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**Credit Rating** 

Long-term (National):

(TR) AAA

**Outlook:** 

Stable

**Short-term (National):** 

(TR) A1+

Outlook:

**Stable** 

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# AG ANADOLU GRUBU HOLDING A.Ş.

## **Rating Summary**

AG Anadolu Grubu Holding A.Ş., ("Anadolu Group" or "the Holding") was founded in 1950 by the Özilhan and Süleyman Kamil Yazıcı families. The Holding operates in 20 countries with 76 subsidiaries, 3 joint ventures, 4 affiliates, near to 100 production facilities, 6 R&D centers, and average 75,610 employees. Anadolu Group continues its activities in 8 segments: Beer, Soft Drinks, Retail, Agriculture, Automotive, Stationery, Healthcare, and Energy.

Following our comparative analysis of the sector<sup>1</sup> and examination of financial/operational risks carried by the Holding, as well as its domestic market position, Anadolu Group's previous long term rating of **(TR) AAA** and its short term rating of **(TR) A1+** is hereby reconfirmed.

Previous Rating (May the 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2024):

Long Term: (TR) AAA Short Term: (TR) A1+

#### **Outlook**

With its roots dating back to 1950, Anadolu Group has established collaborative partnerships with internationally recognized local and foreign institutions thanks to its know-how and strong network presence. Alliances with the world's leading brands and companies such as AB InBev, The Coca-Cola Company, Faber-Castell, Isuzu, Kia, Honda Power Products, Honda Marine, Kohler, and Johns Hopkins Medicine enables the Group to act in line with its mission of being a multinational and entrepreneurial entity. Looking at the Holding's shareholding structure, "AG Sınai Yatırım ve Yönetim A.Ş." is the controlling shareholder with a 48.65% stake, the remaining 7.07% stake is held by Süleyman Kamil Yazıcı family members, who are qualified investors of Azimut Portföy SKY Serbest Özel Fon, and the fund's units are allocated to these individuals only as predetermined. 44.28% of the shares are publicly traded on the BIST under the ticker symbol "AGHOL".

Referring to the Public Oversight Accounting and Auditing Standards Authority (POA) announcement dated November 23, 2023 and the "Application Guidance on Financial Reporting in Hyperinflationary Economies", the Company has prepared its consolidated financial statements as of and for the year ended December 31, 2024 in accordance with TAS 29 "Financial Reporting in Hyperinflationary Economies". In this context, the financial statements have been adjusted for inflation in accordance with TAS 29. The consolidated financial statements as of December 31, 2023 are also presented on a purchasing power basis as of December 31, 2024.

Holding's consolidated turnover in 2024 increased by 4.0% compared to 2023 and amounted to TRY 563.8bn. Migros, which has the largest share, accounted for 52.1% of 2024 year-end turnover (end-2023: 48.4%). Net profit on the other hand decreased by 62.5% at the end of 2024 to TRY 26.7bn (end-2023: TRY 71.1bn). At the end of 2024, net profit attributable to equity holders of the parent decreased by 81.7% y-o-y to TRY 5.2bn (end-2023: TRY 28.4bn). The main reason for the decline in the Holding's net profit for the period was the decrease in monetary gains, but also the challenging demand environment compared to 2023, fluctuations in raw material prices and geopolitical uncertainties. In addition, although varying on a sectoral basis, the impact of the change in financial markets in Turkey on financing costs, the strong course of the TRY and the financial performance of joint ventures accounted for using the equity method also contributed to the decline in net income.

In addition to the improvement in the key items of the Holding's income statement, net financial debt decreased by 6.5% to TRY 31.3bn at the end of 2024 compared to the end of the previous year (end-2023: TRY 33.5bn). In addition, the Net Financial

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The latest Independent Auditor's Report prepared using inflation accounting is used.

Debt/EBITDA<sup>2</sup> ratio has shown a downward trend in the three years analyzed and its decline to 0.6x at the end of 2024 is considered positive by us. Anadolu Group's EBITDA increased by 14.3% at the end of 2024 compared to the previous yearend.

According to the Holding's Independent Audit Report, the net foreign currency asset/liability position at the end of 2024 was (-) TRY 320.9mn (end-2023: (+) TRY 24.6bn). It is observed that the Holding has the capacity to generate revenue from its foreign operations and has "hedged" a part of its net foreign currency position to protect against exchange rate increases, especially in recent years. As of 2024 year-end, the share of international operations in total sales revenues is 26.7% (end-2023: 27.4%).

In addition to all the factors mentioned above, the Holding's product/service diversity, ability to access financing and strong ownership structure, which distributes risks in the current conjuncture, have been included in the assessment and the Company's outlook has been confirmed as "Stable". The results of the developments in local and global money and capital markets are being monitored by us and their possible effects on the Holding will be evaluated during the surveillance period.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> EBITDA= Net Operating Profit + Depreciation

### Methodology

SAHA's credit rating methodology is composed of quantitative and qualitative sections to affect the final note with specific weights. Quantitative analysis components consist of SAHA Score (Company's distance from the point of default), its performance compared to the sector, analysis of the financial risks, and the assessment of cash flow projections. Default point analysis measures the distance from the point of default and it is based on relevant sector firm's past financial performance, ratios derived from distinctive default statistics, and statistically derived coefficients. This analysis is based on genuine statistical study of SAHA, covering companies in Turkey. Comparative performance analysis of the sector determines the position of the company concerned in comparison with the sector firms' recent financial performances. Financial risk analysis covers the evaluation of the company's financial ratios on the basis of objective criteria. Liquidity, leverage, asset quality, profitability, volatility and concentration are treated as sub-headings in this analysis. Finally, scenario analysis tackles the company's future base and stress scenario projections subject to scrutiny in the context of the firm's financing tool and assesses the risks of fulfillment of obligations.

Qualitative analysis covers operational issues such as sector and company risk as well as administrative risks in the context of corporate governance practices. Sector analysis evaluates the nature and rate of growth of the sector, its competitive structure, structural analysis of customers and creditors, and sensitivity of the sector to risks at home and abroad. Company analysis discusses market share and efficiency, growth trend, cost structure, service quality, organizational stability, access to domestic and foreign funding sources, off-balance sheet liabilities, accounting practices, and parent / subsidiary company relationships.

Corporate governance plays an important role in our methodology. Our methodology consists of four main sections; shareholders, public disclosure and transparency, stakeholders, and board of directors. The corporate governance methodology of SAHA can be accessed at <a href="https://www.saharating.com">www.saharating.com</a>.

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Short Term	Long Term	Rating Segment	Rating Definitions
(TR) A1+	(TR) AAA (TR) AA+ (TR) AA (TR) AA-	First Degree	The highest credit quality. Indicates that ability to meet financial obligations is extremely high. For securities, it is an indication of no more than a slight additional risk as compared to risk-free government bonds.
(TR) A1	(TR) A+ (TR) A	Second Degree	Credit quality is very high. Very high ability to fulfill financial obligations. Sudden changes at the company level and/or economic and financial conditions may increase investment risk, but not significantly.
(TR) A2	(TR) A- (TR) BBB+	Third Degree	High ability to fulfill financial obligations, but may be affected by adverse economic conditions and changes.
(TR) A3	(TR) BBB (TR) BBB-	Fourth Degree	Sufficient financial ability to fulfill its obligations, but carries more risk in adverse economic conditions and changes. If securities; has adequate protection parameters, but issuer's capacity to fulfill its obligations may weaken in face of adverse economic conditions and changes.

Companies and securities rated with long-term BB, B, CCC, and short-term B1, B2, C categories should be considered "speculative" by the market.

(TR) B1	(TR) BB+ (TR) BB (TR) BB-	Fifth Degree	Carries minimum level of speculative features. Not in danger in the short term, but faces negative financial and economic conditions. If securities; below investment level, but on-time payments prevail, or under less danger than other speculative securities. However, if the issuer's capacity to fulfill its obligations weakens, serious uncertainties may unfold.
(TR) B2	(TR) B+ (TR) B (TR) B-	Sixth Degree	Currently has the capacity to fulfill financial obligations, but highly sensitive to adverse economic and financial conditions. If securities; there is a risk in due payment. Financial protection factors can show high fluctuations depending on the conditions of the economy, the sector, and the issuer.
(TR) C	(TR) CCC+ (TR) CCC (TR) CCC-	Seventh Degree	Well below investment grade. In considerable danger of default. Fulfillment of its financial obligations depends on the positive performance of economic, sectoral and financial conditions. If securities; there are serious uncertainties about the timely payment of principal and interest.
(TR) D	(TR) D	Default	Event of default. The company cannot meet its financial obligations or cannot pay the principal and/or interest of the relevant securities.

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