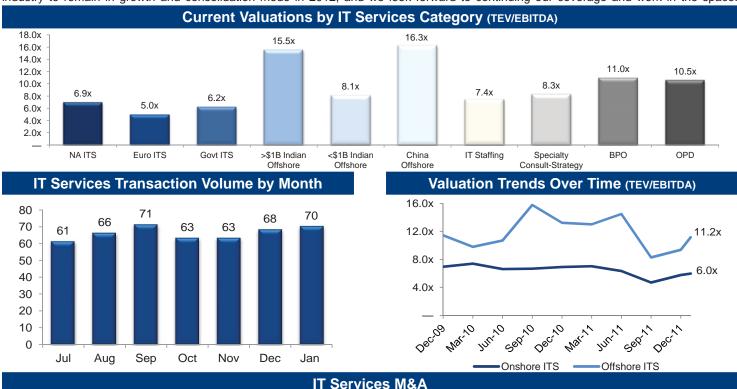


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IT Services Commentary

The opening frames of 2012 picked up right where 2011 left off in the IT Services sector, with M&A happening at a steady pace and activity heavily focused on the middle market. Similar to what we observed throughout the second half of last year, the data center, cloud, managed services and outsourced software development remain hot categories here in the New Year. However, several new themes emerged in early January which we expect will continue to influence headlines throughout 2012. First, and most positive, was a reinvigorated level of private equity interest spanning multiple categories in the space, including healthcare consulting, government services and outsourcing. The second was a distinct up-tick in creative, digital and mobile technology services activity. Given the momentum behind social media here in the first quarter, we expect specialists that have significant domain expertise and intellectual property in these arenas to be in high demand as larger platforms attempt to build practices and extend capabilities. Overall, TM Capital expects the IT Services industry to remain in growth and consolidation mode in 2012, and we look forward to continuing our coverage and work in the space.



OpenGate Capital acquired the Latin American assets of European IT Outsourcing firm, Getronics NV

NTT Communications acquired Netmagic Solutions, a managed hosting and datacenter services business based in India

LLR Partners acquired Paragon Technology Group, an IT services provider focused on the public sector

outSourceIT acquired GoBeyondIT LLC, a provider of managed cloud services for the SMB market

Northridge Systems, a Microsoft Sharepoint and creative web services provider, acquired Solar Velocity, a digital marketing specialist

Optimal Solutions, an SAP and Microsoft-focused systems integrator, acquired The Glenture Group, an SAP BI specialist

Deloitte acquired Ubermind, a creative, web, mobile and e-Commerce consultancy

Tailwind Capital acquired Cumberland Consulting Group, a Healthcare-centric IT services firm focused on planning project management, vendor selection and software implementation

CRGT, a government-focused IT services provider, acquired the federal division of CIBER, a large, publicly traded systems integrator

IT Services Rumor Mill

Datamatics announced that it has allocated \$40 million for acquisitions in both the North American and Indian markets

mPhasiS announced that it has a war chest of nearly \$375 million allocated for acquisitions in the banking, capital markets and emerging technologies marketplaces

IT Services News

EPAM Systems, an outsourced software engineering firm with development centers in Russia and Eastern Europe, announced that it is planning to execute its \$125 million IPO in early February, marking the first notable IT services public offering in 2012

Rimini Street, a third party software maintenance services provider, announced that it plans to execute an IPO in 2013

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