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## CENTRAL PLAZA HOTEL

**CENTEL TB** 

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## Upcountry & Osaka to drive recovery after 1Q25 dip

- Expect 1Q25 core profit to drop by 7% y-y to THB704m due to loss from new Maldives hotels and FX loss from JPY appreciation.
- Strong upcountry and Osaka hotels to offset weak Bangkok hotels in 2Q25 following the earthquake and slowdown of Chinese tourists.
- Maintain BUY with DCF-derived TP of THB49/shr.

### Expect 1Q25 hotel business profit to drop 10% y-y to THB568m

We expect the RevPAR of Thai hotels to grow 10% y-y in 1Q25, led by the completed renovations of Mirage Pattaya and Karon Phuket. The Osaka hotel's RevPAR should grow 8% y-y. On a negative note, the RevPAR of Maldives hotels should drop by c40% y-y, dragged by the new hotel (OCC rate of 36% in 1Q25). Excluding the new hotel, the RevPAR of existing hotels should drop by 20-25% due to high competition. RevPAR of the Dubai hotel should drop by 6% y-y due to the slowdown of Russian tourists following the weak RUB against AED. Overall, we expect 1Q25 hotel business revenue to grow 6% y-y and core profit to decrease to THB568m (vs THB632m in 1Q24), pressured by the loss from two new Maldives hotels (THB40-50m pre-operating expenses and THB40-60m loss) and an FX loss of THB50-55m following the JPY's appreciation against the THB.

### Expect 1Q25 food business profit to grow by 10% y-y to THB136m

We expect 1Q25 SSS to be relatively flat y-y, pressured by KFC. Food business revenue should grow by 2-3% y-y. The 1Q25 EBITDA margin should improve to 18.5% (vs 17.5% in 1Q24), as CENTEL closed some loss-making outlets in 2Q24 and the JV business (Shinkanzen Sushi) had strong operations. We estimate the food business' profit should increase to THB136m (vs THB124m in 1Q24). Overall, we expect CENTEL's 1Q25 core profit to decline by 7% y-y to THB704m.

### Thai hotel revenue to still grow in 2Q25 amid challenges

We estimate that the earthquake and weak Chinese tourist numbers should result in lower Bangkok hotel revenue (31% of hotel revenue) by 15-20% yy in April. However, strong upcountry hotel revenue (42% of hotel revenue) should grow 8-10% y-y. This should lead Thai hotel revenue to be relatively flat y-y, in terms of a like-for-like basis. Including Mirage Pattaya and Karon Phuket, Thai hotel revenue should grow almost 10% y-y. RevPAR of the Osaka hotel should jump 20-30% y-y due to the World Expo from 13 April.

### Revising up earnings from strong EBITDA margin trend

We have raised our core profit estimate by 10-13% in 2025-26 to reflect the better-than-expected EBITDA margin of the hotel business after the completed renovations at Mirage Pattaya and Karon Phuket, and the strong performance of the food business JV. CENTEL trades at an attractive valuation of 18x 2025E P/E, lower than its five-year average of 31.8x.

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TARGET PRICE THB49.00 **CLOSE** THB27.00 **UP/DOWNSIDE** +81.5% **PRIOR TP** THB48.00 **CHANGE IN TP** +2.1% TP vs CONSENSUS +22.7%

### **KEY STOCK DATA**

YE Dec (THB m)	2024	2025E	2026E	2027E
Revenue	23,049	26,004	27,895	29,357
Net profit	1,753	2,007	2,315	2,543
EPS (THB)	1.30	1.49	1.71	1.88
vs Consensus (%)	-	4.9	3.6	(1.6)
EBITDA	5,167	5,731	6,293	6,699
Recurring net profit	1,881	2,007	2,315	2,543
Core EPS (THB)	1.39	1.49	1.71	1.88
Chg. In EPS est. (%)	nm	12.8	10.1	nm
EPS growth (%)	67.9	6.7	15.3	9.9
Core P/E (x)	19.4	18.2	15.7	14.3
Dividend yield (%)	5.9	2.8	2.9	3.1
EV/EBITDA (x)	12.6	11.5	10.5	9.8
Price/book (x)	1.8	1.7	1.6	1.5
Net debt/Equity (%)	136.2	132.0	124.7	115.1
ROE (%)	9.3	9.4	10.3	10.6



Share price performance	1 Month	3 Month	12 Month
Absolute (%)	(20.0)	(11.5)	(39.7)
Relative to country (%)	(17.6)	5.1	(26.0)
Mkt cap (USD m)			1,097
3m avg. daily turnover (USD n	n)		3.7
Free float (%)			72
Major shareholder	Tiang Chirath	nivat Real E	state (5%)
12m high/low (THB)		4	6.50/24.70
Issued shares (m)			1,350.00

Sources: Bloomberg consensus; FSSIA estimates



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#### Investment thesis

CENTEL is in expansion mode. The company opened two new Maldives hotels in 4Q24 and 1Q25. In addition, it recently completed renovating two hotels in 2024 (Pattaya and Phuket) and plans to renovate another two hotels in 2025 (Krabi and Hua Hin).

CENTEL should benefit from the recovery in Chinese tourist arrivals, given that they accounted for 12% and 15% of room night bookings for its Thai and Maldives hotels in 2019, respectively.

We expect strong earnings growth in 2025-26, driven by the improving performance of its new hotels in the Maldives and Osaka and higher ADR of its renovated hotels in Pattaya and Phuket.

### Company profile

CENTEL owns and operates 18 hotels in Thailand and the Maldives, and more than 1,000 restaurant outlets in Thailand.

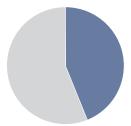
www.centarahotelsresorts.com

### Principal activities (revenue, 2024)

■ Hotel revenue - 43.9 %

■ F&B revenue - 56.1 %

■ Rental income - 0.1 %



Source: Central Plaza Hotel

### **Major shareholders**

- Tiang Chirathivat Real Estate -5.0 %
- Thai NVDR 3.8 %
- Niti Osathanugrah 3.1 %
- Others 88.2 %

Source: Central Plaza Hotel

### Catalysts

Key potential growth drivers include 1) a faster OCC rampup rate following a recovery in global tourism; 2) improving consumption and economic growth resulting in strong SSSG; and 3) a recovery in Chinese tourist arrivals.

#### Risks to our call

Downside risks to our DCF-based target price include 1) extraordinary events such as political turmoil and natural disasters; 2) a higher hotel room supply and more intense competition in the F&B business, which may result in price competition; and 3) a slower-than-expected recovery of international tourist numbers.

### **Event calendar**

Date	Event
May 2025	1Q25 results announcement

### **Key assumptions**

	2025E	2026E	2027E
	(%)	(%)	(%)
Owned & leased hotels			
- Number of owned hotel rooms (no.)	5,853	5,853	5,853
- Occupancy rate (OCC)	73.1	73.8	74.4
- RevPAR growth	15	5	4
Food business			
- Number of outlets (no.)	1,291	1,341	1,391
- Same-Store Sales Growth (SSSG)	1	1	2
- Total System Sales Growth (TSSG)	4	5	6

Source: FSSIA estimates

#### Earnings sensitivity

- For every 1% increase in OCC, we project 2025 profit growth of 2%, and vice versa, all else being equal.
- For every 1% increase in SSSG, we project 2025 profit growth of 2%, and vice versa, all else being equal.

Source: FSSIA estimates

### Forecast and TP revisions

We have raised our core profit estimate by 10-13% in 2025-26 to reflect the better-than-expected EBITDA margin of the hotel business after the completed renovations at Mirage Pattaya and Karon Phuket, and the strong performance of Shinkanzen Sushi (JV business; CENTEL holds a 51% share). We derive a higher 2025 DCF-TP of THB49/shr (from THB48/shr previously).

Based on our new forecast, we project hotel revenue (excluding Dubai hotel) to grow by 24% y-y to THB12.5b in 2025, slightly below management's target of THB13.0b. We estimate hotel core profit to grow by 5% to THB1.3b from THB1.2b in 2024, led by a cTHB100-140m net positive impact from the renovation programs (the reopening of Mirage Pattaya and Karon Phuket should more than offset the closure of Krabi and Hua Hin) and a THB40-50m higher profit from the Osaka hotel. This should more than offset a THB60-110m larger loss from the two new Maldives hotels (THB150-200m in 2025E vs THB90m loss in 2024).

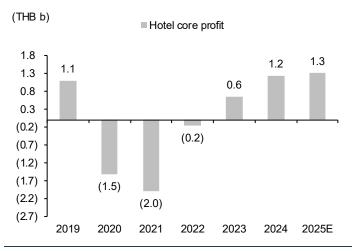
We also expect food revenue (excluding JV) to grow by 4% y-y to THB13.4b in 2025, below management's target of THB14.0b. We expect the share income from Shinkanzen Sushi to increase to THB150-175m (vs THB127m in 2024), led by a 20% increase in revenue and an NPM expansion (12% in 2024). The EBITDA margin should improve to 20.5% in 2025 (vs 19.6% in 2024), leading to a food core profit of THB704m from THB656m in 2024.

**Exhibit 1: Forecast revisions** 

		Current			Previous			Change			
	2025E	2026E	2027E	2025E	2026E	2027E	2025E	2026E	2027E		
OCC (%)	73.1	73.8	74.4	68.8	69.5	n/a	4.3	4.3	n/a		
RevPar (THB)	4,430	4,664	4,873	4,079	4,265	n/a	8.6	9.3	n/a		
SSSG (%)	1.0	1.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	n/a	(1.0)	(1.0)	n/a		
TSSG (%)	4.0	4.9	5.7	7.0	6.8	n/a	(3.0)	(1.9)	n/a		
Total revenue (THB b)	26.0	27.9	29.4	25.4	27.6	n/a	2.4	1.2	n/a		
EBITDA margin (%)	22.0	22.6	22.8	22.7	22.9	n/a	(0.6)	(0.4)	n/a		
Core profit (THB m)	2,007	2,315	2,543	1,780	2,102	n/a	12.8	10.1	n/a		

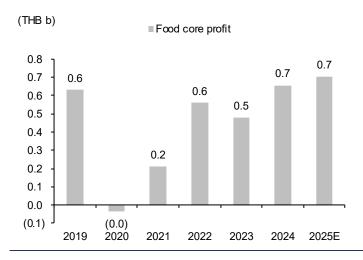
Note: Change of items in percentage terms are represented in ppt change Source: FSSIA estimates

**Exhibit 2: Hotel core profit forecast** 



Sources: CENTEL; FSSIA estimates

**Exhibit 3: Food core profit forecast** 



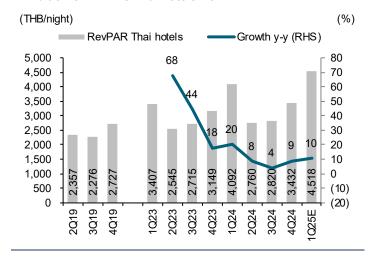
Sources: CENTEL; FSSIA estimates

Exhibit 4: CENTEL - 1Q25 results preview

	1Q24	2Q24	3Q24	4Q24	1Q25E	Cha	nge	2025E	Change
	(THB m)	(q-q %)	(y-y %)	(THB m)	(y-y %)				
Sales	6,104	5,536	5,402	6,007	6,336	5	4	26,004	1:
- Hotel operations	3,003	2,185	2,233	2,707	3,173	17	6	12,567	24
- Food and beverage	3,101	3,351	3,169	3,300	3,163	(4)	2	13,438	4
COGS (Incl. depreciation)	(3,335)	(3,276)	(3,258)	(3,521)	(3,566)	1	7	(15,037)	12
Gross profit	2,769	2,260	2,144	2,486	2,770	11	0	10,968	14
SG&A	(1,893)	(2,006)	(1,841)	(2,008)	(1,988)	(1)	5	(8,716)	12
Operating profit	875	254	303	478	783	64	(11)	2,252	18
Net other income	218	228	138	317	261	(18)	20	962	7
Interest income	68	83	62	77	77	0		282	
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Interest expense	(259)	(259)	(264)	(268)	(276)	3	6	(1,302)	
Pretax profit	901	305	239	604	845	40	(6)	2,194	7
Income Tax	(117)	(56)	(81)	(106)	(148)	39	26	(420)	16
Share profit from associates	7	7	7	19	7	(62)	0	264	94
Share profit from JV	(6)	13	(14)	102	10	(90)	266		
Minority interest	(30)	43	13	31	(10)	(132)	67	(30)	(153)
Core profit	755	313	163	650	704	8	(7)	2,007	7
Extraordinaries, GW & FX		(145)		17				0	(100,
Reported net profit	755	168	163	667	704	6	(7)	2,007	14
Shares out (end Q, m)	1,350	1,350	1,350	1,350	1,350	0	0	1,350	C
Pre-ex EPS	0.56	0.23	0.12	0.48	0.52	8	(7)	1.49	7
EPS	0.56	0.12	0.12	0.49	0.52	6	(7)	1.49	14
2.10	0.00	0.12	0.12	0.40	0.02	Ů	(1)	1.40	
COGS Excl. depreciation	(2,581)	(2,468)	(2,405)	(2,713)	(2,699)	(1)	5	(11,558)	1.
Depreciation	(754)	(808)	(853)	(842)	(868)	3	15	(3,479)	7
EBITDA	1,855	1,297	1,300	1,657	1,919	16	3	5,731	11
Key ratios	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(ppt)	(ppt)	(%)	(ppt
Gross margin	45	41	40	41	44	2	0	42	G-7- (
SG&A/Revenue	31	36	34	33	31	(1)	0	34	(0)
Hotel EBITDA margin	42	31	27	37	42	10	3	33	(3)
Food EBITDA margin	17	18	22	21	19	(0)	5	21	1
Total EBITDA margin	30	24	24	29	30	5	4	22	(0)
Net profit margin	12	3	3	11	11	8	4	8	(
Operating stats									
Hotel									
OCC - Maldives (%)	92	59	64	59	64				
OCC - Thailand (%)	76	68	66	69	78				
OCC - Dubai (%)	90	83	87	81	83				
OCC - Japan (%)	67	88	78	80	69				
ARR - Maldives (THB)	16,640	11,717	10,051	13,095	13,952				
ARR - Thailand (THB)	5,408	4,088	4,280	4,975	5,779				
ARR - Dubai (THB)	7,441	7,119	4,877	8,521	7,494				
ARR - Japan (THB)	7,045	7,166	7,096	7,956	7,427				
RevPAR - Maldives (THB)	15,237	6,887	6,409	7,681	8,970				
RevPAR - Thailand (THB)	4,092	2,760	2,820	3,432	4,518				
RevPAR - Dubai (THB)	6,686	5,932	4,265	6,929	6,256				
RevPAR - Japan (THB)	4,740	6,284	5,549	6,338	5,107				
Food	.,	-,	-,0	-,					
SSSG (y-y %)	1	2	2	0	0				

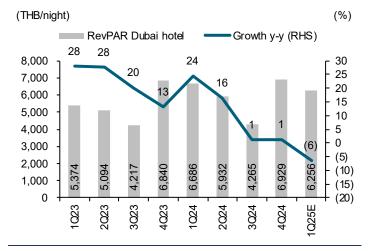
Sources: CENTEL; FSSIA estimates

#### Exhibit 5: CENTEL's Thai hotels RevPAR



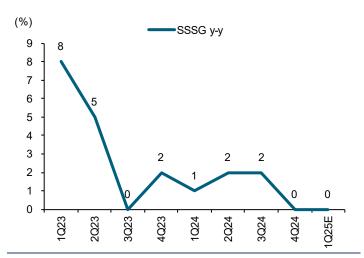
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#### Exhibit 7: CENTEL's Dubai hotel RevPAR



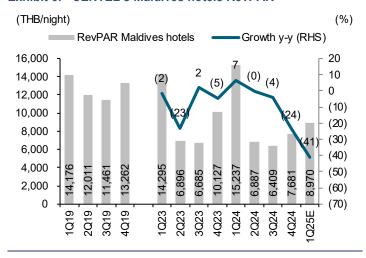
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#### **Exhibit 9: SSSG**



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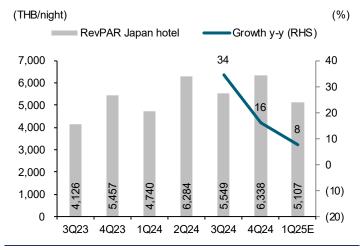
Exhibit 6: CENTEL's Maldives hotels RevPAR



Note: RevPAR excludes F&B revenue since 1Q21; new Maldives hotels included in stats in 1Q25E onward

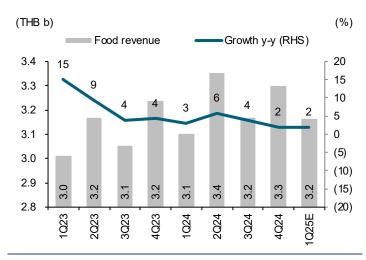
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#### Exhibit 8: CENTEL's Japan hotel RevPAR



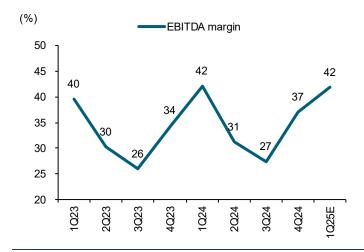
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#### Exhibit 10: Food business revenue



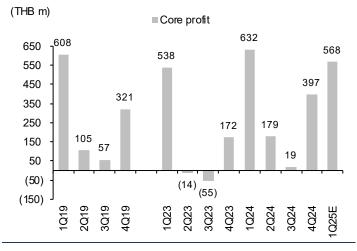
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### Exhibit 11: EBITDA margin of hotel business



Sources: CENTEL; FSSIA estimates

### Exhibit 13: Hotel business core profit, quarterly



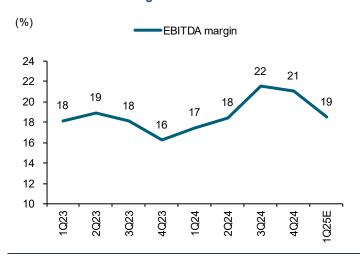
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### **Exhibit 15: DCF valuation**

Cost of equity assumptions	(%)
Risk-free rate	3.0
Market risk premium	8.0
Stock beta	1.1
Cost of equity, Ke	11.8
Weight applied	60.0
WACC	8.2

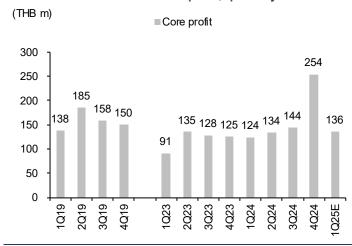
Source: FSSIA estimates

### Exhibit 12: EBITDA margin of food business



Sources: CENTEL; FSSIA estimates

### Exhibit 14: Food business core profit, quarterly



(%)

3.5

20.0

2.8

40.0

Sources: CENTEL; FSSIA estimates

Cost of debt assumptions

Pre-tax cost of debt

Net cost of debt. Kd

Weight applied

Marginal tax rate

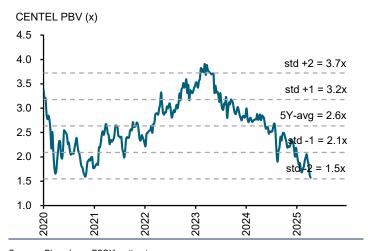
DCF valuation estimate	(THB b)	(THB/share)	Comments
NPV	32.1	23.8	WACC 8.2%, risk-free rate 3%, risk premium 8%
Terminal value	58.9	43.6	Terminal growth 2.5%
Cash & liquid assets	4.6	3.4	At end-2025E
Investments	4.6	3.4	At end-2025E
Debt	(33.9)	(25.1)	At end-2025E
Minorities	(0.2)	(0.2)	At end-2025E
Residual ordinary equity	66.1	49.0	

### Exhibit 16: Historical P/E band

#### CENTEL PER (x) std -2

Sources: Bloomberg; FSSIA estimates

Exhibit 17: Historical P/BV band



Sources: Bloomberg; FSSIA estimates

Exhibit 18: Peer comparisons as of 16 April 2025

Company	BBG	Rec	;	Share price	ə	Market	arket PE			E	РВ	V	EV/ E	BITDA
			Current	Target	Upside	сар	25E	26E	25E	26E	25E	26E	25E	26
			(LCY)	(LCY)	(%)	(USD m)	(x)	(x)	(%)	(%)	(x)	(x)	(x)	()
Thailand														
Asset World Corp	AWC TB	BUY	2.18	5.20	139	2,100	31.2	24.9	2.4	2.9	0.7	0.7	23.4	20
Minor International	MINT TB	BUY	26.50	45.00	70	4,522	16.1	14.5	10.3	12.6	1.6	2.2	7.3	7
Central Plaza Hotel	CENTEL TB	BUY	27.00	49.00	81	1,097	18.2	15.7	9.4	10.3	1.7	1.6	11.5	10
Erawan Group	ERW TB	BUY	2.38	6.20	161	350	12.4	11.6	9.8	9.8	1.2	1.1	9.1	8
S Hotels & Resorts	SHR TB	BUY	1.70	3.80	124	184	16.1	11.8	2.3	3.1	0.4	0.4	7.1	6
Dusit Thani	DUSIT TB	BUY	8.25	12.50	52	211	349.8	3.7	0.3	23.1	1.0	0.8	41.0	4
Bound and Beyond	BEYOND TB	BUY	6.00	13.00	117	52	17.1	10.9	1.6	2.5	0.3	0.3	7.7	6
Thailand average						8,516	65.8	13.3	5.2	9.2	1.0	1.0	15.3	Ş
Regional														
BTG Hotels Group	600258 CH	n/a	16.19	n/a	n/a	2,477	20.1	17.5	7.4	8.1	1.5	1.4	9.7	9
SH Jinjiang Intl Hotels	900934 CH	n/a	1.51	n/a	n/a	3,635	9.3	7.9	7.5	8.3	0.7	0.6	10.5	,
Huangshan Tourism Dev.	900942 CH	n/a	0.74	n/a	n/a	1,039	10.2	9.4	7.9	8.0	0.8	0.7	8.3	
Genting Bhd	GENT MK	n/a	3.27	n/a	n/a	2,856	8.6	7.6	4.4	4.8	0.3	0.3	5.6	:
Huazhu Group	HTHT US	n/a	35.00	n/a	n/a	11,157	18.1	15.6	30.0	30.5	5.6	4.7	9.9	
Indian Hotels	IH IN	n/a	842.05	n/a	n/a	14,012	70.3	55.9	16.4	17.7	10.7	9.2	42.3	34
Lemon Tree Hotels	LEMONTRE IN	n/a	141.72	n/a	n/a	1,322	57.7	39.3	17.1	20.9	8.2	6.8	21.7	18
Lippo Karawaci	LPKR IJ	n/a	82.00	n/a	n/a	345	7.4	6.8	8.1	7.6	0.2	0.2	n/a	r
Regional average						36,843	25.2	20.0	12.3	13.2	3.5	3.0	15.4	13
Global														
NH Hotel Group	NHH SM	n/a	6.33	n/a	n/a	3,138	16.2	16.4	12.9	12.9	2.1	1.9	7.5	-
Melia Hotels International	MEL SM	n/a	6.26	n/a	n/a	1,533	9.3	8.7	18.5	17.3	1.6	1.4	7.3	-
Intercontinental Hotels G.	IHG LN	n/a	7,644	n/a	n/a	15,651	20.3	18.0	(30.1)	(31.2)	n/a	n/a	14.0	13
Whitbread	WTB LN	n/a	2,512	n/a	n/a	5,887	12.5	11.9	10.5	10.6	1.3	1.2	8.7	8
Accor	ACRFF US	n/a	43.05	n/a	n/a	10,546	15.7	13.6	11.9	13.3	1.9	1.9	10.1	,
Choice Hotels	CHH US	n/a	123.52	n/a	n/a	5,764	17.6	16.2	(521.6)	307.2	290.0	27.6	12.0	1
Hilton Worldwide Holdings	HLT US	n/a	209.09	n/a	n/a	50,101	26.2	22.7	(45.2)	(39.9)	n/a	n/a	16.2	14
Hyatt Hotels Corp	H US	n/a	106.01	n/a	n/a	10,117	36.3	26.3	8.5	13.1	2.9	2.9	11.4	10
Marriott International	MAR US	n/a	218.79	n/a	n/a	60,249	21.6	19.0	(72.9)	(77.9)	n/a	n/a	13.9	1;
Global average						162,986	19.5	17.0	(67.5)	25.1	50.0	6.2	11.2	10
Overall average						208,345	34.9	16.9	(19.7)	16.5	15.9	3.2	13.7	11

 $Sources: Bloomberg; FSSIA\ estimates$ 

### **Financial Statements**

Central Plaza Hotel

Profit and Loss (THB m) Year Ending Dec	2023	2024	2025E	2026E	2027E
Revenue	21,558	23,049	26,004	27,895	29,357
Cost of goods sold	(12,612)	(13,390)	(15,037)	(15,871)	(16,707)
Gross profit	8,946	9,658	10,968	12,025	12,650
Other operating income	-	-	-	-	-
Operating costs	(7,361)	(7,748)	(8,716)	(9,322)	(9,781)
Operating EBITDA	4,608	5,167	5,731	6,293	6,699
Depreciation	(3,023)	(3,257)	(3,479)	(3,590)	(3,830)
Goodwill amortisation	-	-	-	-	-
Operating EBIT	1,585	1,910	2,252	2,703	2,869
Net financing costs	(721)	(761)	(1,020)	(1,095)	(1,090)
Associates	(62)	136	264	274	325
Recurring non-operating income	642	1,036	1,225	1,277	1,384
Non-recurring items	128	(128)	0	0	0
Profit before tax	1,633	2,058	2,457	2,885	3,163
Tax	(377)	(361)	(420)	(522)	(568)
Profit after tax	1,256	1,696	2,037	2,362	2,596
Minority interests	(8)	57	(30)	(47)	(52)
Preferred dividends	-	-	-	-	-
Other items	-	-	-	-	-
Reported net profit	1,248	1,753	2,007	2,315	2,543
Non-recurring items & goodwill (net)	(128)	128	0	0	0
Recurring net profit	1,120	1,881	2,007	2,315	2,543
Per share (THB)					
Recurring EPS *	0.83	1.39	1.49	1.71	1.88
Reported EPS	0.92	1.30	1.49	1.71	1.88
DPS	0.42	1.59	0.74	0.77	0.85
Diluted shares (used to calculate per share data)	1,350	1,350	1,350	1,350	1,350
Growth					
Revenue (%)	23.2	6.9	12.8	7.3	5.2
Operating EBITDA (%)	23.2	12.1	10.9	9.8	6.5
Operating EBIT (%)	160.6	20.5	17.9	20.0	6.2
Recurring EPS (%)	181.4	67.9	6.7	15.3	9.9
Reported EPS (%)	213.5	40.5	14.5	15.3	9.9
Operating performance					
Gross margin inc. depreciation (%)	41.5	41.9	42.2	43.1	43.1
Gross margin exc. depreciation (%)	55.5	56.0	55.6	56.0	56.1
Operating EBITDA margin (%)	21.4	22.4	22.0	22.6	22.8
Operating EBIT margin (%)	7.4	8.3	8.7	9.7	9.8
Net margin (%)	5.2	8.2	7.7	8.3	8.7
Effective tax rate (%)	24.1	17.6	19.2	20.0	20.0
Dividend payout on recurring profit (%)	50.6	114.1	50.0	45.0	45.0
Interest cover (X)	3.1	3.9	3.4	3.6	3.9
Inventory days	38.2	34.0	30.6	31.6	31.8
Debtor days	23.2	21.6	14.5	8.7	7.8
Creditor days	131.4	141.7	149.5	154.6	155.6
Operating ROIC (%)	3.2	3.6	3.9	4.5	4.6
ROIC (%)	3.8	4.8	5.2	5.7	6.0
ROE (%)	5.9	9.3	9.4	10.3	10.6
ROA (%)	3.3	4.3	4.5	4.9	5.1
* Pre-exceptional, pre-goodwill and fully diluted					
Revenue by Division (THB m)	2023	2024	2025E	2026E	2027E
Hotel revenue	9,078	10,116	12,555	13,791	14,445
F&B revenue	12,465	12,921	13,438	14,093	14,900
Rental income	14	12	12	12	12

Sources: Central Plaza Hotel; FSSIA estimates

### **Financial Statements**

Central Plaza Hotel

Cash Flow (THB m) Year Ending Dec	2023	2024	2025E	2026E	2027E
ecurring net profit	1,120	1,881	2,007	2,315	2,543
epreciation	3,023	3,257	3,479	3,590	3,830
ssociates & minorities	-	-	-	-	-
ther non-cash items	246	(204)	30	47	52
hange in working capital	70	1,096	784	588	(117)
ash flow from operations	4,458	6,030	6,300	6,541	6,309
Capex - maintenance	(9,611)	(9,144)	(6,200)	(5,500)	(4,700)
apex - new investment	-	- (20)	-	-	-
let acquisitions & disposals	26	(68)	0	0	0
other investments (net)	- (0 E9E)	- (0.242)	- (6.200)	- (E E00)	(4.700)
Cash flow from investing	(9,585)	(9,212)	(6,200)	(5,500)	(4,700)
lividends paid	0	(567) 0	(797) 0	(1,004) 0	(1,042) 0
equity finance Debt finance	4,625	4,086	2,700	700	(1,300)
Other financing cash flows	(116)	(198)	(28)	(45)	(1,300)
cash flow from financing	4,509	3,322	1,876	(349)	(2,392)
lon-recurring cash flows	4,509	3,322	1,070	(343)	(2,332)
Other adjustments	0	0	0	0	0
let other adjustments	0	Ŏ	0	0	0
Novement in cash	(618)	139	1,976	692	(783)
Free cash flow to firm (FCFF)	(4,119.59)	(2,132.05)	1,401.91	2,410.74	2,966.23
Free cash flow to equity (FCFE)	(617.73)	705.91	2,772.62	1,696.07	258.84
Rev chara /TUP\					
Per share (THB)  -CFF per share	(3.05)	(1.58)	1.04	1.79	2.20
FCFE per share	(0.46)	0.52	2.05	1.79	0.19
Recurring cash flow per share	3.25	3.65	4.09	4.41	4.76
Colones Cheet (TUR m) Veer Ending Dog	2022	2024	20255	20265	20275
Balance Sheet (THB m) Year Ending Dec	2023		2025E	2026E	2027E
Tangible fixed assets (gross)	65,721	72,640	78,840	84,340	89,040
Less: Accumulated depreciation	(24,244)	(25,140)	(28,619)	(32,210)	(36,039)
Tangible fixed assets (net)	41,477	47,500	50,221	52,131	53,001
ntangible fixed assets (net)	360	339	339	339	339
Long-term financial assets	4 520	4 609	4 600	4 600	4 609
nvest. in associates & subsidiaries	4,539	4,608	4,608	4,608	4,608
Cash & equivalents A/C receivable	2,519 1,519	2,658 1,208	4,634 857	5,326 480	4,543 773
nventories	982	905	1,032	1,096	1,150
Other current assets	668	1,375	1,551	1,664	1,751
Current assets	5,688	6,145	8,073	8,566	8,217
Other assets	2,138	2,169	2,169	2,169	2,169
Total assets	54,204	60,761	65,410	67,813	68,334
Common equity	19,675	20,714	21,925	23,236	24,738
Minorities etc.	343	236	238	240	243
Total shareholders' equity	20,018	20,950	22,163	23,477	24,981
ong term debt	26,178	29,157	31,857	32,557	31,257
Other long-term liabilities	3,176	3,302	3,302	3,302	3,302
ong-term liabilities	29,354	32,459	35,159	35,859	34,559
A/C payable	3,445	4,423	5,045	5,360	5,621
Short term debt	928	2,034	2,034	2,034	2,034
Other current liabilities	459	895	1,009	1,083	1,139
Current liabilities	4,832	7,352	8,088	8,477	8,794
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	54,204	60,761	65,410	67,813	68,334
Net working capital	(735)	(1,831)	(2,615)	(3,203)	(3,086)
nvested capital	47,781	52,785	54,722	56,043	57,030
Includes convertibles and preferred stock which is be	eing treated as debt				
Per share (THB)					
Book value per share	14.57	15.34	16.24	17.21	18.32
Fangible book value per share	14.31	15.09	15.99	16.96	18.07
Financial strength					
Net debt/equity (%)	122.8	136.2	132.0	124.7	115.1
Net debt/total assets (%)	45.4	47.0	44.7	43.2	42.1
Current ratio (x)	1.2	0.8	1.0	1.0	0.9
CF interest cover (x)	0.1	1.9	3.7	2.5	1.2
/aluation	2023	2024	2025E	2026E	2027E
Recurring P/E (x) *	32.5	19.4	18.2	15.7	14.3
Recurring P/E @ target price (x) *	59.1	35.2	33.0	28.6	26.0
Reported P/E (x)	29.2	20.8	18.2	15.7	14.3
Dividend yield (%)	1.6	5.9	2.8	2.9	3.1
Price/book (x)	1.9	1.8	1.7	1.6	1.5
Price/tangible book (x)	1.9	1.8	1.7	1.6	1.5
EV/EBITDA (x) **	13.3	12.6	11.5	10.5	9.8
EV/EBITDA @ target price (x) **	19.8	18.4	16.7	15.2	14.2
EV/invested capital (x)	1.3	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.1

Sources: Central Plaza Hotel; FSSIA estimates

# **Central Plaza Hotel PCL (CENTEL TB)**

FSSIA ESG rating

★ ★ ★

### Exhibit 19: FSSIA ESG score implication

62.78 /100

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 20: ESG – peer comparison

	FSSIA	Domestic ratings						Global ratings						Bloomberg	
	ESG score	DJSI	SET ESG	SET ESG Rating	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
BEYOND	24.98				5.00	5.00	Certified		39.83						
CENTEL	62.78		Y	Y	5.00	5.00	Certified	Medium	57.54			71.56	48.00	2.93	54.19
DUSIT	24.81				5.00	4.00	Certified		46.50						
ERW	39.65				4.00	4.00	Certified		54.22			51.15	21.00	3.90	
MINT	84.43	Υ	Y	Y	5.00	4.00	Certified	Medium	57.57	AA	37.00	91.18	69.00	5.00	
SHR	25.00		Υ	Y	5.00	5.00									

 $Sources: \underline{\textbf{SETTRADE.com}}; \ \textbf{FSSIA's compilation}$ 

### Exhibit 21: ESG score by Bloomberg

FY ending Dec 31	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022
ESG financial materiality scores - ESG score	_	_	2.48	2.93
BESG environmental pillar score	_	_	2.28	2.32
BESG social pillar score	_	_	1.94	2.61
BESG governance pillar score	_	_	3.83	4.69
ESG disclosure score	43.86	52.49	53.62	54.19
Environmental disclosure score	35.52	43.73	43.73	45.45
Social disclosure score	27.39	32.53	35.91	35.91
Governance disclosure score	68.57	81.10	81.10	81.10
Environmental				
Emissions reduction initiatives	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Climate change policy	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Climate change opportunities discussed	No	No	No	No
Risks of climate change discussed	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
GHG scope 1	27	23	15	35
GHG scope 2 location-based	41	25	19	51
GHG Scope 3	7	4	3	11
Carbon per unit of production	_	_	_	_
Biodiversity policy	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Energy efficiency policy	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Total energy consumption	157	354	403	207
Renewable energy use	27	178	394	1
Electricity used	_	135	119	113
Fuel used - natural gas	_	_	_	_

Sources: Bloomberg; FSSIA's compilation

Exhibit 22: ESG score by Bloomberg (cont.)

FY ending Dec 31	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022
Fuel used - crude oil/diesel	No	No	No	No
Waste reduction policy	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Hazardous waste	0	0	0	(
Total waste	5	2	2	6
Waste recycled	_	1	1	2
Waste sent to landfills	_	1	1	4
Environmental supply chain management	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Water policy	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Water consumption	_	_	_	_
Social				
Human rights policy	Yes	Yes	Yes	Ye
Policy against child labor	Yes	Yes	Yes	Ye
Quality assurance and recall policy	No	No	No	N
Consumer data protection policy	Yes	Yes	Yes	Ye
Equal opportunity policy	Yes	Yes	Yes	Ye
Gender pay gap breakout	Yes	Yes	Yes	Ye
Pct women in workforce	61	59	64	6
Pct disabled in workforce	2	3	1	
Business ethics policy	Yes	Yes	Yes	Ye
Anti-bribery ethics policy	Yes	Yes	Yes	Ye
Health and safety policy	Yes	Yes	Yes	Ye
Lost time incident rate - employees	_	_	0	
Total recordable incident rate - employees	0	1	1	
Training policy	Yes	Yes	Yes	Ye
Fair remuneration policy	No	No	No	
Number of employees – CSR	18,280	8,591	13,087	15,00
Employee turnover pct		22	13	3
Total hours spent by firm - employee training	253,372	76,888	186,523	277,31
Social supply chain management	Yes	Yes	Yes	Ye
Governance		100	100	10
Board size	11	13	13	1
No. of independent directors (ID)	5	5	5	-
No. of women on board	1	3	3	
No. of non-executive directors on board	10	7	7	1
Company conducts board evaluations	Yes	Yes	Yes	Ye
	4	5	5	16
No. of board meetings for the year  Board meeting attendance pct	98	97	100	10
-	90	3	3	10
Board duration (years)	— No	No	No	N
Director share ownership guidelines				
Age of the youngest director	54	55	56	5
Age of the oldest director	80	81	81	8
No. of executives / company managers	1	11	12	
No. of female executives	0	3	3	
Executive share ownership guidelines	No	No	No	N
Size of audit committee	3	4	3	
No. of ID on audit committee	3	4	3	
Audit committee meetings	8	7	8	
Audit meeting attendance %	96	100	100	10
Size of compensation committee	4	5	4	
No. of ID on compensation committee	2	3	2	
No. of compensation committee meetings	3	2	3	
Compensation meeting attendance %	100	100	92	10
Size of nomination committee	4	5	4	
No. of nomination committee meetings	3	2	3	
Nomination meeting attendance %	100	100	92	10
Sustainability governance				
Verification type	No	No	No	N

Sources: Bloomberg; FSSIA's compilation

### Disclaimer for ESG scoring

ESG score	Methodolog	У			Rating						
The Dow Jones Sustainability Indices (DJSI) By S&P Global	process base from the ann Only the top- inclusion.	ed on the com ual S&P Glob ranked comp	transparent, rules-based panies' Total Sustainabil al Corporate Sustainabili anies within each industr	ity Scores resulting ty Assessment (CSA). y are selected for	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.						
SET ESG Ratings List (SETESG) by The Stock Exchange of Thailand (SET)	managing bu Candidates r 1) no irregula float of >150 up capital. S 70%; 2) inde wrongdoing i	usiness with transt pass the par trading of the shareholders ome key disquarented to CG,	onsibility in Environmental ansparency in Governand preemptive criteria, with the board members and extended to an and combined holding in ualifying criteria include: ctors and free float violation, social & environmental in earnings in red for > 3 year	ce, updated annually. two crucial conditions: xecutives; and 2) free nust be >15% of paid- 1) CG score of below on; 3) executives' mpacts; 4) equity in	To be eligible for <u>SETESG inclusion</u> , 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. <u>SETESG Index</u> is extended from the SET ESG Ratings 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)	annually by t Thailand (SE	he Thai IOD,	h in sustainable developr with support from the Sto ts are from the perspectiv s.	ock Exchange of	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	treatment are transparent a out of five the criteria cover date (45%), a circulation of sexercised. The and verifiability	e incorporated and sufficiently e CG compon AGM proced and after the r ufficient informa second assess (; and 3) openne	which shareholders' rights into business operations y disclosed. All form importents to be evaluated annures before the meeting (10%). (The first action for voting; and 2) facilitations in the sase of attending mess for Q&A. The third involvees, resolutions and voting res	s and information is ortant elements of two ually. The assessment (45%), at the meeting ssesses 1) advance ing how voting rights can be neetings; 2) transparency is the meeting minutes that	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)	establishmer policies. The (Companies de Declaration of Certification, in managers and	nt of key contr Certification i eciding to becom Intent to kick off ecluding risk ass	Checklist include corruptions, and the monitoring a is good for three years, are a CAC certified member store in a 18-month deadline to subsessment, in place of policy are ablishment of whistleblowing ill stakeholders.)	and developing of  tart by submitting a  mit the CAC Checklist for and control, training of	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.						
<u>Morningstar</u> Sustainalytics	based on an risk is unmar regulatory filing	assessment on aged. Sources gs, news and oth	sk rating provides an ove of how much of a compar s to be reviewed include corp her media, NGO reports/webs	ny's exposure to ESG orate publications and sites, multi-sector	A company's ESG risk rating score is the sum of unmanaged risk. The more risk is unmanaged, the higher ESG risk is scored.  NEGL Low Medium High Severe						
		mpany feedbac Jality & peer revi	k, ESG controversies, issuer : iews.	feedback on draft ESG	0-10	10-20	20-30	30-40	40+		
ESG Book	positioned to the principle helps explair over-weightin	outperform o of financial m future risk-ad	sustainable companies the over the long term. The materiality including informal djusted performance. Materiality and early basis.	ethodology considers ation that significantly teriality is applied by	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.						
<u>MSCI</u>			measure a company's mand laggards according to						nethodology to		
	AAA	8.571-10.00	0 Leader:	loading its industry in m	managing the most significant ESG risks and opportunities  nal track record of managing the most significant ESG risks and opportunities relative to						
	AA	7.143-8.570		leading its industry in in							
	Α	5.714-7.142		a mixed or unexceptions							
	BBB	4.286-5.713	•	industry peers	ar track record or m	anaging the mot	k digrimodrit 200 ric	nto una opporta	THEOD TOIGHTO TO		
	BB	2.857-4.285									
	B CCC	1.429-2.856 0.000-1.428	Laggard:	lagging its industry base	ed on its high exposure and failure to manage significant ESG risks						
Moody's ESG			gree to which companies	take into account ESG of	bjectives in the o	efinition and i	mplementation of	their strategy	policies. It		
solutions	believes that	a company ir	ntegrating ESG factors into or shareholders over the i	to its business model and							
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. (Score ratings are 0 to 25 = poor; >25 to 50 = satisfactory; >50 to 75 = good; and >75 to 100 = excellent.)										
S&P Global	The S&P Global ESG Score is a relative score measuring a company's performance on and management of ESG risks, opportunities, and impacts compared to its peers within the same industry classification. The score ranges from 0 to 100.										
Bloomberg	ESG Score		score is based on Bloor	ating the company's aggr mberg's view of ESG fina	ncial materiality.	The score is	a weighted gene	alized mean	(power mean)		
			of Pillar Scores, where	tne weignts are determin	ed by the pillar p	nonly ranking	. values range in	om 0 to 10; 10	J IS THE DEST.		

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Company	Ticker	Price	Rating	Valuation & Risks
Central Plaza Hotel	CENTEL TB	THB 27.00	BUY	Downside risks to our DCF-based target price include 1) extraordinary events such as political turmoil and natural disasters; 2) a higher hotel room supply and more intense competition in the F&B business, which may result in price competition; and 3) a slower-than-expected recovery of international tourist numbers.
Asset World Corp	AWC TB	THB 2.18	BUY	Downside risks to our DCF-based target price include 1) extraordinary events such as political turmoil and natural disasters; 2) a higher hotel room supply, which may result in price competition; and 3) the slower-than-expected recovery of international tourist numbers.
Minor International	MINT TB	THB 26.50	BUY	Downside risks to our DCF-based target price include 1) extraordinary events such as political turmoil and natural disasters; 2) a higher hotel room supply and higher competition in the F&B business, which may result in price competition; and 3) the slower-than-expected recovery of international tourist numbers.
The Erawan Group	ERW TB	THB 2.38	BUY	Downside risks to our DCF-based target price include 1) extraordinary events such as political turmoil and natural disasters; 2) a higher hotel room supply, which may result in price competition; and 3) the slower-than-expected recovery of international tourist numbers.
S Hotels and Resorts	SHR TB	THB 1.70	BUY	Downside risks to our DCF-based target price include 1) extraordinary events such as political turmoil and natural disasters; 2) a higher hotel room supply, which may result in price competition; and 3) the slower-than-expected recovery of international tourist numbers.
Dusit Thani	DUSIT TB	THB 8.25	BUY	Downside risks to our DCF-based target price include 1) extraordinary events such as political turmoil and natural disasters; 2) a higher hotel room supply, which may result in price competition; and 3) the slower-than-expected recovery of international tourist numbers.
Bound and Beyond	BEYOND TB	THB 6.00	BUY	Downside risks to our DCF-based target price include 1) extraordinary events such as political turmoil and natural disasters; 2) a higher hotel room supply, which may result in price competition; and 3) the slower-than-expected recovery of international tourist numbers.

Source: FSSIA estimates

#### **Additional Disclosures**

Target price history, stock price charts, valuation and risk details, and equity rating histories applicable to each company rated in this report is available in our most recently published reports. You can contact the analyst named on the front of this note or your representative at Finansia Syrus Securities Public Company Limited.

All share prices are as at market close on 16-Apr-2025 unless otherwise stated.

#### RECOMMENDATION STRUCTURE

#### Stock ratings

Stock ratings are based on absolute upside or downside, which we define as (target price\* - current price) / current price.

BUY (B). The upside is 10% or more.

HOLD (H). The upside or downside is less than 10%.

REDUCE (R). The downside is 10% or more.

Unless otherwise specified, these recommendations are set with a 12-month horizon. Thus, it is possible that future price volatility may cause a temporary mismatch between upside/downside for a stock based on market price and the formal recommendation.

\* In most cases, the target price will equal the analyst's assessment of the current fair value of the stock. However, if the analyst doesn't think the market will reassess the stock over the specified time horizon due to a lack of events or catalysts, then the target price may differ from fair value. In most cases, therefore, our recommendation is an assessment of the mismatch between current market price and our assessment of current fair value.

#### **Industry Recommendations**

Overweight. The analyst expects the fundamental conditions of the sector to be positive over the next 12 months.

Neutral. The analyst expects the fundamental conditions of the sector to be maintained over the next 12 months.

Underweight. The analyst expects the fundamental conditions of the sector to be negative over the next 12 months.

#### **Country (Strategy) Recommendations**

**Overweight (O).** Over the next 12 months, the analyst expects the market to score positively on two or more of the criteria used to determine market recommendations: index returns relative to the regional benchmark, index sharpe ratio relative to the regional benchmark and index returns relative to the market cost of equity.

**Neutral (N).** Over the next 12 months, the analyst expects the market to score positively on one of the criteria used to determine market recommendations: index returns relative to the regional benchmark, index sharpe ratio relative to the regional benchmark and index returns relative to the market cost of equity.

**Underweight (U).** Over the next 12 months, the analyst does not expect the market to score positively on any of the criteria used to determine market recommendations: index returns relative to the regional benchmark, index sharpe ratio relative to the regional benchmark and index returns relative to the market cost of equity.