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Higher visibility in SaaS along China cloud value chain

China cloud growth has been disrupted by Omicron spread. IDC operators have suffered from slower move-in and incurred extra operating cost in FY2Q22 due to lockdown measures. For laaS/ PaaS, internet cloud service providers are prioritizing profitability and down-sizing CDN business. Meanwhile, telecom operators are becoming aggressive to take cloud market share. Along the cloud value chain, we like SaaS most for its subscription based business model. SaaS companies' earnings visibility fluctuates less with economy cycle, compared to laaS/ PaaS/ IDC. Prefer Glodon (002410 CH) and Kingdee (268 HK).

- IDC: lockdown has disturbed FY2Q22 move-in and margin, 2H recovery is likely to be mild. We believe IDC operators such as GDS, 21Vianet will face sequential margin decline in FY2Q22E as lockdown in Apr-May has caused 1) delay in capacity move-in schedule and 2) extra cost to ensure data center 24/7 operations. Although IDC demand is expected to recover in FY2H22E, the recovery could be mild and slow. IDC core customers (internet cloud service providers) are taking a slower expansion pace and focus more on improving profitability of their cloud services. Also, server delivery logistics will remain a concern with tight Omicron-preventive measures.
- laaS/ PaaS: demand driven by non-internet enterprises, telecom operators are becoming aggressive. The driver of laaS/ PaaS has shifted from internet companies to traditional enterprises such as financial institutions (replace foreign database) and SOEs in public services sector. We observed that Tencent, Kingsoft Cloud, UCloud have downsized CDN business and focused on improving profitability of their cloud services. Meanwhile, telecom operators are becoming more aggressive with cloud business (IDC+laaS/PaaS) growth remained strong at ~30% YoY in FY1Q22. We expect the landscape change to continue in FY2H22E.
- SaaS: limited impact from COVID-19/ lockdowns. There is concern that enterprises may cut IT spending on software as economic growth slows down. However, we see lower pressure to subscription-based SaaS companies compared to license software/ project-based IT service companies. For critical software like construction costing and ERP, enterprises will have to pay the subscription fee as long as they carry out daily operation. Among China SaaS, we continue to like Glodon and Kingdee.
- Prefer quality SaaS names including Glodon and Kingdee. We prefer the downstream SaaS players more than the upstream laaS/ PaaS and IDC along the China cloud supply chain. Raise Glodon target price to RMB85.00 (prior RMB72.03) and Kingdee target price to HK\$24.37 (prior HK\$18.31) as we expect supporting policies on software localization to drive sector re-rating.

Valuation Table

| Valuation | abic | | | | | | | |
|-------------------|-----------|--------|-------|-------|----------|-------|-------|------------|
| | | | Price | TP | EV/sales | P/E | ROE | Sales CAGR |
| Company | Ticker | Rating | (LC) | (LC) | FY22E | FY22E | FY22E | FY21-24E |
| Glodon | 002410 CH | BUY | 57.43 | 85.00 | 9.5 | 69.6 | 15% | 19% |
| Kingdee | 268 HK | BUY | 20.00 | 24.37 | 10.9 | n.a. | n.a. | 31% |
| Yonyou | 600588 CH | HOLD | 20.35 | 19.58 | 6.2 | 101.8 | 6% | 20% |
| MYC | 909 HK | HOLD | 12.68 | 11.22 | 6.2 | 107.0 | 4% | 13% |
| GDS | GDS US | BUY | 34.74 | 46.00 | 8.2 | n.a. | n.a. | 19% |
| GDS | 9698 HK | BUY | 35.80 | 44.55 | 8.5 | n.a. | n.a. | 19% |
| Kingsoft Cloud | KC US | BUY | 4.67 | 7.26 | 0.5 | n.a. | n.a. | 13% |
| Chinasoft | 354 HK | BUY | 8.00 | 10.52 | 0.8 | 15.6 | 10% | 19% |

Source: Bloomberg, CMBIGM estimates

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IDC

COVID-19/ lockdowns impacts to FY2Q22

- <u>Disturbed move-in schedule:</u> Lockdowns have caused delay in capacity move-in in Mar-May. Although lockdown measures have been largely removed, server delivery/ logistics remain an issue in Jun and it is unlikely to see big jump in capacity move-in.
- Extra cost in 2Q: Some data centers in use are affected by lockdown measures. However, as these data centers operate 24/7, extra operating cost was incurred in Mar-May and could slightly affect FY2Q22 margin.

Figure 1: Alibaba/ Tencent total committed area to GDS continued to decline in FY1Q22

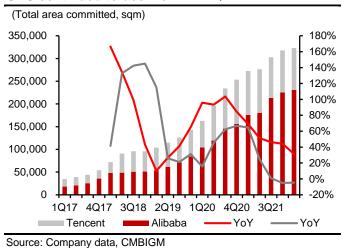
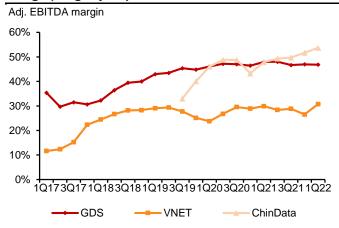


Figure 2: IDC profitability (in terms of adj. EBITDA margin) slightly improved in FY1Q22



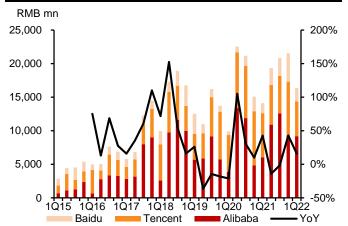
Source: Company data, CMBIGM

Demand

- Changing customer mix: IDC demand by customer mix is changing with increasing proportion from internet companies and enterprises.
- Cloud service providers (CSP) are taking a slower pace: CSP demand grow moderately and they are focusing more on improving profitability and efficiency of their cloud services.
- <u>Large internet companies are building private cloud:</u> Large internet companies use less public cloud services starting from 2019 and build their own private cloud.
- Financial institutions' IT infrastructure undergoes domestic substitution: Financial enterprises have high acceptance to cloud services with demand driven by domestic substitution. These large financial institutions order size could be similar to internet companies. However, the demand for wholesale IDC may not be very sustainable as it is correlated to the server upgrade cycle.

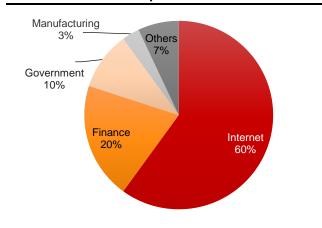


Figure 3: BAT operating capex (quarterly)



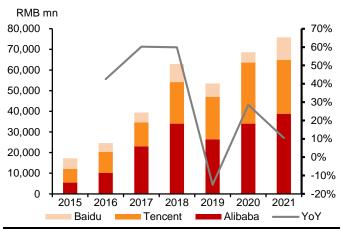
Source: Company data, CMBIGM

Figure 5: IDCs downstream customers are mainly internet cloud service providers



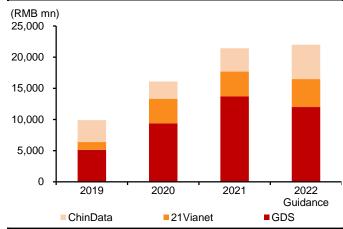
Source: iResearch (2019), CMBIGM

Figure 4: BAT operating capex (yearly)



Source: Company data, CMBIGM

Figure 6: IDCs are turning conservative in expansion in 2022E according to their capex plan



Source: Company data, CMBIGM

• Eastern Data, Western Compute (EDWC)

- <u>Latency issue:</u> Latency remains the core difficulty in implementing the Eastern Data, Western Compute plan. It first requires telecom operators to invest in network enhancement in the western regions before cloud service providers could commit into such plan.
- PUE/ utilization requirements: IDC utilization rate in western regions is low at 20-30%. If government requires a utilization at 60-65%, some regions may not give out new power/ land quota for IDC before meeting the utilization requirement.



Figure 7: IDCs generally guided a softer FY22E outlook with slower revenue growth, decline in adj. EBITDA margin and a more conservative capex plan

| | | FY1Q22 | | | FY22E Guidance * | |
|----------|---------------------|--------------------------|-------|--------------------|--------------------------|----------------------|
| RMB bn | Revenue | Adj. EBITDA margin | Сарех | Revenue | Adj. EBITDA margin | Capex |
| GDS | 2.244 (+32% YoY) | 46.9% (-1.1ppts YoY) | 4.93 | 9.5 (+22% YoY) | 46.0% (-1.4 ppts YoY) | 12.0 (-12.4% YoY) |
| 21Vianet | 1.645 (+19% YoY) | 30.8% (+0.8 ppts YoY) | 1.02 | 7.6 (+23% YoY) | 27.0% (-1.4 ppts YoY) | 4.5 (+12.8% YoY) |
| ChinData | 0.921 (+43% YoY) | 53.7% (+5.9 ppts YoY) | 1.23 | 4.18 (+46% YoY) | 51.2% (+1.5 ppts YoY) | 5.5 (+46.0% YoY) |

Source: Company data, CMBIGM *reflects mid-point of guidance

laaS/ PaaS

Public cloud demand

- Content Delivery Network (CDN): Demand for CDN services has slowed down since 2021. Several CSPs have adjusted their CDN product strategy including Tencent, Kingsoft Cloud and UCloud. Apart from the top CSPs, telecom operators can also provide CDN services.
- Compute/ Storage: Demand is still largely driven by internet customers and they have shifted their focus from top line growth to profitability with stricter control on cloud spending. Cloud service demand and capex from internet companies will have moderate growth this year.

Private/ hybrid cloud demand

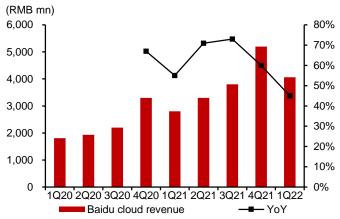
- <u>Public services:</u> The delivery of public service cloud project has experienced delay because of lockdowns, especially in Apr-May. There is still uncertainty in new bidding schedule.
- <u>Financial institutions:</u> Demand comes from domestic substitution to replace Oracle database with domestic database.
- Healthcare industry: To facilitate medical data integration and coordination between hospitals, National Health Commission of the People's Republic of China (卫健委) takes the lead role in building a regional cloud platform.

Figure 8: AliCloud revenue

Source: Company data, CMBIGM

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Figure 9: Baidu Cloud revenue



Source: Company data, CMBIGM

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Figure 10: laaS/ PaaS providers comment on 1Q22 and cloud outlook

| Cloud vendors | CY1Q22 revenue (RMB mn) | YoY | Comments |
|----------------|----------------------------|------|--|
| Alibaba | 18,971 | 12% | Strong growth in telecommunications, financial services and retail industries, partly offset by declining revenue in online education and entertainment. Excluding revenue generated from a top customer in the internet industry that has gradually stopped using our overseas cloud services due to non-product related requirements, our Cloud revenue, after inter-segment elimination, would have grown +15% YoY during the quarter. |
| Tencent | n.a. | n.a. | Business Services revenue declined slightly YoY as we proactively scaled back certain loss-making activities including 1) projects with high proportion of subcontracts; 2) deeply-discounted contracts for Cloud Virtual Machines and CDN capacity. Instead, we increased healthier-margin self-developed PaaS revenue, especially in video cloud and cybersecurity. |
| Baidu | 4,060 | 45% | Non-online marketing revenue was RMB5.7bn (+35% YoY), driven by cloud an other AI-powered businesses. |
| Kingsoft Cloud | 2,174 | 20% | Proactively downsizing CDN business since 4Q21. Core cloud services (excluding CDN) increased by +61.2% YoY. |
| UCloud | 528 | -26% | Lower-margin CDN business revenue declined YoY |
| China Telecom | n.a. | n.a. | Industrial Digitalization (including industry cloud, IDC, IoT etc.) revenue was at RMB29.41bn, up +23.2% YoY |
| China Mobile | n.a. | n.a. | DICT revenue was at RMB23.7bn, up +50.9% YoY |
| China Unicom | 9,120 | 114% | Unicom Cloud (联通云) revenue was at RMB9,120mn, up +114% YoY IDC revenue was at RMB6,231mn, up +14.5% YoY |

Source: Company data, CMBIGM

SaaS

COVID-19/ lockdowns impact

 <u>Limited impact:</u> As contract renewal, delivery and training can be done online, subscription based SaaS companies did not face much impact from COVID-19/ lockdowns.

Acceptance of subscription model by enterprises

- SME: SME are willing to pay for the use of software over the cloud if it helps in cost saving and improving operating efficiency.
- Large enterprises: Large enterprises are less willing to accept subscription based SaaS model as the value-add from SaaS is not obvious. Large enterprises are not price sensitive, and they are willing to pay for highly customized software. Reducing internal IT workforce and cost savings are not the priority concerns of large enterprises.



Earnings revision - Glodon (002410 CH, BUY, TP RMB85.00)

Figure 11: Earnings revision

| | | 2022E | | | 2023E | | | 2024E | |
|--------------|-------|-------|--------|-------|-------|--------|-------|-------|--------|
| RMBm | New | Old | %Diff | New | Old | %Diff | New | Old | %Diff |
| Sales | 6,760 | 6,760 | - | 7,964 | 7,964 | - | 9,389 | 9,389 | - |
| Gross profit | 5,627 | 5,627 | -0% | 6,496 | 6,497 | -0% | 7,549 | 7,551 | -0% |
| OP Profit | 1,142 | 1,142 | -0% | 1,248 | 1,248 | -0% | 1,464 | 1,465 | -0% |
| PBT | 1,107 | 1,107 | -0% | 1,237 | 1,238 | -0% | 1,474 | 1,475 | -0% |
| Net profit | 905 | 904 | 0% | 1,050 | 1,050 | 0% | 1,261 | 1,261 | 0% |
| EPS | 0.76 | 0.76 | 0% | 0.88 | 0.88 | 0% | 1.06 | 1.06 | 0% |
| Margins | | | | | | | | | |
| GM | 83.2% | 83.3% | -1 bps | 81.6% | 81.6% | -1 bps | 80.4% | 80.4% | -1 bps |
| OPM | 16.9% | 16.9% | -1 bps | 15.7% | 15.7% | -1 bps | 15.6% | 15.6% | -1 bps |
| PBT margin | 16.4% | 16.4% | -1 bps | 15.5% | 15.5% | -1 bps | 15.7% | 15.7% | -1 bps |
| Net margin | 13.4% | 13.4% | 1 bps | 13.2% | 13.2% | 1 bps | 13.4% | 13.4% | 0 bps |

Source: Company data, CMBIGM estimates

Figure 12: CMBI vs. consensus

| | | 2022 | | | 2023 | | | 2024 | |
|--------------|-------|--------|----------|-------|--------|----------|-------|--------|----------|
| RMBm | CMBI | Street | Diff | CMBI | Street | Diff | CMBI | Street | Diff |
| Sales | 6,760 | 6,911 | -2% | 7,964 | 8,402 | -5% | 9,389 | 10,142 | -7% |
| Gross profit | 5,627 | 5,782 | -3% | 6,496 | 6,989 | -7% | 7,549 | 8,374 | -10% |
| OP Profit | 1,142 | 1,181 | -3% | 1,248 | 1,571 | -21% | 1,464 | 1,920 | -24% |
| PBT | 1,107 | 1,126 | -2% | 1,237 | 1,492 | -17% | 1,474 | 1,836 | -20% |
| Net profit | 905 | 994 | -9% | 1,050 | 1,352 | -22% | 1,261 | 1,710 | -26% |
| EPS | 0.8 | 0.8 | -8% | 0.9 | 1.1 | -21% | 1.1 | 1.4 | -26% |
| Margins | | | | | | | | | |
| GM | 83.2% | 83.7% | -42 bps | 81.6% | 83.2% | -161 bps | 80.4% | 82.6% | -216 bps |
| OPM | 16.9% | 17.1% | -20 bps | 15.7% | 18.7% | -303 bps | 15.6% | 18.9% | -333 bps |
| PBT margin | 16.4% | 16.3% | 9 bps | 15.5% | 17.8% | -222 bps | 15.7% | 18.1% | -241 bps |
| Net margin | 13.4% | 14.4% | -100 bps | 13.2% | 16.1% | -291 bps | 13.4% | 16.9% | -343 bps |

Source: Company data, Bloomberg, CMBIGM estimates

Figure 13: Quarterly operating model

| RMB mn | 1Q20 | 2Q20 | 3Q20 | 4Q20 | 1Q21 | 2Q21 | 3Q21 | 4Q21 | 1Q22 | 2Q22E | 3Q22E | 4Q22E |
|------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Revenues | 566 | 1,043 | 979 | 1,417 | 849 | 1,329 | 1,423 | 2,018 | 1,131 | 1,555 | 1,690 | 2,384 |
| Gross Profit | 534 | 924 | 879 | 1,213 | 764 | 1,171 | 1,220 | 1,572 | 967 | 1,371 | 1,431 | 1,858 |
| Operating income | 82 | 121 | 121 | 84 | 90 | 244 | 191 | 222 | 145 | 348 | 348 | 301 |
| Net profit | 53 | 77 | 100 | 101 | 77 | 209 | 189 | 186 | 109 | 241 | 301 | 254 |
| EPS (RMB) | 0.05 | 0.07 | 0.08 | 0.08 | 0.06 | 0.18 | 0.16 | 0.16 | 0.09 | 0.20 | 0.25 | 0.21 |
| <u>Margins</u> | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Gross margin | 94.3% | 88.6% | 89.8% | 85.6% | 90.0% | 88.1% | 85.7% | 77.9% | 85.5% | 88.2% | 84.7% | 77.9% |
| Operating margin | 14.5% | 11.6% | 12.4% | 5.9% | 10.6% | 18.4% | 13.5% | 11.0% | 12.9% | 22.4% | 20.6% | 12.6% |
| Net margin | 9.4% | 7.4% | 10.2% | 7.1% | 9.0% | 15.7% | 13.3% | 9.2% | 9.6% | 15.5% | 17.8% | 10.7% |
| Growth (QoQ) | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Revenues | -57% | 84% | -6% | 45% | -40% | 57% | 7% | 42% | -44% | 37% | 9% | 41% |
| Gross Profit | -53% | 73% | -5% | 38% | -37% | 53% | 4% | 29% | -38% | 42% | 4% | 30% |
| Operating income | -26% | 47% | 1% | -31% | 8% | 171% | -22% | 16% | -35% | 139% | 0% | -14% |
| EPS | -31% | 42% | 26% | 1% | -24% | 173% | -10% | -2% | -41% | 122% | 25% | -15% |
| Growth (YoY) | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Revenues | 20% | 15% | 14% | 9% | 50% | 27% | 45% | 42% | 33% | 17% | 19% | 18% |
| Gross Profit | 20% | 8% | 18% | 8% | 43% | 27% | 39% | 30% | 27% | 17% | 17% | 18% |
| Operating income | 9% | 113% | 28% | -25% | 10% | 103% | 58% | 166% | 61% | 42% | 82% | 35% |
| EPS | -5% | 119% | 37% | 26% | 38% | 165% | 89% | 84% | 41% | 15% | 58% | 37% |

Source: Company data, Bloomberg, CMBIGM estimates



Valuation – Glodon (002410 CH, BUY, TP RMB85.00)

We maintain BUY with new target price of RMB85.00 (prior RMB72.03) as we roll-over our target multiple to 12x FY23E EV/Sales (prior FY22E).

Figure 14: Peers' valuation

| Company | Ticker | Rating | Market Cap (US\$ mn) | Price (LC) | TP (LC) | EV/sa FY22E | les (x) FY23E | FCF mai | rgin (%) FY23E | Sales CAGR FY21-24E | EPS CAGR FY21-24E |
|--------------------|-----------|--------|----------------------------|---------------|------------|----------------|------------------|---------|-------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|
| Glodon | 002410 CH | BUY | 10,220 | 57.43 | 85.00 | 9.5 | 7.8 | 13% | 12% | 19% | 24% |
| MYC | 909 HK | HOLD | 3,191 | 12.68 | 11.22 | 6.2 | 4.9 | 14% | 3% | 13% | n.a. |
| Yonyou | 600588 CH | HOLD | 10,448 | 20.35 | 19.58 | 6.2 | 5.1 | 13% | 7% | 18% | 19% |
| Kingsoft Office | 688111 CH | NR | 13,895 | 201.63 | N/A | 20.4 | 15.4 | 59% | 21% | 30% | 27% |
| Kingdee | 268 HK | BUY | 8,856 | 20.00 | 24.37 | 10.9 | 8.7 | 4% | 3% | 20% | n.a. |
| Autodesk | ADSK US | NR | 41,821 | 192.48 | N/A | 9.9 | 8.6 | 36% | 29% | 15% | 26% |
| CoStar | CSGP US | NR | 24,903 | 62.85 | N/A | 10.2 | 8.8 | 22% | 17% | 15% | 15% |
| | | | | | Mean | 10.5 | 8.5 | 23% | 13% | 19% | 22% |
| | | | | | Median | 9.9 | 8.6 | 14% | 12% | 18% | 24% |

Source: Bloomberg, CMBIGM estimates

Figure 15: 12M forward EV/sales chart

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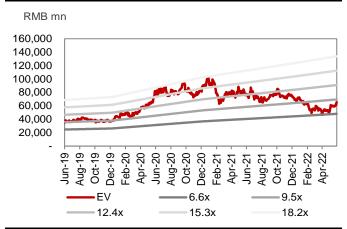
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Source: Bloomberg, CMBIGM

Figure 16: 12M forward EV/sales band



Source: Bloomberg, CMBIGM



Earnings revision – Kingdee (268 HK, BUY, TP HK\$24.37)

Figure 17: Earnings revision

| | | 2022E | | | 2023E | | | 2024E | |
|--------------|--------|--------|---------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| RMBm | New | Old | %Diff | New | Old | %Diff | New | Old | %Diff |
| Sales | 4,927 | 4,925 | 0% | 6,050 | 6,048 | 0% | 7,218 | 7,207 | 0% |
| Gross profit | 3,100 | 3,097 | 0% | 3,869 | 3,867 | 0% | 4,663 | 4,656 | 0% |
| OP Profit | -769 | -760 | 1% | -478 | -478 | 0% | -107 | -107 | -0% |
| PBT | -435 | -426 | 2% | -150 | -150 | 0% | 225 | 225 | 0% |
| Net profit | -380 | -372 | 2% | -128 | -128 | 0% | 193 | 192 | 0% |
| EPS | -0.11 | -0.11 | 2% | -0.04 | -0.04 | 0% | 0.06 | 0.06 | 0% |
| Margins | | | | | | | | | |
| GM | 62.9% | 62.9% | 3 bps | 63.9% | 63.9% | 0 bps | 64.6% | 64.6% | 0 bps |
| OPM | -15.6% | -15.4% | -18 bps | -7.9% | -7.9% | 0 bps | -1.5% | -1.5% | 1 bps |
| PBT margin | -8.8% | -8.6% | -18 bps | -2.5% | -2.5% | 0 bps | 3.1% | 3.1% | 0 bps |
| Net margin | -7.7% | -7.6% | -16 bps | -2.1% | -2.1% | 0 bps | 2.7% | 2.7% | 0 bps |

Source: Company data, CMBIGM estimates

Figure 18: CMBI vs. consensus

| | | 2022 | | | 2023 | | | 2024 | |
|--------------|--------|--------|----------|-------|--------|----------|-------|--------|----------|
| RMBm | CMBI | Street | Diff | CMBI | Street | Diff | CMBI | Street | Diff |
| Sales | 4,927 | 5,157 | -4% | 6,050 | 6,477 | -7% | 7,218 | 8,119 | -11% |
| Gross profit | 3,100 | 3,281 | -6% | 3,869 | 4,179 | -7% | 4,663 | 5,306 | -12% |
| OP Profit | -769 | -480 | 60% | -478 | -280 | 71% | -107 | -1 | 8,667% |
| PBT | -435 | -323 | 35% | -150 | -117 | 28% | 225 | 196 | 15% |
| Net profit | -380 | -284 | 34% | -128 | -126 | 2% | 193 | 127 | 52% |
| EPS | -0.11 | -0.08 | 35% | -0.04 | -0.03 | 15% | 0.06 | 0.04 | 32% |
| Margins | | | | | | | | | |
| GM | 62.9% | 63.6% | -69 bps | 63.9% | 64.5% | -58 bps | 64.6% | 65.4% | -75 bps |
| OPM | -15.6% | -9.3% | -629 bps | -7.9% | -4.3% | -358 bps | -1.5% | 0.0% | -146 bps |
| PBT margin | -8.8% | -6.3% | -257 bps | -2.5% | -1.8% | -67 bps | 3.1% | 2.4% | 71 bps |
| Net margin | -7.7% | -5.5% | -220 bps | -2.1% | -1.9% | -17 bps | 2.7% | 1.6% | 111 bps |

Source: Company data, Bloomberg, CMBIGM estimates

Figure 19: Half-yearly operating model

| RMB mn | 1H20 | 2H20 | 1H21 | 2H21 | 1H22E | 2H22E | 1H23E | 2H23E |
|------------------|--------|--------|--------|-------|--------|--------|--------|-------|
| Revenues | 1,387 | 1,969 | 1,872 | 2,302 | 2,069 | 2,858 | 2,602 | 3,449 |
| Gross Profit | 890 | 1,319 | 1,174 | 1,459 | 1,338 | 1,762 | 1,661 | 2,208 |
| Operating profit | -383 | -231 | -546 | -212 | -570 | -198 | -561 | 83 |
| Net profit | -224 | -111 | -413 | 111 | -349 | -31 | -331 | 203 |
| Adj. net profit | -467 | -182 | -642 | -84 | -625 | -311 | -657 | -111 |
| EPS (RMB) | -0.07 | -0.03 | -0.12 | 0.03 | -0.10 | -0.01 | -0.10 | 0.06 |
| <u>Margins</u> | | | | | | | | |
| Gross margin | 64.2% | 67.0% | 62.7% | 63.4% | 64.7% | 61.7% | 63.9% | 64.0% |
| Operating margin | -27.6% | -11.7% | -29.2% | -9.2% | -27.6% | -6.9% | -21.6% | 2.4% |
| Net margin | -16.1% | -5.7% | -22.1% | 4.8% | -16.9% | -1.1% | -12.7% | 5.9% |
| Adj. net margin | -33.7% | -9.3% | -34.3% | -3.7% | -30.2% | -10.9% | -25.2% | -3.2% |
| Growth (HoH) | | | | | | | | |
| Revenues | -25% | 42% | -5% | 23% | -10% | 38% | -9% | 33% |
| Gross Profit | -27% | 48% | -11% | 24% | -8% | 32% | -6% | 33% |
| Operating profit | n.a. | n.a. | n.a. | n.a. | n.a. | n.a. | n.a. | n.a. |
| Net profit | n.a. | n.a. | n.a. | n.a. | n.a. | n.a. | n.a. | n.a. |
| Adj. net margin | n.a. | n.a. | n.a. | n.a. | n.a. | n.a. | n.a. | n.a. |
| Growth (YoY) | | | | | | | | |
| Revenues | -7% | 7% | 35% | 17% | 11% | 24% | 26% | 21% |
| Gross Profit | -25% | 8% | 32% | 11% | 14% | 21% | 24% | 25% |
| Operating profit | n.a. | n.a. | n.a. | n.a. | n.a. | n.a. | n.a. | n.a. |
| Net profit | n.a. | n.a. | n.a. | n.a. | n.a. | n.a. | n.a. | n.a. |
| Adj. net margin | n.a. | n.a. | n.a. | n.a. | n.a. | n.a. | n.a. | n.a. |

Source: Company data, Bloomberg, CMBIGM estimates



Valuation - Kingdee (268 HK, BUY, TP HK\$24.37)

We maintain BUY on Kingdee with new target price of HK\$24.37 (prior HK\$18.31), based on 11.0x (prior 8.3x) FY23E EV/sales, in-line with its three year mean. We raise our target multiple as market sentiment on SaaS is improving as China is expected to roll out favourable policy to boost economy in FY2H22E. In particular, we expect government to launch more supportive policies related to "Xinchuang" implementation and hence result in software sector rerating opportunities.

Figure 20: Kingdee peers valuation comparison

| <u> </u> | | | Market Cap | Price | TP | EV/sa | les (x) | FCF ma | rgin (%) | Sales CAGR | EPS CAGR |
|--------------------|-----------|--------|---------------|--------|--------|-------|---------|--------|----------|---------------|----------|
| Company | Ticker | Rating | (US\$ mn) | (LC) | (LC) | FY22E | FY23E | FY22E | FY23E | FY21-24E | FY21-24E |
| Kingdee | 268 HK | BUY | 8,856 | 20.00 | 24.37 | 10.9 | 8.7 | 4% | 8% | 20% | n.a. |
| Yonyou | 600588 CH | HOLD | 10,448 | 20.35 | 19.58 | 6.2 | 5.1 | 9% | 7% | 18% | 19% |
| Kingsoft Office | 688111 CH | NR | 13,895 | 201.63 | N/A | 20.4 | 15.4 | 28% | 34% | 31% | 31% |
| SAP | SAP US | NR | 120,897 | 98.41 | N/A | 4.1 | 3.8 | 13% | 16% | 9% | n.a. |
| Intuit | INTU US | NR | 117,801 | 417.62 | N/A | 9.6 | 8.3 | 29% | 30% | 20% | 29% |
| Xero | XRO AU | NR | 8,609 | 83.13 | N/A | 12.7 | 9.9 | -7% | 2% | 25% | 72% |
| Workday | WDAY US | NR | 38,571 | 152.05 | N/A | 7.2 | 5.9 | 26% | 19% | 20% | n.a. |
| ServiceNow | NOW US | NR | 101,050 | 504.09 | N/A | 13.4 | 10.7 | 31% | 32% | 25% | 119% |
| Salesforce | CRM US | NR | 184,990 | 185.92 | N/A | 7.0 | 5.8 | 19% | 21% | 21% | 9% |
| | | | | | Mean | 10.2 | 8.2 | 17% | 19% | 21% | 46% |
| | | | | | Median | 9.6 | 8.3 | 19% | 19% | 20% | 30% |

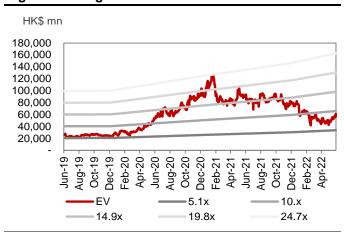
Source: Bloomberg, CMBIGM estimates

Figure 21: Kingdee 12M forward EV/sales chart



Source: Bloomberg, CMBIGM estimates

Figure 22: Kingdee 12M forward EV/sales band



Source: Bloomberg, CMBIGM estimates



Financial Summary – Glodon (002410 CH)

| Income statement | | | | | | Cash flow summary | | | | | |
|----------------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|-------------------------------|---------|---------|-------|-------|-------|
| YE 31 Dec (RMB mn) | FY20 | FY21 | FY22E | FY23E | FY24E | YE 31 Dec (RMB mn) | FY20 | FY21 | FY22E | FY23E | FY24E |
| Revenue | 4,005 | 5,619 | 6,760 | 7,964 | 9,389 | Net profit | 330 | 661 | 905 | 1,050 | 1,261 |
| Cost of sales | (454) | (893) | (1,133) | (1,468) | (1,839) | Depreciation/amortization | 229 | 158 | 286 | 327 | 371 |
| Gross profit | 3,550 | 4,727 | 5,627 | 6,496 | 7,549 | Change in working capital | 784 | 525 | 352 | 533 | 621 |
| | | | | | | Others | 533 | 258 | 197 | 114 | 143 |
| Selling exp | (1,256) | (1,587) | (1,753) | (2,070) | (2,389) | Net cash from operating | 1,876 | 1,601 | 1,740 | 2,024 | 2,396 |
| Admin exp | (879) | (1,099) | (1,285) | (1,477) | (1,727) | | | | | | |
| R&D exp | (1,083) | (1,333) | (1,508) | (1,765) | (2,045) | Capex | (439) | (720) | (643) | (718) | (691) |
| Other operating exp. | 75 | 41 | 60 | 63 | 76 | Other | (257) | (821) | 155 | 0 | 0 |
| Operating profit | 408 | 748 | 1,142 | 1,248 | 1,464 | Net cash from investing | (697) | (1,541) | (488) | (718) | (691) |
| Finance income/ (costs) | 17 | 53 | 44 | 54 | 66 | Net borrowings | (1,088) | (3) | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Other non-op exp. | (15) | (52) | (79) | (64) | (56) | Dividend paid | (157) | (354) | (357) | (238) | (238) |
| Pre-tax profit | 410 | 749 | 1,107 | 1,237 | 1,474 | Other | 2,645 | (438) | (277) | (114) | (143) |
| | | | | | | Net cash from financing | 1,400 | (795) | (634) | (352) | (381) |
| Income tax expense | (29) | (31) | (95) | (73) | (69) | | | | | | |
| Minority interests | (51) | (58) | (107) | (114) | (143) | Net change in cash | 2,580 | (735) | 617 | 954 | 1,324 |
| Net profit to shareholders | 330 | 661 | 905 | 1,050 | 1,261 | Cash at beginning of the year | 2,231 | 4,797 | 4,050 | 4,661 | 5,615 |
| | | | | | | Exchange difference | (14) | (13) | (6) | 0 | 0 |
| | | | | | | Cash at the end of the year | 4,797 | 4,050 | 4,661 | 5,615 | 6,938 |

| Balance sheet | | | | | | Key ratios | | | | | |
|-------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------|---------------------|--------------------------|----------|-----------|----------|-----------|----------|
| YE 31 Dec (RMB mn) | FY20 | FY21 | FY22E | FY23E | FY24E | YE 31 Dec | FY20 | FY21 | FY22E | FY23E | FY24E |
| Current assets | 5,420 | 5,122 | 5,468 | 6,393 | 7,692 | Revenue mix | | | | | |
| Cash & equivalents | 4,797 | 4,050 | 4,661 | 5,615 | 6,938 | Engineering costing | 70% | 68% | 68% | 67% | 66% |
| Account receivables | 475 | 560 | 661 | 623 | 587 | - SaaS | 41% | 46% | 50% | 53% | 55% |
| Inventory | 26 | 71 | 52 | 62 | 73 | Engineering construction | 24% | 21% | 22% | 22% | 22% |
| Other current assets | 121 | 441 | 94 | 94 | 94 | Overseas | 4% | 3% | 2% | 2% | 2% |
| | | | | | | Others | 1% | 5% | 4% | 4% | 4% |
| Non-current assets | 4,127 | 4,946 | 5,194 | 5,585 | 5,905 | Finance income | 1% | 1% | 0% | 0% | 0% |
| PPE | 994 | 1,219 | 1,619 | 2,191 | 2,692 | | | | | | |
| Intangible assets | 1,664 | 1,979 | 1,888 | 1,707 | 1,526 | Growth (%) | | | | | |
| Other non-current assets | 1,470 | 1,747 | 1,687 | 1,687 | 1,687 | Revenue | 13% | 40% | 20% | 18% | 18% |
| Total assets | 9,547 | 10,068 | 10,662 | 11,978 | 13,597 | Operating profit | 21% | 84% | 53% | 9% | 17% |
| | | | | | | EPS | 34% | 99% | 37% | 16% | 20% |
| Current liabilities | 2,858 | 3,637 | 4,058 | 4,562 | 5,158 | | | | | | |
| ST borrowings | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | Profit & loss ratio (%) | | | | | |
| Account payables | 1,740 | 2,395 | 2,829 | 3,333 | 3,930 | Gross margin | 88.7% | 84.1% | 83.2% | 81.6% | 80.4% |
| Accrued expense | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | Operating margin | 10.2% | 13.3% | 16.9% | 15.7% | 15.6% |
| Unearned revenue | 1,115 | 1,242 | 1,229 | 1,229 | 1,229 | Net profit margin | 8.3% | 11.8% | 13.4% | 13.2% | 13.4% |
| Non-current liabilities | 131 | 158 | 171 | 171 | 171 | Balance sheet ratio | | | | | |
| LT borrowings | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | Receivable turnover days | 49 | 34 | 33 | 29 | 24 |
| Other non-current liabilities | 131 | 158 | 171 | 171 | 171 | Unearned revenue days | 81 | 77 | 67 | 56 | 48 |
| Total liabilities | 2,989 | 3, 795 | 4,229 | 4,733 | 5,330 | Payable turnover days | 159 | 156 | 153 | 153 | 153 |
| Total Habilities | 2,909 | 3,793 | 4,223 | 4,733 | 3,330 | Current ratio (x) | 1.90 | 1.41 | 1.35 | 1.40 | 1.49 |
| Share capital | 1,186 | 1,189 | 1,190 | 1,190 | 1,190 | Net debt to equity | | | | net cash | - |
| Capital surplus | 3,135 | 3,174 | 3,062 | 3,062 | 3,062 | Net debt to equity | net cash | net casii | net cash | net casii | net cash |
| Retained earnings | 1,957 | 2,432 | 2,979 | 3,792 | 4,815 | Profitability (%) | | | | | |
| Other reserves | 1,937 | , | | (1,277) | (1,277) | ROE | 7% | 11% | 15% | 17% | 17% |
| | | (1,007) | (1,277) | 478 | , , | | 18% | 34% | 48% | | |
| Minority interest | 156 6,558 | 485 6,273 | 478 6,432 | 7,245 | 478 8,268 | KUIC | 10% | 34% | 40% | 63% | 85% |
| Total equity | , | , | , | , | , | Por chara data (PMP) | | | | | |
| Total liabilities and equity | 9,547 | 10,068 | 10,662 | 11,978 | 13,597 | Per share data (RMB) | 0.00 | 0.50 | 0.70 | 0.00 | 1.00 |
| | | | | | | EPS (RMB) | 0.28 | 0.56 | 0.76 | 0.88 | 1.06 |
| | | | | | | DPS (RMB) | 0.25 | 0.30 | 0.20 | 0.20 | 0.20 |
| | | | | | | BVPS (RMB) | 5.40 | 4.87 | 5.00 | 5.68 | 6.54 |

Source: Company data, CMBIGM estimates



Financial Summary – Kingdee (268 HK)

| Income statement | | | | | | Cash flow summary | | | | | |
|----------------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|-------------------------------|---------|---------|-------|-------|-------|
| YE 31 Dec (RMB mn) | FY20A | FY21A | FY22E | FY23E | FY24E | YE 31 Dec (RMB mn) | FY20A | FY21A | FY22E | FY23E | FY24E |
| Revenue | 3,356 | 4,174 | 4,927 | 6,050 | 7,218 | Net profit | (383) | (382) | (435) | (150) | 225 |
| Cost of sales | (1,147) | (1,541) | (1,827) | (2,182) | (2,555) | Depreciation/amortization | 493 | 439 | 447 | 493 | 548 |
| Gross profit | 2,209 | 2,634 | 3,100 | 3,869 | 4,663 | Change in working capital | 364 | 560 | 605 | 724 | 735 |
| | | | | | | Others | (1) | 44 | (35) | (67) | (116) |
| Selling exp | (1,425) | (1,741) | (1,947) | (2,164) | (2,336) | Net cash from operating | 473 | 661 | 583 | 1,000 | 1,392 |
| Admin exp | (414) | (466) | (519) | (584) | (626) | | | | | | |
| R&D exp | (984) | (1,185) | (1,402) | (1,599) | (1,808) | Capex | (353) | (772) | (591) | (726) | (866) |
| Other operating exp. | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | Others | (1,138) | (433) | 70 | 82 | 94 |
| Operating profit | (614) | (758) | (769) | (478) | (107) | Net cash from investing | (1,491) | (1,205) | (522) | (644) | (773) |
| Finance income/ (costs) | 36 | 76 | 66 | 66 | 79 | Net borrowings | (80) | (120) | 310 | (20) | (7) |
| Other non-op income/ (exp) | 195 | 299 | 268 | 262 | 254 | Dividend paid | (37) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Pre-tax profit | (383) | (382) | (435) | (150) | 225 | New shares | 2,091 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | | | | | | Others | (9) | (24) | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Income tax expense | 41 | 44 | 35 | 15 | (23) | Net cash from financing | 1,966 | (144) | 310 | (20) | (7) |
| Minority interests | 6 | 36 | 20 | 7 | (10) | _ | | | | | |
| Net profit to shareholders | (335) | (302) | (380) | (128) | 193 | Net change in cash | 948 | (688) | 371 | 336 | 613 |
| • | | | | | | Cash at beginning of the year | 1,899 | 2,754 | 2,047 | 2,418 | 2,754 |
| | | | | | | Exchange difference | (93) | (19) | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | | | | | | Cash at the end of the year | 2,754 | 2,047 | 2,418 | 2,754 | 3,367 |

| Balance sheet | | | | | | Key ratios | | | | | |
|-------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|------------------------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| YE 31 Dec (RMB mn) | FY20A | FY21A | FY22E | FY23E | FY24E | YE 31 Dec | FY20A | FY21A | FY22E | FY23E | FY24E |
| Current assets | 6,183 | 4,471 | 4,834 | 5,279 | 6,012 | Revenue mix | | | | | |
| Cash & equivalents | 2,754 | 2,047 | 2,418 | 2,754 | 3,367 | Cloud Services | 57% | 66% | 72% | 78% | 83% |
| Short-term bank deposits | 1,236 | 370 | 370 | 370 | 370 | Cosmic & Constellation | 6% | 9% | 11% | 13% | 15% |
| Account receivables | 334 | 392 | 428 | 526 | 627 | Galaxy | 34% | 34% | 36% | 39% | 41% |
| Contract assets | 357 | 323 | 377 | 352 | 351 | Others | 17% | 23% | 25% | 26% | 27% |
| Contract obtaining costs | 142 | 248 | 150 | 180 | 193 | Management Software | 43% | 34% | 28% | 22% | 17% |
| Others | 1,361 | 1,091 | 1,090 | 1,097 | 1,103 | License | 13% | 11% | 10% | 8% | 6% |
| | | | | | | Implementation & maintenance | 30% | 23% | 18% | 14% | 11% |
| Non-current assets | 4,539 | 6,616 | 6,760 | 6,993 | 7,311 | | | | | | |
| PPE | 746 | 1,045 | 1,087 | 1,147 | 1,226 | Growth (%) | | | | | |
| Intangible assets | 786 | 1,037 | 1,140 | 1,313 | 1,552 | Revenue | 1% | 24% | 18% | 23% | 19% |
| Investment properties | 1,651 | 1,538 | 1,538 | 1,538 | 1,538 | Operating profit | n.a. | n.a. | n.a. | n.a. | n.a. |
| Other non-current assets | 1,356 | 2,995 | 2,995 | 2,995 | 2,995 | Net profit | n.a. | n.a. | n.a. | n.a. | n.a. |
| Total assets | 10,722 | 11,087 | 11,594 | 12,272 | 13,323 | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | Profit & loss ratio (%) | | | | | |
| Current liabilities | 2,599 | 3,084 | 3,779 | 4,606 | 5,459 | Gross margin | 66% | 63% | 63% | 64% | 65% |
| Trade and other payables | 795 | 759 | 875 | 993 | 1,105 | Operating margin | -18% | -18% | -16% | -8% | -1% |
| Contract liabilities | 1,484 | 2,165 | 2,645 | 3,361 | 4,103 | Net profit margin | -10% | -7% | -8% | -2% | 3% |
| Borrowings | 120 | 0 | 99 | 93 | 91 | | | | | | |
| Others | 200 | 160 | 160 | 160 | 160 | Balance sheet ratio | | | | | |
| | | | | | | Receivable turnover days | 35 | 32 | 32 | 32 | 32 |
| Non-current liabilities | 165 | 200 | 411 | 398 | 393 | Payable turnover days | 224 | 184 | 175 | 166 | 158 |
| Borrowings | 0 | 0 | 211 | 197 | 193 | Current ratio (x) | 2.38 | 1.45 | 1.28 | 1.15 | 1.10 |
| Trade and other payables | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | Net debt to equity | net cash |
| Other non-current liabilities | 165 | 200 | 200 | 200 | 200 | | | | | | |
| Total liabilities | 2,764 | 3,284 | 4,191 | 5,004 | 5,852 | Profitability (%) | | | | | |
| | | | | | | FCF margin | 4% | -3% | 0% | 5% | 7% |
| Share capital | 83 | 83 | 83 | 83 | 83 | ROE | -4% | -4% | -5% | -2% | 3% |
| Capital surplus | 5,053 | 5,149 | 5,149 | 5,149 | 5,149 | | | | | | |
| Retained earnings | 1,922 | 1,619 | 1,239 | 1,111 | 1,304 | Per share data (RMB) | | | | | |
| Other reserves | 732 | 744 | 744 | 744 | 744 | Core EPS (RMB) | -0.10 | -0.09 | -0.11 | -0.04 | 0.06 |
| Minority interest | 169 | 207 | 187 | 180 | 190 | DPS (RMB) | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.01 |
| Total equity | 7,958 | 7,803 | 7,403 | 7,268 | 7,471 | BVPS (RMB) | 2.40 | 2.38 | 2.13 | 2.09 | 2.15 |
| Total liabilities and equity | 10,722 | 11,087 | 11,594 | 12,272 | 13,323 | | | | | | |

Source: Company data, CMBIGM estimates



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