

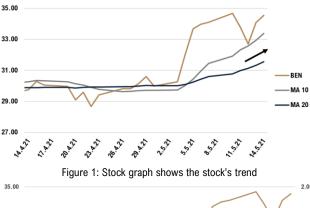
### Franklin Resources Inc., May 17, 2021

BEN.N,
Investment Services

Academic - Research Team

Eleftheria Pinaka

Nikos Panozachos



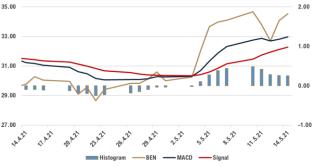




Figure 3: +DMI14 crosses over -DMI14



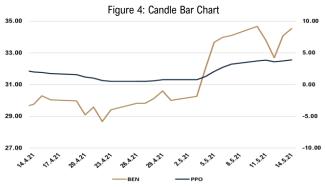


Figure 5: PPO above the zero line

## Firm's Brief Description

Franklin Resources, Inc. is a holding company. The Company, along with its subsidiaries, operates as Franklin Templeton Investments. It is a global investment management company that provides investment management and related services to retail, institutional and high net-worth clients in jurisdictions around the world. The Company offers its investment products and services under the Franklin, Templeton, Franklin Mutual Series, Franklin Bissett, Fiduciary Trust, Darby, Balanced Equity Management, K2 and Liberty Shares brand names. Its products include investment funds and institutional, high net-worth and separately managed accounts (collectively, sponsored investment products (SIPs)). It offers various types of SIPs, such as the United States funds, cross-border funds, local/regional funds, and other managed accounts, alternative investment products and trusts. Its investment funds include the United States-registered funds, non-United States-registered funds and unregistered funds.

### **Fundamental Approach**

- Company's operating revenue in Q2 rose by 4% at 2.08 billion dollars Q/Q and by 58% Y/Y.
- The BEN stock gained 1.1% after the Q2 financial reports release due to the rise in earnings and revenue.
- AUM increased in 30<sup>th</sup> of April to 1.52 trillion dollars as compared to 1.49 trillion in 31<sup>st</sup> of March.
- Franklin Resources Inc. has a leverage ratio of 2.07 which is less than the 10.32 of the industry.

### **Technical Analysis**

According to Figure 1, the 10-day MA crossed above the 20-day MA providing a potential buy signal of the BEN stock. In Figure 2, MACD crossed above the signal line while it grew sharply, indicating a bullish trend. Furthermore, the +DMI14 surpassed the –DMI14 on May 2<sup>nd</sup>, demonstrating a potential bullish trend on the stock. The positive changes in the BEN stock where more than the negative ones as it is shown in the Candle Chart of Figure 4. Lastly, the PPO depicted in Figure 5, showed an up-trend, increasing above the zero line on May 2<sup>nd</sup>, pointing out a buy signal as well.

#### **Prediction**

Taking into account the technical analysis above and the positive momentum of the stock, our recommendation is a long position in the BEN stock. This prediction is further supported by the news regarding the positive changes in company's revenues and earnings in Q2 of 2021 and the bullish trend of the stock.



# Franklin Resources Inc, May 17, 2021

BEN.N, Investment Services Academic – Research Team

Elefheria Pinaka

Nikos Panozachos

### **DISCLAIMER**

#### THE FINANCE CLUB OF UNIVERSITY OF MACEDONIA, THESSALONIKI, GREECE

The Finance Club of University of Macedonia - www.financeclub.gr is an independent non-profitable student organization founded by students of the University of Macedonia, Greece (UoM - www.uom.gr) that aims to build strong relations between the market and the University. Though based in the University of Macedonia, it also operates via associates in Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, Greece and other institutions. The Club's goal is to give its members the chance to view the market in a more practical approach rather than solely relying on the abstract knowledge offered by the university. In order to achieve this goal, the Club organizes various events like conferences, workshops and seminars. Moreover, its members are able to cooperate with companies by taking up real case projects to work on along with the managers of the associated companies. In addition, the Club is trying to build and expand its network among students, market professionals and professors therefore giving its members a very broad pool of potential partners and employers.

This report has been compiled by the authors mentioned above and published by them via the Finance Club UoM site and many other platforms. The club confirms that the authors are active members at the time this article is published but emphasizes the fact that opinions and views given by the authors in this article are their own views. Finance Club UoM takes no responsibility for the completeness or correctness of information provided. No investment advice is given with the text above and the reader should not take any financial position based on the information published in this article. The Club recommends extensive research by the reader before investing in any financial asset. General this report may be based on the information extracted from various sources including but not limited to various companies' and statistical agencies' websites, online portals, third-party research, annual reports etc. No representation or warranty of any kind is or may be made with respect to the accuracy or completeness of, and no representation or warranty should be inferred from, any projections or futuristic statement contained herein or any underlying assumptions. This article may include descriptions, statements, estimates and projections/futuristic statements with respect to current and anticipated performance of the underlying. Such statements, estimates and projections reflect various assumptions and best estimates made by the participants concerning anticipated results, whose assumptions and estimates may or may not prove to be accurate or correct. There are no assurances whatsoever that any statements, estimates or projections contained in this article, including without limitation any financial or business projections, accurately present in all material respects the underlying's financial and/or business position as of the respective dates specified and the results of its operations for any respective periods indicated. No copyright or trademark infringement is intended in any form.

© Copyright 2020. Finance Club UoM