Tech M&A Monthly A Seller's Biggest Mistake

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Welcome



Bruce Milne CEO Corum Group Ltd.

A leader in the software industry, Bruce has founded or owned four software companies, including the largest vertical market software company, AMI, an Inc. 500 firm rated by IDC as the fastest growing computer-related company in the world.

He has served on advisory boards for Microsoft, IBM, DEC, Comdex and Apple, and as board member/founding investor in some of the most innovative firms in their field, including Blue Coat, Bright Star and Sabaki. Past advisor to two governors and a senator, a board member of the Washington Technology Center, and founder of the WTIA, the nation's most active regional technology trade association.

He worked with the Canadian government to found SoftWorld, and he was recently chosen as one of the 200 most influential individuals in the IT community in Europe. He was also the only American juror for the recent Tornado 100 Awards given to Europe's top technology firms

A graduate with Distinction from Harvard Business School, Bruce has written three books on business models for success, including *Power Planning*. He is a frequent lecturer and author.

Agenda

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- Special Reports: Record Conferences
- Field Report: Lingospot
- May 2016 Research Report
- A Seller's Biggest Mistake
- Q&A



Moderator



Timothy Goddard VP, Marketing Corum Group Ltd.

Timothy joined Corum in 2011, and oversees the company's marketing efforts globally from the headquarters near Seattle. Chief among these is Corum's extensive conference schedule, "Selling Up, Selling Out," the Merge Briefing, the Tech M&A Monthly webcast and Corum's platinum sponsorship of the World Financial Symposiums' live events and Market Spotlight series. Through these events, Corum Group serves as the world's leading educator in technology mergers and acquisitions.

Prior to joining Corum, Timothy served as marketing and product manager for GIS software startup Depiction, Inc., and previously worked in marketing for VizX Labs, a pioneering SaaS startup delivering DNA analysis tools. In addition to marketing for software startups, Tim has worked for a US Senate campaign and taught science in Rio de Janeiro.

Timothy graduated Magna Cum Laude from Bethel University in St. Paul, Minnesota, with degrees in History and Biology.

CNBC Power Pitch



Nat Burgess President Corum Group Ltd.

Nat joined Corum in 1996 and brings a diverse background in technology M&A and law. While with the Enforcement Division of the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, Nat helped identify and build cases against securities fraud schemes. With the Strategic Development Division of Morgan Stanley's M&A group, Nat worked on cross-border acquisitions of U.S. and European companies by Japanese firms, and on financings by large Japanese public companies. Nat moved to Morgan Stanley's Tokyo office, where he reported directly to the President of Morgan Stanley, Japan Ltd. and focused exclusively on cross-border M&A.

After Morgan Stanley, Nat co-founded Postcard Software, a creator of advertiser-driven bilingual (English and Japanese) Internet content. At Activision, Nat led the company's on-line business development.

Nat earned an undergraduate degree in Japanese literature from Yale College and a law degree from UCLA. While in law school, Nat wrote articles for the International Forum at Yale, Tokyo Journal.

CNBC Power Pitch















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Special Report: Reston



Daniel Bernstein Vice President Corum Group Ltd.

Daniel Bernstein has worked in a number of roles over a twenty year career in high technology, most recently as the founder and CEO of Sandlot Games Corporation, a leading casual games publisher and developer. Having sold Sandlot Games to Digital Chocolate in 2011, Daniel started a small games studio and a consulting practice where he advises larger companies such as RealNetworks and smaller high growth businesses on product development, strategic initiatives, and M&A opportunities.

Prior to Sandlot Games, Daniel Bernstein held director level positions in companies such as Wild Tangent and Monolith. An accomplished composer, Daniel also writes music for most of the games he works on.

Daniel holds a BS in Computer Science and an MA in Music Composition from the University of Virginia.

Special Report: Vancouver



Dave Levine Vice President Corum Group Ltd.

Dave joined Corum in 2015 and has a diverse background in technology and life sciences. As an executive and entrepreneur, Dave has been operating and investing in companies sitting at the convergence of commerce and eCommerce as well as innovative life science businesses for over twenty-five years. Recently, Dave was CEO North America for Gaxsys, an eCommerce and logistics company that is a leader in last mile logistics and fulfillment for eCommerce marketplaces.

Dave has been on both sides of the mergers and acquisitions table having sold a life science technology company, facilitated sell side and buy side technology transactions and has also scaled multiple technology companies globally in the eCommerce, life sciences and innovation intelligence markets. Dave sits on boards of public and private companies including one company that recently filed for an IPO.

Dave holds a business degree from the Indiana University, Kelley School of Business.



Special Report: Germany



Jon Scott Senior Vice President Corum Group Ltd.

Jon joined Corum in 2010 out of their Seattle headquarters and is now based in Amsterdam. He has close to 30 years experience serving high technology companies with the last 20 mainly in chief operating and chief executive roles. During this time Jon has become known for his ability to successfully integrate strategies and tactics into well executed operating plans, building strong teams and achieving excellent results.

Jon has served as President and CEO of The PowerTech Group, a security and compliance software company sold to Help/Systems in 2008, and Microserv Technology Services, a nationwide tech services company which was acquired by Halifax Corporation in 2003. Earlier he served as President and COO of Traveling Software, a leading developer of communications software in Seattle. Prior to his operating roles Jon held vice president roles in sales, marketing and business development for technology companies.

Jon has taught in the software product management program at the University of Washington and holds a business administration degree from San Francisco State University.

Introducing: Andy Hill



Andy Hill Regional Advisor Corum Group Ltd.



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Enterprise software entrepreneur Andy Hill was co-founder of Oniqua MRO Analytics, a successful supply chain analytics business which grew from a two-person start-up in Australia to become the global leader in spares parts optimization for asset-intensive industries. As CEO, Andy spear-headed the growth of Oniqua to become the dominant player in its market with over \$12 Billion dollars of spares parts inventory managed by the Oniqua solution in more than 30 countries. Corum Group led the successful exit of Oniqua to ASCO Limited a UK private-equity owned logistics business.

On his retirement as CEO of Oniqua, Andy joined Corum Group as a Regional Advisor. As the successful CEO of an Australian software company, and a previous client of Corum Group, Andy is uniquely placed to help Australian and New Zealand software companies in this role.

Select Corum Deals Down Under





Corum Conferences Down Under

- Jun. 20: Perth– MB
- Jun. 22: Melbourne MB
- Jun. 23: Sydney MB
- Jun. 24: Brisbane SUSO
- Jun. 28: Auckland MB
- Jun. 30: Wellington SUSO



Field Report: Lingospot acquired by Piksel



Jim Perkins Senior Vice President Corum Group Ltd.



Entertainment software entrepreneur Jim Perkins is directly responsible for publishing some of the industry's biggest franchises, including Unreal, Duke Nukem, Wolfenstein, Doom, Hunting Unlimited, and Driver. A well-known senior executive with a 22-year track record of publishing such bestselling hits, he founded and grew two highly successful software publishing companies (FormGen and ARUSH) from start-ups to multi-million dollar enterprises.

Jim also launched Radar Group, the first Transmedia Incubation Company to monetize entertainment franchises across all media, including film and television. His success and extensive experience in software production, marketing and public relations, packaging, online and retail distribution and software M&A, uniquely qualify him as an expert in building value and realizing wealth. Jim joined Corum Group, the world's leading software M&A firm, with a specific focus on educating and helping prospective sellers maximize the value of their digital media companies.



Corum Research Report



Elon Gasper Vice President, Director of Research



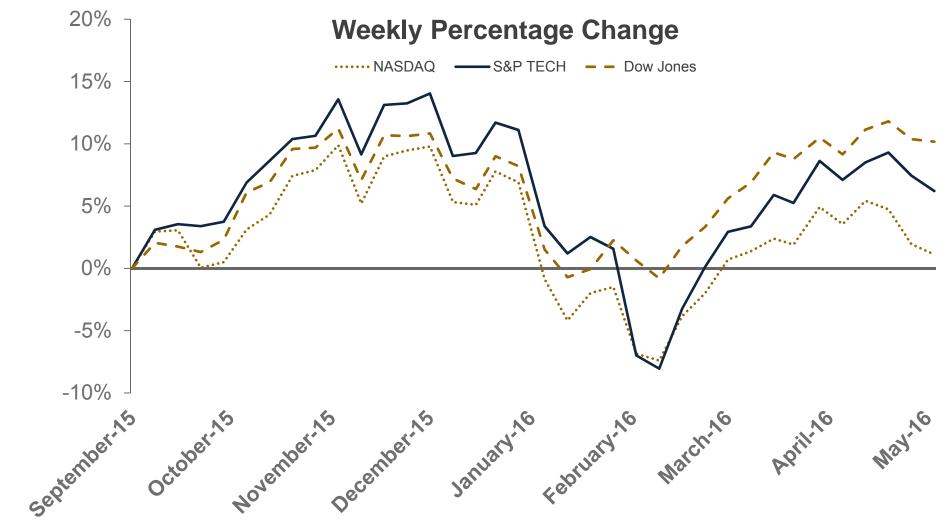
Amber Stoner Senior Analyst



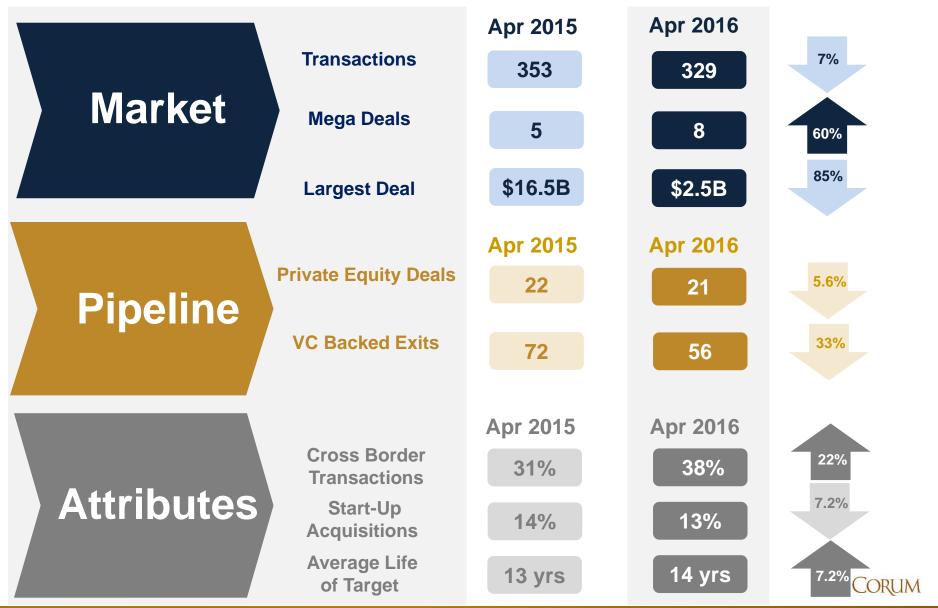
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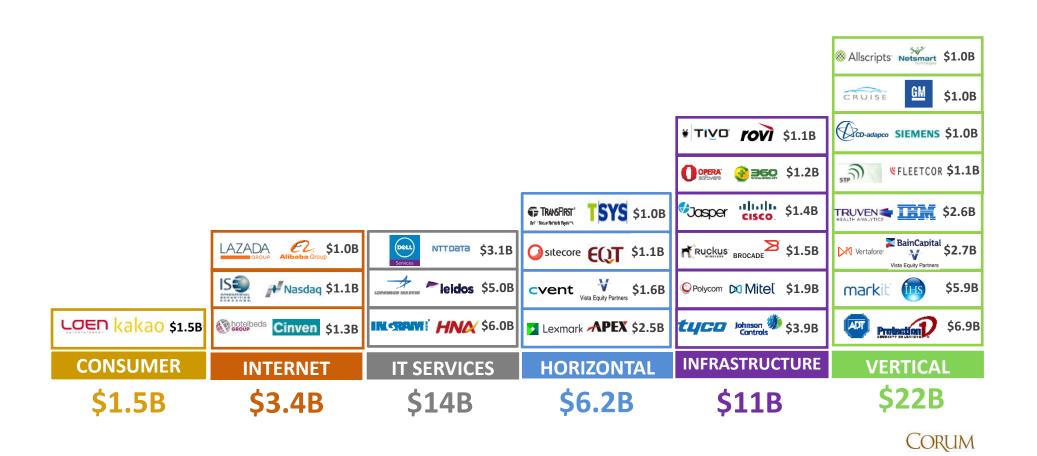


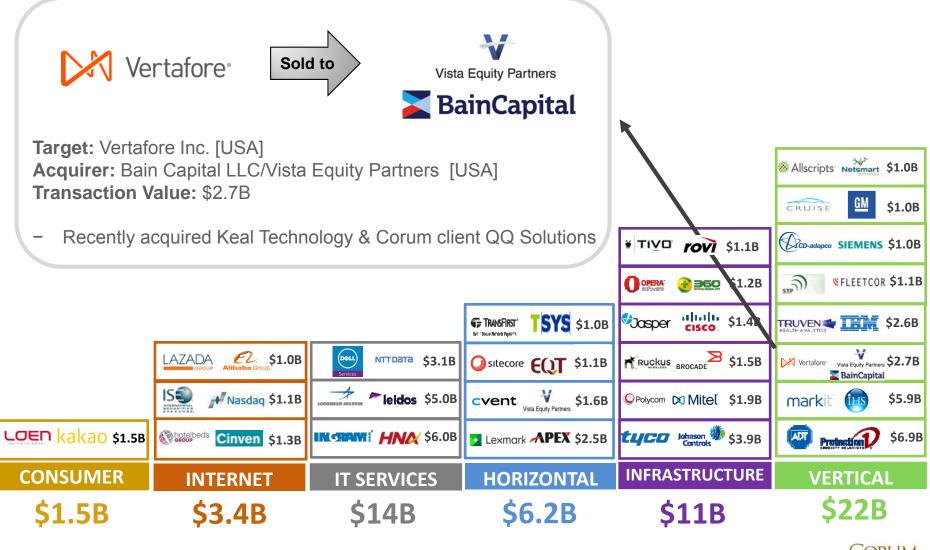
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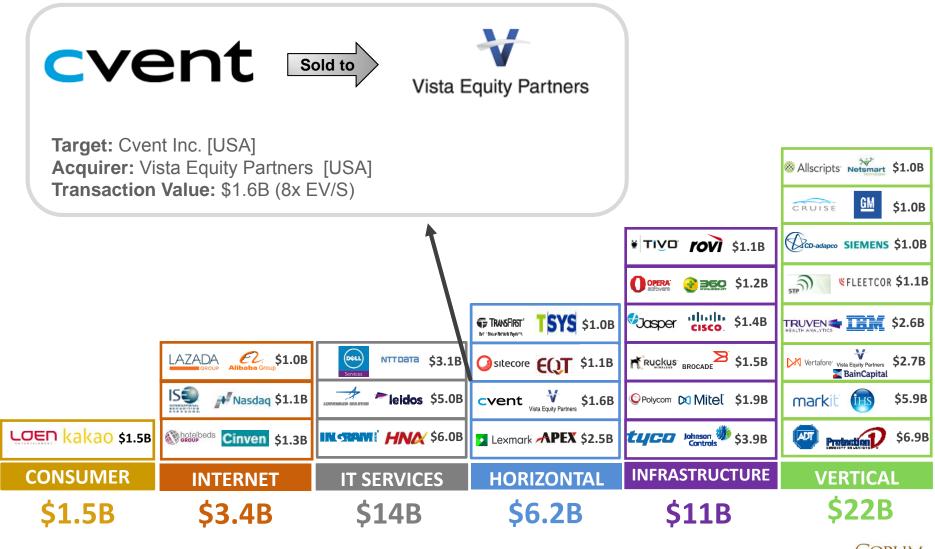


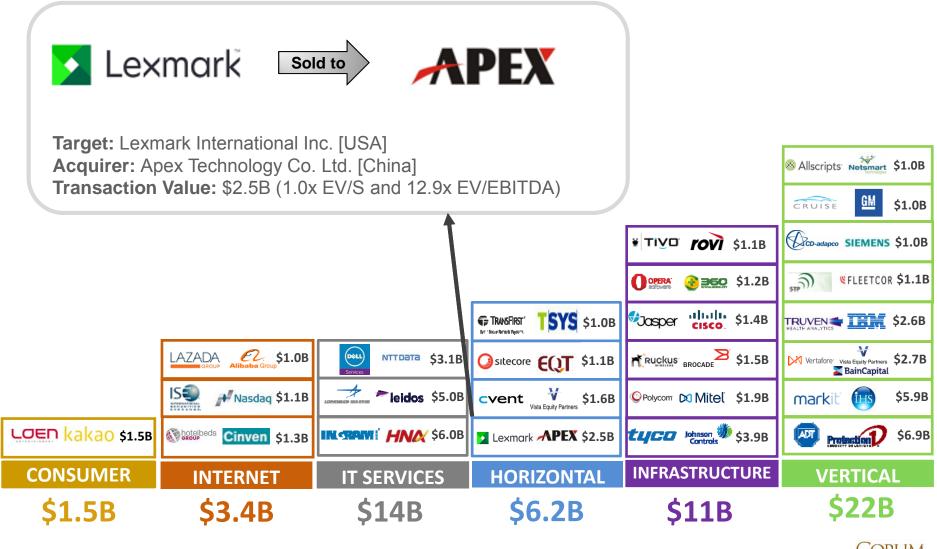
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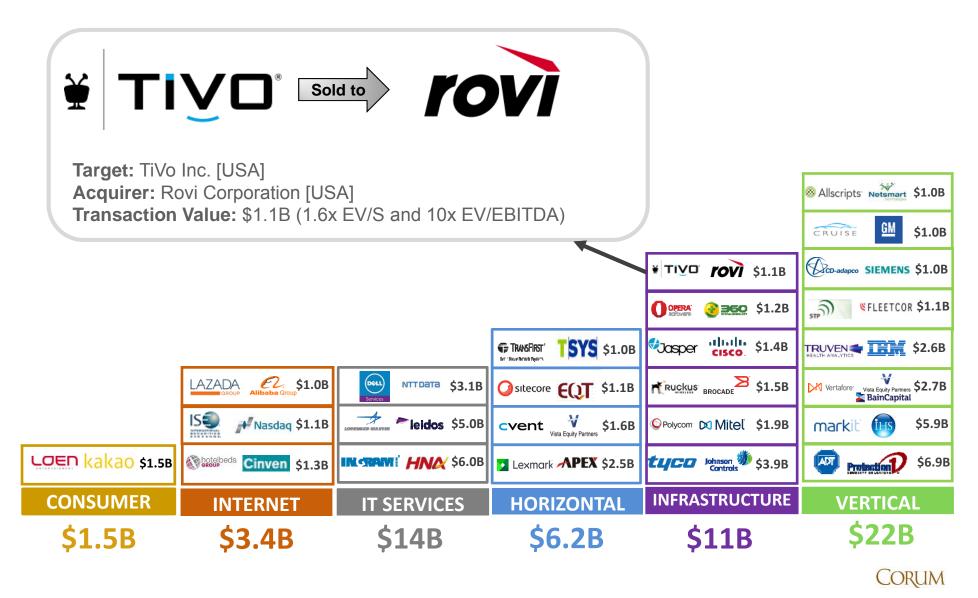


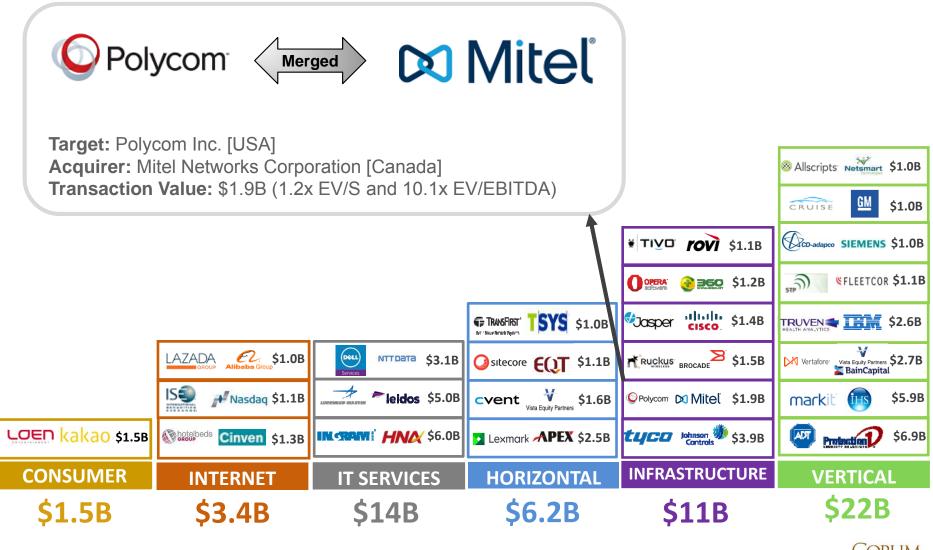






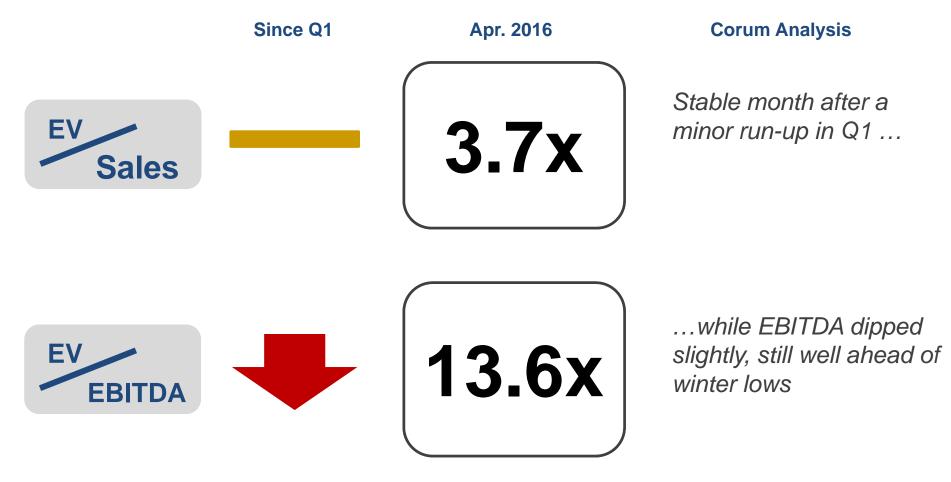






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Deal Spotlights: Security



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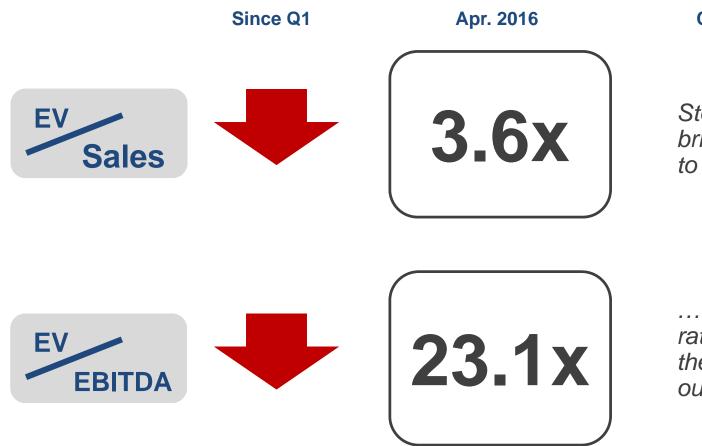
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Internet Market

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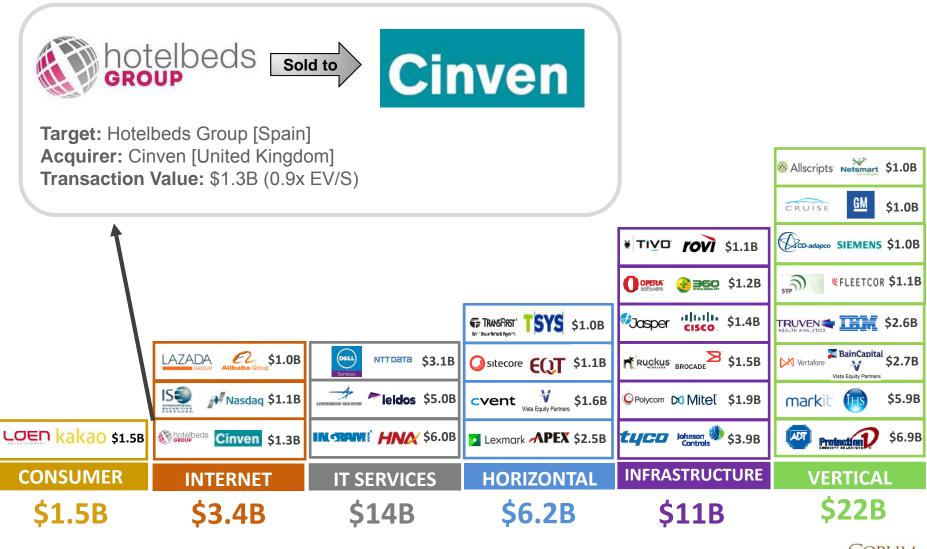
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Steady rationalization brings multiple closer to the other sectors...

...though EBITDA ratio continues to be the highest among our six markets



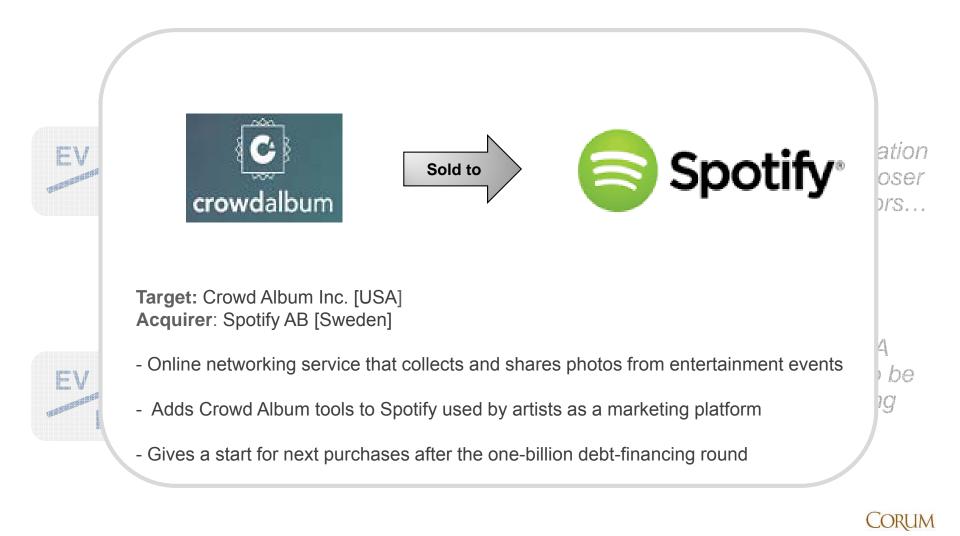






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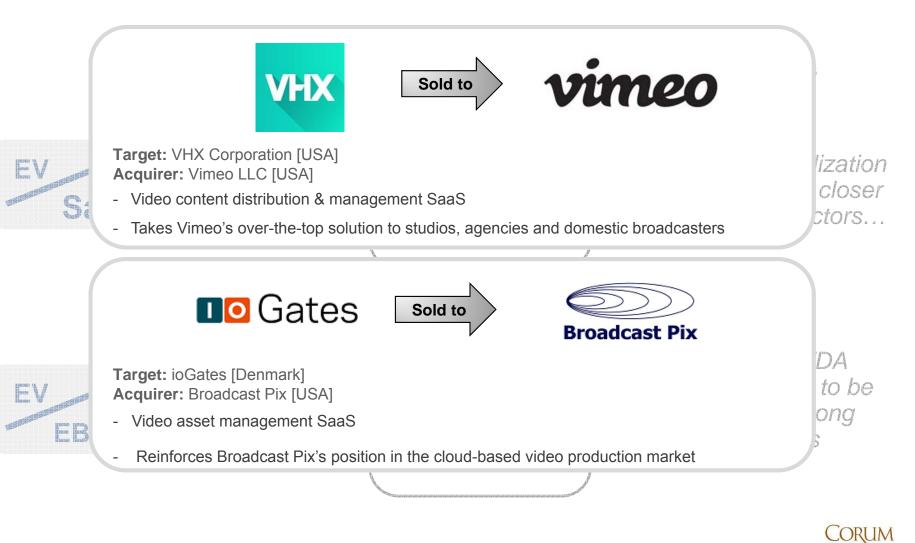
Deal Spotlight: Photo Sharing





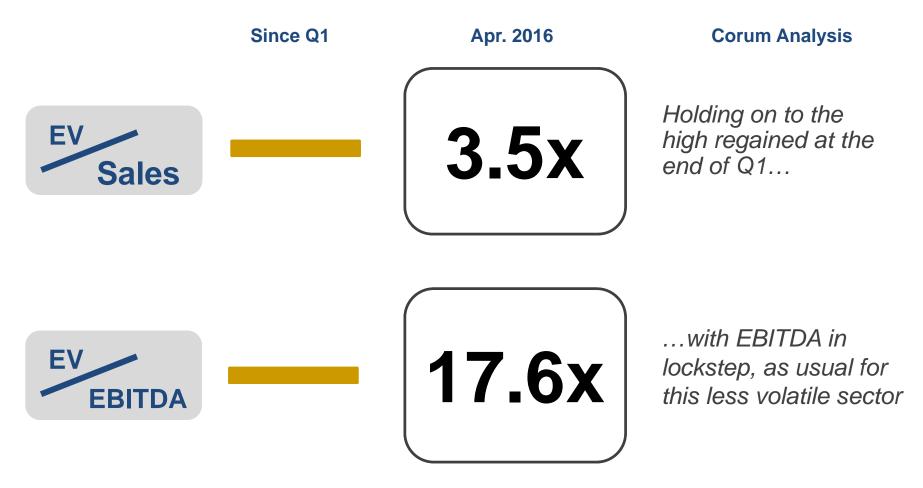
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Deal Spotlights: Video Assets Management



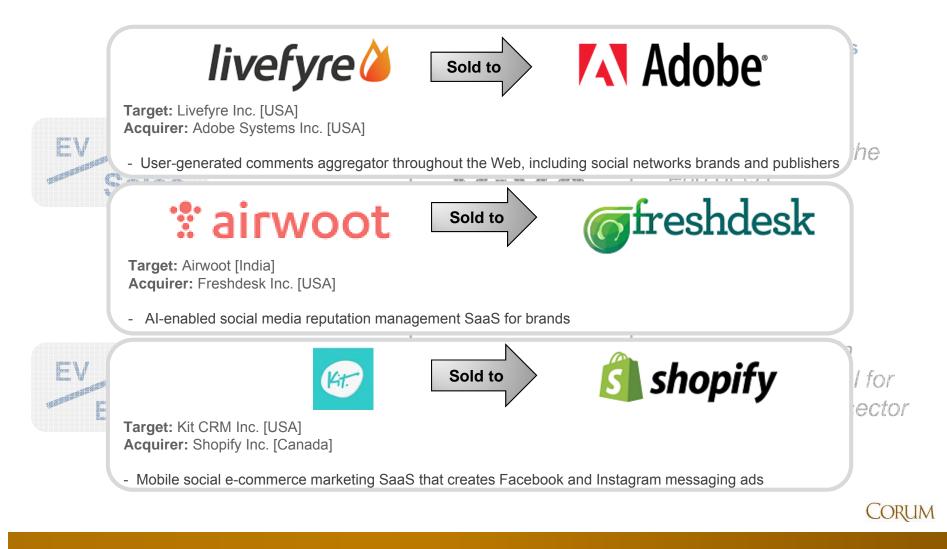
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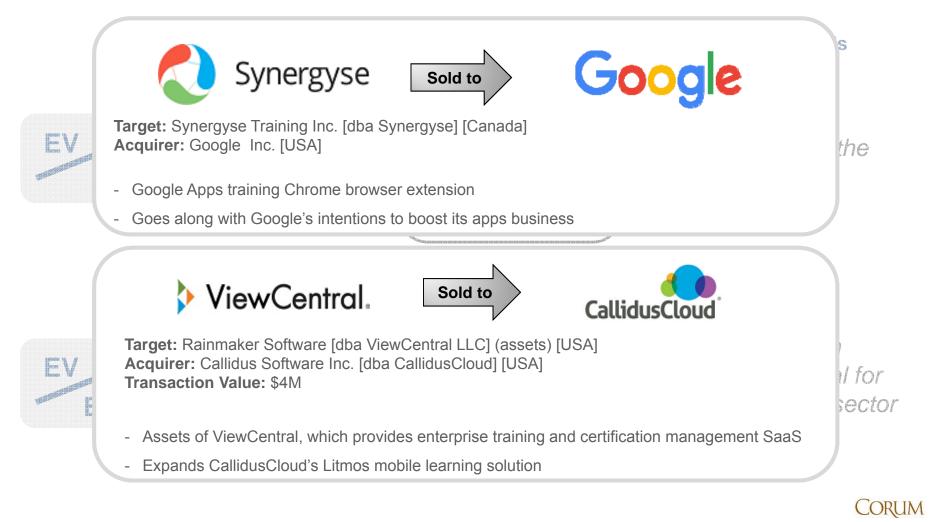
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Deal Spotlights: Marketing



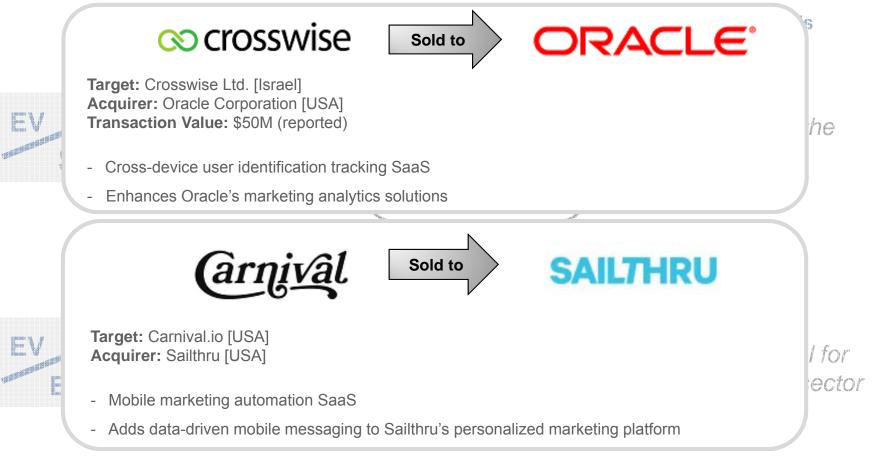
Horizontal Application Software Market

Deal Spotlights: Training Solutions



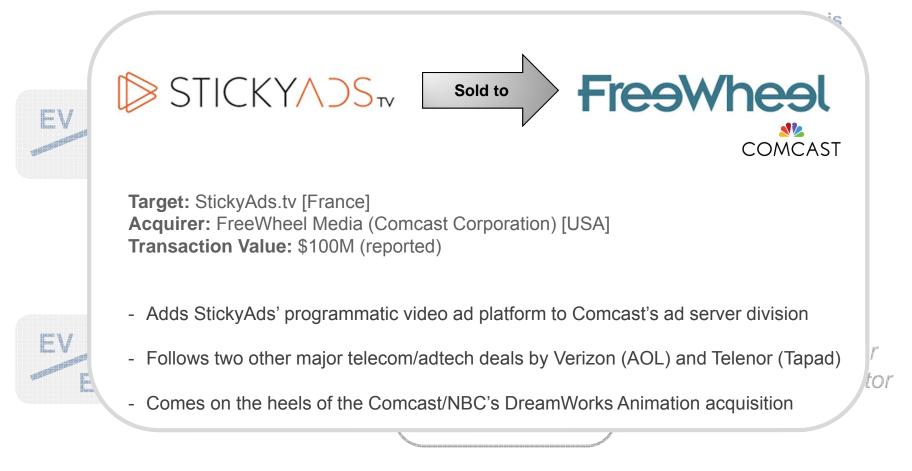
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Deal Spotlights: Marketing & Ad Tech



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Deal Spotlight: AdTech



Corum Research Report



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CORUM A Seller's Biggest Mistake

Top Seller Mistakes

- Misalignment: shareholders/employees/management
- Buyer contact at the wrong level
- Improper research of potential buyers
- Misunderstanding buyer process/models
- Portraying value improperly
- Insufficient or improper due diligence preparation
- Not qualifying buyers properly
- Not orchestrating all buyers properly
- Ego, greed or arrogance



#1 Biggest Seller Mistake

Dealing With Only One Buyer



Single-Buyer Pitfalls

- Fiduciary Responsibility
- The deck is stacked in the buyer's favor
- Only 11% buyer follow-through
- Wearing due diligence demands
- Delays don't miss the window of opportunity



Single-Buyer Pitfalls (cont.)

- First bidders often bottom feeders
- Preemptive bidders wanting exclusivity
- Don't lose control of the M&A process
- B-list buyers 40% of interest



Value – More Than Just Technology

MARKET

- Market Growth
- Market Position
- Level of Competition
- Barriers to Entry/ Exit
- Threat of Substitution

ORGANIZATIONAL

- Leadership
- Talent/Skills
- Product/Technology
- Sales Channels
- Customer Base

FINANCIAL

- Revenue
- Earnings
- Growth Rate
- Cash Flow
- Balance Sheet





Source: American Business Brokers Association (ABBA)



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Getting the Deal Done

- More buyers today
- Global search necessary
- Get the best professionals:
 - Valuation
 - Negotiation
 - Contract preparation



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Source: Corum Group Research

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Final Thoughts

- Don't deal with just one buyer
- Do the job right
- Remember...

This is the most important transaction of your life!



Leverage with one buyer



Ward Carter Chairman Corum Group Ltd.

Corum's former President and now Chairman, Ward Carter's technology background includes a variety of management positions with the Burroughs Corporation (later Unisys). Then, as vice president of a Wall Street investment firm and as principal in a regional venture firm, he raised capital for ventures in computer hardware, software, and biotechnology. As an executive for a Seattle-based archival storage software company, he attracted venture capital and assisted with the eventual acquisition of the company by a larger competitor. As president of InfoMatrix, and later Discovery Sales + Marketing, Ward provided strategic consulting support to emerging software companies.

He joined Corum in 1997, has successfully managed numerous software company mergers and acquisitions worldwide, was appointed President in 2006 and Chairman in 2010. He graduated with Honors from Seattle University with a B.A. in Business.



Q&A

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- Submit to queue at any time





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