Prusik Asian Smaller Companies Fund

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Monthly Fund Fact Sheet

Investment Objective

To preserve capital and generate absolute returns over a full economic cycle by investing primarily in Small Cap companies in Asia Pacific ex-Japan, whilst maintaining portfolio volatility significantly below the peer group.

Fund Facts

Fund size (USD)

Launch date

Fund Manager

Fund Structure

Domicile

Currencies

54.9m

8 February 2008

Heather Manners

UCITS III

Dublin

USD (base), GBP, SGD

Performance (%)

	A USD	C GBP	D SGD
1 Month	0.47	0.27	0.41
3 Month	5.82	5.39	5.67
Year to Date	17.49	15.88	16.74
Since Launch	75.24	83.18	28.55
Annualised [†]	5.83	6.39	3.21

Source: Morningstar.

Launch Date: A: 08.02.08, C: 25.03.08, D: 15.01.10

†Since Launch Performance

Investment Process

With anomalies as a start point, the investment process seeks to identify and invest in key 'themes' in the Pacific region. Our themes are driven by factors outside of the normal economic cycle and are not yet discounted by the market. Companies are identified and chosen via rigorous bottom-up analysis with emphasis on traditional value and high ROCE. Cash and Index Futures are used when opportunities are few and to reduce portfolio volatility.

Dividend Dates

Dividends paid twice annually (January and July)

Fund Performance - Class A USD (%)



Source: Morningstar. Total return net of fees.

Fund Manager Commentary

Over December the fund rose by 0.5%, bringing the full year NAV increase to 17.5%. As a reminder, the fund is now only invested in the Asian countries with young populations and these, whilst representing over 2 billion people living in countries with higher than average GDP growth, only comprise 14% of the M2APJ index.

In December, Vietnam remained a bright spot and completed the year as the region's best performing stock market by some margin. India and Indonesia were also positive contributors this month. On the negative side **Philippine Seven**, the 7-11 convenience store operator, corrected sharply in December on no news but after a strong run, costing the fund 121 basis points over the month, albeit that the stock rose over 10% during November and December combined.

In Pakistan, the rupee was devalued by 5% which negatively impacted the fund overall in December although we have seen a very strong rally beginning in the final days of the month, which we expect to continue into January.

Elsewhere, our Indian shopping mall operator, **Phoenix Mills**, rose sharply as expectations increased for the company's free cash flow to improve significantly over the coming years, whilst in Indonesia, **Bank Tabungan** also had a strong December. **Bank Tabungan** is the leading provider of mortgages in Indonesia with a near monopoly on the subsidised mortgage market and is expecting to deliver 20-25% profit growth in 2018.

We believe the outlook for the fund in 2018 is very good. The fund's P/E is below that of the market whilst its ROE is 20%, well above the market average. We are also anticipating strong earnings growth again from our companies in 2018. Moreover, we feel we have significantly upgraded the quality of companies held in the fund during last year's full transition to the Demographic Growth strategy. We believe a significant portion of our newer investments have huge potential, not just on a short term view but also on a 5 year plus time horizon, with the possibility of transforming into the blue chip household brand names of the future.

Finally, we would like to thank you for your support in 2017 and wish you all a happy and prosperous year ahead.

All data as at 29.12.17. Source: Prusik Investment Management LLP, unless otherwise stated.

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Top 5 Holdings (%)

Mobile World Investment Corporation	7.0
FPT Corporation	6.9
Philippine Seven Corporation	4.0
Phoenix Mills Ltd	4.0
Bank Tabungan Negara	3.5
Total Number of Holdings	37

Portfolio Financial Ratios

Predicted Price/Earnings Ratio	14.9x
Predicted Return on Equity (%)	16.4
Predicted Dividend Yield (%)	2.2

Risk Metrics	
Tracking Error (% pa)	13.58
Beta	0.57
Alpha	2.69
Volatility (%)	15.54
Sharpe ratio	0.58
% of the portfolio which could be	
sold in 2 business days	76.72

Thematic Breakdown (%)

Local Brands	24.5	
Modern Retail	22.0	
Infrastructure	14.2	
Financialisation	13.9	
Communication Technology	13.4	
Leisure/Tourism	6.1	
Cash	5.8	

Geographical Breakdown (%)

India	35.0	
Vietnam	28.2	
Indonesia	10.0	
Sri Lanka	7.7	
Cash	5.8	
Pakistan	4.9	
Philippines	4.0	
Cambodia	2.9	
Singapore	1.5	

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Management Fees

Annual Management Fee

1.5% p.a. Paid monthly in arrears

Performance Fee

Redemption Notice

All Classes except Class U: 10% NAV appreciation with a 6% hurdle annually

Class U: 10% NAV appreciation with a 1.5% hurdle, quarterly

Dealing

Dealing Line	+353 1 603 6490
Administrator	Brown Brothers Harriman (Dublin)
Dealing Frequency	Weekly, Friday
Min. Initial Subscripti	on USD 10,000
Subscription Notice	2 business days

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Share Class Details

Share C	lass		Sedol	ISIN	Month-end NAV
A USD	Unhedged	Non distributing	B2PKN21	IE00B2PKN210	175.24
B USD	Unhedged	Distributing	B2PKN32	IE00B2PKN327	171.25
C GBP	Hedged	Distributing	B2PKN43	IE00B2PKN434	89.01
D SGD	Hedged	Distributing	B3M3HJ5	IE00B3M3HJ55	235.26
Performance fee based on individual investor's holding.					
U GBP	Unhedged	Distributing	BBQ37T7	IE00BBQ37T77	114.11
Performance fee based on fund performance as a whole.					

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