

FINCANTIERI

Sector: *Industrials*

OUTPERFORM

Price: Eu18.92 - Target: Eu25.10

Upgrade to OUTPERFORM Ahead of New Business Plan

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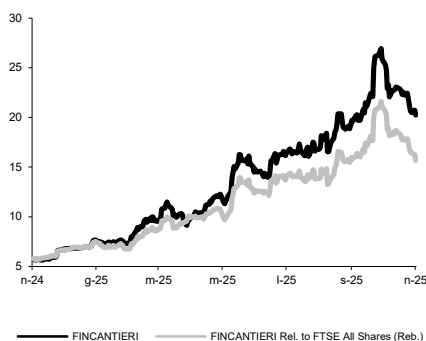
Stock Rating

Rating:	from NEUTRAL to OUTPERFORM		
Target Price (Eu):	Unchanged		
	2025E	2026E	2027E
Chg in Adj EPS	-1.2%	-0.4%	-0.4%

Next Event

9M25 Financial Results: 12th November

FINCANTIERI - 12M Performance



Stock Data

Reuters code:	FCT.MI		
Bloomberg code:	FCT IM		
Performance	1M	3M	12M
Absolute	-21.7%	20.6%	249.0%
Relative	-27.0%	14.0%	220.1%
12M (H/L)	26.92/5.61		
3M Average Volume (th):	1,714.89		

Shareholder Data

No. of Ord shares (mn):	323
Total no. of shares (mn):	324
Mkt Cap Ord (Eu mn):	6,541
Total Mkt Cap (Eu mn):	6,541
Mkt Float - Ord (Eu mn):	1,879
Mkt Float (in %):	28.7%
Main Shareholder:	
CDP	71.3%

Balance Sheet Data

Book Value (Eu mn):	957
BVPS (Eu):	2.95
P/BV:	6.9
Net Financial Position (Eu mn):	-1,744
Enterprise Value (Eu mn):	7,896

Fincantieri's 3Q25 results confirmed that the Group has reached a key turning point and is now ready for the transition from a turnaround phase to a new stage of sustainable, mix-driven growth, underpinned by higher-margin Defence and Underwater activities. The release showed top line figures that beat estimates, mainly driven by Cruise, while Naval and Underwater were softer than expected. At first glance, this mix looks disappointing, but beneath the surface, with a 100bp YoY EBITDA margin expansion, the message is clear: the first profitability driver, Cruise, has been optimised, combining structural efficiency with long-term visibility on the backlog. This creates a solid and predictable industrial base from which to build. The second driver stems from the revenue mix improvement led by the higher-margin Naval and Underwater businesses, where Fincantieri is positioned across three concentric circles of opportunity: (i) Italy, where naval investments are expected to accelerate; (ii) Europe, supported by the €150bn SAFE programme; (iii) exports, mainly to Middle East and Southeast Asia, where multiple tenders are underway. With efficiency gains now structurally embedded and new growth catalysts emerging, Fincantieri can enter a new value creation cycle ahead of its 2026–2030 Strategic Plan. We upgrade our rating from Neutral to OUTPERFORM.

■ **3Q/9M25 results: setting the stage for the New Strategic Plan.** Fincantieri's 3Q25 results confirmed the Group's operational strength and sustained margin expansion. Revenues rose 13% YoY to €2.15bn, slightly above expectations, with the better top line mainly driven by Cruise, while Naval and Underwater posted softer-than-expected contributions. EBITDA increased 32% YoY to €150mn, with a 7.0% margin (+100bp YoY), in line with expectations and reflecting further efficiency in Cruise and stronger contributions from Defence and Underwater. The order intake reached €1.28bn (+44% YoY), bringing 9M25 to €16.0bn, already above FY24, while the backlog of €40bn (~4.4x FY25E revenues) ensures long-term visibility. Net debt stood at €1.65bn, confirming the de-leveraging trajectory, consistent with guidance for FY25 NFP/EBITDA of 2.7x-3.0x. We believe 3Q25 results shows that Fincantieri has reached a sweet spot balancing efficiency and growth, with Cruise providing a stable base and Defence and Underwater ready to drive the next phase of value creation.

■ **2025 guidance confirmed and easily achievable. Focus on New Plan targets.** FY25 guidance was confirmed, as expected, with the conservative targets well within reach. Our attention is now shifting towards the upcoming 2026–2030 Strategic Plan, to be approved by year-end and presented in 1Q26. We currently expect a 2025–2030 CAGR of ~4% in revenues and ~9% in EBITDA, with margins steadily rising to >9% by 2030.

■ **Change in estimates.** Following 3Q25 release, we are largely confirming our FY25-27 estimates, introducing only marginal adjustments to reflect the updated revenue mix and divisional performance trends. Our estimates now point to FY25E/26E/27E EBITDA of €663mn/€763mn/€863mn (7.3%/8.0%/8.4% EBITDA margins). We continue to expect the announcement of a dividend policy with the upcoming 2026-2030 Strategic Plan, and in anticipation of that, we maintain our assumption for a YoY increase in the DPS, starting with an €0.25 payment on FY26 results.

■ **OUTPERFORM from Neutral; target €25.1 confirmed.** Our updated valuation, based on the simple average of a SOP and a DCF, yields a fair value of €25.1. We are confirming our TP accordingly, and, given the >30% upside vs. the current share price, we are upgrading our rating on the stock from Neutral to OUTPERFORM.

Key Figures & Ratios	2023A	2024A	2025E	2026E	2027E
Sales (Eu mn)	7,651	8,128	9,133	9,598	10,295
EBITDA Adj (Eu mn)	397	509	663	763	863
Net Profit Adj (Eu mn)	-7	57	149	217	287
EPS New Adj (Eu)	-0.004	0.176	0.460	0.668	0.885
EPS Old Adj (Eu)	-0.004	0.176	0.465	0.670	0.889
DPS (Eu)	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.250	0.300
EV/EBITDA Adj	23.5	6.4	11.9	10.9	9.7
EV/EBIT Adj	nm	13.2	21.5	18.2	15.7
P/E Adj	nm	nm	44.0	30.3	22.9
Div. Yield	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	1.2%	1.5%
Net Debt/EBITDA Adj	5.7	2.5	2.6	2.3	2.0

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