

# Loftus Peak Global Change Portfolio

Gobal Change. Listed Investments. Daily Liquidity.

Monthly Investor Letter December 2016

The Loftus Peak Global Change Portfolio invests in listed disruptive businesses globally. The portfolio provides geographical and sectoral diversification which lowers the concentration risk inherent in the typical Australian portfolio, with its heavy skew toward banks, resources and the Australian dollar.

# **Review & Outlook**

The Fund manager estimated return gross\* of fees was +2.47%, which was -2.18% below the benchmark (MSCI AC World Net Total Return Index in Australian dollars). The benchmark returned +4.65% for the month.

The markets continued their post-Trump jig, with optimism around the likelihood of a better deal on taxes, as well as job creation in traditional industries like coal and car-making, which pushed many of the beatendown index companies like Exxon and GM into a solid rally. This re-rating seems well-judged by the markets, but is unlikely to translate into a sustainable improvement in these businesses - no amount of playing-field tilt will change the fact that they are generally less efficient than their newly-enabled disruptive competitors. This is the reason the Loftus Peak thematic has been outperforming over the past two years, as seen in the performance table below.

The Australian dollar continued its depreciation against the US greenback, falling a further 2.5% this month and helping the Portfolio.

## **Performance\***

	1m	3m	6m	1y	2y p.a.	Inception p.a.
Portfolio (gross-of-fees)	+2.47%	+3.57%	+17.19%	+12.22%	+15.09%	+19.48%
Index	+4.65%	+7.44%	+9.95%	+8.96%	+9.15%	+12.72%
Alpha (gross-of-fees)	-2.18%	-3.87%	+7.24%	+3.27%	+5.94%	+6.76%
Portfolio (net-of-fees)	+2.05%	+2.99%	+16.14%	+9.63%	+12.91%	+17.06%

\*Manager estimated returns. The Portfolio Benchmark is the MSCI ACWI (net) (as expressed in AUD from Bloomberg). Portfolio Inception date is 30/06/14.All returns are shown to two decimal places. Returns for the periods more than one year are annualised. Total returns include realised and unrealised gains. Valuations are computed and performance reported in Australian dollars. Gross-of-fees performance returns are presented before management and performance fees but after all trading expenses. Net-of-fees performance returns are presented after management and performance fees. Returns are based on the theoretical performance of a portfolio which implemented the Model Portfolio based on simplifying assumptions and stock weightings. Actual individual returns of each client's portfolio will differ depending on factors such as date of initial investment, timing of transactions, contributions and withdrawals, fees and any customisations. Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future performance and may not be achieved in the future. Each client should also take into account their own taxation situations. All information provided in this Report is correct as at the date of this Report.

Key Facts	

Inception Date	30 June 2014
Product Type	Managed Discretionary Account
Product Sponsor	Mason Stevens LTD
Benchmark	MSCI ACWI (net) (as expressed in AUD from Bloomberg)
Number of Investments	10-30
Minimum Cash Allocation	1%
Maximum Cash Allocation	50%
Maximum weighting per investment	20% at time of purchase
Minimum Investment	AU\$50,000
Liquidity	Daily
Suggested Timeframe	3-5 years

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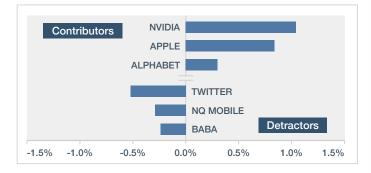
Annual Management Cost	1.00% per annum (inc. GST) calculated daily and charged monthly in arrears
Performance Fee	15% of excess returns over the benchmark return
Transaction cost	0.55% of the value of the transaction

# Portfolio Contributors and Detractors

Machine-learning group Nvidia was again strong, adding 1.04% to the value of the Fund, as markets began to fully appreciate the enormous head start the company has opened up over competitors. We like Nvidia not only for the technology but also for the new business opportunities it opens in driverless cars and data centres, the latter of which will be required in businesses from retail to border security.

Apple and Alphabet were also solid.

Negative contributions were recorded from Twitter, which is the subject of constant takeover rumours. The company's value lies in the trove of data around its users' interests, which should be an advertising bonanza that is unlocked over time. Alibaba was weak on sabre-rattling about China.



# **Portfolio Construction**

94% of the Portfolio is invested in 22 holdings which the manager considers likely outperformers.

Top Five Holdings	
Apple	12.7%
Comcast	7.6%
Baidu	7.5%
Alphabet	7.1%
Amazon	7.1%

## Learn more

For the latest on investment in global change and disruption, see us in the Australian Financial Review, the ConstantInvestor, or the Sydney Morning Herald, or on Livewire or visit us at www.loftuspeak.com.au or email alexpollak@loftuspeak.com.au

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# About Loftus Peak

Loftus Peak is a global fund manager with a focus on investing in listed disruptive businesses. Our team's extensive experience of successfully investing in disruptive businesses brings significant discipline to the investment process.

The Fund, which includes large capitalisation names like Apple, Google and Alibaba, is constructed on the basis of strict criteria, giving investors exposure to the some of the best and fastest-growing companies in the world, at carefully determined valuations. This kind of geographical and sectoral diversification lowers the concentration risk inherent in the typical Australian portfolio, with its heavy skew toward banks, resources and the Australian dollar.

We believe self-managed super funds, and investors generally, want a professionally-managed portfolio that gives them access to these important secular trends.

# The Team

The portfolio is managed by Alex Pollak and Anshu Sharma.



## Alex Pollak: CEO, CIO and Founder

With 25 years experience in disruptive business models gained during a career with Macquarie Bank, Alex heads one of the bestperforming teams in global listed disruptive business investment in Australia.

He was instrumental in bringing both Seek and Carsales.com.au to

the Australian stock market. His deep knowledge of investment and global change companies means you are ideally placed to benefit financially from the movements in technology which are daily changing the face of markets.



### Anshu Sharma: Portfolio Manager

Anshu started his career in global disruption investment almost a decade ago at TechInvest. This was followed by Portfolio Manager and TMT Analyst responsibilities for the Asia region at Eight Investment Partners.

Being mentored by the best in this space early on in his career

and having extensively travelled in Asia to meet hundreds of companies, Anshu brings a wealth of experience to investing globally.

He has an M.Comm from the University of New South Wales and a B.Comm (Hons) from Delhi University. He holds the CIPM® certificate and the Chartered Financial Analyst® designation.