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# CORUM Tech M&A Monthly

# **Buyers are Calling!**

7 Tips for Handling Inbound Offers





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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
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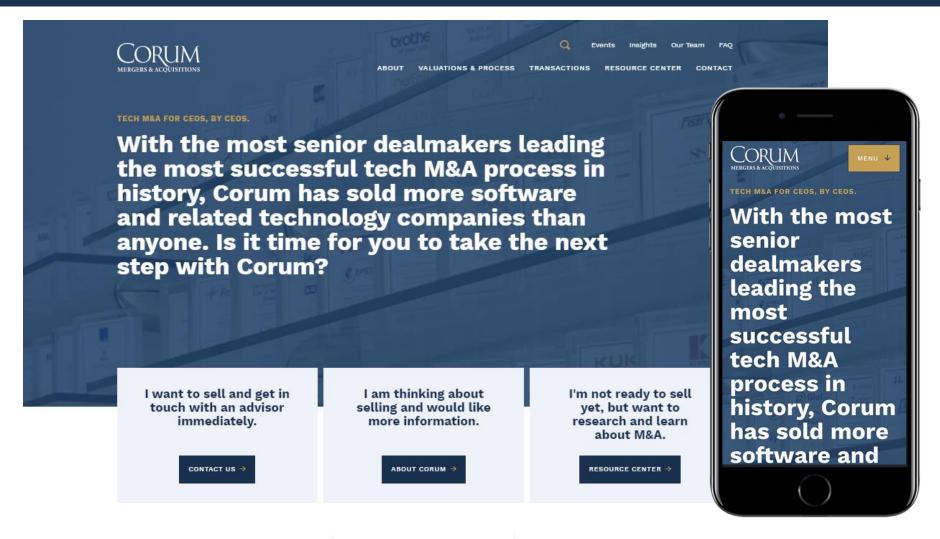
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**36**Years in business

\$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

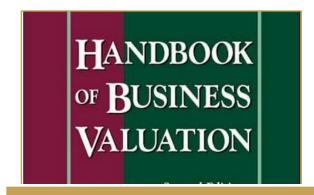
**SOLD MORE SOFTWARE-RELATED FIRMS THAN ANYONE** 

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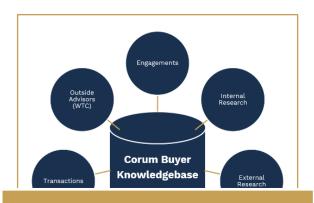


**Valuation** 

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**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













































## **Tech M&A Monthly**

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### Agenda



Welcome

CEO's Desk: "7 Tips for Handling Inbound Offers"

**Event Report** 

**Deal Report** 

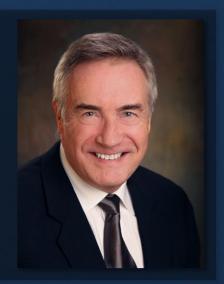
**Tech M&A Market Research Report** 

Special Report: "9 Ways AI Can Improve Your Value"

Closing



Presented By
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Companies are receiving a record number of inbound offers from potential suitors.

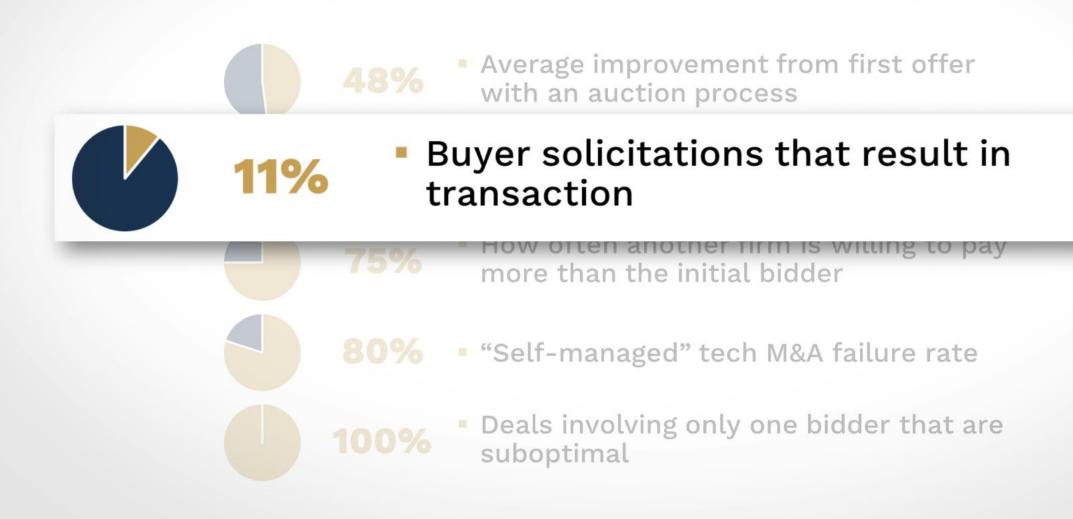
How you respond is critical.

# 7 Tips for Handling Inbound Offers:

- 1. The stats are against you.
- 2. Bottom feeders.
- 3. NDAs.
- 4. Qualify all buyers.
- 5. Get other bids.
- 6. Beware of responding with a valuation.
- 7. Get your stakeholders on board.

# The stats are against you.





## Bottom feeders.



- Buyers who make the first call are bottom feeders wanting to buy you cheap.
- Their offers are well below the value of your company.
- They will waste your time and use predatory tactics to corner you.







## NDAs.







Take care to protect your technology, algorithms, ideas, secret sauce, etc.

You've worked hard. Protect yourself.

# Qualify all buyers.







- Is the buyer willing and able to pay a reasonable price?
- How are they planning to fund the deal?
- Ask questions.
- Qualify the credentials of the buyer, specifically their acquisition experience and track record.



## Get other bids.



Get other bids if you want to sell. Go global. **Buyers are everywhere.**Find an advisor who knows the buyers:

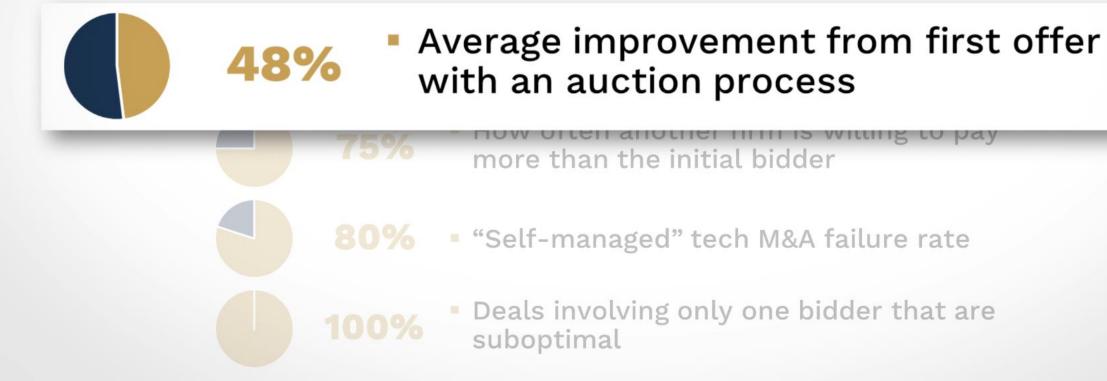
- Strategic
- Financial
- Search funds
- Family funds
- Angel funds

# Beware of responding with a valuation.





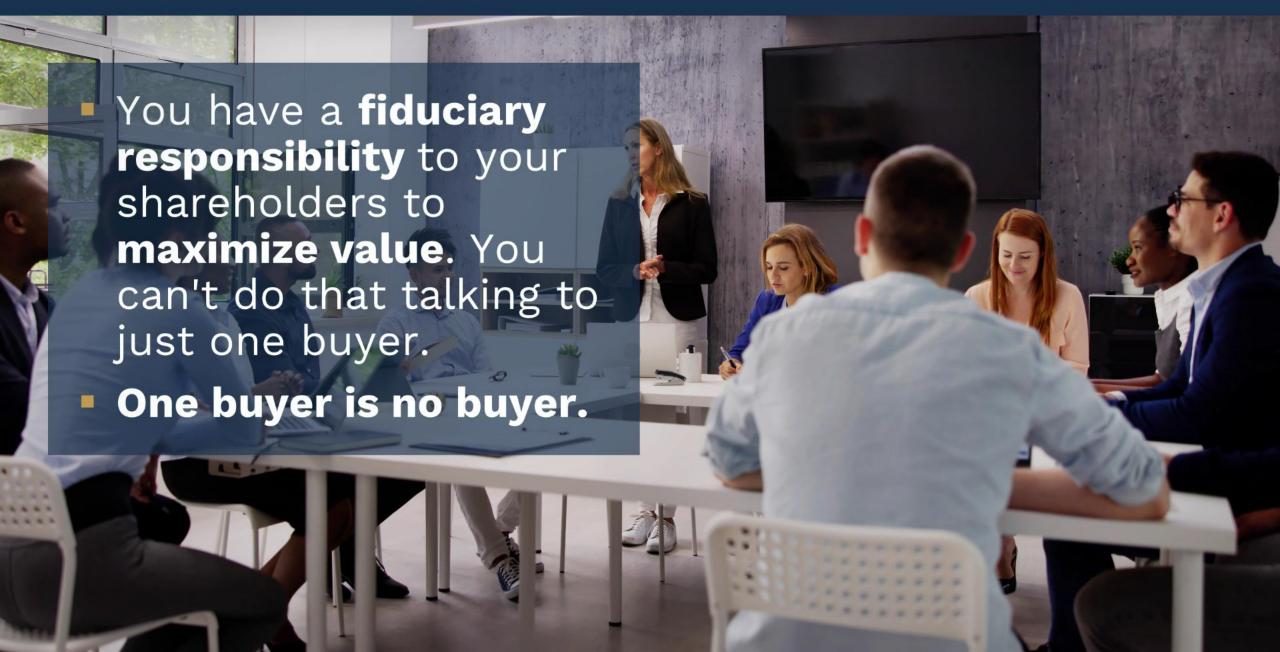
Buyer solicitations that result in transaction



# Get your stakeholders on board.

## CEO's Desk: 7 Tips for Handling Inbound Offers





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# CORUM Event Report June 2024

Presented By Brenden Keene Senior Marketing Coordinator Corum Group Ltd.

#### **Corum Event Report**



# MERGE BRIEFING

## Online in:

Warsaw – June 19

**Southeast Asia – June 20** 

Bengaluru – June 25

Hong Kong - July 4

Prague – July 9

**Dublin – July 10** 

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Online M&A
Bootcamp

Miami – June 18

**Buffalo – June 26** 

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Cleveland - June 27

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Lagos – July 3

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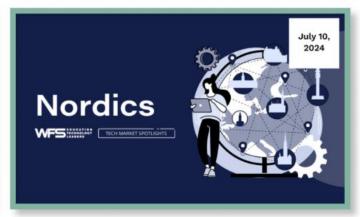


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# CORUM Deal Report June 2024



#### **Deal Report**



**Brendan O'Brien** 

**Senior Vice President** 

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has acquired



Corum acted as exclusive M&A advisor to OEEsystems



#### **Deal Report**



**Senior Vice President** Corum Group Ltd.

**Ivan Ruzic** 

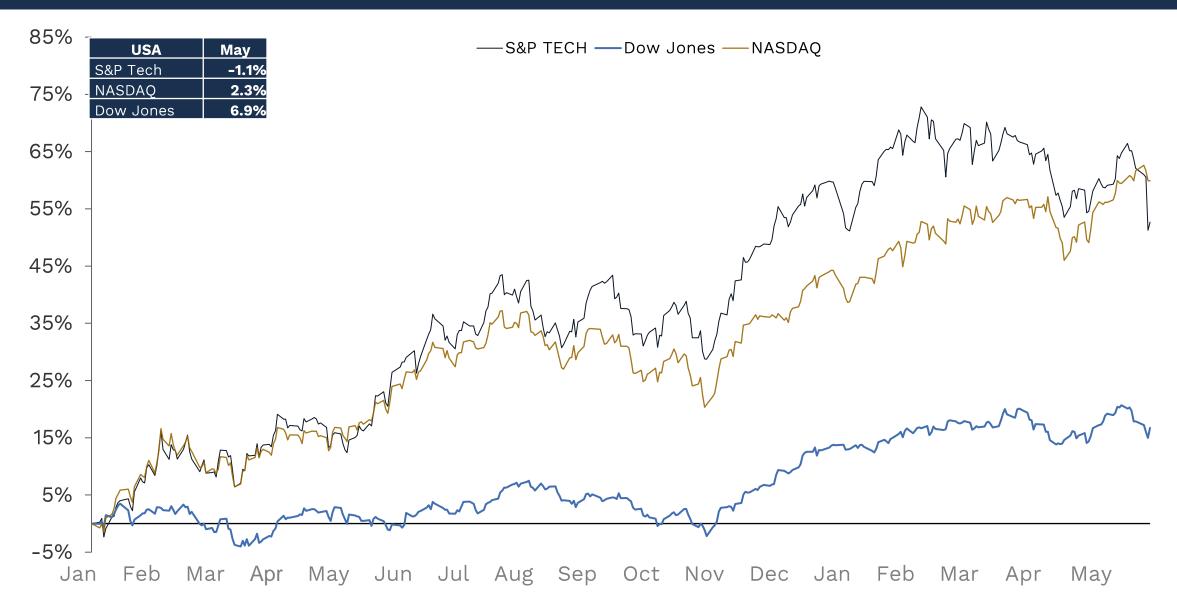




#### Public Markets Jan 2023 - May 2024

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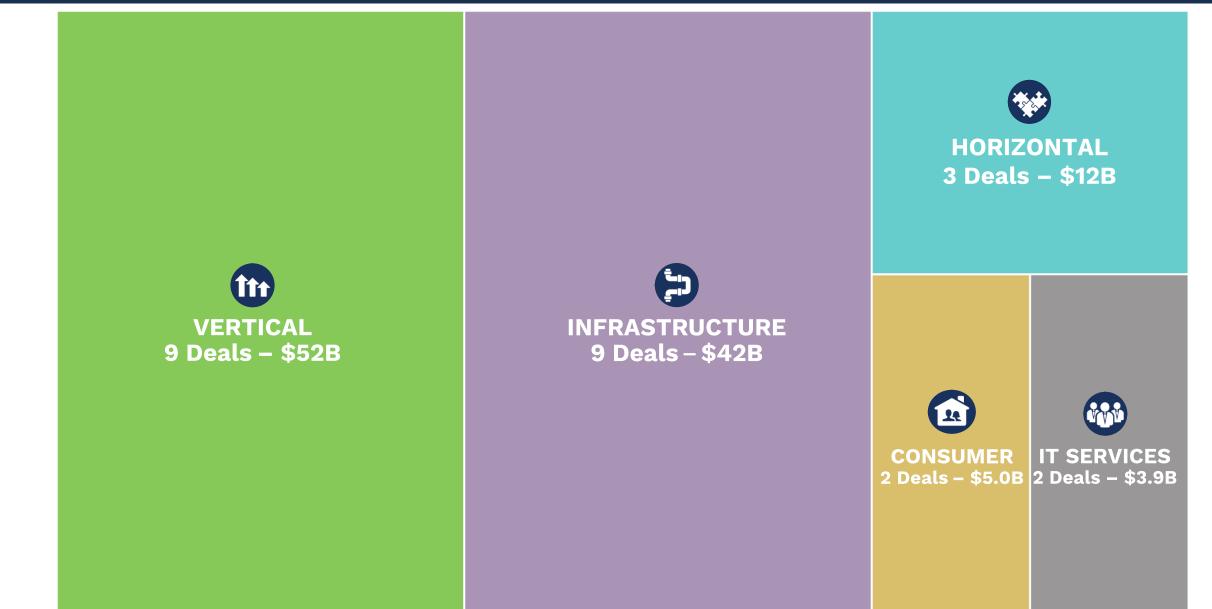
# Corum Index TECH M&A



**May 2023 May 2024** 13% 429 372 **Transactions Market Mega Deals** 2 5 150% \$1.4B \$6.9B **Largest Deal** 393% **May 2023 May 2024 Private Equity** 24% 29 36 **Platform Deals Pipeline VC-Backed Exits** 88 88 24 26 **Non-Tech Acquirers May 2023** May 2024 **Cross Border** 40% 33% **Transactions Attributes Start-Up Acquisitions** 19% 15% **Average Life of Target** 17 yrs 17 yrs

### 2024 Mega Deals (Jan-May)







#### **Public Valuation Multiples**







Subsector	Sales	EBITDA	Examples
Business Intelligence	4.76x	18.6x	MicroStrategy VERINT. N+CE®
Marketing	4.39x	19.0x	Wix zoominfo HubSpot
ERP	4.70x	22.0x	ORACLE PEGA SAP
Human Resources	4.91x	18.3x	PRECRUIT PAYCHEX workday.
SCM	12.5x	45.7x	AMERICAN DESCARTES MA Manhattan Associates.
Payments	2.28x	14.4x	ACI UNIVERSAL PAYMENTS. PayPal Square
Other	2.61x	14.7x	ttec opentext™ salesforce

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











**Seller:** AuditBoard [USA]

**Acquirer:** Hg [United Kingdom]

**Transaction Value: \$3.0B** 

- Audit, risk, compliance & ESG management software





#### **Governance, Risk and Compliance**



regulatory intelligence and Oden products businesses





Seller: Thomson Reuters (regulatory intelligence and Oden products businesses) [Canada]

**Acquirer:** CUBE [HgCapital] [United Kingdom] - Insurance regulatory intelligence software







**Seller:** LogiTax [India] **Acquirer:** Cashflo [India]

- Tax & e-invoicing compliance software







**Seller:** QINT.APP [United Kingdom]

**Acquirer:** Green Environmental Group [United Kingdom]

- Corporate sustainability intelligence software





#### **Human Resources**









**Seller:** SkyHive [USA]

Acquirer: Cornerstone OnDemand [Clearlake Capital] [USA]

- Skills intelligence software







Seller: INRY [USA]

Acquirer: Cprime [Goldman Sachs/Everstone Capital] [USA]

- HR workflow optimization software & services







**Seller:** Hirehive [Ireland]

**Acquirer:** Jobtoolz [Invincible Software Holdings] [Belgium]

- Applicant tracking & recruitment software







Seller: Advance Solutions (Intella) [USA]

**Acquirer:** ServiceNow [USA]

- Talent acquisition & management software





#### **Supply Chain Management**







Seller: Traverse Systems [USA]
Acquirer: SPS Commerce [USA]
Transaction Value: \$29.3M

- Supply chain performance management software







Seller: Baxter Planning [Polaris Partners] [USA]

**Acquirer:** Marlin Equity Partners [USA] - Supply chain management software









**Seller:** Smart Software [USA]

**Acquirer:** Epicor [Clayton Dubilier & Rice] [USA] - Inventory planning & optimization software







**Seller:** Bentley Systems (ProcureWare) [USA] **Acquirer:** Contruent [ARES Corporation] [USA]

- Procurement management software



#### **Public Valuation Multiples**







Subsector	Sales	EBITDA	Examples
A/E/C	11.4x	41.2x	AUTODESK STASSAULT SYNOPSYS®
Automotive	2.75x	20.3x	<b>Z</b> AutoTrader TrueCar ©ar⊕urus
Energy & Environment	3.37x	22.2x	Landis+Gyr Itron xylem
Financial Services	5.07x	18.5x	Broadridge SS&C ISERV.
Government	2.03x	15.4x	NORTHROP L3HARRIS ** tyler grumman
Healthcare	1.00x	39.9x	veradigm. WHealthCatalyst Teladoc
Real Estate	4.27x	N/A	REDFIN CoStar Group 2 Zillow
Other	4.45x	18.7x	amadeus Rockwell Sabre.





#### **Healthcare**





#### **SAMSUNG MEDISON**

Seller: Sonio [France]

Acquirer: Samsung Medison [Samsung Electronics] [South Korea]

**Transaction Value: \$93M** 

- AI-based foetal ultrasound software







**Seller:** eFertility [Netherlands]

**Acquirer:** Vitrolife [Vitrolife Group] [Sweden] **Transaction Value:** \$10M and 6.2x EV/Sales - IVF clinic management systems & software







**Seller:** Aaron.ai [Germany] **Acquirer:** Doctolib [France]

- AI-based healthcare telephone assistant software







**Seller:** Fairway Health [USA] **Acquirer:** TurningPoint [USA]

- Medical documentation & workflow management software





#### A/E/C







Seller: Flashtract [USA] **Acquirer:** Trimble [USA]

- Construction billing & payments software







**Seller:** Clixifix [United Kingdom] **Acquirer:** SmartCraft [Norway]

Transaction Value: \$13M and 4.1x EV/Sales

- Construction defects & workflow management software





#### **FinTech**







Seller: Ather [USA] **Acquirer:** Versifi [USA]

- Digital asset trading software







**Seller:** Dericon [Germany]

**Acquirer:** FE fundinfo [United Kingdom] - Financial securities management software

## atom finance SOLD TO TOGGLE AI



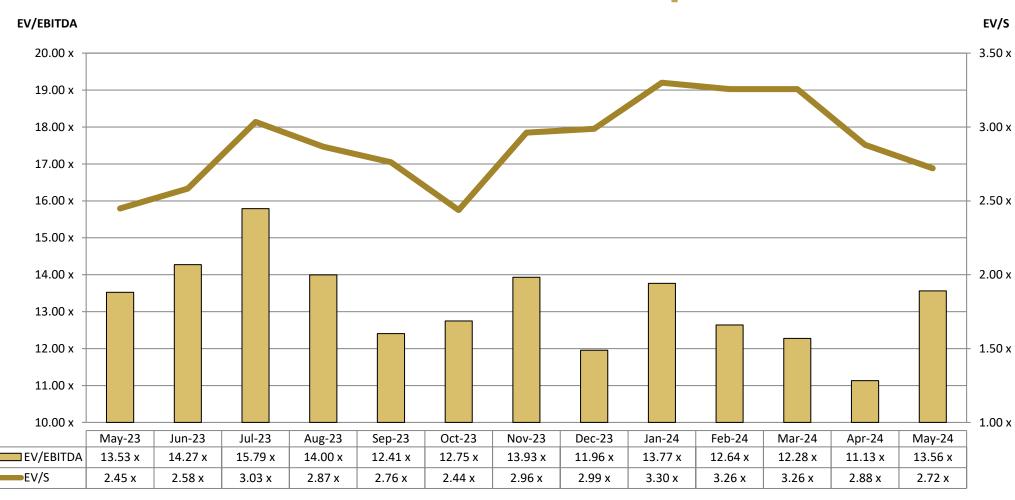


Seller: Atom Finance [USA] **Acquirer:** Toggle AI [USA]

- Financial data & analysis software



## **Public Valuation Multiples**







Subsector	Sales	EBITDA	Examples
Casual Gaming	2.50x	13.6x	EMBRACER* Nintendo netmarble
Core Gaming	3.45x	12.7x	Electronic Arts UBISOFT
Other	3.61x	34.8x	IJA NETFLIX Spotify





#### Games







Seller: Shiver [Embracer Group] [USA]

**Acquirer:** Nintendo [Japan] - Videogame development







Seller: Breach Studios (RoboKiden) [Spain]

**Acquirer:** Elixir [USA]

- Online multi-player games







**Seller:** Intellivision (brand and certain games) [USA]

**Acquirer:** Atari [France]

- Videogame console & software





#### **Ride Sharing**



**Seller:** Gett [United Kingdom]

**Acquirer:** Pango [Israel] **Transaction Value: \$175M** 

Ride-sharing mobile application





#### Messaging

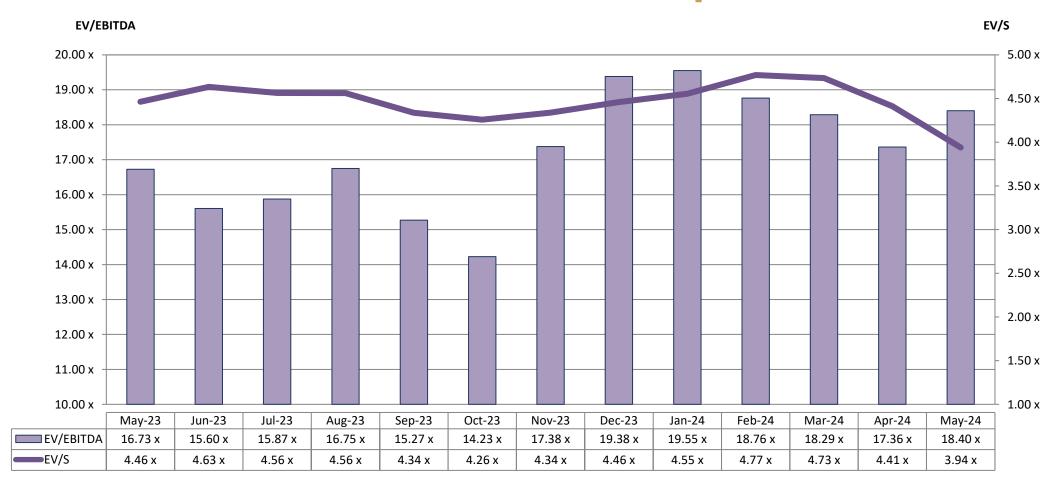


**Seller:** Geneva [USA] **Acquirer:** Bumble [USA]

- Group & community chatting mobile application



#### **Public Valuation Multiples**



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Subsector	Sales I

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Subsector	Sales	EBITDA



EBITDA	Examples

**Application Lifecycle** 

3.93x

11.7x

23.0x

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**unity Progress** 



**Endpoint** 6.25x

18.4x 2.16x







**Network Management** 

**Security** 

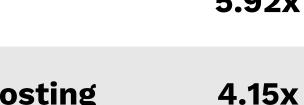
**Other** 



2.91x















50.2x 14.7x



**COMMVAULT** 



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





**INFRASTRUCTURE** 9 Deals - \$42B







Seller: Venafi [Thoma Bravo] [USA]

**Acquirer:** CyberArk [Israel]

Transaction Value: \$1.5B and 10.3x EV/Sales - Machine identity management software





#### **Identity and Access Management**



**Seller:** Signority [Canada] **Acquirer:** FileCloud [USA]

- E-signature & document management software





#### **Application Security**





**Seller:** Noname Security [Israel]

**Acquirer:** Akamai [USA] **Transaction Value: \$450M** - API security software







Seller: oak9 [USA] Acquirer: Drata [USA]

- Construction defects & workflow management software

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





#### **INFRASTRUCTURE** 9 Deals - \$42B







**Seller:** Synopsys (software integrity business) [USA] Acquirer: Clearlake Capital/Francisco Partners [USA]

**Transaction Value: \$1.5B** 

- Application security testing software





**Seller:** Squarespace [USA]

**Acquirer:** Permira [United Kingdom]

**Transaction Value: \$6.9B** 

- Website design & development software





#### **Development Tools**







API management assets

**Seller:** Cloud Software Group (API management assets) [USA]

Acquirer: Boomi [Francisco Partners/TPG Capital] [USA]

- API lifecycle management software



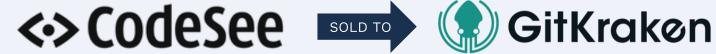




**Seller:** Apiida (federated API management business) [Germany]

Acquirer: Boomi [Francisco Partners/TPG Capital] [USA]

- Federated API management software





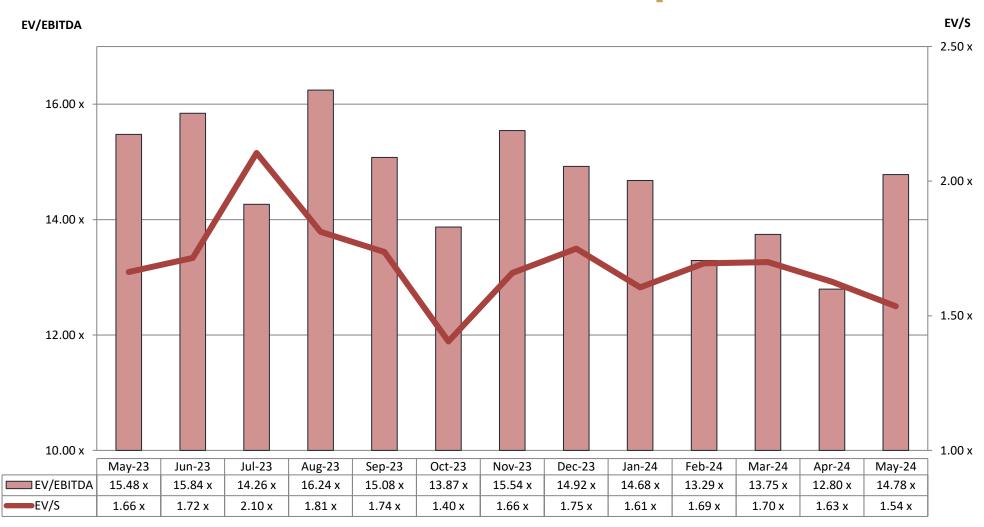


Seller: CodeSee [USA] Acquirer: Gitkraken [USA]

- Code visualization & visibility software



#### **Public Valuation Multiples**





Subsector	Sales	EBITDA	Examples
Diversified Internet	2.56x	15.4x	Alphabet Bai
eCommerce	1.06x	14.8x	ebay zalando
Social Network	0.94x	3.67x	Meta MIXI
Travel & Leisure	3.26x	13.2x	Delivery Hero





#### **Food and Grocery Delivery**



**Seller:** Foodpanda [Delivery Hero] [Taiwan]

**Acquirer:** Uber Eats [USA] **Transaction Value:** \$950M

- Online food & grocery delivery services





#### **Online Education**



Seller: Skillcrush [USA]

Acquirer: PowerToFly [USA]

- Online tech education courses



**Seller:** Truffle Shuffle [USA] **Acquirer:** ButcherBox [USA] - Virtual cook-along classes





#### **Travel**







**Seller:** Clubrural [Spain] **Acquirer:** Holidu [Germany]

- Vacation rentals booking website

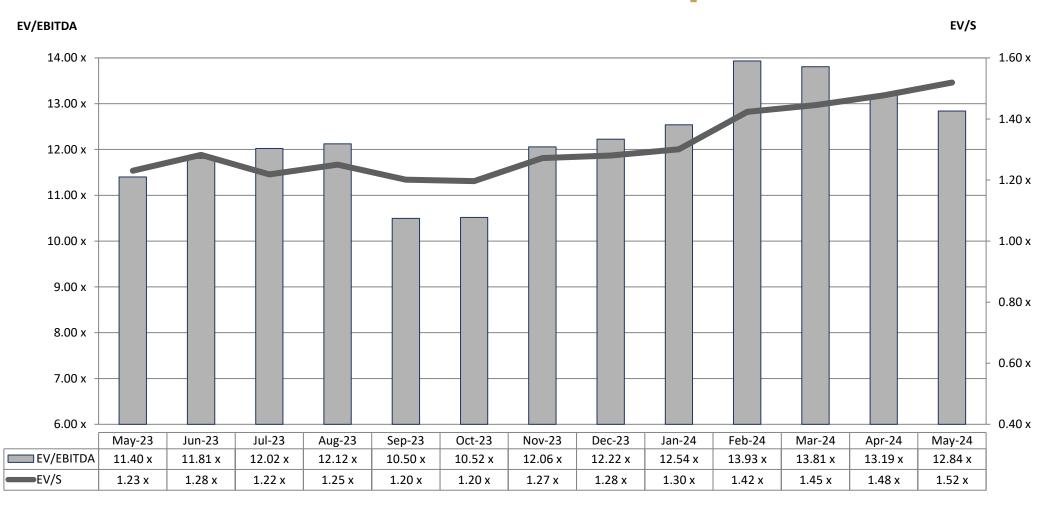


**Seller:** DeÔnibus [Brazil] **Acquirer:** Travelier [Israel]

- Online bus ticket marketplace

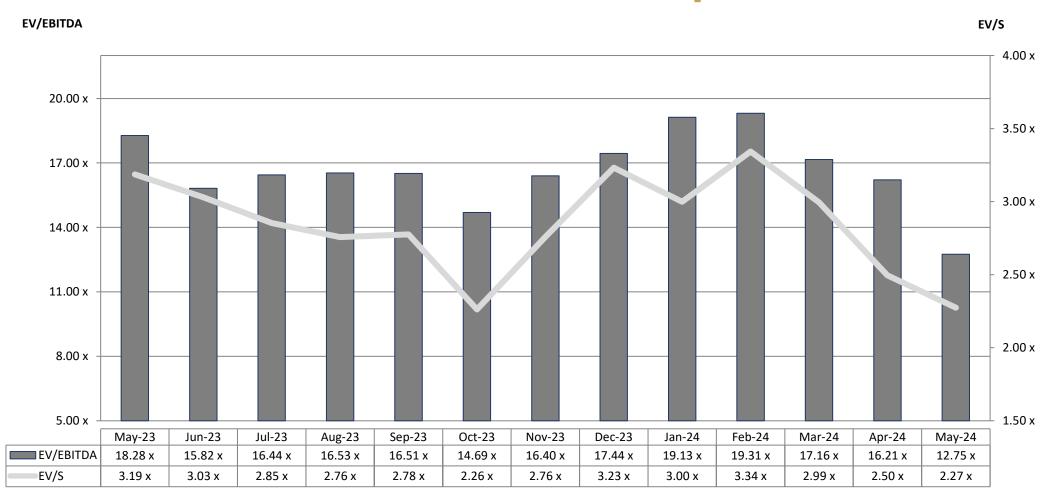


#### **Public Valuation Multiples**





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





**Seller:** Perficient [USA] **Acquirer:** EQT [Sweden]

**Transaction Value:** \$2.7B (3.4x EV/Sales and 20.8x EV/EBITDA)

- IT consulting services







#### **Software Development**







**Seller:** Teamexpat [Netherlands]

**Acquirer:** Accenture [USA]

- Semiconductor industry software development







Seller: Scalio [USA]

Acquirer: KOAT Capital [USA]

- Mobile & web applications development





#### **Focused Systems Integrators**







Seller: ProCori [Sweden] Acquirer: Devoteam [France]

- ServiceNow-partnered IT consulting services







Seller: Chilli [United Kingdom] **Acquirer:** Celerity [United Kingdom]

- IBM-partnered systems integration services







Seller: Citrus [Redington] [UAE]

Acquirer: ZainTech [Zain Group] [UAE]

- AWS-partnered IT consulting and transformation services







Seller: Techware [USA]

**Acquirer:** RKL eSolutions [USA]

- Sage-partnered software integration services





#### **Cybersecurity IT Services**







**Seller:** Locuz [India] **Acquirer:** SHI [USA]

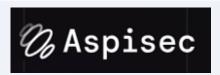
- Cybersecurity & digital transformation services







**Seller:** CyberSheath [Lightview Capital] [USA] **Acquirer:** BV Investment Partners [USA] - DOD cybersecurity compliance services







Seller: Aspisec [Italy]

Acquirer: Abissi [Metrika] [Italy]

- Computer and network security services







**Seller:** EITS [USA]

**Acquirer:** Mainline Information Systems [USA]

- IT cybersecurity services

#### **Corum Research Report**





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## 9 Ways Al Can Improve Your Value







- 1. Enhance Marketing Content Creation
- Automate Internal Processes
- 3. Rapid Prototyping and R&D
- 4. Augment Non-Technical Staff
- 5. Optimize Software Development
- 6. Automate Customer Support
- 7. Personalize User Experiences
- 8. Enhance Existing Products
- 9. New Products and Services



1. Enhance Marketing Content Creation

GenAI can help you autogenerate marketing copy, images, and videos more quickly, saving time and resources while enabling more personalized campaigns and improving engagement and conversions.





#### 2. Automate Internal Processes

 Streamline and automate internal business processes like data analysis, accounting and project management. This can greatly improve operational efficiency and reduce costs.





#### 3. Rapid Prototyping and R&D

Leveraging AI technology to quickly generate and test product ideas, designs, and prototypes. This can accelerate innovation cycles and help bring new competitive features to market faster.





#### 4. Augment Non-Technical Staff

 Providing AI-powered tools to departments like sales, marketing, and customer service can make employees more productive and effective in their roles helping revenue generation.





#### 5. Optimize Software Development

Use AI to assist with tasks like code generation, documentation and testing to improve developer productivity and code quality. These efficiency gains can free up resources for other revenuegenerating activities.

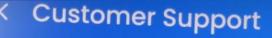




#### 6. Automate Customer Supportive

Al-powered chatbots and virtual assistants can provide always-on customer service while reducing support costs. This can improve customer satisfaction and loyalty, with increased retention and revenue.

Implementation time: 3-6 months





Hi! I'm support chatbot. Can I help you with anything?



### 7. Personalize User Experiences

Boost engagement, satisfaction and loyalty by tailoring interfaces, content, and recommendations to individual users based on their behavior and preferences. This can lead to increased revenue through higher conversion and retention rates. This has a high impact but takes longer.





#### 8. Enhance Existing Products

Integrating genAl into the company's software products can provide a significant competitive advantage, improve user experience, and increase customer value proposition. However, this requires more extensive development and testing before ROI is realized.





#### 9. New Products and Services

Creating entirely new offerings centered around genAl capabilities can open additional revenue streams and help the company establish itself as an innovator. However, this requires the most time and resources to bring to market and generate returns.









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#### **After the Deal – Celebration**







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