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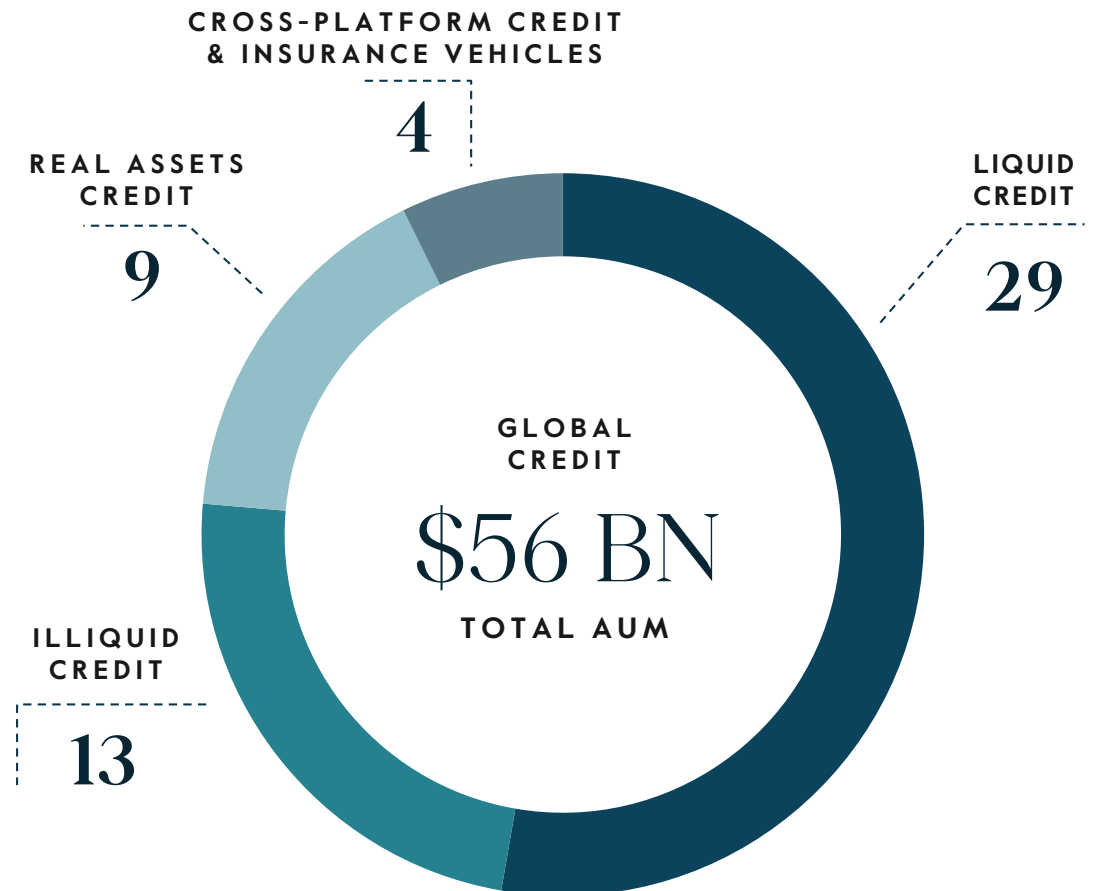
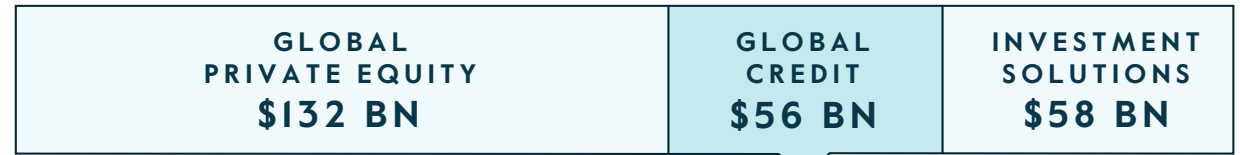
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- *Our business could be negatively impacted in many ways by adverse economic and market conditions or changes in the debt financing markets, including by reducing the value or performance of investments made by our investment funds and reducing the ability of our funds to raise capital or obtain attractive financing or re-financing.*
- *The global outbreak of the novel coronavirus, or COVID-19, has caused severe disruptions in the U.S. and global economies and may continue to adversely impact, our performance and results of operations.*
- *Our use of leverage may expose us to substantial risks and our revenue, earnings and cash flow are variable, which makes it difficult for us to achieve steady earnings growth on a quarterly basis.*
- *We may not be successful in expanding into new investment strategies, markets and businesses, including business initiatives to increase the number and type of investment products we offer to retail investors*
- *We may reduce our AUM, restrain its growth, reduce our fees or otherwise alter the terms under which we do business when we deem it in the best interest of our investors, even when such actions may be contrary to the near term interests of stockholders*
- *Poor performance of our investment funds would cause a decline in our revenue, income and cash flow, may obligate us to repay carried interest previously paid to us, and could adversely affect our ability to raise capital. Our asset management business depends in large part on our ability to raise capital from third-party investors.*
- *Our investors may negotiate to pay us lower management fees and the economic terms of our future funds may be less favorable to us than those of our existing funds, which could adversely affect our revenues.*
- *Valuation methodologies for certain assets in our funds can involve subjective judgments, and the fair value of assets established pursuant to such methodologies may be incorrect, which could result in the misstatement of fund performance and accrued performance allocations. Historical returns attributable to our funds should not be considered as indicative of the future results.*
- *Dependence on significant leverage in investments by our funds could adversely affect our ability to achieve attractive rates of return on those investments.*
- *The alternative asset management business is intensely competitive and we often pursue investment opportunities that involve business, regulatory, legal or other complexities and relatively high-risk, illiquid assets.*
- *The investments of our Global Private Equity, Global Credit and Investment Solutions funds are subject to a number of inherent risks.*
- *We may need to pay “giveback” obligations if they are triggered under the governing agreements with our investors.*
- *Operational risks may disrupt our businesses, result in losses or limit our growth and failure to maintain the security of our information and technology networks, intellectual property and proprietary business information could have a material adverse effect on us.*
- *Extensive regulation in the United States and abroad, including financial regulatory changes (such as those regarding derivatives and commodity interest transactions), affects our activities, increases the cost of doing business and creates the potential for significant liabilities, penalties and additional burdens.*
- *Third-party investors in substantially all of our carry funds have rights that in certain circumstances could lead to a decrease in our revenues. In addition, third-party investors in our investment funds with commitment-based structures may not satisfy their contractual obligation to fund capital calls when requested by us, which could adversely affect a fund's performance.*
- *Our private equity funds' performance, and our performance, may be adversely affected by the financial performance, financial projections or contingent liabilities of our portfolio companies and the industries in which our funds invest, including securities of companies that are experiencing significant financial or business difficulties.*
- *Investments in the insurance industry (including our investment in Fortitude Holdings) could be adversely impacted by insurance regulations and potential regulatory reforms. Our relationship with Fortitude Holdings may not generate a meaningful contribution to our revenue and our ownership and control of Fortitude Holdings could give rise to real or apparent conflicts of interest.*
- *Ongoing trade negotiations and potential for further regulatory reform may create regulatory uncertainty for our portfolio companies and our investment strategies and adversely affect the profitability of our portfolio companies.*
- *We are subject to substantial litigation risks, including allegations of employee misconduct or fraud (including at our portfolio companies), and may face significant liabilities and damage to our professional reputation as a result of such allegations and negative publicity.*
- *Changes in U.S. and foreign tax regulations, including the comprehensive U.S. federal income tax reform that became effective in 2018, could adversely affect us and our ability to raise funds from certain foreign investors.*

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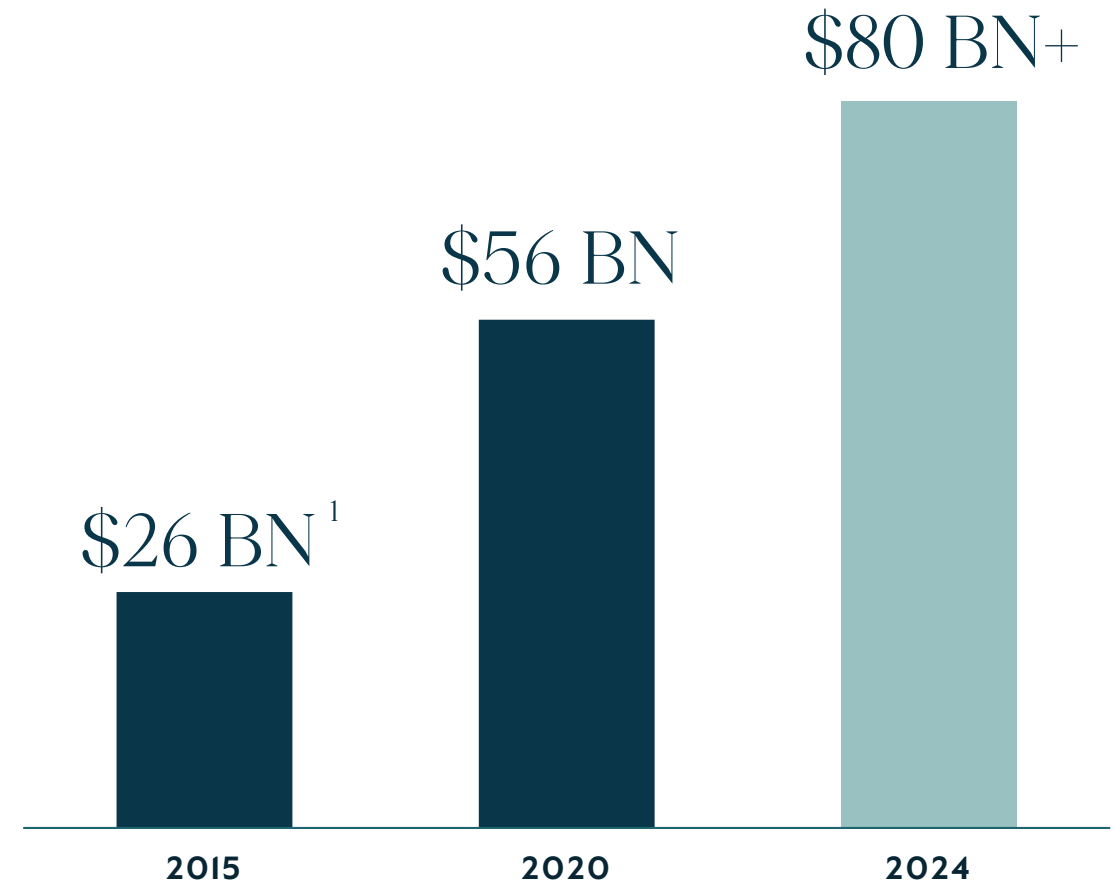
provides creative solutions & scale to borrowers, resulting in differentiated opportunities for investors to capture value across the credit spectrum.

Carlyle \$246 BN



Our Strategy Is Expected to Drive Significant AUM Expansion

- ✓ Capitalizing on strong tailwinds
- ✓ Leveraging Carlyle & platform strengths
- ✓ Delivering attractive performance

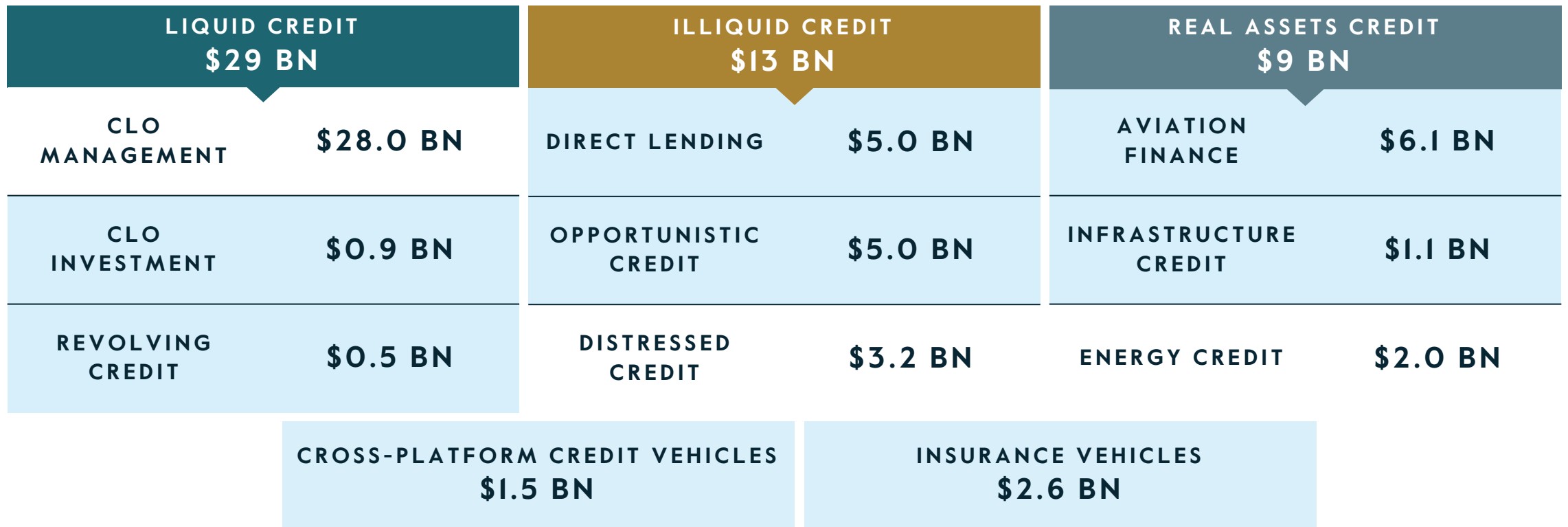


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(1) Excludes legacy hedge fund businesses.

We've Built a Diversified Platform...

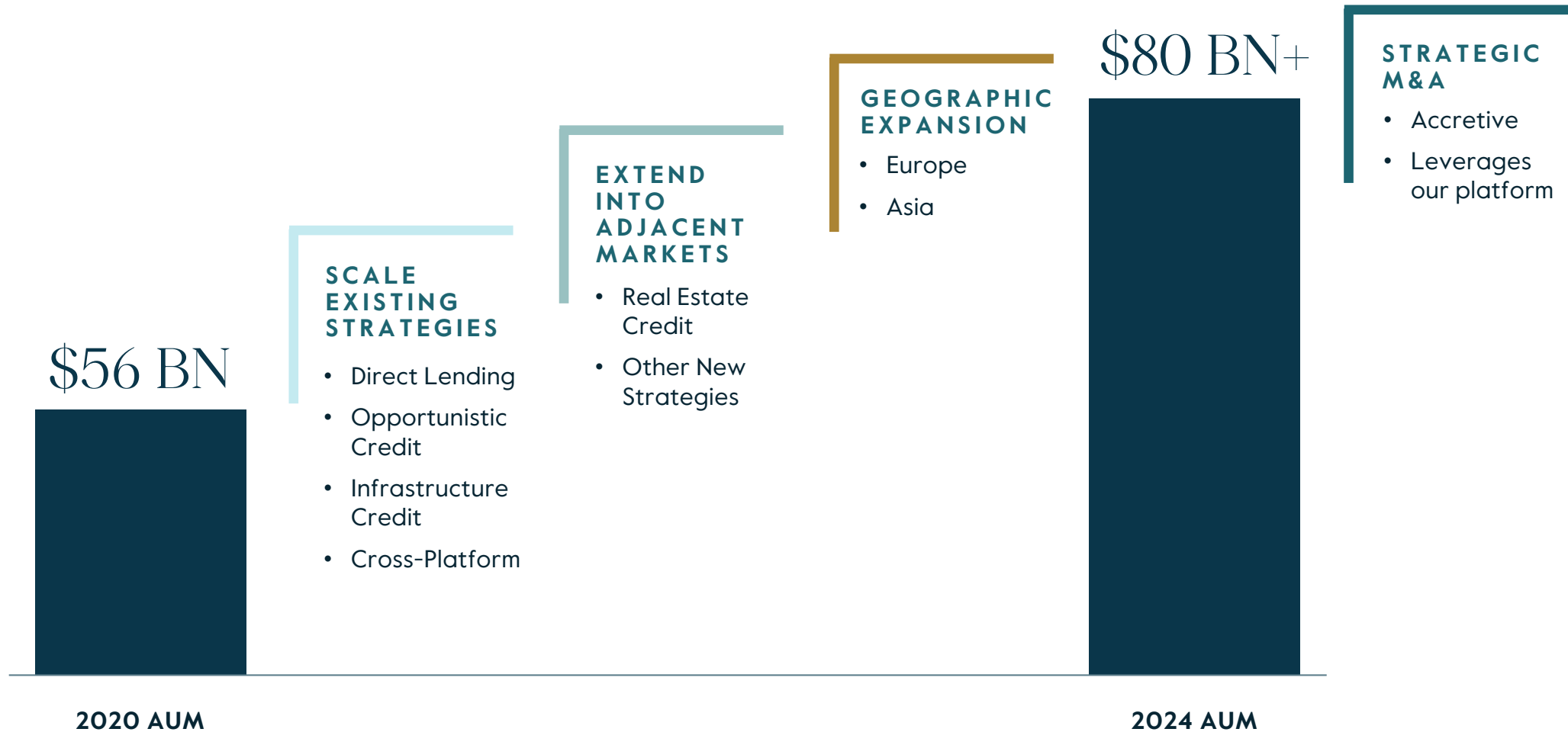
Global Credit \$56 Billion AUM



■ Represents augmented or new strategies since 2016.

Note: Data presented as of December 31, 2020. Numbers may not add due to rounding.

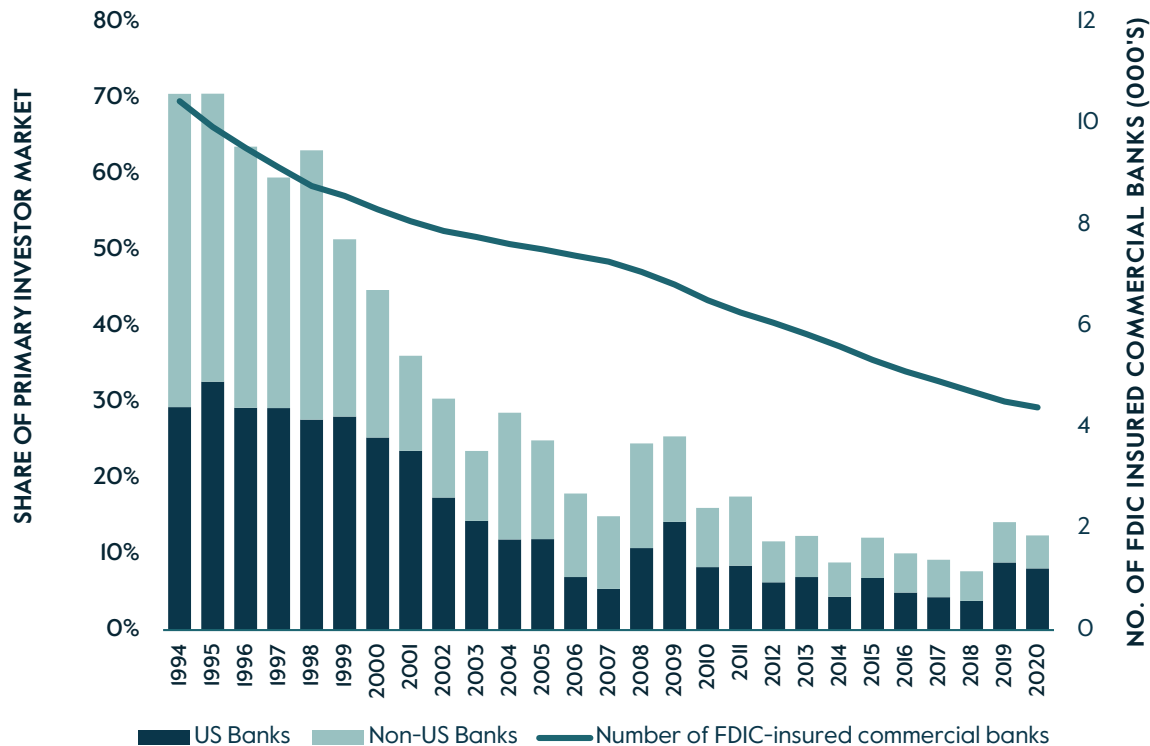
...With Runway for Growth



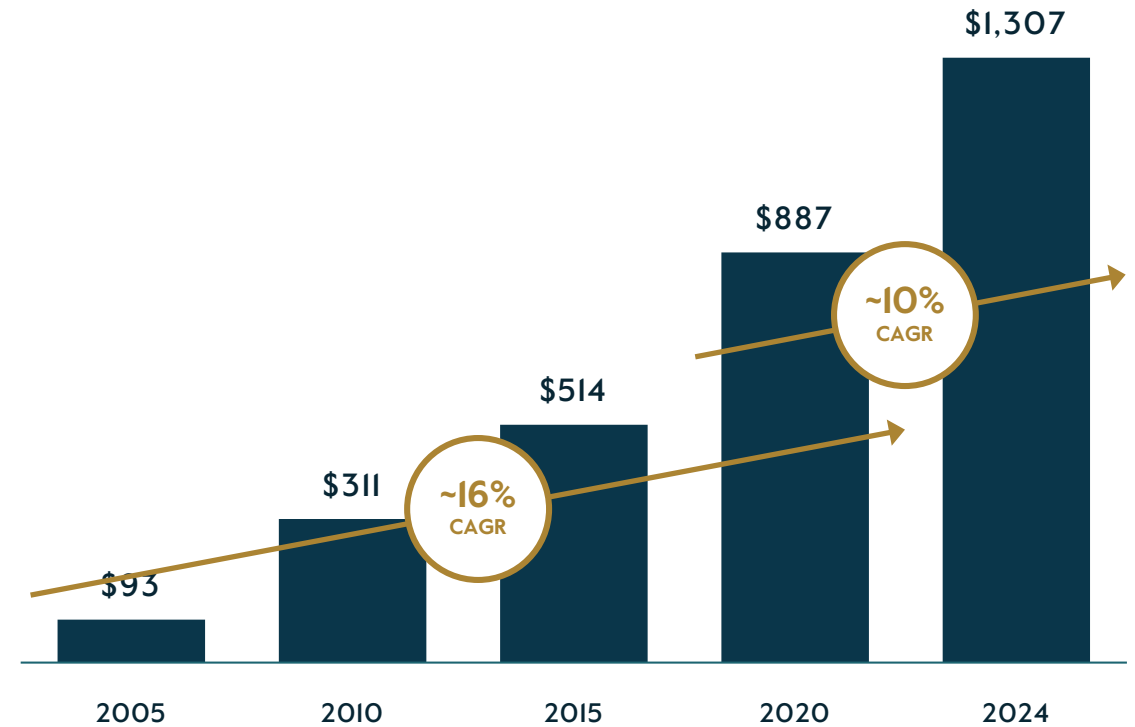
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Supported by Strong Industry Tailwinds

RETRENCHMENT OF TRADITIONAL US LENDERS⁽¹⁾



SIGNIFICANT GROWTH IN PRIVATE DEBT AUM (\$BN)

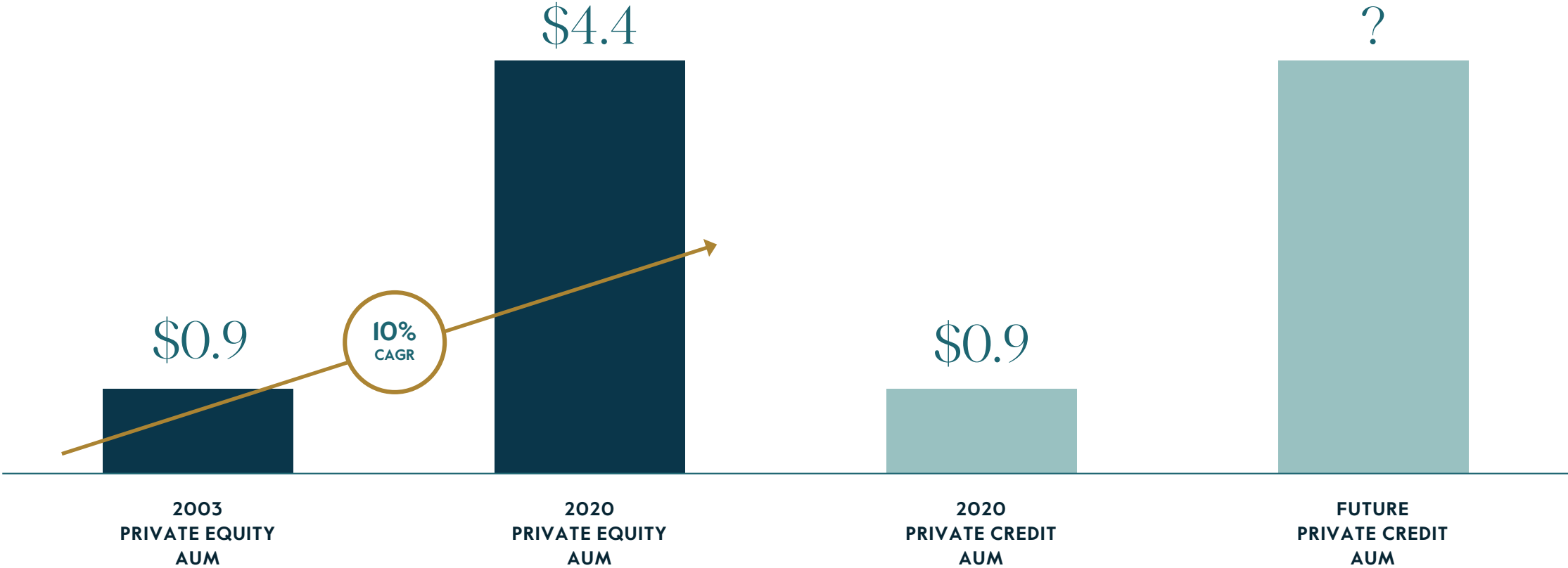


Source: Data for left-side chart sourced from Bloomberg, LCD/S&P, Preqin. Data for right-side chart sourced from Preqin. All data was pulled in January 2021. There is no guarantee these trends will continue.

(1) Represents US market only. 2020 YTD as of September 2020.

Private Credit Is Where Private Equity Was 15+ Years Ago

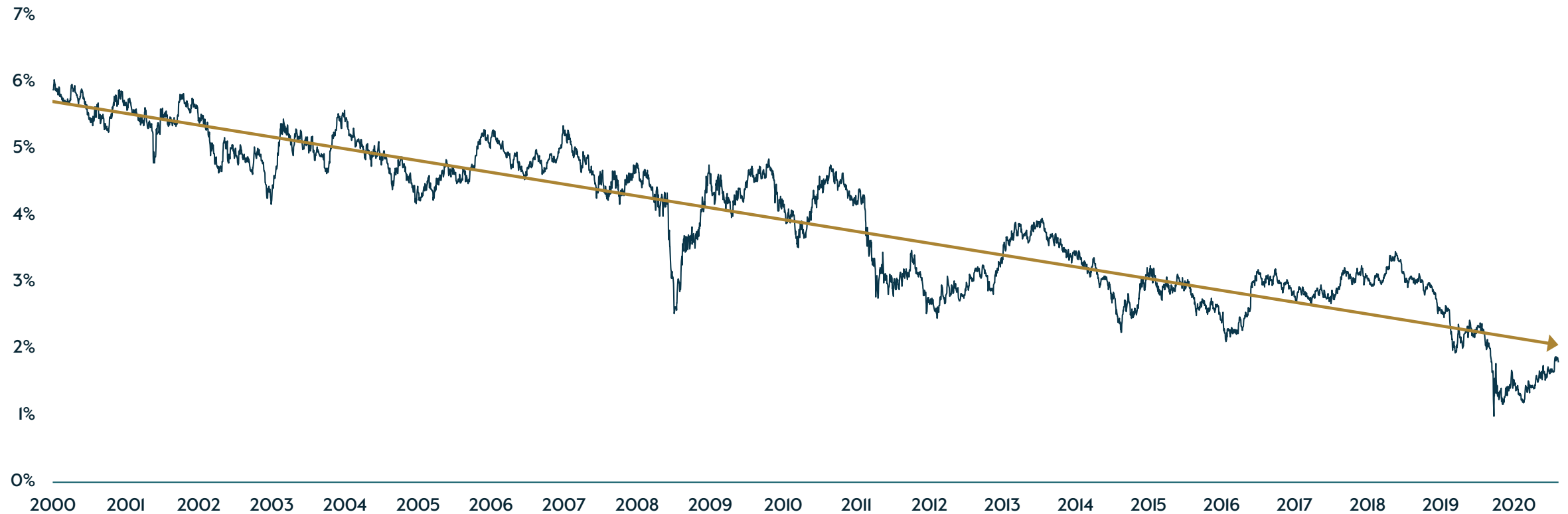
AUM (\$ TRILLIONS)



Source: Preqin.

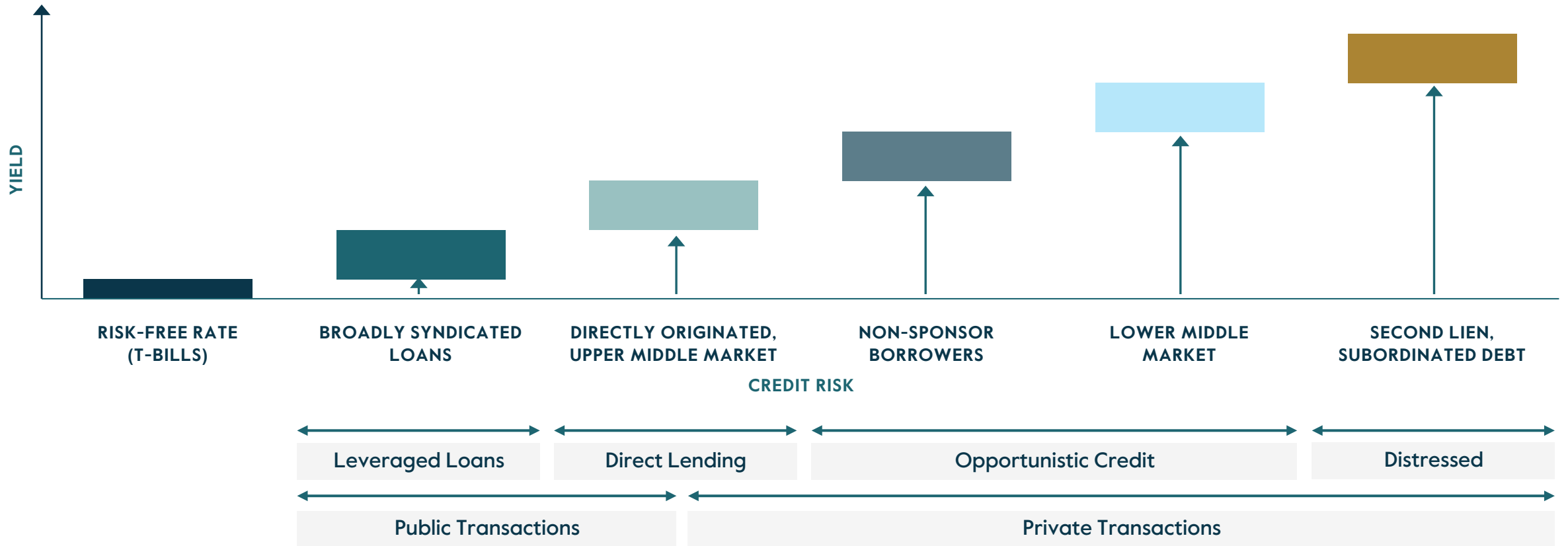
Market Yields Have Declined for Decades to Near Historic Lows...

30-YEAR US TREASURY BOND YIELD



Sources: S&P Global Market Intelligence, 30 Year US T-Bond Rate. Sourced as of 1/25/21. There is no guarantee these trends will continue.

...Private Credit Offers Solutions for Investors Seeking Yield



Note: Presented for illustrative purposes only. No assurance is given that Global Credit segment investments' actual returns will correspond to such illustrative market returns.

We Leverage Carlyle's Strengths...



OneCarlyle

DEDICATED DILIGENCE
TEAMS

~255+ GPE PORTFOLIO
COMPANIES

50+ IN-HOUSE OPERATING
EXECUTIVES

CAPITAL MARKETS TEAM

Source: The Carlyle Group. Presented for illustrative purposes only. References to Operating Executives refers collectively to Carlyle Operating Executives, Senior Advisors, Operating Advisors & other consultants who are involved in portfolio company value creation. Operating Executives are consultants who are not considered Carlyle personnel. Certain communications between Global Credit and other investment professionals may be restricted by internal information barriers. References to portfolio companies are presented for illustrative purposes only and are not a recommendation for any particular company or security.

...And Our Significant Global Credit Platform Resources...

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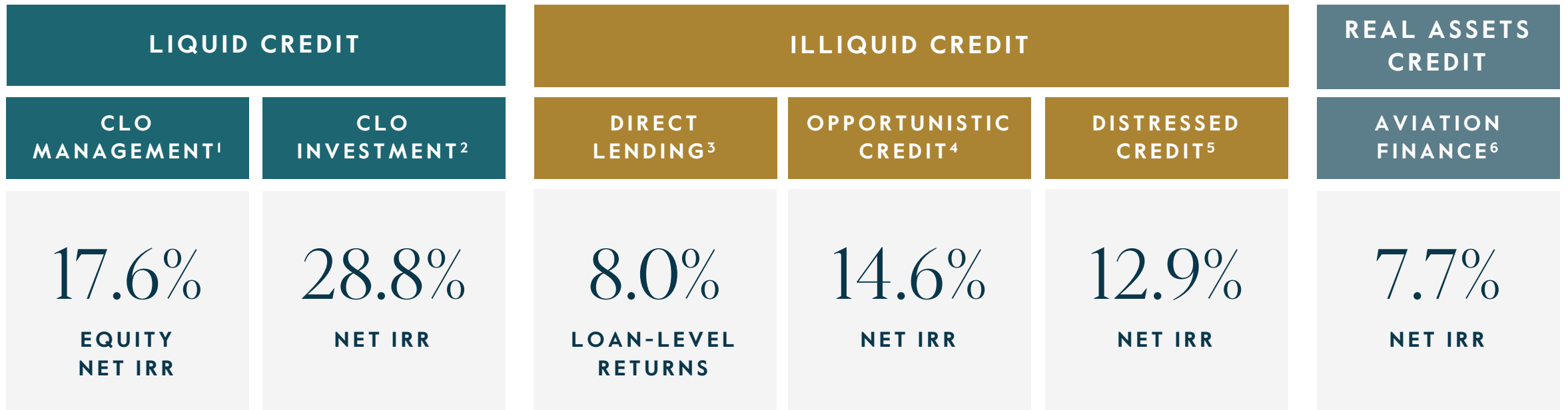


- ✓ Invested in ~700 credits at any given time
- ✓ Close on less than 5% of originations
- ✓ Achieved 1.1% avg. default rate vs 3.4% for the loan index in our US CLO business¹
- ✓ Raised \$10.1 billion in 2020 from a diverse group of LPs

Note: Presented for illustrative purposes only.

(1) Internal Carlyle calculations, the S&P/LSTA Leveraged Loan Index. Carlyle US aggregate returns include returns on loans in US cash flow CLOs since the inception of the first CLO in May 1999; compared with the S&P/LSTA Leveraged Loan Index.

...To Deliver Attractive Investment Performance

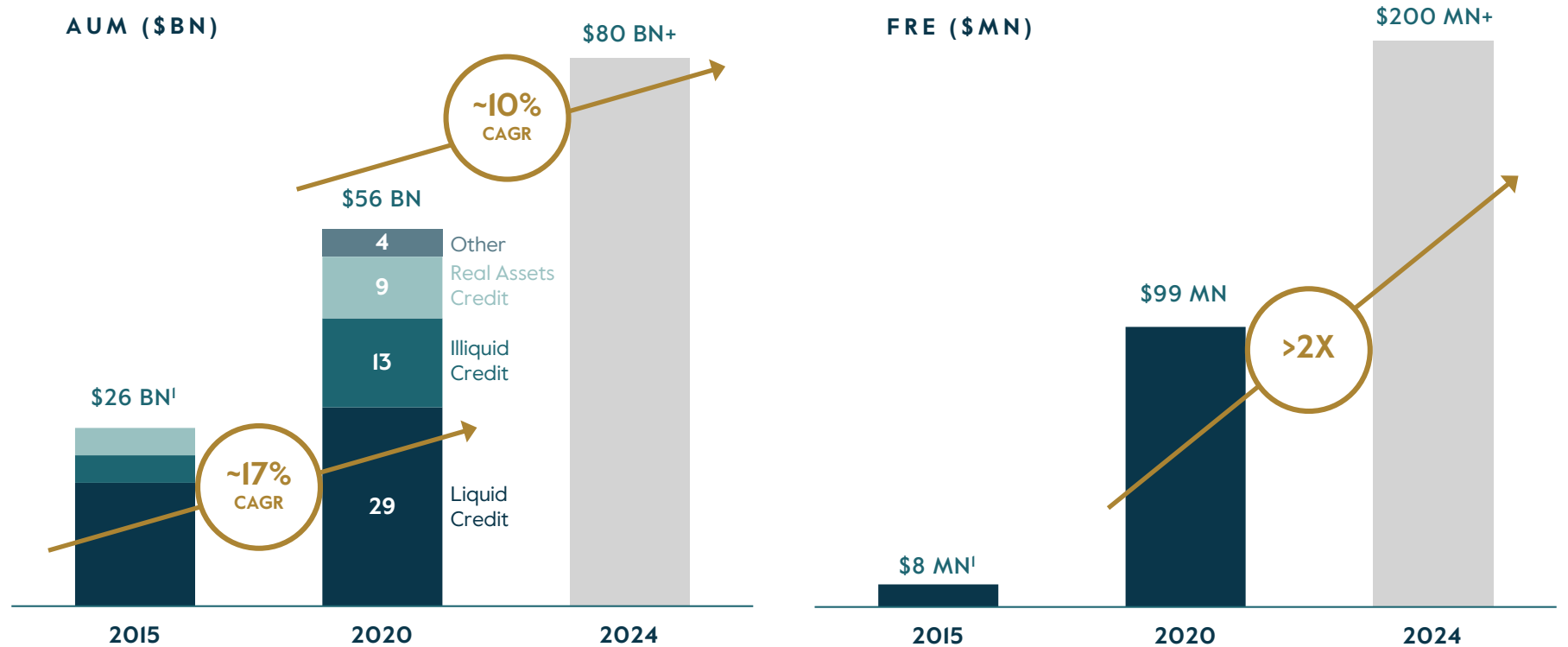


Note: Represents select historical returns for ongoing strategies over the period during which each strategy has been active. Does not include returns for our cross-platform, insurance solutions or capital markets businesses. No assurance is given that Global Credit segment investments' actual future returns will correspond to such performance.
*Please refer to Endnotes for detailed information relating to the metrics and data contained on this slide.

We Are Well Positioned to Grow Our Platform & Earnings

CARLYLE GLOBAL CREDIT

- ✓ Increasing AUM
- ✓ Increasing FRE
- ✓ Increasing scale
- ✓ Increasing margin



Source: Preqin.

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Endnotes

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Note: Past performance is not a guarantee of future results.

- (1) US CLO Equity net IRR December 1999-December 2020. The historical performance shown above is for all realized structured credit funds managed by Carlyle, excluding the funds acquired past their reinvestment periods.
- (2) Combined CHYP 2008-I net IRR December 2007-September 2011 and CSC net IRR February 2017-December 2020.
- (3) Annualized returns over the past five years from January 2016-December 2020. Loan Level Returns include all interest, fee income, OID accretion/acceleration and realized/unrealized losses. Returns exclude 3rd party CLO investing and equity investments.
- (4) CCOF net IRR November 2017-December 2020.
- (5) CSP net IRR October 2004-December 2020. Combined IRR of CSP I, II, III, IV.
- (6) Net realized and unrealized IRR for SASOF I, II, III, IV, as well as managed accounts and other investment vehicles from March 2004 to December 2020. Net realized and unrealized IRR is calculated by aggregating realized IRR and unrealized IRR. The unrealized IRR component is based on the Net Asset Value as of the measurement date. IRR refers to internal rate of return, meaning the aggregate, compound, annual internal rate of return on investments. IRR is calculated using the "XIRR" function in Microsoft Excel. In Microsoft Excel, the "XIRR" function differs from the "IRR" function in that the "XIRR" function solves for irregular payment intervals. All IRR calculations in this Part II include the aggregate invested capital, and are net of costs and expenses attributable to all investments (including realized investments, partially realized investments, and unrealized investments) comprising an Investment Platform. For each Investment Platform other than Tribeca and AAC Trading Pool, IRRs are calculated on the basis of monthly investment inflows and outflows by/to investors in respect of portfolio investments, and for Tribeca and AAC Trading Pool, IRRs are calculated on the basis of monthly investment inflows by investors and outflows are calculated on the date of outflows in respect of portfolio investments to the applicable Investment Platform and, therefore, does not necessarily match the dates of cash flows to investors. In certain instances one or more of the Investment Platforms may have used and/or will use a fund line of credit to fund the initial purchase of a portfolio investment; however, for purposes of performance returns, the month in which the capital was utilized to repay the line of credit is the date used in the IRR calculation. This may cause the IRR of an Investment Platform to be higher than if the date of the actual investment utilizing the line of credit were used.