

RATING NOTIFICATION

Rating Agency : JCR AVRASYA DERECELENDİRME A.Ş.
Rated Company : Kocaer Celik Sanayi ve Ticaret A.S.

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Capital Markets Board of Türkiye (SPK)- To the Accounting Standards Department
Central Securities Depository of the Turkish Capital Markets (MKK)- Public Disclosure Platform

JCR Eurasia Rating has evaluated "Kocaer Çelik Sanayi ve Ticaret A.Ş.".

- Ongoing sales volume growth over the last four consecutive years despite a decrease in revenue due to declining unit prices in 2024
- Satisfactory financial leverage profile in reviewed periods
- Moderate equity level over the analyzed years
- Favorable cash flow metrics and adequate liquidity indicators in analyzed periods
- · Increasing share of export sales within total revenues and geographical diversification of exports
- Advantages provided by the production of value-added products supported by innovative R&D center and noteworthy focus on sustainability
- Compliance with corporate governance practices as a publicly traded company
- Long-lasting presence and experience in the sector and conformity to the international quality standards
- Contraction in core operational profitability indicators in FY2024
- Net financing expenses pressuring bottom-line profitability and coverage metrics in 2024, despite a decrease in financing expenses
- As actions for a global soft landing gain prominence, decisions with the potential to adversely affect global trade are engendering considerable uncertainty

The Long-Term National Issuer Credit Rating rating of "Kocaer Çelik Sanayi ve Ticaret A.Ş." has been affirmed at 'A+ (tr)' considering the above mentioned issues. All notes of the Company are determined as follows.

Long-Term National Issuer Credit Rating : A+ (tr) / (Stable Outlook)

Long-Term National Issuer Credit Rating : J1+ (tr) / (Stable Outlook)

Long Term International Foreign Currency Issuer : BB / (Stable Outlook)

Credit Rating

Long Term International Local Currency Issuer : BB / (Stable Outlook)

Credit Rating

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Regards, JCR AVRASYA DERECELENDİRME A.Ş.

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