# Announces the second acquisition today: Citycomp

Today is a busy day for S&T as it has announced the 2<sup>nd</sup> acquisition. With the German Citycomp acquired for 0.5x 2020e sales, S&T gets better access to large German clients. Further synergies should result from servicing a broader customer base in Germany and Austria by the combined group and the use of S&T's cost-efficient IT capacities in Eastern Europe. Citycomp fits into the bucket of volume companies and comes with a limited execution risk as both companies have collaborated before. Buy, TP EUR 29.

### **Buying the German Citycomp GmbH**

After the Iskratel Group, S&T announces the 2<sup>nd</sup> acquisition today: It signed a contract to buy 55.5% of the German Citycomp Servive GmbH for EUR 6m. The transaction seems to be in consent with the managing partners that still hold the remaining 44.5% of the shares, as these agreed with S&T on mutual call / put options, depending on future EBITDA results. Citycomp provides a broad range of IT services and runs a service network in DACH and Benelux.

### Citycomp was still profitable in 2019

Like Iskratel, Citycomp does neither appear to be the typical turnaround case, as is generated still positive net results in 2019. Sales declined H1 2020 due to the shutdown of key customers, though, and Citycomp expects a drop of sales to EUR 30m for the full year. Although the purchase price is only EUR 6m, Citycom is no small company as it has 300 employees and realized revenues of EUR 38m in 2019, which translates into a (forward) sales multiple of ~0.5x, taking debt of EUR 4.3m into account, which is not as cheap as the price for Iskratel, but still the lower bound of past transaction multiples paid by S&T. The main rationale for the deal seems to be better access to German clients for S&T and the synergies from servicing a broader customer base in Germany and Austria by the combined group. Furthermore, S&T plans to use cost-efficient S&T capacities in Eastern Europe to provide IT service in Germany.

### Acquisition of EUR 150m revenues in H1

With the two acquisitions announced today, S&T has acquired operations that realized revenues of more than EUR 150m in 2019. We had expected S&T to acquire EUR 150m of revenues in 2020 and S&T has reached this number already after H1, so there might more to come in 2020. Like Iskratel, Citycomp appears to fit into the bucket of "volume companies" that S&T is seeking but also offers tangible synergy potential with S&T's existing activities in DACH. The risk of the acquisition seems manageable as S&T and Citycomp have collaborated before for the provision of IT services in Eastern Europe.

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 % distribution

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