

Monthly Update

31 DECEMBER 2017

# **Fund commentary**

New US tax legislation – the most significant tax changes in the world's largest economy in more than 30 years – assists portfolio holdings.

While US banking stocks have performed well recently in anticipation of the tax changes being passed, we believe the likely positive effects of the corporate tax cuts have not been fully appreciated by the overall market. We believe that tax reform should meaningfully increase the earnings power for both the businesses the banks lend to, as well as themselves.

There are also indirect benefits from potentially higher interest rates, higher economic growth rates and lower regulatory imposts. We believe the more favourable regulatory environment will lead to the banks' capital return/dividends story to continue to be strong. This will be increasingly reflected in stock prices over time.

The lower US corporate tax rate will also benefit our exchange investments - the Chicago Mercantile Exchange and Intercontinental Exchange - and our US housing recovery plays including the US homebuilders and Howard Hughes Corporation.

The Australian Dollar rose 3% over the month as commodity prices increased and longer dated US yields failed to match the rise in short-term rates. This detracted from performance and resulted in the Fund being broadly flat over the month.

Fund performance (net of fees)	Inception Date	Exit Price (\$)	1 Month	3 Months	6 Months	1 Year	3 Years pa	5 Years pa	Since Inception pa	Since inception - total
Global Companies Fund	10-1998	2.8865	0.1%	5.9%	9.3%	20.4%	11.8%	19.8%	9.0%	425.3%
MSCI World Net Total Return Index (AUD)			-1.6%	5.8%	8.5%	13.3%	10.9%	18.1%	4.4%	128.5%
Outperformance by the Fund			1.7%	0.1%	0.8%	7.1%	0.9%	1.7%	4.6%	296.8%

Portfolio investments	Weighting
Global Brewing	2.3%
Post GFC Housing Recovery - US	13.9%
Post GFC Property Recovery - Europe	12.6%
Global Domestic Banking	36.2%
Service Monopolies	18.2%
Pharmaceuticals	3.2%
Gaming - Macau	4.9%
Alternative Investment Managers	12.1%
Other	4.0%
Long Equity Position	107.5%
Short Equity Position	-17.7%
Net Invested Equities	89.8%
* Stated at effective value.	

Total holdings 42		
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Current stock example
Heineken
Howard Hughes Corporation
Cairn Homes
Bank of America
Alphabet
Pfizer
Wynn Macau
KKR & Co L.P.

Currency exposure*	
USD	75.2%
EUR	18.0%
GBP	6.4%
AUD	0.4%
Total exposure	100.0%





<sup>^ &#</sup>x27;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.



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?

The investment team is led by founder and CIO Paul Moore who has over 30 years experience in successfully managing investment funds. Paul Moore, the Portfolio Manager for this Fund is supported by a team of experienced investment analysts.

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 Global **Companies Fund?**

Established: 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: We have an authentic investment process where our exposure to industry sectors, geographic regions 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 25 - 45 deeply researched stocks that we believe give the best opportunity to produce strong long term

Co-investment: Our co-investors receive access to a unique subset of opportunities to which they would 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 297% since inception. The Fund is managed from an Australian investor's perspective with consideration for tax and currency outcomes.

# **Key Company Details**

#### Fund category

Global equities

#### Investment style

Fundamental, bottom-up research intensive approach

#### Inception date

28 October 1998

#### Fund size

\$389.5 Million

### Strategy size

\$1,046.7 Million

### Number of stocks

As a guide, 25-45 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

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