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What (not) to expect into the print

Key Takeaways

- FY25-26 margins should be soft, hit by lower loading and FX. Similarly, we expect a slow (-46% q/q) guide for F1Q27e due to seasonal weakness in Mobile.
- Thursday's webcast is the main event, marking Laurent Rémont's first appearance as CEO.
- Photonics SOI commentary should be constructive, although formal TAM growth targets may still fall short of market hopes.
- The RFSOI inventory reduction remains in focus, with confirmation of further reductions in the March Q and reiteration of another c.1m wafers reduction key.
- Shares have run hard (+619% ytd). As we expect Soitec to guide relatively prudently, we are tactically cautious into the print but would add on weakness.

Soft margins and a seasonally weak reiteration guide are likely to frame the print. Soitec will report fiscal 4Q and FY25-26 earnings on Wednesday 27 May after the close. The company will host a webcast on Thursday at 14.00 CET (8pm HK / 10am ET), register [here](#). We expect the FY25-26 print to show soft margins due to production capacity cuts in 2H25-26, while the F1Q27 guide should be seasonally weak. More important is the presentation on Thursday. Here, we expect the company to provide a positive update on its Photonics SOI business, where it currently still sees a relatively stale 20-30% CAGR to 2030 for the addressable market. Although we expect these numbers to be raised (often cited industry analyst LightCounting has recently raised its Silicon Photonics forecast to 39%), we expect the commentary to remain mostly qualitative and, if specific numbers are provided, we suspect these may still fall short of market expectations. This makes sense from the perspective of a new CEO joining a company with a patchy track record in achieving its guidance. We would rather see management beat a low bar than having to defend (too) optimistic guidance with risk of a miss. Given the strong run in the shares, we are tactically cautious into the event, but would look for opportunities to add on weakness as [our work](#) points to accelerating growth.

FY25-26 likely represents the trough, with the guide weighed down by seasonal Mobile weakness. We expect Soitec's FY25-26 margins to show material softness due to 1) lower loading in 2H25-26, with a c.600bps impact, and 2) FX headwinds representing a a further c.300bps headwind. Our EBITDA estimate of €138m implies a margin of c.24%. This seems below consensus, although the gap is likely related to adjustments, as our gross profit and operating profit forecasts of €117m and -€44m are broadly in line. For F4Q26, which ended in March 2026, the company guided revenue up around 20% q/q (MSe: +17%). We expect Soitec to guide F1Q27 revenue down around 45% q/q, broadly in line with MSe at c.-46% (c.+11% y/y), driven by seasonal weakness in Mobile.

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Stock Rating	Overweight
Industry View	In-Line
Price target	€200.00
Shr price, close (May 26, 2026)	€166.70
52-Week Range	€182.00-22.62
Mkt cap, curr (mn)	€5,627
Net debt (03/26e) (mn)*	€78
EV, curr (mn)*	€5,684

* = GAAP or approximated based on GAAP

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Exhibit 1: Soitec into FY26 print: MSe vs. Css

	MSe			VA consensus			Mse vs. Css		
	F4Q26e	FY26e	F1Q27e	F4Q26e	FY26e	F1Q27e	F4Q26e	FY26e	F1Q27e
Mobile Communications	111	320	44	108	315	42	3%	2%	5%
Edge & Cloud AI	57	207	46	64	213	50	-11%	-3%	-9%
Automotive & Industrial	22	54	13	26	57	10	-16%	-6%	37%
Revenue	190	581	103	198	586	102	-4%	-1%	1%
Revenue q/q	18.5%		-45.7%	23.6%		-48.5%	-5ppt	0ppt	3ppt
Revenue y/y	-42.2%	-34.9%	11.9%	-39.7%	-34.3%	10.7%	-2ppt	-1ppt	1ppt
EBITDA		198			158			-12%	
EBITDA margin		23.8%			27.0%			-3ppt	

Source: Visible Alpha consensus, Morgan Stanley Research estimates

Thursday's presentation is the main event. The full-year results presentation typically offers a longer review of each business line and technology area, as well as financial structure and margins, providing insights into underlying trends. Importantly, this will be new CEO Laurent Rémont's first appearance to financial markets, after officially taking over on 1 April 2026. Our main focus will be Photonics SOI inside the Edge & Cloud division. Soitec has kept a 20-30% TAM growth outlook despite a meaningful market acceleration. We expect a constructive update and this number to move higher. However, with LightCounting, the often-cited third-party industry analyst, still looking for a relatively modest 39% 2025-2030 CAGR for Silicon Photonics, the company's outlook may still fall short of what investors are looking for.

RFSOI channel inventory remains another item to watch. We expect investors to focus on the planned reduction in the RFSOI supply chain, which stood at around 2m wafers in December 2025 and, on our estimates, 1.9m as of March 2026. We would look for a reiteration of the target to reduce this to c.1m wafers over the next 12 months. Progress here remains important for confidence in the pace of Mobile normalisation.

Valuation Methodology and Risks

Soitec SA (SOIT.PA)

We derive our €200 price target by applying a 35x multiple to our CY28e (fiscal '29 - March '29 year end) EPS estimate. We value Soitec on CY28e given increased visibility on the trajectory of growth for Photonics SOI, which we believe will be a multi-year growth story. We think the multiple is warranted due to our higher conviction on Soitec' growth trajectory into CY30e. We discount the 35x multiple by one year (effective multiple 32x).

Risks to Upside

- Further evidence of RF-SOI channel inventory reduction
- Accelerating growth for Photonics SOI
- Meaningful operating leverage on a largely fixed cost base

Risks to Downside

- Further expectations misses on RF-SOI in particular
- Inconsistent messaging around KPI's
- Growth drivers (photonics and POI) contributing less

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Total	3,673		909			1627	

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COMPANY (TICKER)	RATING (AS OF)	PRICE* (05/26/2026)
Lee Simpson		
ASML Holding NV (ASML.AS)	O (09/22/2025)	€1,389.80
Infineon Technologies AG (IFXGn.DE)	O (02/06/2025)	€77.55
STMicroelectronics NV (STMPA.PA)	O (03/26/2026)	€59.84
Nigel van Putten		
Aixtron SE (AIXGn.DE)	E (05/25/2023)	€52.76
ASM International NV (ASMI.AS)	O (06/19/2024)	€893.60
BE Semiconductor Industries NV (BESI.AS)	O (11/07/2022)	€284.00
Melexis N.V. (MLXS.BR)	E (02/05/2026)	€81.05
Nordic Semiconductor ASA (NOD.OL)	E (02/10/2025)	NKr 205.20
Soitec SA (SOIT.PA)	O (03/26/2026)	€166.70
VAT Group AG (VACN.S)	E (03/21/2025)	SFr 616.80

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