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Asia Hong Kong

Property

SHK Properties Ltd

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Results

Price at 13 Sep 2018 (HKD)	114.70
Price target - 12mth (HKD)	135.10
52-week range (HKD)	138.30 - 111.30
HANG SENG INDEX	26,345

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Key changes			
TP	139.40 to 135.10	\downarrow	-3.1%
Sales (FYE)	96,725 to 96,042	1	-0.7%
Op prof margin (FYE)	36.0 to 36.1	1	0.2%
Net profit (FYE)	29,035.4 to 28,696.6	1	-1.2%

Source: Deutsche Bank Price/price relative



Performance (%)	1m	3m	12m
Absolute	-4.6	-8.2	-16.2
HANG SENG INDEX	-5.7	-14.3	-5.6
Source: Deutsche Bank			

FY18 results strong, but macro headwinds override in near term; Hold

ADR Ticker

Maintain Hold – current dividend yield should provide good near-term support

SHKP reported strong FY18 results (stronger-than-expected margins and rental growth momentum picking up), with dividend growth beating expectations, continuing to reflect a quality management team. Yet, we expect macro headwinds (an imminent rate hike and uncertainties in relation to the trade war) to override in the near term. Meanwhile, the primary sales market is increasingly competitive, as reflected in a 21% YoY increase in the vendor financing balance, although HK contracted sales actually declined 8% YoY. FY18 dividend yield surpassing 4% should provide medium-term support; Hold.

FY18 underlying earnings +17% YoY to HK\$30,398m, beating our expectations SHKP reported FY18 underlying profit of HK\$30,398m, implying a 17% YoY

surge from HK\$25,965m in FY17 and beating our expectations. The beat was predominantly driven by higher-than-expected development margins in HK and higher sales bookings in China. Final dividend of HK\$3.45/shr was declared (+15% YoY), bringing full-year dividend to HK\$4.65/shr (+13% representing a marked accelerating pace compared to FY17 at 6.5%.

Rental revenue +8.2% YoY, driven by strong operations/AEI/new projects

In FY18, gross rental income (including associates/JVs) rose by 8.2% YoY to HK\$23,682m, with HK\$18,506m from HK (+6%), HK\$4,457m from China (+18% in HK\$, +11% in Rmb) and HK\$719m from Singapore (+7%). Strong growth in the China portfolio was particularly driven by new project completion and positive rental reversion. Overall growth momentum accelerated (FY18: 8.2%; FY17: 4%; FY16: 7%), with HK registering acceleration to 7.9% in 2H18 vs. 4.3% in 1H18 (2H17 at 3.2%/1H17 at 4.4%).

Development margins markedly improve in HK and China in FY18

A key reason behind the earnings beat in FY18 was higher-than-expected sales development margins. In particular, operating profit margins for the HK portfolio saw a 6.2 percentage point expansion to 39%. Those for the China portfolio saw an even stronger expansion by 14 percentage points to 37%.

HK landbank +9% YoY to 56.5m sf/China landbank -3% YoY to 64.5m sf

As of mid-2018, SHKP had a total HK landbank of 56.5m sf (+9% YoY), of which 22.7m sf was under development, implying 16% growth YoY following five projects that total 6.76m sf being added. In particular, the Shap Sz Heung project (farm-land conversion) boosted 4.8m sf GFA, and the Kai Tak project has total GFA of 1.3m sf. In China, total landbank fell by 3% to 64.5m sf, of which 50.7m sf was under development (down from 52.6m sf one year ago).

New target price of HK\$135.1 is based upon a sum-of-the-parts approach; risks

Our target price is based on a sum-of-the-parts approach, and implies a 2019E P/E of 14x. We believe that applying a 5-7x P/E to HK property development and a 34% target discount to our estimated value of the respective investment property portfolio is appropriate in an ex-growth market. Risks: fluctuation in HK/China economies, adverse or favorable changes to interest rate trends and government policies.

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Figure 1: Summary of FY18 resul	lts			
(HK\$m)	2018A	2017A	YoY	Remarks
Property sales	39,795	35,962	11%	- HK DP reported higher development margins at 39.0% (vs. 32.8% in FY17); HK contracted sales of HK\$41bn (HK\$44.7bn in FY17), exceeding the annual target of HK\$36bn; over HK\$29bn sales are yet to be recognized in HK.
				- China DP reported higher development margins at 34.9% (vs. 20.5% in FY17); HK\$4.7bn in sales are yet to be recognized in mainland China.
Property rental	19,411	17,970	8%	- Boosted by positive rental reversions and contributions from new rental properties.
Hotel operation	4,438	4,166	7%	
Telecommunications	9,988	8,715	15%	- Partly boosted by 16% YoY growth in customer base of SmarTone.
Transport infrastructure and logistics	4,009	3,860	4%	
Other businesses	8,003	7,534	6%	- Three new stores were opened for YATA during FY18.
Revenue	85,644	78,207	10%	
Cost of sales	(43,752)	(42,433)	3%	
Gross Profit	41,892	35,774	17%	
Finance cost	(1,985)	(1,987)	(0%)	
Finance income	368	278	32%	
Selling and marketing costs	(4,937)	(4,708)	5%	
Administrative expenses	(2,658)	(2,467)	8%	
Other net income	1,156	927	25%	
Revaluation gains	15,772	13,810	14%	
Profit from operations	49,608	41,627	19%	
Share of results of associates/JVs	9,748	7,598	28%	- Boosted by HK\$6.3bn in IP revaluation gains (HK\$4.4bn in FY17).
Pre-tax profit	59,356	49,225	21%	
Taxation	(8,402)	(6,750)	24%	
Post-tax profit before MI	50,954	42,475	20%	
Minority interests	(1,003)	(693)	45%	
Net attributable profit	49,951	41,782	20%	
Adjustment for non-recurring items	(19,553)	(15,817)	24%	
Core net profit	30,398	25,965	17%	- Mainly driven by higher-than-expected development margins in HK and higher sales bookings in China.
Reported EPS (HK\$)	17.24	14.43	19%	
Core EPS (HK\$)	10.49	8.97	17%	
DPS (HK\$)	4.65	4.10	13%	
Final	3.45	3.00	15%	- Equivalent to payout ratio of 44% on core EPS.
Interim	1.20	1.10	9%	•
Source: Company data, Deutsche Bank				

Property

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Figure 2: Balance sheet		
(HK\$m)	30-Jun-2017	30-Jun-2018
Non-current assets	375,462	415,053
Investment properties	337,980	369,477
Property and equipment	26,977	34,587
Other assets	10,505	10,989
Associates	63,841	71,767
Other investments	3,375	3,384
Current assets	196,738	225,282
Properties for sale	146,409	177,367
Inventories	444	440
Debtors & deposits/receivables/others	18,611	21,380
Bank balances & cash	31,274	26,095
Current liabilities	(50,972)	(66,435)
Bank loans and overdrafts	5,390	12,646
Forward sales deposits received	10,458	12,230
Creditors, deposits & accruals/others	26,908	31,008
Taxation	8,216	10,551
Total assets less current liabilities	588,444	649,051
Non-current liabilities	62,151	78,959
Long term bank loans	61,936	78,788
Others	215	171
Deferred income tax	18,930	21,660
Issued share capital	70,516	70,612
Retained profits	425,407	466,194
Revaluation surplus	961	961
Capital & other reserves	1,331	1,331
Shareholders' funds	498,215	539,098
Perpetual capital securities	3,910	3,887
Minority interests	5,238	5,447
Total capital employed	588,444	649,051
Source: Company data, Deutsche Bank		



Investment thesis

Outlook

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Valuation

Our target price is based on a sum-of-the-part approach (previously, a target discount on overall NAV), which implies a 2019 P/E of 14x. We believe that applying a 5-7x P/E to HK property development and a 34% target discount to our estimated value on the respective investment property portfolio is appropriate in an ex-growth market. For China property development, we believe that applying an 8x P/E (on par with industry leaders with strong financial positions, such as COLI and CR Land) is appropriate, considering the financial strength and profitability profile of HK developers. We adopt this methodology as our new valuation metric across HK developers under our coverage.

Risks

- Fluctuations in the HK economy could lead to higher/lower housing demand;
- An interest rate hike and continuous liquidity outflows could severely harm sentiment and demand in the property market. On the other hand, the property market may further strengthen if the low interest rate environment persists;
- Unexpected fluctuations in the Chinese economy could affect our forecasts;
- The Chinese government's measures could be stricter/looser than expected.

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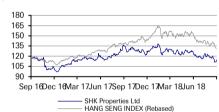
Hold	
Price (13 Sep 18)	HKD 114.70
Target Price	HKD 135.10
52 Week range	HKD 111.30 - 138.30
Market Cap (m)	HKDm 332,287

USDm 42,336

Company Profile

Sun Hung Kai Properties Limited, through its subsidiaries, develops and invests in properties. The Company also operates hotels, manages properties, car parking and transportation infrastructure. In addition, Sun Hung Kai operates logistics business, construction, financial services, internet infrastructure and enabling services.

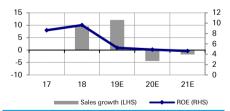
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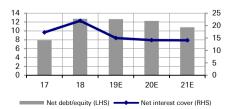
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Growth & Profitability



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Fiscal year end 30-Jun	2017	2018	2019E	2020E	2021E
Financial Summary					
DB EPS (HKD)	8.97	10.49	9.91	9.50	9.20
Reported EPS (HKD)	14.43	17.24	9.91	9.50	9.20
DPS (HKD)	4.10	4.65	4.65	4.65	4.65
BVPS (HKD)	172.0	186.1	191.3	196.2	200.7
Weighted average shares (m)	2,895	2,897	2,897	2,897	2,897
Average market cap (HKDm) Enterprise value (HKDm)	321,356 302,715	367,206 370,112	332,287 334,746	332,287 331,939	332,287 322,430
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Valuation Metrics P/E (DB) (x)	12.4	12.1	11.6	12.1	12.5
P/E (Reported) (x)	7.7	7.4	11.6	12.1	12.5
P/BV (x)	0.67	0.64	0.60	0.58	0.57
FCF Yield (%)	7.5	nm	4.0	4.7	6.6
Dividend Yield (%)	3.7	3.7	4.1	4.1	4.1
EV/Sales (x)	3.9	4.3	3.5	3.6	3.6
EV/EBITDA (x)	9.6	9.8	9.1	9.2	9.5
EV/EBIT (x)	10.3	10.4	9.7	9.8	10.3
Income Statement (HKDm)					
Sales revenue	78,207	85,644	96,042	91,849	90,251
Gross profit	37,713	44,033	43,295	42,198	40,299
EBITDA	31,465	37,594	36,798	35,894	33,844
Depreciation Amortisation	1,939 0	2,141 0	2,171 0	2,181 0	2,400 0
EBIT	29,526	35,453	34,627	33,713	31,444
Net interest income(expense)	-1,709	-1,617	-2,305	-2,379	-2,236
Associates/affiliates	7,598	9,748	3,301	3,395	4,222
Exceptionals/extraordinaries	13,810	15,772	0	0	0
Other pre-tax income/(expense) Profit before tax	0 49,225	0 59,356	0 35,623	0 34,729	0 33.431
Income tax expense	6,750	8,402	5,899	6,026	5,445
Minorities	693	1,003	1,027	1,176	1,339
Other post-tax income/(expense)	0	0	0	0	0
Net profit	41,782	49,951	28,697	27,527	26,647
DB adjustments (including dilution)	-15,817	-19,553	0	0	0
DB Net profit	25,965	30,398	28,697	27,527	26,647
Cash Flow (HKDm)					
Cash flow from operations	32,596	3,491	16,537	23,987	29,333
Net Capex	-8,607	-4,278	-3,194	-8,231	-7,296
Free cash flow	23,989	-787	13,343 0	15,755 0	22,037 0
Equity raised/(bought back) Dividends paid	112 -11,964	0 -13,471	-13,471	-13,471	-13,471
Net inc/(dec) in borrowings	-13,249	24,108	-1,589	2,490	-4,810
Other investing/financing cash flows	2,338	-15,028	-1,699	-1,697	-1,940
Net cash flow	1,226	-5,179	-3,416	3,078	1,815
Change in working capital	7,876	-27,267	-11,585	-3,018	3,629
Balance Sheet (HKDm)					
Cash and other liquid assets	31,274	26,095	22,679	25,756	27,572
Tangible fixed assets	26,977	34,587	34,864	35,907	36,580
Goodwill/intangible assets Associates/investments	62 941	71 767	75.060	0 78,463	02 605
Other assets	63,841 517,324	71,767 583,037	75,068 595,052	605,741	82,685 610,903
Total assets	639,416	715,486	727,662	745,866	757,739
Interest bearing debt	71,236	95,321	93,732	96,222	91,412
Other liabilities	64,727	75,620	73,132	73,615	75,784
Total liabilities	135,963	170,941	166,865	169,837	167,196
Shareholders' equity Minorities	498,215 5,238	539,098 5,447	554,324 6,474	568,380 7,650	581,555 8,988
Total shareholders' equity	503,453	544,545	560,798	576,029	590,544
Net debt	39,962	69,226	71,053	70,465	63,840
Key Company Metrics					
Sales growth (%)	nm	9.5	12.1	-4.4	-1.7
DB EPS growth (%)	na 40.2	17.0 43.9	-5.6 38.3	-4.1 39.1	-3.2 37.5
EBITDA Margin (%) EBIT Margin (%)	40.2 37.8	43.9 41.4	38.3 36.1	39.1 36.7	37.5 34.8
Payout ratio (%)	28.4	27.0	46.9	48.9	50.6
ROE (%)	8.6	9.6	5.2	4.9	4.6
Capex/sales (%)	11.8	5.0	3.3	9.0	8.1
Capex/depreciation (x)	4.7	2.0	1.5	3.8	3.0
Net debt/equity (%) Net interest cover (x)	7.9 17.3	12.7 21.9	12.7 15.0	12.2 14.2	10.8 14.1
Source: Company data, Deutsche Bank estimates	17.3	۷.۱.۵	13.0	17.4	14.1
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Appendix 1

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Company	Ticker	Recent price*	Disclosure
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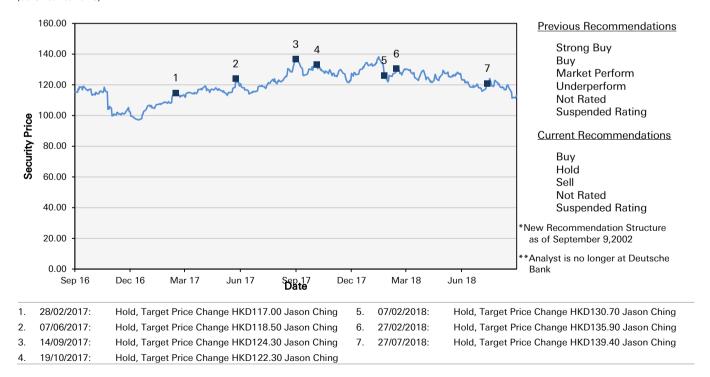
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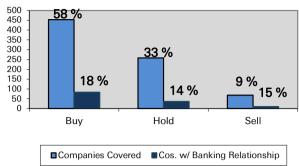
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