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Rhode Island Employees Retirement System

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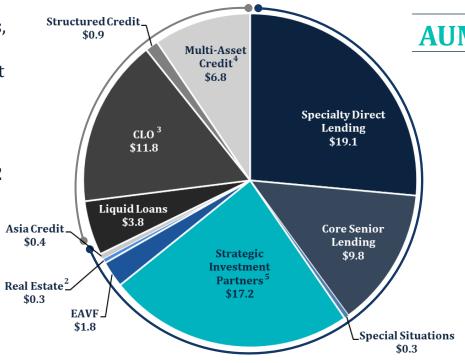
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HPS At A Glance



HPS Investment Partners. LLC ("HPS") is a leading global private investment firm with approximately \$72 billion of capital under management.

Founded in 2007 with 12 offices globally.



AUM COMPOSITION¹

\$49BN Private Credit

\$23BN Public Credit

\$72bn Total AUM

~90%

Staff worldwide

159 **Investment Professionals**

worldwide

Institutional Investor Base

Source: HPS, AUM as of June 1, 2021. Employees as of May 31, 2021. Totals may not tie due to rounding. PAST PERFORMANCE IS NOT NECESSARILY INDICATIVE OF FUTURE RESULTS. AUM of private credit funds, related managed accounts and certain other closed-ended public credit funds represent capital commitments during such funds' investment periods and, post such funds' investment period, the cost of investment or NAV (including fund-level leverage but in all cases capped at capital commitments). AUM of public credit open-ended funds and related managed accounts other than CLOs represent the latest available net asset value. AUM of CLOs and warehouses represent the par value of collateral assets and cash in the portfolio. 2 Includes investments made by RECS I and RECS II (family of funds formed under a joint venture with Related), but excludes real estate investments made through other HPS funds. 3 Excludes CLO investments made through other HPS funds. 4 Includes Strata CLO business. 5 Formerly known as Mezzanine Partners.

HPS Specialty Direct Lending Team





		Investment	Committee ¹			
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Responsible Investing



We recognize that the ESG landscape is rapidly evolving, and we aim to be a leader in identifying and capturing the many opportunities this presents. To support this mission, we work with industry groups and our peers to drive the adoption of best practices across our Firm and the broader industry.



- HPS is a signatory of the United Nations-supported Principles for Responsible Investment ("PRI"). The PRI is an international global network of asset managers, owners and service providers working together to put responsible investment into practice.
- The principles, which are voluntary, aim to provide a framework for integrating environmental, social and corporate governance ("ESG") considerations into investment decisionmaking and ownership practices.



- HPS is a Core Supporter of the Standards Board for Alternative Investments ("SBAI") and a member of SBAI's Alternative Credit Working Group.
- HPS actively engages through the SBAI's Alternative Credit and Responsible Investment Working Groups to help develop responsible investment guidelines that take account of the specific considerations of credit investments.
- Through active engagement with SBAI, HPS is able to work with allocators, peers and other industry experts to refine its own policy and help drive broader adoption of Responsible Investment Standards across Alternative Credit.

HPS's ESG Forum

- HPS's ESG Forum is tasked with establishing a unified firm-wide ESG vision, driving engagement across investments and monitoring adherence to the Firm's ESG Integration Framework.
- In order to assess and evolve the Firm's Framework, the Forum convenes quarterly to review all new and legacy investments that are determined to be "Red" and select "Amber" transactions as determined by the Forum Chair.
- The Forum is comprised of investment and infrastructure professionals from across the Firm and will seek to mitigate any potential conflict concerns and ensure a diversity of perspectives.

Social Responsibility



We know firsthand that a diversity of outlooks makes us a better Firm and better investors and we are steadfast in our belief that diversity makes our communities stronger as well. HPS is proud to partner with several organizations that support this vision.



- HPS Investment Partners, in collaboration with The Kapnick Foundation, has formed a \$10mm, multi-year, partnership with Howard University to establish the HPS Center for Financial Excellence (the "Center") at the Howard University School of Business. In conjunction with this gift, HPS and The Kapnick Foundation have also endowed a series of Undergraduate and JD/MBA scholarships.
- The goal of the Center, and HPS's commitment more broadly, is to develop and prepare highly capable students to pursue finance careers and enhance diversity across the finance industry.



- HPS is a founding signatory to the Institutional Limited Partners Association's ("ILPA") *Diversity in Action* Initiative.
- The initiative brings together LPs and GPs who share a commitment to advancing diversity, equity and inclusion, both within their organization and the industry more broadly. The *Diversity in Action* framework includes a broad range of actions spanning talent management, investment management and industry engagement.



- HPS Investment Partners joined a group of esteemed investors and investment firms in founding the Equity Alliance.
- The Equity Alliance invests in diverse emerging venture capital fund managers, with a focus on managers of color and women. Through this endeavor, it is the Equity Alliance's goal to democratize access to capital and expand opportunities to partner with investors and entrepreneurs who would otherwise remain outside of the Founders' collective field of vision.

Additional Organizations We Support









HPS Specialty Direct Lending Overview

HPS's Approach to Specialty Direct Lending





What is "Specialty" Direct Lending?

Opportunistic global direct lending strategy focused on lending at the top of the capital structure to upper-middle market borrowers, with the ability to navigate market niches that we believe offer attractive risk-adjusted returns

HPS's Specialty Direct Lending Strategy:

Non-Sponsor & Sponsor

- Cast a wider net to find the most compelling risk adjusted returns
- Majority of direct lenders focus solely on sponsor-lending by mandate, while ~55-65% of new issuance is non-sponsor financing⁶

Scaled Capital

- Provide speed of execution and certainty of scaled capital (ability to commit ~\$500mm-1bn+)
- Focused on upper-middle market companies that demonstrate market-leading positions (avg EBITDA of ~\$110mm¹)

Ability to Navigate Complexity

- Taking advantage of market dislocations
- Seek to assess special situations without sacrificing credit quality
- Opportunity to capture disproportionate double-digit returns, as we believe there are fewer willing lenders with requisite expertise

Global Mandate

- Seek attractive risk-adjusted return opportunities across creditorfriendly jurisdictions
- Focused on North America, Europe, and Australia / New Zealand

At a Glance:

270+

originated investments²

\$34bn+

total invested capital across funds and SMAs³

10+% Target

unlevered gross return⁴

~60% Non-Sponsor

not beholden to traditional sponsor lending²

Dedicated Workouts Team

with over 28 years⁵ of average experience

Over a Decade of Investing

Specialty Direct Lending strategy began in 2010

¹ Weighted average EBITDA based on total face value committed as of 3/31/2021 for investments across SLF 2016 and SLF V. ² Across Senior Loan Fund II ("SLF II"), Specialty Loan Fund III ("SLF III"), Specialty Loan Fund III"), Specialty Loan Fund III"), Specialty Loan Fund III"), Specialty Loan Fund III", Specialty Loan Fund III", Specialty Loan Fund III", Specialty Loan Fund III ("SLF II"), Specialty Loan Fund III



SLF Portfolio Snapshots

Portfolio Statistics (at Close)1	SLF II	SLF III	SLF 2016	SLF V*
Investment Period / Status:	2010 – 2012 (2 yrs) / Fully Realized	2012 – 2016 (4 yrs) / Harvesting	2016 - 2020 (4 yrs)/ Harvesting	2020 - Present / Investing
LP Capital (\$mm):	\$1,131	\$2,833	\$4,538	\$5,7498
# of Investments Per Annum (Total):	26.5 per annum (53 total)	26.5 per annum (106 total)	21.5 per annum (86 total)	37 investments to-date
Average Investment Size ¹⁰ :	\$39 MM	\$105 MM	\$249 MM	\$312 MM
EBITDA:	\$67 MM	\$63 MM	\$119 MM	\$88 MM
LTV (through HPS tranche):	33.6%	47.5%	47.3%	38.3%
Spread*:	L+765 bps	L+794 bps	L+697 bps	L+717 bps
Upfront Fee / OID:	2.6%	2.6%	2.2%	2.5%
Avg Call Protection:	NC1.8, 102, 101, 100	NC1.5, 102, 101, 100	NC1.4 ,102, 101, 100	NC1.3, 103, 101, 101
Seniority (1st Lien / 2nd Lien):	99% / 1%	84% / 16%	99% / 1%	100% / 0%
Unlevered Fund Returns:	11% gross / 7% net ²	8% gross / 6% net ³	10% gross / 7% net ⁴	NA ⁹
Levered Fund Returns:	14% gross/ $11%$ net ²	9% gross / 6% net ³	15% gross / 9% net ⁴	NA ⁹



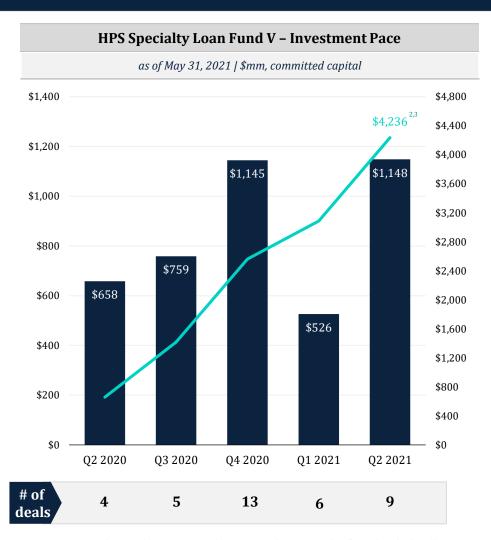
As of 03/31/2021 unless otherwise stated. Fund returns as of 04/30/2021. * SLF V portfolio statistics as of 05/31/2021. Note SLF II was realized on 12/31/2013. PAST PERFORMANCE IS NOT NECESSARILY INDICATIVE OF FUTURE RESULTS. There can be no assurance that the Senior Loan Fund II ("SLF II"), Specialty Loan Fund III ("SLF III"), Specialty Loan Fund III ("SLF III"), Specialty Loan Fund III ("SLF III"), Specialty Loan Institutional Fund III, L.P., which, while part of the SLF III family of funds, was specifically negotiated with a large institutional investor to include contractual terms and a fee structure that departs materially from the other SLF III family of funds, was specifically negotiated with a large institutional investor to include contractual terms and a fee structure that departs materially from the other SLF III family of funds. ¹ Full portfolio including exited investments. Represents weighted average at time of close. ² Unlevered returns represent Senior Loan Fund II, L.P. Levered returns represent Irish Senior Loan Fund III PLC. Senior Loan Fund II PLC. Senior Loan Fund III PLC.

HPS Specialty Loan Fund V

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HPS Specialty Loan Fund V - Total Portfolio				
Fund Level Statistics – HPS Specialty Loan Fund V				
Inception:	2020			
Total Fund Size (equity commitment): ¹	\$5,749mm			
HPS Specialty Loan Fund V Total Portfolio as of May 31, 2021 USD\$ in millions				
Total Face Value Committed:	\$4,236mm			
Total # of Investments:	37			
Current Face Value Committed:	\$3,408mm			
# of existing investments / # exit:	32 / 5			
Weighted Average Statistics				
Spread*:	L + 717 bps			
US LIBOR Floor:	1.1%			
Upfront Fees / OID:	2.5%			
Call Protection:	NC1.3, 103, 101, 101			
EBITDA:	\$87.9mm			
LTV (through HPS tranche):	38.3%			



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2020 Case Study: Project Fuselage



Public Company seeking \$1 billion commitment with speed/certainty of execution

Background

In August 2020, HPS committed to a \$1.0 billion First Lien Senior Secured Term Loan to fund short-term liquidity needs ahead of a pending asset sale

Investment Details at Close

Security	1st Lien Term Loan (secured against inventory)	
HPS Loan-to-Value	25% against collateral	
Interest Rate ¹	L+900-1050 bps	
LIBOR Floor	1.00%	
OID / Upfront Fee	97.0	
Call Protection	NC 6 mo 106 6-12mo 101	
Maturity	3 Years (springing maturity feature)	
Covenant	Borrowing Base (LTV)	
Status	Exited	

Transaction Dynamic and HPS Value-Add

- Management sought speed/certainty and scaled financing to help bridge a \$1bn liquidity need for a deal with complex structuring considerations
 - Capital-intensive aerospace OEM with acute post-COVID liquidity need
 - Liquidity facility to bridge to a pending transformative 2021 asset sale
 - Complex cross-border structuring considerations financing secured against significant unencumbered collateral, while navigating existing bond indentures agreements
- Highly competitive financing process. HPS was mandated on the financing given our ability to diligence a non-sponsor transaction with speed and scaled capital, moving from NDA signing to a fully-diligenced \$1bn commitment on a short timeline
 - HPS at the request of the Company ultimately invested \$600 million²

Investment Thesis

- Market leader with 30% share in quasi-duopoly market business at a cash flow inflection point having completed major capex program; good strategic interest in platform
- Only secured debt in capital structure at an attractive detachment point dollarone exposure on ~\$4 billion of unencumbered inventory; LTV of ~25% on collateral value
- Strong structural protections distinctively structured borrowing base with tiered advance rates against aircraft collateral; senior claim on key operating assets including a priming guarantee from MRO services business

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HPS Specialty Loan Fund V – Summary of Terms

Legal Structure:	 HPS Specialty Loan Fund V-L, L.P., a Cayman Islands exempted limited partnership
Target Fund Commitments:	• \$5.5 billion of aggregate capital commitments ¹
Commitment Period:	 Three years from the final closing date; extendable for one year by the general partner with the approval of the LP advisory committee
Term:	 Four years following the termination of the commitment period; extendable by two one-year periods by the general partner and thereafter with the approval of the LP advisory committee
Clawback:	Yes, upon final liquidation
Re-Investment:	Principal repaid during the commitment period may be reinvested
Distributions:	 The fund intends to distribute net income quarterly; however, the amount and timing of distributions will be at the discretion of the manager
Investment Restrictions: ²	 Max 10% in a single issuer (which limit will be 20% for investments expected to be held less than 12 months) Max 10% in debt that is not secured Max 35% in secondary loans and secondary debt securities Max 35% in non-US entities
Management Fee for Rhode Island:	 Rhode Island would benefit from a 25bps management fee discount resulting in a fee of 1.25% per annum on invested levered capital during commitment period and 1.25% per annum of invested capital thereafter
Incentive Fee:	15% subject to a 7% preferred return

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to miss profit opportunities on which it would otherwise have capitalized. Volatility. Investment techniques used may include the use of leverage and derivative instruments such as futures, options and short sales, which amplify the possibilities for both profits and losses and may add volatility to the Fund's performance. Potential conflicts of interest. The payment of a performance based fee to the fund manager may create an incentive for the fund manager to cause the Fund to make riskier or more speculative investments than it would in the absence of such incentive. Valuation. Because of overall size or concentration in particular markets of positions held by the Fund or other reasons, the value at which its investments can be liquidated may differ, sometimes significantly, from the interim valuations arrived at by the Fund. Non-U.S. securities. The Fund will invest in foreign securities, which may include exposure to currency fluctuation, reduced access to reliable information, less stringent accounting standards, illiquidity of securities and markets, higher commissions and fees and local economic or political instability. Absence of **regulatory oversight.** The Fund will not register as an investment company under the U.S. Investment Company Act of 1940 or similar laws or regulations. Accordingly, the provisions of such laws and regulations will not be applicable.

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