



# Ares Private Markets Fund

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- The Fund has a limited operating history.
- An investment in the Fund may not be suitable for investors who may need the money they invested in a specified timeframe.
- Shares are not listed on any securities exchange, and it is not anticipated that a secondary market for Shares will develop. Although the Fund may offer to repurchase Shares from time to time, Shares will not be redeemable at an investor's option nor will they be exchangeable for shares of any other fund. As a result, an investor may not be able to sell or otherwise liquidate its Shares. The Adviser intends to recommend that, in normal market circumstances, the Fund's board of trustees (the "Board") conduct quarterly tender offers of no more than 5% of the Fund's net assets.
- Shares are subject to substantial restrictions on transferability and resale and may not be transferred or resold except as summarized in the Prospectus and permitted under the Fund's agreement and declaration of trust.

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- **Non-Diversification of Investments:** The Fund is a "non-diversified" investment company for purposes of the Investment Company Act which means the Fund may be more susceptible to the risk that one single event or occurrence can have a significant adverse impact on the Fund.
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- **Private Equity Strategy-Specific Risks: Direct Investments in private companies and investments in Portfolio Funds, involve a high degree of business and financial risk that can result in substantial losses.**
- **Private Company Investment Risks:** Private companies are generally not subject to SEC reporting requirements, are not required to maintain accounting records in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles and are not required to maintain effective internal controls over financial reporting. As a result, there is the risk that the Fund may invest based on incomplete or inaccurate information, which can adversely affect the Fund's performance. Private companies may also have limited financial resources, shorter operating histories, more asset concentration risk, narrower product lines and smaller market shares that can make such private companies more vulnerable to competitors' actions and market conditions. Private companies are generally in restricted securities that are not traded in public markets, and are subject to holding periods, and the Fund may not be able to realize the value of such investments in a timely manner. There may also be significant competition for these types of assets which can affect the Fund's ability to achieve the desired allocation and investment returns.

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## Fund Risks Continued

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## Executive Overview

# Ares Management<sup>1</sup>

» With approximately \$546 billion in assets under management, Ares Management Corporation is a global alternative investment manager operating an integrated platform across five business groups

## Profile

Founded	1997
AUM	\$546bn
Employees	4,140+
Investment Professionals	1,640+
Global Offices	50+
Direct Institutional Relationships	2,700+
Listing: NYSE – Market Capitalization	\$51.3bn <sup>2</sup>

## Global Footprint<sup>3</sup>



## The Ares Differentiators

<b>Broad and scaled platform that seeks to enhance investment capabilities</b>	<b>Robust management team with integrated and collaborative approach</b>
<b>20+ year track record of attractive risk adjusted returns through market cycles</b>	<b>An experienced manager in leveraged finance, private credit and secondaries</b>

	Credit	Real Assets	Private Equity	Secondaries	Other Businesses
AUM	<b>\$359.1bn</b>	<b>\$124.2bn</b>	<b>\$24.7bn</b>	<b>\$31.3bn</b>	<b>\$6.6bn</b>
Strategies	Direct Lending	Real Estate Equity	Corporate Private Equity	Private Equity Secondaries	Ares Insurance Solutions <sup>5</sup>
	Liquid Credit	Real Estate Debt	APAC Private Equity	Real Estate Secondaries	Ares Acquisition Corporation <sup>6</sup>
	Alternative Credit	Infrastructure Opportunities		Infrastructure Secondaries	
	Opportunistic Credit <sup>4</sup>	Infrastructure Debt		Credit Secondaries	
	APAC Credit				

**Note: As of March 31, 2025. AUM amounts include funds managed by Ivy Hill Asset Management, L.P., a wholly owned portfolio company of Ares Capital Corporation and registered investment adviser. Past performance is not indicative of future results.**

1. Information presented in this slide relates to the Sponsor, not the Issuer. Interests of the Sponsor and Issuer may not be aligned.

2. As of May 2, 2025.

3. New Delhi office is operated by a third party with whom Ares Asia maintains an ongoing relationship relating to the sourcing, acquisition and/or management of investments.

4. In Q1 2024, we moved our Special Opportunities strategy from our Private Equity Group into our Credit Group as Opportunistic Credit. The fund name remains Special Opportunities. Opportunistic Credit has been reclassified and presented within the Credit Group and reflected on a historical basis.

5. AUM managed by Ares Insurance Solutions excludes assets which are sub-advised by other Ares' investment groups or invested in Ares funds and investment vehicles.

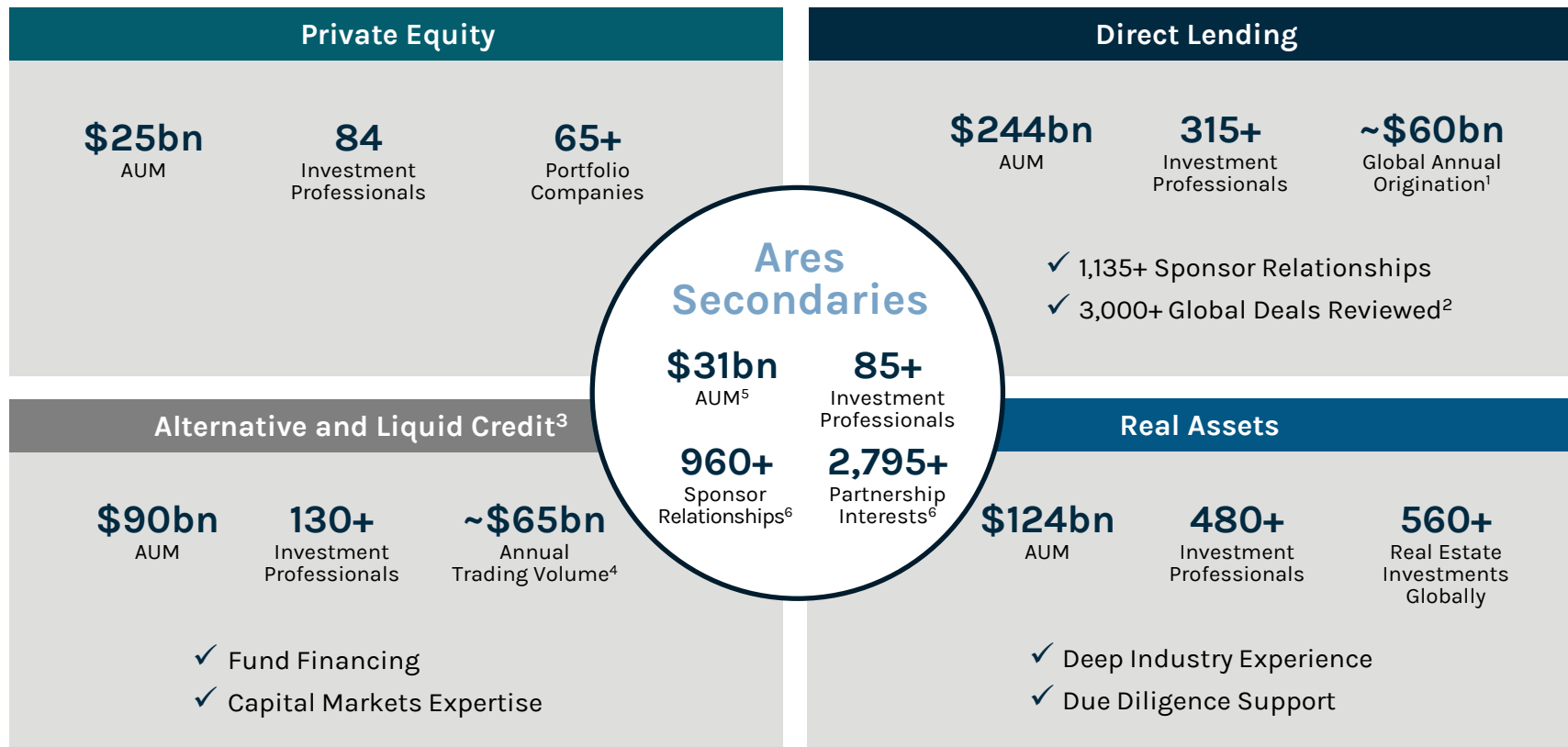
6. AUM includes Ares Acquisition Corporation ("AAC") and Ares Acquisition Corporation II ("AACH").

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# Ares Secondaries: Overview and Platform Synergies

» Strategic platform combination aims to enhance the team's position as a trusted partner among the sponsor community



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1. Includes US Direct Lending and European Direct Lending.

2. Number of deal introductions LTM to December 31, 2024, for Ares' European and U.S. direct lending platform.

3. Statistics shown include Alternative Credit and Liquid Credit

4. Reflects 2024 trading volume for Ares Liquid Credit.

5. Reflects aggregate Private Equity, Real Estate, Infrastructure and Credit AUM for Ares Secondaries, as of March 31, 2025.

6. These metrics are for the Ares Secondaries platform as of December 31, 2024.

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# Executive Summary

» Ares Private Markets Fund (“APMF” or the “Fund”) is a diversified<sup>1</sup> private equity investment solution, anchored in secondary investments, that seeks to deliver attractive, long-term capital appreciation through market cycles



## ACCESS TO PRIVATE EQUITY

- Seeks to invest in a portfolio of seasoned private equity secondary assets
- APMF is anchored in traditional limited partner-led “LP-led” transactions
- Investor-friendly structure allows investors to get invested - and stay invested - in private equity



## BENEFITS OF SECONDARIES

- Secondaries can minimize the risks associated with traditional private equity through diversification<sup>1</sup> and reduced blind pool risk
- The Fund seeks to generate attractive cash flow profiles which may help mitigate J-curve effects



## EXPERIENCED TEAM

- Ares Secondaries Group has committed to innovation in private equity for 30+ years
- Ares Quantitative Research Group (QRG) evaluates potential investments to understand risk-adjusted return dynamics

We believe APMF can offer investors attractive risk-adjusted returns of private equity using secondaries with a structure that mitigates the challenges presented by traditional closed-end fund structures such as long lock-ups, high minimums, and delayed tax reporting

1. While the Fund invests primarily in private equity secondaries, within those secondaries investments the fund is diversified by manager, fund, geography, and sector. Diversification does not assure profit or protect against market loss.

## Introduction to Private Equity & Private Equity Secondaries

# Why Should Investors Consider an Allocation to Private Equity?

» We believe a broad structural shift is underway, with the private equity market becoming larger, more diverse and more available to companies and investors

Public Equity		Private Equity
Historically <b>lower</b> risk-adjusted returns	< >	Historically <b>higher</b> risk-adjusted returns
Historically <b>higher</b> volatility	< >	Historically <b>lower</b> volatility
<b>Short Term</b> Focus: Businesses are managed to quarterly earnings results	< >	<b>Long Term</b> Focus: Opportunity for multi-year growth plans
Value influenced by <b>market beta</b>	< >	Value influenced mainly by <b>operating structure</b>
<b>Shrinking</b> Investment Universe: Number of public companies has decreased	< >	<b>Robust</b> Investment Universe: 99% of middle market companies are private <sup>1</sup>
Governance driven by <b>market cap, company size, and share price</b>	< >	Governance aligned with <b>value creation, EBITDA growth &amp; multiple expansion</b>

Represents the views and opinions of Ares Secondaries, as of June 2024.

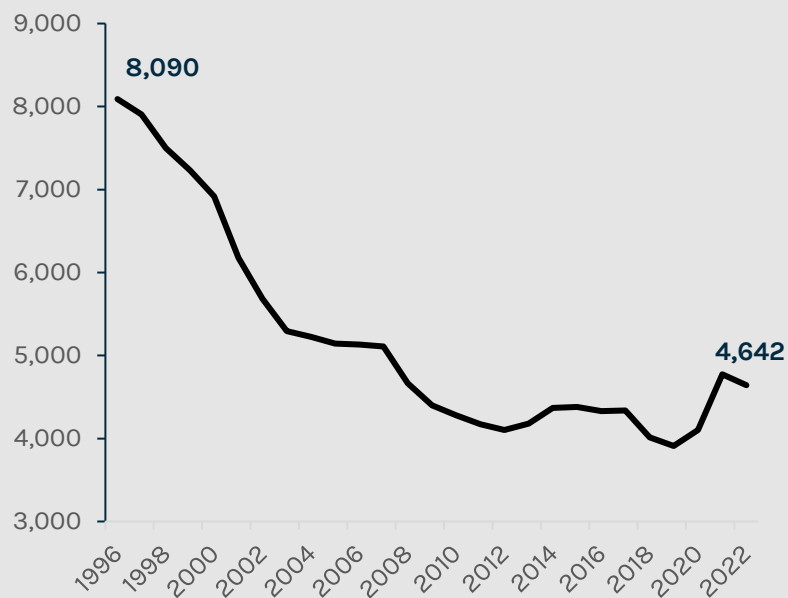
1. National Center for the Middle Market, as of Q2 2022. "Middle market" includes companies with \$10 million to \$1 billion in annual revenue.

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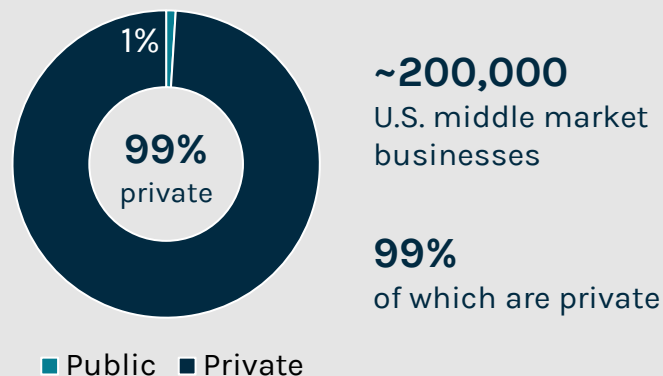
# The Public Markets Continue to Evolve

» Public markets continue to decrease in size, while becoming more concentrated. We believe private equity represents a vast opportunity set

Number of U.S. publicly traded companies is shrinking<sup>1</sup>



Number of mid to large sized companies (100+ employees) that are private is high<sup>2</sup>



Midsize businesses account for approximately **one-third of employment** and **one-third of output** of the U.S. economy.

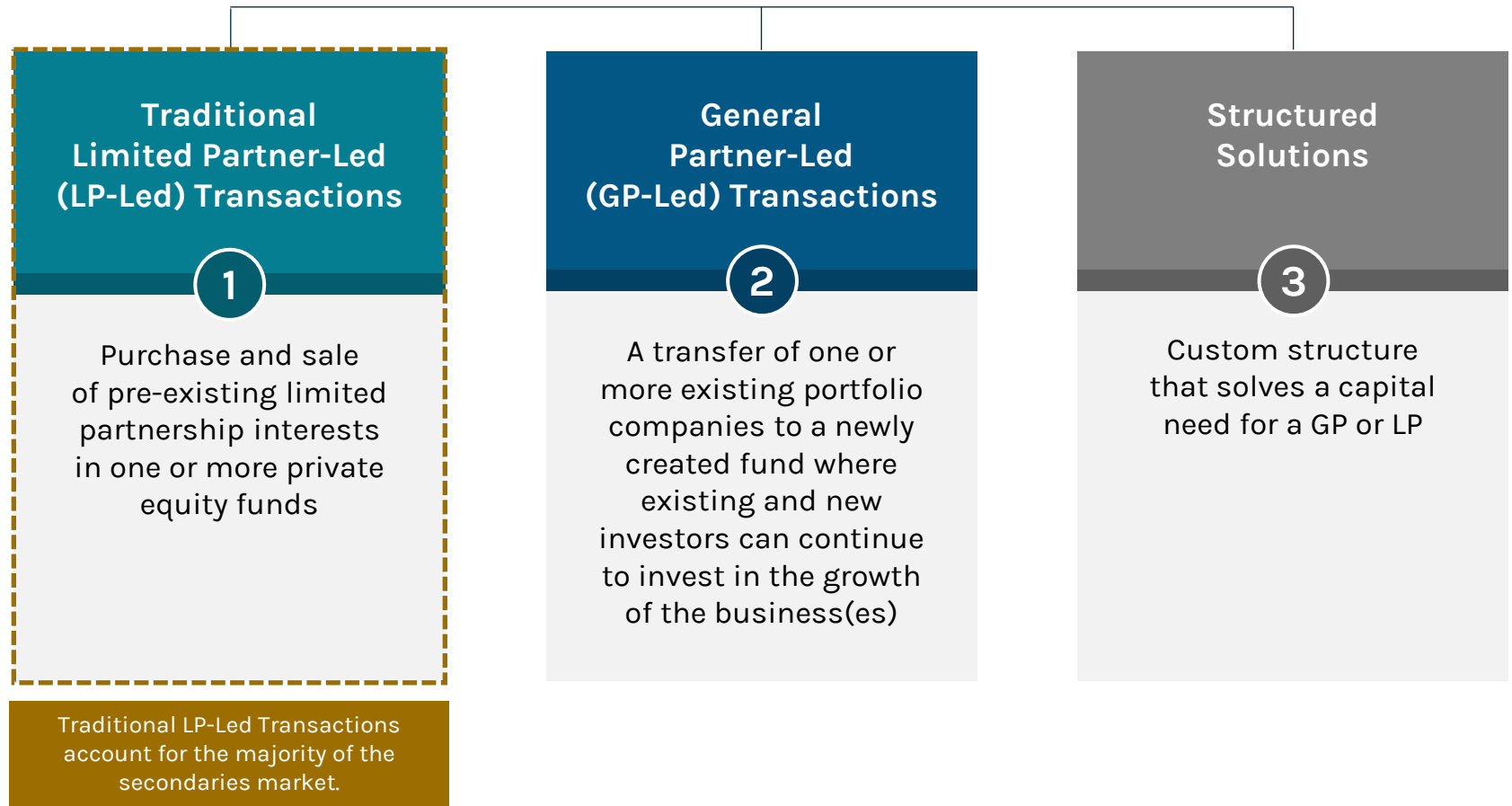
1. Source: FRED, St. Louis Fed, Wilshire, US Census Bureau, Ares. FRED data current through 2022. All other data as of Dec 31, 2023. Includes OTC listings.

2. Source: National Center for the Middle Market, as of Q4 2023. "Middle market" includes companies with \$10 million to \$1 billion in annual revenue. As of Jan 1, 2024.

# What Are Private Equity Secondaries?

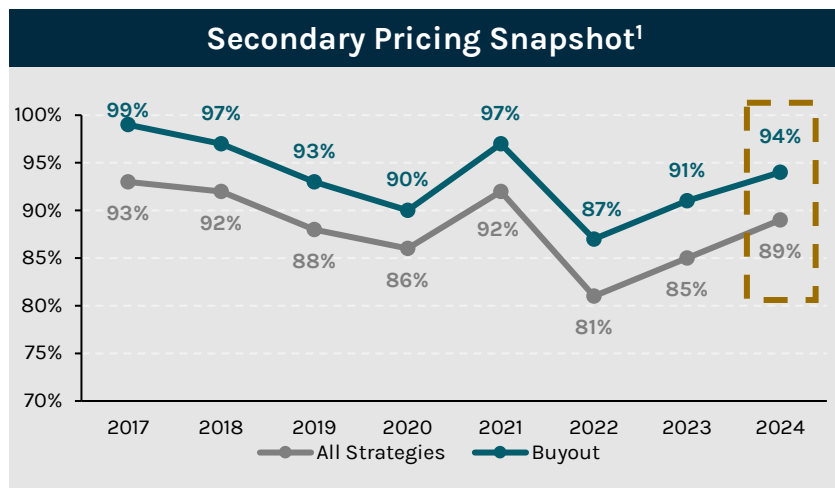
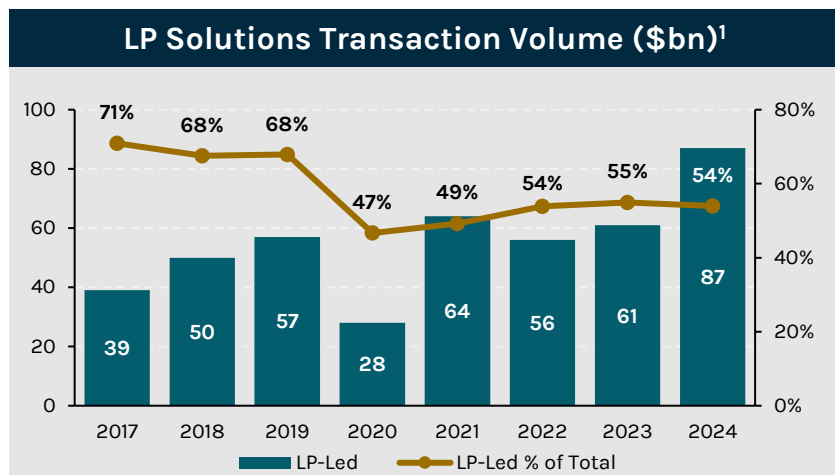
- » Private equity secondaries are transactions that offer secondary exposure to private equity investments via a liquidity solution provided to one or more market participants

## Three Key Types of Secondary Transactions



# Spotlight: LP-led Transactions

» Market volatility and record primary fundraising are driving significant LP-Led transaction volumes



1. Source: Jefferies, Evercore and PJT. As of January 2025.

2. Represents the views of Ares Secondaries Group. For illustrative purposes only.

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**Key Market Developments<sup>2</sup>**

- 1 Consistent and robust transaction activity continued through 2H 2024
- 2 Sizeable backlog of liquidity driving deal volumes, despite slight uptick in M&A activity
- 3 “Denominator effect”: Market volatility could result in substantial discounts for high-quality portfolios
- 4 Continued momentum in GP-led market, with 2H 2024 transaction volume 68% higher than 1H volume
- 5 Active portfolio management to address continued high fundraising demands from GPs

# Secondaries May Offer a Number of Potential Benefits to Investors

» We believe private markets are an important component of a well diversified<sup>1</sup> portfolio for investors seeking the potential for outperformance of public markets

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## Diversification<sup>1</sup>

By manager, fund, geography, and sector

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## Enhanced Liquidity

Secondary interests are often closer to harvest, which enables earlier capital distribution

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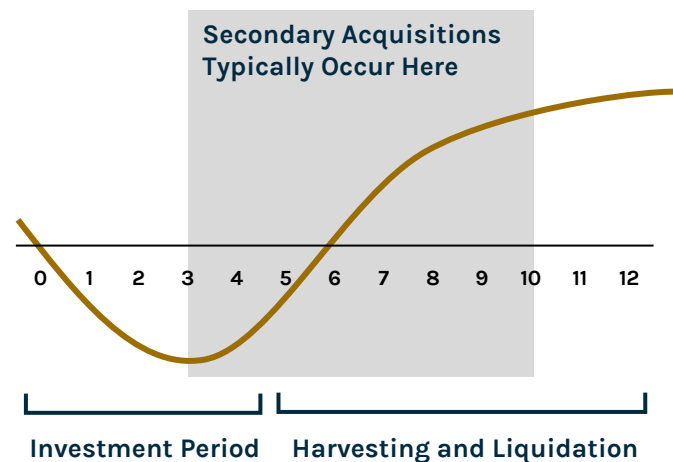
## Reduced Blind Pool Risk

Secondaries are largely funded, potentially reducing the blind pool risk experienced by primary funds

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## J-Curve Mitigation<sup>2</sup>

Transactions occur later in the life of a private equity fund which may help decrease the effects of the J-Curve



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1. Diversification does not assure profit or protect against market loss.

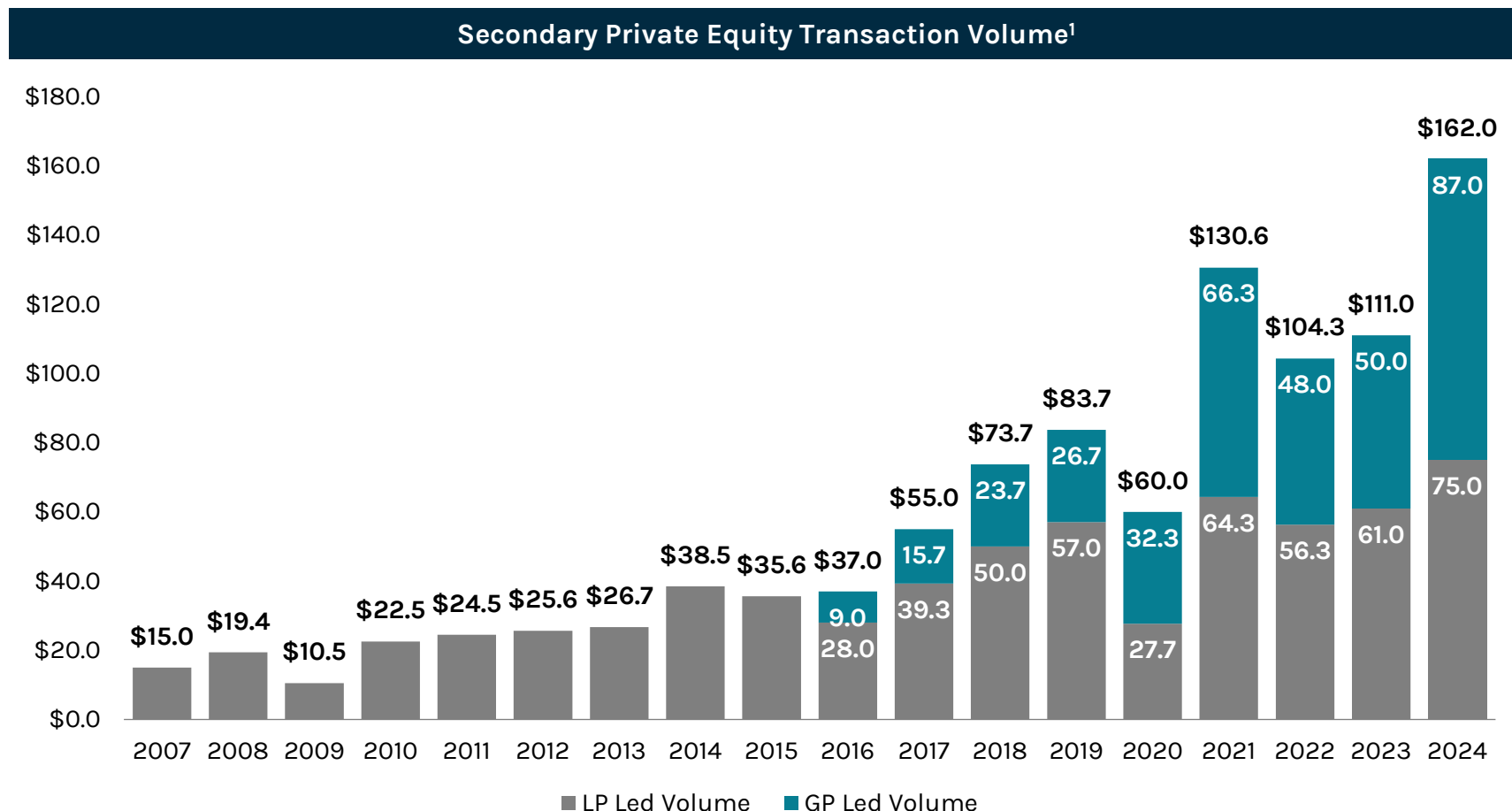
2. The above is for illustrative purposes only. There is no guarantee whether expressed or implied, that actual cash flows will follow this pattern. A secondary transaction can occur anytime between '0' and '12' in this illustration. There is no guarantee that "intrinsic value" will ever be realized.

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# Secondary Market Overview: Transaction Volumes

» Secondary PE transaction volume has experienced material growth in the past decade, reaching \$162bn in 2024



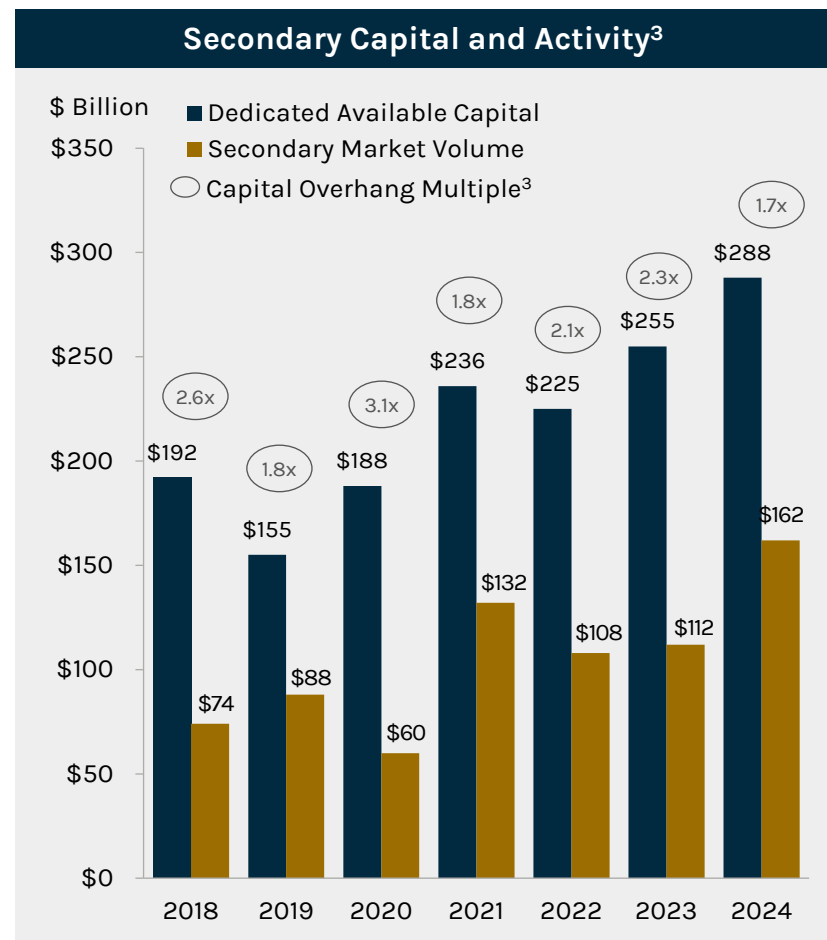
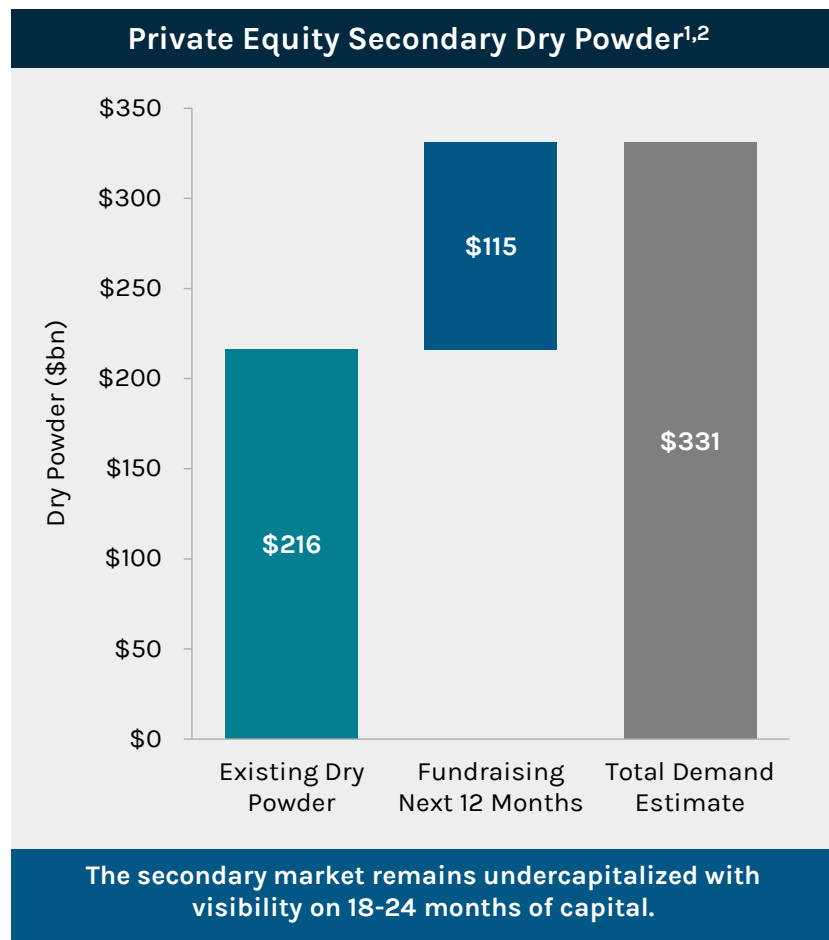
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1. Source: Jefferies, Evercore and PJT. As of January 2025.

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# Supply / Demand Dynamics in the Secondary Market

» We believe the current market environment represents an attractive opportunity to deploy capital



1. Evercore, 2023 Secondary Market Survey Results. As of February 2025.

2. Dry Powder is the amount of uninvested cash a firm is holding. This is also referred to as capital overhang.

3. Jefferies, Global Secondary Market Review. As of January 2025.

## Ares Secondaries Group: Overview & Capabilities

# Experienced Secondaries Manager With a 30+ Year Track Record

» An innovator within the secondaries market across three decades and across a range of alternative asset classes, including private equity, real estate, infrastructure, and credit

**\$31.3 Billion AUM**

- 30+ year track record of secondaries investing
- 17 Partners with 23-year average tenure<sup>1</sup>
- 85+ dedicated investment and research professionals

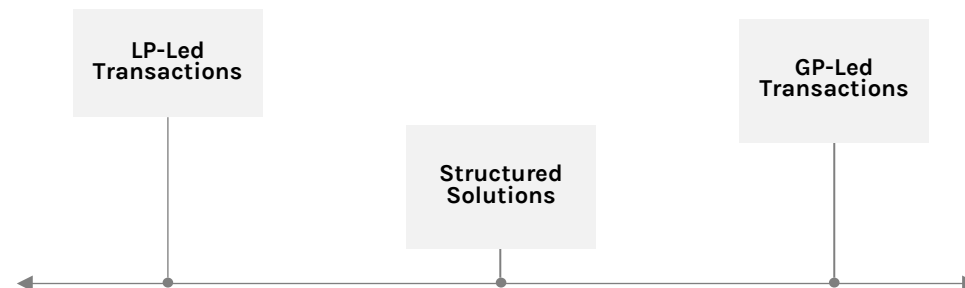
## Secondaries Investment Capabilities Across Four Private Markets Strategies

	Private Equity Secondaries	Real Estate Secondaries	Infrastructure Secondaries	Credit Secondaries <sup>3</sup>	Total
	<b>\$17.0bn</b>	<b>\$7.9bn</b>	<b>\$4.0bn</b>	<b>\$2.4bn</b>	<b>\$31.3bn<sup>5</sup></b>
Transaction Count <sup>2</sup>	525+	245+	55+	5	<b>830+</b>
Sponsor Coverage <sup>2</sup>	665+	235+	45+	10	<b>960+</b>
Partnerships Interests <sup>2</sup>	1,860+	835+	75	20+	<b>2,795+</b>

## Platform Advantages<sup>4</sup>

<b>Demonstrated and Customized Structuring Capabilities</b>	<b>Access to Differentiated Information via QRG</b>
<b>Thought Partner Approach to Investing</b>	<b>Deep relationships with institutional investors, fund sponsors and market advisors</b>

## Ares' Range of Secondary Structuring Solutions



Note: As of March 31, 2025, unless otherwise noted.

1. As of March 31, 2025. Includes tenure with Landmark Partners. In 2021, Landmark Partners was acquired by Ares Management, and in 2022 Landmark was fully rebranded as Ares Secondaries.

2. As of December 31, 2024. Includes both secondary deals and primary investments made within Ares' secondary funds.

3. Credit Secondaries launched on April 20, 2023.

4. We believe these to be examples of the potential advantages of Ares Secondaries. There is no guarantee every investment will reflect each of the advantages noted herein.

5. Includes \$10 million of Strategic Partnership Secondaries.

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# Leading Private Equity Secondaries Team

» We have a large dedicated and experienced team of secondaries private equity investment professionals

Investment Committee: 24 Years Average Investing Experience																			
Senior Investment Team		Nate Walton Head of Private Equity Secondaries 24 Years Experience		Sebastien Burdel <sup>1</sup> Partner 24 Years Experience		David Herbers Partner 22 Years Experience		Scott Humber Partner 29 Years Experience		Barry Miller Partner 27 Years Experience		Luca Salvato <sup>1</sup> Partner 28 Years Experience							
		Joel Holsinger Co-Head of Alternative Credit 27 Years Experience		Edward Keith Head of Infrastructure Secondaries 17 Years Experience		Dave Schwartz Head of Credit Secondaries 25 Years Experience		Sean Silva Partner, Portfolio Management 17 Years Experience		Michael Smith Co-Head of Ares Credit Group 32 Years Experience									
Cross-Platform IC Members		Investment Team					PM & Capital Markets <sup>2</sup>			IR, Strategy & Legal <sup>2</sup>									
		Clement Beaudin <sup>1</sup> Managing Director		Joel Kress Managing Director		Colin Cahill Principal		Hector Gonzalez Principal		Connor Neumann Principal		Michael Durnin Managing Director		Stanley Likver <sup>3</sup> Managing Director		Andrea Fernandez Partner		Matthew Jill Partner, ASG GC	
		Evan O’Keeffe Principal		Amrit Singh Principal		William Maltz Vice President		Hamza Memon Vice President		Eric Oh Vice President		Linda Rowland Managing Director		Denys Burnis Principal		Christina Oh Partner, ASG CFO		Tina St. Pierre Partner, ASG COO	
		Keileh Atulomah Sr. Associate		Aidan Bush Sr. Associate		Joel Halpern Sr. Associate		Kevin Osei-Ababio Sr. Associate		Amy Schmitt Sr. Associate		Nick Karp Vice President		Nick Keywork Vice President		Veronica Mayer Managing Director		Ashley Wolff Managing Director	
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		Joshua Tong Associate		Paulina Calmes Analyst		Eileen Lundblad Analyst		Celine Niu Analyst		Carolina Paniagua Analyst		Chris Veldhuisen Sr. Associate				Stephanie Yoshida Principal, ASG		Trevor Kim AVP, ASG	
		Sehyun Tark Analyst		Frank Zhuang Analyst												Taylor Foster Sr. Associate		Briana Krackow Sr. Associate	
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Richa Gulati Partner, Chief Compliance & Regulatory Officer <sup>4</sup>				Matthew Saindon Managing Director <sup>2</sup>				Adam Heltzer Partner, Global Head of ESG <sup>4</sup>				Indhira Arrington Partner, Head of DEI <sup>4</sup>							

As of May 2025.

1. Sebastien Burdel, Luca Salvato and Clement Beaudin are allocating their time between PE and Credit Secondaries.
2. Portfolio Management & Capital Markets Professionals as well as certain members of the IR, Strategy and Legal professionals carry out their functions across the Secondaries Group and other business groups as applicable. They do not directly work in the immediate Private Equity Secondaries team.
3. Managing Director in the Ares Finance and Accounting Group.
4. Richa Gulati, Adam Heltzer and Indhira Arrington are resources of Ares Management globally.

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# Portfolio Management Approach and Capabilities

» Cycle-tested investment process that we believe has driven strong results for 30+ years

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## Large Funnel of Sourcing Opportunities

- 30+ year track record in the secondary industry with a strong market presence
- Network of longstanding intermediary relationships
- We expect longstanding direct lending market presence to drive continuation fund experience

2

## Due Diligence and Underwriting

- Insight into portfolios and assets via Ares exposure to portfolio companies across multiple industries and geographies
- Bottom-up approach complemented by strong analytical tools
- Transactional and diligence experience across secondaries

3

## Portfolio Optimization

- Experienced portfolio management and capital markets function with ~10 professionals
- Seek to manage portfolio construction, optimize cash flow management and use of leverage facilities<sup>1</sup>

4

## ESG Mindful

- ESG considerations embedded in our investment process<sup>2</sup>
- Seek to be thought-leaders in ESG across secondaries

Represents the views of Ares Secondaries, as of June 2024.

1. The use of leverage magnifies the potential for gain or loss on the amount invested and may increase the risk of investments.

2. APMF does not claim ESG as an investment objective and APMF is not an ESG fund.

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## Ares Private Markets Fund (APMF)



# Ares Private Markets Fund

» Ares Private Markets Fund seeks to offer a way to get invested in – and stay invested in – private equity, primarily through secondary investing and by leveraging the Ares platform



## Access to Ares' Platform

- ✓ Ares platform helps source proprietary transactions and differentiate the secondaries platform from competitors



## Focus on Growth

- ✓ Seeks to deliver consistent, long-term capital appreciation
- ✓ Focus on active manager selection, with emphasis on alpha-generating private equity funds



## Risk Mitigation

- ✓ Seeks to mitigate J-curve and risks associated with primary investing, while providing diversification<sup>1</sup>
- ✓ Low correlation to public equities



## Structure

- ✓ Perpetually offered
- ✓ \$25,000 minimum
- ✓ Monthly subscriptions
- ✓ Expected quarterly liquidity<sup>2</sup>
- ✓ Form 1099-DIV tax reporting

1. An investment in the Fund is subject to risk including the risk of loss of principal investment. See the Important Information pages on pages 2-4 of this presentation for further discussion of risks.

2. Quarterly tender offers are targeted, but not guaranteed.

# Fund Structure Comparison

» The Fund's structure seeks to solve a critical issue for accessing private equity: getting and staying invested

## Traditional Closed End Fund Structures

## Ares Private Markets Fund Structure<sup>1</sup>

### J-Curve & Capital Calls

- Blind pool risk
- Unfunded obligation contributed over the fund life



- No unfunded obligations
- Fully invested upon subscription
- Seasoned portfolio allowing for faster diversification and reduced J-Curve

### Reduced J-Curve & Full Investment

### Distributions & Lock-Ups

- Lock-up period for 8-12 years
- No dividend reinvestment option
- Availability/timing of fund offerings



- Monthly pricing
- Dividend reinvestment plan
- Liquidity mechanism

### Continuously Offered & Liquidity

### Rigidity & Limited Accessibility

- Closed-end products
- Funds may not be readily available to invest or become unavailable
- Higher qualifications and minimums



- A diversified portfolio allows for perpetual allocation in financial plans
- Lower investor minimums provide access across account and client types

### Diversification & Minimums

1. No method of investing can ensure a profit or protect against loss. See the Important Information pages at the beginning of this presentation for further discussion of risks.

The Fund expects to offer investors limited quarterly liquidity through a tender offer process. Under normal market conditions, the Adviser expects to recommend that the Fund repurchase 5% of its outstanding Shares at their net asset value (NAV). No assurance can be given that such tender offers will be approved by the Board. If a tender offer is oversubscribed, investors may be subject to a pro rata reduction in the Shares ultimately repurchased by the Fund unless the Fund increases the size of the tender offer.

All terms of each tender offer will be publicly disclosed.

# Current Portfolio Snapshot

» Data as of March 31, 2025

## At-A-Glance

**\$3.2B**

Assets at Fair Value<sup>1</sup>

**276**

Total Investments

**7,500+**

Underlying Portfolio Companies

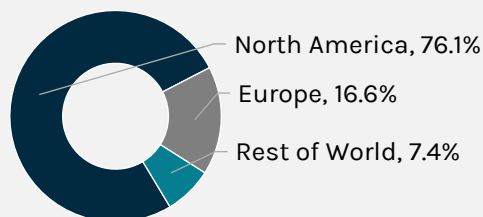
**96%**

Secondaries

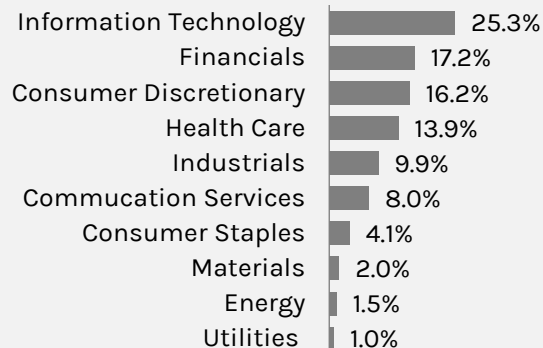
**94%**

Private

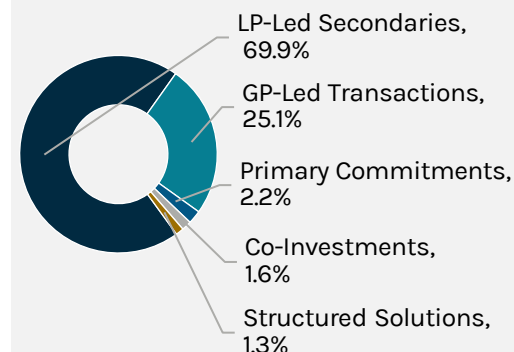
## Portfolio by Geography<sup>2</sup>



## Top 10 Sectors<sup>3</sup>



## Investment Type<sup>2</sup>



1. "Fund AUM" as used herein is calculated as the sum of (1) the Fund's "Managed Assets" as March 31, 2025, which is defined as the total assets of the Fund (including any assets attributable to any borrowings or other indebtedness) minus the Fund's liabilities other than liabilities relating to borrowings or other indebtedness, and (2) the amount of capital received from subscriptions effective April 1, 2025 (\$142.8 million).

2. Percentages may not total 100% due to rounding. The charts do not account for liquid securities in the Fund.

3. Calculated as a percent of the total fair value of APMF's investments at the portfolio company level using the data available as of March 31, 2025.

# Top Holdings<sup>1</sup>

» Data as of March 31, 2025

Fund Interest	Investment Type	Strategy	(%)
BSP Solstice Investors L.P. (BCE)	Secondary	Buyout	9.1%
BSP Solstice Investors L.P. (AD)	Secondary	Buyout	8.9%
AXA IM Prime Genesis PE Secondaries Fund	Secondary	Buyout	7.9%
SkyKnight Capital II CV B, L.P.	Secondary	Buyout	3.4%
FinEquity Holdings, LLC	Secondary	Buyout	3.2%
Hellman & Friedman Capital Partners IX, L.P.	Secondary	Buyout	2.9%
APH Extended Value Fund H LP	Secondary	Buyout	2.6%
Bain Capital Beacon Holdings, L.P.	Secondary	Buyout	2.0%
CF24XB SCSp	Secondary	Buyout	1.9%
Blue Owl GP Stakes V US Investors L.P.	Secondary	Growth	1.8%

**AD and BCE** reflect two partnerships formed as part of an acquisition of a portfolio consisting of ~400 sponsors, ~1,000 LP interests and ~3,600 companies.

**AXA IM Prime Genesis** represents exposure to 12 funds with a 2019 weighted-average vintage, 11 managers and 226 companies.

1. Holdings calculated based on total portfolio value. A complete list of portfolio holdings can be found within the monthly N-Port on the APMF website: <https://www.areswms.com/ares-wealth-management-solutions/solutions/apmf/regulatory-filings>.

# APMF Performance

» Data as of March 31, 2025

## Performance Summary<sup>1</sup>

	NAV/Share	1 Month	3 Month	YTD	1 Year	ITD Annualized <sup>2</sup>
<b>Class I</b>	\$35.59	3.05%	4.27%	4.27%	18.31%	14.81%
<b>Class A</b>	\$35.00	2.98%	4.06%	4.06%	17.33%	20.24%
<b>Class A</b> with sales load <sup>3</sup>	\$35.00	-0.62%	0.42%	0.42%	13.23%	17.69%

The performance data quoted represents past performance and is no guarantee of future results. Returns quoted less than one year are cumulative. Your returns and the principal value of your investment will fluctuate so that your accumulation units or shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than their original cost. Current performance may be lower or higher than the performance quoted above. For information current to the most recent month end go to [areswms.com](https://areswms.com).

### Past performance is not indicative of future results.

1. Performance is measured by total return, which represents the change in net asset value over the indicated time period plus any income distributions.
2. ITD=Inception-to-date. Inception is the date APMF commenced operations. The inception date for Class I shares was April 1, 2022. The inception date for Class A shares was August 1, 2023.
3. APMF does not charge investors an upfront sales load with respect to Class A shares. However, if you buy Class A shares through certain selling agents, they may directly charge you transaction or other fees, including upfront placement fees or brokerage commissions, in such amount as they may determine, provided that selling agents limit such charges to a maximum of 3.5% of NAV for Class A shares. Class A shares listed as with sales load reflects the returns after the maximum upfront placement fees and brokerage commissions. Class A shares listed without sales load excludes upfront placement fees and brokerage commissions. Selling agents do not charge such fees on Class I shares. Your financial intermediary may impose additional charges when you purchase shares of the Fund.

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# Ares Private Markets Fund - Summary of Terms

Summary of Terms	
<b>Adviser / Distributor</b>	Ares Capital Management II LLC / Ares Wealth Management Solutions, LLC
<b>Structure</b>	The Fund seeks to provide exposure to private markets assets through a closed-end, perpetual-term, tender fund structure that is registered under the Securities Act of 1933 and Investment Company Act of 1940
<b>Investor Eligibility<sup>1</sup></b>	Accredited Investors that are also Qualified Clients in taxable and tax-exempt (qualified) accounts
<b>Minimum Investment<sup>2</sup></b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Class A - \$25,000 (through transactional/brokerage accounts)</li> <li>Class I - \$25,000 (through fee-based programs, also known as wrap accounts)</li> </ul>
<b>Purchase of Shares</b>	Shares will be offered monthly on the first business day. All capital is funded upfront (no capital calls)
<b>Distributions</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Fund will distribute substantially all capital gains and investment income annually</li> <li>Opt-out dividend reinvestment plan ("DRIP")</li> <li>Cash distributions automatically reinvested in additional Shares</li> </ul>
<b>Redemptions<sup>3</sup></b>	The Fund expects to make offers to repurchase Shares from shareholders on a quarterly basis. It is anticipated, that under normal circumstances, the Fund will conduct repurchases of up to 5% of the Fund's NAV each quarter. Shares tendered for repurchase within the first year after purchase may be subject to a 2% early repurchase fee
<b>Tax Reporting</b>	Form 1099
<b>Management Fee</b>	1.40% on managed assets <sup>4</sup>
<b>Incentive Fee<sup>5</sup></b>	12.5% (subject to high watermark)

## Share Class Fees

	Class I	Class A
<b>Servicing Fee</b>	None	85 bps
<b>UBS Placement Fee</b>	None	2%, subject to waiver in limited circumstances

Please refer to Endnotes on slide 34 for additional important information.

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## Case Studies



# Case Study: Project Slope<sup>1,2</sup> (Q1 2023)

» LP-led Transaction targeting a seasoned, high-quality, diversified fund managed by a core, alpha-generating GP3

## Transaction Overview<sup>4</sup>

- Acquisition of a single LP interest in a brand name buyout fund with 100% exposure to investments based in North America
- Diversified exposure across 14 underlying fund investments
- Weighted average investment year of 2018, providing potential for near-term liquidity, including the sale of the largest holding (33% of fund NAV) in Q1 2023 at a premium to NAV
- Acquired interest at an effective discount of 13% when adjusting for pre-close cash activity
- Information edge on performance through existing GP relationship and proprietary GP alpha diagnostics tool

## Key Transaction Highlights



### Potential for Attractive Risk-Adjusted Returns

- Attractive discount to NAV and terminal return profile with visibility to near-term liquidity
- Diligence insight through existing exposure and relationship



### Strong Portfolio Construction Dynamics

- Fund is diversified across industry and investment year
- Weighted average investment year of 2018 balances near-term liquidity with further upside potential

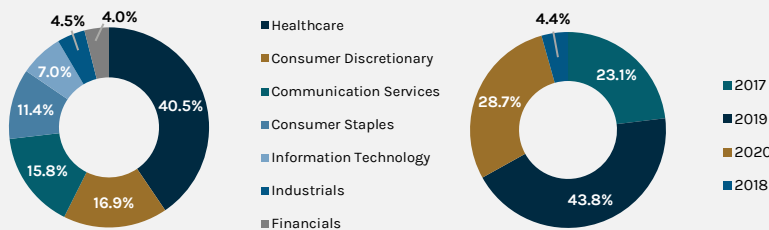


### Core, Alpha Generating Manager Exposure

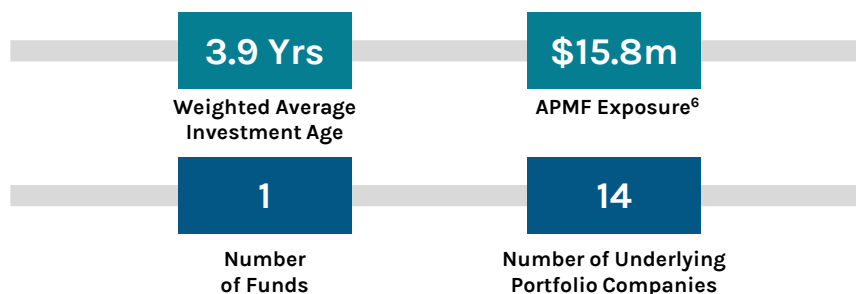
- Core, widely recognized GP
- QRG coverage on GP shows positive alpha potential

## Portfolio Snapshot

### Sector and Investment Year<sup>5</sup>



## Key Transaction Metrics<sup>2</sup>



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2. Project name is randomly chosen by the Ares deal team.

3. Ares Secondaries' Core Manager List is derived annually from Private Equity International's publishing of the PEI300, which captures the top 300 private equity firms by five-year fundraising total. Ares Secondaries makes certain adjustments to PEI's ranking based on insight into firms' fundraising momentum and estimated alpha.

4. Figures calculated based on underlying portfolio company NAV as of 9/30/2022.

5. Figures calculated based on underlying portfolio company NAV as of 9/30/2022 excluding an investment sold between 9/30/2022 and the 3/31/2023 close.

6. Total exposure calculated as net purchase price plus unfunded at 3/31/2023 close.

# Case Study: Project Impact<sup>1,2</sup> (Q1 2023)

» GP-led transaction targeting a portfolio of 24 growth and buyout investments managed by a core, alpha-generating GP<sup>3</sup>

## Transaction Overview

- Participation in a GP-led continuation vehicle around a curated portfolio of 24 growth and buyout companies held across six of the GP's funds
- Portfolio is diversified with the top eight largest exposures accounting for ~80% of 6/30/22 NAV
- Portfolio companies operate primarily in North America (78.1% of NAV) and EMEA (21.9% of NAV)
- Underlying company valuations validated by recent co-investor financings and M&A activity
- The GP has a long track record and strong familiarity with these assets with an average hold length of over seven years
- Information edge on performance through existing GP relationship and proprietary GP alpha diagnostics tool

## Key Transaction Highlights



### Potential for Attractive Risk-Adjusted Returns

- Discount to NAV and terminal return profile
- Leveraged existing exposure and relationship in diligence



### Portfolio Construction Dynamics

- Portfolio is diversified by stage and investment vertical
- Underlying exposure is high-growth with the majority of assets being cash flow positive

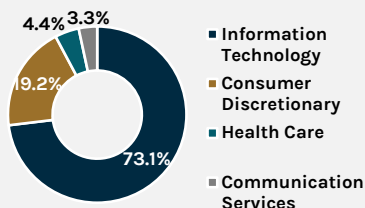


### Core, Alpha Generating Manager Exposure

- Core, widely recognized GP with an attractive track record
- QRG coverage on GP shows positive alpha potential
- Significant exposure to blue-chip co-investors

## Portfolio Snapshot

### Sector Exposure<sup>4</sup>



### Financial Profile

**31.4%**  
Historical  
Revenue CAGR<sup>5</sup>

**28.5%**  
Historical  
EBITDA Margin<sup>5,6</sup>

**47.3%**  
Historical  
EBITDA CAGR<sup>5,6</sup>

## Key Transaction Metrics

**\$1.3bn**

Total Deal Size

**\$25m**

APMF Exposure<sup>7</sup>

**6**

Number  
of Funds

**24**

Number of Underlying  
Portfolio Companies

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4. Composition calculated based on underlying portfolio company NAV as of 6/30/2022.

5. Please refer to Glossary of Terms on slide 33 for definitions.

6. Calculated only for investments which are EBITDA positive.

7. Total exposure calculated as net purchase price plus unfunded as of 6/30/2022.

# Case Study: Project Jupiter<sup>1,2</sup> (Q1 2023)

» Structured Solution Transaction in partnership with a middle-market GP focused on the healthcare sector

## Transaction Overview<sup>3</sup>

- Contribution of \$24.2M to a special purpose vehicle (“SPV”) at closing used to provide liquidity to the Firm’s Managing Partner and repurchase carried interest and GP commitments from a departing employee
- SPV acquired the departing employee’s economics, and the Managing Partner contributed a portion of his assets to overcollateralize the SPV
- Transaction provides APMF with exposure to a pool of seasoned assets (GP commitments and carried interest) across six different vehicles
- Ares will receive 100% of SPV distributions until achieving either a minimum IRR or a pre-determined multiple of invested capital

## Key Transaction Highlights



### Potential for Attractive Risk-Adjusted Returns

- Potential for durability in returns and protection against duration extension
- Numerous upside levers to Ares base case returns



### Overcollateralized Structure for Protection

- At closing, the GP contributed a pool of assets valued at \$39.2 million representing 1.62x the Ares purchase price



### Ares Edge & Proprietary Opportunity

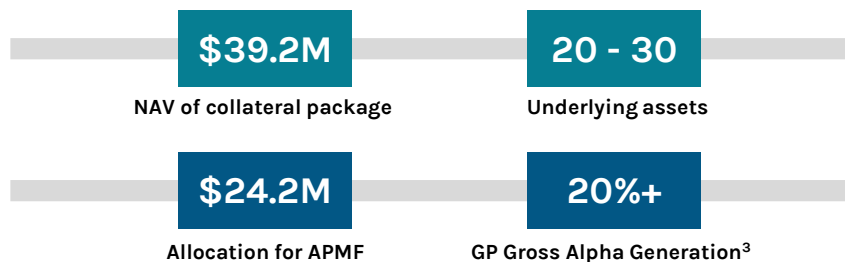
- Relationship built across multiple transactions
- Due diligence process on a portfolio of assets tracked by the deal team since 2020

## Portfolio Snapshot

### Representative Industries<sup>4</sup>

- Behavioral Health
- Nuclear Pharmacy
- Clinical Trial Sites
- Retinal Specialty Services
- Reproductive Services Clinical
- Specialty Footwear
- Pharmaceutical Services

## Key Transaction Metrics<sup>3</sup>



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2. Project name is randomly chosen by the Ares deal team.

3. QRG estimates of the GP’s gross alpha across healthcare investments as of 6/30/2020.

4. Does not represent all underlying industries across the 20+ assets in the transaction

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**Accredited Investor and Qualified Client** – Although the Shares will be registered under the Securities Act, the Shares will be sold only to persons or entities that are both “accredited investors,” as defined in Section 501(a) of Regulation D under the Securities Act, and “qualified clients,” as defined in Rule 205-3 under the Advisers Act. The qualifications required to invest in the Fund will appear in subscription documents that must be completed by each prospective investor.

**Capital Overhang**– The amount of uninvested cash a firm is holding. This is also referred to as dry powder.

**Compound Annual Growth Rate (CAGR)** –The CAGR is an estimate of the rate of return per year. The CAGR is the equivalent rate of growth that, if compounded annually would generate the same level of growth achieved over a given period of time.

**Continuation Fund** – A General Partner-led transaction of one or more existing portfolio companies to a new fund where existing and new investors can continue to invest in the growth of the business(es)

**Dry Powder** – The amount of uninvested cash a firm is holding. This is also referred to as capital overhang.

**Earnings Before Interest, Taxes, Depreciation and Amortization (EBITDA)** – Metric used to evaluate a company’s overall financial performance, specifically earnings.

**General Partner-Led (GP-Led) Transactions** – A transfer of one or more existing portfolio companies to a new fund where existing and new investors can continue to invest in the growth of the business(es)

**Managed Assets** – The total assets of the Fund (including any assets attributable to any borrowings or other indebtedness or preferred shares that may be issued) minus the Fund’s liabilities other than liabilities relating to borrowings or other indebtedness.

**Structured Solutions** – Custom structure that solves a capital need for a GP or LP.

**Traditional Limited Partner-Led (LP-Led) Transactions** – Purchase and sale of pre-existing limited partnership interests in one or more private equity funds.

# Endnotes to Slide 28: Summary of Terms

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