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1Q24 results at first glance

TARGET PRICE	THB9.50
CLOSE	THB6.70
UP/DOWNSIDE	+41.8%
TP vs CONSENSUS	+0.0%

กำไรสุทธิดีขึ้นตาม ITEL

Highlights

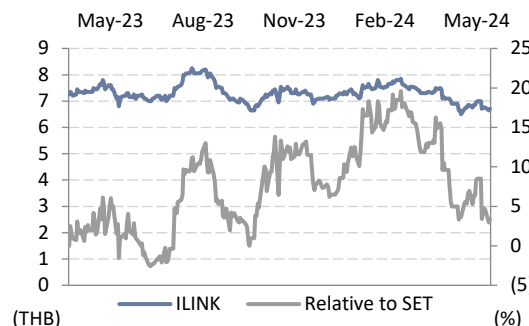
- ILINK รายงานกำไรสุทธิ 202.5 ล้านบาท (+58% q-q, +59% y-y) โดยมีกำไรพิเศษทางบัญชีจากการที่ ITEL ซึ่งอีกกิจการต่ำกว่ามูลค่าทางบัญชี 54.0 ล้านบาท หากตัดรายการพิเศษออก กำไรปกติจะอยู่ที่ 148.6 ล้านบาท (+16% q-q, +17% y-y) ตามคาด
- กำไรปกติที่ดีขึ้นทั้ง q-q และ y-y มาจากอัตรากำไรขั้นต้นที่สูงขึ้นเป็น 26.2% จาก 25.2% ใน 4Q23 และ 24.7% ใน 1Q23 ซึ่งเป็นผลมาจากธุรกิจของ ITEL ในส่วนของงานติดตั้งโครงข่าย (Installation)
- ผลประกอบการเฉพาะของธุรกิจ ILINK ใน 1Q24 มีกำไรสุทธิ 88.9 ล้านบาท +103% q-q, -4% y-y รายได้จากการขายสายสัญญาณ (Distribution) ทำสถิติสูงสุดที่ 861 ล้านบาท +34% q-q, +10% y-y เติบโตสูงกว่าเป้าของบริษัทจากการออกผลิตภัณฑ์ใหม่ เช่น สาย LAN UTP CAT6A (Super-S series) และการรุกส่วนแบ่งตลาดของสาย Cable solar
- อย่างไรก็ตาม อัตรากำไรขั้นต้นของธุรกิจ Distribution อยู่ที่ 26.7% ต่ำกว่าปี 2023 ที่มีปัจจัยหนุนมากมาย รวมถึงการปรับขึ้นราคาขายตามต้นทุนวัตถุดิบที่สูงขึ้น
- รายได้จากธุรกิจวิศวกรรมของ ILINK เอง -51% q-q, -39% y-y เนื่องจากงานขนาดใหญ่ งานก่อสร้างสายเคเบิลใต้น้ำเก่าเต่า ถูกส่งมอบไปส่วนใหญ่แล้วในไตรมาสก่อนๆ แต่อัตรากำไรขั้นต้นทำได้ดีกว่าไตรมาสก่อนๆ มาก

Outlook

- กำไรปกติในงบการเงินรวม 1Q24 คิดเป็น 30% ของประมาณการทั้งปีของเราที่ 502 ล้านบาท (-6% y-y) เรายังคงประมาณการเพราะรายได้จากธุรกิจวิศวกรรมเป็นหนึ่งในตัวแปรสำคัญ และปี 2023 มีรายได้สูงถึง 1.3 พันล้านบาท ขณะที่ธุรกิจดังกล่าวใน 1Q24 ทำได้ 179 ล้านบาท
- เรายังคงมุมมองเดิม ปี 2024 การเติบโตของ ITEL จะน่าสนใจกว่า ILINK อย่างไรก็ตาม เรายังคงคำแนะนำซื้อ ILINK จาก Valuations ที่ถูกและเงินปันผลที่อยู่ในเกณฑ์ดี นับเป็น Dividend play ที่น่าสนใจบริษัทหนึ่ง และราคาหุ้นยังต่ำกว่าราคาเป้าหมาย 9.50 บาท (SoTP)

KEY STOCK DATA

YE Dec (THB m)	2023	2024E	2025E	2026E
Revenue	6,899	7,594	7,982	8,227
Net profit	532	502	552	564
EPS (THB)	0.98	0.92	1.02	1.04
vs Consensus (%)	-	-	-	-
EBITDA	1,470	1,413	1,513	1,533
Recurring net profit	532	502	552	564
Core EPS (THB)	0.98	0.92	1.02	1.04
EPS growth (%)	38.6	(5.6)	10.0	2.1
Core P/E (x)	6.9	7.3	6.6	6.5
Dividend yield (%)	5.8	5.7	6.0	6.0
EV/EBITDA (x)	6.7	6.2	5.8	5.6
Price/book (x)	0.9	0.9	0.8	0.8
Net debt/Equity (%)	63.5	44.6	42.2	38.9
ROE (%)	13.7	12.0	12.6	12.2



Share price performance	1 Month	3 Month	12 Month
Absolute (%)	(2.9)	(11.3)	(6.3)
Relative to country (%)	(1.5)	(10.7)	6.3
Mkt cap (USD m)			99
3m avg. daily turnover (USD m)			0.2
Free float (%)			48
Major shareholder	Interlink Holding Co Ltd (25%)		
12m high/low (THB)	8.30/6.50		
Issued shares (m)	543.63		

Sources: Bloomberg consensus; FSSIA estimates



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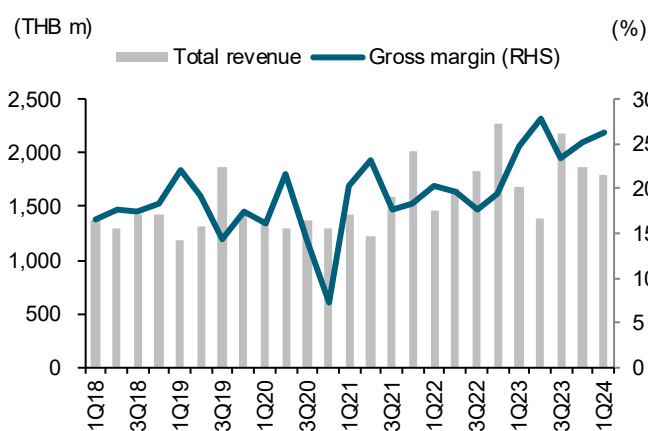
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Exhibit 1: ILINK - 1Q24 results summary

Year to Dec 31	1Q23	2Q23	3Q23	4Q23	1Q24	Change		2024E	Change	% of
	(THB m)	(THB m)	(THB m)	(THB m)	(THB m)	(q-q %)	(y-y %)	(THB m)	(y-y %)	2024E
Sales	1,620	1,335	2,136	1,808	1,766	(2.3)	9.0	7,594	10.1	23.3
Cost of sales	(1,220)	(965)	(1,637)	(1,353)	(1,303)	(3.7)	6.8	(5,916)	14.3	22.0
Gross profit	400	370	499	455	463	1.8	15.6	1,678	(2.7)	27.6
Operating costs	(168)	(135)	(207)	(214)	(181)	(15.1)	8.2	(706.2)	(2.5)	25.7
Operating profit	233	235	291	241	282	16.8	20.9	1,013.3	(6.1)	27.8
Operating EBITDA	337	339	402	386	400	3.8	18.7	1,412.6	(3.9)	28.3
Other income	12	9	12	46	13	(71.6)	11.7	41.8	(46.7)	31.1
Interest expense	(41)	(45)	(47)	(48)	(44)	(8.2)	8.7	(169.0)	(6.3)	26.1
Profit before tax	204	199	257	239	250	4.8	22.8	844.3	(6.0)	29.7
Tax	44	40	51	48	51	5.0	15.6	(168.9)	(7.4)	(29.9)
Minority interests	(31)	(40)	(48)	(62)	(50)	(19.0)	63.2	(170.1)	(5.9)	29.4
Reported net profit	127	119	157	128	203	57.9	58.9	502.0	(5.6)	40.3
Core profit	127	119	157	128	149	15.8	16.6	502.0	(5.6)	29.6
Reported EPS (THB)	0.23	0.22	0.29	0.24	0.37	56.8	60.9	0.92	(5.8)	40.1
Core EPS (THB)	0.23	0.22	0.29	0.24	0.27	15.8	16.6	0.92	(5.6)	29.6
Key Ratios (%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(ppt)	(ppt)	(%)	(ppt)	
Gross margin	24.7	27.7	23.4	25.2	26.2	1.1	1.5	22.1	(2.9)	
Operating margin	15.1	18.3	14.2	15.9	16.7	0.8	1.6	13.3	(2.3)	
EBITDA margin	20.8	25.4	18.8	21.3	22.7	1.3	1.9	18.6	(2.7)	
Recurring net margin	7.9	8.9	7.3	7.1	8.4	1.3	0.5	6.6	(1.1)	
SG&A / Sales	10.3	10.1	9.7	11.8	10.3	(1.5)	(0.1)	9.3	(1.2)	
Revenue structure	(THB m)	(THB m)	(THB m)	(THB m)	(THB m)	(q-q %)	(y-y %)	(THB m)	(y-y %)	
Distribution	785	561	867	641	861	34.4	9.7	3,087	8.2	
Telecom	543	621	746	802	709	(11.6)	30.7	3,293	21.4	
Engineering	293	153	523	364	179	(50.8)	(38.7)	1,213	(9.0)	
Medical supplies	0	0	0	0	16	nm	nm	100	nm	
Gross margin by business	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(ppt)	(ppt)	(%)	(ppt)	
Distribution	28.2	31.2	26.4	29.3	26.7	(2.6)	(1.5)	26.2	(2.3)	
Telecom	27.3	28.2	25.4	26.5	26.0	(0.4)	(1.2)	23.1	(3.6)	
Engineering	10.5	13.2	15.3	15.0	22.8	7.8	12.3	8.9	(5.0)	
Medical supplies	0	0	0	0	46.5	nm	nm	16.7	nm	

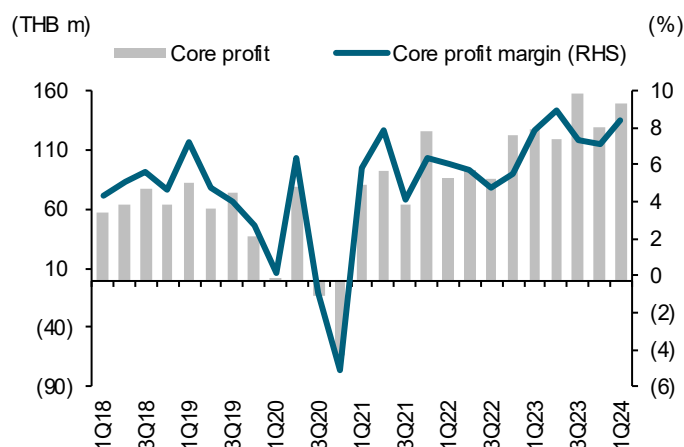
Sources: ILINK, FSSIA estimates

Exhibit 2: Total revenue and gross margin



Sources: ILINK, FSSIA's compilation

Exhibit 3: Core profit and core profit margin



Sources: ILINK, FSSIA's compilation

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Profit and Loss (THB m) Year Ending Dec	2022	2023	2024E	2025E	2026E
Revenue	7,038	6,899	7,594	7,982	8,227
Cost of goods sold	(5,684)	(5,175)	(5,916)	(6,193)	(6,390)
Gross profit	1,355	1,724	1,678	1,789	1,837
Other operating income	57	78	42	44	46
Operating costs	(557)	(724)	(706)	(726)	(765)
Operating EBITDA	1,211	1,470	1,413	1,513	1,533
Depreciation	(356)	(392)	(399)	(407)	(415)
Goodwill amortisation	0	0	0	0	0
Operating EBIT	855	1,079	1,013	1,106	1,118
Net financing costs	(167)	(180)	(169)	(170)	(166)
Associates	(5)	(4)	(3)	(3)	(3)
Recurring non-operating income	(5)	(4)	(3)	(3)	(3)
Non-recurring items	0	0	0	0	0
Profit before tax	683	894	841	933	950
Tax	(141)	(182)	(169)	(187)	(190)
Profit after tax	542	712	672	746	759
Minority interests	(158)	(181)	(170)	(194)	(196)
Preferred dividends	-	-	-	-	-
Other items	-	-	-	-	-
Reported net profit	383	532	502	552	564
Non-recurring items & goodwill (net)	0	0	0	0	0
Recurring net profit	383	532	502	552	564
Per share (THB)					
Recurring EPS *	0.71	0.98	0.92	1.02	1.04
Reported EPS	0.71	0.98	0.92	1.02	1.04
DPS	0.20	0.39	0.38	0.40	0.40
Diluted shares (used to calculate per share data)	544	544	544	544	544
Growth					
Revenue (%)	16.2	(2.0)	10.1	5.1	3.1
Operating EBITDA (%)	9.1	21.4	(3.9)	7.1	1.3
Operating EBIT (%)	10.9	26.2	(6.1)	9.2	1.1
Recurring EPS (%)	6.7	38.6	(5.6)	10.0	2.1
Reported EPS (%)	8.6	38.6	(5.6)	10.0	2.1
Operating performance					
Gross margin inc. depreciation (%)	19.2	25.0	22.1	22.4	22.3
Gross margin exc. depreciation (%)	24.3	30.7	27.4	27.5	27.4
Operating EBITDA margin (%)	17.2	21.3	18.6	19.0	18.6
Operating EBIT margin (%)	12.1	15.6	13.3	13.9	13.6
Net margin (%)	5.4	7.7	6.6	6.9	6.9
Effective tax rate (%)	20.6	20.4	20.1	20.1	20.1
Dividend payout on recurring profit (%)	28.4	39.9	41.4	39.4	38.6
Interest cover (X)	5.1	6.0	6.0	6.5	6.7
Inventory days	26.7	36.3	34.3	32.4	31.6
Debtor days	77.7	121.5	111.1	92.2	90.1
Creditor days	127.7	141.6	112.2	108.7	102.6
Operating ROIC (%)	9.2	10.9	9.8	11.1	(2.8)
ROIC (%)	7.7	9.0	8.2	9.2	(2.3)
ROE (%)	10.9	13.7	12.0	12.6	12.2
ROA (%)	5.9	7.0	6.3	7.0	5.7
* Pre exceptional, pre-goodwill and fully diluted					
Revenue by Division (THB m)					
Distribution	2,462	2,854	3,087	3,273	3,469
Telecom	3,390	2,712	3,293	3,632	3,741
Engineering service (EPC)	1,186	1,333	1,213	1,077	1,017

Sources: Interlink Communication; FSSIA estimates

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Cash Flow (THB m) Year Ending Dec	2022	2023	2024E	2025E	2026E
Recurring net profit	383	532	502	552	564
Depreciation	356	392	399	407	415
Associates & minorities	5	4	3	3	3
Other non-cash items	382	492	(265)	(52)	491
Change in working capital	521	(1,369)	914	(220)	(157)
Cash flow from operations	1,647	50	1,554	691	1,315
Capex - maintenance	(318)	(558)	(425)	(390)	(390)
Capex - new investment	-	-	-	-	-
Net acquisitions & disposals	1	1	(4)	12	(5)
Other investments (net)	(104)	(307)	172	(40)	(41)
Cash flow from investing	(421)	(864)	(257)	(418)	(436)
Dividends paid	(207)	(159)	(208)	(217)	0
Equity finance	175	81	0	0	0
Debt finance	(1,728)	971	(842)	(106)	(22)
Other financing cash flows	530	(157)	0	0	0
Cash flow from financing	(1,230)	736	(1,050)	(324)	(22)
Non-recurring cash flows	-	-	-	-	-
Other adjustments	136	179	0	0	0
Net other adjustments	136	179	(4)	(4)	(762)
Movement in cash	131	100	243	(55)	95
Free cash flow to firm (FCFF)	1,392.82	(633.86)	1,466.13	443.30	1,044.71
Free cash flow to equity (FCFE)	163.23	178.82	450.96	162.91	95.39
Per share (THB)					
FCFF per share	2.56	(1.17)	2.70	0.82	1.92
FCFE per share	0.30	0.33	0.83	0.30	0.18
Recurring cash flow per share	2.07	2.61	1.18	1.67	2.71
Balance Sheet (THB m) Year Ending Dec					
Tangible fixed assets (gross)	6,197	6,761	7,099	7,454	7,827
Less: Accumulated depreciation	(1,825)	(2,125)	(2,437)	(2,809)	(3,207)
Tangible fixed assets (net)	4,372	4,636	4,662	4,645	4,620
Intangible fixed assets (net)	358	436	441	447	452
Long-term financial assets	-	-	-	-	-
Invest. in associates & subsidiaries	93	90	90	90	90
Cash & equivalents	621	721	965	911	1,007
A/C receivable	1,966	2,628	1,997	2,034	2,029
Inventories	432	519	519	509	525
Other current assets	2,766	2,772	2,760	2,837	2,924
Current assets	5,785	6,641	6,241	6,291	6,484
Other assets	991	1,230	1,052	1,102	1,135
Total assets	11,599	13,033	12,486	12,574	12,781
Common equity	3,665	4,083	4,277	4,512	4,759
Minorities etc.	1,925	2,187	2,209	2,231	2,253
Total shareholders' equity	5,591	6,270	6,486	6,743	7,012
Long term debt	1,114	1,400	1,420	1,372	1,297
Other long-term liabilities	737	83	91	96	99
Long-term liabilities	1,851	1,483	1,511	1,468	1,395
A/C payable	2,069	1,642	1,750	1,697	1,663
Short term debt	1,898	3,306	2,441	2,382	2,436
Other current liabilities	189	332	298	284	275
Current liabilities	4,157	5,280	4,489	4,363	4,374
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	11,599	13,033	12,486	12,574	12,781
Net working capital	2,905	3,945	3,228	3,398	3,540
Invested capital	8,719	10,337	9,473	9,681	9,837
* Includes convertibles and preferred stock which is being treated as debt					
Per share (THB)					
Book value per share	6.74	7.51	7.87	8.30	8.75
Tangible book value per share	6.08	6.71	7.06	7.48	7.92
Financial strength					
Net debt/equity (%)	42.8	63.5	44.6	42.2	38.9
Net debt/total assets (%)	20.6	30.6	23.2	22.6	21.3
Current ratio (x)	1.4	1.3	1.4	1.4	1.5
CF interest cover (x)	2.0	2.0	3.7	2.0	1.6
Valuation					
Recurring P/E (x) *	9.5	6.9	7.3	6.6	6.5
Recurring P/E @ target price (x) *	13.5	9.7	10.3	9.4	9.2
Reported P/E (x)	9.5	6.9	7.3	6.6	6.5
Dividend yield (%)	3.0	5.8	5.7	6.0	6.0
Price/book (x)	1.0	0.9	0.9	0.8	0.8
Price/tangible book (x)	1.1	1.0	0.9	0.9	0.8
EV/EBITDA (x) **	6.6	6.7	6.2	5.8	5.6
EV/EBITDA @ target price (x) **	7.8	7.7	7.3	6.8	6.6
EV/invested capital (x)	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9
* Pre-exceptional, pre-goodwill and fully diluted ** EBITDA includes associate income and recurring non-operating income					

Sources: Interlink Communication; FSSIA estimates

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FSSIA ESG rating

37.92 /100
Exhibit 4: FSSIA ESG score implication

Rating	Score	Implication
★★★★★	>79-100	Leading its industry peers in managing the most significant ESG risks which not only better cost efficiency but also lead to higher profitability.
★★★★☆	>59-79	A mixed track record of managing the most significant ESG risks and opportunities relative to industry peers.
★★★☆☆	>39-59	Relevant ESG materiality matrix has been constructively addressed, well-managed and incorporated into day-to-day operations, in which targets and achievements are evaluated annually.
★★☆☆☆	>19-39	Relevant ESG materiality matrix has been identified with key management in charge for progress to be followed up on and to provide intensive disclosure. Most targets are conventional and achievable.
★☆☆☆☆	1-19	The company has adopted the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (UN SDGs), established sustainability management guidelines and fully complies with regulations or ESG suggested guidance from related organizations such as the SET and SEC.

Sources: FSSIA estimates

Exhibit 5: ESG – peer comparison

	FSSIA ESG score	Domestic ratings						Global ratings					Bloomberg		
		DJSI	SET THSI	THSI	CG score	AGM level	Thai CAC	Morningstar ESG risk	ESG Book	MSCI	Moody's	Refinitiv	S&P Global	ESG score	Disclosure score
SET100	69.20	5.34	4.40	4.40	4.76	4.65	3.84	Medium	51.76	BBB	20.87	58.72	63.91	3.72	28.17
Coverage	67.12	5.11	4.15	4.17	4.83	4.71	3.53	Medium	52.04	BB	16.97	56.85	62.09	3.40	31.94
ITEL	38.30	--	--	Y	5.00	5.00	Certified	--	40.60	--	--	41.18	--	2.05	39.11
ILINK	37.92	--	--	Y	5.00	5.00	Certified	--	57.40	--	--	45.96	--	--	--
SYNEX	35.18	--	Y	Y	4.00	4.00	--	--	53.33	--	--	27.64	--	--	41.24
FORTH	23.00	--	--	--	4.00	4.00	--	Low	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
JMART	34.72	--	--	--	3.00	5.00	Declared	Low	--	--	--	35.50	10.00	2.02	14.09

Sources: [SETTRADE.com](https://www.settrade.com); * FSSIA estimate; FSSIA's compilation
Exhibit 6: ESG disclosure from the company's one report

FY ending Dec 31	FY 2022	FY ending Dec 31	FY 2022
Environmental		Governance	
Climate change policy	Yes	Board size / Independent directors (ID) / Female	9 / 3 / 1
Climate change opportunities discussed	--	No. of board meetings for the year / % attendance	8 / 100%
GHG scope 2 location-based policy	Yes	Company conducts board evaluations	Yes
Biodiversity policy	--	Number of non-executive directors on board	5
Energy efficiency policy	Yes	Director share ownership guidelines	No
Electricity used	Yes	Board age limit	No
Fuel used - crude oil/diesel	Yes	Age of the youngest / oldest director	53 / 83
Waste reduction policy	Yes	Number of executives / female	8 / 4
Water policy	Yes	Executive share ownership guidelines	No
Water consumption	Yes	Size of audit committee / ID	4 / 4
Social		Audit committee meetings	4
Human rights policy	Yes	Audit committee meeting attendance (%)	100
Policy against child labor	Yes	Size of compensation committee / ID	3 / 2
Quality assurance and recall policy	Yes	Number of compensation committee meetings	1
Consumer data protection policy	Yes	Compensation committee meeting attendance (%)	100
Equal opportunity policy	Yes	Size of nomination committee / ID	3 / 2
Gender pay gap breakout	--	Number of nomination committee meetings	1
Pct women in workforce	44.43	Nomination committee meeting attendance (%)	100
Business ethics policy	Yes	Board compensation (THB m)	3.18
Anti-bribery ethics policy	Yes	Executive compensation (THB m)	65.59
Health and safety policy	Yes	Auditor fee (THB m)	2.38
Lost time incident rate - employees	Yes	(Dharmniti Auditing Co., Ltd.)	
Training policy	Yes	Total employee (no.)	1,645
Fair remuneration policy	Yes	Employee compensation (THB m)	531
Number of employees - CSR	Yes		
Total hours spent by firm - employee training	Yes		
Social supply chain management	Yes		

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Disclaimer for ESG scoring

ESG score	Methodology	Rating																				
The Dow Jones Sustainability Indices (DJSI) By S&P Global	The DJSI World applies a transparent, rules-based component selection process based on the companies' Total Sustainability Scores resulting from the annual S&P Global Corporate Sustainability Assessment (CSA). Only the top-ranked companies within each industry are selected for inclusion.	Be a member and invited to the annual S&P Global Corporate Sustainability Assessment (CSA) for DJSI. Companies with an S&P Global ESG Score of less than 45% of the S&P Global ESG Score of the highest scoring company are disqualified. The constituents of the DJSI indices are selected from the Eligible Universe.																				
Sustainability Investment List (THSI) by The Stock Exchange of Thailand (SET)	THSI quantifies responsibility in Environmental and Social issues by managing business with transparency in Governance, updated annually. Candidates must pass the preemptive criteria, with two crucial conditions: 1) no irregular trading of the board members and executives; and 2) free float of >150 shareholders, and combined holding must be >15% of paid-up capital. Some key disqualifying criteria include: 1) CG score of below 70%; 2) independent directors and free float violation; 3) executives' wrongdoing related to CG, social & environmental impacts; 4) equity in negative territory; and 5) earnings in red for > 3 years in the last 5 years.	To be eligible for THSI inclusion , verified data must be scored at a minimum of 50% for each indicator, unless the company is a part of DJSI during the assessment year. The scoring will be fairly weighted against the nature of the relevant industry and materiality. SETTHSI Index is extended from the THSI companies whose 1) market capitalization > THB5b (~USD150b); 2) free float >20%; and 3) liquidity >0.5% of paid-up capital for at least 9 out of 12 months. The SETTHSI Index is a market capitalisation-weighted index, cap 5% quarterly weight at maximum, and no cap for number of stocks.																				
CG Score by Thai Institute of Directors Association (Thai IOD)	An indicator of CG strength in sustainable development, measured annually by the Thai IOD, with support from the Stock Exchange of Thailand (SET). The results are from the perspective of a third party, not an evaluation of operations.	Scores are rated in six categories: 5 for Excellent (90-100), 4 for Very Good (80-89), 3 for Good (70-79), 2 for Fair (60-69), 1 for Pass (60-69), and not rated for scores below 50. Weightings include: 1) the rights; 2) and equitable treatment of shareholders (weight 25% combined); 3) the role of stakeholders (25%); 4) disclosure & transparency (15%); and 5) board responsibilities (35%).																				
AGM level By Thai Investors Association (TIA) with support from the SEC	It quantifies the extent to which shareholders' rights and equitable treatment are incorporated into business operations and information is transparent and sufficiently disclosed. All form important elements of two out of five the CG components to be evaluated annually. The assessment criteria cover AGM procedures before the meeting (45%), at the meeting date (45%), and after the meeting (10%). <i>(The first assesses 1) advance circulation of sufficient information for voting; and 2) facilitating how voting rights can be exercised. The second assesses 1) the ease of attending meetings; 2) transparency and verifiability; and 3) openness for Q&A. The third involves the meeting minutes that should contain discussion issues, resolutions and voting results.)</i>	The scores are classified into four categories: 5 for Excellent (100), 4 for Very Good (90-99), 3 for Fair (80-89), and not rated for scores below 79.																				
Thai CAC By Thai Private Sector Collective Action Against Corruption (CAC)	The core elements of the Checklist include corruption risk assessment, establishment of key controls, and the monitoring and developing of policies. The Certification is good for three years. <i>(Companies deciding to become a CAC certified member start by submitting a Declaration of Intent to kick off an 18-month deadline to submit the CAC Checklist for Certification, including risk assessment, in place of policy and control, training of managers and employees, establishment of whistleblowing channels, and communication of policies to all stakeholders.)</i>	The document will be reviewed by a committee of nine professionals. A passed Checklist will move for granting certification by the CAC Council approvals whose members are twelve highly respected individuals in professionalism and ethical achievements.																				
Morningstar Sustainalytics	The Sustainalytics' ESG risk rating provides an overall company score based on an assessment of how much of a company's exposure to ESG risk is unmanaged. <i>Sources to be reviewed include corporate publications and regulatory filings, news and other media, NGO reports/websites, multi-sector information, company feedback, ESG controversies, issuer feedback on draft ESG reports, and quality & peer reviews.</i>	A company's ESG risk rating score is the sum of unmanaged risk. The more risk is unmanaged, the higher ESG risk is scored.																				
ESG Book	The ESG score identifies sustainable companies that are better positioned to outperform over the long term. The methodology considers the principle of financial materiality including information that significantly helps explain future risk-adjusted performance. Materiality is applied by over-weighting features with higher materiality and rebalancing these weights on a rolling quarterly basis.	The total ESG score is calculated as a weighted sum of the features scores using materiality-based weights. The score is scaled between 0 and 100 with higher scores indicating better performance.																				
MSCI	MSCI ESG ratings aim to measure a company's management of financially relevant ESG risks and opportunities. It uses a rules-based methodology to identify industry leaders and laggards according to their exposure to ESG risks and how well they manage those risks relative to peers.																					
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Refinitiv ESG rating	Designed to transparently and objectively measure a company's relative ESG performance, commitment and effectiveness across 10 main themes, based on publicly available and auditable data. The score ranges from 0 to 100 on relative ESG performance and insufficient degree of transparency in reporting material ESG data publicly. <i>(Score ratings are 0 to 25 = poor; >25 to 50 = satisfactory; >50 to 75 = good; and >75 to 100 = excellent.)</i>																					
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History of change in investment rating and/or target price

Interlink Communication (ILINK TB)



Date	Rating	Target price	Date	Rating	Target price	Date	Rating	Target price
09-May-2023	BUY	10.00	31-Jan-2024	BUY	9.50	-	-	-

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Price and TP are in local currency

Source: FSSIA estimates

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Interlink Communication	ILINK TB	THB 6.70	BUY	Downside risks to our SoTP-based TP include 1) intense competition and price cuts; 2) the termination of distributorship contracts or the appointment of additional distributors in Thailand; 3) uncertainty in project bidding; 4) project delays; and 5) risk from technological changes.

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