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PROSPECTUS SUPPLEMENT

(to Prospectus dated July 6, 2016)

4,000,000 Shares

Solar Senior Capital Ltd.

Common Stock

We are an externally managed finance company. Our investment objective is to seek to maximize current income consistent with the preservation of capital. We seek to achieve our investment objective by investing primarily in senior secured loans, including first lien, unitranche, and second lien debt instruments, made to private middle-market companies whose debt is rated below investment grade, which we refer to collectively as senior loans. We may also invest in debt of public companies that are thinly traded or in equity securities. Under normal market conditions, at least 80% of the value of our net assets (including the amount of any borrowings for investment purposes) will be invested in senior loans. Securities rated below investment grade, including the senior loans we target, are often referred to as leveraged loans, high yield or junk securities, and may be considered high risk compared to debt instruments that are rated above investment grade. In addition, some of our debt investments are not scheduled to fully amortize over their stated terms, which could cause us to suffer losses if the respective issuer of such debt investment is unable to refinance or repay their remaining indebtedness at maturity.

We were formed in December 2010 as a Maryland corporation structured as an externally managed, non-diversified closed-end management investment company. We have elected to be treated as a business development company under the Investment Company Act of 1940, or the 1940 Act. We are managed by Solar Capital Partners, LLC (the Investment Adviser). Solar Capital Management, LLC provides the administrative services necessary for us to operate.

The underwriters have agreed to purchase 4,000,000 shares from the Company. We have granted the underwriters a 30-day option to purchase up to 600,000 additional shares of our common stock at the public offering price, less underwriting discounts and commissions.

Our common stock is listed on the NASDAQ Global Select Market under the symbol SUNS. On September 6, 2016, the last reported sales price on the NASDAQ Global Select Market for our common stock was \$16.92 per share.

This prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus contain important information about us that a prospective investor should know before investing in our common stock. Please read this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus before investing and keep it for future reference. We are required to file annual, quarterly and current reports, proxy statements and other information about us with the Securities and Exchange Commission. This information is available free of charge by contacting us by mail at 500 Park Avenue, New York, NY 10022, by telephone at (212) 993-1670 or on our website at *http://www.solarseniorcap.com*. The Securities and Exchange Commission also maintains a website at *http://www.sec.gov* that contains such information. Information contained on our website is not incorporated by reference

into this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus, and you should not consider that information to be part of this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus.

An investment in our common stock is very risky and highly speculative. Shares of closed-end investment companies, including business development companies, frequently trade at a discount to their net asset value. In addition, the companies in which we invest are subject to special risks. See Risk Factors beginning on page 19 of the accompanying prospectus to read about factors you should consider, including the risk of leverage, before investing in our common stock.

Neither the Securities and Exchange Commission nor any state securities commission has approved or disapproved of these securities or determined if this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus is truthful or complete. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

	Per Share	Total(2)
Public Offering Price	\$ 16.40	\$65,600,000
Sales Load payable to the underwriters by Investment Adviser (Underwriting Discounts and		
Commissions)(1)(3)	\$ 0.574	\$ 2,296,000
Additional supplemental payment to the underwriters by Investment Adviser(1)	\$ 0.36	\$ 1,440,000
Proceeds to us (before expenses)(1)	\$ 16.76	\$67,040,000

- (1) The Investment Adviser has agreed to bear all of the sales load in connection with this offering, which is reflected in the above table. In addition, the Investment Adviser has agreed to pay to the underwriters an additional supplemental payment of \$1,440,000, or \$0.36 per share, which reflects the difference between the public offering price and the proceeds per share received by us in this offering. All payments made by the Investment Adviser will not be subject to reimbursement by us. All other expenses of the offering will be borne by us. We will incur approximately \$300,000 of estimated expenses in connection with this offering.
- (2) To the extent that the underwriters sell more than 4,000,000 shares of our common stock, the underwriters have the option to purchase up to an additional 600,000 shares of our common stock at the public offering price, less the sales load, within 30 days of the date of this prospectus supplement. If the underwriters exercise this option in full, the total public offering price, sales load payable by the Investment Adviser, the additional supplemental payment by the Investment Adviser and proceeds to us will be \$75,440,000, \$2,640,400, \$1,656,000 and \$77,096,000, respectively.

(3) See Underwriting for details of compensation to be received by the underwriters. The underwriters expect to deliver the shares on or about September 13, 2016 through the book-entry facilities of The Depository Trust Company.

Joint Book-Running Managers

Morgan Stanley

Wells Fargo Securities

Citigroup Deutsche Bank Securities Goldman, Sachs & Co. J.P. Morgan

Lead Manager

Keefe, Bruyette & Woods

A Stifel Company

Co-Managers

B. Riley & Co., LLC September 8, 2016 Ladenburg Thalmann

Maxim Group LLC

Oppenheimer & Co.

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ABOUT THIS PROSPECTUS SUPPLEMENT

You should rely only on the information contained in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus. We have not, and the underwriters have not, authorized any other person to provide you with different information from that contained in this prospectus supplement or the accompanying prospectus. If anyone provides you with different or inconsistent information, you should not rely on it. This prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus do not constitute an offer to sell, or a solicitation of an offer to buy, any shares of our common stock by any person in any jurisdiction where it is unlawful for that person to make such an offer or solicitation or to any person in any jurisdiction to whom it is unlawful to make such an offer or solicitation. The information contained in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus is complete and accurate only as of their respective dates, regardless of the time of their delivery or sale of our common stock. This prospectus supplement supersedes the accompanying prospectus to the extent it contains information different from or additional to the information in that prospectus.

This document is in two parts. The first part is this prospectus supplement, which describes the terms of this offering of common stock and also adds to and updates information contained in the accompanying prospectus. The second part is the accompanying prospectus, which gives more general information and disclosure. To the extent the information contained in this prospectus supplement differs from the information contained in the accompanying prospectus, the information in this prospectus supplement shall control. You should read this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus together with the additional information described under the heading Available Information before investing in our common stock.

SUMMARY

This summary highlights some of the information in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus. It is not complete and may not contain all of the information that you may want to consider. You should read carefully the more detailed information set forth under Risk Factors in the accompanying prospectus and the other information included in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus and the documents to which we have referred you.

Except where the context suggests otherwise, the terms we, us, our and Solar Senior Capital refer to Solar Senior Capital Ltd. In addition, the terms Solar Capital Partners and the investment adviser refer to Solar Capital Partners, LLC, and Solar Capital Management and the administrator refer to Solar Capital Management, LLC.

In this prospectus supplement, we use the term leveraged to refer to companies of any size with non-investment grade debt outstanding or, if not explicitly rated, those which we believe would be rated as non-investment grade based on their leverage levels and other terms. In addition, we use the term middle-market to refer to companies with annual revenues between \$50 million and \$1 billion. We also use the term unitranche to refer to debt instruments that combine both senior and subordinated debt into one debt instrument. Unitranche debt instruments typically pay a higher rate of interest than traditional senior debt instruments, but also pose greater risk associated with a lesser amount of asset coverage.

Solar Senior Capital

Solar Senior Capital, a Maryland corporation formed in December 2010, is a closed-end, externally managed, non-diversified management investment company that has elected to be treated as a business development company (BDC) under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the 1940 Act). Furthermore, as the Company is an investment company, it continues to apply the guidance in the Financial Accounting Standard Board (FASB) Accounting Standards Codification (ASC) Topic 946. In addition, for tax purposes we have elected to be treated as a regulated investment company (RIC) under Subchapter M of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the Code).

On February 24, 2011, we priced our initial public offering (the IPO), selling 9.0 million shares of our common stock, including the underwriters over-allotment, at a price of \$20.00 per share. Concurrent with this offering, Solar Senior Capital Investors LLC, an entity controlled by Michael S. Gross, our chairman and chief executive officer, and Bruce Spohler, our chief operating officer, purchased an additional 500,000 shares of our common stock through a private placement transaction exempt from registration under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Securities Act (the Concurrent Private Placement), also at \$20.00 per share.

On August 26, 2011, we established a \$200 million senior secured revolving credit facility (the Credit Facility) with Citigroup Global Markets Inc. acting as administrative agent. In connection with the Credit Facility, our wholly-owned subsidiary, SUNS SPV LLC (the SPV) was formed. The Credit Facility, as amended, currently has an aggregate of \$175 million of commitments available. It can also be expanded up to \$600 million. The stated interest rate on the Credit Facility is LIBOR plus 2.00% with no LIBOR floor requirement and the current final maturity date is June 30, 2020. The Credit Facility is secured by all of the assets held by the SPV. Under the terms of the Credit Facility, Solar Senior Capital and the SPV, as applicable, have made certain customary representations and warranties, and are required to comply with various covenants, including leverage restrictions, reporting requirements and other customary requirements for similar credit facilities. The Credit Facility also includes usual and customary events of default for credit facilities of this nature. The Credit Facility was amended on November 7, 2012, June 30, 2014 and May 29, 2015 to add greater investment flexibility, among other changes.

We invest primarily in privately held U.S. middle-market companies, where we believe the supply of primary capital is limited and the investment opportunities are most attractive. Our investment objective is to seek to maximize current income consistent with the preservation of capital. We define middle market to refer to companies with annual revenues between \$50 million and \$1 billion. We seek to achieve our investment objective by investing primarily in senior loans, including first lien, unitranche, and second lien debt instruments, made to private middle-market companies whose debt is rated below investment grade, which we refer to collectively as senior loans. We may also invest in debt of public companies that are thinly traded or in equity securities. Under normal market conditions, at least 80% of the value of our net assets (including the amount of any borrowings for investment purposes) will be invested in senior loans. Senior loans typically pay interest at rates which are determined periodically on the basis of a floating base lending rate, primarily LIBOR, plus a premium. Senior loans in which we invest are typically made to U.S. and, to a limited extent, non-U.S. corporations, partnerships and other business entities which operate in various industries and geographical regions. Senior loans typically are rated below investment grade. Securities rated below investment grade are often referred to as leveraged loans, high yield or junk securities, and may be considered high risk compared to debt instruments that are rated investment grade. In addition, some of our debt investments are not scheduled to fully amortize over their stated terms, which could cause us to suffer losses if the respective issuer of such debt investment is unable to refinance or repay their remaining indebtedness at maturity. While the Company does not typically seek to invest in equity securities as part of its investment objective, the Company may occasionally acquire some equity securities in connection with senior loan investments and in certain other unique circumstances, such as the Company s equity investments in Gemino Healthcare Finance, LLC and First Lien Loan Program (FLLP).

We invest in senior loans made primarily to private leveraged middle market companies with approximately \$20 million to \$100 million of earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization (EBITDA). Our business is focused primarily on the direct origination of investments through portfolio companies or their financial sponsors. Our investments generally range between \$5 million and \$30 million each, although we expect that this investment size will vary proportionately with the size of our capital base. In addition, we may invest a portion of our portfolio in other types of investments, which we refer to as opportunistic investments, which are not our primary focus but are intended to enhance our overall returns. These opportunistic investments may include, but are not limited to, direct investments in public companies that are not thinly traded and securities of leveraged companies located in select countries outside of the United States. We may invest up to 30% of our total assets in such opportunistic investments, including senior loans issued by non-U.S. issuers, subject to compliance with our regulatory obligations as a BDC under the 1940 Act. We are managed by Solar Capital Partners. Solar Capital Management provides the administrative services necessary for us to operate.

As of June 30, 2016, our adviser, Solar Capital Partners, has invested approximately \$5.6 billion in more than 250 different portfolio companies since 2006. Over the same period, the Investment Adviser completed transactions with more than 145 different financial sponsors.

Recent Developments

Distributions

On July 7, 2016, the Board declared a monthly distribution of \$0.1175 per share payable on August 2, 2016 to holders of record as of July 21, 2016.

On August 2, 2016, the Board declared a monthly distribution of \$0.1175 per share payable on September 1, 2016 to holders of record as of August 18, 2016.

First Lien Loan Program

On August 15, 2016, we announced that a wholly owned subsidiary of FLLP amended its senior secured revolving credit facility. The amendment includes a \$25 million commitment increase to \$100 million, as well as

a maturity extension to August 2021. Wells Fargo Bank is acting as administrative agent for the facility. As of June 30, 2016, we had contributed \$29.58 million of our \$50.75 million equity commitment to FLLP.

Investment Advisory Fee Waivers

Upon completion of this offering, for the quarterly periods ended September 30, 2016 to June 30, 2017 (the Waiver Period), Solar Capital Partners has agreed to voluntarily waive a portion or all of the incentive fees, and to the extent necessary a portion or all of the base management fees, that Solar Capital Partners would otherwise be entitled to receive pursuant to our investment advisory and management agreement with Solar Capital Partners to the extent required in order for Solar Senior Capital to earn net investment income (exclusive of costs related to the expansion, extension and/or amendments of our credit facilities), as determined in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP), sufficient to maintain Solar Senior Capital s current level of distributions. A portion or all of the voluntary fee waivers made during the Waiver Period would be made at the Investment Adviser's discretion and are subject to recapture by the Investment Adviser and reimbursement by Solar Senior Capital through June 30, 2018 to the extent GAAP net investment income equals or exceeds the current level of distributions. The amount to be waived or recaptured will be determined after the end of each quarter during the Waiver Period, with such amounts being accrued on a quarterly basis. There can be no assurance that Solar Capital Partners will extend these voluntary waivers beyond the Waiver Period. Even if Solar Capital Partners fully waives all incentive fees, and to the extent necessary all base management fees, to which it would otherwise be entitled, we cannot assure you that we will generate GAAP net investment income equal to or greater than the current level of distributions for the Waiver Period. Therefore, even with these voluntary waivers, there may be insufficient GAAP net investment income to avoid a return of capital. The waivers are also not a guarantee of a specific distribution level, as all distributions are subject to approval of our Board of Directors.

About Solar Capital Partners

Solar Capital Partners, our investment adviser, is controlled and led by Michael S. Gross, our chairman and chief executive officer, and Bruce Spohler, our chief operating officer. They are supported by a team of dedicated investment professionals. Solar Capital Partners investment team has extensive experience in the private equity and leveraged lending industries, as well as significant contacts with financial sponsors operating in those industries.

In addition, Solar Capital Partners presently serves as investment adviser to Solar Capital Ltd., or Solar Capital, a publicly traded business development company with approximately \$2.3 billion of investable capital that invests in mezzanine debt and mezzanine lending (i.e., actually or structurally subordinated) and equity securities of leveraged middle-market companies similar to those we target for investment. Through June 30, 2016 the investment team led by Messrs. Gross and Spohler has invested approximate \$5.6 billion in more than 250 different portfolio companies for both Solar Capital and Solar Senior Capital, collectively, which investments involved more than 145 different financial sponsors. As of June 30, 2016, Mr. Gross and Mr. Spohler beneficially owned, either directly or indirectly, approximately 7.3% and 4.4%, respectively, of our outstanding common stock.

Mr. Gross has over 25 years of experience in the private equity, distressed debt and mezzanine businesses and has been involved in originating, structuring, negotiating, consummating and managing private equity, distressed debt and mezzanine lending (*i.e.*, actually or structurally subordinated) transactions. We also rely on over 25 years of experience of Mr. Spohler, who has served as our chief operating officer and a partner of Solar Capital Partners since its inception.

Solar Capital Partners senior investment professionals have been active participants in the primary and secondary leveraged credit markets throughout their careers. They have effectively managed portfolios of distressed and mezzanine debt and mezzanine lending (*i.e.*, actually or structurally subordinated) as well as other investment types. The depth of their experience and credit market expertise has led them through various stages of the economic cycle as well as several market disruptions.

Market Opportunity

Solar Senior Capital invests primarily in senior loans of private middle-market leveraged companies organized and located in the United States. We believe that the size of this market, coupled with leveraged companies need for flexible sources of capital at attractive terms and rates, creates an attractive investment environment for us. See Business Market Opportunity in the accompanying prospectus.

Middle-market companies have faced increasing difficulty in accessing the capital markets. While many middle-market companies were formerly able to raise funds by issuing high-yield bonds, we believe this approach to financing has become more difficult in recent years as institutional investors have sought to invest in larger, more liquid offerings. In addition, many private finance companies that historically financed their lending and investing activities through securitization transactions have lost that source of funding and reduced lending significantly. Moreover, consolidation of lenders and market participants and the illiquid nature of investments have resulted in fewer middle-market lenders and market participants.

There is a large pool of uninvested private equity capital likely to seek additional senior debt capital to support their investments. We believe there is more than \$500 billion of uninvested private equity seeking debt financing to support acquisitions. We expect that middle-market private equity firms will continue to invest the over \$185 billion raised since 2000 in middle-market companies and that

those private equity firms will seek to support their investments with senior loans from other sources such as Solar Senior Capital.

The significant amount of leveraged loans maturing through 2018 should provide additional demand for senior debt capital. A high volume of financings were completed between the years 2004 and 2007, which

are expected to mature over the next few years. We believe that this supply of prospective lending opportunities coupled with a lack of available credit in the middle-market lending space may offer attractive risk-adjusted returns to investors. Risk-adjusted return compares returns against the amount of risk incurred. The term risk-adjusted return does not imply that an investment is no risk or low risk.

Investing in private middle-market senior secured debt provides an attractive risk reward profile. In general, terms for illiquid, middle-market subordinated debt have been more attractive than those for larger corporations which are typically more liquid. We believe this is because fewer institutions are able to invest in illiquid asset classes.

Therefore, we believe that there is an opportunity to invest in senior loans of leveraged companies and that we are well positioned to serve this market.

Competitive Advantages and Strategy

We believe that we have the following competitive advantages over other providers of financing to leveraged companies. See Business Competitive Advantages and Strategy in the accompanying prospectus.

Management Expertise

As managing partner, Mr. Gross has principal management responsibility for Solar Capital Partners, to which he currently dedicates substantially all of his time. Mr. Gross has over 25 years of experience in leveraged finance, private equity and distressed debt investing. Mr. Spohler, our chief operating officer and a partner of Solar Capital Partners, has over 25 years of experience in evaluating and executing leverage finance transactions.

Proprietary Sourcing and Origination

We believe that Solar Capital Partners senior investment professionals longstanding relationships with financial sponsors, commercial and investment banks, management teams and other financial intermediaries provide us with a strong pipeline of origination opportunities. We expect to continue leveraging the over 100 relationships with middle-market sponsors that Solar Capital Partners investment team established while sourcing and originating investments for Solar Capital, which gives us access to deals that are not available through large syndication processes.

Since its inception, Solar Capital Partners has sourced investments in more than 250 different portfolio companies for both Solar Capital and Solar Senior Capital, collectively, which investments involved more than 145 different financial sponsors, through June 30, 2016.

Versatile Transaction Structuring and Flexibility of Capital

We believe Solar Capital Partners senior investment team s broad expertise and ability to draw upon its extensive experience enable us to identify, assess and structure investments successfully and to manage potential risk and return at all stages of the economic cycle. The attempt to manage risk does not imply low risk or no risk. While we are subject to significant regulation as a BDC, we are not subject to many of the regulatory limitations that govern traditional lending institutions such as banks. As a result, we believe that we can be more flexible than such lending institutions in selecting and structuring investments, adjusting investment criteria and building transaction structures.

Emphasis on Achieving Strong Risk-Adjusted Returns

Solar Capital Partners uses a structured investment and risk management process that emphasizes research and analysis. Solar Capital Partners seeks to build our portfolio on a bottom-up basis, choosing and sizing individual positions based on their relative risk/reward profiles as a function of the associated downside risk,

volatility, correlation with the existing portfolio and liquidity. At the same time, Solar Capital Partners takes into consideration a variety of factors in managing our portfolio and imposes portfolio-based risk constraints promoting a more diverse portfolio of investments and limiting issuer and industry concentration. We do not pursue short-term origination targets. We believe this approach enables us to build an attractive investment portfolio that meets our return and value criteria over the long term. We believe it is critical to conduct extensive due diligence on investment targets. In evaluating new investments we, through Solar Capital Partners, conduct a rigorous due diligence process.

Deep Industry Focus with Substantial Information Flow

We concentrate our investing activities in industries characterized by strong cash flow and in which Solar Capital Partners investment professionals have deep investment experience. As a result of their investment experience, Messrs. Gross and Spohler, together with Solar Capital Partners other investment professionals, have long-term relationships with management consultants and management teams in the industries we target, as well as substantial information concerning those industries.

Longer Investment Horizon

Unlike private equity and venture capital funds, we are not subject to standard periodic capital return requirements. Such requirements typically stipulate that the capital of these funds, together with any capital gains on such invested funds, can only be invested once and must be returned to investors after a pre-agreed time period. We believe that our flexibility to make investments with a long-term view and without the capital return requirements of traditional private investment vehicles enables us to invest in private middle-market senior debt, which we believe provides a more attractive investment profile than the liquid senior debt market for larger companies. We also believe our longer investment horizon enables us to be a better long-term partner for our portfolio companies.

Investment Strategy

Solar Senior Capital seeks to create a diverse portfolio of senior loans by investing approximately \$5 million to \$30 million of capital, on average, in the securities of leveraged companies, including middle-market companies. We may also invest in debt of public companies that are thinly traded or in equity securities. Under normal market conditions, at least 80% of the value of our net assets (including the amount of any borrowings for investment purposes) will be invested in senior loans.

Senior loans typically pay interest at rates which are determined periodically on the basis of a floating base lending rate, primarily LIBOR, plus a premium. Senior loans in which we invest are typically made to U.S. and, to a limited extent, non-U.S. corporations, partnerships and other business entities which operate in various industries and geographical regions. Senior loans typically are rated below investment grade. Securities rated below investment grade are often referred to as leveraged loans, high yield or junk securities, and may be considered high risk compared to debt instruments that are rated investment grade. Senior secured loans, however are generally less risky than subordinated debt, bearing lower leverage and higher recovery statistics.

In addition to senior secured loans, we may invest a portion of our portfolio in opportunistic investments, which are not our primary focus, but are intended to enhance our returns to stockholders. These investments may include similar direct investments in public companies that are not thinly traded and securities of leveraged companies located in select countries outside of the United States. We may invest up to 30% of our total assets in such opportunistic investments, including senior loans issued by non-U.S. issuers, subject to compliance with our regulatory obligations

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as a BDC under the 1940 Act. See Regulation as a Business Development Company in the accompanying prospectus.

We currently borrow funds under the Credit Facility and may borrow additional funds to make investments. As a result, we are exposed to the risks of leverage, which may be considered a speculative investment technique. The use of leverage magnifies the potential for loss on amounts invested and therefore increases the risks associated with investing in our securities. In addition, the costs associated with our borrowings, including any increase in management fees payable to our investment adviser, Solar Capital Partners, will be borne by our common stockholders.

Additionally, we may in the future seek to securitize our loans to generate cash for funding new investments. To securitize loans, we may create a wholly owned subsidiary and contribute a pool of loans to the subsidiary. This could include the sale of interests in the subsidiary on a non-recourse basis to purchasers who we would expect to be willing to accept a lower interest rate to invest in investment grade loan pools, and we would retain a portion of the equity in the securitized pool of loans.

Moreover, we may acquire investments in the secondary market and, in analyzing such investments, we will employ the same analytical process as we use for our primary investments.

We may utilize instruments such as forward contracts, currency options and interest rate swaps, caps, collars and floors to seek to hedge against fluctuations in the relative values of our portfolio positions from changes in currency exchange rates and market interest rates. Hedging against a decline in the values of our portfolio positions does not eliminate the possibility of fluctuations in the values of such positions or prevent losses if the values of such positions decline. However, such hedging can establish other positions designed to gain from those same developments, thereby offsetting the decline in the value of such portfolio positions. Such hedging transactions may also limit the opportunity for gain if the values of the underlying portfolio positions should increase. It may not be possible to hedge against an exchange rate or interest rate fluctuation that is so generally anticipated that we are not able to enter into a hedging transaction at an acceptable price. Moreover, for a variety of reasons, we may not seek to establish a perfect correlation between such hedging and expose us to risk of loss. In addition, it may not be possible to hedge fully or perfectly against currency fluctuations affecting the value of securities denominated in non-U.S. currencies because the value of those securities is likely to fluctuate as a result of factors not related to currency fluctuations.

Our principal focus is to provide senior secured loans, including first lien, unitranche and second lien loans, to private middle-market companies in a variety of industries. We generally seek to target companies that generate positive cash flows. We generally seek to invest in companies from the broad variety of industries in which our investment adviser has direct expertise. The following is a representative list of the industries in which we may invest.

Aerospace & Defense Air Freight & Logistics Asset Management Automobiles Automotive Retail Beverages **Building Products** Capital Markets Chemicals **Diversified Telecommunications Services Education Services** Food Products Footwear Health Care Equipment & Supplies Health Care Facilities Health Care Services Health Care Technology Hotels, Restaurants & Leisure Industrial Conglomerates Insurance Internet Software & Services IT Services

Commercial Services & Supplies Communications Equipment Construction & Engineering **Consumer Finance** Containers & Packaging Distributors **Diversified Consumer Services Diversified Financial Services Diversified Real Estate Activities** Leisure Equipment & Products Machinery Media Multiline Retail Paper & Forest Products Personal Products **Professional Services** Real Estate Management & Development Research & Consulting Services Software Specialty Retail Textiles, Apparel & Luxury Goods Utilities

We may invest in other industries if we are presented with attractive opportunities.

Summary Risk Factors

The value of our assets, as well as the market price of shares of our common stock, will fluctuate. Our investments may be risky, and you may lose all or part of your investment in us. Investing in Solar Senior Capital involves other risks, including the following:

We operate in a highly competitive market for investment opportunities;

Our investments are very risky and highly speculative;

The lack of liquidity in our investments may adversely affect our ability to meet our investment objectives;

Our portfolio may be concentrated in a limited number of portfolio companies and industries, which will subject us to a risk of significant loss if any of these companies performs poorly or defaults on its obligations under any of its debt instruments or if there is a downturn in a particular industry;

Our investments in securities rated below investment grade are speculative in nature and are subject to additional risk factors such as increased possibility of default, illiquidity of the security, and changes in value based on changes in interest rates;

Global economic, political and market conditions may adversely affect our business, results of operations and financial condition, including our revenue growth and profitability;

There is a risk that our stockholders may not receive distributions or that our distributions may not grow over time;

Our shares may trade at a substantial discount from net asset value and may continue to do so over the long term;

Our common stock price may be volatile and may decrease substantially;

Sales of substantial amounts of our common stock in the public market may have an adverse effect on the market price of our common stock;

The net asset value per share of our common stock may be diluted if we sell shares of our common stock in one or more offerings at prices below the then current net asset value per share of our common stock;

We are dependent upon Solar Capital Partners key personnel for our future success;

Our financial condition and results of operations will depend on our Solar Capital Partners ability to manage our future growth effectively by identifying, investing in and monitoring companies that meet our investment criteria;

Regulations governing our operation as a BDC affect our ability to raise, and the way in which we will, raise additional capital. As a BDC, the necessity of raising additional capital may expose us to risks, including the typical risks associated with leverage;

We have and may continue to borrow money, which would magnify the potential for loss on amounts invested and may increase the risk of investing in us;

To the extent we use debt or preferred stock to finance our investments, changes in interest rates will affect our cost of capital and net investment income;

Our quarterly and annual operating results are subject to fluctuation as a result of the nature of our business, and if we fail to achieve our investment objective, the net asset value of our common stock may decline;

There will be uncertainty as to the value of our portfolio investments, which may impact our net asset value;

There are significant potential conflicts of interest, including Solar Capital Partners management of Solar Capital, which could impact our investment returns, and an investment in Solar Senior Capital is not an investment in Solar Capital Ltd.;

We may become subject to corporate-level U.S. federal income tax if we are unable to maintain our qualification as a RIC under Subchapter M of the Code; and

The failure in cyber security systems, as well as the occurrence of events unanticipated in our disaster recovery systems and management continuity planning could impair our ability to conduct business effectively.

See Risk Factors beginning on page 19 of the accompanying prospectus and the other information included in the accompanying prospectus for additional discussion of factors you should carefully consider before deciding to invest in shares of our common stock.

Operating and Regulatory Structure

Solar Senior Capital is a Maryland corporation structured as an externally managed non-diversified closed-end management investment company. We have elected to be treated as a business development company under the 1940 Act. As a business development company, we are required to meet regulatory tests, including the requirement to invest at least 70% of our total assets in qualifying assets. Qualifying assets generally include,

among other things, securities of eligible portfolio companies. Eligible portfolio companies generally include U.S. companies that are not investment companies and that do not have securities listed on a national exchange. See Regulation as a Business Development Company in the accompanying prospectus. We currently borrow funds under the Credit Facility and may borrow additional funds to make investments. In addition, we have elected to be treated for federal income tax purposes, and intend to qualify annually, as a RIC under Subchapter M of the Code. See Certain U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations in the accompanying prospectus.

Our investment activities are managed by Solar Capital Partners and supervised by our board of directors. Solar Capital Partners is an investment adviser that is registered under the Investment Advisers Act of 1940, as amended (the Advisers Act). Under our investment advisory and management agreement, which we refer to as the Investment Advisory and Management Agreement, we have agreed to pay Solar Capital Partners an annual base management fee based on our gross assets as well as an incentive fee based on our performance. See Investment Advisory and Management Agreement in the accompanying prospectus. We have also entered into an administration agreement, which we refer to as the Administration Agreement, under which we