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### SUMMARY

*This summary only highlights the more detailed information appearing elsewhere in this prospectus. You should read this entire prospectus carefully, including the information under "Risk Factors" and our financial statements and the related notes included elsewhere in this prospectus, before investing.*

*Unless otherwise stated in this prospectus, references to:*

- "we," "us," "company" or "our company" are to Global Partner Acquisition Corp.;
- "public shares" are to shares of our common stock sold as part of the units in this offering (whether they are purchased in this offering or thereafter in the open market);
- "public stockholders" are to the holders of our public shares, including our initial stockholder and members of our management team to the extent our initial stockholder and/or members of our management team purchase public shares, provided that each initial stockholder's and member of our management team's status as a "public stockholder" shall only exist with respect to such public shares;
- "management" or our "management team" are to our executive officers and directors;
- "sponsor" or "initial stockholder" are to Global Partner Sponsor I LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, the sole managing member of which is Paul Zepf, our Chief Executive Officer and a director, and whose other members include our directors, director nominees and advisors;
- "sponsor team" is to certain members of our sponsor who will be acting as our advisors, including David Chamberlain, Neal Goldman and Michael Johnston;
- "combined team" is to our management team and sponsor team, collectively;
- "founder shares" refer to shares of our common stock initially purchased by our sponsor in a private placement prior to this offering; and
- "private placement warrants" are to the warrants issued to our sponsor in a private placement simultaneously with the closing of this offering.

*Unless we tell you otherwise, the information in this prospectus assumes that the underwriters will not exercise their over-allotment option.*

#### General

We are a newly organized blank check company incorporated in May 2015 as a Delaware corporation and formed for the purpose of effecting a merger, capital stock exchange, asset acquisition, stock purchase,