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U.S. SPAC Market Review and Outlook

IPO SUMMARY

A total of 54 SPACs went public in U.S. collectively raising approximately \$9.90 billion in gross proceeds (included exercised overallotment/greenshoe options) as of Q1 2022.

SPAC IPO activity slowed down significantly compared to Q4 2021 with an average of 18 SPAC IPO issuance per month and an average deal size of \$183 million.

A total of 40 SPACs have withdrawn their U.S. IPO plans in Q1 amid market uncertainty, compared to 10 for the full-year of 2021.

An additional 23 new SPACs filed YTD and are still pending for listing.



MERGER SUMMARY

A total of 33 SPACs identified and announced merger targets in Q1.

The pace of SPAC mergers has slowed from 2021, whereas December 2021 alone had 30 SPACs reported to have entered into definitive merger agreements. High-profiled mergers include **Cohn Robbins Holdings Corp** to merge with Czech billionaire Karel Komárek's KKCG-owned multinational lottery, entertainment, and digital gaming operator **Allwyn Entertainment** valued at ca. \$9.3 billion and **Sports Ventures Acquisition Corp** with sixth-time Academy Best Visual Effects Award winner visual effects and animation studio **DNEG**.

Other recent merger announcements include **Primavera Capital Acquisition** with Chinese Fosun International owned luxury fashion group **Lanvin Group** and **Thunder Bridge Capital Partners IV Inc** with Japanese cryptocurrency exchange **Coincheck**.

A total of 29 SPACs announced approval of proposed business combination YTD. Motive Capital Corp with pre-IPO/private market trading platform Forge Global and SilverBox Engaged Merger Corp with U.S. veteran-owned coffee company Black Rifle Coffee Company/BRC Inc performed the best.

OTHER INFORMATION

A total of 15 SPACs mutually terminated planned merger with respective targets with most citing due to unfavorable market conditions.

Burgundy Technology Acquisition Corporation liquidated at \$10.05 per share because the company will not consummate an Initial business combination within the time period required.

FINAL THOUGHTS

SPAC IPO volume has declined from its peak, however, still outpaced the general IPO market.

With most SPACs trading below its NAVs, pre-merger SPACs continue to act as a safe harbor in volatile market. 🖊

SPAC market will continue to attract private companies, some recent out-performing deSPACs may inject confidence in the market.