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# **HPS Specialty Loan Fund VI**

Rhode Island State Investment Commission

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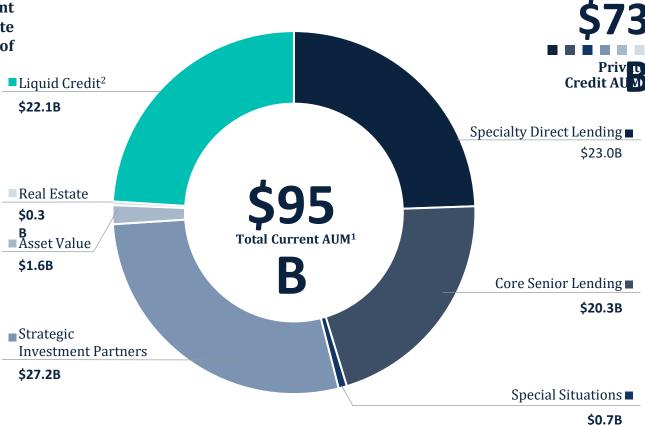
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### HPS is an Established Market Leader in Alternative Credit



Founded in 2007, HPS Investment Partners is a leading global private investment firm with \$95 billion of capital under management

- Non-investment grade focus
- Flexibility to move across the capital structure in credit
- Sourcing breadth to optimize opportunity set
- Scale to lead the largest transactions
- Global presence
- Restructuring and value enhancement in-house expertise
- Differentiated returns



**192** 

**Investment Professionals** 

550+ Staff worldwide

15 Offices

4 Continents

Source: HPS. AUM as of December 1, 2022. Employees as of November 30, 2022. ¹ AUM of private credit funds, related managed accounts and certain other closed-ended tradeable 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 tradeable credit openended 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. AUM of HPS Corporate Lending Fund (HLEND) represents estimated net asset value of investments plus leverage (inclusive of drawn and undrawn amounts). ² Public Credit Strategies includes Asia Credit, Liquid Loans, CLO, Structured Credit, and Multi-Asset Credit strategies.

### **HPS Specialty Direct Lending Team**





HPS's Global Direct Lending Investment Team is supported by regional and industry experts located in core markets and several specialty focus groups

Investment Committee <sup>2</sup>								
Scott Kapnick Chief Executive Officer	Scot French Managing Director		Michael Patterson  Managing Director		Purnima Puri Managing Director		Faith Rosenfeld Chief Administrative Officer	
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Restructuring & Value Enhancement Team		Financing am	Spons	sor Cov Team	erage	Capital M Tea		Business Strategy Team

Employees as of November 30, 2022. <sup>1</sup> Includes/denotes shared resources across private credit. <sup>2</sup> HPS Investment Committees, where applicable, are typically comprised of the Governing Partners and may contain other portfolio managers or senior professionals associated with a given strategy. <sup>3</sup> Denotes shared investment professionals across Strategic Investment Partners and Direct Lending. <sup>4</sup> Denotes Direct Lending investment professional with responsibilities including sponsor coverage. <sup>5</sup> Denotes shared investment professional across Renewables & Power and Restructuring/Portfolio Management. <sup>7</sup> Denotes shared investment professional across Special Situations and Restructuring/Portfolio Management. There can be no assurance that the professionals currently employed by HPS will continue to be employed by HPS or that the past performance or success of any such professional serves as an indicator of such professional's future performance or success.

## **Specialty Direct Lending**

A Differentiated Approach

## **HPS's Specialty Direct Lending ("SLF") Strategy**



Opportunistic direct lending strategy, focused on larger borrowers, with ability to navigate market niches that we believe can offer attractive risk-adjusted returns

**Strategy Overview:** 



- Targeting ~90%+ in first lien, floating rate, senior secured loans
- Current income orientation with the majority of assets expected to be cash pay with coupon income distributed quarterly
- Upper Middle
  Market Orientation
- Lending to **upper middle market and large borrowers** with average EBITDA of ~\$100M+<sup>1</sup>
- Ability to strategically grow with borrowers over time

- Opportunistic Approach
- Ability to navigate complexity to extract incremental value
- Few willing lenders with requisite expertise to assess special situations, providing an opportunity to capture excess returns
- Focus on Downside Protection
- Focus on capital preservation with downside protection
- Emphasis on quality of credit documents, structural protections, and seniority in the cap stack

- 5 Strong Market Positioning
- Known as a lender of scale with track record of non-sponsor and structuring capabilities
- HPS's flagship direct lending strategy with ~13 years of investing activity

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## What is "Specialty" Direct Lending?



Strategic Positioning Driving Tangible Competitive Advantages

By casting a wide net on the front end, and applying a rigorous and consistent investment process, we believe the resulting portfolio exhibits attractive risk-adjusted returns

Differentiated Sourcing <b>1</b>	Non-Sponsor vs Sponsor	<ul> <li>More consistent deal flow across cycles (sponsor and corporate transactions)</li> <li>Better covenants / structures</li> <li>Non-sponsor segment has fewer competitors</li> </ul>
	Larger Companies	<ul> <li>"Reason to Exist" provides downside protection over a cycle</li> <li>More diversified business models provide stability</li> </ul>
Scaled Capital Advantage	\$400mm+ Tranche Size	<ul> <li>"One-stop-shop" certainty for capital solutions</li> <li>Finite number of competitors at this scale</li> </ul>
2	Lead Transactions	<ul> <li>Stronger connectivity to, and relationship with, management team = better information</li> <li>Greater control in diligence, credit documentation, and over the life of the investment</li> </ul>
Dynamic Approach	Tailored Approach to Market Conditions	<ul> <li>We believe there are limited lenders with requisite expertise to take advantage of market dislocations</li> <li>Seek to navigate transactional or business complexity without sacrificing credit quality</li> </ul>
Global Mandate <b>4</b>	Global Investment Capabilities	<ul> <li>Larger global opportunity set vs. geography specific</li> <li>Opportunity to optimize risk-adjusted return potential across regions</li> <li>Enhanced diversification</li> </ul>

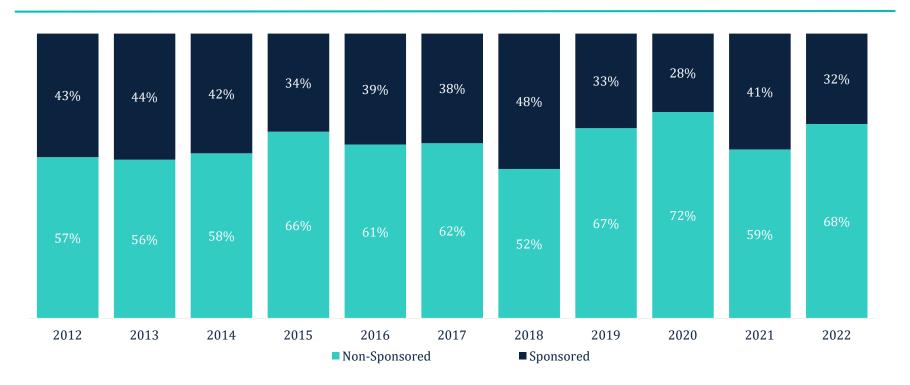
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## Non-Sponsor Market Opportunity is Sizable and Differentiated



#### US Leveraged Loan / High Yield Issuance<sup>1</sup>

Non-Sponsor vs. Sponsor



Non-Sponsor
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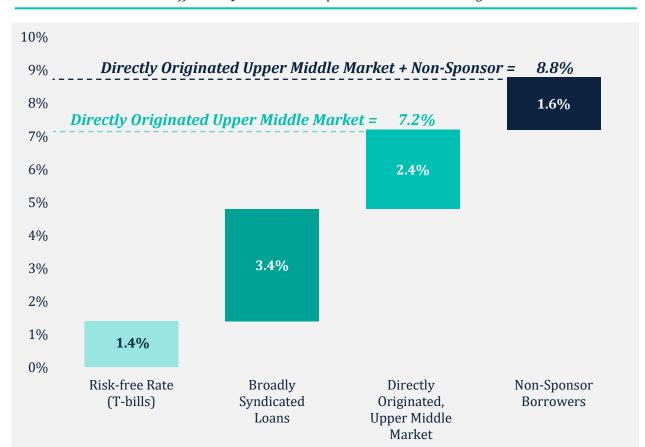
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Source: Pitchbook LCD. As of December 31, 2022.

## A Yield Premium Captured in Non-Sponsor Direct Lending



#### Non-Sponsor Risk Premium in Direct Lending<sup>1</sup>

Cliffwater Q3 2022 LTM Report on US Direct Lending



#### **Key Takeaway**

~160bps

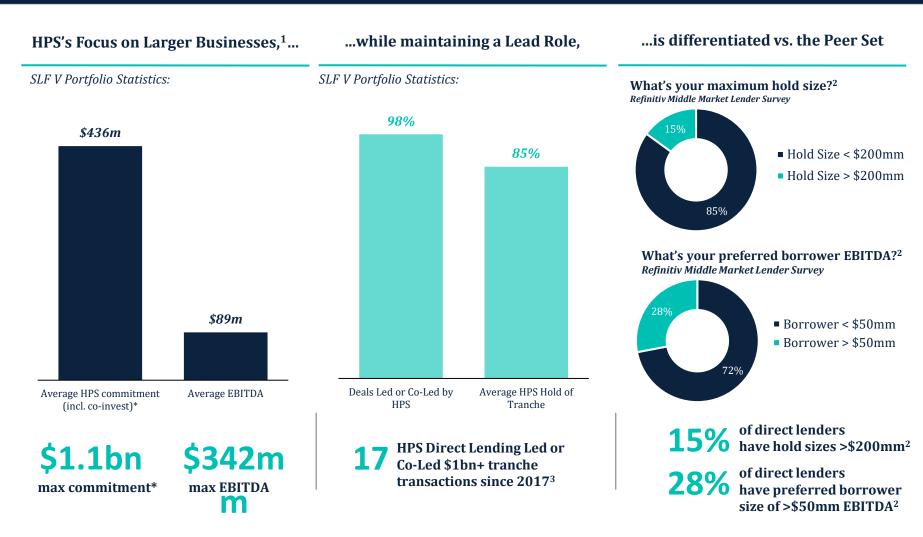
Avg. non-sponsor premium ending Q3 2022<sup>1</sup>

Ability to operate in less "crowded" areas of the direct lending market is an advantage

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>As of September 30, 2022. Cliffwater 2022 Q3 Report on U.S. Direct Lending. Excludes potential deductions for differential credit losses and fees. Cliffwater research based on public information and confidential responses of direct lending managers to Cliffwater inquiries. Source information may be over a year old and subject to interpretation by direct lending manager respondents. Risk premiums are estimates only and estimated using a cross-sectional three-factor regression of public and private BDCs' four quarter gross yields through September 30, 2022 against Cliffwater's best estimates of each manager's loan seniority, expected/actual portfolio company size by average EBITDA and expected/actual share of sponsor vs. non-sponsor lending. Broadly syndicated loan yield as reported by the interest return of the Morningstar/LSTA U.S. Leveraged Loan Index through September 30, 2022. See Chapter 9, Private Debt: Opportunities in Corporate Direct Lending, Stephen L. Nesbitt (Wiley 2019) for a detailed description of this analysis.

## **Scaled Capital Provides Competitive Advantages**





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## HPS

## Scale Matters: Growth of Megatranche Loans in Direct Lending

- > Speed and certainty of execution can be just as compelling as pricing and leverage
- > Provides control over the lender group and an alternative financing solution to borrowers who are ratings sensitive
- > Companies seeking megatranche loans are larger/more defensible than standard mid-market LBO candidates, but often have nearly identical loan pricing
- > Over 47% of the megatranche loans priced since 2021 were at or greater than \$2bn<sup>1</sup>, meaningfully raising the ceiling on the size of financings that the private markets can get done

Recent Reported Statistics<sup>1</sup>:

\$157bn

of unitranche loans sized \$1bn+ since 2019

\$145bn

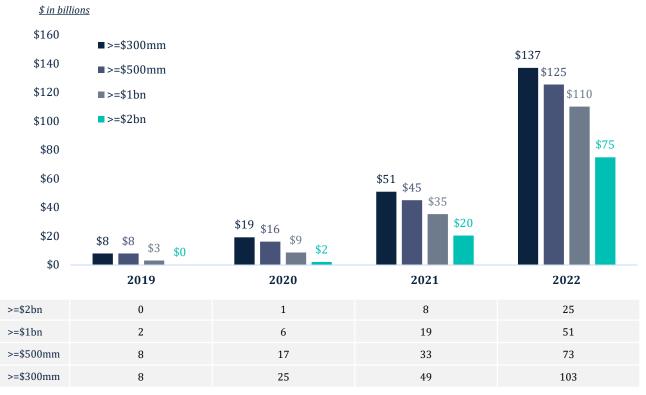
or 93% surfaced since 2021

Of the 70 megatranches since 2021, nearly

**47%** 

were at or greater than \$2bn+

#### Direct Lending Transactions 2019 – 2022<sup>1</sup>:



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Source: DLD (Direct Lending Deals), as of January 4, 2023. Represents HPS's subjective opinions and views as of the date hereof and is subject to change depending on market environment.

## Deep Relationships Across Geographies Drive Sourcing





#### **Key Sourcing Channels and Relationships**

15 HPS Offices<sup>1</sup>

Office Location

20+ Countries where Capital is Deployed<sup>2</sup>

192 HPS Inv. Team<sup>1</sup>

1

**HPS Direct Lending Platform** 

Driving new opportunities through incumbency and new borrowers through local presence in core markets and extensive track record

2

**Banks / Advisors** 

Well-known in the investment community as a scaled player that can serve as viable alternative to capital markets solutions

3

**IV Partnerships** 

Formalized partnerships with select financial intermediaries, leveraging their sourcing efforts while maintaining approval rights

4

**Sponsors** 

Relationships with high quality sponsors, without necessarily relying on sponsors for deal flow

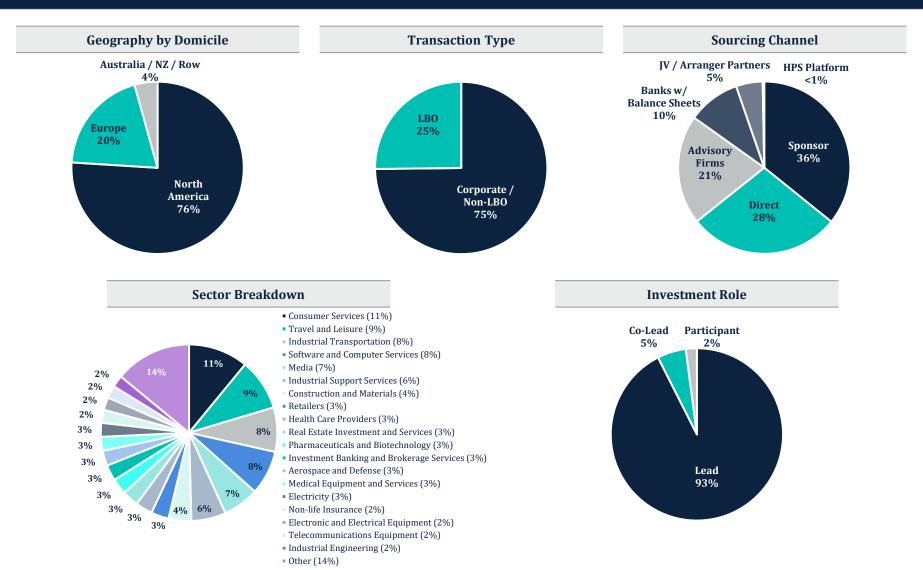
- >> Wide sourcing funnel with ~1000+ opportunities reviewed each year, allowing investment selectivity
- » Broad geographic coverage with industry / sector overlay
- Focused on developed markets with strong creditor friendly rule of law
- Optimize risk-adjusted return potential across regions while maintaining appropriate diversification

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## **HPS Specialty Loan Fund V**

Portfolio Diversification



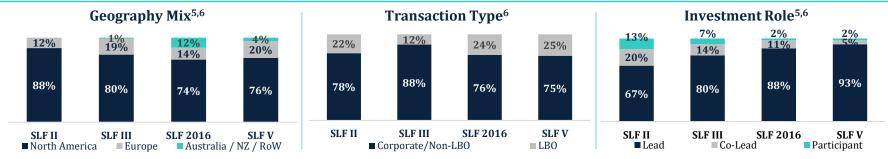


As of 09/30/2022. **PAST PERFORMANCE IS NOT NECESSARILY INDICATIVE OF FUTURE RESULTS** There can be no assurance that the investments made to date by SLF V funds are indicative of comparable future investments of the Specialty Direct Lending Strategy (the "Strategy"). While the Strategy may seek out similar investments, there is no assurance that the Strategy will successfully make any such investments. Breakdown weighted by total committed face value of the Fund as of 09/30/2022.

## **SLF Portfolio Snapshots**



Portfolio Statistics (at Close) <sup>1</sup>	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	\$7,712
# of Investments Per Annum (Total):	26.5 per annum (53 total)	26.5 per annum (106 total)	21.5 per annum (87 total)	86 investments to-date
Average Investment Size <sup>8</sup> :	\$39mm	\$105mm	\$263mm	\$295mm
EBITDA:	\$67mm	\$63mm	\$120mm	\$89mm
LTV (through HPS tranche):	33.6%	48.8%	48.0%	40.5%
Spread*:	L+765 bps	L+795 bps	L+696 bps	L+727 bps
Upfront Fee / OID:	2.6%	2.6%	2.1%	2.3%
Avg Call Protection:	NC1.8, 102, 101, 100	NC1.5, 102, 101, 100	NC1.5, 102, 101, 100	NC1.6, 103, 101, 101
Seniority (1st Lien / 2nd Lien):	99% / 1%	84% / 16%	99% / 1%	100% / 0%
Unlevered Fund Returns:	11% gross / $7%$ net <sup>2</sup>	8% gross / 6% net <sup>3</sup>	10% gross / 7% net <sup>4</sup>	10% gross / $7%$ net <sup>7</sup>
Levered Fund Returns:	14% gross/ 11% net <sup>2</sup>	8% gross / 6% net <sup>3</sup>	14% gross / 9% net <sup>4</sup>	16% gross / 10% net <sup>7</sup>



As of September 30, 2022, Note SLF II was realized on December 13, 2013, PAST PERFORMANCE IS NOT NECESSARILY INDICATIVE OF FUTURE RESULTS. There can be no assurance that the SLF Funds return objectives will be realized or that the SLF Funds will not experience losses. All performance except for that of SLF V is based on the actual timing of capital contributions by and distributions to a full-fee paying, first-close investor in a particular fund and rounded to the nearest whole number. As applicable, the returns represent the average returns weighted by capital commitments of the levered or unlevered sleeves of each fund family and are since inception. Gross IRR is net of fund operating expenses but gross of management fees and incentive fees. Net IRR is net of all management fees, incentive fees, fund expenses and financing costs as applicable. All SLF Levered Funds incurred leverage collateralized by their assets. Returns assume the portfolio is ultimately recovered at an estimated unaudited net asset value as of June 30, 2022. There can be no assurance the portfolio will be recovered at this value. Should there be a write-off, prepayment, default or other significant event, the ultimate returns to an investor would be materially different. Returns presented on a weighted average basis by LP capital committed across all unlevered and levered funds for each vintage as applicable. 1Full portfolio including exited investments. Represents weighted average at time of close. 2Unlevered returns represent SLF II-UL and levered returns represent SLF II Irish and SLF II-L which had gross and net returns of 13%/9% and 14%/11%, respectively. 3Unlevered returns represent SLF III-UL and SLIF III-UL which had gross and net returns of 8%/6% and 8%/6%, respectively. Levered returns represent SLF III-L, SLIF III-L and SLF III Irish which have gross and net returns of 8%/5%, 8%/5% and 9%/6% respectively. 4Unlevered returns represent SLF 2016-UL and SLOF 2016-UL which both have gross and net returns of 10%/7%. Levered returns represent SLIF 2016-L and SLF 2016-L which both have gross and net returns of 14%/9%. As is expected with SLF VI, SLF 2016 utilized a capital call facility collateralized by its capital commitments, <sup>5</sup>Geographical mix calculated based on domicile, <sup>6</sup>Full portfolio including exited investments, Note: \*Inclusive of PIK if applicable, <sup>7</sup>Represents SLIF V-UL, SLF V-U V-UL, SLF V-L and SLIF V-L which have gross and net returns of, 8%/5%, 12%/19%, 9%/6%, 19%/13%, and 14%/8%, respectively. The gross and net returns for each fund in SLF V was derived by using fund-level cash flows excluding cashflows attributable to investors that are not subject to management fees and incentive fees (but inclusive of investors receiving fee discounts). The SLF V fund family's subsequent-close mechanic provides that investors admitted at closings after the initial closing of a fund do not participate in the returns of investments realized prior to their admission. Due to the material impact of realizations that took place during the SLF V fund family's marketing period, with the exception of SLEF V-UL which held one closing in April 2021 and one closing in June 2021, returns calculated based on the actual timing of capital contributions by, and distributions to, a model full fee paying, first close investor in an SLF V fund are higher than the methodology used above. Gross and net returns for SLIF V-UL, SLF V-UL, SLF V-UL, SLF V-L and SLIF V-L calculated based on the actual timing of capital contributions by, and distributions to, a model full fee paying, first close investor in such fund (rounded to the nearest whole number) are 10%/6%, 14%/10%, 8%/5%, 24%/16% and 16%/9%, respectively. As is expected with SLF VI, SLF V utilized a capital call facility collateralized by its capital commitments. 8 Average based on total face value committed across direct lending platform. \*Please refer to Appendix I for additional information and definitions of the capitalized terms used above.

## **Project Mahalo**



#### Scaled financing solution for non-sponsored borrower with unique complexities

#### Background

Project Mahalo is an operator of various transportation and logistics businesses operating in Hawaii and on the US West Coast.

In July 2021, HPS led a \$200 million First Lien Term Loan facility with proceeds used to refinance indebtedness, redeem preferred stock and fund cash to the balance sheet

#### **Investment Details at Close**

Security	1st Lien Term Loan		
HPS Loan-to-Value	$36\%^{1}$		
Interest Rate	L+775 bps		
LIBOR Floor	1.00%		
OID / Upfront Fee	97.25		
Call Protection	NC 2   104   102   101		
Maturity	5 Years		
Covenant	Maintenance-based comprehensive covenant package		
Status	Current		

#### Transaction Dynamic and HPS Value-Add

- Family founder-owned business sought private financing partner able to navigate business and structural complexities. The borrower valued:
  - Ability to document and structure appropriate secured risk given a mixed asset base of unencumbered vs. encumbered collateral
  - Deep vertical experience with Jones Act regulatory considerations
  - Speed and certainty of execution
- Significant proprietary diligence conducted, including HPS-mandated Quality of Earnings analysis provided by financial services consultant of our selection; monthly financial reporting; and quarterly budget update discussions
- The borrower continues to execute, including substantial new business wins that generate contracted fee income from an investment-grade counterparty
- Since the initial close, the borrower has engaged with HPS on additional opportunistic financing to address its cost of capital through the preferred equity layer, and values HPS's position as a constructive lending partner of scale.

#### **Investment Thesis**

- Incumbent position in stable duopoly with high entry barriers longstanding and stable market position serving a critical US ocean supply route served by only two players
- Dynamics within the Hawaii trade lane protected by significant barriers to entry the provisions of the Jones Act insulate Hawaii-US trade from foreign competition
- *Stable, blue chip customer base with longstanding relationships* longstanding blue chip customer base with >20-year relationships with top three customers
- **Loan structured with meaningful amortization and call protection** mandatory amortization increasing to 5% after one year and two years of hard non-call

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## **Specialty Loan Fund VI**

### Summary of Terms



Legal Structure:	Levered Fund: HPS Specialty Loan Fund VI-L, SCSp
Target Fund Commitments:	• \$7.5 billion of aggregate capital commitments <sup>1</sup>
Commitment Period:	Three years from the final closing date <sup>2</sup>
Term:	<ul> <li>Four years following the termination of the commitment period<sup>3</sup></li> </ul>
Clawback:	Yes, upon final liquidation
Re-Investment:	Principal repaid during the commitment period may be reinvested
Distributions:	<ul> <li>The fund intends to distribute net income quarterly<sup>4</sup></li> </ul>
Management Fee:	<ul> <li><u>Unlevered</u>: 1.25% on invested capital during the commitment period (1.00% thereafter)</li> <li><u>Levered</u>: 1.25% on invested levered capital during commitment period and (1.00% thereafter)<sup>5</sup></li> </ul>
Incentive Fee:	<ul> <li><u>Unlevered</u>: 15% subject to a 5% preferred return</li> <li><u>Levered</u>: 15% subject to a 7% preferred return</li> </ul>

Please refer to the fund's Offering Memorandum for a full description of the fund's Summary of Principal Terms. <sup>1</sup>This is a target and may not be achieved. <sup>2</sup>Commitment period is extendable for one year by the general partner with the approval of the LP advisory committee. <sup>3</sup>Term is extendable by two one-year periods by the general partner and thereafter with the approval of the LP advisory committee. <sup>4</sup>The amount and timing of distributions will be at the discretion of the manager. <sup>5</sup>Management fee for the levered vehicles are subject to cap during the commitment period.

## ESG & DEI

## **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 decision-making 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 is a public supporter of the Taskforce on Climate-Related Financial
  Disclosures and its belief that standardized information will allow companies to
  incorporate climate-related considerations into their risk management and
  strategic planning processes.
- HPS considers the TCFD Recommendations a useful tool in the assessment of governance, strategy, risk management, metrics and targets in the context of climate change, and as such aspires to report in line with its recommendations.

#### **HPS's ESG Forum**

- HPS's ESG Forum is tasked with developing 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 certain new and legacy investments with respect to ESG considerations.
- 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**









# **Appendix**

## **Appendix I: Performance Endnotes**



#### **Fund Definitions**

SLF II includes Senior Loan Fund II, L.P. ("SLF II-UL"), Senior Loan Fund II-L, L.P. ("SLF II-L") and Irish Senior Loan Fund II Public Limited Company ("SLF II Irish")

SLF III includes Specialty Loan Fund III, L.P. ("SLF III-UL"), Specialty Loan Institutional Fund III, L.P. ("SLIF III-UL"), Specialty Loan Fund III-L, L.P. ("SLIF III-L"), Specialty Loan Fund III Public Limited Company ("SLF III Irish")

SLF 2016 includes Specialty Loan Fund 2016, L.P. ("SLF 2016-UL"), Specialty Loan Ontario Fund 2016, L.P. ("SLOF 2016-UL"), Specialty Loan Fund 2016-L, L.P. ("SLF 2016-L"), Specialty Loan Institutional Fund 2016-L, L.P. ("SLIF 2016-L")

SLF V includes HPS Specialty Loan Fund V, L.P. ("SLF V-UL"), HPS Specialty Loan Fund V Feeder, L.P. ("SLF V-UL Feeder"), HPS Specialty Loan Fund (EUR) V, L.P. ("SLF V (Eur)"), HPS Specialty Loan Ontario Fund V, L.P. ("SLOF V-UL"), HPS Specialty Loan Europe Fund V, SCSp ("SLEF V-UL"), HPS Specialty Loan International Fund V Feeder, L.P. ("SLIF V-UL Feeder"), HPS Specialty Loan Fund V-L, L.P. (SLF V-L"), HPS Specialty Loan International Fund V-L, L.P. ("SLIF V-L")

(together, the "SLF Funds")

SLF Levered Funds include SLF II-L, SLF II Irish, SLF III-L, SLIF III-L, SLF III Irish, SLF 2016-L, SLIF 2016-L, SLF V-L and SLIF V-L

#### **IMPORTANT DISCLOSURES**

Subsequent closing mechanics applicable to certain SLF 2016 funds have resulted in certain SLF 2016 funds beginning to participate in certain investments later than other SLF 2016 funds, respectively, or not participating in certain investments. Such differences in participation have resulted in certain SLF 2016 funds having different returns than other SLF 2016 funds that participated in all investments from their respective initial closing date.

#### **Risk Disclosure**



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