

Monthly performance update

At a Glance

Feature	Fund facts	
APIR Code	BFL0020AU	
Index	FTSE/NAREIT Developed Index	
Investment objective	To generate a real total return of at least 5% above CPI per annum over a 5+ year investment horizon	
Portfolio Managers	Chris Bedingfield/Justin Blaess	
Stock number	25	
Inception date	30 July 2014 ⁽¹⁾	
Recommended investment period	Long term (five plus years)	
Minimum investment	A\$20,000	
Additional Investment	A\$5,000	
NAV ⁽²⁾	0.9850	
Buy/sell (%)	0.30/0.25	
Entry/exit fees	Nil	
Distributions	Bi-annual	
Fund expenses ⁽³⁾	0.90%	

Market Commentary

Once again it was central bank commentary that set the tone for markets. At the start of the month the Chair of US Federal Reserve commented that the US economy is healthy enough for the Fed to proceed with plans to raise rates and begin winding down its massive bond portfolio. What caught the markets attention, however, was the comment that low inflation and in particular a low neutral rate may leave the bank with diminished leeway. This was a sign to the market that interest rates may not have much further to rise and the catalyst for equities to rally and for the US dollar to weaken.

Of further relevance to Australian investors was the release of the RBA's July board meeting minutes a little later in the month. Within, it was noted that the members had discussed the neutral nominal cash rate being 3.50%. Compared to the current rate of 1.50%, this was enough to give the Australian Dollar a big rise against most currency crosses and against the USD sent it through \$0.80.

Despite many economists decreeing the RBA members got it plainly wrong, comments by the Deputy Governor down-

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playing the significance of the neutral rates comments and warnings from the RBA that continued AUD strength is likely to subdue inflation and weigh down growth and employment, the AUD finished the month near its highs at US\$0.7971.

For unhedged international equity strategies this has been headwind for performance. For the month, global equity markets returned -1.6%, Australian equities -0.01% and global real estate -2.2%.

Monthly Fund Commentary

The Quay Global Real Estate Fund delivered a -1.3% return for the month, with approximately +1.6% derived from underlying investment performance, while the stronger AUD detracted -2.8%.

Brixmor (US Retail), Hispania (Spain Diversified) and CyrusOne (US Data Centres) were the biggest positive contributors to the month's total return.

The biggest detractors for the month were Ventas (US Healthcare), Pure Industrial (Canada Industrial) and Mid America Apartments (US Multi-family) with no new news of note.

Global Real Estate Commentary

Global Real Estate returned -2.2% for the month of June, with approximately +0.8% from stock performance and a slightly stronger AUD detracting -3.0%. Geographically, Sweden, Spain and Singapore were the strongest performers while the US was the laggard (principally because of US currency weakness).

Performance

Timeframe	Fund return (net) (1)	Index**	Value add
1 month	-1.3%	-2.2%	0.8%
3 months	-1.5%	-3.1%	1.6%
6 months	5.4%	1.0%	4.4%
1 Year	-3.6%	-7.5%	3.9%
2 Years (p.a.)	4.0%	0.6%	3.4%
3 Years (p.a.)	14.8%	9.6%	5.2%
Since inception (p.a.)*	14.4%	9.4%	5.0%

Performance figures include dividends and are after all fees and costs and gross of any earnings tax, but after withholding tax * Inception date is 30 July 2014⁽¹⁾

The end of the month represented a significant milestone in the lifecycle of Quay Global Investors and the Quay Global Real Estate Fund by achieving three years of investing track record. Such time frame is seen by many in the industry as a

^{**} FTSE/ EPRA NAREIT Developed Index Net TR AUD(4)

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benchmark with which to display investing skill. While recent returns have been difficult (manly due to a stronger AUD, which we see as temporary), longer term returns have been pleasing.

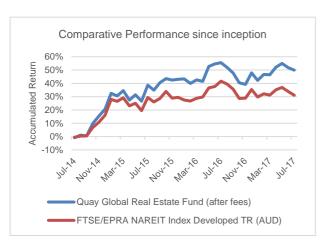
As at 31 July, our per annum total return after fees and costs, since inception has been +14.4%, which is +5.0% p.a. compared to the index return and well ahead of our CPI +5% p.a. total return target we set ourselves.

When we conceived the business in 2013, the thesis was that global real estate is an attractive investment asset class, however the offerings in the market weren't delivering on that potential. Our analysis indicated that our peers were in almost all instances benchmarking against an index and on average failing to meet those returns.

Our solution was to design a product around a philosophy of protecting our investor's capital and purchasing power against inflation through a focus on total returns and a long term investment objective of CPI + 5% p.a. Through analysis, we also decided that a relatively concentrated strategy of 20-40 investees would provide enough diversity without diluting our best ideas. In addition, we felt that for an Australian investor, an unhedged currency strategy would provide lower longer term risk given the tendency for the AUD to sell off in times of major risk events. Importantly, we do not cloud our investment decisions by referencing the index when identifying opportunities, nor as part of our investment process or selecting the investments of the portfolio.

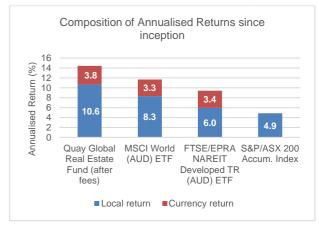
It was our belief that if we stuck to our knitting, we would be able to deliver attractive risk-adjusted long-term returns that, in all likelihood, would be superior to the index and those peers that benchmark the index.

We believe this is evidenced in the following charts.



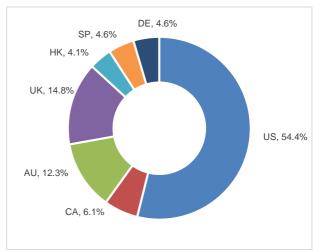
Source: Quay, Bloomberg LLC

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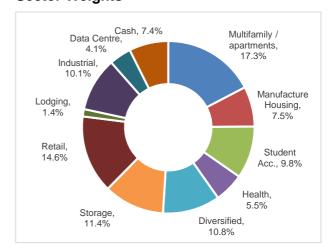


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Geographic Weightings



Sector Weights





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Footnotes

The Quay Global Real Estate Fund was launched 31/1/2016 (The Daily Series). Performance information before this date relates to the strategy (Series 1), which was launched by the team 30/7/2014. Please note that performance data for the Fund is historical data based on the Series 1 strategy. For those who are invested in the Daily Series, please contact Client Services (1800 895 388 (AU) or 0800 442 304 (NZ) or <u>client.services@bennelongfunds.com</u>) to request your performance history. Adjusted for expected withholding taxes.

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- Fund expenses included a management fee of 0.80% per annum on net asset value, plus fund expenses capped at 0.10% per annum. All fees are quoted are exclusive of GST. For more information, please refer to the Product Disclosure Statement dated 1 February 2017 (ARSN 610 224 381). Expenses include the potential of performance fee. Any performance fee payable is equal to 15% of the excess return over the greater of CPI or the
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