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Executive Summary

DNR: POWERING THE FUTURE

We initiate our coverage on DNR with a **BUY** recommendation and a one-year-end target price of **€12.07**/share, implying a 69.58% upside on the 3rd February 2025 closing price (€7.12/share). The Company is a **global leader** in electrochemical solutions with a diversified portfolio spanning **Electrode Technologies, Water Technologies,** and **Energy Transition**. Despite short-term market volatility, DNR's strategic expansion in green hydrogen and water purification positions it for **long-term growth**. However, **challenges** related to supply chain risks, regulatory dependencies, and hydrogen market uncertainties must be navigated effectively. Our valuation is based on a DCF model complemented by relative valuation, factoring in both growth potential and execution risks.

BUSINESS OVERVIEW

Founded in 1923, DNR operates in **24** countries with over **2,000** employees. Its three divisions serve chemicals, electronics, water treatment, and energy storage. Proprietary technology and high entry barriers support revenue, though reliance on Chinese raw materials poses supply chain risks.

INDUSTRY OUTLOOK

Electrochemical solutions are growing due to stricter regulations, decarbonization, and green hydrogen demand. The electrode market is projected to grow at **5-10% CAGR** through 2026, while water treatment benefits from PFAS regulations in the U.S. and Europe. Green hydrogen faces slow adoption due to cost and infrastructure challenges.

FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE

DNR posted **€865.4M revenue** in 2023: Electrode Technologies (54%), Water Technologies (34%), and Energy Transition (12%). EBITDA margin was 20%. The €612.1M order backlog signals strong demand. Capex rose to €88.5M, primarily for the Italian Gigafactory set for 2026. Net debt/EBITDA of -0.4x ensures liquidity, though investments may pressure margins.

VALUATION: UNLOCKING UPSIDE POTENTIAL

Our €11.55 target price is based on a **three-stage DCF model:** i) High Growth (FY24E-30E): Driven by electrode advancements, regulatory water treatment demand, and hydrogen expansion; ii) **Moderate Growth** (FY31E-33E): Market maturity leads to stable growth; iii) **Terminal Growth:** 2.5% perpetual growth reflecting saturation. Sensitivity analysis and relative valuation (EV/EBITDA for Electrodes & Water, EV/Sales for Energy Transition) validate the price target.

RISKS: NAVIGATING CHALLENGES

(i) **Supply Chain Risks:** Heavy reliance on Chinese materials like titanium and graphite presents geopolitical and logistical risks. Diversification is crucial. (ii) **Regulatory Dependencies:** Success in hydrogen and water depends on policy support; reductions in EU and U.S. incentives could impact growth. (iii) **Green Hydrogen Volatility:** High costs limit adoption; technology and cost improvements are critical. (iv) **Intellectual Property Threats:** Competitor innovations in electrode efficiency and alternative technologies could challenge DNR's leadership.

ESG: SUSTAINABILITY FOCUS

DNR has a strong ESG framework with an **AA** MSCI rating and ISS Quality Score of **2**. The company aims to reduce Scope 1 & 2 emissions by **50%** by 2030, but currently uses 97.57% non-renewable energy. Its sustainability efforts include **carbon footprint reduction** and circular economy initiatives like **electrode recycling**. Socially, DNR focuses on employee well-being, diversity and health & safety. Governance is solid, with a balanced board and ESG-linked executive compensation.

	FY22	FY23	FY24E	FY25E	FY26E	FY27E	FY28E
Revenues (€M)	852.8	856.4	869.6	899.8	975.7	1 073.7	1 192.5
EBITDAm (%)	19.37	19.97	17.36	17.92	17.91	18.41	18.36
FCFO/Sales (%)	13.25	16.38	14.09	13.33	16.60	17.54	17.69
Net Debt/EBITDA	-0.31x	-0.40x	-0.35x	-0.38x	-0.55x	-0.73x	-0.94x

Source: Bloomberg, Team Analysis

Industrie De Nora S.p.A.

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BUY

Current price:	€7.12
Target Price:	**€12.07**
Upside:	69.58%
Exchange:	Italian Stock Exchange
Market:	Euronext Milan
Ticker:	DNR-IT

Market Data

Market Cap:	€1.4B
Shares outstanding:	201.69M

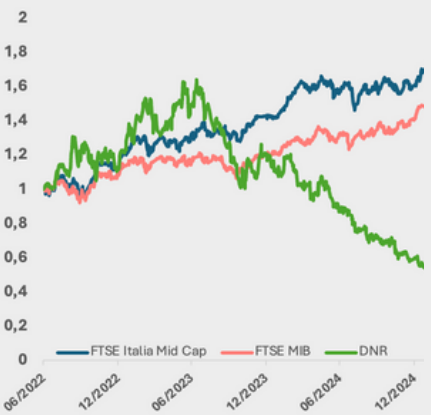
Shareholders structure

DNR Family	53.3%
Asset Company 10 S.r.l.	21.6%
Other	25.1%

Stock performance:

1M:	-9.8%
3M:	-25.77%
6M:	-33.59%
1Y:	-50.71%

DNR' Performance:

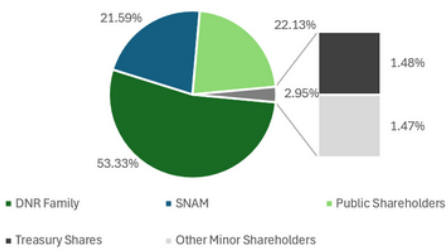


52-week High:	€16.7
52-week Low:	€6.86
Avg. Daily Volume (90d):	1.4M
Standard deviation (90d):	35.68%

COMPANY DESCRIPTION

Founded in 1923 by Oronzio De Nora, Industrie DNR S.p.A. (DNR) is a **global leader** in **electrochemical solutions** (Figure 2), providing their services to more than 130 countries (Figure 7). With over **2,000 employees worldwide**, DNR operates 24 companies across various countries, including Italy, Germany, the United Kingdom, the United States, Brazil, the United Arab Emirates, India, China, Japan, and Singapore. The company's commitment to innovation is evident in its portfolio of more than 280 patent families and 5 R&D centres. With its **headquarters in Milan**, the company has **three main business lines**, which are **Electrode Technologies**, **Water Technologies** and **Energy Transition**. Having a wide range of products, DNR serves different industries including primary chemicals production, electronics applications, water purification, energy storage, infrastructural corrosion protection, and many others. DNR's ownership structure further reinforces its stability, with the DNR family and SNAM jointly owning over 78% of the company (Figure 1). The remaining 22% of shares, equivalent to **51 million outstanding shares**, are available to ordinary shareholders. The Board comprises 50% independent directors, reflecting strong governance practices.

Figure 1: Ownership Breakdown

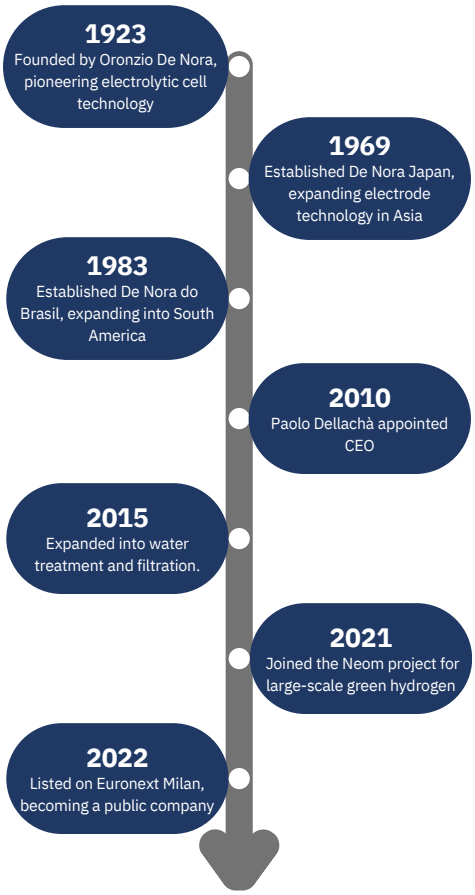


Source: 9M 2024 Financial Results

STRATEGY

DNR's strategy is primarily toward **Growth, Profitability, and Sustainability** (GPS) (Figure 3). It specializes in driving organic growth through energy transition partners, promoting sustainable and innovative products, optimizing manufacturing with digitalization and automation, and a strong ESG plan for future development and environmental stewardship. Industrie DNR S.p.A. has built its success on a combination of innovation, sustainability, strategic partnerships, strong corporate governance, and a people-centric approach. The company prioritizes **innovation and open collaboration**, working with startups, corporations, universities, and research institutions to develop cutting-edge electrochemical and water treatment technologies. Its sustainability commitment is embedded in a strategy focused on green innovation, climate action, circular economy, and social responsibility, aligning with the United Nations' 2030 Agenda. DNR's growth is also driven by strategic partnerships, such as collaborations with ACWA Power and the Saudi Water Authority, expanding its global reach and enhancing its role in key projects like **Saudi Arabia's Vision 2030**. Corporate governance remains a cornerstone of its strategy, ensuring transparency, ethical business practices, and sustainable value creation for all stakeholders. Furthermore, DNR places strong emphasis on its people-centric approach, with initiatives such as the **2024-2026 People Strategy, SuPERIOR**, which focuses on employee well-being, professional development, and performance-based incentives. These key strategies position DNR as a global leader in electrochemical and water treatment technologies while reinforcing its role in advancing sustainability and innovation (Figure 4).

Figure 2: DNR Key Milestones



Source: Company Data

Figure 3: Strategic Pillars GPS

Source: Paris Roadshow presentation June 2024

Figure 4: Peers MSCI ESG Rating

Company	Main Operating Country	ESG Rating
Permascand AB	Europe	-
De Nora	North America, Europe	AA
Evoqua Water Technologies	Global	AA
Magneto Special Anodes	Global	-

Source: MSCI , ESG Ratings

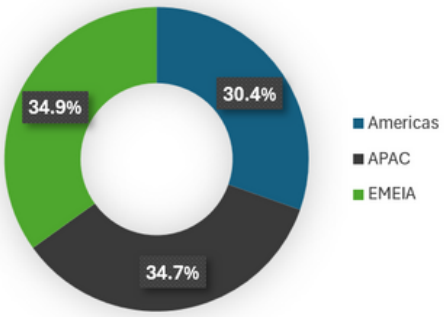
REVENUE AND COST DRIVERS

REVENUE DRIVERS: DNR reported total **revenues** for 2023 of **€865.4 million**, **mainly** coming from **Electrode Technologies** (€464.2 million), followed by Water Technologies for €289.96 million and Energy Transition for 102.24 million (Figure 5).

As of December 31, 2023, DNR reported an order backlog of approximately €612.1 million. Moreover, in the Energy Transition Business, the backlog stood at about 1.4 GW equivalent of green hydrogen prodution technologies, valued at €125 million. By March 31, 2024, the total backlog increased by 8% to 611.1 million, reflecting new orders acquired in the first quarter of 2024. De Nora engages in long-term collaborations, often formalized through commercial arrengments after development phases. The company offers **operation and maintenance** contracts, **repair programs**, and **traning services**, contributing to recurring revenue streams (Figure 9).

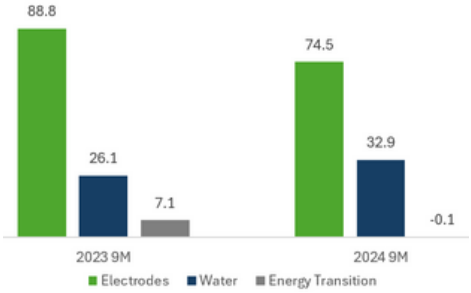
COST DRIVERS: Total **operating expenses** reported by DNR for 2023 accounted for **80% of total revenues**, with relatively low D&A expenses at 30.6. The cost base is mainly stable, although in 2022 the total operating expenses increased by a third of the ones for 2021. In the **last couple of years**, the company became particularly **capital intensive**, increasing their **CapEx up to 88.5** in 2023 (Figure 11). The vast majority of these funds are **devoted** to the so called "**Italian Gigafactory**", with completion expected between late 2025 and early 2026.

Figure 5: Revenue by geography



Source: 9M 2024 Financial Results

Figure 6: EBITDA* Adjusted



Source: 9M 2024 Financial Results

BUSINESS MODEL

DNR has the well-allocated by regions products portfolio **generating revenue almost equally in every region**. According to DNR's financial results of 9M 2024, APAC and EMEIA contributed 34.7% and 34.9% to revenue respectively, while Americas added a bit less, 30.4%. DNR has three business units: its primary one, Electrode Technologies (68% of 9M 2024 EBITDA), Water Technologies (32% of 9M 2024 EBITDA) and its new one, Energy Transition (-0.1% of 9M 2024 EBITDA) (Figure 6).

i) **Electrode Technologies** produces three key products: **anodes, cathodes** and **catalytic coatings gas diffusion electrodes** (GDE) which are **highly demanded** in **chlor-alkali**, electronics and mining industries respectively. DNR is the first player with >50% market share in this field.

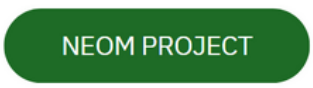
ii) **Water Technologies** has a wide range of products including but not limited to electrodes for pool chlorinators, ClorTec on-site hypochlorite generators and Capital Controls ozone generators. These products are widely used in the pool installation industry and in municipal and industrial water technologies systems.

iii) **Energy Transition operates** in the **green hydrogen industry** and develops electrodes for alkaline water electrolysis (AWE), electrolysis cells, stacks for AWE and GDE for fuel cells. These products find their main application in green chemical, mobility and energy storage industries. Besides producing the products, DNR also **provides maintenance services** for its installations. **Participation** in **transformative projects** like **NEOM** (Figure 8) signals its commitment to shaping the future of renewable energy and sustainable infrastructure. By **leveraging** its **diversified portfolio**, **operational expertise**, and **cutting-edge technologies**, **DNR** is **well-positioned** to navigate **evolving market dynamics**. With a **strong ESG profile**, MSCI rating: AA, ISS Quality Score: 2, DNR continues to build **shareholder confidence** and **long-term value**. Despite these achievements, challenges remain, including **weak market sentiment** for **green hydrogen**, **undervaluation** of **other business segments**, and **low stock liquidity** worsened by fund liquidations. Additionally, the **Water Technologies** segment incurs **costs to dispose** of bleach byproduct, highlighting operational inefficiencies, resulting in issues that hinder financial performance. On the other hand, the latter has an impact which can be considered to be insignificant, especially if compared with DNR's Revenues and Operating Costs, which are in the order of hundreds of million, with respect to a bleach market in the order of less than seven figures.

Figure 7: DNR Business Units

Source: Company Data

Figure 8: The NEOM PROJECT



- **Location**: Neom, Saudi Arabia, on the Red Sea shores (26,500 km²)
- **Objective**: A futuristic, fully sustainable city for industrial, commercial, residential, and tourism purposes
- **De Nora's Role**: upplying cell electrolyzers and electrodes for water electrolysis
- **Production Start**: Scheduled for 2026

Source: Company Data

MARKET OVERVIEW

The **global water treatment** market is **expanding** due to **water scarcity** and **stringent regulations**, while the **green hydrogen market** is **gaining traction** from **decarbonization efforts**. Despite these trends, the **green hydrogen** sector **remains** in its **infancy**, with **slow infrastructure** and **policy development** impacting **valuations** and **investor enthusiasm** for companies like DNR. Environmental regulations, the energy transition, and technological advancements drive growth, positioning DNR for future success. However, economic uncertainty and high upfront costs for renewable technologies often delay purchase decisions by industrial and governmental clients.

Electrode technologies market: the electrode technologies market includes various products: anodes, catalytic coatings, gas diffusion electrodes, and cell manufacturing. This technologically advanced product have **multiple applications** but the **main addressed industries** are **chlor-alkali**, **electronics**, and **mining**. Between the period 2023-2026 is expected a CAGR of 5%-10% for these industries except for the chlor-alkali segment which will deliver a more timid growth. **Water Technologies market**: the water technologies market includes water cleaning technologies (disinfection and filtration) for private, industrial and municipal facilities. While is **expected** a **much slower growth** for the **private pool market** (less than 10% CAGR), the **industrial and municipal marke**t is expected to deliver a **more robust growth**, ending up with a double-digit growth rate (Figure 10).

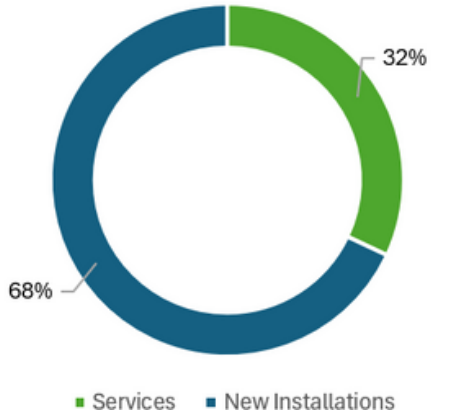
This is also due to the **increasing PFAS regulations** and **public funding** in the US and EU. **Energy Transition market**: the energy transition market included all the possible combinations that concern the production and storage of green hydrogen and the use of raw materials in chemical and industrial production.

The **chlor-alkali** segment showed **stable revenues** in H1 2024, driven by technological upgrades and increased aftermarket activities, particularly in Asia and the Americas. H1 2024 revenues for **electrode technologies** reached **€204.8 million**, over 50% of total revenue, with aftermarket services contributing 48%. DNR's water technologies serve municipal, industrial, and pool markets, benefiting from increasing PFAS regulations and public funding in the US and EU. H1 2024 revenues totaled €143.3 million, with 37% from aftermarket services. **Pools** experienced **6.2% YoY growth**, and the backlog increased by 12%. **High demand in water-stressed regions** like the USA, China, and Saudi Arabia underscores the **value** of **localized solutions** such as CECHLO® and SANILEC® electrochlorination systems. DNR's focus on green hydrogen technologies leverages proprietary electrode solutions. The market is projected to grow at a CAGR exceeding 10% through 2026, with DNR delivering 588 MW of green hydrogen technologies in H1 2024.

REFERENCE INDUSTRY DYNAMICS

Growth in these industries is **fueled** by **global sustainability goals** and **stricter water quality standards**, creating opportunities for established players like DNR. However, compliance costs can burden smaller competitors. The **green hydrogen** industry **remains nascent**, **challenged** by unclear **regulations**, high **production costs**, and limited **distribution infrastructure**. Governments are pushing clean technologies, but regulatory support for green hydrogen varies globally. Technological breakthroughs in electrochemical processes and hydrogen storage are crucial for unlocking potential, and **DNR's significant R&D investments ensure it stays competitive**. However, these expenditures **could strain margins** if market growth lags. The chlor-alkali sector saw demand stability in H1 2024, with recovery expected through process optimization and technological upgrades. DNR's expertise is highlighted by projects like the Sadara chlor-alkali plant in Saudi Arabia. EPA's regulation on PFAS contamination (4 ppt MCL for drinking water by 2024) represents a €1.5 billion annual opportunity in the US.

Figure 9: Revenues by type



Source: 9M 2024 Financial Results

Figure 10: DNR Business Units

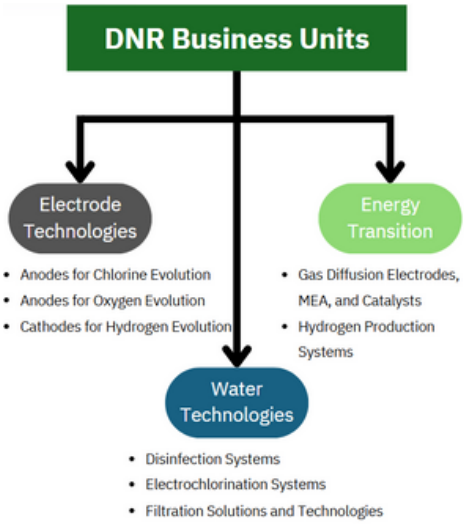


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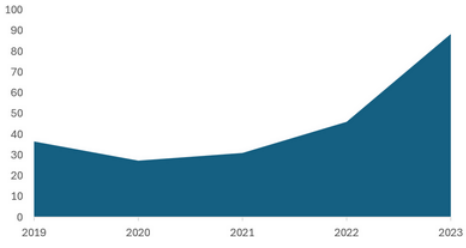
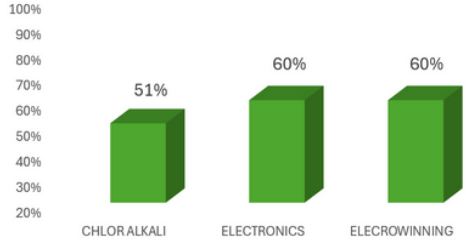
Figure 11: DNR CapEx



Source: Team Analysis

Figure 12: DNR Products' Market Share



Source: Company Data

DNR's SORB® contaminant removal systems and pilot projects position it as a key player in addressing municipal and industrial needs (Figure 12). DNR's AWE electrodes reduce energy consumption and enhance hydrogen production. Key projects include NEOM (Saudi Arabia), the world's largest green hydrogen initiative, and NESTE's refinery in Finland. EU and US regulatory frameworks further incentivize decarbonization, with installed electrolyzer capacity projected at 85-119 GW by 2030.

COMPETITIVE POSITIONING

Industrie DNR S.p.A. operates in a **highly competitive landscape** within the **electrochemical solutions** market. In the EMEA region, it faces competition from companies such as **MAGNETO Special Anodes B.V.**, a major manufacturer of titanium anodes for electrochemical applications. In Asia, particularly in China, DNR contends with various local manufacturers that offer lower-cost electrochemical products, adding price pressure to the market. DNR's **strengths** lie in its strong focus on **research and development**, its well-established **leadership** in electrochemical technologies, and its **strategic partnerships**, such as the joint venture with Thyssenkrupp Nucera (€0.69B revenues in 2023, with 25.85% DNR ownership) (Figure 13).

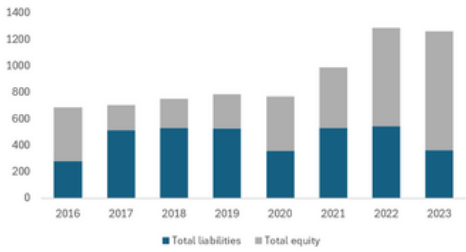
These factors provide the company with a technological edge and an expanded market reach. However, DNR is also exposed to certain **weaknesses**, particularly in emerging sectors like **green hydrogen**. While this market holds significant potential, its maturity is still uncertain, posing risks related to adoption and scalability. Despite these challenges, DNR is well-positioned to take advantage of **opportunities** arising from the growing global focus on sustainability and water resource management. **Governments** and **industries** worldwide are **prioritizing** solutions that align with **environmental goals**, providing new avenues for DNR's technologies. At the same time, the company faces **threats** such as **delayed market growth**, the **high upfront costs** of renewable energy **infrastructure**, and broader **economic uncertainties** that may slow down investments in emerging technologies.

A critical element of DNR's strategy is the **collaboration** with **Thyssenkrupp Nucera**, which **strengthens** its **presence** in the growing **hydrogen sector**. This partnership has gained recognition, including a pre-selection for a $50 million grant from the U.S. Department of Energy aimed at expanding electrolyzer technologies. While DNR continues to thrive in established sectors such as water treatment, its future **success** in green hydrogen is a **function of** the pace of **infrastructure development** and **regulatory clarity**, both of which remain key factors in determining the sector's long-term viability.

Figure 13: SWOT Analysis

Source: Team Analysis

Figure 14: Total Debt vs Total Equity



Source: Team Analysis

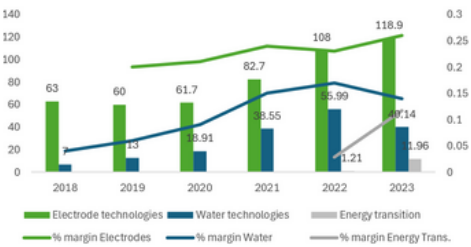
Financial Analysis

BUSINESS UNITS BREAKDOWN

Electrode Technologies division remains **the largest contributor** to DNR, accounting for more than 50% of the total revenue from 2016 to 2023, with €464.2 million in FY23 (Figure 14). Although its revenue share has declined gradually due to the growth in other segments, ET is still **the most profitable division**, as reflected by the steadily growing EBITDA margin of 25.62% as of FY23. Over 40% of the revenue generated by ET comes from after-market sales, thus providing recurring revenue. The division consists of **three sub-divisions**: i) *Chlor-Alkali:* largest sub-division in ET (68% of revenues) with steady earnings; ii) *Electronics:* second in revenues (16.4%), experienced a sharp earnings decline in the last 4 years; iii) *Electrowinning:* accounts for the smallest portion of the revenues in ET (15.6%) (Figure 15).

Water Technologies is **the second-biggest division** of DNR, accounting for 33.86% of FY23 revenue at €289.96 million. However, its **share in revenue** has **declined** from 41.86% in 2020 due to the growth of the new Energy Transition division. The division maintains an average EBITDA margin of 12.16% in the period between FY19-23, with after-market sales accounting for ~23% of total revenue. The division had **four sub-divisions** (all data referring to FY 2023):

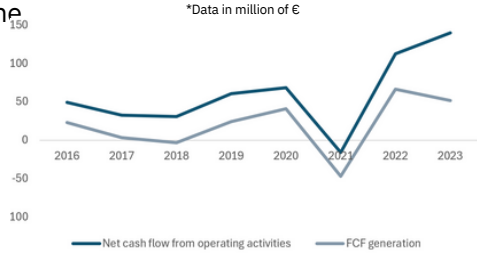
Figure 15: Business Units' EBITDA and Margins



Source: Team Analysis

Figure 16: NCFFO vs FCF

*Data in million of €



Source: Team Analysis

i) Pool Technologies: The largest player in WT, accounting for 34.45% of the segment's revenue at €86.04 million; *ii) Disinfection & Filtration:* Second largest, accounting for 33.11% of WT's revenue; *iii) Electro-Chlorination:* This segment accounts for 28.71% and is characterised by particularly steady earnings; iv) *Marine Technologies:* The smallest WT sub-division, accounting for only 3.74% in FY23 (Figure 16).

Energy Transition, despite being a **newly established division**, contributed 11.94% or €102.24 million of DNR's revenue in FY23. However, due to its early-stage development, significant R&D investments have resulted in a lower EBITDA margin of 11.69% for FY23. Unlike ET and WT, this division **does not benefit from after-market sales** yet, making it more reliant on new project development and scaling efficiency improvements.

Figure 17: Net Profit Margin vs ROE

Source: Team Analysis

PROFITABILITY AND CASH ANALYSIS: FUELING GROWTH

Profitability: DNR maintained a **solid adj. EBITDA margin** (19% avg, FY19-23), with FY23 at 20% (€171.1M). Despite a decline from FY22 (€190.8M), ROE surged from 19.2% to 28.1%, and ROIC improved from 15.6% to 22.6%, signaling enhanced capital efficiency. Strategic investments, including the **Italian Gigafactory and Shotec GmbH acquisition**, are set to drive further gains (Figure 17).

Cash Flow: Operating Cash Flow grew at a 16.5% CAGR (FY16-23), with OCF/Sales averaging 11.5%. Free Cash Flow remained positive at €66.8M in FY22 despite **rising CapEx**, which surged 87% YoY to €104.7M in FY22, driven by Energy Transition and Electrode Technologies expansion. Inventory buildup (€85.9M to €257.1M, FY16-23) led to Days Inventory Outstanding increasing from 73 to 110 days.

Capital Structure: DNR strengthened its financial position, with Net Debt/EBITDA improving from -0.27x (FY22) to -0.4x (FY23). Significant debt repayments (€100M Euro loan, $50M USD loan) reduced outstanding credit lines to €80M and $40M, reinforcing liquidity and **deleveraging process**.

Figure 18: Total Debt vs Total Assets vs A/E

Source: Team Analysis

FUTURE PROSPECTS: ENERGY TRANSITION AS A GROWTH CATALYST

DNR's future development will be shaped by global trends, niche market shifts, and its strategic direction. By assessing its financial structure and competitive positioning, we forecast revenue growth, profitability, and financial strength across its core divisions (Figure 18).

Electrode Technologies, contributing 54% of FY24E revenues, remains DNR's backbone. With a >50% market share, it is expanding into water electrolysis, reinforcing its role in the green hydrogen sector. Investments in new **Chlor-alkali** plants are expected to **drive growth**, particularly in North America, the Middle East, and China (0.8% FY24E-27E CAGR; 3.5% FY28E-30E CAGR). The **Electronics** market is normalizing post-COVID, with a **return to growth** projected in FY25 (6% FY24E-27E CAGR; 7% FY28E-30E CAGR). Over the medium term, increased competition may slightly temper expansion (5% FY28E-30E CAGR) (Figure 19).

Water Technologies, at 34% of FY24E revenues, is set for **stable growth**. Profitability has significantly improved (Adj. EBITDA margin ~20%), with future performance driven by high-margin after-market services and operational efficiencies. The **WTS** segment is **recovering**, fueled by growing PFAS-related demand (6% FY24E-30E CAGR), while **Pool Technologies** continues **steady expansion** (5% FY24E-30E CAGR). The division is expected to sustain high-teen EBITDA margins (~18%) over the medium term.

Energy Transition, at 12% of FY24E revenues, is a **key growth driver**. DNR has allocated €174mn of its €290mn capex (2024-26) to Energy Transition expansion, with further growth expected beyond 2026. With a strong market position, expanding global footprint, and technological expertise, DNR is well-positioned to capitalize on green hydrogen growth, reinforcing its leadership in the sector (28% FY24E-30E CAGR).

Margins, Cash Flow & Capital Structure. Adj. EBITDA margin is expected to remain stable at 19-21% (FY24E-FY30E), driven by operational improvements and higher-margin revenue streams.

Figure 19: DNR' revenues by end-market

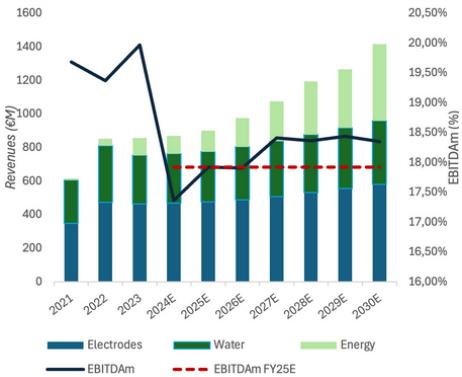


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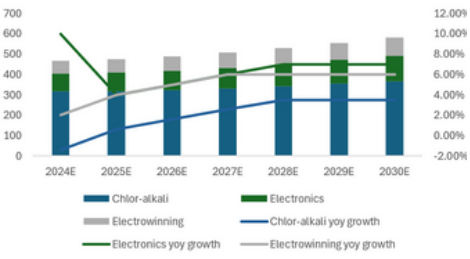
Figure 20: Elecrodes Technologies Expected Product lines yoy growth



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Net profit is projected to grow at a 12-14% CAGR, normalizing after the FY23 tk Nucera-related surge. Capex will stay high in the short term due to Energy Transition expansion but will decline post-FY26E as major projects like the Gigafactory are completed, with slow growth resuming post-FY30E. FCF is forecasted to stay positive, reaching €115M by FY28E, supporting deleveraging. Due to strong cash generation, DNR is expected to have a net cash position with the Net Debt-to-EBITDA continuing its declining trajectory. decline at a 30% average rate, stabilizing below 40%, while Total Debt-to-Equity will settle at 16% post-FY24E. Shareholder returns remain a priority, with €90M+ buybacks and potential dividend increases.

Figure 21: Stages data

	FIRST STAGE	SECOND STAGE	TERMINAL VALUE
Years	FY24-30E	FY31-33E	>FY35E
Sales CAGR	8.49%	10.63%	2.50%
EBITDAm post tax	12.86%	12.80%	12.73%
% on EV	29.68%	19.81%	66.89%

Source: Team Analysis

Valuation

VALUATION METHODS

We issue a **BUY** recommendation on DNR, with a 12m price target of **€12.07 (including Nucera)** corresponding to a 69.58% upside on 3rd February 2025 closing price and **€10.63 (excluding Nucera)** corresponding to a 49.26% upside. DNR's stable cash flows, clear growth drivers, and predictable investment cycle make DCF a well-suited valuation method. To reinforce our investment recommendation, we also perform a complementary market-based Relative Valuation using FY25 Forward EV/EBITDA for Electrodes and Water Technologies and FY25 Forward EV/Sales for Energy Transition. The final target price is estimated using a composition of the prices derived from both valuation methods **(SOTP approach)**. To evaluate the resilience of our target price against fluctuations in key business variables, we perform a sensitivity analysis.

WACC

In our DCF valuation we apply 9.24% WACC constructed with following components: i) AVG1Y **Risk-free rate** of **3.7%** derived from 10Y Italian government bond yields; ii) **Debt-to-Equity ratio** is assumed to be at **25/75%** based on a general theoretical assumption of optimal capital structure; iii) The **Cost of Debt of 4%** is computed as an average of historical effective interest rates (FY18-FY23); iv) The **Cost of Equity of 11.49%** is derived from the CAPM: the **Equity Risk Premium** equal to **7.31%** is calculated as the weighted average of the risk premiums of the regions where DNR operates, based on their share in revenue generation whereas the **Beta of 1.07** is obtained through a linear regression of 2Y weekly observations of DNR' returns on the corresponding FTSE Italia Mid Cap returns; v) Effective **tax rate** is equal to **29%** based on average historical tax rate.

DISCOUNTED CASH FLOW

We valued DNR using a DCF model, projecting financial performance from **FY24E to FY33E**. The projection period has been divided into **three distinct** phases (Figures 20, 21):

FY24E–FY30E: We forecasted the performance of each business division **based on the assumptions** mentioned in the sections above.

FY31E–FY33E: The performance forecast for ET and WT divisions relied on **stable growth rates** aligned to the market. Since Energy Transition is a developing division, its performance was determined by an initial high double digit growth rate followed by a normalisation period, even remaining in the double digit growth area.

For **Terminal Growth** we applied a **terminal growth rate of 2.5%**, considering DNR's matureness and its long-term growth under our assumptions.

RELATIVE VALUATION

A complementary market-based Relative Valuation with a SOTP approach was conducted. To enhance accuracy in identifying competitors and market trends, DNR's operations were segmented into its three core divisions. For each comparable, we derived the FY25 Forward EV/EBITDA for Electrodes and Water Technologies (Figure 22) and the FY25 Forward EV/Sales for Energy Transition peers (Figure 23), ensuring a comprehensive assessment of future growth potential.

Figure 22: DCF bridge

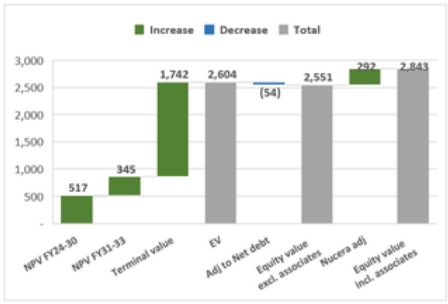

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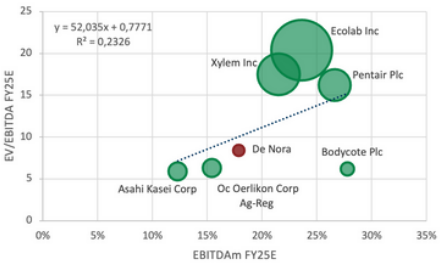
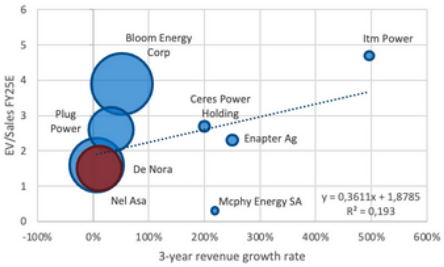
Figure 23: Value Map for Electrodes&Water Technologies Peers



Source: Factset, Team Analysis

Figure 24: Value Map for Energy Transition Peers



Source: Factset, Team Analysis

The final target price was determined by summarizing the obtained EVs and reaching to Equity Value per Share. This approach resulted in a target price of **€10.07 (+41.49% upside)** incl. associates, supporting our BUY recommendation.

SENSITIVITY ANALYSIS

We conduct a sensitivity analysis of the DCF-derived 1Y forward target price to changes in some of the key fundamental variables. Given that the Terminal Value represents around 67% of the Enterprise Value, this sensitivity analysis underlines the impact of two critical assumptions in our DCF model: the perpetual WACC and the terminal growth rate, on the target price. Our estimates show a maximum downside of **17%** (to the target price ex-associates) in case of adverse parameter changes, while favorable changes offer significant upside. Sensitivity analysis: All scenarios support a **BUY recommendation**; target price volatility remains within ±10% in 66.27% of cases (Figure 24,25).

Figure 25: Sensitivity Map

*excluding Nucera

TGR \ WACC	8.49%	8.74%	8.99%	9.24%	9.49%	9.74%	9.99%
3.25%	16.058	15.227	14.471	13.779	13.143	12.557	12.016
3.00%	15.490	14.717	14.012	13.364	12.767	12.216	11.704
2.75%	14.969	14.250	13.590	12.982	12.419	11.900	11.415
2.50%	14.493	13.820	13.020	**12.627**	12.097	11.603	11.144
2.25%	14.055	13.420	12.839	12.299	11.796	11.328	10.891
2.00%	13.650	13.056	12.504	11.992	11.520	11.070	10.654
1.75%	13.276	12.714	12.193	11.707	11.253	10.829	10.431

*including Nucera

TGR \ WACC	8.49%	8.74%	8.99%	9.24%	9.49%	9.74%	9.99%
3.25%	17.505	16.675	15.918	15.226	14.59	14.004	13.463
3.00%	16.940	16.165	15.459	14.811	14.215	13.663	13.152
2.75%	16.416	15.697	15.037	14.429	13.867	13.350	12.862
2.50%	15.940	15.267	14.647	**14.074**	13.544	13.051	12.592
2.25%	15.502	14.870	14.287	13.746	13.243	12.775	12.339
2.00%	15.098	14.503	13.952	13.440	12.960	12.518	12.101
1.75%	14.723	14.162	13.640	13.154	12.701	12.276	11.879

Source: Team Analysis

Environmental, Social and Governance

ESG Score

For this analysis, the MSCI ESG Score is used as a benchmark due to its widespread **industry adoption**, rigorous and **objective methodology**, and comprehensive **data coverage**. MSCI's ratings incorporate a broad set of ESG factors, making them a **reliable** and **comparable** metric for evaluating the company's ESG performance (Figure 26).

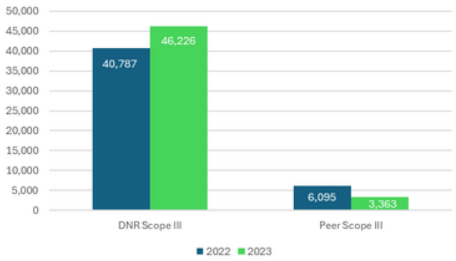
ENVIRONMENTAL

DNR has established an ambitious **Sustainability Plan**, with targets: i) emission reduction, ii) renewable energy adoption and iii) circular economy principles. The company aims to **reduce Scope 1** and **Scope 2** emissions by **50%** by **2030**, yet currently, **97.57%** of its energy still comes from **non-renewable sources**. This **heavy reliance** on **fossil fuels** raises **concerns about** the **feasibility** of reaching its **renewable energy target** within the planned timeframe. In terms of carbon footprint, DNR total CO_2 emissions of 39.6 million tons, with Scope 1 emissions at 15,292 tons, Scope 2 at 19,344 tons, and Scope 3 at 39.5 million tons. The **overwhelming proportion** of **Scope 3 emissions** suggests that a **significant portion** of the company's **environmental impact** comes from its **supply chain** and **product lifecycle**. Managing these **indirect emissions** will be critical in **improving** DNR's **sustainability profile**. A positive aspect of DNR-IT's environmental strategy is its commitment to the circular economy. The company has implemented initiatives such as a **25% increase in electrode recovery** and a **4% reduction in noble metals** used in electrode coatings by 2026. Additionally, by 2030, 80% of wood packaging will be certified as deforestation-free. However, while these efforts demonstrate a clear sustainability focus, the **company still generates significant waste**, particularly in its **water treatment segment**, where **bleach** is produced as a byproduct and must be disposed of at an **additional cost**. De Nora has also been proactive in green innovation, particularly in the energy transition sector. The company is developing hydrogen technologies, which could contribute to industrial decarbonization, and has introduced water treatment solutions such as Chaklo, a decentralized chlorine generator that eliminates the need for hazardous chemical transport. These advancements align with the company's goal of improving its climate handprint, ensuring that its products help customers reduce their own environmental impact (Figure 27).

SOCIAL

DNR's sustainable strategy emphasizes **human capital development**, **workplace safety**, and **community engagement**. The company considers its people as its most valuable resource and has structured its **People Strategy** to attract, train, and retain talent while fostering an inclusive and supportive work environment. A core principle of DNR's **social commitment** is its investment in **talent development**. DNR is also committed to **Diversity**, **Equity**, and **Inclusion** (DE&I) through its "**Each for Equal**" (E4E) **Committee**, established in 2020. This initiative, led by the Chief Human Resources Officer (CHRO) in 2022, actively promotes awareness, cultural inclusivity and gender equality

Figure 26: Scope 3 peer analysis



Source: Company data

Figure 27: People strategy pillars

A high dependency on non-renewable energy, making the **100% renewable electricity goal by 2030 difficult to achieve**.

Scope 3 emissions dominate its carbon footprint, requiring enhanced **supplier engagement** and **product lifecycle management**.

The production of hazardous waste, particularly bleach, remains an environmental and financial burden.

Source: Company data

Figure 28: Environmental challenges

People development

Diversity, Equity and Inclusion

Well-being and the pursuit of self-fulfilment

Health and Safety

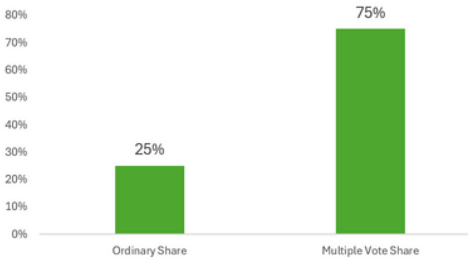
Communication, reputation e networking

HR Analytics, processes, digitalization & agility

Source: Company data

across De Nora's global operations. The company has achieved **22% female representation** in managerial roles, it aims to increase female participation in STEM programs to 40% by 2026. Employee well-being and workplace safety are central to DNR-IT's social policies. The company prioritizes a **hybrid and remote** work model to **improve work-life balance**. Additionally, **Health & Safety** is a key focus, with DNR aiming for 100% of employees to become "Occupational Health and Safety Champions" (Figure 28). The company has achieved a 15% **reduction in workplace injury** rates and aims to implement "Safety Days" at all plants by 2025, alongside quarterly Health & Safety reports. DNR-IT also plays an active role in **supporting local communities**, implementing initiatives such as Community engagement events, Disaster relief support, Employee volunteering programs, Charity and social support, and Responsible supply chain initiatives (Figure 29).

Figure 29: Type of share

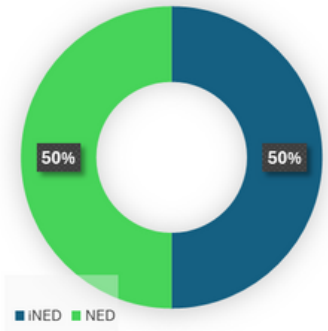


Source: Company data

GOVERNANCE

Similarly to many other Italian family-founded companies, DNR is **primarily controlled** by the **De Nora family** and its strategic partner, **SNAM**, which together own over 78% of the company, while only **22%** (51 million shares) are freely available to **ordinary shareholders**. The company's governance structure is reinforced by the presence of **multiple voting shares**, which grant t**hree votes per share** to key shareholders, such as Federico De Nora, Federico De Nora S.p.A., Norfin S.p.A., and Asset Company 10 S.r.l.. This setup ensures **strong internal control** over strategic decisions but **limits the influence of minority shareholders**. DNR operates with a **one-tier board system**, composed of 12 members, with 50% classified as independent directors (Figure 30). The Board includes a mix of executive, non-executive, and independent members, ensuring a balance of expertise. The presence of **independent directors (50%)** and **gender diversity (33%** of board members are women) aligns with governance best practices. Additionally, the board is supported by **several key committees** to oversee governance and strategic matters. DNR is committed to business ethics, transparency, and integrity, as reflected in its governance structure and internal policies. The company has adopted an anti-corruption and human rights policy, alongside a new version of its Code of Ethics, ensuring compliance with global best practices. To enhance its sustainability oversight, De Nora has established dedicated ESG governance bodies: ESG Steering Committee, ESG Accelerator Lab. DNR has also taken steps to integrate ESG considerations into executive compensation. Notably, 20% of the CEO's total compensation is linked to ESG performance, ensuring leadership accountability for sustainability objectives (Figure 31).

Figure 30: Type of share



Source: Company data

Figure 31: Internal Board Commitee

Source: Company data

Investment Risks

#1 SUPPLY SOURCE RISK

The major concern is about essential materials produced and exported primarily by China. The country is likely to face increase tariffs and friction in exporting given the tension with the new US President Donald Trump: this could result in additional operating costs for DNR (Figure 32).

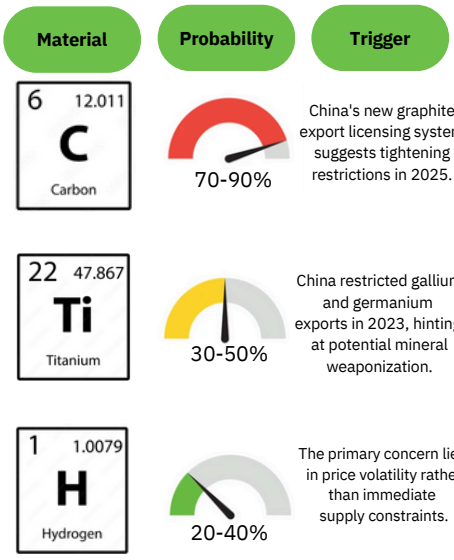
Titanium - supply constraints: China is a major producer and exporter, and the material is used in DNR electrode manufacturing. Potential export restrictions/tariffs on Chinese materials could increase DNR operating costs.

Hydrogen - market volatility: China dominates hydrogen production and in particular gray hydrogen. Therefore if China prioritizes domestic consumption and/or reduces exports, European prices will surge.

Graphite - supply constraints: China supplies around 70% of worldwide production of graphite, which is essential for gas diffusion electrodes (GDE) in DNR fuel cells and WET. If tension between the US and CH rises, graphite exports will be the ones suffering most between the aforementioned.

Mitigants: We suggest diversification of supply sources, possibly reducing exposure to China, with the possibility of entering in long-term contracts with non-Chinese counterparties. In fact, DNR could leverage long-term duration of the agreements to negotiate lower costs.

Figure 32: Supply Source Risk Probability



Source: Team Analysis

The possibility of hedging the price of the commodities in question is also suggested: buying futures and/or options on materials largely produced by exposed countries will ensure a solid supply chain.

2 INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RISK

The risk associated with competitors developing more efficient or cost-effective electrode technologies would lead to DNR **losing** a substantial part of its **market share**. Moreover, the reliance on partnerships for IP licensing, such as in fuel cells and energy storage, would **expose** the company to **contractual risks** and potential **IP misuse**. The potential impacts would be dramatic for what concerns revenues, legal costs and market share erosion (Figure 34).

Mitigants: We suggest DNR to **increase investment in R&D** for two main reasons: i) to **accelerate** the **development** of novel technologies and ii) **ensure** that the company **remains** at the **forefront** of electrochemical solutions. By doing so, De Nora can stay ahead of competitors and create patentable technologies. Enhance legal compliance and monitoring in high-risk jurisdictions may also be useful. We suggest DNR to **enhance** its **legal team** or **partner with local IP law firms** in high-risk jurisdictions **where** IP **enforcement** may be **less robust** or more difficult, as these regions pose heightened IP infringement risks due to local competition or potential lack of enforcement.

3 POLICIES AND SUBSIDIES DEPENDENCE RISK

DNR's success in both Green Hydrogen and PFAS removal solutions is deeply linked to regulatory frameworks and government incentives (Figure 33).

Energy transition: Green Hydrogen and Electrolyzers

Global hydrogen adoption is contingent on government incentives, such as the **EU Green Deal** or the **US Inflation Reduction Act**. As a consequence, a shift in policies in the forms of subsidy cuts or even delays in funding programs could slow down, if not impede the market growth in this sector. Moreover, electrolyzer adoption relies on incentives like Contract for Difference (CfD), carbon pricing and tax credits. Hence, a **rollback** of these **incentives** would **make green hydrogen less competitive**. Last but not least, a **lower carbon price** would **reduce** the **incentive** for industries **to transition from grey hydrogen to green hydrogen**, especially overseas, where the Trump Administration made clear that their economy will be heavily based on efficiency of production and consumption of intermediate goods.

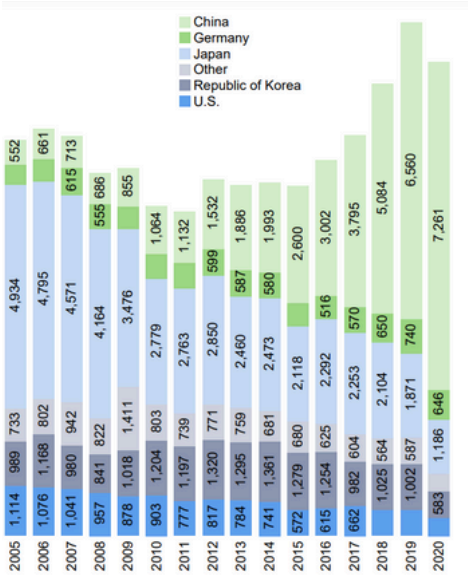
PFAS Regulation and Water Treatment

Growing **pressures** from **governments** to regulate PFAS **create** both **opportunities** and **risks**: while DNR' technologies such as **filtration** and **advanced oxidation benefit from stricter standards**, compliance requirements can be complex (Figure 35). Additionally, municipal and industrial clients may delay investment in PFAS treatment solutions due to cost concerns and unclear regulatory timelines. **Mitigants**: A number of mitigation strategies can be identified to reduce the impact of this risk, and the main ones would be to **diversify revenue streams** to reduce reliance on single regulatory frameworks, or even a more dramatic engagement in policy advocacy, in order to shape regulations in favor of long-term industry support.

#4 GREEN HYDROGEN COMPETITIVENESS RISK

Green hydrogen, produced via electrolysis using renewable energy, is **significantly more expensive** than grey hydrogen, which in turn is derived from natural gas. For instance, **Grey hydrogen** (SMR) has a production cost of around **1.0 to 2.5 €/kg**, and **Blue Hydrogen** (SMR +CSS) ranges from **2.0 to 3.5 €/kg**, which are low-cost and valuable options compared to the **4.0 to 7.0** €/kg production cost of **Green Hydrogen** (Electrolysis + Renewables). Another particular concept worth analysing is the fact that CO2 emissions, expressed as CO2kg/H2kg coming from Blue Hydrogen are particularly lower than the grey hydrogen one, indicating a range of 1-3 against a 9-12 (Figure 36). Hence the imminent adoption of Green Hydrogen appears to be still far from the main objectives of the G7 governments. **Mitigants**: A list of plausible mitigation strategies would be: Partnerships with Renewable Energy Developers, in order to secure long-term; Power Purchase Agreements (PPAs) to access low-cost renewable energy; Explore new Business Models, such as leasing, hydrogen-as-a-service, or even co-financing models to drive early adoption.

Figure 33: Fuel cells patents by Country



Source: World Intellectual Property Organization

Figure 34: Monte Carlo Simulation on the estimation of Policies and Subsidies Dependence Risk Probability

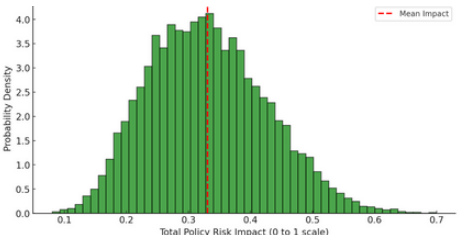


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Figure 35: Investment trends in PFAS water treatment by industrial clients

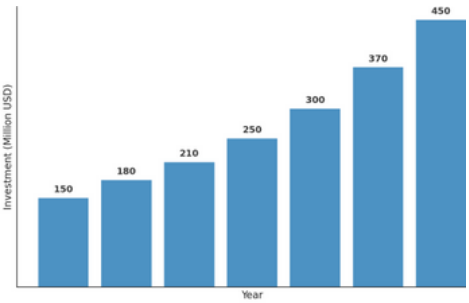

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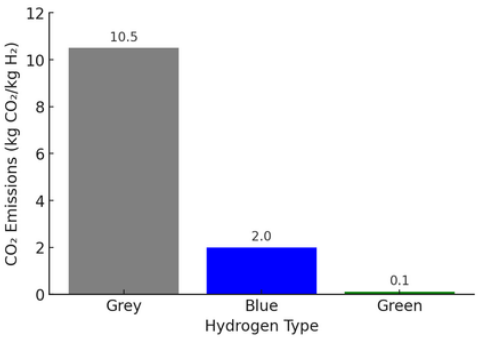
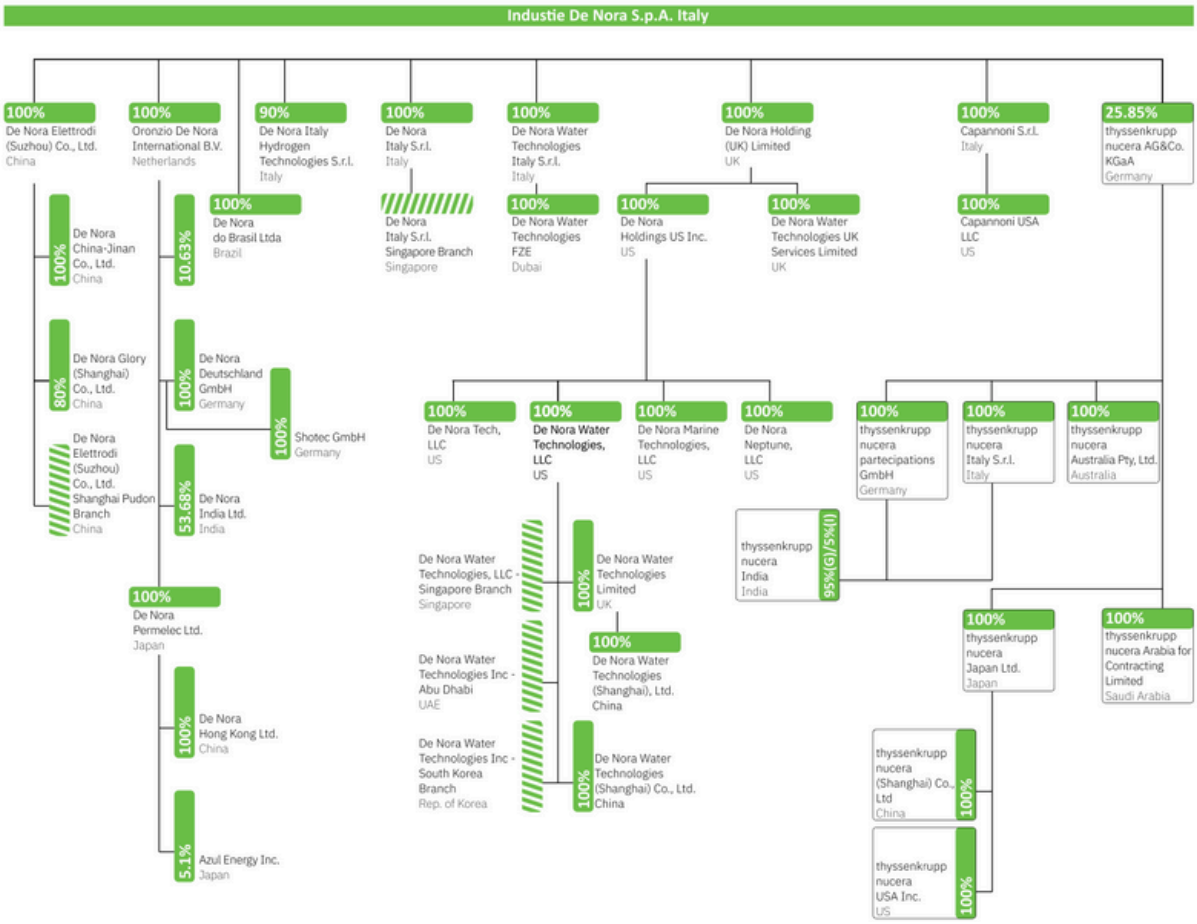
Figure 36: CO_2 emissions by hydrogen type



Source: Massachussets Institute Technology (MIT), IEA Hydrogen Report

Business Overview: Annex

Annex 1: DNR Corporate Structure



DNR CORPORATE ORGANIZATION CHART

Industrie De Nora S.p.A. (Italy): Serves as the **parent entity**, it oversees and controls a broad network of subsidiaries, ensuring seamless coordination of operations and alignment with corporate strategy across various markets and sectors. Industrie De Nora S.p.A.'s **subsidiaries** are structured to cater to specific regional markets and operational focuses:

1) De Nora Elettrodi (Suzhou) Co., Ltd. (China): Fully owned and focused on electrode production within the Chinese market. 2) Oronzio De Nora International B.V. (Netherlands): A wholly-owned entity serving as a hub for international operations. 3) De Nora Italy Hydrogen Technologies S.r.l. (Italy): Specializing in hydrogen technologies with a 90% ownership stake. 4) De Nora Water Technologies Italy S.r.l. (Italy): Fully owned, dedicated to water treatment technologies. 5) De Nora Water Technologies FZE (Dubai): Operates as a regional branch under the water technologies division.

Holding Companies:

De Nora Holdings (UK) Limited (UK): A fully-owned holding company managing investments within the UK. De Nora Holdings US Inc. (US): Performs a similar role for operations and investments across the United States.

Real Estate Entities:

Capannoni S.r.l. (Italy): Fully owned and focused on real estate operations, while Capannoni USA LLC (US) is Its counterpart in the United States.

Joint Ventures and Minority Interests:

thyssenkrupp nucera AG & Co. KGaA (Germany): De Nora holds a 25.85% stake in this entity, which specializes in industrial electrolysis and hydrogen technologies. **Thyssenkrupp nucera Group**:

thyssenkrupp nucera Italy S.r.l. (Italy), thyssenkrupp nucera Japan Ltd. (Japan): 95% controlled by thyssenkrupp nucera, with De Nora holding a minority stake. Same for thyssenkrupp nucera Arabia (Saudi Arabia) and thyssenkrupp nucera (Shanghai) Co., Ltd. (China).

Regional and Specialized Subsidiaries:

DNR also operates region-specific subsidiaries to address local market needs: De Nora do Brasil Ltda (Brazil): Focused on South America. De Nora India Ltd. (India): Catering to South Asia. De Nora Permelec Ltd. (Japan): Covering East Asia. De Nora Marine Technologies LLC (US): Specializing in marine technology. De Nora Neptune LLC (US): Operating in water and environmental technologies.

Industry Overview & Competitive Positioning: Annex

Annex 2: NEOM Project

NEOM PROJECT

- **Location**: Neom, Saudi Arabia, on the Red Sea shores (26,500 km²)
- **Objective**: A futuristic, fully sustainable city for industrial, commercial, residential, and tourism purposes
- **De Nora's Role**: applying cell electrolyzers and electrodes for water electrolysis
- **Production Start**: Scheduled for 2026

NEOM is a $500 billion flagship project in Saudi Arabia designed to create a sustainable, futuristic city powered entirely by renewable energy. A cornerstone of this initiative is its focus on green hydrogen production and sustainable water management, both critical to achieving NEOM's net-zero carbon objectives. De Nora has positioned itself as a key technology partner in the NEOM initiative, contributing through its advanced solutions in the following areas:

Green Hydrogen Production

De Nora collaborates with thyssenkrupp nucera, in which it holds a significant stake, to provide essential technologies for industrial-scale green hydrogen production. Alkaline Water Electrolysis (AWE): De Nora supplies its proprietary electrode technologies to thyssenkrupp nucera, which is constructing the world's largest green hydrogen plant as part of the NEOM project. These electrodes ensure high energy efficiency and durability, reducing operational costs and improving the scalability of hydrogen production. The produced hydrogen will serve as a feedstock for ammonia production, enabling global energy export and decarbonization of industries.

Sustainable Water Treatment

NEOM requires innovative solutions to meet the water demands of a desert-based city, aligning with its sustainability ethos. De Nora's water treatment technologies play a critical role by providing: i) Electrochemical Water Disinfection: De Nora's systems ensure safe and energy-efficient water disinfection for drinking water, industrial use, and agriculture, reducing the reliance on chemical treatments. ii) Desalination Support: As desalination is integral to water supply in NEOM, De Nora offers advanced electrode technologies to optimize energy use in reverse osmosis (RO) and other desalination processes.

3. Support for Industrial Decarbonization

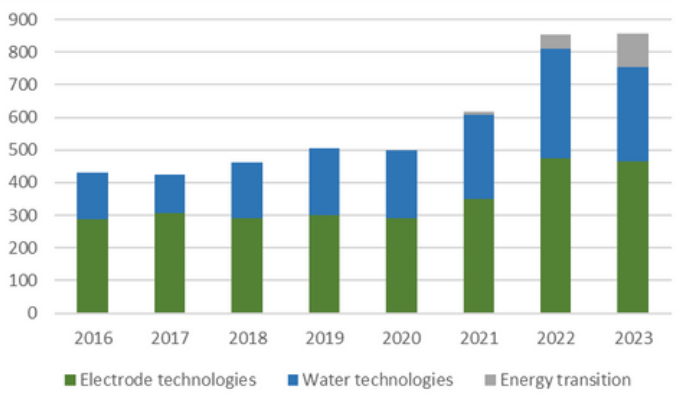
De Nora's technologies also contribute to NEOM's broader goals of industrial decarbonization by enabling: i) Electrolytic Ozone Generation: For environmentally friendly industrial cleaning and process water applications. ii) Zero-Liquid-Discharge (ZLD) Solutions: Reducing waste and maximizing water recovery, aligning with NEOM's sustainability framework.

Strategic Collaboration with thyssenkrupp nucera. As part of its partnership, De Nora's expertise in electrode technology enhances the efficiency of hydrogen plants while maintaining cost-effectiveness. The NEOM green hydrogen plant is expected to set new benchmarks for the industry, establishing a replicable model for future green hydrogen initiatives globally.

Financial Analysis: Annex

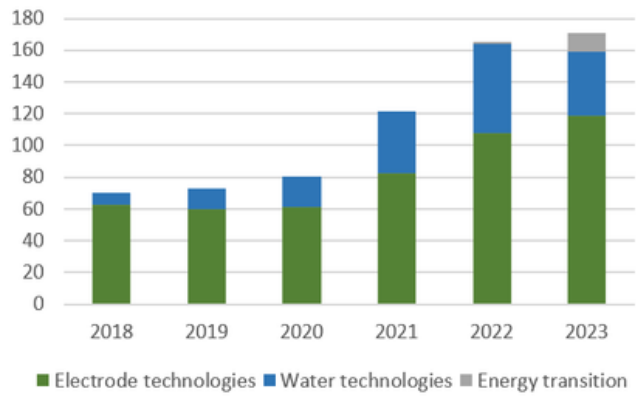
Annex 3: Revenue 2016-2023

(in millions EUR)



Annex 4: EBITDA 2018-2023

(in millions EUR)



Annex 5: Consolidated Statement of Income

Consolidated Statement of Income (€ mn)	2024E	2025E	2026E	2027E	2028E	2029E	2030E
Total revenue	**869.60**	**899.78**	**975.68**	**1,073.70**	**1,192.53**	**1,264.73**	**1,415.14**
Electrode technologies	468.40	476.37	489.35	507.70	530.88	555.24	580.83
Water technologies	294.58	298.67	315.43	330.16	345.62	361.86	378.92
Energy transition	106.62	124.74	170.90	235.84	316.03	347.63	455.39
Total operating expenses	**(718.63)**	**(738.53)**	**(800.96)**	**(875.98)**	**(973.53)**	**(1,031.47)**	**(1,155.49)**
EBITDA	**150.97**	**161.25**	**174.72**	**197.72**	**219.00**	**233.25**	**259.65**
Electrode technologies	99.30	100.99	103.74	107.63	112.55	117.71	123.13
Water technologies	45.37	47.79	50.47	59.43	62.21	65.13	68.20
Energy transition	6.30	12.47	20.51	30.66	44.24	50.41	68.31
Depreciation & amortization	(34.70)	(35.99)	(37.08)	(38.65)	(40.55)	(40.47)	(42.45)
EBIT	**116.90**	**125.26**	**137.64**	**159.07**	**178.46**	**192.78**	**217.19**
EBIT margin (%)	*13%*	*14%*	*14%*	*15%*	*15%*	*15%*	*15%*
Share of profit (loss) from associates and joint ventures	(1.10)	2.70	11.30	13.80	17.30	25.30	36.70
Net Finance income	18.70	20.19	20.19	26.54	31.73	34.62	44.14
Tax income (expense)	(39.00)	(42.96)	(49.05)	(57.83)	(65.97)	(73.28)	(86.43)
Net income	**95.50**	**105.19**	**120.09**	**141.58**	**161.52**	**179.41**	**211.60**
Net profit margin (%)	*11%*	*12%*	*12%*	*13%*	*14%*	*14%*	*15%*
EPS basic	**0.47**	**0.52**	**0.60**	**0.70**	**0.80**	**0.89**	**1.05**
Diluted EPS	**0.47**	**0.52**	**0.60**	**0.70**	**0.80**	**0.89**	**1.05**
Weighted-average number of shares outstanding	201.70	201.70	201.70	201.70	201.70	201.70	201.70
Effect of share options on issue	201.70	201.70	201.70	201.70	201.70	201.70	201.70

Valuation: Annex

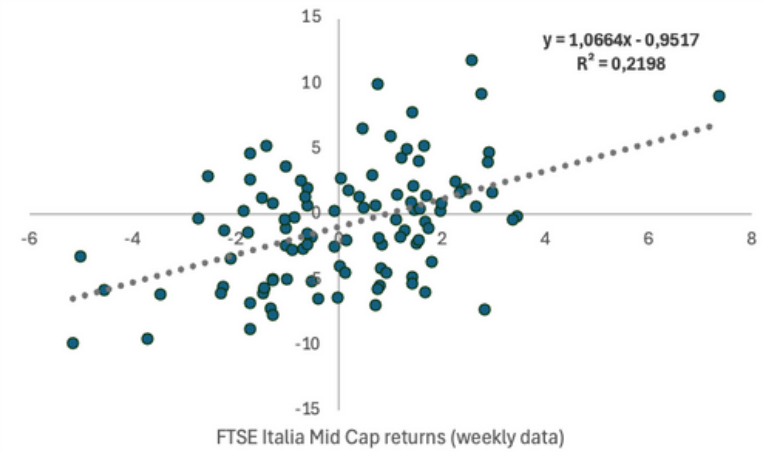
Annex 6: Equity Risk Premium (ERP)

	Revenue	*Share*	*Damodaran ERP 2024E*
EMEIA	308,40	36,01%	6,84%
AMS	257,83	30,11%	7,47%
ASIA	290,18	33,88%	8,86%
Italy	-	-	6,90%
Market Risk Premium			***7,31%***
Risk-free rate			***3,69%***
Beta			***1,07***
Cost of Equity			***11,49%***

The Cost of Equity is derived from the CAPM: the Equity Risk Premium equal to 7,31% is calculated as the weighted average of the risk premiums of the regions where DNR operates. The final ERP figure is calculated according to the formula: ERP(DNR) = 0.5*ERP(Italy) + 0.5*ERP(Regions). AVG1Y Risk-free rate derived from 10Y Italian government bond yields.

Annex 7: Beta Estimation

DNR' Beta is computed using a linear regression of DNR' historical returns against the FTSE Italia Mid Cap historical returns. FTSE Italia Mid Cap is a suitable proxy for DNR's Beta as it reflects the company's size, sector exposure, liquidity, and local market conditions, ensuring alignment with Italian economic factors and investor sentiment. The returns are calculated on a weekly basis since the IPO to reduce noise from daily observations. The resulting Beta is 1.07.



Annex 8: Division Forecasts

Electrode Technologies statement of incon	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024E	2025E	2026E	2027E	2028E	2029E	2030E
Chlor-alkali	221,7	204,8	236,9	319,2	320,9	316,4	318,3	323,4	331,8	343,4	355,4	367,8
yoy growth -		*-7,60%*	*15,70%*	*34,70%*	*0,50%*	*-1,40%*	*0,60%*	*1,60%*	*2,60%*	*3,50%*	*3,50%*	*3,50%*
Electronics	46,1	58,7	75,8	88,3	79,9	87,6	91,1	95,7	101,4	108,5	116,1	124,2
yoy growth -		*27%*	*29%*	*16%*	*-9%*	*10%*	*4%*	*5%*	*6%*	*7%*	*7%*	*7%*
Electrowinning	31,3	26,9	36,1	66	63,4	64,4	67	70,3	74,5	79	83,8	88,8
yoy growth -		*-14%*	*34%*	*83%*	*-4%*	*2%*	*4%*	*5%*	*6%*	*6%*	*6%*	*6%*
Electrode technologies revenue	299,1	290,4	348,8	473,4	464,2	468,4	476,4	489,3	507,7	530,9	555,2	580,8
% change		*-3%*	*20%*	*36%*	*-2%*	*0,90%*	*2%*	*3%*	*4%*	*5%*	*5%*	*5%*
Operating expenses	-239,1	-228,7	-266,2	-365,5	-345,3	-369,1	-375,4	-385,6	-400,1	-418,3	-437,5	-457,7
% of revenue	*-79,90%*	*-78,80%*	*-76,30%*	*-77,20%*	*-74,40%*	*-1*	*-78,80%*	*-78,80%*	*-78,80%*	*-78,80%*	*-78,80%*	*-78,80%*
Electrode technologies EBITDA	60	61,7	82,7	108	118,9	99,3	101	103,7	107,6	112,5	117,7	123,1
EBITDA margin %	*20,10%*	*21,20%*	*23,70%*	*22,80%*	*25,60%*	*21,20%*	*21,20%*	*21,20%*	*21,20%*	*21,20%*	*21,20%*	*21,20%*

Water Technologies statement of income	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024E	2025E	2026E	2027E	2028E	2029E	2030E
Pool technologies	35,6	38,1	51,9	65,3	98,23	161,75	86,04	95,42	100,2	105,2	110,5	116
yoy growth			*7%*	*36%*	*26%*	*50%*	*65%*	*-47%*	*11%*	*5%*	*5%*	*5%*
Disinfection and filtration	68	68,8	81,6	74,2	83,07	79,06	100,88	98,87	101,8	104,9	108	111,3
yoy growth			*1%*	*19%*	*-9%*	*12%*	*-5%*	*28%*	*-2%*	*3%*	*3%*	*3%*
Electro-chlorination	47,9	62,8	67,8	61,6	63,31	84,61	91,41	88,67	96,6	105,3	111,7	118,4
yoy growth			*31%*	*8%*	*-9%*	*3%*	*34%*	*8%*	*-3%*	*9%*	*9%*	*6%*
Water technologies revenue 143	154,5	171,3	206,2	209,1	257,67	336,72	289,96	294,58	298,7	315,4	330,2	345,6
% change					*1%*	*23%*	*31%*	*-14%*	*2%*	*2,70%*	*5,80%*	*4,80%*
Operating expenses			-193,2	-190,19	-219,12	-280,73	-249,83	-249,21	-250,9	-265	-270,7	-283,4
% revenue				*-94%*	*-91%*	*-85%*	*-83%*	*-86%*	*-85%*	*-84%*	*-84%*	*-82%*
Water technologies EBITDA			13	18,91	38,55	55,99	40,14	45,37	47,8	50,5	59,4	62,2
EBITDA margin %				*6,30%*	*9,04%*	*14,96%*	*16,63%*	*13,84%*	*15,40%*	*16,00%*	*16,00%*	*18,00%*

Energy Transition statement of income	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024E	2025E	2026E	2027E	2028E	2029E	2030E
Energy transition revenue			9,39	42,66	102,24	106,62	124,7	170,9	235,8	316	347,6	455,4
% change					*354%*	*140%*	*4%*	*17%*	*37%*	*38%*	*34%*	*10%*
Operating expenses				-41,45	-90,28	-100,32	-112,3	-150,4	-205,2	-271,8	-297,2	-387,1
% of revenue					*-97%*	*-88%*	*-94%*	*-90%*	*-88%*	*-87%*	*-86%*	*-86%*
Energy transition EBITDA				1,21	11,96	6,3	12,5	20,5	30,7	44,2	50,4	68,3
EBITDA margin %					*2,83%*	*11,69%*	*6,00%*	*10,00%*	*12,00%*	*13,00%*	*14,00%*	*14,50%*

In the following section, we move on to forecasting the company's future development, guided by projections of both global trends and changes in niche markets. To project DNR's future performance, we begin by estimating its revenues, taking into account both current and anticipated industry trends across all end-markets, as well as its position in subsector markets.

i) Electrode Technologies (54% of FY24E revenue) remains DNR's **core business**, with a steady 2% CAGR (FY24E-27E). DNR holds a >50% market share in electrodes and electrochemical solutions and is expanding into water electrolysis for green hydrogen. Chlor-alkali investments are set to rebound, particularly in North America, the Middle East, and China (0.8% CAGR FY24E-27E; 3.5% FY28E-30E). The Electronics market, after a post-Covid boom and destocking phase, is normalizing, with growth expected in FY25 (6% CAGR FY24E-27E; 7% CAGR FY28E-30E). Medium-term growth remains steady at 5% CAGR (FY28E-30E), though rising competition may slightly temper expansion.

ii) Water Technologies (34% of FY24E revenue) **continues steady growth**, with profitability improving from 6% to ~20% EBITDA margins. High-margin after-market services will drive future gains, with 8-10 percentage points higher margins than new equipment sales. The Water Treatment Solutions (WTS) segment, after a weak FY23, is set to recover, driven by rising demand, especially due to PFAS concerns (6% CAGR FY24E-30E). Pool Technologies will sustain growth, supported by energy-efficient solutions (5% CAGR FY24E-30E). Long-term, EBITDA margins are expected to stabilize at ~18%, backed by efficiency improvements and market expansion.

iii) Energy Transition (12% of FY24E revenue) is a **key growth driver**, maintaining a strong 20% EBITDA margin in FY23. Growth is fueled by coating technology advancements, supply chain efficiencies, and a more profitable product mix. Revenue streams include supplying electrodes and cells for the Thyssenkrupp Nucera JV, other electrolyzer and fuel cell OEMs, selling Dragonfly stacks, and after-market services. A 2024 MoU with Asahi Kasei will develop 1MW-7.5MW electrolyzers, expanding access to Asia. Manufacturing capacity is scaling from 2.5GW (2023) to 4.5GW (2026E). With €174mn of its €290mn capex (2024-26) allocated to Energy Transition, DNR is well-positioned to lead in green hydrogen (28% CAGR FY24E-30E).

Annex 9: Discounted Cash Flows

DCF model (€M)	2024E	2025E	2026E	2027E	2028E	2029E	2030E	2031E	2032E	2033E
OCF	142.90	142.71	190.80	219.60	245.20	267.30	304.50	-	-	-
incl. ΔNWC	*(7.90)*	*(21.54)*	*(3.34)*	*(4.31)*	*(5.23)*	*(3.18)*	*(6.62)*	-	-	-
Net interest	18.70	20.19	20.19	26.54	31.73	34.62	44.14	-	-	-
Cash tax paid	(39.00)	(42.96)	(49.05)	(57.83)	(65.97)	(73.28)	(86.43)	-	-	-
Net OCF	**122.50**	**119.94**	**161.94**	**188.31**	**210.96**	**228.63**	**262.21**	**292.36**	**320.27**	**346.94**
Capex	(88.30)	(79.47)	(91.39)	(82.25)	(78.14)	(74.23)	(70.52)	(78.63)	(86.14)	(93.31)
FCF	**34.20**	**40.47**	**70.55**	**106.06**	**132.82**	**154.40**	**191.69**	**213.73**	**234.14**	**253.63**
DFCF	34.20	37.05	59.13	81.36	93.28	99.26	112.81	115.15	115.48	114.51

NPV of FCF	862
Terminal FCF	260
Terminal value	1,742
Combined Enterprise Value	2,604
Adjustments to net debt	-54
Equity value excl associates	2,551
Nucera adjustments	292
Total Equity value	**2,843**
Number of shares	202
Target price (excl. associates)	**12.63**
Target price (incl. associates)	**14.07**

DNR WACC estimation	
Debt level	26%
Equity level	74%
Tax rate	29%
Cost of debt	4,0%
Post-tax cost of debt	**2,8%**
Risk free rate (Rf)	3,7%
Risk Premium	7,3%
Beta	1,07
Cost of equity	**11,5%**
WACC	**9,2%**

The DCF valuation is based on projected free cash flows (FCF) from 2024E to 2033E, discounted at a **WACC of 9.2%**, reflecting the company's cost of capital and risk profile. Over this period, Net Operating Cash Flow (OCF) grows steadily from €142.9M in 2024E to €346.9M in 2033E, driven by solid operational efficiency and increasing revenue generation. Capital expenditures (Capex) remain stable, averaging **€80M–90M per year**, suggesting disciplined capital allocation that balances growth investments with profitability. As a result, FCF expands significantly from €34.2M in 2024E to €253.6M in 2033E, indicating strong cash generation capacity and financial resilience.

The Net Present Value (NPV) of FCF is €862M, while the terminal value contributes €1,742M, leading to a combined enterprise value (EV) of €2,604M. Adjusting for net debt (-€54M) and Nucera-related adjustments (€292M), the total equity value reaches €2,843M. With 202M shares outstanding, this translates to a **target price per share of €12.63 (excluding associates) and €14.07 (including associates)**, providing a clear valuation range for investors.

DNR's capital structure consists of **26% debt and 74% equity**, with a **post-tax cost of debt of 2.8%** and a **cost of equity of 11.5%**, calculated using a **risk-free rate of 3.7%**, an **equity risk premium of 7.3%**, and a **beta of 1.07**. The **WACC of 9.2%** ensures appropriate discounting of future cash flows, capturing both business risks and financing costs.

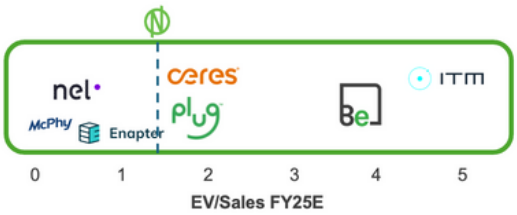
This analysis suggests that **DNR is well-positioned for long-term value creation**, supported by **strong cash flow growth, disciplined Capex management, and an optimal capital structure**. The company's ability to generate increasing FCF while maintaining a stable financial framework indicates **a sustainable growth trajectory**, making it an attractive proposition for investors. The valuation results suggest a fair share price range, aligning with the company's robust financial outlook and market positioning.

Relative Analysis: Annex

Annex 10: Key Financials' Estimates of DNR' Peers, FY24E-FY26E

Electrode Technologies	EV/Sales			EV/EBITDA			EV/EBIT			P/E		
	FY24E	FY25E	FY26E	FY24E	FY25E	FY26E	FY24E	FY25E	FY26E	FY24E	FY25E	FY26E
Asahi Kasei Corp	0.8	0.7	0.7	7	6.1	5.7	13.2	10.9	9.9	15.4	10.5	9.2
Bodycote Plc	1.7	1.7	1.7	6.4	6.3	5.8	12.2	10.6	9.4	13.4	12.4	11.1
Oc Oerlikon Corp Ag-Reg	1	1	0.9	6.4	6.4	5.8	14.1	14	11.3	12.8	12.4	9.3
Average	1.0	1.0	1.1	6.6	6.3	5.8	13.0	12.0	10.2	1.4	12.4	9.9
Median	1.0	1.0	0.9	6.4	6.3	5.8	13.2	10.9	9.9	13.4	12.4	9.3
Water Technologies	**EV/Sales**			**EV/EBITDA**			**EV/EBIT**			**P/E**		
	FY24E	FY25E	FY26E	FY24E	FY25E	FY26E	FY24E	FY25E	FY26E	FY24E	FY25E	FY26E
Ecolab Inc	4.7	4.8	4.6	20.7	20.5	18.9	27.8	27.3	24.7	35.3	33.5	29.6
Xylem Inc	3.4	3.8	3.6	16.7	17.4	15.8	21.4	22	19.7	27.2	27.9	24.8
Pentair Plc	4.5	4.3	4.2	18	16.3	15.1	19.1	17.4	16.1	23.2	20.7	18.7
Average	4.2	4.3	4.1	18.0	18.1	16.6	22.8	22.2	20.2	28.6	27.4	24.4
Median	4.5	4.3	4.2	18.0	17.4	15.8	21.4	22.0	19.7	27.2	27.9	24.8
Energy Transition	**EV/Sales**			**EV/EBITDA**			**EV/EBIT**			**P/E**		
	FY24E	FY25E	FY26E	FY24E	FY25E	FY26E	FY24E	FY25E	FY26E	FY24E	FY25E	FY26E
Bloom Energy Corp	4.4	4	3.3	51.1	31.4	20.4	n.a.	102.5	41.4	167.8	60.8	31.4
Enapter Ag	5.3	1.9	1	n.a.	n.a.	11.9	n.a.	n.a.	21.3	n.a.	n.a.	97
Nel Asa	1.8	1.6	1.1	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
Ceres Power Holding	3.7	2.7	2.4	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
Plug Power	3.5	2.5	1.9	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
Mcphy Energy SA	0.6	0.3	0.1	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
Itm Power	1.5	0.8	0.5	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
Average	1.9	1.2	0.8	51.1	31.4	16.15	-	102.5	31.35	167.8	60.8	64.2
Median	1.5	0.8	0.5	51.1	31.4	16.15	-	102.5	31.35	167.8	60.8	64.2

Annex 11: Peers' EV/Sales FY25E & EV/EBITDA FY25E



What are the investors' expectations?

The competitors in Electrode Technologies, Water Technologies, and Energy Transition share similarities in their **core technologies, market applications, and sustainability focus**. In Electrode Technologies, Asahi Kasei, Bodycote, and Oerlikon compete in membrane electrolysis, thermal processing, and surface coatings, respectively. Asahi Kasei leads with JPY 2.9T in projected 2025 revenue, while Bodycote and Oerlikon operate on a smaller scale. Water Technologies competitors, such as Ecolab (USD 16.5B revenue), Xylem (USD 8.8B), and Pentair (USD 4.4B), focus on water treatment and filtration, similar to DNR's portfolio. In Energy Transition, companies like Bloom Energy (USD 2.34B, 89% CAGR), Enapter (EUR 110M, 101% CAGR), and Plug Power (USD 2.47B, 52% CAGR) are aggressively expanding in green hydrogen, directly competing with DNR's developing Energy Transition business.

These competitors are relevant to DNR because they operate in **overlapping markets, offer similar products, and serve the same industries**. Asahi Kasei competes with DNR in membrane electrolysis, while Ecolab and Xylem rival its Water Technologies division. Plug Power, Enapter, and Nel ASA compete in green hydrogen electrolysis, an area where DNR is expanding. Financially, DNR's Electrode Technologies segment generated €464.2M in 2023, significantly smaller than Asahi Kasei's business. Similarly, its Water Technologies (€289.96M) is much smaller than Ecolab, while its Energy Transition (€102.24M) competes against billion-dollar players like Bloom Energy and Plug Power. Despite the scale differences, these competitors validate DNR's positioning and highlight growth opportunities in all three sectors.

Competitor valuation metrics highlight key market expectations across industries. Electrode Technologies is seen as a **mature sector with stable but modest growth**, reflected in EV/EBITDA declining from 6.6x in FY24E to 5.8x by FY26E and P/E compression from 13.0x to 9.9x, indicating limited innovation-driven upside. Water Technologies has **stronger growth potential**, driven by regulatory pressures and infrastructure investments, with EV/EBITDA at 18.0x in FY24E, declining slightly as demand remains steady. Energy Transition is **the most speculative**, with EV/EBITDA at 51.1x in FY24E, dropping sharply as companies are expected to scale rapidly. High P/E ratios, such as Bloom Energy's 167.8x in FY24E, reflect strong optimism in hydrogen and fuel cell technologies but also high volatility and risk, as companies must prove long-term profitability to justify valuations.

Annex 12: International Certifications Related to Environmental Responsibility

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Legal Entity	Country	Site	ISO 14001	ISO 5001
De Nora Deutschland GmbH	Germany	Rodencach	✓	✓
De Nora India LTD	India	Goa	✓	✓
De Nora Permlec LTD	Japan	Fujisawa	✓	
De Nora China	China	Suzhou	✓	
De Nora Italy SRL	Italy	Cologno Monzese	✓	
De Nora Water Techonologies Italy SRL	Italy	Cologno Monzese	✓	
De Nora do Brasil	Brasil	Sorocaba	✓	

Source: Company data

Annex 13: Ownership structure

Industrie De Nora S.p.A. has a share capital of EUR 18,268,203.90, represented by 201,685,174 shares without nominal value. These shares are divided into ordinary shares and multiple voting shares. The multiple voting shares, owned by key shareholders such as Federico De Nora, Federico De Nora S.p.A., Norfin S.p.A., and Asset Company 10 S.r.l., are not admitted to trading on Euronext Milan and are excluded from the free float and market capitalization. These shares grant three votes per share at the shareholders' meeting, reinforcing internal control.
The ownership structure of Industrie De Nora reflects a solid connection between corporate leadership and significant shareholders. The De Nora family holds a majority stake, consolidating their influence over strategic decisions. Below is a breakdown of shareholding and voting rights:

Shareholders & voting rights	# shares	%	% voting rights
Federico De Nora S.p.A. (multiple vote shares)	88,847,684.00	44.05%	53.03%
Federico De Nora S.p.A. (ordinary shares)	499,843.00	0.25%	0.10%
Norfin S.p.A. (multiple vote shares)	11,474,617.00	5.69%	6.85%
Norfin S.p.A. (ordinary shares)	121,646.00	0.06%	0.02%
Federico De Nora (multiple vote shares)	6,619,560.00	3.28%	3.95%
De Nora Family	**107,563,350.00**	**53.33%**	**63.95%**
Asset Company 10 S.r.l. (multiple vote shares)	43,539,334.00	21.59%	25.99%
Asset Company 10 S.r.l. (ordinary shares)	-	0.00%	0.00%
Asset Company 10 S.r.l.	43,539,334.00	21.59%	25.99%
Management (ordinary shares) 2	**2,963,808.00**	**1.47%**	**0.59%**
Treasury shares **2**	2,986,240.00	1.48%	0.59% - suspended
Other institutional and retail investors	**44,632,442.00**	**22.13%**	**8.88%**
TOTAL	201,685,174.00	100,00%	100,00%

Source: Company data

This ownership distribution highlights a strong internal leadership structure, with the De Nora family maintaining substantial control over the company's strategic direction. The presence of institutional and retail investors, albeit limited, ensures external participation while reinforcing market confidence in Industrie De Nora's growth potential.

Annex 14: ESG Peer Analysis, first part

Metric selected	Unit of measurment	DNR		Peers Selected		Comparison	
		2022	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023
Revenue	M€	852	856	1,515	1,936	-663	-1,080
Energy consumption within the organization	MWh	99,823	114,837	390,365	732,264	-290,542	-617,427
Energy intensity	MWh/M€	117	134	259	352	-142	-218
Scope I and Scope II - Market-Based	tCO2e	33,822	34,636	310,536	385,232	-276,714	-350,596
Scope I and Scope II - Location-Based	tCO2e	32,190	32,432	502,430	535,048	-470,240	-502,616
Scope I and Scope II - Market-Based intensity	tCO2e/M€	40	40	292	330	-252	-290
Scope I and Scope II - Location-Based intensity	tCO2e/M€	38	38	354	367	-317	-329
Scope 3 emissions	tCO2e	34,750,334	39,569,097	30,554,540	23,275,428	4,195,794	16,293,669
Scope 3 emissions intensity	tCO2e/M€	40,787	46,226	6,095	3,363	34,692	42,863
Female on workforce	Percentage	18%	20%	22%	24%	-3%	-4%
Gender Pay Gap	Percentage	5%	5%	21%	13%	-16%	-8%
Board Diversity	Percentage	33%	33%	36%	38%	-3%	-5%
Numeber of Emplyee	Unit	1,929	2,010	4,350	5,470	-2,421	-3,460
Hours of Training Provided	Hours	59,522	63,055	13,986	4,126	45,537	58,930
numer of hours per employee	Unit	31	31	12	11	18	21

Source: Company data

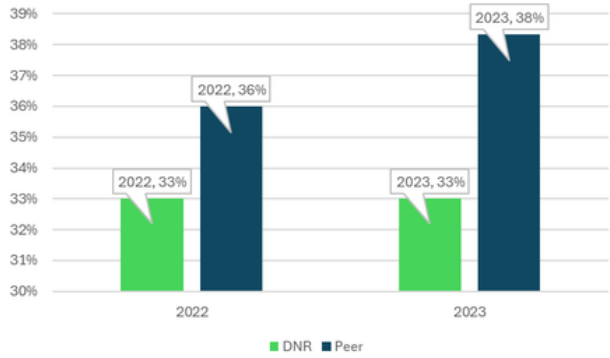
Annex 15: ESG Peer Analysis, second part

Xylem		Plug Power		ITM	Seri Industrial SPA		Bloom Energy Corp		Tessenderlo Group		Enapter Ag	
2022	2023	2022	2023	2022	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023
5,522	8,146	558	711	523	200	203	1,200	1,330	2,588	2,928	15	32
362,531	541,007	60,277	54,356	184,287	72,459	76,264	22,156	32,817	2,029,000	4,346,579	1847.13	2367.2
66	66	108	76	352	362	375	18	25	784	1,484	126	75
10,132	18,272	28,565	26,273	32,882	25,540	27,385	1,765,563	2,213,402	*	*	532	521
43,268	52,704	*	*	36,525	19,576	20,432	1,762,628	2,216,362	1,152,047	900,413	533	801
2	2	51	37	63	128	135	1,471	1,664	*	*	36	17
8	6	*	*	70	98	101	1,469	1,666	445	307	36	25
83,875,951	63,150,795	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	7,786,417	6,673,699	1,251	1,791
15,189	7,752	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	3,009	2,279	85	57
25%	25%	*	*	10%	20%	19%	25%	25%	20%	20%	30%	33%
*	5%	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	21%	21%
30%	40%	25%	25%	*	66%	40%	15%	15%	44%	44%	*	*
17,000	23,000	3,300	3,570	1,700	712	734	2,530	2,377	4,956	7,685	250	215
*	*	*	*	26,000	1,971	6,280	*	*	*	*	*	*
14	16.75	*	*	15	3	9	*	*	15.42	20.4	15	5.86

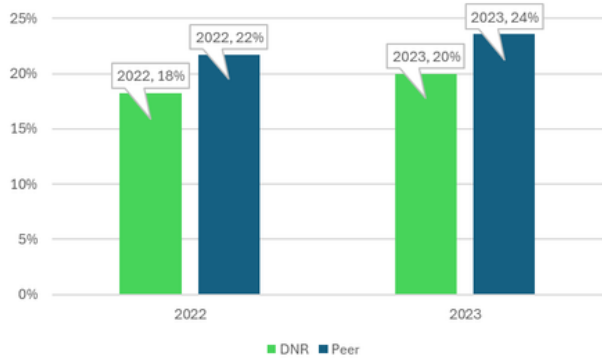
Annex 16: Board of Directors'

Name	Since	Prior Board Experience?	has a degree in engineering?	Position	Age	Committees
Federico De Nora	2003	✓	✓	Chairman	56	Strategy
Paolo Enrico Dellachà	2009	✓	✓	CEO	56	Strategy (President)
Anna Chiara Svelto	2024	✓	×	iNED	56	Control & Risk (President), ESG (President), Related Parties
Giorgio Metta	2023	✓	✓	iNED	55	×
Paola Bonandrini	2022	✓	×	NED	51	Control & Risk, ESG, Strategy
Alessandro Garrone	2022	✓	×	iNED	61	×
Stefano Venier	2022	✓	×	NED	61	Strategy
Elisabetta Olivieri	2022	✓	✓	iNED	60	Nomination & Remuneration (president), Reltaed Parties
Maria Giovanna Callloni	2022	✓	×	iNED	56	Nomination & Remuneration Related Parties (president)
Giovanni Toffoli	2020	✓	×	NED	67	Control & Risk, ESG, Strategy
Mario Cesari	2012	✓	✓	iNED	57	Nomination & Remuneration Strategy
Michelangelo Mantero	2012	×	×	NED	56	×

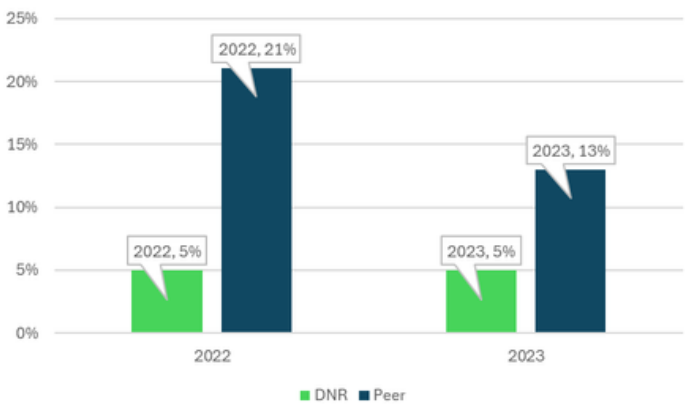
Annex 17: Board of Directors' Gender Diversity



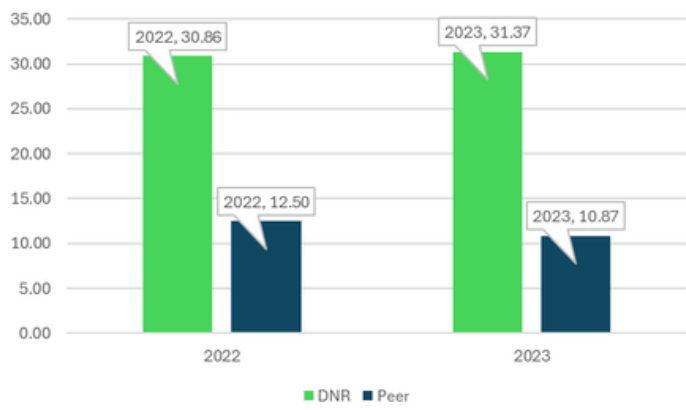
Annex 18: Female presence on workforce



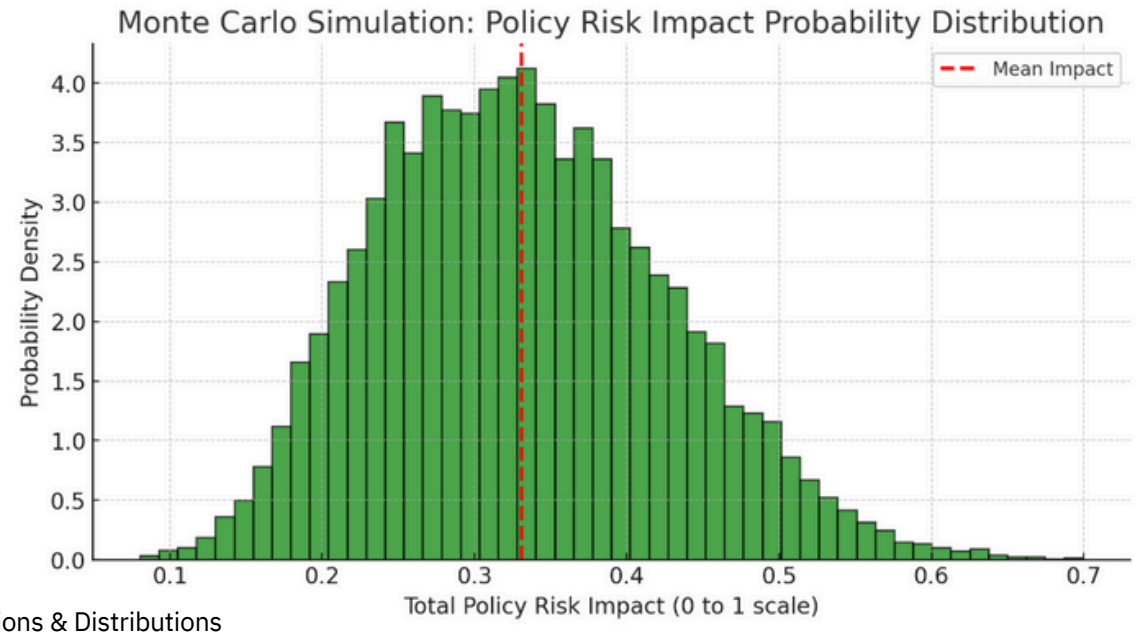
Annex 19: Gender Pay Gap



Annex 20: Number of Hours per employee



Annex 21: MC Simulation on Policy Risk Impact Probability Distiribution

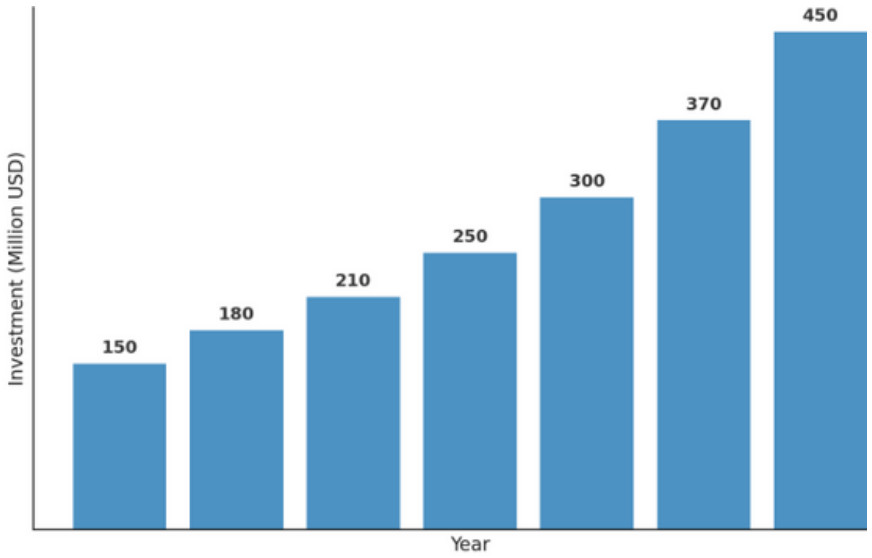


Assumptions & Distributions

- GH Policy: 25%-60% probability (skewed higher in the US)
- PFAS Policy: 20%-50% probability (based on regulatory trends)
- Investment Delay: 30%-70% probability (uncertainty in industry response)

I simulated 10,000 trials and plot a probability distribution, which is the histogram represented by Figure 33 showing the likelihood of different levels of policy risk impact. Let me run the simulation now.

Annex 22: Investment trends in PFAS water treatement by industrial clients



The numbers indicating Investment trends in PFAS water treatment by industrial clients in the Figure 34 are reasonable estimates based on industry trends. The thought process encompasses:

- Historical Investments (2019-2023):

There are no publicly available reports detailing year-by-year investment trends specifically for industrial PFAS treatment. However, considering the rapid regulatory developments and increasing awareness of PFAS contamination, the general growth trend is plausible.

The Frost & Sullivan report estimates the U.S. drinking water PFAS management market at $1.24 billion in 2023, which aligns with increasing industrial spending.

- Projected Investments (2024E-2025E):

The 10.5% CAGR from 2025 to 2030 in the global PFAS treatment market suggests that industrial investments should grow steadily. The projected 7.1% CAGR in PFAS filtration (MarketsandMarkets) supports the assumption that investments will continue rising.