**Investment Companies - Germany** 

Hold (old: Hold)

EUR 14.00 (old: EUR 14.00)

### H1 figures: Emerald Stay divestment with positive P&L impact

**Topic:** 029 published H1 2024 figures which were marked by the positive contributions from the successful divestment of Emerald Stay, but also the further positive developments of the group's key holding, Limestone Capital.

In H1, the group's net income stood at  $\in 0.7m$ , comparing to previous year's  $\in 0.4m$  loss. Besides lower other operating expenses (from  $\in 0.32m$  to  $\in 0.18m$ ), this was carried by a  $\in 0.94m$  other operating income related to the divestment of Emerald Stay in February. As a reminder, 029 sold it's 5.2% stake in Emerald Stay. The transaction is expected to generate roughly  $\in 1.6m$  gross proceeds, reflecting a realized multiple on the FY23 book value of around 2.3x and 2.7x on the invested capital.

Limestone Capital, the group's key holding (84.2% of NAV, eNuW), continues to grow its portfolio. In May, the company opened Aethos Sardina, a 57-room 5 star hotel. With this, seven hotels are operational with the 8th (Madrid) likely to become operational during Q3 2025.

What's more, Limestone spearheaded a € 40m Series A financing round for MYNE Homes, Europe's leading managed co-ownership provider for premium vacation homes in Germany, Austria, Italy, Spain, France, Sweden and Croatia. With its technology-driven platform, MYNE allows individuals to pool resources and invest in premium vacation homes, making ownership much easier and more affordable.

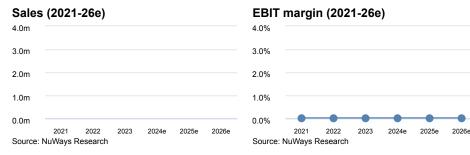
**Changes in management board.** On July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024, Leon Sander succeeded Lorin Van Nuland, who has decided to step down as CEO in consultation with the Administrative Board, as new Managing Director. Leon Sander has actively supported 029 Group SE since its foundation and has already been a member of the Administrative Board.

**Current portfolio overview.** Besides Limestone, the group's portfolio also comprises **TRIP Drinks** (10.1% of NAV, eNuW), UK's leading CBD oils and drinks brand, which is progressing with its geographic expansion, hotelbird (3.9% of NAV, eNuW), Brother's Bond (1.5% of NAV, eNuW) and fjör (0.3% of NAV, eNuW), which are all showing operational developments in line with expectations.

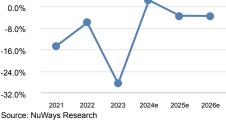
**029 Group remains a HOLD with an unchanged € 14 PT** based on a sum-of-the-parts valuation with a 5% holding discount.

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Y/E 31.12 (EUR m)	2021	2022	2023	2024e	2025e	2026e
Sales	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Sales growth	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
EBITDA	-0.0	-0.7	-0.6	0.4	-0.6	-0.6
Net debt (if net cash=0)	-0.2	0.3	1.3	1.3	1.5	1.6
FCF	0.0	-0.4	-0.5	-0.4	-0.6	-0.9
Net Debt/EBITDA	0.0	-0.5	-2.1	3.2	-2.7	-2.7
EPS pro forma	-0.09	-0.13	-0.13	0.07	-0.12	-0.29
EBITDA margin	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	n.a.
ROCE	-14.7%	-6.0%	-28.8%	2.3%	-3.4%	-3.5%
EV/sales	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	n.a.	n.a.
EV/EBITDA	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	-133.7	-129.0
PER	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	-122.1	-51.9
Adjusted FCF yield	-0.6%	-1.3%	-9.6%	0.7%	-1.0%	-2.3%

Source: Company data, NuWays, Close price as of 27.09.2024



### ROCE (2021-26e)



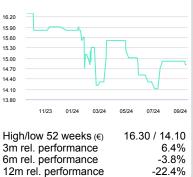
### **Company description**

As a listed German investment company, 029 Group purchases minority stakes in strongly growing companies during early funding rounds (typically Seed or Series A) or incubates its own ideas and brands which are adopting already proven business models and go-to-market strategies.

### Guidance

by Hauck Aufhäuser Lam

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Market data								
Share price (in €)	14.80							
Market cap (in € m)	74.0							
Number of shares (in m pcs)	5.0							
Enterprise value (in € m)	75.3							
Ø trading volume (6 months)	1,140							

Identifier									
Bloomberg	Z29 GR								
Reuters	Z29.DE								
WKN	A2LQ2D								
ISIN	DE000A2LQ2D0								

Key shareholders	
Apeiron Investment Gr.	37.2%
Global Equities Impact Fund	18.0%
Management & Board	15.0%
Black Mars Capital	9.0%
Free Float	20.8%

	Estimates	changes	;
Sales	<u>2024e</u> 0.0	<u>2025e</u> 0 0	<u>2026e</u> 0 0
EBIT	132%	26%	26%
EPS	175%	24%	13%

**Comment on changes** Minor model changes following the

release of H1 figures

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## Financials

Profit and loss (EUR m)	2021	2022	2023	2024e	2025e	2026e
Net sales	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Sales growth	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
Increase/decrease in finished goods and work-in-process	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Total sales	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Other operating income	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.9	0.0	0.0
Material expenses	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Personnel expenses	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Other operating expenses	0.0	0.6	0.6	0.4	0.4	0.4
Total operating expenses	0.0	0.7	0.6	-0.4	0.6	0.6
EBITDA	-0.0	-0.7	-0.6	0.4	-0.6	-0.6
Depreciation	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	-0.0
EBITA	-0.0	-0.7	-0.6	0.4	-0.6	-0.6
Amortisation of goodwill	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Amortisation of intangible assets	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Impairment charges	0.0	0.0	5.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
EBIT (inc revaluation net)	-0.0	-0.7	-5.6	0.4	-0.6	-0.6
Interest income	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Interest expenses	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Investment income	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Financial result	0.0	-0.0	-0.0	-0.0	-0.0	-0.0
Recurring pretax income from continuing operations	-0.0	-0.7	-5.6	0.4	-0.6	-0.6
Extraordinary income/loss	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Earnings before taxes	-0.0	-0.7	-5.6	0.4	-0.6	-0.6
Income tax expense	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Net income from continuing operations	-0.0	-0.7	-5.6	0.4	-0.6	-0.6
Income from discontinued operations (net of tax)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Net income	-0.0	-0.7	-5.6	0.4	-0.6	-0.6
Minority interest	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.8
Net profit (reported)	-0.0	-0.7	-5.6	0.4	-0.6	-1.4
Average number of shares	0.2	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
EPS reported	-0.09	-0.13	-1.12	0.07	-0.12	-0.29

Profit and loss (common size)	2021	2022	2023	2024e	2025e	2026
Net sales	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a
Sales growth	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a
Increase/decrease in finished goods and work-in-process	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a
Total sales	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a
Other operating income	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a
Material expenses	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a
Personnel expenses	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a
Other operating expenses	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a
Total operating expenses	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a
EBITDA	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a
Depreciation	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a
EBITA	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a
Amortisation of goodwill	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a
Amortisation of intangible assets	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a
Impairment charges	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a
EBIT (inc revaluation net)	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a
Interest income	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a
Interest expenses	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a
Investment income	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a
Financial result	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a
Recurring pretax income from continuing operations	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a
Extraordinary income/loss	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a
Earnings before taxes	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a
Tax rate	0.0%	30.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Net income from continuing operations	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a
ncome from discontinued operations (net of tax)	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a
Net income	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a
Minority interest	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a
Net profit (reported)	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a

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Balance sheet (EUR m)	2021	2022	2023	2024e	2025e	2026e
Intangible assets	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Property, plant and equipment	0.0	0.0	-0.0	-0.0	-0.0	-0.0
Financial assets	0.0	21.8	17.3	16.5	16.5	16.5
FIXED ASSETS	0.0	21.9	17.3	16.5	16.5	16.5
Inventories	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Accounts receivable	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Other assets and short-term financial assets	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Liquid assets	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.2
Deferred taxes	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Deferred charges and prepaid expenses	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0
CURRENT ASSETS	0.2	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.3	0.2
TOTAL ASSETS	0.2	21.9	17.3	16.6	16.8	16.7
	0.4	04.5	45.7	44.0	44.0	44.0
SHAREHOLDERS EQUITY	<b>0.1</b> 0.0	21.5	<b>15.7</b> 0.0	14.9	<b>14.6</b> 0.0	14.8
MINORITY INTEREST	0.0	0.0 0.0	0.0	0.0 0.0	0.0	0.0 0.0
Long-term liabilities to banks						
Bonds (long-term)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
other interest-bearing liabilities	0.0	0.3	1.3	1.3	1.8	1.8
Provisions for pensions and similar obligations	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Other provisions and accrued liabilities	0.0	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
Short-term liabilities to banks	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Accounts payable	0.0	0.1	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.0
Advance payments received on orders	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Accrued taxes	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Other liabilities (incl. from lease and rental contracts)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Deferred taxes	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Deferred income	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
CURRENT LIABILITIES	0.0	0.1	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.0
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS EQUITY	0.2	21.9	17.3	16.6	16.8	16.7
Balance sheet (common size)	2021	2022	2023	2024e	2025e	2026e
Intangible assets	0.0%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%
Property, plant and equipment	0.0%	0.0%	-0.0%	-0.0%	-0.0%	-0.0%
Financial assets	0.0%	99.8%	99.5%	99.7%	98.3%	98.6%
FIXED ASSETS	0.0%	99.8%	99.6%	99.8%	98.3%	98.7%
Inventories	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Accounts receivable	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Other assets and short-term financial assets	0.7%	0.0%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%
Liquid assets	98.1%	0.0%	0.1%	0.1%	1.6%	1.3%
Deferred taxes	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Deferred charges and prepaid expenses	1.2%	0.1%	0.3%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
CURRENT ASSETS	100.0%	0.2%	0.4%	0.2%	1.7%	1.3%
TOTAL ASSETS	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
SHAREHOLDERS EQUITY	93.6%	98.2%	90.3%	89.8%	87.0%	88.6%
	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Long-term liabilities to banks	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Bonds (long-term)	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
other interest-bearing liabilities	0.0%	1.4%	7.4%	7.8%	10.6%	10.7%
Provisions for pensions and similar obligations	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Other provisions and accrued liabilities	6.1%	1.0%	0.7%	0.7%	0.7%	0.7%
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
Short-term liabilities to banks	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Accounts payable	0.0%	0.3%	1.6%	1.7%	1.7%	0.0%
Advance payments received on orders	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Accrued taxes	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Other liabilities (incl. from lease and rental contracts)	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
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Deferred taxes	0.0%	0.0%				
Deferred taxes Deferred income	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Deferred taxes						

Source: Company data, NuWays

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Cash flow statement (EUR m)	2021	2022	2023	2024e	2025e	2026e
Net profit/loss	-0.0	-0.7	-5.6	0.4	-0.6	-0.6
Depreciation of fixed assets (incl. leases)	0.0	0.0	5.0	0.0	0.0	-0.0
Amortisation of goodwill & intangible assets	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Other costs affecting income / expenses	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Cash flow from operating activities	0.0	-0.4	-5.5	-0.4	-0.6	-0.9
Increase/decrease in inventory	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Increase/decrease in accounts receivable	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Increase/decrease in accounts payable	-0.0	0.1	0.2	0.0	0.0	-0.3
Increase/decrease in other working capital positions	0.0	0.0	-0.1	n.a.	0.0	0.0
Increase/decrease in working capital	0.0	0.1	0.1	-0.8	0.0	-0.3
Cash flow from operating activities	-0.0	-0.4	-0.5	-0.4	-0.6	-0.9
CAPEX	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Payments for acquisitions	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Financial investments	0.0	0.1	0.4	-1.6	0.0	0.0
Income from asset disposals	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Cash flow from investing activities	0.0	-0.1	-0.4	1.6	0.0	0.0
Cash flow before financing	0.0	-0.5	-0.9	1.2	-0.6	-0.9
Increase/decrease in debt position	0.0	0.3	1.0	-1.2	0.8	0.8
Purchase of own shares	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Capital measures	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Dividends paid	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Others	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Effects of exchange rate changes on cash	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Cash flow from financing activities	0.0	0.0 0.3	1.0	- <b>1.2</b>	0.0	0.0
Increase/decrease in liquid assets	0.0	-0.1	0.0	-1.2	0.8	-0.1
	0.0 0.2	-0.1 <b>0.0</b>	0.0	0.0	0.2 0.3	-0.1 <b>0.2</b>
Liquid assets at end of period	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.2
Key ratios (EUR m)	2021	2022	2023	2024e	2025e	2026e
P&L growth analysis	2021	LULL	2023	20240	20200	20200
Sales growth	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
EBITDA growth	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	-7.2%	-249.7%
EBIT growth	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	-100.0%	-100.0%
EPS growth	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	-89.2%	-506.9%
Efficiency	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	-00.270	-500.570
Sales per employee	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	n.a.	n.a.
EBITDA per employee	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	n.a.	n.a.
No. employees (average)	0.0	0.0	2	2	n.a.	n.a.
Balance sheet analysis	1	1	2	2	n.a.	11.a.
Avg. working capital / sales	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
Inventory turnover (sales/inventory)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Accounts receivable turnover	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	30.0	30.0
Accounts payable turnover Cash flow analysis	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	30.0	30.0
Free cash flow	0.0	-0.4	-0.5	-0.4	-0.6	-0.9
Free cash flow/sales						
FCF / net profit	n.a. 0.0%	n.a. 61.3%	n.a. 9.5%	n.a.	n.a. 100.0%	n.a. 144.6%
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Capex / sales Solvency	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
Net debt	-0.2	0.3	1.3	1.3	1.5	1.6
Net Debt/EBITDA	-0.2	-0.5	-2.1	3.2	-2.7	-2.7
Dividend payout ratio	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Interest paid / avg. debt	n.a.	0.0%	3.2%	5.1%	2.7%	2.7%
	n.a.	0.978	5.2 /0	J.170	2.1 /0	2.7 /0
Returns ROCE	-14.7%	-6 O0/	-28.8%	2 20/	-3.4%	-3.5%
		-6.0%		2.3%		
ROE	-15.0%	-3.1%	-35.9%	2.4%	-4.1%	-9.6%
Adjusted FCF yield	-0.6%	-1.3%	-9.6%	0.7%	-1.0%	-2.3%
Dividend yield	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
DPS FPS reported	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
EPS reported	-0.09	-0.13	-1.12	0.07	-0.12	-0.29
Average number of shares	0.2	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Valuation ratios	<u></u>	3.4	4 7	<b>F</b> 0	F 4	
		14	4.7	5.0	5.1	5.0
P/BV	25.7		~ ~			
EV/sales	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	n.a.	n.a.
EV/sales EV/EBITDA	0.0 0.0	0.0 0.0	0.0	0.0 0.0	-133.7	-129.0
EV/sales	0.0	0.0		0.0		

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