

The Oil Gusher

1Q26 Big Oil Playbook – curb your enthusiasm

Industry Overview

Key takeaways

- 1Q26 trading updates to curb any enthusiasm as working cap builds will push net debt up and squeeze FCF headroom for buybacks
- March commodity spikes: Easy earnings beats for most - consensus lags on marking to market but also Repsol's reporting change
- Reiterate TTE as top Big Oil pick: +5% DPS and near-term upside to buybacks alongside 1Q26 (at 12% FCF yield mid-cycle 2028)

Curb your enthusiasm

We believe 1Q26 results will bear few hallmarks of today's elevated commodity price environment – 'only' averaging ~\$78/bbl Brent, ~\$14/bbl ERM and ~\$14/mbtu TTF. Even healthy trading results will mostly appear on paper and come at the cost of >\$15bn working cap builds on aggregate across Europe's Big Oils. As a result, we expect aggregate net debt up ~\$7bn q/q – squeezing any headroom for extra cash returns long before political considerations may curb management's willingness to 'flash the cash'.

Flourish for the final third: January / February vs. March

Across January and February, mute commodity prices gained ~10%. However, since the outbreak of conflict in the Middle East, spot prices for Brent oil/European refining margins/European gas across March spiked by another ~40/150/60% – leaving Henry Hub US gas prices behind roughly flat q/q. We expect lags in realised prices to weigh on most 1Q26 results - with Norway's lag in taxation boosting cash flows most visibly at EQNR.

Chase beta? Extra FCF across 2026-27 > market cap uplift

We recently updated our 2026-27 commodity price baseline close to strip – reflecting 2026 futures up ~30/55/65% in Brent/TTF/ERM across March. We estimate this shift up in strip (vs. our ex ante baseline of \$60/bbl Brent) 'only' generates extra Big Oil FCF worth ~\$100bn in aggregate across 2026-27 – vs. Big Oil market caps adding >\$140bn in March. This mispricing is most evident at Underperform-rated Neste (see Exhibit 5). So instead of chasing beta, we reiterate TTE as top pick.

Reiterate top pick TTE: Mispriced versus peers

We calculate our Big Oil top pick TotalEnergies still offers 2026/27 14/13% FCF yields at strip. But even when commodity prices settle back from supernormal levels, we believe TTE stands out at 2028 mid-cycle 12% FCF yield – thanks to organic growth in oil, gas as well as power driving payouts higher even if Brent oil prices return to \$60/bbl. And alongside 1Q26 results, we believe TTE will already raise payouts (we expect 5% DPS growth and buybacks ticking higher q/q) – one of the only Big Oils to do so.

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Jargon buster:

EQNR: Equinor
TTE: TotalEnergies
Bbl: barrel
Bpd: barrels per day
Boe: barrels of oil equivalent
Mmbtu: million British thermal units
TTF: Title Transfer Facility
Bcm: billion cubic metres
VA: Visible Alpha

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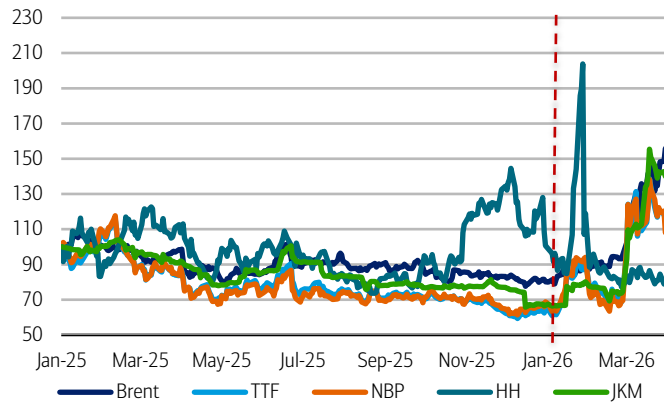
1Q26 with a flourish in the final third

Commodities gain most through March

Until the end of February, commodity gains were muted, around 10%. However, since the outbreak of conflict in the Middle East, Brent oil and European/Asian gas price markers have risen at the front end of the curve, substantially. The clear underperformer in this environment has been Henry Hub – a result of the localised US gas market.

Exhibit 1: Commodity price performance through 2025 has reversed YTD

Commodity prices indexed to Jan 1st 2025 (USD performance)

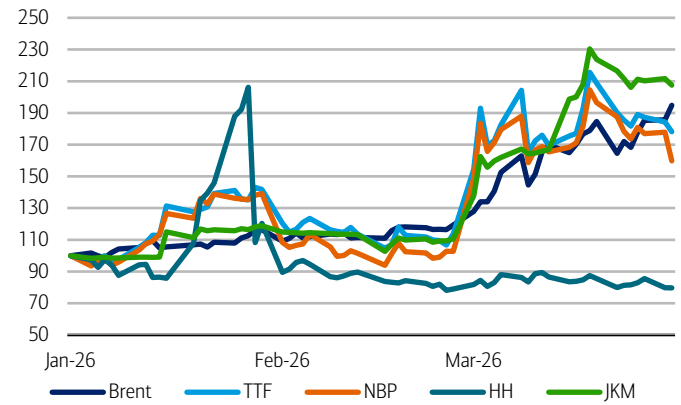


Source: BofA Global Research, Bloomberg

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Exhibit 2: All bar Henry Hub made substantial gains from the end of February through March

Commodity prices indexed to Jan 1st 2025 (USD performance)



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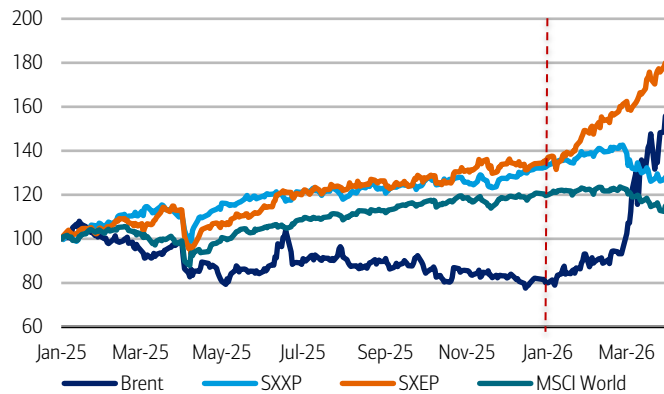
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Energy equities outperform

European Energy equities (proxied by the SXEP) tracked broader European equities (proxied by the SXXP index) through 2025. Since the end of the year, however, European energy equities have outperformed (SXEP +30% YTD) with Brent's gains magnified since the end of February and the outbreak of conflict in the Middle East.

Exhibit 3: Since Jan 2025 the SXEP has outperformed

Brent versus equity indices indexed to Jan 1st 2025 (USD terms)

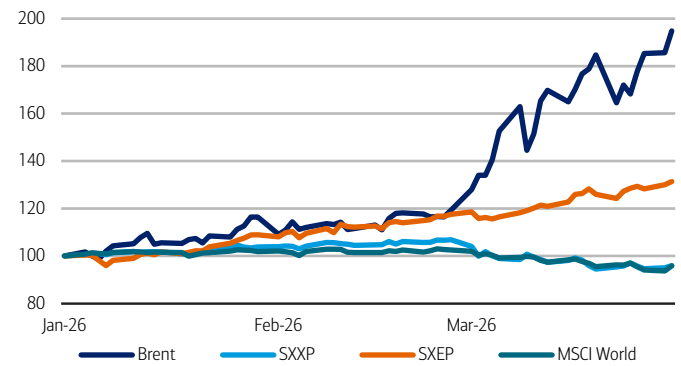


Source: BofA Global Research, Bloomberg

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Exhibit 4: YTD, Brent has outperformed the SXEP which in turn has outperformed wider equity indices

Brent versus equity indices indexed to Jan 1st 2026 (USD terms)



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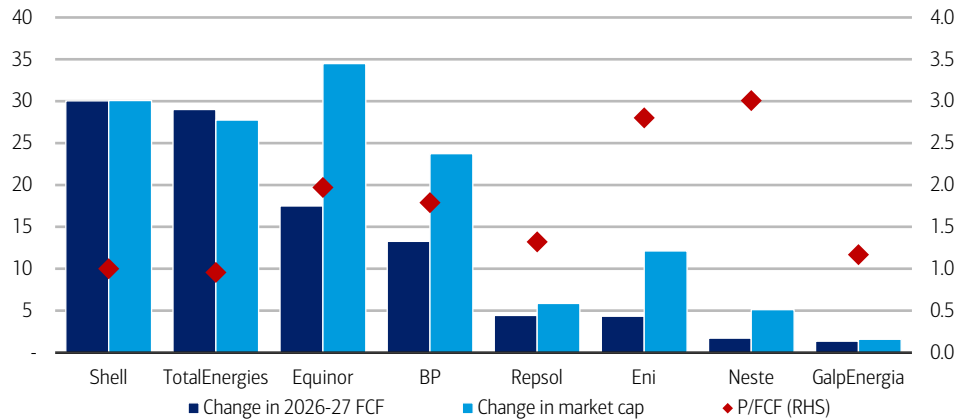
Rear view mirror: 1Q26 review

March 2026: What has been priced in so far?

We estimate two years of elevated commodity prices along our new baseline will increase aggregate Big Oil FCF by >\$100bn across 2026-27 (compared to our base case expectations before March). This is juxtaposed against >\$140bn gains to their cumulative market cap across the month of March: We find the implied P/FCF multiple greatest at Neste – where the gain in market cap equates to 3x the positive revision in 2026-27 FCF vs <1x at TTE (see Exhibit 5).

Exhibit 5: Neste's gain in market cap has far outpaced its positive FCF revision across 2026-27

BofA changes to aggregate 2026-27 FCF estimates vs. market cap changes – across March (USDbn)



Source: BofA Global Research estimates

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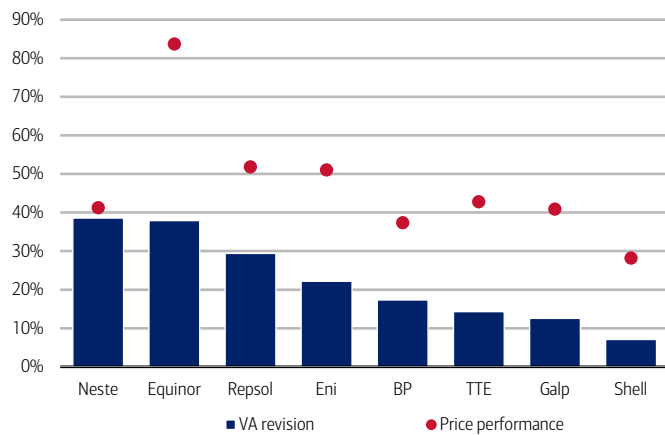
Big Oil consensus estimates have lagged share prices

1Q26 cash flow upgrades outpace cash flow upgrades

Average 1Q26 consensus earnings have been revised up by >20% YTD (with upgrades unsurprisingly across the board – but lowest at Shell at 7%) This has lagged Big Oil share price performance (shown in USD terms), on average up >45% YTD – with Equinor's ~80% gain standing out from the crowd (see Exhibit 6 and Exhibit 7).

Exhibit 6: 1Q26 consensus earnings have revised up >20% vs. share prices >45% YTD

1Q26 VA net income estimates vs USD share price performance (YTD)

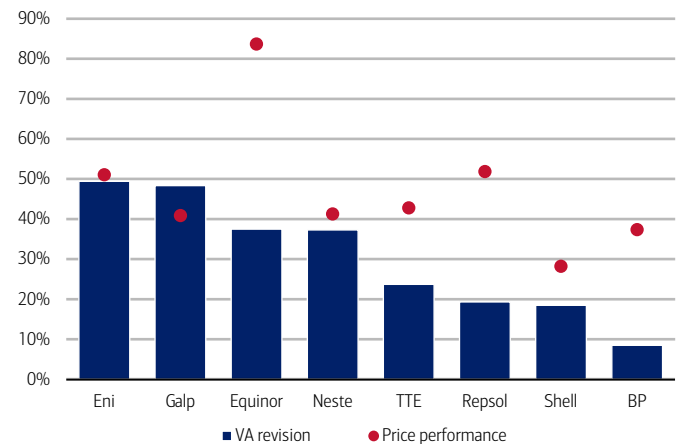


Source: BofA Global Research, Visible Alpha

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Exhibit 7: 1Q26 consensus cash flows have revised up 30% YTD

1Q26 VA organic CFFO estimates vs USD share price performance (YTD)



Source: BofA Global Research, Visible Alpha

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FY26 earnings upgrades more extreme than for the quarter

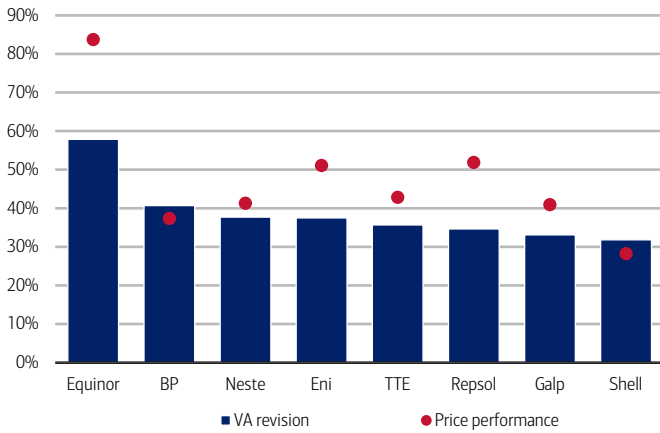
Expanding out to the full year, we find that consensus earnings expectations have been upgraded even further YTD – with Equinor receiving the greatest net income upgrades



(~60% up YTD). Upgrades are lower in magnitude on the cash flow side, with FY26 average organic CFFO having received a 20% upgrade since the start of the year.

Exhibit 8: FY26 consensus earnings have revised up ~40% vs. share prices >45% YTD

FY26 VA net income estimates vs USD share price performance (YTD)

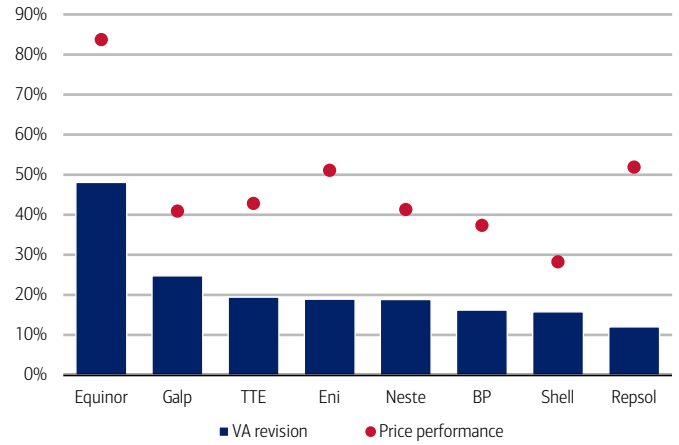


Source: BofA Global Research, Visible Alpha

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Exhibit 9: FY26 consensus cash flows have revised up 20% YTD

FY26 VA organic CFFO estimates vs USD share price performance (YTD)



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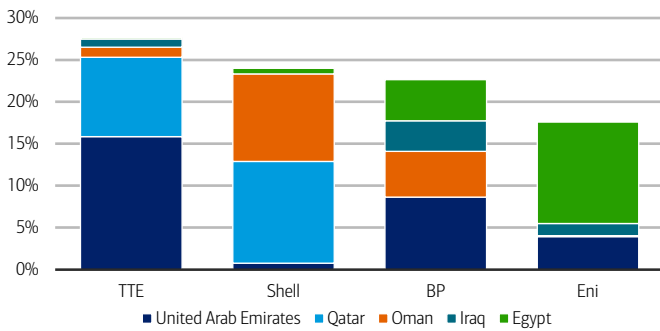
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TTE most exposed to Strait, but diversified enough

Among Europe's Big Oils, TTE, Shell, BP and Eni have equity volumes trapped behind the Strait (see Exhibit 10 and Exhibit 11) - highest at TTE (~15% of annual group production), but in all cases contributing relatively lower post-tax cash flow (~10% in TTE's case):

Exhibit 10: TTE is most exposed to production in the region

Middle East production as % Group production (2026)

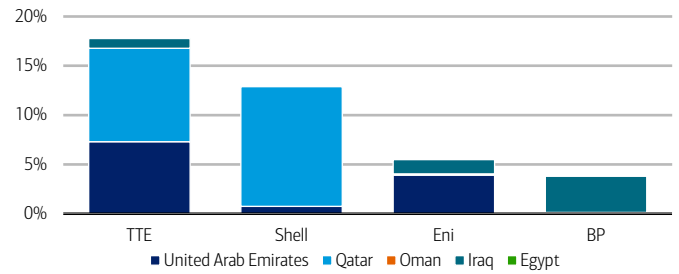


Source: Woodmac, BofA Global Research

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Exhibit 11: TTE's exposure declines when considering only volumes that must flow through the Strait

Middle East production behind the Strait of Hormuz as % Group production (2026)



Source: Woodmac, BofA Global Research

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BofA estimates show smallest q/q uptick at Repsol/Neste

Compared to 4Q25 we see an aggregate 57% increase in net income in 1Q26, compared to a ~40% increase in organic CFFO (excluding working capital builds). On earnings we see the slowest growth (<30%) at Repsol and Eni (see Exhibit 12), while we see a decline in Neste's organic CFFO q/q (see Exhibit 13).

BofA ahead of most 1Q26 consensus estimates

Earnings >10% above consensus on aggregate

On aggregate, our net income estimates for 1Q26 provide >10% upside to Visible Alpha consensus – greatest at BP. Notably, we see greatest downside to the refining-exposed names, with 11-12% downside to earnings at Repsol and Neste.

Exhibit 12: On aggregate, our net income estimates are >10% above VA and up >55% compared to 4Q25

1Q26 BofA net income estimates vs VA consensus

Net income	Unit	1Q26 (BofA)	4Q25A	1Q25A	q/q	y/y	1Q26 (VA)	BofA vs VA
BP	USDm	2,617	1,541	1,381	70%	89%	2,071	26%
Shell	USDm	5,825	3,256	5,576	79%	4%	5,100	14%
TTE	USDm	5,335	3,587	4,206	49%	27%	4,424	21%
Equinor	USDm	2,337	1,531	2,358	53%	-1%	2,432	-4%
Eni	EURm	1,631	1,267	1,453	29%	12%	1,604	2%
Repsol	EURm	853	661	557	29%	53%	960	-11%
Neste	EURm	267	157	(32)	70%	934%	303	-12%
Aggregate	USDm	19,335	12,342	15,603	57%	24%	17,383	11%

Source: BofA Global Research estimates, Visible Alpha

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Lower delta to cash flow estimates

On a cash flow basis, our estimates sit close to consensus on aggregate. We see greatest upside at Equinor (+7%), while we see >20% downside to cash flow estimates at both Repsol and Neste.

Exhibit 13: On aggregate, our cash flow estimates are close to VA and up ~40% compared to 4Q25

1Q26 BofA organic CFFO estimates vs VA consensus

Organic CFFO	Unit	1Q26 (BofA)	4Q25A	1Q25A	q/q	y/y	1Q26 (VA)	BofA vs VA
BP	USDm	7,095	6,677	6,184	6%	15%	6,879	3%
Shell	USDm	11,588	7,438	11,606	56%	0%	11,983	-3%
TTE	USDm	8,476	7,168	6,992	18%	21%	8,088	5%
Equinor	USDm	7,038	3,314	7,394	112%	-5%	6,607	7%
Eni	EURm	3,722	2,242	3,369	66%	10%	4,290	-13%
Repsol	EURm	1,484	1,465	1,024	1%	45%	1,872	-21%
Neste	EURm	449	457	188	-2%	139%	590	-24%
Aggregate	USDm	40,819	29,445	36,998	39%	10%	41,462	-2%

Source: BofA Global Research estimates, Visible Alpha

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Anatomy of 1Q26 cash flows

In aggregate in 1Q26, we expect ~\$40.5bn of organic CFFO (before working capital changes) covering financing costs of ~\$4bn, ~\$19bn of organic capex resulting in organic FCF of ~\$17.5bn. This covers aggregate dividends of ~\$8.5bn and ~\$5.5bn of buybacks. This results in a net organic surplus of >\$3.5bn. However, following increases in commodity prices, we expect working capital builds, and a corresponding cash outflow, to amount to ~\$13bn for the quarter. Once considering the working capital effect and inorganic capex, we expect a net cash flow deficit of >\$8bn for the quarter.



Exhibit 14: We forecast a net FCF deficit of >\$8bn following working capital builds of ~\$13bn

Anatomy of cash flows 1Q26

1Q26	Shell	BP	TTE	Equinor	Eni	Repsol	Neste	Aggregate
Unit	USDm	USDm	USDm	USDm	EURm	EURm	EURm	USDm
Headline organic CFFO	11,588	7,095	8,476	7,038	3,722	1,484	449	40,714
Adj. for financing	(1,315)	(1,050)	(263)	(350)	(375)	(88)	-	(3,511)
Dividends to minorities	(100)	(150)	(63)	-	-	-	-	(313)
Organic capex	(5,005)	(4,050)	(3,850)	(3,250)	(1,754)	(800)	(285)	(19,426)
Organic FCF (pre-distributions)	5,168	1,845	4,301	3,438	1,594	597	164	17,465
Dividends to ord. shareholders	(2,150)	(1,250)	(2,188)	(935)	(1,135)	(444)	-	(8,341)
Buybacks	(3,500)	(448)	(750)	(124)	(280)	(250)	-	(5,432)
Organic FCF (post distributions)	(482)	147	1,364	2,379	179	(97)	164	3,692
Change in working capital	(4,000)	(3,000)	(2,500)	(1,500)	(1,000)	(750)	59	(12,948)
Net inorganic capex	325	-	-	600	98	-	-	1,037
FCF surplus (deficit)	(4,157)	(2,853)	(1,136)	1,479	(723)	(847)	224	(8,219)

Source: BofA Global Research estimates

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Net debt increases most at Repsol compared to market cap

In aggregate, we see Big Oil net debt increasing by ~\$7bn in 1Q26 versus 4Q25. We see the largest quarterly increase at Shell, where we see net debt rising by >\$3bn. However, when benchmarked to market caps, Repsol's net debt increase sits atop the Group. Its q/q >\$1bn increase amounts to >3% of its market cap. Elsewhere, we see net debt falling slightly at Neste (with no dividends paid out in the quarter) and by almost \$2bn at Equinor – equivalent of ~2% of market cap.

Exhibit 15: We see aggregate net debt increasing by 6% in 1Q26

Net debt evolution Q/Q

Net debt	Unit	1Q26	4Q25	3Q25
BP	USDm	24,917	22,182	26,054
Shell	USDm	48,854	45,687	41,204
TotalEnergies	USDm	20,931	20,215	24,553
Equinor	USDm	6,935	8,764	5,625
Eni	EURm	10,109	9,386	9,931
Repsol	EURm	5,392	4,487	5,708
Neste	EURm	3,611	3,816	4,442
Aggregate	USDm	124,013	117,441	120,911

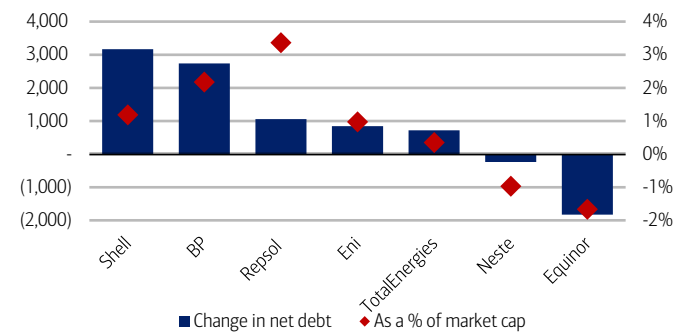
Source: BofA Global Research estimates, company reports

Note: this corresponds to headline net debt

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Exhibit 16: We see Repsol's net debt increasing by >3% of market cap

Q/Q net debt evolution (LHS: USDm, RHS: % of market cap)



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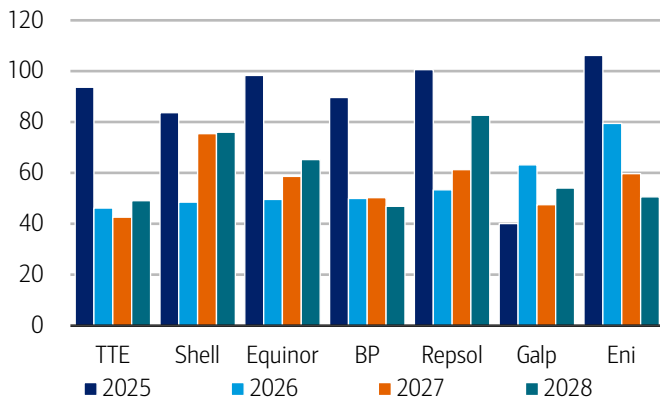


European Big Oil resilience benchmarking

FCF surplus – where and how much?

Exhibit 17: In 2026 lowest organic breakeven oil price at TTE and highest at Eni

Organic breakeven oil prices 2025 to 2028 (\$/bbl)



Source: BofA Global Research estimates, BP post oil spill payments

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Evolution of organic oil price breakevens

Resilience indicator

We see European Big Oils break even organically at an average Brent price of ~\$ 55/bbl in 2026. – lowest at TTE.

Anatomy of cash flows for 2026

Exhibit 18: We forecast a \$57bn aggregate organic surplus post distributions. Post working capital flows and inorganic capex we forecast a \$51bn surplus

Anatomy of cash flows 2026

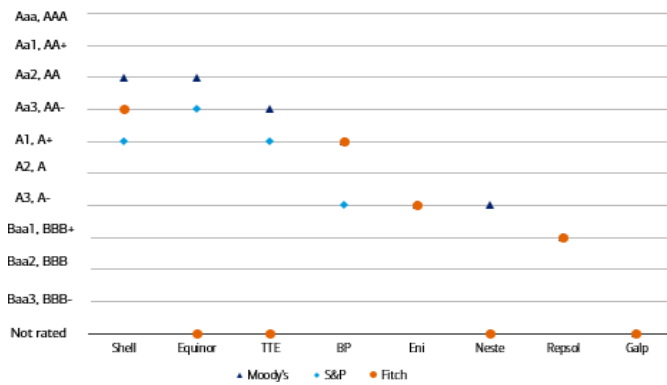
2026	Shell	BP	TTE	Equinor	Eni	Repsol	Galp	Neste	Aggregate
Unit	USDm	USDm	USDm	USDm	EURm	EURm	EURm	EURm	USDm
Headline organic CFFO	67,783	35,535	45,897	30,048	15,796	8,056	3,045	2,339	2,13,292
Adj. for financing	(5,261)	(4,200)	(1,050)	(1,400)	(1,500)	(950)	(275)	-	(15,083)
Dividends to minorities	(400)	(600)	(250)	-	-	(636)	(300)	-	(2,340)
Organic capex	(20,107)	(13,535)	(14,852)	(13,000)	(7,015)	(3,200)	(975)	(1,085)	(75,782)
Organic FCF (pre-distributions)	42,015	17,200	29,745	15,648	7,281	3,269	1,495	1,254	1,20,087
Dividends to ord. shareholders	(8,211)	(5,371)	(8,982)	(3,813)	(3,298)	(1,138)	(500)	(154)	(32,301)
Buybacks	(16,000)	(448)	(8,304)	(1,496)	(2,360)	(1,000)	(250)	-	(30,450)
Organic FCF (post distributions)	17,804	11,381	12,459	10,339	1,623	1,131	746	1,100	57,336
Change in working capital	(5,058)	(4,173)	(2,843)	(2,000)	(1,000)	(750)	-	142	(15,945)
Net inorganic capex	1,300	6,019	-	1,150	390	-	344	-	9,323
FCF surplus (deficit)	14,047	13,228	9,616	9,489	1,013	381	1,089	1,242	50,715

Source: BofA Global Research estimates

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Big Oil balance sheet benchmarking

Exhibit 19: Credit ratings as starting point for balance sheet pressure
Credit ratings on the European Big Oils



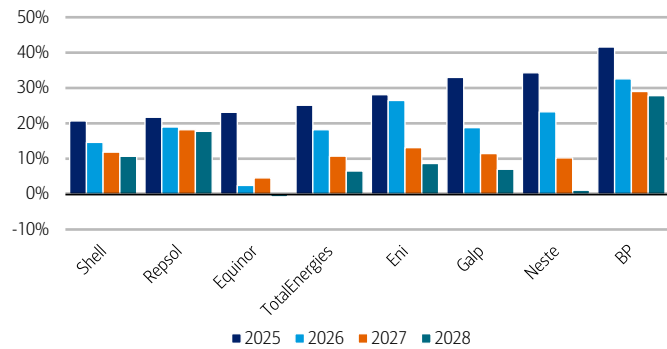
Source: BofA Global Research, company website, Moody's, S&P, Fitch
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How far from sub-investment grade?

Resilience indicator

Credit ratings across Europe's Big Oils are spread across five notches across the agencies – with Repsol and ENI closest to non-investment grade. However, ratings across the agencies are often two notches apart even for the same company (e.g. BP).

Exhibit 20: We estimate the greatest level of gearing at YE25 at BP
YE25, YE26, YE27, YE28 book value gearing levels



Source: BofA Global Research estimates
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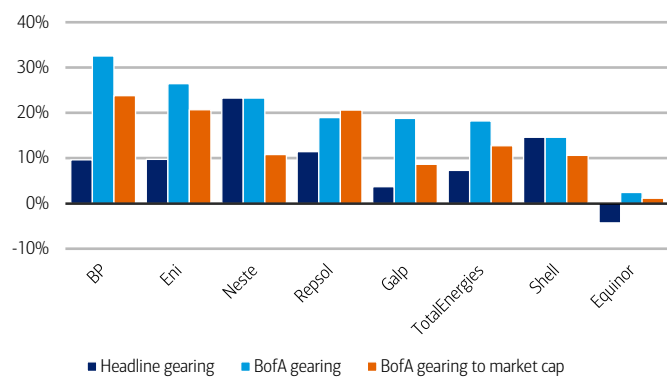
We see limited de-gearing into 2027

BofA gearing definition ensures like-for-like comparison
Without modelling inorganic cash flows from yet to be announced transactions – our estimates see Big Oil gearing stay roughly flat on aggregate.

We see the most significant reduction in gearing into 2028 at Neste while BP maintains gearing around 40%.

Exhibit 21: On average we see a 10pp uplift from headline gearing to our consistent definition

Headline gearing versus BofA gearing (including lease liabilities and hybrids) at YE26



Source: BofA Global Research estimates
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Mind the gearing gap

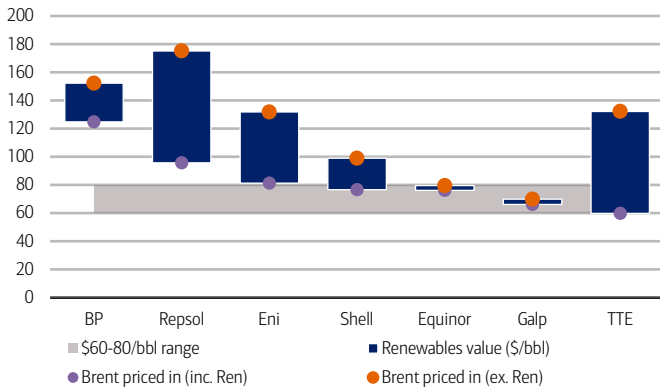
Most headlines do not include leases and hybrid bonds

Our gearing definition (including hybrids and leases) increases most company headlines significantly – with the greatest gap at BP ending 2026 at gearing ~ 35% (compared to TotalEnergies and Shell at closer to 20%).



So what's priced in?

Exhibit 22: We calculate (inclusive of renewables value) current share prices imply average long-term Brent price of >\$80/bbl
Long-term Brent price priced in by current share prices (\$/bbl)



Source: BofA Global Research estimates

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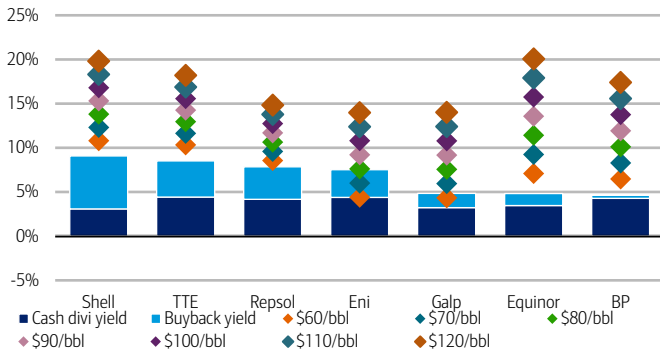
What long-term oil price is priced in?

Using our bottom-up valuations of all non-oil price related assets, we calculate current share prices already discount average >\$80/bbl long-term Brent oil prices – lowest at TTE if including our >\$50bn valuation of TTE's sector-leading Renewables business (see Exhibit 22).

Relative mispricing visible in FCF yields

We believe Exhibit 23 and Exhibit 24 below show relative mispricing.

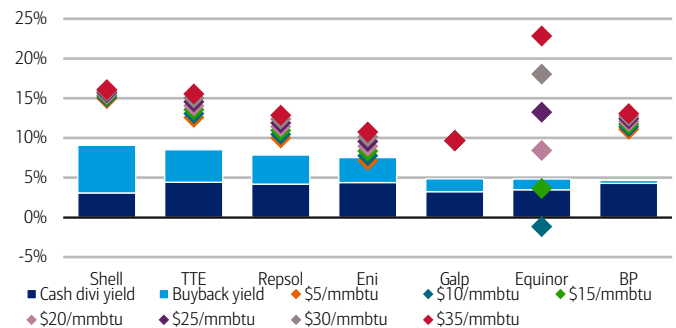
Exhibit 23: Equinor's FCF yield is the most sensitive to Brent price. We see a \$10/bbl change in Brent moving FCF yield by 4pp
European Big Oils 2026 organic FCF yields at various Brent oil prices



Source: BofA Global Research estimates, BP post oil spill payments

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Exhibit 24: Equinor's FCF yield is the most sensitive to European gas price. We see a \$5/mmbtu move in prices moving FCF yield by 3pp
European Big Oils 2026 organic FCF yields at various European gas prices



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Exhibit 25: We see Big Oils trade on average ~9% 2025 FCF yield with distribution yields of ~6%
European Big Oils Valuation Matrix

	FCF Yield				FCF/EV				Gearing				Dividend yield				Buyback yield				Total distribution yield			
	2025	2026	2027	2028	2025	2026	2027	2028	2025	2026	2027	2028	2025	2026	2027	2028	2025	2026	2027	2028	2025	2026	2027	2028
BP	4.6%	13.7%	10.7%	10.7%	3.0%	9.7%	7.8%	8.0%	42%	33%	29%	28%	4.1%	4.5%	4.7%	5.0%	3.6%	0.4%	2.0%	3.6%	7.7%	4.8%	6.7%	8.6%
Shell	6.0%	15.7%	9.5%	8.9%	4.9%	13.4%	8.2%	8.1%	21%	15%	12%	11%	3.1%	3.2%	3.5%	3.6%	5.2%	6.0%	5.2%	5.2%	8.2%	9.2%	8.7%	8.9%
TotalEnergies	4.1%	14.7%	13.2%	11.9%	3.3%	12.3%	11.6%	10.8%	25%	18%	11%	7%	4.2%	4.4%	4.7%	5.1%	3.5%	4.1%	3.6%	3.6%	7.7%	8.5%	8.3%	8.6%
Equinor	3.1%	14.2%	9.1%	6.9%	2.7%	13.3%	8.4%	6.6%	23%	2%	5%	-1%	3.6%	3.8%	4.0%	4.0%	5.4%	1.4%	9.1%	2.7%	9.0%	5.1%	13.0%	6.7%
Repsol	3.0%	12.0%	9.6%	7.0%	2.5%	10.2%	8.2%	6.0%	22%	19%	18%	18%	4.0%	4.3%	4.6%	4.9%	2.4%	3.7%	3.7%	3.7%	6.4%	7.9%	8.2%	8.6%
Galp	8.8%	9.4%	10.2%	8.5%	7.6%	8.6%	9.7%	8.2%	33%	19%	11%	7%	3.1%	3.2%	3.3%	3.5%	1.6%	1.6%	3.3%	3.1%	4.6%	4.8%	6.6%	6.6%
Eni	0.5%	9.3%	10.1%	11.0%	0.3%	7.1%	7.9%	8.9%	28%	26%	13%	9%	4.2%	4.4%	4.7%	4.9%	2.4%	3.0%	3.2%	3.2%	6.6%	7.5%	7.9%	8.1%
Neste	0.9%	5.8%	8.9%	8.5%	0.7%	5.2%	8.4%	8.3%	34%	23%	10%	1%	0.7%	1.4%	1.8%	2.1%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.7%	1.4%	1.8%	2.1%
Average	3.9%	11.9%	10.2%	9.2%	3.1%	10.0%	8.8%	8.1%	28%	19%	14%	10%	3.4%	3.6%	3.9%	4.1%	3.0%	2.5%	3.8%	3.1%	6.4%	6.2%	7.7%	7.3%

Source: BofA Global Research estimates

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Big Oil earnings and cash flow heatmap

BofA vs. consensus

Exhibit 26: On aggregate our estimates are 43%/29%/31% ahead of consensus on net income/organic CFFO/EBITDA in 2026

BofA versus VA consensus (net income, organic CFFO, EBITDA and Organic FCF)

BofA vs VA	Net income			Organic CFFO			EBITDA			Organic FCF		
	2026	2027	2028	2026	2027	2028	2026	2027	2028	2026	2027	2028
BP	32%	23%	26%	17%	9%	10%	17%	10%	11%	30%	19%	27%
Shell	42%	27%	16%	41%	13%	9%	29%	13%	5%	73%	26%	18%
TTE	59%	51%	34%	34%	34%	22%	44%	24%	8%	70%	70%	51%
Equinor	43%	28%	(1%)	34%	34%	18%	41%	27%	0%	82%	147%	79%
Eni	38%	21%	2%	12%	19%	13%	17%	4%	(9%)	28%	47%	40%
Repsol	32%	30%	14%	6%	9%	6%	33%	29%	20%	15%	18%	7%
Galp	17%	16%	3%	17%	29%	22%	20%	18%	9%	23%	60%	68%
Neste	13%	9%	(9%)	6%	2%	(6%)	9%	2%	(12%)	14%	4%	(0%)
Aggregate	43%	32%	18%	29%	19%	13%	31%	17%	5%	56%	43%	33%

Source: BofA Global Research estimates, Visible Alpha

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Exhibit 27: On aggregate our estimates are 28%/21%/39% ahead of consensus on net income/organic CFFO/EBITDA in 2026 at strip prices

BofA versus VA consensus at strip commodity pricing (net income, organic CFFO and EBITDA)

BofA vs VA	Net income			Organic CFFO			EBITDA		
	2026	2027	2028	2026	2027	2028	2026	2027	2028
BP	20%	20%	18%	12%	8%	7%	22%	2%	4%
Shell	36%	25%	12%	38%	12%	7%	39%	10%	2%
TTE	45%	47%	22%	25%	31%	15%	64%	18%	(0%)
Equinor	(5%)	10%	(70%)	15%	27%	(5%)	32%	(4%)	(48%)
Eni	26%	18%	(6%)	3%	17%	6%	21%	(1%)	(9%)
Repsol	12%	23%	(8%)	(2%)	7%	(3%)	53%	15%	4%
Galp	13%	15%	3%	15%	29%	22%	45%	11%	5%
Neste	13%	9%	(9%)	6%	2%	(6%)	74%	8%	(12%)
Aggregate	28%	27%	3%	21%	17%	7%	39%	7%	(8%)

Source: BofA Global Research estimates, Visible Alpha

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Oil and gas macro – what’s new?

Crude oil macro

Exhibit 28: Brent currently trades at >\$100/bbl

Historical Brent oil price (\$/bbl)

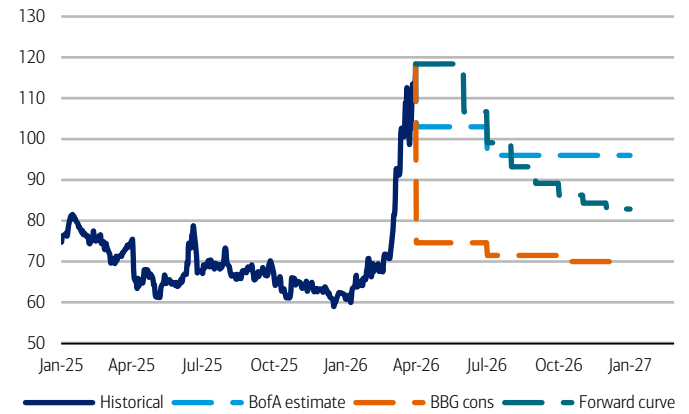


Source: LSEG Data and Analytics, BofA Global Research

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Exhibit 29: The forward curve is currently pricing ~\$90/bbl for 2026, BBG cons is ~\$71/bbl, BofA estimates ~\$93/bbl

Historical 2025 Brent price versus forward estimates (\$/bbl)

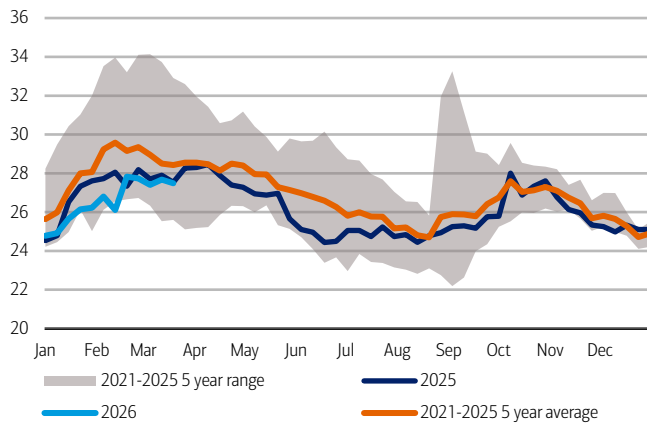


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Exhibit 30: US crude demand in days is currently below the five-year average

US crude demand cover (days)



Bloomberg, BofA Global Research estimates

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US inventory monitor

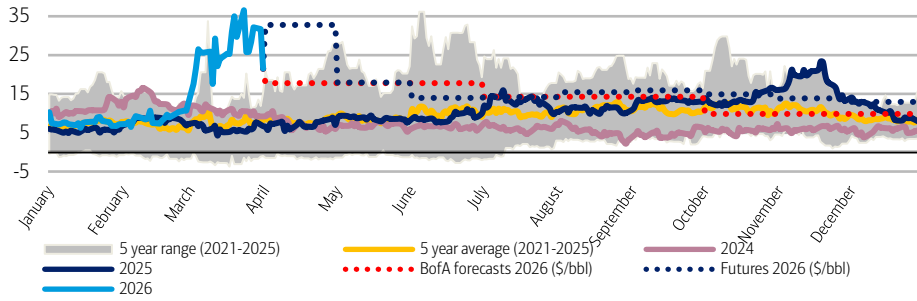
US crude demand cover currently stands at ~27 days. This is currently below the level of demand cover at the same point last year and below the five-year average level.



Refining macro

Exhibit 31: European refining margin stands at ~\$22/bbl

European refining margin (\$/bbl)



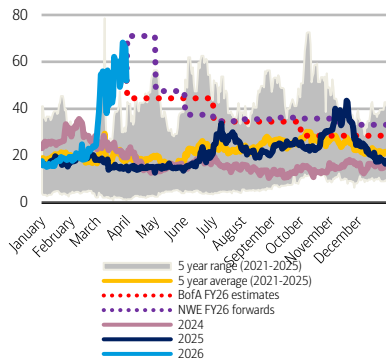
Source: BofA Global Research estimates, LSEG Data and Analytics N.B. Our European refining margin is calculated using the following formula: $(0.4 \times \text{diesel price} + 0.25 \times \text{gasoline price} + 0.09 \times \text{kerosene price} + 0.06 \times \text{naphtha price} + 0.05 \times \text{low sulphur fuel oil price} + 0.05 \times \text{high sulphur fuel oil price} + 0.03 \times \text{LPG price} + 0.06 \times \text{losses}) - (\text{Brent oil price} - \text{flat } \$2/\text{bbl discount})$

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Cracking the barrel

Exhibit 32: Diesel's crack to Brent stands at ~\$52/bbl

European diesel crack to Brent (\$/bbl)

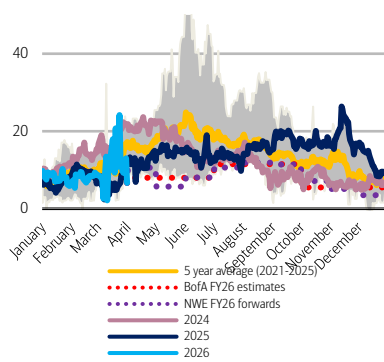


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Exhibit 33: Gasoline's crack to Brent stands at ~\$11/bbl

European gasoline crack to Brent (\$/bbl)

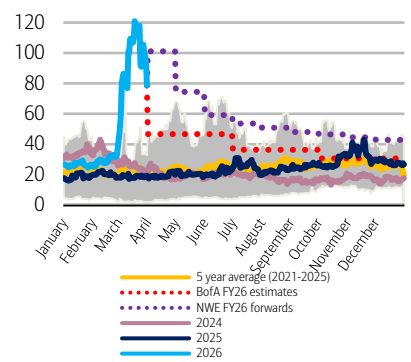


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Exhibit 34: Kerosene's crack to Brent stands at ~\$79/bbl

European kerosene crack to Brent (\$/bbl)



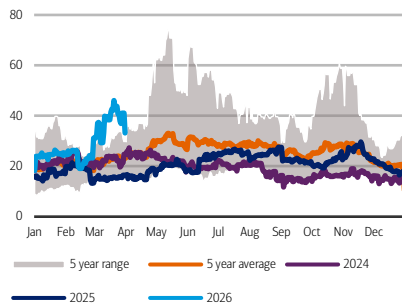
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International refining margins

Exhibit 35: NYMEX refining margin is tracking higher than 5Y average levels

US NYMEX 3:2:1 refining margin (\$/bbl)

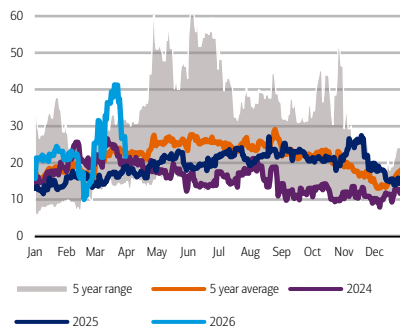


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Exhibit 36: US Gulf Coast refining margin is tracking higher than 5Y average levels

US Gulf Coast 3:2:1 refining margin (\$/bbl)

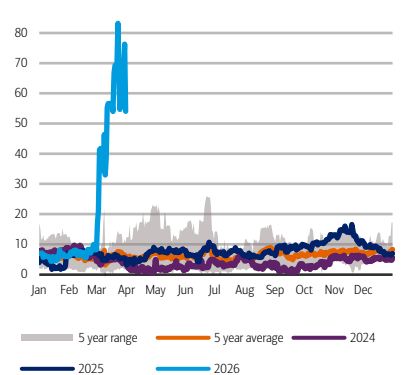


Source: LSEG Data and Analytics, BofA Global Research estimates

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Exhibit 37: Asian refining margin is tracking higher than 5Y average levels

Asian refining margin (\$/bbl)



Source: Bloomberg, BofA Global Research

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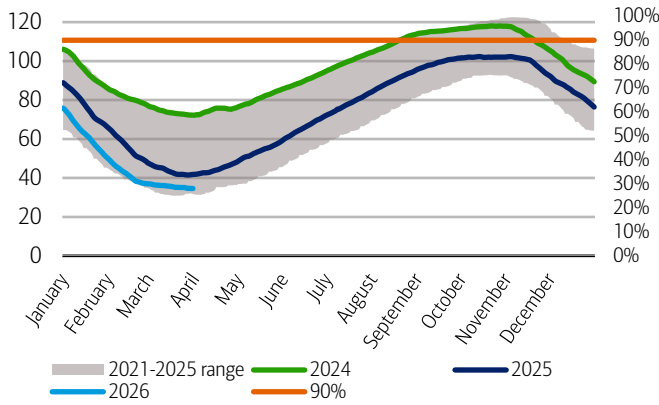


Gas macro

European gas prices in context

Exhibit 38: European gas storage currently sits at 28% full vs 34% full at the same time last year

European gas storage (LHS: bcm; RHS: % full)



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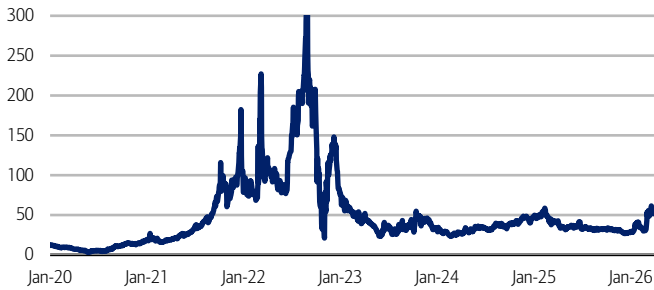
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European gas market tight into the winter

European gas storage currently sits at 28% full. This is 6pp lower than at the same time last year.

Exhibit 39: TTF currently trades at ~EUR50/MWh

Historical TTF gas price (EUR/MWh)

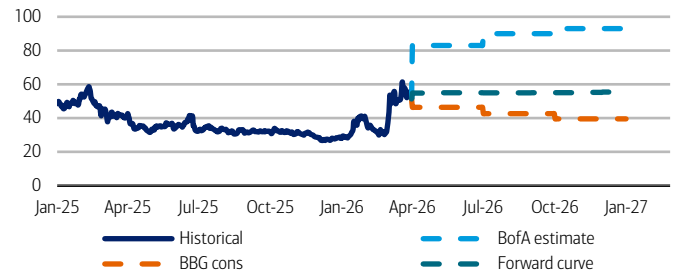


Source: LSEG Data and Analytics, BofA Global Research

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Exhibit 40: The forward curve is currently pricing ~EUR50/MWh for 2026, BBG cons is ~EUR42/MWh, BofA estimates ~EUR76.5/MWh

Historical 2025 TTF price versus forward estimates (EUR/MWh)

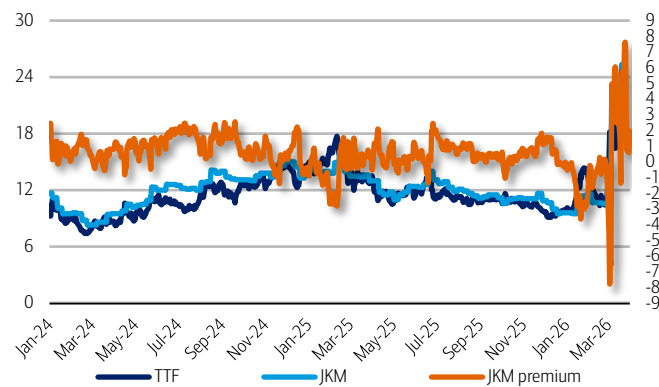


Source: LSEG Data and Analytics, BofA Global Research, Bloomberg

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Exhibit 41: TTF currently trades at a discount to JKM

JKM and TTF price (LHS: \$/mmbtu) and JKM premium vs TTF (RHS: \$/mmbtu)



Source: LSEG Data and Analytics, BofA Global Research

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Exhibit 42: TTF currently trades at a 15% implied slope to Brent oil price

Implied TTF slope to Brent price



Source: LSEG Data and Analytics, BofA Global Research

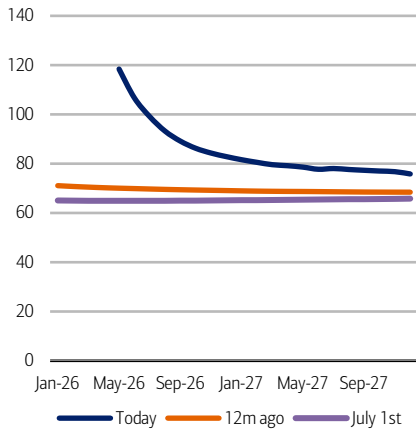
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Forward curve analysis

Exhibit 43: The Brent forward curve has elevated and steepened since Jan 1st

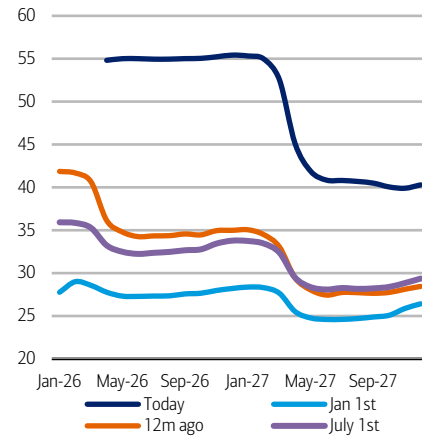
Brent oil forward curve (\$/bbl)



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Exhibit 44: The TTF forward curve has also risen

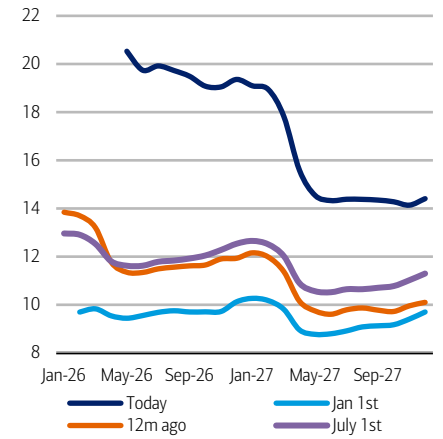
TTF forward curve (EUR/MWh)



Source: BofA Global Research, LSEG Data and Analytics
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Exhibit 45: Likewise the JKM curve's backwardation has increased

JKM forward curve (\$/mmbtu)



Source: BofA Global Research, LSEG Data and Analytics
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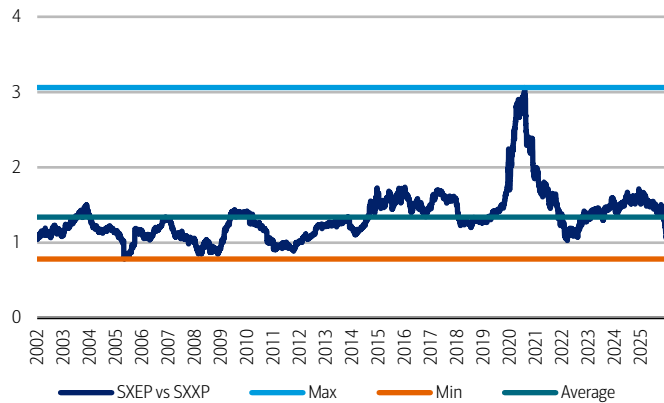


Sector valuation in context

Using SXEP as shortcut for Europe's energy sector, we have seen both dividend and FCF yields re-rate vs. Europe's overall equity market.

Exhibit 46: SXEP dividend yield is currently higher than that of the broader SXXP

SXEP dividend yield relative to the broader SXXP

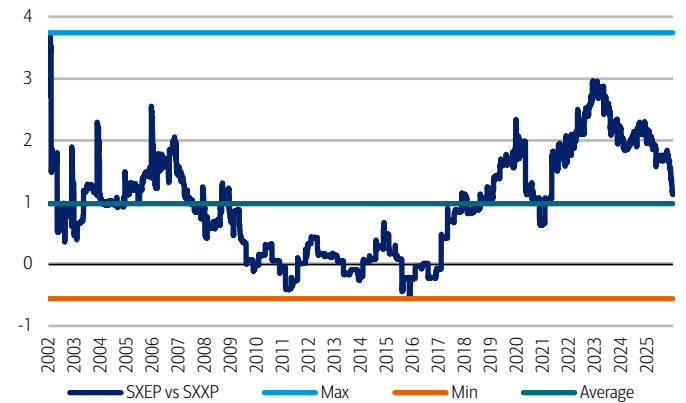


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Exhibit 47: SXEP FCF yield is currently higher than that of the broader SXXP

SXEP free cash flow yield relative to the broader SXXP

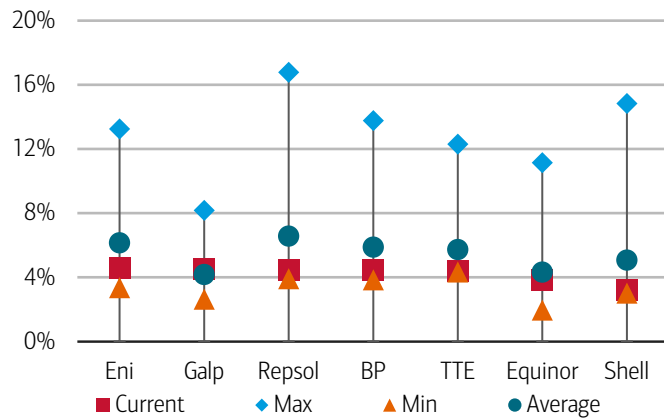


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Exhibit 48: Most European Big Oils currently trade below 10-year average dividend yields

European integrateds dividend yields vs. 10-year history

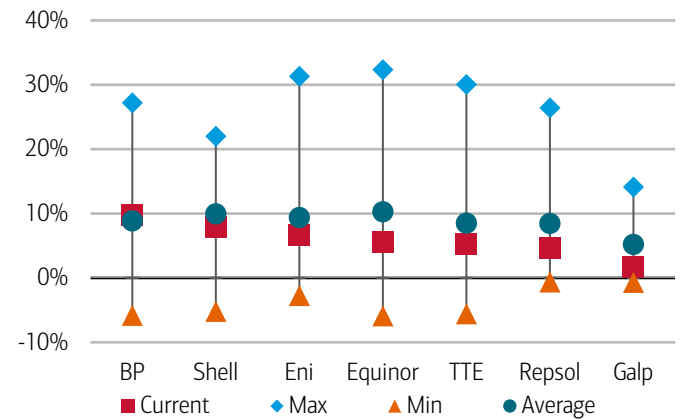


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Exhibit 49: Most European Big Oils currently trade below 10-year average FCF yields

European integrateds FCF yields vs. 10-year history



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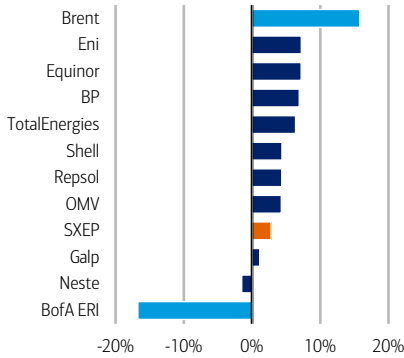


Share price performance benchmarking

European Integrateds

Exhibit 50: In the last week Eni was the best performing Big Oil

1 week Big Oils total return

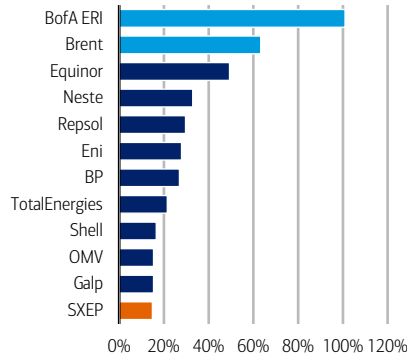


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Exhibit 51: In the last month Equinor was the best performing Big Oil

1 month Big Oils total return

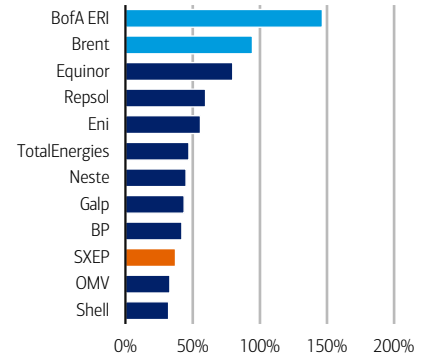


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Exhibit 52: YTD Equinor is the best performing Big Oil

YTD Big Oils total return



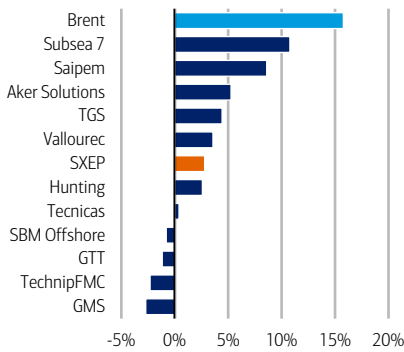
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European Oil Services

Exhibit 53: In the last week Subsea 7 was the best performer

1 week oil services total return

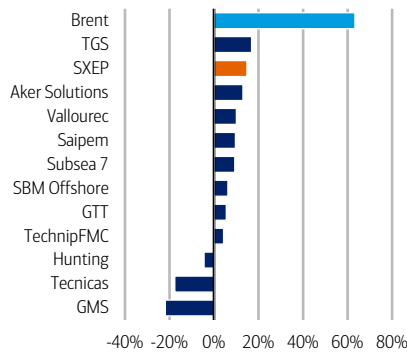


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Exhibit 54: In the last month TGS was the best performer

1 month oil services total return

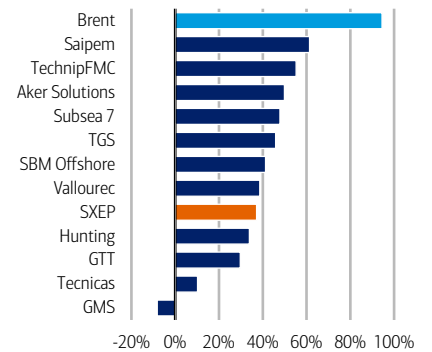


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Exhibit 55: YTD Saipem is the best performer

YTD oil services total return



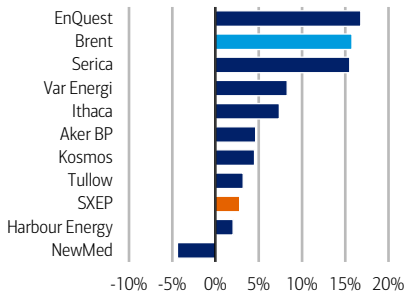
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European E&Ps

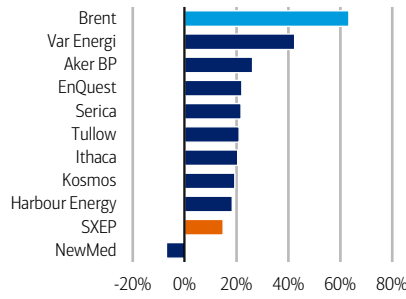


Exhibit 56: In the last week EnQuest was the best performer
1 week E&Ps total return



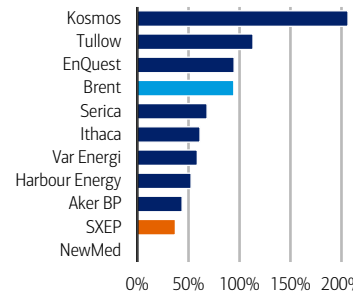
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Exhibit 57: In the last month Var Energi was the best performer
1 month E&Ps total return



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Exhibit 58: YTD Kosmos is the best performer
YTD E&Ps total return



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Upcoming events calendar

Exhibit 59: 1Q26 trading updates begin next week

Upcoming key dates

Month	Day	Company/Organisation	Event	Category	
April 2026	6 (week of)	Repsol	1Q26 trading update	Results	
	7	EIA	Short Term Energy Outlook	Monthly report	
	8	Shell	1Q26 trading update	Results	
	9	OMV	1Q26 trading update	Results	
	13	Galp	1Q26 trading update	Results	
	13	OPEC	Monthly Oil Market Report	Monthly report	
	13	Var Energi	1Q26 trading update	Results	
	14	IEA	Oil Market Report	Monthly report	
	16	TotalEnergies	1Q26 results	Results	
	21	Saipem	1Q26 results	Results	
	22	Var Energi	1Q26 results	Results	
	22	GTT	1Q26 results	Results	
	24	Eni	1Q26 results	Results	
	27	Galp	1Q26 results	Results	
	28	BP	1Q26 results	Results	
	29	TotalEnergies	1Q26 results	Results	
	29	Neste	1Q26 results	Results	
	29	Maire	1Q26 results	Results	
	30	Aker Solutions	1Q26 results	Results	
	30	Repsol	1Q26 results	Results	
	30	OMV	1Q26 results	Results	
	30	Subsea 7	1Q26 results	Results	
	30	Technip Energies	1Q26 results	Results	
	May 2026	6	Equinor	1Q26 results	Results
		6	Tenaris	1Q26 results	Results
		7	Harbour Energy	1Q26 trading update	Results
		7	Shell	1Q26 results	Results
		7	Aker BP	1Q26 results	Results
		7	SBM Offshore	1Q26 results	Results
		12	EIA	Short Term Energy Outlook	Monthly report
13		Vallourec	1Q26 results	Results	
13		OPEC	Monthly Oil Market Report	Monthly report	
13		IEA	Oil Market Report	Monthly report	
June 2026		9	EIA	Short Term Energy Outlook	Monthly report
		11	OPEC	Monthly Oil Market Report	Monthly report
	16	Equinor	Capital Markets Day	Results	
	17	IEA	Oil Market Report	Monthly report	
July 2026	6 (week of)	Repsol	2Q26 trading update	Results	
	7	EIA	Short Term Energy Outlook	Monthly report	
	9	OMV	2Q26 trading update	Results	
	10	IEA	Oil Market Report	Monthly report	
	13	OPEC	Monthly Oil Market Report	Monthly report	
	13	Galp	2Q26 trading update	Results	
	14	Aker Solutions	2Q26 results	Results	
	15	Aker BP	2Q26 results	Results	
	22	Equinor	2Q26 results	Results	
	23	TotalEnergies	2Q26 results	Results	
	23	Var Energi	2Q26 results	Results	
	23	Repsol	2Q26 results	Results	
	24	Neste	2Q26 results	Results	
	27	Galp	2Q26 results	Results	
	27	Saipem	2Q26 results	Results	
	29	Eni	2Q26 results	Results	
	30	Shell	2Q26 results	Results	
	30	Maire	2Q26 results	Results	
	30	Subsea 7	2Q26 results	Results	
	30	Technip Energies	2Q26 results	Results	
	31	OMV	2Q26 results	Results	
	August 2026	4	BP	2Q26 results	Results
		5	Tenaris	2Q26 results	Results
		6	Harbour Energy	2Q26 results	Results

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BPAQF	BP/ LN	BP plc	576p	B-3-7
E	E US	Eni	US\$ 54.88	B-2-7
EIPAF	ENI IM	Eni	EUR 23.675	B-2-7
EQNR	EQNR US	Equinor ASA	US\$ 40.39	B-2-7
STOHF	EQNR NO	Equinor ASA	NOK 399.1	B-2-7
NTOIF	NESTE FH	Neste	EUR 26.7	B-3-7
NTIY	NTIY US	Neste	US\$ 15.35	C-3-7
REPYF	REP SQ	Repsol	EUR 23.36	B-3-7
REPY	REPY US	Repsol	US\$ 27.15	B-3-7
RYDAF	SHEL LN	Shell Plc	3443.5p	A-2-7
SHEL	SHEL US	Shell plc	US\$ 92.03	B-2-7
TTE	TTE US	TotalEnergies	US\$ 89.78	B-1-7
TTFNF	TTE FP	TotalEnergies	EUR 77.56	A-1-7

Source: BofA Global Research

Price objective basis & risk**BP plc (BPAQF / BP)**

Our PO of 450p/share (US\$36/ADR) is based on our bottom-up cash flow model and resultant sum-of-the-parts valuation. Our SOTP valuation uses DCF valuation for BP's sub-divisions based on differentiated discount rates: 9.2% for Downstream, 5.1% for Renewables as well as 8.8% for Corporate (assuming a zero perpetuity growth rate for all). Our divisional DCF valuations are usually based on perpetuity assumptions beyond 2030 - except for BP's E&P assets: Here we run a "depletion DCF" (at a 8.6% discount rate) and disregard both the income and capex attributable to future prospects (effectively assuming these are value neutral) while based on our long-term Brent oil price assumption of \$70/bbl. This E&P analysis excludes Russia.

Risks (upward and downward) to our PO are sharp moves in refining margins, oil and gas prices as well as the USD. Other risks are unanticipated government intervention and regulation, expropriation risk, project execution/oil spill/environmental risk, bankruptcy risk, litigation risk, M&A risk and the general risk of increased taxes and tariffs. In addition, our PO is subject to significant exploration success or lack thereof, general risks of changes in taxes and tariffs as well as fluctuating capex costs.

Eni (EIPAF / E)

Our Eni PO is €24 (US\$58/ADR). Our price objective is derived from divisional discounted cash flow (DCF) models, where we use discount rates between 6.5-8.5%, before deducting financial net debt and other balance sheet provisions to arrive at our equity value. Our long-term Brent price is \$70/bbl.

Upside risks to our PO: (1) upside to our Brent price forecast (2) upside to our European gas forecast (3) operational upsides primarily within the Upstream or gas trading divisions (4) favourable USD/EUR exchange rate movements (5) favourable value crystallisation for its renewable division.

Downside risks to our PO: (1) downside to our Brent price forecast (2) downside to our



European gas forecast (3) operational downsides primarily within the Upstream or gas trading divisions (4) unfavourable USD/EUR exchange rate movements.

Equinor ASA (STOHF / EQNR)

Our price objective is defined by discounted cash flow (DCF)-based valuation using our base case \$70/bbl for long-term Brent oil prices. We also include our bottom-up Renewables valuation at a 50% discount. We use in both cases a weighted-average cost of capital (WACC) of 9%, and a terminal growth rate of zero to arrive at our price objective (PO) of NOK410 (USD42).

Downside risks to our price objective are a significant change in the price of oil or natural gas prices, currency, government regulatory or fiscal intervention and unforeseen circumstances with operation.

Upside risks are lower capex than expectations, further cost efficiency gains and exploration success.

Neste (NTOIF / NTOIY)

Our price objective of EUR24 (\$14/share for ADR) is based on our sum-of-the-parts valuation breaking Neste up into its constituent pieces (Oil Products, Renewable Products and Marketing & Services). Our divisional DCF valuations use 8% discount rates and are based on zero terminal growth.

Upside risks to our PO are (1) a faster-than-expected societal shift towards clean energy leading to tighter markets, (2) increased regulatory support for renewable diesel/jet, and (3) higher-than-expected European refining margins.

Downside risks to our PO are (1) removal of regulatory/policy support for biofuels leading to looser markets, (2) other competitive renewable diesel technologies emerging, (3) operational execution risks at Neste's refinery sites and (4) lower-than-expected European refining margins.

Repsol (REPYF / REPY)

Our PO on Repsol is €23 (ADR US\$28). Our price objective is derived from divisional discounted cash flow (DCF) models, where we use discount rates between 6-9%, before deducting financial net debt and other balance sheet provisions to arrive at our equity value. Our long-term Brent price is \$70/bbl.

Upside risks to our PO: (1) upside to our refining margin forecast (2) upside to our Brent price forecast (3) upside to our Henry Hub forecast (4) operational upsides primarily within the Upstream or refining divisions (5) favourable USD/EUR exchange rate movements.

Downside risks to our PO: (1) downside to our refining margin forecast (2) downside to our Brent price forecast (3) downside to our Henry Hub forecast (4) additional windfall tax levies (5) operational downsides primarily within the Upstream or refining divisions (6) unfavourable USD/EUR exchange rate movements.

Shell Plc (RYDAF / SHEL)

Our price objective of 3600p/share (US\$97/ADR) is based on our sum-of-the-parts valuation breaking Shell up into its constituents (upstream, downstream and others). We value these separately from our bottom-up cash flow model via a DCF valuation based on differentiated discount rates (8.7% for Upstream, 9.7% for Downstream, 5.4% for Renewables, 8.7% Group and others). Our divisional DCF valuations are usually based on zero-growth perpetuity assumptions beyond 2030 - except for Shell's and legacy BG E&P assets: Here we run a "depletion DCF" and disregard both the income and capex attributable to future prospects while using our long-term Brent oil price assumptions of

\$70/bbl.

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	GTT	GZPZF	GTT FP	Matthew Smith
	Ithaca Energy plc	ITHLF	ITH LN	Cian Evans-Cowie
	Saipem	SAPMF	SPM IM	Matthew Smith
	Tenaris	TS	TS US	Matthew Smith
	Tenaris	TNRSF	TEN IM	Matthew Smith
	TotalEnergies	TTFNF	TTE FP	Christopher Kuplent
	TotalEnergies	TTE	TTE US	Christopher Kuplent
NEUTRAL				
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	Eni	EIPAF	ENI IM	Christopher Kuplent
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	Equinor ASA	EQNR	EQNR US	Christopher Kuplent
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	Shell Plc	RYDAF	SHEL LN	Christopher Kuplent
	Technip Energies	THNPF	TE FP	Matthew Smith
	Var Energi	VREAF	VAR NO	Matthew Smith
UNDERPERFORM				
	Aker BP	DETNF	AKRBP NO	Matthew Smith
	BP plc	BP	BP US	Christopher Kuplent
	BP plc	BPAQF	BP/ LN	Christopher Kuplent
	EnQuest	ENQUF	ENQ LN	Cian Evans-Cowie
	Kosmos Energy	KOS	KOS US	Matthew Smith
	Kosmos Energy	XKELF	KOS LN	Matthew Smith
	Neste	NTOIF	NESTE FH	Christopher Kuplent
	Neste	NTOIY	NTOIY US	Christopher Kuplent
	Repsol	REPY	REPY US	Christopher Kuplent
	Repsol	REPYF	REP SQ	Christopher Kuplent
	Serica Energy plc	SQZZF	SQZ LN	Cian Evans-Cowie
	Tullow Oil	TUWLF	TLW LN	Matthew Smith
	Vallourec	VLOUF	VK FP	Matthew Smith

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Hold	33	22.45%	Hold	29	87.88%
Sell	33	22.45%	Sell	24	72.73%

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Hold	821	22.97%	Hold	509	62.00%
Sell	760	21.26%	Sell	400	52.63%

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