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## **Aksa Energy**

Net financial expense and lower deferred tax income were influential in the net loss announcement.

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Aksa Energy reported a net loss of TRY 441mn including the TMS-29 impact in 4Q24, well below market expectations of TRY 758mn and our expectation of TRY 2,152mn net profit (4Q23: TRY 3,071mn). The net loss was due to a net financial expense of TRY 688mn, against net financial income of TRY 1,023mn in 4Q23, and lower deferred tax income of TRY 287mn (4Q23: TRY 2,030mn). In 4Q24, Aksa Energy generated net sales revenue of TRY 8,649mn, down 11.6% yoy, above our expectation of TRY 6,810mn and the market expectation of TRY 7,012mn. Unfavorable domestic market conditions were effective in the decrease in top-line. The Company's total electricity sales volume (excluding Africa and Asia) decreased by 17% YoY to 6,746 GWh in 2024, while spot electricity prices increased by 15% YoY to 2,446 TRY/MWh in 2024 (2023: 2,121 TRY/MWh). In 4Q24, average spot electricity prices rose by 19% YoY to 2,415 TL/MWh (4Q23: 2,028 TRY/MWh).

The Company's EBITDA, including the TMS-29 effect, was announced as TRY 2,064 million in 4Q24, up 3.5% YoY, lower our TRY 2,687 million and the market's TRY 2,568 million estimate. Although the net profit margin narrowed from 31.4% in 4Q23 to -5.10% in 4Q24, the EBITDA margin increased from 20.4% in 4Q23 to 23.9% in 4Q24 and the gross profit margin rose from 17.2% in 4Q23 to 24.4% in 4Q24.

Net debt increased - The Company's net debt position, at TRY 16,991 million in YE23, including the TMS-29 effect, was realized as TRY 27,112 million in YE24, while the Net Debt/EBITDA ratio in YE24 was 3.78x (YE23: 1.48x).

2024 results - The company achieved a net sales revenue of TRY 31,639 million (-37,7% YoY) in 2024, above expectation of TRY 27,215 million. In 2024, the EBITDA of TRY 7,177 million was realized below the expectation of TRY 7,795 million, while the total investment expenditure was realized at TRY 18 billion, against the expectation of TRY 16 billion.

2025 expectations - The company expects net sales revenue of TRY 36,850 million in 2025, including TMS 29, and EBITDA of TRY 11,005 million. It also expects total investment expenditure of TRY 23 billion for the year.

We expect the market's short-term reaction to AKSEN's 4Q24 financial results to be negative. However, we expect the contribution of overseas projects, especially Uzbekistan and Ghana, to play an important role in Aksa Energy's sales revenues in the medium and long term. However, we expect new power plants to come online quickly and generate EBITDA in 2025. In line with these expectations, we maintain "Outperform" with a TP of TRY 55.00/shr., implying 51.2% upside potential.

# OUTPERFORM TP: TRY 55.00

Previous TP: TRY 55.00 Upside: %51.2

	TRY	US\$	
Close	36,38	1,00	
BIST 100	9.911	272	
US\$/TRY (CB Bid Rate):	36,4097		
52 Week High:	48,14	1,49	
52 Week Low:	32,34	0,94	
Bloomberg/Reuters Ticker:	AKSEN.TI / AKSEN.IS		
Number of Shares (Mn):	1.226		
	(TRY Mn)	(US\$ Mn)	
Current Mcap :	44.614	1.226	
Free Float Mcap:	9.369	258	
	1 M	YOY	YTD
TRY Return (%):	-7	1	-7
US\$ Return (%):	-9	-14	-10
BIST 100 Relative (%):	-8	-7	-8
Avg. Daily Vol. (TRY Mn):	199		
Avg. Daily Vol. (US\$ Mn):	6,0		
Beta	0,91		
Volatility (Stock)	0,37		
Volatility (BIST 100)	0,24		
Shareholder Structure	%		
Kazancı Holding	80,13		
Free Float	19,77		
Share buyback	0,10		
Total	100,0		





Figure 1: Financials (Including IAS-29 Effect)						
TRY Million	YE23	YE24	YoY	4Q23	4Q24	YoY
Revenues	50.782	31.639	-37,7%	9.784	8.649	-11,6%
Gross Profit	10.418	6.688	-35,8%	1.679	2.107	25,5%
Gross Profit Margin	20,5%	21,1%		17,2%	24,4%	
EBIT	9.249	5.161	-44,2%	1.391	1.706	22,6%
EBIT Margin	18,2%	16,3%		14,2%	19,7%	
EBITDA	11.482	7.177	-37,5%	1.995	2.064	3,5%
EBITDA Margin	22,6%	22,7%		20,4%	23,9%	
Net Profit	7.936	2.007	-74,7%	3.071	-441	A.D.
Net Profit Margin	15,6%	6,3%		31,4%	-5,1%	

Source: Şeker Invest

Figure 2: Key financials (Including IAS-29 Effect)

BALANCE SHEET (TRY Mn)	2023/12	2024/12	%Chg
PP&E	50.557	61.792	22,2%
Intangibles	1.598	1.620	1,4%
Other Non-Current Assets	3.743	4.547	21,5%
Trade Receivables	19.535	9.980	-48,9%
Cash&Equivalents	1.148	1.054	-8,1%
Other Current Assets	3.993	3.780	-5,3%
Total Assets	80.573	82.774	2,7%
Long Term Debt	7.554	14.832	96,3%
Other Non current liabilities	3.136	1.695	-45,9%
Short Term Debt	4.275	6.652	55,6%
Trade Payables	4.823	6.230	29,2%
Other current liabilities	10.778	8.833	-18,0%
Total Liabilities	30.566	38.242	25,1%
Total Equity	50.007	44.531	-10,9%
Total Equity&Liabilities	80.573	82.774	2,7%

INCOME STATEMENT (TRY Mn)	2023/12	2024/12	%Chg
Revenues	50.782	31.639	-37,7%
COGS	40.364	24.951	-38,2%
Gross Profit (Loss)	10.418	6.688	30,6%
Operating Expenses	1.169	1.527	-44,2%
Operating Profit/(Loss)	9.249	5.161	-53,5%
Net Other Ope. Rev./(Exp.)	539	251	N.M.
Income/(Loss) from Investing Activities	(60)	(240)	-93,2%
Financial Expenses	2.428	165	N.M.
Gains (losses) on net monetary positions	(1.231)	(772)	-54,4%
Profit Before Tax (Loss)	10.311	4.699	17,1%
Tax	1.495	1.750	17,1%
Net Profit (Loss)	8.816	2.948	-66,6%
Minority Interest	880	941	7,0%
Majority Interest	7.936	2.007	-74,7%

Source: Şeker Invest





Date	Recommendation	Target Price (TRY)
16-Jan-24	Outperform (OP)	47,50
10-May-24	Outperform (OP)	47,50
14-Jun-24	Outperform (OP)	55,00
7-Nov-24	Outperform (OP)	55,00
7-Jan-25	Outperform (OP)	55,00
4-Mar-25	Outperform (OP)	55,00

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Outperform: The total return is expected to exceed the return of the BIST 100 by more than 10%.

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