

Skarbiec Holding SA

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A quarter with no success fee?

Skarbiec Holding (Buy, TP PLN23.0)

We expect rather weak 1Q20 (3Q19/20) and net income around PLN1.0mn. No success fee (because of negative returns of funds managed by Skarbiec) and lower management fee (resulting from lower AUM and another regulatory cut in maximum management fee to 3.0% starting from Jan'2020 from 3.5% in 2019) are likely to be the main reason behind decline in net income.

Quarterly preview for 1Q20E (3Q19/20E)

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	1Q19	2Q19	3Q19	4Q19	1Q20E		
Profit and loss statement (PLN mn)	3Q	4Q	1Q	2Q	3QE	q/q	y/y
Revenues	39.8	29.0	19.3	27.2	14.6	-46%	-63%
Management fee	18.1	17.3	17.4	15.8	14.0	-11%	-22%
Success fee	21.5	11.2	1.6	11.0	0.0	-99%	-100%
Others	0.2	0.5	0.3	0.4	0.5	17%	110%
OPEX	-22.5	-15.9	-14.9	-15.8	-13.3	-16%	-41%
Distribution costs	-8.2	-6.5	-7.0	-4.7	-5.3	13%	-35%
based on AuM	-8.2	-6.5	-7.0	-4.7	-5.3	13%	-35%
Other OPEX	-14.4	-9.4	-7.9	-11.1	-8.0	-28%	-44%
Gross profit on sales	17.2	13.1	4.4	11.4	1.3	-88%	-92%
EBIT	17.2	13.4	4.4	11.4	1.4	-87%	-92%
Financial revenues	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.1	-35%	130%
Financial costs	0.0	0.0	-0.2	0.1	0.1	0%	-575%
Other	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0		-130%
Pre-tax profit	17.3	13.5	4.3	11.6	1.6	-86%	-91%
Corporate tax	-3.4	-2.7	-0.9	-2.3	-0.6	-74%	-83%
Net profit	13.9	10.8	3.4	9.3	1.0	-89%	-93%
<i>Net profit excl. success fee (est.)</i>	<i>-0.7</i>	<i>2.6</i>	<i>2.7</i>	<i>0.4</i>	<i>1.0</i>	<i>121%</i>	<i>-236%</i>

Key ratios (%)	3Q	4Q	1Q	2Q	3QE	q/q	y/y
Average AuM yield*	1.88%	1.95%	2.06%	1.92%	1.85%	-0.07%	-0.03%
Success fee / AuM	2.24%	1.26%	0.18%	1.33%	0.01%	-1.32%	-2.22%
Distribution costs** / management fee	-45%	-38%	-40%	-30%	-38%	-8%	7%
Other OPEX / management fee	-79%	-54%	-46%	-70%	-57%	13%	22%
Tax rate	-20%	-20%	-21%	-20%	-36%	-17%	-17%
Net profit / AuM	1.45%	1.22%	0.40%	1.13%	0.14%	-1.00%	-1.31%

Key figures (PLN m)	3Q	4Q	1Q	2Q	3Q	q/q	y/y
AuM in CMF (average)	3,839	3,540	3,369	3,296	3,031	-8%	-21%
Low margin	2,203	1,896	1,788	1,751	1,516	-13%	-31%
High margin	1,636	1,644	1,581	1,545	1,515	-2%	-7%

Source: Company data, Santander Brokerage Poland, *financial year of SKH ends on 30th June

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PEG - P/E to growth ratio

EPS - earnings per share

CPI - consumer price index

WACC - weighted average cost of capital

CAGR - cumulative average annual growth

P/CE - price to cash earnings (net profit plus depreciation and amortisation) ratio

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FCF - free cash flows

BV - book value

ROE - return on equity

P/BV - price-book value

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