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# GalaxyDigital (TSX: GLXY) Acquires BitGo for \$1.2 billion





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### **Transaction Summary**

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- On May 5, 2021, Galaxy Digital (TSX: GLXY) announced that it has agreed to acquire BitGo, a digital asset financial services company, in a transaction valued at \$1.2 billion
  - The consideration to BitGo shareholders will consist of 33.8 million newly issued shares of Galaxy Digital common stock and \$265 million in cash
  - Galaxy Digital plans to undergo a domestication process with an intent to execute a US listing later this year
- The transaction represents the largest strategic acquisition of a Cryptocurrency firm
- The combined entity will offer a wide range of products and services including trading, custody and asset management, investment banking, prime lending, tax services and, potentially, an institutional focused mining operation (1)
  - The acquisition introduces multiple new business lines to Galaxy Digital, including a regulated client custody solution from BitGo Trust Companies in South Dakota, New York, Switzerland and Germany
  - It also diversifies the business, with a greater contribution from recurring revenue that is less correlated with digital asset prices
  - The deal also creates revenue synergy opportunities and adds more than 400 net new clients to Galaxy Digital
- Upon completion of the transaction, BitGo shareholders will own approximately 10% of the pro forma company
  - BitGo CEO Mike Belshe plans to become Galaxy Digital's deputy CEO and a member of the Company's board
- Last year, BitGo was reported to be in acquisition talks with PayPal, which reportedly offered as much as \$750 million in cash (2)
- The transaction is expected to close in Q4 2021

#### **Transaction Commentary**

"The acquisition of BitGo establishes Galaxy Digital as a one-stop-shop for institutions and significantly accelerates our mission to institutionalize digital asset ecosystems and blockchain technology. The power of the technology, solutions and people we will have as a result of this acquisition will unlock unique value for our clients and drive long-term growth for our combined business. We are excited to welcome Mike Belshe and the talented BitGo team to Galaxy Digital."



Michael Novogratz CEO & Founder



"Joining Galaxy Digital represents an exciting new chapter for our business, as our current clients gain access to a wide set of financial solutions. We will now be in a position to offer our best-in-class digital asset infrastructure capabilities to significantly more corporate, institutional and high net worth investor clients."



Mike Belshe CEO & Co-Founder



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#### BitGo Overview

#### Company Overview



CEO & Founder:	Mike Belshe

Palo Alto, CA **Headquarters:** 

Founded: 2013

- BitGo is a leader in digital asset financial services, providing institutional investors with liquidity, custody and security solutions
- In 2018, the Company launched BitGo Trust Company, a purpose-built custodian for storing digital assets, and established BitGo New York Trust in 2021
  - In 2020, BitGo launched Prime Trading and Lending and BitGo Portfolio and Tax – cementing its product suite as a full-stack solution for digital assets
- BitGo's customer base includes the world's largest cryptocurrency exchanges and institutional investors and spans more than 50 countries

#### **Key Metrics**

20%

\$40 billion

30 billion

Assets under Custody

Monthly Transactions

#### **Solutions Overview**



#### **Custody** – Secure & Compliant Solutions

- BitGo's wallet platform creates an ideal balance between security and accessibility
- The Company has successfully completed a SOC2 Type 2 audit for its hot wallet platform, demonstrating its commitment to securely managing customer's data
- Institutional-grade custody solutions for customers who prefer to self-manage or use a qualified custodian



#### Portfolio Tools – Better Insights, Better Decisions

- BitGo's portfolio management and tax solutions simplify digital asset accounting
- The platform is designed to make transaction resolution more accurate, efficient and scalable to better serve an institutional audience



### Prime Services - Borrow & Lend Crypto Securely

- BitGo Prime provides access to its own inventory and sources digital assets through an established network of HNW individuals, family offices and institutional lenders
- As a leading player in digital assets financial services, the Company is committed to upholding the highest standards of compliance and security



#### **API** – Seamlessly Integrate into Applications

- BitGo provides simple and robust API and client SDK to integrate digital currency wallets with customer's existing applications
- The Company has extended its API and SDK to allow the management of multiple digital currencies

of Global Bitcoin **Transactions Processed** through BitGo

400+ Coins & Tokens

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### **Galaxy Digital Overview**

#### **Company Overview**

sectors



CEO & Founder:	Michael Novogratz	
Headquarters:	New York, NY	
Founded:	2018	
Ticker:	TSX:GLXY	

 Galaxy Digital (TSX: GLXY) is a diversified financial services and investment management company in the digital asset, cryptocurrency and blockchain technology

 The Company's team has extensive experience spanning investment, portfolio management, capital markets venture capital, asset management and blockchain technology

#### Stock Performance (TSX: GLXY)

\$50	Market Cap	05/10/21	C\$2,993	
\$40	LTM High	04/13/21	C\$42.63	1.
\$30	LTM Low	05/26/20	C\$1.26	Im
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#### **Business Lines**



#### **Asset Management**

- Galaxy Digital builds and manages institutional quality digital asset products on behalf of its clients
- The Company offers a diversified digital asset management business that currently has over \$1.2 billion in AUM
- Customers gain exposure to digital assets, blockchain technology and interactive technology



#### **Principal Investments**

- Directly invest in liquid crypto assets, early-stage venture, latestage venture, special situations and extend credit to borrowers operating in the blockchain industry
- Galaxy Digital Principal Investments focuses on provided strategic, long-term capital to businesses within its ecosystem



#### Trading

- Galaxy Digital customers can leverage expertise, deep liquidity relationships and superior infrastructure to execute OTC, derivatives, macro and quantitative trading strategies
- Customers also have access to differentiated lending and structured product solutions



#### **Investment Banking**

 The Company offers services to bridge the gap between technology and markets through advising clients on emerging opportunities in the digital assets space

#### **Selected Transaction History**

Selected Transaction History			
Date	Туре	Size (\$ mm)	Target(s)
05/05/2021	M&A	\$1,200	BitGo.
03/18/2021	Financing	na	▲ Fireblocks
11/13/2020	M&A	na	DrawBridge BLUEFIRE

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### **Selected Recent Crypto Transactions**

Announce Date	Company	Selected Investor(s)	Amount (\$ in mm)	Transaction Type
04/30/21	skew.	Coinbase	na	M&A
04/29/21	O PAXOS	Oak HC/FT; Declaration Partners; PayPal Ventures; Mithril Capital Management; Senator Investment Group; Liberty City Ventures; Westcap Management	\$300	Financing
04/28/21	<b>A</b> alchemy	Addition; Coatue Management; Coinbase; Communitas Capital Partners; DFJ Growth; K5 Global; Pantera Capital; Samsung Ventures; SignalFire; Undisclosed Investor; Stanford University; The Chainsmokers; Glazer family	80	Financing
04/21/21	Digital Asset Holdings	7Ridge; Eldridge Industries	120	Financing
04/21/21		RIT Capital Partners	na	Financing
04/08/21	WHINSTONE -HERC'S A SETTER WAY	Riot Blockchain	651	M&A
03/24/21	Plockchain.com	DST Global; Lightspeed Venture Partners; Vy Capital; Undisclosed Investor	300	Financing
03/18/21	▲ Fireblocks	Coatue Management; Ribbit Capital; Stripes Group; BNY Mellon; Silicon Valley Bank; Paradigm; Galaxy Digital; Swisscom Ventures; Tenaya Capital; Cyberstarts	133	Financing
03/16/21	<b>'</b> етого <b>'</b>	FinTech Acquisition Corp. V	9,595	M&A (SPAC)
03/16/21	bitpanda	Valar Ventures; DST Global	170	Financing
03/11/21	BlockFi	Bain Capital Ventures; DST Global; Pomp Investments; Tiger Global; Susquehanna Government Products; Bracket Capital; Paradigm; Third Prime Capital; Valar Ventures; Morgan Creek Digital; Akuna Capital; PJC Capital; Hudson River Trading; Parafi Capital; Jum	350	Financing
03/11/21	FalconX	Accel; B Capital Group; Tiger Global; Avon Ventures; Lightspeed Venture Partners; Flybridge Capital Partners; CMT Digital; Coinbase Ventures; AmEx Ventures; Accomplice	50	Financing
03/08/21	Curv	PayPal	na	M&A
03/05/21	Cipher	Good Works Acquisition Corp.	2,000	M&A (SPAC)
03/05/21	<b>%</b> eco	Andreessen Horowitz; Coinbase Ventures; Pantera Capital; Blockchange Ventures; Founders Fund; Activant Capital; Slow Ventures; Tribe Capital; Valor Capital Group; Undisclosed Investor	26	Financing

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### **Selected Recent Crypto Transactions (cont.)**

Announce Date	Company	Selected Investor(s)	Amount (\$ in mm)	Transaction Type
03/02/21	<b>//AX</b> bit	Tiger Global; Paradigm; PayPal Ventures; Coinbase Ventures; Winklevoss Capital	\$100	Financing
02/25/21	ANCHORAGE	Government of Singapore Investment Corporation; Andreessen Horowitz; Lux Capital; Indico Capital Partners; Blockchain Capital	80	Financing
02/17/21	Blockchain.com	Access Industries; Eldridge Industries; GV; Lakestar, Lightspeed Venture Partners; Moore Strategic Ventures; Rovida Advisors; Undisclosed Investor	120	Financing
02/11/21	coinsquare	Mogo Finance Technology	44	Financing
02/01/21	<b>N</b> AXONI	UBS; Deutsche Bank; Intel Capital; Citigroup; Goldman Sachs Growth; HSBC Holdings plc; JP Morgan Chase & Co; Nyca Partners; Wells Fargo	31	Financing
01/19/21	<b>♦</b> Bison Trails	Coinbase	na	M&A
01/11/21	<b>Bakkt</b> *	VPC Impact Acquisition	2,092	M&A (SPAC)
01/07/21	route <b></b> fire	Coinbase	na	M&A
12/17/20	O PAXOS	Declaration Partners; Mithril Capital Management; PayPal Ventures; RIT Capital Partners; Alua Capital; Senator Investment Group; RRE Ventures; Liberty City Ventures; Undisclosed Investor	142	Financing
12/16/20	FalconX	AmEx Ventures	na	M&A
09/29/20	bitpanda	Valar Ventures; Hedosophia	52	Financing
08/26/20	Blockfolio	FTX Trading	150	M&A
08/25/20	CONSENSYS	JP Morgan Chase & Co; UBS; Alameda Research; CMT Digital; Fenbushi Capital; Greater Bay Area Homeland Development Fund; Liberty City Ventures; MakerDAO; Mastercard; NGC Ventures; Protocol Labs; Quotidian Ventures; SNZ; The LAO	65	Financing
08/25/20	<b>Quorum</b>	ConsenSys	na	M&A
08/20/20	BlockFi	Morgan Creek Digital; Valar Ventures; CMT Digital; Castle Island Ventures; Winklevoss Capital; SCB 10x; Avon Ventures; Purple Arch Ventures; Kenetic Capital; Hashkey Capital; Undisclosed Investor; Alumni Ventures Group; Fidelity Management & Research Company	50	Financing

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### **Selected Recent Crypto Transactions (cont.)**

Announce Date	Company	Selected Investor(s)	Amount (\$ in mm)	Transaction Type
07/20/20	ØINE	Digital Currency Group	\$288	Financing
07/01/20	curv	Franklin Templeton; Illuminate Financial; CommerzVentures; Coinbase Ventures; Digital Currency Group; Team8; DG Lab Fund	23	Financing
05/13/20	FalconX	Accel; Accomplice; Coinbase Ventures; Fenbushi Capital; Flybridge Capital Partners; Lightspeed Venture Partners; Avon Ventures; Fidelity Management & Research Company	17	Financing
03/16/20	Bakkt <sup>*</sup>	Intercontinental Exchange; PayU; The Boston Consulting Group; Goldfinch Partners; CMT Digital; M12; Pantera Capital	300	Financing
02/13/20	BlockFi	Akuna Capital; Valar Ventures; Morgan Creek Capital Management; PJC Capital; CMT Digital; Winklevoss Capital; Avon Ventures; Hashkey Capital; Arrington XRP Capital; Kenetic Capital; Castle Island Ventures; Purple Arch Ventures	30	Financing
02/12/20	CIRCLE Retail Digital Asset Business (1)	Voyager	na	M&A
01/06/20	<b>7/AX</b> bit	TTV Capital; Dragonfly Capital; Collaborative Fund; Winklevoss Capital; Valar Ventures; Global Founders Capital; Table Management; Album VC	5	Financing
12/20/19	• <b>{</b> ripple	Tetragon Financial Group; SBI Holdings; Route 66 Ventures	200	Financing
12/11/19	Digital Asset Holdings	ASX Limited; Jefferson River Capital; CoinDesk; Salesforce Ventures; Samsung Ventures; Vmware; Undisclosed Investor	35	Financing
11/14/19	Compound	Andreessen Horowitz; Xpring; Robot Ventures; Dragonfly Capital.; Bain Capital Ventures; Polychain Capital; Paradigm Capital	25	Financing
08/06/19	BlockFi	Valar Ventures; Winklevoss Capital; Galaxy Digital Ventures; Consensys Labs; Akuna Capital; Avon Ventures; Susquehanna Government Products; CMT Digital; Morgan Creek Capital Management; PJC Capital	18	Financing
07/10/19	<b>™</b> DIGINEX	8i Enterprises Acquisition	276	M&A
07/10/19	ANCHORAGE"	Blockchain Capital; Visa; Andreessen Horowitz; Elysium; Dragonfly Capital.	40	Financing
06/25/19	⋒ĸraken	Undisclosed Investor	14	Financing

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Circle's \$25 million Financing



Imagine Software's Sale to Francisco Partners



Trumid's \$200 million Financing



Forge's \$150 million Financing



Wealthsimple Raises C\$750 million in Financing



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eToro Merges with FinTech Acquisition Corp. V

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### FT Partners Advises Circle on its \$25 million Financing

#### Overview of Transaction

- On July 30, 2020, Circle announced it has raised \$25 million in financing from
  Digital Currency Group as part of a strategic partnership with Genesis aimed at
  enhancing Circle's new suite of products for businesses and developers with
  USDC-based yield and lending services
  - Digital Currency Group is the parent company of Genesis
- Circle is a global FinTech firm that enables businesses of all sizes to harness the power of digital currencies and blockchains for payments, commerce and financial applications
  - Circle is the pioneer of USDC, the fastest growing, regulated digital currency backed by the US Dollar
- In Q2 2020, Circle launched its new suite of Platform Services, providing businesses with a comprehensive suite of products and APIs for integrating and implementing stablecoins for payments, global commerce, and financial applications

#### **Significance of Transaction**

- Through the partnership, Circle and Genesis will offer market solutions for businesses and developers who are seeking to generate strong positive yield from their own or customer USDC holdings
- The partnership will also provide access to USDC-based credit for businesses and merchants that are using USDC for treasury operations and business payments
- Circle and Genesis have established a leadership position providing core infrastructure supporting a new global financial system

#### FT Partners' Role

- FT Partners served as exclusive financial advisor to Circle
- This transaction highlights FT Partners' deep domain expertise in the digital asset and and blockchain sectors, as well as its successful track record generating highly favorable outcomes for high-growth FinTech companies globally

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### FT Partners Advises Trumid on its \$200 million Growth Capital Investment

#### Overview of Transaction

- On August 12, 2020, Trumid announced the completion of a \$200 million growth capital investment at a valuation of over \$1 billion led by Dragoneer Investment Group, with participation from new investors including TPG Capital, and funds and accounts managed by BlackRock and T. Rowe Price Associates, Inc
- Trumid is a US corporate bond trading platform that brings trading efficiency and connectivity to credit professionals
- The Company has differentiated itself by collaborating with market participants to create innovative trading solutions
  - Since its launch one year ago, Trumid's Attributed Trading (AT)
    protocol has established a dominant position in dealer streaming and
    bilateral dealer-client trading
- Trumid has experienced extraordinary growth in activity across its trading platform, with volumes up nearly 500% in 2020 from its network that has grown to over 500 institutions worldwide

#### **Significance of Transaction**

 The growth capital from this financing will support broadening of Trumid's trading protocols and expansion into adjacent products and geographies

#### FT Partners' Role

- FT Partners served as exclusive financial and strategic advisor to Trumid
- This transaction highlights FT Partners' deep domain expertise within Capital Markets Tech, as well as its successful track record generating highly favorable outcomes for high-growth FinTech companies globally

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\$200,000,000



### FT Partners Advises Forge on its \$150 million Financing

#### **Overview of Transaction**

- On May 4, 2021, Forge announced the raise of \$150 million in new funding
  - The financing round included participation from new investors
     Temasek, Wells Fargo Strategic Capital, LUN Partners Group as well as existing investor Deutsche Börse
- Forge's digital platform streamlines liquidity for hundreds of unicorn issuers and thousands of institutional and retail investors from around the world
  - Leveraging its robust technology, operations and trust infrastructure,
     Forge delivers a suite of services that includes trading, custody, data and company solutions
- The Company also announced that that it has received FINRA approval to
  operate as a single broker dealer with SharesPost, and in the months since its
  acquisition of SharesPost, the Company tallied three consecutive recordbreaking quarters
- Since inception, Forge has completed more than \$9 billion in transactions in nearly 400 private companies (1)

#### **Significance of Transaction**

- The continued interest from global strategic and financial investors validates Forge's leadership position as it continues to develop new, innovative products and services to meet the needs of the private market
- Forge intends to use the new funding to continue to expand service offerings in the US and beyond

#### FT Partners' Role

- FT Partners served as exclusive strategic and financial advisor to Forge
- FT Partners previously advised Forge on its <u>merger with SharesPost</u> in May 2020, its acquisition of IRA Services in October 2019, and its <u>\$70 million Series</u> <u>B financing</u> in July 2018
- This transaction highlights FT Partners' deep domain expertise within Capital Markets Tech, as well as its successful track record generating highly favorable outcomes for high-growth FinTech companies globally

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### FT Partners Advises Addepar on its Series D Financing

#### Overview of Transaction

- On June 8, 2017, Addepar announced it has raised \$140 million in Series D financing co-led by Harald McPike, the founder of QuantRes, along with Valor Equity Partners and 8VC
- Headquartered in Mountain View, CA, Addepar is a leading provider of portfolio management and reporting software and services that seeks to become the infrastructure that will connect all aspects of global finance
- Harald McPike is the founder of QuantRes, a quantitative trading firm, and a global private investor with a focus on the financial and technology sectors
- Valor Equity Partners is an operational growth investment firm that does both minority and majority investments in high growth companies at various stages of development
- 8VC is a venture capital firm that makes seed to later stage investments with a focus on the technology industry

#### Significance of Transaction

- The financing capitalizes on Addepar's unprecedented growth from \$300 billion to over \$650 billion assets on platform in less than 18 months as top wealth managers embraced Addepar's category-defining client reporting software
- With the new capital, Addepar will continue investing significantly in R&D, expanding its product, platform and tech-enabled services to unlock more value for its clients while also serving a wider range of wealth and asset management firms

#### FT Partners' Role

- FT Partners served as exclusive strategic and financial advisor to Addepar
- Transaction demonstrates FT Partners' continued leadership position as the "advisor of choice" to the highest quality FinTech companies as well as its deep domain expertise and experience in the WealthTech space

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Harald McPike

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\$ 140,000,000



### FT Partners Advises Nutmeg on its £45 million Series E Financing

#### Overview of Transaction

- On January 22, 2019, Nutmeg announced it has raised £45 million in its Series
   E financing round led by Goldman Sachs and Convoy
  - Goldman Sachs' Principal Strategic Investments Group is a new investor in the Nutmeg platform, while Convoy, a Hong Kong-based financial advisory firm, is investing for a second time
  - Convoy first invested in Nutmeg in November 2016
- Headquartered in London, Nutmeg is a digital wealth manager operating in the U.K. and Asia (Hong Kong / Taiwan)
  - Nutmeg provides bespoke automated advice and discretionary portfolio management with exposure to multiple asset classes, through its diversified ETF-based portfolios
  - Nutmeg serves more than 60,000 active investors and manages approximately £1.5 billion in assets under management

#### Significance of Transaction

- Nutmeg's Series E financing is the largest funding round by a European digital wealth manager to-date
- Demonstrates Goldman Sachs' continued focus on consumer facing FinTech following the launch of Marcus, its online savings account in the UK

#### FT Partners' Role

- FT Partners served as exclusive strategic and financial advisor to Nutmeg
- This transaction underscores FT Partners' strong domain expertise and successful track record in the WealthTech space

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### FT Partners Advises Moneyfarm on its £36 million Series C Financing

#### Overview of Transaction

- On September 26, 2019, Moneyfarm announced it has raised £36 million in a Series C financing round led by Poste Italiane, the Italian postal and financial services firm
  - Existing investor Allianz Asset Management, the investment arm of global insurer Allianz, also participated in the round
- Headquartered in London, U.K., Moneyfarm is a digital wealth manager operating in Italy, the U.K. and Germany
  - Moneyfarm provides bespoke automated advice and discretionary portfolio management with exposure to multiple asset classes, through its diversified ETF-based portfolios
  - Moneyfarm serves nearly 40,000 active investors, manages over £700 million in assets under management, and is led by its co-founders,
     Paolo Galvani and Giovanni Daprà

#### Significance of Transaction

- Moneyfarm will use the new capital to continue rolling out its digital wealth management services to investors across Europe
- The funding round coincides with the launch of Moneyfarm's strategic partnership with Poste Italiane, creating one of the largest digital wealth management partnerships in Europe
  - Through the partnership, Moneyfarm's unique blend of digital investment advice, human guidance and fully-managed portfolios will be integrated with Poste Italiane's digital platform

#### FT Partners' Role

- FT Partners served as exclusive strategic and financial advisor to Moneyfarm
- FT Partners previously advised Moneyfarm on its <u>£40 million Series B financing</u> and its acquisitions of <u>vaamo</u> and <u>Ernest</u>
- This transaction underscores the long-term nature of many of FT Partners' relationships as well as our strong domain expertise and successful track record in the global Digital Wealth Management space

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### FT Partners Advises Imagine Software on its Sale to Francisco Partners

#### **Overview of Transaction**

- On May 3, 2021, Francisco Partners announced the combination of Imagine Software, a real-time risk and compliance software platform, and TradingScreen, a provider of trading execution and order management software
- The combined company, TS Imagine, will be a dynamic end-to-end trading and portfolio management software platform for connecting the investment management industry with a network of brokers, banks and exchanges
- TS Imagine will have approximately 400 employees in 10 offices worldwide, serving approximately 500 global buy-side and sell-side institutions across North and South America, EMEA, and Asia Pacific including hedge funds, traditional asset managers, pension funds, mutual funds, and financial institutions

#### Significance of Transaction

- The combination creates one of the most robust SaaS cloud-based software
  platforms in capital markets and investment management, bringing integrated
  and complete front office solutions, complementary product capabilities, best-inclass technology, global geographic coverage, and deep expertise to better
  serve investment firms and financial institutions around the world
- The company is uniquely positioned to address complex and time-consuming workflows in the front, middle and back offices, unifying order management, trade execution, portfolio analytics, real time risk compliance, accounting, and operations

#### FT Partners' Role

- FT Partners served as exclusive strategic and financial advisor to Imagine Software
- This transaction underscores FT Partners' deep domain expertise in Capital Markets Technology, as well as our successful track record in generating highly favorable, category-defining outcomes for our clients

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### FT Partners Advises Forge on its Merger with SharesPost

#### **Overview of Transaction**

- On May 12, 2020, Forge announced its merger with SharesPost
- SharesPost is a private market alternative trading system focused on enabling retail and institutional investors and company employees to access liquidity
  - Founded in 2009, SharesPost built the first private equity marketplace, which strove to connect buyers and sellers of private securities through its proprietary trading platform
- Forge's digital platform streamlines liquidity for hundreds of unicorn issuers and thousands of institutional and retail investors from around the world
  - Leveraging its robust technology, operations and trust infrastructure,
     Forge delivers a suite of services that includes trading, custody, data and company solutions

#### Significance of Transaction

- Together, the two companies will create one of the largest global private securities marketplaces, bringing liquidity and transparency at scale to pre-IPO companies and investors
- Combined, the two will have facilitated thousands of transactions with more than \$6 billion in private market transaction volume, for hundreds of unique issuers and over 1 million customers
- The deal will provide Forge with deeper insight on private company trends, as well as bid, offer, and pricing data that provides transparency to clients and partners to better understand and engage in the private markets

#### FT Partners' Role

- FT Partners served as exclusive strategic and financial advisor to Forge
- FT Partners previously advised Forge on its acquisition of IRA Services in October 2019, and its \$70 million Series B financing in July 2018
- This transaction underscores FT Partners' deep alternative marketplace domain expertise and its continued success in providing buy side advisory to top-tier FinTech companies

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### FT Partners Advises Clearpool on its Sale to BMO

#### Overview of Transaction

- On January 22, 2020, Bank of Montreal (BMO) announced that it had signed an
  agreement to acquire 100% of the outstanding shares of Clearpool Group
  ("Clearpool"), an Algorithmic Management System transforming electronic
  trading with a fully customizable suite of trading tools
- Headquartered in New York, Clearpool empowers market participants by providing greater transparency, efficiency and control through next generation trading technology
- Clearpool's solution provides total visibility and control, from strategy to execution, through its cloud-based algorithmic management system, execution and analytics portals
- Bank of Montreal (TSX, NYSE: BMO) is a highly diversified financial services provider based in North America

#### Significance of Transaction

 BMO's electronic platform (Capital Markets, Securities and Equity) has a successful, fast-growing trading business in Canada, and adding Clearpool's capabilities in algorithmic management will allow BMO to deliver next-gen trading technology to its global client base

#### FT Partners' Role

- FT Partners served as exclusive strategic and financial advisor to Clearpool
- The transaction underscores FT Partners' successful track record generating highly favorable outcomes for Capital Markets Technology companies
- This transaction also highlights FT Partners' expertise in bringing our clients together with world class strategic investors and acquirers

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### FT Partners Advises BlackRock on its Acquisition of FutureAdvisor

#### Overview of Transaction

- On August 26, 2015, BlackRock (NYSE: BLK) announced a definitive agreement to acquire 100% of FutureAdvisor
- FutureAdvisor is a leading digital wealth management platform with technology-enabled investment advice capabilities
- BlackRock offers investment management, risk management and advisory services to institutional and retail clients worldwide and has over \$4.7tn in assets under management
- Following the transaction, FutureAdvisor will operate as a business within BlackRock Solutions ("BRS"), BlackRock's investment and risk management platform
- The transaction is expected to close in Q4 2015

#### **Significance of Transaction**

- Combines FutureAdvisor's tech-enabled advice capabilities with BRS' investment and risk management solutions
- Enables BlackRock to provide a B2B digital advice platform, which helps financial institution partners both improve their clients' investment experiences and grow advisory assets
- Empowers partners to meet the growing demand among consumers to engage with technology to gain insights on their investment portfolios
  - Demand is particularly strong among the mass-affluent, who account for  $\sim$ 30% of investable assets in the U.S.

#### FT Partners' Role

- FT Partners served as exclusive advisor to BlackRock
- Highlights FT Partners' continued success advising a broad range of toptier strategic investors across the financial technology landscape

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# **BlackRock**

in its 100% acquisition of





#### FT Partners' Recent Awards and Recognition

### **Bloomberg**

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- o FT Partners' Steve McLaughlin was featured on Bloomberg / Bloomberg TV
- View the full article and watch the live TV interview



#### **M&A Advisor Awards**

- Technology Deal of the Year (2019)
- Cross Border Deal of the Year and Corporate / Strategic Deal of the Year (2018)
- Investment Banker of the Year (2017) Steve McLaughlin, CEO & Managing Partner of FT Partners
- Investment Banking Firm of the Year (2016) FT Partners



### **LendIt FinTech Industry Awards 2018:**

o FT Partners wins Top Investment Bank in FinTech

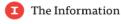






#### The FinTech Finance 40:

Steve McLaughlin ranked #1 in 2017 and 2018





### The Information's "Silicon Valley's Most Popular Dealmakers"

- o Ranked as the #2 top Technology Investment Banker by The Information subscribers (2016)
- o Only FinTech focused investment banking firm and banker on the list

### The Largest FinTech Advisory Practice in the World

