced across the whole technology sector.

- We assume SG&A expenses in Q2 were about the same as in the previous quarter (PLN 7.5m).
- The quarterly results were probably not affected by any onetime events.
- EBITDA is likely to come in at PLN 10.5m and EBIT will approximate PLN 7.8m in Q2 FY2021/22.
- After net financing costs of PLN 1.7m and tax at an effective rate of 19.0%, we expect net profit to show 18% contraction from the year-ago quarter at PLN 4.9m.

Forecast of FY2021/22 Q2 results of Sygnity

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(PLN m)	2Q'21/22E	2Q'20/21	у/у
revenue	52.7	50.5	4.4%
EBITDA	10.5	10.9	-3.7%
margin	19.9%	21.6%	-
EBIT	7.8	8.2	-4.4%
pre-tax profit	6.1	7.1	-14.1%
net profit	4.9	6.0	-18.0%

Source: Sygnity, E - mBank estimates



List of abbreviations and ratios contained in the report:

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