# i Capital Asia-Pacific ex-Japan BTB Fund ARSN 646 553 246



Quarterly Investment Report For the period from 28 June 2024 to 27 September 2024

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**Investment Objective** 

To generate regular income for investors through investment in stocks paying attractive dividends, with strong fundamentals and the potential for capital growth over the longer term.

Who should invest?

Investors that are seeking regular income.

**Entry Fee** 

Nil

Withdrawal Fee

Nil

**Exit Fee** 

Nil

**Transfer Fee** 

Nil

**Bid/Offer Spread** 

Nil

**Performance Fee** 

15.375% p.a. only chargeable if the following three criteria are met in the same period

- 1. Fund's NAV per unit exceeds 3% annual rate of return *and*
- **2.** Fund's NAV per unit exceeds 3% annual compound rate of return *and*
- 3. Both annual and annual compound returns must still be above 3% if a performance fee is chargeable

**Management Fee** 

Approx. 0.5125% p.a. of the NAV

**Administration Cost** 

Approx. 0.9439% p.a. of the NAV. These expenses are paid as and when they occur.

#### **ICAPBF AT A GLANCE**

### **Other Expenses**

As our direct investor, no commission or additional fees associated with distributors or financial advisers are applicable to you.

A number of other expenses can be paid from the fund if incurred. However we decided not to recover these expenses from the Fund, e.g.

- Printing of quarterly and annual reports
- Costs associated with establishing the fund
- Professional assistance operating the fund
- Independent performance verification.

**Inception Date** 

Minimum Investment (AUD)

Additional Investment (AUD)

**Income Distribution** 

31 January 2022

\$5,000

\$1,000

Annually (if any)

The table below gives an example of how the fees and costs in the Fund are charged based on your investment over a one year period. The example does not include the performance fee that may apply to your investment as we do not have a reasonable basis for estimating the performance fee.

**Example:** 

Fee charged per year for an investment balance of \$50,000.00.

**Management Fee** 

\$50,000.00\*0.5125%=\$256.25

**Administration Cost** 

\$50,000.00\*0.9439%=\$471.95

**Total Fee Per Year:** 

\$728.20

By 27 September 2024, the Fund has, from its inception on 31 January 2022, delivered a cumulative return of 6.94%, net of expenses. This compares with the MSCI AC Asia Pacific ex JPN index returning

5.90%, resulting in relative overperformance of 1.04 percentage points by your Fund. The said comparative benchmark figures are shown in **figure** 2 and **table 1**.

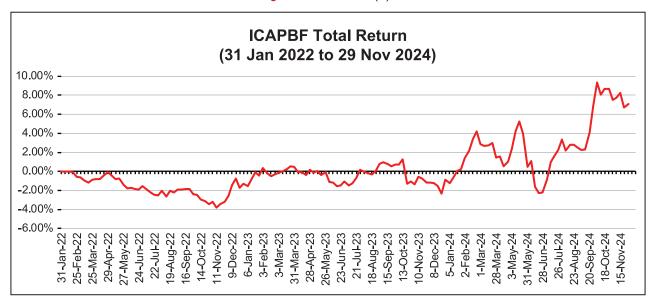
### **MARKET REVIEW AND OUTLOOK**

Investors may have noticed a change in the recent trend of your Fund's NAV.

Since Sep 2024, the NAV of the *i* Capital Asia-Pacific ex-Japan BTB Fund (ICAPBF) has jumped up (**figure 1**). This jump in NAV is due mainly to the rally in the prices of United Plantations Bhd and the

Chinese stocks in your Fund – namely, Pico Far East, Guangdong Provincial, Industrial & Commercial Bank and Ping An Insurance. The drag came mainly from our 3 Indonesian stocks, which surprised us as our earlier optimism on the Indonesian economy has on the whole been delivered.

Figure 1 Total return (%)



The portfolio of ICAPBF has not changed but its outlook remains promising. With China's economy sustaining its recovery in 2025, the Chinese stocks are expected to do better in 2025. The same can be said for the Indonesian stocks.

Investors should consider investing more in ICAPBF. The NAV of ICAPBF can be viewed in either www. funds.icapital.biz or www.capitaldynamics.com.au.

Best wishes.

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Figure 2 Total return (%)

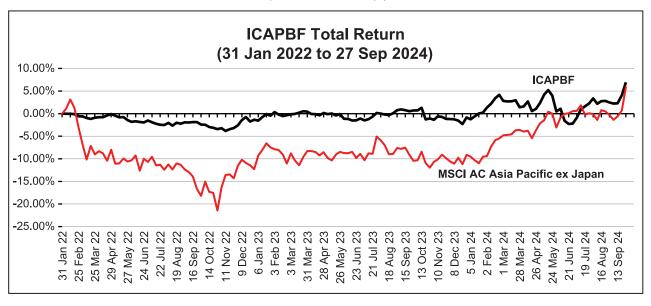


Table 1 Cumulative Total Return and Compound Return

#### **Cumulative Total Return (%)**

#### Compound Return (%)

	1-Year-Return	2-Year-Return	Since Inception	Since Inception
ICAPBF (AUD)	6.20	9.61	6.94	2.56
MSCI AC Asia Pacific ex Japan (AUD)	18.26	29.42	5.9	2.18

## **FUND PERFORMANCE 2**

Table 2 Top 5 performing stocks in local currency (holdings held over the quarter)

#### Quarter ending 27 September 2024 (% of change)

Ping An Insurance Group Of China Limited	37.29%
Arwana Citramulia	20.35%
Bank Rakyat Indonesia	10.87%
United Plantations Bhd	5.71%
Pldt Inc Php5	5.43%

The table above presents the top 5 performing stocks your fund held at sometime within the referenced quarter. The stocks do not necessarily need to be bought at the start of the quarter (i.e. 28 June 2024) and held till the end of the quarter (i.e. 27 September 2024). Stock performance will only be measured over the specific period that your fund held the stock in the referenced quarter. This means that, for example,

if Ping An Insurance Group Of China Limited was bought on 28 June 2024 and sold on 8 July 2024, its performance is only measured over 28 June 2024 to 8 July 2024 and not over the full quarter. Similarly, if it was bought on 18 July 2024 and sold on 27 September 2024, its performance is measured over the period 18 July 2024 to 27 September 2024.

## **FUND PERFORMANCE 3**

**Table 3** shows the percentage gain or loss of each company held by your Fund as at 27 September 2024. This table assumes no impact from currency movements or constant exchange rates.

**Table 3** Percentage gain or loss arising from stock price changes.

Security	Average Cost (A\$)	Price Sep 2024 (A\$)	% Change
Arwana Citramulia	0.07	0.07	-2.85%
Bank Rakyat Indonesia	0.46	0.50	8.13%
Guangdong Provincial Expressway Development Co Ltd	1.10	1.28	16.47%
Industrial And Commercial Bank Of China	0.78	0.87	12.13%
Luxchem Corporation Bhd	0.24	0.17	-27.65%
Mega Lifesciences Pcl	1.76	1.66	-5.41%
Pico Far East Hldg Ltd	0.22	0.37	66.30%
Ping An Insurance Group Of China Limited	7.57	9.36	23.60%
Pldt Inc Php5	51.36	41.09	-20.00%
Shangri La Hotels Malaysia Ord Shs	0.71	0.66	-7.00%
Telkom Indonesia Persero Tbk Pt	0.40	0.30	-25.35%
Ums Hldgs Ltd	1.31	1.20	-8.69%
United Plantations Bhd	4.96	8.53	72.01%
Wellcall Holdings Bhd	0.44	0.51	15.59%

**Table 4** shows the percentage gain or loss arising from currency movements as at 27 September 2024. This table assumes no change in stock prices or constant stock prices.

**Table 4** Percentage gain or loss arising from currency movements.

Average Cost (A\$)	Price Sep 2024 (A\$)	% Change
0.07	0.07	-2.88%
0.46	0.45	-2.59%
1.10	1.13	2.72%
0.78	0.78	0.59%
0.24	0.25	5.10%
1.76	1.84	4.44%
0.22	0.21	-5.95%
7.57	7.30	-3.62%
51.36	48.71	-5.16%
0.71	0.78	9.63%
0.40	0.39	-2.77%
1.31	1.32	0.81%
4.96	5.27	6.24%
0.44	0.46	4.64%
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## PORTFOLIO INFORMATION

Table 5 Percentage of assets held as cash

	Cash (%)	Equities (%)
End of Jun 24	12.93%	87.07%
End of Jul 24	12.69%	87.31%
End of Aug 24	17.99%	82.01%
End of Sep 24	16.64%	83.36%

Table 6 Top 5 holdings as at 27 September 2024

	55.89%
Ping An Insurance Group Of China Limited	16.27%
Arwana Citramulia	14.26%
Pico Far East Hldg Ltd	10.51%
Shangri La Hotels Malaysia Ord Shs	9.39%
Ums Hldgs Ltd	5.47%

Table 7 Portfolio breakdown for equities by region as at 27 September 2024 (in AUD)

	100.00%
Hong Kong	41.76%
Indonesia	25.83%
Malaysia	20.50%
Singapore	6.56%
Thailand	3.76%
Philippine	1.58%

#### **FUND INFORMATION**

#### About i Capital Asia-Pacific ex-Japan BTB Fund

The *i* Capital Asia-Pacific ex-Japan BTB Fund invests in predominantly in dividend paying securities across the Asia-Pacific ex-Japan region.

The strategy is driven by an intelligently eclectic "Bamboo value investing" philosophy with an emphasis on the margin of safety created by stock selections based on divergences between market prices and the underlying intrinsic values of the companies.

The objective of Capital Dynamics (Australia) Limited (CDAL) is to seek long-term capital appreciation whilst reducing the margin of error when investing. This is achieved with a rigorous, innovative and well-defined value investing approach.

Unlike conventional value investing, CDAL adopts a bottom-up approach to portfolio construction, overlaid with a macro view. The objective of CDAL is to obtain a sound investment framework that allows for a clear perspective of how economies, markets and sentiment interact and how this interaction influences its investments.

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#### **Philosophies**

Independence, intelligence and integrity drive all business and investment decisions at Capital Dynamics. Integrity is central to our corporate culture, and to our loyal clients of many years, our word has proven to be our bond. Capital Dynamics has some of the most stringent compliance policies in the industry.

As a global fund manager, our "Bamboo value investing" philosophy is unique, and has enabled Capital Dynamics to generate sustained superior returns. Based on long-only investment principles, our value investing approach is given flexibility with the addition of macroeconomic factors and further investment intelligence from our team of fund managers and analysts. We go behind the commercial veneer of companies, travelling globally to research first hand.

#### **NOTES**

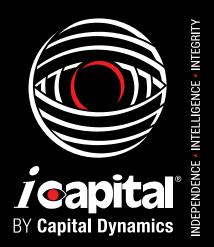
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