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**PRELIMINARY PROXY MATERIALS  
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**LETTER TO SHAREHOLDERS OF GLOBAL PARTNER ACQUISITION CORP II  
200 Park Avenue 32nd Floor  
New York, NY 10166**

Dear Global Partner Acquisition Corp II Shareholder:

You are cordially invited to attend an extraordinary general meeting of Global Partner Acquisition Corp II, a Cayman Islands exempted company (“*Global Partner*”), which will be held on January , 2024, at a.m., Eastern Time, at the offices of Kirkland & Ellis LLP located at 601 Lexington Ave, New York, NY 10022, and via a virtual meeting, or at such other time, on such other date and at such other place to which the meeting may be adjourned (the “*Shareholder Meeting*”).

The Shareholder Meeting will be conducted via live webcast, but the physical location of the Shareholder Meeting will remain at the location specified above for the purposes of our amended and restated memorandum and articles of association (the “*Memorandum and Articles of Association*”). If you wish to attend the Shareholder Meeting in person, you must reserve your attendance at least two business days in advance of the Shareholder Meeting by contacting Global Partner’s Chief Executive Officer at [info@gpac2.com](mailto:info@gpac2.com) by a.m., Eastern Time, on January , 2024 (two business days prior to the initially scheduled meeting date). You will be able to attend the Shareholder Meeting online, vote and submit your questions during the Shareholder Meeting by visiting <https://www.cstproxy.com/>.

The attached notice of the Shareholder Meeting and proxy statement describe the business Global Partner will conduct at the Shareholder Meeting (unless Global Partner determines that it is not necessary to hold the Shareholder Meeting as described in the accompanying proxy statement) and provide information about Global Partner that you should consider when you vote your shares. As more fully described in the attached proxy statement, which is dated December , 2023, and is first being mailed to shareholders on or about that date, the Shareholder Meeting will be held for the purpose of considering and voting on the following proposals:

1. *Proposal No. 1 - Extension Amendment Proposal* - To amend by way of special resolution, Global Partner’s Memorandum and Articles of Association to extend the date (the “*Termination Date*”) by which Global Partner has to consummate a business combination (the “*Articles Extension*”) from 14 January, 2024 (the “*Original Termination Date*”) to 14 July, 2024 (the “*Articles Extension Date*”) for a total of an additional six months after the Original Termination Date, unless the closing of a business combination shall have occurred prior thereto (the “*Extension Amendment Proposal*”);
  2. *Proposal No. 2 - Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal* - To amend, by way of special resolution, Global Partner’s Memorandum and Articles of Association to eliminate from the Memorandum and Articles of Association the limitation that Global Partner may not redeem Public Shares (as defined below) to the extent that such redemption would result in Global Partner having net tangible assets (as determined in accordance with Rule 3a51-1(g)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended), of less than \$5,000,001 (the “*Redemption Limitation*”) in order to allow Global Partner to redeem Public Shares irrespective of whether such redemption would exceed the Redemption Limitation (the “*Redemption Limitation Amendment*,” and such proposal the “*Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal*”);
  3. *Proposal No. 3 - Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal* - To amend, by way of special resolution, Global Partner’s Memorandum and Articles of Association, to provide that Class A Ordinary Shares (as defined below) may be issued to the Sponsor by way of conversion of Class B Ordinary Shares (as defined below), into Class A Ordinary Shares, par value \$0.0001 per share, despite the restriction on issue of additional Class A Ordinary Shares (the “*Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal*”); and
  4. *Proposal No. 4 - Adjournment Proposal* - To adjourn, by way of ordinary resolution, the Shareholder Meeting to a later date or dates, if necessary, (i) to permit further solicitation and vote of proxies if, based upon the tabulated vote at the time of the Shareholder Meeting, there are insufficient Class A ordinary shares, par value \$0.0001 per share and Class B ordinary shares, par value \$0.0001 per share in the capital of Global Partner represented (either in person or by proxy) at the Shareholder Meeting to approve the Extension Amendment Proposal, the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal and the Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal, or (ii) where the board of directors (the “*Board*”) has determined it is otherwise necessary (the “*Adjournment Proposal*”).
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Each of the Extension Amendment Proposal, the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal, the Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal and the Adjournment Proposal is more fully described in the accompanying proxy statement. Please take the time to read carefully each of the proposals in the accompanying proxy statement before you vote.

As previously disclosed in the Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on November 21, 2023, Global Partner, Stardust Power Inc., a Delaware corporation (“*Stardust Power*”) and other parties thereto entered into a Business Combination Agreement (as it may be further amended or supplemented from time to time), dated November 21, 2023, contemplating several transactions in connection with which Global Partner will become the parent company of Stardust Power (the “*Business Combination*”). For more information about the Business Combination, see Global Partner’s Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on November 21, 2023.

The purpose of the Extension Amendment Proposal, the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal and the Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal and, if necessary, the Adjournment Proposal, is to allow Global Partner additional time to complete the Business Combination. **You are not being asked to vote on the Business Combination at this time.**

The Memorandum and Articles of Association provide that Global Partner has until January 14, 2024 to complete its initial business combination. The Board has determined that it is in the best interests of Global Partner to seek an extension of the Termination Date and have Global Partner’s shareholders approve the Extension Amendment Proposal to allow for a period of additional time to consummate the Business Combination. Without the Articles Extension, Global Partner believes that Global Partner may not be able to complete the Business Combination on or before the Termination Date. If that were to occur, Global Partner would be precluded from completing the Business Combination and would be forced to liquidate.

Global Partner reserves the right at any time to cancel the Shareholder Meeting (by means of adjourning the Shareholder Meeting sine die) and not to submit to its shareholders the Extension Amendment Proposal or implement the Articles Extension. In the event the Shareholder Meeting is cancelled, and Global Partner is unable to complete the Business Combination on or before the Termination Date, Global Partner will dissolve and liquidate in accordance with the Memorandum and Articles of Association. If the Business Combination is consummated on or before January 13, 2024, then the Shareholder Meeting will not be held.

If the Extension Amendment Proposal is approved and the Articles Extension becomes effective, the Sponsor (or one or more of its affiliates, members or third-party designees) (the “*Lender*”) shall not make any additional deposits into the Trust Account (as defined below) and no non-interest bearing, unsecured promissory note shall be issued by Global Partner to the Lender. If Global Partner completes a Business Combination, it will repay the amounts loaned under existing promissory notes. If Global Partner does not complete a Business Combination by the applicable Termination Date, such promissory notes will be repaid only from funds held outside of the Trust Account or will be forfeited, eliminated or otherwise forgiven.

The Memorandum and Articles of Association provides that Global Partner has until January 14, 2024 to complete its initial Business Combination. Global Partner’s Board has determined that it is in the best interests of Global Partner to seek an extension of the Termination Date and have Global Partner’s shareholders approve the Extension Amendment Proposal to allow for a period of additional time to consummate a Business Combination. Without the Articles Extension, Global Partner believes that Global Partner will not be able to complete a Business Combination on or before the Termination Date. If that were to occur, Global Partner would be precluded from completing a Business Combination and would be forced to liquidate.

The purpose of the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal is to eliminate from the Memorandum and Articles of Association the Redemption Limitation in order to allow Global Partner to redeem Public Shares in connection with the consummation of the Business Combination, irrespective of whether such redemption would exceed the Redemption Limitation. The Board believes it is in the best interests of Global Partner and its shareholders for Global Partner to be allowed to effect redemptions irrespective of the Redemption Limitation.

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As contemplated by the Memorandum and Articles of Association, the holders of Global Partner's Class A ordinary shares, par value \$0.0001 per share (the "*Class A Ordinary Shares*"), issued as part of the units sold in Global Partner's initial public offering (the "*Public Shares*") may elect to redeem all or a portion of their Public Shares in exchange for their pro rata portion of the funds held in a trust account (the "*Trust Account*") established to hold a portion of the proceeds of the initial public offering (the "*Initial Public Offering*") and the concurrent sale of the private placement warrants (the "*Private Placement Warrants*"), if either the Articles Extension or the Redemption Limitation Amendment is implemented (the "*Redemption*"), regardless of how such public shareholders vote in regard to the Extension Amendment Proposal, the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal or the Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal. **If the Extension Amendment Proposal, the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal or the Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal is approved by the requisite vote of shareholders, the holders of Public Shares remaining after the Redemption will retain their right to redeem their Public Shares for their pro rata portion of the funds available in the Trust Account upon consummation of a business combination or if Global Partner does not complete a business combination by the Articles Extension Date.**

In the event that the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal is not approved and we receive notice of redemptions of Public Shares approaching or in excess of the Redemption Limitation, we and/or the Sponsor may take action to increase our net tangible assets to avoid exceeding the Redemption Limitation, which may include, at our and our Sponsor's option and in our and its sole discretion, any, several or all of the following actions: (a) attempting to secure waivers of certain of our significant liabilities and (b) entering into non-redemption agreements with certain of our significant shareholders. If the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal is not approved and the Redemption Limitation is exceeded, either because we do not take action to increase our net tangible assets or because our attempt to do so is not successful, then we will not proceed with the Articles Extension and we will not redeem any Public Shares. In such case, Public Shares which a public shareholder elects to redeem but which are not redeemed shall be returned to such public shareholder or such public shareholder's account and such public shareholder will retain the right to have their Public Shares redeemed for cash if Global Partner has not completed an initial business combination by the Termination Date.

On December , 2023, the most recent practicable date prior to the date of the accompanying proxy statement, the redemption price per share was approximately \$ , based on the aggregate amount on deposit in the Trust Account of approximately \$ as of December , 2023 (including interest not previously released to Global Partner to pay its taxes), divided by the total number of then outstanding Public Shares. The Redemption price per share will be calculated based on the aggregate amount on deposit in the Trust Account, including interest earned on the funds held in the Trust Account and not previously released to Global Partner to pay its taxes, if any, two business days prior to the initially scheduled date of the Shareholder Meeting. The closing price of the Class A Ordinary Shares on the Nasdaq Stock Market LLC on December , 2023 was \$ . Accordingly, if the market price of the Class A Ordinary Shares were to remain the same until the date of the Shareholder Meeting, exercising redemption rights would result in a public shareholder receiving approximately \$ more per share than if the shares were sold in the open market (based on the per share redemption price as of December , 2023). Global Partner cannot assure shareholders that they will be able to sell their Class A Ordinary Shares in the open market, even if the market price per share is lower than the redemption price stated above, as there may not be sufficient liquidity in its securities when such shareholders wish to sell their shares. Global Partner believes that such redemption right enables its public shareholders to determine whether to sustain their investments for an additional period if Global Partner does not complete a Business Combination on or before the Termination Date.

If the Extension Amendment Proposal is not approved, and a Business Combination is not completed on or before the Termination Date, Global Partner will: (i) cease all operations except for the purpose of winding up; (ii) as promptly as reasonably possible but not more than ten business days thereafter, redeem the Public Shares, at a per-share price, payable in cash, equal to the aggregate amount then on deposit in the Trust Account, including interest earned on the funds held in the Trust Account and not previously released to Global Partner to pay its income taxes, if any (less up to \$100,000 of interest to pay liquidation expenses), divided by the total number of the then-outstanding Public Shares, which redemption will completely extinguish public shareholders' rights as shareholders (including the right to receive further liquidation distributions, if any); and (iii) as promptly as reasonably possible following such redemption, subject to the approval of Global Partner's remaining shareholders and the Board, liquidate and dissolve, subject in each case of clauses (ii) and (iii) to Global Partner's obligations under Cayman Islands law to provide for claims of creditors and to requirements of other applicable law. There will be no distribution from the Trust Account with respect to Global Partner's warrants, which will expire worthless in the event Global Partner dissolves and liquidates the Trust Account.

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Subject to the foregoing, the approval of each of the Extension Amendment Proposal, the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal and the Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal requires a special resolution under Cayman Islands law, being the affirmative vote of at least a two-thirds (2/3) majority of the votes cast by the holders of Class A Ordinary Shares and Class B ordinary shares, par value \$0.0001 per share (the “*Class B Ordinary Shares*” and together with the Class A Ordinary Shares, the “*Ordinary Shares*”), voting as a single class, who are present in person or represented by proxy and entitled to vote thereon at the Shareholder Meeting.

Approval of the Adjournment Proposal requires an ordinary resolution under Cayman Islands law, being the affirmative vote of at least a majority of the votes cast by the holders of the issued Ordinary Shares, voting as a single class, who are present in person or represented by proxy and entitled to vote thereon, and who vote thereon, at the Shareholder Meeting. The Adjournment Proposal will only be put forth for a vote if there are not sufficient votes to approve the Extension Amendment Proposal, the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal and the Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal at the Shareholder Meeting or if the Board has determined it is otherwise necessary.

The Board has fixed the close of business on December , 2023 as the date for determining Global Partner’s shareholders entitled to receive notice of and vote at the Shareholder Meeting and any adjournment thereof. Only holders of record of Ordinary Shares on that date are entitled to have their votes counted at the Shareholder Meeting or any adjournment thereof.

After careful consideration of all relevant factors, the Board has determined that the Extension Amendment Proposal, the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal, the Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal and the Adjournment Proposal are in the best interests of Global Partner and its shareholders, has declared it advisable and recommends that you vote or give instruction to vote “FOR” the Extension Amendment proposal , “FOR” the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal, “FOR” the Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal and “FOR” the Adjournment Proposal.

**Your vote is very important. Whether or not you plan to attend the Shareholder Meeting, please vote as soon as possible by following the instructions in the accompanying proxy statement to make sure that your shares are represented and voted at the Shareholder Meeting. If you hold your shares in “street name” through a bank, broker or other nominee, you will need to follow the instructions provided to you by your bank, broker or other nominee to ensure that your shares are represented and voted at the Shareholder Meeting. The approval of each of the Extension Amendment Proposal, the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal, and the Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal requires a special resolution under Cayman Islands law, being the affirmative vote of at least a two-thirds (2/3) majority of the votes cast by the holders of the issued Ordinary Shares, voting as a single class, who are present in person or represented by proxy and entitled to vote thereon at the Shareholder Meeting. Approval of the Adjournment Proposal requires an ordinary resolution under Cayman Islands law, being the affirmative vote of at least a majority of the votes cast by the holders of the issued Ordinary Shares, voting as a single class, who are present in person or represented by proxy and entitled to vote thereon at the Shareholder Meeting. Accordingly, if you fail to vote in person or by proxy at the Shareholder Meeting, your shares will not be counted for the purposes of determining whether the Extension Amendment Proposal, the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal, the Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal and the Adjournment Proposal are approved by the requisite majorities.**

If you sign, date and return your proxy card without indicating how you wish to vote, your proxy will be voted “FOR” each of the proposals presented at the Shareholder Meeting. If you fail to return your proxy card or fail to instruct your bank, broker or other nominee how to vote, and do not attend the Shareholder Meeting in person, the effect will be that your shares will not be counted for purposes of determining whether a quorum is present at the Shareholder Meeting but will otherwise not have any effect on whether the proposals are approved. If you are a shareholder of record and you attend the Shareholder Meeting and wish to vote in person, you may withdraw your proxy and vote in person.

TO EXERCISE YOUR REDEMPTION RIGHTS, YOU MUST DEMAND IN WRITING THAT YOUR CLASS A ORDINARY SHARES ARE REDEEMED FOR A PRO RATA PORTION OF THE FUNDS HELD IN THE TRUST ACCOUNT AND TENDER YOUR SHARES TO GLOBAL PARTNER’S TRANSFER AGENT AT LEAST TWO BUSINESS DAYS PRIOR TO THE INITIALLY SCHEDULED DATE OF THE SHAREHOLDER MEETING. IN ORDER TO EXERCISE YOUR REDEMPTION RIGHT, YOU NEED TO IDENTIFY YOURSELF AS A BENEFICIAL HOLDER AND PROVIDE YOUR LEGAL NAME, PHONE NUMBER AND ADDRESS IN YOUR WRITTEN DEMAND. YOU MAY TENDER YOUR SHARES BY EITHER TENDERING OR DELIVERING YOUR SHARES (AND CERTIFICATES (IF ANY) AND OTHER REDEMPTION FORMS TO THE TRANSFER AGENT OR BY TENDERING OR DELIVERING YOUR SHARES (AND SHARE CERTIFICATES (IF ANY) AND OTHER REDEMPTION FORMS) ELECTRONICALLY USING THE DEPOSITORY TRUST COMPANY’S DWAC (DEPOSIT WITHDRAWAL AT CUSTODIAN) SYSTEM. IF YOU HOLD THE SHARES IN STREET NAME, YOU WILL NEED TO INSTRUCT THE ACCOUNT EXECUTIVE AT YOUR BANK OR BROKER TO WITHDRAW THE SHARES FROM YOUR ACCOUNT IN ORDER TO EXERCISE YOUR REDEMPTION RIGHTS.

Enclosed is the proxy statement containing detailed information about the Shareholder Meeting, the Extension Amendment Proposal, the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal, the Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal and the Adjournment Proposal. Whether or not you plan to attend the Shareholder Meeting, Global Partner urges you to read this material carefully and vote your shares.

By Order of the Board of Directors of  
Global Partner Acquisition Corp II

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Chandra R. Patel  
Chairman of the Board of Directors

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**GLOBAL PARTNER ACQUISITION CORP II**  
**200 Park Avenue 32nd Floor**  
**New York, NY 10166**

**NOTICE OF AN EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS  
OF GLOBAL PARTNER ACQUISITION CORP II**

**TO BE HELD ON JANUARY , 2024**

To the Shareholders of Global Partner Acquisition Corp II:

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an extraordinary general meeting of Global Partner Acquisition Corp II, a Cayman Islands exempted company (“*Global Partner*”), will be held on January , 2024, at a.m., Eastern Time (the “*Shareholder Meeting*”), at the offices of Kirkland & Ellis LLP located at 601 Lexington Avenue, New York, NY 10022, and via a virtual meeting, or at such other time, on such other date and at such other place to which the meeting may be postponed or adjourned.

The Shareholder Meeting will be conducted via live webcast, but the physical location of the Shareholder Meeting will remain at the location specified above for the purposes of our amended and restated memorandum and articles of association (the “*Memorandum and Articles of Association*”). If you wish to attend the Shareholder Meeting in person, you must reserve your attendance at least two business days in advance of the Shareholder Meeting by contacting Global Partner’s Chief Executive Officer at [info@gpac2.com](mailto:info@gpac2.com) by a.m., Eastern Time, on January , 2024 (two business days prior to the initially scheduled meeting date). You will be able to attend the Shareholder Meeting online, vote and submit your questions during the Shareholder Meeting by visiting <https://www.cstproxy.com/>.

You are cordially invited to attend the Shareholder Meeting that will be held for the purpose of considering and voting on (i) an extension amendment proposal to amend, by way of special resolution, the Memorandum and Articles of Association to extend the date (the “*Termination Date*”) by which Global Partner has to consummate a business combination (the “*Articles Extension*”) from 14 January, 2024 (the “*Original Termination Date*”) to 14 July, 2024 (the “*Articles Extension Date*”), unless the closing of a business combination shall have occurred prior thereto (the “*Extension Amendment Proposal*”), (ii) a redemption limitation amendment proposal to amend, by way of special resolution, the Memorandum and Articles of Association to remove the limitation that Global Partner may not redeem Public Shares (as defined below) to the extent that such redemption would result in Global Partner having net tangible assets (as determined in accordance with Rule 3a51-1(g)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended), of less than \$5,000,001 (the “*Redemption Limitation*”) in order to allow Global Partner to redeem Public Shares (as defined below), irrespective of whether such redemption would exceed the Redemption Limitation (the “*Redemption Limitation Amendment*,” and such proposal, the “*Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal*”); (iii) a founder conversion amendment proposal to amend, by way of special resolution, the Memorandum and Articles of Association to allow Global Partner Sponsor II LLC, a Delaware limited liability company (the “*Sponsor*”) and Global Partner’s initial shareholders to convert their Class B Ordinary Shares into Class A Ordinary Shares before the consummation of the Business Combination (as defined below); and (iv) an adjournment proposal to adjourn, by way of ordinary resolution, the Shareholder Meeting to a later date or dates, if necessary, (a) to permit further solicitation and vote of proxies if, based upon the tabulated vote at the time of the Shareholder Meeting, there are insufficient Global Partner ordinary shares represented (either in person or by proxy) at the Shareholder Meeting to approve the Extension Amendment Proposal, the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal, or the Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal or (b) where the board of directors (the “*Board*”) has determined it otherwise necessary (the “*Adjournment Proposal*”) (unless Global Partner determines that it is not necessary to hold the Shareholder Meeting as described in the accompanying proxy statement), each as more fully described below in the accompanying proxy statement, which is dated December , 2023, and is first being mailed to shareholders on or about that date. The full text of the proposals to be voted upon at the Shareholder Meeting is as follows:

1. *Proposal No. 1 - The Extension Amendment Proposal* – **RESOLVED**, as a special resolutions that:

- a) Article 49.8 of Global Partner’s Amended and Restated Memorandum and Articles of Association be deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following new Article 49.8:

“In the event that the Company does not consummate a Business Combination (i) by a date no later than 14 July 2024 and (ii) such later date as may be approved by the Members in accordance with the Articles (in any case, such date being referred to as the “*Termination Date*”), the Company shall (i) cease all operations except for the purpose of winding up; (ii) as promptly as reasonably possible but not more than ten business days thereafter, redeem the Public Shares, at a per-share price, payable in cash, equal to the aggregate amount then on deposit in the Trust Account, including interest earned on the funds held in the Trust Account and not previously released to Global Partner to pay its income taxes, if any (less up to \$100,000 of interest to pay liquidation expenses), divided by the number of the then-outstanding Public Shares, which redemption will completely extinguish public shareholders’ rights as shareholders (including the right to receive further liquidation distributions, if any); and (iii) as promptly as reasonably possible following such redemption, subject to the approval of Global Partner’s remaining shareholders and the Board, liquidate and dissolve, subject in each case to Global Partner’s obligations under Cayman Islands law to provide for claims of creditors and to requirements of other applicable law.

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If the Company completes a Business Combination, it will, at the option of the Sponsor (or one or more of its affiliates, members or third-party designees) (the “Lender”), repay the amounts loaned under existing promissory notes or convert a portion or all of the amounts loaned under such promissory note into warrants, which warrants will be identical to the private placement warrants issued to the Sponsor at the time of the IPO. If the Company does not complete a Business Combination by the applicable Termination Date, such promissory note will be repaid only from funds held outside of the Trust Account or will be forfeited, eliminated or otherwise forgiven.”

- b) Article 49.9(a) of Global Partner’s Amended and Restated Memorandum and Articles of Association be deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following new Article 49.9(a):

“to modify the substance or timing of the Company’s obligation to provide holders of Class A Shares the right to have their shares redeemed in connection with a Business Combination or to redeem 100 per cent of the Public Shares if the Company does not consummate a Business Combination within forty-two months after the date of the IPO;”

2. *Proposal No. 2 - The Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal - RESOLVED*, as a special resolution that:

- a) Article 49.2(b) of Global Partner’s Amended and Restated Memorandum and Articles of Association be deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following new Article 49.2(b):

“provide Members with the opportunity to have their Shares repurchased by means of a tender offer for a per-Share repurchase price payable in cash, equal to the aggregate amount then on deposit in the Trust Account, calculated as of two business days prior to the consummation of such Business Combination, including interest earned on the funds held in the Trust Account and not previously released to the Company to pay its income taxes, if any, divided by the number of then issued Public Shares.”

- b) Article 49.4 of Global Partner’s Amended and Restated Memorandum and Articles of Association be deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following new Article 49.4:

“At a general meeting called for the purposes of approving a Business Combination pursuant to this Article, in the event that such Business Combination is approved by Ordinary Resolution, the Company shall be authorised to consummate such Business Combination.”

- c) Article 49.5 of Global Partner’s Amended and Restated Memorandum and Articles of Association be deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following new Article 49.5:

“Any Member holding Public Shares who is not the Sponsor, a Founder, Officer or Director may, in connection with any vote on a Business Combination, elect to have their Public Shares redeemed for cash, in accordance with any applicable requirements provided for in the related proxy materials (the “**IPO Redemption**”), provided that no such Member acting together with any Affiliate of his or any other person with whom he is acting in concert or as a partnership, limited partnership, syndicate, or other group for the purposes of acquiring, holding, or disposing of Shares may exercise this redemption right with respect to more than 15 per cent of the Public Shares in the aggregate without the prior consent of the Company and provided further that any beneficial holder of Public Shares on whose behalf a redemption right is being exercised must identify itself to the Company in connection with any redemption election in order to validly redeem such Public Shares. If so demanded, the Company shall pay any such redeeming Member, regardless of whether he is voting for or against such proposed Business Combination, a per-Share redemption price payable in cash, equal to the aggregate amount then on deposit in the Trust Account calculated as of two business days prior to the consummation of the Business Combination, including interest earned on the funds held in the Trust Account and not previously released to the Company to pay its taxes, if any, divided by the number of then issued Public Shares (such redemption price being referred to herein as the “**Redemption Price**”), but only in the event that the applicable proposed Business Combination is approved and consummated.”

- d) Article 49.9 of Global Partner’s Amended and Restated Memorandum and Articles of Association be amended by the deletion of the last sentence stating: “The Company’s ability to provide such redemption in this Article is subject to the Redemption Limitation.”
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3. *Proposal No. 3 - Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal - RESOLVED*, as a special resolution that:

Article 49.11 of Global Partner's Amended and Restated Memorandum and Articles of Association be deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following new Article 49.11:

"Except in connection with the conversion of Class B Shares into Class A Shares pursuant to Article 17 where the holders of such Shares have waived any right to receive funds from the Trust Account, after the issue of Public Shares, and prior to the consummation of a Business Combination, the Company shall not issue additional Shares or any other securities that would entitle the holders thereof to:

(a) receive funds from the Trust Account; or

(b) vote as a class with Public Shares on a Business Combination or on any other proposal presented to shareholders prior to or in connection with the completion of an initial Business Combination or (b) to approve an amendment to the Memorandum or the Articles to (x) extend the time the Company has to consummate a Business Combination beyond forty-two months from the closing of the IPO or (y) amend the foregoing provisions."

4. *Proposal No. 4 - The Adjournment Proposal - RESOLVED*, as an ordinary resolution, that the adjournment of the Shareholder Meeting to a later date or dates if necessary, (i) to permit further solicitation and vote of proxies if, based upon the tabulated vote at the time of the Shareholder Meeting, there are insufficient Class A ordinary shares, par value \$0.0001 per share and Class B ordinary shares, par value \$0.0001 per share in the capital of Global Partner represented (either in person or by proxy) at the Shareholder Meeting to approve the Extension Amendment Proposal, the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal and the Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal, or (ii) where the board of directors of Global Partner has determined it is otherwise necessary.

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The Memorandum and Articles of Association provide that Global Partner has until January 14, 2024 to complete its initial business combination. The Board has determined that it is in the best interests of Global Partner to seek an extension of the Termination Date and have Global Partner’s shareholders approve the Extension Amendment Proposal to allow for a period of additional time to consummate the Business Combination. Without the Articles Extension, Global Partner believes that Global Partner may not be able to complete the Business Combination on or before the Termination Date. If that were to occur, Global Partner would be precluded from completing the Business Combination and would be forced to liquidate.

Global Partner reserves the right at any time to cancel the Shareholder Meeting (by means of adjourning the Shareholder Meeting sine die) and not to submit to its shareholders the Extension Amendment Proposal or implement the Articles Extension. In the event the Shareholder Meeting is cancelled, and Global Partner is unable to complete the Business Combination on or before the Termination Date, Global Partner will dissolve and liquidate in accordance with the Memorandum and Articles of Association. If the Business Combination is consummated on or before January 13, 2024, then the Shareholder Meeting will not be held.

If the Extension Amendment Proposal is approved and the Articles Extension becomes effective, the Sponsor (or one or more of its affiliates, members or third-party designees) (the “*Lender*”) shall not make any additional deposits into the Trust Account (as defined below) and no non-interest bearing, unsecured promissory note shall be issued by Global Partner to the Lender. If Global Partner completes a Business Combination, it will repay the amounts loaned under existing promissory notes. If Global Partner does not complete a Business Combination by the applicable Termination Date, such promissory notes will be repaid only from funds held outside of the Trust Account or will be forfeited, eliminated or otherwise forgiven.

The Memorandum and Articles of Association provides that Global Partner has until January 14, 2024 to complete its initial Business Combination. Global Partner’s Board has determined that it is in the best interests of Global Partner to seek an extension of the Termination Date and have Global Partner’s shareholders approve the Extension Amendment Proposal to allow for a period of additional time to consummate a Business Combination. Without the Articles Extension, Global Partner believes that Global Partner will not be able to complete a Business Combination on or before the Termination Date. If that were to occur, Global Partner would be precluded from completing a Business Combination and would be forced to liquidate.

The purpose of the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal is to eliminate from the Memorandum and Articles of Association the Redemption Limitation in order to allow Global Partner to redeem Public Shares in connection with the consummation of the Business Combination, irrespective of whether such redemption would exceed the Redemption Limitation. The Board believes it is in the best interests of Global Partner and its shareholders for Global Partner to be allowed to effect redemptions irrespective of the Redemption Limitation.

After careful consideration of all relevant factors, the Board has determined that the Extension Amendment Proposal, the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal, the Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal and the Adjournment Proposal are in the best interests of Global Partner and its shareholders, has declared it advisable and recommends that you vote or give instruction to vote “FOR” the Extension Amendment Proposal, “FOR” the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal, “FOR” the Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal and “FOR” the Adjournment Proposal.

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As contemplated by the Memorandum and Articles of Association, the holders of Global Partner's Class A ordinary shares, par value \$0.0001 per share (the "*Class A Ordinary Shares*"), issued as part of the units sold in Global Partner's initial public offering (the "*Public Shares*") may elect to redeem all or a portion of their Public Shares in exchange for their pro rata portion of the funds held in a trust account (the "*Trust Account*") established to hold a portion of the proceeds of the initial public offering (the "*Initial Public Offering*") and the concurrent sale of the private placement warrants (the "*Private Placement Warrants*"), if either the Articles Extension or the Redemption Limitation Amendment is implemented (the "*Redemption*"), regardless of how such public shareholders vote in regard to the Extension Amendment Proposal, the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal or the Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal. **If the Extension Amendment Proposal, the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal or the Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal are approved by the requisite vote of shareholders, holders of Public Shares remaining after the Redemption will retain their right to redeem their Public Shares for their pro rata portion of the funds available in the Trust Account upon consummation of a business combination or if Global Partner does not complete a business combination by the Articles Extension Date.**

In the event that the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal is not approved and we receive notice of redemptions of Public Shares approaching or in excess of the Redemption Limitation, we and/or the Sponsor may take action to increase our net tangible assets to avoid exceeding the Redemption Limitation, which may include, at our and our Sponsor's option and in our and its sole discretion, any, several or all of the following actions: (a) attempting to secure waivers of certain of our significant liabilities and (b) entering into non-redemption agreements with certain of our significant shareholders. If the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal is not approved and the Redemption Limitation is exceeded, either because we do not take action to increase our net tangible assets or because our attempt to do so is not successful, then we will not proceed with the Articles Extension and we will not redeem any Public Shares. In such case, Public Shares which a public shareholder elects to redeem but which are not redeemed shall be returned to such public shareholder or such public shareholder's account and such public shareholder will retain the right to have their Public Shares redeemed for cash if Global Partner has not completed an initial business combination by the Termination Date.

On December , 2023, the most recent practicable date prior to the date of the accompanying proxy statement, the redemption price per share was approximately \$ , based on the aggregate amount on deposit in the Trust Account of approximately \$ as of December , 2023 (including interest not previously released to Global Partner to pay its taxes, if any), divided by the total number of then outstanding Public Shares. The Redemption price per share will be calculated based on the aggregate amount on deposit in the Trust Account, including interest earned on the funds held in the Trust Account and not previously released to Global Partner to pay its taxes, if any, two business days prior to the initially scheduled date of the Shareholder Meeting. The closing price of the Class A Ordinary Shares on the Nasdaq Stock Market LLC on December , 2023 was \$ . Accordingly, if the market price of the Class A Ordinary Shares were to remain the same until the date of the Shareholder Meeting, exercising redemption rights would result in a public shareholder receiving approximately \$ more per share than if the shares were sold in the open market (based on the per share redemption price as of December , 2023). Global Partner cannot assure shareholders that they will be able to sell their Class A Ordinary Shares in the open market, even if the market price per share is lower than the redemption price stated above, as there may not be sufficient liquidity in its securities when such shareholders wish to sell their shares. Global Partner believes that such redemption right enables its public shareholders to determine whether to sustain their investments for an additional period if Global Partner does not complete a Business Combination on or before the Termination Date.

Approval of the Extension Amendment Proposal is a condition to the implementation of the Articles Extension. In addition, Global Partner will not proceed with the Articles Extension unless (i) the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal is approved and (ii) the Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal is approved, despite taking into account the Redemptions.

Global Partner cannot predict the amount that will remain in the Trust Account following the Redemption if the Extension Amendment Proposal is approved, and the amount remaining in the Trust Account may be only a small fraction of the approximately \$ that was in the Trust Account as of December , 2023 (including interest not previously released to Global Partner to pay its taxes).

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If the Extension Amendment Proposal is not approved, and a Business Combination is not completed on or before the Termination Date, Global Partner will: (i) cease all operations except for the purpose of winding up; (ii) as promptly as reasonably possible but not more than ten business days thereafter, redeem the Public Shares, at a per-share price, payable in cash, equal to the aggregate amount then on deposit in the Trust Account, including interest earned on the funds held in the Trust Account and not previously released to Global Partner to pay its income taxes, if any (less up to \$100,000 of interest to pay liquidation expenses), divided by the number of the then-outstanding Public Shares, which redemption will completely extinguish public shareholders' rights as shareholders (including the right to receive further liquidation distributions, if any); and (iii) as promptly as reasonably possible following such redemption, subject to the approval of Global Partner's remaining shareholders and the Board, liquidate and dissolve, subject in each case of clauses (ii) and (iii) to Global Partner's obligations under Cayman Islands law to provide for claims of creditors and in all cases subject to the requirements of other applicable law. There will be no distribution from the Trust Account with respect to Global Partner's warrants, which will expire worthless in the event Global Partner dissolves and liquidates the Trust Account.

In the event of a liquidation, the Sponsor and the other initial shareholders of Global Partner will not receive any monies held in the Trust Account as a result of their ownership of 7,500,000 Class B Ordinary Shares (as defined below) which were issued to the Sponsor prior to the Initial Public Offering, and 5,566,667 Private Placement Warrants, which were purchased by the Sponsor in a private placement which occurred simultaneously with the completion of the Initial Public Offering. As a consequence, a liquidating distribution will be made only with respect to the Public Shares.

TO EXERCISE YOUR REDEMPTION RIGHTS, YOU MUST DEMAND IN WRITING THAT YOUR CLASS A ORDINARY SHARES ARE REDEEMED FOR A PRO RATA PORTION OF THE FUNDS HELD IN THE TRUST ACCOUNT AND TENDER YOUR SHARES TO GLOBAL PARTNER'S TRANSFER AGENT AT LEAST TWO BUSINESS DAYS PRIOR TO THE INITIALLY SCHEDULED DATE OF THE SHAREHOLDER MEETING. IN ORDER TO EXERCISE YOUR REDEMPTION RIGHT, YOU NEED TO IDENTIFY YOURSELF AS A BENEFICIAL HOLDER AND PROVIDE YOUR LEGAL NAME, PHONE NUMBER AND ADDRESS IN YOUR WRITTEN DEMAND. YOU MAY TENDER YOUR SHARES BY EITHER TENDERING OR DELIVERING YOUR SHARES (AND SHARE CERTIFICATES (IF ANY) AND OTHER REDEMPTION FORMS) TO THE TRANSFER AGENT OR BY TENDERING OR DELIVERING YOUR SHARES (AND SHARE CERTIFICATES (IF ANY) AND OTHER REDEMPTION FORMS) ELECTRONICALLY USING THE DEPOSITORY TRUST COMPANY'S DWAC (DEPOSIT WITHDRAWAL AT CUSTODIAN) SYSTEM. IF YOU HOLD THE SHARES IN STREET NAME, YOU WILL NEED TO INSTRUCT THE ACCOUNT EXECUTIVE AT YOUR BANK OR BROKER TO WITHDRAW THE SHARES FROM YOUR ACCOUNT IN ORDER TO EXERCISE YOUR REDEMPTION RIGHTS.

With respect to the regulation of special purpose acquisition companies ("SPACs") like Global Partner, on March 30, 2022, the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") issued proposed rules relating to, among other items, the extent to which SPACs could become subject to regulation under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended. The proposal is consistent with less formal positions recently taken by the staff of the SEC. To mitigate the risk of being viewed as operating an unregistered investment company, Global Partner instructed, in connection with the First Extension Meeting (as defined in the accompanying proxy statement), Continental Stock Transfer & Trust Company, the trustee with respect to the Trust Account, to liquidate the U.S. government treasury obligations or money market funds held in the Trust Account and thereafter to maintain the funds in the Trust Account in cash (i.e., in an interest-bearing demand deposit account at a bank) until the earlier of the consummation of a business combination and the liquidation of Global Partner. Interest on such deposit account is currently approximately 4.5% per annum, but such deposit account carries a variable rate and Global Partner cannot assure you that such rate will not decrease or increase significantly.

Subject to the foregoing, the approval of each of the Extension Amendment Proposal, the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal, and the Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal requires a special resolution under Cayman Islands law, being the affirmative vote of at least a two-thirds (2/3) majority of the votes cast by the holders of Class A Ordinary Shares and Class B ordinary shares, par value \$0.0001 per share (the "Class B Ordinary Shares" and together with the Class A Ordinary Shares, the "Ordinary Shares"), voting as a single class, who are present in person or represented by proxy and entitled to vote thereon at the Shareholder Meeting.

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Approval of the Adjournment Proposal requires an ordinary resolution under Cayman Islands law, being the affirmative vote of at least a majority of the votes cast by the holders of the issued Ordinary Shares, voting as a single class, who are present in person or represented by proxy and entitled to vote thereon at the Shareholder Meeting. The Adjournment Proposal will only be put forth for a vote if there are not sufficient votes to approve the Extension Amendment Proposal, the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal and the Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal at the Shareholder Meeting or if the Board has determined it is otherwise necessary.

Record holders of Ordinary Shares at the close of business on December , 2023 (the “*Record Date*”) are entitled to vote or have their votes cast at the Shareholder Meeting. On the Record Date, there were 3,931,719 issued and outstanding Class A Ordinary Shares and 7,500,000 issued and outstanding Class B Ordinary Shares. Global Partner’s warrants do not have voting rights.

The Sponsor and Global Partner’s other initial shareholders intend to vote all of their Ordinary Shares in favor of the proposals being presented at the Shareholder Meeting. Such shares will be excluded from the pro rata calculation used to determine the per-share redemption price. As of the date of the accompanying proxy statement, the Sponsor holds 65.6% of the issued and outstanding Ordinary Shares and Global Partner’s Sponsor and other initial shareholders have not purchased any Public Shares but may do so at any time. As a result, in addition to the shares of the Sponsor and the other initial shareholders of Global Partner, (i) the approval of the Extension Amendment Proposal, the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal, and the Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal will require the affirmative vote of 121,146 public shares (or approximately 3.1% of the Class A Ordinary Shares) if all Ordinary Shares are represented at the Shareholder Meeting and cast votes and if only such shares as are required to establish a quorum are represented at the Shareholder Meeting and cast votes; (ii) approval of the Adjournment Proposal will not require the affirmative vote of additional Ordinary Shares held by public shareholders if all Ordinary Shares are represented at the Shareholder Meeting and cast votes or if only such shares as are required to establish a quorum are represented at the Shareholder Meeting and cast votes.

The accompanying proxy statement contains important information about the Shareholder Meeting, the Extension Amendment Proposal, the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal, the Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal and the Adjournment Proposal. Whether or not you plan to attend the Shareholder Meeting, Global Partner urges you to read this material carefully and vote your shares.

The accompanying proxy statement is dated December , 2023, and is first being mailed to shareholders on or about that date.

By Order of the Board of Directors of  
Global Partner Acquisition Corp II

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Chandra R. Patel  
Chairman of the Board of Directors  
December , 2023

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**GLOBAL PARTNER ACQUISITION CORP II**  
**PROXY STATEMENT**  
**FOR**  
**EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING**  
**TO BE HELD ON January , 2024**

This proxy statement and the enclosed form of proxy are furnished in connection with the solicitation of proxies by our board of directors (the “*Board*”) for use at the extraordinary general meeting of Global Partner Acquisition Corp II, a Cayman Islands exempted company (“*Global Partner*,” “*we*,” “*us*” or “*our*”), which will be held on January , 2024, at a.m., Eastern Time, at the offices of Kirkland & Ellis LLP located at 601 Lexington Avenue, New York, NY 10022, and via a virtual meeting, or at such other time, on such other date and at such other place to which the meeting may be adjourned (the “*Shareholder Meeting*”).

**YOUR VOTE IS IMPORTANT. It is important that your shares be represented at the Shareholder Meeting, regardless of the number of shares that you hold. You are, therefore, urged to execute and return, at your earliest convenience, the enclosed proxy card in the envelope that has also been provided.**

## CAUTIONARY NOTE REGARDING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

Some of the statements contained in this proxy statement constitute forward-looking statements within the meaning of the federal securities laws. Forward-looking statements relate to expectations, beliefs, projections, future plans and strategies, anticipated events or trends and similar expressions concerning matters that are not historical facts. Forward-looking statements reflect the current views of Global Partner with respect to, among other things, Global Partner's capital resources and results of operations. Likewise, Global Partner's financial statements and all of Global Partner's statements regarding market conditions and results of operations are forward-looking statements. In some cases, you can identify these forward-looking statements by the use of terminology such as "outlook," "believes," "expects," "potential," "continues," "may," "will," "should," "could," "seeks," "approximately," "predicts," "intends," "plans," "estimates," "anticipates" or the negative version of these words or other comparable words or phrases.

The forward-looking statements contained in this proxy statement reflect Global Partner's current views about future events and are subject to numerous known and unknown risks, uncertainties, assumptions and changes in circumstances that may cause its actual results to differ significantly from those expressed in any forward-looking statement. Global Partner does not guarantee that the transactions and events described will happen as described (or that they will happen at all). The following factors, among others, could cause actual results and future events to differ materially from those set forth or contemplated in the forward-looking statements:

- Global Partner's ability to complete a Business Combination (as defined below);
- the anticipated benefits of a Business Combination;
- the volatility of the market price and liquidity of the Class A Ordinary Shares (as defined below) and other securities of Global Partner; and
- the use of funds not held in the Trust Account (as defined below) or available to Global Partner from interest income on the Trust Account balance.

While forward-looking statements reflect Global Partner's good faith beliefs, they are not guarantees of future performance. Global Partner disclaims any obligation to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statement to reflect changes in underlying assumptions or factors, new information, data or methods, future events or other changes after the date of this proxy statement, except as required by applicable law. For a further discussion of these and other factors that could cause Global Partner's future results, performance or transactions to differ significantly from those expressed in any forward-looking statement, please see the section below entitled "*Risk Factors*" and Global Partner's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2022, as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "*SEC*") on March 31, 2023 and in other reports Global Partner files with the SEC. You should not place undue reliance on any forward-looking statements, which are based only on information currently available to Global Partner (or to third parties making the forward-looking statements).

## RISK FACTORS

*In addition to the below risk factors, you should consider carefully all of the risks described in our (i) IPO prospectus filed with the SEC on January 13, 2021, (ii) Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2022, as filed with the SEC on March 31, 2023, (iii) Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q subsequently filed with the SEC, and (iv) other reports we file with the SEC, before making a decision to invest in our securities. Furthermore, if any of the following events occur, our business, financial condition and operating results may be materially adversely affected or we could face liquidation. In that event, the trading price of our securities could decline, and you could lose all or part of your investment. The risks and uncertainties described in the aforementioned filings and below are not the only ones we face. Additional risks and uncertainties that we are unaware of, or that we currently believe are not material, may also become important factors that adversely affect our business, financial condition and operating results or result in our liquidation.*

***There are no assurances that the Articles Extension will enable us to complete a Business Combination.***

Approving the Articles Extension (as defined below) involves a number of risks. Even if the Articles Extension is approved, Global Partner can provide no assurances that any transaction qualifying as a Business Combination (as defined below) will be consummated prior to the Articles Extension Date (as defined below), despite having signed a business combination agreement, dated November 21, 2023. Our ability to consummate any business combination is dependent on a variety of factors, many of which are beyond our control. If the Articles Extension is approved, Global Partner expects to seek shareholder approval of the Business Combination prior to the Articles Extension Date. We are required to offer shareholders the opportunity to redeem their Public Shares (as defined below) in connection with the Extension Amendment Proposal, the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal and the Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal. Even if the Articles Extension is approved by our shareholders, it is possible that Redemptions (as defined below) will leave us with insufficient cash to consummate the Business Combination on commercially acceptable terms, or at all. Other than in connection with a redemption offer or liquidation, our shareholders may be unable to recover their investment except through sales of our shares on the open market. The price of our shares may be volatile, and there can be no assurance that shareholders will be able to dispose of our shares at favorable prices, or at all.

***The ability of our public shareholders to exercise redemption rights if the Extension Amendment Proposal, the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal or the Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal is approved with respect to a large number of our Public Shares may adversely affect the liquidity and trading of our securities and may impact our ability to complete the Business Combination.***

Pursuant to our amended and restated memorandum and articles of association, a public shareholder may request that the Company redeem all or a portion of such public shareholder's Public Shares for cash if the Extension Amendment Proposal, the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal or the Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal is approved. The ability of our public shareholders to exercise such redemption rights with respect to a large number of our Public Shares may adversely affect the liquidity of our Class A Ordinary Shares. As a result, you may be unable to sell your Class A Ordinary Shares even if the per-share market price is higher than the per-share redemption price paid to public shareholders that elect to redeem their Public Shares if the Extension Amendment Proposal, the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal or the Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal are approved.

In addition, after the Shareholder Meeting, we may be required to demonstrate compliance with Nasdaq Stock Market LLC's ("*Nasdaq*") continued listing requirements in order to maintain the listing of our securities on Nasdaq. Such continued listing requirements for our securities include, among other things, having at least 300 shareholders, 500,000 publicly held shares and an average aggregate market value of public held securities of at least \$1 million. We cannot assure you that any of our securities will be able to meet all of Nasdaq's continued listing requirements following any redemptions in connection with the Shareholder Meeting. If our securities do not meet Nasdaq's continued listing requirements, the Nasdaq may delist our securities from trading on its exchange, which could limit investors' ability to make transactions in our securities and subject us to additional trading restrictions.



If we redeem our Public Shares in an amount in excess of the current Redemption Limitation and our securities do not meet Nasdaq's continued listing requirements, Nasdaq may delist our securities from trading on its exchange. If Nasdaq delists any of our securities from trading on its exchange and we are not able to list such securities on another approved national securities exchange, we expect that such securities could be quoted on an over-the-counter market. If this were to occur, we could face significant material adverse consequences, including: (i) a limited availability of market quotations for our securities, (ii) reduced liquidity for our securities, (iii) a determination that our Public Shares are "penny stocks" which will require brokers trading in our Public Shares to adhere to more stringent rules, including being subject to the depository requirements of Rule 419 of the Securities Act, and possibly result in a reduced level of trading activity in the secondary trading market for our securities, (iv) a decreased ability to issue additional securities or obtain additional financing in the future, and (v) a less attractive acquisition vehicle to a target business in connection with an initial business combination. The National Securities Markets Improvement Act of 1996, which is a federal statute, prevents or preempts the states from regulating the sale of certain securities, which are referred to as "covered securities." Our Public Shares and units qualify as covered securities under such statute. If we were no longer listed on Nasdaq, our securities would not qualify as covered securities under such statute and we would be subject to regulation in each state in which we offer our securities. In addition, the Business Combination is subject to a closing condition, unless waived by the parties thereto, that Global Partner's securities issued in connection with the Business Combination are approved for listing on Nasdaq. Public shareholders who do not elect to redeem their Public Shares in connection with the Shareholder Meeting, or the shareholder meeting to approve the Business Combination, may be unable to recover their investment except through sales of our shares on the open market or upon our liquidation or redemption of shares. The price of our shares may be volatile, and there can be no assurance that shareholders will be able to dispose of our shares at favorable prices, or at all.

***Nasdaq may delist Global Partner's securities from its exchange which could limit investors' ability to make transactions in its securities and subject Global Partner to additional trading restrictions.***

Nasdaq requires that a special purpose acquisition company must complete one or more business combinations within 24 months of the effectiveness of its IPO registration statement. The extension that we are requesting at the Shareholder Meeting will extend our ability to complete a business combination until the 42-month anniversary of our IPO, taking us even further than the 36 month extension we obtained previously, which will take us beyond the permitted period for a business combination under Nasdaq. Therefore, unless we complete a business combination by January 14, 2024, we may be subject to suspension and delisting from Nasdaq due to our non-compliance with that requirement.

We and the holders of our securities could be materially adversely impacted if our securities are delisted from Nasdaq due to non-compliance. In particular:

- the price of our securities will likely decrease as a result of the loss of market efficiencies associated with Nasdaq;
- holders may be unable to sell or purchase our securities when they wish to do so;
- we may become subject to shareholder litigation;
- we may lose the interest of institutional investors in our securities;
- we may lose media and analyst coverage; and
- we would likely lose any active trading market for our securities, as our securities may then only be traded on one of the over-the-counter markets, if at all.

***Changes to laws or regulations or in how such laws or regulations are interpreted or applied, or a failure to comply with any laws, regulations, interpretations or applications, may adversely affect our business, including our ability to negotiate and complete our initial Business Combination.***

We are subject to the laws and regulations, and interpretations and applications of such laws and regulations, of national, regional, state and local governments and non-U.S. jurisdictions. In particular, we are required to comply with certain SEC and other legal and regulatory requirements, and our consummation of an initial business combination may be contingent upon our ability to comply with certain laws, regulations, interpretations and applications and any post-business combination company may be subject to additional laws, regulations, interpretations and applications. Compliance with, and monitoring of, the foregoing may be difficult, time consuming and costly. Those laws and regulations and their interpretation and application may also change from time to time, and those changes could have a material adverse effect on our business, including our ability to negotiate and complete an initial business combination. A failure to comply with applicable laws or regulations, as interpreted and applied, could have a material adverse effect on our business, including our ability to negotiate and complete an initial business combination. The SEC has, in the past year, adopted certain rules and may, in the future adopt other rules, which may have a material effect on our activities and on our ability to consummate an initial business combination, including the SPAC Proposed Rules (as defined below) described below.

***The SEC has recently issued proposed rules relating to certain activities of SPACs. Certain of the procedures that we, a potential business combination target or others may determine to undertake in connection with such proposals may increase our costs and the time needed to complete our initial business combination and may constrain the circumstances under which we could complete an initial business combination. The need for compliance with the SPAC Proposed Rules may cause us to liquidate the funds in the Trust Account or liquidate Global Partner at an earlier time than we might otherwise choose.***

On March 30, 2022, the SEC issued proposed rules (the “*SPAC Proposed Rules*”) relating, among other things, to disclosures in SEC filings in connection with business combination transactions between special purpose acquisition companies (“*SPACs*”) such as us and private operating companies; the financial statement requirements applicable to transactions involving shell companies; the use of projections by SPACs in SEC filings in connection with proposed business combination transactions; the potential liability of certain participants in proposed business combination transactions; and the extent to which SPACs could become subject to regulation under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the “*Investment Company Act*”), including a proposed rule that would provide SPACs a safe harbor from treatment as an investment company if they satisfy certain conditions that limit a SPAC’s duration, asset composition, business purpose and activities. The SPAC Proposed Rules have not yet been adopted, and may be adopted in the proposed form or in a different form that could impose additional regulatory requirements on SPACs. Certain of the procedures that we, a potential business combination target, or others may determine to undertake in connection with the SPAC Proposed Rules, or pursuant to the SEC’s views expressed in the SPAC Proposed Rules, may increase the costs and time of negotiating and completing an initial business combination, and may constrain the circumstances under which we could complete an initial business combination. The need for compliance with the SPAC Proposed Rules may cause us to liquidate the funds in the Trust Account or liquidate Global Partner at an earlier time than we might otherwise choose. Were we to liquidate, our warrants would expire worthless, and our securityholders would lose the investment opportunity associated with an investment in the combined company, including any potential price appreciation of our securities.

***If we are deemed to be an investment company for purposes of the Investment Company Act, we would be required to institute burdensome compliance requirements and our activities would be severely restricted. As a result, in such circumstances, unless we are able to modify our activities so that we would not be deemed an investment company, we may abandon our efforts to complete an initial business combination and instead liquidate Global Partner.***

As described further above, the SPAC Proposed Rules relate, among other matters, to the circumstances in which SPACs such as Global Partner could potentially be subject to the Investment Company Act and the regulations thereunder. The SPAC Proposed Rules would provide a safe harbor for such companies from the definition of “investment company” under Section 3(a)(1)(A) of the Investment Company Act, provided that a SPAC satisfies certain criteria, including a limited time period to announce and complete a de-SPAC transaction. Specifically, to comply with the safe harbor, the SPAC Proposed Rules would require a company to file a report on Form 8-K announcing that it has entered into an agreement with a target company for a business combination no later than 18 months after the effective date of its registration statement for its initial public offering (the “*IPO Registration Statement*”). Global Partner would then be required to complete its initial Business Combination no later than 24 months after the effective date of the IPO Registration Statement. Both such dates have already passed.

If we are deemed to be an investment company under the Investment Company Act, our activities would be severely restricted. In addition, we would be subject to burdensome compliance requirements. We do not believe that our principal activities will subject us to regulation as an investment company under the Investment Company Act. However, if we are deemed to be an investment company and subject to compliance with and regulation under the Investment Company Act, we would be subject to additional regulatory burdens and expenses for which we have not allotted funds. As a result, unless we are able to modify our activities so that we would not be deemed an investment company, we may abandon our efforts to complete an initial business combination and instead liquidate Global Partner. Were we to liquidate, our warrants would expire worthless, and our securityholders would lose the investment opportunity associated with an investment in the combined company, including any potential price appreciation of our securities.

***To mitigate the risk that we might be deemed to be an investment company for purposes of the Investment Company Act in connection with the First Extension Meeting (as defined below), we instructed the trustee to liquidate the investments held in the Trust Account and instead to hold the funds in the Trust Account in cash in an interest-bearing demand deposit account until the earlier of the consummation of our initial business combination or our liquidation. As a result, following the liquidation of investments in the Trust Account, we would likely receive minimal interest on the funds held in the Trust Account, which would reduce the dollar amount our public shareholders would receive upon any redemption or liquidation of Global Partner.***

The funds in the Trust Account have, since our initial public offering, been held only in U.S. government treasury obligations with a maturity of 185 days or less or in money market funds investing solely in U.S. government treasury obligations and meeting certain conditions under Rule 2a-7 under the Investment Company Act. However, to mitigate the risk of us being deemed to be an unregistered investment company (including under the subjective test of Section 3(a)(1)(A) of the Investment Company Act) and thus subject to regulation under the Investment Company Act, in connection with the First Extension Meeting, we instructed Continental (as defined below), the trustee with respect to the Trust Account, to liquidate the U.S. government treasury obligations or money market funds held in the Trust Account and thereafter to maintain the funds in the Trust Account in cash in an interest-bearing demand deposit account at a bank until the earlier of the consummation of our initial Business Combination and the liquidation of Global Partner. Interest on such deposit account is currently approximately 4.5% per annum, but such deposit account carries a variable rate and Global Partner cannot assure you that such rate will not decrease or increase significantly. Following such liquidation, we would likely receive minimal interest, if any, on the funds held in the Trust Account. However, interest previously earned on the funds held in the Trust Account still may be released to us to pay our taxes, if any. As a result of the funds in the Trust Account being held in cash in an interest-bearing demand deposit account, our public shareholders will receive a reduced dollar amount upon any redemption or liquidation of Global Partner.

In addition, the longer that the funds in the Trust Account are held in short-term U.S. government treasury obligations or in money market funds invested exclusively in such securities the greater the risk that we may be considered an unregistered investment company, in which case we may be required to liquidate Global Partner. Were we to liquidate, our warrants would expire worthless, and our securityholders would lose the investment opportunity associated with an investment in the combined company, including any potential price appreciation of our securities.

## QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS ABOUT THE SHAREHOLDER MEETING

The questions and answers below highlight only selected information from this proxy statement and only briefly address some commonly asked questions about the Shareholder Meeting (as defined below) and the proposals to be presented at the Shareholder Meeting. The following questions and answers do not include all the information that is important to Global Partner shareholders. Shareholders are urged to read carefully this entire proxy statement, including the other documents referred to herein, to fully understand the proposal to be presented at the Shareholder Meeting and the voting procedures for the Shareholder Meeting, which will be held on January , 2024, at a.m., Eastern Time. The Shareholder Meeting will be held at the offices of Kirkland & Ellis LLP located at 601 Lexington Avenue, New York, NY 10022, and via a virtual meeting, or at such other time, on such other date and at such other place to which the meeting may be adjourned. You can participate in the meeting, vote, and submit questions via live webcast by visiting <https://www.cstproxy.com/>.

**Q: Why am I receiving this proxy statement?**

Global Partner is a blank check company incorporated as a Cayman Islands exempted company on November 3, 2020. Global Partner was incorporated for the purpose of effecting a merger, share exchange, asset acquisition, share purchase, reorganization or other similar business combination with one or more businesses or entities.

Following the closing of Global Partner’s initial public offering on January 14, 2021 (the “*Initial Public Offering*”), including the full exercise of the underwriters’ over-allotment option, an amount of \$300,000,000 (\$10.00 per unit offered in the Initial Public Offering (the “*Units*”)) from the net proceeds of the sale of the Units in the Initial Public Offering and the sale of private placement warrants (the “*Private Placement Warrants*”) to Global Partner Sponsor II LLC, a Delaware limited liability company (the “*Sponsor*”) was placed in a trust account established at the consummation of the Initial Public Offering that holds the proceeds of the Initial Public Offering (the “*Trust Account*”).

On January 11, 2023, Global Partner held an extraordinary general meeting of shareholders (the “*First Extension Meeting*”) to (i) amend Global Partner’s amended and restated memorandum and articles of association (to extend the date by which Global Partner has to consummate a business combination from January 14, 2023 to April 14, 2023 and to allow Global Partner without another shareholder vote to elect to extend its termination date on a monthly basis for up to nine times by an additional one month each time until January 14, 2024. In connection with the First Extension Meeting, the holders of 30,323,994 Class A ordinary shares, par value \$0.0001 per share of Global Partner (the “*Class A Ordinary Shares*” or the “*Public Shares*”) properly exercised their right to redeem their shares for cash at a redemption price of approximately \$10.167 per share, for an aggregate redemption amount of approximately \$265,050,166. Following the First Extension Meeting, Global Partner has elected, on a monthly basis, to further extend its termination date until January 14, 2024.

Like most blank check companies, Global Partner’s amended and restated memorandum and articles of association (the “*Memorandum and Articles of Association*”) provide for the return of the Initial Public Offering proceeds held in the Trust Account to the holders of Class A Ordinary Shares sold in the Initial Public Offering if there is no qualifying business combination(s) consummated on or before January 14, 2024 (the “*Termination Date*”).

As previously disclosed in the Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on November 21, 2023, Global Partner, Stardust Power Inc., a Delaware corporation (“*Stardust Power*”) and other parties thereto entered into a Business Combination Agreement (as it may be further amended or supplemented from time to time), contemplating several transactions in connection with which Global Partner will become the parent company of Stardust Power (the “*Business Combination*”). For more information about the Business Combination, see Global Partner’s Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on November 21, 2023.

Without the Articles Extension (as defined below), Global Partner believes that Global Partner might not, despite its best efforts, be able to complete the Business Combination on or before 14 January, 2024. The Board of Global Partner believes that it is in the best interests of Global Partner’s shareholders to continue Global Partner’s existence until 14 July, 2024, if necessary, in order to allow Global Partner additional time to complete the Business Combination and is therefore holding this Shareholder Meeting.

**Q: When and where will the Shareholder Meeting be held?**

**A:** The Shareholder Meeting will be held on January , 2024, at a.m., Eastern Time, at the offices of Kirkland & Ellis LLP located at 601 Lexington Avenue, New York, NY 10022, and via a virtual meeting, or at such other time, on such other date and at such other place to which the meeting may be adjourned.

Shareholders may attend the Shareholder Meeting in person. However we encourage you to attend the Shareholder Meeting virtually. If you wish to attend the Shareholder Meeting in person, you must reserve your attendance at least two business days in advance of the Shareholder Meeting by contacting Global Partner's Chief Executive Officer at [info@gpac2.com](mailto:info@gpac2.com) by a.m., Eastern Time, on January , 2024 (two business days prior to the initially scheduled meeting date). You can participate in the meeting, vote, and submit questions via live webcast by visiting <https://www.cstproxy.com/> .

**Q: How do I vote?**

**A:** If you were a holder of record of Class A Ordinary Shares or Class B ordinary shares, par value \$0.0001 per share (the "*Class B Ordinary Shares*," and together with the Class A Ordinary Shares, the "*Ordinary Shares*") on December , 2023, the record date for the Shareholder Meeting, you may vote with respect to the proposals in person or virtually at the Shareholder Meeting, or by completing, signing, dating and returning the enclosed proxy card in the postage-paid envelope provided.

**Voting by Mail.** By signing the proxy card and returning it in the enclosed prepaid and addressed envelope, you are authorizing the individuals named on the proxy card to vote your shares at the Shareholder Meeting in the manner you indicate. You are encouraged to sign and return the proxy card even if you plan to attend the Shareholder Meeting so that your shares will be voted if you are unable to attend the Shareholder Meeting. If you receive more than one proxy card, it is an indication that your shares are held in multiple accounts. Please sign and return all proxy cards to ensure that all of your shares are voted. Votes submitted by mail must be received by 5:00 p.m., Eastern Time, on January , 2024.

**Voting in Person at the Meeting.** If you attend the Shareholder Meeting and plan to vote in person, you will be provided with a ballot at the Shareholder Meeting. If your shares are registered directly in your name, you are considered the shareholder of record and you have the right to vote in person at the Shareholder Meeting. If you hold your shares in "street name," which means your shares are held of record by a broker, bank or other nominee, you should follow the instructions provided by your broker, bank or nominee to ensure that votes related to the shares you beneficially own are properly counted. In this regard, you must provide the record holder of your shares with instructions on how to vote your shares or, if you wish to attend the Shareholder Meeting and vote in person, you will need to bring to the Shareholder Meeting a legal proxy from your broker, bank or nominee authorizing you to vote these shares.

**Voting Electronically.** You may attend, vote and examine the list of shareholders entitled to vote at the Shareholder Meeting by visiting <https://www.cstproxy.com/> and entering the control number found on your proxy card, voting instruction form or notice included in the proxy materials.

**Q: How do I attend the virtual Shareholder Meeting?**

**A:** If you are a registered shareholder, you will receive a proxy card from Continental Stock Transfer & Trust Company ("*Continental*," or the "*Transfer Agent*"). The form contains instructions on how to attend the virtual Shareholder Meeting including the URL address, along with your control number. You will need your control number for access. If you do not have your control number, contact the Transfer Agent at 917-262-2373, or email [proxy@continentalstock.com](mailto:proxy@continentalstock.com) .

You can pre-register to attend the virtual Shareholder Meeting starting January , 2024 at a.m., Eastern Time (three business days prior to the meeting date). Enter the URL address into your browser <https://www.cstproxy.com/> , enter your control number, name and email address. Once you pre-register you can vote or enter questions in the chat box. At the start of the Shareholder Meeting you will need to log in again using your control number and will also be prompted to enter your control number if you vote during the Shareholder Meeting.

Shareholders who hold their investments through a bank or broker, will need to contact the Transfer Agent to receive a control number. If you plan to vote at the Shareholder Meeting you will need to have a legal proxy from your bank or broker or if you would like to join and not vote, the Transfer Agent will issue you a guest control number with proof of ownership. In either case you must contact the Transfer Agent for specific instructions on how to receive the control number. The Transfer Agent can be contacted at the number or email address above. Please allow up to 72 hours prior to the meeting for processing your control number.

If you do not have access to Internet, you can listen only to the meeting by dialing (or if you are located outside the United States and Canada (standard rates apply)) and when prompted enter the pin number . Please note that you will not be able to vote or ask questions at the Shareholder Meeting if you choose to participate telephonically.

**Q: What are the specific proposals on which I am being asked to vote at the Shareholder Meeting?**

**A:** Global Partner shareholders are being asked to consider and vote on the following proposals:

1. *Proposal No. 1 - Extension Amendment Proposal* - To amend, by way of special resolution, Global Partner’s Memorandum and Articles of Association to extend the Termination Date by which Global Partner has to consummate a Business Combination (the “*Articles Extension*”) from 14 January, 2024 (the “*Original Termination Date*”) to 14 July, 2024 (the “*Articles Extension Date*”), for a total of an additional six months after the Original Termination Date, unless the closing of a Business Combination shall have occurred prior thereto (the “*Extension Amendment Proposal*”);
2. *Proposal No. 2 - Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal* - To amend, by way of special resolution, Global Partner’s Memorandum and Articles of Association to eliminate from the Memorandum and Articles of Association the limitation that Global Partner may not redeem Public Shares to the extent that such redemption would result in Global Partner having net tangible assets (as determined in accordance with Rule 3a51-1(g)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the “*Exchange Act*”) of less than \$5,000,001 (the “*Redemption Limitation*”) in order to allow Global Partner to redeem Public Shares irrespective of whether such redemption would exceed the Redemption Limitation (the “*Redemption Limitation Amendment*”, such proposal the “*Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal*”);
3. *Proposal No. 3 - Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal* - To amend, by way of special resolution, Global Partner’s Memorandum and Articles of Association, to provide that Class A Ordinary Shares may be issued to the Sponsor by way of conversion of Class B Ordinary Shares into Class A Ordinary Shares despite the restriction on issue of additional Class A Ordinary Shares (the “*Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal*”); and
4. *Proposal No. 4 - Adjournment Proposal* - To adjourn the Shareholder Meeting to a later date or dates, if necessary, (i) to permit further solicitation and vote of proxies if, based upon the tabulated vote at the time of the Shareholder Meeting, there are insufficient Class A ordinary shares, par value \$0.0001 per share and Class B ordinary shares, par value \$0.0001 per share in the capital of Global Partner represented (either in person or by proxy) at the Shareholder Meeting to approve the Extension Amendment Proposal, the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal and the Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal, or (ii) where the Board has determined it is otherwise necessary.

For more information, please see “*Proposal No. 1—The Extension Amendment Proposal*,” “*Proposal No. 2—The Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal*,” “*Proposal No. 3— Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal*” and “*Proposal No. 4—The Adjournment Proposal*.”

If the Extension Amendment Proposal is approved and the Articles Extension becomes effective, the Lender shall not make any additional deposits into the Trust Account and no additional non-interest bearing, unsecured promissory note shall be issued by Global Partner to the Lender. If Global Partner completes a Business Combination, it will, at the option of the Lender, repay the amounts loaned under existing promissory notes or convert a portion or all of the amounts loaned under such promissory notes into warrants, which warrants will be identical to the Private Placement Warrants. If Global Partner does not complete a Business Combination by the applicable Termination Date, such promissory notes will be repaid only from funds held outside of the Trust Account or will be forfeited, eliminated or otherwise forgiven.

**After careful consideration, Global Partner’s Board has unanimously determined that the Extension Amendment Proposal, the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal, the Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal and the Adjournment Proposal are in the best interests of Global Partner and its shareholders and unanimously recommends that you vote “FOR” or give instruction to vote “FOR” each of these proposals.**

The existence of financial and personal interests of our directors and officers may result in conflicts of interest, including a conflict between what may be in the best interests of Global Partner and its shareholders and what may be best for a director’s personal interests when determining to recommend that shareholders vote for the proposals. See the sections titled “*Proposal No. 1 - The Extension Amendment Proposal - Interests of the Sponsor and Global Partner’s Directors and Officers*,” “*Proposal No. 2 - The Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal - Interests of the Sponsor, Global Partner’s Directors and Officers*,” “*Proposal No. 3 - The Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal - Interests of the Sponsor, Global Partner’s Directors and Officers*” and “*Beneficial Ownership of Securities*” for a further discussion of these considerations.

**THE VOTE OF SHAREHOLDERS IS IMPORTANT. SHAREHOLDERS ARE URGED TO SUBMIT THEIR PROXIES AS SOON AS POSSIBLE AFTER CAREFULLY REVIEWING THIS PROXY STATEMENT.**

**Q: Am I being asked to vote on a proposal to elect directors?**

**A:** No. Holders of Public Shares are not being asked to vote on the election of directors at this time.

**Q: Are the proposals conditioned on one another?**

**A:** Approval of the Extension Amendment Proposal is a condition to the implementation of the Articles Extension. In addition, Global Partner will not proceed with the Articles Extension unless (i) the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal is approved or (ii) the Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal is approved, despite taking into account any redemptions of Class A Ordinary Shares by Global Partner public shareholders in exchange for their pro rata portion of the funds held in the Trust Account in connection with the Articles Extension (the “*Redemptions*”).

If the Articles Extension is implemented and one or more Global Partner shareholders elect to redeem their Public Shares pursuant to the Redemption, Global Partner will remove from the Trust Account and deliver to the holders of such redeemed Public Shares an amount equal to the pro rata portion of funds available in the Trust Account with respect to such redeemed Public Shares, including interest earned on the funds held in the Trust Account and not previously released to Global Partner to pay its taxes, and retain the remainder of the funds in the Trust Account for Global Partner’s use in connection with consummating the Business Combination, subject to the redemption rights of holders of Public Shares in connection with the Business Combination.

The Adjournment Proposal is conditioned on Global Partner not obtaining the necessary votes for approving the Extension Amendment Proposal, the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal, and the Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal prior to the Shareholder Meeting in order to seek additional time to obtain sufficient votes in support of the Articles Extension and the Redemption Limitation Amendment or if the Board has determined it is otherwise necessary.

**Q: Why is Global Partner proposing the Extension Amendment Proposal?**

**A:** Global Partner’s Memorandum and Articles of Association provides for the return of the Initial Public Offering proceeds held in trust to the holders of Public Shares sold in the Initial Public Offering if there is no qualifying business combination consummated on or before the Termination Date. The purpose of the Extension Amendment Proposal is to allow Global Partner additional time to complete a Business Combination.

Without the Articles Extension, Global Partner believes that Global Partner may not be able to complete the Business Combination on or before the Termination Date. If that were to occur, Global Partner would be forced to liquidate.

**Q: Why is Global Partner proposing the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal?**

**A:** Global Partner's Memorandum and Articles of Association provide that that Global Partner may not redeem Public Shares to the extent that such redemption would result in Global Partner having net tangible assets (as determined in accordance with Rule 3a51-1(g)(1) of the Exchange Act) of less than \$5,000,001. Without the Redemption Limitation Amendment, Global Partner may not be able to implement the Articles Extension or complete the Business Combination if following redemptions in connection with the Articles Extension or upon the consummation of the Business Combination Global Partner has net tangible assets of less than \$5,000,001 even if shareholders approve the Articles Extension or if all contractual conditions to closing the Business Combination are met.

**Q: Why is Global Partner proposing the Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal?**

**A:** If the Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal is not approved and there are significant requests for redemption, such redemptions may prevent the Company from being able to consummate a Business Combination. Global Partner believes that the Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal allows increased flexibility for the Sponsor to convert its shares in the best interest of the Company and may aid the Company in retaining investors and meeting continued listing requirements necessary to continue to pursue a Business Combination. Additionally, Global Partner believes this change is necessary to allow the conversion of Class B Ordinary Shares into Class A Ordinary Shares pursuant to Section 17.2 of the Memorandum and Articles of Association. Global Partner's Sponsor and initial shareholders have informed Global Partner that, if the Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal is approved, they expect to convert up to 200,000 Class B Ordinary Shares into Class A Ordinary Shares of Global Partner, in accordance with the terms of the Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal, prior to any redemption in connection with the Extension Amendment Proposal. Notwithstanding the conversion, such holders will not be entitled to receive any monies held in the Trust Account as a result of their ownership of any Class A Ordinary Shares.

**Q: Why is Global Partner proposing the Adjournment Proposal?**

**A:** If (i) either the Extension Amendment Proposal, the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal, or the Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal is not approved by Global Partner's shareholders or (ii) the Board has determined it is otherwise necessary, Global Partner may put the Adjournment Proposal to a vote. If the Adjournment Proposal is not approved by Global Partner's shareholders, the Board may not be able to adjourn the Shareholder Meeting to a later date or dates in the event that there are insufficient votes at the Shareholder Meeting to approve the Extension Amendment Proposal, the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal, and the Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal.

**Q: What constitutes a quorum?**

**A:** A quorum of our shareholders is necessary to hold a valid meeting. The presence (which would include presence at the virtual Shareholder Meeting), in person or by proxy, of shareholders holding a majority of the Ordinary Shares entitled to vote at the Shareholder Meeting constitutes a quorum at the Shareholder Meeting. Abstentions and broker non-votes will be considered present for the purposes of establishing a quorum. The Sponsor of Global Partner owns 65.6% of the issued and outstanding Ordinary Shares as of the record date, will count towards this quorum. As a result, as of the record date, no additional Ordinary Shares held by public shareholders would be required to be present at the Shareholder Meeting to achieve a quorum. Because all of the proposals to be voted on at the Shareholder Meeting are "non-routine" matters, banks, brokers and other nominees will not have authority to vote on any proposals unless instructed, so Global Partner does not expect there to be any broker non-votes at the Shareholder Meeting.

**Q: What vote is required to approve the proposals presented at the Shareholder Meeting?**

**A:** The approval of each of the Extension Amendment Proposal, the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal, and the Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal requires a special resolution under Cayman Islands law, being the affirmative vote of at least a two-thirds (2/3) majority of the votes cast by the holders of the issued Ordinary Shares, voting as a single class, who are present in person or represented by proxy and entitled to vote thereon at the Shareholder Meeting.

Approval of the Adjournment Proposal requires an ordinary resolution under Cayman Islands law, being the affirmative vote of at least a majority of the votes cast by the holders of the issued Ordinary Shares, voting as a single class, who are present in person or represented by proxy and entitled to vote thereon at the Shareholder Meeting.



**Q: How will the Sponsor and Global Partner’s directors and officers vote?**

**A:** The Sponsor intends to vote any Ordinary Shares over which they have voting control in favor of the Extension Amendment Proposal, the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal, and the Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal and, if necessary, the Adjournment Proposal.

The Sponsor is not entitled to redeem any Class B Ordinary Shares held by them in connection with the Extension Amendment Proposal, the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal, and the Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal. On the Record Date, the Sponsor beneficially owned and was entitled to vote 7,500,000 Class B Ordinary Shares, representing 65.6% of Global Partner’s issued and outstanding Ordinary Shares.

**Q: Who is Global Partner’s Sponsor?**

**A:** Global Partner’s sponsor is Global Partner Sponsor II LLC, a Delaware limited liability company. The Sponsor currently owns 7,500,000 Class B Ordinary Shares and 5,566,667 Private Placement Warrants. Chandra R. Patel, Richard C. Davis, and Jarett Goldman are the managing members of the Sponsor. Each manager has one vote in a Sponsor action and the approval of a majority is required to approve an action of voting power over the Class B Ordinary Shares and Private Placement Warrants held by the Sponsor. No individual managing member has voting or dispositive control over any of the securities held by the Sponsor under the so-called “rule of three”. The Sponsor may be viewed as “controlled” (as defined in 31 CFR 800.208) by one or more citizens of an “excepted foreign state” (as defined in 31 CFR 800.218), such that the Sponsor’s involvement in any Business Combination may be a “covered transaction” (as defined in 31 CFR 800.213). A Business Combination may therefore become subject to regulatory review, including a potential mandatory or voluntary review by CFIUS, and that restrictions, limitations or conditions will be imposed by CFIUS. If our Business Combination with a U.S. business is subject to CFIUS review, the scope of which was expanded by FIRRMA, to include certain non-passive, non-controlling investments in sensitive U.S. businesses and certain acquisitions of real estate even with no underlying U.S. business. FIRRMA, and subsequent implementing regulations that are now in force, also subjects certain categories of investments to mandatory filings. If our potential Business Combination with a U.S. business falls within CFIUS’s jurisdiction, we may determine that we are required to make a mandatory filing or that we will submit a voluntary notice to CFIUS, or to proceed with a Business Combination without notifying CFIUS and risk CFIUS intervention, before or after closing a Business Combination. CFIUS may decide to block or delay our Business Combination, impose conditions to mitigate national security concerns with respect to such Business Combination or order us to divest all or a portion of a U.S. business of the combined company without first obtaining CFIUS clearance, which may limit the attractiveness of or prevent us from pursuing certain initial business combination opportunities that we believe would otherwise be beneficial to us and our shareholders. As a result, the pool of potential targets with which we could complete a Business Combination may be limited and we may be adversely affected in terms of competing with other special purpose acquisition companies which do not have similar foreign ownership issues. A failure to notify CFIUS of a transaction where such notification was required or otherwise warranted based on the national security considerations presented by an investment target may expose the Sponsor and/or the combined company to legal penalties, costs, and/or other adverse reputational and financial effects, thus potentially diminishing the value of the combined company. In addition, CFIUS is actively pursuing transactions that were not notified to it and may ask questions regarding, or impose restrictions or mitigation on, a Business Combination post-closing.

Moreover, the process of government review, whether by the CFIUS or otherwise, could be lengthy and we have limited time to complete our Business Combination. If we cannot complete a Business Combination by 14 July, 2024 because the transaction is still under review or because our Business Combination is ultimately prohibited by CFIUS or another U.S. government entity, we may be required to liquidate. If we liquidate, our public shareholders may only receive \$ per Public Share, and our warrants will expire worthless. This will also cause you to lose the investment opportunity in a target company and the chance of realizing future gains on your investment through any price appreciation in the combined company.

**Q: Why should I vote “FOR” the Extension Amendment Proposal?**

**A:** Global Partner believes shareholders will benefit from Global Partner consummating a Business Combination and is proposing the Extension Amendment Proposal to extend the date by which Global Partner has to complete a Business Combination until the Articles Extension Date. Without the Articles Extension, Global Partner believes that Global Partner may not be able to complete a Business Combination on or before the Termination Date. If that were to occur, Global Partner would be forced to liquidate.

**Q: Why should I vote “FOR” the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal??**

**A:** Global Partner believes shareholders will benefit from Global Partner implementing the Articles Extension and is proposing the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal to delete the Redemption Limitation. If the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal is not approved and there are significant requests for redemption (including as a result of the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal) such that Global Partner’s net tangible assets would be less than \$5,000,001 following the redemptions, we would be unable to implement the Articles Extension.

**Q: Why should I vote “FOR” the Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal?**

**A:** Global Partner believes shareholders will benefit from Global Partner consummating a Business Combination and is proposing the Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal to allow increased flexibility for the Sponsor to convert its shares in the best interest of Global Partner and may aid Global Partner in retaining investors and meeting continued listing requirements necessary to continue to pursue a Business Combination. Additionally, Global Partner believes this change is necessary to allow the conversion of Class B Ordinary Shares into Class A Ordinary Shares pursuant to Section 17.2 of the Memorandum and Articles of Association. Without the Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal, Global Partner believes that it may be more difficult to complete a Business Combination. If that were to occur and Global Partner does not complete a Business Combination by the Articles Extension Date, Global Partner would be precluded from completing a Business Combination and would be forced to liquidate.

**Q: Why should I vote “FOR” the Adjournment Proposal?**

**A:** If the Adjournment Proposal is not approved by Global Partner’s shareholders, the Board may not be able to adjourn the Shareholder Meeting to a later date or dates in the event that there are insufficient votes to approve the Extension Amendment Proposal, the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal, and the Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal.

**Q: What if I do not want to vote “FOR” the Extension Amendment Proposal, the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal, the Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal or the Adjournment Proposal?**

**A:** If you do not want the Extension Amendment Proposal, the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal, the Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal or the Adjournment Proposal to be approved, you may “ABSTAIN”, not vote, or vote “AGAINST” such proposal.

If you attend the Shareholder Meeting in person or by proxy, you may vote “AGAINST” the Extension Amendment Proposal, the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal, the Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal or the Adjournment Proposal, and your Ordinary Shares will be counted for the purposes of determining whether the Extension Amendment Proposal, the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal, the Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal or the Adjournment Proposal (as the case may be) are approved.

However, if you fail to attend the Shareholder Meeting in person or by proxy, or if you do attend the Shareholder Meeting in person or by proxy but you “ABSTAIN” or otherwise fail to vote at the Shareholder Meeting, your Ordinary Shares will not be counted for the purposes of determining whether the Extension Amendment Proposal, the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal, the Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal or the Adjournment Proposal (as the case may be) are approved, and your Ordinary Shares which are not voted at the Shareholder Meeting will have no effect on the outcome of such votes.

If the Extension Amendment Proposal, the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal and the Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal are approved, or if the Extension Amendment Proposal is approved and following redemptions in connection with the Articles Extension Global Partner’s net tangible assets are at least \$5,000,001, then the Adjournment Proposal will not be presented for a vote.

**Q: How are the funds in the Trust Account currently being held?**

**A:** With respect to the regulation SPACs like Global Partner, on March 30, 2022, the SEC issued the SPAC Proposed Rules relating to, among other items, the extent to which SPACs could become subject to regulation under the Investment Company Act, including a proposed rule that would provide SPACs a safe harbor from treatment as an investment company if they satisfy certain conditions that limit a SPAC’s duration, asset composition, business purpose and activities.

With regard to the SEC's investment company proposals included in the SPAC Proposed Rules, while the funds in the Trust Account have, since Global Partner's Initial Public Offering, been held only in U.S. government treasury bills with a maturity of 185 days or less or in money market funds investing solely in U.S. Treasuries, to mitigate the risk of being viewed as operating an unregistered investment company (including pursuant to the subjective test of Section 3(a)(1)(A) of the Investment Company Act of 1940), in connection with the First Extension Meeting, Global Partner instructed Continental, the trustee managing the Trust Account, to liquidate the U.S. government treasury obligations or money market funds held in the Trust Account and thereafter to maintain the funds in the Trust Account in cash in an interest-bearing demand deposit account at a bank until the earlier of the consummation of a business combination and the liquidation of Global Partner. Interest on such deposit account is currently 4.5% per annum, but such deposit account carries a variable rate and Global Partner cannot assure you that such rate will not decrease or increase significantly.

**Q: Will we seek any further extensions to liquidate the Trust Account?**

**A:** Other than as described in this proxy statement, Global Partner does not currently anticipate seeking any further extension to consummate a Business Combination but may do so in the future.

**Q: What happens if the Extension Amendment Proposal is not approved?**

**A:** If there are insufficient votes to approve the Extension Amendment Proposal, Global Partner may put the Adjournment Proposal to a vote in order to seek additional time to obtain sufficient votes in support of the Articles Extension.

If the Extension Amendment Proposal is not approved at the Shareholder Meeting or at any adjournment thereof, and a business combination is not completed on or before the Termination Date, then as contemplated by and in accordance with the Memorandum and Articles of Association, Global Partner will: (i) cease all operations except for the purpose of winding up; (ii) as promptly as reasonably possible but not more than ten business days thereafter, redeem the Public Shares, at a per-share price, payable in cash, equal to the aggregate amount then on deposit in the Trust Account, including interest earned on the funds held in the Trust Account and not previously released to Global Partner to pay its income taxes, if any (less up to \$100,000 of interest to pay liquidation expenses), divided by the total number of the then-outstanding Public Shares, which redemption will completely extinguish public shareholders' rights as shareholders (including the right to receive further liquidation distributions, if any); and (iii) as promptly as reasonably possible following such redemption, subject to the approval of Global Partner's remaining shareholders and the Board, liquidate and dissolve, subject in each case of clauses (ii) and (iii) to Global Partner's obligations under Cayman Islands law to provide for claims of creditors and to requirements of other applicable law. There will be no distribution from the Trust Account with respect to Global Partner's warrants, which will expire worthless in the event Global Partner dissolves and liquidates the Trust Account.

The Sponsor and the other initial shareholders of Global Partner waived their rights to participate in any liquidation distribution with respect to the 7,500,000 Class B Ordinary Shares held by them.

**Q: If the Extension Amendment Proposal is approved, what happens next?**

**A:** If the Extension Amendment Proposal is approved, Global Partner will continue to attempt to consummate the Business Combination until the Articles Extension Date. Global Partner will procure that all filings required to be made with the Registrar of Companies of the Cayman Islands in connection with the Extension Amendment Proposal are made and will continue its efforts to obtain approval of the Business Combination at an extraordinary general meeting and consummate the closing of the Business Combination on or before the Articles Extension Date.

If the Extension Amendment Proposal is approved and the Articles Extension is implemented, the removal from the Trust Account of the amount equal to the pro rata portion of funds available in the Trust Account with respect to such redeemed Public Shares will reduce the amount remaining in the Trust Account and increase the percentage interest of Global Partner held Global Partner's initial shareholders and by the Sponsor. In addition, Global Partner's Memorandum and Articles of Association provide that Global Partner cannot redeem or repurchase Public Shares to the extent such redemption would result in Global Partner's failure to have at least \$5,000,001 of net tangible assets. As a result, Global Partner will not proceed with the Articles Extension unless (i) the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal is approved and (ii) the Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal is approved, despite taking into account the Redemptions.

**Q: What happens if the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal is not approved?**

**A:** If there are insufficient votes to approve the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal, Global Partner may put the Adjournment Proposal to a vote in order to seek additional time to obtain sufficient votes in support of the Redemption Limitation Amendment.

If the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal is not approved at the Shareholder Meeting or at any adjournment thereof and following Redemptions in connection with the Articles Extension Global Partner doesn't meet the Redemption Limitation, then the Articles Extension will not be implemented and if a Business Combination is not completed on or before the Termination Date, then as contemplated by and in accordance with the Memorandum and Articles of Association, Global Partner will (i) cease all operations except for the purpose of winding up; (ii) as promptly as reasonably possible but not more than ten business days thereafter, redeem the Public Shares, at a per-share price, payable in cash, equal to the aggregate amount then on deposit in the Trust Account, including interest earned on the funds held in the Trust Account (less taxes payable and up to \$100,000 of interest to pay liquidation expenses), divided by the total number of the then-outstanding Public Shares, which redemption will completely extinguish public shareholders' rights as shareholders (including the right to receive further liquidation distributions, if any); and (iii) as promptly as reasonably possible following such redemption, subject to the approval of Global Partner's remaining shareholders and the Board, liquidate and dissolve, subject in the case of clauses (ii) and (iii) to Global Partner's obligations under Cayman Islands law to provide for claims of creditors and in all cases subject to the requirements of other applicable law. There will be no distribution from the Trust Account with respect to Global Partner's warrants, which will expire worthless in the event Global Partner dissolves and liquidates the Trust Account.

Additionally, in the event that the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal is not approved and we receive notice of redemptions of Public Shares approaching or in excess of the Redemption Limitation, we and/or the Sponsor may take action to increase our net tangible assets to avoid exceeding the Redemption Limitation, which may include, at our and our Sponsor's option and in our and its sole discretion, any, several or all of the following actions: (a) attempting to secure waivers of certain of our significant liabilities and (b) entering into non-redemption agreements with certain of our significant shareholders. If the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal is not approved and the Redemption Limitation is exceeded, either because we do not take action to increase our net tangible assets or because our attempt to do so is not successful, then we will not proceed with the Articles Extension and we will not redeem any Public Shares. In such case, Public Shares which a public shareholder elects to redeem but which are not redeemed shall be returned to such public shareholder or such public shareholder's account and such public shareholder will retain the right to have their Public Shares redeemed for cash if Global Partner has not completed an initial business combination by the Termination Date.

The Sponsor and the other initial shareholders of Global Partner waived their rights to participate in any liquidation distribution with respect to the 7,500,000 Class B Ordinary Shares held by them.

**Q: What happens if the Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal is not approved?**

**A:** If the Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal is not approved and there are significant requests for redemption, such redemptions may prevent Global Partner from being able to consummate a Business Combination. Global Partner believes that the Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal allows increased flexibility for the Sponsor to convert its shares in the best interest of Global Partner and may aid Global Partner in retaining investors and meeting continued listing requirements necessary to continue to pursue a Business Combination.

- Q: If I vote for or against the Extension Amendment Proposal, do I need to request that my shares be redeemed?**
- A:** Yes. Whether you vote “for” or “against” the Extension Amendment Proposal, the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal or the Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal, or do not vote at all, you may elect to redeem your shares. However, you will need to submit a redemption request for your shares if you choose to redeem.
- Q: What amount will holders receive upon consummation of a Business Combination or liquidation if the Extension Amendment Proposal is approved?**
- A:** If the Extension Amendment Proposal is approved and the Articles Extension becomes effective, the Lender shall not make any additional deposits into the Trust Account and no additional non-interest bearing, unsecured promissory note shall be issued by Global Partner to the Lender. If Global Partner completes the Business Combination, it will, at the option of the Lender, repay the amounts loaned under existing promissory notes or convert a portion or all of the amounts loaned under such promissory notes into warrants, which warrants will be identical to the Private Placement Warrants. If Global Partner does not complete a business combination by the applicable Termination Date, such promissory notes will be repaid only from funds held outside of the Trust Account or will be forfeited, eliminated or otherwise forgiven.
- Q: Am I being asked to vote on a Business Combination at this Shareholder Meeting?**
- A:** No. You are not being asked to vote on the Business Combination at this time. If the Articles Extension is implemented and you do not elect to redeem your Public Shares, provided that you are a shareholder on the record date for the shareholder meeting to consider the Business Combination, you will be entitled to vote on the Business Combination when it is submitted to shareholders and will retain the right to redeem your Public Shares for cash in connection with the Business Combination or liquidation.
- Q: Will how I vote affect my ability to exercise Redemption rights?**
- A:** You may exercise your Redemption rights whether or not you are a holder of Public Shares on the Record Date (so long as you are a holder at the time of exercise), or whether you are a holder and vote your Public Shares on the Extension Amendment Proposal, the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal or the Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal (for or against) or any other proposal described by this proxy statement. As a result, the Articles Extension can be approved by shareholders who will redeem their Public Shares and no longer remain shareholders, leaving shareholders who choose not to redeem their Public Shares holding shares in a company with a potentially less liquid trading market, fewer shareholders, potentially less cash and the potential inability to meet the listing standards of the Nasdaq Stock Market LLC (“*Nasdaq*”).
- Q: May I change my vote after I have mailed my signed proxy card?**
- A:** Yes. Shareholders may send a later-dated, signed proxy card to Global Partner at 200 Park Avenue, 32nd Floor, New York, NY 10166 so that it is received by Global Partner prior to the vote at the Shareholder Meeting (which is scheduled to take place on January , 2024) or attend the Shareholder Meeting in person (which would include presence at the virtual Shareholder Meeting) and vote. Shareholders also may revoke their proxy by sending a notice of revocation to Global Partner’s Chief Executive Officer, which must be received by Global Partner’s Chief Executive Officer prior to the vote at the Shareholder Meeting. However, if your shares are held in “street name” by your broker, bank or another nominee, you must contact your broker, bank or other nominee to change your vote.
- Q: How are votes counted?**
- A:** Votes will be counted by the inspector of election appointed for the Shareholder Meeting, who will separately count “FOR” and “AGAINST” votes, “ABSTAIN” and broker non-votes. The approval of each of the Extension Amendment Proposal, the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal, and the Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal requires a special resolution under Cayman Islands law, being the affirmative vote of at least a two-thirds (2/3) majority of the votes cast by the holders of the issued Ordinary Shares, voting as a single class, who are present in person or represented by proxy and entitled to vote thereon at the Shareholder Meeting. Approval of the Adjournment Proposal requires an ordinary resolution under Cayman Islands law, being the affirmative vote of at least a majority of the votes cast by the holders of the issued Ordinary Shares who are present in person or represented by proxy and entitled to vote thereon at the Shareholder Meeting.

Shareholders who attend the Shareholder Meeting, either in person or by proxy (or, if a corporation or other non-natural person, by sending their duly authorized representative or proxy), will be counted (and the number of Ordinary Shares held by such shareholders will be counted) for the purposes of determining whether a quorum is present at the Shareholder Meeting. The presence, in person or by proxy or by duly authorized representative, at the Shareholder Meeting of the holders of a majority of all issued and outstanding Ordinary Shares entitled to vote at the Shareholder Meeting shall constitute a quorum for the Shareholder Meeting.

At the Shareholder Meeting, only those votes which are actually cast, either “FOR” or “AGAINST,” the Extension Amendment Proposal, the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal, the Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal or the Adjournment Proposal, will be counted for the purposes of determining whether the Extension Amendment Proposal, the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal, the Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal or the Adjournment Proposal (as the case may be) are approved, and any Ordinary Shares which are not voted at the Shareholder Meeting will have no effect on the outcome of such votes. Abstentions, while considered present for the purposes of establishing a quorum, will not count as votes cast and will have no effect on the outcome of the vote on the Extension Amendment Proposal, the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal, the Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal or the Adjournment Proposal.

**Q: If my shares are held in “street name,” will my broker, bank or nominee automatically vote my shares for me?**

**A:** If your shares are held in “street name” in a stock brokerage account or by a broker, bank or other nominee, you must provide the record holder of your shares with instructions on how to vote your shares. Please follow the voting instructions provided by your broker, bank or other nominee. Please note that you may not vote shares held in “street name” by returning a proxy card directly to Global Partner or by voting online at the Shareholder Meeting unless you provide a “legal proxy,” which you must obtain from your broker, bank or other nominee.

Under the applicable rules of Nasdaq, brokers who hold shares in “street name” for a beneficial owner of those shares typically have the authority to vote in their discretion on “routine” proposals when they have not received instructions from beneficial owners. However, brokers are not permitted to exercise their voting discretion with respect to the approval of matters that Nasdaq determines to be “non-routine” without specific instructions from the beneficial owner. It is expected that all proposals to be voted on at the Shareholder Meeting are “non-routine” matters and therefore, Global Partner does not expect there to be any broker non-votes at the Shareholder Meeting.

If you are a Global Partner shareholder holding your shares in “street name” and you do not instruct your broker, bank or other nominee on how to vote your shares, your broker, bank or other nominee will not vote your shares on the Extension Amendment Proposal, the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal, the Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal or the Adjournment Proposal. Accordingly, your bank, broker, or other nominee can vote your shares at the Shareholder Meeting only if you provide instructions on how to vote. You should instruct your broker to vote your shares as soon as possible in accordance with directions you provide.

Abstentions will be considered present for the purposes of establishing a quorum but, as a matter of Cayman Islands law, will not constitute votes cast at the Shareholder Meeting and therefore will have no effect on the approval of each of the proposals as a matter of Cayman Islands law.

- Q: Does the Board recommend voting “FOR” the approval of the Extension Amendment Proposal, the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal, the Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal and the Adjournment Proposal?**
- A:** Yes. After careful consideration of the terms and conditions of each of the Extension Amendment Proposal, the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal, the Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal and the Adjournment Proposal, the Board has determined that each of the Extension Amendment Proposal, the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal, the Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal and the Adjournment Proposal is in the best interests of Global Partner and its shareholders. The Board recommends that Global Partner’s shareholders vote “FOR” the Extension Amendment Proposal, “FOR” the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal, “FOR” The Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal and “FOR” the Adjournment Proposal.
- Q: What interests do Global Partner’s directors and officers have in the approval of the Extension Amendment Proposal?**
- A:** Global Partner’s directors and officers have interests in the Extension Amendment Proposal that may be different from, or in addition to, your interests as a shareholder. These interests include, among others, ownership, directly or indirectly through the Sponsor, of Class B Ordinary Shares and Private Placement Warrants. See the section entitled “*Proposal No 1 - The Extension Amendment Proposal - Interests of the Sponsor and Global Partner’s Directors and Officers*” in this proxy statement.
- Q: What interests do Global Partner’s directors and officers have in the approval of the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal?**
- A:** Global Partner’s directors and officers have interests in the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal that may be different from, or in addition to, your interests as a shareholder. These interests include, among others, ownership, directly or indirectly through the Sponsor, of Class B Ordinary Shares and Private Placement Warrants. See the section entitled “*Proposal No 2—The Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal—Interests of the Sponsor, Global Partner’s Directors, and Officers*” in this proxy statement.
- Q: What interests do Global Partner’s directors and officers have in the approval of the Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal ?**
- A:** Global Partner’s directors and officers have interests in the Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal that may be different from, or in addition to, your interests as a shareholder. These interests include, among others, ownership, directly or indirectly through the Sponsor, of Class B Ordinary Shares and Private Placement Warrants. See the section entitled “*Proposal No. 3 - The Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal - Interests of the Sponsor and Global Partner’s Directors and Officers*” in this proxy statement.
- Q: Do I have appraisal rights or dissenters’ rights if I object to the Extension Amendment Proposal, the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal or the Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal?**
- A:** No. There are no appraisal rights available to Global Partner’s shareholders in connection with the Extension Amendment Proposal, the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal, or the Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal. There are no dissenters’ rights available to Global Partner’s shareholders in connection with the Extension Amendment Proposal, the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal or the Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal under Cayman Islands law. However, you may elect to have your shares redeemed in connection with the adoption of the Extension Amendment Proposal, the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal or the Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal as described under “How do I exercise my redemption rights” below.
- Q: If I am a Public Warrant (as defined below) holder, can I exercise redemption rights with respect to my Public Warrants?**
- A:** No. The holders of warrants issued in connection with the Initial Public Offering (with a whole warrant representing the right to acquire one Class A Ordinary Share at an exercise price of \$11.50 per share) (the “*Public Warrants*”) have no redemption rights with respect to such Public Warrants.
- Q: What do I need to do now?**
- A:** You are urged to read carefully and consider the information contained in this proxy statement and to consider how the Extension Amendment Proposal, the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal, the Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal and the Adjournment Proposal will affect you as a shareholder. You should then vote as soon as possible in accordance with the instructions provided in this proxy statement and on the enclosed proxy card or, if you hold your shares through a brokerage firm, bank or other nominee, on the voting instruction form provided by the broker, bank or nominee.

**Q: How do I exercise my redemption rights?**

**A:** If you are a holder of Class A Ordinary Shares and wish to exercise your right to redeem your Class A Ordinary Shares, you must:

- I. (a) hold Class A Ordinary Shares or (b) hold Class A Ordinary Shares through Units and elect to separate your Units into the underlying Class A Ordinary Shares and Public Warrants prior to exercising your redemption rights with respect to the Class A Ordinary Shares; and
- II. prior to 5:00 p.m., Eastern Time, on January , 2024 (two business days prior to the initially scheduled date of the Shareholder Meeting) (a) submit a written request to the Transfer Agent that Global Partner redeem your Class A Ordinary Shares for cash and (b) tender or deliver your Class A Ordinary Shares (and share certificates (if any) and other redemption forms) to the Transfer Agent, physically or electronically through the Depository Trust Company (“DTC”).

The address of the Transfer Agent is listed under the question “*Who can help answer my questions?*” below.

Holders of Units must elect to separate the underlying Class A Ordinary Shares and Public Warrants prior to exercising redemption rights with respect to the Class A Ordinary Shares. If holders hold their Units in an account at a brokerage firm or bank, holders must notify their broker or bank that they elect to separate the Units into the underlying Class A Ordinary Shares and Public Warrants, or if a holder holds Units registered in its own name, the holder must contact the Transfer Agent directly and instruct it to do so.

In connection with the approval of the Extension Amendment Proposal, the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal and the Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal, any holder of Class A Ordinary Shares will be entitled to request that their Class A Ordinary Shares be redeemed for a per share price, payable in cash, equal to the aggregate amount then on deposit in the Trust Account calculated as of two business days prior to the Shareholder Meeting, including interest earned on the funds held in the Trust Account and not previously released to Global Partner to pay its taxes, divided by the number of then-outstanding Class A Ordinary Shares. As of December , 2023, the most recent practicable date prior to the date of this proxy statement, this would have amounted to approximately \$ per Public Share. However, the proceeds deposited in the Trust Account could become subject to the claims of our creditors, if any, which could have priority over the claims of our public shareholders. Therefore, the per share distribution from the Trust Account in such a situation may be less than originally anticipated due to such claims. We anticipate that the funds to be distributed to public shareholders electing to redeem their Class A Ordinary Shares will be distributed promptly after the Shareholder Meeting.

Any request for redemption, once made by a holder of Class A Ordinary Shares, may be withdrawn at any time until the deadline for exercising redemption requests and thereafter, with the consent of the Board. If you tender or deliver your shares (and share certificates (if any) and other redemption forms) for redemption to the Transfer Agent and later decide prior to the Shareholder Meeting not to elect redemption, you may request that Global Partner instruct the Transfer Agent to return the shares (physically or electronically). You may make such request by contacting the Transfer Agent at the phone number or address listed at the end of this section. We will be required to honor such request only if made prior to the deadline for exercising redemption requests.

Any corrected or changed written exercise of redemption rights must be received by the Transfer Agent prior to the deadline for exercising redemption requests and, thereafter, with the consent of the Board. No request for redemption will be honored unless the holder’s shares (and share certificates (if any) and other redemption forms) have been tendered or delivered (either physically or electronically) to the Transfer Agent by 5:00 p.m., Eastern Time, on January , 2024 (two business days prior to the initially scheduled date of the Shareholder Meeting).



If a holder of Class A Ordinary Shares properly makes a request for redemption and the Class A Ordinary Shares (and share certificates (if any) and other redemption forms) are tendered or delivered as described above, then, Global Partner will redeem Class A Ordinary Shares for a pro rata portion of funds deposited in the Trust Account, calculated as of two business days prior to the Shareholder Meeting. If you are a holder of Class A Ordinary Shares and you exercise your redemption rights, it will not result in the loss of any Public Warrants that you may hold.

**Q: What are the U.S. federal income tax consequences of exercising my redemption rights?**

**A:** The U.S. federal income tax consequences of exercising your redemption rights will depend on your particular facts and circumstances. Accordingly, you are urged to consult your tax advisor to determine your tax consequences from the exercise of your redemption rights, including the applicability and effect of U.S. federal, state, local and non-U.S. income and other tax laws in light of your particular circumstances. For additional discussion of certain material U.S. federal income tax considerations with respect to the exercise of these redemption rights, see “*Certain Material U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations for Shareholders Exercising Redemption Rights.*”

**Q: What should I do if I receive more than one set of voting materials for the Shareholder Meeting?**

**A:** You may receive more than one set of voting materials for the Shareholder Meeting, including multiple copies of this proxy statement and multiple proxy cards or voting instruction cards. For example, if you hold your shares in more than one brokerage account, you will receive a separate voting instruction card for each brokerage account in which you hold shares. If you are a holder of record and your shares are registered in more than one name, you will receive more than one proxy card. Please complete, sign, date and return each proxy card and voting instruction card that you receive in order to cast your vote with respect to all of your shares.

**Q: Who will solicit and pay the cost of soliciting proxies for the Shareholder Meeting?**

**A:** Global Partner will pay the cost of soliciting proxies for the Shareholder Meeting. Global Partner has engaged Morrow Sodali LLC (“*Morrow Sodali*”) to assist in the solicitation of proxies for the Shareholder Meeting. Global Partner will also reimburse banks, brokers and other custodians, nominees and fiduciaries representing beneficial owners of Class A Ordinary Shares for their expenses in forwarding soliciting materials to beneficial owners of Class A Ordinary Shares and in obtaining voting instructions from those owners. The directors, officers and employees of Global Partner may also solicit proxies by telephone, by facsimile, by mail or on the Internet. They will not be paid any additional amounts for soliciting proxies.

**Q: Who can help answer my questions?**

**A:** If you have questions about the proposals or if you need additional copies of this proxy statement or the enclosed proxy card you should contact:

Morrow Sodali LLC  
333 Ludlow Street, 5th Floor, South Tower  
Stamford, CT 06902  
Individuals call toll-free (800) 662-5200  
Banks and brokers call (203) 658-9400  
Email: GPAC.info@investor.morrowsodali.com

You also may obtain additional information about Global Partner from documents filed with the SEC by following the instructions in the section titled “*Where You Can Find More Information.*” If you are a holder of Class A Ordinary Shares and you intend to seek redemption of your shares, you will need to tender or deliver your Class A Ordinary Shares (and share certificates (if any) and other redemption forms) (either physically or electronically) to the Transfer Agent at the address below prior to 5:00 p.m., Eastern Time, on January , 2024 (two business days prior to the initially scheduled date of the Shareholder Meeting). If you have questions regarding the certification of your position tendering or delivery of your shares, please contact:

Continental Stock Transfer & Trust Company  
One State Street Plaza, 30th Floor  
New York, New York 10004  
Attn: Mark Zimkind  
E-mail: mzimkind@continentalstock.com

## EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF GLOBAL PARTNER SHAREHOLDERS

This proxy statement is being provided to Global Partner shareholders as part of a solicitation of proxies by the Board for use at the extraordinary general meeting of Global Partner Shareholders to be held on January , 2024, and at any adjournment thereof. This proxy statement contains important information regarding the Shareholder Meeting, the proposals on which you are being asked to vote and information you may find useful in determining how to vote and voting procedures.

This proxy statement is being first mailed on or about December , 2023, to all shareholders of record of Global Partner as of December , 2023, the Record Date for the Shareholder Meeting. Shareholders of record who owned Ordinary Shares at the close of business on the Record Date are entitled to receive notice of, attend and vote at the Shareholder Meeting.

### **Date, Time and Place of Shareholder Meeting**

The Shareholder Meeting will be held on January , 2024 at a.m., Eastern Time, at the offices of Kirkland & Ellis LLP located at 601 Lexington Avenue, New York, NY 10022, and via a virtual meeting, or at such other time, on such other date and at such other place to which the meeting may be postponed or adjourned.

Shareholders may attend the Shareholder Meeting in person. However, we encourage you to attend the Shareholder Meeting virtually. If you wish to attend the Shareholder Meeting in person, you must reserve your attendance at least two business days in advance of the Shareholder Meeting by contacting Global Partner's Chief Executive Officer at [info@gpac2.com](mailto:info@gpac2.com) by a.m., Eastern Time, on January , 2024 (two business days prior to the initially scheduled meeting date).

You can pre-register to attend the virtual Shareholder Meeting starting January , 2024 at a.m., Eastern Time (two business days prior to the meeting date). Enter the URL address into your browser <https://www.cstproxy.com/> , enter your control number, name and email address. Once you pre-register you can vote or enter questions in the chat box. At the start of the Shareholder Meeting you will need to log in again using your control number and will also be prompted to enter your control number if you vote during the Shareholder Meeting.

Shareholders who hold their investments through a bank or broker, will need to contact the Transfer Agent to receive a control number. If you plan to vote at the Shareholder Meeting you will need to have a legal proxy from your bank or broker or if you would like to join and not vote, the Transfer Agent will issue you a guest control number with proof of ownership. Either way you must contact the Transfer Agent for specific instructions on how to receive the control number. The Transfer Agent can be contacted at 917-262-2373, or via email at [proxy@continentalstock.com](mailto:proxy@continentalstock.com). Please allow up to 72 hours prior to the meeting for processing your control number.

If you do not have access to the Internet, you can listen only to the meeting by dialing (or if you are located outside the United States and Canada (standard rates apply)) and when prompted enter the pin number . Please note that you will not be able to vote or ask questions at the Shareholder Meeting if you choose to participate telephonically.

### **The Proposals at the Shareholder Meeting**

At the Shareholder Meeting, Global Partner shareholders will consider and vote on the following proposals:

1. *Proposal No. 1 - Extension Amendment Proposal* - To amend, by way of special resolution, Global Partner's Memorandum and Articles of Association to extend the Termination Date by which Global Partner has to consummate a Business Combination from 14 January, 2024 to 14 July, 2024, for a total of an additional six months after the Original Termination Date, unless the closing of the Business Combination shall have occurred prior thereto.

2. *Proposal No. 2 - Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal* - To amend, by way of special resolution, Global Partner’s Memorandum and Articles of Association to eliminate from the Memorandum and Articles of Association the limitation that Global Partner may not redeem Public Shares to the extent that such redemption would result in Global Partner having net tangible assets (as determined in accordance with Rule 3a51-1(g)(1) of the Exchange Act) of less than \$5,000,001 in order to allow Global Partner to redeem Public Shares irrespective of whether such redemption would exceed the Redemption Limitation.
3. *Proposal No. 3 - Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal* - To amend, by way of special resolution, Global Partner’s Memorandum and Articles of Association, to provide that Class A Ordinary Shares may be issued to the Sponsor by way of conversion of Class B Ordinary Shares into Class A Ordinary Shares despite the restriction on issue of additional Class A Ordinary Shares (the “*Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal*”); and
4. *Proposal No. 4 – Adjournment Proposal* – To adjourn the Shareholder Meeting to a later date or dates, if necessary, (i) to permit further solicitation and vote of proxies if, based upon the tabulated vote at the time of the Shareholder Meeting, there are insufficient Class A ordinary shares, par value \$0.0001 per share and Class B ordinary shares, par value \$0.0001 per share in the capital of Global Partner represented (either in person or by proxy) at the Shareholder Meeting to approve the Extension Amendment Proposal, the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal and the Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal, or (ii) where the Board has determined it is otherwise necessary.

If the Extension Amendment Proposal is approved and the Articles Extension becomes effective, the Lender shall not make any additional deposits into the Trust Account and no additional non-interest bearing, unsecured promissory note shall be issued by Global Partner to the Lender. If Global Partner completes the Business Combination, it will, at the option of the Lender, repay the amounts loaned under existing promissory notes or convert a portion or all of the amounts loaned under such promissory note into warrants, which warrants will be identical to the Private Placement Warrants. If Global Partner does not complete the Business Combination by the applicable Termination Date, such promissory notes will be repaid only from funds held outside of the Trust Account or will be forfeited, eliminated or otherwise forgiven.

**Voting Power; Record Date**

As a shareholder of Global Partner, you have a right to vote on certain matters affecting Global Partner. The proposals that will be presented at the Shareholder Meeting and upon which you are being asked to vote are summarized above and fully set forth in this proxy statement. You will be entitled to vote or direct votes to be cast at the Shareholder Meeting if you owned Ordinary Shares at the close of business on December , 2023, which is the Record Date for the Shareholder Meeting. You are entitled to one vote for each Ordinary Share that you owned as of the close of business on the Record Date. if your shares are held in “street name” or are in a margin or similar account, you should contact your broker, bank or other nominee to ensure that votes related to the shares you beneficially own are properly counted. On the Record Date, there were 11,431,719 issued and outstanding Ordinary Shares, of which 3,931,719 Class A Ordinary Shares are held by Global Partner public shareholders and 7,500,000 Class B Ordinary Shares are held by the Sponsor.

**Recommendation of the Board**

**THE BOARD UNANIMOUSLY RECOMMENDS  
THAT YOU VOTE “FOR” EACH OF THESE PROPOSALS**

## **Quorum**

The presence (which would include presence at the virtual Shareholder Meeting), in person or by proxy, of shareholders holding a majority of the Ordinary Shares at the Shareholder Meeting constitutes a quorum at the Shareholder Meeting. Abstentions and broker non-votes will be considered present for the purposes of establishing a quorum. The Sponsor and Global Partner's other initial shareholders, which own 65.6% of the issued and outstanding Ordinary Shares as of the Record Date, will count towards this quorum. As a result, as of the Record Date, in addition to the shares of the Sponsor and Global Partner's other initial shareholders, no additional Ordinary Shares held by public shareholders would be required to be present at the Shareholder Meeting to achieve a quorum.

## **Abstentions and Broker Non-Votes**

Abstentions and broker non-votes will be considered present for the purposes of establishing a quorum but, as a matter of Cayman Islands law, will not constitute votes cast at the Shareholder Meeting and therefore will have no effect on the approval of any of the proposals voted upon at the Shareholder Meeting.

Under the applicable Nasdaq rules, if a shareholder holds their shares in "street" name through a bank, broker or other nominee and the shareholder does not instruct their broker, bank or other nominee how to vote their shares on a proposal, the broker, bank or other nominee has the authority to vote the shares in its discretion on certain "routine" matters. However, banks, brokers and other nominees are not authorized to exercise their voting discretion on any "non-routine" matters. This can result in a "broker non-vote," which occurs on a proposal when (i) a bank, broker or other nominee has discretionary authority to vote on one or more "routine" proposals to be voted on at a meeting of shareholders, (ii) there are one or more "non-routine" proposals to be voted on at the meeting for which the bank, broker or other nominee does not have authority to vote without instructions from the beneficial owner of the shares and (iii) the beneficial owner fails to provide the bank, broker or other nominee with voting instructions on a "non-routine" matter.

We believe that all of the proposals to be voted on at the Shareholder Meeting will be considered non-routine matters. As a result, if you hold your shares in street name, your bank, brokerage firm or other nominee cannot vote your shares on any of the proposals to be voted on at the Shareholder Meeting without your instruction.

Because all of the proposals to be voted on at the Shareholder Meeting are "non-routine" matters, banks, brokers and other nominees will not have authority to vote on any proposals unless instructed, so Global Partner does not expect there to be any broker non-votes at the Shareholder Meeting.

## **Vote Required for Approval**

The approval of each of the Extension Amendment Proposal, the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal, and the Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal requires a special resolution under Cayman Islands law, being the affirmative vote of at least a two-thirds (2/3) majority of the votes cast by the holders of the issued Ordinary Shares, voting as a single class, who are present in person or represented by proxy and entitled to vote thereon, and who vote thereon, at the Shareholder Meeting.

Approval of the Adjournment Proposal requires an ordinary resolution under Cayman Islands law, being the affirmative vote of at least a majority of the votes cast by the holders of the issued Ordinary Shares, voting as a single class, who are present in person or represented by proxy and entitled to vote thereon, and who vote thereon, at the Shareholder Meeting.

The Sponsor and Global Partner's other initial shareholders have informed us of their intent to vote all of its Ordinary Shares in favor of the proposals being presented at the Shareholder Meeting. As of the date of this proxy statement, the Sponsor and Global Partner's other initial shareholders own 65.6% of the issued and outstanding Ordinary Shares.

The following table reflects the number of additional Public Shares required to approve each proposal:

Proposal	Approval Standard	Number of Additional Public Shares Required To Approve Proposal	
		If Only Quorum is Present and All Present Shares Cast Votes	If All Shares Are Present and All Present Shares Cast Votes
Extension Amendment Proposal	Special Resolution <sup>1</sup>	0	121,146
Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal	Special Resolution <sup>1</sup>	0	121,146
Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal	Special Resolution <sup>1</sup>	0	121,146
Adjournment Proposal	Ordinary Resolution <sup>2</sup>	0	0

<sup>1</sup> Under Cayman law, a special resolution requires the affirmative vote of at least a two-thirds (2/3) majority of the votes cast by the holders of the issued Ordinary Shares who are present in person or represented by proxy and entitled to vote thereon, and who vote thereon, at the Shareholder Meeting.

<sup>2</sup> Under Cayman law, an ordinary resolution requires the affirmative vote of at least a majority of the votes cast by the holders of the issued Ordinary Shares who are present in person or represented by proxy and entitled to vote thereon, and who vote thereon, at the Shareholder Meeting.

### Voting Your Shares

If you were a holder of record of Ordinary Shares as of the close of business on December , 2023, the Record Date for the Shareholder Meeting, you may vote with respect to the proposals in person or virtually at the Shareholder Meeting, or by completing, signing, dating and returning the enclosed proxy card in the postage-paid envelope provided. Your proxy card shows the number of Ordinary Shares that you own. If your shares are held in “street name” or are in a margin or similar account, you should contact your broker to ensure that votes related to the shares you beneficially own are properly counted.

There are three ways to vote your Ordinary Shares at the Shareholder Meeting:

**Voting by Mail.** By signing the proxy card and returning it in the enclosed prepaid and addressed envelope, you are authorizing the individuals named on the proxy card to vote your shares at the Shareholder Meeting in the manner you indicate. You are encouraged to sign and return the proxy card even if you plan to attend the Shareholder Meeting so that your shares will be voted if you are unable to attend the Shareholder Meeting. If you receive more than one proxy card, it is an indication that your shares are held in multiple accounts. Please sign and return all proxy cards to ensure that all of your shares are voted. Votes submitted by mail must be received by 5:00 p.m., Eastern Time, on January , 2024.

**Voting in Person at the Meeting.** If you attend the Shareholder Meeting and plan to vote in person, you will be provided with a ballot at the Shareholder Meeting. If your shares are registered directly in your name, you are considered the shareholder of record and you have the right to vote in person at the Shareholder Meeting. If you hold your shares in “street name,” which means your shares are held of record by a broker, bank or other nominee, you should follow the instructions provided by your broker, bank or nominee to ensure that votes related to the shares you beneficially own are properly counted. In this regard, you must provide the record holder of your shares with instructions on how to vote your shares or, if you wish to attend the Shareholder Meeting and vote in person, you will need to bring to the Shareholder Meeting a legal proxy from your broker, bank or nominee authorizing you to vote these shares.

**Voting Electronically.** You may attend, vote and examine the list of shareholders entitled to vote at the Shareholder Meeting by visiting <https://www.cstproxy.com/> and entering the control number found on your proxy card, voting instruction form or notice included in the proxy materials.

### **Revoking Your Proxy**

If you give a proxy, you may revoke it at any time before the Shareholder Meeting or at the Shareholder Meeting by doing any one of the following:

- you may send another proxy card with a later date;
- you may notify Global Partner's Chief Executive Officer in writing to Global Partner Acquisition Corp II, 200 Park Avenue, 32<sup>nd</sup> Floor, New York, NY 10166, before the Shareholder Meeting that you have revoked your proxy; or
- you may attend the Shareholder Meeting, revoke your proxy, and vote in person, as indicated above.

### **No Additional Matters**

The Shareholder Meeting has been called only to consider and vote on the approval of the Extension Amendment Proposal, the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal, the Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal and the Adjournment Proposal. Under the Memorandum and Articles of Association, other than procedural matters incident to the conduct of the Shareholder Meeting, no other matters may be considered at the Shareholder Meeting if they are not included in this proxy statement, which serves as the notice of the Shareholder Meeting.

### **Who Can Answer Your Questions about Voting**

If you are a Global Partner shareholder and have any questions about how to vote or direct a vote in respect of your Ordinary Shares, you may call Morrow Sodali, our proxy solicitor, by calling (800) 662-5200 (toll-free), or banks and brokers can call (203) 658-9400, or by emailing [GPAC.info@investor.morrowsodali.com](mailto:GPAC.info@investor.morrowsodali.com).

### **Redemption Rights**

Pursuant to the Memorandum and Articles of Association, holders of Class A Ordinary Shares may seek to redeem their shares for cash, regardless of whether they vote for or against, or whether they abstain from voting on, the Extension Amendment Proposal, the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal or the Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal. In connection with the Extension Amendment Proposal, the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal and the Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal, any shareholder holding Class A Ordinary Shares may demand that Global Partner redeem such shares for a full pro rata portion of the Trust Account (which, for illustrative purposes, was \$ per share as of , 2023, the most recent practicable date prior to the date of this proxy statement), calculated as of two business days prior to the Shareholder Meeting. If a holder properly seeks redemption as described in this section, Global Partner will redeem these shares for a pro rata portion of funds deposited in the Trust Account and the holder will no longer own these shares following the Shareholder Meeting. However, Global Partner will not proceed with the Articles Extension unless (i) the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal is approved and (ii) the Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal is approved, despite taking into account the Redemptions.

As a holder of Class A Ordinary Shares, you will be entitled to receive cash for any Class A Ordinary Shares to be redeemed only if you:

- (i) hold Class A Ordinary Shares;
- (ii) submit a written request to Continental, Global Partner's transfer agent, in which you (i) request that Global Partner redeem all or a portion of your Class A Ordinary Shares for cash, and (ii) identify yourself as the beneficial holder of the Class A Ordinary Shares and provide your legal name, phone number and address; and

- (iii) tender or deliver your Class A Ordinary Shares (and share certificates (if any) and other redemption forms) to Continental, Global Partner's transfer agent, physically or electronically through DTC.

**Holders must complete the procedures for electing to redeem their Class A Ordinary Shares in the manner described above prior to 5:00 p.m., Eastern Time, on January , 2024 (two business days before the initially scheduled date of the Shareholder Meeting) (the "Redemption Deadline") in order for their shares to be redeemed.**

The redemption rights include the requirement that a holder must identify itself in writing as a beneficial holder and provide its legal name, phone number and address to Continental in order to validly redeem its shares.

If you hold your shares in "street name," you will have to coordinate with your broker to have your shares certificated or tendered/delivered electronically. Shares of Global Partner that have not been tendered (either physically or electronically) in accordance with these procedures will not be redeemed for cash. There is a nominal cost associated with this tendering process and the act of certificating the shares or tendering/delivering them through DTC's DWAC system. The Transfer Agent will typically charge the tendering broker \$80, and it would be up to the broker whether or not to pass this cost on to the redeeming shareholder.

Any request for redemption, once made by a holder of Class A Ordinary Shares, may not be withdrawn following the Redemption Deadline, unless the Board determines (in its sole discretion) to permit such withdrawal of a redemption request (which it may do in whole or in part).

Any corrected or changed written exercise of redemption rights must be received by Continental, Global Partner's transfer agent, at least two business days prior to the initially scheduled date of the Shareholder Meeting. No request for redemption will be honored unless the holder's Class A Ordinary Shares (and share certificates (if any) and other redemption forms) have been tendered or delivered (either physically or electronically) to Continental, Global Partner's transfer agent, prior to 5:00 p.m., Eastern Time, on January , 2024 (two business days before the initially scheduled date of the Shareholder Meeting).

Notwithstanding the foregoing, a public shareholder, together with any affiliate of such public shareholder or any other person with whom such public shareholder is acting in concert or as a "group" (as defined in Section 13(d)(3) of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934 (the "*Exchange Act*")), will be restricted from redeeming its Class A Ordinary Shares with respect to more than an aggregate of 15% of the Class A Ordinary Shares sold in the Initial Public Offering, without our prior consent. Accordingly, if a public shareholder, alone or acting in concert or as a group, seeks to redeem more than 15% of the outstanding Class A Ordinary Shares, then any such shares in excess of that 15% limit would not be redeemed for cash, without our prior consent.

The closing price of Class A Ordinary Shares on December , 2023, the most recent practicable date prior to the date of this proxy statement, was \$ per share. The cash held in the Trust Account on such date was approximately \$ (including interest not previously released to Global Partner to pay its taxes) (\$ per Class A Ordinary Share). The Redemption price per share will be calculated based on the aggregate amount on deposit in the Trust Account, including interest earned on the funds held in the Trust Account and not previously released to Global Partner to pay its taxes, if any, two business days prior to the initially scheduled date of the Shareholder Meeting. Prior to exercising redemption rights, shareholders should verify the market price of Class A Ordinary Shares as they may receive higher proceeds from the sale of their ordinary shares in the public market than from exercising their redemption rights if the market price per share is higher than the redemption price. Global Partner cannot assure its shareholders that they will be able to sell their Class A Ordinary Shares in the open market, even if the market price per share is higher than the redemption price stated above, as there may not be sufficient liquidity in its securities when its shareholders wish to sell their shares.

If a holder of Class A Ordinary Shares exercises his, her or its redemption rights, then he, she or it will be exchanging his, her or its Class A Ordinary Shares for cash and will no longer own those shares. You will be entitled to receive cash for these shares only if you properly demand redemption by tendering or delivering your shares (and share certificates (if any) and other redemption forms) (either physically or electronically) to Global Partner's transfer agent two business days prior to the initially scheduled date of the Shareholder Meeting.

For a discussion of certain material U.S. federal income tax considerations for shareholders with respect to the exercise of these redemption rights, see “*Certain Material U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations for Shareholders Exercising Redemption Rights.*” The consequences of a redemption to any particular shareholder will depend on that shareholder’s particular facts and circumstances. Accordingly, you are urged to consult your tax advisor to determine your tax consequences from the exercise of your redemption rights, including the applicability and effect of U.S. federal, state, local and non-U.S. income and other tax laws in light of your particular circumstances.

### **Appraisal Rights and Dissenters’ Rights**

There are no appraisal rights available to Global Partner’s shareholders in connection with the Extension Amendment Proposal, the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal or the Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal. There are no dissenters’ rights available to Global Partner’s shareholders in connection with the Extension Amendment Proposal, the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal, and the Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal under Cayman Islands law. However, holders of Public Shares may elect to have their shares redeemed in connection with the adoption of the Extension Amendment Proposal, the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal and the Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal, as described under “Redemption Rights” above.

### **Proxy Solicitation Costs**

Global Partner is soliciting proxies on behalf of the Board. This proxy solicitation is being made by mail, but also may be made by telephone or in person. Global Partner has engaged Morrow Sodali to assist in the solicitation of proxies for the Shareholder Meeting. Global Partner and its directors, officers and employees may also solicit proxies in person. Global Partner will ask banks, brokers and other institutions, nominees and fiduciaries to forward this proxy statement and the related proxy materials to their principals and to obtain their authority to execute proxies and voting instructions.

Global Partner will bear the entire cost of the proxy solicitation, including the preparation, assembly, printing, mailing and distribution of this proxy statement and the related proxy materials. Global Partner will pay Morrow Sodali a fee of \$ , plus disbursements, reimburse Morrow Sodali for its reasonable out-of-pocket expenses and indemnify Morrow Sodali and its affiliates against certain claims, liabilities, losses, damages and expenses for its services as Global Partner’s proxy solicitor. Global Partner will reimburse brokerage firms and other custodians for their reasonable out-of-pocket expenses for forwarding this proxy statement and the related proxy materials to Global Partner shareholders. Directors, officers and employees of Global Partner who solicit proxies will not be paid any additional compensation for soliciting.



## PROPOSAL NO. 1 – THE EXTENSION AMENDMENT PROPOSAL

### Overview

Global Partner is proposing to amend its Memorandum and Articles of Association to extend the date by which Global Partner has to consummate a business combination to the Articles Extension Date so as to give Global Partner additional time to complete the Business Combination.

Without the Articles Extension, Global Partner believes that Global Partner may not be able to complete the Business Combination on or before the Termination Date. If that were to occur, Global Partner would be forced to liquidate.

As contemplated by the Memorandum and Articles of Association, the holders of Global Partner's Public Shares may elect to redeem all or a portion of their Public Shares in exchange for their pro rata portion of the funds held in the Trust Account if the Articles Extension is implemented.

On December , 2023, the most recent practicable date prior to the date of this proxy statement, the redemption price per share was approximately \$ , based on the aggregate amount on deposit in the Trust Account of approximately \$ as of December , 2023 (including interest not previously released to Global Partner to pay its taxes), divided by the total number of then outstanding Public Shares. The Redemption price per share will be calculated based on the aggregate amount on deposit in the Trust Account, including interest earned on the funds held in the Trust Account and not previously released to Global Partner to pay its taxes, if any, two business days prior to the initially scheduled date of the Shareholder Meeting. The closing price of the Class A Ordinary Shares on Nasdaq on December , 2023 was \$ . Accordingly, if the market price of the Class A Ordinary Shares were to remain the same until the date of the Shareholder Meeting, exercising redemption rights would result in a public shareholder receiving approximately \$ more per share than if the shares were sold in the open market (based on the per share redemption price as of December , 2023). Global Partner cannot assure shareholders that they will be able to sell their Class A Ordinary Shares in the open market, even if the market price per share is lower than the redemption price stated above, as there may not be sufficient liquidity in its securities when such shareholders wish to sell their shares. Global Partner believes that such redemption right enables its public shareholders to determine whether or not to sustain their investments for an additional period if Global Partner does not complete a Business Combination on or before the Termination Date.

### Reasons for the Extension Amendment Proposal

Global Partner's Memorandum and Articles of Association provides that Global Partner has until January 14, 2024 to complete a business combination. Global Partner and its officers and directors agreed that they would not seek to amend Global Partner's Memorandum and Articles of Association to allow for a longer period of time to complete a Business Combination unless Global Partner provided holders of its Public Shares with the right to seek redemption of their Public Shares in connection therewith. The Board believes that it is in the best interests of Global Partner shareholders that the Articles Extension be obtained so that Global Partner will have an additional amount of time to consummate the Business Combination. Without the Articles Extension, Global Partner believes that Global Partner may not be able to complete the Business Combination on or before January 14, 2024. If that were to occur, Global Partner would be forced to liquidate.

The Extension Amendment Proposal is essential to allowing Global Partner additional time to consummate a Business Combination. Approval of the Extension Amendment Proposal is a condition to the implementation of the Articles Extension. Global Partner will not proceed with the Articles Extension unless (i) the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal is approved and (ii) the Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal is approved, despite taking into account the Redemptions. Global Partner will also not proceed with the Articles Extension if, on or before the Termination Date Global Partner completes the Business Combination.

If the Extension Amendment Proposal is approved and the Articles Extension becomes effective, the Lender shall not make any additional deposits into the Trust Account and no additional non-interest bearing, unsecured promissory note shall be issued by Global Partner to the Lender. If Global Partner completes the Business Combination, it will repay the amounts loaned under existing promissory notes. If Global Partner does not complete a business combination by the applicable Termination Date, such promissory notes will be repaid only from funds held outside of the Trust Account or will be forfeited, eliminated or otherwise forgiven.

### **If the Extension Amendment Proposal is Not Approved**

If the Extension Amendment Proposal is not approved, and the Business Combination is not completed on or before the Termination Date, then, as contemplated by and in accordance with the Memorandum and Articles of Association, Global Partner will (i) cease all operations except for the purpose of winding up; (ii) as promptly as reasonably possible but not more than ten business days thereafter, redeem the Public Shares, at a per-share price, payable in cash, equal to the aggregate amount then on deposit in the Trust Account, including interest earned on the funds held in the Trust Account and not previously released to Global Partner to pay its income taxes, if any (less up to \$100,000 of interest to pay liquidation expenses), divided by the total number of the then-outstanding Public Shares, which redemption will completely extinguish public shareholders' rights as shareholders (including the right to receive further liquidation distributions, if any); and (iii) as promptly as reasonably possible following such redemption, subject to the approval of Global Partner's remaining shareholders and the Board, liquidate and dissolve, subject in each case of clauses (ii) and (iii) to Global Partner's obligations under Cayman Islands law to provide for claims of creditors and to requirements of other applicable law. There will be no distribution from the Trust Account with respect to Global Partner's warrants, which will expire worthless in the event Global Partner dissolves and liquidates the Trust Account.

The Sponsor and the other initial shareholders of Global Partner have waived their rights to participate in any liquidation distribution with respect to the 7,500,000 Class B Ordinary Shares held by them.

### **If the Extension Amendment Proposal is Approved**

If the Extension Amendment Proposal is approved, Global Partner shall procure that all filings required to be made with the Registrar of Companies of the Cayman Islands in connection with the Extension Amendment Proposal to extend the time it has to complete a Business Combination until the Articles Extension Date are made. Global Partner will then continue to attempt to consummate a Business Combination until the Articles Extension Date. Global Partner will remain a reporting company under the Exchange Act and its Class A Ordinary Shares and Public Warrants will remain publicly traded during this time.

In addition, Global Partner will not proceed with the Articles Extension unless (i) the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal is approved and (ii) the Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal is approved, despite taking into account the Redemptions.

### **Interests of the Sponsor and Global Partner's Directors and Officers**

When you consider the recommendation of the Board, Global Partner shareholders should be aware that aside from their interests as shareholders, the Sponsor, certain members of the Board and officers of Global Partner have interests that are different from, or in addition to, those of other shareholders generally. The Board was aware of and considered these interests, among other matters, in recommending to Global Partner shareholders that they approve the Extension Amendment Proposal. Global Partner shareholders should take these interests into account in deciding whether to approve the Extension Amendment Proposal:

- the fact that the Sponsor paid \$8,350,000 for 5,566,667 Private Placement Warrants, each of which is exercisable commencing on the later of 12 months from the closing of our Initial Public Offering and 30 days following the closing of a Business Combination for one Class A Ordinary Share at \$11.50 per share; if the Extension Amendment Proposal is not approved and we do not consummate the Business Combination by January 14, 2024, then the proceeds from the sale of the Global Partner Private Placement Warrants will be part of the liquidating distribution to the public shareholders and the warrants held by our Sponsor will be worthless;

- the fact that the Sponsor (and certain of Global Partner's officers and directors who are members of the Sponsor), have invested in Global Partner an aggregate of \$8,375,000, comprised of the \$25,000 purchase price for 7,500,000 Class B Ordinary Shares (following a share capitalization on January 11, 2021) and the \$8,350,000 purchase price for 5,566,667 Private Placement Warrants. Assuming a trading price of \$ per Class A Ordinary Share (based upon the closing price of the Class A Ordinary Shares on Nasdaq on December , 2023), the 7,500,000 Class B Ordinary Shares held by the Sponsor would have an implied aggregate market value of \$ . Even if the trading price of the shares of Class A Ordinary Shares were as low as \$1.12 per share, the aggregate market value of the Class B Ordinary Shares alone (without taking into account the value of the Private Placement Warrants) would be approximately equal to the initial investment in Global Partner by the Sponsor. As a result, if a Business Combination is completed, the Sponsor is likely to be able to make a substantial profit on its investment in Global Partner at a time when the Class A Ordinary Shares have lost significant value. On the other hand, if the Extension Amendment Proposal is not approved and Global Partner liquidates without completing a Business Combination before January 14, 2024, the Sponsor will lose its entire investment in Global Partner;
- the fact that the Sponsor has agreed not to redeem any Ordinary Shares held by it in connection with a shareholder vote to approve a Business Combination or the Extension Amendment Proposal;
- the fact that the Sponsor has agreed to waive its rights to liquidating distributions from the Trust Account with respect to any Ordinary Shares (other than Public Shares) held by it if the Extension Amendment Proposal is not approved and Global Partner fails to complete a Business Combination by January 14, 2024;
- the indemnification of Global Partner's existing directors and officers and the liability insurance maintained by Global Partner;
- the fact that the Sponsor and Global Partner's officers and directors will lose their entire investment in Global Partner and will not be reimbursed for any loans extended, fees due or out-of-pocket expenses if the Extension Amendment Proposal is not approved and a Business Combination is not consummated by January 14, 2024. As of the date of this proxy statement there are loans extended, fees due or outstanding out-of-pocket expenses amounting in the aggregate to \$ for which the Sponsor and Global Partner's officers and directors are awaiting reimbursement; and
- the fact that if the Trust Account is liquidated, including in the event Global Partner is unable to complete an initial business combination within the required time period, Sponsor has agreed to indemnify Global Partner to ensure that the proceeds in the Trust Account are not reduced below \$10.00 per Global Partner public share, or such lesser per public share amount as is in the Trust Account on the Termination Date, by the claims of prospective target businesses with which Global Partner has entered into an acquisition agreement or claims of any third party for services rendered or products sold to Global Partner, but only if such a vendor or target business has not executed a waiver of any and all rights to seek access to the Trust Account.

### **Redemption Rights**

Pursuant to the Memorandum and Articles of Association, holders of Class A Ordinary Shares may seek to redeem their shares for cash, regardless of whether they vote for or against, or whether they abstain from voting on, the Extension Amendment Proposal. In connection with the Extension Amendment Proposal, any shareholder holding Class A Ordinary Shares may demand that Global Partner redeem such shares for a full pro rata portion of the Trust Account (which, for illustrative purposes, was \$ per share as of , 2023, the most recent practicable date prior to the date of this proxy statement), calculated as of two business days prior to the Shareholder Meeting. If a holder properly seeks redemption as described in this section, Global Partner will redeem these shares for a pro rata portion of funds deposited in the Trust Account and the holder will no longer own these shares following the Shareholder Meeting. However, Global Partner will not proceed with the Articles Extension unless (i) the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal is approved and (ii) the Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal is approved, despite taking into account the Redemptions.

As a holder of Class A Ordinary Shares, you will be entitled to receive cash for any Class A Ordinary Shares to be redeemed only if you:

- (i) hold Class A Ordinary Shares;
- (ii) submit a written request to Continental, Global Partner's transfer agent, in which you (i) request that Global Partner redeem all or a portion of your Class A Ordinary Shares (and share certificates (if any) and other redemption forms) for cash, and (ii) identify yourself as the beneficial holder of the Class A Ordinary Shares and provide your legal name, phone number and address; and
- (iii) deliver your Class A Ordinary Shares to Continental, Global Partner's transfer agent, physically or electronically through DTC.

**Holders must complete the procedures for electing to redeem their Class A Ordinary Shares in the manner described above prior to 5:00 p.m., Eastern Time, on January , 2024 (two business days before the initially scheduled date of the Shareholder Meeting) in order for their shares to be redeemed.**

The redemption rights include the requirement that a holder must identify itself in writing as a beneficial holder and provide its legal name, phone number and address to Continental in order to validly redeem its shares.

If you hold the shares in "street name," you will have to coordinate with your broker to have your shares certificated or delivered electronically. Shares of Global Partner that have not been tendered (either physically or electronically) in accordance with these procedures will not be redeemed for cash. There is a nominal cost associated with this tendering process and the act of certificating the shares or tendering/delivering them through DTC's DWAC system. The Transfer Agent will typically charge the tendering broker \$80, and it would be up to the broker whether or not to pass this cost on to the redeeming shareholder.

Any request for redemption, once made by a holder of Class A Ordinary Shares, may not be withdrawn following the Redemption Deadline, unless the Board determines (in its sole discretion) to permit such withdrawal of a redemption request (which it may do in whole or in part).

Any corrected or changed written exercise of redemption rights must be received by Continental, Global Partner's transfer agent, at least two business days prior to the initially scheduled date of the Shareholder Meeting. No request for redemption will be honored unless the holder's Class A Ordinary Shares (and share certificates (if any) and other redemption forms) have been tendered or delivered (either physically or electronically) to Continental, Global Partner's transfer agent, prior to 5:00 p.m., Eastern Time, on January , 2024 (two business days before the initially scheduled date of the Shareholder Meeting).

Notwithstanding the foregoing, a public shareholder, together with any affiliate of such public shareholder or any other person with whom such public shareholder is acting in concert or as a "group" (as defined in Section 13(d)(3) of the Exchange Act), will be restricted from redeeming its Class A Ordinary Shares with respect to more than an aggregate of 15% of the Class A Ordinary Shares sold in the Initial Public Offering, without our prior consent. Accordingly, if a public shareholder, alone or acting in concert or as a group, seeks to redeem more than 15% of the outstanding Class A Ordinary Shares, then any such shares in excess of that 15% limit would not be redeemed for cash, without our prior consent.

The closing price of Class A Ordinary Shares on December , 2023, the most recent practicable date prior to the date of this proxy statement, was \$ per share. The cash held in the Trust Account on such date was approximately \$ (including interest not previously released to Global Partner to pay its taxes) (\$ per Class A Ordinary Share). The Redemption price per share will be calculated based on the aggregate amount on deposit in the Trust Account, including interest earned on the funds held in the Trust Account and not previously released to Global Partner to pay its taxes, if any, two business days prior to the Shareholder Meeting. Prior to exercising redemption rights, shareholders should verify the market price of Class A Ordinary Shares as they may receive higher proceeds from the sale of their ordinary shares in the public market than from exercising their redemption rights if the market price per share is higher than the redemption price. Global Partner cannot assure its shareholders that they will be able to sell their Class A Ordinary Shares in the open market, even if the market price per share is higher than the redemption price stated above, as there may not be sufficient liquidity in its securities when its shareholders wish to sell their shares.

If a holder of Class A Ordinary Shares exercises his, her or its redemption rights, then he, she or it will be exchanging its Class A Ordinary Shares for cash and will no longer own those shares. You will be entitled to receive cash for these shares only if you properly demand redemption by tendering/delivering your shares (and share certificates (if any) and other redemption forms) (either physically or electronically) to Global Partner's transfer agent two business days prior to the initially scheduled date of the Shareholder Meeting.

### **Vote Required for Approval**

The approval of the Extension Amendment Proposal requires a special resolution under Cayman Islands law, being the affirmative vote of at least a two-thirds (2/3) majority of the votes cast by the holders of the issued Ordinary Shares, voting as a single class, who are present in person or represented by proxy and entitled to vote thereon at the Shareholder Meeting. Abstentions will be considered present for the purposes of establishing a quorum but, as a matter of Cayman Islands law, will not constitute votes cast at the Shareholder Meeting and therefore will have no effect on the approval of the Extension Amendment Proposal.

As of the date of this proxy statement, the Sponsor and Global Partner's other initial shareholders have agreed to vote any Ordinary Shares owned by them in favor of the Extension Amendment Proposal. As of the date hereof, the Sponsor and Global Partner's other initial shareholders own 65.6% of the issued and outstanding Ordinary Shares and have not purchased any Public Shares but may do so at any time. As a result, in addition to the Sponsor and Global Partner's other initial shareholders have, approval of the Extension Amendment Proposal will require the affirmative vote of at least 121,146 Ordinary Shares held by public shareholders (or approximately 3.1% of the Class A Ordinary Shares) if all Ordinary Shares are represented at the Shareholder Meeting and cast votes, and the affirmative vote of no Ordinary Shares held by public shareholders if only such shares as are required to establish a quorum are represented at the Shareholder Meeting and cast votes.

### **Resolution**

The full text of the resolution to be voted upon is as follows:

**“RESOLVED**, as a special resolution:

- b) Article 49.8 of Global Partner's Amended and Restated Memorandum and Articles of Association be deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following new Article 49.8:

“In the event that the Company does not consummate a Business Combination (i) by a date no later than 14 July 2024 and (ii) such later date as may be approved by the Members in accordance with the Articles (in any case, such date being referred to as the “Termination Date”), the Company shall (i) cease all operations except for the purpose of winding up; (ii) as promptly as reasonably possible but not more than ten business days thereafter, redeem the Public Shares, at a per-share price, payable in cash, equal to the aggregate amount then on deposit in the Trust Account, including interest earned on the funds held in the Trust Account and not previously released to Global Partner to pay its income taxes, if any (less up to \$100,000 of interest to pay liquidation expenses), divided by the number of the then-outstanding Public Shares, which redemption will completely extinguish public shareholders' rights as shareholders (including the right to receive further liquidation distributions, if any); and (iii) as promptly as reasonably possible following such redemption, subject to the approval of Global Partner's remaining shareholders and the Board, liquidate and dissolve, subject in each case to Global Partner's obligations under Cayman Islands law to provide for claims of creditors and to requirements of other applicable law.

If the Company completes a Business Combination, it will, at the option of the Sponsor (or one or more of its affiliates, members or third-party designees) (the “*Lender*”), repay the amounts loaned under existing promissory notes or convert a portion or all of the amounts loaned under such promissory notes into warrants, which warrants will be identical to the private placement warrants issued to the Sponsor at the time of the IPO. If the Company does not complete a Business Combination by the applicable Termination Date, such promissory notes will be repaid only from funds held outside of the Trust Account or will be forfeited, eliminated or otherwise forgiven.”

- b) Article 49.9(a) of Global Partner’s Amended and Restated Memorandum and Articles of Association be deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following new Article 49.9(a):

“to modify the substance or timing of the Company’s obligation to provide holders of Class A Shares the right to have their shares redeemed in connection with a Business Combination or to redeem 100 per cent of the Public Shares if the Company does not consummate a Business Combination within forty-two months after the date of the IPO;”

**Recommendation of the Board**

**THE BOARD UNANIMOUSLY RECOMMENDS THAT GLOBAL PARTNER SHAREHOLDERS VOTE  
“FOR” THE APPROVAL OF THE EXTENSION AMENDMENT PROPOSAL.**

## PROPOSAL NO. 2 – THE REDEMPTION LIMITATION AMENDMENT PROPOSAL

### Overview

Global Partner is proposing to amend its Memorandum and Articles of Association to eliminate the requirement that Global Partner have at least \$5,000,001 in tangible net assets (as determined in accordance with Rule 3a51-1(g)(1) under the Exchange Act) following redemptions in connection with this Shareholder Meeting or a Business Combination.

Without the Redemption Limitation Amendment, Global Partner may not be able to implement the Articles Extension if following redemptions in connection with the Articles Extension Global Partner would not have at least \$5,000,001 in tangible net assets (as determined in accordance with Rule 3a51-1(g)(1) under the Exchange Act). If that were to occur, Global Partner would be forced to liquidate on the Termination Date.

The purpose of the Redemption Limitation requirements was to ensure that Global Partner would not be subject to the “penny stock” rules of the SEC as long as it met the Redemption Limitation requirement, and therefore not be deemed a “blank check company” as defined under Rule 419 of the Securities Act because it complied with Rule 3a51-1(g)(1) (the “*NTA Rule*”). Global Partner is proposing to amend its Memorandum and Articles of Association to remove the Redemption Limitation requirements. The NTA Rule is one of several exclusions from the “penny stock” rules of the SEC and Global Partner believes that it can rely on another exclusion, which relates to it being listed on The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC (“*Nasdaq*”). Therefore, the Company intends to rely on the exclusion from the penny stock rules set forth in Rule 3a51-1(a)(2) as a result of its securities being listed on Nasdaq.

As disclosed in our initial public offering prospectus, Global Partner is a blank check company formed for the purpose of effecting a merger, share exchange, asset acquisition, share purchase, reorganization or similar business combination with one or more businesses. Under Rule 419 of the Securities Act the term “blank check company” means a company that (i) is a development stage company that has no specific business plan or purpose or has indicated that its business plan is to engage in a merger or acquisition with an unidentified company or companies, or other entity or person; and (ii) is issuing “penny stock,” as defined in Rule 3a51-1 under the Exchange Act. Rule 3a51-1 sets forth that the term “penny stock” shall mean any equity security, unless it fits within certain enumerated exclusions including the NTA Rule and the Exchange Rule. Historically SPACs have relied upon the NTA Rule to avoid being deemed a penny stock issuer. The inclusion of the Redemption Limitation requirements in the Memorandum and Articles of Association was to ensure that through the consummation of an initial Business Combination, Global Partner would not be considered a penny stock issuer and therefore a blank check company if no other exemption from the rule was available.

The Exchange Rule excludes from the definition of “penny stock” a security that is registered, or approved for registration upon notice of issuance, on a national securities exchange, or is listed, or approved for listing upon notice of issuance on, an automated quotation system sponsored by a registered national securities association, that has established initial listing standards that meet or exceed the criteria in the rule. The Company’s securities are listed on Nasdaq and have been since the consummation of its IPO. The Company believes that Nasdaq has initial listing standards that meet the criteria identified in the Exchange Rule and that it can therefore rely on this rule to avoid being treated as a penny stock. Therefore, the inclusion of the Redemption Limitation in the Memorandum and Articles of Association is unnecessary.

### Reasons for the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal

Shareholders are being asked to adopt the proposed Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal which, in the judgment of the Board, may facilitate the consummation of an initial Business Combination. The Memorandum and Articles of Association limit Global Partner’s ability to consummate an initial Business Combination, or to redeem Ordinary Shares in connection with an initial Business Combination, if it would cause Global Partner to have less than \$5,000,001 in net tangible assets. The purpose of such limitation was initially to ensure that the Ordinary Shares were not deemed to be a “penny stock” pursuant to Rule 3a51-1 under the Exchange Act in the event that such Ordinary Shares failed to be listed on an approved national securities exchange. If the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal is not approved and there are significant requests for redemption in connection with the Articles Extension such that following such redemptions, Global Partner’s net tangible assets would be less than \$5,000,001, the Redemption Limitation in the Memorandum and Articles of Association would prevent Global Partner from being able to implement the Articles Extension. If that were to occur, Global Partner would be forced to liquidate on the Termination Date.

Additionally, if the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal is not approved and there are significant requests for redemption in connection with consummation of the Business Combination, the Redemption Limitation in the Memorandum and Articles of Association would prevent Global Partner from being able to consummate the Business Combination even if all other conditions to closing are met.

#### **If the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal is Not Approved**

If the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal is not approved, we will not redeem Public Shares to the extent that accepting all properly submitted redemption requests would exceed the Redemption Limitation. In the event that the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal is not approved and we receive notice of redemptions of Public Shares approaching or in excess of the Redemption Limitation, we and/or the Sponsor may take action to increase our net tangible assets to avoid exceeding the Redemption Limitation, which may include, at our and our Sponsor's option and in our and its sole discretion, any, several or all of the following actions: (a) attempting to secure waivers of certain of our significant liabilities and (b) entering into non-redemption agreements with certain of our significant shareholders. If the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal is not approved and the Redemption Limitation is exceeded, either because we do not take action to increase our net tangible assets or because our attempt to do so is not successful, then we will not proceed with the Articles Extension and we will not redeem any Public Shares. In such case, Public Shares which a public shareholder elects to redeem but which are not redeemed shall be returned to such public shareholder or such public shareholder's account and such public shareholder will retain the right to have their Public Shares redeemed for cash if Global Partner has not completed an initial business combination by the Termination Date.

#### **If the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal is Approved**

If the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal is approved (and the Extension Amendment Proposal is also approved), Global Partner shall procure that all filings required to be made with the Registrar of Companies of the Cayman Islands in connection with the Extension Amendment Proposal, the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal and the Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal are made and, assuming the Extension Amendment Proposal is approved, redeem Public Shares as necessary, irrespective of whether such redemptions exceed the Redemption Limitation.

If we redeem our Public Shares in an amount in excess of the current Redemption Limitation and our securities do not meet Nasdaq's continued listing requirements, Nasdaq may delist our securities from trading on its exchange. If Nasdaq delists any of our securities from trading on its exchange and we are not able to list such securities on another approved national securities exchange, we expect that such securities could be quoted on an over-the-counter market. If this were to occur, we could face significant material adverse consequences, including: (i) a limited availability of market quotations for our securities, (ii) reduced liquidity for our securities, (iii) a determination that our public shares are "penny stocks" which will require brokers trading in our public shares to adhere to more stringent rules, including being subject to the depository requirements of Rule 419 of the Securities Act, and possibly result in a reduced level of trading activity in the secondary trading market for our securities, (iv) a decreased ability to issue additional securities or obtain additional financing in the future, and (v) a less attractive acquisition vehicle to a target business in connection with an initial Business Combination. The National Securities Markets Improvement Act of 1996, which is a federal statute, prevents or preempts the states from regulating the sale of certain securities, which are referred to as "covered securities." Our Public Shares and Units qualify as covered securities under such statute. If we were no longer listed on Nasdaq, our securities would not qualify as covered securities under such statute and we would be subject to regulation in each state in which we offer our securities.

#### **Interests of the Sponsor, Global Partner's Directors, and Officers**

When you consider the recommendation of the Board, Global Partner shareholders should be aware that aside from their interests as shareholders, the Sponsor, certain members of the Board, and officers of Global Partner have interests that are different from, or in addition to, those of other shareholders generally. The Board was aware of and considered these interests, among other matters, in recommending to Global Partner shareholders that they approve the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal.



Please see “*Proposal No 1 — The Extension Amendment Proposal — Interests of the Sponsor, Global Partner’s Directors, and Officers*” above when you consider the recommendation of the Board. Global Partner shareholders should such interests into account when deciding whether to approve the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal.

## Redemption Rights

Pursuant to the Memorandum and Articles of Association, holders of Class A Ordinary Shares may seek to redeem their shares for cash, regardless of whether they vote for or against, or whether they abstain from voting on, the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal. In connection with the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal, any shareholder holding Class A Ordinary Shares may demand that Global Partner redeem such shares for a full pro rata portion of the Trust Account (which, for illustrative purposes, was \$ per share as of , 2023, the most recent practicable date prior to the date of this proxy statement), calculated as of two business days prior to the Shareholder Meeting. If a holder properly seeks redemption as described in this section, Global Partner will redeem these shares for a pro rata portion of funds deposited in the Trust Account and the holder will no longer own these shares following the Shareholder Meeting.

As a holder of Class A Ordinary Shares, you will be entitled to receive cash for any Class A Ordinary Shares to be redeemed only if you:

- (i) hold Class A Ordinary Shares;
- (ii) submit a written request to Continental, Global Partner’s transfer agent, in which you (i) request that Global Partner redeem all or a portion of your Class A Ordinary Shares for cash, and (ii) identify yourself as the beneficial holder of the Class A Ordinary Shares and provide your legal name, phone number and address; and
- (iii) deliver your Class A Ordinary Share certificates (if any) and any other redemption forms to Continental, Global Partner’s transfer agent, physically or electronically through DTC.

**Holders must complete the procedures for electing to redeem their Class A Ordinary Shares in the manner described above prior to 5:00 p.m., Eastern Time, on , 2024 (two business days before the initially scheduled date of the Shareholder Meeting) in order for their shares to be redeemed.**

The redemption rights include the requirement that a holder must identify itself in writing as a beneficial holder and provide its legal name, phone number and address to Continental in order to validly redeem its shares.

If you hold the shares in “street name,” you will have to coordinate with your broker to have your shares certificated or delivered electronically. Shares of Global Partner that have not been tendered (either physically or electronically) in accordance with these procedures will not be redeemed for cash. There is a nominal cost associated with this tendering process and the act of certificating the shares or delivering them through DTC’s DWAC system. The Transfer Agent will typically charge the tendering broker \$80, and it would be up to the broker whether or not to pass this cost on to the redeeming shareholder.

Any request for redemption, once made by a holder of Class A Ordinary Shares, may not be withdrawn following the Redemption Deadline, unless the Board determines (in its sole discretion) to permit such withdrawal of a redemption request (which it may do in whole or in part).

Any corrected or changed written exercise of redemption rights must be received by Continental, Global Partner’s transfer agent, at least two business days prior to the initially scheduled date of the Shareholder Meeting. No request for redemption will be honored unless the holder’s Class A Ordinary Shares have been delivered (either physically or electronically) to Continental, Global Partner’s transfer agent, prior to 5:00 p.m., Eastern Time, on , 2024 (two business days before the initially scheduled date of the Shareholder Meeting).

Notwithstanding the foregoing, a public shareholder, together with any affiliate of such public shareholder or any other person with whom such public shareholder is acting in concert or as a “group” (as defined in Section 13(d)(3) of the Exchange Act), will be restricted from redeeming its Class A Ordinary Shares with respect to more than an aggregate of 15% of the Class A Ordinary Shares sold in the Initial Public Offering, without our prior consent. Accordingly, if a public shareholder, alone or acting in concert or as a group, seeks to redeem more than 15% of the outstanding Class A Ordinary Shares, then any such shares in excess of that 15% limit would not be redeemed for cash, without our prior consent.

The closing price of Class A Ordinary Shares on [redacted], 2023, the most recent practicable date prior to the date of this proxy statement, was \$ [redacted] per share. The cash held in the Trust Account on such date was approximately \$ [redacted] (including interest not previously released to Global Partner to pay its taxes) (\$ [redacted] per Class A Ordinary Share). The Redemption price per share will be calculated based on the aggregate amount on deposit in the Trust Account, including interest earned on the funds held in the Trust Account (which interest shall be net of taxes paid or payable) two business days prior to the Shareholder Meeting. Prior to exercising redemption rights, shareholders should verify the market price of Class A Ordinary Shares as they may receive higher proceeds from the sale of their ordinary shares in the public market than from exercising their redemption rights if the market price per share is higher than the redemption price. Global Partner cannot assure its shareholders that they will be able to sell their Class A Ordinary Shares in the open market, even if the market price per share is higher than the redemption price stated above, as there may not be sufficient liquidity in its securities when its shareholders wish to sell their shares.

If a holder of Class A Ordinary Shares exercises his, her or its redemption rights, then he, she or it will be exchanging its Class A Ordinary Shares for cash and will no longer own those shares. You will be entitled to receive cash for these shares only if you properly demand redemption by delivering your share certificate (either physically or electronically) to Global Partner’s transfer agent two business days prior to the initially scheduled date of the Shareholder Meeting.

### **Vote Required for Approval**

The approval of the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal requires a special resolution under Cayman Islands law, being the affirmative vote of at least a two-thirds (2/3) majority of the votes cast by the holders of the issued Ordinary Shares, voting as a single class, who are present in person or represented by proxy and entitled to vote thereon at the Shareholder Meeting. Abstentions will be considered present for the purposes of establishing a quorum but, as a matter of Cayman Islands law, will not constitute votes cast at the Shareholder Meeting and therefore will have no effect on the approval of the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal.

As of the date of this proxy statement, the Sponsor and Global Partner’s other initial shareholders have agreed to vote any Ordinary Shares owned by them in favor of the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal. As of the date hereof, the Sponsor and Global Partner’s other initial shareholders own 65.6% of the issued and outstanding Ordinary Shares and have not purchased any Public Shares but may do so at any time. As a result, in addition to the Sponsor and Global Partner’s other initial shareholders have, approval of the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal will require the affirmative vote of at least 121,146 Ordinary Shares held by public shareholders (or approximately 3.1% of the Class A Ordinary Shares) if all Ordinary Shares are represented at the Shareholder Meeting and cast votes, and the affirmative vote of no Ordinary Shares held by public shareholders if only such shares as are required to establish a quorum are represented at the Shareholder Meeting and cast votes.

### **Resolution**

The full text of the resolution to be proposed is as follows:

“**RESOLVED**, as a special resolution that:

- a) Article 49.2(b) of Global Partner’s Amended and Restated Memorandum and Articles of Association be deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following new Article 49.2(b):

“provide Members with the opportunity to have their Shares repurchased by means of a tender offer for a per-Share repurchase price payable in cash, equal to the aggregate amount then on deposit in the Trust Account, calculated as of two business days prior to the consummation of such Business Combination, including interest earned on the funds held in the Trust Account and not previously released to the Company to pay its income taxes, if any, divided by the number of then issued Public Shares.”

- b) Article 49.4 of Global Partner’s Amended and Restated Memorandum and Articles of Association be deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following new Article 49.4:

“At a general meeting called for the purposes of approving a Business Combination pursuant to this Article, in the event that such Business Combination is approved by Ordinary Resolution, the Company shall be authorised to consummate such Business Combination.”

- c) Article 49.5 of Global Partner’s Amended and Restated Memorandum and Articles of Association be deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following new Article 49.5:

“Any Member holding Public Shares who is not the Sponsor, a Founder, Officer or Director may, in connection with any vote on a Business Combination, elect to have their Public Shares redeemed for cash, in accordance with any applicable requirements provided for in the related proxy materials (the “**IPO Redemption**”), provided that no such Member acting together with any Affiliate of his or any other person with whom he is acting in concert or as a partnership, limited partnership, syndicate, or other group for the purposes of acquiring, holding, or disposing of Shares may exercise this redemption right with respect to more than 15 per cent of the Public Shares in the aggregate without the prior consent of the Company and provided further that any beneficial holder of Public Shares on whose behalf a redemption right is being exercised must identify itself to the Company in connection with any redemption election in order to validly redeem such Public Shares. If so demanded, the Company shall pay any such redeeming Member, regardless of whether he is voting for or against such proposed Business Combination, a per-Share redemption price payable in cash, equal to the aggregate amount then on deposit in the Trust Account calculated as of two business days prior to the consummation of the Business Combination, including interest earned on the funds held in the Trust Account and not previously released to the Company to pay its taxes, if any, divided by the number of then issued Public Shares (such redemption price being referred to herein as the “**Redemption Price**”), but only in the event that the applicable proposed Business Combination is approved and consummated.”

- d) Article 49.9 of Global Partner’s Amended and Restated Memorandum and Articles of Association be amended by the deletion of the last sentence stating: “The Company’s ability to provide such redemption in this Article is subject to the Redemption Limitation.”

#### **Recommendation of the Board**

**THE BOARD UNANIMOUSLY RECOMMENDS THAT GLOBAL PARTNER SHAREHOLDERS VOTE “FOR” THE APPROVAL OF THE REDEMPTION LIMITATION AMENDMENT PROPOSAL.**

## PROPOSAL NO. 3 – FOUNDER CONVERSION AMENDMENT PROPOSAL

### Overview

The Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal asks Global Partner shareholders to approve an amendment to the Memorandum and Articles of Association, by way of special resolution, to amend the Memorandum and Articles of Association in order to allow the Sponsor and Global Partner's initial shareholders to convert the Class B Ordinary Shares into Class A Ordinary Shares prior to the closing of the Business Combination.

### Reasons for the Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal

The Board believes the opportunity to consummate a Business Combination is in the best interests of Global Partner and its shareholders.

Global Partner believes shareholders will benefit from Global Partner consummating a Business Combination and is proposing the Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal to allow increased flexibility for the Sponsor to convert its shares in the best interest of Global Partner and may aid Global Partner in retaining investors and meeting continued listing requirements necessary to continue to pursue a Business Combination. Without the Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal, Global Partner believes that it may be more difficult to complete a Business Combination. If that were to occur and Global Partner does not complete a Business Combination by the Articles Extension Date, Global Partner would be precluded from completing a Business Combination and would be forced to liquidate.

### If the Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal is Not Approved

If the Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal is not approved and there are significant requests for redemption, such redemptions may prevent the Company from being able to consummate a Business Combination. Global Partner believes that the Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal allows increased flexibility for the Sponsor to convert its shares in the best interest of Global Partner and may aid Global Partner in retaining investors and meeting continued listing requirements necessary to continue to pursue a Business Combination.

### If the Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal is Approved

If the Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal is approved, our Memorandum and Articles of Association will be amended. Global Partner's Sponsor and initial shareholders have informed Global Partner that, if the Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal is approved, they expect to convert up to 200,000 Class B Ordinary Shares into Class A Ordinary Shares pursuant to Section 17.2 of the Memorandum and Articles of Association, in accordance with the terms of the Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal, prior to any redemption in connection with the Extension Amendment Proposal. Notwithstanding the conversion, such holders will not be entitled to receive any monies held in the Trust Account as a result of their ownership of any Class A Ordinary Shares.

### Interests of the Sponsor, Global Partner's Directors, and Officers

When you consider the recommendation of the Board, Global Partner shareholders should be aware that aside from their interests as shareholders, the Sponsor, certain members of the Board, and officers of Global Partner have interests that are different from, or in addition to, those of other shareholders generally. The Board was aware of and considered these interests, among other matters, in recommending to Global Partner shareholders that they approve the Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal.

Please see "*Proposal No 1 — The Extension Amendment Proposal — Interests of the Sponsor, Global Partner's Directors, and Officers*" above when you consider the recommendation of the Board. Global Partner shareholders should such interests into account when deciding whether to approve the Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal.

## Redemption Rights

Pursuant to the Memorandum and Articles of Association, holders of Class A Ordinary Shares may seek to redeem their shares for cash, regardless of whether they vote for or against, or whether they abstain from voting on, the Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal. In connection with the Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal, any shareholder holding Class A Ordinary Shares may demand that Global Partner redeem such shares for a full pro rata portion of the Trust Account (which, for illustrative purposes, was \$ per share as of , 2023, the most recent practicable date prior to the date of this proxy statement), calculated as of two business days prior to the Shareholder Meeting. If a holder properly seeks redemption as described in this section, Global Partner will redeem these shares for a pro rata portion of funds deposited in the Trust Account and the holder will no longer own these shares following the Shareholder Meeting.

As a holder of Class A Ordinary Shares, you will be entitled to receive cash for any Class A Ordinary Shares to be redeemed only if you:

- (i) hold Class A Ordinary Shares;
- (ii) submit a written request to Continental, Global Partner's transfer agent, in which you (i) request that Global Partner redeem all or a portion of your Class A Ordinary Shares for cash, and (ii) identify yourself as the beneficial holder of the Class A Ordinary Shares and provide your legal name, phone number and address; and
- (iii) deliver your Class A Ordinary Share certificates (if any) and any other redemption forms to Continental, Global Partner's transfer agent, physically or electronically through DTC.

**Holders must complete the procedures for electing to redeem their Class A Ordinary Shares in the manner described above prior to 5:00 p.m., Eastern Time, on , 2024 (two business days before the initially scheduled date of the Shareholder Meeting) in order for their shares to be redeemed.**

The redemption rights include the requirement that a holder must identify itself in writing as a beneficial holder and provide its legal name, phone number and address to Continental in order to validly redeem its shares.

If you hold the shares in "street name," you will have to coordinate with your broker to have your shares certificated or delivered electronically. Shares of Global Partner that have not been tendered (either physically or electronically) in accordance with these procedures will not be redeemed for cash. There is a nominal cost associated with this tendering process and the act of certificating the shares or delivering them through DTC's DWAC system. The Transfer Agent will typically charge the tendering broker \$80, and it would be up to the broker whether or not to pass this cost on to the redeeming shareholder.

Any request for redemption, once made by a holder of Class A Ordinary Shares, may not be withdrawn following the Redemption Deadline, unless the Board determines (in its sole discretion) to permit such withdrawal of a redemption request (which it may do in whole or in part).

Any corrected or changed written exercise of redemption rights must be received by Continental, Global Partner's transfer agent, at least two business days prior to the initially scheduled date of the Shareholder Meeting. No request for redemption will be honored unless the holder's Class A Ordinary Shares have been delivered (either physically or electronically) to Continental, Global Partner's transfer agent, prior to 5:00 p.m., Eastern Time, on , 2024 (two business days before the initially scheduled date of the Shareholder Meeting).

Notwithstanding the foregoing, a public shareholder, together with any affiliate of such public shareholder or any other person with whom such public shareholder is acting in concert or as a "group" (as defined in Section 13(d)(3) of the Exchange Act), will be restricted from redeeming its Class A Ordinary Shares with respect to more than an aggregate of 15% of the Class A Ordinary Shares sold in the Initial Public Offering, without our prior consent. Accordingly, if a public shareholder, alone or acting in concert or as a group, seeks to redeem more than 15% of the outstanding Class A Ordinary Shares, then any such shares in excess of that 15% limit would not be redeemed for cash, without our prior consent.

The closing price of Class A Ordinary Shares on , 2023, the most recent practicable date prior to the date of this proxy statement, was \$ per share. The cash held in the Trust Account on such date was approximately \$ (including interest not previously released to Global Partner to pay its taxes) (\$ per Class A Ordinary Share). The Redemption price per share will be calculated based on the aggregate amount on deposit in the Trust Account, including interest earned on the funds held in the Trust Account (which interest shall be net of taxes paid or payable) two business days prior to the Shareholder Meeting. Prior to exercising redemption rights, shareholders should verify the market price of Class A Ordinary Shares as they may receive higher proceeds from the sale of their ordinary shares in the public market than from exercising their redemption rights if the market price per share is higher than the redemption price. Global Partner cannot assure its shareholders that they will be able to sell their Class A Ordinary Shares in the open market, even if the market price per share is higher than the redemption price stated above, as there may not be sufficient liquidity in its securities when its shareholders wish to sell their shares.

If a holder of Class A Ordinary Shares exercises his, her or its redemption rights, then he, she or it will be exchanging its Class A Ordinary Shares for cash and will no longer own those shares. You will be entitled to receive cash for these shares only if you properly demand redemption by delivering your share certificate (either physically or electronically) to Global Partner's transfer agent two business days prior to the initially scheduled date of the Shareholder Meeting.

### **Vote Required for Approval**

The approval of the Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal requires a special resolution under Cayman Islands law, being the affirmative vote of at least a two-thirds (2/3) majority of the votes cast by the holders of the issued Ordinary Shares, voting as a single class, who are present in person or represented by proxy and entitled to vote thereon at the Shareholder Meeting. Abstentions will be considered present for the purposes of establishing a quorum but, as a matter of Cayman Islands law, will not constitute votes cast at the Shareholder Meeting and therefore will have no effect on the approval of the Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal.

As of the date of this proxy statement, the Sponsor and Global Partner's other initial shareholders have agreed to vote any Ordinary Shares owned by them in favor of the Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal. As of the date hereof, the Sponsor and Global Partner's other initial shareholders own 65.6% of the issued and outstanding Ordinary Shares and have not purchased any Public Shares but may do so at any time. As a result, in addition to the Sponsor and Global Partner's other initial shareholders have, approval of the Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal will require the affirmative vote of at least 121,146 Ordinary Shares held by public shareholders (or approximately 3.1% of the Class A Ordinary Shares) if all Ordinary Shares are represented at the Shareholder Meeting and cast votes, and the affirmative vote of no Ordinary Shares held by public shareholders if only such shares as are required to establish a quorum are represented at the Shareholder Meeting and cast votes.

### **Resolution**

The full text of the resolution to be proposed is as follows:

**RESOLVED**, as a special resolution that:

Article 49.11 of Global Partner's Amended and Restated Memorandum and Articles of Association be deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following new Article 49.11:

"Except in connection with the conversion of Class B Shares into Class A Shares pursuant to Article 17 where the holders of such Shares have waived any right to receive funds from the Trust Account, after the issue of Public Shares, and prior to the consummation of a Business Combination, the Company shall not issue additional Shares or any other securities that would entitle the holders thereof to:

- (a) receive funds from the Trust Account; or
- (b) vote as a class with Public Shares on a Business Combination or on any other proposal presented to shareholders prior to or in connection with the completion of an initial Business Combination or (b) to approve an amendment to the Memorandum or the Articles to (x) extend the time the Company has to consummate a Business Combination beyond forty-two months from the closing of the IPO or (y) amend the foregoing provisions."

### **Recommendation of the Board**

THE BOARD UNANIMOUSLY RECOMMENDS THAT GLOBAL PARTNER SHAREHOLDERS VOTE "FOR" THE APPROVAL OF THE FOUNDER CONVERSION AMENDMENT PROPOSAL.

## PROPOSAL NO. 4 – THE ADJOURNMENT PROPOSAL

### Overview

The Adjournment Proposal asks shareholders to approve the adjournment of the Shareholder Meeting to a later date or dates if necessary, (i) to permit further solicitation and vote of proxies if, based upon the tabulated vote at the time of the Shareholder Meeting, there are insufficient Ordinary Shares represented (either in person or by proxy) at the Shareholder Meeting to approve the Extension Amendment Proposal, the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal and the Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal, or (ii) where the Board has determined it is otherwise necessary.

### Consequences if the Adjournment Proposal is Not Approved

If the Adjournment Proposal is not approved by Global Partner's shareholders, the Board may not be able to adjourn the Shareholder Meeting to a later date in the event, based on the tabulated votes, there are insufficient Ordinary Shares represented (either in person or by proxy) at the Shareholder Meeting to approve the Extension Amendment Proposal, the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal, and the Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal. In such events, the Extension Amendment Proposal, the Redemption Limitation Amendment, and the Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal would not be implemented.

### Vote Required for Approval

The approval of the Adjournment Proposal requires an ordinary resolution under Cayman Islands law, being the affirmative vote of at least a majority of the votes cast by the holders of the issued Ordinary Shares, voting as a single class, who are present in person or represented by proxy and entitled to vote thereon at the Shareholder Meeting. Abstentions, and broker non-votes will be considered present for the purposes of establishing a quorum but, as a matter of Cayman Islands law, will not constitute votes cast at the Shareholder Meeting and therefore will have no effect on the approval of the Adjournment Proposal.

As of the date of this proxy statement, the Sponsor and Global Partner's other initial shareholders have agreed to vote any Ordinary Shares owned by them in favor of the Extension Amendment Proposal. As of the date hereof, the Sponsor and Global Partner's other initial shareholders own 65.6% of the issued and outstanding Ordinary Shares and have not purchased any Public Shares but may do so at any time. As a result, in addition to the Sponsor and Global Partner's other initial shareholders, no additional Ordinary Shares held by public shareholders would be required to approve the Adjournment Proposal.

### Resolution

The full text of the resolution to be voted upon is as follows:

**“RESOLVED**, as an ordinary resolution, that the adjournment of the Shareholder Meeting to a later date or dates if necessary, (i) to permit further solicitation and vote of proxies if, based upon the tabulated vote at the time of the Shareholder Meeting, there are insufficient Class A ordinary shares, par value \$0.0001 per share, and Class B ordinary shares, par value \$0.0001 per share, in the capital of Global Partner represented (either in person or by proxy) at the Shareholder Meeting to approve the Extension Amendment Proposal, the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal, and the Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal or (ii) where the board of directors of Global Partner has determined it is otherwise necessary.”

### Recommendation of the Board

**THE BOARD UNANIMOUSLY RECOMMENDS THAT GLOBAL PARTNER SHAREHOLDERS  
VOTE “FOR” THE APPROVAL OF THE ADJOURNMENT PROPOSAL.**

## CERTAIN MATERIAL U.S. FEDERAL INCOME TAX CONSIDERATIONS FOR SHAREHOLDERS EXERCISING REDEMPTION RIGHTS

The following discussion is a summary of certain material U.S. federal income tax considerations for Redeeming U.S. Holders and Redeeming Non-U.S. Holders (each as defined below) of Public Shares that elect to have their Public Shares redeemed for cash if the Extension Amendment Proposal, the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal or the Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal is approved. This section applies only to investors that hold Public Shares as capital assets for U.S. federal income tax purposes (generally, property held for investment). This discussion does not address all aspects of U.S. federal income taxation that may be relevant to a particular shareholder in light of its particular circumstances or status, including:

- financial institutions or financial services entities;
- broker-dealers;
- S corporations;
- taxpayers that are subject to the mark-to-market accounting rules;
- tax-exempt entities;
- governments or agencies or instrumentalities thereof;
- tax-qualified retirement plans;
- insurance companies;
- regulated investment companies or real estate investment trusts;
- expatriates or former long-term residents or citizens of the United States;
- persons that directly, indirectly, or constructively own five percent or more of our voting shares or five percent or more of the total value of all classes of our shares;
- persons that acquired our securities pursuant to an exercise of employee share options, in connection with employee share incentive plans or otherwise as compensation;
- persons that hold our securities as part of a straddle, constructive sale, hedging, conversion, synthetic security or other integrated or similar transaction;
- persons subject to the alternative minimum tax;
- persons whose functional currency is not the U.S. dollar;
- controlled foreign corporations;
- corporations that accumulate earnings to avoid U.S. federal income tax;
- “qualified foreign pension funds” (within the meaning of Section 897(1)(2) of the Code) and entities whose interests are held by qualified foreign pension funds;
- accrual method taxpayers that file applicable financial statements as described in Section 451(b) of the Code;



- foreign corporations with respect to which there are one or more United States shareholders within the meaning of Treasury Regulation Section 1.367(b)-3(b)(1)(ii);
- passive foreign investment companies or their shareholders; or
- Redeeming Non-U.S. Holders (as defined below, and except as otherwise discussed below).

This discussion is based on current U.S. federal income tax laws as in effect on the date hereof, which is subject to change, possibly on a retroactive basis, which may affect the U.S. federal income tax consequences described herein. Furthermore, this discussion does not address any aspect of U.S. federal non-income tax laws, such as gift, estate or Medicare net investment income tax laws, or state, local or non-U.S. laws. Global Partner has not sought, and Global Partner does not intend to seek, a ruling from the U.S. Internal Revenue Service (“IRS”) as to any U.S. federal income tax considerations described herein. The IRS may disagree with the discussion herein, and its determination may be upheld by a court. Moreover, there can be no assurance that future legislation, regulations, administrative rulings or court decisions will not adversely affect the accuracy of the statements in this discussion.

This discussion does not consider the U.S. federal income tax treatment of entities or arrangements treated as partnerships or other pass-through entities (including branches) for U.S. federal income tax purposes (any such entity or arrangement, a “Flow-Through Entity”) or investors that hold our securities through Flow-Through Entities. If a Flow-Through Entity is the beneficial owner of our securities, the U.S. federal income tax treatment of an investor holding our securities through a Flow-Through Entity generally will depend on the status of such investor and the activities of such investor and such Flow-Through Entity.

If you hold our securities through a Flow-Through Entity, we urge you to consult your tax advisor.

**THE FOLLOWING IS FOR INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES ONLY. EACH HOLDER IS URGED TO CONSULT ITS TAX ADVISOR WITH RESPECT TO THE PARTICULAR TAX CONSEQUENCES TO SUCH HOLDER OF EXERCISING REDEMPTION RIGHTS, INCLUDING THE EFFECTS OF U.S. FEDERAL, STATE AND LOCAL AND NON-U.S. TAX LAWS.**

For purposes of this discussion, because any unit consisting of one Class A Ordinary Share and one sixth of one warrant (with a whole warrant representing the right to acquire one Class A Ordinary Share) is separable at the option of the holder, Global Partner is treating any Class A Ordinary Share and one sixth of one warrant to acquire one Class A Ordinary Share held by a holder in the form of a single unit as separate instruments and is assuming that the unit itself will not be treated as an integrated instrument. Accordingly, the cancellation or separation of the units in connection with the exercise of redemption rights generally should not be a taxable event for U.S. federal income tax purposes. This position is not free from doubt, and no assurance can be given that the IRS would not assert, or that a court would not sustain, a contrary position.

*Certain U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations to U.S. Shareholders*

This section is addressed to Redeeming U.S. Holders (as defined below) of Global Partner’s Public Shares that elect to have their Public Shares redeemed for cash as described in the section entitled “*Proposal No. 1: The Extension Amendment Proposal — Redemption Rights*” and “*Proposal No. 2 — The Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal — Redemption Rights*.” For purposes of this discussion, a “Redeeming U.S. Holder” is a beneficial owner that so redeems its shares and is, for U.S. federal income tax purposes:

- an individual citizen or resident of the United States;
- a corporation (or other entity that is treated as a corporation for U.S. federal income tax purposes) that is created or organized (or treated as created or organized) in or under the laws of the United States or any state thereof or the District of Columbia;
- an estate the income of which is subject to U.S. federal income taxation regardless of its source; or
- any trust if (1) a U.S. court is able to exercise primary supervision over the administration of such trust and one or more United States persons (within the meaning of the Code) have the authority to control all substantial decisions of the trust or (2) it has a valid election in place to be treated as a United States person.

Subject to the passive foreign investment company (“PFIC”) rules discussed below under the heading “- *Passive Foreign Investment Company Rules*,” the U.S. federal income tax consequences to a Redeeming U.S. Holder of Public Shares that exercises its redemption rights to receive cash in exchange for all or a portion of its Public Shares will depend on whether the redemption qualifies as a sale of the Public Shares redeemed under Section 302 of the Code or is treated as a distribution under Section 301 of the Code. If the redemption qualifies as a sale of such Redeeming U.S. Holder’s shares, such Redeeming U.S. Holder will generally be required to recognize gain or loss in an amount equal to the difference, if any, between the amount of cash received and the tax basis of the shares redeemed. Such gain or loss should be treated as capital gain or loss if such shares were held as a capital asset on the date of the redemption. Any such capital gain or loss generally will be long-term capital gain or loss if the Redeeming U.S. Holder’s holding period for such shares exceeds one year at the time of the redemption. A Redeeming U.S. Holder’s tax basis in such Redeeming U.S. Holder’s shares generally will equal the cost of such shares.

The redemption generally will qualify as a sale of such shares if the redemption either (i) is “substantially disproportionate” with respect to the Redeeming U.S. Holder, (ii) results in a “complete redemption” of such Redeeming U.S. Holder’s interest in Global Partner or (iii) is “not essentially equivalent to a dividend” with respect to such Redeeming U.S. Holder. These tests are explained more fully below.

For purposes of such tests, a Redeeming U.S. Holder takes into account not only shares directly owned by such Redeeming U.S. Holder, but also shares that are constructively owned by such Redeeming U.S. Holder. A Redeeming U.S. Holder may constructively own, in addition to Public Shares owned directly, Public Shares owned by certain related individuals and entities in which such Redeeming U.S. Holder has an interest or that have an interest in such Redeeming U.S. Holder, as well as any shares such Redeeming U.S. Holder has a right to acquire by exercise of an option, which would generally include shares which could be acquired pursuant to the exercise of the Public Warrants.

The redemption generally will be “substantially disproportionate” with respect to a Redeeming U.S. Holder if the percentage of Global Partner’s outstanding voting shares that such Redeeming U.S. Holder directly or constructively owns immediately after the redemption is less than 80 percent of the percentage of Global Partner’s outstanding voting shares that such Redeeming U.S. Holder directly or constructively owned immediately before the redemption, and such Redeeming U.S. Holder immediately after the redemption actually and constructively owns less than 50 percent of the total combined voting power of Global Partner. There will be a complete redemption of such Redeeming U.S. Holder’s interest if either (i) all of the shares directly or constructively owned by such Redeeming U.S. Holder are redeemed or (ii) all of the shares directly owned by such Redeeming U.S. Holder are redeemed and such Redeeming U.S. Holder is eligible to waive, and effectively waives in accordance with specific rules, the attribution of the shares owned by certain family members and such Redeeming U.S. Holder does not constructively own any other shares. The redemption will not be essentially equivalent to a dividend if it results in a “meaningful reduction” of such Redeeming U.S. Holder’s proportionate interest in Global Partner. Whether the redemption will result in a “meaningful reduction” in such Redeeming U.S. Holder’s proportionate interest will depend on the particular facts and circumstances applicable to it. The IRS has indicated in a published ruling that even a small reduction in the proportionate interest of a small minority shareholder in a publicly held corporation that exercises no control over corporate affairs may constitute such a “meaningful reduction.”

If none of the above tests is satisfied, the redemption will be treated as a distribution with respect to the shares under Section 302 of the Code, in which case the Redeeming U.S. Holder will be treated as receiving a corporate distribution. Such distribution generally will constitute a dividend for U.S. federal income tax purposes to the extent paid from current or accumulated earnings and profits, as determined under U.S. federal income tax principles. Such dividends will be taxable to a corporate U.S. Holder at regular rates and will not be eligible for the dividends-received deduction generally allowed to domestic corporations in respect of dividends received from other domestic corporations. Assuming Global Partner is a PFIC (as discussed below under “- *Passive Foreign Investment Company Rules*”) such dividends will be taxable to an individual Redeeming U.S. Holder at regular rates and will not be eligible for the reduced rates of taxation on certain dividends received from a “qualified foreign corporation.” Distributions in excess of current and accumulated earnings and profits will constitute a return of capital that will be applied against and reduce (but not below zero) the Redeeming U.S. Holder’s adjusted tax basis in such Redeeming U.S. Holder’s Public Shares. Any remaining excess will be treated as gain realized on the sale or other disposition of such Redeeming U.S. Holder’s Public Shares. After the application of those rules, any remaining tax basis of the Redeeming U.S. Holder in the redeemed Public Shares will be added to the Redeeming U.S. Holder’s adjusted tax basis in its remaining Public Shares, or, if it has none, to the Redeeming U.S. Holder’s adjusted tax basis in its Public Warrants or possibly in other shares constructively owned by it.

**ALL REDEEMING U.S. HOLDERS ARE URGED TO CONSULT THEIR TAX ADVISORS AS TO THE TAX CONSEQUENCES TO THEM OF A REDEMPTION OF ALL OR A PORTION OF THEIR PUBLIC SHARES PURSUANT TO AN EXERCISE OF REDEMPTION RIGHTS.**

*Passive Foreign Investment Company Rules*

A foreign (i.e., non-U.S.) corporation will be a PFIC for U.S. federal income tax purposes if either (i) at least 75% of its gross income in a taxable year, including its pro rata share of the gross income of any corporation in which it is considered to own at least 25% of the shares by value, is passive income, or (ii) at least 50% of its assets in a taxable year (ordinarily, but subject to exceptions, determined based on fair market value and averaged quarterly over the year), including its pro rata share of the assets of any corporation in which it is considered to own at least 25% of the shares by value, are held for the production of, or produce, passive income. Passive income generally includes dividends, interest, rents and royalties (other than rents or royalties derived from the active conduct of a trade or business) and gains from the disposition of assets giving rise to passive income.

Because Global Partner is a blank check company with no current active business, based upon the composition of its income and assets, and upon a review of its financial statements, Global Partner believes that it likely was a PFIC for its most recent taxable year ended on December 31, 2022, and will continue to be treated as a PFIC until we no longer satisfy the PFIC tests (although, as stated below, in general the PFIC rules would continue to apply to any U.S. holder who held our securities at any time we were considered a PFIC).

If we are determined to be a PFIC for any taxable year (or portion thereof) that is included in the holding period of a Redeeming U.S. Holder of our shares, rights or warrants and, in the case of our shares, the Redeeming U.S. Holder did not make either a timely QEF election for our first taxable year as a PFIC in which the Redeeming U.S. Holder held (or was deemed to hold) shares or a timely “mark to market” election, in each case as described below, such holder generally will be subject to special rules with respect to:

- any gain recognized by the Redeeming U.S. Holder on the sale or other disposition of its shares, rights or warrant (which would include the redemption, if such redemption is treated as a sale under the rules discussed under the heading “- Tax Treatment of the Redemption - In General,” above); and
- any “excess distribution” made to the Redeeming U.S. Holder (generally, any distributions to such Redeeming U.S. Holder during a taxable year of the Redeeming U.S. Holder that are greater than 125% of the average annual distributions received by such Redeeming U.S. Holder in respect of the shares during the three preceding taxable years of such Redeeming U.S. Holder or, if shorter, such Redeeming U.S. Holder’s holding period for the shares), which may include the redemption to the extent such redemption is treated as a distribution under the rules discussed under the heading “- Tax Treatment of the Redemption - In General,” above.

Under these special rules,

- the Redeeming U.S. Holder’s gain or excess distribution will be allocated ratably over the Redeeming U.S. Holder’s holding period for the shares or warrants;

- the amount allocated to the Redeeming U.S. Holder's taxable year in which the Redeeming U.S. Holder recognized the gain or received the excess distribution, or to the period in the Redeeming U.S. Holder's holding period before the first day of our first taxable year in which we are a PFIC, will be taxed as ordinary income;
- the amount allocated to other taxable years (or portions thereof) of the Redeeming U.S. Holder and included in its holding period will be taxed at the highest tax rate in effect for that year and applicable to the Redeeming U.S. Holder; and
- an additional tax equal to the interest charge generally applicable to underpayments of tax will be imposed on the Redeeming U.S. Holder in respect of the tax attributable to each such other taxable year described in the immediately preceding clause of the Redeeming U.S. Holder.

In general, if we are determined to be a PFIC, a Redeeming U.S. Holder may avoid the PFIC tax consequences described above in respect to our shares (but not our warrants) by making a timely QEF election (if eligible to do so) for the taxable year that is the first year in the Redeeming U.S. Holder's holding period of our shares during which we are treated as a PFIC or, if in a later year, the Redeeming U.S. Holder made a QEF election along with a purging election. A QEF election is an election to include in income its pro rata share of our net capital gains (as long-term capital gain) and other earnings and profits (as ordinary income), on a current basis, in each case whether or not distributed, in the taxable year of the Redeeming U.S. Holder in which or with which our taxable year ends. In general, a QEF election must be made on or before the due date (including extensions) for filing such Redeeming U.S. Holder's tax return for the taxable year for which the election relates. A Redeeming U.S. Holder may make a separate election to defer the payment of taxes on undistributed income inclusions under the QEF rules, but if deferred, any such taxes will be subject to an interest charge. The purging election creates a deemed sale of such shares at their fair market value. The gain recognized by the purging election will be subject to the special tax and interest charge rules treating the gain as an excess distribution, as described above. As a result of the purging election, the Redeeming U.S. Holder will have a new basis and holding period in the shares for purposes of the PFIC rules.

A Redeeming U.S. Holder may not make a QEF election with respect to its warrants to acquire our shares. As a result, if a Redeeming U.S. Holder sells or otherwise disposes of such warrants (other than upon exercise of such warrants), any gain recognized generally will be subject to the special tax and interest charge rules treating the gain as an excess distribution, as described above, if we were a PFIC at any time during the period the Redeeming U.S. Holder held the warrants. If a Redeeming U.S. Holder that exercises such warrants properly makes a QEF election with respect to the newly acquired shares (or has previously made a QEF election with respect to our shares), the QEF election will apply to the newly acquired shares, but the adverse tax consequences relating to PFIC shares, adjusted to take into account the current income inclusions resulting from the QEF election, will continue to apply with respect to such newly acquired shares (which generally will be deemed to have a holding period for purposes of the PFIC rules that includes the period the Redeeming U.S. Holder held the warrants), unless the Redeeming U.S. Holder makes a purging election. The purging election creates a deemed sale of such shares at their fair market value. The gain recognized by the purging election will be subject to the special tax and interest charge rules treating the gain as an excess distribution, as described above. As a result of the purging election, the Redeeming U.S. Holder will have a new basis and holding period in the shares acquired upon the exercise of the warrants for purposes of the PFIC rules.

The QEF election is made on a shareholder-by-shareholder basis and, once made, can be revoked only with the consent of the IRS. A QEF election may not be made with respect to our warrants. A Redeeming U.S. Holder generally makes a QEF election by attaching a completed IRS Form 8621 (Return by a Shareholder of a Passive Foreign Investment Company or Qualified Electing Fund), including the information provided in a PFIC annual information statement, to a timely filed U.S. federal income tax return for the tax year to which the election relates. Retroactive QEF elections generally may be made only by filing a protective statement with such return and if certain other conditions are met or with the consent of the IRS. Redeeming U.S. Holders are urged to consult their tax advisors regarding the availability and tax consequences of a retroactive QEF election under their particular circumstances.

A Redeeming U.S. Holder's ability to make a QEF Election with respect to Global Partner is contingent upon, among other things, the provision by Global Partner of a "PFIC Annual Information Statement" to such Redeeming U.S. Holder. Upon written request, we will endeavor to provide to a Redeeming U.S. Holder such information as the IRS may require, including a PFIC Annual Information Statement, in order to enable the Redeeming U.S. Holder to make and maintain a QEF Election. There is no assurance, however, that we would timely provide such required information.

If a Redeeming U.S. Holder has made a QEF election with respect to our shares, and the special tax and interest charge rules do not apply to such shares (because of a timely QEF election for our first taxable year as a PFIC in which the Redeeming U.S. Holder holds (or is deemed to hold) such shares or a purge of the PFIC taint pursuant to a purging election, as described above), any gain recognized on the sale of our shares generally will be taxable as capital gain and no interest charge will be imposed. As discussed above, Redeeming U.S. Holders of a QEF are currently taxed on their pro rata shares of its earnings and profits, whether or not distributed. In such case, a subsequent distribution of such earnings and profits that were previously included in income generally should not be taxable as a dividend to such Redeeming U.S. Holders. The tax basis of a Redeeming U.S. Holder's shares in a QEF will be increased by amounts that are included in income, and decreased by amounts distributed but not taxed as dividends, under the above rules. Similar basis adjustments apply to property if by reason of holding such property the Redeeming U.S. Holder is treated under the applicable attribution rules as owning shares in a QEF.

A determination that we are a PFIC for any particular year will generally apply for subsequent years to a Redeeming U.S. Holder who held shares or warrants while we were a PFIC, whether or not we meet the test for PFIC status in those subsequent years. A Redeeming U.S. Holder who makes the QEF election discussed above for our first taxable year as a PFIC in which the Redeeming U.S. Holder holds (or is deemed to hold) our shares and receives the requisite PFIC annual information statement, however, will not be subject to the PFIC tax and interest charge rules discussed above in respect to such shares. In addition, such Redeeming U.S. Holder will not be subject to the QEF inclusion regime with respect to such shares for any taxable year of us that ends within or with a taxable year of the Redeeming U.S. Holder and in which we are not a PFIC. On the other hand, if the QEF election is not effective for each of our taxable years in which we are a PFIC and the Redeeming U.S. Holder holds (or is deemed to hold) our shares, the PFIC rules discussed above will continue to apply to such shares unless the holder makes a purging election, as described above, and pays the tax and interest charge with respect to the gain inherent in such shares attributable to the pre-QEF election period.

The impact of the PFIC rules on a Redeeming U.S. Holder may also depend on whether the Redeeming U.S. Holder has made an election under Section 1296 of the Code. Redeeming U.S. Holders that hold (directly or constructively) stock of a foreign corporation that is classified as a PFIC may annually elect to mark such stock to its market value if such stock is regularly traded on an established exchange (a "mark-to-market election"). No assurance can be given that the Public Shares are considered to be regularly traded for purposes of the mark-to-market election or whether the other requirements of this election are satisfied. If such an election is available and has been made, such Redeeming U.S. Holders will generally not be subject to the special PFIC taxation rules discussed above. Instead, in general, the Redeeming U.S. Holder will include as ordinary income each year the excess, if any, of the fair market value of its shares at the end of its taxable year over the adjusted basis in its shares. The Redeeming U.S. Holder also will be allowed to take an ordinary loss in respect of the excess, if any, of the adjusted basis of its shares over the fair market value of its shares at the end of its taxable year (but only to the extent of the net amount of previously included income as a result of the mark-to-market election). The Redeeming U.S. Holder's basis in its shares will be adjusted to reflect any such income or loss amounts, and any further gain recognized on a sale or other taxable disposition of the shares will be treated as ordinary income. However, if the mark-to-market election is made by a Redeeming U.S. Holder after the beginning of the holding period for the PFIC stock, then the special PFIC taxation rules described above will apply to certain dispositions of, distributions on and other amounts taxable with respect to the Public Shares. A mark-to-market election is not available with respect to Public Warrants.

A Redeeming U.S. Holder that owns (or is deemed to own) shares in a PFIC during any taxable year of the Redeeming U.S. Holder, may have to file an IRS Form 8621 (whether or not a QEF or market-to-market election is made) and such other information as may be required by the U.S. Treasury Department.

**The application of the PFIC rules is extremely complex. Shareholders who are considering participating in the redemption and/or selling, transferring or otherwise disposing of their shares or warrants are urged to consult with their tax advisors concerning the application of the PFIC rules (including whether a QEF election, a mark-to-market election, or any other election is available and the consequences to them of any such election) in their particular circumstances.**

*U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations to Non-U.S. Shareholders*

This section is addressed to Redeeming Non-U.S. Holders (as defined below) of Global Partner's Public Shares that elect to have their shares redeemed for cash as described in the section entitled "*Proposal No. 1: The Extension Amendment Proposal-Redemption Rights*" and "*Proposal No. 2-The Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal-Redemption Rights*." For purposes of this discussion, a "Redeeming Non-U.S. Holder" is a beneficial owner (other than a Flow-Through Entity) of our Public Shares that so redeems its Public Shares and is not a Redeeming U.S. Holder.

Except as otherwise discussed in this section, a Redeeming Non-U.S. Holder who elects to have its shares redeemed will generally be treated in the same manner as a U.S. shareholder for U.S. federal income tax purposes. See the discussion above under "*Certain U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations to U.S. Shareholders*." However, notwithstanding such characterization, any Redeeming Non-U.S. Holder generally will not be subject to U.S. federal income tax on any gain recognized or dividends received as a result of the redemption unless the gain or dividends is effectively connected with such non-U.S. Holder's conduct of a trade or business within the United States (and if an income tax treaty applies, is attributable to a U.S. permanent establishment or fixed base maintained by the non-U.S. shareholder).

Non-U.S. holders of shares considering exercising their redemption rights are urged to consult their tax advisors as to whether the redemption of their shares will be treated as a sale or as a distribution under the Code, and whether they will be subject to U.S. federal income tax on any gain recognized or dividends received as a result of the redemption based upon their particular circumstances.

Under the Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act ("*FATCA*") and U.S. Treasury regulations and administrative guidance thereunder, a 30% United States federal withholding tax may apply to certain income paid to (i) a "foreign financial institution" (as specifically defined in FATCA), whether such foreign financial institution is the beneficial owner or an intermediary, unless such foreign financial institution agrees to verify, report and disclose its United States "account" holders (as specifically defined in FATCA) and meets certain other specified requirements or (ii) a non-financial foreign entity, whether such non-financial foreign entity is the beneficial owner or an intermediary, unless such entity provides a certification that the beneficial owner of the payment does not have any substantial United States owners or provides the name, address and taxpayer identification number of each such substantial United States owner and certain other specified requirements are met. Under certain circumstances, a Redeeming Non-U.S. Holder might be eligible for refunds or credits of such taxes. In certain cases, the relevant foreign financial institution or non-financial foreign entity may qualify for an exemption from, or be deemed to be in compliance with, these rules. If the country in which a Redeeming Non-U.S. Holder is resident has entered into an "intergovernmental agreement" with the United States regarding FATCA, the Redeeming Non-U.S. Holder may be permitted to report to that country instead of the United States, and the intergovernmental agreement may otherwise modify the requirements described in this paragraph. While withholding under FATCA generally would apply to payments of gross proceeds from the sale or other disposition of securities, proposed Treasury Regulations eliminate FATCA withholding on payments of gross proceeds entirely. Taxpayers generally may rely on these proposed Treasury Regulations until final Treasury Regulations are issued. Redeeming Non-U.S. Holders are urged to consult their tax advisors regarding the possible implications of FATCA and whether it may be relevant to their disposition of their shares or warrants.

### *Backup Withholding*

In general, proceeds received from the exercise of redemption rights will be subject to backup withholding for a non-corporate Redeeming U.S. Holder that:

- fails to provide an accurate taxpayer identification number;
- is notified by the IRS regarding a failure to report all interest or dividends required to be shown on his or her federal income tax returns; or
- in certain circumstances, fails to comply with applicable certification requirements.

A Redeeming Non-U.S. Holder generally may eliminate the requirement for information reporting and backup withholding by providing certification of its non-U.S. status, under penalties of perjury, on a duly executed applicable IRS Form W-8 or by otherwise establishing an exemption.

Any amount withheld under these rules will be creditable against the Redeeming U.S. Holder's or Redeeming Non-U.S. Holder's U.S. federal income tax liability or refundable to the extent that it exceeds this liability, provided that the required information is timely furnished to the IRS and other applicable requirements are met.

**As previously noted above, the foregoing discussion of certain material U.S. federal income tax consequences is included for general information purposes only and is not intended to be, and should not be construed as, legal or tax advice to any shareholder. We once again urge you to consult with your tax adviser to determine the particular tax consequences to you (including the application and effect of any U.S. federal, state, local or foreign income or other tax laws) of the receipt of cash in exchange for shares in connection with the Extension Amendment Proposal, the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal or the Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal and any redemption of your Public Shares.**

## BUSINESS OF GLOBAL PARTNER AND CERTAIN INFORMATION ABOUT GLOBAL PARTNER

References in this section to “we,” “our,” or “us” refer to Global Partner Acquisition Corp II.

### General

We are a blank check company incorporated as an exempted company in the Cayman Islands on November 3, 2020 formed for the purpose of effecting a merger, share exchange, asset acquisition, share purchase, reorganization or other similar business combination with one or more businesses or entities.

### Initial Public Offering and Private Placement

On January 14, 2021, we consummated our Initial Public Offering of 30,000,000 Units, including the issuance of 2,500,000 additional units as a result of the underwriters’ full exercise of their over-allotment option, at \$10.00 per Unit, generating gross proceeds of \$300,000,000. The securities in the offering were registered under the Securities Act on a registration statement on Form S-1 (No. 333-251558). The SEC declared the registration statement effective on January 11, 2021. Simultaneously with the closing of our Initial Public Offering, we consummated the sale of 5,566,667 Private Placement Warrants to the Sponsor at a price of \$1.50 per Private Placement Warrant, generating gross proceeds of \$8,350,000.

Following the closing of our Initial Public Offering on January 14, 2021, an amount of \$300,000,000 (\$10.00 per Unit) from the net proceeds of the sale of the Units in our Initial Public Offering and the sale of the Private Placement Warrants were placed in a Trust Account, and invested in U.S. government securities, within the meaning set forth in the Investment Company Act, with a maturity of 185 days or less, or in any open-ended investment company that holds itself out as a money market fund investing solely in U.S. Treasuries and meeting certain conditions under Rule 2a-7 of the Investment Company Act. In connection with the First Extension Meeting, Global Partner instructed Continental Stock Transfer & Trust Company, the trustee with respect to the Trust Account, to liquidate the U.S. government treasury obligations or money market funds held in the Trust Account and thereafter to maintain the funds in the Trust Account in cash in an interest-bearing demand deposit account at a bank until the earlier of the consummation of a business combination and the liquidation of Global Partner. Interest on such deposit account is currently approximately 4.5% per annum, but such deposit account carries a variable rate and Global Partner cannot assure you that such rate will not decrease or increase significantly.

### First Extension

Our Initial Public Offering prospectus and amended and restated memorandum and articles of association provided that we had until January 14, 2023 (the date which was 24 months after the consummation of the Initial Public Offering) to complete an initial business combination. As stated in the Current Report on Form 8-K filed with SEC on January 18, 2023, we held an extraordinary general meeting of shareholders and approved a proposal to amend our amended and restated memorandum and articles of association to extend the date by which we have to consummate an initial business combination from January 14, 2023 to April 14, 2023, and to allow Global Partner, without another shareholder vote, to elect to extend the termination date to consummate a business combination on a monthly basis for up to nine times by an additional one month each time after April 14, 2023, by resolution of the Board if requested by the Sponsor, and upon five days’ advance notice prior to the applicable termination date, until January 14, 2024, or a total of up to twelve months after January 12, 2023 (the “*First Extension Meeting*”). In connection with the approval of the extension at the First Extension Meeting, the holders of 26,068,281 Class A Ordinary Shares properly exercised their right to redeem their shares for cash at a redemption price of approximately \$10.167 per share, for an aggregate redemption amount of approximately \$265,050,166.

As disclosed in the definitive proxy statement filed by the Company with the SEC on December 23, 2022, relating to the First Extension Meeting, the Sponsor agreed that if the Extension Amendment Proposal is approved, it or one or more of its affiliates, members or third-party designees (the “*Lender*”) will contribute to the Company as a loan, within ten (10) business days of the date of the Extension Meeting, \$450,000, to be deposited into the Trust Account. In addition, in the event the Company does not consummate an initial business combination by the Articles Extension Date (as defined below), the Lender may contribute to the Company \$150,000 as a loan to be deposited into the Trust Account for each of nine one-month extensions following the Articles Extension Date.



## Extension Meeting Promissory Note

On January 13, 2023, the Company issued an unsecured promissory note in the total principal amount of up to \$3,000,000 (the “*Promissory Note*”) to the Sponsor. The Sponsor funded the initial principal amount of \$450,000 on January 13, 2023. The Promissory Note does not bear interest and matures upon closing of the Company’s initial business combination. In the event that the Company does not consummate a business combination, the Promissory Note will be repaid only from amounts remaining outside of the Trust Account, if any. The proceeds of the Promissory Note will be deposited in the Trust Account. Up to \$1,750,000 of the total principal amount of the Promissory Note may be converted, in whole or in part, at the option of the Lender into warrants of the Company at a price of \$1.50 per warrant, which warrants will be identical to the private placement warrants issued to the Sponsor at the time of the initial public offering of the Company.

## Proposed Business Combination

As previously disclosed in the Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on November 21, 2023, Global Partner, Stardust Power and other parties thereto entered into a Business Combination Agreement (as it may be further amended or supplemented from time to time), dated November 21, 2023, contemplating a Business Combination.

The Business Combination Agreement provides for, among other things, that prior to the date of closing, (i) Global Partner will change its jurisdiction of incorporation by deregistering as a Cayman Islands exempted company and continuing and domesticating as a corporation incorporated under the laws of the State of Delaware, upon which Global Partner intends to change its name to “Stardust Power Inc.” (the “*Post-Combination Company*”) (ii) each outstanding Class A Ordinary Share and Class B Ordinary Share will be converted, on a one-for-one basis, into one share of common stock of the Post-Combination Company, and (iii) the governing documents of Global Partner will be replaced by governing documents of the Post-Combination Company. For more information about the Business Combination, see Global Partner’s Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on November 21, 2023.

The consummation of the Business Combination is subject to the fulfillment of certain customary conditions, including the approval of Global Partner’s and Stardust Power’s stockholders and accordingly, there can be no assurances that we will be able to consummate the Business Combination on the terms contemplated by the Business Combination Agreement or at all.

Without the Articles Extension, Global Partner believes that it may not be able to complete the Business Combination on or before the Original Termination Date. If that were to occur, Global Partner would be precluded from completing the Business Combination and would be forced to liquidate even if Global Partner shareholders are otherwise in favor of consummating the Business Combination.

If the Extension Amendment Proposal is approved, the removal from the Trust Account of the amount equal to the pro rata portion of funds available in the Trust Account with respect to such redeemed Public Shares will reduce Global Partner’s net asset value. Global Partner cannot predict the amount that will remain in the Trust Account following the Redemptions if the Extension Amendment Proposal is approved, and the amount remaining in the Trust Account may be only a small fraction of the \$ that was in the Trust Account as of , 2023. Unless the Extension Amendment Proposal is approved, Global Partner will not proceed with the Charter Extension. Global Partner will also not proceed with the Articles Extension if it completes the Business Combination on or before the Termination Date.

Global Partner believes that given Global Partner’s expenditure of time, effort and money on the Business Combination, circumstances warrant ensuring that Global Partner is in the best position possible to consummate the Business Combination and that it is in the best interests of Global Partner’s shareholders that Global Partner obtain the Articles Extension. Global Partner believes the Business Combination will provide significant benefits to its shareholders.

**You are not being asked to vote on the Business Combination at this time. If the Extension Amendment Proposal is approved and you do not elect to redeem your Public Shares, provided that you are a shareholder on the record date for the extraordinary general meeting to consider the Business Combination, you will be entitled to vote on the Business Combination when it is submitted to shareholders and will retain the right to redeem your Public Shares for cash in the event the Business Combination is approved and completed or we have not consummated the Business Combination by the Articles Extension Date.**

## BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

The following table sets forth information regarding the beneficial ownership of Global Partner's Ordinary Shares as of December , 2023, based on information obtained from the persons named below, with respect to the beneficial ownership of shares of Global Partner's Ordinary Shares, by:

- each person known by Global Partner to be the beneficial owner of more than 5% of Global Partner's outstanding Class A Ordinary Shares or Class B Ordinary Shares;
- each of Global Partner's executive officers and directors that beneficially owns shares of Global Partner's Ordinary Shares; and
- all Global Partner's executive officers and directors as a group.

Beneficial ownership is determined according to the rules of the SEC, which generally provide that a person has beneficial ownership of a security if such person possesses sole or shared voting or investment power over that security, including options and warrants that are currently exercisable or exercisable within sixty days.

In connection with the First Extension Meeting held on January 9, 2023, the holders of 26,068,281 Class A Ordinary Shares properly exercised their right to redeem their shares for cash at a redemption price of approximately \$10.167 per share, for an aggregate redemption amount of approximately \$265,050,166. Following such redemptions there were 11,431,719 Ordinary Shares outstanding, consisting of (i) 3,931,719 Class A Ordinary Shares and (ii) 7,500,000 Class B Ordinary Shares. Additionally, following such redemptions, our initial shareholders, including the Sponsor owned, on as-converted basis, approximately 65.6% of our outstanding Ordinary Shares.

In the table below, percentage ownership is based on 11,431,719 ordinary shares, consisting of (i) 3,931,719 Class A Ordinary Shares and (ii) 7,500,000 Class B Ordinary Shares, issued and outstanding as of December 31, 2022. The table below does not include the Class A Ordinary Shares underlying the Private Placement Warrants held by the Sponsor because these securities are not exercisable within 60 days of this proxy statement.

Unless otherwise indicated, we believe that all persons named in the table have sole voting and investment power with respect to all shares of ordinary shares beneficially owned by them.

Name of Beneficial Owners <sup>(1)</sup>	Class B Ordinary Shares		Class A Ordinary Shares		
	Number of Shares Beneficially Owned	Approximate Percentage of Class	Number of Shares Beneficially Owned	Approximate Percentage of Class	Approximate Percentage of Voting Control
<b>Five Percent Holders</b>					
Global Partner Sponsor II LLC (our Sponsor) <sup>(2)(3)</sup>	7,500,000	100.0%	-	-	65.6.0%
Aristeia Capital, L.L.C. <sup>(4)</sup>	-	-	2,343,178	59.6%	20.5%
Glazer Capital, LLC. <sup>(5)</sup>	-	-	277,040	7.05%	2.4%
Cowen Financial Products LLC <sup>(7)</sup>	-	-	200,000	5.08%	1.7%
<b>Directors and Executive Officers of Global Partner</b>					
Chandra R Patel <sup>(3)</sup>	-	-	-	-	-
Jarett Goldman <sup>(3)</sup>	-	-	-	-	-
Richard C. Davis <sup>(3)</sup>	-	-	-	-	-
Graeme Shaw <sup>(6)</sup>	-	-	-	-	-
Gary DiCamillo <sup>(6)</sup>	-	-	-	-	-
Claudia Hollingsworth <sup>(6)</sup>	-	-	-	-	-
William Kerr <sup>(6)</sup>	-	-	-	-	-
All officers and directors as a group (seven individuals)	7,500,000	100.0%	--	--	20%

- (1) Unless otherwise noted, the business address of each of the following entities or individuals is 200 Park Avenue, 32nd Floor, New York, NY 10166.
- (2) Interests shown consist solely of founder shares, classified as Class B ordinary shares. Such shares will automatically convert into Class A ordinary shares at the time of our initial business combination or earlier at the option of the holders thereof.
- (3) Chandra R. Patel, Richard C. Davis and Jarett Goldman are the three managers of the Sponsor, Global Partner Sponsor II LLC. Each manager has one vote, and the approval of a majority is required to approve an action of Global Partner Sponsor II LLC. Under the so-called “rule of three”, if voting and dispositive decisions regarding an entity’s securities are made by three or more individuals, and a voting or dispositive decision requires the approval of a majority of those individuals, then none of the individuals is deemed a beneficial owner of the entity’s securities. This is the situation with regards to Global Partner Sponsor II LLC. Based upon the foregoing analysis, no individual manager of Global Partner Sponsor II LLC exercises voting or dispositive control over any of the securities held by the Sponsor, even those in which he or she directly holds a pecuniary interest. Accordingly, none of them will be deemed to have or share beneficial ownership of such securities.
- (4) According to a Schedule 13G filed February 13, 2023 with the SEC, Aristeia Capital L.L.C. (“Aristeia”) is the investment manager of one or more private investment funds, and has voting and investment control with respect to the Class A ordinary shares listed, which are held by one or more such funds. The principal business address of Aristeia is One Greenwich Plaza, 3rd Floor, Greenwich, CT 06830.
- (5) According to a Schedule 13G filed September 11, 2023 with the SEC, Glazer Capital, LLC and Paul J Glazer, managing member of Glazer Capital, with respect to the shares of Common Stock held by the Glazer Funds, may be deemed to be the beneficial owners of the Class A ordinary shares listed. The principal business address of Glazer Capital, LLC is 250 West 55th Street, Suite 30A, New York, New York 10019.
- (6) Does not include any shares indirectly owned by the relevant individual as a result of that individual’s membership interest in our sponsor. Each of these individuals disclaims beneficial ownership of any shares except to the extent of their pecuniary interest therein.
- (7) According to a Schedule 13G filed April 11, 2023 with the SEC, Cowen Financial Products LLC, with respect to the shares of Common Stock, may be deemed to be the beneficial owners of the Class A ordinary shares listed. The principal business address of Cowen Financial Products LLC is 200 Park Ave, 32nd floor, New York, NY 10166.

## FUTURE SHAREHOLDER PROPOSALS

If the Extension Amendment Proposal is approved, we anticipate that we will hold another extraordinary general meeting before the Extension Date to consider and vote upon approval of the Business Combination Agreement and the Business Combination. Accordingly, if we consummate the Business Combination, Global Partner's next annual meeting of shareholders will be held at a future date to be determined by the post-Business Combination company. If the Extension Amendment Proposal is not approved, or if it is approved but we do not consummate a Business Combination before the Extension Date, Global Partner will dissolve and liquidate. Accordingly, there will be no annual meeting in 2024.

## HOUSEHOLDING INFORMATION

Unless Global Partner has received contrary instructions, Global Partner may send a single copy of this proxy statement to any household at which two or more shareholders reside if Global Partner believes the shareholders are members of the same family. This process, known as "householding," reduces the volume of duplicate information received at any one household and helps to reduce Global Partner's expenses. However, if shareholders prefer to receive multiple sets of Global Partner's disclosure documents at the same address this year or in future years, the shareholders should follow the instructions described below. Similarly, if an address is shared with another shareholder and together both of the shareholders would like to receive only a single set of Global Partner's disclosure documents, the shareholders should follow these instructions:

If the shares are registered in the name of the shareholder, the shareholder should contact us at our offices at Global Partner Acquisition Corp II, 200 Park Avenue, 32nd Floor, New York, NY 10166, to inform us of his or her request; or

If a bank, broker or other nominee holds the shares, the shareholder should contact the bank, broker or other nominee directly.

## WHERE YOU CAN FIND MORE INFORMATION

Global Partner files reports, proxy statements and other information with the SEC as required by the Exchange Act. You may access information on Global Partner at the SEC web site, which contains reports, proxy statements and other information, at: <http://www.sec.gov>.

This proxy statement is available without charge to shareholders of Global Partner upon written or oral request. If you would like additional copies of this proxy statement or if you have questions about the proposals to be presented at the Shareholder Meeting, you should contact Global Partner in writing at Global Partner Acquisition Corp II, 200 Park Avenue, 32nd Floor, New York, NY 10166.

If you have questions about the proposals or this proxy statement, would like additional copies of this proxy statement, or need to obtain proxy cards or other information related to the proxy solicitation, please contact Morrow Sodali, the proxy solicitor for Global Partner, by calling (800) 662-5200 (toll-free), or banks and brokers can call (203) 658-9400, or by emailing [GPAC.info@investor.morrrowsodali.com](mailto:GPAC.info@investor.morrrowsodali.com). You will not be charged for any of the documents that you request.

To obtain timely delivery of the documents, you must request them no later than five business days before the date of the Shareholder Meeting, or no later than January , 2024.

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**PRELIMINARY PROXY CARD  
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**Global Partner Acquisition Corp II  
200 Park Avenue, 32nd Floor  
New York, NY 10166**

**EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING  
OF GLOBAL PARTNER ACQUISITION CORP II**

**YOUR VOTE IS IMPORTANT**

**THIS PROXY IS SOLICITED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
FOR THE EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING  
TO BE HELD ON JANUARY , 2024.**

The undersigned, revoking any previous proxies relating to these shares, hereby acknowledges receipt of the Notice and Proxy Statement, dated, 2024, in connection with the extraordinary general meeting (the “*Shareholder Meeting*”) of Global Partner Acquisition Corp II (“*Global Partner*”) to be held at a.m. Eastern Time on , 2024, at the offices of Kirkland & Ellis LLP located at 601 Lexington Avenue, New York, NY 10022, and via a virtual meeting, and hereby appoints Chandra R. Patel and Jarett Goldman, and each of them (with full power to act alone), the attorneys and proxies of the undersigned, with power of substitution to each, to vote all ordinary shares of Global Partner registered in the name provided, which the undersigned is entitled to vote at the Shareholder Meeting, and at any adjournments thereof, with all the powers the undersigned would have if personally present. Without limiting the general authorization hereby given, said proxies are, and each of them is, instructed to vote or act as follows on the proposals set forth in the accompanying proxy statement/prospectus.

**THIS PROXY, WHEN EXECUTED, WILL BE VOTED IN THE MANNER DIRECTED HEREIN. IF NO DIRECTION IS MADE, THIS PROXY WILL BE VOTED “FOR” PROPOSALS 1, 2 AND 3.**

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**THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS RECOMMENDS A VOTE “FOR” PROPOSALS 1, 2 AND 3.**

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**Proposal No. 1 - The Extension Amendment Proposal— RESOLVED**, as a special resolution:

**FOR**    **AGAINST**    **ABSTAIN**

                                          

- a) Article 49.8 of Global Partner’s Amended and Restated Memorandum and Articles of Association be deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following new Article 49.8:

“In the event that the Company does not consummate a Business Combination (i) by a date no later than 14 July 2024 and (ii) such later date as may be approved by the Members in accordance with the Articles (in any case, such date being referred to as the “*Termination Date*”), the Company shall (i) cease all operations except for the purpose of winding up; (ii) as promptly as reasonably possible but not more than ten business days thereafter, redeem the Public Shares, at a per-share price, payable in cash, equal to the aggregate amount then on deposit in the Trust Account, including interest earned on the funds held in the Trust Account and not previously released to Global Partner to pay its income taxes, if any (less up to \$100,000 of interest to pay liquidation expenses), divided by the number of the then-outstanding Public Shares, which redemption will completely extinguish public shareholders’ rights as shareholders (including the right to receive further liquidation distributions, if any); and (iii) as promptly as reasonably possible following such redemption, subject to the approval of Global Partner’s remaining shareholders and the Board, liquidate and dissolve, subject in each case to Global Partner’s obligations under Cayman Islands law to provide for claims of creditors and to requirements of other applicable law.

If the Company completes a Business Combination, it will, at the option of the Sponsor (or one or more of its affiliates, members or third-party designees) (the “*Lender*”), repay the amounts loaned under existing promissory notes or convert a portion or all of the amounts loaned under such promissory notes into warrants, which warrants will be identical to the private placement warrants issued to the Sponsor at the time of the IPO. If the Company does not complete a Business Combination by the applicable Termination Date, such promissory notes will be repaid only from funds held outside of the Trust Account or will be forfeited, eliminated or otherwise forgiven.”

- b) Article 49.9(a) of Global Partner’s Amended and Restated Memorandum and Articles of Association be deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following new Article 49.9(a):

“to modify the substance or timing of the Company’s obligation to provide holders of Class A Shares the right to have their shares redeemed in connection with a Business Combination or to redeem 100 per cent of the Public Shares if the Company does not consummate a Business Combination within forty-two months after the date of the IPO;”

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**Proposal No. 2 - The Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal - RESOLVED**, as a special resolution:

**FOR**    **AGAINST**    **ABSTAIN**

                                      

- a) Article 49.2(b) of Global Partner’s Amended and Restated Memorandum and Articles of Association be deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following new Article 49.2(b):

“provide Members with the opportunity to have their Shares repurchased by means of a tender offer for a per-Share repurchase price payable in cash, equal to the aggregate amount then on deposit in the Trust Account, calculated as of two business days prior to the consummation of such Business Combination, including interest earned on the funds held in the Trust Account and not previously released to the Company to pay its income taxes, if any, divided by the number of then issued Public Shares.”

- b) Article 49.4 of Global Partner’s Amended and Restated Memorandum and Articles of Association be deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following new Article 49.4:

“At a general meeting called for the purposes of approving a Business Combination pursuant to this Article, in the event that such Business Combination is approved by Ordinary Resolution, the Company shall be authorised to consummate such Business Combination.”

- c) Article 49.5 of Global Partner’s Amended and Restated Memorandum and Articles of Association be deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following new Article 49.5:

“Any Member holding Public Shares who is not the Sponsor, a Founder, Officer or Director may, in connection with any vote on a Business Combination, elect to have their Public Shares redeemed for cash, in accordance with any applicable requirements provided for in the related proxy materials (the “**IPO Redemption**”), provided that no such Member acting together with any Affiliate of his or any other person with whom he is acting in concert or as a partnership, limited partnership, syndicate, or other group for the purposes of acquiring, holding, or disposing of Shares may exercise this redemption right with respect to more than 15 per cent of the Public Shares in the aggregate without the prior consent of the Company and provided further that any beneficial holder of Public Shares on whose behalf a redemption right is being exercised must identify itself to the Company in connection with any redemption election in order to validly redeem such Public Shares. If so demanded, the Company shall pay any such redeeming Member, regardless of whether he is voting for or against such proposed Business Combination, a per-Share redemption price payable in cash, equal to the aggregate amount then on deposit in the Trust Account calculated as of two business days prior to the consummation of the Business Combination, including interest earned on the funds held in the Trust Account and not previously released to the Company to pay its taxes, if any, divided by the number of then issued Public Shares (such redemption price being referred to herein as the “**Redemption Price**”), but only in the event that the applicable proposed Business Combination is approved and consummated.”

- d) Article 49.9 of Global Partner’s Amended and Restated Memorandum and Articles of Association be amended by the deletion of the last sentence stating: "The Company’s ability to provide such redemption in this Article is subject to the Redemption Limitation."
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**Proposal No. 3 - Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal - RESOLVED**, as a special resolution that:

**FOR**    **AGAINST**    **ABSTAIN**  
                       

Article 49.11 of Global Partner’s Amended and Restated Memorandum and Articles of Association be deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following new Article 49.11:

“Except in connection with the conversion of Class B Shares into Class A Shares pursuant to Article 17 where the holders of such Shares have waived any right to receive funds from the Trust Account, after the issue of Public Shares, and prior to the consummation of a Business Combination, the Company shall not issue additional Shares or any other securities that would entitle the holders thereof to:

(a) receive funds from the Trust Account; or

(b) vote as a class with Public Shares on a Business Combination or on any other proposal presented to shareholders prior to or in connection with the completion of an initial Business Combination or (b) to approve an amendment to the Memorandum or the Articles to (x) extend the time the Company has to consummate a Business Combination beyond forty-two months from the closing of the IPO or (y) amend the foregoing provisions.”

**Proposal No. 4 - The Adjournment Proposal - RESOLVED**, as an ordinary resolution, that the adjournment of the Shareholder Meeting to a later date or dates if necessary, (i) to permit further solicitation and vote of proxies if, based upon the tabulated vote at the time of the Shareholder Meeting, there are insufficient Class A ordinary shares, par value \$0.0001 per share and Class B ordinary shares, par value \$0.0001 per share in the capital of Global Partner represented (either in person or by proxy) at the Shareholder Meeting to approve the Extension Amendment Proposal, the Redemption Limitation Amendment Proposal and the Founder Conversion Amendment Proposal, or (ii) where the board of directors of Global Partner has determined it is otherwise necessary.

**FOR**    **AGAINST**    **ABSTAIN**  
                       

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_, 2023

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(Signature if held Jointly)

Signature should agree with name printed hereon. If shares are held in the name of more than one person, EACH joint owner should sign. Executors, administrators, trustees, guardians, and attorneys should indicate the capacity in which they sign. Attorneys should submit powers of attorney.

**PLEASE SIGN, DATE AND RETURN THE PROXY IN THE ENVELOPE ENCLOSED TO CONTINENTAL STOCK TRANSFER & TRUST COMPANY. THIS PROXY WILL BE VOTED IN THE MANNER DIRECTED HEREIN BY THE UNDERSIGNED SHAREHOLDER. IF NO DIRECTION IS MADE, THIS PROXY WILL BE VOTED “FOR” PROPOSALS 1, 2 AND 3 AND WILL GRANT DISCRETIONARY AUTHORITY TO VOTE UPON SUCH OTHER MATTERS AS MAY PROPERLY COME BEFORE THE MEETING OR ANY ADJOURNMENTS THEREOF. THIS PROXY WILL REVOKE ALL PRIOR PROXIES SIGNED BY YOU.**

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