Asia Long Short Fund & Asia Long Short Cayman Fund US\$ Series Monthly Report December 2013

## Fund Objective

KIS Capital Partners Pty Ltd [KIS Capital] is an Australian based hedge fund investment manager with an Asia ex Japan trading focus. The KIS Asia Long Short Fund Australian Dollar Denominated [A\$] Australian Unit Trust and the KIS Asia Long Short Cayman Fund and Cayman Master Fund are trading focused funds whose objectives are to generate absolute returns with low volatility and correlation to other assets. Trade selection and portfolio management are based on three distinct principals of: Liquidity, Transparency and Risk Management. KIS Capital looks to build a portfolio of 'winning' trade ideas and hedge unwanted market risk.

### Performance for KIS Asia Long Short Fund

Performance data for the Master Series of the KIS Asia Long Short Fund Australian Dollar [A\$] denominated Australian Unit Trust [AUT].

| Year | Jan    | Feb   | Mar    | Apr    | May   | Jun    | Jul    | Aug   | Sep    | Oct   | Nov    | Dec    | YTD    |
|------|--------|-------|--------|--------|-------|--------|--------|-------|--------|-------|--------|--------|--------|
| 2013 | -0.94% | 2.20% | 0.54%  | 0.83%  | 3.00% | 0.36%  | 1.89%  | 1.03% | 1.18%  | 1.44% | 1.82%  | -0.06% | 14.06% |
| 2012 | 2.33%  | 2.89% | 0.73%  | -1.50% | 1.35% | -1.00% | 0.24%  | 3.70% | -0.19% | 1.39% | -0.13% | 1.17%  | 11.41% |
| 2011 | 1.35%  | 0.81% | -2.20% | 1.14%  | 3.32% | -2.69% | 2.70%  | 3.88% | 1.02%  | 2.48% | 0.36%  | -0.02% | 12.60% |
| 2010 | 2.15%  | 2.46% | 2.79%  | 3.05%  | 4.09% | -0.76% | -0.95% | 1.23% | 1.63%  | 1.42% | 3.24%  | 2.84%  | 25.66% |
| 2009 |        |       |        |        |       |        |        |       |        | 4.45% | 4.82%  | 1.75%  | 11.40% |

Returns shown are pre-tax and net of fees for the Master Series (inception, October 2009). Returns for other series may differ. Cumulative returns are shown assuming distributions are reinvested. Investors should receive a monthly NAV statement directly from the fund administrator. Please contact SSG. AUS@TMF-Group.com if you have not received your NAV statement. Returns are independently calculated by the fund administrator on an unaudited basis. Results to June 2013 have been audited by Ernst & Young Partnership.

#### Fund Performance Profile: KIS Asia Long Short Fund A\$ AUT

| MONTHLY                                     |         | FUND INFORMATION    |  |
|---|---------|---------------------|--|
| Performance:                                | -0.06%  | Fund Denomination:  | A\$                                    |
| ROLLING 12 MONTHS                           |         | Investor Type:      | Sophisticated/Wholesale                |
| Performance:                                | 14.06%  | Management Fee:     | 1.5%                                   |
| SINCE INCEPTION                             |         | Performance Fee:    | 20%<br>Fees are shown exclusive of GST |
| Annualised Performance:                     | 17.76%  | Performance Hurdle: | RBA Cash Rate                          |
| SINCE INCEPTION, OCTOBER 2009               |         | Subscription:       | Monthly                                |
| Cumulative Performance of A\$1000 invested: | A\$2003 | Redemption:         | Monthly                                |
|   |         | Inception:          | Oct 2009                               |
|   |         | Domicile:           | Australia                              |
|   |         | Prime Broker:       | Deutsche Bank                          |
|   |         | Auditor:            | Ernst & Young                          |
|   |         | Legal Counsel:      | Minter Ellison                         |
|   |         | Risk Management:    | Imagine                                |
|   |         | Fund Administrator: | TMF FundServices (Australia)           |
|   |         | Trustee:            | KIS Capital                            |
|   |         | Investment Manager: | KIS Capital                            |

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## Performance for KIS Asia Long Short Cayman Fund US\$ Series

Performance data for KIS Asia Long Short Cayman Fund United States Dollar [US\$] denominated Series [Cayman Fund].

| Year | Jan    | Feb   | Mar   | Apr   | May   | Jun   | Jul    | Aug   | Sep    | Oct   | Nov    | Dec    | YTD    |
|------|--------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--------|-------|--------|-------|--------|--------|--------|
| 2013 | -1.29% | 2.13% | 0.18% | 0.55% | 2.33% | 0.14% | 1.59%  | 0.77% | 1.03%  | 1.30% | 1.49%  | -0.31% | 10.31% |
| 2012 |        |       |       |       |       |       | -0.21% | 2.59% | -0.60% | 1.04% | -0.57% | 0.95%  | 3.20%  |

Returns shown are net of fees for the US\$ class (inception, July 2012). Returns for other classes may differ. Investors should receive a monthly NAV statement directly from the fund administrator. Please contact SSG.AUS@TMF-Group.com if you have not received your NAV statement. Returns are independently calculated by the fund administrator on an unaudited basis. Results to December 2012 have been audited by Ernst & Young Partnership.

## Fund Performance Profile: KIS Asia Long Short Cayman Fund US\$ Series

| MONTHLY                                      |          | FUND INFORMATION       |  |
|--|----------|------------------------|--|
| Performance:                                 | -0.31%   | Share Class Denominat  | ion: US\$  |
| ROLLING 12 MONTH                             |          | Investor Type:         | Eligible Investor  |
| Performance:                                 | 10.31%   | Management Fee:        | 1.5% ases to 2.0% from Jan 2014 for non-Foundation Class Investors   |
| SINCE INCEPTION                              |          | Performance Fee:       | 20%  |
| Annualised Performance:                      | 9.03%    | Performance Hurdle:    | None   |
| SINCE INCEPTION, JULY 2012                   |          | Subscription:          | Monthly  |
| Cumulative Performance of US\$1000 invested: | US\$1138 | Redemption:            | Monthly  |
|  |          | Inception:             | July 2012  |
|  |          | Domicile:              | Cayman   |
|  |          | Prime Broker:          | Deutsche Bank  |
|  |          | Auditor:               | Ernst & Young  |
|  |          | Legal Counsel: Henry D | Davis York, Shipman and Goodwin LLP & Walkers  |
|  |          | Risk Management:       | Imagine  |
|  |          | Fund Administrator:    | TMF FundServices (Australia)   |
|  |          | Independent Board:     | Refer to Private Placement Memorandum for details, Vice Presidents of Intertrust Corporate Services (Cayman) Limited |
|  |          | Investment Manager:    | KIS Capital  |

### Strategies used this month

**Equity Long/Short** – Australian, Canadian, Hong Kong, Malaysian, New Zealand and Singaporean Equities. Australian, Indian, Indonesian and US Index Futures. Australian and Hong Kong Equity Options. Australian Index Options.

**Portfolio Hedge** – Australian Equity Warrants. Japanese Index Options.

Convertible Bonds – Australian Listed Hybrid Securities. Convertible Bonds on HK and Singaporean Issuers.

**Special Situations** – Australian Listed Hybrid Securities. Australian, Canadian, Hong Kong and Singaporean equities. ADRs on a Chinese company.

Most exposures are now booked via portfolio total return swaps and CFDs between the Funds and the Prime Broker. This improves operational efficiency and facilitates cost saving. References above refer to the underlying exposure of the total return swaps and CFDs.

### **Monthly Summary**

December felt like a long and uneventful month for KIS Capital. The Christmas holiday lull seemed to start early and extended well into January. Equity market volumes were low and we found few opportunities to generate significant returns in December across the different trading strategies and across the different countries KIS invests and trades in.

We used the period to establish some positions with a view that interest and activity will return in January when other portfolio managers and investors return from vacation.

### Long Short

When looking at our hit rate, only 46% of our ideas were winning this month. Good stop loss discipline meant that our average profit on an idea was 1.2x the size of our average loss. The net of these two meant this portfolio lost 4bp.

We had a small long position in OZ Minerals [OZL.AX] which announced weaker than expected guidance on the 11th December. The stock was very aggressively sold, falling in excess of 30% at one point on the day. Even though we felt the move was excessive, we adhered to our principle of stopping out of losing trades and cut our exposure. On the month we lost 28bp on the name.

On the winning side we benefitted from APA Group coming to the table again and improving its offer to buy the 2/3rd of Envestra Limited [ENV.AX] that it does not currently own. This generated a profit of 27bp.

# Portfolio Hedge, Convertible Bonds and Special Situations

These portfolios did not have a significant impact on returns this month.

# Currency Class FX Hedge - KIS Asia Long Short Cayman Fund US\$ Series Only

Investments are received in US\$ and spot exchanged to A\$. This FX spot trade is then one month forward FX hedged back to US\$. The cost of this FX hedge is a function of the differential of interest rates between US\$ and A\$. The impact of interest rate differentials reduced the performance of the US\$ series by 28bp.

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