

# Monthly Update

28 FEBRUARY 2019

# **Fund commentary**

Strong performances from copper, service monopoly and European bank stocks drove a positive monthly result.

In late 2018 we initiated a position in Freeport McMoRan, one of the largest and lowest-cost copper producers in the world, after its stock fell over 50% from January 1, 2018. It is very economically sensitive, particularly to China, and while we may not be at the end of the down cycle in commodities, copper's importance in alternative energy infrastructure should increase the value of this company over the long term.

Visa and Mastercard also had a strong month (+9% and +12% respectively). The current valuation multiple is reasonably high at mid-20s x earnings.

However, we believe this multiple is sustainable given the quality of the business models, competitive position and growth profiles.

The only significant detractor of performance over the month was Spanish property company Neinor. While its 2018 earnings beat expectations, management is still in the process of framing its medium to long term strategy and this is leading to some confusion among investors. We believe that this will soon be resolved and are happy to hold the investment, particularly given the positive trajectory of the Spanish property market.

Fund performance (net of fees)	Inception Date	Exit Price (\$)	1 Month	3 Months	6 Months	1 Year	3 Years pa	5 Years pa	7 Years pa	10 Years pa	Since Inception pa	Since inception - total
Global Companies Fund	10-1998	2.9542	4.8%	5.8%	-5.0%	-0.1%	11.9%	9.9%	17.7%	16.5%	8.6%	437.6%
MSCI World Net Total Return Index (AUD)			5.6%	5.3%	-1.7%	10.0%	12.8%	11.5%	15.9%	11.8%	4.7%	154.6%
Outperformance by the Fund			-0.8%	0.5%	-3.3%	-10.1%	-0.9%	-1.6%	1.8%	4.7%	3.9%	283.0%

Portfolio investments	Weighting	Current stock example						
Post GFC Housing Recovery - US	11.3%	Howard Hughes Corporation						
Post GFC Property Recovery - Europe	6.5%	Cairn Homes						
Global Domestic Banking	33.2%	Bank of America	Bank of America					
Service Monopolies	15.9%	.5.9% Alphabet						
Gaming - Macau	7.2%	MGM China						
Alternative Investment Managers	17.1%	KKR & Co. LP.						
Other	9.6%							
Long Equity Position	100.8%							
Short Equity Position	-12.6%	Currency exposure*						
Net invested equities	88.2%	USD	60.6%					
		EUR	17.8%					
		AUD	16.0%					
		GBP	5.6%					
* Stated at effective value.		HKD	0.0%					
Total holdings	44	Total exposure	100.0%					





^ '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 32 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 32 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 283% since inception. The Fund is managed from an Australian investor's perspective with consideration for tax and currency outcomes.

# **Key Fund Details**

#### **Fund category**

Global equities

#### Investment style

Fundamental, bottom-up research intensive approach

#### Inception date

28 October 1998

#### Fund size

\$445.5 Million

#### Strategy size

\$1,097.7Million

#### **Number of stocks**

As a guide, 25-45 stocks

#### Minimum direct investment

\$20,000

#### **Recommended investment time**

Seven years plus

#### Fees (pa)\*

Mgmt fee: 1.09% Perf. fee: 20% (subject to a high water mark) of the excess above the greater of the RBA cash rate and MSCI World Net Return Index (AUD).

#### 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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#### **Further Information**

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# Global Companies Fund



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# A higher standard in performance fee hurdles

From 1 December 2018, PM Capital has implemented an additional performance fee hurdle for the Global Companies Fund<sup>1</sup>.

In doing this, the net effect is that performance fees on the Fund will be reduced, given performance of the Fund must now exceed the greater of the two (dual) benchmark hurdles as opposed to the previous single hurdle. While the prior RBA cash rate performance fee benchmark must still be exceeded, a second benchmark, the MSCI World Net Total Return Index (AUD) ("MSCI"), must also be exceeded before a performance fee can be paid.

Rather than choosing between an "absolute" (ie, the RBA cash rate) and "relative" (ie, the MSCI) hurdles, PM Capital is providing investors the best of both worlds.

More information from our CIO

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# The benefit for our co-investors

We believe the Fund's dual performance fee hurdle will provide a meaningful future net performance benefit for our co-investors, as performance fees on the Fund will be reduced.

Even prior to the fee change, the Fund has registered attractive long term outperformance, having delivered a total return since inception of 438% compared to the MSCI's 155%.

The Fund's actual performance has been:

Global Companies Fund performance (net of fees)	Inception Date	Exit Price (\$)	1 Month	3 Months	6 Months	1 Year	3 Years pa	5 Years pa	7 Years pa	10 Years pa	Since Inception pa	Since inception - total
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To give a tangible indication of the benefits of the fee structure change, the table below provides the historic adjusted performance of the Fund assuming the new dual hurdle fee structure had been in place since inception<sup>2</sup>:

Global Companies Fund pro forma illustrative performance (net of fees)	Inception Date	Exit Price (\$)	1 Month	3 Months	6 Months	1 Year	3 Years pa	5 Years pa	7 Years pa	10 Years pa	Since Inception pa	Since inception - total
Fund performance (pro forma) <sup>3</sup>	10-1998	2.9542	4.8%	5.8%	-5.0%	0.8%	13.6%	12.1%	21.0%	19.0%	10.8%	710.7%
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Outperformance (pro forma)			-0.8%	0.5%	-3.3%	-9.2%	0.8%	0.6%	5.1%	7.2%	6.1%	556.1%

<sup>1.</sup> Applies to the unlisted unit trust only. 2. These returns do not represent the actual net Fund performance, but, are provided to indicate impact on past investment returns if they were adjusted to take into account the new fee structure. 3. Pro forma Fund performance has been calculated based on the new fee structure (implemented 1 December 2018), assuming it had applied from the Fund's inception. These returns do not represent the actual net Fund performance and are included for illustrative purposes only.

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