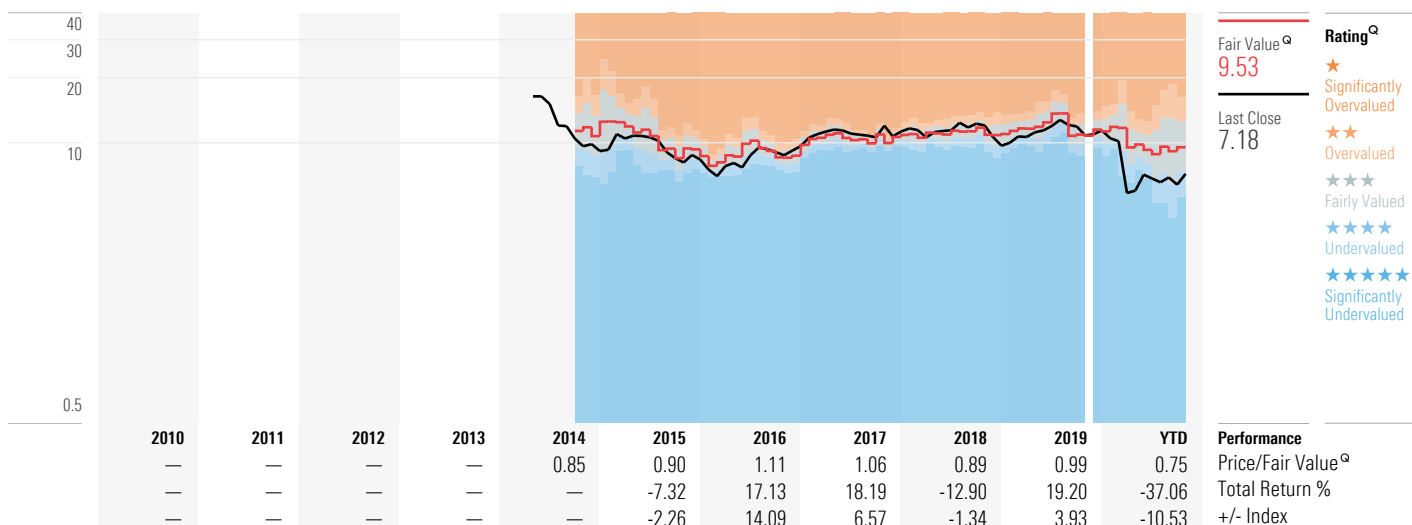


# Applus Services SA APPS ★★★ Q 26 Oct 2020, 22:32 UTC

<b>Economic Moat</b> <sup>Q</sup>	<b>Uncertainty</b> <sup>Q</sup>	<b>Price/Fair Value</b> <sup>Q</sup>	<b>Trailing Dividend Yield</b> %	<b>Market Cap</b>	<b>Investment Style</b>	<b>Sector</b>	<b>Industry</b>
None	Very High	0.8	2.05	1.0253 Bil	Small Core	Industrials	Specialty Business Services



Total Return % as of 26 Oct 2020. Last Close as of 26 Oct 2020. Fair Value as of 26 Oct 2020, 22:32 UTC. Index: Morningstar Spain GR EUR.

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## Valuation <sup>Q</sup> as of 26 Oct 2020



APPS is undervalued at a 25% discount.

Fair Value <sup>Q</sup>  
9.53  
Uncertainty <sup>Q</sup>:  
Very High

Last Close  
7.18

**Economic Moat** <sup>Q</sup>  
⊖ None  
**Financial Health** <sup>Q</sup>  
Moderate

**1-Star Price** <sup>Q</sup>  
> 16.22  
**5-Star Price** <sup>Q</sup>  
< 5.60

## Financials as of 26 Oct 2020 (Fiscal Year End 31 Dec 2019)

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	YTD	Fiscal
Revenue (Mil)	—	981	1,193	1,581	1,619	1,701	1,586	1,583	1,676	1,778	741	Revenue (Mil)
Operating Income (Mil)	—	54	66	92	93	101	82	89	112	138	5	Operating Income (Mil)
Operating Margin (%)	—	5.48	5.56	5.81	5.77	5.91	5.2	5.64	6.66	7.76	0.72	Operating Margin (%)
Net Income (Mil)	—	-91	-69	-170	24	38	20	36	41	56	-170	Net Income (Mil)
Diluted Earnings/Share	—	-0.15	-0.11	-0.28	0.20	0.30	0.15	0.27	0.29	0.39	-1.19	Diluted Earnings/Share
Operating Cash Flow (Mil)	—	—	133	155	123	160	169	137	159	248	101	Operating Cash Flow (Mil)
Capital Spending (Mil)	—	—	-55	-52	-48	-51	-54	-59	-51	-71	-17	Capital Spending (Mil)
Free Cash Flow (Mil)	—	—	77	103	75	109	116	78	108	178	83	Free Cash Flow (Mil)
Avg Shares Outstand(Mil)	—	604	604	604	123	130	130	133	143	143	143	Avg Shares Outstand(Mil)
Dividend Per Share	—	—	—	—	—	0.13	0.13	0.13	0.13	0.15	—	Dividend Per Share

## Valuation as of 26 Oct 2020

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	Current	Calendar
Price/Fair Value <sup>Q</sup>	—	—	—	—	0.85	0.90	1.11	1.06	0.89	0.99	0.75	Price/Fair Value <sup>Q</sup>
Price/Sales	—	—	—	—	0.74	0.64	0.77	0.92	0.84	0.94	0.62	Price/Sales
Price/Earnings	—	—	—	—	14.38	24.42	40.74	80.08	32.64	33.10	16.63	Price/Earnings
Price/Cash Flow	—	—	—	—	8.36	8.60	7.58	9.10	8.78	8.14	4.07	Price/Cash Flow
Price/Book	—	—	—	—	2.01	1.75	2.07	2.64	1.87	2.17	1.73	Price/Book

## Operating Performance as of — (Fiscal Year End 31 Dec 2019)

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	Q3	Fiscal (%)
Return on Assets	—	-4.66	-3.35	0.22	1.19	1.91	0.97	1.78	2.06	2.67	—	Return on Assets
Return on Equity	—	—	-41.13	1.42	5.39	6.38	3.21	5.25	5.5	7.26	—	Return on Equity
Rtn on Invested Capital	—	—	0.01	0.31	3.16	3.62	2.15	3.48	3.85	4.69	—	Rtn on Invested Capital

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*Uncertainty)*

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