

## Weaker than expected quarter

Solteq's Q3 fell slightly short of our expectations. The difficult market environment continued to impact the result despite efficiency measures and cost control.

- Comparable net sales in Q3 were EUR 10.4m (Q3'24: EUR 11.0m), down 5.2% y/y. Reported net sales were also EUR 10.4m (Q3'24: EUR 11.4m) vs. Evli EUR 10.9m, down 9.1%.
- Comparable EBITDA was EUR 0.4m (Q3'24: EUR 1.1m).
- Comparable operating profit was EUR 0.1m (Q3'24: EUR 0.5m) vs. Evli EUR 0.5m. Efficiency measures and cost controls were not enough to counter the negative impact of the sluggish market on the results.
- **Retail & Commerce:** Comparable revenue in Q3 amounted to EUR 7.7m (Q3'24: EUR 8.1m) vs. Evli EUR 8.0m, which is a decline of 4.0% in comparable terms. The decline in revenue continued to be impacted by the challenging market environment. The comparable operating result was EUR 0.6m in line with our estimates.
- **Utilities:** Revenue in Q3 was EUR 2.6m (Q3'24: EUR 2.9m) vs. Evli EUR 2.9m, down 8.7% y/y. Adjusted EBIT came in at EUR -0.4m (Q3'24: -0.1m), below our estimate of EUR -0.1m. The low invoicing rate in Utilities consulting business unit continued to weigh on performance.
- Net debt amounted to EUR 22.6m (Q2'25: 21.3m), with cash at EUR 1.1m, down from EUR 1.6m in the previous quarter.
- **Guidance for 2025 (reiterated):** Comparable revenue will decrease slightly (2024: EUR 48.8m excluding the divested healthcare software solutions business), while the comparable operating result will improve significantly (2024: EUR 0.7m).
- YTD comparable operating result is 0.3m, implying a significant improvement is needed in Q4 to meet guidance.
- Market commentary turned slightly more cautious compared to Q2, particularly for the Retail & Commerce segment.

### Rating

Accumulate

<b>Share price, EUR</b> (Last trading day's closing price)	<b>0.56</b>
Target price, EUR	0.62
Latest change in recommendation	14-Feb-25
Latest report on company	27-Oct-25
Research paid by issuer:	YES
No. of shares outstanding, '000's	19 397
No. of shares fully diluted, '000's	19 397
Market cap, EURm	11
Free float, %	73.0 %
Exchange rate	0.0
Reuters code	SOLTEQ.HE
Bloomberg code	SOLTEQ FH
Average daily volume, EURm	0.008
Next interim report	29-Oct-25
Web site	solteq.com/en/investors
Analyst	Atte Pitkäljärvi
E-mail	atte.pitkajarvi@evli.com
Telephone	+358 440 476 597

BUY ACCUMULATE REDUCE SELL

### KEY FIGURES

	Sales EURm	EBIT EURm	EBIT %	FCF EURm	EPS EUR	P/E (x)	EV/Sales (x)	EV/EBIT (x)	FCF yield %	DPS EUR
2023	57.7	-3.5	-6.1%	6.0	-0.28	-2.3	0.7	-11.1	40.8%	0.00
2024	50.9	1.8	3.6%	3.6	-0.06	-10.3	0.6	18.2	29.1%	0.00
2025E	47.7	1.7	3.5%	-0.3	-0.01	-45.8	0.7	19.1	-3.1%	0.00
2026E	49.3	3.7	7.5%	1.6	0.07	8.0	0.6	8.1	15.1%	0.00
2027E	51.8	5.0	9.7%	2.9	0.13	4.2	0.5	5.4	26.5%	0.00
Market cap, EURm	11	Gearing 2025E, %		132.4 %	CAGR EPS 2024-27, %		0.0 %			
Net debt 2025E, EURm	21	Price/book 2025E		0.7	CAGR Sales 2024-27, %		0.6 %			
Enterprise value, EURm	32	Dividend yield 2025E, %		0.0 %	ROE 2025E, %		-1.5 %			
Total assets 2025E, EURm	50	Tax rate 2025E, %		53.5 %	ROCE 2025E, %		4.3 %			
Goodwill 2025E, EURm	39	Equity ratio 2025E, %		31.4 %	PEG, P/E 25/CAGR		0.0			

All the important disclosures can be found on the last pages of this report.

**Important Disclosures**

Evli Research Partners Plc ("ERP") uses 12-month target prices. Target prices are defined by utilizing analytical techniques based on financial theory including (but not limited to) discounted cash flow analysis and comparative valuation. The selection of valuation methods depends on different circumstances. Target prices may be altered on the basis of new information coming to light in the underlying company or changes in interest rates, changes in foreign exchange rates, other securities prices or market indices or outlook for the aforementioned factors or other factors that may change the conditions of financial markets. The valuation assumptions used are sensitive to changes and can significantly affect fair values. A change of a single percentage point in any used assumption could affect fair values by more than +/-20%. Recommendations and changes by analysts are available at [Analysts' recommendations and ratings revisions](#).

Investment recommendations are defined as follows:

Target price compared to share price

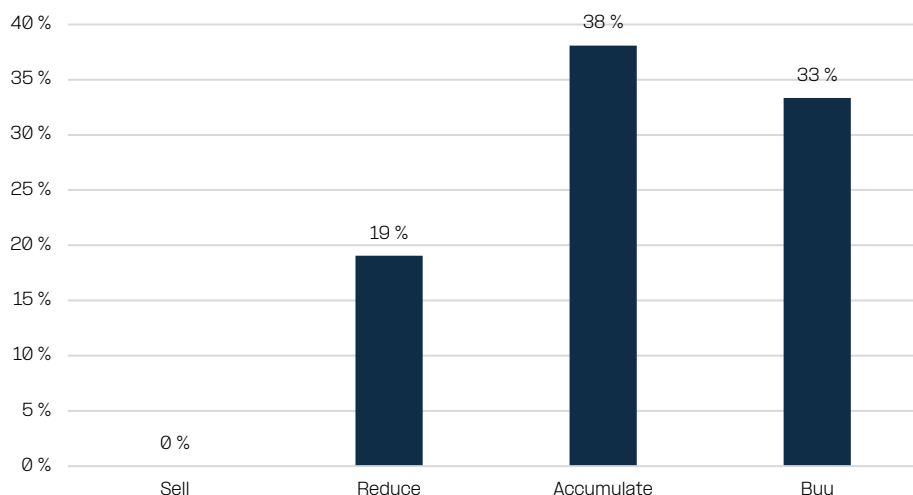
< -10 %  
-10 - 0 %  
0 - (+10) %  
> 10 %

Recommendation

SELL  
REDUCE  
ACCUMULATE  
BUY

ERP may temporarily suspend the rating and, if applicable, the target price to comply with regulations and/or firm policies, in which case a NOT RATED classification is used.

ERP's investment recommendation of the analyzed company is updated at least 2 times per year.



The graph above shows the distribution of ERP's recommendations of companies under coverage on the 16th of May, 2025. If recommendation is not given, it is not mentioned here.

Name(s) of the analyst(s): Atte Pitkälä

This research report has been prepared by Evli Research Partners Plc ("ERP" or "Evli Research"). ERP is a subsidiary of Evli Plc. Production of the investment recommendation has been concluded on 27.10.2025, 8:30. This report has been published on 29.10.2025, 9:30.

None of the analysts contributing to this report, persons under their guardianship or corporations under their control have a position in the shares of the company or related securities.

The date and time for any price of financial instruments mentioned in the recommendation refer to the previous trading day's closing price(s) unless otherwise stated in the report.

Each analyst responsible for the content of this report assures that the expressed views accurately reflect the personal views of each analyst on the covered companies and securities. Each analyst assures that (s)he has not been, nor are or will be, receiving direct or indirect compensation related to the specific recommendations or views contained in this report.

Companies in the Evli Group, affiliates or staff of companies in the Evli Group, may perform services for, solicit business from, hold long or short positions in, or otherwise be interested in the investments (including derivatives) of any company mentioned in the publication or report.

According to ERP's best knowledge, the issuer(s) of the securities hold(s) in excess of 5% of the total issued share capital of the issuer(s).

Neither ERP nor any company within the Evli Group have managed or co-managed a public offering of the company's securities during the last 12 months prior to, received compensation for investment banking services from the company during the last 12 months prior to the publication of the research report.

ERP has signed an agreement with the issuer of the financial instruments mentioned in the recommendation, which includes production of research reports. This assignment has a limited economic and financial impact on ERP and/or Evli. Under the assignment ERP performs services including, but not limited to, arranging investor meetings or –events, investor relations communication advisory and production of research material.

ERP or another company within the Evli Group does not have an agreement with the company to perform market making or liquidity providing services.

For the prevention and avoidance of conflicts of interests with respect to this report, there is an information barrier (Chinese wall) between Investment Research and Corporate Finance units concerning unpublished investment banking services to the company. The remuneration of the analyst(s) is not tied directly or indirectly to investment banking transactions or other services performed by Evli Plc or any company within Evli Group.

This report has not been disclosed to the company prior to its dissemination.

This report is provided and intended for informational purposes only and may not be used or considered under any circumstances as an offer to sell or buy any securities or as advice to trade any securities.

This report is based on sources ERP considers to be correct and reliable. The sources include information providers FactSet and Bloomberg, stock-exchange releases from the companies and other company news, and publicly available online sources. However, ERP does not guarantee the materialization, correctness, accuracy or completeness of the information, opinions, estimates or forecasts expressed or implied in the report. In addition, circumstantial changes may have an influence on opinions and estimates presented in this report. The opinions and estimates presented are valid at the moment of their publication and they can be changed without a separate announcement. Neither ERP nor any company within the Evli Group are responsible for amending, correcting or updating any information, opinions or estimates contained in this report. Neither ERP nor any company within the Evli Group will compensate any direct or consequential loss caused by or derived from the use of the information represented in this publication.

All information published in this report is for the original recipient's private and internal use only. ERP reserves all rights to the report. No part of this publication may be reproduced or transmitted in any form or by any means, electronic, mechanical, photocopying, recording or otherwise, or stored in any retrieval system of any nature, without the written permission of ERP.

This report or its copy may not be published or distributed in Australia, Canada, Hong Kong, Japan, New Zealand, Singapore or South Africa. The publication or distribution of this report in certain other jurisdictions may also be restricted by law. Persons into whose possession this report comes are required to inform themselves about and to observe any such restrictions.

Evli Plc is not registered as a broker-dealer with the U. S. Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC"), and it and its analysts are not subject to SEC rules on securities analysts' certification as to the currency of their views reflected in the research report. Evli Bank is not a member of the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority ("FINRA"). It and its securities analysts are not subject to FINRA's rules on Communications with the Public and Research Analysts and Research Reports and the attendant requirements for fairness, balance and disclosure of potential conflicts of interest. This research report is only being offered in U.S. by Auerbach Grayson & Company, LLC (Auerbach Grayson) to Major U.S. Institutional Investors and is not available to, and should not be used by, any U.S. person or entity that is not a Major U.S. Institutional Investor. Auerbach Grayson is a broker-dealer registered with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission and is a member of the FINRA. U.S. entities seeking more information about any of the issuers or securities discussed in this report should contact Auerbach Grayson. The securities of non-U.S. issuers may not be registered with or subject to SEC reporting and other requirements.

ERP is not a supervised entity but its parent company Evli Plc is supervised by the Finnish Financial Supervision Authority.

**Contact information****SALES, TRADING AND RESEARCH****Equity Sales & Trading**

Joachim Dannberg (head)	+358 9 4766 9123
Aleksi Jalava	+358 9 4766 9123
Pasi Väisänen	+358 9 4766 9123

**Evli Investment Solutions**

Johannes Asuja	+358 9 4766 9205
----------------	------------------

**Equity Research**

Jerker Salokivi (head)	+358 9 4766 9149
Joonas Ilvonen	+358 44 430 9071
Atte Jortikka	+358 40 054 3725
Atte Pitkälä	+358 44 047 6597

# EVLI

**EVLI PLC**  
Aleksanterinkatu 19 A  
P.O. Box 1081  
FIN-00101 Helsinki, FINLAND  
Phone +358 9 476 690  
Internet [www.evli.com](http://www.evli.com)  
E-mail [firstname.lastname@evli.com](mailto:firstname.lastname@evli.com)

**EVLI PLC,  
STOCKHOLMSFILIAL**  
Regeringsgatan 67 P.O. Box 16354  
SE-103 26 Stockholm  
Sverige  
[stockholm@evli.com](mailto:stockholm@evli.com)  
Tel +46 (0)8 407 8000