

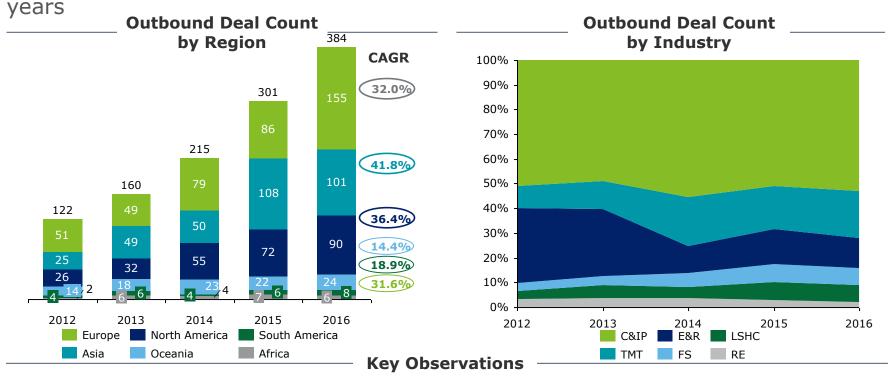
China outbound M&A activities in Europe and North America Trend and Forecast August 2017



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China outbound M&A trends

China outbound M&A activities have experienced astounding growth in the past 5

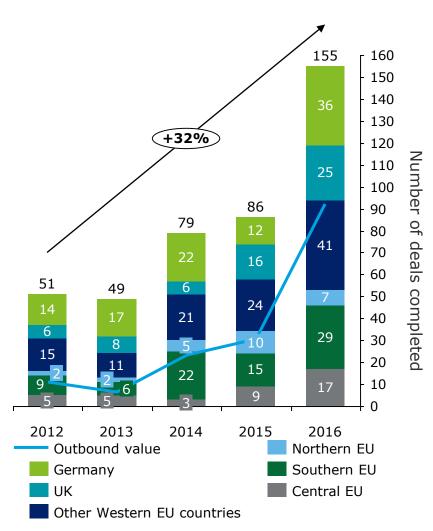


- Europe and North America have been the preferred target regions for Chinese buyers since 2012, with Europe taking up 28.6% - 41.8% of deal volume in the past 5 years with a CAGR of 32% between 2012 and 2016; and North America taking up around 23% of deal volume in the past 5 years with a CAGR of 36.4% within the same period
- C&IP has remained the top targeted industry, growing rapidly and accounting for ~50% of the annual deal volume; TMT, LSHC and FS industries have seen strong volume growth while E&R is gradually shrinking
- Investors became increasingly interested in the TMT sector; deal volume has surpassed investment in E&R, becoming the 2nd most active industry for M&A activities. This is mainly due to the transformation in China's economic structure where the service industry has replaced manufacturing in becoming the strongest driver for economical growth; additionally, growth in disposable income, along with the uprising trend of digital connectivity, has led to investors targeting the high tech, healthcare, and financial service sectors

Source: MergerMarket

China - Europe outbound M&A trends

China - Europe M&A transactions have accounted for most of China's outbound investment activities



Key Drivers

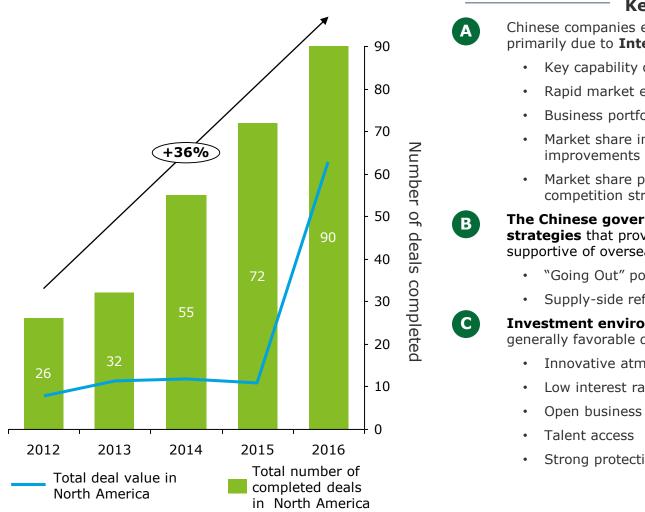
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- Rapid market entry
- · Business portfolio expansion
- Market share increases and profitability improvements
- Market share protection through defensive competition strategy adoption
- The Chinese government outlined three top-level strategies that provide a policy environment supportive of overseas investments
 - "Going Out" policy
 - "The Belt and Road (B&R)" initiative
 - Supply-side reform
- **European investment environment** is generally favorable despite its risks
 - · Depreciation of the British Pound
 - Attractive enterprise valuations
 - Low interest rates
 - Tax incentives
 - Open business environment
 - Less competition in European M&A market

Source: Deloitte Analysis

China - North America outbound M&A trends

North American market has also been active, with transaction volume closely following the Europe market



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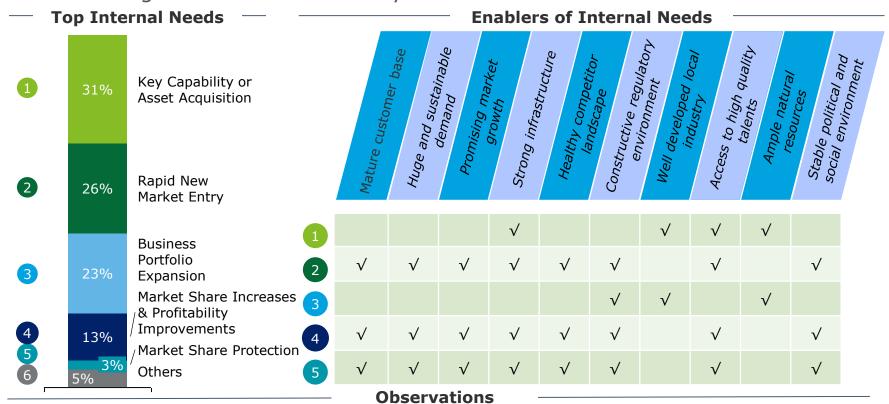
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 - Innovative atmosphere
 - Low interest rates
 - Open business environment
 - Strong protection of IP

Source: Deloitte Analysis

AInternal business growth needs (1/2)

The ideal market environment of European and North American countries is able to meet the growth demand of many Chinese investors



- Research shows acquisitions of key capacities and assets, rapid growth in new markets, portfolio enhancement as well as increase market shares have been the four major drivers behind outbound investments
- In terms of outbound investment motivation, SOE, private enterprise as well as WFOE are driven by acquisitions of key capacity and assets, while PE/VC is motivated by rapid market entrance
- From an industry perspective, FS and E&R industries look for portfolio enhancement, CP&S is attracted by the potential revenue increase, while auto, IP&S, LSHC and RE industries focus more on capacity building

Source: Expert Interviews, Deloitte Analysis

AInternal business growth needs (2/2)

for company development and expansion

LSHC

Each region offers its own differentiated advantage to attract Chinese investors

Features

Mature customer groups provide sustainable market demand and a reliable base

Certain industries lead their respective worldwide markets, especially TMT and

Companies generally have high quality talent and management teams

Well developed infrastructure creates a good investment environment

Competition environment is open and healthy Certain industries lead their respective worldwide markets, such as Auto, IP&S, Western Europe will continue to CP&S and LSHC; commercial real estate has also been huge in the UK due to a be the hottest region for plummeting pound outbound investment: Germany and the UK will be Mature customer groups provide sustainable market demand and a reliable base Western for company development and expansion the most sought out countries **Europe** Companies generally have high quality talent and management teams Likely to see faster M&A growth Well developed infrastructure creates a good investment environment in TMT, LSHC, and RE Competition environment is open and healthy TMT and E&R are particularly attractive to foreign investors Northern Europe will experience Demand is sustainable and growth is promising due to its stable economy growth in M&A deal volume as Regulatory environment encourages foreign investment. For example, foreign China is vigorously developing Northern companies are free to make direct investments in Sweden without any approval its high-tech industry **Europe** requirements and investment amount restrictions The friendly investment There are ample natural resources, such as petroleum and natural gas environment is also a major attraction for Chinese buyers CP&S and E&R will continue to CP&S industry is well developed especially in the luxury products sectors Southern Regulatory environment is friendly towards foreign investors be Southern Europe's most Investments are active in new energy resources, such as solar energy attractive industries **Europe** This region is abundant in energy and mining resources such as natural gas, M&A activities are expected to Central & iron, and gold emerge especially in E&R and Governments provide various incentives, including tax incentives and grants to CP&S, largely fueled by the Belt Eastern attract capital inflow and Road Initiative Europe Market is expected to grow quickly in the future Source: Expert Interviews, Deloitte Analysis Note: Breakdown of geographic region and industry sectors can be found in appendix

Region

North

America

Implications

US will continue to be a preferred country for

Likely to see faster M&A

growth in TMT and LSHC

outbound investment

Chinese government strategies

The Chinese Government outlined three top-level strategies steering the overall cross-border investments

Development Stages Strategy **Implications** Oct. 2000 Oct. 2004 Mar. 2016 Since its introduction, the policy has actively encouraged Chinese investors to NDRC released The 13th 5-Going Out seek for investment opportunities abroad First "Interim year plan **Policy** brought For the first time in 2014, China's Approval stressed the up in the outbound investment outstripped importance of Measures for 10th 5incoming foreign direct investment (by (To expand a high-level Overseas business overseas) year plan \$20+ billion) Investments" open economy • The Government offers greater support, including simplified approval processes Oct. 2013 Mar. 2015 May 2017 The initiative greatly promotes outbound M&A activities, especially for countries First NDRC released The Belt and along the Belt and Road route, with The Belt and brought up "Vision and Action to Road various Governments supporting Road durina promote the **Initiative** International President Construction of the Cooperation By 2016, Chinese companies had built 56 Silk Road Economic Xi's visit to (To enhance Forum was economic and trade cooperation zones in Central and Belt and 21st Century held in Beijing 20+ countries, with a total investment East Asia Maritime Silk Road" value of \$18.5+ billion

Supply-side Reform

(To deal with domestic overcapacity issue)

Nov. 2015

First brought up in the 11th Central Financial Leader Group Meeting

Dec. 2015

The Central Economic Working Conference deployed five economic tasks for 2016 including cutting excessive production capacity, removing real estate inventory, lowering financing leverage, reducing costs and making up shortage

 Outbound investment is used as a way to ease off the overcapacity issue for many Chinese companies

Source: MergerMarket, Belt and road portal, Ministry of Commerce "Landmark year as ODI set to exceed FDI" Note: Breakdown of geographic region and industry sectors can be found in appendix

BChinese government policies (1/2)

Within the strategic policies are detailed overseas investment regulations supporting outbound M&A activities

Regulation —

Main Content

Implications

amending tax

in 2016 alone)

Offers various

Greatly expedites the

process of signing and

conventions (7 signed

conveniences for tax

outbound investments

payers involved in



- In April 2015, the State Administration of Taxation introduced seven measures to better support outbound investment activities, including:
 - Provide stronger support in signing and amending tax agreements
 - Further strengthen bilateral negotiations on tax related disputes
 - Establish a tax service website for the Belt and Road Initiative
 - Hold training courses for companies seeking outbound investment
 - Set up a tax service hotline
 - Conduct face-to-face coaching on new taxation measures and policies
 - Establish an communication platform to discuss tax related topics



Facilitates outbound investments by continuously deepening investment management reform

Simplification of Approval **Process**

- In April 2016, National Development and Reform Commission (NDRC) adjusted regulations to simplify the cross-border investment approval process:
 - Overseas investment projects of \$1 billion or more need NOT be approved by NDRC
 - Overseas investment projects of \$2 billion or more need NOT be approved by the State Council



- To support its strategic plan, the Government has set up several policy funds and overseas investment companies, including:
 - Integrated Circuit Industry Investment Fund
 - Guoxin International Investment Corporation
 - CIC Overseas Direct Investment Corporation

Offers great financial support particularly for deals aligning with policy directions

BChinese government policies (2/2)

However, the government has also started putting more restrictions on capital outflow

Regulation

Main Content

Implications



- In Nov. 2016, State Administration of Foreign Exchange (SAFE) required all capital outflow transactions greater than \$5 million to be submitted for retroactive approval, and stepped up its review of currency exchanges in large overseas M&A deals, including those that had previously been granted quotas
- Regulators mandated that the following types of outbound transactions cannot be filed or approved without approvals from relevant departments:
 - Extra-large foreign acquisitions valued at \$10 billion or more per deal
 - SOEs intending to build or invest in overseas properties valued at \$1 billion or more per deal
 - Chinese companies seeking to invest \$1 billion or more in overseas entities unrelated to their core businesses
 - Direct overseas investments made by limited partnerships
 - Investments in companies listed overseas that are less than 10% of the investors' total equity
 - Chinese capital trying to participate in the delisting of Chinese companies listed overseas
- · In Jan. 2017, SAFE added a new performance index in its risk assessment titled "Annual Rate Changes in the Ratio of Cross-border Payments to Total"
- In July 2017, Ministry of Commerce announced its amendment on the record-filling requirements for the establishment and changes of foreign enterprise in China, under the new policy, foreign investors acquiring domestic listed company through equity transfer of its foreign listed shares will no longer need to be approved by MOFCOM, this is seen as a way to ease off the current pressure on capital outflow

- Introduces more requirements on authenticity and compliance reviews to avoid capital flight and irrational overseas investments
- Negatively affects deals with high valuations
- In the short term, capital control may slow down crossborder investments. However, M&A activities will stay active for Chinese buyers in the long run

Capital **Control**

Source: Ministry of Commerce "Amendment on record-filling requirement for the establishment and changes of foreign enterprise in China" © 2017. For information, contact Deloitte China. China outbound M&A activities in Europe and North America

GUS's investment environment (1/2)

US's environment is generally favorable for outbound investments

US's Environment Implications US embraces leading innovative atmosphere The well-established innovation worldwide, cultivating various high-tech and environment undoubtedly serves a major **Innovative** internet companies with advanced technologies attraction for Chinese investors, especially **Atmosphere** for those seeking core technologies Most US companies possess a huge pool of talent M&A of US companies offers Chinese with abundant management experience and investors the opportunity to access high **Talent Access** quality talent, an important driver for leading industry knowledge outhound M&A The mature capital market in US provides lower Lower financing costs will enhance the Lower interest rates compared with those of domestic attractiveness of US targets Interest markets, which is favorable for Chinese buyers Rates US government provides strong protection of The well-developed intellectual property **Strong** intellectual property with stringent laws and sound protection system creates a favorable **Protection of** environment for company operation and administrative management Intellectual development **Property** US has an open business environment in which US's inclusive business environment will Open most transactions can be carried out in an open continue to fuel its M&A activities **Business** and transparent manner with clear legal **Environment** repercussions

GUS's investment environment (2/2)

However, certain risks may slow down the pace of M&A activities

US's Environment Implications US is putting more constraints on cross-border The relatively protectionist stance on trade Obstruction investments out of antitrust and national security with China will have a negative impact on considerations. In 2016, 10 transactions totaling M&A activities, drastically lowering the by Local \$59B with the US were canceled, accounting for **Authorities** likelihood of obtaining necessary approvals about 80% of the total cancelled deal value Rigid labor laws in Europe set an unavoidable The legal environments differences Stringent barrier for Chinese investors who are generally between Europe and China may cause **Labor Laws** certain deals to fail if investors don't make unfamiliar with the laws and their implications properly plan Unions, even as independent third parties, have a Unsuccessful negotiations with unions will Union cause deals to fall through before and after strong voice over the decision-making processes of **Bargaining** companies in North America deal closures Power The value of the US Dollar increased dramatically • In the short term, there will be concerns **Appreciation** in 2016, setting back many companies to invest in for Chinese investors targeting US

of US Dollars

- US
- companies

Slow **Economic** Recovery

- US economy remains sluggish as a continuation of the long term economic downturn with few signs of economic turnaround in the near future
- Slow economic recovery may give rise to Chinese buyers' worry about the future profitability of US companies

Uncertain Political **Environment**

- Trump's China policy may cause more restrictions for Chinese companies seeking investment opportunities in US, especially for those targeting high-tech industry
- Sino-US economic and trade areas will undoubtedly usher in new challenges. Chinese investors may be subject to more stringent review from CFIUS

Source: Expert Interviews, Deloitte Analysis

©European investment environment (1/2)

Europe's market environment has also been favorable for Chinese investors

European Environment Implications The value of the British Pound dropped In the short term, there will be a rise in the **Devaluation** number of Chinese investors targeting UK dramatically in 2016, attracting many investors to of the British **UK** companies companies; however, the Pound's Pound devaluation may also raise profitability concerns amongst investors Compared with domestic valuations, those of Lower valuations make outbound **Attractive** European targets are lower and more reasonable investments more attractive for Chinese **Valuations** investors Lower financing costs will boost the Europe's mature capital market provides lower Lower interest rates compared with those of domestic attractiveness of European targets **Interest** markets Rates Many European countries offer tax incentives to Favorable tax policies will continue to attract inbound investments. For example, the UK appeal to Chinese investors Tax Incentives Government provides various tax deduction items and is dedicated to maintaining a low tax rate Europe has an open business environment in which Europe's inclusive business environment Open most transactions can be carried out in an open will continue to fuel its M&A activities **Business** and transparent manner with clear legal **Environment** repercussions Less Compared with that of the US market, competition • The European market will continue to Competition is less fierce in the European merger market, attract overseas investors due to its lower which is advantageous for Chinese buyers in levels of competition and abundance of in Merger

Source: Expert Interviews, Deloitte Analysis

securing a successful bid

Market

high-quality targets

©European investment environment (2/2)

Similarly, risk factors may also slow down the pace of investment activities

	European Environment ————	Implications
Obstruction by Local Authorities	 Some European countries are putting more constraints on cross-border investments out of antitrust and national security considerations. For example, the European Commission held that the aggregate turnover and revenue of all Chinese SOEs in the same industry that don't have decision-making autonomy, should be consolidated for purposes of determining the jurisdiction of the Commission 	 The relatively protectionist stance on trade with China will have a negative impact on M&A activities, drastically lowering the likelihood of obtaining necessary approvals
Political Uncertainty	 The Political environment remains uncertain as a result of Brexit, growing populism, and high risk of terrorism attacks 	 Political uncertainty in Europe may slow down the pace of outbound investment
Stringent Labor Laws	 Rigid labor laws in Europe set an unavoidable barrier for Chinese investors who are generally unfamiliar with the laws and their implications 	The legal environments differences between Europe and China may cause certain deals to fail if investors don't make properly plan
Work Council Bargaining Power	 Work councils, even as independent third parties, have a strong voice over the decision-making processes of European companies 	 Unsuccessful negotiations with work councils will cause deals to fall through before and after deal closures
Cultural Diversity	European culture is vastly diverse, making it challenging for investors seeking a successful deal	 Culture integration is an important part of overseas investments, meaning Chinese investors should make preparations in- advance
Slow Economic Recovery	 The European economic recovery remains sluggish and many countries need capital injection 	 Although inbound investments are welcomed to stimulate the economy and boost employment, the weak economy may reduce buyers' willingness to invest

Source: Expert Interviews, Deloitte Analysis

Projection of China-to-US outbound M&A

Despite the complex factors influencing outbound M&A, Chinese investors remain positive towards the US market

Key Influencing Factors	Impact
Economic Environment in US:	
Strengthening US Dollars	••
Lower Interest Rates	
Strong Protection of Intellectual Property	
Innovative Atmosphere	
Slow Economic Recovery	•••
Open Business Environment	
Political Environment in US:	
Obstruction by Local Authorities	•••
 Political Uncertainty 	••
Stringent Labor Laws	••
Social Environment in US:	_
Union Bargaining Power	
Cultural Differences	••
Chinese Policies:	
Tax Service Facilitation	••
Approval Process Simplification	
Financing Support	••
More Stringent Capital Control	••

Projection

Region

- In general, the amount of cross-border deals between China and US are expected to increase
- US will continue to attract investors looking to acquire advanced technology
- A strengthening US dollar may dampen Chinese investors' enthusiasm
- The uncertainty caused by Trump's administration may slow down the pace of M&A activities between China and US

Industry

- CP&S will remain the top active sector for China outbound investment
- Due to strong interest in acquiring core technologies and increasing market share, the TMT sector should see more deal growth
- The LSHC industry is likely to see a growth in M&A activities aimed at strengthening businesses and diversifying portfolios
- Deal activity will increase as the FS industry seeks to transform business models, increase revenue, and enter new markets

[©] Positive © Neutral © Negative

Projection of China-to-Europe outbound M&A

Similarly, Chinese investors also hold an optimistic view towards the future China – Europe market regardless of various risk factors

Key Influencing Factors	Impact
Economic Environment in Europe :	_
Weakness of the British Pound	•••
Attractive Valuations	
Lower Interest Rates	
Tax Incentives	
Slow Economic Recovery	
Open Business Environment	
Less Competition	
Political Environment in Europe :	
Obstruction by Local Authorities	
Political Uncertainty	
Stringent Labor Laws	••
Social Environment in Europe:	
Work Council Bargaining Power	
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 More Stringent Capital Control Positive Positive Neutral Negative 	

Projection

Region

- In general, the amount of cross-border deals between China and Europe is expected to increase
- Germany will continue to attract investors looking to acquire advanced technology
- A weakening pound will drive investments in the UK but the investors' enthusiasm may be dampened by Britain's uncertain political environment
- The Belt and Road Initiative will continue to encourage outbound investments to Central and Eastern Europe

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Main challenges to Chinese outbound M&A (1/2)

Despite Chinese investors' active presence in the past years, they continue to experience multiple challenges throughout deal cycle Announcement Day 1

M&A Life	M&A Strategy Development	Synergy analysis, identification and realization			l realization				
Cycle	M&A Execution	Target Screening & Identificati	Preliminary Due	Negotiati on of	Definitive Due Diligence	Valuation	Negotiati on of Final Transacti on	Transaction Closing Preparation	Purchase Price Allocation
Challenge	Capability Build-up on Diligence	Intent	Integra Divestiture P			/ Divestiture ration	Execution of Integration / Divestiture Plan		
Tightening capital controls	Capital controls from Chinese government will affect the whole M&A life cycle by influencing the buyer's financing methods, ability to make payments, and the subsequent funding source for post-deal activities								
Uncertain financial risks	Financial risks exist throughout the life cycle and the magnitude of each risk will drastically impact each company's solvency								
Random or speculative decisions	Clear M&A strategies are vital because they will affect the target screening, investment negotiations, and post-merger integration (PMI) planning stages								
Inappropriate or even wrong target	Impacts of careless target screening will linger until later stages of the deal lifecycle, such as the negotiation and valuation								
Fail to identify risks earlier	Due diligence is vital in identifying the risks and value of the target. Inadequate due diligence will increase the difficulty of integration and can even lead to deal failure								
Value Damaged post					One of the	biggest o	:hallenges,	PMI directly	impacts the

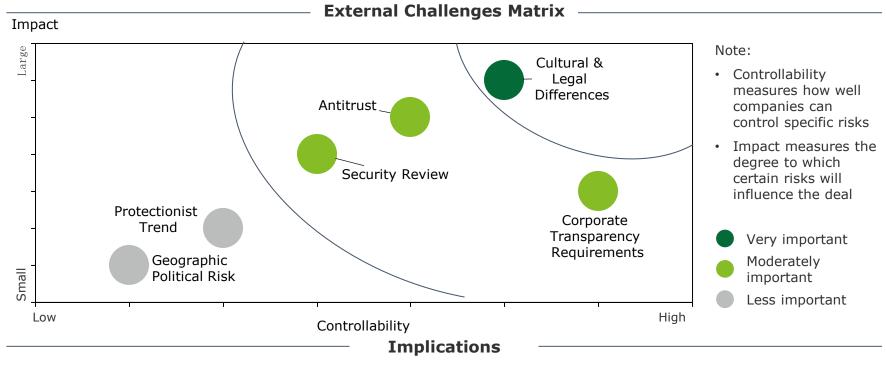
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deal

delivery and ability of acquirer to capture deal value

Main challenges to Chinese outbound M&A (2/2)

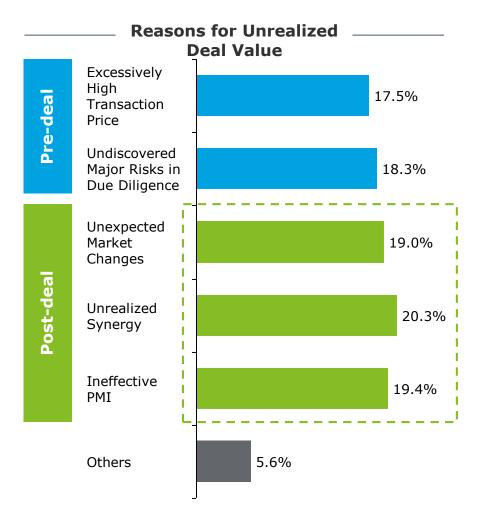
Moreover, Chinese investors are expected to encounter increasing restrictions and obstacles due to growing resistance on a global level in the years ahead



- **Cultural and legal differences** come as the top challenge in terms of controllability and impact. Therefore, this factor should attract the most attention from Chinese buyers
- Compared with antitrust and security review, **corporate transparency requirements** are highly controllable but have less of an impact on the success of M&A transactions. Thus, investors may be more concerned about the former factors during a deal
- Although political risks and protectionist trends are generally unavoidable, these two challenges are the smallest concerns because of their low impact. Besides, before entering the deal, these two challenges should be fully considered and addressed in order to mitigate risks

Importance of effective PMI

Deloitte's study reveals that 60% of China outbound M&A deals that don't realize proposed deal values are a result of ineffective post-deal activities

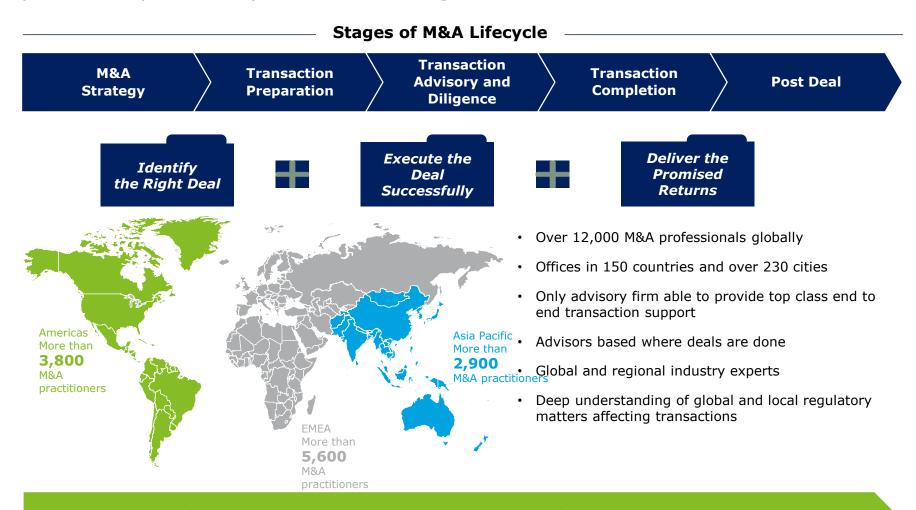


Values of Effective PMI

- Mergers have a tendency to disrupt business momentum, drag on without producing expected synergies, and lead to compromised long-term strategic positioning
- Therefore, it's critical to execute PMI which helps companies maintain existing business momentum, achieve synergetic goals, and establish platforms for competing in the future
- However, successful PMI is not easy to achieve. Given the complexity of PMI, investors will often seek out professional support and expertise from leaders like Deloitte.

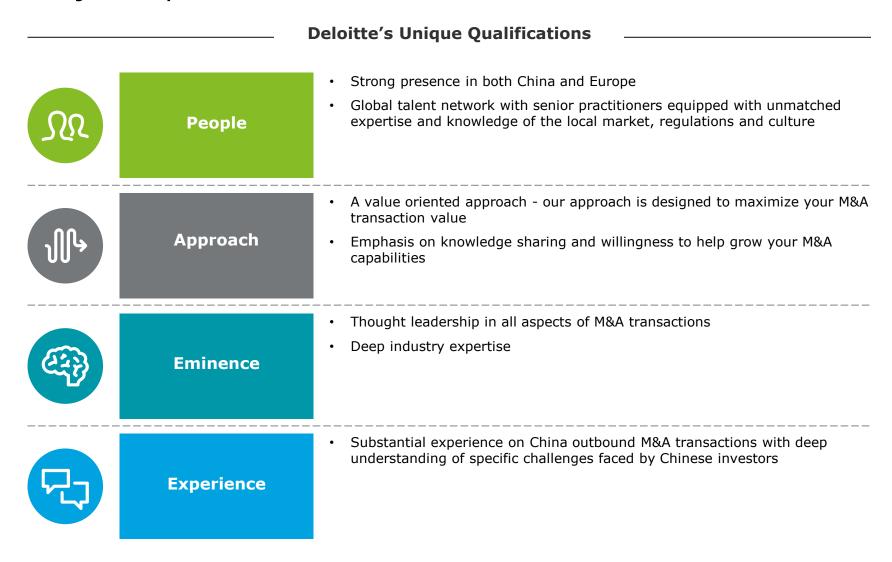
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Deloitte's service offering

Based on a value oriented approach, China M&A's service team provides customized solutions to meet your unique needs and achieve a successful PMI

Resource limitations is the major hurdle for Chinese buyers wanting to conduct PMI -

- 30% Chinese buyers don't have a sufficient budget to conduct a full-scale PMI
- 34% Chinese buyers lack the necessary knowledge, experience and capabilities to conduct PMI work
- 20% upper management of Chinese buyers are not fully aware of the value of PMI

Deloitte's customized PMI service offerings can meet your various needs

Fully appreciated PMI Value

Single solution

Provide **quick-win/single solution** to meet the most imperative needs

- People retention/ Management incentive program
- Finance reporting integration
- Corporate Governance

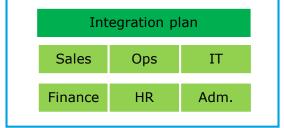
Vertical/horizontal extension

Provide **tailored combo/advanced solution** to satisfy M&A requirement on selected modules

- Target operating model
- High level integration plan
- Synergy identification and tracking

One-stop request

Provide **full set solution** to deliver maximum M&A value



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Appendix

Appendix **Geographic region**

Region	Countries
Western Europe	Germany, Great Britain, France, Austria, Ireland, Switzerland, Belgium, Holland, Luxemburg
Northern Europe	Denmark, Finland, Sweden, Norway, Iceland
Southern Europe	Turkey, Italy, Spain, Portugal, Malta, Greece
Central and Eastern Europe	Russia, Poland, Hungary, Georgia, Czech Republic, Slovenia, Romania, Bosnia, Croatia, Serbia

Appendix **Industry sectors**

Industry Sector	Definition
Automotive	Auto
	Agriculture
	Chemical Products
	Food and beverages
	Others
Consumer Products and Services (CP&S)	Retail
	Leisure products
	Manufacturing (others)
	Services (others)
	Transportation
	Other
	Automation
Industrial Products and Services (IP&S)	Industrial product and services
	Electronic products
Energy and Resources (E&R)	Energy
	Mining
	Hydro and Electronics

Industry Sector	Definition		
	Bio technology		
Life Science and Healthcare (LSHC)	Healthcare		
	Pharmacy		
	Digital related services		
	Computer Software		
Taskaslama Madia	Computer Hardware		
Technology, Media and	Semiconductor		
Telecommunications (TMT)	Media		
(1111)	Telecom operators		
	Telecom hardware		
	Internet and e-commerce		
Financial Services (FS)	Financial and accounting services		
Pool Estato (PE)	Real Estate		
Real Estate (RE)	Construction		
Public Sector (DS)	National defense		
Public Sector (PS)	Government		

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