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# FIT Hon Teng (6088 HK)

## NDR takeaway: FY24E guidance on track; Expect 20% rev CAGR in FY25-27E

We hosted a series of NDR meetings with FIT's mgmt. this week, and we believe FIT is on track to deliver FY24E guidance of high single-digit revenue growth, 20%+ GPM, and 4.5% OPM. In 4Q24E, we expect FIT's AI server/networking products (compute tray connectivity/power busbar/CDU connectors) picked up meaningfully backed by GB200 ramp as well as optical modules shipment (400G/800G). Consolidation of Auto-Kabel Group deal is on track to boost FIT's topline growth in FY25/26E. Overall, we maintain our positive view on FIT's multiple growth drivers in FY24/25E backed by solid product roadmap and 3-year growth strategy. Maintain BUY with TP of HK\$ 4.38. Upcoming catalysts include Auto-Kabel deal progress, GB200/GB300 supply chain updates and GPU socket applications.

- 4Q24 AI server product shipment picked up. During the call, mgmt. reiterated their FY24E guidance of AI server related revenue (7-9% of revenue mix, US\$ 500-1000 per compute tray) and 4Q mass production of power busbar and liquid cooling UQD products. 400G/800G optical modules is also on fast track to ramp up and expect next-gen product demand to pick up in 1H25E. Backplane cables/connectors are currently sampling and qualification results are expected in coming months. We also expect potential deployments of GPU sockets in next-gen GB300 AI servers to provide further upside in FY25-26E, considering its global dominant market position in CPU/GPU socket connectivity products.
- FY25/26E outlook: Al server products and auto business as key growth drivers. Mgmt. announced FY25-27E 3-year guidance in recent 3Q24 earnings call, which demonstrated FIT's confidence in product roadmap and execution of "3+3" strategy. For Al server/networking segment, we expect potential revenue upside from backplane cable/connectors, switch tray connectivity and GPU sockets. For EV mobility, integration with Auto-Kabel is expected to close by end of 2024, and will contribute meaningful revenue in FY25E. For AirPods, first production line in India is on track to start mass production in early FY25E, and second line will begin construction in 1H25E.
- Multiple growth drivers in FY24-26E; Maintain BUY with TP of HK\$4.38. The stock now trades at 15.8x/9.5x FY24/25E P/E, which we think is attractive compared to 42%/67% EPS growth in FY25/26E. Reiterate BUY with TP of HK\$ 4.38, based on 13x FY25E P/E. Upcoming catalysts include Auto-Kabel deal progress, GB200/GB300 supply chain updates and GPU socket order wins.

### **Earnings Summary**

(YE 31 Dec)	FY22A	FY23A	FY24E	FY25E	FY26E
Revenue (US\$ mn)	4,531	4,196	4,555	5,896	7,131
YoY growth (%)	0.9	(7.4)	8.6	29.4	20.9
Net profit (US\$ mn)	170.1	129.6	184.2	308.1	403.2
YoY growth (%)	24.5	(23.8)	42.2	67.2	30.9
EPS (Reported) (US\$ cents)	2.42	1.82	2.59	4.34	5.67
Consensus EPS (US\$)	N/A	N/A	2.58	3.98	4.74
P/E (x)	16.9	22.5	15.8	9.5	7.2
P/B (x)	1.2	1.1	1.1	1.0	0.9
Yield (%)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
ROE (%)	7.2	5.4	7.3	11.1	12.9
Net gearing (%)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Source: Company data, Bloomberg, CMBIGM estimates



### **BUY (Maintain)**

Target Price	HK\$4.38
Up/Downside	37.5%
Current Price	HK\$3.19

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### Stock Data

Mkt Cap (HK\$ mn)	23,181.7
Avg 3 mths t/o (HK\$ mn)	122.3
52w High/Low (HK\$)	3.73/0.90
Total Issued Shares (mn)	7267.0
Source: FactSet	

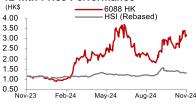
#### **Shareholding Structure**

Foxconn Far East Ltd	71.1%
Lu Sung-Ching	5.5%
Source: HKEx	

#### Share Performance

	Absolute	Relative
1-mth	19.0%	26.9%
3-mth	47.7%	35.2%
6-mth	26.1%	19.9%
Source: FactSet		

### 12-mth Price Performance



Source: FactSet

### **Related Reports:**

- FIT Hon Teng (6088 HK)-Upbeat 3year guidance reaffirmed our positive view; Raise TP to HK\$ 4.38-14 Nov 2024 (<u>link</u>)
- FIT Hon Teng (6088 HK) first take: Earnings in-line with solid margin recovery; Focus on GB200 products in 4Q24E- 13 Nov 2024 (link)
- FIT Hon Teng (6088 HK)-Beneficiary of GB200 server ramp in 4Q24E; Assessing the AI server opportunity-23 Oct 2024 (link)
- FIT Hon Teng (6088 HK)-2Q24 inline; Upbeat guidance on power busbar and liquid cooling order wins-14 Aug 2024 (<u>link</u>)



### **Earnings forecasts**

### Figure 1: Revenue breakdown

US\$ 000	FY22	FY23	1H24	2H24E	FY24E	FY25E	FY26E
Smartphones	1,261,047	1,044,335	415,228	514,230	929,458	975,931	1,034,487
YoY	-3%	-17%	-7%	-14%	-11%	5%	6%
Networking	753,854	424,793	260,729	414,692	675,421	938,453	1,313,773
YoY	-14%	-44%	19%	101%	59%	39%	40%
Traditional server		382,314			420,545	454,189	490,524
Al server		42,479			254,876	484,264	823,249
Computing	819,708	773,285	378,226	410,525	788,751	851,851	937,036
YoY	2%	-6%	0%	4%	2%	8%	10%
Mobility	152,814	305,098	227,270	247,884	475,154	929,234	978,175
YoY	10%	100%	217%	6%	56%	96%	5%
EV business	152,814	137,553	73,793	43,127	116,920	123,935	132,611
Voltaira	-	167,545	153,477	204,757	358,234	376,145	394,953
AK Group						429,153	450,611
Systems Products	1,335,580	1,415,280	671,576	793,468	1,465,044	1,946,023	2,600,244
YoY	20%	6%	16%	-5%	4%	33%	34%
AirPods					233,750	591,600	1,178,100
Others					1,231,294	1,354,423	1,422,144
Others	207,600	232,759	113,731	107,390	221,121	254,289	267,004
YoY	-17%	12%	24%	-24%	-5%	15%	5%
Total	4,530,603	4,195,550	2,066,760	2,488,188	4,554,948	5,895,781	7,130,718
YoY	0.9%	-7.4%	15.8%	3.2%	8.6%	29.4%	20.9%

Source: Company data, CMBIGM estimates

### Figure 2: P&L forecast

US\$ mn	FY22	FY23	1H24	2H24E	FY24E	FY25E	FY26E
Revenue	4,531	4,196	2,067	2,488	4,555	5,896	7,131
YoY	0.9%	-7.4%	15.8%	3.2%	8.6%	29.4%	20.9%
Cost of sales	-3,763	-3,388	-1,646	(1,968)	(3,613)	(4,651)	(5,603)
Gross profit	768	807	421	521	942	1,245	1,528
GPM (%)	17%	19%	20%	21%	21%	21%	21%
ҮоҮ	14.1%	5.1%	48.8%	-0.6%	16.7%	32.2%	22.7%
SG&A	-223	-295	-180	(157)	(337)	(407)	(485)
% of rev	-4.9%	-7.0%	-8.7%	-6.3%	-7.4%	-6.9%	-6.8%
R&D	-296	-308	-172	(181)	(353)	(430)	(513)
% of rev	-6.5%	-7.3%	-8.3%	-7.3%	-7.8%	-7.3%	-7.2%
Operating profit	307	263	93	227	321	479	601
OPM (%)	6.8%	6.3%	4.5%	9.1%	7.0%	8.1%	8.4%
ΥοΥ	74.0%	-14.4%	97.5%	5.5%	22.0%	49.2%	25.6%
Net profit	169	129	33	151	184	307	402
NPM (%)	3.7%	3.1%	1.6%	6.1%	4.0%	5.2%	5.6%
YoY	23.2%	-23.9%	263.3%	9.6%	42.5%	67.1%	30.9%

Source: Company data, CMBIGM estimates

# Assessing FIT's AI server opportunity:

### Figure 3: Scenario analysis of FIT NVDA AI server revenue (2025)

FIT NVDA AI server revenue (2025)	Bull	Base	Bear
NVDA AI server units			
GB200/GB300 rack shipment (NVL72-eq.)	50	40	30
NVL36/72 mix	6:1	6:1	6:1
NVL72 racks ('000)	10	10	10
NVL36 racks ('000)	80	60	40
# of Compute Trays ('000)	900	720	540
HGX/MGX AI server shipment (H100/H200/B200/B300A/B300)			
# of GPUs (H100/H200/B200/B300A/B300) ('000)	2,800	2,800	2,800
# of AI Servers (H100/H200/B200/B300A/B300) ('000)	350	350	350
GB200/GB300 Al Server revenue			
Compute tray: Connectors/cables (e.g. MCIO, MXIO, memory s	socket, PCle)		
FIT content value per compute tray (US\$)	1,000	800	600
FIT share allocation	20%	20%	20%
Total revenue (US\$ '000)	180,000	115,200	64,800
Compute tray: components (e.g. power, thermal)	,	,	
FIT content value per compute tray (US\$)	300	300	300
FIT share allocation	5%	5%	5%
Total revenue (US\$ '000)	13,500	10,800	8,100
NVLink copper cables/connector	,	,	-,
Content value per NVL72 rack (US\$)	80,000	70,000	60,000
Content value per NVL36 rack (US\$)	56,000	49,000	42,000
TAM - Backplane cables/connectors (US\$ '000)	5,280,000	3,640,000	2,280,000
FIT share allocation	5,280,000 13%	3,040,000 8%	2,200,000
Total revenue (US\$ '000)	686,400	291,200	114,000
Liquid Cooling: Components (e.g. cold plate, UQD, manifold)	200	200	200
FIT content value per rack (US\$)	300	300	300
FIT share allocation	5%	5%	5%
Total revenue (US\$ '000)	750	600	450
GPU socket (GB300)		222	
GB300 shipment (2xGPU) ('000)	220	220	220
ASP (US\$)	30	30	30
TAM - GPU sockets (US\$ '000)	6,600	6,600	6,600
FIT share allocation	80%	70%	60%
Total revenue (US\$ '000)	5,280	4,620	3,960
FIT GB200/GB300 AI server revenue (US\$ '000)	885,930	422,420	191,310
HGX/MGX AI server (H100/H200/B200/B300A/B300) revenue			
Server connectors (e.g. MCIO, CPU/memory socket, PCIe)	4 000		
FITs content value per server (US\$)	1,000	800	600
FITs share allocation	20%	20%	20%
Total revenue (US\$ '000)	70,000	56,000	42,000
GPU sockets B300A/B300 shipments ('000)	418	418	418
ASP (US\$)	20	20	20
TAM - GPU sockets (US\$ '000)	8,360	8,360	8,360
FIT share allocation	80%	70%	60%
Total revenue (US\$ '000)	6,688	5,852	5,016
FIT HGX/MGX AI server revenue (US\$ '000)	76,688	61,852	47,016
Total NVDA Al server revenue (US\$ '000)	962,618	484,272	238,326
Source: CMBIGM estimates			





### Valuation

### Maintain BUY with TP of HK\$4.38

Our TP of HK\$ 4.38 is based on same 13x FY25E P/E, given accelerated growth on "3+3 Strategy" and profitability recovery. Trading at 9.5x/7.2x FY25/26E P/E, we think riskreward is attractive. Upcoming catalysts include Auto-Kabel deal progress, GB200/GB300 supply chain updates and GPU socket applications.

### Figure 4: Peers' valuation

-			Market Cap	Price	ТР	Up/ Down	P/F	(x)	P/B	; (x)	ROF	E (%)
Company	Ticker	Rating	US\$(mn)	(LC)	(LC)	-side	FY24E	FY25E	FY24E	FY25E	FY24E	FY25E
Global Connec		rtating	000(1111)		(20)	-3146						
TE	TEL US	NR	45,218	151.15	NA	NA	20.0	18.7	3.7	3.6	19.1	18.9
Amphenol	APH US	NR	87,696	72.74	NA	NA	39.4	33.4	9.1	7.7	24.9	25.2
Fabrinet	FN US	NR	8,191	225.85	NA	NA	25.9	22.6	4.8	4.0	18.2	19.0
Aviat	6807 JP	NR	1,222	2607.00	NA	NA	17.1	13.9	1.3	1.3	7.5	9.6
Hirose	6806 JP	NR	4,283	17990.00	NA	NA	23.4	19.6	1.7	1.6	7.4	8.3
Luxshare	002475 CH	BUY	38,633	38.68	55.09	42%	20.6	16.8	3.3	2.8	16.0	16.4
Foxconn	2354 TT	NR	3,499	80.40	NA	NA	27.8	19.6	0.7	0.7	3.8	5.3
Hon Hai	2317 TT	NR	83,378	195.50	NA	NA	17.0	13.0	1.6	1.5	9.6	11.4
			Average				23.9	19.7	3.3	2.9	13.3	14.3
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FIT Hon Teng	6088 HK	BUY	2,988	3.19	4.38	37.3%	15.8	9.5	1.1	1.0	7.3	11.1
AAC Tech	2018 HK	BUY	5,390	35.00	40.83	17%	20.9	16.5	1.6	1.5	7.4	8.8
Tongda	698 HK	BUY	104	0.08	0.12	47%	27.7	4.2	0.1	0.1	0.4	2.7
BYDE	285 HK	BUY	10,003	34.55	44.41	29%	15.7	11.5	3.8	3.1	24.2	26.8
Q tech	1478 HK	BUY	907	5.96	6.43	8%	17.8	11.9	1.2	1.1	6.9	9.6
YOFC	6869 HK	NR	2,141	11.62	NA	NA	10.7	8.1	0.7	0.6	7.3	9.0
Cowell	1415 HK	NR	2,777	25.15	NA	NA	28.6	16.7	5.5	4.1	21.0	26.9
			Average				18.7	11.5	1.9	1.6	11.1	13.7

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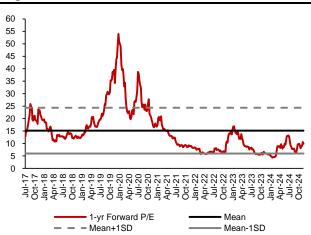
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Source: Bloomberg, CMBIGM estimates



### Figure 5: 12M forward P/E band

1-yr Forward P/B

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Figure 6: 12M forward P/B band

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# **Financial Summary**

INCOME STATEMENT	2021A	2022A	2023A	2024E	2025E	2026E
YE 31 Dec (US\$ mn)						
Revenue	4,490	4,531	4,196	4,555	5,896	7,131
Cost of goods sold	(3,817)	(3,763)	(3,388)	(3,613)	(4,651)	(5,603)
Gross profit	673	768	807	942	1,245	1,528
Selling expense	(105)	(93)	(105)	(128)	(147)	(178)
Admin expense	(161)	(130)	(191)	(210)	(259)	(307)
R&D expense	(301)	(296)	(308)	(353)	(430)	(513)
Others	70	58	61	69	71	71
Operating profit	177	307	263	321	479	601
Share of (losses)/profits of associates/JV	(8)	(46)	(50)	(38)	(38)	(38)
Interest expense	(2)	(14)	(33)	(33)	(30)	(26)
Pre-tax profit	167	248	179	250	411	538
Income tax	(31)	(78)	(50)	(65)	(103)	(134)
Minority interest	(1)	1	1	0	1	1
Net profit	137	170	130	184	308	403
BALANCE SHEET	2021A	2022A	2023A	2024E	2025E	2026E
YE 31 Dec (US\$ mn)						
Current assets	3,034	2,764	3,112	2,794	3,793	4,266
Cash & equivalents	769	914	1,316	886	1,184	1,416
Account receivables	1,033	720	807	851	1,295	1,300
Inventories	982	967	802	870	1,127	1,363
ST bank deposits	98	66	4	4	4	4
Non-current assets	1,973	1,783	1,982	2,498	2,426	2,317
PP&E	823	753	900	1,416	1,344	1,235
Deferred income tax	133	131	126	126	126	126
Investment in JVs & assos	172	123	73	73	73	73
Intangibles	634	601	700	700	700	700
Other non-current assets	211	175	182	182	182	182
Total assets	5,007	4,547	5,094	5,291	6,219	6,583
Current liabilities	1,937	1,539	2,563	2,577	3,196	3,157
Short-term borrowings	690	453	1,383	1,383	1,383	1,383
Account payables	1,138	971	1,095	1,108	1,727	1,688
Tax payable	94	98	70	70	70	70
Other current liabilities	15	18	17	17	17	17
Non-current liabilities	674	661	93	93	93	93
Long-term borrowings	576	575	0	0	0	0
Obligations under finance leases	46	43	41	41	41	41
Other non-current liabilities	52	43	52	52	52	52
Total liabilities	2,611	2,200	2,656	2,670	3,289	3,250
Share capital	139	142	142	142	142	142
Other reserves	2,348	2,295	2,384	2,569	2,877	3,280
Total shareholders equity	2,396	2,347	2,437	2,622	2,930	3,333
Minority interest	1	2	3	3	3	3
Total equity and liabilities	5,007	4,547	5,094	5,291	6,219	6,583



CASH FLOW	2021A	2022A	2023A	2024E	2025E	2026E
YE 31 Dec (US\$ mn)						
Operating						
Profit before taxation	167	248	179	250	411	538
Depreciation & amortization	251	232	220	434	472	509
Tax paid	(91)	(79)	(75)	(65)	(103)	(134)
Change in working capital	(257)	93	146	(99)	(82)	(280)
Others	15	63	103	0	0	0
Net cash from operations	85	556	574	519	698	632
Investing						
Capital expenditure	(216)	(113)	(243)	(950)	(400)	(400)
Acquisition of subsidiaries/ investments	0	0	0	0	0	0
Others	(4)	47	(167)	0	0	0
Net cash from investing	(220)	(66)	(410)	(950)	(400)	(400)
Financing						
Dividend paid	0	0	0	0	0	0
Net borrowings	0	0	0	0	0	0
Proceeds from share issues	0	0	0	0	0	0
Share repurchases	(1)	(2)	(1)	0	0	0
Others	121	(268)	250	0	0	0
Net cash from financing	120	(270)	249	0	0	0
Net change in cash						
Cash at the beginning of the year	766	769	914	1,316	886	1,184
Exchange difference	19	(75)	(10)	0	0	0
Cash at the end of the year	769	914	1,316	886	1,184	1,416
GROWTH	2021A	2022A	2023A	2024E	2025E	2026E
YE 31 Dec						
Revenue	4.1%	0.9%	(7.4%)	8.6%	29.4%	20.9%
Gross profit	16.1%	14.1%	5.1%	16.7%	32.2%	22.7%
Operating profit	41.2%	74.0%	(14.4%)	22.0%	49.2%	25.6%
Net profit	219.3%	24.5%	(23.8%)	42.2%	67.2%	30.9%
PROFITABILITY	2021A	2022A	2023A	2024E	2025E	2026E
YE 31 Dec						
Gross profit margin	15.0%	16.9%	19.2%	20.7%	21.1%	21.4%
Operating margin	3.9%	6.8%	6.3%	7.0%	8.1%	8.4%
Return on equity (ROE)	6.0%	7.2%	5.4%	7.3%	11.1%	12.9%
GEARING/LIQUIDITY/ACTIVITIES	2021A	2022A	2023A	2024E	2025E	2026E
YE 31 Dec					0.0	
Net debt to equity (x)	na	na	0.0	0.0	0.0	na
Current ratio (x)	1.6	1.8	1.2	1.1	1.2	1.4
Receivable turnover days	84.0	58.0	70.2	68.2	80.2	66.6
Inventory turnover days	93.9	93.8	86.4	87.9	88.4	88.8
Payable turnover days	108.8	94.2	117.9	111.9	135.6	110.0
VALUATION	2021A	2022A	2023A	2024E	2025E	2026E
YE 31 Dec						
P/E	20.1	16.9	22.5	15.8	9.5	7.2
P/B	1.1	1.2	1.1	1.1	1.0	0.9
Div yield (%)	109.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Source: Company data, CMBIGM estimates. Note: The calculation of net cash includes financial assets.



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