

# Monthly Update

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## Fund commentary

The FY17 earnings season was a mixed one for both the market and the Fund; indications are that the outlook for NextDC and PMP remains robust, while QBE and Donaco face near term headwinds.

NextDC (up 11.4%) was the biggest contributor to performance after the company announced better than expected annual results. QBE (down 11.4%) was the biggest detractor to performance after management decreased their guidance for FY17 earnings at their half year results. The downgrade is a continuation of its previously flagged poor performance in its emerging markets business.

Among other Fund holdings that reported, Donaco (down 8.6%) reported better than expected results. However, short term headwinds due to changes in the management team of its largest casino assets clouded the outlook for next year, causing a decline in the share price in spite of the company increasing its dividends for next year.

We sold our position in Japara Healthcare as we believe that the company and the aged care sector is likely to confront problems caused by rising wage costs and increased regulatory uncertainty. This will mean earnings for the company will likely decline further in the near term.

We initiated new positions in Altium, a leading supplier of design software to the electronics industry, and Adacel, a supplier of simulation and control software for the aviation sector.

Fund performance <sup>†</sup> (net of fees)	Inception Date	Exit Price (\$, cum)	1 Month	3 Months	6 Months	1 Year	3 Years pa	5 Years pa	Since Inception pa	Since inception - total
<b>Australian Companies Fund</b>	<b>1/2000</b>	<b>1.9516</b>	<b>-0.1%</b>	<b>-1.5%</b>	<b>5.0%</b>	<b>13.9%</b>	<b>9.1%</b>	<b>13.4%</b>	<b>10.7%</b>	<b>502.7%</b>
S&P / ASX 200 Accumulation Index			0.7%	0.9%	2.4%	9.8%	5.1%	10.6%	8.0%	285.3%
Outperformance by the Fund			-0.8%	-2.3%	2.6%	4.1%	4.0%	2.9%	2.8%	217.4%

Portfolio investments	Weighting
Domestic Banks	14.0%
International Banks	16.8%
Non Bank Financials	12.4%
Property	7.1%
Industrials	8.8%
Technology	4.6%
Internet	13.9%
Other	5.4%
Long Position	83.0%
Short Position	-1.0%
Net Invested Equities	82.0%
Credit Securities	7.9%
Net invested position	89.9%
Total holdings	21

Current stock example
ANZ
Bank of America
QBE Insurance
Asia Pacific Data Centre
PMP Limited
Adacel Technologies
iCar

Currency exposure*	
AUD	82.6%
EUR	8.9%
USD	6.0%
GBP	2.5%
Total exposure	100.0%

\*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. 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?

Uday Cheruvu is the Portfolio Manager, who has over 13 years' industry experience and is supported by a team of investment analysts. The investment team is led by founder and CIO Paul Moore who has over 30 years' experience in successfully managing investment funds.

We believe in being a patient investor, one that has conviction, one that finds opportunities where others can only see risk. We only invest in what we know, deeply, via our fundamental research.

### Why the Australian Companies Fund?

**Proven:** The Fund's process has been shown to be effective, based on a

philosophy developed by Paul Moore, over 30 years. This has produced attractive long term capital growth.

**Unrestricted:** The concentration of the Australian equities market means many managers cannot add significant value. We have an authentic investment process where our exposure to industry sectors or market capitalisation is determined solely by our conviction in the risk/ reward opportunities that we identify within portfolio guidelines. No conviction = 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 - 25 deeply researched stocks that we believe give the best opportunity to produce strong long term returns.

### Global Expertise and value add:

Through this portfolio construction method used by the Fund directly benefits from PM Capital's global investment research that underlies the award winning PM Capital Global Companies Fund. This works in two ways - the Fund can invest up to 20% of the portfolio in international opportunities identified by the investment team. The Portfolio Manager can also take the market anomalies found globally and use the insights to identify similar opportunities in the Australian market.

**Co-investment:** Our co-investors receive access to a unique subset of opportunities 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 217% since inception*. The Fund is managed from an Australian investor's perspective with consideration for tax and currency outcomes.

## Key Company Details

### Fund category

Australian equities

### Investment style

Fundamental, bottom-up research intensive approach

### Inception date

20 January 2000

### Fund size

\$32.8 Million

### Strategy size

\$32.8 Million

### Number of stocks

As a guide, 15-25 stocks

### Minimum direct investment

\$20,000

### Recommended investment time

Seven years plus

### Fees (pa)

Management fee: 1.09%

Performance fee: 20% of net excess above RBA Cash Rate (subject to a high water mark).

### Buy / sell spread

0.5% (Round trip)

### Investor profile

The Fund may be appropriate for investors seeking capital appreciation over a seven plus year investment horizon

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1. 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 S&P / ASX 200 Accumulation Index. See [www.asx.com.au](http://www.asx.com.au) for further information on the Index.

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