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Abstract

This report was elaborated as the final work of ISEG's Master in Finance program following the directions and structure specified for the purpose. In more detail, this project specifically follows the CFA Institute recommendations adopted by the University.

The purpose of the report is to assemble an investment proposition for Pirelli & C. S.p.A. Therefore a detailed valuation of the company will be included in this report. The reason behind the selection of the company to study was solely due to the Equity Research course attended in the previous semester. In the course I had the opportunity to study the industry where Pirelli operates and my interested in learning a little more about this company, one of the largest companies in the world to operate in the Tyre and Rubber Industry, increased.

The price calculated for Pirelli's share was obtained by applying the Discounted Cash Flow (DCF) model as a type of an absolute valuation and it was confirmed by the relative valuation obtained using the comparable multiples method. At the end the recommendation of this report is to buy the stock as a price of €5.51 is expected for the year-end 2019, which represents a 17% appreciation from the share price at the date of the report. This report also analyzes the risk of investing in Pirelli and the buy recommendation did preserve, even considering the potential risks that the company faces in being dependent on the automotive sector and the price of the raw materials.

This report was prepared in accordance with public information available on the 2nd of September. Information after that period was not considered.

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Resumo

Este relatório foi elaborado como projeto final do programa de Mestrado de Finanças do ISEG e seguindo as indicações e estrutura indicadas para o mesmo efeito. Em mais detalhe, este projeto segue especificamente as recomendações do CFA Institute, adotadas pela faculdade.

O objetivo do relatório é a elaboração de uma recomendação de investimento na Pirelli & C. S.p.A. e portanto irá ser incluído neste relatório uma avaliação detalhada da empresa. O motivo da seleção da empresa a estudar deveu-se unicamente à unidade curricular de Equity Research, leccionada no semestre anterior à elaboração deste projecto, na qual estudei a indústria em que a Pirelli opera tendo despertado o meu interesse para aprender um pouco mais sobre a esta empresa, uma das maiores a operar na Indústria de Pneus e Borracha mundialmente.

O preço calculado para a acção da Pirelli foi obtido ao aplicar o modelo dos Fluxos de Caixa Descontados (DCF), como avaliação absoluta, e confirmado pela avaliação relativa obtida através do método dos múltiplos comparáveis. A recomendação deste relatório é de Compra, tendo sido calculado um preço de € 5.51 para o final do ano de 2019, o que representa uma valorização de 17% face ao preço da acção à data do relatório.

Neste relatório é também analisado o risco do investimento na Pirelli e foi mantida a recomendação de Compra, mesmo considerando os potenciais riscos que a empresa enfrenta ao ser depende do sector automóvel e do preço das matérias-primas.

Este relatório foi elaborado de acordo com a informação pública disponível no dia 2 de Setembro, informação posterior a essa data não foi considerada.

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Palavras-chave: Equity Research; Recomendação de Investimento; Avaliação de Empresas, Fusões e Aquisições; Pirelli & C. S.p.A

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Date: 01/09/2019
Ticker: PIRC:IM (Bloomberg)

Current Price: €4.73
Spot Rate (EUR/USD): 1.0989

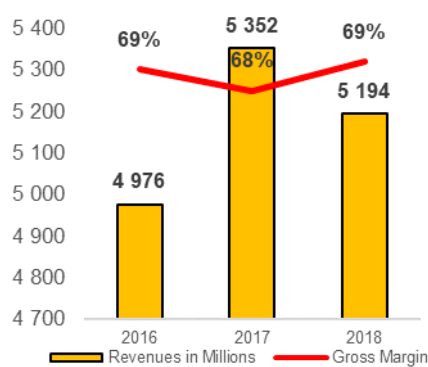
Recommendation: **BUY** (17% Upside)
Target Price: €5.51 - Medium Risk

TABLE 1 – PIRELLI'S MARKET DATA

Market Profile	
Closing Price (September 2nd)	€ 4.73
52-week price range	4.43 - 6.77
Average daily volume	4.04 M
Shares outstanding	1 B
Market Capitalization	5.188 B
Free float	38.16%
Dividend yield (2019F)	3.46%

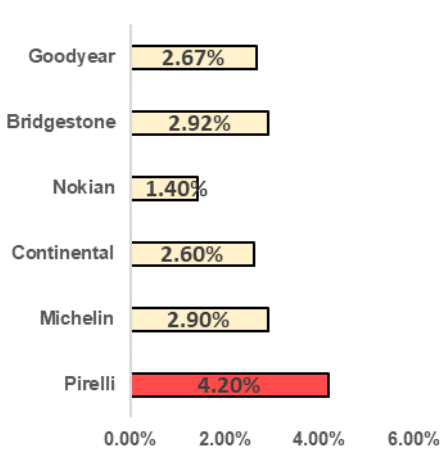
Source: Bloomberg

FIGURE 1 – REVENUES GROWTH & GROSS MARGIN



Source: Author estimative, Company Data

FIGURE 2 - MAIN PLAYERS % OF REVENUES INVESTED IN R&D



Source: Reported information

Report Snapshot



This report issues a **BUY** recommendation for Pirelli C. & S.p.A (PIRC), with a price target of €5.51/sh at December 31st based on Discounted Cash Flow (DCF) model, implying a 17% upside potential from the current share price, €4.73/sh, closing price from the September 2nd. This investment is evaluated as having a Medium Risk level, especially given the dependences of the automobile industry and raw materials price.

The main drivers for the recommendation are:

Focus in the fastest growing segment of the market. Pirelli business strategy of becoming the only 100% consumer brand company with focus in the High Value Segment (tyres with rim sizes larger than 18" and 17" specialties) is expected to give return in the short-term as the segment keeps outperforming the market and growing at a double digit rate.

A company looking to reinforce the leadership in the segment. In an industry where low cost players are gaining weight in the recent years, Pirelli looks to differentiate as a high-quality provider focused in consumer innovations. To be able to deliver this value proposition the company heavy invests in Research & Development, being the market player with higher percentage of revenues invested (Figure 2).

Business Description

Pirelli & C. S.p.A is one of the world's leading tyre producers and provider. It is also the only producer in the industry to exclusively focus on the Consumer business (tyres for cars, motorcycles and bicycles).

BRIEF HISTORY

Founded in 1872 as an Italian producer of rubber products and its derivatives, Pirelli has a distinctive industrial tradition characterized by a sustainable management model, which has always been associated with its capacity for innovation, product quality and brand strength.

In March 2015, ChemChina acquired Pirelli in a deal worth €7.1 billion. The state-owned company is China's largest chemical company and parent company of China National Tyre & Rubber Company. The operation led to a Pirelli's delist from the Milan Stock Exchange.

Two years after, in March 2017, Pirelli decided to spin off its industrial business in a reorganization process build to focus only on the Consumer business. The main goal was to strengthen their position in the High Value segment, providing products with the highest levels of performance, safety, quietness and grip on the road surface.

On October 2017, the company returned to the Milan Stock Exchange and has been included in the FTSE index, which includes the largest Italian brands. The IPO allowed Pirelli to gather €2.275 billion, the biggest in Europe in 2017.

CONSTANT INVESTMENT IN R&D

Pirelli has one of the highest levels of Research & Development expenditures in the industry, which represents 6.5% of the High Value segment revenues. Also counts with a portfolio of approximately 6000 active patents, reinforcing the high hierarchy position that investments in technology have in the company strategic plans.

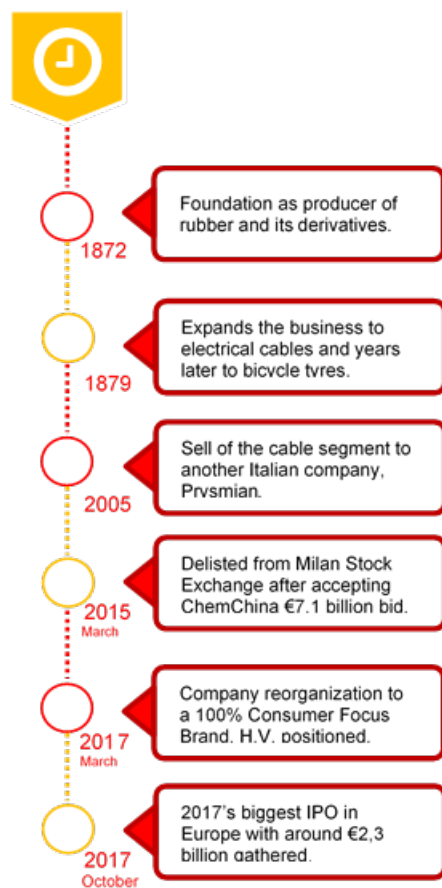
OPERATIONS

Pirelli's major success is due to the great structure of its operation. In 2018, the company had revenues of €5.195 billion, of which ~93% were from car tyres and ~7% from Moto tyres (Figure 4), originating a high adj. EBIT margin of 19.3%.

The High Value segment was responsible for about 64% of the generated revenues (Figure 8) and 83% of the generated EBIT (Figure 9), reflecting the impact of the company's strategy.

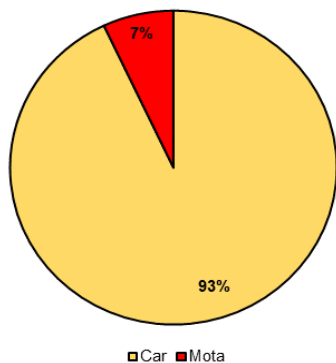
By channel is possible to split into two of them: The Original Equipment and the Replacement, where the O.E was responsible for 25% of total revenues and Replacement for about 75%. Moreover, those revenues were project by a strong presence of the brand in the market with more than 15,900 points of sale in over 160 countries, counting with a high exposure in the three major markets for High Value tyres: Europe (43% of total revenues); NAFTA (19%) and APAC (17%) (Figure 5).

FIGURE 3 - PIRELLI'S HISTORY CHRONOGRAM



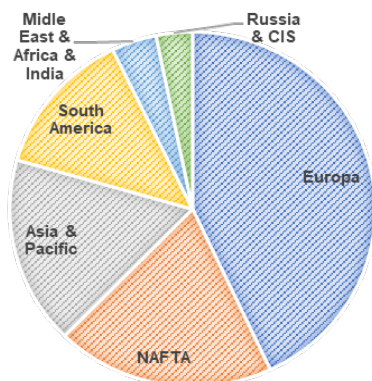
Source: Company Website

FIGURE 4- REVENUES BY VEHICLES IN 2018



Source: Author estimative, Company Data

FIGURE 5 - REVENUES BY MARKET



Source: Author estimative, Company Data

FIGURE 6 – PRESTIGE CAR MANUFACTURES



Source: Own; Multiple Car Brand

The production capacity topped 75 million car tyres in 2018 of which around 60% was suited to the manufacture of High Value tyres. The company counted 19 operating factories, located in 12 different countries, where 80% of the total production is originated in low cost countries giving Pirelli a competitive advantage.

FOCUS ON THE HIGH VALUE SEGMENT

Pirelli focuses on the most technologically demanding segments that are considered high growth and high profitability.

The High Value segment can be identified through the following categories:

> **Prestige:** tyres designed and developed in partnership with car manufacturers belonging to the Prestige Car segment (Figure 6) which are subject to specific homologations;

> **New Premium:** tyres with a rim diameter ≥ 18 inches, aimed primarily but not exclusively at motor vehicles belonging to the Auto Prestige and Auto Premium segments (Figure 7).

> **Specialties and Super Specialties (Figure 10):** tyres with a high technological content for vehicles of every class, which meet the needs of specific applications or customizations for the final consumer, regarding the size of the rim diameter.

> **Premium Motorcycle:** tyres for high-end motorcycles that ensure high performance. These categories will be joined by the products and services for connected vehicles and for the Velo world activities that were launched in 2017.

COMPANY STRATEGY

Pirelli’s strategy aims to maximize returns for shareholders while achieving increasing levels of turnover and profitability year after year.

To accomplish that goal the company defined three main strategic orientations:

- Allocation of investments, development of innovations and reaching operational improvements in the High Value segment while reducing the company’s presence on the Standard predominant markets.
- Creation of consumer relevant businesses inside the Automotive and Motorcycle industry, while at the same time developing solutions and services for connected vehicles for Prestige and Premium users.
- Achievement of an efficiency plan linked to industrial and product activities equal to 1% of revenues to improve productivity, simplification of processes and optimization of costs.

Main actions for High Value

> **Acceleration of the homologation program** with the Prestige and Premium car manufacturers, giving Pirelli a more accurate forecast of future demand needs.

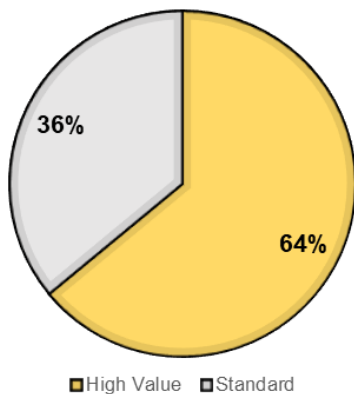
> **Development of an unprecedented product innovation program** helping the company in obtaining a Specialties range closer of the consumers and aligned with the regional diversification.

FIGURE 7 – PREMIUM CAR MANUFACTURES



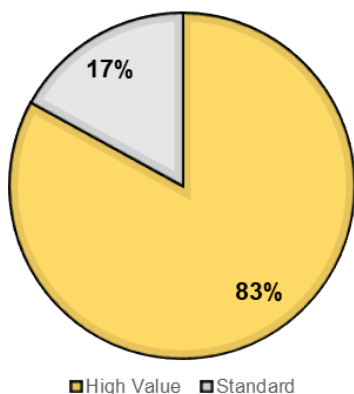
Source: Own; Multiple Car Brand

FIGURE 8 – BUSINESS SEGMENT WEIGHT IN COMPANY SALES



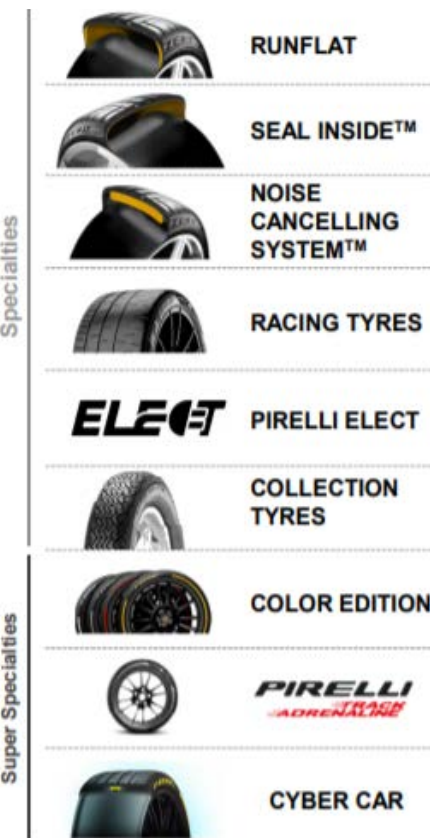
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FIGURE 9 - BUSINESS SEGMENT WEIGHT IN COMPANY ADJ. EBIT



Source: Author estimative, Company Data

FIGURE 10 – PIRELLI'S SPECIALTIES PRODUCT LINE



Source: Company Presentation

FIGURE 11 – PIRELLI'S CEO MR. MARCO TRONCHETTI PROVERA



Source: Company Website

TABLE 2 – MR. MARCO TRONCHETTI PROVERA CURRICULUM VITAE HIGHLIGHTS

Curriculum Vitae

Age: 71
 Economics and Business Administration Degree in Bocconi University
 27 years as Pirelli's CEO
 CEO of Telecom Italia

Source: Reference for Business

> **Increase in distribution coverage** through channels and points of sale where Pirelli exercises greater control and records higher sales: Car dealers; Tier 1 distributors; Pirelli Retail and E-commerce.

> **Enrichment of the Pirelli DNA with a strong Consumer “gene”** with the creation of the new Consumer Marketing function, profiling consumers to ensure a more personalized, qualified and capable of serving Prestige and Premium consumers.

> **Strengthening of the Motorcycle business** through synergies with Metzeler (subsidiary of Pirelli), by occupying complementary market segments and creating new relationships with motorcycle manufacturers.

> **Launch of the two new Velo and Cyber™ businesses:** Pirelli intends to consolidate its leadership in the markets in which it currently operates and expand its presence by striking new high potential segments.

Re-conversion of Pirelli Standard capacity

With the new focus on the High Value segment, Pirelli, intends to reduce the standard capacity about 7 million units between 2016 and 2020. Three of those are intended to be converted into High Value, allowing the company to serve growing regions.

Transformation program

In order to digitizing the planning, production, distribution and consumer profiling processes, Pirelli intends to implement four inter-functional programs:

> **Demand forecast for both short and long term.**

> **Smart Manufacturing and Flexible Factory program**, which responds in a faster and more flexible way to the stakeholders needs.

> **Supply Chain Program**, which aims to offer a contextualized service with a personalized touch.

> **Prestige program**, which aims to get to know the end consumer more closely (manufacturers and owners of Prestige cars) to fully understand their needs in order to identify new opportunities.

Corporate Governance

Pirelli current position as a “Pure Consumer Tyre Company” and the separation of the previous industrial activities are results of the public takeover bid on the company's entire share capital made in 2015 by Marco Polo Industrial Holding S.p.A, a vehicle formed by ChemChina, Camfin and LTI, which was merged by absorption in Pirelli during 2016.

Mr. Marco Tronchetti Provera (Figure 11) is Pirelli's CEO since 1992 and since October 2015, following the company's takeover, he conciliates the CEO duties with Executive Vice Chairman responsibilities. With 33 years of working experience in Pirelli (since 1986), Marco Provera has a degree in Economics and Business Administration from

FIGURE 12- PIRELLI'S CHAIRMAN MR. NING GAONING



Source: Company Website

TABLE 3— MR. NING GAONING CURRICULUM VITAE HIGHLIGHTS

Curriculum Vitae
Age: 61
MBA Degree in Pittsburgh University
China Resources CEO
Chairman of Sinochem Group
2019 Asia Business Leader of the Year

Source: World Economic Forum

Bocconi University of Milan and early on the seventies developed a sea transport business for his family company.

Board of Directors

Mr. Ning Gaoning (Figure 12) is the Chairman of the Board of Director since August 2018, being appointed as Chairman of China National Chemical Corporation Limited (ChemChina) in the same year. Graduated in Economics from Shandong University in 1983 and since 1987 holds an MBA degree from the Business School of the University of Pittsburgh in the United States. He is a certified senior international business engineer with years of experience in top management position in various companies.

Pirelli's model of corporate governance implements a traditional system of administration and control, with a 15 seats Board of Directors responsible for managing the business and a Board of Statutory Auditors entrusted of monitoring the administration and compliance.

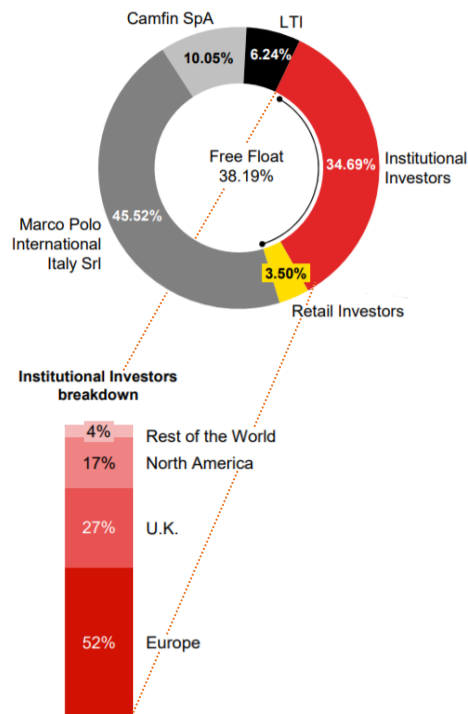
The appointment of the Board of Directors (Figure 14) is the following:

- 8 directors appointed by ChemChina (4 independent), including the Chairman;
- 4 directors appointed by Marco Tronchetti Provera & C. S.p.A. (1 independent), Director of Pirelli's Board of Directors;
- Indications of the Global Offer Coordinators nominated in the IPO context;
- 1 minority independent (without the vote of the majority shareholder).

The board has established five internal committees:

- Audit, Risk, Sustainability and Corporate Governance Committee;
- Related-party Transactions Committee;
- Remuneration Committee;
- Appointments and Successions Committee;
- Strategies Committee.

FIGURE 13 - PIRELLI'S STOCK DISTRIBUTION



Source: Own; Company Presentation Report

TABLE 4 - GOVERNANCE LINES

By-Laws	Shareholders Agreement
Set forth that the Governance should be inspired in the best international practices	The partnership recognizes that: (i) Pirelli is specialized in high quality and technology products (ii) Professional competence, loyalty and expertise are key factors for the company
Technological Know-how should not be transferred to any third parties *	Pivotal role of the top management to maintain its quality standards
Pirelli headquarters should remain in Milan (Italy) keeping the legacy, traditions and entrepreneurial culture*	Pirelli CEO to lead top management and ensure Pirelli business culture continuity. As well as a leading role in the designation of his successor
One-fifth of the board appointed by minority shareholders	Pirelli Recruiting and Career Plans and its incentive schemes to match management and shareholders interests

Source: Company Presentation

Remuneration System

Pirelli's remuneration system is governed by a specific Policy approved by the Shareholders' meeting (May 15, 2018), which define the following rules:

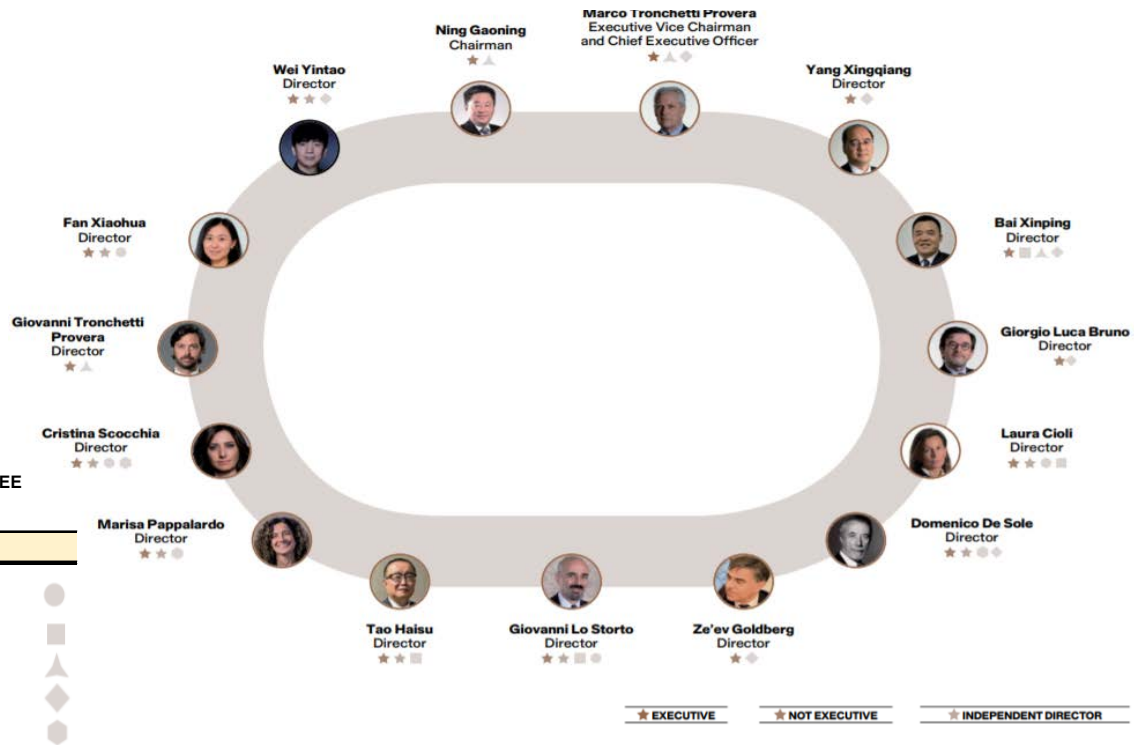
- Guidelines on compensation mix for senior Management;
- No golden parachutes;
- No severance agreements;
- Claw back clauses in both MBO and LTI plans;
- Non-compete agreement;
- Four-year Retention Plan: to guarantee the continuity of management.

TABLE 5 - 2018 BOARD OF DIRECTORS REMUNERATION

Remuneration of the Board of Directors		
Name	Position	2018 Remuneration
Marco Tronchetti Provera	Vice Chairman	5 048 582.00 €
Ning Gaoning	Chairman	480 062.00 €
Yang Xingqiang	Director	90 000.00 €
Bai Xiping	Director	145 000.00 €
Giorgio Luca Bruno	Director	1 367 683.00 €
Laura Cioli	Director	110 000.00 €
Domenico De Sole	Director	150 000.00 €
Fan Xiaohua	Director	90 000.00 €
Ze'ev Goldberg	Director	90 000.00 €
Giovanni Lo Storto	Director	69 617.00 €
Marisa Pappalardo	Director	100 000.00 €
Cristina Scocchia	Director	125 000.00 €
Tao Haisu	Director	90 000.00 €
Giovanni Tronchetti Provera	Director	227 493.00 €
Wei Yintao	Director	90 000.00 €
Total		8 273 437.00 €

Source: Annual Report

FIGURE 14 - BOARD OF DIRECTORS COMPOSITION



Source: Company Annual Report

FIGURE 15 – BOARD OF DIRECTORS COMMITTEE CAPTION

Committee
Audit, Risk, Sustainability & Corporate Governance Committee
Remuneration Committee
Appointments and Successions Committee
Strategies Committee
Related-Parties Transactions Committee

Source: Own table; Company Presentation Report

Industry Overview and Competitive Positioning

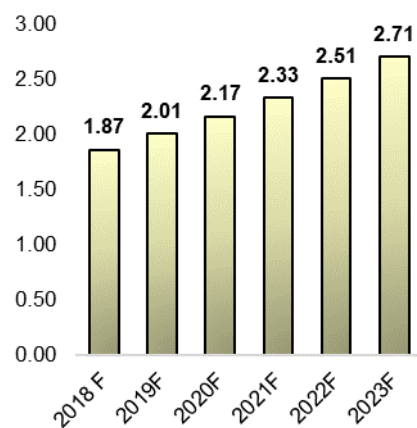
Overview

Tyre and Rubber industry sales are expected to grow at a CAGR of 7.7% from 2018FY market and high barriers leads to a high concentration, thus, top 5 companies account for 50% of the total market share in 2018 (Figure 17).

The market reached around 1.87 billion units in 2018 and is expected to reach around 2.71 billion units sold by 2023 (Figure 16).

The High Value Segment, where Pirelli originated around 64% of 2018 revenues, registered 238 million units sold in the same year representing a worldwide 11.86% CAGR between 2014 and 2018 and according to the same source is expected a 9.2% CAGR for the next five years.

FIGURE 16 - EVOLUTION OF TYRES SOLD WORLDWIDE (BILLION UNITS)



Source: Smithers

I. MACROECONOMIC ENVIRONMENT

A 2018 with sustainable growth and a similar 1H2019

With global GDP growth of +3.3% (Figure 18) the world economy continues the recovery of the previous year. The Euro countries faced an average growth of +2.0% representing a slowdown when compared to 2017 mainly due to trade uncertainty and political conflicts.

On the other hand, United States had a year of increasing investment, consumption and employment rate which lead to an GDP growth of +2.9% in 2018, yet faced a slowdown in the 1H2019, growing at +2.2%.

China kept the strong economic performance of the prior year growing at more than two times the world's pace in 2018. It had a growth rate of +6.6% despite the credit and trade tensions with the United States.

Political tensions limit industry profitability

Traditional players are based in developed countries, as Germany and U.S., where a stable governmental activity results in a political risk factor of 1 out of 7ⁱ. Nonetheless, manufacturers are being attracted towards the developing markets, such as India and China, due to attractive opportunities of increased tyre demand and lower production costs. Significant political risk, factor 4 out of 7ⁱⁱ, related to unstable government actions, that often leads to trade wars, unemployment and high inflation levels. Overall, political tensions, just as the US trade war with China, can jeopardise the industry profitability with tariffs burdens.

Asian economic expansion provides positive outlook for Demand

While advanced economies are expanding at a CAGR of 1.8% (Figure 18), Emerging and Developing Asia regions are outperforming those economies at a CAGR of 6.3% (Figure 18). Economic development in emerging countries opens new niches for tyre manufacturers by providing lower production costs, lower regulation and an enhanced customer base.

Segment protected by no close substitutes

Consumer preferences are moving towards more ecological vehicles and car-sharing mobility because of cultural and lifestyle changes. Nevertheless, demand for tyres is shielded due to the crucial role tyres have as a component of social cultural changing trends.

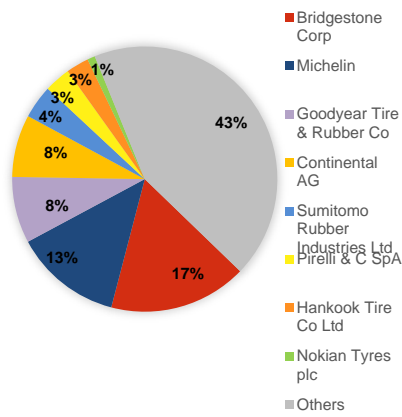
Technological Innovation enhances a premium segment

Greater integration of technology into tyres is a cornerstone for companies to move into the premium segments, which is expected to grow 11.9% YoY, from 2018F to 2023F. Moreover, R&D investments allow to cut down production costs while improving profitability margins by 18%ⁱⁱⁱ from 2010YE to 2018YE.

Sustainability and Environmental awareness shape the future

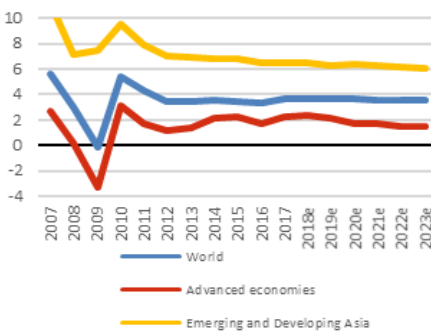
Manufacturing tyre process involves the use of many chemicals, leading to potential environmental hazards. Efforts have been made towards the decrease in waste from

FIGURE 17 – MARKET SHARE OF MAIN INDUSTRY PLAYERS



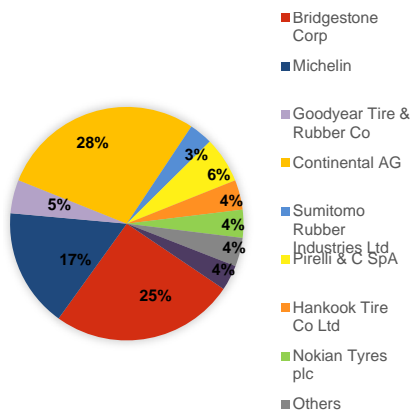
Source: Thomson Reuters, Own Computation

FIGURE 18 – REAL GDP % GROWTH YoY



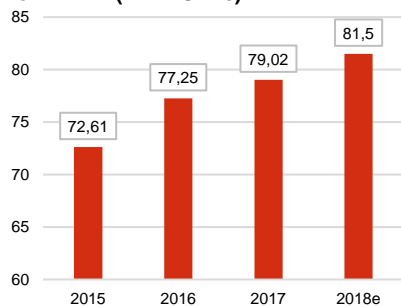
Sources: International Monetary Fund

FIGURE 19 – INDUSTRY PLAYERS BY MARKET CAPITALIZATION



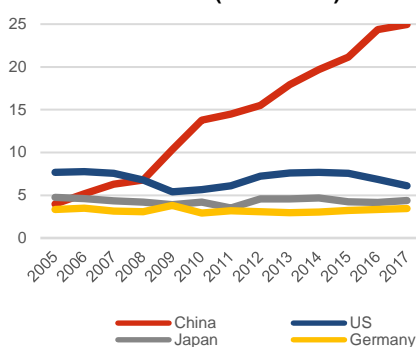
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FIGURE 20 - NUMBER OF CARS SOLD WORLDWIDE (IN MN UNITS)



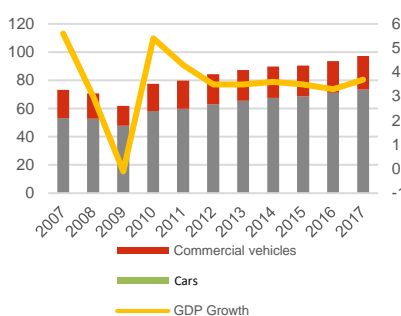
Source: The international Organization of Motor Vehicles Manufacturers

FIGURE 21 – PASSENGER CAR SALES IN SELECTED COUNTRIES (IN MN UNITS)



Source: The international Organization of Motor Vehicles Manufacturers

FIGURE 22 - WORLD GDP AND AUTOMOBILE PRODUCTION (IN MN UNITS)



Sources: IMF and The International Organization of Motor Vehicles Manufacturers

dismantling and recycling of end of life vehicles and production more environmentally friendly. Furthermore, in response to the demand of car manufacturing clients, the tyre producers make regular improvement on the rolling resistance of their products to reduce fuel consumption, which is the direct cause of CO2 emissions.

Higher Regulatory requirements improve transparency

Safety concerns have led to increased regulation and transparency over the last 10 years. Tyre labelling requirements allow comparisons between different tyres in measures such as performance, fuel efficiency and noise. Regulatory requirements make it harder for low cost competitors to pierce and survive on the market.

II. KEY DRIVERS

Automobile demand is highly correlated with Tyre and Rubber Industry. From 2015YE to 2018YE global demand for automobiles has shown a considerable increase of 3.92% YoY (Figure 20), mainly driven by emerging markets, where countries like China are experiencing an increase of vehicle demand of 16% YoY.

Moreover, tyre sales can be divided into two categories, Original Equipment and Replacement Tyres. Car sales increased at 2.88% of CAGR from 2007YE to 2017YE (Figure 21) and demand for OE, as a crucial component of newly supplied vehicles, is expected to follow the overall trend.

Replacement tyre sales are related to the number of cars in circulation and the life expectancy of tyres.

Improvements in rubber quality and better road conditions have been growing the mid-life tyre expectancy (30,000 km for automobiles tyres), leading to a decline of the replacement turnover. However, cars are driven more frequently, making it necessary to buy replacements every 18 months^{iv}.

In other hand Premium & Prestige Car PARC is developing at a higher pace, 8.0% CAGR was observed between 2016 and 2018 and with no signs of slowing down the Premium & Prestige segment is estimated to keep outperforming the market at 7.8% CAGR for 2019F-2023F.

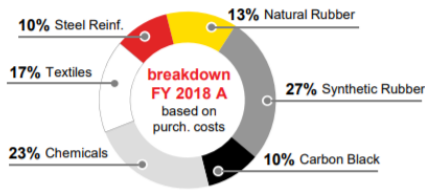
Raw Materials

The main boosters of costs are natural rubber and synthetic rubber. Natural rubber is obtained through rubber trees, which requires warm climates. While, synthetic rubber can be produced from petrochemical feedstock with crude oil and butadiene as the main inputs.

Accordingly, an increase in the oil price/butadiene leads to more costly synthetic rubber, which increases demand for natural rubber and makes it more expensive (Figure 24).

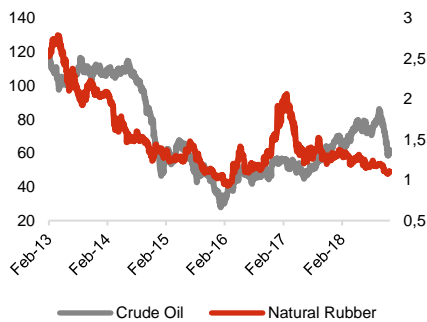
When looking at 2018 figures, the inputs variations were characterized by increases in the price of energy resources and Butadiene (main raw material in synthetic rubber), and a decrease on the price of natural rubber:

FIGURE 23 - PIRELLI'S RAW MATERIALS CONSUMPTIONS IN 2018



Sources: Pirelli's Company Presentation

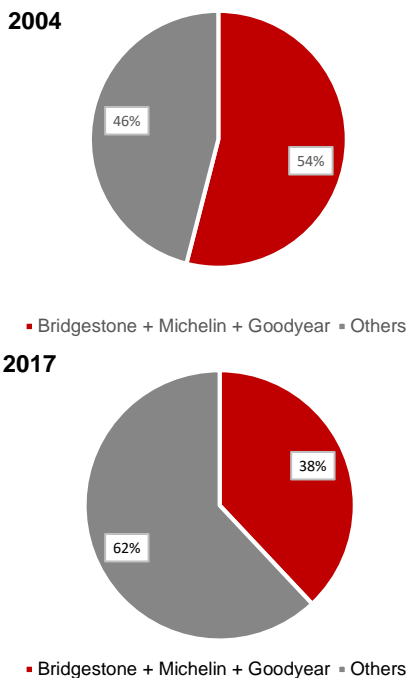
FIGURE 24 - CRUDE OIL \$/BARREL AND NATURAL RUBBER \$/KG



Source: Bloomberg

- **Brent** (oil) recorded an average price for the year of 72 USD per barrel, representing an increase in +31.0% compared to the average price in 2017. Despite that, oil price closed the year on a downfall with December averaging 58 USD per barrel. In the 1H2019, Brent prices average 64 USD per barrel and the U.S. Energy Information forecasts the price to be around 65 USD per barrel, maintaining a price range similar to the first half of the year.
- **Butadiene** closed 2018 with an annual average of 1011 €/tonne, which was a drop of 10% compared to the annual average price in 2017 (1112€/tonne). The downward trend stayed in the 1H2019 with Butadiene prices reducing and a similar behavior is expected for the rest of the year. The commodity is forecasted to average close to 950€/tonne in 2019.
- **Natural Rubber** price is bouncing back after strong decline in 2018, the commodity closes the previous year averaging 1365 USD per tonne, which represented a price fall of 20% relative to 2017YE, where Natural Rubber price was 1651 USD/tonne in average. Relative to the 1H2019 a recovery was felt, and the price is expected to average 1450 USD per tonne in 2019.

FIGURE 25 - CHANGES IN INDUSTRY TOP 3 PLAYERS



Source: Multiples companies Annual Reports

III. PEER ANALYSIS

The companies more representative of the Tyre and Rubber Industry, ranked by market share and size, are: (1) Bridgestone; (2) Michelin; (3) Goodyear; (4) Continental; (5) Sumitomo; (6) Pirelli; (7) Nokian and (8) Hankook (Figure 18).

In 2004YE, the main 3 tyre manufacturers (Bridgestone, Michelin and Goodyear) accounted for 54% of the total market, whereas in 2017YE it reduced to 38% (Figure 25), due to the entry of new players from emerging countries, as a result of an economic expansion from Asia and Pacific.

The traditional players are investing in a product differentiation strategy, focusing on brand recognition, product quality and safety. This leads to a loyal customer base through more reliable and above-average products, which is reflected into a corresponding ASP 31% higher than Low Cost companies. Therefore, to protect gross margins of 30%, traditional players are moving towards the premium segment of tyres, which is Pirelli's case, where product quality is in high demand.

The High Value segment have two main players with completely different strategies, business models and market approaches. Pirelli has positioned herself as a premium brand that compromises to deliver a global high value. On other hand, Nokian business model is totally focused on winter tyres. At this moment, they are the only players on

FIGURE 26 - TYRE & RUBBER PLAYERS IN TIERS OF EBITDA MARGIN



Sources: Pirelli's Company Presentation

the industry with EBIT margins close to 20% where the "full-liners" like Bridgestone, Michelin, Goodyear and Continental have EBIT margins of around 11%.

By opposition, the low-cost players, mainly Asiatic brands follow a cost efficiency strategy, which allows them to deliver the product at an ASP of € 58 and still be profitable. Gross margins of 21.9% are established through a light cost structure and EBIT Margin slightly lower the 10% are the average for those players.

Activities based on emerging economies allow labour expenditures to be lower. In addition, Asian companies tend to produce tyres with a smaller percentage of natural rubber, thus more synthetic rubber, at the expense of the overall product quality.

IV. PORTER'S FIVE FORCES

Competition within the industry (High)

We are talking about an industry moderately concentrated, with top 5 market companies having a concentration ratio of roughly 50%. Low levels of product differentiation, within each segment, translates into price competition..

Companies are now trying to gain advantage over competitors by investing in other parameters such as performance, reputation and customer service. Decreasing operating margins due to the competitive environment and growing influence of low-cost Asian competitors, means the industry profitability is dependent on input prices.

Industry sales are expected to grow at a CAGR of 7.7% from 2018YE to 2023YE (Figure 16). Consequently, firms need to fight for market share, which contributes for the overall high level of competition within the industry.

Bargaining Power of Buyers (Moderate)

Contractual agreements for Original Equipment Manufacturers (OEM's) influence positively the bargaining power of suppliers. Not only the price of tyres remains stable, irrespectively of market price, but also Original Equipment Manufacturers are able to negotiate prices due to their scale.

Moreover, on the Replacement market, large retail chains are able to put pressure to lower prices when buying in larger quantities. However, dispersed small size buyers cannot achieve such bargaining power.

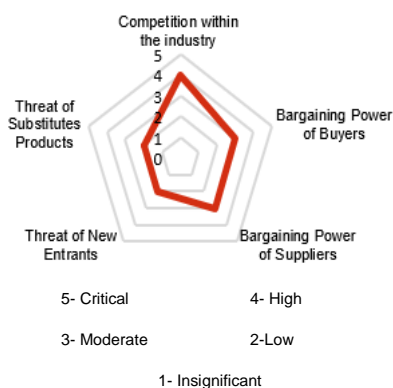
Overall, buyers do not have viable substitute products to tyres, but low switching costs makes it easy for them to change between different tyre brands, resulting in a moderate bargaining power.

Bargaining Power of Suppliers (Moderate)

The manufacturing and processing of both natural and synthetic rubber is dominated by few large world players. Hence, the existence of cartels for natural rubber and petroleum such as OPEC, translates in higher bargaining power of suppliers.

Tyre production is highly sensitive to price fluctuations of rubber and other petroleum derivatives since it is dependent on large amounts of those raw materials. There is a

FIGURE 27 - PORTER'S FIVE FORCES



Source: Industry Data, Group Computations

correlation between oil prices and rubber prices (figure 24) and, as explained before, the increase of oil price increases syntactic rubber price. This will result on a utilization of higher percentages of natural rubber in tyre production which will ultimately lead to a natural rubber price increase.

To mitigate the dependence on few providers of raw materials, some manufactures started to perform backward integration, as in the case of Goodyear, where the company produces some percentage of its rubber needs. Accordingly, this leads to a moderate bargaining power of suppliers.

Threat of New Entrants (Low)

The industry has high barriers to entry. In general terms, most tyres are relatively undifferentiated, meaning that companies to be profitable, need to produce in large quantities to achieve economies of scale. High capital expenditures are required, so it is challenging for new entrants to match the scale of the existing producers. Furthermore, a substantial amount of R&D is required to develop and test new tyre models, whose approvals are difficult and costly to get due to strict legal and safety regulations. Brand recognition makes it difficult to enter in the market with an unknown product, contributing to a low threat of new entrants.

Threat of Substitutes Products (Low)

There are no viable substitutes for tyres. However, it is necessary to take in consideration that a higher environmental awareness could lead individuals towards the usage of public transportation, which would affect the number of vehicle usage, leading to a respective decrease in demand for tyres. Counterfeit tyres small market share and low expectations of growth do not represent a significant threat to the industry.

V. SWOT ANALYSIS

A mature industry that does not seem to suffer great changes during decades. The high barriers lifted by the experienced players hidden behind giant economies of scale, countless capital spilled on technology and the lack of substitutes are strengths that characterize the industry. The global trend of emerging markets growth and infrastructures development, the electrical cars and even safety regulations are opportunities on a reinsuring future for the organisations. Due to a highly competitive industry environment, arising from low product diversification and significant exit barriers, profitability margins tend to be low. Higher regulatory pressures and legal requirements derived from growing global environmental awareness can harm the current industry profitability. Moreover, the double effect of oil, both as a raw material input for synthetic rubber and as a key driver for car usage, constitutes a threat to the industry.

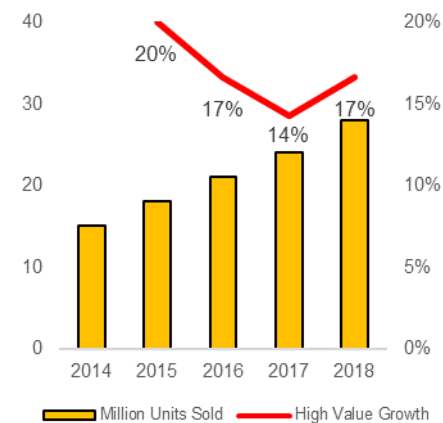
Investment Summary

TABLE 6 – VALUATION SUMMARY

DCF Computation	
Enterprise Value	8 818 796
Share price	5.51 €
Multiples Range	
5.76 €	4.16 €
Upside potential	
Medium Risk Investment	17%

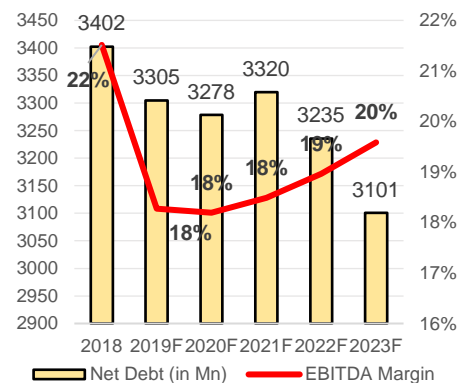
Source: Own computations

FIGURE 28 – HIGH VALUE SEGMENT GROWTH



Source: Author estimative, Company Data

FIGURE 29 - NET DEBT AND EBITDA MARGIN EVOLUTION



Source: Author estimative, Company Data

This report issues a BUY recommendation for Pirelli stock (PIRC) with a target price of €5.51/sh for 2019 YE using a FCF method representing an implied upside potential of +17% from the report's date, 2nd September 2019. PIRC stock is currently trading at lower price such as the other main players in the market, mainly due to the 1st half of the year slump in automobile market and increases in the main raw materials, with special evidence to oil prices with an YTD increase of 12%.

Key Value Drivers

Leadership on the fastest growing segment of the market. PIRC is undisputed leader on the High Value segment, which includes rim size larger than 18" inches and 17" inches specialties. Premium & Prestige CAR PARC is doubling the pace of the synergic segment and Pirelli's tyres are present in 1 out of 2 cars for Prestige and 1 out of 4 for Premium brands.

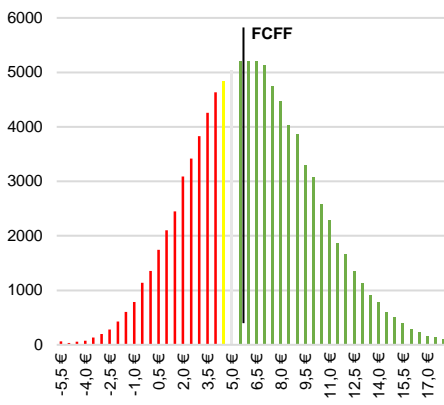
Out pacing the market in all the channels. Original Equipment and Replacement global tyre market for the High Value segment growth at a 10% rate in 2018, approximately 5x the growing of the lower rims segment. Pirelli is not only leader in revenues but is also outperforming the market in the previous years.

Profitability Margins to reduce in order to bounce back in a sustainable way. In the previous year PIRC profitability margins, such as EBIT margin, EBITDA margin and Net Profit Margin improved despite a drop on Revenues. Both EBIT and EBITDA increases were related with the reduction of "Other costs" in almost €300M, an exceptional reduction that unlikely will be replicated for 2019. Net profit margin improved three times, increasing from 3% to 9%, which resulted from the previous event in addition with a 60% reduction in the interest paid. The interest reduction could reflect a debt reduction as it may look yet what actually happen was the exactly opposite, an increase in debt. A drop on profitability margins will happen in the short term, followed by sustainable growth towards these profitability margins which is expected to occur between 2020 and 2023. (Figure 29)

Company focused on deleverage and balancing debt. PIRC is keeping the strict debt management policy implemented after the IPO, yet the deleverage isn't expected to in absolute value by debt reduction but to happen gradually in the following five years with the main solvency ratios reducing at single digit CAGR, as for example one of the most common ratios used in valuation, Net Debt to EBITDA.

Investment Risks

FIGURE 30 - MONTE CARLO SIMULATION RESULTS



Source: Oracle Crystal Ball; Author computations

PIRC faces some risks of diverse natures, Market & Economic Risks, as the high exposure to the automobile sector and changes in the raw materials can have enormous impact in the company results especially given the high uncertainty in both, thus, a close monitoring and precautionary measures are crucial.

Other risks that requires attention given the proportions that may be related are the Reputational Risks, in a situation where a PIRC product defect is a cause for a significant accident it can be extremely harmful for company's reputation and the relationship with manufactures can be compromised. This is even more relevant given Pirelli value proposition and positioning in the industry as a high-quality deliver player.

Two methodologies were applied in order to understand how impactful some of those investment risk can be to PIRC, which are a Monte Carlo Simulation and a Sensitivity Analysis. The results can be seen in the Figure 30, the mean of the price target using Monte Carlo Simulation was €5.51, implying a 17% upside potential for PIRC stock. The simulation also identified the Cost of Revenues as the variable with the most negative impact on the price target, from the ones stressed to the test, and Terminal Revenues as the one with more relevance in price upswings. The sensitivity analysis performed pinpointed the scenario of -20% in the Cost of Equity as the scenario which lead to a higher target price, €7.60 per share. (Table 7)

TABLE 7 - TERMINAL COST OF EQUITY IMPACT ON PRICE TARGET

	Price Target	
Terminal Cost of Equity	6.94%	7.60 €
	7.38%	6.99 €
	7.81%	6.44 €
	8.25%	5.95 €
	8.68%	5.51 €
	9.11%	5.12 €
	9.55%	4.76 €
	9.98%	4.43 €
	10.42%	4.13 €

Source: Own computations

Valuation

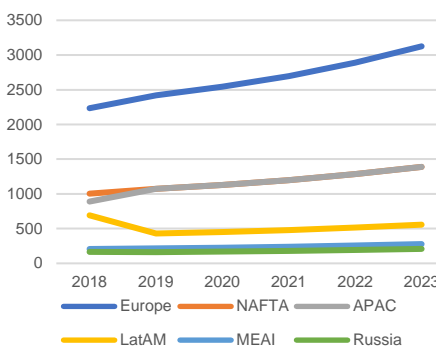
Two different approaches were used in order to evaluate the company: absolute valuation and relative valuation.

Absolute Valuation: Discount Cash Flow Approach

The absolute valuation method which fit Pirelli's business model the most, and therefore the one selected to compute the share price, was the Discounted Cash Flow Method (DCF). The Dividend Discount Model (DDM) was also performed, yet the results were inconclusive and did not have practical value for two main reasons, the lack of historical dividend payments, since the ChemChina acquisition in 2015 that the company does not pay dividend to their shareholders, and the uncertainty of dividend distribution, the dividend pay-out is in proportion of Pirelli's future net income results.

The most applicable DCF model for PIRC share price, given the available information, is the Free Cash Flow to the Firm (FCFF). The FCFF was used as the main cash-flow proxy to evaluate the company's equity value and since the company is changing their capital structure the Free Cash Flow to the Equity (FCFE) cannot be perform with accuracy and detail needed for an investment recommendation.

FIGURE 31 - EVOLUTION OF REVENUES BY REGION

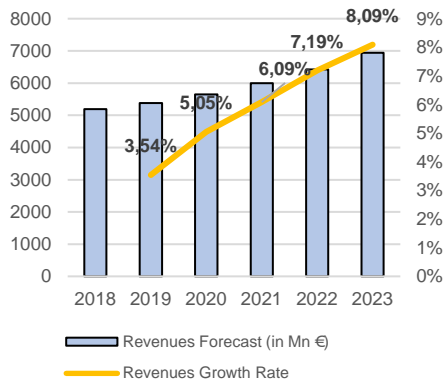


Source: Own computations

Forecast Analysis

Revenues to grow at 6% CAGR driven by a strong High Value segment

FIGURE 32 - FORECASTED REVENUES FOR 2019-2023



Source: Own computations

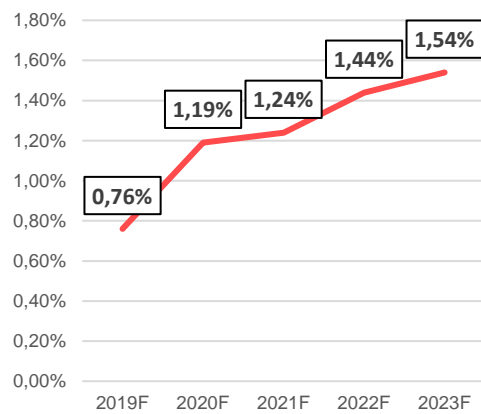
Total Revenues were forecasted by segment, a High Value segment and a Standard Value Segment (Figure 34), these distinction was crucial given the different growth rate in the premium side of the business and the disinvestment on Standard production capacity, a goal set in the IPO strategy. The same methodology was used for both segments and was based on two main assumptions, which are the following:

- **Average Selling Price (ASP)** – High Segment ASP decrease in the historical period (2016-2018), mainly driven by increase in competition on the segment, economies of scales on the production side and efficiency improvements. However, the company does not plan on keeping R&D investment for profitability, instead the company is investing on new product development.

In the Standard Segment, prices are relatively constant for Pirelli's products, with no capacity to set prices in this segment the company will remain as price taker, yet the Asian low-cost companies do not represent a threat.

- Forecast to growth at inflation rate (Figure 33) between 2019F-2023F for both segments. H.V. range 95€-101€ and S.V. range 70€-75€

FIGURE 33 – INFLATION RATE FORECAST 2019-2023

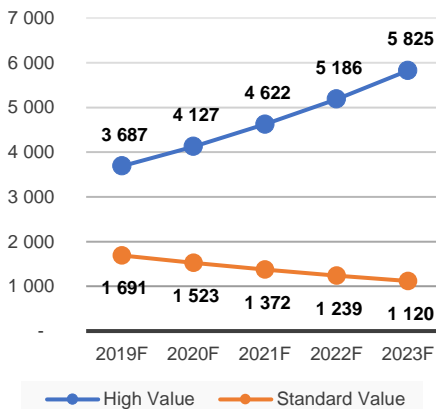


Source: International Monetary Fund

- **Number of tyres sold** – H.V. Segment is expected to keep outperforming the industry, however the previous growth rates (14% for 2018 and 13% for 2017) are projected to slow down given the macroeconomic scenario for the Automobile sector. The recommendation assumes a conservative approach.

- Forecasted 11% CAGR for 2019F-2023F on tyres sold with rims size bigger than 18' and 9% CAGR for 2019F-2023F for specialities, this growth difference is in line with the previous years.
- The company plans to keep reducing the production capacity in the S.V. and disinvesting in less profitable economies and products. Assumed to maintain the 2018 decrease of total units sold plus an extra 1% for the conservative approach for the industry taken in this recommendation.

FIGURE 34 -HIGH VALUE GROWTH VS STANDARD VALUE GROWTH

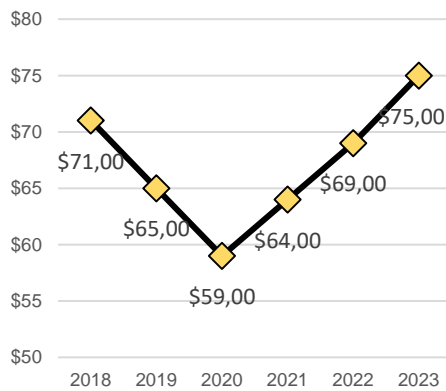


Source: Own computations

TABLE 8 - FORECAST OF REVENUES DRIVERS

	2019F	2020F	2021F	2022F	2023F	Assumption 2019F-2023F
# of Tyres sold (in millions)	62 598	64 075	66 280	69 227	72 940	
High Value Segment	38 710	42 816	47 359	52 387	57 952	%
>18	31 080	34 499	38 294	42 506	47 182	11%
Specialities	7 630	8 317	9 065	9 881	10 770	9%
Standard Value Segment	23 888	21 260	18 921	16 840	14 988	-11%
Average Selling Price						
High Value Segment	95	96	98	99	101	Growing at inflation rate
Standard Value Segment	71	72	73	74	75	
Inflation Rate	0.76%	1.19%	1.24%	1.44%	1.54%	Source: Statista

FIGURE 35 – OIL PRICES FORECAST



Source: U.S. Energy Information Administration

By **channel** and **region**, the breakdown of the revenues forecast is the following:

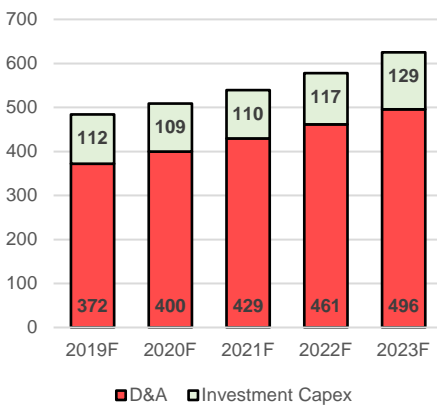
- o Replacement channel assumed to continue being responsible by 75% of revenues while Original Equipment generates the remaining 25%.
- o Regional breakdown forecast will take into consideration PIRC strategy for the following years and an increase of Europe (+2%), NAFTA (+1%) and APAC (+3%) is projected in detriment of South America (-5%) while MEAI and Russia are forecasted to remain the same in % of total sales. (Figure 31)

Raw materials prices – A crucial element of the business model

Raw materials are crucial for companies operating in this sector, as main drivers of cost of revenues are three commodities: Brent Oil; Natural Rubber and Butadiene. Oil takes a more important role when compared with the other two given the multiples way it can affect the business, directly in the production of the tyre as it is used in synthetic rubber and other derivatives but also indirectly, oil prices are a crucial driver on the automobile industry.

In the forecasted period, oil prices are projected to drop until 2020, from 2018's 71 USD/barrel to 59 USD/barrel in 2020 (Figure 35). From 2020F to 2023F, oil price is forecasted to recover for numbers close to 2018 (Figure 35). However, given the nature of oil industry, volatile and unpredictable, is highly difficult to forecast future prices. PIRC hedge this risk as much as possible, and since oil prices are projected to keep around the 55-75 range the company is expected to react according to the market and to keep Gross Margins around the 35%, which will be the assumption for the forecasted period.

FIGURE 36 – CAPEX DECOMPOSITION : MAINTENANCE VS INVESTMENT

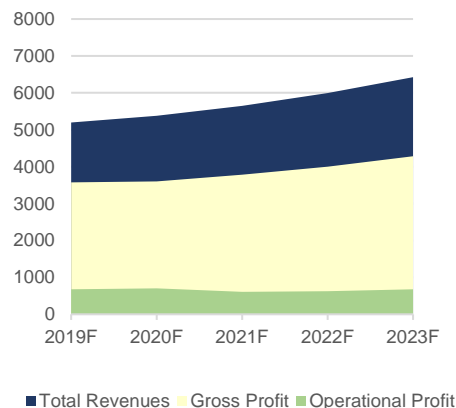


Source: Own computation

Mandatory Capital Expenditures in fixed assets and R&D

In this industry, PP&E have a tremendous impact on the company and play a key role in a business jeopardized by economies of scale. In PIRC case, PP&E represents 25% of Total Assets and these percentage is forecasted to grow until 29% in last forecasted year. In a mature industry like these where Asian low-cost players have consumed the standard-low part of the sector, there is little room for competitive advantages based on cost leaving product quality, differentiation and brand recognition as value creators for companies like Pirelli. In order to stay ahead of the market is crucial to invest in R&D and production efficiency, leading to constant CAPEX in new investments. In the forecasted period will be assume a CAPEX investment of 9% of sales (Figure 36), around the same in the previous two years, to keep IPO strategy goal. As the depreciation concerns, will be forecasted a constant level of 6.51% of PP&E, maintaining the previous year's numbers (Figure 36). For Amortizations an identical approach will be made to perform the forecast, around 3% of amortization of Intangible Assets, excluding goodwill.

FIGURE 37 - OPERATIONAL PROFIT TO KEEP CONSTANT AS REVENUES GROWTH

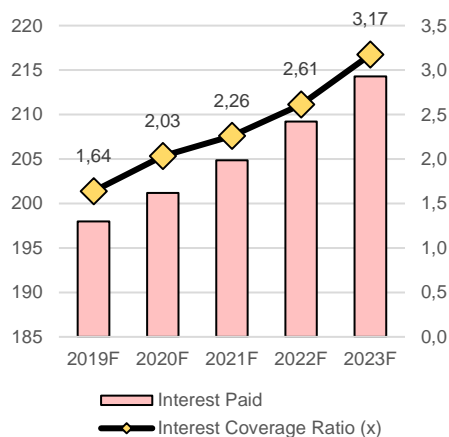


Source: Own computation

Financial Income remains stable with Argentina's Hyperinflation effect to be brief

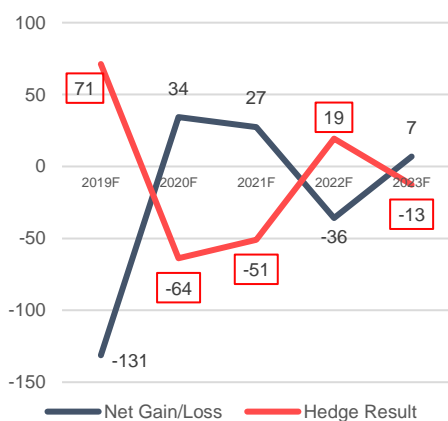
Interest receive for financial instruments is projected as an average of the previous 3 years.

FIGURE 38 - INTEREST COVERAGE RATIO TO GROWTH FASTER THAN PAID INTEREST



Source: Own computations

FIGURE 39 - HEDGING STRATEGIES PROJECTED RESULTS



Source: Own computations

Hyperinflation effect: During the course of the third quarter of 2018, the inflation rate accumulated over the past three years in Argentina exceed 100%. This led the Group to adopt the accounting standard IAS 29 - Financial Reporting in Hyper-inflationary Economies. Following IMF, hyperinflation in Argentina is forecasted for both 2019 and 2020, with the cumulative past three years inflation rate <100% only for 2021-2023. Resulting in income of around €8.5 million for both 2019 and 2020.

The costs for using debt to stay at historical

Interest paid to banks and other financial institutions for the use of debt average 4.3% of Total Debt for the previous 3 years, although the company have been restructuring debt structure and deals with the banking sector.

For the forecasted period is projected a cost for the use of debt of 4.3%. Commissions and Other Expenses remained equal to 2018 values for the forecasted period given the difficulty in project both values with precision.

Forex hedging plays a major role in the financial balance

Pirelli hedges for changes in forex, in the previous years Pirelli received in average €6 865 million for every 0.01 positive change in the spot rate while paid €35 769 million for every negative change. Hedging strategy used to protect the company historically paid €19 404 million when the spot rate negatively changed 0.01 while resulted in €12 764 million loss when the opposite verifies.

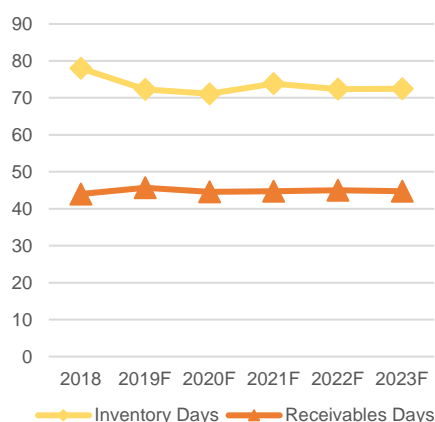
Those values were assumed for 2019F-2023F (Figure 39). Using Euro Forecast Forward, from Bloomberg software the results of the hedging strategies were forecasted, a more detail table can be seen on appendix 12.

A look into the evolution of the Working Capital Indicators

PIRC management of capital is heavily composed by three operational variables, inventory and account receivables on the asset side and account payables on the liabilities side, which this report will go in detail:

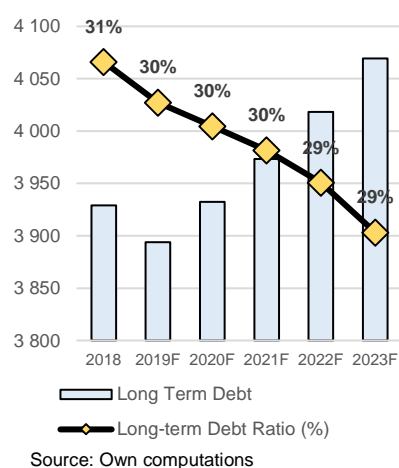
- **Inventory:** In 2018, 48% of current assets were inventory related. The firm operated with 78 inventory days (Figure 40) and an inventory rotation of 4.6.
- **Receivables:** Accounted for 27% of current assets in the previous year, Pirelli worked with 44 receivables days (Figure 40) and a receivables rotation of 8.3.
- **Payables:** The company most significant part of Working Capital, accounting for 54% of current liabilities and more than twice of account receivables. Account payables weighted 30% of revenues in 2018 and operationally worked with 2.3 of payable rotation.

FIGURE 40 - INVENTORY DAYS VS RECEIVABLES DAYS



Source: Own computations

FIGURE 41 - LONG-TERM DEBT INCREASE IN A CONTROLLED WAY



To forecast Pirelli working capital a similar approach was made for these three components, a moving average of the previous 3 years, which allows to take into consideration both the trend of the previous historical years but also maintain the correlation that exists between adjacent years.

Other possible approach was setting a goal for the company working capital indicators, either by a company strategy, which is not the case, or by assuming a convergence to industry average, which was considered not the best approach because of the operational differences explained along the report between Pirelli and their peers.

Debt Management

In 2016 Pirelli had Debt close to 50% of Total Assets, accounting for €6.5 billion in debt, a debt restructuring plan was put in work with pre-IPO and pos-IPO well defined goals. In the summer of 2017, Marco Polo Internationally Italy S.p.A. subscribed to a share capital increase for Pirelli of approximately 1.2 billion, allowing the group to reduce debt through a new financing operation. Long term debt in proportion of Long-term assets jumped from 64% to 41%, a level sustainable for the business operations that is forecasted for the 2019F-2023F (Figure 41) period to remain constant. Short term debt is directly related with operational working capital, historically in between 11%-15% of short-term Assets, an average of the previous 3 years was assumed as proxy of future short-term debt.

Discounted Cash-Flow Valuation

Used FCFF, the estimated share price from Pirelli's stock was €5.51 at the end of the year (table X), representing an upside potential of 17%. This report computations suggest that PIRC is currently undervalued, and so, the recommendation is to **BUY**. More details about the computation can be seen in **Appendix 18**.

Future cash-flow are predicted using the following formula:

$$FCFF = EBIT * (1 - \text{Marginal Tax Rate}) + D\&A - \text{Net increase in NWC} - CAPEX$$

TABLE 10 - FREE CASH FLOWS FORECAST

Million Dollars \$	2019F	2020F	2021F	2022F	2023F	Terminal
EBIT (1-t)	498 214	512 072	553 235	617 330	704 606	704 606
D&A	371 735	399 737	429 434	461 246	495 680	431 567
Changes in NWC	(109 060)	(76 478)	15 982	(63 906)	(60 834)	(58 859)
CAPEX	484 055	508 493	539 438	578 224	625 020	625 020
FCFF	494 953	479 794	427 249	564 259	636 101	570 012
Terminal Value						9 424 118
PV(FCFF) by WACC	461 685	417 743	347 453	428 890	452 205	6 710 820

Source: Own computations

It's possible to see an evolution of EBIT (1-t) at 4.77% CAGR until 2023F, smaller than the 5.98% CAGR growth in Revenues. As result of the "heavier" operational activity D&A and CAPEX will follow a similar upswing. The cash-flow were discounted using a Weighted Average Cost of Capital of 7.03%.

The discount rate was computed based on the following assumptions:

Capital Structure

The company is still in a period of capital restructuring following the IPO, in 2017. The delivering strategy is in process and for the forecasted period was assumed that the company would converge to industry figures. The terminal value was set for a D/E of 67.98%, the industry average, and in 2018 the company had 84.38% debt to equity ratio.

Cost of Debt

For the forecast period a constant cost of debt was assumed to be equal to the actual cost. The company is in a mature state and have a large importance in Italy which is reflected in a stable relation with the banks and other financial institutions. An average of the previous three years cost of debt was used as forecast based on the previous argumentation, as result was applied a 4.31% rate for cost of debt. The effective tax rate of 18.48% was assumed for the forecasted period with similar arguments.

Cost of equity $ke = R_F + \beta_i(\bar{R}_M - R_F)$

Cost of equity was forecasted using the formula:

Taking in consideration the changing capital structure for the forecast period and the following components assumptions:

- **Country Risk Premium** – Country Risk Premium for Italy was 3.06%, assumed data from Damodaran computations.
- **Market Risk Premium** – Market Risk Premium was forecast to be 5.96%, also following Damodaran computation's method and assumed United States market risk.
- **Risk Free Rate** – The Risk-Free rate used for WACC computation was 0.92%, the 10 years Italy Treasury Bond.

Levered Beta

Using the regression of Pirelli returns with FTSE MIB index returns, the actual systematic risk of Pirelli was 0.997 (Appendix 15). The unlevered beta was computed using the following formula:

$$\text{Unlevered Beta} = \frac{\text{Levered Beta}}{\left(1 + \frac{(1 - \text{tax rate}) * \text{Debt}}{\text{Equity}}\right)}$$

Resulting in 0.591 Unlevered Beta for companies operating in the Tyre & Rubber industry without any debt. Those systematic risk was allocated only to the portion of the business that is noncash, it was assumed a 4.95% as Cash to Firm Value since it is the Industry average (Damodaran).

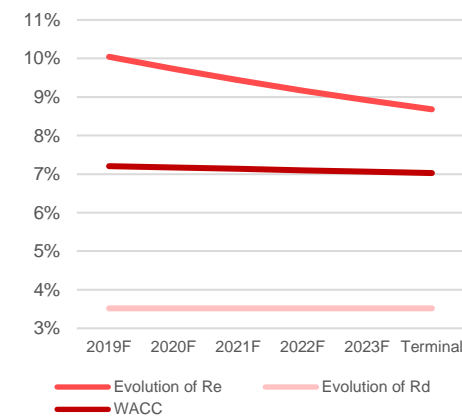
Levered beta was finally computed using the Unlevered Beta adjusted for cash and the Pirelli capital structure for the forecasted period.

FIGURE 42 - CAPITAL STRUCTURE EVOLUTION



Source: Own computations

FIGURE 43 - COST OF EQUITY TO KEEPING THE WACC PACE



Source: Own computations

FIGURE 44 - TIER 1 COMPARABLES



Source: Company Website

Terminal Value Assumptions

The Terminal Value (TV) was computed using the Perpetuity Growth Model approach, where the WACC assumed a value on the perpetuity equal to the 2023 WACC rate and the Growth Rate was computed using the Stable Growth Model. More details on the **Appendix 16.**

$$TV = \frac{FCFF \cdot (1+g)}{WACC - g}$$

Multiples Valuation

As a mature company on a stable industry, the standard multiples are suitable to perform a market-based valuation. The ratios used were EV/Revenues, EV/EBITDA and EV/EBIT, all of them enterprise value multiples, equity multiples, like P/E, were not include on the analysis given the impossibility in obtaining data, especially of the Asian players.

The results (Table 12) obtained showed Pirelli's with EV/EBIT and EV/EBITDA multiples above the industry players and a lower EV/Revenues went compared with their peers, which is coherent with the company position and business model and are directly related with the higher EBIT and EBITDA margin.

FIGURE 45 - TIER 2 COMPARABLES



Source: Company Website

FIGURE 46 - TIER 3 COMPARABLES



Source: Company Website

TABLE 11 - MULTIPLES BY COMPANY

Ponderation		EV/EBITDA	EV/EBIT	EV/Sales
Tier 1 Compararison - Similiar EBITDA Margin and Market Position				
70%	Nokian	7.37x	9.21x	2.15x
Tier 2 - European Full Linears				
10%	Michelin	5.78x	8.81x	1.02x
10%	Continental	4.39x	6.75x	0.615x
Tier 3 - International Full Linears				
5%	Bridgestone	5.59x	8.44x	0.93x
5%	Goodyear	4.64x	7.76x	0.58x
Weighted Mean		6.68	8.82	1.74
Median		5.68	8.62	0.98

Source: Own Computations

TABLE 12 - MARKET BASED VALUATION RESULTS

Pirelli's	
EBITDA	1 117 579
EBIT	703 056
Sales	5 194 471
Share Price Range	
5.76	4.16

Source: Own Computations

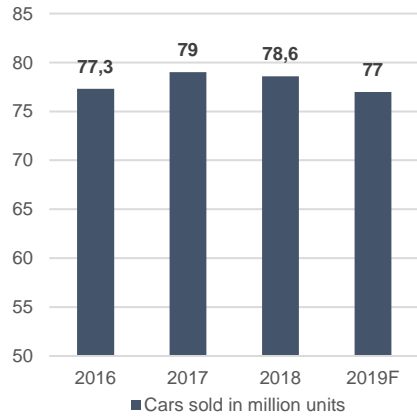
The share price range computed from the multiples was between 5.76 and 4.16 (Table 13), with EV/Revenues multiple of 1.74x and EV/EBITDA of 8.82x. Since Pirelli's does not have any company with a similar business model, a 100% consumer based company with strong focus on the High Value segment, some adjustatment were made, therefore the recommendation did consider the following assumptions:

- Three Tiers of Comparables given the similiarly with Pirelli
 - Tier 1, included similar margins and market position (Figure 44);
 - Tier 2, European full liners (Figure 45);
 - Tier 3, International full liners (Figure 46).
- Weigthd average mean was assumed in front of the median given the smaller sample.
- Weigthd average ponderaded the tiers the following way, 70% for Tier 1, 20% for tier 2 and 10% for tier 3.

Low-cost asian were excluded as peers.

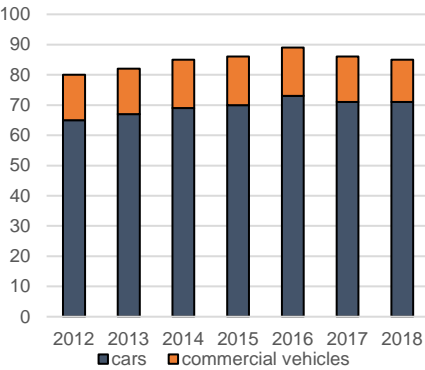
Financial Analysis

FIGURE 47 - CARS SOLD IN MILLION UNITS



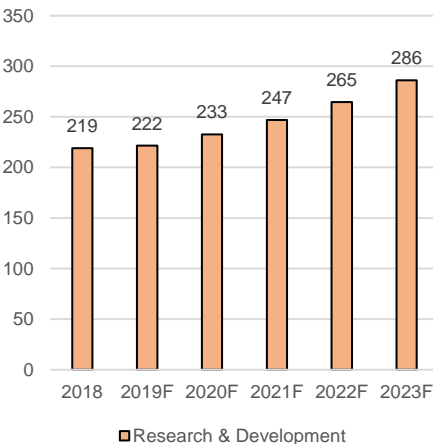
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FIGURE 48 - CARS AND COMMERCIAL VEHICLES PRODUCTION



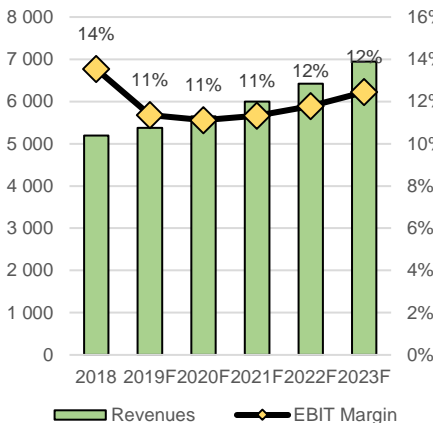
Source: Own Computations

FIGURE 49 - RESEARCH & DEVELOPMENT EXPENDITURES



Source: Own Computations

FIGURE 50 - REVENUES INCREASING AS PROFITABILITY GOES DOWN



Source: Own Computations

Tyres & Rubber: A stable industry, which high levels of dependence

Pirelli operates in a stable industry, as one of the more mature companies of the sector yet facing the constant challenge of dependence of the automobile sector and raw materials prices. The slowdown of automobile production in the last two years did affect Pirelli growth, especially the High Value segment that after a growth of 14% in 2018 and 15% in 2017, is forecasted to growth at an 11% CAGR until 2023.

Leading player in innovation and R&D

As a company focused on deliver consumer value for the High Value Segment, Pirelli needs constant investment in Research and Development and a mindset focused in innovation. With around €200 million invested in R&D in 2016 and close to €220 million in 2018, the company is forecasted to growth its R&D investment at an average of 5.5% every year between 2019F-2023F.

Operating efficiency to improve in the following years

After some years of instability in operations with the disinvestment in the industrial part of the business and more recently in the reduction on production capacity in the Standard Segment, is expected an improvement on operational efficiency in the following years. Total Assets Turnover, Inventory Turnover and Fixed Assets Turnover to growth at positive rates until 2023F. The Cash Conversion Cycle will improve at a CAGR of 10%, the company will be able to convert the investment into returns faster by reducing the 11 days of CCC in 2018 to 6 days in 2023F, boosted by improvements in inventory days while keeping the payables period stable.

Five years of ripple profitability

Profitability margins are expected to drop until 2021 (Figure 50) given the payment of differed expenses and a Euro drop versus the Dollar in 2019 that will have impact in the next 2-3 years. 2018 was also an exceptional year in profitability terms, with low debt costs enhancing all major ratios, yet the consequences will be felt until 2021. The 2021-2023F years are projecting a return to the 2018's profitability levels but with a sustainable growth (Figure 50).

Liquidity and Solvency reflecting an improved debt management

As one of the main concerns after the acquisition, the debt management indicators will improve. As for the Solvency Ratios, a reduction of Long-Term Debt Ratio and Debt to Equity Ratio reflect the converging period that the company will feel in the near future as it reduces debt proportions. Interest Coverage Ratio is expected to growth at an 8.7% CAGR until 2023, jumping from 2.09x to 3.17x.

Investment Risks

In this chapter the report will look at the risks that could potentially affect the company performance. The risks were segmented into four categories taken into account the nature and scope they affect the company operations both in the short but also in the long term, which are, Market & Economic Risks (M&ER), Operational Risks (OR), Legal Risks (LR) and Reputational Risks (RR).

Market & Economic Risk | Worldwide economic conditions (M&ER1)

Global economic conditions such the trade war between United States and China and the environment of uncertainty around Brexit can slowdown international trading and have detrimental effects on investment, market confidence of business and, more generally, on consumers.

Market & Economic Risk | Controversial Brexit Scenario (M&ER2)

Represent both macroeconomic risks, related with forex volatilities and duties, as well as operational risks, possibility of delays in the supply chain for not only raw materials but also for finished products used in the operations.

Market & Economic Risk | Heavy expose to automobile industry (M&ER3)

Not only a decline on vehicles demand will impact revenues from cars manufactures but also the replacement market that heavily relies on national trends, such as consumer spending, fuel prices and local market variables. Two of the major social and technological concerns regarding the long term health of the automobile sector are the urbanisation phenomenon and the values and behaviours of the younger generations, owning a car or obtaining a driving license do not have the same importance for the new generations as it had in previous older generations, which were way more cars dependents.

Market & Economic Risk | Exchange Rate Fluctuations (M&ER4)

The global exposure of the companies within this industry require business transactions in numerous currencies. As a result, foreign appreciations have a negative impact on the P&L. The positions subject to this risk are mainly receivables and payables in foreign currency, and to mitigate this risk Pirelli enters hedging positions using forward contracts. The company also gave translation risk related with subsidiaries operating in other currencies, yet the management decided not to adopt hedging policies for these exposures.

Market & Economic Risk | Change in Raw Material Prices (M&ER5)

The main raw materials used in production are natural rubber, synthetic rubber and oil derivatives, in particular chemicals and carbon black. The prices for these goods and components are exposed to considerable market fluctuations. Operating margins are negatively affected by price increases since the companies do not have substitutes for the inputs only some strategies to reduce the impact of such events

Market & Economic Risk | Changes in Interest Rates (M&ER6)

Represents the risk related with the exposure to the variability of the future cash flows of financial assets or liabilities. Regarding that, Pirelli hedge using interest rate swaps and cross currency interest rate swaps in order to mitigate financial losses originated from the use of debt instruments.

Operational Risk | Credit Risk (OR1)

Refers to risks related with the exposure to possible losses resulting from the counterparty failure to pay its commercial and financial obligations and therefore the group will not be able to recover the value of assets sold. The company tries to mitigate this risk by defining customer profiles associated with credit limits that in case of being exceeded will lead to a request of guarantees from the customers.

Operational Risk | Operations Disruptions (OR2)

With globally dispersed operations Pirelli is exposed to a broad range of externalities, as for example natural disasters and wars. Nevertheless, the vast majority of the company's factories are based on developed countries, where measures of risk mitigation are implemented according to the country to overcome possible disruptions.

Operational Risk | Information Technology System Failures (OR3)

The industry complexity of operations increases the dependence on efficient functioning computing and IT systems. Failure of such technical systems due to externalities leads to significant operational losses. Pirelli focuses on the prevention and mitigation of this risk using security systems against unauthorised access and business data solutions.

Legal Risk | Regulation (LR1)

New or revised laws, as the ones for labelling systems and regulations regarding tyre performance, limit and change the scope of business activities, while raising operating costs. Overall, operating margins will struggle with heavier regulations.

Legal Risk | Intellectual property (LR2)

Heavy investments on R&D in order to improve the competitive position and to keep up the market innovations. On that regard, intellectual property is an important business resource and the risk of infringement on other company's property rights needs to be well managed to avoid compensatory damages and extra costs.

Legal Risk | Intellectual property (LR3)

Possible legal, fiscal, trade or labour disputes will always be a risk factor for a company, Pirelli looks to prevent and mitigate any penalties from such events.

Reputation Risk | Reputation (RR1)

Traditional companies depend mainly on the brand name as a driver to differentiate themselves from low cost providers. Pirelli is one of those cases and the company does not only look to differentiate from low cost providers but also from the full liners, especially in the high value segment. As a result, a reputation deterioration could have significant effects on their operations.

Reputation Risk | Product Defects (RR2)

On an industry where product defects can have severe repercussions, companies tend to have customer safety as top priority. Any recalls or defects will originate not only practical damages, litigation costs and replacement costs but will also have a huge impact on companies' reputation. For Pirelli product defects represent a bigger treat than for the rest of the industry given the company business model and the crucial role that the relationship with premium manufactures and costumers can be affected.

Risk to price target

In this section will be analyzed the impact that the risks described in the previous section, and other crucial parts of the FCFF model, have in the company price target. To perform the analyses two approaches were computed: Sensitivity Analysis and a Monte Carlo Simulation.

The variables selected to perform the analyses were among others, the cost of revenues, terminal value of revenues, terminal CAPEX and WACC component like cost of debt, country risk premium and market risk premium.

Monte Carlo Simulation

The simulation was run 100 000 times using Crystal Ball, with seven variables being tested in order to understand which one have the major impact on price.

A summary table of the statistics shows the mean of the price target computed by the Simulation was €5.55, representing an upside potential of 17% versus the base case and a median of €5.40. Both metrics are near the price target computed in the DCF valuation.

Relative to the impact of the variables analyzed on the Monte Carlo Simulation, can be concluded that Cost of Revenues is the main driver for falls in the share price and Terminal Revenues the main driver for stock valorization. All the WACC components tested push the price down with Market Risk Premium being the more relevant in that regard. Terminal Growth Rate have a positive impact in the price yet was expected to have a more significant impact.

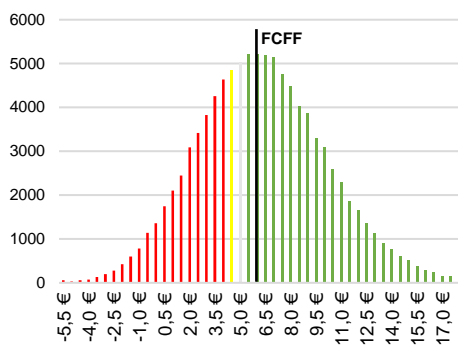
The normal distribution gives 57% probability for **BUY** recommendation to be correct.

Sensitivity Analysis

In the sensitivity analysis eight variables were also tested with both positive and negative scenarios of 5%/10%/15%/20% versus the actual value to see how much a variation of a variable affects the share price.

Four tables of sensitivity analysis were elaborated, where the variable with major impact of each one of those table are shown below. The higher price target happens when the cost of equity faced a reduction of 20% versus the actual value, in that scenario the share price reached €7.6 representing a 61% upside versus the share price at September 2nd. Terminal EBIT (1-t) did also performed well when faced the 20% positive scenario yet was also the variable which gave the lowest share price when stressed for a negative 20% scenario. The complete table, including all the variables can be seen in the appendix 19.

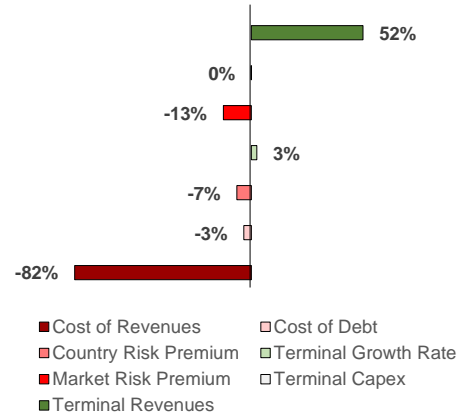
FIGURE 51- MONTE CARLO SIMULATION RESULTS



Source: Own Computations

Monte Carlo Statistics	
Trials	100 000
Mean	5.55 €
Median	5.40 €
Skewness	0.247
Kurtosis	3.172
Minimum	-9.920
Maximum	30.763
Range Width	40.682
Mean Std. Error	0.012

Sensitivity Price Distribution



	Price Target	
Terminal Cost of Equity	6.94%	7.60 €
	7.38%	6.99 €
	7.81%	6.44 €
	8.25%	5.95 €
	8.68%	5.51 €
	9.11%	5.12 €
	9.55%	4.76 €
	9.98%	4.43 €
	10.42%	4.13 €

	Price Target	
Market Risk Premium	4.77%	6.67 €
	5.07%	6.36 €
	5.36%	6.06 €
	5.66%	5.78 €
	5.96%	5.51 €
	6.26%	5.26 €
	6.56%	5.03 €
	7.15%	4.59 €

	Price Target	
Cost of Debt	3.45%	5.93 €
	3.67%	5.82 €
	3.88%	5.72 €
	4.10%	5.61 €
	4.31%	5.51 €
	4.53%	5.42 €
	4.75%	5.32 €
	4.96%	5.23 €
	5.18%	5.14 €

	Price Target	
Terminal EBIT (1-t)	563 685	3.86 €
	598 915	4.27 €
	634 145	4.68 €
	669 375	5.10 €
	704 606	5.51 €
	739 836	5.93 €
	775 066	6.34 €
	810 297	6.76 €
845 527	7.17 €	

Appendices

Appendix 1: Statement of Financial Position (PIRC)

Consolidated Balance Sheet €000	2016	2017	2018	2019F	2020F	2021F	2022F	2023F	CAGR 2018- 2023F
Property, plant and equipment	3 556 635	2 980 294	3 092 927	3 321 875	3 543 766	3 763 520	3 986 963	4 219 580	6.41%
Goodwill	2 351 263	1 877 363	1 886 862	1 886 862	1 886 862	1 886 862	1 886 862	1 886 862	0.00%
Other Intangible Assets	4 145 626	4 016 341	3 896 476	3 779 849	3 666 713	3 556 963	3 450 498	3 347 220	-2.99%
Investments in associates and J.V.	47 010	17 480	72 705	72 705	72 705	72 705	72 705	72 705	0.00%
Other financial assets	198 691	229 519	68 781	68 781	68 781	68 781	68 781	68 781	0.00%
Deferred tax assets	147 964	111 553	74 118	52 562	37 276	26 435	18 747	13 295	-29.08%
Other receivables	226 868	204 051	225 707	218 875	218 875	218 875	218 875	218 875	-0.61%
Tax receivables	11 864	27 318	16 169	16 169	16 169	16 169	16 169	16 169	0.00%
Derivative financial instruments	0	878	20 134	20 134	20 134	20 134	20 134	20 134	0.00%
Non-Current Assets	10 685 921	9 464 797	9 353 879	9 437 813	9 531 281	9 630 444	9 739 734	9 863 622	1.07%
Inventories	1 055 639	940 668	1 128 466	1 080 659	1 116 033	1 228 968	1 292 434	1 397 585	4.37%
Trade receivables	679 321	652 487	627 968	682 259	699 264	744 904	802 869	863 478	6.58%
Other receivables	275 622	400 538	416 651	408 595	408 595	408 595	408 595	408 595	-0.39%
Securities held for trading	48 597	33 027	27 196	37 956	39 873	42 299	45 341	49 010	12.50%
Cash and cash equivalents	1 532 977	1 118 437	1 326 900	1 284 397	1 384 261	1 427 926	1 613 455	1 866 419	7.06%
Tax receivables	64 395	35 461	41 393	47 083	47 083	47 083	47 083	47 083	2.61%
Derivative financial instruments	23 989	27 770	98 567	50 109	50 109	50 109	50 109	50 109	-12.66%
Current Assets	3 680 540	3 208 388	3 667 141	3 591 058	3 745 218	3 949 883	4 259 884	4 682 278	5.01%
Total Assets	14 366 461	12 733 914	13 031 697	13 028 871	13 276 499	13 580 327	13 999 618	14 545 900	2.22%
Borrowings from banks and other financial institutions	5 945 999	3 897 089	3 929 079	3 893 819	3 932 382	3 973 294	4 018 384	4 069 497	0.70%
Other payables	87 421	74 435	83 287	83 287	83 287	83 287	83 287	83 287	0.00%
Provisions for liabilities and charges	170 992	127 124	138 327	138 327	138 327	138 327	138 327	138 327	0.00%
Provisions for deferred tax liabilities	1 452 169	1 216 635	1 081 605	933 868	806 310	696 176	601 085	518 982	-13.66%
Employee benefit obligations	368 100	274 037	224 312	224 312	224 312	224 312	224 312	224 312	0.00%
Tax payables	3 374	2 399	2 091	2 091	2 091	2 091	2 091	2 091	0.00%
Derivative financial instruments	0	54 963	16 039	16 039	16 039	16 039	16 039	16 039	0.00%
Non-Current Liabilities	8 028 055	5 646 682	5 474 740	5 291 743	5 202 748	5 133 526	5 083 525	5 052 536	-1.59%
Borrowings from banks and other financial institutions	642 047	559 168	800 145	695 183	730 278	774 722	830 425	897 630	2.33%
Trade payables	1 498 492	1 673 642	1 604 677	1 654 276	1 749 953	1 850 528	1 983 205	2 146 264	5.99%
Other payables	783 079	565 254	436 752	595 028	595 028	595 028	595 028	595 028	6.38%
Provisions for liabilities and charges	45 987	45 833	33 876	41 899	41 899	41 899	41 899	41 899	4.34%
Employee benefit obligations	0	0	5 475	0	0	0	0	0	n.a.
Tax payables	41 773	48 416	65 503	51 897	51 897	51 897	51 897	51 897	-4.55%
Derivative financial instruments	52 170	17 910	59 602	43 227	43 227	43 227	43 227	43 227	-6.22%
Current Liabilities	3 063 548	2 910 223	3 006 030	3 081 510	3 212 283	3 357 302	3 545 681	3 775 945	4.67%
Total Liabilities	11 091 603	8 556 905	8 480 770	8 373 253	8 415 032	8 490 828	8 629 206	8 828 481	0.81%
Share Capital	1 342 281	1 904 375	1 904 375	1 904 375	1 904 375	1 904 375	1 904 375	1 904 375	0.00%
Reserves	1 784 952	2 096 927	2 204 180	2 469 603	2 638 587	2 829 690	3 042 951	3 296 802	8.38%
Net Income	147 625	175 707	442 372	281 640	318 505	355 434	423 086	516 241	3.14%
Total Equity	3 274 858	4 177 009	4 550 927	4 655 618	4 861 467	5 089 499	5 370 412	5 717 418	4.67%

Common Size Balance Sheet (% of Total Assets)	2016	2017	2018	2019F	2020F	2021F	2022F	2023F
Property, plant and equipment	24.8%	23.4%	23.7%	25.5%	26.7%	27.7%	28.5%	29.0%
Goodwill	16.4%	14.7%	14.5%	14.5%	14.2%	13.9%	13.5%	13.0%
Other Intangible Assets	28.9%	31.5%	29.9%	29.0%	27.6%	26.2%	24.6%	23.0%
Investments in associates and J.V.	0.3%	0.1%	0.6%	0.6%	0.5%	0.5%	0.5%	0.5%
Other financial assets	1.4%	1.8%	0.5%	0.5%	0.5%	0.5%	0.5%	0.5%
Deferred tax assets	1.0%	0.9%	0.6%	0.4%	0.3%	0.2%	0.1%	0.1%
Other receivables	1.6%	1.6%	1.7%	1.7%	1.6%	1.6%	1.6%	1.5%
Tax receivables	0.1%	0.2%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%
Derivative financial instruments	0.0%	0.0%	0.2%	0.2%	0.2%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%
Non-Current Assets	74.4%	74.3%	71.8%	72.4%	71.8%	70.9%	69.6%	67.8%
Inventories	7.3%	7.4%	8.7%	8.3%	8.4%	9.0%	9.2%	9.6%
Trade receivables	4.7%	5.1%	4.8%	5.2%	5.3%	5.5%	5.7%	5.9%
Other receivables	1.9%	3.1%	3.2%	3.1%	3.1%	3.0%	2.9%	2.8%
Securities held for trading	0.3%	0.3%	0.2%	0.3%	0.3%	0.3%	0.3%	0.3%
Cash and cash equivalents	10.7%	8.8%	10.2%	9.9%	10.4%	10.5%	11.5%	12.8%
Tax receivables	0.4%	0.3%	0.3%	0.4%	0.4%	0.3%	0.3%	0.3%
Derivative financial instruments	0.2%	0.2%	0.8%	0.4%	0.4%	0.4%	0.4%	0.3%
Current Assets	25.6%	25.2%	28.1%	27.6%	28.2%	29.1%	30.4%	32.2%
Total Assets	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Borrowings from banks and other financial institutions	41.4%	30.6%	30.2%	29.9%	29.6%	29.3%	28.7%	28.0%
Other payables	0.6%	0.6%	0.6%	0.6%	0.6%	0.6%	0.6%	0.6%
Provisions for liabilities and charges	1.2%	1.0%	1.1%	1.1%	1.0%	1.0%	1.0%	1.0%
Provisions for deferred tax liabilities	10.1%	9.6%	8.3%	7.2%	6.1%	5.1%	4.3%	3.6%
Employee benefit obligations	2.6%	2.2%	1.7%	1.7%	1.7%	1.7%	1.6%	1.5%
Tax payables	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Derivative financial instruments	0.0%	0.4%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%
Non-Current Liabilities	55.9%	44.3%	42.0%	40.6%	39.2%	37.8%	36.3%	34.7%
Borrowings from banks and other financial institutions	4.5%	4.4%	6.1%	5.3%	5.5%	5.7%	5.9%	6.2%
Trade payables	10.4%	13.1%	12.3%	12.7%	13.2%	13.6%	14.2%	14.8%
Other payables	5.5%	4.4%	3.4%	4.6%	4.5%	4.4%	4.3%	4.1%
Provisions for liabilities and charges	0.3%	0.4%	0.3%	0.3%	0.3%	0.3%	0.3%	0.3%
Employee benefit obligations	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Tax payables	0.3%	0.4%	0.5%	0.4%	0.4%	0.4%	0.4%	0.4%
Derivative financial instruments	0.4%	0.1%	0.5%	0.3%	0.3%	0.3%	0.3%	0.3%
Current Liabilities	21.3%	22.9%	23.1%	23.7%	24.2%	24.7%	25.3%	26.0%
Total Liabilities	77.2%	67.2%	65.1%	64.3%	63.4%	62.5%	61.6%	60.7%
Share Capital	9.3%	15.0%	14.6%	14.6%	14.3%	14.0%	13.6%	13.1%
Reserves	12.4%	16.5%	16.9%	19.0%	19.9%	20.8%	21.7%	22.7%
Net Income	1.0%	1.4%	3.4%	2.2%	2.4%	2.6%	3.0%	3.5%
Total Equity	22.8%	32.8%	34.9%	35.7%	36.6%	37.5%	38.4%	39.3%

Appendix 2: Income Statement (PIRC)

Income Statement €000	2016	2017	2018	2019F	2020F	2021F	2022F	2023F	CAGR 2018- 2023F
Revenues from sales and services	4 976 396	5 352 283	5 194 471	5 378 394	5 649 917	5 993 761	6 424 714	6 944 661	5.98%
<i>Geographic Distribution of Sales</i>									
Europa	-	2 238 000	2 234 200	2 420 277	2 542 463	2 697 192	2 891 121	3 125 098	6.94%
NAFTA	-	983 900	1 004 100	1 075 679	1 129 983	1 198 752	1 284 943	1 388 932	6.70%
Asia & Pacific	-	806 200	890 200	1 075 679	1 129 983	1 198 752	1 284 943	1 388 932	9.30%
South America	-	915 700	691 900	430 272	451 993	479 501	513 977	555 573	-4.29%
Middle East & Africa & India	-	248 900	207 100	215 136	225 997	239 750	256 989	277 786	6.05%
Russia & CIS	-	159 600	167 000	161 352	169 498	179 813	192 741	208 340	4.52%
Cost of revenue	(1 540 516)	(1 859 837)	(1 818 199)	(1 882 577)	(1 977 617)	(2 097 971)	(2 248 816)	(2 430 811)	5.98%
Changes in inventories	(22 406)	140 258	201 416	106 423	106 423	106 423	106 423	106 423	-
Gross Margin	3 413 474	3 632 704	3 577 688	3 602 240	3 778 723	4 002 213	4 282 321	4 620 273	5.25%
R&D	(208 614)	(211 500)	(219 000)	(221 584)	(232 770)	(246 936)	(264 691)	(286 113)	5.49%
Sales and marketing expenses	(557 253)	(592 286)	(542 668)	(586 442)	(616 048)	(653 540)	(700 529)	(757 223)	6.89%
Personnel expenses	(986 308)	(1 034 647)	(1 067 579)	(1 110 730)	(1 155 625)	(1 202 335)	(1 250 933)	(1 301 496)	4.04%
Depreciation, Amortization & Impairments	(342 584)	(371 457)	(414 523)	(371 735)	(399 737)	(429 434)	(461 246)	(495 680)	3.64%
Other costs	(1 330 866)	(1 380 874)	(1 096 494)	(1 320 430)	(1 387 091)	(1 471 507)	(1 577 309)	(1 704 959)	9.23%
Other income	696 225	628 533	483 205	638 802	659 835	699 992	750 321	811 044	10.91%
Net impairment loss on financial assets	-	-	(21 273)	(22 133)	(22 459)	(23 332)	(24 442)	(25 602)	3.77%
Increase in fixed assets for internal work	2 378	3 110	3 700	3 175	3 336	3 539	3 793	4 100	2.08%
Operating Income	686 452	673 583	703 056	611 163	628 163	678 658	757 284	864 346	4.22%
Net income from equity investments	(20 019)	(6 855)	(4 980)	(4 980)	(4 980)	(4 980)	(4 980)	(4 980)	0.00%
Financial Income	42 806	128 540	139 730	112 506	76 780	62 845	56 625	46 305	19.82%
Financial expenses	(469 996)	(491 150)	(336 041)	(373 199)	(309 250)	(300 509)	(289 926)	(272 393)	-4.11%
EBT	239 243	304 118	501 765	345 490	390 713	436 014	519 004	633 277	4.77%
Income Taxes	(75 256)	(40 848)	(52 964)	(63 850)	(72 208)	(80 580)	(95 917)	(117 036)	17.18%
Net Income from continuing operations	163 987	263 270	448 801	281 640	318 505	355 434	423 086	516 241	2.84%
Net Income from discontinued operations	(16 362)	(87 563)	(6 429)	0	0	0	0	0	n.a.
Total Net Income	147 625	175 707	442 372	281 640	318 505	355 434	423 086	516 241	3.14%

Common-Size Income Statement (% of Revenues)	2016	2017	2018	2019F	2020F	2021F	2022F	2023F
Revenues from sales and services	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
<i>Geographic Distribution of Sales</i>								
Europa	-	41.8%	43.0%	45.0%	45.0%	45.0%	45.0%	45.0%
NAFTA	-	18.4%	19.3%	20.0%	20.0%	20.0%	20.0%	20.0%
Asia & Pacific	-	15.1%	17.1%	20.0%	20.0%	20.0%	20.0%	20.0%
South America	-	17.1%	13.3%	8.0%	8.0%	8.0%	8.0%	8.0%
Middle East & Africa & India	-	4.7%	4.0%	4.0%	4.0%	4.0%	4.0%	4.0%
Russia & CIS	-	3.0%	3.2%	3.0%	3.0%	3.0%	3.0%	3.0%
Cost of revenue	31.0%	34.7%	35.0%	35.0%	35.0%	35.0%	35.0%	35.0%
Changes in inventories	0.5%	2.6%	3.9%	2.0%	1.9%	1.8%	1.7%	1.5%
Gross Margin	68.6%	67.9%	68.9%	67.0%	66.9%	66.8%	66.7%	66.5%
R&D	4.2%	4.0%	4.2%	4.1%	4.1%	4.1%	4.1%	4.1%
Sales and marketing expenses	11.2%	11.1%	10.4%	10.9%	10.9%	10.9%	10.9%	10.9%
Personnel expenses	19.8%	19.3%	20.6%	20.7%	20.5%	20.1%	19.5%	18.7%
Depreciation, Amortisation and Impairments	6.9%	6.9%	8.0%	6.9%	7.1%	7.2%	7.2%	7.1%
Other costs	26.7%	25.8%	21.1%	24.6%	24.6%	24.6%	24.6%	24.6%
Other income	14.0%	11.7%	9.3%	11.9%	11.7%	11.7%	11.7%	11.7%
Net impairment loss on financial assets	-	-	0.4%	0.4%	0.4%	0.4%	0.4%	0.4%
Increase in fixed assets for internal work	-	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%
Operating Income	13.8%	12.6%	13.5%	11.4%	11.1%	11.3%	11.8%	12.4%
Net income from equity investments	-0.4%	-0.1%	-0.1%	-0.1%	-0.1%	-0.1%	-0.1%	-0.1%
Financial Income	0.9%	2.4%	2.7%	2.1%	1.4%	1.0%	0.9%	0.7%
Financial expenses	9.4%	9.2%	6.5%	6.9%	5.5%	5.0%	4.5%	3.9%
EBT	4.8%	5.7%	9.7%	6.4%	6.9%	7.3%	8.1%	9.1%
Income Taxes	1.5%	0.8%	1.0%	1.2%	1.3%	1.3%	1.5%	1.7%
Net Income from continuing operations	3.3%	4.9%	8.6%	5.2%	5.6%	5.9%	6.6%	7.4%
Net Income from discontinued operations	0.3%	1.6%	0.1%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Total Net Income	3.0%	3.3%	8.5%	5.2%	5.6%	5.9%	6.6%	7.4%

Appendix 3: Cash-Flow Statement (PIRC)

Cash Flow Statement €000	2016	2017	2018	2019F	2020F	2021F	2022F	2023F	CAGR 2018- 2023F
Operating Activities	953 780	671 444	840 933	919 435	919 899	912 237	1 099 117	1 227 174	7.85%
Operational Income	686 452	673 583	703 056	611 163	628 163	678 658	757 284	864 346	4.22%
D&A	342 584	371 457	414 523	371 735	399 737	429 434	461 246	495 680	3.64%
Income Tax	(75 256)	(40 848)	(52 964)	(63 850)	(72 208)	(80 580)	(95 917)	(117 036)	17.18%
ΔOther Operating Assets	0	22 817	(21 656)	6 832	0	0	0	0	n.a.
Operational Assets Held for Sale	0	(60 729)	50 052	10 677	0	0	0	0	n.a.
ΔDeferred Taxes & Investment Tax Credit	0	(199 123)	(97 595)	(126 181)	(112 271)	(99 294)	(87 403)	(76 650)	-4.72%
ΔNWC	0	(95 713)	(154 483)	109 060	76 478	(15 982)	63 906	60 834	-183.00%
Investment Activities	(340 000)	(459 470)	(518 225)	(484 055)	(508 493)	(539 438)	(578 224)	(625 020)	
CapEX	(340 000)	(489 000)	(463 000)	(484 055)	(508 493)	(539 438)	(578 224)	(625 020)	6.18%
Investments in associates and J.V.	0	29 530	(55 225)	0	0	0	0	0	n.a.
Financing Activities	(447 209)	(2 364 290)	(227 481)	(300 934)	(198 887)	(201 731)	(193 190)	(179 956)	
Interest paid	(490 015)	(498 005)	(341 021)	(378 179)	(314 230)	(305 489)	(294 906)	(277 373)	-4.05%
Interest receive	42 806	128 540	139 730	112 506	76 780	62 845	56 625	46 305	-19.82%
ΔDebt	0	(2 048 910)	31 990	(35 260)	38 563	40 912	45 090	51 113	9.83%
ΔDerivative financial instruments	0	54 085	(58 180)	0	0	0	0	0	n.a.
Change in Cash				134 446	212 520	171 067	327 702	422 198	n.a.
Beginning				1 326 900	1 284 397	1 384 261	1 427 926	1 613 455	
End				1 461 346	1 496 917	1 555 328	1 755 628	2 035 653	

Common-Size Cash-Flow Statement (% of Operational CF)	2016	2017	2018	2019F	2020F	2021F	2022F	2023F
Operating Activities	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Operational Income	72.0%	100.3%	83.6%	66.5%	68.3%	74.4%	68.9%	70.4%
D&A	35.9%	55.3%	49.3%	40.4%	43.5%	47.1%	42.0%	40.4%
Income Tax	-7.9%	-6.1%	-6.3%	-6.9%	-7.8%	-8.8%	-8.7%	-9.5%
ΔOther Operating Assets	0.0%	3.4%	-2.6%	0.7%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Operational Assets Held for Sale	0.0%	-9.0%	6.0%	1.2%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
ΔDeferred Taxes & Investment Tax Credit	0.0%	-29.7%	-11.6%	-13.7%	-12.2%	-10.9%	-8.0%	-6.2%
ΔNWC	0.0%	-14.3%	-18.4%	11.9%	8.3%	-1.8%	5.8%	5.0%
Investment Activities	-35.6%	-68.4%	-61.6%	-52.6%	-55.3%	-59.1%	-52.6%	-50.9%
CapEX	-35.6%	-72.8%	-55.1%	-52.6%	-55.3%	-59.1%	-52.6%	-50.9%
Investments in associates and J.V.	0.0%	4.4%	-6.6%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Financing Activities	-46.9%	-352.1%	-27.1%	-32.7%	-21.6%	-22.1%	-17.6%	-14.7%
Interest paid	-51.4%	-74.2%	-40.6%	-41.1%	-34.2%	-33.5%	-26.8%	-22.6%
Interest receive	4.5%	19.1%	16.6%	12.2%	8.3%	6.9%	5.2%	3.8%
ΔDebt	0.0%	-305.1%	3.8%	-3.8%	4.2%	4.5%	4.1%	4.2%
ΔDerivative financial instruments	0.0%	8.1%	-6.9%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Change in Cash				14.6%	23.1%	18.8%	29.8%	34.4%
Beginning				144.3%	139.6%	151.7%	129.9%	131.5%
End				158.9%	162.7%	170.5%	159.7%	165.9%

Appendix 4: Key Financial Ratios

Key Financial Ratios							CAGR 2018- 2023F
Liquidity Ratios	2018	2019F	2020F	2021F	2022F	2023F	
Current Ratio (x)	1.22	1.17	1.17	1.18	1.20	1.24	0.33%
Quick Ratio (x)	0.84	0.81	0.82	0.81	0.84	0.87	0.59%
Cash Ratio (x)	0.47	0.43	0.45	0.44	0.47	0.51	1.37%
Operating Efficiency Ratios	2018	2019F	2020F	2021F	2022F	2023F	
Total Assets Turnover (x)	0.40	0.41	0.43	0.44	0.46	0.48	3.67%
Accounts Receivables Turnover (x)	8.27	7.88	8.08	8.05	8.00	8.04	-0.56%
Collection Period (days)	44.13	46.30	45.17	45.36	45.61	45.38	0.56%
Inventory Turnover (x)	4.60	4.98	5.06	4.88	4.97	4.97	1.54%
Days in Inventory (days)	79.29	73.34	72.10	74.84	73.43	73.45	-1.52%
Payables Turnover (x)	3.24	3.25	3.23	3.24	3.24	3.24	-0.01%
Payables Period (days)	112.76	112.27	113.05	112.69	112.67	112.80	0.01%
Operating Cycle (days)	123.42	119.64	117.27	120.20	119.04	118.84	-0.75%
Cash Cycle (days)	10.66	7.37	4.22	7.51	6.37	6.03	-
Fixed Assets Turnover	0.56	0.57	0.59	0.62	0.66	0.70	10.76%
Profitability Ratios	2018	2019F	2020F	2021F	2022F	2023F	
Gross Profit Margin (%)	69%	67%	67%	67%	67%	67%	-0.69%
EBITDA Margin (%)	22%	18%	18%	18%	19%	20%	-1.86%
EBIT Margin (%)	14%	11%	11%	11%	12%	12%	-1.66%
Net Profit Margin (%)	9%	5%	6%	6%	7%	7%	-2.68%
ROA (%)	3%	2%	2%	3%	3%	4%	0.89%
ROCE (%)	7%	6%	6%	7%	7%	8%	2.74%
ROE (%)	10%	6%	7%	7%	8%	9%	-1.46%
EPS (x)	0.44	0.28	0.32	0.36	0.42	0.52	3.14%
Solvency Ratios	2018	2019F	2020F	2021F	2022F	2023F	
Long-term Debt Ratio (%)	30%	30%	30%	29%	29%	28%	-1.49%
Debt to Equity Ratio (x)	1.04	0.99	0.96	0.93	0.90	0.87	-3.52%
Equity Multiplier (x)	2.86	2.80	2.73	2.67	2.61	2.54	-2.34%
Debt to EBITDA	4.40	4.54	4.41	4.17	3.87	3.65	-3.66%
Interest Coverage Ratio (x)	2.09	1.64	2.03	2.26	2.61	3.17	8.69%

Appendix 5: Analyses of Historical Revenues

Historical Values				Comments on Historical Values
Thousand Dollars \$	2016	2017	2018	
Total Revenue	4 976 400 €	5 352 300 €	5 194 500 €	
Replacement Revenue	3 732 300	4 014 225	3 895 875	As reported on Pirelli company Presentation Replacement Market Channel as responsible for 75% of companies revenues.
High Value Segment	2 063 962	2 308 179	2 481 672	Pirelli is working through a Business Model based on the High Value segment since the 2017 IPO, with the goal to reduce the production on the less profitable and highly competitive Standard Segment. % values reported by the company.
Standard Value Segment	1 668 338	1 706 046	1 414 203	
Original Equipment	1 244 100	1 338 075	1 298 625	As reported on Pirelli company Presentation Original Equipment Market Channel as responsible for 25% of companies revenues.
High Value Segment	687 987	769 393	827 224	Pirelli is working through a Business Model based on the High Value segment since the 2017 IPO, with the goal to reduce the production on the less profitable and highly competitive Standard Segment. % values reported by the company.
Standard Value Segment	556 113	568 682	471 401	
Revenues by Region				
				2017 2018
Europa	-	2 238 000	2 234 200	41.81% 43.01%
NAFTA	-	983 900	1 004 100	18.38% 19.33%
Asia/Pacific (APAC)	-	806 200	890 200	15.06% 17.14%
South America	-	915 700	691 900	17.11% 13.32%
Middle East/Africa/India	-	248 900	207 100	4.65% 3.99%
Russia and CIS	-	159 600	167 000	2.98% 3.21%
Total	-	5 352 300	5 194 500	
Computations				
# of Tyres sold (in million)	53 090	56 840	61 840	
High Value Segment	26 250	30 000	35 000	%
>18	21 000	24 000	28 000	80% Values reported in the Company Presentation.
Specialties	5 250	6 000	7 000	20% Assumed to be the number of Specialties sold. Reported to be 20% of the Inventory portfolio of High Value being Specialties.
Standard Value Segment	26 840	26 840	26 840	2.0% Pirelli Market Share on Consumer Tyre. Assumed the market share of Standard Value given the weigh on unit sold
Average Selling Price				
High Value Segment	105	103	95	95
Standard Value Segment	70	70	70	70 Assumed remain equal to 2018 given the high competition on the market. No capacity to set prices in Standard Value.

Appendix 6: Revenues Forecast

Revenues Forecast					Assumptions for Forecasts
2019F	2020F	2021F	2022F	2023F	
5 378 394 €	5 649 917 €	5 993 761 €	6 424 714 €	6 944 661 €	
4 033 796	4 237 438	4 495 321	4 818 535	5 208 496	
2 765 590	3 095 303	3 466 216	3 889 443	4 368 870	75% Assumed that weight of the Business Model strategy will not chance until 2023. Replacement Market to be around 75% of total.
1 268 206	1 142 135	1 029 105	929 092	839 626	
1 344 599	1 412 479	1 498 440	1 606 178	1 736 165	
921 863	1 031 768	1 155 405	1 296 481	1 456 290	25% Assumed that weight of the Business Model strategy will not chance until 2023. Replacement Market to be around 75% of total.
422 735	380 712	343 035	309 697	279 875	
2 420 277	2 542 463	2 697 192	2 891 121	3 125 098	45%
1 075 679	1 129 983	1 198 752	1 284 943	1 388 932	20%
1 075 679	1 129 983	1 198 752	1 284 943	1 388 932	20% Europe, NAFTA and APAC are responsible for 95% of the Prestige & Premium Segment.
430 272	451 993	479 501	513 977	555 573	8% In the Latin America region the company plans to keep the cost rationalization program.
215 136	225 997	239 750	256 989	277 786	4% Will be assumed a increase on all the High Value segment areas and a decrease on the South America.
161 352	169 498	179 813	192 741	208 340	3%
5 378 394	5 649 917	5 993 761	6 424 714	6 944 661	
Computations					
62 598	64 075	66 280	69 227	72 940	%
38 710	42 816	47 359	52 387	57 952	
31 080	34 499	38 294	42 506	47 182	11% 2019 - 2023 : Expected CAGR of 11% - Drop on Automobile market suggest a more conservative forecast. Previous growing at 14% and 13%.
7 630	8 317	9 065	9 881	10 770	9% Assumed to be the number of Specialties sold. Reported to be 20% of the Inventory portfolio of High Value being Specialties.
23 888	21 260	18 921	16 840	14 988	-11% Assumed to be equal to the expected value for 2019 + plus na extra -1% for the automobile macroeconomic exceptions.
95	96	98	99	101	95 The ASP on High Value is decreasing in order to increase sales, which is being possible given the investment on R&D. Yet is not a company plan to keep dropping. Project to remain around the same, hardly likely to increase given the competition on the High Value segment in the future.
71	72	73	74	75	Given the high competition on the market and no capacity to set prices in Standard Value.
0.76%	1.19%	1.24%	1.44%	1.54%	The prices are assumed to rise at the italy inflation rate. https://www.statista.com/statistics/270489/inflation-rate-in-italy/

Global Tyre Market Figures (Thousand units)	2018
Replacement Market	1 118 000
High Value	132 000
Standard Value	986 000
Original Equipment	462 000
High Value	106 000
Standard Value	356 000

Pirelli Volumes Changes	2016	2017	2018	Notes & Company Forecasts
High Value	-	15%	14%	In line with expectations, expected 13% until 2019-2023
Standard	-	-3%	-14%	2018 with a higher than expected drop due to America Latina automobile crisis. Company expected decrease around 9-10% for 2019

Appendix 7: Income Statement Forecast

Income Statement Forecast		2016	2017	2018	2019F	2020F	2021F	2022F	2023F	Assumptions	
Gross Margin	Revenue										
	Total	4 976 400	5 352 300	5 194 500	5 378 394	5 649 917	5 993 761	6 424 714	6 944 661	See "Revenues"	
	Replacement Channel	3 732 300	4 014 225	3 895 875	4 033 796	4 237 438	4 495 321	4 818 535	5 208 496	See "Revenues"	
	Original Equipment Channel	1 244 100	1 338 075	1 298 625	1 344 599	1 412 479	1 498 440	1 606 178	1 736 165		
	Changes in inventories										
	Last 3 years average	106 423			106 423	106 423	106 423	106 423	106 423	106 423	Assumed for 2019F-2023F to be the average of the past 3 years.
	Cost of revenue										
	Cost of revenue in % of sales	31%	35%	35%	1 882 577	1 977 617	2 097 971	2 248 816	2 430 811		Assumed that strong R&D investments will not be invested on productivity for the next 5 years, but instead on developing new products. Yet is not expected to see a drop on Gross Margin on the following years. Assumed for 2019F-2023F a 65% Gross Margin equal to the previous two.
				35%							
Operating Income	R&D										
	Evolution of R&D in % of Sales	4.2%	4.0%	4.2%	221 584	232 770	246 936	264 691	286 113	Assumed to keep a constant level of R&D investment for the next 5 year as part of the IPO Strategic plan of around 4 % of Sales	
	Average of the previous 3 years			4.1%							
	Sales and marketing expenses										
	Evolution of Sales and marketing expenses	11.2%	11.1%	10.4%	586 442	616 048	653 540	700 529	757 223	Pirelli has already a strong and well-established Marketing and Sales Policy which the company doesn't plan to change soon. Partnerships with F1, which sponsorship deal goes until 2023, and with the international recognize football team, Inter Milan, as main equipment sponsor will remain.	
	Expected Growth	=	Average	10.9%							
	Personnel Expenses										
	Previous years Personnel Expenses	986 308	1 034 647	1 067 579	1 110 730	1 155 625	1 202 335	1 250 933	1 301 496	Assumed to growth for 2019F-2023F at CAGR of 3,88% equal to the average growth of previous two years. No reasons to expect severe decrease or increase, given that a constant growth will be assumed.	
	Growth YoY		4.90%	3.18%							
				4.04%							
	Depreciation, Amortization and Impairments										
	Previous years Dep., Amo. and Imp.	342 584	371 457	414 523	371 735	399 737	429 434	461 246	495 680	See Auxiliary Table in below	
	Other Costs										
	Previous years Other Costs	1 330 866	1 380 874	1 096 494	1 320 430	1 387 091	1 471 507	1 577 309	1 704 959	Assumed as % of Revenues given the nature of the expense. Assumed the average of the 3 previous years for the forecast	
	As % of Sales	26.74%	25.80%	21.11%							
	Average of the previous 3 years			24.55%							
	Other Income										
Previous years Other Income	696 225	628 533	483 205	638 802	659 835	699 992	750 321	811 044	The 2018 decrease was mainly due to the fact that raw materials are no longer supplied to the Prometeon Group by the British subsidiary Pirelli International Plc. Will be assumed the 2018 value in percentage of Sales given the new condition stated above.		
As % of Sales	13.99%	11.74%	9.30%								
Assumption for the Forecast period			11.68%								
Net Impairment loss on financial assets											
	-	-	21 273	22 133	22 459	23 332	24 442	25 602	As explained on the 2018 Annual Report, "Net Impairment loss on financial assets" appears for the first time as a result of IFRS 15 new ruling.		
Impairments on Trade Receivables			12 019	13 058	13 384	14 257	15 367	16 527	It contemplates 12 019 of impairments on Trade Receivables + 9 254 of impairments on Other Trade Receivables.		
As percentage of Trade Receivables			1.91%								
Impairments on Other Trade Receivables			9 254	9 075	9 075	9 075	9 075	9 075	Will be assumed a constant % of Trade Receivables and Other Trade Receivables for 2019F-2023F equal to 2018 % for both.		
As percentage of Other Trade Receivables			2.22%								
Increase in fixed assets for internal work											
Previous years Increase in fixed assets for internal work	2 378	3 110	3 700	3 175	3 336	3 539	3 793	4 100	Assumed as % of Revenues given the nature of the expense. Assumed the average of the 3 previous years for the forecast		
As % of Sales	0.05%	0.06%	0.07%								
Average of the previous 3 years			0.06%								

	2018			2017			2016			
	2018	2017	2016	2018	2017	2016	2018	2017	2016	
Earnings Before Taxes	Net Income from Equity Investments									
	Share of net income of associates and j.v.	(1 227)	(8 252)	(11 560)	(11 560)	(11 560)	(11 560)	(11 560)	(11 560)	Hard to value item given is nature. Will be assumed as constant and equal to the previous year.
	Gains on equity investments	8 297	5 997	4 007	4 007	4 007	4 007	4 007	4 007	Hard to value item given is nature. Will be assumed as constant and equal to the previous year.
	Losses on equity investments	(33 739)	(14 434)	(1 603)	(1 603)	(1 603)	(1 603)	(1 603)	(1 603)	Hard to value item given is nature. Will be assumed as constant and equal to the previous year.
	Dividends	6 650	9 834	4 176	4 176	4 176	4 176	4 176	4 176	Hard to value item given is nature. Will be assumed as constant and equal to the previous year.
	Financial Income									
	Interest Income	32 254	17 098	17 176	22 938	24 096	25 562	27 400	29 618	Income Interest will be assumed as a % of Securities Held for Trading. For 2019F-2023F an average of the previous 3 years will be assumed.
	As % of Securities held for trading	66%	52%	63%						
	Average of the previous 3 years			60.43%						
	Hyperinflation impact			8 536	8 536	8 536	0	0	0	During the course of the third quarter of 2018, the inflation rate accumulated over the past three years in Argentina exceed 100%. This led the Group to adopt the accounting standard IAS 29 - Financial Reporting in Hyper-inflationary Economies https://knoema.com/wgtxgoc/argentina-inflation-forecast-2019-2024-and-up-to-2060-data-and-charts Following IMF forecast is forecasted hyperinflation in Argentina for both 2019 and 2020, with the cumulative past three years inflation rate <100% only for 2021-2023.
Assumption: In Hyperinflation periods the effect will be equal to 2018										
Other financial income	10 552	9 285	9 627	9 821	9 821	9 821	9 821	9 821	Hard to value item given is nature. Will be assumed as constant and equal to the average of the previous 3 years.	
Net gains on exchange rates	-	102 157	-	0	34 327	27 462	0	6 865	Using both FX Historical & FX Forecast spreadsheet. See table below for the Exchange Rate and related derivatives assumptions.	
Fair value measurement of currency derivatives	-	-	104 391	71 211	0	0	19 404	0	Using both FX Historical & FX Forecast spreadsheet. See table below for the Exchange Rate and related derivatives assumptions.	
Financial Expenses										
Interest	(330 742)	(255 096)	(103 975)	(197 990)	(201 168)	(204 851)	(209 199)	(214 304)	Financial Interest will be assumed as a % of Total Borrowings from banks and other financial institutions. For 2019F-2023F an average of the previous 3 years will be assumed.	
As % of Total Borrowings fr.banks & o/financial institutions	-5.02%	-5.72%	-2.20%							
Average of the previous 3 years			-4.31%							
Commissions	(58 187)	(29 587)	(20 522)	(20 522)	(20 522)	(20 522)	(20 522)	(20 522)	Hard to value item given is nature. Will be assumed as constant and equal to the previous year.	
Other financial expenses	(8 694)	(9 250)	(13 183)	(13 183)	(13 183)	(13 183)	(13 183)	(13 183)	Hard to value item given is nature. Will be assumed as constant and equal to the previous year.	
Net losses on exchange rate	(18 100)	-	(192 437)	(131 272)	0	0	(35 769)	0	Using both FX Historical & FX Forecast spreadsheet. See table below for the Exchange Rate and related derivatives assumptions.	
Net interest costs on employee benefit obligations	(9 547)	(7 295)	(5 446)	(8 083)	(8 410)	(8 750)	(9 103)	(9 471)		
As % of Personnel Expenses	-0.97%	-0.71%	-0.51%						Costs on employee benefits obligations will be assumed as a % of Personnel Expenses, the company does not plan to change remuneration policy. For 2019F-2023F an average of the previous 3 years will be assumed.	
Average of the previous 3 years			-0.73%							
Valuation at fair value of securities held for trading	(12)	-	-	0	0	0	0	0	Ignored given the almost non-existing of significance	
Fair value measurement of exchange rate derivatives	(38 744)	(189 922)	-	0	(63 818)	(51 054)	0	(12 764)	Using both FX Historical & FX Forecast spreadsheet. See table below for the Exchange Rate and related derivatives assumptions.	
Valuation at fair value of other derivatives	(5 970)	0	(478)	(2 149)	(2 149)	(2 149)	(2 149)	(2 149)	Hard to value item given is nature. Will be assumed as constant and equal to the average of the previous 3 years.	
Income Taxes										
Previous Years Income Taxes	(75 256)	(40 848)	(52 964)	(63 850)	(72 208)	(80 580)	(95 917)	(117 036)		
Effective Tax Rate	-31.46%	-13.43%	-10.56%						Average from the previous years, assumed to be equal for the upcoming years. 2016 will be exclude given the extreme value.	
Average of the previous 3 years			-18.48%						Industry average for Europe is around 17% which is coherent with the assumed forecast.	
Net Income from discontinued Operations										
				0	0	0	0	0	The "Net income(loss) from discontinued operations" was relative to Industrial Business units in Argentina and China, both sold on 2018 in result with the new Consumer only strategy.	

Appendix 8: Balance Sheet Forecast

Balance Sheet		2016	2017	2018	2019F	2020F	2021F	2022F	2023F	Assumptions	
Non Current Assets	Property and equipment										
	<i>Evolution of Property and equipment</i>	3 556 635	2 980 294	3 092 927	3 321 875	3 543 766	3 763 520	3 986 963	4 219 580	Addition of the Investment CapEX - see table below. Accumulated depreciation assumed to remain at the current level of Gross PP&E	
	<i>Gross</i>	3 935 819	3 647 450	3 921 000	4 405 055	4 913 548	5 452 987	6 031 211	6 656 230		
	<i>Acumulated Depreciation</i>	379 184	667 156	828 073	1 083 181	1 369 782	1 689 466	2 044 248	2 436 650		
			%	21%							
	Goodwill										
	<i>Evolution of Goodwill</i>	2 351 263	1 877 363	1 886 862	1 886 862	1 886 862	1 886 862	1 886 862	1 886 862	1 886 862	2018's Goodwill was 1,886,862 thousand, of which 1,877,363 thousand was recorded at the time of acquisition of the Group in Sep.2015. The residual portion refers to provisionally goodwill. Its assumed for 2019F-2023F only the goodwill of the acquisition
	Other Intangible Assets										
	<i>Evolution of Intangible assets</i>	4 145 626	4 016 341	3 896 476	3 779 849	3 666 713	3 556 963	3 450 498	3 347 220		Other intangible assets are assumed to decrease at the amortization rate until 2023F. No investment in Intangible Assets is expected for the forecasted period, therefore noone will be assumed. See table below.
				<i>Amortization</i>							
	Investments in associates and J.V.										
	<i>Evolution of Investments in associates and J.V.</i>	47 010	17 480	72 705	72 705	72 705	72 705	72 705	72 705	72 705	The investment on Assoociates decreased from 2016 - 2018 because of a investment disposal in 28th Dec 2017 which liquidation was only
	<i>of which Associates</i>	32 446	12 529	8 419	8 419	8 419	8 419	8 419	8 419	8 419	
	<i>of which Joint Ventures</i>	14 564	4 951	64 286	64 286	64 286	64 286	64 286	64 286	64 286	The 2017 decrease was purely share of net income of around 10 000 thousands. On 2018 an equal share of loss happend while on the October 9th an investment of 65 222 thousand was made on a new Joint Venture (Consumer tyre manufacturing in China) which record a loss of 936 thousand. The forecast 2019F-2023F will assume that the investment in J.V. will remain the same.
				<i>Yoy decrease on J.V. value</i>	0.00%						
Other Financial Assets											
<i>Evolution of Other Financial Assets</i>	198 691	229 519	68 781	68 781	68 781	68 781	68 781	68 781	68 781	On January 1 2018, the new IFRS 9 was applied which led to a reclassification of the 2017's 229 519 to 80 492. Decreases of around 3 000 were from investment liquidation and around 8 000 of reclassifications. Will be assume the actual level of Other Financial Assets will remain the same for 2019F-2023F.	
			<i>Assumed growth</i>	0.00%							
Deferred tax assets											
<i>Evolution of Deferred tax assets</i>	147 964	111 553	74 118	52 562	37 276	26 435	18 747	13 295		The company Fiscal Optimatizion Policy will be assumed as mainting the evolution of the previous years. Assume for 2019F-2023F to growth at the average of the previous 3 years.	
		<i>Growth YoY</i>	-24.61%	-33.56%							
				-29.08%							
Other Receivables											
<i>Evolution of Other Receivables</i>	226 868	204 051	225 707	218 875	218 875	218 875	218 875	218 875	218 875	Hard to value item given is nature. Will be assume as constant and equal to the average of the previous 3 years.	
			<i>Average of the previous 3 years</i>	218 875							
Tax Receivables (Long term)											
<i>Evolution of Other Receivables</i>	11 864	27 318	16 169	16 169	16 169	16 169	16 169	16 169	16 169	Hard to value item given is nature. Will be assume as constant and equal to the previous year. Refers to receivables for advance payments on taxes for the financial year and to corporate income tax receivables from previous financial years recorded by the Brazilian and Argentine companies	
			<i>Assumed value to the forecast</i>	16 169							
Derivative Financial Instruments (Long term)											
<i>Evolution of Derivative Financial Instruments (l</i>	0	878	20 134	20 134	20 134	20 134	20 134	20 134	20 134	No changes in Derivatives Instruments will be assumed the company policy and account nature.	
			<i>Average of the previous 2 years</i>	10 506							
Current Assets	Inventories										
	<i>Evolution of Inventories</i>	1 055 639	940 668	1 128 466	1 080 659	1 116 033	1 228 968	1 292 434	1 397 585	See table below	
	<i>Inventories Turnover</i>	4.71	5.69	4.60	3.73	3.80	3.66	3.73	3.73		
	Trade Receivables										
	<i>Evolution of Trade Receivables</i>	679 321	652 487	627 968	682 259	699 264	744 904	802 869	863 478	See table below	
	<i>Trade Rotation</i>	7.33	8.20	8.27	5.91	6.06	6.03	6.00	6.03		
	Other receivables										
	<i>Evolution of Other receivables</i>	275 622	400 538	416 651	408 595	408 595	408 595	408 595	408 595	The increase from 2016 to 2017 was mainly attributed to an indirect tax receivables in Brazil. It will be assumed to maintain the brazilian indirect tax receivables until 2023F. Hard to value item given is nature. An average of the previous 2 years will be assumed to forecast 2019F-2023F.	
				<i>Average of the Previous 2 years (excluded 2016)</i>	408 595						
	Securities held for trading										
	<i>Evolution of Securities held for trading</i>	48 597	33 027	27 196	37 956	39 873	42 299	45 341	49 010	Assumed the company aims to maintain the same level of % Revenues, since they assume investments on Marketable Securities as part of their strategy.	
	<i>Weight on Sales (%)</i>	0.98%	0.62%	0.52%							
	<i>Average of the previous 3 years</i>			0.71%							
	Cash and cash equivalents										
	<i>Evolution of Cash and cash equivalents</i>	1 532 977	1 118 437	1 326 900	1 284 397	1 384 261	1 427 926	1 613 455	1 866 419	1 866 419	See Cash Flow Statment
Tax Receivables (Short term)											
<i>Evolution of Tax Receivables (Short term)</i>	64 395	35 461	41 393	47 083	47 083	47 083	47 083	47 083	47 083	Hard to value item given is nature. Will be assume as constant and equal to the average of the previous 3 years. Refers to receivables for advance payments on taxes for the financial year and to corporate income tax receivables from previous financial years recorded by the Brazilian and Argentine companies	
			<i>Average of the previous 3 years</i>	47 083							
Derivative Financial Instruments (Short term)											
<i>Evolution of Derivative Financial Instruments (;</i>	23 989	27 770	98 567	50 109	50 109	50 109	50 109	50 109	50 109	No changes in Derivatives Instruments will be assumed the company policy and account nature.	
			<i>Average of the previous 3 years</i>	50 109							
Assets Held for Sale											
<i>Evolution of Assets Held For Sale</i>	0	60 729	10 677	0	0	0	0	0	0	The "Net income(loss) from discontinued operations" was relative to Industrial Business units in Argentina and China, both sold on 2018 in result with the new Consumer only strategy . The 10677 represented exclusively by land and buildings was sold on 13 February 2019.	

Non Current Liabilities	Borrowings from banks and other financial institutions									
	<i>Evolution of Long Term Borrowings</i>	5 945 999	3 897 089	3 929 079	3 893 819	3 932 382	3 973 294	4 018 384	4 069 497	On June 27, 2017, Marco Polo International Italy S.p.A. subscribed to a share capital increase for Pirelli & C. S.p.A. of approximately euro 1.2 billion, which allowed the Group to reduce its bank debt by the same amount through the new financing operation.
	<i>% of Long Term Debt / Long Term Assets</i>	63.57%	41.29%	41.22%						Will be assume that the Company will keep the same proportion of Long Term Debt to Long Term Assets. 2016 will be excluded given the 1.2 billion debt reduction explained before. An average of the previous two years will be assume to forecast 2019F-2023F.
	<i>Average of the Previous 2 years (excluded 2016)</i>	41.26%								
	Other payables									
	<i>Evolution of Other payables</i>	87 421	74 435	83 287	83 287	83 287	83 287	83 287	83 287	Hard to value item given its nature. Will be assume as constant and equal to the previous year.
	<i>Assumption for the Forecast period</i>	83 287								
	Provisions for liabilities and charges									
	<i>Evolution of Provisions for liabilities and charges</i>	170 992	127 124	138 327	138 327	138 327	138 327	138 327	138 327	Hard to value item given its nature. Will be assume as constant and equal to the previous year.
	<i>Assumption for the Forecast period</i>	138 327								
Provisions for deferred tax liabilities										
<i>Evolution of Deferred Tax Liabilities</i>	1 452 169	1 216 635	1 081 605	933 868	806 310	696 176	601 085	518 982	The company Fiscal Optimization Policy will be assumed as maintaining the evolution of the previous years. Assume for 2019F-2023F to growth at the average of the previous 3 years.	
<i>Growth YoY</i>	-16.22%	-11.10%	-13.66%						The majority of the provision for deferred taxes are related with the completion of the allocation of the price paid by Marco Polo for the acquisition of the Pirelli Group in 2016.	
Employee benefit obligations										
<i>Evolution of Employee benefit obligations</i>	368 100	274 037	224 312	224 312	224 312	224 312	224 312	224 312	As of the date of this report no changes on the Company Policy regarding Employee Benefits are expect for the foreseen future. The forecast 2019F-2023F will assume that the benefits related to employee obligations will remain the same.	
<i>Assumption for the Forecast period</i>	224 312									
Tax payables										
<i>Evolution of Tax payables</i>	3 374	2 399	2 091	2 091	2 091	2 091	2 091	2 091	Mostly related to national and regional income taxes in different countries. Given it's hard to value nature, will be assume as constant and equal to the previous year.	
<i>Average of the previous 3 years</i>	2 091									
Derivative financial instruments										
<i>Evolution of Derivative financial instruments</i>	0	54 963	16 039	16 039	16 039	16 039	16 039	16 039	No changes in Derivatives Instruments will be assumed the company policy and account nature.	
<i>Average of the previous 2 years</i>	16 039								Assumed to be constant over the next five years.	
Current Liabilities	Borrowings from banks and other financial institutions									
	<i>Evolution of Short Term Borrowings</i>	642 047	559 168	800 145	695 183	730 278	774 722	830 425	897 630	Will be assume that the Company will keep the same proportion of Short Term Debt to Short Term Assets.
	<i>% of Short Term Debt / Short Term Assets</i>	12.90%	10.45%	15.40%						An average of the previous three years will be assume to forecast 2019F-2023F.
	<i>Average of the Previous 3 years</i>	12.93%								
	Trade Payables									
	<i>Evolution of Trade Payable</i>	1 498 492	1 673 642	1 604 677	1 654 276	1 749 953	1 850 528	1 983 205	2 146 264	See table below
	<i>Payables Rotation</i>	2.4	2.4	2.3	3.25	3.23	3.24	3.24	3.24	
	Other payables									
	<i>Evolution of Other payables</i>	783 079	565 254	436 752	595 028	595 028	595 028	595 028	595 028	Hard to value item given its nature. Will be assume as constant and equal to the average of the previous 3 years.
	<i>Average of the previous 3 years</i>	595 028								
Provisions for liabilities and charges										
<i>Evolution of Provisions for liabilities and charges</i>	45 987	45 833	33 876	41 899	41 899	41 899	41 899	41 899	Hard to value item given its nature. Will be assume as constant and equal to the average of the previous 3 years.	
<i>Average of the previous 3 years</i>	41 899									
Employee benefit obligations										
<i>Evolution of Employee benefit obligations</i>	0	0	5 475	0	0	0	0	0	2018 value refers to a portion of the second instalment of the retention plan which will be liquidated during the first half-year of 2019. Therefore it will be assume 0 for the 2019F-2023F.	
Tax payables										
<i>Evolution of Tax payables</i>	41 773	48 416	65 503	51 897	51 897	51 897	51 897	51 897	Mostly related to national and regional income taxes in different countries. Given it's hard to value nature, will be assume as constant and equal to the average of the previous 3 years.	
<i>Average of the previous 3 years</i>	51 897									
Derivative financial instruments										
<i>Evolution of Derivative financial instruments</i>	52 170	17 910	59 602	43 227	43 227	43 227	43 227	43 227	No changes in Derivatives Instruments will be assumed the company policy and account nature.	
<i>Average of the previous 3 years</i>	43 227								Assumed to be constant over the next five years.	
Equity	Share Capital									
	<i>Share Capital Growth</i>	1 342 281	1 904 375	1 904 375	1 904 375	1 904 375	1 904 375	1 904 375	1 904 375	No issuance of new capital or acquisition of own shares/treasury shares are expected for 2019F-2023F. Will be assume to maintain equal to 2018.
	<i>Expected Share Capital</i>	1 904 375								
	Reserves									
<i>Reserves Growth</i>	1 784 952	2 096 927	2 204 180	2 469 603	2 638 587	2 829 690	3 042 951	3 296 802	Assumed for the forecast period that all net income that is not distributed as dividend will be retained as a reserve.	
Dividends										
<i>Dividends Growth</i>	0	0	0	176 949	112 656	127 402	142 174	169 235	On August 31, 2017, the Board of Directors adopted a dividend policy for 2018-2020 to provide a average distribution of 40% of net income as dividend. For 2021-2023 will be assume a payout of 40% aswell.	

Appendix 9: CAPEX Forecast

CAPEX		2016	2017	2018	2019F	2020F	2021F	2022F	2023F	Assumptions
Total Capex		340 000	489 000	463 000	484 055	508 493	539 438	578 224	625 020	Company expectations for 2019F CapEX are ~ 430. Yet on previous year company tended to undervalue the needs for CapEX (2018 projected was 8% of Revenues). In order to keep up with the IPO strategy a 9% of revenues CAPEX seems reasonable.
	% of Revenue	6.83%	9.14%	8.91%						
	<i>Assumption</i>	9.00%								
Maintenance CapEX		25%	20%	25%	121 014	127 123	134 860	144 556	156 255	Historical information from Company Presentation. Will be assumed to be around 25% of Total CapEX to Maintenance.
Investment Capex		75%	80%	75%	363 042	381 369	404 579	433 668	468 765	

Appendix 10: Amortizations, Depreciation and Impairments Forecast

Depreciation, Amortisation and Impairments		2016	2017	2018	2019F	2020F	2021F	2022F	2023F	Assumptions
Amortisation		114 961	120 196	125 220	116 627	113 136	109 750	106 465	103 278	Amortisation is calculated on a straight-line basis and begins when the asset is available for use. Goodwill is an intangible asset with an indefinite useful life and is therefore not subject to amortisation.
	Amortisation Rate per Year	2.77%	2.99%	3.21%						
	<i>Average of the 3 years</i>	2.99%								
Depreciation		227 623	250 673	269 084	255 108	286 601	319 685	354 782	392 402	Depreciation are calculated on a straight-line basis and begins when the asset is available for use.
	Depreciation Rate per Year	5.78%	6.87%	6.86%						
	<i>Average of the 3 years</i>	6.51%								
Impairments in PP&E		0	588	20 219	0	0	0	0	0	Assumed 0 to Forecasts given non significance
	Impairments as % of PP&E	0.00%	0.02%	0.65%						
	<i>Average of the 3 years</i>	0.22%								

Appendix 11: Working Capital Indicators and Projected Working Capital

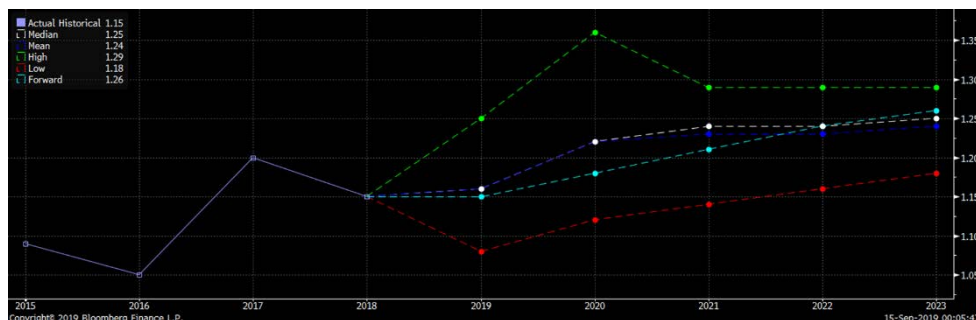
Working Capital Management Indicators				2016	2017	2018	2019F	2020F	2021F	2022F	2023F	Assumptions
Inventory												
	Inventory Days	76	63	78	72.3	71.1	73.8	72.4	72.4	Inventory Days will be assume equal to the moving average of the last 3 years. Moving average will be used because of the existing correlation.		
	Inventory Rotation	4.7	5.7	4.6								
Receivables												
	Receivables Days	49.0	44.0	44.0	45.7	44.6	44.7	45.0	44.8	Receivable Days will be assume equal to the moving average of the last 3 years. Moving average will be used because of the existing correlation.		
	Receivables Rotation	7.3	8.2	8.3								
Payables												
	Payables Days	30.1%	31.3%	30.9%	30.8%	31.0%	30.9%	30.9%	30.9%	Payables Days will be assume equal to the moving average of the last 3 years. Moving average will be used because of the existing correlation.		
	Payables Rotation	2.4	2.4	2.3								

Working Capital	2016	2017	2018	2019F	2020F	2021F	2022F	2023F
Current Assets	2 147 563	2 089 951	2 340 241	2 306 661	2 360 956	2 521 957	2 646 429	2 815 860
Inventories	1 055 639	940 668	1 128 466	1 080 659	1 116 033	1 228 968	1 292 434	1 397 585
Accounts Recivables	679 321	652 487	627 968	682 259	699 264	744 904	802 869	863 478
Other Recivables	364 006	463 769	556 611	505 786	505 786	505 786	505 786	505 786
Securities held for trading	48 597	33 027	27 196	37 956	39 873	42 299	45 341	49 010
Current Liabilities	3 063 548	2 910 223	3 006 030	3 081 510	3 212 283	3 357 302	3 545 681	3 775 945
Borrowings from banks and other financial institutions	642 047	559 168	800 145	695 183	730 278	774 722	830 425	897 630
Accounts Payables	1 498 492	1 673 642	1 604 677	1 654 276	1 749 953	1 850 528	1 983 205	2 146 264
Other Payables	877 022	631 580	561 857	690 153	690 153	690 153	690 153	690 153
Other Provisions	45 987	45 833	39 351	41 899	41 899	41 899	41 899	41 899
NWC	(915 985)	(820 272)	(665 789)	(774 849)	(851 327)	(835 345)	(899 251)	(960 086)
ΔNWC		95 713	154 483	(109 060)	(76 478)	15 982	(63 906)	(60 834)

Appendix 12: Forex Forecast

Historical Derivatives	2016	2017	2018	Comments
EUR/USD	1.05	1.20	1.15	
Net Gain/Loss	-	102 157	(192 437)	
Result of a 0,01 positive change	-	6 865	-	Result for a change of + 0,01 on the EUR/USD Spot Rate on Net Gains in Exchange Rate.
Result of a 0,01 negative change	-	-	35 769	Result for a change of - 0,01 on the EUR/USD Spot Rate on Net Loss in Exchange Rate.
Hedging Result	-	(189 922)	104 391	
Result of a 0,01 positive change	-	(12 764)	-	Result for a change of + 0,01 on the EUR/USD Spot Rate on the Hedge Result in Exchange Rate Derivatives.
Result of a 0,01 negative change	-	-	(19 404)	Result for a change of - 0,01 on the EUR/USD Spot Rate on the Hedge Result in Exchange Rate Derivatives.

Forecast Derivatives	2019F	2020F	2021F	2022F	2023F	Comments
EUR/USD	1.11	1.16	1.20	1.19	1.20	Bloomberg FX forecast
Variation	-0.04	0.05	0.04	-0.01	0.01	
Net Gain/Loss	(131 272)	34 327	27 462	(35 769)	6 865	Will be assume for 2019F-2023F the same results for 0,01 +/- changes on Net Gains/Loss
Hedge Result	71 211	(63 818)	(51 054)	19 404	(12 764)	Will be assume for 2019F-2023F the same results for 0,01 +/- changes on the Hedging Results



Appendix 13: Valuation Methods

There is a wide range of models in practice, ranging from the simpler to the most sophisticated. These models often make very different assumptions, but they do share some common characteristics (Damodoran, 2012).

In general terms, there are three approaches to valuation: The Discounted Cash Flow valuation, the Relative valuation and Contingent Claim valuation. However, we are going to give more relevance to the two first ones mentioned.

Discounted Cash Flow Valuation (DCF):

The first method, Discounted Cash Flow (DCF) valuation, attempts to foresee the value of a company today, based on projections of the expected future cash flows.

This approach has its foundation in the Net Present Value (NPV) rule, where the value of any asset is the present value of the expected future cash flows which are discounted by a certain discount rate.

$$NPV = \sum_{t=0}^n \frac{FCF_t}{(1+r)^t}$$

n = Life of the asset
 FCF_t = Free Cash Flow
 r = Discount rate

This valuation model can vary a couple of dimensions, we are going to analyze three paths to the discounted cash flow valuation, the Equity Valuation Model, the Firm Valuation Model and the Adjusted Present Value Model (APV).

Equity Valuation Model:

The Equity Valuation Model evaluates the company from the shareholder perspective. The value of equity is obtained by discounting the expected cash flows to equity, i.e. the residual cash flows after meeting all expenses, reinvestment needs, tax obligations, and interest and principal payments) at the cost of equity.

This model follows two main approaches, the Dividend Discount Model (DDM) and the Free Cash Flow to Equity (FCFE).

o Dividend Discount Model (DDM):

This approach is a quantitative model used for predicting the value of a company's stock taking into consideration that when an investor buys a stock, he generally expects to get cash flows through the dividends during the period he holds the stock and an expected price at the end of the holding price. Therefore, the value of a stock is the net present value of the dividends that the investor expects to obtain discounted at a rate appropriated (Fernandez. 2013).

$$\text{Value per share of stock} = \sum_{t=1}^{t=\infty} \frac{DPS_t}{(1+k_e)^t} = \frac{DPS_1}{(k_E - g)}$$

DPS_t = Expected Dividends per share
 k_e = Cost of equity
 DPS_1 = Expected Dividends per share one year from now
 g = Growth rate of dividends

o Free Cash Flow of Equity (FCFE):

The FCFE metric is usually used to define the value of a company and is considered an alternative of the DDM approach. In fact, one way to describe a free cash flow to equity model is that it represents a model where we discount potential dividends rather than actual dividends (Damodoran, 1994).

$$\text{Value of Equity} = \sum_{t=1}^{t=n} \frac{FCFE_t}{(1+k_e)^t}$$

With: $FCFE = \text{Net Income} + \text{Depreciation} - \text{Capital Expenditures} - \Delta \text{Non-cash WC} - (\text{New Debt Issued} - \text{Debt Payment})$

Firm Valuation Model:

FCFF model is a measurement of a company's profitability after the expenses and reinvestments. The main use of this model is to evaluate companies that reaches a steady state after some years and starts to grow at a stable growth rate. It can be estimated by computing the present value of the FCFF, discounted at the Weighted Average Cost of Capital (WACC) assuming a stable growth rate (Damodoran, 2006).

The FCFF is the sum of the cash flows to all claim holders in the firm, including stockholders, bondholders and preferred stockholders and the WACC rate is the cost of the different components of financing that the firm uses, weighted by their market value proportions (Damodoran 2012).

$$\text{Value of Firm} = \sum_{t=1}^{t=n} \frac{FCFF_t}{(1 + WACC)^t} + \frac{FCFF_{n+1}/(WACC - g_n)}{(1 + WACC)^n}$$

With: $FCFF = \text{After-Tax Operating Income} - \text{Capital Expenditures} + \text{Depreciations} - \Delta \text{ Non-cash WC}$

$$WACC = \left(\frac{E}{V} * k_e \right) + \left(\frac{D}{V} * k_d \right) * (1 - T)$$

Where:

E = Market value of the firm's Equity

D = Market value of the firm's Debt

V = Total Value of Capital (Equity + Debt)

k_e = Cost of Equity

k_d = Cost of Debt

T = Tax Rate

Adjusted Present value model (APV):

In the APV method, we estimate the value of the firm in three steps. It begins by assessing the value of the firm without debt. As we add debt to the firm by discounting the expected FCFF at the unlevered cost of equity, we consider the net effect on value by considering the benefits and the costs of borrowing. Then, we consider the net present value of the interest tax savings generated by borrowing a given amount of cash and lastly, we estimate the effect of the previous step on the probability of the firm go bankrupt and the expected cost of bankruptcy (Damodoran, 2012).

$$\text{Value of Firm} = \text{Value of Business with no debt} + \text{Present Value of Expected Tax Benefits} - \text{Expected Bankruptcy Cost}$$

Relative Valuation:

A Relative Valuation model is a type of business valuation method that estimates the firm's financial worth by considering the price of comparable firms, such as competitors or industry peers.

To assess the firms' value, some multiples based on the Company's Capitalization, based on the Company's Value and Growth-Referenced multiples (Fernandez, 2002) are computed by using common variables such as earning, cash flows, book value or sales.

Appendix 14: WACC Assumptions

Assumptions		Explanation / Source
Shares Outstanding	1 000 000	In thousand shares
Share Price at 31/12/2018	5.44 €	
Market Capitalization	5 438 560 €	In thousand euros
Book value of Total Debt	4 589 002 €	In thousand euros
2018 D/E	84.38%	
Cash	1 326 900 €	
Risk Free Rate	0.92%	10 years Treasury Bond : https://www.bloomberg.com/markets/rates-bonds
2018 Levered Beta (regression of the returns)	0.997	Computed in the Spreadsheet "Beta Computation" <i>Data from damodaran: http://pages.stern.nyu.edu/~adamodar/New_Home_Page/datacurrent.html projects a Beta for "Rubber& Tires" in Europe of 0,98</i>
Unlevered Beta	0.591	Beta for companies in Tyres & Rubber Industry without any debt
Unlevered Beta adjusted for cash	0.622	Putting all the Beta risk on the portion of the business that is non cash 4.95% Will be assume that Cash/Firm Value of the Industry - <i>Data from damodaran: http://pages.stern.nyu.edu/~adamodar/New_Home_Page/datacurrent.h</i>
Market Risk Premium	5.96%	<i>Data from damodaran: http://pages.stern.nyu.edu/~adamodar/New_Home_Page/datafile/ctryprem.html</i>
Country Risk Premium	3.06%	<i>Data from damodaran: http://pages.stern.nyu.edu/~adamodar/New_Home_Page/datafile/ctryprem.html</i>
Industry Weight of Equity on Enterprise Value	67.98%	Will be assume that Pirelli will converge to industry average. The actual Debt to Equity ratio is higher given the 2015 Debt Restructuration and company acquisition. <i>Data from damodaran: http://pages.stern.nyu.edu/~adamodar/New_Home_Page/datafile/dbtfund.html</i>
Industry Weight of Debt on Enterprise Value	32.02%	Computed
Cost of Debt Forecast	4.31%	Assumed that cost of debt will be equal to book interest rate
Effective Tax Rate Forecast	18.48%	From Assumptions spreadsheet

Appendix 15: Levered Beta Forecast

SUMMARY OUTPUT

Regression Statistics	
Multiple R	0.5724
R Square	0.3277
Adjusted R Square	0.3263
Standard Error	0.0148
Observations	498.0000

ANOVA

	df	SS	MS	F	Significance F
Regression	1	0.0531	0.0531	241.7305	1.08469E-44
Residual	496	0.1090	0.0002		
Total	497	0.1622			

	Coefficients	Standard Error	t Stat	P-value	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	Lower 95.0%	Upper 95.0%
Intercept	0.000	0.001	-0.670	0.503	-0.002	0.001	-0.002	0.001
X Variable 1	0.997	0.064	15.548	0.000	0.871	1.123	0.871	1.123

Appendix 16: WACC forecast

	2018FY	2019F	2020F	2021F	2022F	2023F	Terminal
Cost of Equity							
Beta levered		1.01	0.98	0.94	0.91	0.89	0.86
Evolution of Re		10.04%	9.73%	9.44%	9.17%	8.91%	8.68%
Cost of Debt							
Evolution of Rd		3.52%	3.52%	3.52%	3.52%	3.52%	3.52%
WACC							
Weight of Equity	54.24%	56.53%	58.82%	61.11%	63.40%	65.69%	67.98%
Weight of Debt	45.76%	43.47%	41.18%	38.89%	36.60%	34.31%	32.02%
Pre-tax WACC R[U]		7.55%	7.50%	7.44%	7.39%	7.34%	7.28%
WACC	0.00%	7.21%	7.17%	7.13%	7.10%	7.06%	7.03%

Appendix 17: Stable Growth Model

	2019F	2020F	2021F	2022F	2023F	Terminal
CAPEX	484 055	508 493	539 438	578 224	625 020	625 020
D&A	371 735	399 737	429 434	461 246	495 680	431 567
Changes in NWC	(109 060)	(76 478)	15 982	(63 906)	(60 834)	(58 859)
EBIT (1-t)	498 214	512 072	553 235	617 330	704 606	704 606
Reinvestment Rate	0.65%	6.30%	22.77%	8.60%	9.72%	19.10%
ROA	3.82%	3.86%	4.07%	4.41%	4.84%	4.20%
D/E	78.17%	71.95%	65.74%	59.53%	53.31%	47.10%
Cost of debt	3.52%	3.52%	3.52%	3.52%	3.52%	3.52%
Taxes	18.48%	18.48%	18.48%	18.48%	18.48%	18.48%
ROE	4.57%	4.57%	4.87%	5.33%	5.90%	4.83%

Growth Rate	0.0%	0.3%	1.1%	0.5%	0.6%	0.92%
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Auxiliar - Return on Assets	2019F	2020F	2021F	2022F	2023F
EBIT (1-t)	498 214	512 072	553 235	617 330	704 606
Total Assets	13 028 871	13 276 499	13 580 327	13 999 618	14 545 900
Return on Assets	3.82%	3.86%	4.07%	4.41%	4.84%

Industry number: assuming that the company will converge to industry figures on the long run

Auxiliar - EBIT (1-t)	2019F	2020F	2021F	2022F	2023F
EBIT	611 163	628 163	678 658	757 284	864 346
Tax Rate	18.48%	18.48%	18.48%	18.48%	18.48%
EBIT (1-t)	498 214	512 072	553 235	617 330	704 606

Appendix 18: Free Cash Flow to the Firm

Million Dollars \$	2019F	2020F	2021F	2022F	2023F	Terminal
EBIT (1-t)	498 214	512 072	553 235	617 330	704 606	704 606
D&A	371 735	399 737	429 434	461 246	495 680	431 567
Changes in NWC	(109 060)	(76 478)	15 982	(63 906)	(60 834)	(58 859)
CAPEX	484 055	508 493	539 438	578 224	625 020	625 020
FCFF	494 953	479 794	427 249	564 259	636 101	570 012
Terminal Value						9 424 118
PV(FCFF) by WACC	461 685	417 743	347 453	428 890	452 205	6 710 820

Enterprise Value	Million \$
Terminal Growth Rate	0.92%
Perpetuity WACC	7.03%
Terminal Value	9 424 118
PV of Terminal Value	6 710 820
PV of FCFF until 2022	2 107 976
Enterprise Value	8 818 796

Price Target	Million \$
Enterprise Value	8 818 796
Net Debt	3 304 604
Equity Value	5 514 192
No. of issued Shares	1 000 000
Equity Value per Share	6
Price on 31st Dec, 2019	5.51 €
Price on 1th Sept, 2019	4.73 €
Upside Potential	17%

Appendix 18: Market Valuation – Peer Selection

Peers	EV	EBITDA	EBIT	Sales	EV/EBITDA	EV/EBIT	EV/Sales
Continental	27 310	6 252	4 044	44 404	4.368	6.753	0.615
Bridgestone	3 397 129	607 767	402 732	3 650 111	5.590	8.435	0.931
Nokian	3 431	466	372	1 596	7.366	9.214	2.150
Michelin	22 459	3 894	2 550	22 028	5.768	8.807	1.020
Goodyear	8 981	1 936	1 158	15 475	4.639	7.755	0.580
Sumitomo	-32 721 440	-	-	4 395 899	-	-	-
Hankook	4 803 340	1 280 645	702 651	6 795 089	3.751	6.836	0.707
Pirelli	7 818	1 118	703	5 194	6.996	11.120	1.505

Peers Selection

Continental, Michelin, Goodyear and Bridgestone are the biggest players in the market, operating as "full-liners" and maintaining an average EBITDA margin of 11%.

Pirelli and Nokian have a different business model, Pirelli as main player on High Value segment and Nokian with Winter Tyres as core business, both companies have EBITDA margins of around 18%. These 6 companies are responsible for 49% of Total tyre sales in 2018.

Both **Sumitomo** and **Hankook** are excluded from the comparable peers given the nature of the business and the regional differences, both companies mainly operate on the Asiatic market.

Ponderation		EV/EBITDA	EV/EBIT	EV/Sales
Tier 1 Compararison - Similiar EBITDA Margin and Market Position				
70%	Nokian	7.37x	9.21x	2.15x
Tier 2 - European Full Liners				
10%	Michelin	5.78x	8.81x	1.02x
10%	Continental	4.39x	6.75x	0.615x
Tier 3 - International Full Liners				
5%	Bidgestone	5.59x	8.44x	0.93x
5%	Goodyear	4.64x	7.76x	0.58x
Weighted Mean		5.68	8.62	0.98
Median		5.59	8.44	0.93

Tier 1 was given a weight of 70% in the mean with only Nokian have similar margin and market position. Tier 2 and Tier 3 were weighted 10% and 5% respectably, companies operating in the sector as full liners have little comparison with Pirelli, all of them have non-tyres business with considerable weight in sales and all of them have industrial tyres as part of the business. To perform a market valuation with more detail and accuracy was needed some non-available information like the weight in sales/Ebit and Ebitda in every comparable company.

The results are the following:

Pirelli's		Enterprise Values	
EBITDA	1 117 579	EV/EBITDA	7 467 035
EBIT	703 056	EV/EBIT	6 197 651
Sales	5 194 471	EV/SALES	9 060 822
		Net Debt	3 304 604
		Share Price Range	
		5.76	4.16

Appendix 19: Sensitivity Analyses Tables

		Cost of Debt									
		-20%	-15%	-10%	-5%	0%	5%	10%	15%	20%	
Risk Free Rate	\$5.51	3.45%	3.67%	3.88%	4.10%	4.31%	4.53%	4.75%	4.96%	5.18%	
	-20%	0.74%	6.13	6.02	5.91	5.81	5.70	5.60	5.50	5.40	5.31
	-15%	0.78%	6.08	5.97	5.86	5.76	5.65	5.55	5.46	5.36	5.27
	-10%	0.83%	6.03	5.92	5.81	5.71	5.61	5.51	5.41	5.32	5.22
	-5%	0.87%	5.98	5.87	5.76	5.66	5.56	5.46	5.37	5.27	5.18
	0%	0.92%	5.93	5.82	5.72	5.61	5.51	5.42	5.32	5.23	5.14
	5%	0.97%	5.88	5.77	5.67	5.57	5.47	5.37	5.28	5.19	5.10
	10%	1.01%	5.83	5.72	5.62	5.52	5.42	5.33	5.23	5.14	5.05
	15%	1.06%	5.78	5.67	5.57	5.48	5.38	5.28	5.19	5.10	5.01
	20%	1.10%	5.73	5.63	5.53	5.43	5.33	5.24	5.15	5.06	4.97

		Terminal EBIT (1-t)									
		-20%	-15%	-10%	-5%	0%	5%	10%	15%	20%	
Terminal Changes in NWC	\$5.51	563 685	598 915	634 145	669 375	704 606	739 836	775 066	810 297	845 527	
	-20%	-47 087	3.72	4.13	4.55	4.96	5.38	5.79	6.21	6.62	7.03
	-15%	-50 030	3.75	4.17	4.58	5.00	5.41	5.83	6.24	6.65	7.07
	-10%	-52 973	3.79	4.20	4.62	5.03	5.44	5.86	6.27	6.69	7.10
	-5%	-55 916	3.82	4.24	4.65	5.06	5.48	5.89	6.31	6.72	7.14
	0%	-58 859	3.86	4.27	4.68	5.10	5.51	5.93	6.34	6.76	7.17
	5%	-61 802	3.89	4.30	4.72	5.13	5.55	5.96	6.38	6.79	7.21
	10%	-64 745	3.92	4.34	4.75	5.17	5.58	6.00	6.41	6.83	7.24
	15%	-67 688	3.96	4.37	4.79	5.20	5.62	6.03	6.45	6.86	7.28
	20%	-70 631	3.99	4.41	4.82	5.24	5.65	6.07	6.48	6.90	7.31

		Country Risk Premium									
		-20%	-15%	-10%	-5%	0%	5%	10%	15%	20%	
Market Risk	\$5.51	2.45%	2.60%	2.75%	2.91%	3.06%	3.21%	3.37%	3.52%	3.67%	
	-20%	4.77%	7.39	7.20	7.02	6.84	6.67	6.51	6.35	6.19	6.04
	-15%	5.07%	7.03	6.85	6.68	6.52	6.36	6.20	6.05	5.90	5.76
	-10%	5.36%	6.69	6.52	6.36	6.21	6.06	5.91	5.77	5.63	5.50
	-5%	5.66%	6.37	6.22	6.07	5.92	5.78	5.64	5.51	5.38	5.25
	0%	5.96%	6.07	5.93	5.79	5.65	5.51	5.38	5.26	5.14	5.02
	5%	6.26%	5.79	5.65	5.52	5.39	5.26	5.14	5.02	4.91	4.79
	10%	6.56%	5.53	5.40	5.27	5.15	5.03	4.91	4.80	4.69	4.58
	15%	6.85%	5.28	5.15	5.04	4.92	4.81	4.70	4.59	4.48	4.38
	20%	7.15%	5.04	4.92	4.81	4.70	4.59	4.49	4.39	4.29	4.19

		Terminal Cost of Equity									
		-20%	-15%	-10%	-5%	0%	5%	10%	15%	20%	
Return on Equity	\$5.51	6.94%	7.38%	7.81%	8.25%	8.68%	9.11%	9.55%	9.98%	10.42%	
	-20%	3.86%	7.26	6.69	6.18	5.72	5.31	4.93	4.59	4.27	3.99
	-15%	4.11%	7.34	6.76	6.24	5.78	5.36	4.98	4.63	4.31	4.02
	-10%	4.35%	7.43	6.84	6.31	5.83	5.41	5.02	4.67	4.35	4.06
	-5%	4.59%	7.51	6.91	6.37	5.89	5.46	5.07	4.71	4.39	4.09
	0%	4.83%	7.60	6.99	6.44	5.95	5.51	5.12	4.76	4.43	4.13
	5%	5.07%	7.68	7.06	6.51	6.01	5.57	5.17	4.80	4.47	4.16
	10%	5.31%	7.77	7.14	6.58	6.08	5.62	5.22	4.85	4.51	4.20
	15%	5.55%	7.86	7.22	6.65	6.14	5.68	5.27	4.89	4.55	4.24
	20%	5.80%	7.96	7.30	6.72	6.20	5.74	5.32	4.94	4.59	4.28

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Abbreviations & Notes

PIRC – Pirelli & C. S.p.A

ASP – Average Selling Price

BN - Billions

CAGR – Compounded Annual Growth Rate

GDP – Gross Domestic Product

YE – Year End

R&D – Research and Development

OE – Original Equipment, i.e., tires that are part of new vehicles produced from the factories.

OEM's – Original Equipment Manufacturers, i.e., BMW, Mercedes, Porsche, Audi, etc.

OPEC – Organisation of the Petroleum Exporting Countries

RT – Replacement Tires, i.e., sold as a result from previous tires wearing out

TREAD - Transportation Recall Enhancement, Accountability and Documentation

ELVs – End of Life Vehicles

R&D – Research & Development

H.V. – High Value

S.V. – Standard Value

D.C.F – Discounted Cash Flow

i Political Risk Yearbook: Developed Countries. 1- very low risk; 7- very high risk.

ii Political Risk Yearbook: Developing Countries. 1- very low risk; 7- very high risk.

iii CSI Market Database

iv Bryan Garnier, Tyres & Rubber products