

Acquisition of Greenspring Associates

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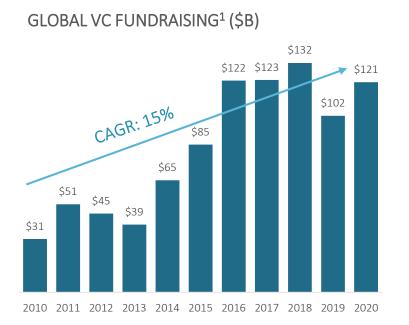


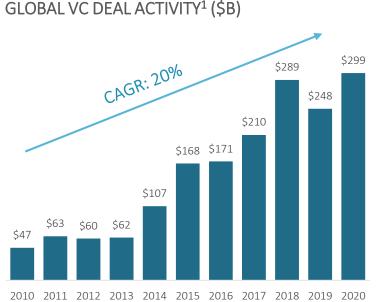
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The Venture Capital and Growth Equity Market Opportunity

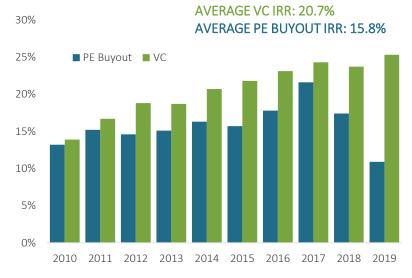


- Venture capital and growth equity has been among the fastest growing and best performing sectors in all markets
- A dynamic ecosystem of large platform fund managers and smaller, specialized managers are providing startup and expansion capital to innovative, high growth companies, many of which are achieving unprecedented scale and driving outsized returns
- Over the last 10 years, global venture capital fundraising and deployment have grown at a 15-20% pace, while median venture capital IRRs have outpaced broader private equity buyout fund returns by an average of approximately 500 bps





VC VERSUS PE BUYOUT IRR BY VINTAGE YEAR²

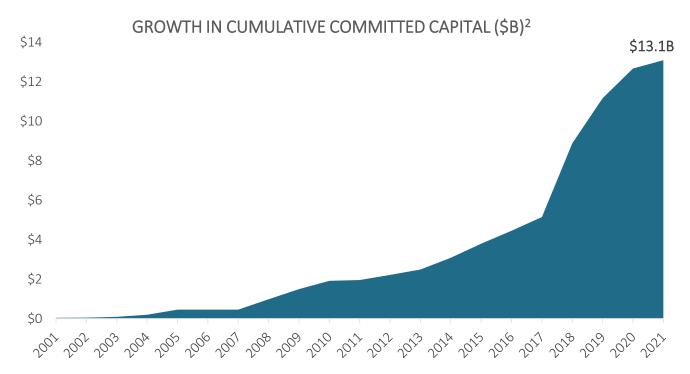


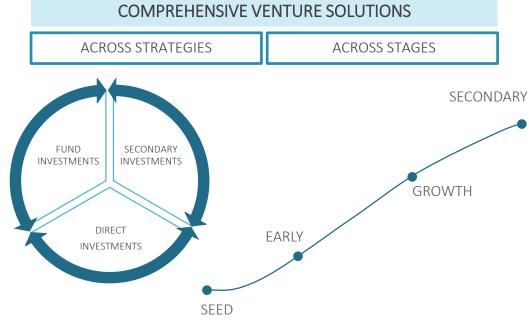
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Overview of Greenspring Associates



- Greenspring is a dedicated venture and growth equity platform that manages assets across strategies covering all stages of the venture capital life cycle
- As of March 31, 2021, Greenspring currently manages \$17 billion of total AUM, and \$9 billion of fee-earning AUM
- Greenspring has a strong growth and performance track record
 - ⁻ 34% 3-year compounded annual growth rate of management and advisory fees
 - Platform-wide net IRR of 21% since the firm's inception in 2000, versus a public market equivalent of 12%





¹ Based on Greenspring company data

Shared Capabilities, Strategies, and Values



We believe the combination of StepStone and Greenspring creates the clear market leader in venture capital and growth equity solutions

SHARED CAPABILITIES & STRATEGIES



EXPERIENCED & SPECIALIZED TEAM

Deep and specialized industry knowledge across multiple asset classes and sectors providing us a high degree of expertise



TECHNOLOGY & DATA

Unparalleled information across the general partner level, fund level, and portfolio company level



GLOBAL APPROACH

Steeped in local economic and political environments, our integrated global team provides actionable insights that make sense of changing markets



SOLUTIONS ORIENTED APPROACH

Mission to be the partner of choice for private markets solutions



RESEARCH DRIVEN

Utilize our information advantage to inform our investment decisions and deliver the best outcomes for our clients



RESPONSIBLE INVESTING

Committed to being responsible stewards of capital in managing our firm and delivering investment solutions to our clients

COMMON VALUES









Broad Geographic Presence (as adjusted, including Greenspring locations)





Transaction Summary



PURCHASE PRICE STRUCTURE:

- \$185 million in cash
- \$540 million in Class A common stock at price of approximately \$34.27 per share and Class C partnership units convertible into Class A common stock. Results in the addition of 15.8 million adjusted shares¹, representing 14% of the combined adjusted shares
- Potential earnout of up to \$75 million payable in 2025, subject to the achievement of certain revenue targets

CONSIDERATIONS:

- StepStone will be entitled to receive 100% of fund management fee-related earnings on all Greenspring FEAUM, as well as a portion of carried interest from Greenspring funds that begin investing after the close of the transaction
- StepStone will be entitled to a portion of carried interest for new funds:
 - 25% of carried interest for new funds that have a first close and commence its investment period following the
 completion of the transaction and before the end of 2024
 - 50% of carried interest for new funds that have a first close in 2025 and beyond
 - The purchase does not include any accrued or future carried interest for the legacy Greenspring funds

As Adjusted Financial Impact



		AS OF OR FOR THE TWELVE MONTHS ENDED MARCH 31, 2021			
		STEPSTONE	GREENSPRING ¹	COMBINED ²	
	ASSETS UNDER MANAGEMENT (\$s in billions)	\$86.4	\$17.43	\$103.8	
	FEE-EARNING AUM (\$s in billions)	\$52.0	\$9.1	\$61.1	
	MANAGEMENT & ADVISORY FEES (\$s in millions) ⁴	\$285.5	\$70.4	\$355.9	
TDAILING	MANAGEMENT & ADVISORY FEES AS % OF ADJUSTED REVENUE ^{5,6}	80%	100%	83%	
TRAILING TWELVE MONTHS	FEE-RELATED EARNINGS (\$s in millions)	\$89.5	\$28.0	\$117.5	
	FRE MARGIN ⁷	31%	40%	33%	
	PRE-TAX ADJUSTED NET INCOME (\$s in millions)	\$110.3	\$28.0	\$138.3	

We anticipate the transaction will be accretive to adjusted net income per share by the high-single digits during the twelve-months following the deal close, and more so in the future

7. FRE Margin is calculated by dividing Fee-Related Earnings by Management & Advisory Fees.

^{1.} Greenspring figures are preliminary and based on unaudited, estimated results for the twelve months ended March 31, 2021, and are based on currently available information. Amounts have been presented to conform to StepStone's reporting policies. See Appendix for GAAP to non-GAAP reconciliations.

^{2.} Presented on an as-adjusted basis by combining StepStone and Greenspring results for the twelve months ended March 31, 2021, and not a pro forma basis under Article 11 of Reg. S-X. See StepStone's SEC filings and Appendix for GAAP to non-GAAP reconciliations.

^{3.} The difference between Greenspring's \$9.1 billion of FEAUM and \$17.4 billion of AUM is due in part to \$2.8 billion of non-fee paying AUM, with the remaining difference driven by the appreciation of the underlying investments in the current funds.

^{4.} Greenspring's Management & Advisory Fees include \$3 million of fund administration fees.

^{5.} StepStone is not acquiring performance fees on legacy Greenspring funds.

^{6.} Management & Advisory Fees as % of Adjusted Revenue is calculated by dividing Management & Advisory Fees by the sum of Management & Advisory Fees and Gross Realized Performance Fees. See Appendix for GAAP to non-GAAP reconciliations.

Strategic Merits of the Deal



The combination of StepStone and Greenspring will strengthen both firms' private equity and venture capital capabilities



COMBINED PE METRICS AS OF 3/31/21

130+
PE Investment professionals

\$60B

\$28B

Annual deployed

PE capital¹

STEPSTONE

- Creates the global leader in private markets solutions, including a strong and scaled presence in venture capital and growth equity, with over \$100B of total AUM and \$340B of AUA
- Expands StepStone's proprietary data
- Increases StepStone's limited partner relationships, with limited overlap of existing clients
- Helps attract and retain additional limited partner capital, further increasing StepStone's scale in private markets, proliferating the flywheel effect

GREENSPRING

- Increases Greenspring's scale and geographic reach allowing deeper relationships with fund managers
- Utilizes StepStone's SPI and OMNI platforms and StepStone's data science and engineering team to expand Greenspring's data and technology advantage
- Leverage Stepstone's business development team and shared corporate functions
- Allows the Greenspring investment team to allocate more time and attention to investing

Reconciliation of GAAP to Non-GAAP – StepStone



(\$ in thousands)		ear Ended ch 31, 2021
Income before income tax	\$	337,849
Net income attributable to non-controlling interests in subsidiaries (1)	·	(23,952)
Unrealized carried interest allocation revenue		(433,827)
Unrealized performance fee-related compensation		215,508
Unrealized investment (income) loss		(11,066)
Deferred incentive fees		4,700
Equity-based compensation (2)		7,848
Amortization of intangibles		3,339
Write-off of unamortized deferred financing costs		3,526
Non-core items (3)		6,342
Pre-tax adjusted net income		110,267
Income taxes (4)		(24,865)
Adjusted net income		85,402
Income taxes (4)		24,865
Realized carried interest allocation revenue		(62,953)
Realized performance fee-related compensation		30,532
Realized investment income		(5,341)
Incentive fees		(5,474)
Deferred incentive fees		(4,700)
Interest income		(413)
Interest expense		7,360
Other income		(220)
Write-off of unamortized deferred financing costs		(3,526)
Net income attributable to non-controlling interests in subsidiaries (1)		23,952
Fee-related earnings	\$	89,484
Total revenues		787,716
Unrealized carried interest allocations		(433,827)
Deferred incentive fees		4,700
Adjusted revenues	\$	358,589

^{1.} Includes income attributable to non-controlling interests in subsidiaries net of non-controlling interest portion of unrealized investment income (loss) (\$(0.1) million) and non-controlling interest portion of loss on change in fair value for contingent consideration obligation (\$0.7 million).

^{2.} Reflects equity-based compensation for awards granted prior to and in connection with the IPO.

^{3.} Includes transaction costs (\$0.4 million), severance costs (\$4.2 million), loss on change in fair value for contingent consideration obligation (\$1.6 million) and other non-core operating income and expenses.

^{4.} Represents corporate income taxes at a blended statutory rate of 22.6% applied to pre-tax adjusted net income for fiscal 2021. The 22.6% rate for fiscal 2021 is based on a federal statutory rate of 21.0% and a combined state, local and foreign rate net of federal benefits of 1.6%.

Reconciliation of GAAP to Non-GAAP – StepStone



(\$ in millions)

Realized carried interest revenue
Incentive fees
Deferred incentive fees
Gross realized performance fees
Realized performance fee-related compensation
Net realized performance fees

Realized carried interest revenue
Incentive fees
Deferred incentive fees
Gross realized performance fees
Realized performance fee-related compensation
Net realized performance fees

Quarter							
1Q	FY21	20	Q FY21	30	Q FY21	40	Q FY21
\$	3.6	\$	8.6	\$	26.1	\$	24.7
	3.6		1.2		0.3		0.4
	3.5		1.2				
	10.8		10.9		26.4		25.0
	(2.9)		(4.8)		(10.2)		(12.6)
\$	7.9	\$	6.1	\$	16.1	\$	12.5

	Last Twelve Months							
1Q FY21		20	2Q FY21 3Q FY21		4Q FY21			
	\$	36.9	\$	34.4	\$	40.9	\$	62.9
		5.4		5.8		5.9		5.5
		4.3		4.7		4.7		4.7
		46.6		44.9		51.5		73.1
		(22.1)		(20.5)		(20.3)		(30.5)
	\$	24.5	\$	24.4	\$	31.1	\$	42.6

Reconciliation of GAAP to Non-GAAP – Greenspring



(\$ in thousands)	Twelve Months Ended March 31, 2021	
Net income	\$	22,833
Other (income) expense items (1)		5,193
Pre-tax adjusted net income		28,026
Income taxes		-
Adjusted net income		28,026
Income taxes		-
Interest expense		21
Fee-related earnings	\$	28,047

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