

# Introduction

We are pleased to share our Industrial Automation Industry Valuation Multiples Update for Q1 2024.

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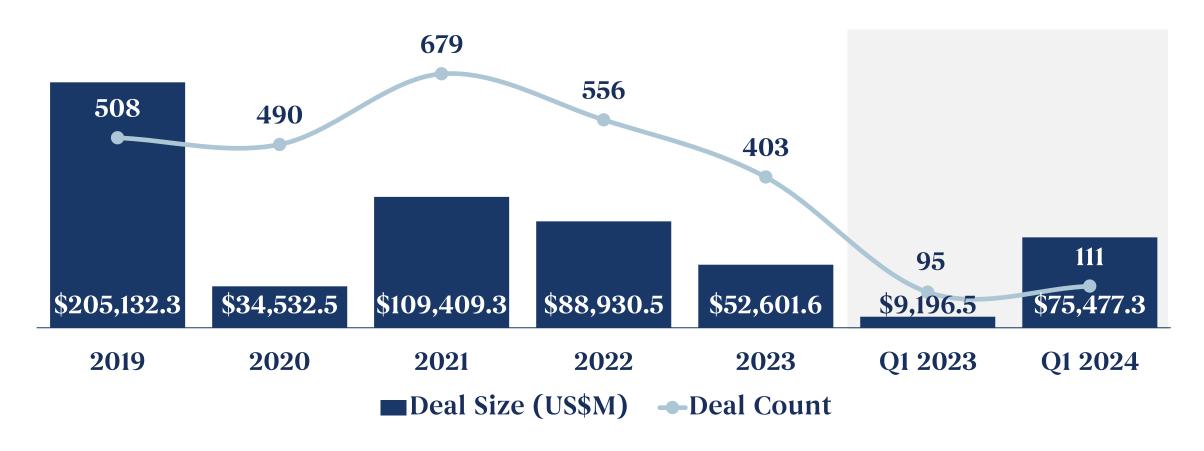
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### Industrial Automation's Industry Overview, M&A Trends and Market Intelligence

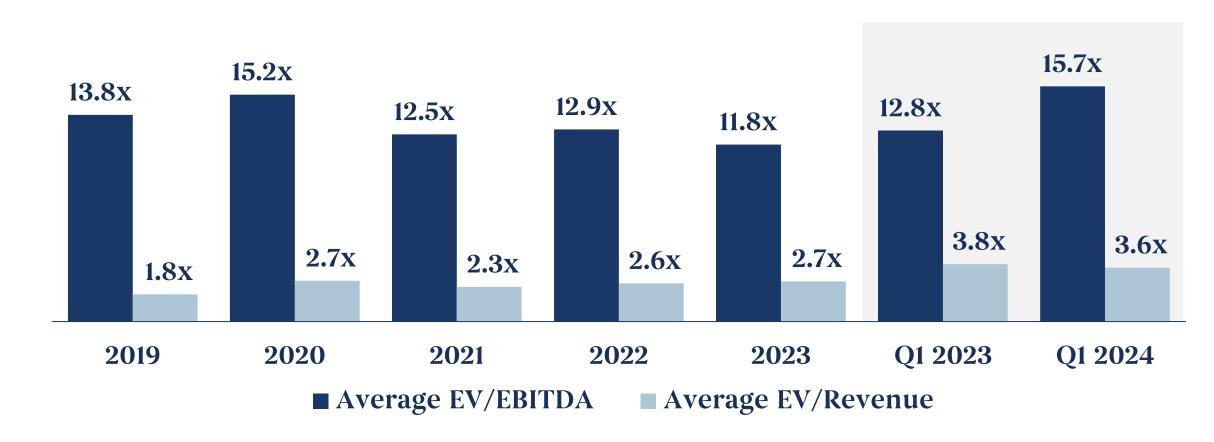
# Industrial Automation M&A Trends and Market Intelligence

- The factory automation and industrial controls market is projected to experience a **CAGR** of **8.8%**, increasing from **US\$199.7B** in 2024 to **US\$304.4B** by 2029 in terms of market size
- M&A activity has surged in the last five years, primarily driven by **financial sponsors** who initiate **platform investments** and subsequently concentrate on executing **add-on acquisitions** to expand their portfolio
- Al plays a role across the automotive value chain, from manufacturing tasks such as design and production to support functions like insurance and predictive maintenance. Yet, one of the most intriguing applications of Al is in transportation, where it drives the development of autonomous vehicles and driver assistance systems
- The German **mid-market** is progressively **adopting** the practices of **large** corporations by **investing** in **digital business models**, aiming to enhance their market positioning and **bolster** their resilience against external shocks
- Thanks to advancements in Industry 4.0 technology, the demand for automated solutions like robots has surged in various industrial domains. The convergence of automation and AI is reshaping manufacturing processes and revolutionizing the industrial sector
- **Private equity** funds and multinational corporations are **actively** searching for investment **opportunities**, as a growing number of small and mid-cap companies show a **willingness** to **sell**
- A common bottleneck is locating skilled management and employees capable of performing specialized tasks in automation companies. Concerning M&A, companies are leveraging acquisitions to secure new talent

#### **Industrial Automation Industry M&A Deal Size and Volume**



#### Industrial Automation Industry M&A Average EV/EBITDA and EV/Revenue



# Industrial Automation Global Comparable Public Companies (1/2)

	Market		Enterprise	Revenue	EBITDA	Annual Average EV/EBITDA		First Quarter Mar. 31, 2024		
Company		Country	Cap. US\$M	Value US\$M	US\$M	Margin	2022	2023	EV/ EBITDA	EV/ Revenue
ABB Ltd	ABB	CHE	\$85,215	\$88,863	\$32,235	18.3%	13.5x	14.2x	15.1x	2.8x
AMETEK, Inc.	*METEK®	USA	\$42,289	\$45,436	\$6,597	32.1%	18.3x	18.6x	21.4x	6.9x
Daifuku Co., Ltd.	DAIFUKU Always an Edge Ahead	JPN	\$8,783	\$8,476	\$3,991	10.9%	15.9x	14.1x	19.5x	2.1x
Datalogic S.p.A.	<b>ODATALOGIC</b>	ITA	\$332	\$373	\$579	6.7%	8.1x	6.6x	9.6x	0.6x
Emerson Electric Co.	EMERSON.	USA	\$64,842	\$80,128	\$15,909	27.1%	13.9x	12.7x	18.6x	5.0x
Honeywell International Inc.	Honeywell	USA	\$133,860	\$147,886	\$36,662	24.8%	16.2x	16.2x	16.3x	4.0x
Mitsubishi Electric Corporation	MITSUBISHI	JPN	\$34,680	\$34,430	\$34,517	10.6%	5.8x	7.1x	9.4x	1.0x
Murata Manufacturing Co., Ltd.	muRata INNOVATOR IN ELECTRONICS	JPN	\$35,273	\$32,835	\$10,561	25.9%	8.0x	10.3x	12.0x	3.1x
OMRON Corporation	OMRON	JPN	\$7,045	\$8,268	\$5,594	8.5%	13.2x	11.6x	17.4x	1.5x
Rockwell Automation, Inc.	Rockwell Automation	USA	\$33,384	\$36,867	\$9,129	21.0%	22.0x	20.3x	19.2x	4.0x

Source: Capital IQ

### Industrial Automation Global Comparable Public Companies (2/2)

Company	Marke Country	Market	Enterprise Value	Revenue	EBITDA	Annual Average EV/EBITDA		First Quarter Mar. 31, 2024		
Company		Country	Cap. US\$M	US\$M	US\$M	Margin	2022	2023	EV/ EBITDA	EV/ Revenue
Schneider Electric S.E.	Schneider Electric	FRA	\$126,282	\$138,306	\$38,733	19.9%	14.8x	14.8x	18.0x	3.6x
Siemens Aktiengesellschaft	SIEMENS	DEU	\$149,727	\$196,525	\$84,271	18.5%	15.7x	15.1x	12.6x	2.3x
TE Connectivity Ltd.	connectivity	CHE	\$44,940	\$48,149	\$16,024	23.4%	11.7×	11.7x	12.8x	3.0x
Yokogawa Electric Corporation	YOKOGAWA	JPN	\$6,010	\$5,489	\$3,518	19.3%	10.8x	8.8x	8.1x	1.6x
Excluded from mean and median						Mean	12.3x	11.9x	13.1x	2.5x
						Median	13.7×	13.4x	15.7x	2.9x

Source: Capital IQ 5

### Industrial Automation - Q1 Global Transactions (1/2)

Date	Target	Country	Description	Buyer	Seller	% Acquired	Size US\$M	EV/ EBITDA	EV/ Revenue
Mar-24	vanguard AUTOMATION	DEU	Develops a technology and automated equipment for 3D microfabrication of optical interconnects	MYCRONIC	-	100.0%	-	-	-
Mar-24	Zatea ApS	DNK	Offers pharma automation and industrial IT services	PRT OF INIT.	-	100.0%	-	-	-
Mar-24	GESTALT	DEU	Provides technology solutions for industrial automation creating intelligent automation with innovative AI technology	[INDUS]	-	100.0%	-	-	-
Mar-24	invar	GBR	Develops advanced warehousing automation technology	Wincanton	-	100.0%	-	-	-
Mar-24	aubox	FIN	Manufactures automation and electric cabinets	Malux	-	100.0%	-	-	-
Mar-24	<b>R</b> MARIC	USA	Offers factory automation solutions and throughput optimization software solutions	camLine elisa company	-	100.0%	-	-	-
Mar-24	CHEMSPEED®	CHE	Provides automation platforms, digital solutions and application expertise for R&D and QC labs	BRUKER	-	100.0%	-	-	-
Feb-24	WIN&TECH	ITA	Designs automated systems and membrane separation technologies, including microfiltration, for the wine and beverage industry	Omnia Technologies Enabling Evolution	-	100.0%	-	-	-
Feb-24	INNOTEC	ITA	Creates automated plants and state-of-the-art technologies for bottling, packaging, and processing raw materials in the wine sector and across the beverages sector	Omnia Technologies Enabling Evolution	-	100.0%	-	-	-
Feb-24	CIRCUITCHECK INNOVATIVE TEST SOLUTIONS	USA	Designs and manufactures precision engineered custom test systems, test fixtures, and test automation solutions for electronics and electro-mechanical devices	MERIT CAPITAL PARTNERS P2G CAPITAL	-	100.0%	-	-	-
Jan-24	TOTALLY AUTOMATED SYSTEMS AUTOMATION	IRL	Provide fully integrated and stand-alone assembly machines for automotive, home appliances and other sectors	AUTOMATED INDUSTRIAL ROBOTICS	-	100.0%	-	-	-

## Industrial Automation - Q1 Global Transactions (2/2)

Date	Target	Country	Description	Buyer	Seller	% Acquired	Size US\$M	EV/ EBITDA	EV/ Revenue
Jan-24	KEOPS Automation Purificative	FRA	Operates as an engineering and implementation company in the field of automation and industrial IT	QSSYSTEM .	-	100.0%	-	-	-
Jan-24	RXSAFE®	USA	Provides pharmacy automation technology		-	100.0%	-	-	-
Jan-24	makro solutions	DEU	Offers innovative technologies in the areas of robotics, automation, control retrofits, industrial electronics repair and digitalization	ferag	-	100.0%	-	-	-
Jan-24	→ ACTIW	FIN	Provides automated loading solutions for the unmodified trailer market	joloda hydraroll	-	100.0%	-	-	-

#### Selected Transactions Commentary



"Megatrends such as AI, cloud computing, and augmented reality are boosting demand for computational power, leading to larger, more energy-intensive data centers. Vanguard Automation's unique solutions will help speed up optical interconnects and cut energy consumption at the same time."

Magnus Marthinsson, SVP Global Technologies at Mycronic



"By acquiring Gestalt Robotics, we are tapping into the growth potential of AI applications for industrial technology. The acquisition thus supports our strategic initiative 'Driving innovation', which, among other things, promotes the rapid implementation of AI solutions in our portfolio companies."

Dr. Johannes Schmidt, Chairman of the Board of Management of the INDUS Group



"This capability-enhancing acquisition catapults us on our journey to become a leading integrator of automation and robotics solutions for supply chains. The Invar team is a great cultural fit, with a pedigree in developing and integrating best-in-class solutions."

James Wroath, CEO of Wincanton



"RxSafe and Eyecon, under the umbrella of ITW, are set to continue revolutionizing pharmacy operations. This union combines RxSafe's innovative automated technology solutions with Eyecon, the established leader in precision pill counting and prescription validation. The result is a portfolio of pharmacy automation solutions that will continue to elevate the standards of efficiency, accuracy, and patient safety."

Eric Holland, Business Unit Manager - Pharmacy Automation Division at RxSafe & Eyecon

### Private Equity Transactions

INDUSTRY CLASIFICATION	PERIOD	AVERAGE ENTERPRISE VALUE (IN USD)	REVENUE (IN USD)	TTM REVENUE GROWTH	ENTERPRISE VALUE / REVENUE	EBITDA MARGIN	ENTERPRISE VALUE /EBITDA	NUMBER OF TRANSACTIONS
	0000	\$	\$	\$ \$ \equiv \text{\$}	\$	\$	\$ <b>1</b>	\$
Industrial robot automation applications  NAICS 541511 – Custom Compuservices	<b>2021-2023</b> ter Programming	\$59.6M	\$30.2M	68.7%	2.9x	30.0%	10.2x	4
Robotics automation engineering services  NAICS 541330 – Engineering se	<b>2023</b> ervices	\$29.3M	\$19.6M	38.3%	1.6x	21.1%	7.2x	3

#### **Notes:**

- Data obtained via GF Data, a subscription-based information platform, offering detailed information and metrics about the transactions of Private Equity funds in the U.S.
- The data is provided under a blind confidential format. Users of the data are unable to identify the exact company and transaction corresponding to the transaction details. Given this blind approach, the data submitted is less likely to be biased or manipulated.

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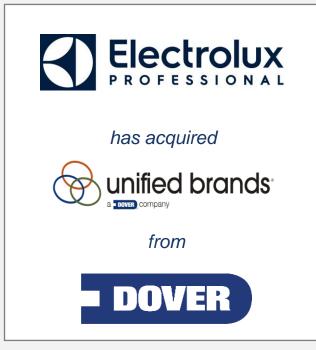
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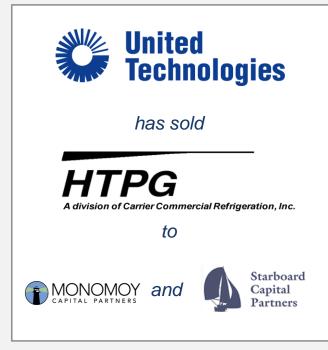






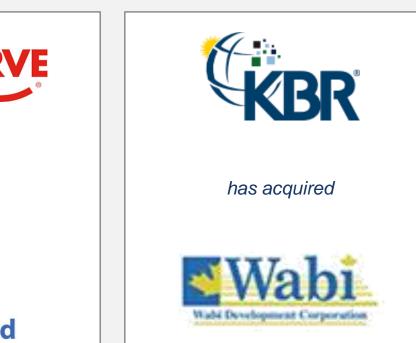














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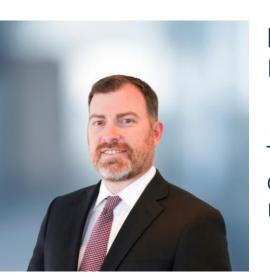


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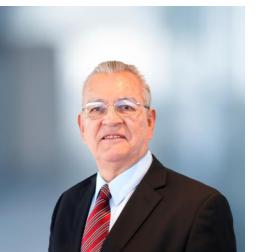
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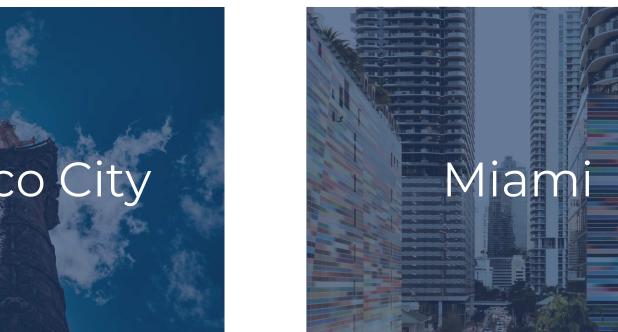
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