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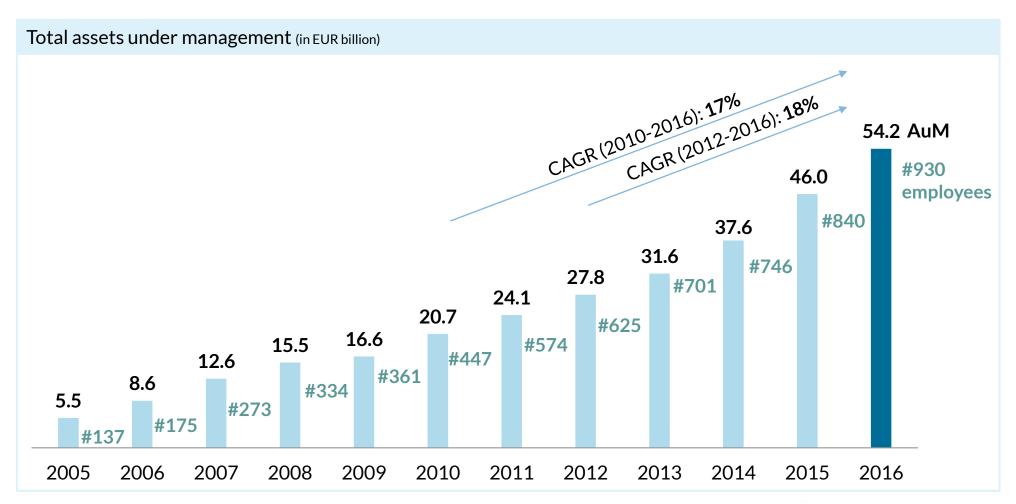


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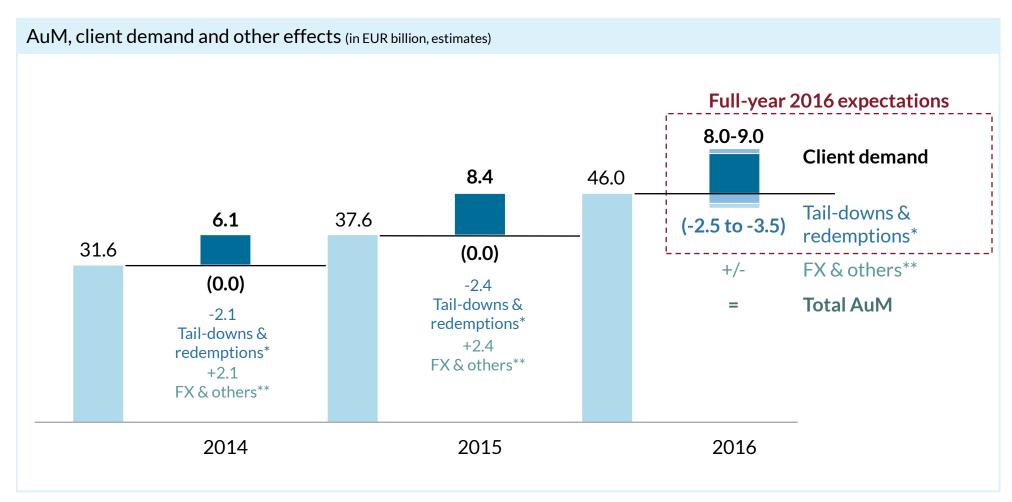


# Sustained growth in AuM over the last decade, in line with growth of employees





# Review: communicated expected bandwidth of gross client demand 2016



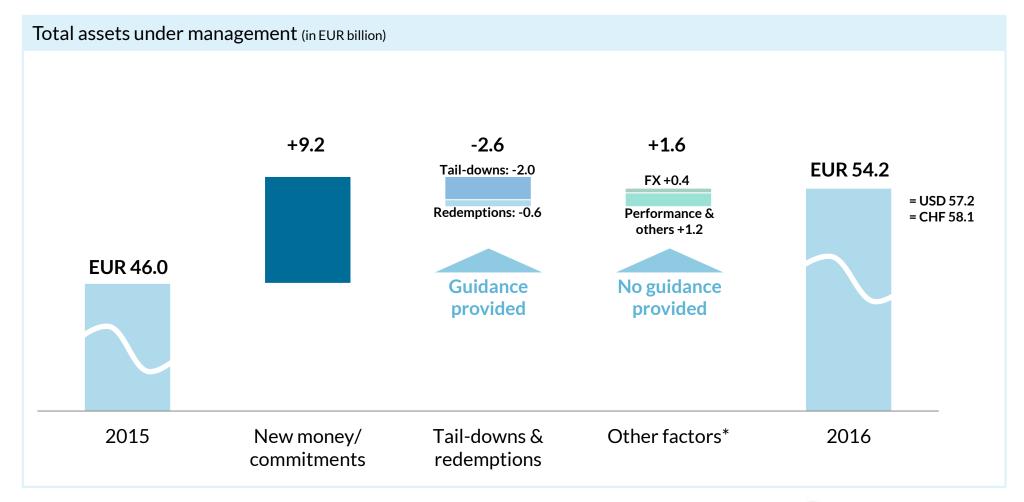
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# 18% net AuM growth in 2016





# Client demand spread across all asset classes...

### Assets under management development 2016<sup>1</sup> (in EUR million)

EUR	AuM 2015	2016 New money/ commitments	2016 Other factors**	
Private equity	26'353	4'302	-664	29'992
Private real estate	8'370	530	-42	8'857
Private debt	6'243	2'539	-150	8'633
Private infrastructure	5'031	1'803	-142	6'691
Total private markets*	45'997	9'175	-998	54'173

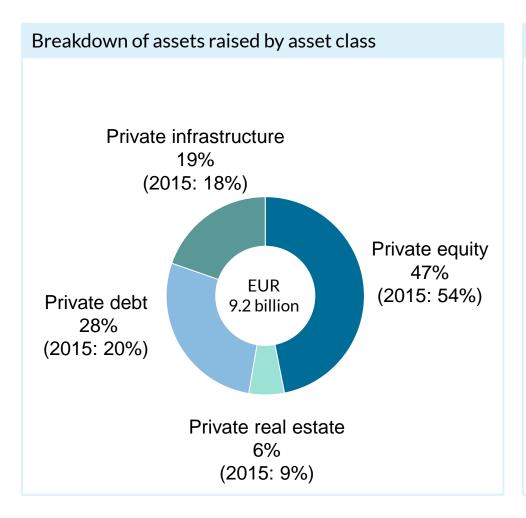


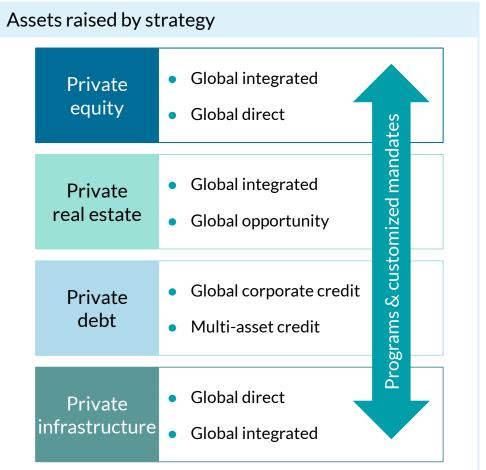
<sup>1</sup> AuM of a select number of open-ended and multi-asset programs were re-allocated based on their defined target allocations to a respective asset class.

 $<sup>{}^*</sup> Including \ respective \ listed \ investments \ and \ absolute \ return \ investments.$ 

 $<sup>\</sup>hbox{**Other factors consist of tail-downs, redemptions, currency effects, performance, investment program changes and other effects.}$ 

# ...driven by both program offerings and customized mandate solutions

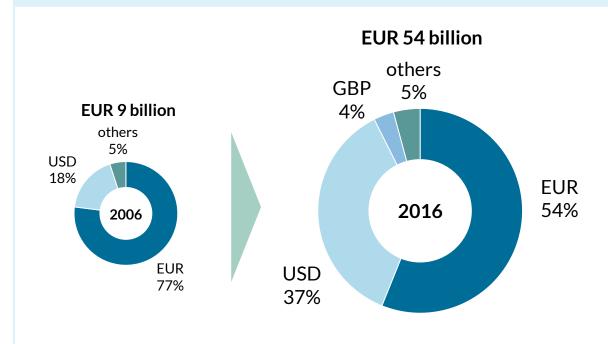






# AuM by currency exposure

### Currency exposure



- Broadened client base globally
- Further diversified away from EURdenominated investment programs
- Larger global mandates in local currencies
- Limited exposure to GBPdenominated commitments

Currency exposure expected to diversify further as the business grows



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# Partners Group 2016 investment platform overview

### Investment platform update

- More than 650 private markets professionals globally
- Over 900 total employees
- USD 11.7 billion invested in private markets opportunities on behalf of our clients
  - 3'794 direct opportunities screened
    - USD 4.4 billion invested in 33 assets
    - USD 3.2 billion invested in 41 credits
  - USD 129 billion screened on the secondary market and USD 1.8 billion invested
  - USD 2.3 billion invested with select best-in-class managers in the private markets industry
- Opening of Denver and Manila office





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# Continued significant deal flow in 2016

### First screenings in 2016

	Directs	Secondaries	Primaries
Private equity	1'168	USD 82 billion	269
Private debt	476	n/a	2
Private real estate	1'448	USD 36 billion	249
Private infrastructure	702	USD 12 billion	88
Total screened	3'794	USD 129 billion	608
Executed	USD 7.6 billion 74 transactions*	USD 1.8 billion 25 transactions	USD 2.3 billion 49 commitments

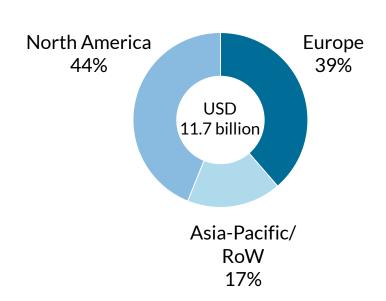
<sup>\*</sup>Includes 41 credits amounting to USD 3.2bn.

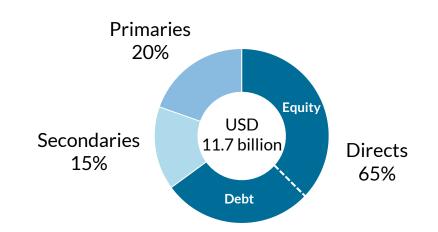


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# Private markets investment activities in 2016 across the globe and all asset classes

### Private markets investments during 2016







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### Partners Group's current core economic views

### Challenging road for global growth



- US economy expanding at modest yet steady pace
- Eurozone growth improving modestly; uncertainties due to upcoming elections
- Emerging markets growth stabilizing; but remaining below pre-crisis levels and potential

Advanced world slow but solid, many EMs on slow growth path...

### Risk of rising rates



- Continued low target rates environment globally
- ECB and BoJ remain expansionary but with little effectiveness
- Rising US rates and political risk may result in diminishing valuations and higher volatility

... more downside risk than upside potential for capital markets...

### Focus on stability & value-add



- Focus on stable assets that are less sensitive to valuation swings
- Value-add opportunities enhance returns and protect against multiple contraction
- Use periods of volatility to enter compelling investment propositions

... sourcing and value-add capabilities key to success



## Key investment strategies: private equity

### **Private equity**

- Platform companies acquire companies and support add-on acquisitions for platform build-out
- Category winners companies that are leaders in their industry in terms of market share or growth
- Defensive leaders niche leaders with strong defensive capabilities

### Platform company: Foncia





**Industry:** Business services

**Asset:** ~1.6m dwellings under management,

>500 branches, operations in 4 countries

**Headquarters:** Paris, France

**Investment date:** September 2016

#### Trend-based tailwinds:

Increasing administrative complexity and regulatory requirements drive sector consolidation

#### Investment rationale:

- Clear market leader with significant scale and presence
- Highly resilient business model

- Optimize cross-selling across segments, further digitalization, reduce customer churn and strengthen pricing initiatives
- Further consolidate the highly fragmented French market and leverage own network to accelerate Foncia's international roll-out in Switzerland, Germany and Belgium



## Key investment strategies: private debt

#### Private debt

- Creative structures offer flexible and tailor-made capital structures
- Niche markets find resilient companies in niche markets offering premium products/services for their clients

Buy-and-build strategies – support successful sponsors by providing add-on acquisition financing

#### **Creative structures: SAI Global**



**Industry:** Information services

**Asset:** Leading global provider of risk management

products and services with >2'000

employees in 29 countries

**Headquarters:** Sydney, Australia

**Investment date:** December 2016

#### Trend-based tailwinds:

 Corporate requirements to comply with global and regional laws, regulations or industry guidelines

#### **Investment rationale:**

- Leading market position across a diverse range of business lines and customer base (over ~100,000 customers)
- ~60% of revenues are recurring through annuity-based subscriptions providing significant earnings visibility

- Support global expansion of business with flexible crossborder financing denominated in local currency
- Offering of a reliable subordinated financing solution



### Key investment strategies: private real estate

# Private real estate

- Buy below replacement cost reposition assets with low valuations in rebounding markets
- Buy, fix and sell target older assets in good locations in need of owner-oriented asset management
- Develop core selectively develop properties in markets with strong long-term fundamentals

### Buy, fix and sell: Riata Corporate Park



**Property type:** Office properties

**Asset:** A 688'432 sqft class A, 8-building office

park with additional development rights

**Location:** Austin, TX, USA

**Investment date:** April 2016

#### Trend-based tailwinds:

 Low costs and high quality of life are making Austin a tech hub and one of the fastest growing cities in the US

#### Investment rationale:

- Quality property in a strong location
- Potential to increase occupancy and rental levels in line with the market

- Improvements to existing vacant space
- Lease-up and increase rents to market



### Key investment strategies: private infrastructure

# Private infrastructure

- Value enhancement potential enhance operational value with growth and efficiency improvements
- Transformative growth focus on specific types of infrastructure supported by strong fundamentals
- Market-leading platforms build scale in fragmented markets with potential for consolidation

### Transformative growth: Axia NetMedia



**Industry:** Communication infrastructure

**Asset:** Developer, owner and operator of data

networks with ~26'000 km of high-speed

fiber networks

**Locations:** Canada: France

**Investment date:** July 2016

#### Trend-based tailwinds:

 Demand for high speed broadband connectivity is projected to rise materially and stay resilient through economic cycles

#### Investment rationale:

- Existing operations in North America and France with largely regulated tariffs and monopolistic position secured through long-term concessions and high barriers to entry
- Highly fragmented market offers add-on opportunities,
  illustrated by recent acquisition of a smaller French operator

- Strategic add-on acquisitions and growth capital for FTTP\* build-out
- Support companies in optimizing financing



## 2016 realization and partial realization examples

### Private equity

VAT Group AG1



Leading developer and manufacturer of high-end vacuum valves

MultiPlan



US' largest healthcare cost management company

Private debt

Plantasjen ASA

**PLANTASJEN**。

Norwegian garden outlet chain with operations across Europe

SkinnyPop



US provider of premium snacks and ready-to-eat popcorn

#### Private real estate

Project Ohio Multifamily, US



A class B apartment property located in Cincinnati, Ohio

Nob Hill Square, Hong Kong



A retail center in Kowloon West, Hong Kong Private infrastructure

**Carlsbad Desalination** 



Desalination plant in San Diego, California **Arcus European Infrastructure** 



European brownfield infrastructure portfolio (secondary)

### USD 10 billion gross portfolio distributions in 2016<sup>2</sup>

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# Focus topics 2017

### Fundraising strategies

Private equity

- Global directs
- Global integrated

Private debt

- Global credit opportunities
- Middle market senior loans

Private real estate

- Tail-end secondaries
- Global real estate opportunities

Private infrastructure

- Global directs
- Global integrated

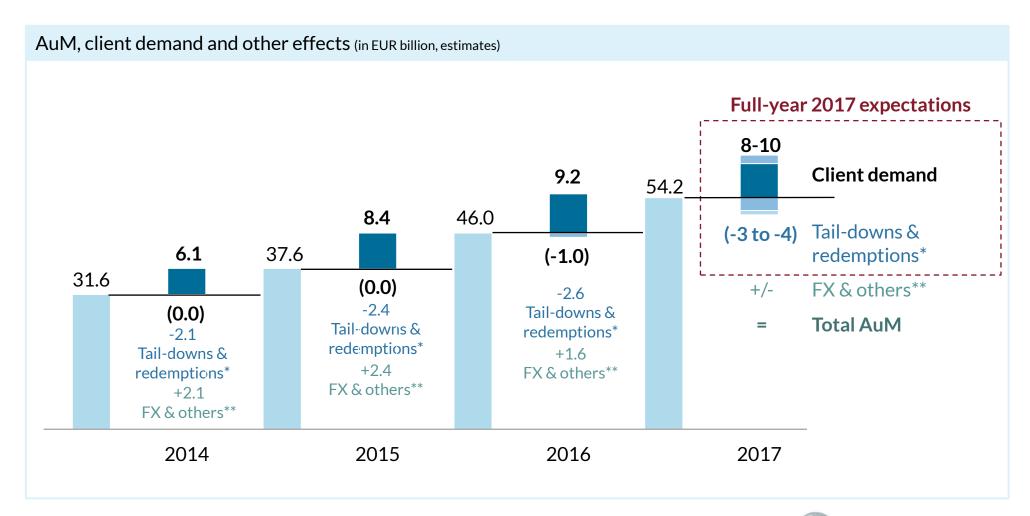
Mandates

Standard & customized programs



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# Expected gross client demand in 2017



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