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# China Lilang (1234 HK)

# A transition year but with attractive yield

Sales growth in FY21E could be muted due to business model change, but we think that could be the bottom and gradual improvement in FY22E is fairly likely. Given the attractive yield, we maintain BUY but lowered TP to HK\$ 6.27, based on 8x FY22E P/E (rolled over from 9x FY21E). Current valuation is still cheap at 8x FY21E/ 6x 22E P/E and 10% FY21E / 12% FY22E yield.

- 1H21 results slightly missed. China Lilang's 1H21 net profit was RMB 271mn, similar to RMB 269mn in 1H20, which slightly missed as it only accounted for 37% of FY21E BBG est. net profit (vs 5-year average of 46%). However, this was, in our view, mostly due to the delay of sales and net profit recognition as 40% of LILANZ core brands' distributor stores were converted from wholesale to consignment model.
- Sales growth in 2H21E might be muted due to change of business model. For 2H21E, we expect the listed co sales growth to slow down to 0% YoY from 24% YoY in 1H21, because: 1) sales consolidation due to smart casual collection business model change (from consignment into direct-toretail) will be faded out and 2) sales recognition will be delayed as those LILANZ stores being converted into consignment model (sales will now be booked when sold to retail customers in Jan-Feb, instead of Nov-Dec).
- Retail end demand stayed strong and FY21E growth target revised up to 15%+, from 10%+. However, on the demand side, retail sales growth was strong in 1H21 at 25-30% (30-35% in 1Q and 25-30% in 2Q). Despite short term drags in Aug 2021 (but luckily Aug is a low season), management is still confident to achieve rapid growth in FY21E and even raised its growth target from 10%+ to 15%+. Noted that sell though rate in 1Q21/ 2Q21 was fairly healthy at 75%/ 68%, much better than 1Q20/ 2Q20's 60%/ 65%.
- FY21E should be the bottom and we are casually optimistic for FY22E and onwards. We are more confident on the mid-term outlook, thanks to: 1) decent retail sale growth, 2) improving GP margins (wholesale discounts for LILANZ increased from 59% to 60% since 1Q21), 3) better store productivity (better motivated distributors under consignment model and more efficient inventory sharing). But meanwhile, opex will also be higher as staffs and deprecation costs of new headquarters and logistic centre to be kicked in.
- Maintain BUY but cut TP to HK\$ 6.27. We maintain BUY but lowered TP to HK\$ 6.27, based on 8x FY22E P/E (rolled over from 9x FY21E). The counter is cheap at 6x FY22E P/E and 12% FY22E yield. We cut our FY21E/22E/23E net profit estimates by 17%/11%/6% to factor in 1) delay in sales booking, 2) higher-than-expected opex but 3) better GP margin.

### **Earnings Summary**

(YE 31 Dec)	FY19A	FY20A	FY21E	FY22E	FY23E
Revenue (RMB mn)	3,658	2,681	2,949	3,421	3,763
YoY growth (%)	15.5	(26.7)	10.0	16.0	10.0
Net income (RMB mn)	812	557	620	782	901
EPS (RMB)	0.678	0.465	0.517	0.650	0.749
YoY growth (%)	8.1	(31.4)	11.1	25.8	15.1
Consensus EPS (RMB)	n/a	n/a	0.622	0.718	0.815
P/E (x)	6.3	8.7	7.7	6.1	5.3
P/B (x)	1.4	1.3	1.3	1.2	1.1
Yield (%)	12.2	9.3	9.7	12.2	14.1
ROE (%)	22.5	15.3	16.2	19.1	20.7
Net gearing (%)	Net cash				

Source: Company data, Bloomberg, CMBIS estimates



# **BUY (Maintain)**

Target Price	HK\$6.27
(Previous TP	HK\$6.76)
Up/Downside	+30.6%
Current Price	HK\$4.80

#### **China Apparel Sector**

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#### Stock Data

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Mkt Cap (HK\$ mn)	5,748
Avg 3 mths t/o (HK\$ mn)	10.30
52w High/Low (HK\$)	6.75/4.06
Total Issued Shares (mn)	1,197.5
Source: Bloomberg	

#### **Shareholding Structure**

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Mr Wang & Family	67.51%
Value Partners	4.98%
Free Float	27.51%
Source: Bloomberg, HKEx	

#### Share Performance

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	Absolute	Relative
1-mth	-5.5%	2.8%
3-mth	0.8%	14.3%
6-mth	-11.9%	7.4%
12-mth	3.4%	3.5%
Source: Bloomberg		

#### **12-mth Price Performance**



Source: Bloomberg

#### Auditor: KPMG

#### **Related Reports**

- China Lilang (1234 HK, BUY) A prudent retail sales target but attractive yield - 19 Mar 2021
- 2. China Lilang (1234 HK, BUY) -Positive growth resumed and attractive yield - 20 Aug 2020
- China Lilang (1234 HK, BUY) Virus impact inevitable but attractive yield – 20 Mar 2020



# **Results Summary**

Figure 1: Results summary – Half Year

Half yearly (RMB mn)	1H20	2H20	1H21	2H21E	1H20 YoY	2H20 YoY	1H21 YoY	2H21 E YoY
Revenue	1,093	1,587	1,354	1,595	-29%	-25%	24%	0%
COGS	(662)	(815)	(683)	(853)				
Gross profit	431	773	671	741	-32%	1%	56%	-4%
GP margins	39.4%	48.7%	49.5%	46.5%				
Other income & gains	46	59	17	71				
S & D expenses	(111)	(381)	(317)	(298)	-36%	61%	186%	-22%
S & D exp / sales	-10.2%	-24.0%	-23.4%	-18.7%				
Admin expenses	(54)	(54)	(62)	(73)	9%	0%	14%	36%
Admin exp / sales	-5.0%	-3.4%	-4.6%	-4.6%				
Other opex	-5	-52	-1	-16				
Operating profit (EBIT)	307	345	308	424	-34%	-33%	0%	23%
OP margins	28.1%	21.7%	22.7%	26.6%				
Other items	0	0	0	0				
Net finance income	20	24	19	23				
Net finance income / sales	1.8%	1.5%	1.4%	1.4%				
Profit after financing costs	327	368	327	448				
Associated coms	0	0	0	0				
Jointly controlled coms	0	0	0	0				
Pre-tax profit	327	368	327	448	-34%	-31%	0%	22%
Тах	(58)	(80)	(56)	(99)				
Tax / sales	-5.3%	-5.0%	-4.1%	-6.2%				
Effective tax rate	-17.6%	-21.7%	-17.0%	-22.2%				
Minority interests	0	0	0	0				
Net profit att.	269	288	271	348	-31%	-32%	1%	21%
NP margins	24.6%	18.2%	20.0%	21.8%				



### Figure 2: Result summary - Full Year

Full yearly (Rmb mn)	FY20	FY21E	FY22E	FY20	FY21E	FY22E
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Revenue	2,681	2,949	3,421	-27%	10%	16%
COGS	(1,477)	(1,537)	(1,759)			1
Gross profit	1,204	1,412	1,662	-14%	17%	18%
GP margins	44.9%	47.9%	48.6%			
Other income & gains	106	88	103			
S & D expenses	(492)	(615)	(686)	20%	25%	11%
S & D exp / sales	-18.3%	<b>-20.9%</b>	<b>-20</b> .1%			
Admin expenses	(108)	(135)	(141)	4%	25%	4%
Admin exp / sales	-4.0%	-4.6%	-4.1%			
Other opex	-58	-18	-21			
Operating profit (EBIT)	651	732	917	-34%	12%	25%
OP margins	24.3%	24.8%	26.8%			
Other items	0	0	0			
Net finance income	43	43	48			
Net finance income / sales	1.6%	1.4%	1.4%			
Profit after financing costs	695	775	965			
Associated coms	0	0	0			
Jointly controlled coms	0	0	0			
Pre-tax profit	695	775	965	-32%	12%	25%
Тах	(138)	(155)	(183)			
Tax / sales	-5.1%	-5.3%	-5.4%			
Effective tax rate	-19.8%	-20.0%	-19.0%			
Minority interests	0	0	0			
Net profit att.	557	620	782	-31%	11%	26%
NP margins	20.8%	21.0%	22.8%			



# **Earnings revision**

### Figure 3: Earnings revision

<u> </u>		New			Old			Diff (%)	
RMB mn	FY21E	FY22E	FY23E	FY21E	FY22E	FY23E	FY21E	FY22E	FY23E
Revenue	2,949	3,421	3,763	3,181	3,616	3,905	-7.3%	-5.4%	-3.6%
Gross profit	1,412	1,662	1,858	1,286	1,473	1,600	9.8%	12.9%	16.1%
EBIT	732	917	1,058	904	1,034	1,130	-19.0%	-11.3%	-6.4%
Net profit att.	620	782	901	748	877	961	-17.1%	-10.8%	-6.2%
Diluted EPS (RMB)	0.517	0.650	0.749	0.623	0.730	0.798	-17.1%	-10.8%	-6.2%
Gross margin	47.9%	48.6%	49.4%	40.4%	40.7%	41.0%	7.5ppt	7.9ppt	8.4ppt
EBIT margin	24.8%	26.8%	28.1%	28.4%	28.6%	28.9%	-3.6ppt	-1.8ppt	-0.8ppt
Net profit att. margin	21.0%	22.8%	24.0%	23.5%	24.2%	24.6%	-2.5ppt	-1.4ppt	-0.7ppt

Source: Company data, CMBIS estimates

## Figure 4: CMBIS estimates vs consensus

		CMBIS			Consensus		Diff (%)			
RMB mn	FY21E	FY22E	FY23E	FY21E	FY22E	FY23E	FY21E	FY22E	FY23E	
Revenue	2,949	3,421	3,763	3,295	3,699	4,086	-10.5%	-7.5%	-7.9%	
Gross profit	1,412	1,662	1,858	1,371	1,605	1,762	3.0%	3.6%	5.4%	
EBIT	732	917	1,058	838	974	1,089	-12.6%	-5.8%	-2.9%	
Net profit att.	620	782	901	729	844	963	-14.9%	-7.3%	-6.4%	
Diluted EPS (RMB)	0.517	0.650	0.749	0.622	0.718	0.815	-16.9%	-9.4%	-8.1%	
Gross margin	47.9%	48.6%	49.4%	41.6%	43.4%	43.1%	6.3ppt	5.2ppt	6.3ppt	
EBIT margin	24.8%	26.8%	28.1%	25.4%	26.3%	26.7%	-0.6ppt	0.5ppt	1.5ppt	
Net profit att. margin	21.0%	22.8%	24.0%	22.1%	22.8%	23.6%	-1.1ppt	0ppt	0.4ppt	



# Valuation

# Figure 5: Peers' valuation

			12m TP	Price	Up/ Down-	Mkt. Cap	Year	P/E (x)		P/E	3 (x)	ROE (%)	3yrs PEG (x)	Yield (%)
Company	Ticker	Rating	(LC)	(LC)	side	(HK\$mn)	End	FY1E	FY2E	FY1E	FY2E	FY1E	FY1E	FY1E
H shares Apparel														
China Lilang	1234 HK	BUY	6.27	4.80	31%	5,748	Dec-20	7.7	6.1	1.2	1.1	15.6	0.4	9.7
Bosideng Int'l	3998 HK	BUY	6.13	5.72	7%	61,985	Mar-21	23.7	19.0	4.1	3.7	16.1	1.0	3.0
Jnby Design	3306 HK	BUY	15.32	17.78	-14%	9,223	Jun-20	13.5	12.1	4.5	4.1	22.9	0.4	6.2
Cosmo Lady	2298 HK	NR	n/a	0.77	n/a	1,732	Dec-20	8.5	6.4	0.6	0.5	(4.8)	(0.0)	3.9
Giordano	709 HK	NR	n/a	1.55	n/a	2,446	Dec-20	14.1	11.1	n/a	n/a	5.2	(0.1)	7.1
Koradior	3709 HK	NR	n/a	10.02	n/a	7,055	Dec-20	10.4	8.8	1.5	1.4	13.7	0.0	4.8
Esprit Holdings	330 HK	NR	n/a	0.68	n/a	1,925	Dec-20	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	(77.0)	0.0	n/a
La Chapelle	6116 HK	NR	n/a	0.74	n/a	1,091	Dec-20	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	0.0	n/a
Bauhaus Intl	483 HK	NR	n/a	0.80	n/a	294	Mar-21	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	20.3	0.0	n/a
							Avg.	13.0	10.6	2.4	2.1	1.5	0.2	5.8
							Med.	11.9	9.9	1.5	1.4	14.6	0.0	5.5
A-shares Apparel														
Ningbo Peacebird	603877 CH	NR	n/a	49.29	n/a	28,251	Dec-20	23.5	19.2	5.3	4.7	23.8	0.8	2.4
Joeone Co Ltd	601566 CH	NR	n/a	14.83	n/a	10,246	Dec-20	20.2	17.9	2.0	2.0	9.4	2.4	n/a
Fujian Septwolves	002029 CH	NR	n/a	6.10	n/a	5,542	Dec-20	17.4	15.1	0.7	0.7	5.3	1.1	2.1
Hla Corp Ltd	600398 CH	NR	n/a	6.95	n/a	36,093	Dec-20	10.1	8.7	2.0	1.7	16.5	0.3	5.7
Jiangsu Hongdou	600400 CH	NR	n/a	2.89	n/a	8,802	Dec-20	37.5	34.8	1.9	1.9	3.7	1.9	n/a
Lancy Co Ltd	002612 CH	NR	n/a	34.37	n/a	18,283	Dec-20	59.5	44.0	4.9	4.6	8.0	1.2	0.9
Shenzhen Huijie	002763 CH	NR	n/a	9.06	n/a	4,466	Dec-20	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	15.2	0.0	n/a
Ellassay Fashion	603808 CH	NR	n/a	15.29	n/a	6,785	Dec-20	14.0	11.9	2.1	1.9	13.3	2.1	2.8
Bobaolon Co	002776 CH	NR	n/a	2.45	n/a	1,585	Dec-20	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	(17.3)	0.0	n/a
							Avg.	26.0	21.7	2.7	2.5	8.7	1.1	2.8
							Med.	20.2	17.9	2.0	1.9	9.4	1.1	2.4
International Appa	arel													
Hugo Boss	BOSS GR	NR	n/a	47.88	n/a	30,832	Dec-20	36.1	21.0	3.8	3.3	0.1	(0.2)	1.5
Ted Baker	TED LN	NR	n/a	147.70	n/a	2,916	Jan-21	n/a	21.4	n/a	n/a	(57.5)	0.0	0.0
Next	NXT LN	NR	n/a	7940.00	n/a	112,877	Jan-21	16.5	14.7	9.9	7.9	52.0	0.4	2.3
Hennes & Mauritz	HMB SS	NR	n/a	177.68	n/a	263,060	Nov-20	28.4	19.2	4.8	4.4	11.1	0.2	3.4
Industria De Diseno	ITX SM	NR	n/a	29.80	n/a	849,535	Jan-21	26.7	23.2	5.9	5.6	13.7	0.5	3.2
Ovs Spa	OVS IM	NR	n/a	1.69	n/a	4,484	Jan-21	21.6	10.5	0.6	0.6	4.7	1.7	0.0
Pvh Corp	PVH US	NR	n/a	105.21	n/a	58,505	Jan-21	15.3	12.4	1.5	1.5	1.3	(0.1)	0.1
Vf Corp	VFC US	NR	n/a	77.07	n/a	235,809	Mar-21	23.8	20.3	7.7	7.2	32.9	0.4	2.6
Marks & Spencer	MKS LN	NR	n/a	163.90	n/a	34,317	Apr-21	12.2	10.2	1.3	1.2	(6.6)	(0.1)	0.9
							Avg.	22.6	17.0	4.4	4.0	5.7	0.3	1.5
							Med.	22.7	19.2	4.3	3.9	4.7	0.2	1.5

Source: Bloomberg, CMBIS estimates



# Assumptions

# Figure 6: China Lilang's key assumptions

Major assumptions	FY19A	FY20A	FY21E	FY22E	FY23E
Sales by segment (RMB mn)					
LILANZ	3,260	2,215	2,226	2,535	2,718
Smart Casual	398	466	723	885	1,045
Total	3,658	2,681	2,949	3,421	3,763
Sales by segment growth (%)					
LILANZ	12.9%	-32.1%	0.5%	13.9%	7.2%
Smart Casual	42.3%	17.0%	55.1%	22.5%	18.0%
Total	15.5%	-26.7%	10.0%	16.0%	10.0%
Sales network by segment					
LILANZ	2,525	2,466	2,406	2,466	2,506
Smart Casual	290	295	305	325	355
Total	2,815	2,761	2,711	2,791	2,861
Sales network by segment growth (%)					
LILANZ	2.7%	-2.3%	-2.4%	2.5%	1.6%
Smart Casual	36.8%	1.7%	3.4%	6.6%	9.2%
Total	5.4%	-1.9%	-1.8%	3.0%	2.5%
Trade fair sales growth (%)					
Spring Summer	23.0%	-40.0%	20.0%	13.0%	10.0%
Fall	21.0%	-10.0%	15.0%	11.5%	10.0%
Winter	11.5%	-5.0%	10.0%	16.5%	10.0%
GP margins by segment	38.4%	44.9%	47.9%	48.6%	49.4%
Opex breakdown					
Staff costs	1.3%	2.1%	2.9%	3.0%	3.0%
D & A	1.0%	1.1%	1.4%	1.3%	1.3%
R & D	3.7%	4.5%	3.6%	3.4%	3.4%
Provision ( write back )	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
A & P	9.0%	10.3%	8.5%	8.0%	8.0%
Selling & distribution costs / sales	11.2%	18.3%	20.9%	20.1%	19.6%
Admin expenses / sales	2.8%	4.0%	4.6%	4.1%	4.0%
OP margins	26.8%	24.3%	24.8%	26.8%	28.1%
Effective tax rate	20.7%	19.8%	20.0%	19.0%	19.0%
NP att. margins	22.2%	20.8%	21.0%	22.8%	24.0%
NP att. growth (%)	8.1%	-31.4%	11.2%	26.1%	15.3%



# **Financial Summary**

Income statement						Cash flow summary					
YE 31 Dec (RMB mn)	FY19A	FY20A	FY21E	FY22E	FY23E	YE 31 Dec (RMB mn)	FY19A	FY20A	FY21E	FY22E	FY23E
Revenue	3,658	2,681	2,949	3,421	3,763	EBIT	980	651	732	917	1,058
LILANZ	3,260	2,215	2,226	2,535	2,718	D & A	32	31	145	148	135
L2	-	-	-	-	-	Change in working capital	(205)	175	(209)	68	(99)
Smart Casual	398	466	723	885	1,045	Income tax paid	(207)	(155)	(155)	(183)	(211)
						Others	9	71	45	50	57
Cost of goods sold	(2,255)	(1,477)	(1,537)	(1,759)	(1,905)	Net cash from operating	609	773	558	1,000	939
Gross profit	1,403	1,204	1,412	1,662	1,858						
Other income	116	106	88	103	113	Capex & investments	(94)	(225)	(88)	(103)	(113)
						Associated companies	-	-	-	-	-
Operating expenses	(539)	(658)	(768)	(847)	(913)	Interest received	52	45	-	-	-
D & A	(22)	(22)	(99)	(101)	(92)	Others	(43)	(11)	-	-	-
Staff costs	(52)	(62)	(91)	(103)	(114)	Net cash from investing	(85)	(191)	(88)	(103)	(113)
S & D costs (ex-staff,	(377)	(452)	(556)	(618)	(664)						
Admin exp. (ex-staff,	(61)	(63)	(5)	(4)	(21)	Equity raised	-	-	-	-	-
Other operating	(26)	(58)	(18)	(21)	(23)	Net change in bank loans	-	-	-	-	-
EBIT	980	651	732	917	1,058	Dividend paid	(612)	(521)	(457)	(514)	(623)
						Others	(5)	(69)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Finance costs, net	44	43	43	48	55	Net cash from financing	(617)	(590)	(459)	(516)	(625)
JVs & associates	-	-	-	-	-						
Exceptional	-	-	-	-	-	Net change in cash	(93)	(8)	11	381	202
Pre-tax profit	1,024	695	775	965	1,113	Beginning cash balance	1,843	1,751	1,739	1,750	2,131
						Exchange difference	1	(4)	-	-	-
Income tax	(212)	(138)	(155)	(183)	(211)	Cash at the end of the year	1,751	1,739	1,750	2,131	2,332
Less: Minority interests	0	0	0	0	0						
Net profit	812	557	620	782	901						

Balance sheet						Key ratios					
YE 31 Dec (RMB mn)	FY19A	FY20A	FY21E	FY22E	FY23E	YE 31 Dec	FY19A	FY20A	FY21E	FY22E	FY23E
Non-current assets	1,033	1,394	1,337	1,291	1,269	Sales mix (%)					
Fixed asset	714	924	869	825	804	LILANZ	89.1	82.6	75.5	74.1	72.2
Intangible assets &	150	130	128	127	125	L2	-	-	-	-	-
Prepaid lease payments	8	3	3	3	3	Smart Casual	10.9	17.4	24.5	25.9	27.8
Interest in joint ventures	-	-	-	-	-		-	-	-	-	-
Other non-current assets	160	337	337	337	337	Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Current assets	3,531	3,618	3,433	3,838	4,199	P&L ratios (%)					
Cash and cash equivalents	1,751	1,739	1,750	2,131	2,332	Gross margin	38.4	44.9	47.9	48.6	49.4
Inventories	689	667	632	675	731	Operating margin	26.8	24.3	24.8	26.8	28.1
Trade and other	1,082	1,210	1,050	1,031	1,134	Pre-tax margin	28.0	25.9	26.3	28.2	29.6
Prepayments	-	-	-	-	-	Net margin	22.2	20.8	21.0	22.8	24.0
Other current assets	9	2	2	2	2	Effective tax rate	20.7	19.8	20.0	19.0	19.0
Current liabilities	935	1,288	884	975	1,035	Balance sheet ratios					
Bank loans	27	37	37	37	37	Current ratio (x)	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.7
Trade payables	756	1,036	632	723	783	Quick ratio (x)	2.5	2.4	2.4	2.4	2.5
Accruals & other payables	-	-	-	-	-	Cash ratio (x)	1.9	1.4	2.0	2.2	2.3
Tax payables	152	152	152	152	152	Inventory turnover days	112	165	150	140	140
Others	1	62	62	62	62	Trade receivables days	108	165	130	110	110
						Trade payables days	122	256	150	150	150
Non-current liabilities	22	70	70	70	70	Total debt / total equity ratio (%)	1	3	3	2	2
Bank loans	-	-	-	-	-	Net debt / equity ratio (%)	Net cash				
Deferred income	-	-	-	-	-	Returns (%)					
Deferred tax	22	8	8	8	8	ROE	22.5	15.3	16.2	19.1	20.7
Others	-	62	62	62	62	ROA	17.8	11.1	13.0	15.2	16.5
						Per share					
Minority Interest	-	-	-	-	-	EPS (RMB)	0.68	0.47	0.52	0.65	0.75
Total net assets	3,606	3,654	3,817	4,085	4,363	DPS (RMB)	0.52	0.38	0.39	0.49	0.56
Shareholders' equity	3,606	3,654	3,817	4,085	4,363	BVPS (RMB)	3.01	3.05	3.18	3.40	3.62
Source: Company data, CM	BIS estim	ates				· · · · ·					

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