

Arini Announces Pricing of Debut US CLO at \$400.6 Million

Inaugural US offering brings global CLO AUM to more than \$2.5 billion

New York, NY – April 15, 2025 – Arini, a leading alternative credit manager with \$8.2 billion in assets under management, today announces the successful pricing of Arini US CLO I, \$400.63 million new-issue US Collateralized Loan Obligation (CLO). The transaction represents Arini's first US CLO issuance and the firm's sixth CLO globally since 2023, bringing total CLO AUM to more than \$2.5 billion.

Arini US CLO I, which will invest in a diversified portfolio of US broadly syndicated senior-secured loans, received strong investor demand across the capital structure and achieved favorable debut pricing of SOFR + 150bps across its AAA tranche. Goldman Sachs acted as arranger for the transaction.

The pricing of US CLO I also marks the formal launch of Arini's US CLO franchise and creation of the firm's global CLO platform. Mehdi Kashani, Head of Structured Credit, will oversee the global CLO platform, and Jonathan Abramson, US CLO Portfolio Manager, will be responsible for portfolio management for US issuances.

Arini's US CLO management franchise will follow the same established investment strategy that has allowed the firm's European CLO platform to deliver strong performance and quickly scale since inception in 2023. Arini's CLO investment approach combines fundamental credit analysis, supported by the firm's experienced global team of sector analysts, with strong quantitative and risk processes.

Mehdi Kashani, Head of Structured Credit at Arini, said: "We are pleased to announce the pricing of our inaugural US CLO and are delighted with the strong demand the issuance has been met with by a range of sophisticated institutional investors. The deal represents the first step towards us replicating in the US our position in Europe, where we have quickly established ourselves as a consistent issuer and key contributor to the European CLO market."

"Our debut CLO in the US is a significant milestone for Arini," added Hamza Lemssouguer, Founder and Chief Investment Officer at Arini. "The transaction builds on our growing physical presence in North America and the launch of our first dedicated US product offering further strengthens our knowledge and understanding of global credit markets, better informing our capital allocation and risk management."



Notes to Editors:

About Arini

Headquartered in London, Arini Capital Management Limited is a specialized alternative credit manager with a diverse credit investment offering across public and private credit, supported by a highly sophisticated institutional investor base across the globe. Arini was founded in 2021 as an independent alternative credit firm with an approach rooted in fundamental credit analysis, Arini manages \$8.2 billion as of March 31, 2025, across a range of strategies, including long/short credit, structured credit, opportunistic credit and direct lending. Arini's experienced team primarily focuses on European credit markets, which are defined by complex legal and regulatory structures. Learn more at www.arini.com.

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