Stifel North Atlantic AM-Forward, LP Fund Overview

Stifel North Atlantic AM-Forward Fund is built to address supply chain challenges

- Target investments in established Tier 2, Tier 3 and Tier 4 Aerospace and Defense manufacturing (not technology) businesses seeking to grow additive manufacturing capabilities
- Leverage a Technology Advisory Board comprised of Strategic Investors for input on leading suppliers and technical due diligence
- Potentially benefit from leverage from the SBA SBIC Program¹
- Seek to harness resources from the Department of Defense through the Critical Technologies initiative¹



≥ STRATEGY

Invest in existing Tier 2, 3, and 4 small business suppliers to leading defense, aerospace, and energy companies

Invest in suppliers (not projects) targeting improved additive manufacturing capabilities

Build capacity for DoD and expand commercial capabilities

Use a range of financing structures (debt, equity, etc.) targeted to a small business's specific needs

≥ FOCUS

The Fund targets AM adoption and focuses on implementing the full value chain of additive manufacturing, to deliver quality approved parts when needed.

Sample investments may include2:

- Post-processing
- Quality management
- Large-scale AM
- High performance design for AM
- Precise AM production

Additive Manufacturing Potential Benefits



≥ IMPROVED PART DESIGN

- 25% reduction in part weight
- 15% improvement in fuel efficiency
- 20-to-1 reduction in number of parts



≥ DECREASED LEAD TIME

- 1 year to 40 hours
- Improve quoted lead-time for critical submarine component



≥ REDUCED COSTS

- 60% reduction in test and assembly time due to improved design
- \$1billion potential savings

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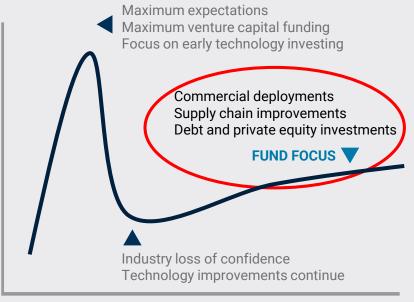


- The Aerospace and Defense (AERODEF) supply chain is fractured and complex.
 There are over 200,000 suppliers⁶, and the number of Prime Contractors has decreased from 51 to 5 since 1990⁷.
- 2. Additive Manufacturing (AM) offers a potentially attractive solution.

 AM is deemed critical by the DoD to future development of vital technologies⁸, and can improve part design, reduce lead times, and cut costs.
- Small business manufacturers have capacity but lack capital access to implement AM.
 Many small businesses lack the resources to purchase equipment, train their workforce, and fund lengthy part qualification processes.
- 4. The Stifel North Atlantic AM-Forward Fund (the Fund) is purpose built to address these challenges. The Fund intends to provide capital and resources to small business manufacturers within the AERODEF supply chain to implement advanced manufacturing processes and techniques.
- 5. The Fund is designed to partner with major AERODEF stakeholders.

 The Fund intends to use a Technology Advisory Board, comprised of members of leading AERODEF companies.9
- 6. The Fund will be led by an experienced, multi-functional team inside a major financial institution. The investment team will include strong private investment, financial, and industry experience.
- 7. The scope of the small business supply chain problem creates a sizeable investment opportunity. The DoD provides \$83 billion in contracts to small businesses 10; there are more than 700 small-business manufacturers. 11

3D PRINTING & ADDITIVE MANUFACTURING HYPE¹²



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- There is no assurance that the Fund will be granted an SBIC license or, if granted, that the Fund will have access to SBA leverage or any benefits from the Dept. of Defense
- Samples are illustrative only. The Fund may or may not invest in these specific areas
- The examples do not represent investments made by the Managing Directors and they are listed simply to illustrate the potential benefits of additive manufacturing as an investment thesis for the Fund
- GE Aviation and https://manufactur3dmag.com/ge-aviation-produced-its-100000th-3d-printed-fuel-nozzle-tip/
- 5. Stifel proprietary research; photo credit: The U.S. National Archives
- U.S. Government Accountability Office, https://www.gao.gov/products/gao-22-104154
- United States Department of Defense, State of Competition within the Defense Industrial Base, Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment, February 2022
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- There are no assurances on how many leading AERODEF manufacturers the Fund will attract as investors
- Farooq Mitha, Director of Department of Defense Office of Small Business Programs, "Small businesses are key to national defense," The Hill, https://thehill.com/opinion/congress-blog/3847967-small-
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 Stifel proprietary research; screen from Capital IQ, U.S.-based Aerospace and Defense manufacturers, LTM Revenue
- 12. Adapted from the Hype Cycle by the Gartner Group

less than \$100 million

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