

# **Kinatico Ltd**

#### **Q4 FY24 Result Analysis**

#### Software & Services

#### 19 July 2024

Share Details	
ASX code	KYP
Share price (18-Jul)	\$0.105
Market capitalisation	\$45.5M
Shares on issue	433.6M
Net cash at 30-Jun	\$10.1M
Free float	~57%

#### **Share Performance (12 months)**



#### Company Interview

Kinatico Georg Chmiel Interview July 2024 Kinatico Georg Chmiel Transcript July 2024 Kinatico RaaS 2024 Outlook Interview Jan 24

#### **Upside Case**

- SaaS take-up exceeds expectations
- Highly-scalable business model
- Well-positioned for potential M&A

#### **Downside Case**

- Lower/slower-than-expected SaaS uptake rate
- Enterprise customers take longer than expected to sign-up
- Pursuit of planned international expansion leads to higher-than-expected costs/losses

#### Catalysts

- Material new contracts for SaaS offering
- Delivery of process automation → positioning for future scalability and operating leverage
- M&A activity highlighting relative valuations

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## FY24 NPAT up 225% and 60% ahead of RaaS forecasts

Kinatico Ltd (ASX:KYP) is a 'Know Your People' regtech company providing workforce compliance monitoring and management technology and services. KYP has announced it expects to report FY24 NPAT of \$0.8m, an increase of 225% on FY23 NPAT of \$0.2m (ASX release 15 July). This puts the company's result 60% ahead of our FY24 NPAT forecast of \$0.5m. Revenue for the year was \$28.7m, in line with our forecast and up 3.6% on the previous corresponding period (pcp). Revenue for Q4 was \$7.3m, with software-as-a-service (SaaS) revenue comprising 38% or \$2.8m. Q4 transactional revenue was flat quarter-on-quarter and down 12% year-on-year but the composition continued to demonstrate the conversion of one-off transactional revenue to recurring, higher-margin SaaS revenue. Q4 SaaS revenue jumped 40% on the pcp and was 12% ahead of Q3. We have incorporated the reported results into our model provisionally but will wait for the audited accounts at the end of August before we consider any further adjustments. RaaS has also recently interviewed Non-Executive Director Georg Chmiel on what attracted him to join the KYP board in September 2023. Our interview with George Chmiel can be accessed here and the transcript is available here. Our valuation remains unchanged at \$0.25/share, implying an EV/Revenue multiple of 3.7x FY24f and 3.4x FY25f

#### **Business model**

Kinatico is focusing its business on the generation of SaaS revenue from the provision of simplified real-time workforce compliance monitoring and management technology and services. SaaS revenue accounted for 35.7% of Q3 FY24 revenue up from 30.5% in H1 FY24, and 20.7% in the same period in FY23. The business also has a long-standing screening and verification (SaV) revenue stream, under the brand CVCheck, from transactions, which historically have been one-time but presents now as a ready-made pipeline and sales acquisition client base for the SaaS product. SaaS customers (employers) pay a set monthly SaaS fee for an end-to-end compliance management solution. Kinatico says it is focussed on transitioning all of its revenue to SaaS.

#### Key takeaways from Q4 result and director interview

Kinatico has delivered a better than forecast Q4 result with SaaS revenue higher than we had forecast and NPAT for the half ahead of our expectations. The company ended FY24 with \$10.1m cash in hand, up from \$8.8m at the end of March, suggesting strong cash generation and retention in the quarter. In our interview with Non-Executive Director Georg Chmiel, we discussed the merits of platform businesses and his experiences with technology platform companies. Mr Chmiel noted the merits of recurring revenues, including higher margins than one-time or transactional revenue, and lower costs as the platform becomes more scalable. Our full 8:25-minute interview is available for download here.

#### DCF valuation of \$0.25/share

Our DCF valuation remains unchanged at \$0.25/share. Our DCF methodology incorporates a WACC of 14.4%, a risk-free rate of 4.0% and a terminal growth rate of 2.2%. This implies EV/Revenue multiples of 3.7x for FY24f and 3.4x for FY25f, compared with the current multiples implied in our forecasts of 1.3x FY24f and 1.2x FY25f. We would expect the gap between the current share price and our valuation to narrow provided Kinatico demonstrates continued growth in SaaS revenue, secures material new contracts and delivers sustained positive free cash flow and operating profit.

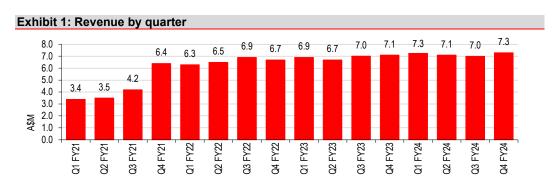
#### Historical earnings and RaaS' estimates (in A\$m unless otherwise stated) Gross EBITDA NPAT EPS EV/Revenue EV/EBITDA PFR Year Revenue NPAT end profit adj. (x) adj. rep. adj. (x) (x) 06/22a 26 4 168 1.8 (0.7)(1.5)(0.17)13 191 n.a 06/23a 18.2 27.7 3.1 0.8 0.2 0.17 1.1 10.2 60.0 06/24f 3.6 28.7 19.2 8.0 8.0 0.18 1.3 10.1 56.9 06/25f 31.2 21 0 3.8 1.1 1.1 0.26 1.1 93 41.0

Sources: Company data; RaaS estimates for FY24f and FY25f. Adjusted EBITDA, NPAT and EPS exclude one-time and non-cash items including share-based compensation



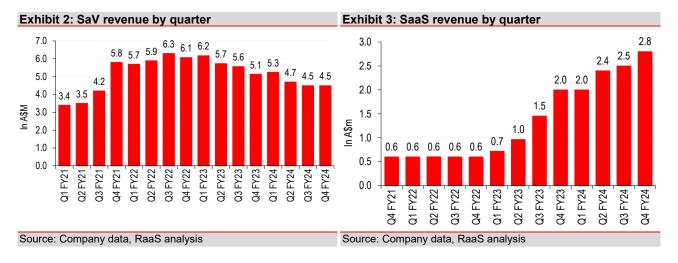
#### **Q4 FY24 Result Discussion**

Kinatico has provided a flash update on Q4 FY24 revenue (ASX release 15 July), noting that total revenue increased 3% in the quarter to \$7.3m from the same period a year ago and 4% on Q3. SaaS revenue comprised 38% or \$2.8m of the total, an increase of 40% on the same quarter a year ago and up 12% on the Q3 FY24 quarter.



Source: Company data, RaaS analysis

SaV revenue for the quarter was \$4.5m, down 12% year-on-year, and flat on Q3 FY24. We expect this source of revenue to continue to decline over time as a result of the ongoing transition of these customers to SaaS contracts.



#### **FY24** Results Discussion

The company reported FY24 revenue was \$28.7m, including 34% of SaaS revenue. FY24 SaaS revenue was \$9.7m, up 90% on the \$5.1m reported in FY23 and ahead of our forecast for \$9.6m. Kinatico reported that it expects to announce FY24 NPAT of \$0.8m, a three-fold increase on the \$0.2m NPAT reported in FY23. This is also 60% ahead of our forecast for \$0.5m FY24 NPAT. Net cash at the end of the year was \$10.1m, also ahead of the \$9.6m reported at the end of FY23 and above our expectation for the company to end FY24 with \$8.4m. We have incorporated the reported results into our model provisionally but will wait for the audited accounts at the end of August before we consider any adjustments. Exhibit 4 on the following page sets out Kinatico's revenue and NPAT by half year and full year for FY23 and FY24 as well as our forecasts for H2 FY24 and FY24.



Exhibit 4: FY24 revenue and NPAT by half-year (in A\$m unless otherwise stated)									
	H1 FY23	H2 FY23	FY23	H1 FY24	H2 FY24	FY24	H2 FY24 RaaS	FY24 RaaS	
SaV revenue	11.9	10.0	21.9	10.0	9.0	19.0	9.2	19.1	
SaaS revenue	1.7	4.4	6.1	4.4	5.3	9.7	5.2	9.6	
Total revenue	13.6	14.3	27.9	14.3	14.4	28.7	14.4	28.7	
NPAT pre one-time items	(1.0)	1.2	0.2	0.4	0.4	0.8	0.2	0.5	
Source: Company data	, RaaS estim	nates							

#### **DCF Valuation**

Our valuation utilises a discounted cash-flow methodology which we consider to be the most appropriate methodology for valuing KYP at this point in its lifecycle as it pursues its SaaS sales growth strategy. Our discount rate of 14.5% includes a beta of 1.6, compared with the five-year rate observed by LSEG (1.46). This gives us a DCF valuation of \$0.25/share, which implies an EV/Revenue of 3.7x FY24f and 3.4x FY25f.

Parameters	Outcome
Discount rate / WACC	14.5%
Beta*	1.6
Terminal growth rate assumption	2.2%
Sum of PV (A\$m)	45.3
PV of terminal value (A\$m)	53.1
PV of enterprise (A\$m)	98.3
Net debt / (cash) - 31 March 2024 (A\$m)	(8.8)
Net valuation – equity (A\$m)	107.1
No. of shares on issue (February 2024) (m)	433.6
NPV per share (A\$)	\$0.25

# **Peer EV/Revenue Trading Multiples**

We have looked at comparable ASX-listed companies, of which there are four, to consider peer EV/Revenue trading multiples. Similar-sized regulatory or workforce compliance SaaS operators include Knosys (ASX:KNO), Wrkr (ASX:WRK)<sup>1</sup> and Xref (ASX:XF1). For completeness we have included accounting compliance company 8Common (ASX:8CO). As set out in Exhibit 6, KYP is currently trading largely in line with its ASX-listed peers based on FY23a EV/Revenue.

Exhibit 6: KYP discount to ASX-listed peer EV/Revenue trading multiples									
Company	ASX code	Enterprise value (A\$m)	EV/Revenue (FY23a) x						
8Common Ltd	8CO	6.1	0.81						
Knosys Ltd	KNO	5.7	0.57						
Wrkr Ltd*	WRK	34.9	5.16						
Xref Ltd	XF1	32.8	1.61						
Median		19.4	1.21						
Kinatico	KYP	33.4	1.19						
Sources: RaaS analysis, LS	SEG; Based on closing prices	s on 16 July 2024							

<sup>1</sup> Wrkr is covered by RaaS. Our research can be accessed at www.raasgroup.com



**Exhibit 7: Financial Summary** 

Kinatico						Share price (18 July 2024)					A\$	0.1
Profit and Loss (A\$m)						Interim (A\$m)	H122A	H222A	H123A	H223A	H124F	H224I
Y/E 30 June	FY21A	FY22A	FY23A	FY24F	FY25F	Revenue	12.8	13.6	13.6	14.1	14.4	14.3
Transactional revenue	16.9	23.9	22.6	19.0	16.3	EBITDA	1.1	0.8	0.6	2.5	1.9	1.
SaaS revenue	0.6	2.4	5.1	9.7	14.9	EBIT	(0.2)	(0.3)	(0.8)	1.3	0.3	0.
Sales Revenue	17.5	26.4	27.7	28.7	31.2	NPAT (normalised)	(0.2)	(0.5)	(0.8)	1.5	0.4	0.
Gross Profit	10.3	16.8	18.2	19.2	21.0	Minorities	-	-	-	-	-	-
EBITDA underlying	1.5	1.8	3.1	3.6	3.8	NPAT (reported)	(0.6)	(0.9)	(1.0)	1.2	0.4	0.
Depn	(0.3)	(0.4)	(0.5)	(0.3)	(0.2)	EPS (normalised)	(0.06)	(0.11)	(0.18)	0.36	0.09	0.0
Amort	(1.0)	(2.0)	(2.1)	(2.5)	(2.2)	EPS (reported)	(0.14)	(0.20)	(0.23)	0.28	0.09	0.0
EBIT underlying	0.2	(0.6)	0.5	0.8	1.5	Dividend (cps)	-	-	-	-	-	-
Interest	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.2		Imputation	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tax	0.0	(0.2)	0.1	(0.2)	(0.5)	Operating cash flow	1.2	1.8	0.9	2.7	1.5	2.
Minorities	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	Free Cash flow	2.4	3.5	3.1	4.5	3.1	4.
Equity accounted assoc	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0		Divisions	H122A	H222A	H123A	H223A	H124F	H224
NPAT pre significant items	0.3	(0.7)	0.8	0.8		Transactional Revenue	11.6	12.3	11.9	10.7	10.0	9.
Significant & non-cash items	(1.3)	(0.8)	(0.5)	0.0		SaaS Revenue	1.2	1.2	1.7	3.4	4.4	5.
NPAT (reported)	(1.0)	(1.5)	0.2	0.8		Sales revenue	12.8	13.6	13.6	14.1	14.3	14.
Cash flow (A\$m)	(1.0)	(1.3)	0.2	0.0	1.1	COGS	(4.7)	(5.0)	(4.8)	(4.7)	(4.6)	(4.8
Y/E 30 June	FY21A	FY22A	FY23A	FY24F	EV25E	Gross Profit	8.2	(5.0)	8.8	9.4	9.7	9.
EBITDA	1.5	1.8	3.1	3.6		GP Margin (%)	63.7	63.5	64.5	66.9	67.7	9. 66.
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Interest						Employment	(5.0)	(5.1)	(5.7)	(4.7)	(5.1)	
Tax	0.8	(0.1)	(0.1)	(0.3)		Technology, licence fees	(1.8)	(2.5)	(1.7)	(2.3)	(2.4)	(2.5
Working capital changes	(1.4)	1.3	0.5	0.5		Other costs	(0.3)	(0.3)	(0.7)	0.1	(0.3)	(0.3
Operating cash flow	1.0	3.1	3.6	4.0	3.5							
Mtce capex	(0.0)	(0.2)	(0.1)	(0.0)	. ,	EBITDA (normalised)	1.1	0.8	0.6	2.5	1.9	1.
Free cash flow	1.0	2.8	3.6	4.0	3.5							
Capitalised Dev. Costs	(0.9)	(2.6)	(3.9)	(3.1)		Margins, Leverage, Returns		FY21A	FY22A	FY23A	FY24F	FY25I
Acquisitions/Disposals	(1.8)	(0.7)	0.0	0.0		EBITDA		8.8%	7.0%	11.2%	12.5%	12.3%
Other	0.3	(0.0)	0.0	0.0	0.0	EBIT		1.3%	(2.1%)	1.7%	2.8%	4.7%
Cash flow pre financing	(1.4)	(0.4)	(0.3)	0.9	0.5	NPAT pre significant items		1.7%	(2.7%)	2.7%	2.7%	3.6%
Equity	9.9	0.0	(1.3)	(0.1)	0.0	Net Debt (Cash)		12.9	10.4	8.5	9.2	9.
Debt	0.0	(0.3)	(0.3)	(0.2)	0.0	Net debt/EBITDA (x)	(x)	8.4	5.6	2.7	2.5	2.
Dividends paid	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	ND/ND+Equity (%)	(%)	(97.0%)	(69.2%)	(52.1%)	(56.2%)	(57.0%
Net cash flow for year	8.6	(0.7)	(1.8)	0.6	0.5	EBIT interest cov er (x)	(x)	(0.1)	n/a	- 0.3	(0.2)	(0.1
Balance sheet (A\$m)						ROA		1.1%	(1.7%)	1.4%	2.4%	4.4%
Y/E 30 June	FY21A	FY22A	FY23A	FY24F	FY25F	ROE		(6.2%)	(5.8%)	0.9%	3.0%	4.3%
Cash	12.9	11.9	9.6	10.1	10.6	ROIC		1.9%	(10.3%)	18.1%	26.7%	35.2%
Accounts receivable	3.0	3.0	2.4	1.9	2.1							
Inventory	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	Working capital		(0.8)	(0.9)	(1.1)	(0.7)	(0.7
Other current assets	0.4	0.0	0.3	0.7		WC/Sales (%)		(4.6%)	(3.4%)	(4.0%)	(2.3%)	(2.2%
Total current assets	16.3	14.9	12.4	12.7		Revenue growth		41.3%	50.9%	5.0%	3.8%	8.5%
PPE	0.3	2.0	1.6	1.2		EBIT growth pa		n/a	n/a	-187%	nm	85%
Intangibles and Goodwill	15.9	16.4	18.2	18.8		Pricing		FY21A	FY22A	FY23A	FY24F	FY25I
Investments	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0		No of shares (y/e)	(m)	429	434	420	434	434
Deferred tax asset	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0		Weighted Av Dil Shares	(m)	429	434	430	434	434
Other non current assets	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	Troightou AV Dir Ollates	(111)	423	-10-1	400	T-U-T	404
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	16.2	18.8	20.1	20.4		EPS Reported	cps	(0.30)	(0.35)	0.05	0.18	0.2
Total Assets	32.5	33.7	32.4	33.1		EPS Normalised/Diluted	cps	0.09	(0.17)	0.17	0.18	0.2
Accounts payable	3.8	3.9	3.5	2.6		EPS growth (norm/dil)		n/a	n/a	(205.6%)	nm	39%
Short term debt	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0		DPS	cps	-	- ,		-	- ,
Tax payable	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.0		DPS Growth		n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/
Other current liabilities	2.4	2.7	2.9	4.0		Dividend yield		0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Total current liabilities	6.3	6.8	6.5	6.7		Dividend imputation		0	0	0	0	
Long term debt	0.0	1.5	1.1	0.9		PE (x)		-	-	190.9	58.6	41.0
Other non current liabs	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0		PE market		18.0	18.0	18.0	18.0	18.
Total long term liabilities	0.0	1.5	1.1	0.9	0.9	Premium/(discount)		(100.0%)	(100.0%)	960.8%	225.4%	127.7%
Total Liabilities	6.3	8.3	7.6	7.6	7.8	EV/EBITDA		20.9	19.1	10.2	10.1	0.
Net Assets	26.2	25.4	24.9	25.5	26.6	FCF/Share	cps	0.0	0.1	(0.1)	0.2	0.
						Price/FCF share		372.2	175.9	(143.1)	49.2	93.2
Share capital	47.2	47.9	46.7	46.5	46.5	Free Cash flow Yield		0.3%	0.6%	(0.7%)	2.0%	1.1%
	(22.1)	(23.3)	(23.1)	(22.3)	(21.2)					,		
Accumulated profits/losses												
Accumulated profits/losses Reserves					13							
Accumulated profits/losses Reserves Minorities	1.1	0.8	1.3	1.3	1.3							

Sources: Company data, RaaS estimates



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