# Prusik Asian Smaller Companies Fund



## LONG ONLY ABSOLUTE RETURN INVESTING IN ASIA

## 30 September 2014

**Quarterly 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)	193.2m
Launch Date	8 February 2008
Fund Manager	Heather Manners
Fund Structure	UCITS III
Domicile	Dublin
Currencies	USD (base), GBP, SGD

#### Performance (%)

	A USD	C GBP	D SGD
1 Month	0.32	0.48	0.41
3 Month	1.75	1.99	1.81
Year to Date	3.30	3.54	3.30
Since Launch	70.83	73.65	25.33
Since Launch	8.39	8.66	4.91
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Source: Bloomberg.

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

### **Investment Process**

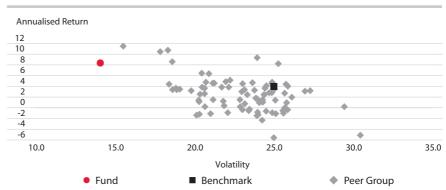
With anomalies as a start point, the investment process seeks to identify and invest in key 'themes' in the Pacific region. Our themes are driven by factors outside of the normal economic cycle and are not yet discounted by the market. Companies are identified and chosen via rigorous bottom-up analysis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

## Fund Performance - Class A USD (%)



Source: Bloomberg. Total return net of fees.

## Risk Adjusted Performance - Class A USD (%)



Source: Bloomberg. Annualised return and 1 year volatility versus the peer group (open ended offshore Asia Pacific ex Japan Equity Fund Index), 8.02.08 to 30.09.14

#### **Fund Manager Commentary**

The fund had a good relative and absolute month, rising 0.3% versus the index decline of 7.2%. The main positive contributions in absolute terms came from our weightings in Taiwan, India and Thailand, while the strong relative move was mainly down to our extreme underweight in Australia, which fell sharply. Good individual stock performance was also a highlight, and especially so in India, where tyre brand, **CEAT** did well and in Hong Kong where smart meter maker **Wasion** made a strong contribution.

The price to book ratio for the MXASJ Asia ex-Japan index has now dropped to 1.48x and the discount to global equities, according to Credit Suisse's PB/ROE model, is now 25%. It has only been this low, or lower, in 2005, the 2008-2009 global crisis and January 2014. Foreign selling has also been quite brisk. This all points to now being a very good time to buy Asia.

Meanwhile, we have just returned from visiting Thailand and Singapore. The business story in Thailand remains a very good one and companies there are expanding into Cambodia, Laos, Myanmar and Vietnam (the 'CLMV' markets) more aggressively than ever. Thematically, we feel that this area has a 5 to 10 year period of very strong growth and development and we saw many new projects ranging from infrastructure initiatives to the rolling out of domestic brands in the cosmetics and juice drink markets.

All data as at 30.09.14. Source: Prusik Investment Management LLP, unless otherwise stated.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>†</sup>Annualised Since Launch Performance

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## Top 5 Holdings (%)

Silverlake Axis	4.7
CEAT Limited	3.8
Wasion Group	3.4
Premium Leisure	3.0
eMemory Technology Inc.	2.9
Total Number of Holdings	55

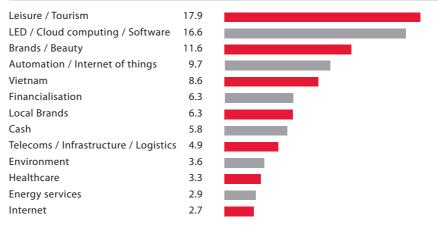
#### **Portfolio Financial Ratios**

Predicted Price/Earnings Ratio	13.6x
Predicted Return on Equity (%)	20.1
Predicted Earnings Growth (%)	25.5

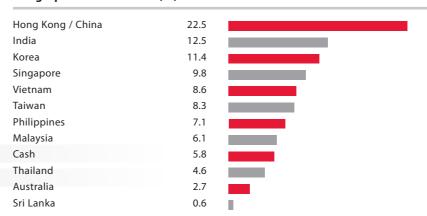
#### **Risk Metrics**

Beta			0.54
Alpha			6.2
Sharpe Ratio			0.60
Volatility (%)			14.0
% of the port	folio	which could be	
sold in 2 busi	ness	davs	58.2

#### Thematic Breakdown (%)



## Geographical Breakdown (%)



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## **Management Fees**

#### Annual Management Fee

1.5% p.a. Paid monthly in arrears

#### **Performance Fee**

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**

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Dealing Line	+353   603 6490
Administrator	<b>Brown Brothers</b>
	Harriman (Dublin)
Dealing Frequency	Weekly, Friday
Min. Initial Subscription	USD 10,000
Subscription Notice	2 business days
Redemption Notice	2 husiness days

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## **Share Class Details**

Share C	Class		Sedol	ISIN	Month-end NAV
A USD	Unhedged	Non distributing	B2PKN21	IE00B2PKN210	170.83
B USD	Unhedged	Distributing	B2PKN32	IE00B2PKN327	170.99
C GBP	Hedged	Distributing	B2PKN43	IE00B2PKN434	89.17
D SGD	Hedged	Distributing	B3M3HJ5	IE00B3M3HJ55	234.95
Perform	nance fee bas	ed on individual inve	stor's holding		
U GBP	Unhedged	Distributing	BBQ37T7	IE00BBQ37T77	96.73
Perform	nance fee bas	ed on fund performa	nce as a whole		
All shar	e classes are	closed to new investo	ors as of 30th Se	eptember 2013.	

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