

Introduction To Private Equity Venture Growth Lbo And Turn Around Capital The Wiley Finance Series

*Developed for preparers of financial statements, independent auditors, and valuation specialists, this guide provides nonauthoritative guidance and illustrations regarding the accounting for and valuation of portfolio company investments held by investment companies within the scope of FASB ASC 946, Financial Services—Investment Companies, (including private equity funds, venture capital funds, hedge funds, and business development companies). It features 16 case studies that can be used to reason through real situations faced by investment fund managers, valuation specialists and auditors, this guide addresses many accounting and valuation issues that have emerged over time to assist investment companies in addressing the challenges in estimating fair value of these investments, such as: Unit of account Transaction costs Calibration The impact of control and marketability Backtesting Private equity firms are snapping up brand-name companies and assembling portfolios that make them immense global conglomerates. They're often able to maximize investor value far more successfully than traditional public companies. How do PE firms become such powerhouses? Learn how, in Lessons From Private Equity Any Company Can Use. Bain chairman Orr Gadiesh and partner Hugh MacArthur use the concise, actionable format of a memo to lay out the five disciplines that PE firms use to attain their edge - Invest with a thesis using a specific, appropriate 3-5-year goal - Create a blueprint for change—a road map for initiatives that will generate the most value for your company within that time frame - Measure only matters—such as cash, key metric intelligence, and critical operating data - Hire, motivate, and retain hungry managers—people who think like owners - Make equity sweat—by making cash scarce, and forcing managers to redeploy underperforming capital in productive directions This is the PE formulae for unleashing a company's true potential. Please note: This is a companion version & not the original book. Sample Book Insights: #1 The first part of the book is an introduction to the institutional private equity market, from early-stage venture capital to growth equity and buyouts. While buyouts have historically been the mainstay of the private equity industry, venture capital and growth equity investment have seen a steady increase as the industry has matured. #2 The Private Equity sector of the roadmap is split into five chapters, each focusing on a specific aspect of the industry. #3 Venture capital is the financing of new companies. It is provided by private equity funds in the form of equity or debt. #4 A PE fund is a stand-alone investment vehicle managed by a private equity firm on behalf of a group of investors. The capital is raised with a clear mandate to acquire equity stakes in private companies and divest them over time. Investors include private and public pension funds, endowments, insurance companies, banks, and corporations. Other books present corporate finance approaches to the venture capital and private equity industry, but many key decisions require an understanding of the ways that law and economics work together. 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An analysis of the structure and governance features of venture capital contracts In-depth study of contracts between different types of venture capital funds and entrepreneurial firms Presents international datasets from over 40 countries around the world Additional references on a companion website Contains sample contracts, including limited partnership agreements, term sheets, shareholder agreements, and subscription agreements Biotech Funding Trends VC Lessons from Private Equity Any Company Can Use Mastering Private Equity Private Equity Operational Due Diligence, + Website An Introduction to Private Equity & Venture Capital The dynamic environment of investment banks, hedge funds, and private equity firms comes to life in David Stowell's introduction to the ways they challenge and sustain each other. Capturing their reshaped business plans in the wake of the 2007–2009 global meltdown, his book reveals their key functions, compensation systems, unique roles in wealth creation and risk management, and epic battles for investor funds and corporate influence. Its combination of perspectives—drawn from his industry and academic backgrounds—delivers insights that illuminate the post-2009 reinvention and acclimation processes. Through a broad view of the ways these financial institutions affect corporations, governments, and individuals, Professor Stowell shows us how and why they will continue to project their power and influence. Emphasizes the needs for capital, sources of capital, and the process of getting capital to those who need it. Integrates into the chapters ten cases about recent transactions, along with case notes and questions Accompanies cases with spreadsheets for readers to create their own analytical frameworks and consider choices and opportunities. This book deals with risk capital provided for established firms outside the stock market, private equity, which has grown rapidly over the last three decades, yet is largely poorly understood. Although it has often been criticized in the public mind as being short termist and having adverse consequences for employment, in reality this is far from the case. Here, John Gilligan and Mike Wright dispel some of the biggest myths and misconceptions about private equity. The book provides a unique and authoritative source from a leading practitioner and academic for practitioners, policymakers, and researchers that explains in detail what private equity involves and reviews systematic evidence of what the impact of private equity has been. Written in a highly accessible style, the book takes the reader through what private equity means, the different actors involved, and issues concerning sourcing, checking out, valuing, and structuring deals. The various themes from the systematic academic evidence are highlighted in numerous summary vignettes placed alongside the text that discuss the practical aspects. The main part of the work concludes with an up-to-date discussion by the authors, informed commentators on the key issues in the lively debate about private equity. The book further contains summary tables of the academic research carried out over the past three decades across the private equity landscape including: the returns to investors, economic performance, impact on R&D and employees, and the longevity and life-cycle of private equity backed deals. Josh Lerner Jacob H. Schiff Professor of Investment Banking Harvard Business School and National Bureau of Economic Research During much of the 1970s and 1980s, venture capital and private equity remained largely a United States phenomena. Over the past decade, how ever, private equity has spread around the globe, taking particularly firm root in Western Europe—indeed, growing 4,700% since 1984 through 200 I. Today, Europe is the dominant private equity market outside the United States. Despite this tremendous growth and the current recessionary climate, there is ample room for attractive expansion in European private equity; both for venture capital and private equity. There have been several reasons for this growth. The first has been the internationalization of capital sources. The key sources of capital for European private equity funds have traditionally been segmented by national boundaries: historically, the pattern in Europe has been for private equity groups to raise funds from banks, insurance companies, and government bodies in their own country, with little involvement from foreign investors. These barriers are now breaking down for two principal reasons. First, institutional investors, particularly in the United States, have become increasingly interested in European funds. Second, many international private equity firms have become more active in Europe. A second driver of growth has been the entry of new talent into the industry. Traditionally, many European private equity investors had come from financial or consulting backgrounds, rather than from operating roles. The book provides one of the most comprehensive overviews of the internal and external challenges of processing venture capital deals, providing an eight stage investment model that breaks down each part of the deal into its own specific challenges and rewards. 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Private Equity Funds: Business Structure and Operations covers a wide range of important issues, such as: the key economic differences between various types of funds; structuring the private equity fund to meet economic expectations and investment goals; securing maximum tax benefits for the sponsor of the fund; duties of the fund's General Partner and Investment Advisor; the major regulatory issues affecting the private equity fund; and much more. Private Equity Funds: Business Structure and Operations reflects the aftermath of the financial crisis of 2007 to 2009. The authors also focus on cyber risk and the compliance obligations of investment advisers. Global Best Practice in Private Equity Investing Private Equity in Action takes you on a tour of the private equity investment world through a series of case studies written by INSEAD faculty and taught at the world's leading business schools. 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Private Equity in Action is the companion to Mastering Private Equity: Transformation via Venture Capital, Minority Investments & Buyouts, a reference for students, investors, finance professionals and business owners looking to engage with private equity firms. From deal sourcing to exit, LBOs to responsible investing, operational value creation to risk management, Mastering Private Equity systematically covers all facets of the private equity life cycle. What Explains the Recent Tremendous Growth in Private Equity Funds? How Have These Funds Created so Much Value? Can We Expect This Kind of Growth in Other Countries and Other Types of Investments? The pool of U.S. private equity funds has grown from \$5 billion in 1980 to over \$175 billion in 1999. Private equity's recent growth has outstripped that of almost every class of financial product. 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Starting with deal sourcing, due diligence and valuation, followed by execution of the transaction, including issues related to capital structure and governance, the book transitions to examining operational changes and management of the capital structure, closing with a set of cases related to exit. Intended for readers interested in working for private equity firms, investing in private equity as limited partners or providing investment banking or consulting services to private equity firms, "Private Equity" is also appropriate for readers who are interested in a more detailed exploration of corporate finance. Venture Capital is a form of financing provided by wealthy investors, investment banks and other financial institutions to start-ups and small- to medium-sized enterprises with strong growth potential in exchange of private equity stakes. These investors are also known as venture capitalists. With the rise of start-ups and small ventures, the market for venture capitalists and the interest of people in venture capitalism are also increasing. The valuation of the firms done by the venture capitalist at the beginning is not just a betting game. It is a thorough research done using different strategies and computing formulas. Venture Capital Investments gives a fundamental understanding of various aspects of venture capital covering the nature of investments, deal evaluation, structure, economics and fundraising. It discusses the challenges a venture capitalist faces right from raising funds to evaluating a potential deal and exit valuation. The book begins by covering the difference between the private market and the public market. Finally, it discusses fund economics and fund structure in venture capital firms. The book will be a helpful read for entrepreneurs who want to get into the shoes of a venture capitalist and understand how they value a firm or a start-up. 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We also incorporated expositional improvements throughout the book based on reader feedback, as well as fundamental and advanced references, for those performing due diligence on the investment risks associated with private equity and real estate funds. Based on interviews with successful biotech entrepreneurs and high-level investors as well as case studies, this title provides a comprehensive overview of current trends in biotech funding. In particular, it illustrates the tensions between both sides based on their different backgrounds and expectations. The book outlines the various funding opportunities for the biotech industry and identifies ways for both sides to overcome their existing prejudices in order to successfully thrive in a competitive environment. A must-have for biotech entrepreneurs and investors, as well as invaluable supplementary reading for students aspiring to a career in the industry. Seminar paper from the year 2005 in the subject Business economics - Banking, Stock Exchanges, Insurance, Accounting, grade: 1.0, Technical University of Darmstadt (Department of Banking and Finance), course: Venture Capital and Private Equity, 53 entries in the bibliography, language: English, abstract: In the last decades venture capital has emerged as the major source of financing for young and innovative firms, replacing more and more bank credits, but also creating a new market niche for start-ups with a high risk of failure that may exceed substantial returns. With success stories of companies like Apple Computer, Intel, Federal Express, Microsoft, Sun Microsystems, Compaq or SAP, this form of funding is meanwhile widely accepted. In the late 1970s the venture capital industry increased dramatically in the United States. In contrast, the venture capital sector in continental Europe used to be a very small market up to 1990. Figure 1 in the appendix shows the development of funds committed to independent US and European venture capital funds. I Today the venture fund market in Germany has reached a managed fund size of US\$ 43 billion, an increase of 13.2 percent in regard to the previous year. Therefore venture capital plays a crucial role in respect to innovation of an economy and has significant positive effects on society and a country's economy. According to Sahlmann (1990) the term "venture capital" is defined as a "professional managed pool of capital that is invested in equity linked securities of private ventures at various stages in their development". Gompers and Lerner (2001a) limit the definition to investments in privately held, high growth companies. Originally, the intent of venture capital is to finance young innovative companies. The term private equity describes the investment of equity in companies that are already established, e.g. companies in later stages of their life cycle. Today the two terms are often used as synonyms. In this paper we keep focusing on companies in early stages of life and thus use the term venture capital only. It should be mentioned that the focus of venture capital firms can be quite different. First, venture capitalists can concentrate on different stages of companies (seed, start-up, first, second, third, fourth stage, bridge stage and liquidity stage financing) and second, venture capitalists can finance different industries or focus on a special group. The specialization has the advantage to gather deepened technological knowledge about an industry that can be used within the "venture cycle". This involves high-tech sectors, such as biotech or nanotech, would be good examples. 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Introduction to Private Equity, Debt and Real Assets  
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The gold standard."—Andrew Zalasni, General Partner and CFO: RRE Ventures Best Practices for Organizing and Managing a Fund With nearly \$7 trillion invested in more than 20,000 funds, investor interest in the private equity industry has returned, despite the economic turmoil of recent years. Still, guidance about the organization and administration of these funds is tough to find. This 1,400+ page resource, will equip corporate lawyers, investment professionals, and tax practitioners and with best practices to manage these funds effectively. Private Equity Funds: Business Structure and Operations covers a wide range of important issues, such as: the key economic differences between various types of funds; structuring the private equity fund to meet economic expectations and investment goals; securing maximum tax benefits for the sponsor of the fund; duties of the fund's General Partner and Investment Advisor; the major regulatory issues affecting the private equity fund; and much more. Private Equity Funds: Business Structure and Operations reflects the aftermath of the financial crisis of 2007 to 2009. The authors also focus on cyber risk and the compliance obligations of investment advisers. Global Best Practice in Private Equity Investing Private Equity in Action takes you on a tour of the private equity investment world through a series of case studies written by INSEAD faculty and taught at the world's leading business schools. The book is an ideal complement to Mastering Private Equity and allows readers to apply core concepts to investment targets and portfolio companies in real-life settings. The 19 cases illustrate the managerial challenges and risk-reward dynamics common to private equity investment. The case studies in this book cover the full spectrum of private equity strategies, including: Carve-outs in the US semiconductor industry (LBO) Venture investing in the Indian wine industry (VC) Investing in SMEs in the Middle East Turnaround situations in both emerging and developed markets Written with leading private equity firms and their advisors and rigorously tested in INSEAD's MBA, EMBA and executive education programmes, each case makes for a compelling read. As one of the world's leading graduate business schools, INSEAD offers a global educational experience. The cases in this volume leverage its international reach, network and connections, particularly in emerging markets. 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Whether you are an entrepreneur seeking private equity finance, a private equity investor grappling with the industry's changes, or an investor interested in private equity as a potential investment, this book is required reading. It presents a collection of real world cases-supplemented by detailed industry notes-that explore the exciting and dynamic world of venture capital and buyout funds. The organization mirrors that of the venture capital/private equity process itself: \* The first part explores the raising and structuring of private equity funds, as well as the perspective of investors. \* The second part explores the selection,oversight, and adding value to firms-the heart of the private equity cycle. \* The third part describes how private equity groups reap attractive returns from successful investments. \* The final section explores the emerging efforts to translate the private equity model into other settings, such as corporate venturing programs. 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Explores the economic implications of contract terms for start-up firms in various industries Pairs international data with explanations and examples about differences in VC and PE national and regional markets Contains sample contracts, including limited partnership agreements, term sheets, shareholder agreements, and subscription agreements Presents international datasets on limited partnership agreements between institutional investors and VC and PE funds "Private Equity" is an advanced corporate finance book that integrates a range of topics from a private equity investor's perspective. The book presents a set of cases used in the Private Equity Finance class, an advanced elective course offered in the Harvard Business School MBA elective curriculum. The structure of the book follows the timeline of a typical investment. 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