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Zhejiang Huayou Cobalt Co., Ltd. launches the offering of its global depositary receipts representing A shares on SIX Swiss Exchange AG and sets price range between US\$11.65 and US\$12.04 per global depositary receipt

Tongxiang, China, 3 July, 2023 Zhejiang Huayou Cobalt Co., Ltd. (the "Company"), a company with its A shares (the "A Shares") listed on the Shanghai Stock Exchange, today launched its offering (the "Offering") of global depositary receipts to be listed on SIX Swiss Exchange AG (the "SIX Swiss Exchange").

- The Offering is expected to consist of up to 30,000,000 GDRs ("**Firm GDRs**") and up to 20,000,000 GDRs (the "**Upsize GDRs**", together with the Firm GDRs, the "**GDRs**") pursuant to an upsize option (the "**Upsize Option**", which may be jointly exercised by the Company and the Sole Global Coordinator (acting on behalf of the Managers) on the date of pricing of the Offering based on demand.
- One (1) GDR represents an interest in two (2) A Shares in the Company.
- The offer price range for the offered GDRs has been set between US\$11.65 and US\$12.04 per GDR (the "**Offer Price Range**") and will result in an offer size of approximately US\$355.1 million (assuming the sale of all Firm GDRs at the mid-point of the Offer Price Range and no exercise of the Upsize Option) and US\$591.8 million (assuming the sale of all Firm GDRs and the Upsize Option is exercised in full, whereby the GDRs being sold at the mid-point of the Offer Price Range).
- The offer period commences today, 3 July, 2023, and is expected to end at 17:00 (CEST) on 3 July, 2023.
- The listing and the first day of trading on SIX Swiss Exchange are expected to take place on or around 7 July, 2023 (the "**First Day of Trading**").

Offering summary

The GDRs represent A Shares of Zhejiang Huayou Cobalt Co., Ltd., a joint stock company established under the laws of the People's Republic of China (the "**PRC**") with limited liability. The A Shares are ordinary shares with a nominal value of RMB1.00 each, which are listed and traded on the Shanghai Stock Exchange under the stock code 603799. The GDRs are to be issued against the deposit of A Shares, with one (1) GDR representing an interest in two (2) A Shares.



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The Offering comprises up to 30,000,000 Firm GDRs and up to 20,000,000 Upsize GDRs pursuant to the Upsize Option. The listing of the GDRs on SIX Swiss Exchange will be in accordance with its Standard for Depository Receipts.

The Offer Price Range for the GDRs has been set at between US\$11.65 and US\$12.04 per GDR, implying an offer size of US\$355.1 million (assuming the sale of all Firm GDRs at the mid-point of the Offer Price Range and no exercise of the Upsize Option) and US\$591.8 million (assuming the sale of all Firm GDRs and the Upsize Option is exercised in full, whereby the GDRs being sold at the mid-point of the Offer Price Range). The final offer price and final number of GDRs sold will be determined following a book building process.

The Offering consists of: (i) a private placement in Switzerland; and (ii) private placements in certain jurisdictions outside Switzerland and the United States of America (the "**United States**" or "**U.S.**") in accordance with the applicable securities laws and in member states of the European Economic Area on the basis of exemptions provided by Regulation (EU) 2017/1129 on the prospectus to be published when securities are offered to the public or admitted to trading, as amended **Prospectus Regulation** and in the United Kingdom on the basis of exemptions provided by the Prospectus Regulation as it forms part of UK domestic law by virtue of the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018 (the "**UK Prospectus Regulation**"). All offers and sales outside the United States will be made in compliance with Regulation S under the U.S. Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "**Securities Act**"). In Switzerland, GDRs will be offered solely to professional clients within the meaning of article 4 para 3 of the Swiss Financial Services Act dated June 15, 2018, as amended ("**FinSA**").

The offer period commences today, 3 July, 2023, and is expected to end at 17:00 (CEST) on 3 July, 2023. The final offer price and the final number of GDRs sold is expected to be published on 3 July, 2023. The GDRs are expected to be listed on SIX Swiss Exchange and commence trading on or around 7 July, 2023 (the "**First Day of Trading**").

The net proceeds from the Offering are intended to be used for (i) acquisition, development and operation of upstream resources; (ii) expansion of production capacity of new energy battery materials, both in domestic and overseas markets; and (iii) supplementing working capital and strengthening investment in research and development.

GDRs subscribed for by investors in the Offering may not be redeemed within 120 days following the First Day of Trading.

CLSA Limited is acting as the sole global coordinator (the "**Sole Global Coordinator**"). CLSA Limited, Huatai Financial Holdings (Hong Kong) Limited, Citigroup Global Markets Limited and HSBC Continental Europe are acting as the joint bookrunners (the "**Managers**") of the Offering.



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Key Offering data and indicative Offering timetable

Key Data	
Listing	SIX Swiss Exchange (Standard for Depository Receipts)
Ticker symbol	HUAYO
Swiss security number	124566121
ISIN	US98955Q1013
Nominal value	RMB1.00 per A Share, with one (1) GDR representing an interest in two (2) A Shares
Price range	US\$11.65 to US\$12.04 per GDR
Offering size	Up to 50,000,000 GDRs, consisting of up to 30,000,000 Firm GDRs and up to 20,000,000 Upsize GDRs
Indicative Offering Schedule	
Commencement of offer period	3 July, 2023
End of offer period	17:00 (CEST) on 3 July, 2023
Publication of final offer price and final number of offered GDRs	3 July, 2023
Listing and first day of trading	7 July, 2023
Payment and settlement	7 July, 2023

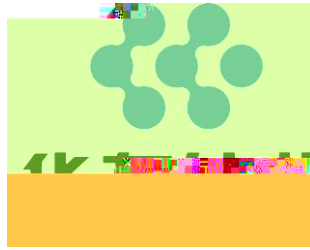
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About the Company

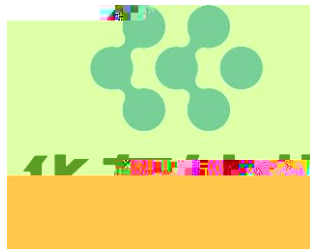
The Company is a leading global technology-driven enterprise in the new energy lithium-ion battery material industry. It has developed a vertically integrated business model covering all critical stages of the lithium-ion battery material supply chain.

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exclusively on the prospectus published by the Company for this purpose. Copies of the prospectus and any supplements thereto are/will be available per request free of charge for 12 months following the First Day of Trading from the Company (phone: 0086-573-88589981; email: information@huayou.com).



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will be deemed to have represented and agreed that it qualifies as a "professional client" within the meaning of FinSA.

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