

Rating: BUY

Target Price: 0.11 AUD

(0.07 EUR)

Current price: 0.02 AUD 09.05.2022 07:58 ASX Currency: AUD

Key Data:

ASX: ASP

ISIN: AU000000ASP3 WKN: A0NGFS Number of shares: 2.42b Marketcap³: 30.96 Enterprise Value:29.9 ³ in m / in m EUR Free float: 76%

Primary listing: ASX Secondary listing: Frankfurt

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FY End: 30/09/

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Aspermont Limited*5a,11

Company Profile

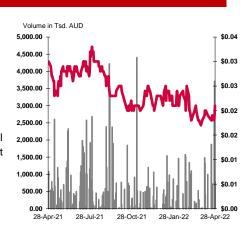
Sector: B2B Media

Focus: Mining, Energy, Agriculture, Technology

Headquarters: Perth, Australia

Management: Alex Kent (Managing Director), Ajit Patel (COO), Nishil Khimasia (CFO), Matt Smith (CCO), Ian Hart

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Aspermont Limited is the global leader in business-to-business (B2B) media for the resources sector. The company publishes subscription-based content services for the mining, energy, agriculture, and technology sectors. Aspermont provides services to customers all over the world. Aspermont Limited is also a global leader in business-to-business marketing.

The company's brands have served the mining industry for over 185 years and have over 560 years of combined brand heritage, resulting in 7.5M board and management executive contacts. The company's centralized and scalable structure allows their top-tier executive team to aim at an aggressive new growth phase.

On April 28th, Aspermont released their Q2 Financial Results.

| Highlights QonQ | Q2 2021 | Q2 2022 | delta |
|-------------------|---------|---------|-------|
| Total revenue | 3.5 | 4.8 | +39% |
| Gross profit | 2.2 | 3.1 | +43% |
| Adjusted earnings | 0.4 | 0.5 | +20% |

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Financial calendar
05/2022: H1 2022
11/2022: FY 2022 preliminary report
12/2022: FY 2022 Annual report



Q2 2022 FINANCIALS BEATING ESTIMATES

Q2-2022 preliminary report shows increased growth

The following are some of the company's highlights:

- Total revenue +39% at \$4.8m
- Gross profit +43% at \$3.1m, with gross margins of 65% versus 63%
- Earnings +20% at \$0.5m on a normalized basis
- Dean Felton joined the Aspermont board
- Aspermont returned to live events with Future of Mining Australia
- Aspermont subsidiary, Kondinin Group, awarded \$2.3m government contract
- Aspermont set out corporate strategy at recent AGM
- Soochow CSSD Capital Markets engaged as corporate adviser

The company has drastically improved their growth rate compared to historical results.

| | FY2018 | FY2019 | FY2020 | FY2021 | Q1 2022 | Q2 2022 |
|---------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|---------|---------|
| Total revenue | 14.0 | 16.4 | 15.2 | 16.1 | 4.2 | 4.8 |
| Growth | 22% | 17% | -7% | 6% | 10% | 39% |

Source: Aspermont, GBC-AG

This growth in revenues is by far the strongest compared to previous full year results and Q1 2022. The company has already generated **revenues of over 9M AUD for the first half of 2022**.

At the current cumulated rate, the company could grow at an **accelerated 25% growth rate for FY2022e**. This rhythm is far higher than our current estimates, which is 8.9%.

The company has now accumulated **23 consecutive growth quarters** and generated positive return for shareholders over the past five years.

Aspermont returned to live events

Aspermont has organised their first live event, "The Future of Mining" March 27-29 in Australia. For this year, Aspermont is returning to the live events scene with FOM Sydney, which will bring in more than \$1 million in new revenue at guaranteed gross margins. FOM Denver is scheduled for September 27th, 2022, with high advance bookings; it is the biggest Aspermont event to date with over 700 registered guests.

Kondinin Group, awarded \$2.3m government contract

At the heart of Aspermont's agricultural media brands is the Kondinin Group, which is the premier information distributor to Australia's agricultural sector. Mr David Littleproud, Minister for Agriculture and Northern Australia, awarded \$2.3 million Federal Drought Resilience Innovation Grant to Kondinin Group. In addition, the award will assist in the development of the Kondinin Group's Drought Resilience Program for Agriculture Research, which will give Australia's farmers comprehensive drought-related information and assistance on drought mitigation measures and technology.

Aspermont JV's Blue Horseshoe going live

Blue Horseshoe is a digital capital-raising platform that offer investors a wide range of investment opportunities. The company is currently lead by Antony Tofts, who is Blu Horseshoe's CEO. With this JV, Aspermont will provide a new, fast and fair way to invest





in companies on the ASX coming soon, without commission, membership costs or licence fees. Institutional investors will be able to invest in four easy steps:

Blue Horseshoe investments steps:



Source: info.bluhorseshoe.com

This new platform will offer important advantages for the institutional clients:

- Free access to more capital raises
- No change of brokers
- Same prices for all
- Transparent and fair allocations policy
- Instant offers alerts
- Quick bidding tools
- · Keep using your favorite HIN
- Secured and regulated by ASIC

Antony Tofts, Blu Horseshoe CEO

Mr Tofts has an impressive curriculum. He has held executive positions in ASX-listed firms, include director, officer, and executive positions. Antony has also worked at the Sydney Stock Exchange, where he was responsible for Listing & Market Operations, as well as the Head of Market Supervision & Listing Compliance.

Prior to joining the exchange, he worked at Computershare, where he helped firms through their initial public offering (IPO) and listed company life cycle, after earlier positions with Barclays Private Bank's Business Development team (London) and HSBC Bank (Global Project team). M. Tofts holds a Master's in Business Administration (with a concentration in Corporate Finance), a Bachelor of Commerce (from the University of Cape Town).

Dean Felton joined the Aspermont board

Dean Felton has over 25 years of experience in the mining business, having held top management and consultancy positions with Rio Tinto, BHP and Vale, among other companies. Dean's previous senior management positions at Accenture and Ernst & Young have provided him with significant knowledge of capital and technology capabilities that he will bring to Aspermont.

Mr. Felton should be a key addition to Aspermont's extensive growth in Latin America and Africa.

We will be updating our valuation when the company publishes their HY financials in May.



Until then, the results published by the company for their Q2-2022 increases our confidence in the company achieving our FY 2022 financial projections. We are therefore maintaining our BUY rating and our current target price of 0.11 AUD / 0.07 EUR.



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|------|--|
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