

Energiekontor AG

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9M report

RATING PRICE TARGET

BUY € 24.80

Return Potential 75.1% Risk Rating High

STORMY OCTOBER SUPPORTS POWER PRODUCTION

On 15 November, Energiekontor published its 9M report which gives a qualitative update on developments in Q3, but does not contain concrete figures. At the time of publication of the report, Energiekontor had put 58 MW into operation this year. A further 18 MW are still under construction. In the best case, 76 MW will be connected to the grid this year. A stormy October largely compensated for weak H1 wind conditions. As a result, YTD power production at the company's own wind farms is now only slightly below the long-term average. Energiekontor plans to transfer wind projects with a total capacity of 31 MW (FBe: 35 MW) to its own plant portfolio. We have slightly adjusted our forecasts. We reiterate our Buy rating at a slightly lower price target of €24.80 (previously: €25.00).

Wind project development on track With 58 MW already completed and 18 MW under construction, Energiekontor looks set to realise 76 MW by the end of the year. In our model, we assume the completion of 70 MW, of which 39 MW will be sold to investors. As the selling process takes some time and may not be finalised for all wind farms by the end of the year, we stick to our estimate.

Record wind conditions in October support power production According to IWR's monthly report, German wind power production more than doubled y/y from 5.6 bn kWh to 12.4 bn kWh in October. Energiekontor's Power Production segment benefited from the very good wind conditions in Europe. The weak H1 could largely be compensated and YTD power production is only slightly below the long-term average.

Own plant portfolio will increase by 31 MW Energiekontor plans to include four projects with a total capacity of 31 MW in its own plant portfolio, thereby increasing its capacity to 269 MW. In our model, we assumed 35 MW and have therefore adjusted our estimates.

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FINANCIAL HISTORY & PROJECTIONS

2019E	2018E	2017E	2016	2015	2014	
274.47	174.69	163.07	166.75	210.14	160.45	Total output (€m)
57.1%	7.1%	-2.2%	-20.6%	31.0%	-0.1%	Y-o-y growth
41.74	26.71	32.20	53.75	49.67	40.72	EBIT (€m)
15.2%	15.3%	19.7%	32.2%	23.6%	25.4%	EBIT margin
14.53	5.86	10.80	25.34	20.91	14.13	Net income (€m)
1.00	0.40	0.74	1.74	1.43	0.96	EPS (diluted) (€)
0.70	0.70	0.70	0.80	0.80	0.60	DPS (€)
-73.57	-11.38	6.40	85.99	51.22	35.62	FCF (€m)
383.8%	249.6%	177.2%	146.9%	330.0%	464.9%	Net gearing
93.77	106.33	111.03	118.53	103.96	81.59	Liquid assets (€m)
15 1 -7 383	15.3% 5.86 0.40 0.70 -11.38 249.6%	19.7% 10.80 0.74 0.70 6.40 177.2%	32.2% 25.34 1.74 0.80 85.99 146.9%	23.6% 20.91 1.43 0.80 51.22 330.0%	25.4% 14.13 0.96 0.60 35.62 464.9%	EBIT margin Net income (€ m) EPS (diluted) (€) DPS (€) FCF (€m) Net gearing

RISKS

Main risks include changes in the regulatory support for wind energy, tender results, project development risks, wind farm operation risks, and low stock liquidity.

COMPANY PROFILE

Energiekontor is a wind and solar project developer and an operator of a large own wind farm portfolio (259 MW). The company is active in onshore wind and solar project development mainly in Germany and the UK. Energiekontor is headquartered in Bremen, Germany.

MARKET DATA	As of 21 Nov 2017
Closing Price	€ 14.17
Shares outstanding	14.58m
Market Capitalisation	€ 206.53m
52-week Range	€ 14.16 / 19.25
Avg. Volume (12 Months)	13,528

Multiples	2016	2017E	2018E
P/E	8.2	19.2	35.4
EV/Sales	2.2	2.2	2.1
EV/EBIT	6.7	11.2	13.5
Div. Yield	5.6%	4.9%	4.9%

STOCK OVERVIEW



COMPANY DATA	As of 30 Jun 2017
Liquid Assets	€ 75.84m
Current Assets	€ 176.92m
Intangible Assets	€ 0.00m
Total Assets	€ 348.17m
Current Liabilities	€ 86.06m
Shareholders' Equity	€ 63.23m

SHAREHOLDERS

Dr Bodo Wilkens	25.7%
Günter Lammers	25.6%
Internat. Kapitalanlageges.	5.1%
Free Float	43.7%

Project development final spurt Energiekontor has commissioned eight wind projects with a total capacity of 51 MW. Furthermore, two of the three turbines at the Hammelwarder Moor project (3 * 3.4 MW = 10.2 MW) have been connected to the grid. Turbines with a total capacity of 18 MW look set to be completed by the end of the year. A further turbine (4.5 MW) will be added to the Debstedt wind farm following financial closing at the beginning of November. We expect construction in 2018. In the solar project business, we anticipate for 2018 construction of the two PV plants in Brandenburg with total capacity of 15.5 MW (see figure 1).

Figure 1: Project overview

Wind farm / solar park	MW	Approval	Under construction	Com- missioning	Sale
Hammelwarder Moor (Lower Saxony)	10.2	2016	yes	2017	own plant portfolio
Odisheim (Lower Saxony)	10.2	2016	yes	12/2017	in 10/2017
Kreuzau-Steinkaul (NRW)	5.5	2016	completed	8/2017	own plant portfolio
Heinsberg-Waldenrath (NRW)	7.2	2016	completed	11/2017	own plant portfolio
Niederzier-Steinstraß (NRW)	8.25	2016	completed	9/2017	own plant portfolio
Wachtendonk-Wankum (NRW)	2.5	2016	completed	6/2017	in H1/2017
Hürth-Barbarahof (NRW)	5.0	2016	yes	2017	in sales process
Hohengüstow II (Brandenburg)	19.2	2016	completed	9/2017	50% for old owner / 50% sold in H2
Briest III (Brandenburg)	3.2	2016	completed	5/2017	in H1/2017
Luckow-Petershagen (Brandenburg)	2.75	2016	completed	6/2017	in H1/2017
Klein Woltersdorf (Brandenburg)	2.4	12/2015	completed	3/2017	in 2016
Debstedt II	4.5	2017	no	2018	n.a.
Sum wind	80.9				
Garzau-Garzin (PV, Brandenburg)	10.0	4/2016	yes	Q1/2018	n.a.
Unnamed PV project (Brandenburg)	5.5	2/2017	no	2018	n.a.
Sum PV	15.5				

Source: First Berlin Equity Research, Energiekontor AG

Treasury shares cancelled Management cancelled 75,000 treasury shares (0.5% of the total share count) thereby lowering the number of shares to 14,578,160.

Estimates for 2017E slightly adjusted In the 9M report, Energiekontor revealed that it plans to transfer wind farms with a total capacity of 31 MW (FBe: 35 MW) to its Power Production segment and will not commission any PV plant this year. We have therefore slightly adjusted our estimates (see figure 2).

Figure 2: Revisions to forecasts

		2017E			2018E			2019E	
All figures in €m	Old	New	Delta	Old	New	Delta	Old	New	Delta
Total output	165.00	163.07	-1.2%	175.49	174.69	-0.5%	275.34	274.47	-0.3%
EBIT	31.96	32.20	0.8%	26.73	26.71	-0.1%	42.20	41.74	-1.1%
margin	19.4%	19.7%		15.2%	15.3%		15.3%	15.2%	
Net income	10.51	10.80	2.7%	5.65	5.86	3.7%	14.63	14.53	-0.7%
margin	6.4%	6.6%		3.2%	3.4%		5.3%	5.3%	
EPS (diluted)	0.72	0.74	2.9%	0.39	0.40	3.8%	1.00	1.00	-0.6%

Source: First Berlin Equity Research

Buy reiterated at slightly lower price target An updated sum of the parts valuation yields a new price target of €24.80 (previously: €25.00). We reiterate our Buy rating.



VALUATION MODEL

We value Energiekontor based on a sum of the parts analysis. Each of Energiekontor's segments, Project Development, Power Production, and Operations & Innovation is separately valued based on a DCF model.

Sum of the parts valuation

SotP valuation	Fair value in €m	Fair value per share in €	old
Project Development	155.12	10.62	10.60
Power Production	160.00	10.96	11.23
Operations & Innovation	47.34	3.24	3.22
Sum of the parts	362.46	24.83	25.04

DCF model for Project Development segment

DCF valuation model								
All figures in EUR '000	2017E	2018E	2019E	2020E	2021E	2022E	2023E	2024E
Net sales	60,515	72,480	143,160	163,600	169,549	175,406	181,147	186,746
NOPLAT	9,539	3,657	12,570	11,820	11,955	12,069	12,521	12,711
+ depreciation & amortisation	82	67	71	121	151	164	172	178
Net operating cash flow	9,621	3,724	12,641	11,941	12,106	12,233	12,693	12,890
- total investments (CAPEX and WC)	16,965	-5,253	-25,441	-7,681	-2,310	-2,301	-2,265	-2,220
Capital expenditures	-61	-72	-143	-164	-170	-175	-181	-187
Working capital	17,026	-5,181	-25,298	-7,517	-2,140	-2,126	-2,084	-2,034
Free cash flows (FCF)	26,586	-1,529	-12,800	4,260	9,796	9,932	10,428	10,669
PV of FCF's	26,282	-1,372	-10,423	3,148	6,569	6,045	5,761	5,348

All figures in thousands	
PV of FCFs in explicit period (2017E-2030E)	65,387
PV of FCFs in terminal period	34,030
Enterprise value (EV)	99,417
+ Net cash / - net debt	55,704
+ Investments / minority interests	0
Shareholder value	155,121

WACC	10.2%
Cost of equity	13.0%
Pre-tax cost of debt	8.5%
Tax rate	30.0%
After-tax cost of debt	6.0%
Share of equity capital	60.0%
Share of debt capital	40.0%
Fair value per share in EUR	10.62

Terminal growth rate							
	0.5%	1.0%	1.5%	2.0%	2.5%	3.0%	3.5%
6.2%	15.43	15.80	16.26	16.83	17.55	18.49	19.79
7.2%	13.61	13.83	14.08	14.38	14.75	15.20	15.77
8.2%	12.28	12.41	12.55	12.72	12.92	13.16	13.45
9.2%	11.26	11.34	11.43	11.53	11.64	11.78	11.93
10.2%	10.47	10.51	10.57	10.62	10.69	10.77	10.86
11.2%	9.82	9.85	9.88	9.92	9.96	10.00	10.05
12.2%	9.29	9.31	9.33	9.35	9.38	9.40	9.43
13.2%	8.85	8.86	8.88	8.89	8.90	8.92	8.93

^{*} for layout purposes the model shows numbers only to 2024, but runs until 2030



DCF model for Power Production segment

DCF valuation model								
All figures in EUR '000	2017E	2018E	2019E	2020E	2021E	2022E	2023E	2024E
Net sales	52,012	58,150	65,335	77,587	86,848	86,848	86,848	86,848
NOPLAT	17,675	19,358	22,438	27,764	28,249	27,928	27,575	27,250
+ depreciation & amortisation	17,334	20,194	22,250	26,119	32,915	32,915	32,915	32,915
Net operating cash flow	35,009	39,552	44,688	53,882	61,164	60,843	60,490	60,165
- total investments (CAPEX and WC)	-55,177	-50,446	-105,693	-110,887	-35,097	-32,915	-32,915	-32,915
Capital expenditures	-49,840	-49,000	-104,000	-108,000	-32,915	-32,915	-32,915	-32,915
Working capital	-5,337	-1,446	-1,693	-2,887	-2,182	0	0	0
Free cash flows (FCF)	-20,168	-10,894	-61,005	-57,004	26,067	27,928	27,575	27,250
PV of FCF's	-20,070	-10,404	-55,912	-50,134	22,001	22,622	21,436	20,327

All figures in thousands	
PV of FCFs in explicit period (2017E-2030E)	51,792
PV of FCFs in terminal period	261,466
Enterprise value (EV)	313,259
+ Net cash / - net debt	-153,261
+ Investments / minority interests	0
Shareholder value	159.998

Fair value per share in EUR	10.96

WACC	4.2%
Cost of equity	7.0%
Pre-tax cost of debt	5.0%
Tax rate	30.0%
After-tax cost of debt	3.5%
Share of equity capital	20.0%
Share of debt capital	80.0%
Fair value per share in EUR	10.96

	Terminal growth rate									
	-0.6%	-0.4%	-0.2%	0.0%	0.2%	0.4%	0.6%			
3.5%	14.00	15.09	16.31	17.67	19.20	20.92	22.89			
3.7%	12.00	12.94	13.98	15.13	16.41	17.85	19.48			
4.0%	10.22	11.03	11.93	12.91	14.00	15.21	16.57			
4.2%	8.63	9.34	10.11	10.96	11.89	12.92	14.07			
4.5%	7.19	7.81	8.49	9.22	10.03	10.91	11.89			
4.7%	5.89	6.44	7.03	7.68	8.37	9.14	9.98			
5.0%	4.71	5.20	5.72	6.28	6.89	7.56	8.29			

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DCF model for Operations & Innovation segment

DCF valuation model								
All figures in EUR '000	2017E	2018E	2019E	2020E	2021E	2022E	2023E	2024E
Net sales	6,019	6,922	7,960	9,060	10,205	11,374	12,542	13,683
NOPLAT	2,049	2,379	2,731	3,066	3,408	3,747	4,074	4,385
+ depreciation & amortisation	0	8	18	29	40	53	67	81
Net operating cash flow	2,049	2,387	2,749	3,095	3,448	3,800	4,141	4,466
- total investments (CAPEX and WC)	-386	-148	-286	-306	-326	-343	-355	-361
Capital expenditures	-120	-138	-159	-173	-186	-196	-205	-211
Working capital	-266	-9	-126	-133	-141	-147	-150	-150
Free cash flows (FCF)	1,663	2,239	2,463	2,789	3,122	3,457	3,786	4,104
PV of FCF's	1,644	2,013	2,012	2,071	2,108	2,122	2,113	2,081

All figures in thousands	
PV of FCFs in explicit period (2017E-2030E)	26,950
PV of FCFs in terminal period	19,358
Enterprise value (EV)	46,308
+ Net cash / - net debt	1,029
+ Investments / minority interests	0
Shareholder value	47,337

Fair value per share in EUR	3.24

WACC	10.0%
Cost of equity	10.0%
Pre-tax cost of debt	6.0%
Tax rate	30.0%
After-tax cost of debt	4.2%
Share of equity capital	100.0%
Share of debt capital	0.0%
Fair value per share in EUR	3.24

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	0.5%	1.0%	1.5%	2.0%	2.5%	3.0%	3.5%
6.0%	5.57	5.88	6.27	6.75	7.37	8.19	9.34
7.0%	4.63	4.83	5.06	5.34	5.68	6.10	6.65
8.0%	3.95	4.08	4.23	4.40	4.61	4.85	5.15
9.0%	3.43	3.52	3.62	3.74	3.87	4.02	4.21
10.0%	3.03	3.09	3.16	3.24	3.33	3.43	3.55
11.0%	2.71	2.75	2.80	2.86	2.92	2.99	3.07
12.0%	2.45	2.48	2.52	2.56	2.60	2.65	2.70
13.0%	2.23	2.25	2.28	2.31	2.34	2.38	2.42

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INCOME STATEMENT

All figures in EUR '000	2014A	2015A	2016A	2017E	2018E	2019E
Revenues	153,280	191,329	201,764	114,139	132,783	211,271
Change in inventory & own work	7,172	18,808	-35,015	48,933	41,911	63,195
Total output	160,452	210,137	166,749	163,072	174,694	274,466
Cost of goods sold	82,431	116,590	70,523	87,843	96,683	172,176
Gross profit	78,021	93,547	96,226	75,228	78,011	102,290
Personnel costs	10,043	10,476	10,922	11,388	12,404	14,360
Other operating expenses	16,646	18,553	17,719	18,726	20,671	25,743
Other operating income	3,569	1,574	4,481	4,507	2,041	1,887
EBITDA	54,901	66,092	72,066	49,621	46,977	64,075
Depreciation	14,183	16,424	18,316	17,416	20,270	22,338
Operating income (EBIT)	40,718	49,668	53,750	32,205	26,707	41,736
Net financial result	-18,962	-20,006	-18,253	-16,781	-18,332	-20,984
Non-operating expenses	0	0	0	0	0	0
Pre-tax income (EBT)	21,756	29,662	35,497	15,423	8,375	20,753
Income taxes	7,623	8,751	10,162	4,627	2,513	6,226
Minority interests	0	0	0	0	0	0
Net income / loss	14,133	20,911	25,335	10,796	5,863	14,527
Diluted EPS (in €)	0.96	1.43	1.74	0.74	0.40	1.00
Ratios						
Gross margin on total output	48.6%	44.5%	57.7%	46.1%	44.7%	37.3%
EBITDA margin on total output	34.2%	31.5%	43.2%	30.4%	26.9%	23.3%
EBIT margin on total output	25.4%	23.6%	32.2%	19.7%	15.3%	15.2%
Net margin on total output	8.8%	10.0%	15.2%	6.6%	3.4%	5.3%
Tax rate	35.0%	29.5%	28.6%	30.0%	30.0%	30.0%
Expenses as % of total output						
Personnel costs	6.3%	5.0%	6.5%	7.0%	7.1%	5.2%
Depreciation	8.8%	7.8%	11.0%	10.7%	11.6%	8.1%
Other operating expenses	10.4%	8.8%	10.6%	11.5%	11.8%	9.4%
Y-Y Growth						
Total output	-1.4%	31.0%	-20.6%	-2.2%	7.1%	57.1%
EBIT	19.3%	22.0%	8.2%	-40.1%	-17.1%	56.3%
Net income/ loss	4.3%	48.0%	21.2%	-57.4%	-45.7%	147.8%



BALANCE SHEET

All figures in EUR '000	2014A	2015A	2016A	2017E	2018E	2019E
<u>Assets</u>						
Current assets, total	159,888	166,855	181,759	159,339	161,990	179,814
Cash and cash equivalents	81,594	103,957	118,528	111,028	106,329	93,770
Short-term investments	39	10,278	10,305	10,305	10,305	10,305
Receivables	23,781	16,932	17,469	17,724	20,227	27,815
Inventories	50,858	32,871	34,272	19,098	23,944	46,740
Other current assets	3,412	1,192	755	755	755	755
Non-current assets, total	195,310	232,263	179,592	212,197	241,138	323,102
Property, plant & equipment	187,241	223,789	171,747	204,352	233,293	315,257
Goodwill & other intangibles	37	23	10	10	10	10
Other assets	8,032	8,451	7,834	7,834	7,834	7,834
Total assets	355,198	399,118	361,351	371,536	403,128	502,916
Shareholders' equity & debt						
Current liabilities, total	45,266	76,163	83,551	62,884	68,619	81,884
Short-term financial debt	19,166	31,871	45,735	30,040	35,060	45,060
Accounts payable	5,947	4,480	6,241	2,745	3,459	6,725
Current provisions	11,342	16,282	12,656	12,656	12,656	12,656
Other current liabilities	8,811	23,530	18,919	17,443	17,443	17,443
Long-term liabilities, total	269,777	272,495	208,323	238,583	268,783	350,983
Long-term financial debt	249,136	248,899	185,175	215,435	245,635	327,835
Deferred revenue	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other liabilities	20,641	23,596	23,148	23,148	23,148	23,148
Minority interests	0	0	0	0	0	0
Shareholders' equity	40,155	50,460	69,477	70,069	65,727	70,049
Share capital	14,653	14,653	14,653	14,653	14,653	14,653
Capital reserve	40,293	40,308	40,323	40,323	40,323	40,323
Other reserves	-7,388	-8,751	-3,125	-3,125	-3,125	-3,125
Treasury stock	-4	-41	-61	-61	-61	-61
Loss carryforward / retained earnings	10,112	16,421	30,164	30,756	26,414	30,736
Total consolidated equity and debt	355,198	399,118	361,351	371,536	403,128	502,916
Ratios						
Current ratio (x)	3.53	2.19	2.18	2.53	2.36	2.20
Quick ratio (x)	2.41	1.76	1.77	2.23	2.01	1.63
Net debt	186,669	166,535	102,077	124,142	164,061	268,820
Net gearing	465%	330%	147%	177%	250%	384%
Book value per share (in €)	2.74	3.45	4.76	4.81	4.51	4.81
Financial debt/EBITDA (x)	4.9	4.2	3.2	4.9	6.0	5.8
Equity ratio	11.3%	12.6%	19.2%	18.9%	16.3%	13.9%
Return on equity (ROE)	35.2%	41.4%	36.5%	15.4%	8.9%	20.7%
Days sales outstanding (DSO)	56.6	32.3	31.6	56.7	55.6	48.1
Days inventory outstanding (DIO)	225.2	102.9	177.4	79.4	90.4	99.1
Days payables outstanding (DPO)	26.3	14.0	32.3	11.4	13.1	14.3



CASH FLOW STATEMENT

All figures in EUR '000	2014A	2015A	2016A	2017E	2018E	2019E
EBIT	40,718	49,668	53,750	32,205	26,707	41,736
Depreciation and amortisation	12,463	16,424	18,316	17,416	20,270	22,338
EBITDA	53,181	66,092	72,066	49,621	46,977	64,075
Changes in working capital	6,445	28,824	24,732	11,424	-6,636	-27,117
Other adjustments	-3,848	-3,490	-3,927	-4,627	-2,513	-6,226
Operating cash flow	55,778	91,426	92,871	56,418	37,829	30,731
CAPEX	-20,149	-40,205	-6,885	-50,021	-49,211	-104,302
Investments in intangibles	-12	0	0	0	0	0
Free cash flow	35,617	51,221	85,986	6,397	-11,382	-73,571
Acquisitions and disposals, net	5,062	300	0	0	0	0
Other investments	307	-11,143	-1,327	0	0	0
Cash flow from investing	-14,792	-51,048	-8,212	-50,021	-49,211	-104,302
Debt financing, net	-3,708	11,574	-36,444	14,565	35,220	92,200
Equity financing, net	0	0	-278	0	0	0
Dividends paid	-7,331	-8,781	-11,682	-11,680	-10,205	-10,205
Other financing	-18,129	-18,759	-23,041	-16,781	-18,332	-20,984
Cash flow from financing	-29,168	-15,967	-71,444	-13,897	6,683	61,012
Forex & other effects	-1,636	-2,048	1,357	0	0	0
Net cash flows	10,181	22,363	14,571	-7,500	-4,699	-12,559
Cash, start of the year	71,413	81,594	103,957	118,528	111,028	106,329
Cash, end of the year	81,594	103,957	118,528	111,028	106,329	93,770
EBITDA/share (in €)	3.74	4.52	4.94	3.40	3.22	4.40
Operating cash flow/share (in €)	3.80	6.25	6.36	3.87	2.59	2.11
Y-Y Growth						
Operating cash flow	204.9%	63.9%	1.6%	-39.3%	-32.9%	-18.8%
Free cash flow	n.m.	43.8%	67.9%	-92.6%	n.m.	n.m.
EBITDA/share	19.1%	20.6%	9.3%	-31.0%	-5.3%	36.4%
Operating cash flow/share	205.7%	64.2%	1.8%	-39.2%	-32.9%	-18.8%



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22	8 September 2017	€17.30	Buy	€24.90
23	1 November 2017	€15.15	Buy	€25.00
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