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According to Gartner, the global digital transformation market size is USD2tn with annual growth of 16-20% YoY, while the growth rate of other IT services is 4% YoY; and To become a regional IT services company: Targeting software outsourcing revenue of USD1 bn in 2021 (vs.

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Long-term strategy for software outsourcing: There are 3 key targets, as mentioned below: (1) Increasing productivity -> Increasing profit: FPT targets to double its productivity in the next 5 years to USD50K revenue/staff/year, a CAGR of 16% for 2018-2022; (2) Focus on digital transformation service -> Increase growth and profit margin: FPT targets to be a digital transformation consulting company, from Top 200 in 2019 to Top 100 in 2023 and Top 50 in 2028.

SSI RESEARCH INSTITUTIONAL RESEARCH & INVESTMENT ADVISORY SSI.COM.VN Visit SSI Research on Bloomberg at SSIV<GO> Page 3 In terms of market growth, Japan (54% of outsourcing revenue) recorded sales of VND 2.66 tn (+26.1% YoY), and the US (24% of outsourcing revenue) recorded impressive growth of 86% YoY thanks to a stronger brand reputation/market presence after the acquisition of Intellinet.

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Overall, its 1H19 earnings (+26.8% YoY PBT growth) were much better than market consensus of +20% YoY PBT growth and the Higher-than-expected profit was driven by better-than-forecast growth rates across its software outsourcing export markets and margins connected to the domestic IT services segment (FIS).

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Earnings revisions for 2019E-2020E: We revise up our earnings estimates on better-than-projected growth of all export markets for software outsourcing and higher-than-expected growth of telecom services to corporations.

Domestic IT services revenue reached VND 2 tn (+8.1% YoY), which is encouraging compared with growth of 2.3% YoY in 2018 due to some contracts booked earlier than expected.

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VNDbn Revenue PBT PBT margin Segments 6M2018 6M2019 Growth 6M2018 6M2019 Growth 6M2018 6M2019 Technology 5,457 6,964 27.6% 592 855 44.4% 10.9% 12.3% Software outsourcing 3,578 4,932 37.8% 532 742 39.5% 14.9% 15.0% System integration, software solutions and IT services 1,879 2,032 8.1% 60 113 87.9% 3.2% 5.6% Telecom 4,191 4,921 17.4% 727 822 13.1% 17.3% 16.7% Telecom services 3,950 4,650 17.7% 592 684 15.5% 15.0% 14.7% Online Advertising 240.6 271 12.6% 135 138 2.2% 56.1% 50.9% Education and Investments 577 607 5.1% 181 272 50.3% 31.4% 44.8% Distribution & Retail 187 190 1.6% FPT Corp 10,225 12,492 22.2% 1,687 2,139 26.8% 16.5% 17.1% Source: FPT, SSI Research Its net sales reached VND 12.5 tn (+22.2% YoY) and PBT reached VND 2.14 tn (+26.8% YoY) in 1H19, comprising 47% and 48% of its annual sales and PBT target for the year, respectively.

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Telecom: Revenue and PBT increased by 17.4% YoY and 13.1% YoY, in line with our expectations.

Technology: Software outsourcing segment remained the key drivenet sales and PBT of VND 4.9 tn (+37.8% YoY) and VND 742 bn (+39.5% YoY).

Thanks to the strategic focus on digital transformation, revenue from this line of service was recorded at VND 1.65 tn (+40.9% YoY), bringing in 34% of total software outsourcing revenue (1H18: 33%).