# **ALDREES**



**Initiating Coverage** 

## 1,000 stations in the horizon!

We initiate coverage on Aldrees with a Neutral rating and PT of SA163.3. The outlook of the Saudi petrol stations market is positive driven by the growing economy, favorable government regulations, expanding vehicle market, and steady population growth. We believe a consolidation in the sector and a potential margin hike are key catalysts for Aldrees. In a base case scenario, we expect Aldrees to record a 2023-2028f earnings CAGR of 18.0% to SAR642mn, while net margin to expand by 55bps to 2.4% by 2028f. Based on our estimates, for every SAR0.01 increase in margins, earnings and PT will increase by c29.5% and c23.8%, respectively. The stock is trading at P/E and EV/EBITDA of 36.4x and 11.5x vs peer group average of 30.7x and 10.9x, respectively.

### · Petrol stations- growing demand in the horizon

The outlook of the Saudi petrol stations market is positive driven by growing economy, favorable government regulations, expanding vehicle market, and steady population growth. Vision 2030 programs and initiatives along with Giga/Mega projects are expected to attract tourism and increase population inflow, which in turn are expected to positively drive fuel consumption over the medium/long term.

### Regulations coupled with a potential margin revision to be a key catalyst

Historically, the majority of petrol stations were owned by establishments and individuals. However, the requirements were upgraded recently to include various detailed construction standards to improve the level of service. We believe these requirements will entail higher capex which would lead to a consolidation in the sector. In return, a margin uplift was provided for compliant companies. We believe further increases in margins might be introduced to cover for the additional costs associated to improve the quality of the service. Based on our estimates, for every SARO.01 increase in margins, earnings and PT will increase by c29.5% and c23.8%, respectively.

### A trusted prominent brand

Based in Riyadh, Aldrees has established itself as a remarkable player in the evolving petrol stations market in Saudi with an experience of over 60 years. Aldrees has mainly two business divisions: Petroleum and Transportation. The company is the largest player in sector with a widely distributed network of 850 stations across Saudi and a market share of c8.5%. Through its fleet of c4,400 units with c1,600 trucks and c2,800 trailers, the Transportation segment provides a significant contribution to diversify the company's business portfolio. The company aims to exceed 1,000 stations by 2025f and to further expand its transportation fleet.

### Net income to record a 2023-2028f CAGR of 18.0%

We expect the growth in gross profits resulting from higher volumes and market share to support the bottom-line growth. Net income is expected to record a 2023-2028f CAGR of 18.0% to SAR642mn, while net margin to expand by 55bps to 2.4% in 2028f.

## Initiate coverage with a Neutral rating and a PT of SAR163.3

We initiate coverage on Aldrees with a Neutral rating and PT of SAR163.3. We believe strong market penetration resulting from ongoing sector consolidation is a key growth driver while any potential uplift in margins will be a major catalyst. The stock is trading at P/E and EV/EBITDA of 36.4x and 11.5x vs peer average of 30.7x and 10.9x, respectively.

### **Summary Financials**

SAR mn	2023	2024f	2025f	2026f	2027f	2028f
Revenues	14,834	17,940	20,557	22,834	24,700	26,308
Gross income	681	821	955	1,070	1,162	1,237
Gross margin (%)	4.6	4.6	4.6	4.7	4.7	4.7
EBIT	421	480	563	636	692	736
EBIT Margin (%)	2.8	2.7	2.7	2.8	2.8	2.8
Net income	281	347	435	513	580	642
Net margin (%)	1.89	1.93	2.12	2.25	2.35	2.44
EPS (SAR)	3.74	4.63	5.80	6.85	7.74	8.56

Source: The company, SNB Capital Research estimates

# **NEUTRAL**

Price target (SAR)	163.3
Current price (SAR)	168.6
Upside/Downside (%)	(3.1)

### **VALUATION MULTIPLES**

	23	24f	25f
P/E (x)	45.0	36.4	29.1
P/B (x)	10.2	9.2	8.2
EV/EBITDA (x)	13.9	11.5	10.6
Div Yield (%)	1.2	1.7	2.1

Source: SNB Capital Research estimates, All Prices are As of 07 February 2023

# **MAJOR SHAREHOLDERS**

	%
QFIs	13.9
Others	86.2

Source: Tadawul, SNB Capital. As of 07 February 2023

### STOCK DETAILS

M52-week range H/L (SAR)			
Market cap (\$mn)			
Shares outstanding (mn)			
Listed on exchanges			
1M	ЗМ	12M	
(6.7)	43.0	112	
(6.1)	32.7	97.7	
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Avg daily turnover (mn)			
	54.7	14.6	
	31.2	8.3	
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www.aldrees.com			
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