Asian Companies Fund



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Monthly Update

Fund commentary

- Vaccine beneficiaries give back some of their recent gains
- CNOOC and China Mobile withstand US executive order to sell

Positions linked to a post COVID-19 normalisation or that fall into the basket of those that will benefit from the distribution of a vaccine retraced a portion of their recent gains during January. Most notable were our Macau gaming holdings as well as travel-related holdings such as Travelsky Technology. Sentiment towards these companies was negatively impacted by a handful of localised COVID-19 outbreaks in China which have the effect of slowing the positive operating momentum witnessed in the second half of last year. In a similar vein, SABECO, the largest brewer in Vietnam, sold off in the last week of January reacting to a similar outbreak in its home market. the past year (the 'stay at home trade') were again the focus of buying activity. This included large index weights like Tencent and food delivery giant Meituan. The contrasting exposures between the index and the Fund hurt relative performance.

Contributing positively to Fund performance were CNOOC and China Mobile - two stocks impacted by the Executive Order banning US persons from buying securities in both companies. While both stocks faced selling pressures as global index providers withdrew the companies from indices, forcing passive investors to sell, they have both recovered quickly with local shareholders taking advantage of depressed valuations to buy.

Companies that benefited from COVID-19 turmoil over

Fund performance ¹ (net of fees)	Inception Date	Exit Price (\$.cum)	1 Month	3 Months	6 Months	1 Year	3 Years pa	5 Years pa	7 Years pa	10 Years pa	Since Inception pa
Asian Companies Fund	07-2008	1.6264	-3.4%	6.3%	14.2 %	-0.8%	-1.4%	4.7%	4.9%	7.7%	11.8%
MSCI AC Asia ex Japan Net Total Return Index			4.7%	9.9%	17.7%	18.8%	8.9%	14.5%	12.2%	9.9%	9.2%
Outperformance by the Fund			-8.1%	-3.6%	-3.5%	-19.6%	-10.3%	-9.8%	-7.3%	-2.2%	2.6%

Portfolio investments	Weighting
Online Classifieds & Ecommerce	18.3%
Infrastructure	16.7%
Gaming	14.5%
Materials (Copper)	12.3%
Consumer	8.6%
Technology	7.6%
Financials	8.1%
Other	6.1%
Long Equities Position	92.2%
Net invested position	92.2%

Total holdings	23

Current stock example		
iCar Asia		
MGM China Holdings Ltd		
Sinopec Kantons		
Freeport-McMoRan Copper		
Dali Food Group		
Travelsky		
Shinhan Financial		
China Mobile		

Currency exposure*		
USD	61.4%	
AUD	24.2%	
KRW	7.0%	
INR	6.3%	
Other	1.1%	
Total exposure	100.0%	

Domicile of listing^



^ 'Domicile of Listing' represents the location of stock exchange listing of each entities' head office, whereas 'Domicile of Business' represents the location of the predominant business of those entities.



* Stated at effective value.



PM Capital Limited, founded in 1998, is a globally-focussed fund manager that invests money on behalf of private clients, the clients of financial advisers and institutions. PM Capital's goal is to build long term wealth by investing in global markets with patience and conviction.

Investment philosophy

We aim to build long term wealth together with our co-investors by finding and exploiting investment anomalies. Using a focused, patient and considered approach to finding simple investment ideas produces the best environment for creating that long term wealth.

Our experience has shown us that while the market is largely efficient, it can, and regularly does, misprice a small proportion of companies. This mispricing can arise as a result of any number of reasons, but is most often associated with disruptive or cyclical change, new information which is misunderstood by the market as having a permanent impact when it is in fact transitory, or just because they are operating in a sector out of favour with investors.

Our unique process is based on scanning the world for those companies (hence the radar in our logo), discovering the associated valuation anomalies and extracting value from them. We buy good businesses at a good price; businesses that we believe are being valued differently to their long term intrinsic value, but will return to their correct value over time.

Who manages the investment?

Kevin Bertoli is the Portfolio Manager, who has over 14 years' industry experience and has managed the Fund since its inception. Kevin is supported by a team of experienced investment analysts. The investment team is led by founder and CIO Paul Moore. We believe in being a patient investor, one that has conviction, one that sees opportunities where others only see risk. We only invest in what we know, deeply, via our fundamental research.

Why the Asian Companies Fund?

Asia-specific: The Fund focuses on companies listed or operating in Asia (ex-Japan), giving unrestricted exposure to the world's fastest growing region.

Established: The Fund's process has been shown to be effective, based on a philosophy developed by Paul Moore, over 34 years. This has produced attractive long term capital growth.

Unrestricted: We have an authentic investment process where our exposure to countries, industry sectors or market capitalisation is determined solely by our conviction in the risk/ reward opportunities that we identify in individual stocks. No conviction at the stock level = no investment.

Opportunistic and focused: The Fund is not built around a general market benchmark or index - it is highly focused based on our fundamental, bottom-up investment process. As a guide, the Fund holds around 15 - 35 deeply researched stocks that we believe give the best opportunity to produce strong long term returns.

Co-investment: Our co-investors receive access to a unique subset of opportunities to which they may otherwise find difficult to access. The management team have significant investments in the Fund – they invest for and with you.

Outperformance: The Fund has outperformed the relevant market index by 105% since inception.¹ The Fund is managed from an Australian investor's perspective with consideration for tax and currency outcomes.

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Key Fund Details

Fund category Asian equities

Investment style Fundamental, bottom-up research intensive approach

Inception date

Fund size \$20.8 Million

Strategy size \$82.0 Million

Number of stocks As a guide, 15-35 stocks

Minimum direct investment \$20,000

Recommended investment time Seven years plus

Fees (pa) Management fee: 1.40%

Buy / sell spread

Investor profile

The Fund may be appropriate for investors seeking capital appreciation over a seven plus year investment horizon through a concentrated portfolio of Asian Equities (ex- Japan).

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 Returns are calculated from exit price to exit price assuming the reinvestment of distributions for the period as stated and represent the combined income and capital return. The Index is the MSCI All Country Asia ex Japan Net Total Return Index in Australian dollars, net dividends reinvested. See www.msci.com for further information on the Index.