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VALUATION MULTIPLES

Forward EV / EBITDA Multiples (monthly to 30/11/2019) Source: FactSet Research Systems Inc.

Multiples in the Technology, Media & Telecom sector have increased over the period. At the end of November, the sector traded on a forward EV / EBITDA multiple of 16.2x, compared to the ASX200 on 10.4x.



Average Values and Trading Multiples (values as at 17/12/2019) Source: FactSet Research Systems Inc.

Subsector	Enterprise Value (\$ m)	EV/EBITDA FY2020	EV/EBIT FY2020	Price / Earnings FY2020
Digital & Traditional Media	11,338	12.2x	18.1x	16.3x
Internet, IoT	28,559	21.8x	27.2x	42.0x
IT Services, Fintech	10,575	16.2x	17.3x	29.2x
Software (SaaS/Licence)	19,093	21.5x	28.4x	39.1x
Technological Hardware	254	8.1x	n.a.	n.a.
Telecommunications	74,697	7.8x	16.8x	17.1x
Emerging vs Established				
\$500m+ EV	147,865	18.7x	26.7x	32.5x
\$100m-\$500m EV	3,738	11.5x	15.5x	32.1x
EV Below \$100m	310	6.0x	7.6x	10.9x
Technology, Media & Telecom	151,912	15.9x	22.9x	31.2x

Note: Multiples are based on the forward year of the unreported period, which for the majority of companies in the sector is FY2020. Difference in forward EV/EBITDA multiples between Figure and Table are representative of the timing difference between month-end result, and current day result.

¹ The InterFinancial Technology, Media & Telecom Index set is an unweighted index comprising Technology, Media & Telecom sector related companies trading on the Australian Securities Exchange (ASX). Estimates are sourced from FactSet Research Systems Inc.



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MERGER & ACQUISITION NEWS...

amaysim jeenee mobile of Con prov			Value: \$7.8m Amaysim , an Australia-based telecommunications and utilities re-seller, has acquired Jeenee Communications , a privately-owned mobile virtual network operator (MVNO), engaged in providing telecommunications services. The consideration will be funded by cash from cash reserves and existing credit facilities.
	🕸 tes	edval	Value: Undisclosed TES Global Holdings Limited , the UK-based digital education company, has acquired Edval Timetables , the Australia-based company specialized in creating timetables for schools.
	Z Ellerston Capital	CAMMS Intelligent performance	Value: \$17.5m Ellerston JAADE Private Asset Fund, an Australia-based fund of Ellerston Capital, has acquired a 35% stake in CA Technology (CAMMS), an Australia-based company engaged in developing software.
	íve) ReachMedia Solmot	Value: \$25m IVE Group Limited , the listed Australia-based company which provides tailored communications solutions, has agreed to acquire Reach Media New Zealand Limited , the New Zealand-based provider of digital media space and Marketing Solutions Business of Salmat Limited , the Australia-based listed company engaged in providing business process outsourcing and customer contact solutions.
	Main sequence ventures QT. PO-TEL BRICK & MORTAR	ADVANCED NAVIGATION	Value: \$20m Main Sequence Ventures along with In-Q-TeI, and Brick & Mortar Ventures have agreed to acquire an undisclosed stake in Advanced Navigation, an Australia-based company specializing in the development of navigation technologies and robotics. Main Sequence Ventures made the investment through its CSIRO Innovation Fund.
			Value: \$78m Uniti Group Limited, a listed Australia-based provider of wireless broadband solutions, has agreed to acquire 1300 Australia Pty Ltd, an Australia-based company that provides phone words and phone names, from Aura Funds Management and other shareholders.
	WiseTech	READYKOREA	Value: \$13.2m WiseTech Global Limited, the listed provider and developer of software solutions to the logistics industry, has acquired Ready Korea , the Korean-based company providing trade compliance solutions.



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GOING VIRAL...

- Cisco, the networking technologies company, in San Jose, California announced its intent to acquire Exablaze (also known as Zomojo), an Australian designer and manufacturer of advanced network devices.
- **Gumtree**, a classifieds business owned by eBay, is believed to be in talks to buy **Carsguide** and **Autotrader**, Australian automotive classifieds businesses, for possibly a price of less than \$100m.
- Canada's OMERS has partnered with IPI Partners to bid for AirTrunk, an Australian data centre business.
- Nexacu, an Australian provider of Microsoft software skills training, could take on a strategic partner for potential overseas expansion in late 2020.
- Unifii will start preparations next year for listing its shares on the ASX, after securing cornerstone investment from Perennial Value and Inception Asset Management.
- VMO, the Australian outdoor media company under cinema group Hoyts, is keeping a close eye on acquisition opportunities in Australia to complement its current business verticals in the digital outdoor advertising space.
- Secure Code Warrior, a Sydney-based cybersecurity company, announced that it has raised \$70m in a funding round led by Goldman Sachs, Forgepoint Capital, and Cisco.
- Freestyle Technology, an Australia-based IT business, is seeking urgent expressions of interest. Freestyle Technology was valued at \$85m in 2014.
- Harrison.ai, an Australian healthcare artificial intelligence start-up, has raised \$29m.
- oOh!Media and Southern Cross Austereo (a subsidiary of the Southern Cross Media Group) have held exploratory merger discussions. oOh!Media has a market capitalisation of \$918m.
- Archer Capital is believed to be close to selling illion, an Australia-based credit checking business, to an undisclosed private equity group. Archer's \$1.5bn-plus asking price is believed to have previously deterred potential suitors.
- Telstra's plan to transfer its mobile towers into an \$11bn unit in the first step towards a spin-off of the division.
- **TPG Telecom Ltd.** is expecting to clear regulatory hurdles early next year for its planned merger with **Vodafone Hutchison Australia**, after gaining a favorable court decision on the proposed deal.
- Adamantem Capital is believed to be among buyers interested in Luxury Escapes, an Australia-based e-commerce travel business. Luxury Escapes is forecasted to bring in revenue of \$500m during the 2020 financial year.
- Amaysim and Vocus are subject to escalating speculation that a buyer is considering a deal to combine their retail operations.
- ReadiiTel, a private Melbourne-based Australian fixed wireless telco and managed services company, is preparing for an ASX listing, possibly in 12-18 months.
- thedocyard, a privately-held, Sydney, Australia-based deal management technology company, is planning to list on the ASX to raise up to \$5m.



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