

Proskauer's Second Annual Survey on Trends in Private Credit Markets

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Proskauer released results from The Private Credit Group's <u>market survey for 2018</u>. The comprehensive survey features the predictions of top lending institutions, which complement the findings of <u>Proskauer's proprietary deal data report that was released earlier this year</u>. Together, the analysis of the private credit deal terms alongside the survey, provides clients with a unique and in-depth look into the state of the credit markets and forecasts for the remainder of the year.

Key highlights from the report include:

- UK and U.S. interest rates are widely expected to increase, though there is less certainty around the Eurozone
- Respondents are generally optimistic about the year ahead; 88% expect deal activity to stay the same or increase
- Dry powder levels are considered the most important driver of deal flow overall
- Competition is the greatest challenge for dealmakers overall, with high transaction multiples slightly more concerning for respondents from the UK and Europe
- Business Services, Healthcare, Software and Technology, Manufacturing and Transport and logistics are being targeted for investment by ¾ of respondents, with Software and Technology experiencing significant year-on-year growth in the US
- 2/3 of respondents are currently raising a debt fund and 78% plan to fundraise over the next 12 months

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