# **Helios Underwriting PLC**

**Unlocking Access to High Quality Insurance Risk** 

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# **Executive Summary**

### Positioned to benefit from excellent market conditions and a spread portfolio of quality Lloyd's syndicates

### Helios at a glance

- Helios is an investment vehicle which builds shareholder value through participation in the Lloyd's market
- Helios has curated a diversified and volatility-managed portfolio, comprised of capacity in some of the best performing syndicates at Lloyd's
- A capital efficient business, providing investors with a return uncorrelated to equity markets.

### The Market Opportunity

- The hardening insurance cycle is driving the best market conditions seen in 20 years and Helios is extremely well positioned to benefit from it...
- ...while the rising interest rate environment provides a further benefit for Helios to deliver a strong RoE for investors

### **Financial Performance**

- Total Capacity of £507mm<sup>1</sup> (£310m in FY23), a Combined Ratio of 86% (96.4% in FY22) and Net Tangible Asset per share of £1.89 (£1.51 in FY21)
- Increase in the value of the "Freehold Capacity" portfolio representing an 11.9% increase in the Net Asset Value per share
- Net Asset Value as at 31/12/23 £1.89p per share
- Base dividend doubled to 6p per share for 2024
- Aggregate return of capital to shareholders in 2023 and 2024 of 19p per share
- Issued A- Rated debt to raise \$75m in Dec 23 to support the underwriting capital for the future growth of Helios retained capacity

# **2024 Helios Capacity Fund – Portfolio Metrics**





- Helios' total gross capacity is expected to grow from £311m to £502m by the end of 2024, a 61% increase, achieved through growth beyond pre-emptions in several syndicates and the addition of 8 new syndicates.
- The projected NCOR stands at 89%, which is 6% lower than Lloyd's forecast.
- Diversification has been increased by the addition of more syndicates, an increase in risk types, and expansion into new geographical areas (e.g. Australia).
- 20% of capacity of the portfolio is exposed to Natural Catastrophe events such as hurricanes, earthquakes and flooding
- The expected "large loss" from a series of events in a calendar year the aggregate of the portfolio share of the output from modelling undertaken by each syndicate is an expected impact on the profitability of the portfolio of 17% of capacity.



# The 2024 bedrock: Portfolio Characteristics

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Capacity	Syndicates	Classes of Risk
<ul><li>Freehold Capacity 35%</li><li>ECA per Capacity 40%</li></ul>	<ul> <li>Largest capacity on any syndicate is £32.7m (7% of overall capacity)</li> <li>Largest capacity on any syndicate with less than 3 years trading is £25m (5% of overall capacity)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>60% short tail and 40% long tail</li> <li>80% insurance and 20% reinsurance</li> <li>Cyber represents 10% of the portfolio</li> </ul>
Forecast Profitability – 2024 YOA	Largest capacity on any new syndicate	Current COB mix is shown below, but     the target percentage for each close of
<ul><li>Net Combined Ratio 89%</li><li>Return on Capital 31%</li></ul>	<ul><li>is £12.5m (2% of overall capacity)</li><li>Split by maturity and quartile is are shown below:</li></ul>	the target percentage for each class of business will be set using the risk code analysis carried out in Q1
NCOR distribution is show below		
Below 80%, 10%	Less than 3 years, 23%Established Syndicate, 68%New, 9%	Property (D&F), 22% Casualty Other, 19%
91% to 95%, 48% 81% to 90%, 36% 8%	Second First Fourth Quartile, Quartile, Cuartile, Cuarti	Speci Other, Aviati
ESG	26% 24% 23% Quarti	Marine, 9% 6% 5%
<ul> <li>Limited appetite for syndicates which insure coal-related assets or environmentally unfriendly</li> </ul>	• 20% of claims are Nat Cat	Casualty Property Ener

• Largest RDS per Capacity is 17%

FinPro, 19%

Treaty, 9%



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### **Growth in Capacity Portfolio**



### New syndicate participations have contributed £196m of capacity since 2022

The syndicates in the 2022 portfolio currently comprise 60% of £507m portfolio (established syndicates)

The other three categories are:

- New start syndicates 16% of the portfolio
- Established syndicates writing a composite portfolio new to the capacity fund 9%
- New syndicates where the portfolios underwritten have been transferred from an MGA and have a successful track record - 15%



### **Summary Income Statement**

	Year to 31st Decer	nber	
	2023	2022	
Underwriting profits	£000's 31,560	£000's 118	
Other Income			
Fees from reinsurers	1,408	562	
Amortisation of Goodwill	619	1,249	
Investment income	2,103	647	
Total Other Income Costs	4,130	2,458	
Pre - acquisition	(494)	(46)	
Stop loss costs	(4,138)	(1,262)	
Operating costs	(8,353)	(5,220)	
Total Costs	(12,986)	(6,528)	
Profit for the year	22,704	(3,952)	
Тах	(6,334)	1,852	
Revaluation of Syndicate capacity	17,987	2,670	
Deferred corporation tax	(4,497)	(668)	
Total Comprehensive Income	29,860	(98)	
Earnings per share for profit/(loss)			
Basic	21.56p	-3.08p	
Diluted	20.85p	-3.03p	
Return on Capital	Tangible Assets	Capacity	Total
Net Profit	22,704	17,987	40,691
Тах	(6,334)	(4,497)	(10,831)
After Tax Profit	16,370	13,490	29,860
Net Assets	77,801	62,300	140,101
Return on Capital	21%	22%	21%

- Significant increase in profitability
- Underwriting profitability reflecting market conditions and growth of the retained capacity
- Dividend payable of 6p per share (2022 3p per share)



# Underwriting Results to 31st December 2023

Portfolio underwriting result - 2023						
	2021	2022	2023	Total	Increase	
Portfolio capacity by underwriting year £m	157.3	245.2	310.8		98%	
Gross Underwriting result £m	4.6	21.6	5.9	32.1		
Investment Income £m	5.2	3.6	1.8	10.6		
Portfolio result by underwriting year £m	9.8	25.3	7.7	42.7		
Gross Result as % of capacity	5.9%	10.3%	2.5%			
Retained capacity	105.8	184.5	244.5		131%	
Helios retained %	67%	75%	79%			
– Helios share of the portfolio result £m	6.8	19.0	6.0	31.6		

#### Commentary

- Gross U/ wing result £32.1m 2022 £
- Investment return of 4.7% 2022 \*\*%
- 2023 YOA a profit of 2.5% 2022 YOA at 12 months – loss 4.0%

As a % of Capacity	2021	2022	2023
Portfolio Profits / (losses) Bought forward	0.9%	-4.0%	
Portfolio Profits earned in the year	5.9%	10.4%	2.7%
Final Result / Cumulative Profits earned to date	6.8%	6.5%	2.7%
Final result / Mid- point estimates as at 31/12/23	6.8%	8.1%	12.0%

#### 2023 Helios Calendar Year Net Combined Ratio Analysis

	Total	New Syndicates	Established Syndicates	Freehold	Tenancy
Capacity %		11.2%	88.8%	62.3%	37.7%
Net claims	49.4%	55.1%	48.9%	48.1%	51.4%
Acq Ratio	25.8%	25.4%	25.9%	26.6%	24.6%
NCOR	85.8%	97.1%	84.8%	85.9%	85.6%
Result £m*	42.7	1.1	41.6	28.2	14.5

- 2021 YOA improves by 5.9% in 2023
- 2022 YOA profits earned of 10.4% in 2023
- 2022 YOA pipeline profits of 1.6% £3m
- 2023 YOA pipeline profits of 9.3%- £23m



# **Income and Expense Analysis - 31st December 2023**

2023	2022
£'000	£'000
1,408	562
0	33
619	1,216
2,103	647
4,130	2,458
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#### Commentary

Profit commission on quota share - £1m recognized

	2023	2022	Investment	Yield
Financial investments & Investment Income			return	
	£'000	£'000	£'000	
Syndicate investment assets	217,444	152,242	10,373	4.77%
Group investment assets	70,754	73,771	2,103	2.97%
	288,198	226,013	12,476	4.33%

#### Commentary

• Increased yields benefitted returns

- Currently invested in short duration government bonds
- Syndicate investment assets increased by 42%

Total Costs	2023 £'000	2022 £'000
Pre-acquisition	494	46
Portfolio Stop Loss	2,561	1,002
Portfolio Funds at Lloyd's Financing	3,112	1,446
Operating costs	6,818	4,033
Total costs	12,985	6,527

- 2023 cash cost of £3m for the stop loss are amortized over two years
- Portfolio Funds at Lloyds Financing comprises Excess of Loss reinsurance and a bank facility. Bank facility of £15m was repaid in December 2023.
- Operating costs have increased from bonus accrual of £1.25m, increased FX charge of £0.8m and investment in additional staff of £0.5m



# **Capacity Revaluation**

	Freehold Capacity	Value of Capacity	Value per £ of Capacity	
	£m	£m		
Capacity Value at 31 Dec 2022	147.3	60.0	0.41	
Capacity acquired with LLV's in 2023	7.4	3.5		
Value of pre-emption capacity	14.7	7.0		
Acquisition of capacity in the capacity auction	6.5	0.4		
Increase in portfolio value	-	11.5		
Capacity Value as at 31 Dec 2023	175.9	82.4	0.47	15% Increase
Deferred Tax provision		20.1		
Capacity value net of deferred tax		62.3		
% of net assets		45%		

Impact on Net Asset Value	£m
Value of pre-emption capacity	7.0
Increase in portfolio value	11.5
	18.5
Deferred Tax provision - 25%	-4.6
Net Increase in Tangible Net Assets	13.9
Number of shares in Issue	74.2
Increase in Net Asset Value per share	18.7

- Capacity value represents 45% of net assets
- Further pre-emptions capacity value increases are expected



### Balance Sheet –as at 31 December 2023

	Year to 31st December 2023	Year to 31st December 2022
Intangible Assets	82,117	59,376
Funds at Lloyds	70,754	73,771
Other cash	40,913	10,254
Other assets	4,876	6,909
Total assets	198,660	150,310
Deferred tax	22,277	11,228
Borrowings	59,055	15,000
Other liabilities	12,081	3,839
Total liabilities	93,413	30,067
Syndicate equity	34,854	(5,123)
Total equity _	140,101	115,120
Asset Value Calculation – Unsecured Loan No	tes	
Net Assets	140,101	115,120
Add Total Debt	59,055	15,000
Add Deferred Tax on Intangible	20,138	14,139
	219,294	144,259
Debt to Asset Ratio	27%	10%

#### Terms of Unsecured Loan Notes

- Principal of \$75m
- 9.5% Fixed Coupon
- 7 year term early repayment possible after year 4
- A- Rating by KBRA
- Debt to Asset Ratio to be below 40%



# **Return of Capital to Shareholders**

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	2023		2	2024	Total		
	£m	Pence per share	£m	Pence per share	£m	Pence per share	
Share buy back - Actual	3.2	4	0.8	1	4.0	5	
Further share buy back - 5p per share			3.7	5	3.7	5	
Dividend - base 3p	2.3	3			2.3	3	
Dividend - base 6p Proposed			4.5	6	4.5	6	
TOTAL	5.5	7	9.0	12	14.5	19	

• Base dividend of 6p to approved at the AGM

• Further buy back of shares of up to £3.7m / 5p per share

 Buy back of shares in 2023 at an average price £1.42p per share enhancing shareholder value

# **Capital Position – 2024 Year of Account**

Underwriting capital by underwriting year	2023 £m	<b>2022</b> £m
Quota Share reinsurers	31.3	27.8
Excess of loss funds at Lloyd's	25.8	41.2
Helios own funds	69.9	60.4
Solvency and other adjustments	47.0	0.7
Total	173.7	129.1
Current YOA Capacity	507.1	310.8
Economic capital requirement*	172.0	127.8
Capital Ratio	35%	41%
$m{*}$ Includes the capital requirement for Third Party capital		

- Capital ratio of 35% is reduced by the growth of the portfolio
- This is expected to increase in the future as the reserving risk is fully reflected
- Solvency credits have increased as syndicate profits have been recognised
- Helios retained capacity £378m funded by £70m of Helios own FAL 5x multiple



# **Summary of Investment Highlights**



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