

# ▶ AIM Investor Update

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# ► Bango (BGO)

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## Bango's H1 platform transactions exceed \$2bn for first time

Mobile payment platform, **Bango (BGO)** released a positive trading update last week in which it said it will 'comfortably' meet analyst full-year forecasts.

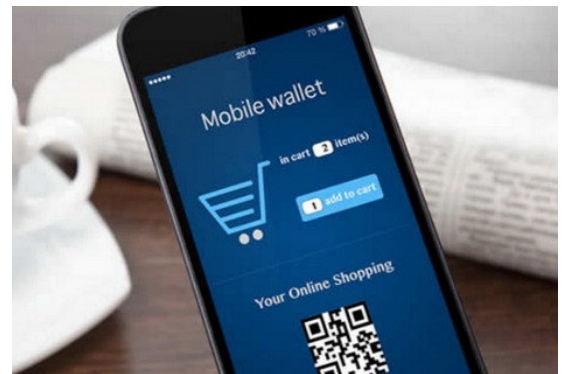
End User Spend (EUS), Bango's core KPI, increased 16% to over \$2bn (1H21: \$1.8bn) demonstrating the continued growth of merchants using the Bango Platform to collect payments.

First half revenue increased 9% to \$10.8m (1H21: \$9.9m) despite significant currency headwinds with major currencies declining against the US Dollar (e.g. Japanese Yen down 15% and Euro down 8%).

Commenting on the first six months of 2022, Bango CEO Paul Larbey said:

*"Our strategy of investing for growth is paying off. The increasing competitive advantage of the Bango Platform is securing long term, growing, recurring revenue streams from the world's largest businesses."*

*"With the progress made in the first half, the Board is confident Bango will comfortably meet the full year analyst consensus revenue and adjusted EBITDA forecasts for FY22."*



BGO Daily Candle Chart



# ► Ceres Power (CWR)

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## Ceres says revenue highly dependent on completion China JV contracts

**Ceres Power (CWR)** released a robust trading update at the end of July in which it provided further clarity on its major Joint Venture (JV) contracts.

The fuel cell developer said revenue and other operating income for the six months to 30 June 2022 is expected to be approx. £10m (H1 2021: £17.4m), with the timing of completion of the China JV contracts with Bosch and Weichai and associated licence fees expected to fall in the second half of 2022.



Cash balances remain strong at £221m for the period end 30 June 2022.

Ceres CEO, Phil Caldwell commented:

*"Ceres is placed at the heart of the energy transition, and everything we do is focused on ensuring the success of our partners by deploying our technology in multiple geographies and applications."*

*"Whilst short-term revenues are dependent on the timing of significant licensing deals, our focus remains on building long-term value through scaling the manufacturing capacity for our technology and growing the recurring, annual royalty streams we will receive as partners succeed. We continue to make good progress towards this aim both with existing and new partnerships."*



# ► Restore (RST)

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## Restore HY profits jump 36%

**Restore (RST)** released a strong set of half year results at the end of July...

The document management company said it had achieved 'substantial' revenue growth of 32% in the first half, driven by strong organic momentum (+19%) and the successful integration of acquisitions made in 2021 and H1 2022 (+13%).

Restore remain confident of delivering its stated objective to reach annual revenues of £450m and double adjusted earnings (EBITDA) to £150m in the medium term.

Restore CEO, Charles Bligh commented:

*"In addition to our confidence in future organic growth, we have a well-developed pipeline of acquisition opportunities, and, with our strong balance sheet, we are looking forward to completing further investments in H2 and continuing to deliver great results for our shareholders and customers."*

The shares have drifted sideways this year - in-line with the wider market, but with continued strong results and an upbeat outlook, we expect the shares to retest last years highs in the coming months.



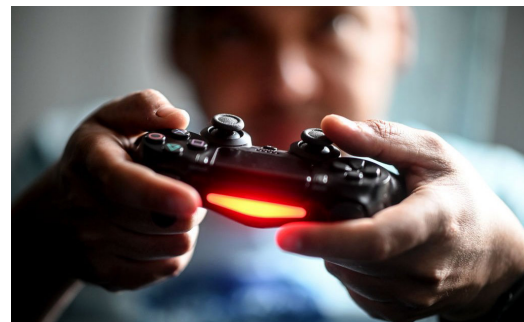
# ► Keywords Studios (KWS)

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## Keywords deliver strong HY organic revenue growth of 22%

Gaming group **Keywords Studios (KWS)** 'performed strongly' during the first half...

Keywords expect to report revenues of approx. €320m representing a c.34% increase on the comparative period (H1 2021: €238.7m). On an organic basis, Keywords revenues are expected to increase by approx. 22% (H1 2021: 22.9%) with "robust demand for all of the Group's services".



As of 30 June 2022, the Group had net cash of €121m (31 December 2021: €105.6m) after cash spend on prior year acquisitions in the first half of the year amounting to €13.6m.

Keywords said, "the Group's cash balance, strong cash generation and the €150m available under its undrawn committed revolving credit facility, leave the Group well placed to pursue its organic and acquisition growth strategy".

On outlook, Bertrand Bodson, CEO of Keywords Studios commented:

"Given this and the Group's strong performance in H1, we are confident of delivering a performance comfortably ahead of current market expectations for the full year, albeit with organic growth rates moderating and margins moving to historic levels of ~15% as we invest in the business, transition our people and work from Russia, and as more costs return with the easing of COVID restrictions".



# Mulberry (MUL)

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## Mulberry post higher annual profits

**Mulberry (MUL)** reported a rise in annual profits as shoppers return to stores after pandemic-related restrictions were eased.

The UK-based fashion house reported FY revenue of £152.4m (£115m FY21) and Profit Before Tax of £21.3m, a significant jump from £4.6m a year ago.

Mulberry said FY retail sales in China were up 59% and the first 12 weeks of the new financial year revenue is 5% ahead of last year but warned that current trading could be impacted by lockdowns in China.

CEO, Thierry Andretta commented:

*"The strength of our financial results reflects positive customer response to our product as well as the strategic decisions we have made over the past five years, and I want to take this opportunity to thank my colleagues for their commitment and contribution to the business."*

*"Whilst the economic and geo-political outlook remains uncertain, we are an iconic international brand with a clear strategy for future profitable, cash-generative growth. We remain well placed to continue to deliver sustainable returns to the benefit of all our stakeholders."*



# ▶ Gamma Communications (GAMA)

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## Gamma Communications sees FY earnings at upper end of market forecasts

**Gamma Communications (GAMA)** released a positive H1 trading update in which said it expects adjusted EPS for the year ending 31 December 2022 to be in the "upper half of the range of market forecasts".

The VOIP specialist said its resilient recurring revenue model, combined with selected price increases and strict cost discipline, has helped mitigate inflationary pressures.

Andrew Belshaw, Interim Chief Executive, commented on the results:

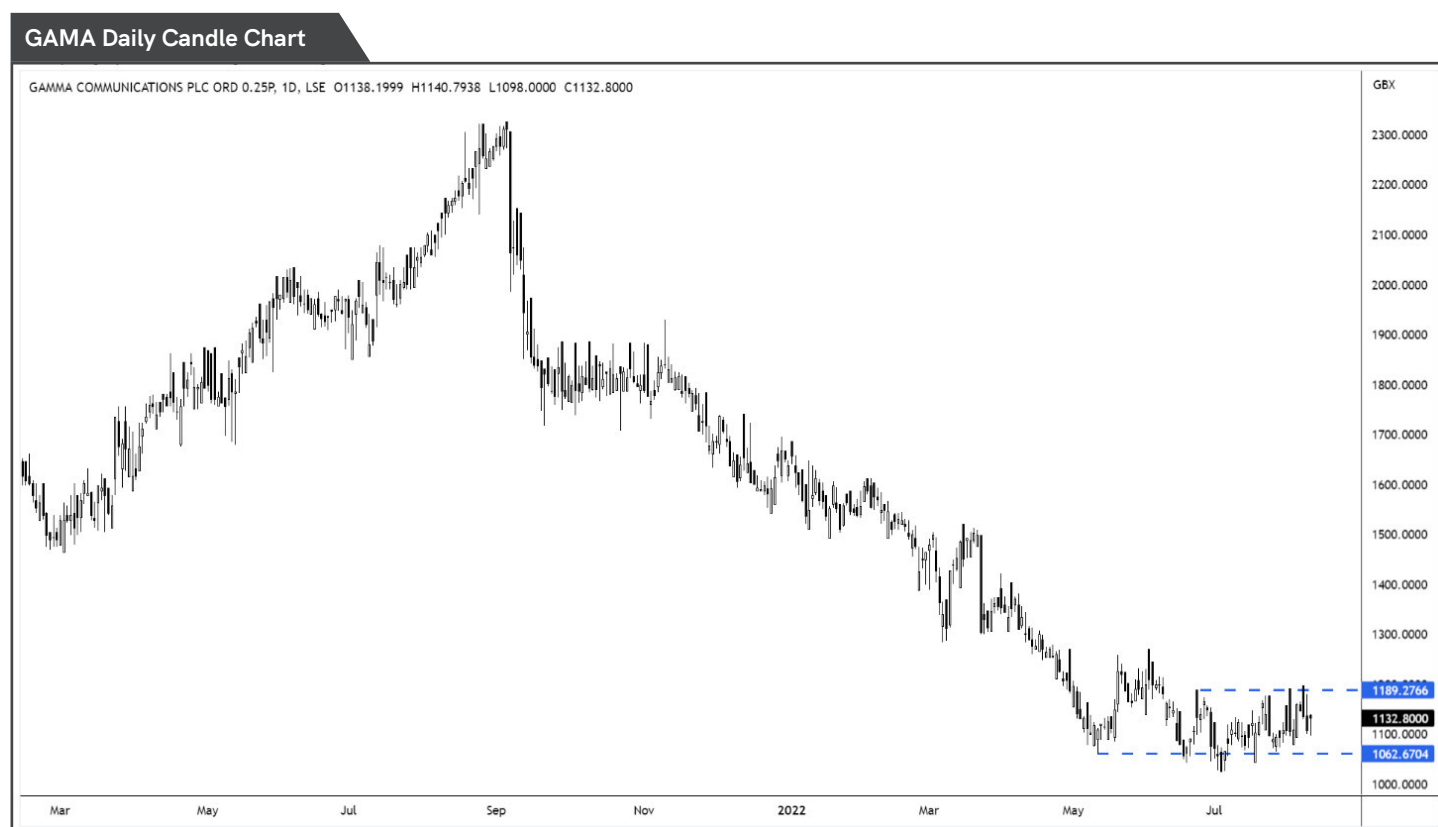
*"I'm very pleased to report on a strong first half performance. Gamma is leveraging the full breadth of its market-leading product set both through the channel and direct across all of our markets".*

*"Although not immune from the macro-economic challenges ahead, our recurring revenue model, strong cash generation and healthy balance sheet enables us to continue to invest in the undoubted market opportunity. Churn and bad debt remains at low levels and these results demonstrate the resilience of the customer base and the importance they attach to Gamma's products and services".*

*"We look forward to continuing this momentum into the second half".*



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# ► Atalaya Mining (ATYM)

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## Atalaya Mining posts 72% drop in second-quarter profit as input costs soar

**Atalaya Mining (ATYM)** reported a 72% drop in second-quarter profit as input costs soared and warned inflationary pressures are likely to continue.

Q2 adjusted earnings (EBITDA) dropped to €14.7m versus €52m in Q2 2021. The drop was due to significant increases in key input costs such as electricity, diesel, explosives, steel and lime.

In July, Atalaya revised its full-year copper production guidance down to 52,000 – 54,000 tonnes and said that cash costs and all-in-sustaining costs (AISC) will be revised upwards by about 5-10%.



Atalaya CEO, Alberto Lavandeira commented:

*"As a result of the ongoing conflict in Ukraine and the inflationary environment globally, our costs have increased materially since last year and it is likely that current conditions will persist for some time".*

Atalaya, which had net cash of €67.6m as of end-June, plans to pay Interim dividend of \$0.036 per share.





# ► Sylvania Platinum (SLP)

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## Sylvania Platinum give Q4 trading update

A 22% drop in platinum group metals (PGM) prices saw **Sylvania Platinum's (SLP)** net revenue fall in Q4...

Sylvania said its Sylvania Dump Operations (SDO) recorded \$34.9m net revenue for the quarter (Q3: \$47.9m), reflecting a 22% lower PGM basket price received during the quarter.

Group adjusted earnings (EBITDA) for the quarter came in at of \$16.8m (Q3: \$30.0m), and group cash dropped to \$121.3m, after payment of the windfall dividend, share buyback and year-end taxes (Q3: \$138.0 million).

Commenting on the Q4 results, Sylvania's CEO, Jaco Prinsloo said:

*"I am very pleased with the strong finish to the financial year where the SDO achieved 18,837 ounces for the quarter. The strong performance was achieved on the back of a solid production effort from all operations, especially Tweefontein plant which achieved record monthly and quarterly PGM ounces, improved ROM PGM feed grade received from the host mine at Mooinooi and the contribution of the recently commissioned Lesedi MF2 circuit also added to our performance."*

*"Despite the challenges faced over the past few quarters, I am pleased with the significantly improved production performance of the SDO for Q4. The Company was therefore able to achieve a PGM production of 67,053 ounces for FY2022 to meet the mid-range of our earlier stated guidance for the year."*



### SLP Daily Candle Chart



# ► CML Microsystems (CML)

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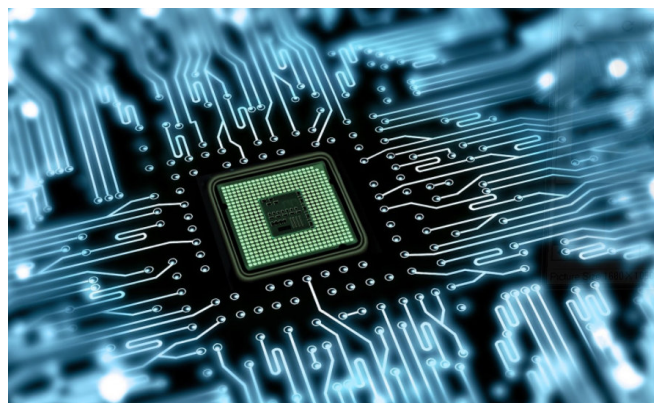
## CML Microsystems enters new FY with healthy order book

In an AGM statement, released yesterday, **CML Microsystems (CML)** said it entered the new financial year with a “healthy order book and a strong pipeline of future opportunities”.

The chip maker did not give any numbers, but said it had made good progress so far, with trading for the opening four months “comfortably ahead of the prior year comparable period”.

“Our enhanced strategy to widen the addressable market is gathering pace and activities to capture share of new market application areas remains a priority focus. In support of this, several new product releases are scheduled across the coming months that are projected to start contributing to revenues during the following year” read the upbeat statement.

The market enjoyed the comments, and the shares were trading 4% on Wednesday (10th August).



CML Daily Candle Chart



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# ► Performance (Open)

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The table below shows performance data for every AIM Investor open position since the service was launched in January 2019\*.

Name	Ticker	Open Date	Entry Price	Current Price*	Profit/Loss (%)*
Bioventix	BVX	19/09/2019	3825	3375	-11.76%
boohoo	BOO	14/11/2019	266	64	-75.93%
Midwich Group PLC	MIDW	28/11/2019	599	538	-10.18%
Learning Tech	LTG	02/01/2020	141	134.7	-4.46%
Eckoh	ECK	16/01/2020	59	40.4	-31.52%
Cohort	CHR	07/05/2020	561	542	-3.38%
Anglo Asian Mining	AAZ	21/05/2020	142	86.5	-39.08%
Bango	BGO	18/06/2020	177	175	-1.12%
Craneware	CRW	02/07/2020	1705	1735	1.75%
Robinson	RBN	16/07/2020	121	80	-33.88%
Oxford Metrics	OMG	30/07/2020	75.2	101.34	34.76%
Begbies Traynor	BEG	27/08/2020	84.9	147	73.14%
Spectra Systems	SPSY	22/10/2020	190	125	-34.21%
Pan African Resources	PAF	05/11/2020	22	21.2	-3.63%
Tracsis	TRCS	03/12/2020	622	955	53.53%
Restore	RST	17/12/2020	375	414	10.40%
Central Asian Metals	CAML	07/01/2021	268	248	-7.46%
Somero	SOM	21/01/2021	385	425	10.38%
Inspes	SPEC	18/02/2021	329	215	-34.65%
Ceres Power	CWR	18/03/2021	1094	616.2	-43.67%
Eckoh	ECK	15/04/2021	78.7	40.4	-48.66%
Tremor International	TRMR	29/04/2021	715	449.6	-37.11%
MPAC Group	MPAC	13/05/2021	524	295	-43.70%
Character Group	CCT	27/05/2021	635	507.9	-20.01%
Bango	BGO	10/06/2021	210	175	-16.66%
Keywords Studios	KWS	24/06/2021	2490	2636	5.86%
Science Group	SAG	08/07/2021	396	412.5	4.16%
Xpediator Plc	XPDI	22/07/2021	70	31.25	-55.35%
Ixico	IXI	05/08/2021	68	33.7	-50.44%
EQTEC	EQE	19/08/2021	1.29	0.455	-64.72%
Renold	RNO	02/09/2021	23	24	4.34%
Gattaca	GATC	16/09/2021	207	62.06	-70.01%
Yellow Cake	YCA	30/09/2021	332	360.4	8.55%
TMX Impact	TPX	14/10/2021	235	118.2	-49.70%
Enwell Energy	ENW	28/10/2021	42.3	22.25	-47.39%
Marlowe Plc	MRL	11/11/2021	937	748	-20.17%
Warpaint London	W7L	25/11/2021	155	122	-21.29%
Surface Transforms	SCE	09/12/2021	54	48.5	-10.18%
Mulberry	MUL	16/12/2021	320	280	-12.50%
Inland Homes	INL	06/01/2022	56	32.75	-41.51%
eEnergy	EAAS	20/01/2022	15	7.8	-48.00%
Learning Tech (2 <sup>nd</sup> tranche)	LTG	03/02/2022	170	134.7	-20.76%
Solid State	SOLI	17/02/2022	1160	1136	-2.06%
Gamma Communications	GAMA	03/03/2022	1488	1152	-22.58%
K3 Capital	K3C	17/03/2022	271	229	-15.49%
Totally	TLY	31/03/2022	35	42.25	20.71%
Kitwave	KITW	14/04/2022	146	168.5	15.41%
CentralNic	CNIC	28/04/2022	125	124	-0.80%
Alliance Pharma	APH	12/05/2022	109	94.2	-13.57%
Atalaya Mining	ATYM	26/05/2022	371	260	-29.91%
iEnergizer	IBPO	09/06/2022	397	430	8.31%
Keywords Studios (2 <sup>nd</sup> tranche)	KWS	23/06/2022	2266	2636	16.32%
Equals Group	EQL	07/07/2022	91	93	2.19%
Sylvania Platinum	SLP	21/07/2022	81	90	11.11%
CML Microsystems	CML	04/08/2022	383	420.24	9.72%

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# ► Performance (Closed)

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The table below shows full performance data for every AIM Investor closed position since the service was launched in January 2019.

Name	Ticker	Open Date	Open Price	Closed Price	Close Date*	Total Return (%)**
Trans-Siberian Gold	TSG	31/01/2019	44.3	50.0	28/01/2020	+ 12.87%
Dart Group	DTG	27/06/2019	831	1712	28/01/2020	+ 106.82%
Johnson Service	JSG	08/08/2019	165	126	30/04/2020	- 23.64%
Churchill China	CHH	24/10/2019	1580	1460	30/04/2020	- 7.59%
Best Of The Best	BOTB	12/12/2019	320	603	13/05/2020	+ 88.44%
Goldplat	GLDP	12/03/2020	4.300	7.690	30/07/2020	+ 78.84%
Highland Gold	HGM	13/02/2020	205	294.40	05/08/2020	+ 45.07%
Codemasters	CDM	14/02/2019	178.7	370.0	06/08/2020	+ 107.05%
Sylvania	SLP	03/10/2019	36.93	67.50	03/09/2020	+ 82.78%
Frontier Developments	FDEV	30/01/2020	1404	2401	11/11/2020	+ 71.01%
Frontier Developments (2 <sup>nd</sup> tranche)	FDEV	26/03/2020	1157	2401	11/11/2020	+ 107.52%
Quartix	QTX	05/09/2019	335	370	08/12/2020	+ 10.40%
Ergomed	ERGO	09/04/2020	453	925	08/12/2020	+ 104.19%
Scientific Digital Imaging	SDI	22/08/2019	53	122.90	31/01/2021	+ 131.89%
Gamma Communications	GAMA	28/12/2019	876	1910	20/05/2021	+ 118.13%
Keystone Law	KEYS	18/04/2019	426	640	02/06/2021	+ 50.23%
GB Group	GBG	31/10/2019	610	901	10/06/2021	+ 47.70%
D4t4 Solutions	D4T4	14/03/2019	223.7	345	30/06/2021	+ 54.22%
Clinigen	CLIN	28/03/2019	918	613	14/07/2021	- 33.22%
Alumasc Group	ALU	01/04/2021	173	261	26/07/2021	+ 50.87%
MTI Wireless Edge	MWE	04/06/2020	38.5	80	17/08/2021	+ 107.79%
Arcontech	ARC	19/11/2020	198	142.70	02/09/2021	- 27.93%
Renew Holdings	RNW	27/02/2020	525	797	06/09/2021	+ 51.81%
Renew Holdings (2 <sup>nd</sup> tranche)	RNW	24/09/2020	432	797	06/09/2021	+ 84.49%
Next Fifteen Communications	NFC	10/09/2020	480	1154	14/09/2021	+ 140.42%
Ramsdens Holdings	RFX	11/07/2019	189.94	155	29/11/2021	- 14.40%
Quixant	QXT	04/02/2021	128	160.10	29/11/2021	+ 28.10%
Serica Energy	SQZ	04/03/2021	120	209	29/11/2021	+ 77.10%
IG Design	IGR	25/07/2019	584	279	05/01/2022	- 48.20%
Kape Technologies	KAPE	23/04/2020	174	445	05/01/2022	+ 155.70%
Suresurve	SUR	08/10/2020	53	98	07/01/2022	+ 86.80%
Ideagen	IDEA	13/08/2020	197	345	26/05/2022	+ 75.13%



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