



US\$0.875bn Market cap
30% Free float
US\$4.331mn Avg. daily volume

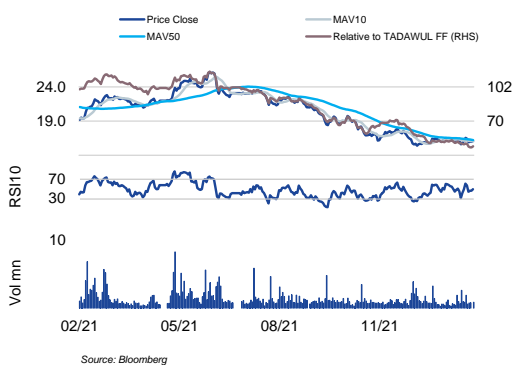
Target price **19.00** 21.6% over current
Current price **15.62** as at 27/2/2022

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Existing rating

Underweight **Neutral** **Overweight**

Performance



Earnings

| Period End (SARmn) | 12/21A | 12/22E | 12/23E |
|--------------------|---------|--------|--------|
| Revenue | 4,233 | 5,926 | 6,311 |
| Revenue Growth | -21% | 40% | 7% |
| EBITDA | 64 | 1,080 | 1,143 |
| EBITDA Margins | 2% | 18% | 18% |
| Net Profit | (1,091) | 88 | 197 |
| Net Margin | -26% | 1% | 3% |
| EPS | (5.2) | 0.4 | 0.9 |
| DPS | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Payout Ratio | 0% | 0% | 0% |
| P/E | -3x | 37x | 17x |
| ROE | -198% | 14% | 11% |

Source: Company data, Al Rajhi Capital

Fawaz Abdulaziz Results better than estimate

Fawaz Alhokair's reported revenue grew 9% y-o-y, driven by strong growth in international business, aided by the gradual removal of Covid restrictions. F&B segment increased by 10% y-o-y, while fashion retail revenue increased by 8% y-o-y. The consolidated LFL of the company increased 4% y-o-y, despite the impact of Omicron. LFL growth till November was stronger at 8%. The growth was aided by 81% y-o-y growth in international retail, even as Saudi registered a fall of 6%. The Saudi performance was impacted by Covid restrictions during the quarter and the company is targeting a low single digit LFL growth going forward. The gross margins improved significantly by 501bps y-o-y and was aided by improvement in revenue and growth in overall LFL revenue. Operating expenses fell by 15% y-o-y and was aided by lower store closure losses and other operating expenses. The company closed a net of 8 stores in Q3 2022 and 76 for M9 2022. The company plans to open c.9 stores in Q4 2022, with estimated net capex for 2022 at SAR85mn. Fawaz Alhokair's Q3 2022 net profits at SAR16mn exceeded our estimate of SAR10mn, aided by higher-than-expected revenue. We expect revenue growth of the company to continue, as we expect footfall to stores to improve going forward. We also expect F&B segment to grow, aided by acquisitions, while we expect online business too to register improvement in the medium term. We also feel that the ongoing capital restructuring will strengthen the overall capital structure of the company and will also aid in reducing the finance cost. Overall, we have increased our TP from SAR14/sh to SAR19/sh and revise our rating to "Overweight" on Fawaz Alhokair.

Capital Restructuring: Alhokair plans to restructure its capital by reducing its share capital by 46%, to SAR1,131mn, by writing off accumulated loss of SAR969mn. It is also planning to issue SAR1,000mn through rights issue, by issuing 100mn new shares, which will increase the total capital to SAR2,131mn. The company will use the proceeds from the rights issue to reduce its debt and finance future capex.

Figure 1: Q3 2022 Earnings Summary

| (SAR mn) | Q3 2022 | Q2 2022 | Q3 2021 | y-o-y | q-o-q | ARC est |
|------------------|---------|---------|---------|-------|-------|---------|
| Revenue | 1,466 | 1,361 | 1,350 | 9% | 8% | 1,279 |
| Gross profit | 245 | 232 | 157 | 55% | 5% | 205 |
| Gross margins | 17% | 17% | 12% | NM | NM | 16% |
| Operating profit | 96 | 116 | (18) | NM | -18% | 84 |
| Net income | 16 | 21 | (128) | NM | -23% | 10 |

Source: Company data, Al Rajhi Capital

Valuation: We value Fawaz Alhokair using an equal mix of DCF and PE based relative valuation. Based on 2% terminal growth and 8% WACC, our DCF TP is SAR18 per share, while our PE based target price, based on 21x FY 2023e EPS is SAR19/sh. Thus, equal weighted target price stands at SAR19/sh, implying ~22% upside or an "Overweight" rating on Fawaz Alhokair.



Key Risks:

Upside risks to our valuation includes: Significant increase in local spending, resulting in a faster than expected ramp-up of newly acquired brands will have a positive impact on our revenue and valuations.

Downside risks to our valuation includes: Further inventory write-offs and further lockdowns could have a negative impact on company's profitability and our valuations.



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