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First Nine
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# **Europe Private Equity Buyouts**

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# **Europe Private Equity Buyout Deals Intelligence**

## EUROPEAN VENTURE CAPITAL INVESTMENT TOTALS €47 BILLION

European venture capital activity totaled €47 billion invested across 1,259 rounds during the first nine months of 2023. This marked a 67% decrease in values and a 37% decrease in the number of deals compared to the first nine months of 2022.

### TOP 10 ROUNDS RAISED IN €30 BILLION

The top ten venture-stage investments completed during the first nine minths of 2023 totaled €30 billion, resulting in a 63% share of all disclosed values. The largest deal was the €12.3 billion investment into United Kingdon-based company, WoodPay Ltd. Placing second was the €2.8 billion investment into Wood Mackenzie Ltd, based in the United Kingdom. Lastly, ranking third was the €2.6 billion investment into ASDA Group Ltd, based in the United Kingdom.

### INDUSTRIALS COMPANIES ACCOUNT FOR 49% OF THE MARKET

Companies within the Industrials sector saw €23.5 billion of deal values across 1259 transactions during the first nine months of 2023, accounting for a 49% share of the market. Companies in the Consumer Cyclicals sector raised €4.6 billion.

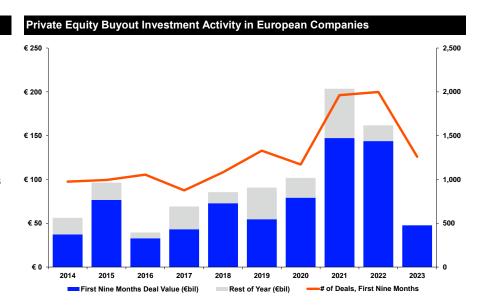
### EUROPEAN BUYOUT AND RELATED FUNDRAISING REACHES €107.8 BILLION

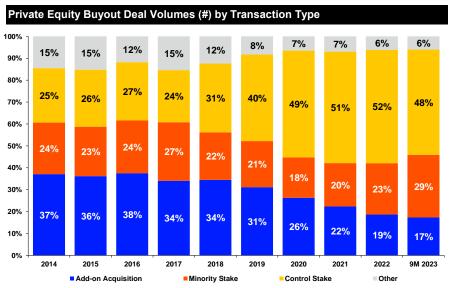
A total of 102 European buyout and related funds recorded closes during the first nine months of 2023, raising a combined €107.8 billion in commitments. Compared to a year ago, this marked a 57% increase in values and a 24% decrease in the number of deals.

The top fundraise for the period was the €26 billion closing of CVC Capital Partners IX. The second largest was the €19.8 billion closing of EQT X. Third, was the €16.6 billion raised by Permira VI.

### EUROPEAN BUYOUT-BACKED EXITS TOTAL €31.8 BILLION

European buyout-backed exits totaled €31.8 billion across 180 transactions during the first nine months of 2023, a 47% decrease in values and a 42% downtick in number of transactions compared to the same period in 2022







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Top European PE Buy	out Deals by	Deal Value	_	
Company Name	Inv. Date	Deal Value (€mil)	Sector	Location
WorldPay Ltd	6-Jul	€ 12,312.9	Industrials	United Kingdom
Wood Mackenzie Ltd	2-Feb	€ 2,841.4	Industrials	United Kingdom
ASDA Group Ltd	30-May	€ 2,625.3	Consumer Cyclicals	United Kingdom
STEAG GmbH	25-Aug	€ 2,600.0	Utilities	Germany
National Grid- Gas Transmission & Metering Unit	31-Jan	€ 2,495.3	Government Activity	United Kingdom
Infopro Digital Sas	23-May	€ 2,410.4	Industrials	France
ICADE SANTE SA	13-Mar	€ 1,400.0	Real Estate	France
Edp Renovaveis SA	3-Mar	€ 1,316.8	Utilities	Spain
Zenobe Energy Ltd	7-Sep	€ 1,014.3	Industrials	United Kingdom
Scalian SAS	17-Apr	€ 965.0	Industrials	France
FCC Medio Ambiente SA	1-Jun	€ 965.0	Industrials	Spain
Calderys France S.A.S	31-Jan	€ 930.0	Basic Materials	France

PE Buyout Investment	by Nation							
Nation	01/01/2023 - Value (€mil)	30/09/2023 # of Deals	01/01/2022 - 3 Value (€mil)	0/09/2022 # of Deals	YoY % Chg. (€)		YoY Chg.	
United Kingdom	€ 27,168.7	282	€ 50,328.1	564	-46%	•	-50%	•
France	€ 8,096.2	322	€ 14,287.2	361	-43%	•	-11%	•
Spain	€ 3,996.0	48	€ 3,971.5	88	1%	•	-45%	•
Germany	€ 3,371.1	237	€ 16,697.0	335	-80%	•	-29%	•
Switzerland	€ 969.6	42	€ 3,020.6	71	-68%	•	-41%	•
Sweden	€ 840.4	50	€ 2.8	93	29913%	•	-46%	•
Italy	€ 827.1	41	€ 4,215.9	85	-80%	•	-52%	•
Ireland	€ 592.0	21	€ 2,283.1	40	-74%	•	-48%	•
Netherlands	€ 526.8	73	€ 42,051.7	126	-99%	•	-42%	•
Greece	€ 379.2	3	€ 2,054.5	5	-82%	•	-40%	•
Finland	€ 183.7	9	€ 93.8	28	196%	<b>A</b>	-68%	•
Poland	€ 173.3	13	€ 0.0	6	-	-	117%	<b>A</b>

Most Active Investors - United Kingdom Firms					
Firm Name	Rank	# of Deals			
Apax Partners Llp	1	27			
Hgcapital Trust PLC	2*	12			
Business Growth Fund Ltd	2*	12			
Foresight Group LLP	2*	12			
Triton Investments Advisers LLP	2*	12			
Bridgepoint Advisers Ltd	6	11			
Lloyds Development Capital (Holdings) Ltd	7	10			
Ik Investment Partners Ltd	8*	9			
Cinven Group Ltd	8*	9			
Intermediate Capital Group PLC	10*	8			
KARTESIA ADVISOR LLP	10*	8			
Oakley Capital Ltd	12*	7			
Towerbrook Capital Partners Lp	12*	7			
G Square Healthcare Private Equity LLP	14*	6			
Maven Capital Partners UK LLP	14*	6			
Equistone Partners Europe Ltd	14*	6			
Inflexion PLC	14*	6			
MML Capital Partners LLP	14*	6			
Epiris LLP	14*	6			

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Firm Name	Rank	# of Deals
Bpifrance Investissement SAS	1	51
Ardian France SA	2	18
Siparex Group	3	15
BNP Paribas Developpement SA	4	13
Astorg Partners SAS	5	10
Andera Partners SAS	6*	9
Turenne Capital Partenaires SASU	6*	9
Tikehau Investment Management Sas	8*	8
U I Gestion SA	8*	8
PAI Partners SAS	8*	8
Credit Mutuel Equity SA	8*	8
Montefiore Investment SAS	12*	7
Atalante SAS	12*	7
Naxicap Partners SA	12*	7
Eurazeo SE	15	6
Unigrains Diversification SAS	16*	5
Socadif SAS	16*	5
Seven2 SAS	16*	5
NCI SAS	16*	5
Eurazeo Investment Manager Eim SA	16*	5
Societe Generale Capital Partenaires SAS	16*	5
Weinberg Capital Partners SAS	16*	5
Latour Capital Management Sas	16*	5

Most Active Investors - France Firms

Most Active Investors- Germany Firms				
Firm Name	Rank	# of Deals		
DPE Deutsche Private Equity GmbH	1*	7		
BID Equity GmbH	1*	7		
Aurelius Equity Opportunities Se & Co KGaA	3*	6		
NORD Holding Unternehmensbeteiligungsgesellschaft mbH	3*	6		
Deutsche Beteiligungs AG	5*	5		
Mutares Se & Co KGaA	5*	5		
L Eigenkapitalagentur	7*	4		
Elvaston Capital Management GmbH	7*	4		
Armira Beteiligungen GmbH & Co KG	9*	3		
Auctus Capital Partners AG	9*	3		
SHS Gesellschaft fuer Beteiligungsmanagement mbH	9*	3		
Borromin Capital Management GmbH	9*	3		
AGIC Partners GmbH	9*	3		
Bregal Unternehmerkapital GmbH	9*	3		
AURELIUS Wachstumskapital SE & Co KG	9*	3		
FLEX Capital Management GmbH	9*	3		

Actis Llp

Charterhouse Capital Partners LLP

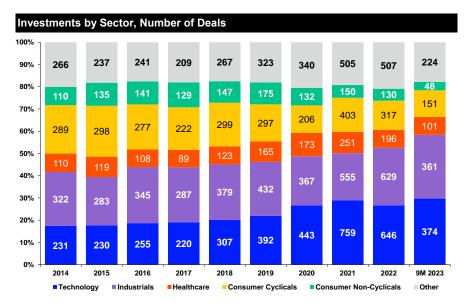
EMK Capital Partners LP

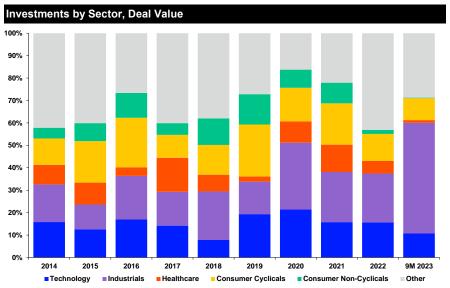
Bregal Investments LLP

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# Most Active Investors- All Of Europe

Firm Name	Rank	# Of Deals	Firm Nation
Bpifrance Investissement SAS	1	51	France
Apax Partners Llp	2	28	United Kingdom
EQT Partners AB	3	27	Sweden
Waterland Private Equity Investments E	4*	25	Netherlands
Main Capital Partners BV	4*	25	Netherlands
CVC Capital Partners SICAV-FIS SA	6*	18	Luxembourg
Ardian France SA	6*	18	France
Siparex Group	8	15	France
BNP Paribas Developpement SA	9*	13	France
Hgcapital Trust PLC	9*	13	United Kingdom
Business Growth Fund Ltd	11*	12	United Kingdom
Foresight Group LLP	11*	12	United Kingdom
Partners Group Holding AG	11*	12	Switzerland
Triton Investments Advisers LLP	11*	12	United Kingdom
NC Advisory AB	11*	12	Sweden
Bridgepoint Advisers Ltd	16	11	United Kingdom
Lloyds Development Capital (Holdings)	17*	10	United Kingdom
Gimv NV	17*	10	Belgium
Astorg Partners SAS	17*	10	France
Ik Investment Partners Ltd	17*	10	United Kingdom
Andera Partners SAS	21*	9	France
Turenne Capital Partenaires SASU	21*	9	France
Cinven Group Ltd	21*	9	United Kingdom

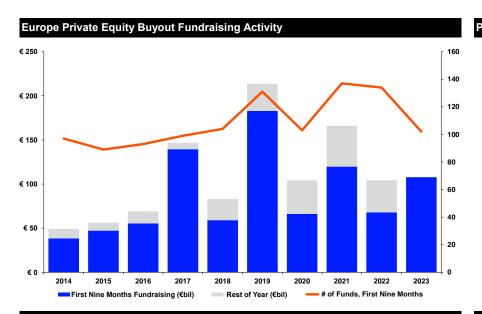
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Company Name	Inv. Date	Deal Value (€mil)	Sector	Location	
Radius Global Infrastructure Inc	1-Mar	€ 2,812.95	Real Estate	United States	
Simon & Schuster LLC	7-Aug	€ 1,472.47	Consumer Cyclicals	United States	
Biotherm Energy Pty Ltd	21-Jun	€ 910.42	Energy	South Africa	
CIUS	11-May	€ 910.07	Financials	United States	
Virgin Cruises Intermediate Ltd	7-Sep	€ 514.07	Industrials	United States	
Paratek Pharmaceuticals Inc	6-Jun	€ 432.14	Healthcare	United States	
IBS Software Services Pvt Ltd	16-May	€ 414.33	Technology	India	
Enfinity Global Inc	6-Sep	€ 400.00	Utilities	United States	
Kokusai Electric Corporation	21-Jun	€ 270.26	Technology	Japan	
Boston Electrometallurgical Corp	6-Sep	€ 244.24	Basic Materials	United States	

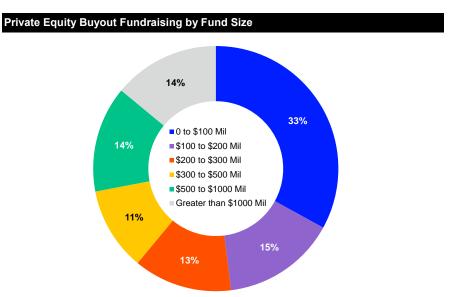


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# **Fundraising**

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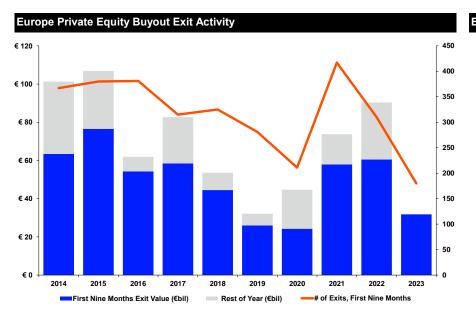


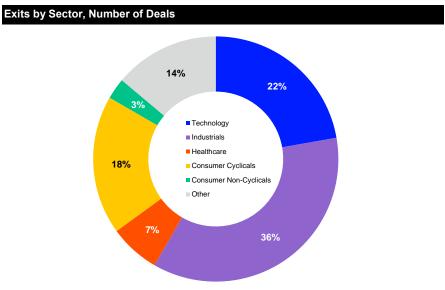
# PE Buyout Fundraising, by Investment Stage (€mil) Outer Ring: Amount Raised (€mil) Inner Ring: # of Funds Buyouts Mezzanine Stage Generalist Other PE/Special Situations 6 € 83,334

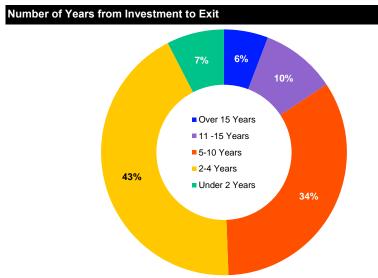
Fund Name	Latest Closing Date	Amount Raised (€mil)	Total Fund Size (€mil)	Fund Stage
CVC Capital Partners IX	20-Jun	€ 26,000.1	€ 26,000.1	Buyouts
EQT X	30-Sep	€ 19,799.9	€ 19,799.9	Buyouts
Permira VIII	8-Mar	€ 16,623.2	€ 16,700.1	Buyouts
Permira Credit Solutions Fund V	13-Jun	€ 4,200.0	€ 4,200.0	Mezzanine Stage
ASTORG VIII	27-Jul	€ 4,000.0	€ 4,000.0	Buyouts
Glendower Capital Secondary Opportunities Fund V, SCSp	31-Jul	€ 3,166.9	€ 5,276.1	Generalist
Waterland Private Equity Fund IX	20-Jan	€ 3,099.9	€ 3,224.3	Buyouts
Oakley Capital V	2-Feb	€ 2,850.0	€ 2,850.0	Buyouts
Eighth Cinven Fund (No.1) Limited Partnership	28-Jun	€ 2,103.9	€ 2,103.9	Buyouts
Summit Partners Europe Growth Equity Fund IV	14-Feb	€ 1,398.0	€ 1,398.0	Generalist



**Exits**First Nine Months 2023 | Europe Private Equity Buyout Review







Top Completed Europ	Can r L-Da	Deal Value		
Company Name	Comp. Date	Dear value (€mil)	Sector	Exit Type
LeasePlan Corporation NV	22-May	€ 4,800.0	Financials	Merger
Howden Group Ltd	17-Mar	€ 4,443.0	Industrials	Merger
The Binding Site Group Ltd	3-Jan	€ 2,598.3	Healthcare	Merger
Polyplus Transfection SA	20-Jul	€ 2,400.0	Healthcare	Merger
Nature Energy Biogas A/S	2-Jan	€ 1,924.0	Basic Materials	Merger
Transporeon GmbH	20-Jan	€ 1,880.0	Technology	Merger
Lekela Power BV	20-Mar	€ 1,487.1	Energy	Merger
Reward Gateway (UK) Ltd	5-Jan	€ 1,325.1	Technology	Merger
PharmaLex GmbH	16-Jan	€ 1,280.0	Industrials	Merger
Scalian SAS	27-Jul	€ 965.0	Industrials	Secondary Sales
Arag SRL	24-Aug	€ 960.0	Industrials	Merger
Saint-Gobain Building Distribution Ltd	1-Mar	€ 861.2	Consumer Cyclicals	Merger



# **Europe Private Equity Buyout Criteria**

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Key statistical indicators (e.g., total disbursements, per quarter or per annum) are influenced by the fact that a substantial fraction of buyout and other PE deals are not fully disclosed. For instance, "euros invested" in a given period pertain only to those deals with values that have been published or confidentially disclosed to Refinitiv.

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