

EQUITY - SPAIN Sector: Food Products



Report date: 25 Oct 2021

Distribution time: 16:30

European Commission — European — Small & Mid-Cap Awards



6m Results 2021 Closing price: EUR 0.68 (22 Oct 2021)

David López Sánchez – david.lopez@lighthouse-ieaf.com +34 915 904 226

#### **Business description**

IFFE Futura (IFF) is a small holding based in Oleiros (Galicia) whose activity is diversified in three segments: (i) services, through a business school and consultancy business, (ii) real estate development with a purchase option on various pieces of land, and (iii) industrial, with a large plant for the production of Omega-3: a project which is at the funding stage and which, if successful, would imply a significant step-up in scale.

#### Market Data

Market Cap (Mn EUR and USD)	15.6	18.2	
EV (Mn EUR and USD) <sup>(2)</sup>	17.5	20.3	
Shares Outstanding (Mn)	23.0		
-12m (Max/Med/Mín EUR)	1.85 / 1.1	.6 / 0.30	
Daily Avg volume (-12m Mn EUR)	n.m.		
Rotation <sup>(3)</sup>	9.4		
Factset / Bloomberg	IFF-ES / IF	F SM	
Close fiscal year	31-Dec		

#### Shareholders Structure (%)

David Carro	53.5	
Inveready	12.2	
José Poza	5.3	
Free Float	29.0	

#### Relative performance (Base 100)



#### Stock performance (%)

	-1m	-3m	-12m	-5Y
Absolute	-6.8	0.7	-63.2	n.a.
vs Ibex 35	-7.9	-2.5	-72.0	n.a.
vs Ibex Small Cap Index	-7.0	4.0	-70.5	n.a.
vs Eurostoxx 50	-7.7	-2.4	-72.2	n.a.
vs Sector benchmark <sup>(4)</sup>	-8.3	-0.2	-69.8	n.a.

(1) The opinion regarding the results is on reported EBITDA with respect to our estimate for the year (12m). The impact reflects whether, due to the results, we envisage a significant revision (>5% - 10%, depending on the sector) of our EBITDA estimate (for any of the estimated years).

(\*) Unless otherwise indicated, all the information contained in this report

(2) Please refer to Appendix 2.

(3) Rotation is the % of the capitalisation traded - 12m.

is based on: The Company, Factset and Lighthouse.

(4) vs Stoxx Europe 600 Food & Beverage.

# 1H21, no surprises. The focus should be on the raising of capital (that now seems closer)

The main figures for 1H21 are: Revenues EUR 0.5Mn (-3.1% vs 1H20), Rec. EBITDA at breakeven and Net Profit EUR 0.3Mn (vs EUR 0.5Mn in 1H20), boosted by c. EUR 0.4Mn of extraordinary revenue. As regards the balance sheet, net debt remains at levels of EUR 2.8Mn (in line with 2020). Specifically, we highlight:

NO SURPRISES IN THE TRADITIONAL BUSINESS (THAT CONTINUES TO PLAY A KEY ROLE): Despite not providing critical mass (1H21 revenue EUR 0.5Mn), IFF's traditional business (education and consultancy) continues to underpin the P&L (1H21 EBITDA at breakeven). This enables the company to bear the cost of the wait for the raising of capital for and start-up of the Omega-3 project which should be the long-term business driver.

MAINTAINING STABLE DEBT (ND: EUR 2.8MN) associated mainly with the urban development project in Oleiros (La Coruña) for which definitive approval of the partial plan for the SUD 6 development that involves the building of 374 homes and the development of 12,000m2 of commercial space has already been obtained (property development can be seen as an additional option, although its development will require funding). In addition, at the 1H21 close, IFF had EUR 2.4Mn of debt with related parties (adjusted to the EV, see annexe 3 on page 3 of this report).

BUT THE FOCUS SHOULD REMAIN ON RAISING CAPITAL... IFF's omega-3 project is still at the investment stage (percentage completion of the work > 70%; c. EUR 15Mn already invested) and requires a total investment of, at least, EUR 7Mn to complete the building work and start operating. So, obtaining funding is still an essential prerequisite for IFF being able to begin its activity as a manufacturer of Omega-3.

... FOR A PROJECT (OMEGA-3) THAT, IF IT GOES AHEAD, WILL REPRESENT AN AUTHENTIC STEP-UP IN SIZE FOR THE COMPANY. Driven by a subsector that at first glance is attractive (healthy food; dietary supplements). We maintain our central scenario (see annexe 2 on page 3 of this report) of capacity utilisation rates of c. 60% for this plant (out of a theoretical maximum capacity of 85%) from the fifth year after the entry of capital. That should result in revenue of c. EUR 40Mn and EBITDA of c. EUR 10Mn for IFF (EBITDA margin of 25%).

A RAISING OF CAPITAL THAT, WITH INVEREADY ENTERING THE CAPITAL, NOW SEEMS CLOSER. In June 2021 it was announced that Inveready (an institutional investor specialising in the funding of listed Small Caps) had entered IFF's capital with a shareholding of 12.2% and the signing of a pre-agreement for funding of EUR 2.5Mn via the issuance of convertible bonds (at a conversion price of EUR 0.33/share; expiring in 5 years from the date of subscription in the event of non-conversion). A pre-agreement that in our view is of great significance as it could help to complete the funding necessary for the start-up of the omega-3 project.

Report issued by IEAF Servicios de Análisis, S.L.U. Lighthouse is a project of IEAF Servicios de Análisis, S.L.U.

This report has been prepared on the basis of information available to the public. The report includes a financial analysis of the company covered. The report does not propose any personalised investment recommendation. Investors should consider the contents of this report as just another element in their investment decision-making process. The final two pages of this report contain very important legal information regarding its contents.





# IFFE Futura (IFFE) is a BME Growth company

BME Growth is the segment of BME MTF Equity aimed at small and medium sized companies, directed and managed by the Spanish stock market and is subject to the CNMV supervision. BME MTF Equity is not a Regulated Market but instead falls within the classification of a Multilateral Trading Facility (MTF) as defined under the Markets in Financial Instruments Directive (MIFID). In July 2020, BME Growth obtained the status of SME Growth Market, a new category of EU regulations, which in Spain is called Mercado de Pymes en Expansión.

BME Growth is the Spanish equity market for companies of reduced capitalization which aim to grow, with a special set of regulations, designed specifically for them, and with costs and process tailored to their particular features. Operations in BME Growth (former MAB) started in July 2009. There are currently c.120 companies listed on it. Companies listed on the MAB can choose to present their financial statements under IFRS or the General Accounting Plan (PGC) and Royal Decree 1159/2010 (NOFCAC).



## Appendix 1. 1H21 Results

	6m21		6m21 Real
EUR Mn	Real	6m20	vs 6m20
Total Revenues	0.5	0.6	-3.1%
<b>Recurrent EBITDA</b>	0.0	-0.2	87.9%
Rec. EBITDA/Revenues	-5.0%	-40.2%	35.2 р.р.
EBITDA	0.0	-0.2	<b>90.8%</b>
EBITDA/Revenues	-4.0%	-42.8%	38.7 p.p.
EBIT	0.0	-0.2	87.1%
NP	0.3	0.5	-39.7%
Net Debt	2.8	2.9	-4.9%

# Appendix 2. IFF's Omega-3 project – Key figures (Lighthouse central scenario)

EUR Mn	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5
Total Revenues	5.2	15.6	31.9	39.4	42.5
Gross Margin	2.4	7.0	13.9	16.8	17.6
Operating expenses	(1.3)	(3.0)	(5.0)	(6.1)	(6.5)
Recurrent EBITDA	1.1	4.0	8.9	10.7	11.1
Recurrent Free Cash Flow	(1.1)	(0.7)	3.0	7.1	7.1
Rec. EBITDA/Revenues	20.4%	25.3%	28.0%	27.0%	26.2%
Sales (Tn/Year)	814.0	2,442.0	4,977.5	6,160.0	6,633.0
Utilisation rate (%)	7.4%	22.1%	45.0%	55.7%	60.0%
Sale price (EUR kg)	6.4	6.4	6.4	6.4	6.4
Raw material price (EUR kg)	2.8	2.9	2.9	3.0	3.0
Coste total (EUR Kg)	5.1	4.8	4.6	4.7	4.7

(1) As we don't know when IFFE will obtain the financing needed to complete the development of the Omega-3 plant, we have carried out an abstract analysis of the numbers of the project, taking as the starting point (Year 1) the moment immediately after the funding is obtained, which should enable IFFE to put the plant into production within eight months (six to finish the construction work and two months of trials and tests). Our central scenario at present assumes the project achieves theoretical maturity 5 years after the financing is obtained.

(2) The Rec. FCF for Year 1 does not include the CAPEX required for: (i) the start-up of the project (EUR 5Mn to conclude the construction work) and (ii) the repurchase of the land (a maximum of EUR 2Mn). These amounts should be included as debt in the calculation of the project's enterprise value

# Appendix 3. EV breakdown at the date of this report

	EUR Mn	Source
Market Cap	15.6	
+ Minority Interests	0.5	6m Results 2021
+ Provisions & Other L/T Liabilities	0.0	6m Results 2021
+ Net financial debt	2.8	6m Results 2021
- Financial Investments	3.9	6m Results 2021
+/- Others <sup>(1)</sup>	2.4	6m Results 2021
Enterprise Value (EV)	17.5	

(1) Related to debt with related parties .



# IMPORTANT LEGAL INFORMATION REGARDING THIS REPORT

### LIGHTHOUSE

Lighthouse is a project of IEAF Servicios de Análisis S.L.U. Lighthouse is a research project funded by Bolsas y Mercados Españoles S.A. Lighthouse aims to improve the research coverage of the "orphan stocks" of the Spanish market: those which lack real and continuous research coverage. Lighthouse reports will not include valuation and target price. Lighthouse does not seek to provide investment advice to any natural or legal person. For this reason, Lighthouse will not provide a valuation, target price or investment recommendation for any of the securities analysed.

IEAF Servicios de Análisis S.L.U. is a Spanish company whose corporate purpose is:

1°) To provide information and financial analysis regarding securities issued by any class of legal person traded on official secondary markets, and specifically those securities which are not the object of the recurrent provision of information and analysis by financial analysts who participate in the markets.

2°) To publicise and update the aforementioned financial reports and analysis, in addition to the monitoring and following of the securities on which the information and analysis is provided.

3°) To prepare studies and projects aimed at proposing and implementing measures to improve the information and financial analysis of securities traded on official secondary markets.

IEAF Servicios de Análisis S.L.U. is a company whose sole shareholder is the Instituto Español de Analistas Financieros (IEAF), a professional, not for profit association.

### DISCLAIMER

The Instituto Español de Analistas Financieros (IEAF) hereby certifies that the analyst of IEAF Servicios de Análisis S.L.U. whose name figures as the author of this report, expresses views that reflect their personal and independent opinion of the company analysed without these implying, either directly or indirectly, a personalised recommendation of the company analysed for purposes of providing investment advice. This report is based on the preparation of detailed financial projections from information available to the public and following traditional fundamental research methodology (i.e. it is not a technical or quantitative analysis report). For the analysis methodology used in the preparation of this report, please contact the analyst directly; contact details are included on the front page of this report.

The report includes basic information regarding the main parameters to be used by an investor when making their own valuation (whether by discounted cash flows or multiples). These parameters are the personal opinion or estimate of the analyst. The person receiving this report should use their own judgement when using these parameters and should consider them as another element in their decision-making process in respect of investment. These parameters do not represent a personalised investment recommendation.

### Rules governing confidentiality and conflicts of interest

None of the following rules governing confidentiality and conflicts of interest (12) is applicable to this report:

1. This report is non-independent research as it has been commissioned by the company analysed (issuer).

2. In the last 12 months, the Instituto Español de Analistas Financieros or its subsidiary, IEAF Servicios de Análisis S.L.U., has had Investment Banking mandates or has managed or comanaged a public offering of the securities of the issuer, or has received compensation from said issuer for Investment Banking services, that exclude brokerage services for prepaid fees.

3. In the next 6 months, the Instituto Español de Analistas Financieros or its subsidiary, IEAF Servicios de Análisis S.L.U., expects to receive or intends to obtain compensation for Investment Banking services provided to this company that exclude brokerage services for prepaid fees.

4. The Investment Analyst or a member of the Research Department or a member of their household has a long position in the shares or derivatives of the corresponding issuer.

5. The Investment Analyst or a member of the Research Department or a member of their household has a short position in the shares or derivatives of the corresponding issuer.

6. At the date of publication, the Instituto Español de Analistas Financieros or its subsidiary, IEAF Servicios de Análisis S.L.U. held a long position of over 0.5% of the issuer's capital.

7. At the date of publication, the Instituto Español de Analistas Financieros or its subsidiary, IEAF Servicios de Análisis S.L.U. held a short position of over 0.5% of the issuer's capital.

8. At the end of the month immediately prior to the publication of this report, or of the previous month if the report is published in the ten days following the end of the month, the company analysed (the issuer) or any of its subsidiaries held 5% or more of any class of equity security of the Instituto Español de Analistas Financieros or its subsidiary, IEAF Servicios de Análisis S.L.U.

9. A senior director or officer of the Instituto Español de Analistas Financieros or its subsidiary, IEAF Servicios de Análisis S.L.U., or a member of their department is a director, officer, advisor or member of the Board of Directors of the issuer and/or one of its subsidiaries.

10. The Instituto Español de Analistas Financieros or its subsidiary, IEAF Servicios de Análisis S.L.U., acts as broker for the Issuer for the corresponding prepaid fees.

11. The contents of this report related to the financial analysis, financial projections, valuation, investment summary and opinion of the analyst have been reviewed by the issuer prior to its publication.

12. The issuer has made changes to the contents of this report prior to its distribution.

The Investment Analysts who have prepared this Investment Analysis are employees of IEAF Servicios de Análisis S.L.U. These analysts have received (or will receive) compensation according to the general earnings of IEAF Servicios de Análisis S.L.U. To obtain a copy of the Code of Conduct of IEAF Servicios de Análisis S.L.U. (in respect of the Management of Conflicts of Interest in the research department), please use the e-mail address secretaria@ieaf.es or consult the contents of this Code at www.ieaf.es.

IEAF Servicios de Análisis S.L.U. is compensated by Bolsas y Mercados Españoles, S.A. for the preparation of this report. This report should be considered as just another element in the taking of investment decisions.

### A report issued by IEAF servicios de análisis S.L.U.

All rights reserved. The unauthorised use or distribution of this report is prohibited. This document has been prepared and distributed, according to the provisions of the MiFID II by IEAF Servicios de Análisis S.L.U. Its corporate activity is regulated by the CNMV (the Spanish Securities Exchange Commission). The information and opinions expressed in this document do not represent nor are they intended to represent an offer or a solicitation to buy or sell the securities (in other words, the securities mentioned in this report and related warrants, options, rights or interests). The information and opinions contained in this document are based upon information available to the public and have been obtained from sources believed to be reliable by IEAF Servicios de Análisis S.L.U., but no guarantee is given regarding their accuracy or completeness. All comments and estimates reflect solely the opinion of IEAF Servicios de Análisis S.L.U. and do not offer any implicit or explicit guarantee. All the opinions expressed are subject to change without prior warning. This document does not take into account the specific investment objectives, financial position, risk profile or other specific aspects of the person who receives this document, and accordingly they should exercise their own judgement in this respect. Neither the Instituto Español de Analistas Financieros nor its subsidiary, IEAF Servicios de Análisis S.L.U. The information contained in this report is approved for distribution to professional clients, eligible counterparties and professional advisers, but not for distribution to private individuals or retail clients. Its reproduction, distribution or



publication for any purpose without the written authorisation of IEAF Servicios de Análisis S.L.U. is prohibited. The Instituto Español de Analistas Financieros (IEAF) and/or its subsidiary IEAF Servicios de Análisis S.L.U., their employees and directors, may hold a position (long or short) in an investment knowing that this issuer will be the object of analysis and that this analysis will be distributed to institutional investors. Any further information regarding the contents of this report will be provided upon request. IEAF Servicios de Análisis S.L.U. intends to publish (at least) one quarterly report or note updating the information on the company analysed.

United States. IEAF Servicios de Análisis S.L.U. is not registered in the United States and, consequently, is not subject to the regulations of that country governing the preparation of research and the independence of analysts. This report is distributed solely to major US institutional investors, in reliance on the exemption from registration provided by Rule 15a-6 of the US Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), and interpretations of this made by the US Securities Exchange Commission.

Major US Institutional Investors. This report will be distributed to "major US institutional investors", as defined by Rule 15a-6 of the US Securities Exchange Commission and of the US Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

### Notes and Reports History

		Price	Target price	Period of		
Date of report	Recommendation	(EUR)	(EUR)	validity	Reason for report	Analyst
25-Oct-2021	n.a.	0.68	n.a.	n.a.	6m Results 2021	David López Sánchez
18-May-2021	n.a.	1.00	n.a.	n.a.	Important news	David López Sánchez
23-Feb-2021	n.a.	1.23	n.a.	n.a.	Important news	David López Sánchez
28-Oct-2020	n.a.	1.85	n.a.	n.a.	6m Results 2020	David López Sánchez
09-Jul-2020	n.a.	1.85	n.a.	n.a.	Initiation of Coverage	David López Sánchez

