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# Yubico Overview

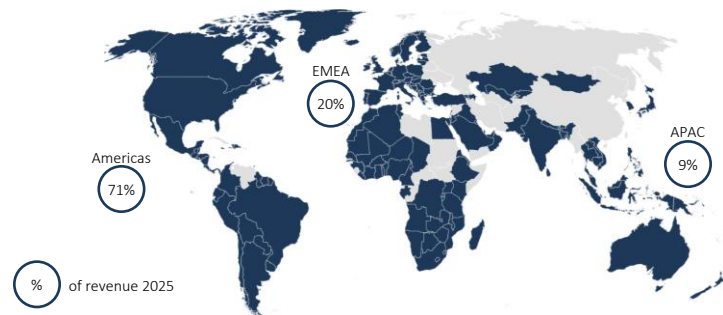
## The Leading Provider of Hardware Security Keys Protecting the Digital World

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### Company Description

- Founded in 2007, Yubico is a leading provider of hardware security keys, for secure access to computers, mobile devices, servers, and online accounts
- Two reinforcing revenue streams:
  - **Perpetual** – One-time hardware sales of YubiKeys to individuals, businesses, and governments directly and through a global reseller network
  - **Subscription** – Annual contracts through YubiEnterprise for fleet management, key replacement, and identity lifecycle services
- Listed on Nasdaq Stockholm with a MCAP of ~SEK 5.3bn – HQ in Stockholm

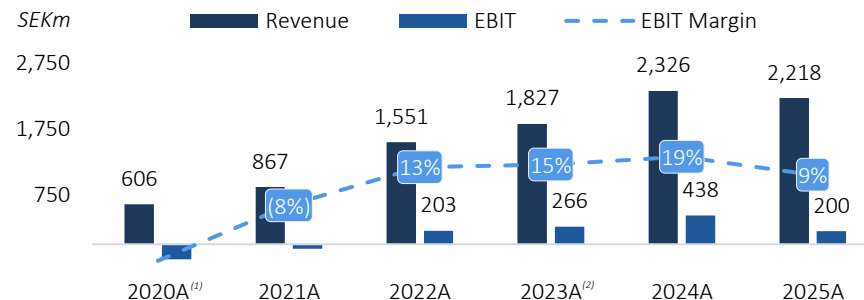
### Geographical Presence and Revenue Split <sup>(3)</sup>



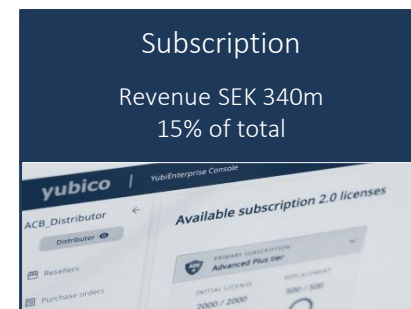
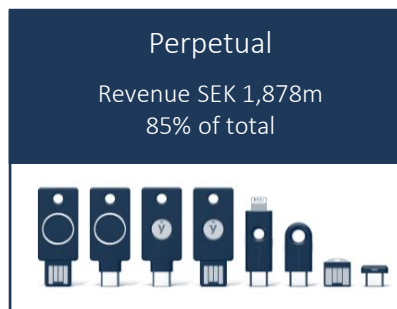
Sources: Company public filings, Bloomberg

Notes: (1) EBIT in 2020 was SEK (230)m, (2) EBIT adjusted for SEK 87m of merger costs between ACQ and Yubico, (3) Locations available for delivery

### Financial Overview



### Business Segments and Revenue Split



## Yubico Overview (cont.)

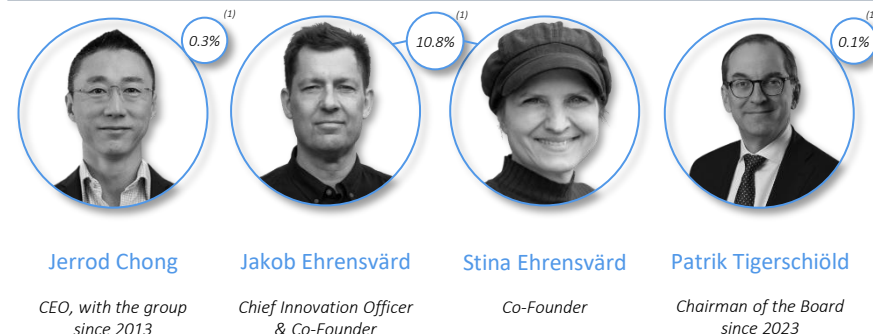
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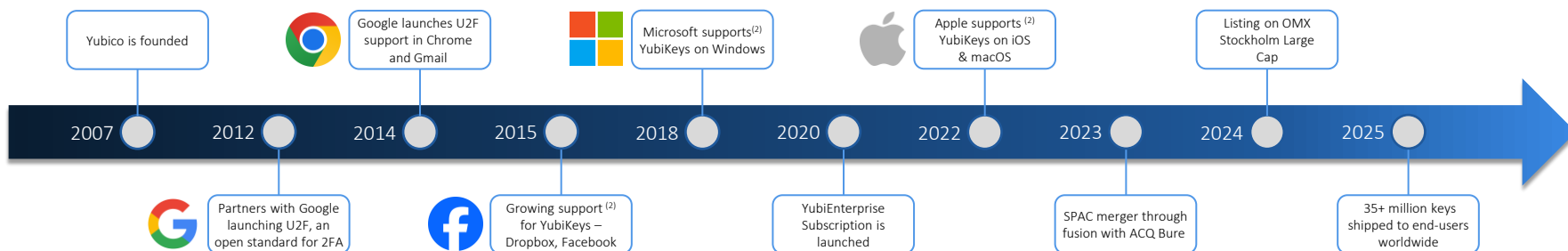
### Value Proposition



### Key People



### Corporate Timeline



Sources: Company public filings, Bloomberg, IBM

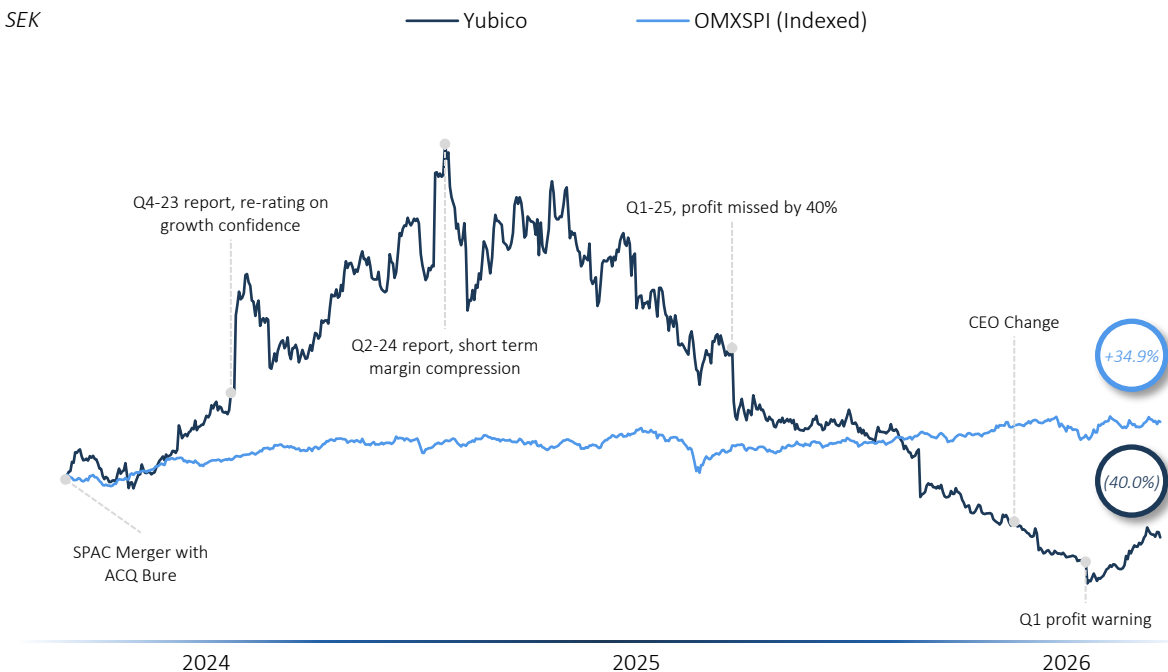
Notes: (1) % of common stock outstanding held (2) Compatible with the operating system or program

# Share Price Performance and Ownership

## Deep Valuation Discount Offers Attractive Entry Point



### Indexed Share Price Performance



Sources: Company public filings, Bloomberg

### Ownership

| Company Name               | Country | % of Shares |
|----------------------------|---------|-------------|
| <b>BURE</b>                |         | 17.4%       |
| <b>AMF</b>                 |         | 10.8%       |
| J. & S. Ehrensvärd         |         | 10.2%       |
| <b>AD FJÄRDE AP-FONDEN</b> |         | 5.6%        |
| <b>SEB</b>                 |         | 5.0%        |
| Top 5 Shareholders         |         | 49.0%       |
| <b>Handelsbanken</b>       |         | 5.0%        |
| <b>Swedbank</b>            |         | 4.9%        |
| Ramanujam Shriram          |         | 3.8%        |
| <b>PROVIDER INVESTMENT</b> |         | 2.5%        |
| <b>MERITECH</b>            |         | 2.3%        |
| Top 10 Shareholders        |         | 67.5%       |

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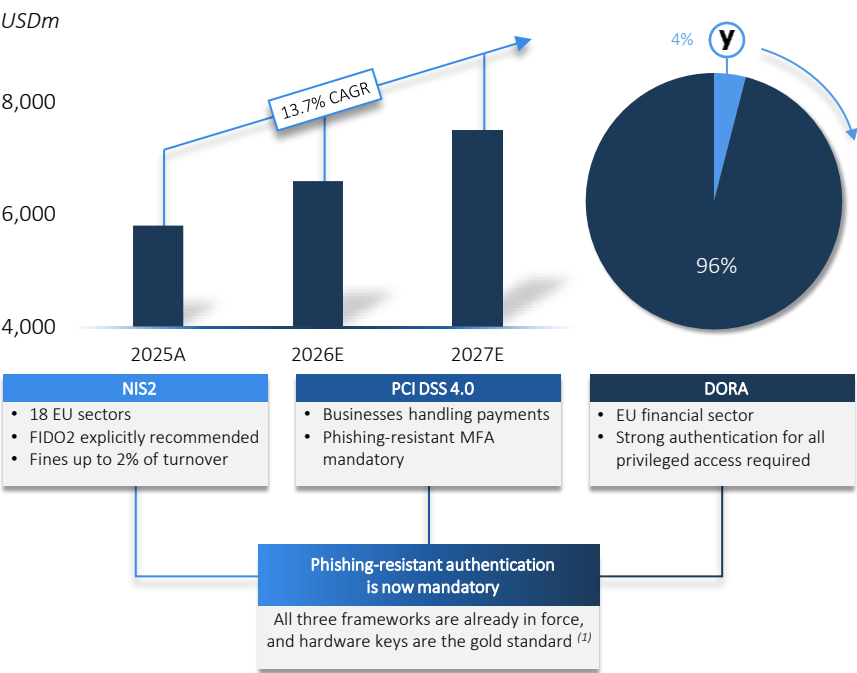
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# Key Investment Highlights (cont.)

## Underutilized Position on a Market Facing Clear Tailwinds



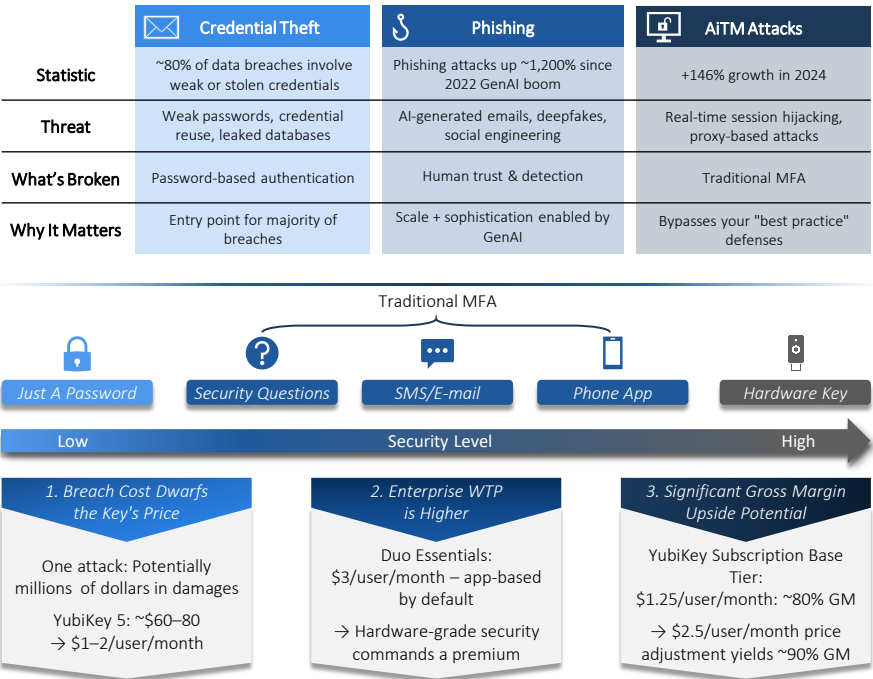
### 1) A High-Growth Market With a Regulatory Engine



Sources: Company public filings, McKinsey, Microsoft

Notes: (1) Phishing-resistant MFA is the gold standard for security according to Microsoft, (2) Adversary-in-the-middle (AiTM) attacks bypass traditional MFA and enable long-term access without triggering alerts

### 2) Pricing Power Waiting To Be Unlocked

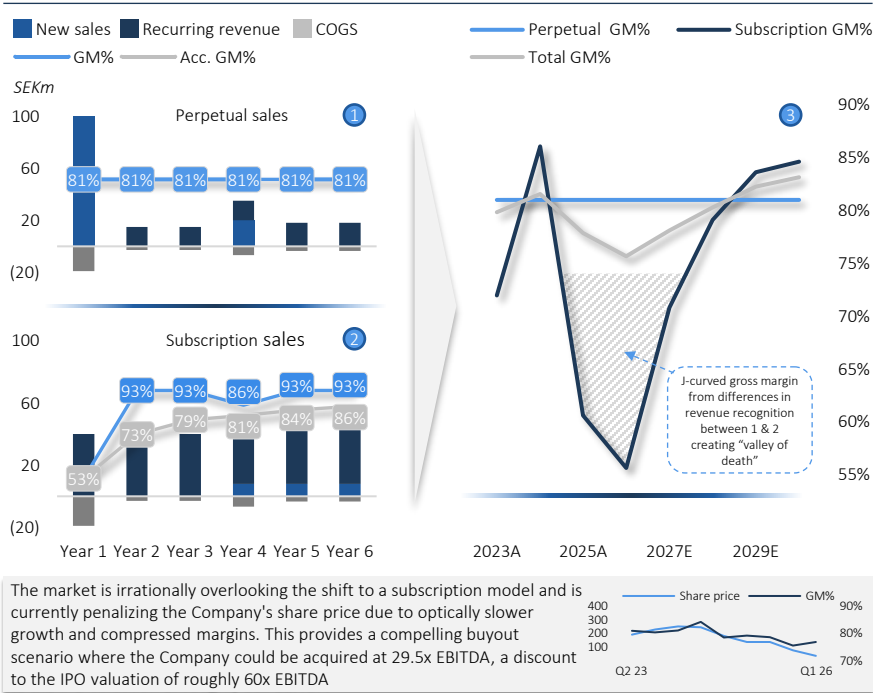


# Key Investment Highlights (cont.)

## Market Irrationality & NWC Optimization

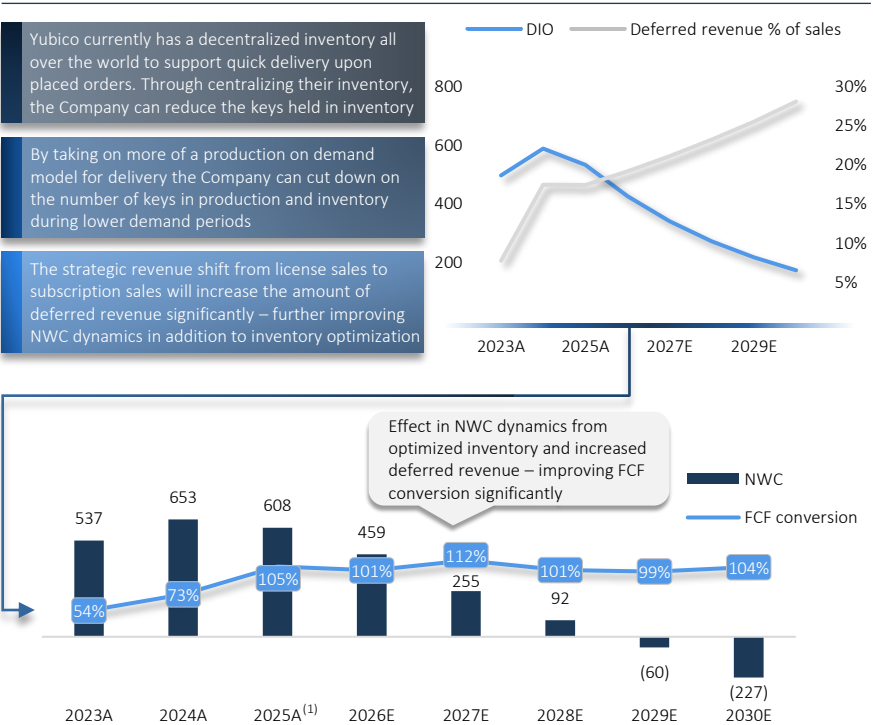


### 3) Market Penalizing Subscription Shift



Sources: Company public filings, SEB, Carnegie, Analyst estimates  
 Note: (1) One-off year with large non-cash adjustments in the form of stock-based compensation and unrealized FX losses

### 4) NWC Optimization from Lower Inventory & Revenue Shift

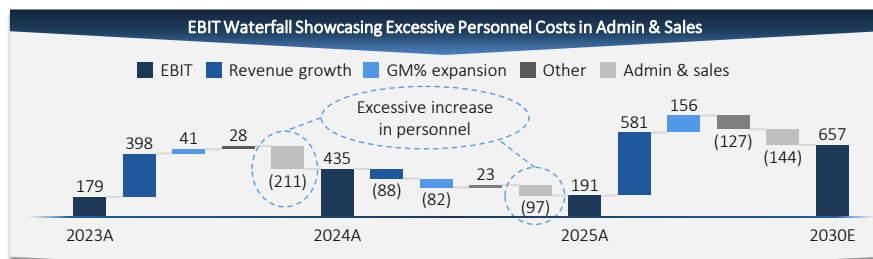


## Key Investment Highlights (cont.)

### Operational Excellence & Multiple Reinforcement through Subscription Transition

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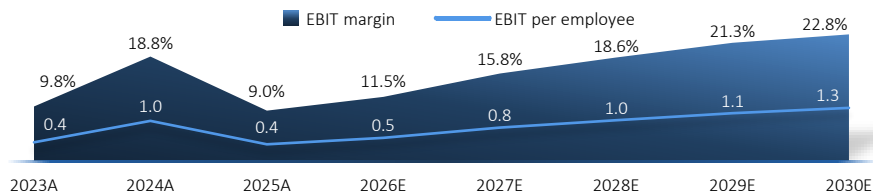
#### 5) Decrease of Headcount Unlocking Incremental EBIT Margin Potential



Yubico has applied an aggressive hiring strategy increasing headcount at a 12% CAGR outpacing sales growth of 9%

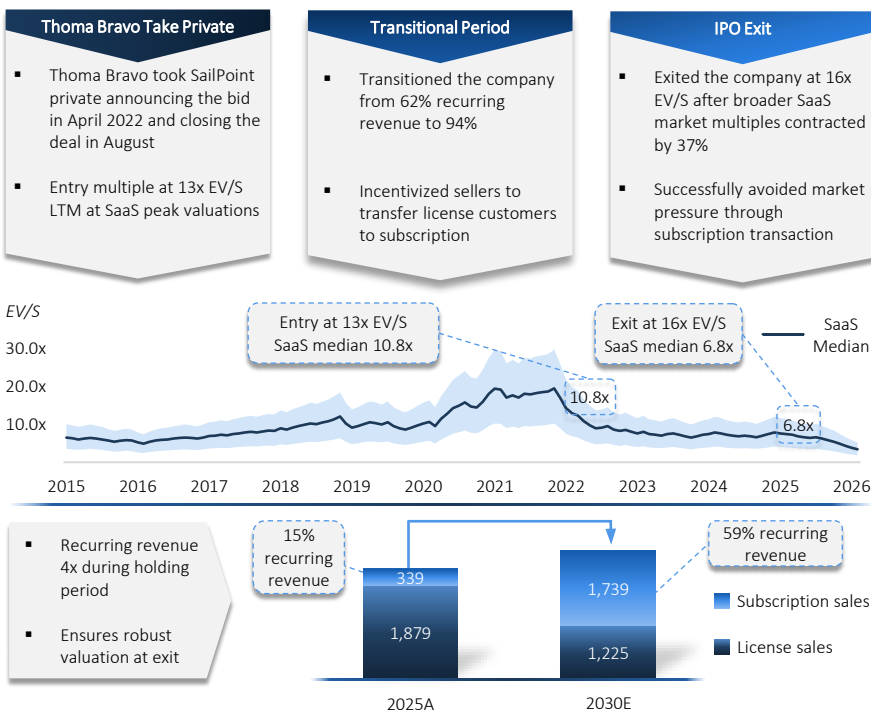
The Company's business model should benefit from operating leverage, and right-sizing the workforce in accordance with its operations will unlock this inherent potential

A successful right-sizing of the workforce, with headcount reduced from 509 to 427 in 2027E before climbing to 561 by 2030E, would unlock the margin potential – a SEK 745m revenue increase driving SEK 476m of EBIT expansion, an incremental EBIT margin of 64%



Sources: Analyst estimates, Bloomberg, Company public filings

#### 6) Shift Towards Subscription Model Playbook

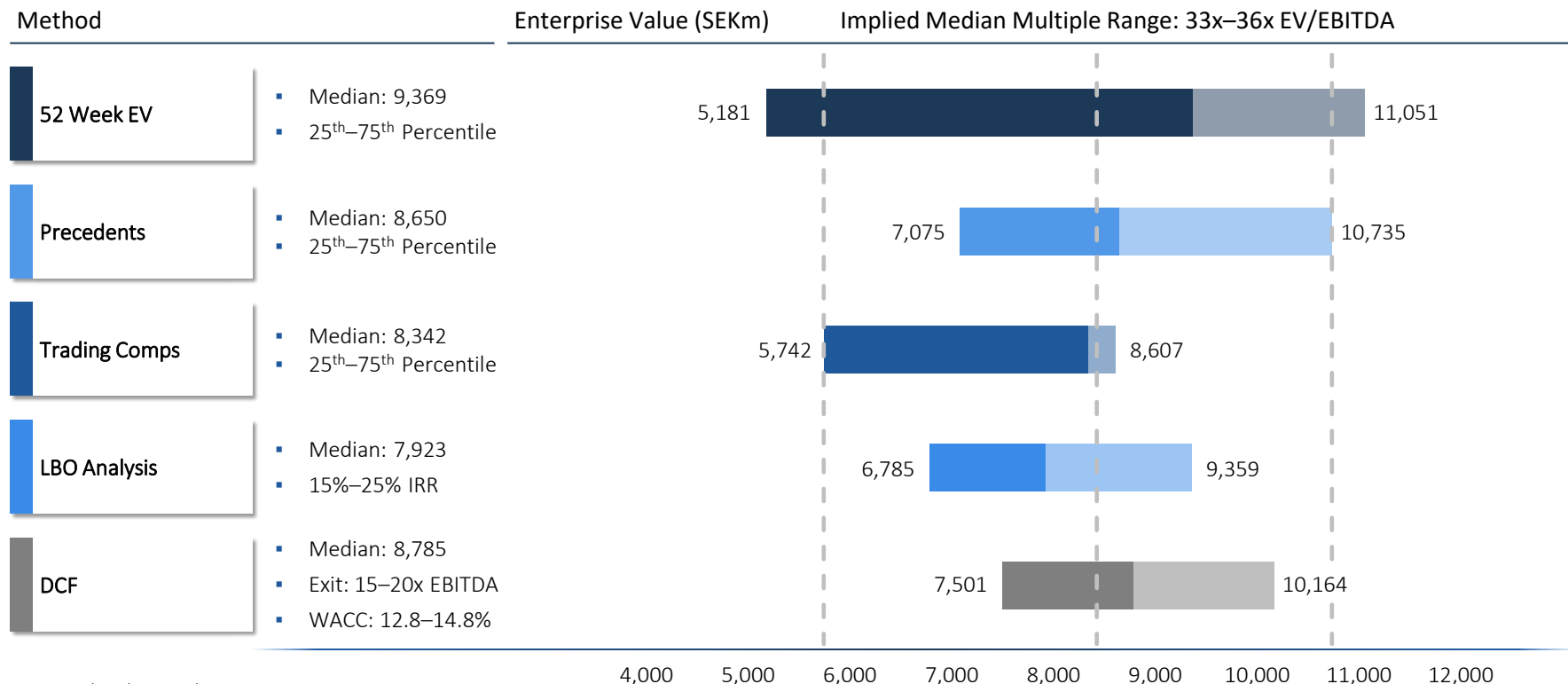


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## Valuation Summary

Current Valuation Methods Imply an EV Range of SEK 5,742–10,735m

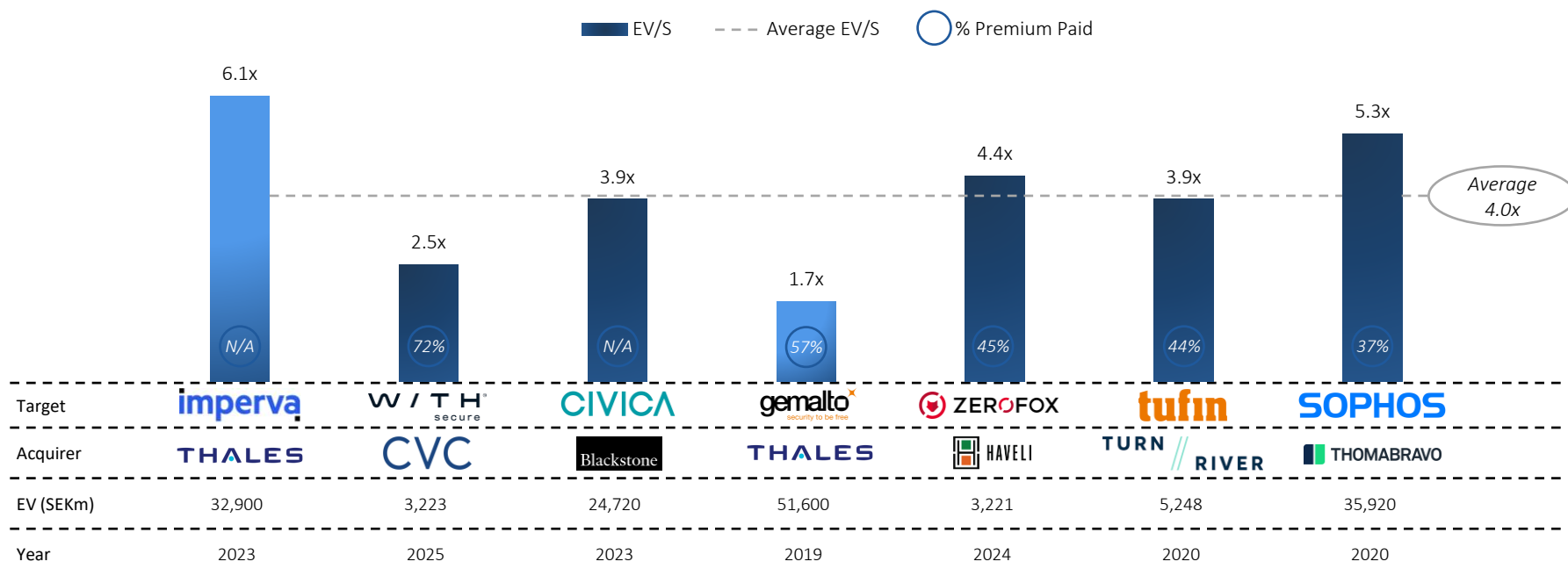


## Precedent Transactions

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Precedent Transactions Imply an Average Transaction Multiple of 4.0x EV/S<sup>(2)</sup>

### Selected Precedent Transactions<sup>(1)</sup>



Sources: S&P Capital IQ, Bloomberg, MergerSight

Notes: (1) Light blue indicates strategic buyers, and dark blue indicates financial sponsors (2) EV/S used instead of EV/EBITDA given most acquired companies were unprofitable at the time of acquisition

## Comparable Companies

Peer Valuation Implies a Target Multiple of 22.0x EV/EBITDA by 2027E

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### Selected Peer Group

| Company Name                                                                                  | Country                                                                           | MCAP          | EV            | ND/EBITDA | Revenue CAGR | EBITDA Margin | EV/EBITDA    |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|-----------|--------------|---------------|--------------|
|                                                                                               |                                                                                   | SEKm          | SEKm          | LTM       | 2020A-2025A  | 2027E         | 2027E        |
|  okta        |  | 195,861       | 198,422       | (8.6x)    | 28.4%        | 26.1%         | 22.0x        |
|  SailPoint   |  | 100,535       | 101,548       | N/A       | N/A          | 21.0%         | 36.7x        |
|  SentinelOne |  | 51,960        | 49,066        | N/A       | 60.8%        | 14.5%         | 22.7x        |
|  clavister   |  | 1,560         | 1,652         | 0.8x      | 11.3%        | 39.9%         | 11.8x        |
|  advenica    |  | 880           | 848           | (3.5x)    | 19.2%        | 20.7%         | 15.1x        |
| Median                                                                                        |                                                                                   | <b>51,960</b> | <b>49,066</b> | (3.5x)    | 23.8%        | 21.0%         | <b>22.0x</b> |
| Average                                                                                       |                                                                                   | <b>70,159</b> | <b>70,307</b> | (3.8x)    | 29.9%        | 24.4%         | <b>21.7x</b> |
| <b>yubico</b>                                                                                 |  | 5,276         | 4,608         | (4.3x)    | 29.6%        | 17.5%         | 12.2x        |

Sources: FactSet, S&P Capital IQ, Analyst estimates

# Leveraged Buyout Analysis

Leveraged Buyout Analysis Implies an IRR of 23.3%

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## LBO Cash Flows

| SEKm                | 2025A        | 2026E        | 2027E        | 2028E        | 2029E         | 2030E         |
|---------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|
| Debt                | -            | 1,451        | 1,222        | 853          | 605           | 242           |
| Debt Repayments     | -            | (229)        | (369)        | (249)        | (363)         | -             |
| Interest Expense    | -            | (123)        | (109)        | (84)         | (66)          | (29)          |
| <b>EBITDA</b>       | <b>242</b>   | <b>286</b>   | <b>379</b>   | <b>465</b>   | <b>582</b>    | <b>728</b>    |
| Entry/Exit Multiple | N/A          | 29.5x        | 20.0x        | 20.0x        | 20.0x         | 20.0x         |
| Enterprise Value    | 7,139        | 5,711        | 7,581        | 9,300        | 11,648        | 14,553        |
| (-) Net debt        | (895)        | 1,122        | 753          | 338          | (159)         | (827)         |
| <b>Equity Value</b> | <b>8,034</b> | <b>4,589</b> | <b>6,828</b> | <b>8,963</b> | <b>11,807</b> | <b>15,380</b> |
| Total Debt/EBITDA   | -            | 5.1x         | 3.2x         | 1.8x         | 1.0x          | 0.3x          |
| MOIC                | N/A          | 0.8x         | 1.2x         | 1.5x         | 2.0x          | 2.6x          |

## Comments

- An IRR of **23.3%** implies an equity value at exit of SEK 15,380m supported by **margin expansion** and **improved cash flow conversion**
- Leverage is high at entry on a **Debt/EBITDA** basis due to below-normal margins, but delevers quickly as **margins normalize**
- Subordinated debt **uncallable** until 2029 then called at **104** in 2029 and **102** in 2030
- Mezzanine debt **uncallable** resulting in cash build up in **2030E** carrying over into exit

|                |       | Exit multiple |       |       |       |       |
|----------------|-------|---------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Entry multiple | IRR   | 15.0x         | 17.5x | 20.0x | 22.5x | 25.0x |
|                | 25.5x | 21.1%         | 25.0% | 28.4% | 31.6% | 34.5% |
|                | 27.5x | 18.6%         | 22.4% | 25.8% | 28.9% | 31.8% |
|                | 29.5x | 16.4%         | 20.1% | 23.3% | 26.5% | 29.3% |
|                | 31.5x | 14.4%         | 18.1% | 21.4% | 24.3% | 27.1% |
|                | 33.5x | 12.6%         | 16.2% | 19.4% | 22.4% | 25.1% |

|          |      | Exit multiple |       |       |       |       |
|----------|------|---------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Leverage | IRR  | 15.0x         | 17.5x | 20.0x | 22.5x | 25.0x |
|          | 4.0x | 14.3%         | 17.9% | 21.2% | 24.2% | 27.0% |
|          | 5.0x | 15.2%         | 18.9% | 22.2% | 25.3% | 28.0% |
|          | 6.0x | 16.3%         | 20.0% | 23.3% | 26.4% | 29.2% |
|          | 7.0x | 17.3%         | 21.1% | 24.5% | 27.5% | 30.4% |
|          | 8.0x | 18.5%         | 22.2% | 25.7% | 28.8% | 31.6% |

Sources: Bloomberg, Analyst estimates

## Discounted Cash Flow Valuation

Discounted Cash Flow Valuation Implies an EV of SEK 7,501–10,164m

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### Discounted Cash Flows

| SEKm     | 2023A | 2024A | 2025A | 2026E | 2027E | 2028E | 2029E | 2030E |
|----------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| EBITDA   | 213   | 473   | 242   | 286   | 379   | 465   | 582   | 728   |
| % Margin | 11.6% | 20.4% | 10.9% | 13.3% | 17.5% | 20.4% | 23.0% | 24.6% |
| EBIT     | 179   | 438   | 200   | 248   | 341   | 425   | 538   | 676   |
| Tax      | (50)  | (90)  | (39)  | (51)  | (70)  | (88)  | (111) | (139) |
| NOPAT    | 142   | 347   | 159   | 197   | 271   | 337   | 427   | 536   |
| D&A      | 33    | 36    | 42    | 38    | 38    | 40    | 44    | 52    |
| Leasing  | (18)  | (19)  | (16)  | (18)  | (19)  | (20)  | (22)  | (25)  |
| Δ in WC  | 140   | 88    | (45)  | (149) | (204) | (163) | (152) | (167) |
| CapEx    | (13)  | (60)  | (48)  | (39)  | (39)  | (41)  | (46)  | (54)  |
| FCFF     | 4     | 217   | 181   | 327   | 455   | 479   | 556   | 676   |

### Comments

- Increased NOPAT is driven by expanding EBIT margins from **decrease** in **personnel costs** and **sales costs**
- FCFF improvement is mainly driven by improved **NWC structure** from **subscription shift** and **DIO decrease**
- Exit multiple** of **17.5x** EBITDA is used to calculate TV
- WACC** of **13.8%** is used to discount cash flows
- Sensitivity analysis showing change in **EBIT Margin** from 20% **lower** than base case to 20% **higher** than base case

| Exit multiple |       |       |       |       |        |        | Exit multiple         |         |       |       |       |        |        |
|---------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--------|--------|-----------------------|---------|-------|-------|-------|--------|--------|
| WACC          | EV    | 12.5x | 15.0x | 17.5x | 20.0x  | 22.5x  | Change in EBIT margin | EV      | 12.5x | 15.0x | 17.5x | 20.0x  | 22.5x  |
|               | 11.8% | 7,282 | 8,374 | 9,465 | 10,556 | 11,648 |                       | (20.0%) | 6,521 | 7,525 | 8,530 | 9,534  | 10,539 |
|               | 12.8% | 7,021 | 8,069 | 9,117 | 10,164 | 11,212 |                       | (10.0%) | 6,641 | 7,646 | 8,651 | 9,655  | 10,660 |
|               | 13.8% | 6,772 | 7,778 | 8,785 | 9,791  | 10,797 |                       | Base    | 6,762 | 7,767 | 8,772 | 9,776  | 10,781 |
|               | 14.8% | 6,535 | 7,501 | 8,468 | 9,435  | 10,401 |                       | 10.0%   | 6,883 | 7,888 | 8,893 | 9,897  | 10,902 |
|               | 15.8% | 6,308 | 7,237 | 8,166 | 9,095  | 10,024 |                       | 20.0%   | 7,004 | 8,009 | 9,013 | 10,018 | 11,023 |

Change in EBIT margin

Sources: Bloomberg, Analyst estimates

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## Buyer Universe

### Potential Strategic Acquirers and Financial Sponsors

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#### Strategic Acquirers



okta



CISCO

THALES



Microsoft



paloalto<sup>®</sup>  
NETWORKS



ENTRUST

#### Financial Sponsors



THOMABRAVO

NORDIC CAPITAL



BainCapital



FRANCISCO  
PARTNERS



VISTA  
EQUITY PARTNERS



Source: Analyst estimates

# Potentially Interested Parties

## Selected Strategic Acquirers



| Company                                                                           | Key Metrics             |              | Comments                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|   | Ownership               | Public       | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Global cloud-native Identity-as-a-Service leader with enterprise clients across all sectors</li> <li>Scope-focused: expanding the identity platform breadth, not headcount or geography</li> <li>Yubico fills Okta's only gap, a proprietary hardware credential for regulated enterprises</li> <li>Acquired Auth0, Spera, and Axiom Security showing consistent identity stack build-out</li> </ul>               |
|                                                                                   | Market Cap.             | SEK 160bn    |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
|                                                                                   | Revenue                 | SEK 27bn     |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
|                                                                                   | Capacity <sup>(1)</sup> | SEK 20bn     |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
|  | Ownership               | Public       | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Global networking and cybersecurity giant; dominant in enterprise zero-trust and MFA via Duo</li> <li>Scale-focused: distributes acquired technologies through a massive existing enterprise channel</li> <li>Duo + Yubico = single-vendor phishing-resistant stack meeting AAL3 for regulated industries</li> <li>Acquired Duo, Oort, and Splunk – over 200 acquisitions to date</li> </ul>                       |
|                                                                                   | Market Cap.             | SEK 4,623bn  |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
|                                                                                   | Revenue                 | SEK 544bn    |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
|                                                                                   | Capacity <sup>(1)</sup> | SEK 141bn    |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
|   | Ownership               | Public       | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>French defense and digital identity giant with deep government ties</li> <li>Scope-focused: Building a vertically integrated hardware-to-software cybersecurity portfolio</li> <li>Yubico's roadmap aligns with Thales's requirements for national security clients</li> <li>Acquired Gemalto and Imperva signaling a pattern of buying leading Western security brands</li> </ul>                                 |
|                                                                                   | Market Cap.             | SEK 530bn    |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
|                                                                                   | Revenue                 | SEK 239bn    |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
|                                                                                   | Capacity <sup>(1)</sup> | SEK 20bn     |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
|   | Ownership               | Public       | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>World's dominant enterprise identity provider via Entra ID; serves hundreds of millions globally</li> <li>Scope-focused: building end-to-end security – Yubico adds the missing hardware root of trust</li> <li>YubiKey bundled into Entra subscriptions would lock in AAL3-required customers</li> <li>Acquired RiskIQ, Miburo, 20+ cybersecurity deals since 2019 – regulatory risk is the constraint</li> </ul> |
|                                                                                   | Market Cap.             | SEK 31,973bn |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
|                                                                                   | Revenue                 | SEK 2,813bn  |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
|                                                                                   | Capacity <sup>(1)</sup> | SEK 754bn    |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |

Sources: The companies, S&P Capital IQ

Note: (1) Capacity defined as Net Cash for net-cash companies or FCF LTM for net-debt companies

## Potentially Interested Parties (cont.)

### Selected Financial Sponsors

| Company                                                                           | Key Metrics                                                        |                                                | Comments                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|   | AUM<br># of portfolio companies<br>Latest fund size<br>Ticket size | SEK 1,693bn<br>80<br>SEK 75bn<br>SEK 3–140bn   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>World's leading cybersecurity and enterprise software-focused PE firm, with over 565 completed software and technology transactions</li> <li>Yubico's valuation and hardware authentication profile aligns closely with the Discover Fund's mandate</li> <li>Restore margins through operational improvements and pursue add-on acquisitions to consolidate the identity and access management space</li> </ul>                                      |
|  | AUM<br># of portfolio companies<br>Latest fund size<br>Ticket size | SEK 2,800bn<br>300+<br>SEK 264bn<br>SEK 2–30bn | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>EQT invests in technology companies across Europe and North America through large- and mid-cap buyouts</li> <li>Yubico aligns with EQT's digital infrastructure theme, with Nordic heritage providing a natural advantage in engaging key shareholders in a take-private</li> <li>Drive margin recovery, accelerate enterprise expansion, and leverage EQT's operational platform to execute bolt-on acquisitions within digital identity</li> </ul> |
|  | AUM<br># of portfolio companies<br>Latest fund size<br>Ticket size | SEK 460bn<br>103<br>SEK 130bn<br>SEK 1–20bn    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Technology-focused PE firm, specializing in cybersecurity, software and hardware-enabled services across 500+ technology investments since 1999</li> <li>Investing out of FP VII (\$13.5bn), Yubico's size and profile fit the fund's sweet spot</li> <li>Restore profitability through operational restructuring and drive cross-sell synergies with BeyondTrust and Black Duck Software</li> </ul>                                                 |
|   | AUM<br># of portfolio companies<br>Latest fund size<br>Ticket size | SEK 390bn<br>60<br>SEK 110bn<br>SEK 0.5–5.5bn  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Nordic Capital invests in technology &amp; payments and financial services through Nordic buyouts</li> <li>Yubico fits Nordic Capital's strategy; iLOQ demonstrates appetite for hardware-enabled digital platforms</li> <li>Support margin recovery and capitalize on compliance-driven demand for phishing-resistant MFA</li> </ul>                                                                                                                |

Source: The companies

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