

# **Tech M&A Monthly**

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# CORUM Tech M&A Monthly

# Getting Your Board on Board





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# **Merge Briefing**



# MERGE BRIEFING

- 90 Minutes
- Industry Update
- Overview of the M&A Process



# Selling Up, Selling Out





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- Tech M&A Bootcamp
- The most attended tech executive conference in history









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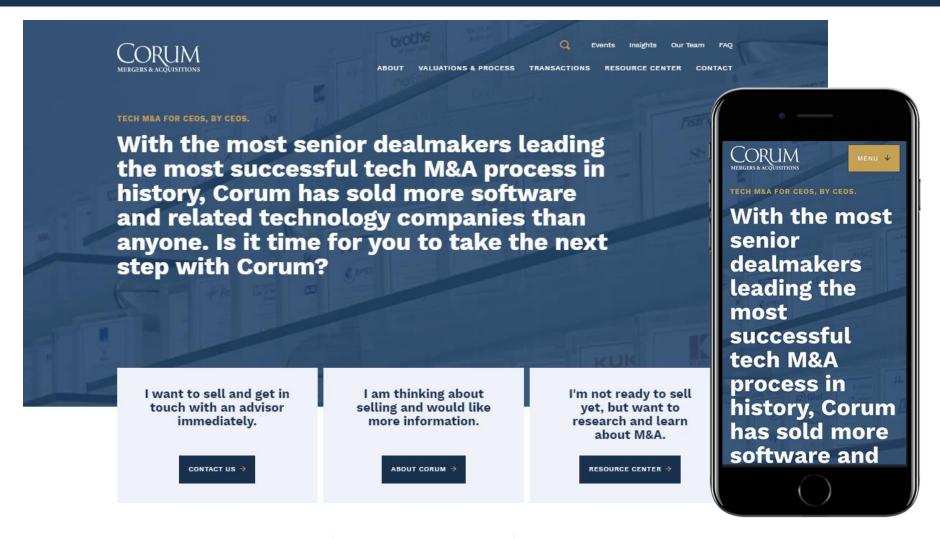
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**36**Years in business

\$10B
In wealth created

**400+**Closed transactions

#### **World Tech M&A Leaders**





Focus—sell side, technology only

Detailed, professional, global process

Team approach, senior dealmakers

World Technology Council

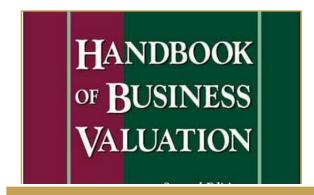
**SOLD MORE SOFTWARE-RELATED FIRMS THAN ANYONE** 

## **World Tech M&A Leaders**





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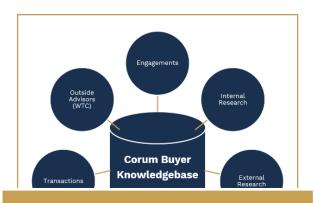


**Valuation** 

JEFFREY D. JONES



**Education** 



**Database** 

#### **World Tech M&A Leaders**





The definitive tech M&A education

- Since 1990, the most attended executive conference in technology history
- More events hosted than all other competitive conferences combined
- Over \$3 trillion in transaction value by attendees – buyers and sellers



# 8 Stages for an Optimal Outcome



## **Past Attendees Include**













































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## **Presented By**



## Heidi Owen, Executive Vice President, Marketing, Corum Group Ltd.



- Heidi rejoined Corum in 2019 as the Director of Marketing. Heidi leads the Corum marketing team and is responsible for planning, development, and implementation of Corum's marketing strategy and public relations activities.
- Previously Heidi worked for The Column Group, a venture capital firm dedicated to developing biotechnology companies and as the Marketing Manager for Maverick International, a manufacturer of payment processing systems and software.
- Heidi earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in Psychology from Western Washington University.



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# Agenda



Welcome

CEO's Desk: "Deals Are Everywhere"

**Event Report** 

**Deal Report** 

Tech M&A Market Research Report

Special Report: "Getting Your Board On Board"

Closing













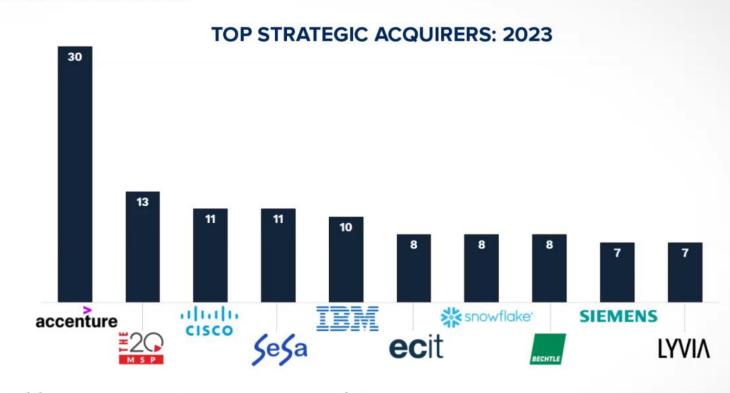




#### **NEW WAVE OF STRATEGIC ACQUIRERS IN 2023**

Although our Top Strategic Acquirer Leaderboard saw a new wave of tech companies on shopping sprees, tech and IT services giants remained consistent players. The board is still led by Accenture with 30 deals in 2023. Managed IT services provider, The 20 MSP, was second in our ranking with 13 deals, followed by Cisco and Sesa with 11 deals each. The leaderboard also welcomed back such tech giants as IBM, Snowflake, Bechtle and Siemens, along with some new faces like ECIT and Lyvia.

Tracking last year's change in the leading buyers' landscape, we saw regulars like Deloitte, Microsoft and Alphabet slowing their M&A pace and old and new faces pushing former leaders out of their top positions. Cisco returned to the leaderboard



healthcare to content management and payments.

Among those deals, Corum client FunctionFox, a provider of timesheet and project management software for creative agencies and marketing departments, was acquired by

	2022	2023	Change
Cisco	1	11	1000%
Lyvia Group	1	7	600%
Snowflake	2	8	300%
ECIT	5	8	60%



#### PRIVATE EQUITY LEADERS

In 2023, the top financial buyers shuffled their ranks. HgCapital led the pack again with 55 deals, half of those through active platform companies Visma and Ideagen. Visma alone did 22, more deals than all but one pure strategic firm. Ideagen did another six, including Corum client OnePlace Solutions. Main Capital moved down to second place with 35 deals, which

fourth place with 26 and 24 deals respectively. Accel-KKR and KKR trailed close behind.

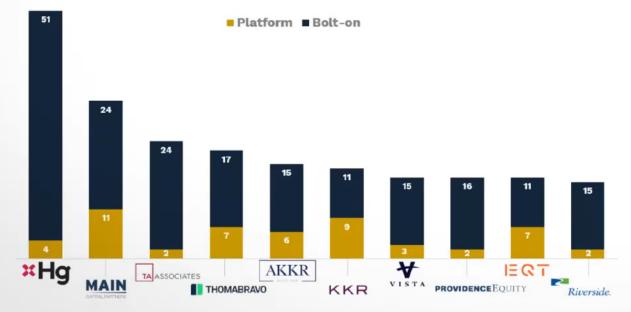
pushed TA Associates and Thoma Bravo down to third and

Bolt-on deals again outnumbered platforms by a wide margin in 2023, though the bolt-on-to-platform ratio was down from a record high in 2022 of over 7.5 bolt-ons for every platform acquired to 5.5—roughly the same ratio as 2021. This

is partly due to increased competition from the rising number of new financial acquirers focused on the lower end of the market, buying out or recapitalizing what could otherwise be bolt-on deals.

Additionally, gloomy economic headlines in the first quarter of 2023 kept many smaller companies out of the booming M&A market—expect that to change as buyer demand from both PE-backed platforms and lower middle-market accumulators becomes impossible to ignore.

#### **TOP PRIVATE EQUITY ACQUIRERS: 2023**











Global Reach:

Deals are done in every country.

"Corum, with their experience and offices all over the world, spent time with us going through who the potential partners could be. And frankly, they were everywhere." Steve Peltier brother. Nefsis at your side has acquired



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# **Unknown Buyers**

You may not know who will buy you.

Your best buyer doesn't have to be a tech company.







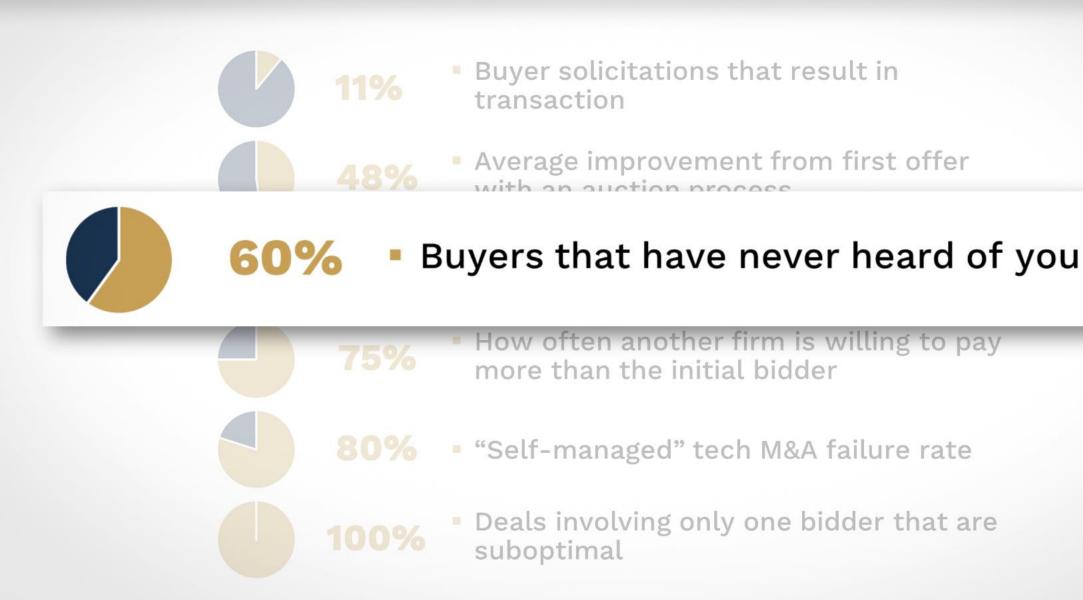




























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"Corum found the right type of potential buyers-companies we would have never found on our own-to not only achieve our financial goals, but exceed them." Rob Beatty Adax Plexus Systems has made a strategic investment in We acted as exclusive M&A







There is a **serious lack of information** on the buyers.



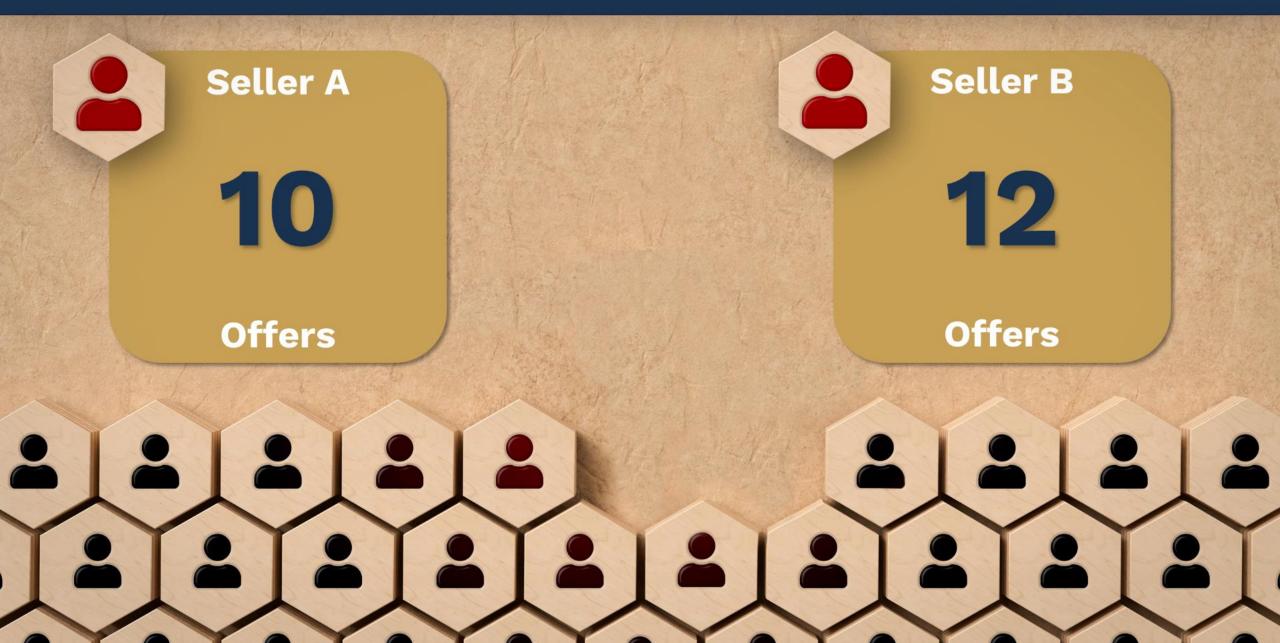




## For every successful transaction, there are many other bidders who missed out.









#### You won't know who the losers were.



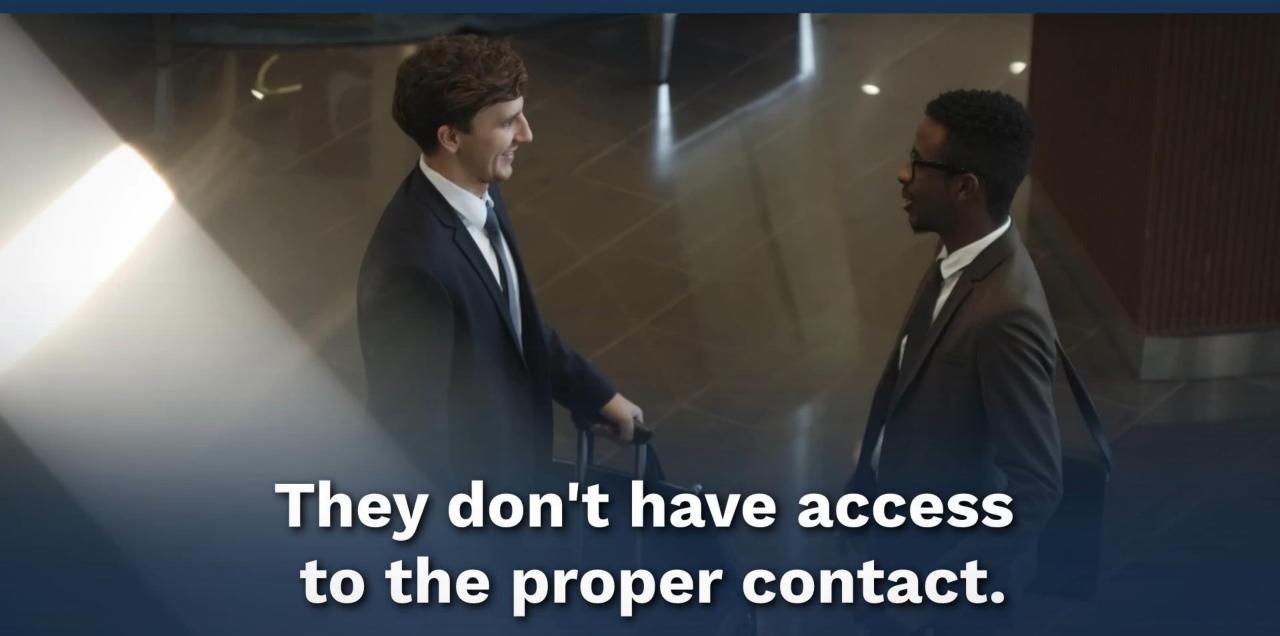


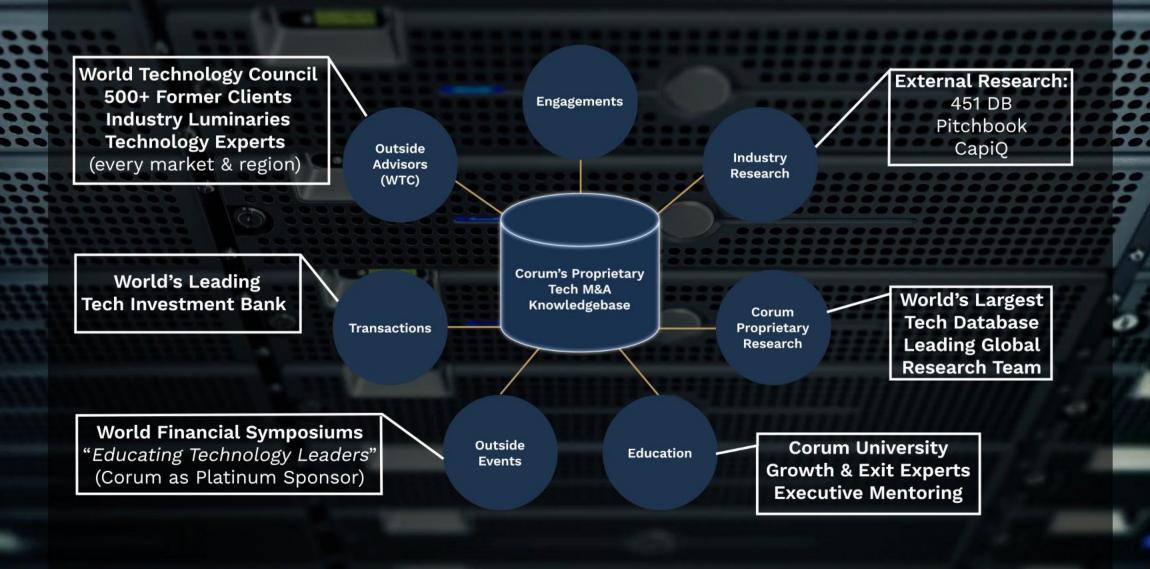














# CORUM Event Report May 2024

Presented By Brenden Keene Senior Marketing Coordinator Corum Group Ltd.

#### **Corum Event Report**



### MERGE BRIEFING

#### Online in:

Ho Chi Minh City – May 14

Halifax – May 15

Rhône-Alpes-PACA – May 16

St. Louis – May 21

Berlin – May 23

East Bay – May 28

Cincinnati – May 29

Salt Lake City – May 30 Nairobi – June 5 Lisbon – June 6 Philadelphia – June 6 Frankfurt – June 13 Atlanta – June 13

#### **Corum Event Report**





Online M&A
Bootcamp

Bogota - May 16

Houston – May 22

Stockholm – May 29

**New York City – June 4** 

Minneapolis – June 11

Santiago – June 12

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# CORUM Deal Report May 2024



#### **Deal Report**



**Senior Vice President** Corum Group Ltd.

**Jeff Bunting** 



has acquired



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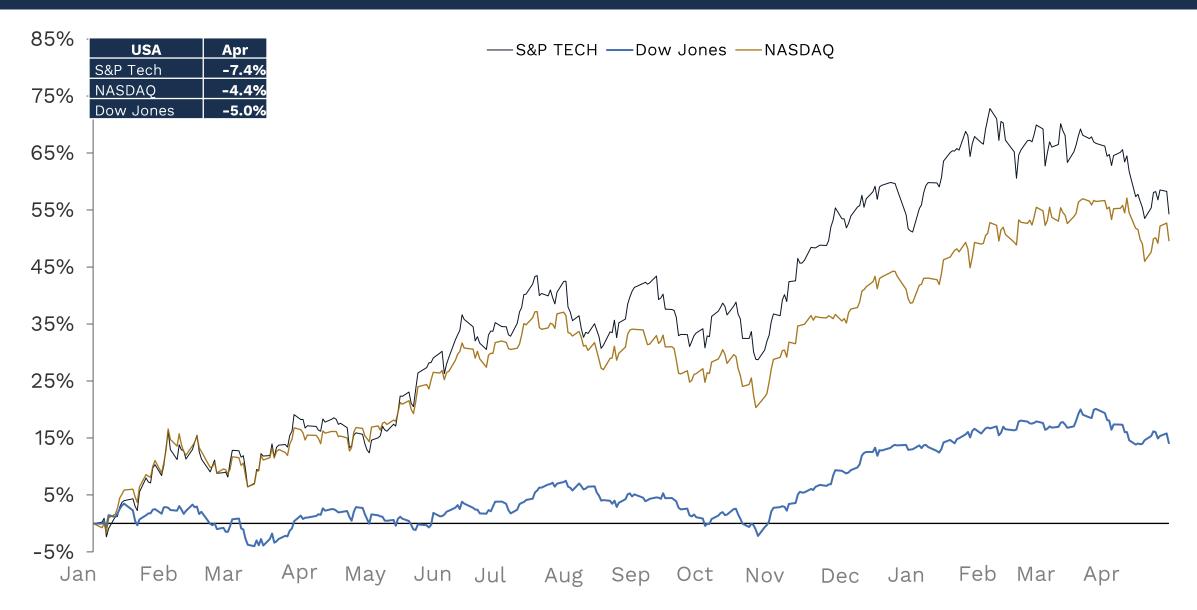




#### Public Markets Jan 2023 – Apr 2024

% CHANGE





### **Corum Index** TECH M&A



**April 2023 April 2024** 408 370 **Transactions Market Mega Deals** 2 7 \$6.4B \$8.2B **Largest Deal April 2023 April 2024 Private Equity** 36 39 **Platform Deals Pipeline VC-Backed Exits** 106 96 34 26 **Non-Tech Acquirers April 2023 April 2024 Cross Border** 39% 37% **Transactions Attributes Start-Up Acquisitions** 14% 19% 16 yrs **Average Life of Target** 17 yrs

9% 250% 22% 8% 9% 24%

#### 2024 Mega Deals (Jan-Apr)







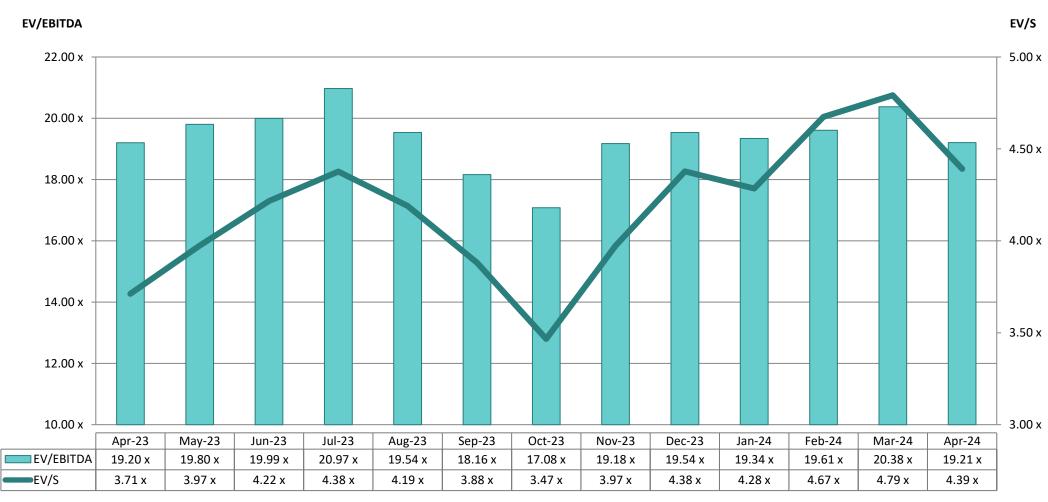








#### **Public Valuation Multiples**







Subsector	Sales	EBITDA	Examples
Business Intelligence	5.64x	21.4x	MicroStrategy VERINT. N+CE®
Marketing	4.24x	21.8x	Wix zoominfo Hubspot
ERP	4.75x	21.9x	ORACLE PEGA SAP
Human Resources	5.83x	19.3x	PRECRUIT PAYCHEX workday.
SCM	12.0x	44.2x	AMERICAN DESCARTES MA Manhattan Associates.
Payments	2.44x	13.6x	ACI UNIVERSAL PAYMENTS. PayPai Square
Other	2.45x	13.9x	ttec opentext salesforce

#### 2024 Mega Deals (Jan-Apr)









**Seller:** Avetta [Welsh, Carson, Anderson & Stowe] [USA]

**Acquirer:** EQT [Sweden]

Transaction Value: reported \$3.0B

- Supply chain risk management software



**HORIZONTAL** 2 Deals - \$9.3B





#### **Supply Chain Management**







Seller: Nalanda [PSG] [Spain]

**Acquirer:** Once For All [GTCR] [France]

- Supplier risk management SaaS







**Seller:** Okko [France]

**Acquirer:** Spendesk [France]

- Procurement processes management software





#### **AI-Based CRM**







**Seller:** Talkwalker [Marlin Equity Partners] [Luxembourg]

Acquirer: HootSuite [Canada] - Customer analytics SaaS







**Seller:** Speakeasy AI [USA]

Acquirer: Amplica Labs [McCourt Global] [USA]

- Customer relationship SaaS





Seller: Ginzi [Israel] **Acquirer:** Argmax [Israel] - Customer support software





**ENERGY IMPACT PARTNERS** 

Seller: Message Broadcast [LINK Mobility] [USA]

Acquirer: OceanSound Partners / Energy Impact Partners [USA]

- Customer engagement software

#### 2024 Mega Deals (Jan-Apr)





NOVACAP (M) Advent International GLOBAL PRIVATE EQUITY

**Seller:** Nuvei [Canada]

**Acquirer:** Advent International / CDPQ / Novacap [USA]

**Transaction Value: \$6.3B** 

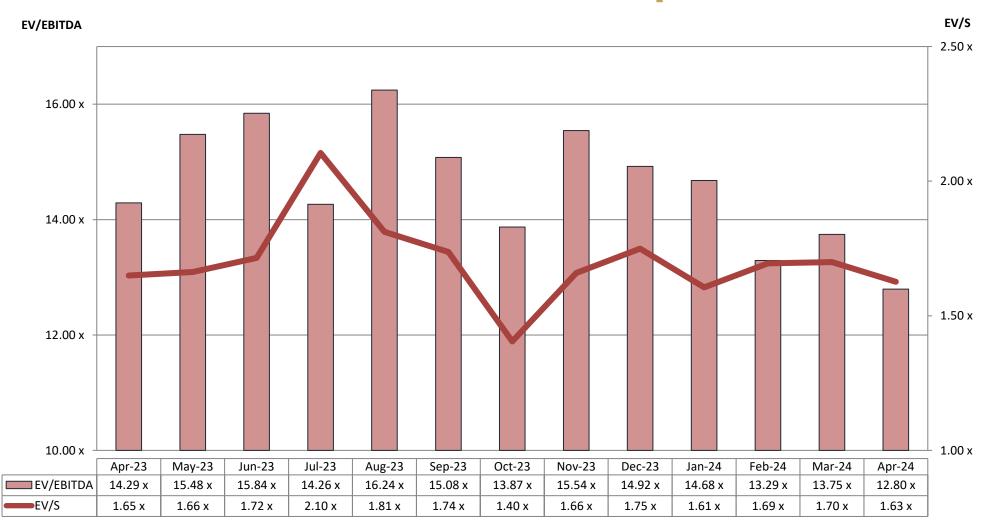
- Transaction processing services & SaaS



**HORIZONTAL** 2 Deals - \$9.3B



#### **Public Valuation Multiples**





Subsector	Sales	EBITDA	Examples
Diversified Internet	2.79x	16.2x	Alphabet Bai
eCommerce	0.84x	12.6x	ebay zalando
Social Network	0.96x	3.31x	Meta MIXI
Travel & Leisure	3.19x	15.7x	Delivery Hero  TEXPEDIA BOOKING HOLDINGS





#### **Online Education**





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**Seller:** Sortegories [USA]

**Acquirer:** 95 Percent Group [Leeds Equity Partners] [USA]

- Digital reading practice tool







**Seller:** CIP Cyber [USA] **Acquirer:** OPSWAT [USA]

- Online cybersecurity learning services







**Seller:** Dictionary.com [Rock Holdings] [USA]

Acquirer: IXL [USA]

- Online English-language dictionary website







**Seller:** Forage [USA]

**Acquirer:** EAB [Vista Equity Partners] [USA]

- Online work experience programs & simulation services





#### **Digital Resume**





**Seller:** Bulb [USA]

**Acquirer:** Wakelet [United Kingdom]

- Online digital resume tool
- Accelerates buyer's presence in the digital portfolio space



#### **Public Valuation Multiples**







Subsector	Sales	EBITDA	Examples
A/E/C	10.7x	41.3x	AUTODESK STATEMES SYNOPSYS®
Automotive	2.51x	19.6x	#AutoTrader TrueCar CarGurus
Energy & Environment	3.40x	22.7x	Landis+Gyr Itron xylem
Financial Services	5.09x	19.2x	Broadridge SS&C fiserv.
Government	2.16x	14.8x	NORTHROP L3HARRIS * tyler tyler tyler tyler
Healthcare	1.01x	26.1x	veradigm. WHealthCatalyst Teladoc
Real Estate	4.65x	N/A	REDFIN CoStar Group Zillow
Other	4.44x	21.9x	amadeus Rockwell Sabre.

#### 2024 Mega Deals (Jan-Apr)







Seller: AssetMark [Huatai Securities] [USA]

**Acquirer:** GTCR [USA]

**Transaction Value:** \$2.7B (3.6x EV/Sales and 11x EV/EBITDA)

- Portfolio & wealth management software



**VERTICAL** 9 Deals - \$52B





#### **FinTech**







Seller: Institutional Cash Distributors [PCP Managers] [USA] **Acquirer:** Tradeweb Markets [LSEG Data & Analytics] [USA]

**Transaction Value: \$785M** 

- Multi-fund investment & risk management software







**Seller:** Gresham Technologies [United Kingdom]

**Acquirer:** STG [USA]

Transaction Value: \$173M (2.8x EV/Sales and 15.2x EV/EBITDA)

- Financial management software

#### 2024 Mega Deals (Jan-Apr)



### Model N sold TO V I S T A

Seller: Model N [USA]

**Acquirer:** Vista Equity Partners [USA]

Transaction Value: \$1.3B and 4.7x EV/Sales

- Revenue optimization & compliance software



VERTICAL 9 Deals - \$52B





#### **Life Sciences**





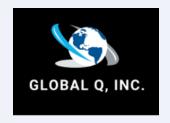


**Seller:** NanoString Technologies [USA]

**Acquirer:** Bruker [USA]

**Transaction Value:** \$393M and 2.4x EV/Sales

- Scientific & clinical research software





**Seller:** Global Q [USA]

**Acquirer:** Clarivate [United Kingdom]

- Credit risk & compliance management software

#### 2024 Mega Deals (Jan-Apr)









**Seller:** Matterport [USA]

Acquirer: CoStar Group [USA]

**Transaction Value:** \$1.6B and 10.1x EV/Sales

- 3D capturing software & hardware



**VERTICAL** 9 Deals - \$52B





#### **Real Estate**







**Seller:** Locka [Sweden]

**Acquirer:** SmartCraft [Norway] - 3D visualization software



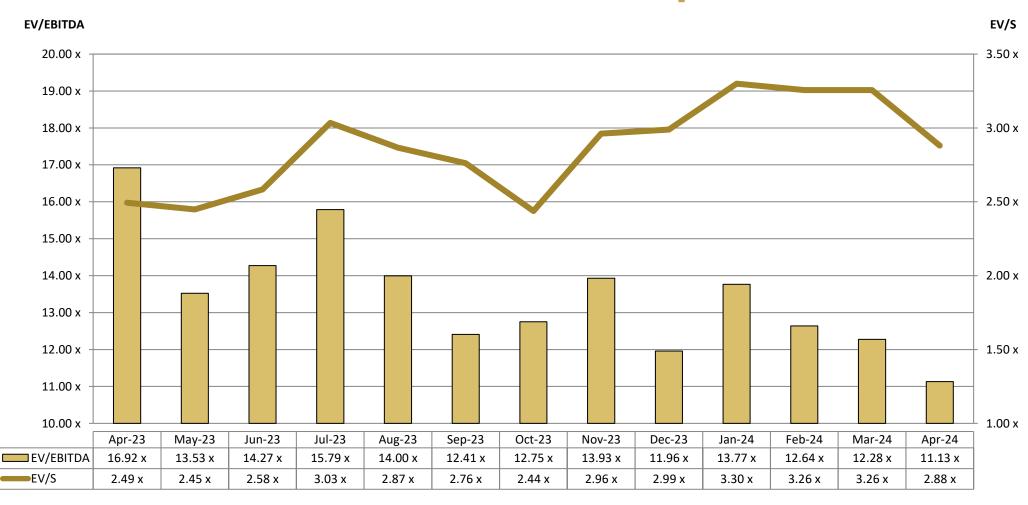


**Seller:** Coyote Software [United Kingdom]

**Acquirer:** InvestorFlow [USA] - Real estate CRM software



#### **Public Valuation Multiples**







Subsector	Sales	EBITDA	Examples
Casual Gaming	2.54x	11.0x	EMBRACER* Nintendo netmarble
Core Gaming	2.94x	10.5x	Electronic Arts UBISOFT
Other	3.56x	25.7x	WATER NETFLIX Spotify®





#### Games







**Seller:** Drone Racing League [USA] **Acquirer:** Infinite Reality [USA] **Transaction Value:** \$250M

- Drone racing league services & simulation game







**Seller:** AutoAttack Games [USA]

**Acquirer:** Ninja Kiwi [MTG] [New Zealand]

- PC multiplayer games developer





#### Messaging



**Seller:** Beeper [USA]

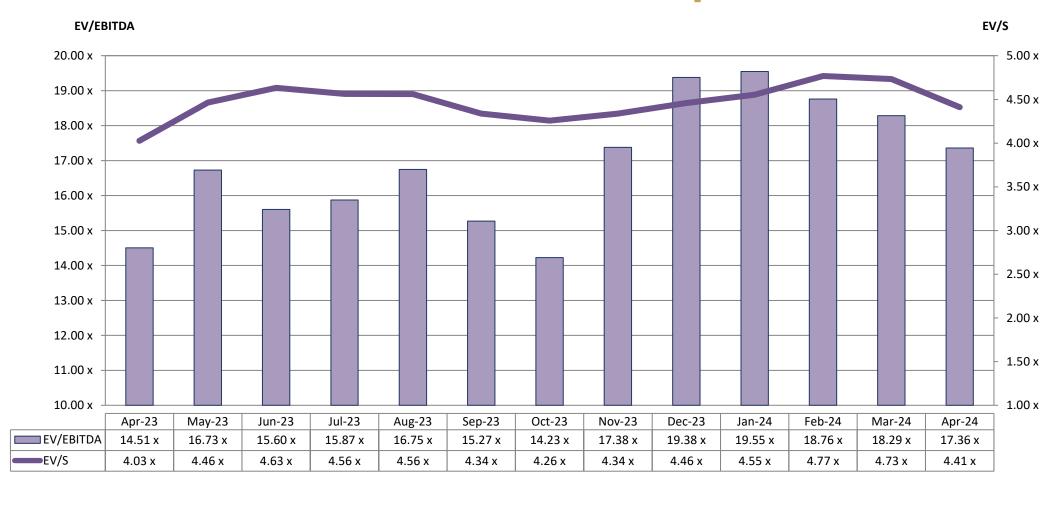
Acquirer: Automattic [USA]

**Transaction Value:** reported \$125M

- Messaging mobile application
- Automattic's second acquisition of a cross-platform messaging solution after buying *Texts.com*



#### **Public Valuation Multiples**





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Subsector	Sales	EBI

**TDA** 

**Examples** 

4.42x 11.6x

**A** ATLASSIAN





**Endpoint** 

**Application Lifecycle** 

24.1x 5.73x

2.08x





**Network Management** 

18.0x







**Security** 

16.7x 5.69x

**paloalto** 



4.10x 48.3x







**Storage & Hosting** 

**Other** 

16.1x 3.24x







#### 2024 Mega Deals (Jan-Apr)





**Seller:** HashiCorp [USA] **Acquirer:** IBM [USA]

**Transaction Value: \$6.4B** 

- Infrastructure automation SaaS



INFRASTRUCTURE 6 Deals – \$32B





#### **Infrastructure Management**







**Seller:** Connectria [USA]

Acquirer: LightEdge [GI Partners] [USA]

- Cloud infrastructure software







**Seller:** StatusCast [USA] Acquirer: 4me [USA]

- IT incident management software

#### 2024 Mega Deals (Jan-Apr)









**Seller:** Darktrace [USA]

Acquirer: Thoma Bravo [USA]

**Transaction Value:** \$5.3B (8.1x EV/Sales and 40x EV/EBITDA) - Cybersecurity network behavior anomaly detection software



**INFRASTRUCTURE** 6 Deals - \$32B





#### Cybersecurity







**Seller:** Silk [USA]

Acquirer: Armis [Insight Partners] [USA]

**Transaction Value: \$150M** 

- Cyber risk prioritization & remediation software







**Seller:** CODA Intelligence [USA] **Acquirer:** PDQ [TA Associates] [USA]

- Cyber resilience attack management software







**Seller:** Coveware [USA]

**Acquirer:** Veeam [Insight Partners] [USA]

- Ransomware incident response & recovery software





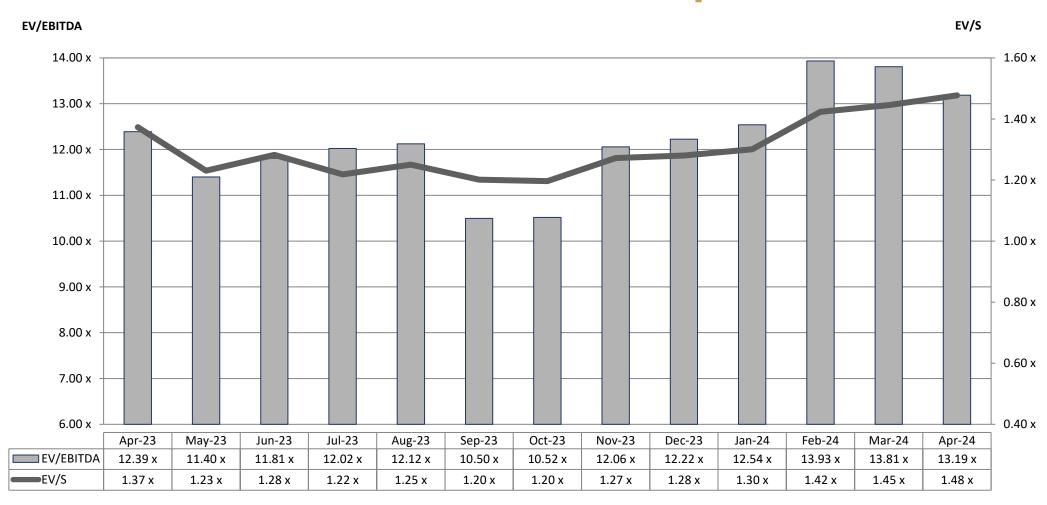


**Seller:** Longbow [USA]

**Acquirer:** Veracode [TA Associates] [USA] - Network security policy management SaaS

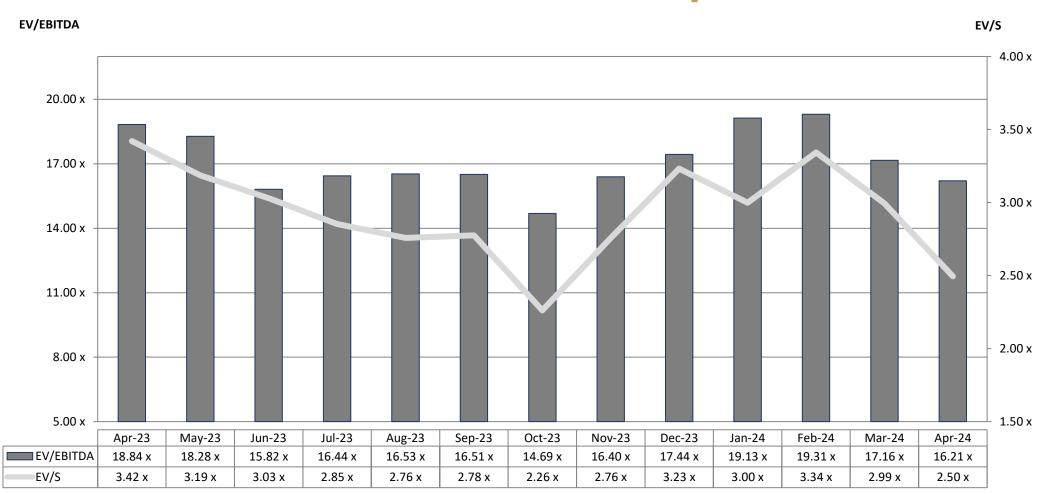


#### **Public Valuation Multiples**





#### **Public Valuation Multiples**







#### **Focused Systems Integrators**





**DATAMATICS** 

**Seller:** Dextara Digital [India] **Acquirer:** Datamatics [India]

Transaction Value: \$17.2M and 2.4x EV/Sales - Salesforce & digital consulting services







**Seller:** SMB Suite [USA]

**Acquirer:** Centre Technologies [USA]

- Microsoft-powered IT & managed services

**FOGHORN** 





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Seller: Foghorn Consulting [Evoque Data Center Solutions] [USA]

Acquirer: nClouds [Charles Thayne Capital] [USA]

- Cloud security, migration & application modernization services





#### **Cloud-Related IT Services**







**Seller:** Blazeclan [India] Acquirer: ITC Infotech [India] - Cloud consulting services







Seller: Emergya [Spain]

Acquirer: Ayesa [A&M Capital Advisors] [Spain]

- Google Cloud-powered IT services







Seller: Cognosante [USA]

**Acquirer:** Accenture Federal Services [USA]

- Digital transformation & cloud modernisation services





#### **Healthcare IT Services**







**Seller:** Intellera Consulting [Gyrus Capital] [Italy]

**Acquirer:** Accenture [USA]

- IT consulting services to public administration and healthcare sectors









**Seller:** Singer Networks [USA]

Acquirer: ReachOut Technology [Yuenglings Ice Cream] [USA]

- Managed IT services for businesses in the healthcare and the nursing home sectors







**Seller:** Wired-4-Health [USA] **Acquirer:** Avant Technologies [USA]

**Transaction Value: \$2.3M** 

- Healthcare data integration & consulting services







**Seller:** BlueNovo [USA] **Acquirer:** Medicus IT [USA]

- Healthcare IT consulting services

#### **Corum Research Report**





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# CORUM Getting Your Board On Board



Selling your company requires support from your Board of Directors.





The Board has fiduciary obligations related to strategy, governance and oversight.



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## The board's role is to protect shareholder's rights.

- They are obligated to get maximum value for the shareholders.
- Must approve the timing to sell the company.
- Provide guidance and approve the partner search process.
- They must agree on an offer.
- If there are valuation doubts, the board may have to authorize a fairness opinion.





### Minority shareholders have rights.



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Most common shareholder rights for a merger or recapitalization:

- Access to company records and financials.
- Participate in major COOCES

  decisions such as the sale
  of the company.
- Can be dissenting shareholders in a merger.



# Most buyers want 100% participation in acquisitions.



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# 8 Stages for an Optimal Outcome

Preparation Research Contact Discovery Negotiation Due Diligence Closing Integration

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You don't want a minority shareholder disagreeing with the price you accepted.



**Buyers** back off in front of litigation. Killing the deal. Is that what you want?



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**Podcasts** 



#### **After the Deal – Celebration**







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