

# Borussia Dortmund GmbH & Co KGaA

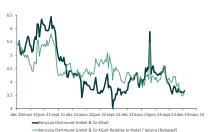
Outperform → | Target price: 5.00 €

Price (09/01/2024) : 3.67 € | Upside : 36%

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# CEO Hans-Joachim Watzke to retire from management

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Share data			
BVB GY   BVB.PR			
Market Cap (€m)			405
Enterprise value (€m)			512
Extrema 12 months (€)		3.55 -	5.88
Free Float (%)			67.2
Douformance (%)	1m	2m	12m

Performance (%)	1m	3m	12m
Absolute	1.2	-3.2	-11.3
Perf. rel. Country Index	0.2	-10.0	-16.7
Perf. rel. Hotel / leisure	-0.6	-12.2	-18.1
P&L	06/24e	06/25e	06/26e

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Sales (€m)	427	447	459
EBITDA (€m)	113	115	118
Current EBIT (€m)	22.6	24.7	28.3
Attr. net profit (€m)	16.9	18.5	22.3
Adjusted EPS (€)	0.15	0.17	0.20
Dividend (€)	0.06	0.06	0.06
P/E (x)	24.0	21.8	18.1
P/B (x)	1.4	1.3	1.2
Dividend Yield (%)	1.6	1.6	1.6
FCF yield (%)	ns	ns	ns
EV/Sales (x)	1.20	1.06	0.94
EV/EBITDA (x)	4.5	4.1	3.6
EV/Current EBIT (x)	22.7	19.2	15.2
Gearing (%)	36	22	7
Net Debt/EBITDA (x)	0.9	0.6	0.2

## Hans-Joachim Watzke to leave the management in the autumn of 2025

On Monday (8 January 2024), the company issued an ad-hoc release that Hans-Joachim Watzke, CEO of Borussia Dortmund GmbH & Co. KGaA, will not extend his managing director's employment contract, which currently runs until the end of 2025, and that he will step down from management in the autumn of 2025.

### A successful era – both in terms of commercial and sporting success

Mr Watzke was appointed as the managing director of Borussia Geschäftsführungs-GmbH on 15 February 2005 at the height of the club's existential crisis and has significantly influenced the development of the club. He witnessed the successful era of BVB under coach Jürgen Klopp with two German championship titles in 2011 and 2012 and the Champions League final in 2013. The club also won the German cup (DFB-Pokal) three times (2012, 2017, 2021).

As Mr Watzke is to remain in his position until the autumn of 2025, we believe that the club has enough time to find a suitable successor.

#### An announcement at a difficult time for the club

In our view, Mr Watzke's decision to leave the management in autumn of 2025 comes at a difficult time for the club, which is currently struggling in the Bundesliga. After 16 games (out of 34) played, BVB is in fifth place and six points behind the fourth place in the Bundesliga, which automatically qualifies for the financially lucrative competition in the group stage of the UEFA Champions' League. We believe that the participation in the UEFA Champions League will be the main driver for higher revenues and earnings in the coming years.

However, with upside of more than 35% to our target price (€ 5.00), we confirm our Outperform recommendation. BVB is trading at 1.2x 2023-24e EV/sales, below its 5-year historical average of 1.57x and also at a discount to its peers Manchester United (4.76x) and Olympique Lyonnais Groupe (2.15x).

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**BVB.PR | BVB GY** Outperform Price 3.67 € Leisure | Germany Upside 36.24% TP 5.00 € PER SHARE DATA (€) 06/19 06/20 06/21 06/22 06/23 06/25e 06/26e Adjusted EP: -0.48 **-0.48** -0.79 **-0.79** -0.29 Reported FPS 0.19 0.09 0.17 0.20 0.15 Growth in adjusted EPS 20.5% 76.8% 9.8% ns ns ns ns 0.06 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00 Net dividend per share 0.06 0.06 0.06 FCF to equity per share -1.20 -1.73 -0.82 -0.42-0.85-0.74-0.49 -0.46 2.47 2.71 2.96 Book value per share 3.32 2.53 2.56 2.82 3.86 Number of shares market cap (m) 92.00 92.00 92.00 110.40 110.40 110.40 110.40 110.40 92.00 Number of diluted shares (m) 92 00 92 00 110 40 110 40 110 40 110 40 110 40 VALUATION (€m) 06/19 06/21 06/22 06/23 06/24e 06/25e 06/26e 06/20 12m highest price (€) 9.68 4.47 5.88 9.81 9.26 6.70 3.67 12m lowest price (€) 4.86 6.83 4.11 4.12 3.03 3.55 3.59 3 67 (\*) Reference price (€) 7 76 7.85 5 45 4 62 3 96 3 67 3 67 405 Capitalization 714 722 501 510 437 405 405 Restated Net debt -15.0 43.8 86.3 28.3 54.5 107 68.3 24.1 Minorities (fair value) 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 Financial fixed assets (fair value) 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 **Provisions** 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 Enterprise Value 699 766 587 538 492 512 473 429 P/E (x) 41.0 45.8 24.0 21.8 18.1 ns ns ns P/CF (x) 24.9 11.9 15.2 9.7 8.4 10.8 0.0% Net Yield 0.8% 0.0% 0.0% 0.0% 1.6% 1.6% 1.6% FCF yield ns ns ns ns ns ns ns ns P/B incl. GW (x) 2.01 2.36 2.15 1.87 1.55 1.35 1.30 1.24 P/B excl. GW (x) 2 01 2.36 2.15 1.87 1 55 1.35 1.30 1 24 EV/Sales (x) 1.89 2.07 1.76 1.53 1.18 1.20 1.06 0.94 EV/EBITDA (x) 6.0 6.4 3.6 EV/Current EBIT (x) 29.7 ns ns ns 29.1 22.7 19.2 15.2 PROFIT AND LOSS (€m) 06/19 06/20 06/21 06/22 06/23 370 370 334 352 418 427 447 459 EBITDA 116 63 39.0 84 123 113 115 118 Depreciations -92.5 -106.1 -111.0 -109.8 -106.3 -90.5 -90.4 -90.2 Current EBIT 23.5 -43.1 -72.1 -26.0 16.9 22.6 24.7 28.3 Published EBIT 23.5 -43.1 -72.1 -26.0 16.9 22.6 -2.7 24.7 28.3 -1.1 Net financial income -1.7 -3.4 -2.9 -2.0 -4.2-6.1Corporate Tax -4.4 2.6 0.3 -1.7 -3.0 -3.3 -3.9 Net income of equity-accounted companies 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 Profit/loss of discontinued activities (after tax) 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 Minority interests 0.0 0.0 Attributable net profit 17.4 -44 0 -72.8 -31.9 9.6 16 9 18 5 22.3 Adjusted attributable net profit 17.4 -44.0 -72.8 -31.9 18.5 22.3 9.6 16.9 BALANCE SHEET (€m) 06/19 06/20 06/21 06/22 6/23 5/24e 5/25e /26e 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 Other intangible assets 164 230 193 128 170 183 191 200 Tangible fixed assets 184 183 187 193 172 182 180 173 WCR -65.5 -39.4 13.6 11.2 11.1 11.1 11.1 Financial assets 23.2 20.4 10.0 24.7 11.5 60.7 29.5 -3.4 327 305 273 300 312 Ordinary shareholders equity 355 233 283 0.0 0.0 Minority interests 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 Shareholders equity 355 305 233 273 283 300 312 327 Non-current provisions 42.1 28.3 28.5 37.1 37.3 34.8 32.3 29.8 107 CASH FLOW STATEMENT (€m) 06/19 06/20 06/21 06/22 06/23 06/24e 06/25e 06/26e EBITDA 116.0 63.0 39.0 83.8 123.2 113.1 115.2 118.5 Change in WCR 76.6 -26.1 -53.0 0.0 2.5 0.0 0.0 0.0 Interests & taxes -2.6 0.4 -0.3 5.1 -2.5 -2.9 -3.7 3.9 -74.8 -73.0 Others -84.7 -140.4 3.4 0.3 -76.4 -83.9 Operating Cash flow 28.7 -0.4 16.0 35.0 54.4 26.7 37.4 41.7 CAPEX -139.4 -158.9 -81.1 -147.9 -92.0 -92.1 -108.5 Free cash-flow -110.7 -159.3 -75.7 -46.1 -93.4 -81.8 -54.6 -50.4 0.0 Acquisitions / disposals 0.0 0.0 -0.20.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 Dividends 0.0 -6.6 Net capital increase 0.0 0.0 0.0 86 5 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 Others -3.3 -3.9-4.4 -4.4 -5.4 -2.5-2.5 -2.5-58.8 42.5 58.0 26.2 -52.8 39.0 44.2 GROWTH MARGINS PRODUCTIVITY 06/19 06/20 06/21 06/22 06/23 06/24e 06/25e 06/26e -9.7% Sales growth Lfl sales growth 0.0% 5.2% 18.9% 2.1% 4.8% 2.6% 14.5% Current EBIT growth 33.6% 9.3% Growth in adjusted EPS ns ns ns -9.1% ns 76.8% 9.8% 20.5% -11.9% -21.8% 2.3% 4.0% 4.1% 4.9% 4.7% Net margin EBITDA margin 31.3% 17.0% 11.7% 23.8% 29.5% 26.5% 25.7% 25.8% Current EBIT margin 6.3% -11.7% -21.6% -7.4% 4.0% 5.3% 5.5% 6.2% -20.1% CAPEX / Sales -37.6% -42.9% -27.4% -23.1% -35.4% -25.4% -20.6% WCR / Sales -17.7% -11.8% 2.6% 2.6% 3.0% 3.9% 2.4% Tax Rate 20.3% 5.6% 0.5% -5 6% 11 4% 15.0% 15.0% 15.0% 30.0% Normative tax rate 30.0% 30.0% 30.0% 30.0% 30.0% 30.0% 30.0% Asset Turnover 1.2 ROCE post-tax (normative tax rate) -8.4% -14.5% -5.6% 3.5% 4.3% 4.5% 5.2% ROCE post-tax hors GW (normative tax rate) -8.4% -14.5% -5.6% 3.5% 4.3% 4.5% 5.2% -27.1% 5.8% 6.1% 7.0% ROE DEBT RATIOS 06/19 06/20 06/21 06/22 06/23 06/24e 06/25e 06/26e Gearing -4% 14% 37% 10% 19% 36% 22% 7% Net Debt / Market Cap -0.02 0.17 0.12 0.17 0.06 0.06 0.26 0.06 Net debt / EBITDA 0.59 2.22 0.34 0.44 0.95 EBITDA / net financial charges 68.0 18.3 34 2 19.7 20.0 41.1 39 6 58.6 Sources: ODDO BHF Securities, SIX



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Price Target (EUR)

Price (EUR)

Analyst

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Liquidity providers coverage	(81)	53%	36%	11%
Research service coverage	(52)	67%	17%	15%
Investment banking services	(33)	55%	42%	3%

Date

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