

#### Introduction

- The *Public Tender Offers Barometer* is the opportunity for ALANTRA to provide all interested parties (e.g. issuers, shareholders, family offices, funds, lawyers, accountants) with quantitative and qualitative elements to better understand public tender offers in France
- This tenth edition of the barometer focuses on transactions completed during the full year 2021 (referred to as "2021")
- We hope that this preliminary information will help your thinking with respect to listed companies, refine your planning of transactions. We stand ready to support you in their execution, as an advisor and as presenting and guaranteeing bank, by sharing with you the full and unique benefit of our teams' years of practical experience



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Experience

+25 years experience in public M&A

43 public tender offers filed

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Simplified public tender offer of D and D International B.V. on S.T. Dupont Simplified public tender offer followed by a squeeze-out initiated by Long Path Partners on Dalet

Squeeze-out offer by Five Arrows<sup>(1)</sup> on Harvest Simplified public tender offer initiated by BGI on SABC

**Simplified public tender offer** initiated by **Dickson** on **Oceasoft** 

Simplified public tender offer initiated by BGI on SOBOA

Simplified public tender offer initiated by Five Arrows on Harvest

Simplified public tender offer followed by a squeeze-out initiated by Sangamo Therapeutics on TxCell

Exemption of public tender offer filling for **LFPI** on **Umanis** 

Public tender offer initiated by Coyote on Traqueur



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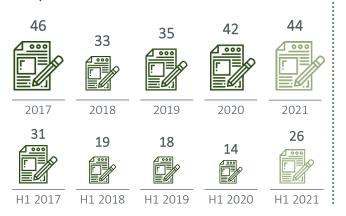
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### 2021 key figures

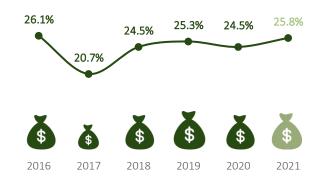
44 offers announced and/or filed, of which 40 offers were effectively filed

# Number of public tender offers announced and/or filed to the AMF





# Median premiums offered on the last spot price before announcement



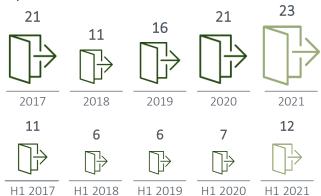
## Stock exchange compartments & types of offerors



#### Top 5 largest deals (€m)<sup>(1)</sup>



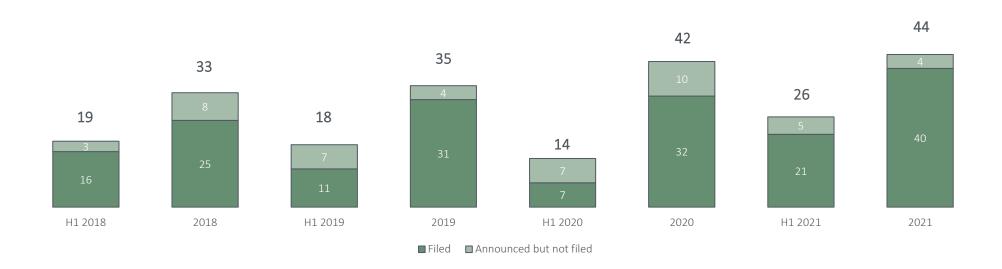
# Number of delisted companies following public tender offers





## Volumes of public tender offers announced and/or filed to the AMF

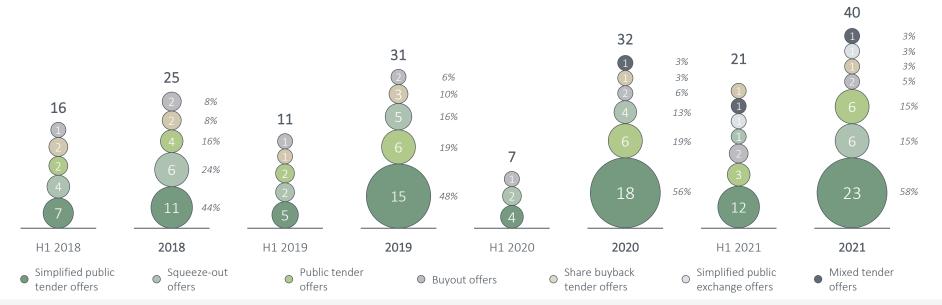
2021 was marked by a continued increase in the volume of offers announced and/or filed<sup>(1)</sup>



- We observe a continued increase in the number of offers announced and/or filed compared to 2020: 44<sup>(1)</sup> offers in 2021 vs. 42 offers in 2020 (i.e. +5%)
- The mix of offers announced and/or filed is slightly superior (40 offers filed in 2021 vs. 32 in 2020)
- Offers announced in 2021 but not yet filed to the AMF: Vivendi on Lagardère, CDML (Mr. Charpentier) on Itesoft, La Banque Postale on CNP Assurances, Envea Global (The Carlyle Group) on Envea
- Note that 1 offer was announced but finally cancelled in 2021: Trudaine Participation and Geneanet on Filae

### Types of offers filed to the AMF

An increase in the number of so-called "closing" offers(1) in 2021



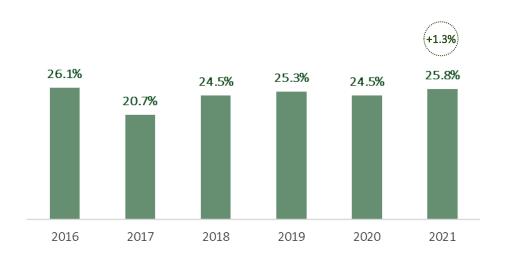
#### ... Demonstrating the strong willingness of offerors to secure the offer success<sup>(2)</sup>

- An increasing **share of "closing" offers<sup>(1)</sup>** in 2021 comparable to the level of 2020 representing:
  - 65% in 2021 (45% of simplified public tender offers with squeeze-out intention, 15% of squeeze-out offers and 5% of buyout offers) vs.
  - 57% in 2020 (41% of simplified public tender offers with squeeze-out intention, 13% of squeeze-out offers and 3% of buyout offers)
- Given the high complexity of their execution and, perhaps, their lower attractiveness, offers paid in stocks (public exchange offers/simplified public exchange offers/mixed tender offers) remain rarely used
  - However, note the simplified public exchange offer of Prologue on M2i in May 2021 and the mixed tender offer of Colonial on Société Foncière Lyonnaise in June 2021



## Median premiums offered on the last spot price before announcement

A slight increase in premiums offered in 2021

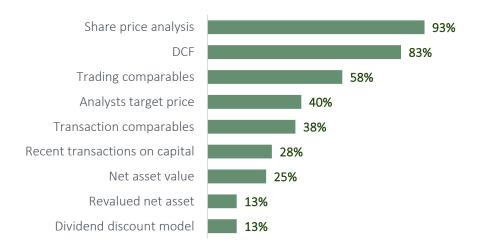


#### A stable premium level compared to 2020

- An increase in premiums offered of about 1.3% on the spot price in 2021 to reach 25.8% considering:
  - A favorable market environment, illustrated by an increase in stock market indexes:
    - +28.9% for the CAC 40 in 2021
    - +26.2% for the SBF 120 in 2021
  - The important share of offers filed by industrials (see details on following slides), able to value potential synergies or to pay a premium to acquire a competitor

### Retained valuation methods in 2021 offers

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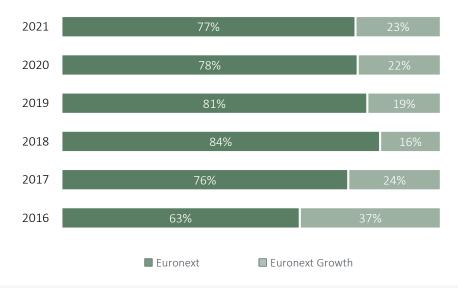


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- The analysis of the share price remains the main method used given its mandatory nature (the offer price must be higher than the 60-day VWAP<sup>(1)</sup>)
- The DCF<sup>(2)</sup> and comparables (trading and, to a lesser extent, transactions) are highly used due to their relevance in a valuation approach
- As mid-market companies remain poorly covered by financial analysts, this method is often disqualified or only retained for information purposes only
- The valuation approach through recent significant transactions on capital of the target company represents a reference method but is often disqualified because of a lack of recent data points
- The net asset value, an asset valuation method (used for the valuation of companies with a strong real estate component), was particularly used in 2021, sometimes for information purpose only (i.e. for the valuations of Société Marseillaise du Tunnel Prado Carenage, Visiodent, Etablissements Fauvet-Girel, S.T. Dupont, Prodware, Ivalis, Media 6, PSB Industries, Bourrelier Group, Dalet and Microwave Vision)

### Stock exchange compartments

A stable level of offers filed on Furonext Growth

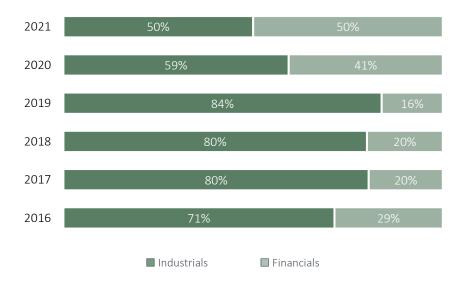


#### A stable share of offers filed on Euronext Growth

- After a banner year in 2016 and two declining years in 2017 and 2018, the share of offers filed on Euronext Growth has increased since 2019 to account for more than 1/4<sup>th</sup> of offers filed in 2021, in line with the figures observed in 2020
- These figures can be explained by several reasons:
  - Controlled companies with significant blocks, making it easier to reach the 90% threshold
  - Companies that are sometimes less valued because they are less covered by analysts
  - Market on which can be found many technology companies, more sought-after in 2021 because of Covid
- Offers filed on Euronext Growth:
  - The public tender offer of Phast Invest on Prodware, the simplified public tender offer of Bidsky (Ardian Expansion) on Artefact, the simplified public tender offer with squeeze-out intention of Treehouse Junior on Filae, the simplified public tender offer of Aptargroup on Voluntis, the share buyback tender offer of Idsud, the simplified public exchange offer of Prologue on M2i, the simplified public tender offer of Novagerm (Naxicap) on Eurogerm, the buyout offer of M14 on Bourrelier Group and the simplified public tender offer of HLD Europe on Microwave Vision

### Breakdown of offers by offeror type

A significant increase of offers filed by financial investors

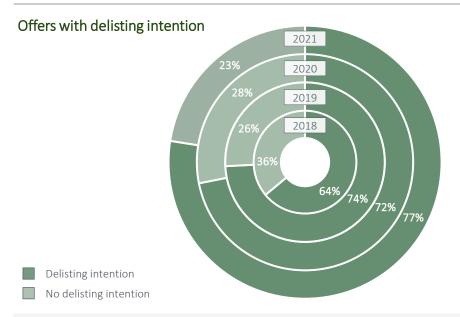


#### A strong increase in the proportion of offers filed by financial investors

- 20 out of the 40 offers filed in 2021 were initiated by financial investors, a share that has increased significantly compared to previous years (i.e. 41% in 2020 vs. 16% in 2019 and 20% in 2018 and 2017)
- Examples of offers initiated by financial investors in 2021: Synsion Bidco (DBAY Advisors) on SQLI, D and D International B.V. on S.T. Dupont, Bidsky (Ardian Expansion) on Artefact, Treehouse Junior (Francisco Partners) on Filae, Pixel Holding (HLD) on Tessi, Novagerm (Naxicap) on Eurogerm, Long Path Partners on Dalet, HLD Europe on Microwave Vision
- Possible explanations:
  - A better understanding and mastery of public M&A from financial investors, further strengthened by two of years of sanitary crisis
  - A growing appetite from investors for the private sector, where many transactions have been put on hold due to Covid-19 while stock exchanges never stop
  - A lower threshold for squeeze-outs at 90% of capital and voting rights

### Delisting intentions and success rates

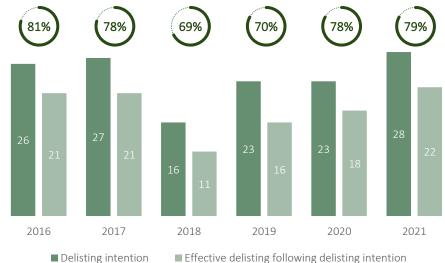
The number of offers with delisting intentions have increased compared to 2020



#### An increasing % of offers with delisting intention...

- A growing number of offers with delisting intentions from public tender offers initiators, reaching 80% of closed offers, considering the 90% threshold for squeeze-out and shareholders' willingness to move to private markets which have been generating much larger premiums for the past 2 years in the context of capital reorganization transactions
- The remaining share of offers filed without delisting intention results from:
  - The willingness to take control, without necessarily delisting the target
  - A concern not to outbid with minority shareholders on the premium



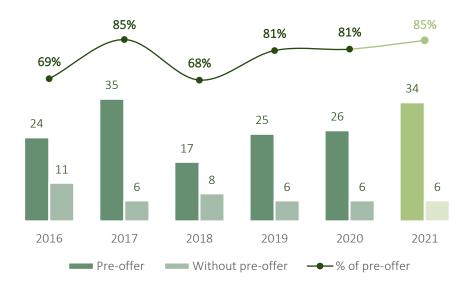


#### ...and a stable delisting success rate of such offers close to 80%

- In 2021, 79% of closed offers with delisting intention (22 out of 28) led to an
  effective delisting, i.e. a growing success rate compared to last year
- This high success rate can be explained by the steady attractiveness of premiums offered in 2021 (up 1.3% vs. 2020)
- Note that 3 offers filed in 2021 with delisting intentions have still not been closed as of the date of this report: LVMH on LV Group, Green Mobility on Europear and Veolia on Suez

## Use of the pre-offer mechanism

This mechanism is still more used by public offers initiators in 2021

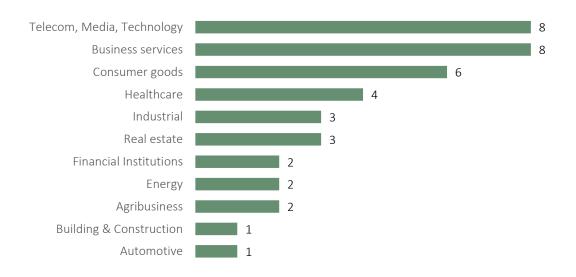


#### An increasing use of the pre-offer mechanism

- The use of the pre-offer mechanism is higher than 2019 and 2020 levels and represents 85% of offers
- This high level may be linked to the concern of limiting the risk of leakage and resulting surge of the stock price which would eventually decrease the premium

### Offers submitted by sector of activity

A significant number of offers in the Telecom, Media, Technology (TMT) sector



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- As in recent years, Telecom, Media and Technology (TMT) remains the most widely represented sector in 2021 with 8 offers (i.e. 20% of offers submitted), thus underlining this sector's attractiveness to strategic and financial investors
- Examples of offers initiated in the TMT sector:
  - The simplified public tender offer of Castillon on Devoteam
  - The simplified public tender offer of Bidsky (Ardian Expansion) on Artefact
  - The simplified public tender offer of Schneider Electric on IGE + XAO Group
  - The simplified public tender offer followed by a squeeze-out of Treehouse Junior (Francisco Partners) on Filae
  - The simplified public tender offer of Aptargroup on Voluntis
  - The simplified public tender offer of Long Path Partners on Dalet



## List of offers announced and filed in 2021

| Announced date | Filing date | Target                                     | Offeror                                       | Offer type                     | Market          |
|----------------|-------------|--|---|--------------------------------|-----------------|
| 15/12/2021     | Pending     | Envea                                      | Envea Global (The Carlyle Group)              | Simplified public tender offer | Ongoing         |
| 28/10/2021     | Pending     | CNP  | La Banque Postale                             | Simplified public tender offer | Ongoing         |
| 01/10/2021     | Pending     | Itesoft                                    | CDML  | Simplified public tender offer | Ongoing         |
| 15/09/2021     | Pending     | Lagardère                                  | Vivendi                                       | Public tender offer            | Ongoing         |
| 23/04/2021     | 15/12/2021  | Société Marseillaise du Tunnel Prado Carer | na Vinci Concessions et Eiffage               | Simplified public tender offer | Euronext        |
| 15/12/2021     | 15/12/2021  | LV Group                                   | LVMH  | Squeeze-out offer              | Euronext        |
| 23/09/2021     | 23/11/2021  | SQLI                                       | Synsion Bidco (DBAY Advisors)                 | Public tender offer            | Euronext        |
| 19/11/2021     | 19/11/2021  | Visiodent                                  | Groupe Visiodent et Hivista                   | Squeeze-out offer              | Euronext        |
| 18/10/2021     | 10/11/2021  | Etablissements Fauvet-Girel                | Advanced Biological Laboratories              | Simplified public tender offer | Euronext        |
| 21/10/2021     | 28/10/2021  | S.T. Dupont                                | D and D International B.V.                    | Simplified public tender offer | Euronext        |
| 20/10/2021     | 25/10/2021  | Prodware                                   | Phast Invest                                  | Public tender offer            | Euronext Growth |
| 19/03/2021     | 22/10/2021  | Bel  | Unibel  | Squeeze-out offer              | Euronext        |
| 14/10/2021     | 14/10/2021  | Devoteam                                   | Castillon                                     | Simplified public tender offer | Euronext        |
| 26/07/2021     | 12/10/2021  | Artefact                                   | Bidsky (Ardian Expansion)                     | Simplified public tender offer | Euronext Growth |
| 20/07/2021     | 30/09/2021  | IGE + XAO Group                            | Schneider Electric Industries                 | Simplified public tender offer | Euronext        |
| 26/07/2021     | 28/09/2021  | Filae                                      | Treehouse Junior Limited (Francisco Partners) | Simplified public tender offer | Euronext Growth |
| 28/07/2021     | 20/09/2021  | Europcar                                   | Green Mobility                                | Public tender offer            | Euronext        |
| 03/06/2021     | 14/09/2021  | Tessi                                      | Pixel Holding (HLD)                           | Squeeze-out offer              | Euronext        |
| 22/06/2021     | 10/09/2021  | Voluntis                                   | Aptargroup                                    | Simplified public tender offer | Euronext Growth |
| 29/07/2021     | 07/09/2021  | Ivalis                                     | RGIS  | Simplified public tender offer | Euronext        |
| 30/07/2021     | 30/07/2021  | lliad                                      | Holdco II                                     | Simplified public tender offer | Euronext        |
| 13/08/2020     | 27/07/2021  | Genkyotex                                  | Calliditas Therapeutics                       | Squeeze-out offer              | Euronext        |
| 20/04/2021     | 23/07/2021  | NHOA                                       | Taiwan Cement Europe Holdings                 | Simplified public tender offer | Euronext        |
| 18/05/2021     | 16/06/2021  | Altur Investissement                       | Altur Holding                                 | Public tender offer            | Euronext        |
| 03/06/2021     | 16/06/2021  | Société Foncière Lyonnaise                 | Colonial                                      | Mixed tender offer             | Euronext        |

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| 26/05/2021     | 01/06/2021  | ldsud                        | ldsud                                     | Share buyback tender offer       | Euronext Growth   |
| 20/03/2020     | 31/05/2021  | Bourrelier Group             | M14                                       | Buyout offer                     | Euronext Growth   |
| 26/04/2021     | 18/05/2021  | M2i                          | Prologue                                  | Simplified public exchange offer | r Euronext Growth |
| 18/01/2021     | 07/05/2021  | Eurogerm                     | Novagerm (Naxicap)                        | Simplified public tender offer   | Euronext Growth   |
| 01/02/2021     | 03/05/2021  | Videlio                      | Crozaloc                                  | Simplified public tender offer   | Euronext          |
| 23/04/2021     | 26/04/2021  | Tarkett                      | Tarkett Participations (Deconinck family) | Simplified public tender offer   | Euronext          |
| 02/04/2021     | 06/04/2021  | XPO Logistics Europe         | XPO Logistics UK                          | Squeeze-out offer                | Euronext          |
| 01/04/2021     | 01/04/2021  | Media 6                      | Vasco (B. Vasseur)                        | Simplified public tender offer   | Euronext          |
| 23/07/2020     | 01/04/2021  | Société Française de Casinos | Casigrangi                                | Simplified public tender offer   | Euronext          |
| 25/03/2021     | 29/03/2021  | PSB Industries               | Alpha 20                                  | Simplified public tender offer   | Euronext          |
| 17/12/2020     | 05/03/2021  | EOS Imaging                  | Alphatec Holdings                         | Public tender offer              | Euronext          |
| 16/02/2021     | 22/02/2021  | Supersonic Imagine           | Hologic Hub                               | Simplified public tender offer   | Euronext          |
| 14/12/2020     | 17/02/2021  | Sofibus Patrimoine           | Segro France                              | Simplified public tender offer   | Euronext          |
| 09/02/2021     | 10/02/2021  | Natixis                      | BPCE                                      | Simplified public tender offer   | Euronext          |
| 21/01/2021     | 09/02/2021  | Filae                        | Trudaine Participations                   | Public tender offer              | Euronext Growth   |
| 05/10/2020     | 08/02/2021  | Suez                         | Veolia                                    | Public tender offer              | Euronext          |
| 29/07/2020     | 29/01/2021  | Microwave Vision             | HLD Europe                                | Simplified public tender offer   | Euronext Growth   |
| 12/01/2021     | 12/01/2021  | La Foncière Verte            | PH Finance                                | Buyout offer                     | Euronext          |
| 22/10/2020     | 11/01/2021  | Dalet                        | Long Path Partners                        | Simplified public tender offer   | Euronext          |

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