

## **Buy – Michael Page Int (MPI)**

April 29, 2013

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Trade parameters:

Opening Price 373.9p

Stop Loss 23.9p away (350p) Limit/Target 440p Reward vs. Risk 2.8x CFD Margin

#### **Observations - For**

- 2yr narrowing formation; bounce off 15-month rising lows
- Directional indicators converging bullishly
- MACD, turned up after sell-off
- RSI & Momentum kicked up from oversold
- ADX (trend strength) turned down from highs

### **Observations - Against**

- MACD not yet regained zero-line
- Shares been underperforming FTSE100
- RSI & Momentum yet to regain positive territory
- Directional indicators yet to make bullish cross
- Potential resistance from moving averages 385p & 407p

### News / Broker Comments / Important Dates / Observations \*\*

Numis upgrades to Buy from Add despite Q1 disappointing on weakness in Europe, encouraged by improving trends elsewhere. TP 450p (17 Apr). HSBC cuts staffers to Neutral saying current trend points to growth, but at slower rate (17 Apr). Company says to grow German Temp business (16 Apr). Investec lowers target and maintains sell rating after Q1 showed permanent markets remaining challenging (16 Apr). Q1 interim statement at lower end of consensus ((16 Apr). Next Event: AGM, 6-Jun; Q2 trading update 16-Jul

<u>Latest Broker 12m Consensus:</u> 6 x Buy, 10 x Hold, 5 x Sell (Source: Digital Look, Alpha Terminal, Brokerforecasts.com) (U = Upgrade / D = Downgrade) 19-Apr, Deutsche, Hold, TP 330p (D); 18-Apr, Goldman, Neutral, TP 459p; 17-Apr, JPMorgan, Neutral, TP 370p (D); 17-Apr, Jefferies, Buy, TP 500p (D); 17-Apr, Credit Suisse, Underperform, TP 360p; 17-Apr, Citigroup, Neutral, TP 400p (D); 17-Apr, HSBC, Neutral (D)



#### Stock description

Michael Page International plc
provides recruitment consultancy
services. The Group places
candidates in permanent, contract,
temporary, and interim positions.
Michael Page conducts operations
in the United Kingdom, Europe,
Asia-Pacific, and the Americas,
focusing on the areas of finance,
marketing, retail, sales, legal,
technology, human resources, and
various others (FTSE 250).

Graph: 4-year (daily)

Stock last used as Trade Idea; N/A

\*\*Source: DowJones Newswires, Reuters News or Company Press releases, Bloomberg.com

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Graph: 2-year (daily) - ADX and Directional Indicators, MACD & Volume



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### Graph: 3-year (daily) - RSI, Momentum and Performance relative to FTSE 100



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