**Boussard & Gavaudan Holding Limited**

 **(the “Company”)**

**a closed-ended investment company incorporated with limited liability under the laws of Guernsey with registration number 45582**

Legal Entity Identifier: 5493002XNM3W9D6DF327

**Proposed Managed Wind-Down of the Company**

As set out in the shareholder circular published by the Company on 8 October 2019, the Company's board of directors (the "**Board**") is required to propose a resolution on the future of the Company at its upcoming annual general meeting to be held on 28 September 2023 (the "**AGM**").

After extensive consultation with its investment manager, Boussard & Gavaudan Investment Management LLP ("**BGIM**") and its advisers and certain shareholders, the Board has decided to put forward proposals for a managed wind-down of the Company (the "**Managed Wind-Down**"). For administrative convenience, these proposals will be presented to shareholders at a separate extraordinary general meeting of the Company (the "**EGM**") to be held on 28 September 2023 immediately following the completion of the AGM. A shareholder circular containing further details on the proposals, the Board's rationale for making the proposals, and convening the EGM is expected to be published by the end of August 2023.

Approval of the Managed Wind-Down will not result in an immediate liquidation of the Company. Instead, the Board intends to work with BGIM to effect an orderly realisation of the Company's underlying assets in a manner consistent with the liquidity of the Company's portfolio. The Board expects the orderly realisation to be completed by the end of 2024, at which point the net realisation proceeds will be paid to shareholders.

The Board intends to provide shareholders with the opportunity to either: (i) rollover their investment into a separate private investment fund managed by BGIM, subject to eligibility requirements (the "**Rollover**"); or (ii) receive cash pursuant to a full cash exit for shareholders that do not wish to, or cannot participate in, the Rollover (the "**Cash Exit**"). The Board intends that the costs of the proposals will be borne equally by all shareholders (whether electing for the Rollover or a Cash Exit). As such, both the Rollover and the Cash Exit will be effected by reference to the latest announced NAV per share as at the completion of the orderly realisation.

The Board intends to maintain the Company's listing during the realisation period and will seek to de-list the Company and enter the Company into liquidation shortly following the completion of the Rollover and the Cash Exit. A shareholder circular containing further details on the proposed Rollover, together with election forms for eligible shareholders wishing to participate in the Rollover, is expected to be published in the second half of 2024.

Mr Emmanuel Gavaudan, who holds 15.92% of the Company's issued share capital as at the date of this announcement, has informed the Board that he intends to vote in favour of the Managed Wind-Down.

The person responsible for arranging for the release of this announcement on behalf of the Company is Guillaume Vinatier, General Counsel of Boussard & Gavaudan Investment Management LLP.

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