

DOVALUE

Sector: Industrials

BUY

Price: Eu2.68 - Target: Eu3.80

From Cyclical to Structural: Collecting the Future

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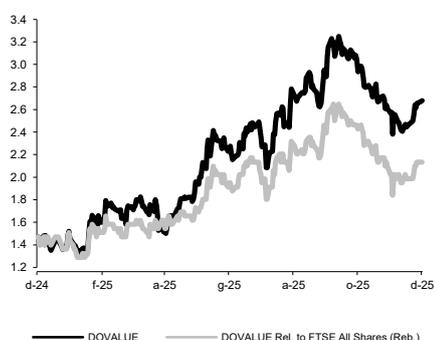
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Stock Rating

Rating: BUY (New Coverage)

Target Price (Eu): 3.80 (New Coverage)

DOVALUE - 12M Performance



Stock Data

Reuters code: DOVA.MI

Bloomberg code: DOV IM

Performance	1M	3M	12M
Absolute	4.2%	-7.4%	82.1%
Relative	4.9%	-10.8%	56.5%
12M (H/L)			3.25/1.32
3M Average Volume (th):			917.58

Shareholder Data

No. of Ord shares (mn): 190

Total no. of shares (mn): 190

Mkt Cap Ord (Eu mn): 510

Total Mkt Cap (Eu mn): 510

Mkt Float - Ord (Eu mn): 242

Mkt Float (in %): 47.5%

 Main Shareholder:
Fortress 23.2%

Balance Sheet Data

Book Value (Eu mn): 214

BVPS (Eu): 1.56

P/BV: 1.7

Net Financial Position (Eu mn): -450

Enterprise Value (Eu mn): 951

We resume coverage on doValue with a BUY rating and a target price of €3.8ps, highlighting a stronger outlook after a challenging period. The 2024 Gardant acquisition solidified market leadership in Italy and broadened the asset base, while the upcoming coeo deal is expected to enhance diversification and scalability through AI-driven, non-NPL operations. A strategic plan presentation in 1H26 could be a key trigger, integrating recent developments and setting out new financial targets. Backed by long-term contracts and coeo's structural growth prospects, fuelled by lasting e-commerce and BNPL trends, doValue is forecast to generate healthy cash flows, with the FCF yield reaching ~33% in both FY27/28 at current prices. The combination of margin expansion, synergy extraction, and deleveraging supports our view that the company's ongoing transformation is not fully appreciated.

■ **A leading European credit manager...** doValue is a leading credit management platform, with an asset-light, fee-based model and almost €140bn of GBV under servicing. The Group combines long-term servicing contracts with an offering that spans NPLs, UTP and early-arrears management, RE services and a growing suite of high-margin value-added solutions. The expansion into non-financial digital receivables, strengthened by coeo's AI-powered platform, will accelerate the shift toward a more resilient and less cyclical business mix underpinned by deep-rooted growth trends in e-commerce and BNPL. Supported by strategic shareholders and multiyear forward-flow agreements, doValue is structurally positioned to deliver revenue visibility, scalable growth and best-in-class cash generation.

■ **...leveraging M&A...** the acquisition of Gardant marked a strategic milestone for doValue, adding €20bn of younger-vintage GBV, increasing exposure to higher-margin non-NPL activities, and bringing in a solid forward-flow franchise with major banks. Its integration improved financial flexibility, paving the way for a return to a sustainable dividend policy from 2026. The acquisition of coeo represents a more transformative step, accelerating doValue's mix toward non-NPL exposure to >50%. coeo introduces a high-growth, AI-driven platform focused on fast-turnover consumer receivables, with strong automation and scalability. With a presence across nine Northern European markets, coeo enhances the Group's geographical coverage. Closing of the deal (Jan-26) will create strong cross-selling opportunities, enabling doValue to deploy coeo's AI-based platform across Southern European markets, materially strengthening the Group's growth potential.

■ **...to diversify and improve financials.** doValue enters the 2026-28 period with burgeoning operating trends: revenue growth supported by long-term forward flows, margin expansion driven by the evolving business mix, synergies, and a deleveraging path toward 1.3x NFP/EBITDA by FY28. Cash generation is robust and highly visible, implying a current FCF yield of 33% in both FY27/28. Our €3.8 TP is derived from a blend of valuation approaches (DCF, DDM and peers' multiples), all of which indicate that the current market valuation does not fully reflect the Group's improving fundamentals and earnings potential. As execution progresses and the new strategic plan enhances visibility, we see scope for a meaningful stock re-rating.

Key Figures & Ratios	2024A	2025E	2026E	2027E	2028E
Sales (Eu mn)	482	601	803	828	851
EBITDA Adj (Eu mn)	165	212	310	324	347
Net Profit Adj (Eu mn)	7	34	47	82	106
EPS New Adj (Eu)	0.035	0.176	0.248	0.430	0.556
DPS (Eu)	0.000	0.097	0.136	0.215	0.306
EV/EBITDA Adj	6.6	4.5	3.8	3.2	2.6
EV/EBIT Adj	18.4	8.6	7.4	5.1	4.0
P/E Adj	75.5	15.2	10.8	6.2	4.8
Div. Yield	0.0%	3.6%	5.1%	8.0%	11.4%
Net Debt/EBITDA Adj	3.1	2.1	2.3	1.8	1.3

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