Everest Alternative Investment Trust July 2013 Factsheet



The Everest Alternative Investment Trust (EAIT) has exposure to a portfolio of absolute return funds. The objective of the Investment Portfolio is to generate attractive risk-adjusted absolute returns over the medium-to-long term.

Fund Facts as at 31 July 2013

Estimated monthly return ¹	5.26%
Estimated monthly return excluding FX	3.37%
NTA as at 31 July 2013 ^{1,2}	\$0.40

Investment manager summary

Investment positions posting positive returns	15
Investment positions posting negative returns	10
Largest manager allocation	30.1%

Fund NTA returns (net)

	Jan	Feb	Mar	April	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Year
2013	1.89%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	6.38%	2.50%	5.26% ¹						16.94%
2012	-1.92%	2.67%	2.60%	0.00%	5.06%	-3.61%	-2.50%	1.28%	1.89%	1.85%	-3.64%	0.00%	3.31%
2011	2.04%	-0.14%	0.14%	-4.64%	3.08%	-0.75%	-1.59%	1.77%	6.09%	-6.56%	2.63%	-2.80%	-1.41%
2010	1.18%	0.60%	1.84%	1.63%	-1.64%	-0.71%	2.03%	-0.37%	2.28%	0.49%	2.20%	-3.49%	6.03%
2009	-2.97%	0.00%	-0.44%	0.44%	1.75%	1.97% ³	0.23%	1.60%	1.02%	0.04%	0.75%	1.72%	6.16%
2008	-4.18%	0.77%	-2.29%	1.04%	1.80%	-2.15%	-1.58%	-2.14%	-9.84%	-15.15%	-8.57%	-7.81%	-41.02%
2007	2.60%	-0.13%	2.33%	2.51%	-4.89% ⁴	0.65%	0.00%	-3.44%	1.27%	3.27%	-1.70%	0.74%	2.90%
2006	4.15%	-0.21%	2.63%	2.01%	-3.94%	0.32%	-2.40%	1.72%	1.69%	2.85%	3.70%	2.67%	15.92%
2005	-	-	-	-3.60%	1.00%	2.71%	4.80%	0.23%	3.20%	-3.76%	2.76%	2.46%	9.83%

- 1 Unaudited in calculating the NTA, EAIT asset values have been calculated using unaudited absolute return fund performance estimates for the month being reported.
- 2 For the purposes of calculating the above figures, the Australian Equivalents to International Financial Reporting Standards (AEIFRS) have been applied (other than for classification of net assets attributable to unitholders of EAIT where Australian Generally Accepted Accounting Principles, as applied before the introduction of AEIFRS, have been used).
- 3 Following the announcement of the intention to separate EAIT into two funds, performance data from 1 June 2009 onwards represents the underlying absolute return funds only. Prior to 1 June 2009 the performance data reflects both the absolute return funds and direct investments.
- 4 The May 2007 monthly NTA performance was impacted by the EBI rights issue and placement which were completed that month and does not include the implied value of EBB shares received by investors who successfully participated in the EBI capital raising. The May 2007 performance of the underlying investment portfolio (excluding the effect of the capital raising) was +2.40%.

Market Commentary

After a sharp pullback in June, risk assets reversed course in July, as nearly all asset classes exhibited outperformance over the period. The S&P 500 Index and the MSCI World Index rallied 5.1% and 4.7% respectively. The CS High Yield Bond Index also followed suit and added 2.0% over the month.

Perhaps as a result of the severe market reaction in June to talk of tapering, the Federal Reserve governors made a concerted effort to clarify the likely path forward on both Quantitative Easing and short term rates. The markets responded positively as investors became comfortable that the Fed is committed to low rates for an extended period of time. However, with interest rates at historically low levels as a result of the Fed's four plus years of accommodative policy, the recent volatility in the 10 year Treasury yield appears to be a cautionary indication of the difficulties that will be associated with unwinding such long term initiatives.

On the economic front, the US economy continues to show signs of improvement, especially when compared to its global peers. European GDP continues to languish, plagued by a consistently bleak employment picture, while emerging market economies (until recently a reliable venue for consistent growth) have experienced softening.

Performance Commentary

The Everest Alternative Investment Trust was up 5.3% for the month of July (net of all fees and expenses). The underlying portfolio was up 3.1% in USD terms and the continued weakness in the Australian dollar (from 0.915 to 0.898) added 1.8% to the total Fund performance. This compares to monthly returns for the S&P 500 Index of 6.8% (in AUD terms) and the S&P/ASX 200 Accumulation Index of 5.2%.

The Fund's largest exposure, long only equities manager ESL, performed well in the positive market environment. ESL SPE I and ESL SPE II, which hold positions in Sears and Autonation respectively, notched up gains. For the month SPE I was up 8.2% while SPE II was up 6.9%. In aggregate, ESL contributed 2.1% to the total Fund return.

Our credit and distressed securities managers also had a positive month as the Fund's second largest exposure, the Drawbridge Special Opportunities Fund 2008 RCA was up 8.5%. Cerberus also provided a positive return of 0.7%.

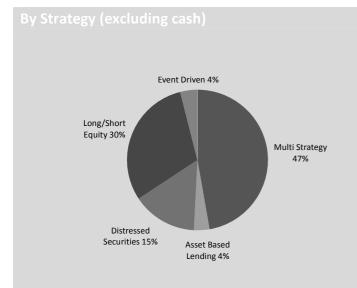
Fund Update

A taxable distribution of 2.5651 cents per unit was paid on Friday 16 August 2013. Tax statements will be mailed on Friday 6 September 2013

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Exposure Summary



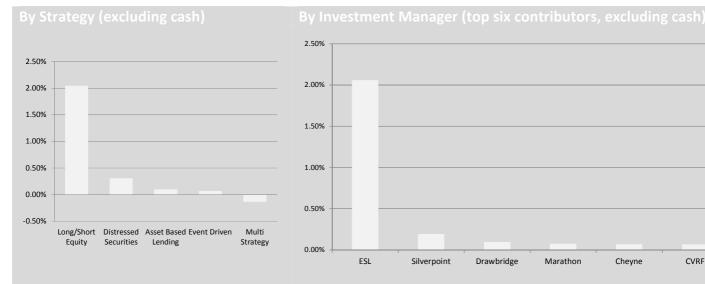
Based on the gross value of the Investment Portfolio. Exposure numbers may not total exactly due to rounding.

The investment strategy exposures are shown net of cash. Investment strategy and exposure data as at the first business day of the following month.

By Investment Manager (top eight managers)

Fund	Strategy	Weight
ESL Investments	Long Biased Equity	30.1%
TPG Axon	Multi Strategy	9.5%
Eton Park	Multi Strategy	6.9%
Cerberus	Distressed Securities	5.7%
Everest Absolute Return Fund	Multi Strategy	5.3%
Fortress Partners	Multi Strategy	5.3%
Silverpoint LP	Distressed Securities	5.2%
Oz Global Special Situations	Multi Strategy	4.7%
Total		72.7%

Monthly Performance Contribution



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