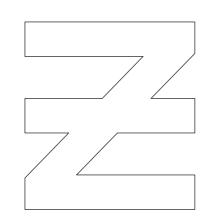
# Ellerston Global Equity Managers Fund (GEMS) Class C



# Monthly Newsletter, August 2022

#### **Investment Objective**

To generate superior returns for unitholders with a focus on risk and capital preservation.

#### **Investment Strategy**

The Fund provides investors with exposure to global markets through a long short equity strategy. The strategy overlays fundamental bottom-up stock selection with global macroeconomic and market outlook.

#### **Key Information**

Inception Date ^^	1 December 2009		
Portfolio Managers	Ashok Jacob		
	& Arik Star		
Application Price	\$1.5726		
NAV Price	\$1.5687		
Redemption Price	\$1.5648		
Gross Exposure	162.84%		
Net Exposure	34.20%		
Unit Pricing	Monthly		
Management Fee	1.50%		
Performance Fee	16.50%		
Buy/Sell Spread	0.25% on application		
	0.25% on redemption		

#### PERFORMANCE SUMMARY

Performance (Net)*	1Year	2 Years (p.a.)	5 Years (p.a.)	10 Years (p.a.)	Since Inception (p.a.) ^^
GEMS C	-13.6%	11.1%	10.6%	12.7%	11.5%

Source: Ellerston Capital.

#### **Performance**

For the 3 Year period from August 31, 2019 to August 31, 2022, the compound annual returns for the Australian S&P/ASX 200 Total Return Index was +5.5%, the US S&P 500 Index was +12.4%, the Russell 2000 Index was +8.6% and MSCI World (Local) Index was +9.7%. Your Fund net after fees returned +16.8%.

Calendar Year to Date from January 1, 2022 to August 31, 2022, the Australian S&P/ASX 200 Index is down -3.6%, the US S&P 500 Index is down -16.1%, the Russell 2000 Index is down -17.2% and MSCI World (Local) Index is down -14.8%. Your Fund is down net after fees -13.5%.

For the Month of August 2022, the Australian S&P/ASX 200 Index was up 1.2%, the US S&P 500 Index was down -4.1%, the Russell 2000 Index was down -2.0% and the MSCI World (Local) Index was down -3.5%. Your Fund returned net after fees +0.10%.

The GEMS portfolio was up slightly for the month of August, generating a net return of +0.10%, during a month that saw commodity stocks perform very strongly enabling the Australian market to rise, while most global markets sustained material declines.

During the month, gains included Celsius, Cameco, Flutter, Occidental, Yellow Cake and Golar. Detraction from performance included Cellnex, Alphabet, Microsoft, Alcoa, Gold positioning, and Ralph Lauren. Hedging proved effective with stock specific shorts and US index shorts and puts contributing positively to performance.

## **Outlook and Positioning**

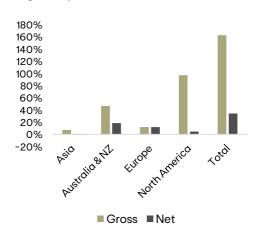
The next ten years is almost certain to be very unlike the last 10 years. The gale-force tailwinds of quantitative easing, zero interest rate policy and benign inflation are behind us. Positioning will be of paramount importance to generate strong returns with the appropriate risk reward skew. Value over Long Duration Growth. Cash Flow over Promises. Hard Assets and Real Businesses over Froth. While these dynamics have always resonated with us and been at the core of our investment style, we believe that they will be the drivers of returns for the broader market in the years ahead.

<sup>\*</sup> The net return figure is calculated after fees & expenses. Past performance is not a reliable indication of future performance.

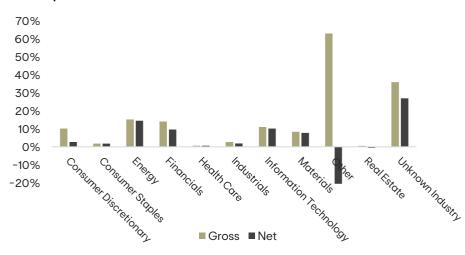
Global markets had a volatile month during August. There seems to be a consensus view that the risk to earnings has a one-way skew. Down! Everyone knows that Quantitative Tapering (QT) entered its full-strength phase in September. Impact so far – Benign. Ongoing impact – unknown. Inflation is a known issue. It's velocity and longevity is debated ad nauseum. The outcome is unknown. Central banks are hiking rates aggressively. The groundswell of hope for a US Federal Reserve (Fed) pivot remains consistent. No matter what the latest CPI number comes in at. And then there is the endless commentary around a recession. No doubt there will be one in time, but we don't know when. In the meantime, there is full employment, the restaurants are full, travel is strong, and retail seems to be doing ok. Doesn't feel like we are there yet. What is certain is these and other issues that are "Macro" have consumed all market participants, such that every data point can drive aggressive moves up or down, ensuring uncertainty and volatility. Lots of known issues, opinions and experts, with many unknown outcomes. The volatility has been very orderly, with no sense of panic. As the macro environment evolves it's a time to be cautious, constructive and opportunistic.

#### PORTFOLIO CHARACTERISTICS

## **Region Exposure**



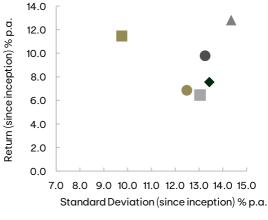
#### **Sector Exposure**



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# GEMS Strategy Performance & Volatility^



- GEMS Strategy (AUD) Net (Class C)
- S&P/ASX 200 Accum Index (AUD) Gross
- ▲ S&P 500 US Accum Index (USD) Gross
- MSCI World Accum Index (Local) Net
- MSCI Europe Accum Index (Local) Net
- MSCI Asia Pacific Accum Index (Local) Net

# Top 10 Holdings (Alphabetical, Long Only)

- ALCOA
- ALPHABET
- CAMECO
- CELLNEX TELECOM
- FLUTTER ENTERTAINMENT
- GENERATION DEVELOPMENT GROUP
- MICROSOFT
- MONEY3
- OCCINDENTAL PETROLEUM
- YELLOW CAKE

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# Regulatory Guide (RG240) Fund Disclosure Benchmark – Periodic Reporting (monthly)

Net Asset Value of the Fund and Redemption Price of Units

Please refer to details on P1.

Any changes to key service providers including any change in related party status

There have been no changes to key service providers, including any change in related party status.

Net returns after fees, costs and relevant taxes

Please refer to details on P1.

Any material changes to the Fund's risk profile and strategy

There have been no changes to the Fund's risk profile and strategy.

Any material changes related to the primary investment personnel responsible for managing the Fund

Please refer to details on P1; there have been no changes to the primary investment personnel responsible for managing the Fund

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