
MTU Aero Engines gives more precise guidance in the wake of stable nine-month figures

- Revenue forecast to be between €4.3 and €4.4 billion in 2021
- Adjusted EBIT margin expected to be around 10.5%
- CCR should be in the high double-digit percentage range

Munich, October 29, 2021 – In the first nine months of 2021, MTU Aero Engines AG generated stable revenue and earnings. Revenue was €3,008 million, compared with €2,957 million in the first nine months of 2020. The operating profit¹ was €307 million; in the prior-year period it was €311 million. The adjusted EBIT margin was 10.2% (1-9/2020: 10.5%). Net income² was almost unchanged year-on-year at €220 million (1-9/2020: €219 million).

“We managed to deliver stable earnings in persistently volatile market conditions. On this basis, we can now give more precise guidance for the full year,” said Reiner Winkler, CEO of MTU Aero Engines AG. “We now assume that revenue will be between €4.3 and €4.4 billion at year-end. The adjusted EBIT margin should be around 10.5%, which is the upper end of the range forecast to date.” In its guidance at the end of July, MTU gave a slightly broader range of €4.3 to €4.5 billion for revenue and predicted an adjusted EBIT margin of between 10% and 10.5%. The company expects adjusted net income to develop in line with the operating profit.

In the first nine months, revenue was affected by the U.S. dollar exchange rate. CFO Peter Kameritsch: “There was some headwind from the exchange rate. In dollars, revenue grew by 8% in the first nine months.”

In euros, MTU registered higher revenue from both commercial maintenance and the military business in the first nine months of 2021.

In the commercial maintenance business, revenue rose by 8% to €2.010 million (1-9/2020: €1,866 million). “As in the previous quarters, the commercial maintenance mix was around 60% MRO for our core business and 40% maintenance on the Geared Turbofan™,” said Winkler. The most important revenue drivers in the commercial maintenance business were the PW1100G-JM, which is used in the A320neo, and the V2500 for the classic A320 aircraft family. Winkler: “In the third quarter, some engine programs had slightly lower MRO content than expected. This affects the figures for the full year: The revenue from the commercial maintenance business is expected to grow in the mid-teen percentage range in 2021.” After the first six months, MTU had assumed that revenue from the commercial MRO business would rise by between 15% and 20%.

¹ Adjusted EBIT = adjusted earnings before interest and taxes, calculated on a comparable basis

² Adjusted net income = adjusted income after income taxes, calculated on a comparable basis



Revenue from the military engine business increased from €296 million to €310 million. The principal source of revenue was the EJ200 engine for the Eurofighter. Winkler: “Minor supply chain delays could mean that deliveries in the military business are pushed back to next year. We are therefore revising our revenue guidance for the 2021 financial year to a mid single-digit increase.” Previously, MTU had expected revenue growth in the mid to high single-digit percentage range.

In the commercial engine business, revenue declined by 10% from €850 million to €765 million in the first nine months. “The organic drop in revenue was in the low teens percentage range in the commercial series business and the low single-digit percentage range in the spare parts business,” reported Winkler. A quarterly view shows an organic improvement in both businesses – by about 20% in the series business and in the low teens percentage range in the spare parts business. The PW1100G-JM for the A320neo was the main revenue driver in the commercial engine business. The full-year guidance for the commercial series business and the spare parts business remains unchanged: Both businesses are expected to report organic growth in the low to mid single-digit percentage range in 2021.

The order backlog was €20.7 billion at the end of the third quarter (December 31, 2020: €18.6 billion). The majority of these orders are for the V2500 and the PW1000G family of Geared Turbofan™ engines, especially the PW1100G-JM.

In the first nine months, MTU posted higher earnings in the OEM business and lower earnings in the MRO segment. The operating profit from the OEM business increased from €194 million to €202 million. The adjusted EBIT margin was 18.8%, compared with 16.9% in the prior-year period. In the commercial maintenance business, the operating profit dropped from €116 million to €105 million. The adjusted EBIT margin was 5.2% (1-9/2020: 6.2%). “In the OEM business, the revenue mix and our cost-saving programs had a positive influence on earnings. In the commercial maintenance business, earnings were held back principally by the high proportion of work on the Geared Turbofan™,” reported Kameritsch.

Spending on research and development was €162 million in the first nine months of 2021 compared with €139 million in the comparable period of 2020. MTU’s R&D activities are focused on emissions-free aviation, especially hydrogen and flying fuel cells. In addition to these R&D activities and technology studies for future engine generations, MTU’s activities concentrated on the Geared Turbofan™ programs and their ongoing development and the digitalization of engine production.

The free cash flow was €205 million as of end-September 2021, a year-on-year rise of 41% (1-9/2020: €145 million). “In view of this positive development, we are increasing our forecast for the cash conversion rate,” said Kameritsch. “We now expect the cash conversion rate to be in the high double-digit percentage range.” Previously, MTU expected the CCR to be in the mid to high double-digit percentage range.



Net capital expenditure on property, plant and equipment increased by 25% to €117 million in the first nine months (1-9/2020: €93 million).

MTU had 10,298 employees at the end of the third quarter. At year-end 2020, the headcount was 10,313 employees.

MTU Aero Engines – Key data for the third quarter of 2021

(Amounts in € million)

MTU Aero Engines	Q3 2020	Q3 2021	As of Sept. 2020	As of Sept. 2021	Change
Revenue	908	1,004	2,957	3,008	+ 2%
thereof OEM business	333	373	1,146	1,075	- 6%
thereof commercial engine business	220	251	850	765	- 10%
thereof military engine business	113	123	296	310	+ 4%
thereof commercial maintenance	594	658	1,866	2,010	+ 8%
Adjusted EBIT	87	117	311	307	- 1%
thereof OEM business	66	89	194	202	+ 4%
thereof commercial maintenance	20	28	116	105	- 9%
<i>Adjusted EBIT margin</i>	<i>9.5%</i>	<i>11.7%</i>	<i>10.5%</i>	<i>10.2%</i>	
<i> in the OEM business</i>	<i>19.9%</i>	<i>23.9%</i>	<i>16.9%</i>	<i>18.8%</i>	
<i> in commercial maintenance</i>	<i>3.3%</i>	<i>4.2%</i>	<i>6.2%</i>	<i>5.2%</i>	
Adjusted net income	58	85	219	220	+ 0%
Net income (reported)	16	87	141	190	+ 35%
Earnings per share (basic, reported)	0.28	1.62	2.58	3.50	+ 36%
Free cash flow	20	18	145	205	+ 41%
Research and development expenses	41	60	139	162	+ 16%
thereof company-funded	35	41	119	116	- 2%
thereof customer-funded	7	19	21	46	+ 120%
<i>Company-funded R&D expenses as stated in the income statement</i>	<i>16</i>	<i>22</i>	<i>41</i>	<i>60</i>	<i>+ 48%</i>
Net capital expenditure on property, plant and equipment	30	54	93	117	+ 25%



			Dec. 31, 2020	Sept. 30, 2021	Change
Balance sheet key figures					
Intangible assets			1,135	1,156	+ 2%
Cash and cash equivalents			773	719	- 7%
Pension provisions			1,009	969	- 4%
Equity			2,635	2,727	+ 4%
Net financial debt			781	674	- 14%
Total assets and liabilities			8,104	8,070	- 0%
Order backlog					
			18,608	20,659	+ 11%
Employees					
			10,313	10,298	- 0%

Outlook for 2021

	Old	New
Revenue	Between €4.3 and €4.5 billion	Between €4.3 and €4.4 billion
<i>thereof: organic revenue development</i>		
<i>Military engine business</i>	<i>Increase in the mid to high single-digit percentage range</i>	<i>Increase in the mid single-digit percentage range</i>
<i>Commercial series business</i>	<i>Increase in the low to mid single-digit percentage range</i>	<i>Increase in the low to mid single-digit percentage range</i>
<i>Commercial spare parts business</i>	<i>Increase in the low to mid single-digit percentage range</i>	<i>Increase in the low to mid single-digit percentage range</i>
<i>Commercial maintenance</i>	<i>Increase of around 15 to 20%</i>	<i>Increase in the mid teens percentage range</i>
Adjusted EBIT margin	10% to 10.5%	~10.5%
Adjusted net income	Development in line with adjusted EBIT	Development in line with adjusted EBIT
Cash conversion rate	Mid to high double-digit percentage range	High double-digit percentage range

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