## FEBRUARY 2020 - TECHNOLOGY & DIGITAL MEDIA

#### **Executive Summary**

The **Digital Media Sector** closed the month down 10.8%. **Arq Group Limited** recorded the largest loss of 68.1%

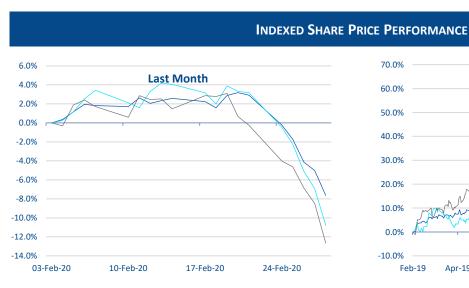
The **Digital Media Sector** average **LTM EV/EBITDA** multiple was 15.0x, whilst the **NTM EV/EBITDA** multiple is projected to be 12.9x

The **Technology Services Sector** closed down 12.7%. **Isentia Group Limited** recorded the largest movement, down 19.2%

The **Technology Services Sector** average **LTM EV/EBITDA** multiple was 17.0x, whilst the **NTM EV/EBITDA** multiple is projected to be 19.9x

#### **Key Developments**

- Flight Centre Travel Group Limited acquired BLC Ventures Ltd
- An unknown buyer agreed to acquire a 50.1% stake in Stratton Finance Pty Ltd from carsales.com Ltd
- A consortium signed a binding agreement to acquire the Enterprise Services Division from Arg Group Limited





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EAC Partners has constructed a market capitalisation weighted index for the Digital Media and Technology coverage groups: The charts shown are the indexed share price performance for the constituent companies of the EAC coverage group and the ASX200 Industrials Index.

# **C**ONSTITUENTS

Digital Media Sector	Ticker	Closing Price	Monthly Movemer		Market Cap (AUD)	EV (AUD)	EV / EBITDA (LTM)	EV / EBITDA (NTM)	P / E (Trailing)	P / E (Forward)	ND / EBITDA (Trailing)	Div Yield
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Beyond International Limited	BYI	0.68	(15.0%)	•	41.7	42.9	NM	NM	NM	NM	11.4x	NM
carsales.com Ltd	CAR	16.20	(6.0%)	•	3,973.3	4,426.9	22.1x	18.0x	27.4x	26.7x	2.1x	2.9%
Corporate Travel Management Ltd	CTD	13.94	(21.7%)	•	1,519.5	1,535.2	11.3x	9.9x	18.9x	16.1x	NM	2.9%
Flight Centre Travel Group Limited	FLT	32.62	(17.0%)	•	3,299.0	3,850.1	8.9x	8.2x	16.5x	15.7x	NM	4.8%
Arq Group Limited	ARQ	0.12	(68.1%)	•	14.0	86.3	7.0x	5.2x	NM	14.4x	5.8x	NM
REA Group Limited	REA	98.32	(13.8%)	•	12,950.2	13,191.8	31.2x	22.7x	52.3x	37.4x	0.4x	1.2%
SEEK Limited	SEK	20.68	(8.9%)	•	7,272.3	8,960.2	25.1x	18.1x	47.7x	45.4x	3.2x	2.2%
WPP AUNZ Limited	WPP	0.61	4.3%	•	515.2	751.4	5.1x	NM	NM	NM	1.6x	8.6%
Webjet Limited	WEB	9.56	(18.6%)	•	1,296.3	1,330.8	9.4x	7.9x	29.4x	13.1x	0.1x	2.4%
Average - adjusted to exclude outliers			(10.8%)				15.0x	12.9x	32.0x	24.1x	3.5x	3.6%
Technology Services												
Hansen Technologies Limited	HSN	3.18	(13.4%)	•	629.6	804.8	22.9x	10.5x	39.3x	16.2x	4.3x	1.9%
IRESS Limited	IRE	11.86	(15.3%)	•	2,045.6	2,294.6	18.2x	16.4x	31.5x	26.4x	2.0x	3.9%
Isentia Group Limited	ISD	0.21	(19.2%)	•	42.0	84.1	4.7x	4.1x	NM	5.3x	1.9x	NM
Reckon Limited	RKN	0.72	4.3%	•	81.6	126.3	8.9x	3.9x	10.2x	9.5x	3.1x	5.6%
Technology One Limited	TNE	7.84	(8.0%)	•	2,498.4	2,393.3	30.3x	24.8x	42.8x	38.3x	NM	1.5%
Xero Limited	XRO	73.65	(13.9%)	•	10,405.6	10,387.6	NM	59.4x	NM	291.3x	NM	NM
Average			(12.7%)				17.0x	19.9x	31.0x	64.5x	2.8x	3.2%

## **KEY DEVELOPMENTS**

#### **Activity**

- Flight Centre Travel Group Limited (ASX:FLT) acquired BLC Ventures Ltd for AUD \$1.5 million
- An unknown buyer agreed to acquire a 50.1% stake in Stratton Finance Pty Ltd from carsales.com Ltd
  (ASX:CAR). The net impact of the Stratton Finance sale is a AUD \$2.7 million income statement gain for
  shareholders
- A consortium comprising Quadrant Private Equity Pty Limited and certain members Tristan Sternson, Justin Parcell and Cameron Boog have signed a binding agreement to acquire the Enterprise Services Division from Arq Group Limited (ASX:ARQ) for AUD \$35 million

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#### **Transaction Experience**



**Batchfire:** Advised in relation to a \$25m equity rights issue



Matt Brown's Greens: Advised on its sale to MorCo Fresh



**Smollen Group:** Advised Australia's largest real estate franchise on its \$70m sale to McGrath Limited



APSEZ: Advised on acquisition of Abbot Point Bulkcoal from Glencore Advised on its inaugural USD650m investment grade bond offer



**Sibelco**: Advised on the acquisition of an industrial minerals producer



**Enviropacific Services**: Advised on the divestment of 44% of the shares to Adexum Capital



Adani: Advised on the AUD1.25Bn refinance of Adani Abbot Point Terminal Advised on its USD150m maiden USPP issue

issue

Advised on its AUD100m 6 year AMTN issue





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**Safe Direction:** Completed a strategic and capital structure review



**Running Bare:** Completed a strategic review



**Yello:** Advised in relation to its series A capital raising



ATL: Advised on its USD500m investment grade bond offer Advised on their finance plan, which included rating advice



**Holcim**: Strategic review of two noncore assets



**Freemantle Media**: Advised on the takeover of a listed media business



**Moko**: Advised in relation to an acquisition and capital raise

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