

# Loftus Peak Global Change Portfolio

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Monthly Investor Letter January 2018

Disruption is taking place across all industries – retail, transport, energy and banking, to name a few. Loftus Peak invests to generate returns from these major secular shifts. The geographic and sectoral diversification in the portfolio lowers the concentration risk inherent in the typical Australian portfolio with its heavy local skew toward banks, resources and the Australian dollar.

### **Review & Outlook**

The portfolio manager estimated return gross of fees\* was +6.3% for January 2018, which was +3.8% above the benchmark (MSCI AC World Net Total Return Index in Australian dollars). The benchmark returned +2.5% for the month.

#### **Performance\***

|                                   | 1m     | 3m     | 6m      | 1y      | 3y p.a. | Inception p.a. |
|-----------------------------------|--------|--------|---------|---------|---------|----------------|
| Portfolio (gross-of-<br>fees)     | +6.26% | +6.31% | +19.96% | +36.98% | +20.56% | +23.03%        |
| Index                             | +2.48% | +4.11% | +13.25% | +19.83% | +10.54% | +13.35%        |
| Outperformance<br>(gross-of-fees) | +3.78% | +2.20% | +6.70%  | +17.15% | +10.02% | +9.68%         |
| Portfolio (net-of-<br>fees)       | +6.15% | +5.40% | +18.67% | +33.23% | +17.94% | +20.40%        |

# **Portfolio Contributors and Detractors**

The Portfolio performed well in the run-up to earnings season, with many holdings expected to report early in February.

**Nvidia** had a good month as the company used CES in Las Vegas (which we attended) to outline its growth options in the datacentre and cars, with gaming also soaring following a good year for new titles and e-sports.

**Amazon** was also strong: it is clear that the company's voice business has stormed the home, with the Echo speaker/voice device now numbering in the tens millions from a standing start a few years ago. This is the new on-ramp for e-commerce, and **Apple** is scrambling to catch up. The mixed reviews of HomePod (Apple's answer to the Amazon Echo and the Google Home) compounded the problem, so the company had a bad month.

\*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-offees 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

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|----------------------------------|---|--|
| Inception Date                   | 30 June 2014  |  |
| Product Type                     | Managed Discretionary<br>Account                        |  |
| Product Sponsor                  | Mason Stevens Limited                                   |  |
| Benchmark                        | MSCI ACWI (net) (as expressed<br>in AUD from Bloomberg) |  |
| Number of<br>Investments         | 10-35   |  |
| Minimum Cash<br>Allocation       | 2%  |  |
| Maximum Cash<br>Allocation       | 50%   |  |
| Maximum weighting per investment | 20% at time of purchase                                 |  |
| Minimum Investment               | AU\$50,000  |  |
| Liquidity                        | Daily   |  |
| Suggested Timeframe              | 3-5 years   |  |

#### Fees

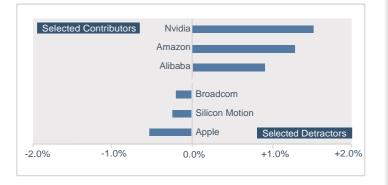
| Management Cost                   | 1.00% p.a. (inc. GST)<br>calculated daily and charged<br>monthly in arrears  |
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| Administration and<br>Custody Fee | 0.275% p.a. calculated daily and<br>charged monthly in arrears. A<br>lower fee applies for Investments<br>above \$1 million. |
| Performance Fee                   | 15% of excess returns over the benchmark return  |
| Transaction cost                  | 0.55% of the value of the transaction  |

Chinese e-tailer **Alibaba** continued its run – the stock has doubled since Christmas 2016.

**Broadcom** was a detractor, with expectations waning that its bid for **Qualcomm** would fail without an increase.

The Australian dollar appreciated +3.48% over the month against the US dollar, which is detrimental to our US denominated holdings. As at 31 January 2018, the Portfolio carried a total foreign currency exposure of 3.8%.

## **Contributors and Detractors**



#### **Portfolio Construction**

96.2% of the Portfolio is invested in 21 holdings which the manager considers likely outperformers. The balance is in cash.

| Selected Top Holdings |      | Capitalisation USD  |        |  |
|-----------------------|------|---------------------|--------|--|
| Apple                 | 8.7% | Mega Cap > \$100b   | 60.9%  |  |
| Tencent               | 8.1% | Large Cap \$50-100b | 19.4%  |  |
| Nvidia                | 7.9% | Mid Cap \$2-50b     | 11.1%  |  |
| Amazon                | 7.9% |                     | 11.170 |  |
| Alibaba               | 7.2% | Small Cap < \$2b    | 4.1%   |  |

#### Learn more

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

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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 technology 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.