

BLACKSTONE RESOURCES

Batteries-Battery Sys / Switzerland

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Banking big on battery technology initiatives

Pros

- Blackstone Resources is investing heavily in next-gen, i.e. solid-state battery technology and 3D-printed mass production, thereby moving up the (battery) metal value chain
- Ownership of key materials (like manganese, cobalt, lithium and nickel) is a good start to battery initiatives at the R&D stage
- Monetisation (even if partial) of owned assets should somewhat limit the dependence on external borrowings

Cons

- Battery materials and manufacturing are challenging ventures facing a host of technological and financial hurdles
- Blackstone Resources is not cash generative and faces high execution risks across its businesses; the funding bet is on German R&D subsidies

Key Figures	12/19A	12/20A	12/21E	12/22E	12/23E
Adjusted P/E (x)	12.8	3.60	4.70	-2.02	0.30
Dividend yield (%)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
EV/EBITDA(R) (x)	-83.4	-38.9	-23.0	ns	1.02
Adjusted EPS (CHF)	0.13	0.42	0.78	-0.44	0.43
Growth in EPS (%)	n/a	225	88.4	n/a	n/a
Dividend (CHF)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Sales (CHFM)	0.00	0.01	1.59	80.5	329
EBITDA/R margin (%)	ns	ns	ns	0.25	20.7
Attributable net profit (CHFM)	5.31	17.7	15.0	-18.9	18.4
ROE (after tax) (%)	26.7	55.5	23.7	-18.3	13.8
Gearing (%)	123	53.9	9.27	-12.6	-21.8

Buy

Upside : 2,337%

Price (CHF)	0.13
Target Price (CHF)	3.17
Momentum	— —
Market Cap (CHFM)	0.00
Enterprise Value (CHFM)	0.00
High/Low (12M)	CHF 0.11/2.90
BBG : BLS SW	RIC : BLS.S
Credit Risk & outlook	↗
Fundamental Strength	0 / 10

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