

## QUARTERLY REPORT DECEMBER 2020



Avoiding market distortions the key for investors in 2021

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PM Capital Long Term Investment Fund

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## Quarterly video update



In his video update, Paul Moore, Chief Investment Officer and Portfolio Manager, Global strategies explains:

- How the valuation shift towards value has only just begun
- Our approach to commodity stock holdings now, given some significant upward moves
- The outlook for the Australian Dollar

Access the video here.

Access all market updates and insights here.

"There is always plenty to be uncertain about...What is not uncertain, in my mind, is the unwinding of the valuation dispersion between the value and the growth/ momentum sectors of the market will be the dominant feature of markets for some time."

## Total returns since inception<sup>1</sup>

Fund	
PM Capital Global Companies Fund	553.6%
PM Capital Long Term Investment Fund <sup>2,3</sup>	527.7%
PM Capital Asian Companies Fund	323.4%
PM Capital Australian Companies Fund	705.9%
PM Capital Enhanced Yield Fund	170.6%

Benchmark	
MSCI World Net Total Return Index (AUD)	212.8%
MSCI World Net Total Return Index (AUD) <sup>3</sup>	240.3%
MSCI AC Asia ex Japan Net (AUD)	190.7%
S&P / ASX 200 Accum. Index	404.1%
RBA Cash Rate	97.0%

See page 5 for Important Information. As at 31 December 2020.



# Long Term Investment Fund

- The Long Term Investment Fund aims to create long term wealth through a hand-picked, concentrated portfolio of 25-35 global companies trading at prices that we consider, after extensive research, to be trading at prices different to their intrinsic values and may provide attractive future returns.
- The Fund's investment objective is to deliver returns through selective and concentrated long-term investments in undervalued businesses over a 5-7 year investment horizon.

Fund category	Global equities
Investment style	Fundamental, bottom-up research intensive approach
Number of stocks	As a guide, 25-35 stocks

Minimum investment	Closed Fund
Suggested investment time	7 years +
Strategy date <sup>3</sup>	1 July 2012
Unit trust FUM	\$160.2m as at 31 December 2020
Global equities FUM	\$1106.7m as at 31 December 2020

# Long Term Investment Fund



Global Portfolio Manage

Investment Performance <sup>123</sup>	Strategy Date	Exit Price (per unit) <sup>4</sup>	3 Months	6 Months	1 Year	3 Years pa	5 Years pa	Since strategy Inception pa	Total Return
Long Term Investment Fund	07/2012	\$1.8518	23.3%	27.8%	2.5%	9.3%	11.5%	19.6%	357.9%
MSCI World Net Total Return index (AUD)			5.9%	9.7%	5.6%	11.0%	10.9%	15.5%	240.3%

#### **KEY POINTS**

- Market rotation continues; provides significant portfolio gains
- Alternative asset management positions mature and play out as expected
- Copper miners continue to rally on strong quarterly reports

#### **PERFORMANCE**

The portfolio appreciated strongly over the quarter, with our copper exposure and European bank positions the best performers.

#### **PORTFOLIO ACTIVITY**

We continued to reduce our position in the alternative asset managers and sold part of our holdings in both KKR and ARES Management over the course of the quarter. While they remain fantastic businesses, their valuations are starting to reflect this.

To refresh investors' memories, we initiated our positions in the alternative asset managers back in 2015 and substantially increased our position over 2016-17. When we made our original purchases, we believed the strength of their franchises was greatly undervalued with most investors taking the view the stocks were opaque with volatile earnings. Fast forward to today and the main alternative managers have converted from partnerships to c-corps and pivoted their earnings away from volatile performance fees towards predominately management fees. They are now in the 'sweet spot' for robust fundraising. The market is now clearly recognising the value of these businesses.

With regard to our commodity exposure, we continue to believe copper has the strongest fundamentals for the future. Freeport-McMoRan, our largest copper position, released its third quarter results which were ~20% above consensus. More importantly, the result also demonstrated another quarter of solid execution at the Grasberg mine in Indonesia. Cash flows are now at an inflection point with Grasberg production ramping up meaningfully over the next two years.

#### **OUTLOOK**

For the past six months or so we have said that some of the best quality industrial and cyclical businesses traded on all time relative low valuations as the COVID-19 crisis hit. Since then there has been a rotation from growth and momentum sectors to value, a situation that accelerated in early November when news of Pfizer's successful vaccine trial was announced. This has greatly benefited the portfolio.

A good example of this rotation can be seen in European banking stocks. Their valuations were still severely depressed leading into the quarter and despite their appreciation are trading on single digit forward earnings multiples. They have expedited their cost saving programs and have material excess capital beyond regulatory requirements. Reinstating dividends in early 2021 (dependent on permission from the European Central Bank) should be a catalyst for further appreciation.

Another example is Wynn Resorts which had a very strong quarter. We continue to believe the Macau market is a virtual monopoly that will exhibit strong growth prospects as China returns to a more normalised environment. While the recovery trajectory remains an unknown, we believe the market should recover much quicker than some other gaming markets around the world given the favourable demographics that surround Macau.

Finally, in relation to our currency positioning, the stronger Australian Dollar partly offset some of the equity gains, although we have actively increased our Australian Dollar exposure over 2020.

### Long Term Investment Fund

Portfolio investments	Weighting
Housing - Ireland and Spain	7.4%
Global Domestic Banking	30.8%
Service Monopolies	7.5%
Gaming - Macau	7.4%
Alternative Investment Managers	8.0%
Materials	24.6%
Other	8.3%
Long Equity Position	94.0%
Short Equity Position	-4.6%
Net Invested Equities	89.4%
Total holdings	32

Currency exposure*	
AUD	48.9%
USD	27.9%
EUR	15.4%
HKD	3.1%
GBP	2.5%
Other	2.2%
Total exposure	100.0%

<sup>\*</sup> Stated at effective value.

## Important information

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- 1. Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future performance.
- 2. These returns are before the impact of any accrued management fees which are not charged to the Fund, but are charged against any distributions or redemption payments from the Fund.
- 3. The Fund changed its investment guidelines as at 30 June 2012. The returns on this report reflect the performance of the Fund assuming an inception date from the date of the change in the investment guidelines. 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. Please contact PM Capital for an outline of how the net asset value is calculated, and see www.pmcapital.com. au for further information. The performance of the Fund since its original date of inception (being 8 December 1999) to 31 December 2020 is 9.1% p.a. and a 527.7% total return.
- 4. This is before the impact of any accrued management fees.

The Fund was formally de-registered effective January 2019

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