

Lingotes Especiales

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Sector: Auto Components

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Opinion (1): Below expectations
Impact (1): We will have to lower our estimates

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Business description

Lingotes Especiales (LGT) is a small Spanish industrial company specialising in the design, development, casting and machining of steel components, mainly for use in the automotive industry, where it is a market leader in braking systems with a 12% market share in Europe (>85% sales).

Market Data

Market Cap (Mn EUR and USD)	62,2	64,7	
EV (Mn EUR and USD) (2)	90,6	94,2	
Shares Outstanding (Mn)	10,0		
-12m (Max/Med/Mín EUR)	8,52 / 6,9	1 / 6,18	
Daily Avg volume (-12m Mn EUR)	0,02		
Rotation ⁽³⁾	8,2		
Factset / Bloomberg	LGT-ES /	LGT SM	
Close fiscal year	31-Dec		

Shareholders Structure (%)

Board of Directors	55,0
Onchena	9,4
Mallorquina de Seguros	6,2
Free Float	29,5

Relative performance (Base 100)



Stock performance (%)

	-1m	-3m	-12m	-5Y
Absolute	-2,8	-5,2	-3,8	-47,5
vs Ibex 35	-11,5	-17,5	-27,4	-65,7
vs Ibex Small Cap Index	-7,9	-17,1	-17,7	-62,5
vs Eurostoxx 50	-7,6	-17,4	-14,0	-68,0
vs Sector benchmark(4)	-5.9	-15.7	14.8	-62.7

- (1) The opinion regarding the results is on reported EBITDA with respect to our estimate for the year (12m). The impact reflects whether, due to the results, we envisage a significant revision (>5% 10%, depending on the sector) of our EBITDA estimate (for any of the estimated years).
- (2) Please refer to Appendix 2.
- (3) Rotation is the % of the capitalisation traded 12m.
- (4) vs Stoxx Europe 600 Automobiles & Parts.

(*) Unless otherwise indicated, all the information contained in this report is based on: The Company, Factset and Lighthouse.

2024: revenues decline of c.-10%. Uncertainty continues in the automotive sector.

REVENUE DECLINE (-9.6% VS. 2023)... LGT closes 2024 with revenues of EUR 89.1 Mn (-9.6% vs. EUR 98.5 Mn in 2023), mainly due to the reduction in raw material prices (indexed sales prices). In terms of parts volume, the decline is -5%. By geography: Spain (17% of sales) grows by +24% and exports (80% of sales) decrease by -15%. Machined parts, with higher added value, account for 57% of sales (vs. 68% and 71% in 2022 and 2023, respectively).

...DUE TO VEHICLE PRODUCTION IN EUROPE: FAR FROM 2019 LEVELS. Automobile manufacturing in Europe 2024 has been 14.5 Mn, still -20% vs. pre-pandemic levels. In Spain, 2.5 Mn vehicles have been produced in 2024 (-3% vs. 2023) and exports have decreased by -4% vs. 2023.

GROSS MARGIN IMPROVES, BUT IT IS NOT SUFFICIENT. EBITDA FALLS BY -25% VS.

2023. The 2024 gross margin improves to 55.9% (+2.2 p.p. vs. 53.7% in 2023), which reduces the impact of the revenue decline (-5.9% in gross margin vs. -9.6% in revenue). Conversely, LGT's cost structure, with a high fixed component, amplifies the impact of the revenue decline and reduces Recurring EBITDA to EUR 6.3 Mn (-25% vs. 2023; which compares with the +1.8% seen in 1H24). Recurring EBITDA margin of 7.0% (9.4% in 1H24) vs. 8.5% in 2023 and far from the c.15% pre-Covid-19. Results clearly below expectations following the 6m24 results (2024e EBITDA EUR 9.9 Mn).

NET FINANCIAL DEBT INCREASES TO EUR 22.3 MN IN 2024 (+133% VS. EUR 9.6 MN

IN 2023), mainly due to (i) the reduction in cash generation due to the decline in revenue and margins and (ii) an increase in working capital to c.6% of sales levels (vs. -1.5% in 2023 and vs. 2017-2019 average 4.2%) and (iii) continuity of investments (c.EUR 9 Mn) in machinery and technical installations and the construction and equipping of a new production plant. All of this brings the 2024 Net Debt/Recurring EBITDA ratio to 3.6x (vs. 1.1x in 2023) and 2024 Net Debt/Equity to 0.5x (vs. 0.2x in 2023). Debt levels that appear temporarily high relative to their historical average (Net Debt/EBITDA 1.0x) and comparables (Net Debt/EBITDA 1.4x).

IN SUMMARY: THE WEAK MOMENTUM OF THE AUTOMOTIVE SECTOR CONTINUES.

WE WILL REVISE ESTIMATES DOWNWARDS. The modernization of existing plants and the construction of a new plant are proof of LGT's conviction in the business. The indexation of sales prices to the evolution of raw material (ferrous scrap) and energy prices allows protecting the gross margin, but still far from pre-pandemic levels (2017-2019 average gross margin of 58.3% vs. 55.9% 2024).

The stock's performance, heavily penalized since the start of the pandemic, accumulates (-12m) a -27% vs. Ibex 35, reflecting the poor momentum of the sector (which LGT clearly beats: +15%). The unknown is whether the reduction in automobile manufacturing and sales in Europe vs. 2019 is cyclical or structural (2024 LGT revenues, c.-20% vs. 2022 highs). The year 2025 points to a market stagnation, conditioned by tariff policies, the advance of electrification, consumer confidence and the evolution of emissions regulations. We will have to lower 2025 estimates. The momentum continues to be weak."





Appendix 1. Results table

	12m24		12m24 Real		2024 vs
EUR Mn	Real	12m23	vs 12m23	2024 e	2024 e
Total Revenues	89.1	98.5	-9.6%	103.5	-13.9%
Gross margin	49.8	52.9	-5.9%	55.9	-10.9%
Gross Margin/Revenues	<i>55.9%</i>	<i>53.7%</i>	2.2 p.p.	54.0%	1.9 p.p.
Recurrent EBITDA ¹	6.3	8.4	-25.1%	9.9	-36.6%
Rec. EBITDA/Revenues	7.0%	8.5%	-1.5 p.p.	9.5%	-2.5 p.p.
EBITDA ⁽¹⁾	8.2	9.3	-12.5%	10.7	-23.4%
EBITDA/Revenues	9.2%	9.5%	-0.3 p.p.	10.3%	-1.1 p.p.
EBIT	3.2	4.9	-34.7%	5.7	-44.6%
PBT	2.3	4.2	-46.4%	5.1	-55.9%
NP	1.9	3.2	-42.1%	3.9	-51.6%

	12m24		12m24 Real		2024 vs
	Real	12m23	vs 12m23	2024e	2024e
Net debt	22.3	9.6	133.2%	9.0	-59.8%
ND / EBITDA	3.6 x	1.1 x		0.9 x	
ND / Equity	0.5 x	0.2 x			

⁽¹⁾ Recurring EBITDA and EBITDA adjusted to eliminate the impact of capitalized expenses.

Appendix 2. EV breakdown at the date of this report

	EUR Mn	Source
Market Cap	62,2	
+ Minority Interests	-	12m Results 2024
+ Provisions & Other L/T Liabilities	6,3	12m Results 2024
+ Net financial debt	22,3	12m Results 2024
- Financial Investments	0,2	12m Results 2024
+/- Others		
Enterprise Value (EV)	90,6	



Appendix 3. Main peers

		Auto-Parts				Brake Systems	
	EUR Mn	CIE Automotive	Gestamp	Cummins	Voestalpine	Average	Brembo SPA
	Ticker (Factset)	CIE-ES	GEST-ES	CMI-US	VOE-AT	Average	BRE-IT
e et	, ,	Spain	Spain	USA	USA		Netherlands
Market data	Country		•				
Σ	Market cap	2,711.9	1,525.8	48,671.0	3,948.9		3,123.9
	Enterprise value (EV)	4,291.1	4,626.6	54,796.9	6,021.9		3,763.8
	Total Revenues	3,960.6	12,288.5	32,790.4	15,909.7	1 10/	3,841.3
	Total Revenues growth	0.0%	0.1%	0.2%	-4.6%	-1.1%	-0.2%
	2y CAGR (2024e - 2026e)	3.4%	4.6%	5.0%	2.2%	3.8%	5.8%
	EBITDA	727.9	1,359.2	4,455.8	1,363.4	2.40/	652.5
	EBITDA growth	2.1%	0.2%	8.0%	-1.8%	2.1%	8.2%
on	2y CAGR (2024e - 2026e)	5.6%	9.3%	18.4%	13.0%	11.6%	8.4%
nati	EBITDA/Revenues	18.4%	11.1%	13.6%	8.6%	12.9%	17.0%
o.	EBIT	544.3	632.7	3,431.7	607.5		391.1
inf	EBIT growth	2.6%	-5.0%	9.3%	-3.5%	0.9%	10.3%
<u></u>	2y CAGR (2024e - 2026e)	5.9%	13.4%	20.1%	25.4%	16.2%	10.9%
anc	EBIT/Revenues	13.7%	5.1%	10.5%	3.8%	8.3%	10.2%
ij	Net Profit	324.9	251.8	3,794.2	256.5		263.2
Basic financial information	Net Profit growth	4.4%	-10.3%	436.9%	134.7%	141.4%	-13.7%
Ä	2y CAGR (2024e - 2026e)	9.9%	19.6%	-3.9%	46.0%	17.9%	14.0%
	CAPEX/Sales %	6.3%	7.2%	3.5%	7.5%	6.1%	9.5%
	Free Cash Flow	297.9	257.3	268.3	68.0		54.0
	Net financial debt	1,162.9	2,164.5	5,128.8	1,908.8		300.0
	ND/EBITDA (x)	1.6	1.6	1.2	1.4	1.4	0.5
	Pay-out	26.9%	29.0%	22.8%	38.8%	29.4%	34.6%
	P/E (x)	8.3	5.9	13.0	13.3	10.1	11.2
SC	P/BV (x)	1.8	0.6	4.9	0.5	2.0	1.3
ati	EV/Revenues (x)	1.1	0.4	1.7	0.4	0.9	1.0
<u>p</u>	EV/EBITDA (x)	5.9	3.4	12.3	4.4	6.5	5.8
Multiples and Ratios	EV/EBIT (x)	7.9	7.3	16.0	9.9	10.3	9.6
ole	ROE	23.4	10.3	41.3	3.9	19.7	12.0
草	FCF Yield (%)	11.0	16.9	0.6	1.7	7.5	1.7
ž	DPS	0.73	0.13	6.25	0.58	1.92	0.28
	Dvd Yield	3.2%	4.8%	1.8%	2.6%	3.1%	2.9%
	Dra ricia	5.2/0	7.0/0	1.0/0	2.0/0	3.1/0	2.3/0

Nota 1: Financial data, multiples and ratios based on market consensus (Factset). In the case of the company analyzed, own estimates (Lighthouse). Note 2: All ratios and multiples on EBITDA refer to total EBITDA (not to recurrent EBITDA).





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03-Mar-2025	n.a.	6.22	n.a.	n.a.	12m Results 2024	Pablo Victoria Rivera, CESGA
25-Jul-2024	n.a.	7.84	n.a.	n.a.	6m Results 2024 - Estimates downgrade	Luis Esteban Arribas, CESGA
27-May-2024	n.a.	6.74	n.a.	n.a.	Small & Micro Caps (Spain)	Alfredo Echevarría Otegui
29-Feb-2024	n.a.	6.47	n.a.	n.a.	12m Results 2023 - Estimates downgrade	Luis Esteban Arribas, CESGA
03-Aug-2023	n.a.	7.24	n.a.	n.a.	6m Results 2023	Luis Esteban Arribas, CESGA
12-Jun-2023	n.a.	7.50	n.a.	n.a.	Small & Micro Caps (Spain)	David López Sánchez
01-Mar-2023	n.a.	7.71	n.a.	n.a.	12m Results 2022	David López Sánchez
31-Oct-2022	n.a.	5.63	n.a.	n.a.	9m Results 2022	David López Sánchez
03-Aug-2022	n.a.	6.61	n.a.	n.a.	6m Results 2022 - Estimates upgrade	David López Sánchez
01-Apr-2022	n.a.	10.37	n.a.	n.a.	Estimates downgrade	David López Sánchez
02-Mar-2022	n.a.	9.87	n.a.	n.a.	12m Results 2021	David López Sánchez
03-Aug-2021	n.a.	10.61	n.a.	n.a.	6m Results 2021 - Estimates downgrade	David López Sánchez
01-Mar-2021	n.a.	10.06	n.a.	n.a.	12m Results 2020	David López Sánchez
30-Oct-2020	n.a.	10.11	n.a.	n.a.	9m Results 2020	David López Sánchez
28-Jul-2020	n.a.	10.60	n.a.	n.a.	Estimates downgrade	David López Sánchez
28-Feb-2020	n.a.	11.84	n.a.	n.a.	12m Results 2019	David López Sánchez
28-Oct-2019	n.a.	11.98	n.a.	n.a.	9m Results 2019	David López Sánchez
22-Jul-2019	n.a.	12.78	n.a.	n.a.	6m Results 2019 - Estimates downgrade	David López Sánchez
13-May-2019	n.a.	13.26	n.a.	n.a.	3m Results 2019	David López Sánchez
01-Mar-2019	n.a.	12.87	n.a.	n.a.	12m Results 2018	David López Sánchez
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