

# Alpha Vista FX Absolute Return Fund



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This Product Disclosure Statement ("PDS") was issued on 4 August 2021. This PDS is for the offer of interests in the Alpha Vista FX Absolute Return Fund (ARSN 649 754 914, APIR ETL8261AU) (referred throughout this PDS as the "Fund").

The PDS has been prepared and issued by Equity Trustees Limited (ABN 46 004 031 298, Australian Financial Services Licence ("AFSL") No. 240975) in its capacity as the responsible entity of the Fund (referred throughout this PDS as the "Responsible Entity", "Equity Trustees", "us" or "we"). The investment manager is Alpha Vista Investment Managers Pty Limited ACN 646 453 581 (referred to throughout this PDS as the "Investment Manager" or "Alpha Vista"). A copy of this PDS was lodged with the Australian Securities and Investments Commission ("ASIC") on 4 August 2021.

The Responsible Entity has authorised the use of this PDS for the Fund as disclosure to investors and prospective investors of an investor directed portfolio service, master trust, wrap account or an investor directed portfolio service-like scheme ("IDPS"). This PDS is available for use by persons applying for units in the Fund through an IDPS ("Indirect Investors").

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Please ask your adviser if you have any questions about investing in the Fund (either directly or indirectly through an IDPS).

This PDS is prepared for your general information only. It is not intended to be a recommendation by the Responsible Entity, Investment Manager, any associate, employee, agent or officer of the Responsible Entity, Investment Manager or any other person to invest in the Fund. This PDS does not take into account the investment objectives, financial situation or needs of any particular investor. You should not base your decision to invest in the Fund solely on the information in this PDS. You

should consider whether the information in this PDS is appropriate for you, having regard to your objectives, financial situation and needs and you may want to seek professional financial advice before making an investment decision.

Equity Trustees, the Investment Manager and their employees, associates, agents or officers do not guarantee the success, repayment of capital or any rate of return on income or capital or the investment performance of the Fund. Past performance is no indication of future performance. An investment in the Fund does not represent a deposit with or a liability of Equity Trustees, the Investment Manager or any of their associates. An investment is subject to investment risk, including possible delays in repayment and loss of income or capital invested. Units in the Fund are offered and issued by the Responsible Entity on the terms and conditions described in this PDS. You should read this PDS in its entirety because you will become bound by it if you become a direct investor in the Fund.

In considering whether to invest in the Fund, investors should consider the risk factors that could affect the financial performance of the Fund. Some of the risk factors affecting the Fund are summarised in Section 6.

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- by contacting Alpha Vista on +61 29189 6800; or
- by visiting the Alpha Vista website at [www.alphavistafunds.com](http://www.alphavistafunds.com)

A paper copy of the updated information will be provided free of charge on request.

You may also contact Equity Trustees:

- by writing to GPO Box 2307 Melbourne VIC 3001; or
- by calling +613 8623 5000

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## 1. Fund at a glance

	Summary	For further information
Name of the Fund	Alpha Vista FX Absolute Return Fund.	Section 5
APIR Code	ETL8261AU	Section 5
ARSN	649 754 914.	Section 5
Investment objective	The Fund aims to generate a return after fees and costs of 2% p.a. above Australian consumer price inflation over the medium to long term.	Section 5
Fund Benchmark	Australian CPI.	Section 5
Investment strategy and investments held	The Fund aims to meet its investment objective through investment exposure to G-10 currencies. The Fund leverages the Investment Manager's big-data and AI technology to quantitatively monitor and analyse currency markets in real-time. Fund holdings may include cash, Spot FX, FX Options, FX Swaps, FX Forwards, FX Futures and options on FX Futures, positioning long and/or short.	Section 5
The type(s) of investor(s) for whom the Fund would be suitable	Designed for retail, wholesale and sophisticated Investors seeking returns higher than cash. Government and semi government entities can invest.	Section 5
Recommended investment timeframe	3-5 years or longer. The minimum suggested investment timeframe for the Fund is 3 years. We recommend that you consider, with your financial adviser, the suggested investment period for the Fund in relation to your own financial circumstances. You should review this regularly to ensure that the Fund continues to meet your investment needs.	Section 5
Minimum initial investment	\$20,000.	Section 7
Minimum additional investment	Not applicable.	Section 7
Minimum withdrawal amount	\$5,000.	Section 7
Minimum balance	Nil.	Section 7
Cut off time for applications and withdrawals	Before 2pm on a Business Day, the application will be processed on that Business Day. This means you will receive the application price calculated for that Business Day.  After 2pm on a Business Day, the application will be processed on the next Business Day. This means you will receive the application price calculated for the next Business Day.	Section 7
Valuation frequency	Daily.	Section 7
Applications	Accepted each Business Day.	Section 7
Withdrawals	Daily.	Section 7
Income distribution	Annual (30 June).	Section 7
Management fees and costs	1.0% p.a. of the Net Asset Value ["NAV"] (inclusive of GST and net of RITC).	Section 9
Entry fee/exit fee	Not applicable.	Section 9
Buy/Sell spread	+/- 0.20% on applications into the Fund and on withdrawals out of the Fund.	Section 9
Performance fee	A performance fee of 15% applied to returns which exceed a performance hurdle. The performance hurdle is set at the higher of (i) CPI +2% p.a. or (ii) 4% p.a.	Section 9

## 2. ASIC benchmarks

The Fund is a 'hedge fund' for the purposes of ASIC Regulatory Guide 240 ("RG 240"). The following table and the tables in Sections 1 and 3 set out a summary of the disclosure ASIC requires for hedge funds, the key features of the Fund and a guide to where more detailed information can be found in this PDS. A copy of RG 240 dated October 2013 (as may be amended, supplemented or replaced from time to time) is available from [www.asic.gov.au](http://www.asic.gov.au).

The information summarised in the relevant tables and explained in detail in the identified section reference is intended to assist investors with analysing the risks of investing in the Fund. Investors should consider this information together with the detailed explanation of various benchmarks and principles referenced throughout this PDS and the key risks of investing in the Fund highlighted in Section 6 of this PDS.

ASIC Benchmark	Is the benchmark satisfied?	Summary	For further information
<b>Benchmark 1: Valuation of assets</b>			
This benchmark addresses whether valuations of the Fund's non-exchange traded assets are provided by an independent administrator or an independent valuation service provider.	Yes	<p>Equity Trustees has appointed an independent administrator, State Street Australia Limited ("SSAL"), to provide administration services for the Fund, including valuation services.</p> <p>The Fund satisfies Benchmark 1 by having its non-exchange traded assets independently valued by the Administrator in accordance with its pricing policy.</p> <p>Over-the-counter ("OTC") derivatives are generally valued by reference to the counterparty settlement price which is based upon broad financial market indices.</p>	Section 5
<b>Benchmark 2: Periodic reporting</b>			
This benchmark addresses whether the Responsible Entity of the Fund will provide periodic disclosure of certain key information specified by ASIC on an annual and monthly basis.	Yes	The Responsible Entity will provide periodic disclosure of certain key information on an annual and monthly basis.	Section 8

### 3. ASIC disclosure principles

	Summary	Section (for further information)
<i>Investment strategy</i>	<p>The Fund invests in the currency markets. The Fund's investment strategy leverages the Investment Manager's big-data and AI technology platform to quantitatively monitor and analyse currency markets in real-time. The investment process leads with real-time pattern recognition to determine currency regime states. This flows to real-time signal derivation and calibration for portfolio construction and systematic implementation of investment exposures within the G-10 currency complex. Fund holdings may include cash, Spot FX, FX Options, FX Swaps, FX Forwards, FX Futures and options on FX Futures, positioning long and/or short.</p>	Section 5.2
<i>Investment manager</i>	<p>Equity Trustees Limited, as Responsible Entity of the Fund, has appointed Alpha Vista Investment Managers Pty Limited as the Investment Manager of the Fund.</p> <p>See Section 4 in relation to the expertise of the Investment Manager and the Investment Management Agreement under which the Investment Manager has been appointed.</p> <p>Under the Investment Management Agreement between the Investment Manager and Equity Trustees, Equity Trustees can terminate the Investment Manager's appointment where the Investment Manager becomes insolvent, materially breaches the agreement, ceases to carry on its business or in certain other circumstances. In the event that Equity Trustees terminates the Investment Manager following one of these events, the Investment Manager's appointment would cease upon any termination date specified in the notice, and the Investment Manager would be entitled to receive fees in accordance with the agreement until the effective date of termination.</p>	Section 4
<i>Fund structure</i>	<p>The Fund is an Australian unit trust registered under the Corporations Act as a managed investment scheme.</p> <p>The responsible entity of the Fund is Equity Trustees Limited. Equity Trustees Limited may appoint service providers to assist in the ongoing operation, management and administration of the Fund.</p> <p>The key service providers to the Fund are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Alpha Vista Investment Managers Pty Limited, the investment manager of the Fund;</li> <li>• State Street Australia Limited, the administrator and custodian of the assets of the Fund;</li> </ul> <p>See Section 5.3 for further information on other key service providers, Equity Trustees' role in monitoring the performance of service providers and a diagram of the flow of funds through the Fund.</p>	Section 5.3
<i>Valuation, location and custody of assets</i>	<p>State Street Australia Limited is the administrator of the Fund and provides administrative, accounting, registry and transfer agency services. The Administrator is responsible for calculating the Fund's NAV.</p> <p>State Street Australia Limited is the custodian and provides custodial services.</p> <p>See section 5.10 for further information on the custodial arrangements and the geographical location of the Fund's assets.</p>	Section 5.10
<i>Liquidity</i>	<p>Equity Trustees reasonably expects in normal market conditions to realise at least 80% of the Fund's assets, at the value ascribed to those assets in calculating the Fund's NAV, within 10 days.</p>	Section 5.4
<i>Leverage</i>	<p>Leverage arises in the Fund through taking both long and short derivative positions which are larger in size than the net asset value (NAV) of the Fund. The Fund may take leveraged positions with the aim of increasing returns, however these leveraged positions can also lead to increased losses and it may mean that gains and/or losses in the Fund may be significantly greater than those in funds that are not leveraged. The Fund's maximum allowable leverage, measured as the sum of long and short exposures, is 250% of Fund NAV.</p> <p>Please refer to Section 6 for further information.</p>	Section 5.6 and 6

	Summary	Section (for further information)
<i>Derivatives</i>	<p>The Fund's strategy may be fully or partially implemented with FX derivatives, for example via long and short positions in FX futures which provide returns linked to the movements in the assets underlying the futures contracts. The use of derivatives may expose the Fund to risks including counterparty default, legal and documentation risk, and the risk of increased sensitivity of the Fund's unit price to underlying market variables. The use of derivatives may have the effect of magnifying both gains and losses.</p> <p>Please refer to Section 6 for further information.</p>	Section 5.7 and 6
<i>Short selling</i>	<p>The Fund may enter into short positions, although it does not engage in short-selling physical assets. In taking short positions, the Fund bears the risk of an increase in the price of the investment over which the short position is taken. Such an increase could lead to a substantial loss for the Fund and ultimately, your investment.</p> <p>Please refer to Section 6 for further information.</p>	Section 5.6 and 6
<i>Withdrawals</i>	<p>Daily.</p> <p>Withdrawal requests must be received by 2pm on any Business Day to receive that day's unit price.</p> <p>See Section 7 for more information on making a withdrawal.</p>	Section 7

## 4. Who is managing the Fund?

### The Responsible Entity

#### Equity Trustees Limited

Equity Trustees Limited ABN 46 004 031 298 AFSL 240975, a subsidiary of EQT Holdings Limited ABN 22 607 797 615, which is a public company listed on the Australian Securities Exchange (ASX: EQT), is the Fund's responsible entity and issuer of this PDS. Established as a trustee and executorial service provider by a special Act of the Victorian Parliament in 1888, today Equity Trustees is a dynamic financial services institution which continues to grow the breadth and quality of products and services on offer.

Equity Trustees' responsibilities and obligations as the Fund's responsible entity are governed by the Fund's constitution ("Constitution"), the Corporations Act and general trust law. Equity Trustees has appointed Alpha Vista Investment Managers Pty Limited ACN 646 453 581 as the investment manager of the Fund. Equity Trustees has appointed a custodian to hold the assets of the Fund. The custodian has no supervisory role in relation to the operation of the Fund and is not responsible for protecting your interests.

### The Investment Manager

#### Alpha Vista Investment Managers Pty Limited

Alpha Vista is a data and technology driven investment manager using proprietary, sophisticated quantitative systematic processes to understand the formation and dispersion of financial market risk in real time for its application to alpha generation and risk management products and services.

Alpha Vista's artificial intelligence driven technologies are applied to a wide range of securities data across financial markets and non-market data. This data is interrogated and interpreted by the analytics in real-time, identifying risks developing at individual security, portfolio, industry, and market levels simultaneously.

#### Key Personnel

##### Manesh Nathoo

*Chairman and CEO*

Manesh Nathoo is the Founder of Alpha Vista and inventor of the Alpha Vista System. He has more than 25 years global business experience, 15+ years within asset consulting with a focus on developing bespoke data analytic, risk analytic and financial models that encompass quantitative, fundamental and technical analysis approaches for alpha generation and risk management.

Manesh has worked across numerous successful bespoke analytics platforms and is a recognised industry thought leader, having been hosted by regulators, exchanges, financial institutions and business forums to share insights on international trade, investment trends, analytics, modern securities analysis and valuation techniques.

He has 16 years post-graduate teaching in Applied Finance at FINSIA and later at Kaplan Professional, and was awarded "Practitioner of the Year" by Kaplan Institute for domain expertise in asset valuation.

##### Eric Sieglhoff

*Chief Investment Officer*

An investment management professional with 30 years of global industry experience within Financial Services, including Multi-Asset Strategy & Portfolio Management, Dynamic Asset Allocation, Quantitative Strategies, Risk & Diagnostics, Global Equities, Global Trading and Responsible & Sustainable Investing (ESG).

Past Directorships and Significant Roles include:

- CEO of Nanuk Asset Management (AU)
- Deputy Global CIO at NNIP Investment Partners (NL)
- CIO Asia Pacific at ING Investment Management (HK)
- CIO Macro Strategies & Implementation at ING Investment Management (AU)
- Head of Research at BNP Paribas, (AU)
- Chief Economist, Head of Economics & Strategy at Barclays de Zoette Wedd (AU)

Holding:

- Bachelor of Economics (Hons) University of Tasmania
- Advanced Management Programme INSEAD
- Graduate of the Australian Institute of Company Directors (GAICD)

The CIO is responsible for portfolio management of the Fund.

### The Custodian and Administrator

#### State Street Australia Limited

The Responsible Entity has appointed State Street to act as custodian and administrator for the Fund.

State Street holds legal title to the assets of the Fund. State Street has no supervisory role in relation to the operation of the Fund and is not responsible for protecting your interests.

State Street performs all general administrative tasks for the Fund, including keeping financial books and records and calculating the NAV of the Fund.

The Responsible Entity has entered into a custody and administration agreement with State Street, which governs the services that it will provided to Equity Trustees.

The Investment Manager may at any time, in consultation with the Responsible Entity, select any other custodian and/or administrator to serve as custodian and/or administrator to the Fund.

## 5. How the Fund invests

### 5.1 Investment Objective

The Fund aims to generate a return after fees and costs of 2% p.a. above Australian consumer price inflation over the medium to long term.

### 5.2. Investment Strategy

The Fund invests in the currency markets. The Fund's investment strategy leverages the Investment Manager's big-data and AI technology platform to quantitatively monitor and analyse currency markets in real-time. The investment process leads with real-time pattern recognition to determine currency regime states. This flows to real-time signal derivation and calibration for portfolio construction and systematic implementation of investment exposures within the G-10 currency complex.

Fund holdings may include cash, Spot FX, FX Options, FX Swaps, FX Forwards, FX Futures and options on FX Futures, positioning long and/or short. Each currency pair is typically equally weighted, for example in G10 foreign exchange, the 9 currency pairs have an absolute strategy weight of 11.11% each. Fund rebalancing back to strategy weights is conducted on a monthly basis.

In addition to portfolio risk management through construction, the self-adaptive signal further augments the risk management to minimise drawdown. Security loss limits are not applied (not

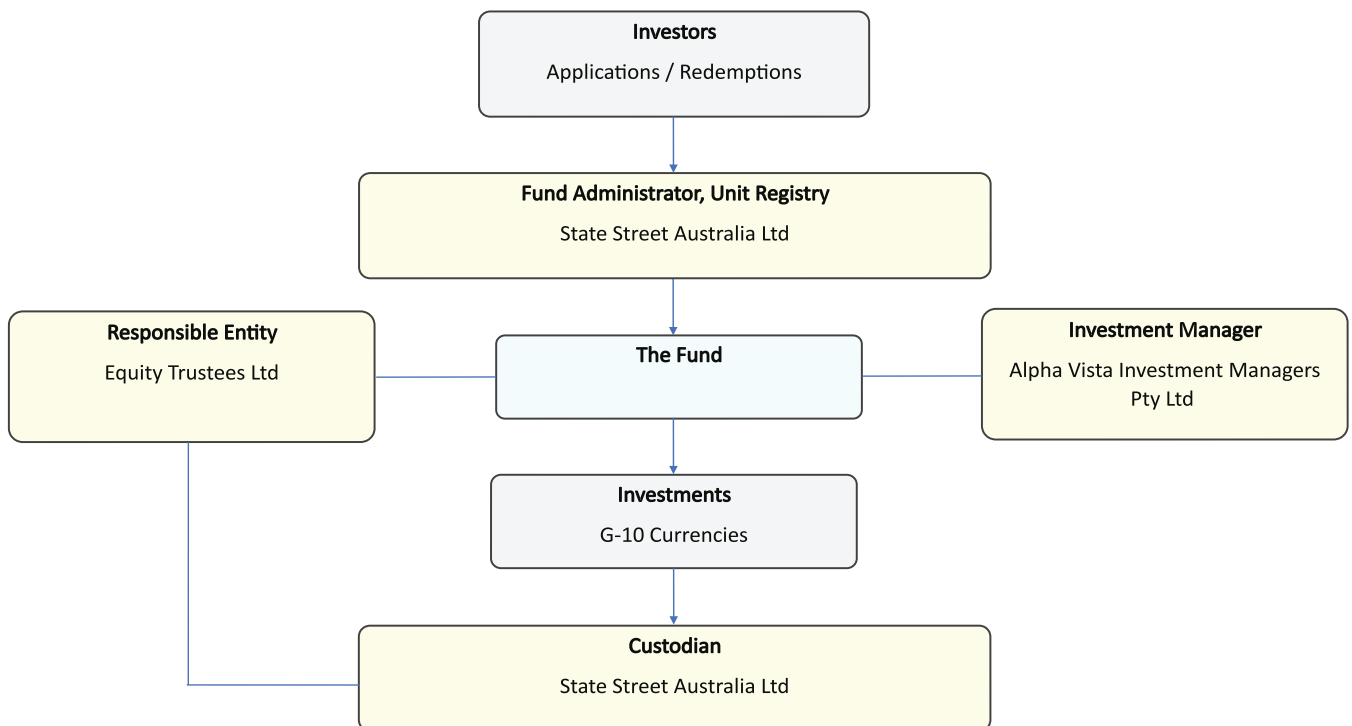
required) in the trading process as this is determined in the signal generation process. A key tenet of the platform is that it is focused on the real-time formation and dissipation of risk. Signals flow directly into portfolio construction and trade generation. The Fund may have gross market exposure (the sum of the combined long and short exposures of its long and short futures positions) in excess of 100% of the Fund's NAV. The maximum allowable leverage of the Fund is 250% of the Fund's NAV. Net exposure for the fund will be maintained at 100%.

Currency pair prices reflect the collaborative view of all participants in the market at any point of time. Accessing prices in real time, specifically by milliseconds in the currency market, allows for deep mathematical analysis of the data and its behaviour. Changes in currency pair prices are influenced by multiple economic, financial, political and behavioural factors.

Analysis using fractal mathematics and artificial intelligence identifies regime states in currency pairs. Feedback through reflexivity and self-reinforcing behavioural patterns amongst market participants is also reflected in currency pair prices and thereby into regime states. These states - comprising regime perturbation, regime change and regime reinforcement - are identified in real time, leading to currency pair signalling and currency transactions. Stress in financial markets is managed through complex currency pair interactions which reflect such disturbances as they occur in real time.

### 5.3. Fund Structure

The Fund is an Australian unlisted managed investment scheme structured as an open ended (ie non fixed term) unit trust, registered under the Corporations Act and falling within ASIC's policy concerning hedge funds.



The key providers to the Fund are:

- the Responsible Entity, Equity Trustees
- the Investment Manager, Alpha Vista Investment Managers
- the custodian and administrator, State Street
- the Fund's auditor, Ernst and Young
- the auditor of the Fund's compliance plans, Price Waterhouse Coopers.



They are all Australian companies retained under formal written agreements which require regular reporting and allow compliance and other checking. All arrangements are on at least arm's length terms. There are some common directors and shareholdings for the Investment Manager. Assets are held by State Street.

Risks of the structure are discussed in Section 6.

#### 5.4. Valuation, location and custody of assets

Equity Trustees has appointed an independent administrator, State Street, to provide custody and administration services for the Fund, including valuation services. Listed assets are valued from exchange provided prices. Non-exchange traded assets are independently valued by the Administrator in accordance with its pricing policy.

The Fund's assets are normally valued at their most recent market value, using pricing sources where available in accordance with industry standards. Futures are valued with reference to the exchange settlement price. Cash is valued at its face value.

Fund holdings include cash, Spot FX, FX Options, FX Swaps, FX Forwards, FX Futures and options on FX Futures, positioning long and/or short. Futures held by the Fund may be held or located in any jurisdiction worldwide and denominated in any G10 currency. Margins for the Fund's FX Futures are held with the futures clearing broker or futures exchanges and may be denominated in currencies other than Australian dollars.

The Fund may invest in any currency pair within the G10 currency complex:

- AUD – Australian Dollar,
- USD – US Dollar,
- EUR – Euro,
- GBP – British Pound,
- JPY – Japanese Yen,
- NZD – New Zealand Dollar,
- CAD – Canadian Dollar,
- SEK – Swedish Krona,
- NOK – Norwegian Krona, and
- CHF – Swiss Franc.

#### 5.5. Liquidity

The majority of assets which will be traded and held by the Fund are liquid. Equity Trustees reasonably expects in normal market conditions to realise at least 80% of the Fund's assets, at the value ascribed to those assets in calculating the Fund's NAV, within 10 days.

#### 5.6. Leverage

The Fund may use leverage, inherent in the use of FX derivatives to implement the investment strategy, although it does not physically borrow to leverage. The Fund does not enter into borrowing arrangements for investment purposes, in some cases short term credit facilities may be used as a means of managing certain cash flows. Leverage generally provides a much larger exposure to the underlying assets with a relatively small initial outlay. Accordingly, the Fund may have gross market exposure (the sum of the combined long and short exposures of its long and short futures positions) in excess of 100% of the Fund's NAV. The maximum allowable leverage of the Fund is 250% of the Fund's NAV, or gross market exposure of two and a half (2.5) times the Fund's NAV.

#### 5.7. Derivatives

The Fund's strategy may be fully or partially implemented with FX derivatives, for example via long and short positions in FX futures which provide returns linked to the movements in the

assets underlying the futures contracts. All of the Fund's derivatives counterparties must have, in the Investment Manager's reasonable opinion, sufficient expertise and experience in trading such financial instruments.

Fund holdings may include cash, Spot FX, FX Options, FX Swaps, FX Forwards, FX Futures and options on FX Futures, positioning long and/or short. The use of derivatives may expose the Fund to risks including counterparty default, legal and documentation risk, and the risk of increased sensitivity of the Fund's unit price to underlying market variables. The use of derivatives may have the effect of magnifying both gains and losses.

Derivatives are contracts between two parties that usually derive their value from the price of an asset, such as currencies. Currency derivatives involve an agreement to exchange between the parties two currencies at a future date and at an agreed exchange rate. Risks associated with derivatives include the possibility that the derivative position is difficult or costly to reverse, that there is an unanticipated movement in the underlying currency, or (primarily for over-the-counter derivatives) that the parties do not perform their obligations under the contract.

As financial instruments, derivatives are valued regularly and movements in the value of the underlying asset or index should be reflected in their value.

#### 5.8. Short Selling

The Fund may hold short FX derivative positions, although it does not engage in the short-selling of physical assets. In taking short positions, the Fund bears the risk of changes in the price of the underlying asset over which the short position is taken.

#### 5.9. Withdrawals

Daily. Withdrawal requests must be received by 2pm Sydney time on any Business Day to receive that day's redemption unit price, although there is discretion to reject or delay redemptions even if received by this time. Requests received after the cut-off time will generally receive the redemption price for the next Business Day. In some circumstances, investors may not be able to redeem their investment in the usual period or at all.

#### 5.10. Suggested investment timeframe

3-5 years or longer.

#### 5.11. Labour standards and environmental, social and ethical considerations

Not applicable to currency investment.

#### 5.12. Fund performance

Up to date information on the performance of the Fund can be obtained from [www.eqt.com.au/insto](http://www.eqt.com.au/insto). A free of charge paper copy of the information will also be available on request.

#### 5.13. Significant benefits of investing in the Fund

The Fund provides investors with the opportunity to access major currency markets with the expectation of delivering returns of 2% p.a. above Australian CPI over the medium to long term.

## 6. Managing risk

All investments carry risks. Different investment strategies may carry different levels of risk, depending on the assets acquired under the strategy. Assets with the highest long-term returns may also carry the highest level of short-term risk. The significant risks below should be considered in light of your risk profile when deciding whether to invest in the Fund. Your risk profile will vary depending on a range of factors, including your age, the investment time frame (how long you wish to invest for), your other investments or assets and your risk tolerance.

The Responsible Entity and the Investment Manager do not guarantee the liquidity of the Fund's investments, repayment of capital or any rate of return or the Fund's investment performance. The value of the Fund's investments will vary. Returns are not guaranteed and you may lose money by investing in the Fund. The level of returns will vary and future returns may differ from past returns. Laws affecting managed investment schemes may change in the future. The structure and administration of the Fund is also subject to change.

In addition, the Responsible Entity does not offer advice that takes into account your personal financial situation, including advice about whether the Fund is suitable for your circumstances. If you require personal financial or taxation advice, you should contact a licensed financial adviser and/or taxation adviser.

### Key Risks

#### Market risk

Global, regional and national markets influence the value of a currency relative to other currencies. In turn, many factors influence currency markets, including changes in economic, financial, technological, environmental, political or legal conditions, inflation, natural and man-made disasters, health, conflicts and changes in market sentiment.

#### Interest rate risk

Interest rate and currency valuations are intertwined. Interest rate movements impact on currency values. Interest rates are different in different markets and countries and can move quickly for many reasons, including not only those mentioned above but also changes in economic activity and Central Bank policies. Changes in Interest rates and the subsequent impact on currency values can negatively impact the value of assets in the portfolio.

#### Geographical risk

The Fund invests within the G-10 currency complex: AUD, USD, GBP, EUR, JPY, NZD, CAD, SEK, NOK and CHF. These are currencies from economically developed economies. The Fund does provide a measure of currency diversification, however the G-10 complex represents only a sub-set of tradeable currencies.

#### Concentration risk

Concentration risk is the risk that poor performance in a particular market or of a particular asset (for example, a currency position) may significantly affect the Fund. The Fund invests in developed market currencies within the G-10 currency complex. Positions are equally weighted across the number of FX pairs chosen for strategy implementation, for example 1/9th weighting for each FX pair in the case of 9 traded currencies. Generally, the fewer positions to which the Fund is exposed, the greater the overall volatility of the Fund. This may result in large movements in the unit price of the Fund within a short period of time.

#### Investment risk

The risk of an investment in the Fund is significantly higher than an investment in a typical bank account or fixed income investment. While the Fund's benchmark is Australian CPI and the Fund's objective is to exceed this benchmark by 2% p.a. over the medium to longer term, the Fund is not a cash fund and is not expected to behave like a cash investment. Amounts distributed to unitholders may fluctuate, as may the Fund's unit price. Changes in the prices of futures positions held by the Fund may result in loss of principal or large movements in the unit price of the Fund within short or long periods of time, including during the period between a redemption request or application for units being made and the time the redemption unit price or application unit price is calculated. Due to market risk (highlighted above) and the potential short term volatility of the Fund, investors should have a medium to long-term investment horizon.

#### Active currency risk

The Fund gains exposure to currencies through investment in cash, Spot FX, FX Options, FX Swaps, FX Forwards, FX Futures and options on FX Futures, positioning long and/or short. The active management of such transactions carries a significant degree of risk in that the markets in which foreign exchange transactions are effected are volatile (highlighted below), specialised and technical. Given the volatility in currency markets, there is no guarantee that active management will add to the value of your investment in the Fund. Significant changes, including changes in liquidity (highlighted below) and prices can also occur in such markets within very short periods of time, often within minutes.

Foreign exchange trading risks include, but are not limited to, exchange rate risk, price gaps, interest rate risk (highlighted above) and potential interference by foreign governments through intervention in local exchange markets, foreign investment or particular transactions in foreign currency. Adverse movements in exchange rates will result in the value of the Fund declining and this could happen over a short period of time.

#### Drawdown risk

The Fund may experience large cumulative losses, potentially over a short period of time, which may result in the Fund's unit price falling significantly below the price at which you invested, and therefore, result in a decline in the value of your investment in the Fund. This is referred to as a drawdown. There is no guarantee that the unit price will return to the level at which you invested. Performance fees are based on overall Fund performance and not the performance of any individual investment. You may therefore bear a share of a performance fee paid out of the Fund's assets even in circumstances where your investment in the Fund has fallen in value.

#### Volatility risk

The level of volatility potentially associated with an investment in this Fund is considered to be medium. The value of your investment can go up and down quickly, and significantly. Although the Investment Manager's Fund objective is to provide consistent returns over time, currencies by their nature can move quickly in value relative to each other, and often significantly.

The speed of change of value is influenced by many factors: often short term can affect currencies: for example, Government announcements, a natural disaster, an election result or the start of a war are all easily understood as influences on currency values. Accordingly, investors should take a medium term to long term view when considering investment – ie 3-5 years or longer.

## Liquidity risk

Typically, currency markets are liquid. However, investments may be difficult or impossible to sell, either due to factors specific to that investment, or to prevailing market conditions. Liquidity risk may mean that an asset is unable to be sold or an exposure is unable to be rebalanced within a timely period and at a fair price, potentially resulting in loss, delays in redemption processing, or even the suspension of redemptions. If there is a requirement to process a large redemption or application, the exposure of the Fund to particular investments may be altered significantly, as determined by the Investment Manager.

## Derivatives risk

The Fund's strategy may be fully or partially implemented with FX derivatives, for example via long and/or short positions in FX futures which provide returns linked to the movements in the assets underlying the futures contracts. All of the Fund's derivatives counterparties must have, in the Investment Manager's reasonable opinion, sufficient expertise and experience in trading such financial instruments. The use of derivatives may expose the Fund to risks including counterparty default, legal and documentation risk, and the risk of increased sensitivity of the Fund's unit price to underlying market variables. The use of derivatives may have the effect of magnifying both gains and losses.

Derivatives are contracts between two parties that usually derive their value from the price of an asset, such as currencies. Currency derivatives involve an agreement to exchange between the parties two currencies at a future date and at an agreed exchange rate. Risks associated with derivatives include the possibility that the derivative position is difficult or costly to reverse, that there is an unanticipated movement in the underlying currency, or (primarily for over-the-counter derivatives) that the parties do not perform their obligations under the contract. As financial instruments, derivatives are valued regularly and movements in the value of the underlying asset or index should be reflected in their value.

## Leverage risk

Leverage arises in the Fund through taking both long and short futures positions which are larger in size than the net asset value (NAV) of the Fund. The Fund may take leveraged positions with the aim of increasing returns, however these leveraged positions can also lead to increased losses and it may mean that gains and/or losses in the Fund may be significantly greater than those in funds that are not leveraged. The Fund's maximum allowable leverage, measured as the sum of long and short exposures, is 250% of Fund NAV.

## Short position risk

The Fund may enter into short positions, although it does not engage in short-selling corporate assets such as equity securities. In taking short positions, the Fund bears the risk of an increase in the price of the investment over which the short position is taken. Such an increase could lead to a substantial loss for the Fund and ultimately, your investment. While losses on a long position are limited, losses on a short position are potentially unlimited as the price of the asset underlying the short position has no theoretical upper limit. Such an increase could lead to a substantial loss.

## Collateral risk

The Fund enters into derivatives arrangements that require it to deliver collateral relating to all derivative (including OTC) instruments traded. As such, the Fund will be exposed to the following additional risks:

- The Fund will need to have sufficient liquid assets to satisfy an obligation to post initial or variation margin/collateral. Failure to do so may give the counterparty a right to terminate.
- The Fund will be subject to the credit risk of the counterparty and if the counterparty becomes insolvent at a time it holds margin/collateral posted with it by the Fund, the Fund will be an unsecured creditor of the counterparty and will rank behind other preferred creditors such as secured creditors and other creditors mandatorily preferred by law.

## Valuation risk

This is the risk that the value of the Fund's underlying investments, as obtained from independent valuation sources, may not accurately reflect the realisable value of those investments. The Fund trades currency contracts with rates set almost instantaneously on an ongoing basis.

## Default risk

The Fund will be exposed to default risk of parties with whom it trades or invests or that provide services to the Fund where such parties fail to comply with their obligations (including payment obligations) or become insolvent. Such parties may include derivative counterparties, brokers (including clearing brokers and prime brokers), exchanges and clearing houses, the Investment Manager and custodian. Certain agreements may also seek to limit or exclude certain liability or types of loss including in circumstances where there has been a default by that party. The Fund may bear the risk of loss in the event of the default or insolvency of such parties. It is important to understand that these exclusions are sometimes greater for alternative investment strategies, such as the Fund's strategy, than they are for traditional investment strategies.

## Manager risk

There is no guarantee that the Fund will achieve its performance objectives, produce returns that are positive, or compare favourably against its peers. Many factors can negatively impact the Investment Manager's ability to generate returns from its investment process (for example, loss of key staff). The growth in assets managed in accordance with similar investment strategies may result in the Investment Manager and other market participants inadvertently buying and selling the same or similar investments simultaneously, which may reduce liquidity and exacerbate market movements. The Fund may then be subject to an increased risk of suffering substantial losses. In addition, the Investment Manager may change its investment strategies and internal trading guidelines over time, and there is no guarantee that such changes would produce favourable outcomes.

## Model risk

The Investment Manager's strategy is implemented through a proprietary data and technology driven modelling platform that has strong emphasis on empirical research on historical data. To the extent that a market deviates from its accustomed response to an event (regime) or the event (regime) itself is unusual, extreme or never before experienced events by the market, the value of a research-based methodology may lessen. Mathematical models are representations of reality but they may be incomplete and/or flawed and there is an inherent risk that derivations from them may be inaccurate. As a result, the Investment Manager's investment approach may not

successfully identify advantages leading to profits over time or may result in the Fund investing in positions that lead to losses. This may have an adverse effect on the performance of the Fund.

### **Risks related to alternative investment strategies**

The investment strategy for the Fund can be characterised as an 'alternative investment strategy'. Alternative investment strategies may be exposed to additional risks when compared to traditional investment strategies, for example a long-only equity strategy. Alternative investment strategies may display more pronounced reactions to events such as macroeconomic shocks, may be influenced by events that do not affect more traditional asset classes, may fail to generate performance in a consistent manner, may cease to perform temporarily, or permanently, resulting in an inability to generate positive returns, or to recover prior losses. Alternative investment strategies may also exhibit more correlation to traditional markets in the future than the strategy may have exhibited historically and therefore, may fail to provide the expected level of portfolio diversification.

### **Structure risk**

This is the risk associated with having someone invest for you. Risks associated with investing in the Fund include that the Fund could be terminated, there can be changes in the parties responsible (for example if key individuals were no longer involved, someone involved with your investment (even remotely) does not meet their obligations or perform as expected, assets may be lost, not recorded properly or misappropriated, laws may adversely change, insurers may not pay when expected or insurance may be inadequate. There can be unexpected application of a law or regulation, contracts may not be legally enforceable or may be documented inadequately.

### **Technology risk**

This is the risk that the Fund relies on a platform and process which is highly technology dependent. If the platform was down for some reason, for example a technical glitch, bug, cyber security or other outage that causes systems and data feeds to fail, then the Fund can take losses.

### **Managing risk**

Risk cannot be entirely avoided when investing. The Investment Manager aims to identify all significant investment risk.

Whenever investments are made, the potential for returns in light of risks involved is carefully assessed. Risk is considered at every stage and level of the investment process and is managed as far as is reasonable and practicable. Notwithstanding this, some risks may be difficult or impracticable to manage effectively, in essence beyond reasonable or practicable management, for example during extreme unforeseeable natural or man-made disasters.

### **Pandemic and other unforeseen event risk**

Health crises, such as pandemic and epidemic diseases, as well as other catastrophes that interrupt the expected course of events, such as natural disasters, war or civil disturbance, acts of terrorism, power outages and other unforeseeable and external events, and the public response to or fear of such diseases or events, have and may in the future have an adverse effect on the economies and financial markets either in specific countries or worldwide and consequently on the value of the Fund's currency investments. Further, under such circumstances the operations, including functions such as trading and valuation, of the Investment Manager, and associated service providers could be reduced, delayed, suspended or otherwise disrupted.

### **Risk generally**

Investing in managed investment schemes generally includes the risks that:

- the value of investments will vary,
- the level of returns will vary, and future returns will differ from past returns,
- returns are not guaranteed and investors may lose some or all of their money, and
- laws change.

The level of risk for you particularly will vary depending on a range of factors, including age, investment time frame, how other parts of your wealth are invested and your risk tolerance. If you are unsure whether this investment is suitable for you, we recommend you consult a financial adviser. If you have questions about the Fund, feel free to contact the Investment Manager.

Further information about the risks of investing in managed investment schemes can be found on ASIC's MoneySmart website at [moneysmart.gov.au](http://moneysmart.gov.au).



## 7. Investing and withdrawing

### Applying for units

You can acquire units by completing the Application Form that accompanies this PDS. The minimum initial investment amount for the Fund is \$20,000 or more or a lesser sum at our discretion.

Completed Application Forms should be sent along with your identification documents (if applicable) to:

State Street Australia Limited  
Unit Registry  
Level 14, 420 George Street  
Sydney NSW 2000

Please note that cash cannot be accepted.

We reserve the right to accept or reject applications in whole or in part at our discretion. We have the discretion to delay processing applications where we believe this to be in the best interest of the Fund's investors.

The price at which units are acquired is determined in accordance with the Constitution ("Application Price"). The Application Price on a Business Day is, in general terms, equal to the Net Asset Value ("NAV") of the Fund, divided by the number of units on issue and adjusted for transaction costs ("Buy Spread"). At the date of this PDS, the Buy Spread is 0.20%.

The Application Price will vary as the market value of assets in the Fund rises or falls.

### Application cut-off times

If we receive a correctly completed Application Form, identification documents (if applicable) and cleared application money:

- before or at 2.00pm on a Business Day and your application for units is accepted, you will receive the Application Price calculated for that Business Day; or
- after 2.00pm on a Business Day and your application for units is accepted, you will receive the Application Price calculated for the next Business Day.

We will only start processing an application if:

- we consider that you have correctly completed the Application Form;
- you have provided us with the relevant identification documents if required; and
- we have received the application money (in cleared funds) stated in your Application Form.

We reserve the right to accept or reject applications in whole or in part at our discretion. We have the discretion to delay processing applications where we believe this to be in the best interest of the Fund's investors.

### Additional applications

You can make additional investments into the Fund at any time by sending us your additional investment amount together with a completed Application Form. There is no minimum applicable for additional investments into the Fund.

### Terms and conditions for applications

Applications can be made at any time. Application cut-off times and unit pricing are set out in the initial applications section above.

Please note that we do not pay interest on application monies (any interest is credited to the Fund).

Equity Trustees reserves the right to refuse any application without giving a reason. If for any reason Equity Trustees refuses or is unable to process your application to invest in the Fund, Equity Trustees will return your application money to you,

subject to regulatory considerations, less any taxes or bank fees in connection with the application. You will not be entitled to any interest on your application money in this circumstance.

Under the Anti-Money Laundering and Counter-Terrorism Financing Act 2006, applications made without providing all the information and supporting identification documentation requested on the Application Form cannot be processed until all the necessary information has been provided. As a result, delays in processing your application may occur.

### Cooling-off period

If you are a Retail Client who has invested directly in the Fund, you may have a right to a 'cooling off' period in relation to your investment in the Fund for 14 days from the earlier of:

- confirmation of the investment being received; and
- the end of the fifth business day after the units are issued.

A Retail Client may exercise this right by notifying Equity Trustees in writing. A Retail Client is entitled to a refund of their investment adjusted for any increase or decrease in the relevant Application Price between the time we process your application and the time we receive the notification from you, as well as any other tax and other reasonable administrative expenses and transaction costs associated with the acquisition and termination of the investment.

The right of a Retail Client to cool off does not apply in certain limited situations, such as if the issue is made under a distribution reinvestment plan, switching facility or represents additional contributions required under an existing agreement. Also, the right to cool off does not apply to you if you choose to exercise your rights or powers as a unit holder in the Fund during the 14 day period. This could include selling part of your investment or switching it to another product.

Indirect Investors should seek advice from their IDPS Operator as to whether cooling off rights apply to an investment in the Fund by the IDPS. The right to cool off in relation to the Fund is not directly available to an Indirect Investor. This is because an Indirect Investor does not acquire the rights of a unit holder in the Fund. Rather, an Indirect Investor directs the IDPS Operator to arrange for their monies to be invested in the Fund on their behalf. The terms and conditions of the IDPS Guide or similar type document will govern an Indirect Investor's investment in relation to the Fund and any rights an Indirect Investor may have in this regard.

### Making a withdrawal

Investors in the Fund can generally withdraw their investment by completing a written request to withdraw from the Fund and mailing it to:

State Street Australia Limited  
Unit Registry  
Level 14, 420 George Street  
Sydney NSW 2000

Or sending it by fax to +61 2 9323 6411

The minimum withdrawal amount is \$5,000.00 or more or a lesser sum at our discretion. Once we receive your withdrawal request, we may act on your instruction without further enquiry if the instruction bears your account number or investor details and your (apparent) signature(s), or your authorised signatory's (apparent) signature(s).

Equity Trustees will generally allow an investor to access their investment within 3 Business Days of receipt of a withdrawal request by transferring the withdrawal proceeds to such investors' nominated bank account. However, the Constitution

allows Equity Trustees to reject withdrawal requests and also to make payment up to 30 days after acceptance of a request (which may be extended in certain circumstances).

The price at which units are withdrawn is determined in accordance with the Constitution ("Withdrawal Price"). The Withdrawal Price on a Business Day is, in general terms, equal to the NAV of the Fund, divided by the number of units on issue and adjusted for transaction costs ("Sell Spread"). At the date of this PDS, the Sell Spread is 0.20%. The Withdrawal Price will vary as the market value of assets in the Fund rises or falls.

Equity Trustees reserves the right to fully redeem your investment if your investment balance in the Fund falls below the minimum balance as a result of processing your withdrawal request. This Fund does not have a minimum balance. Equity Trustees can deny a withdrawal request or suspend consideration of a withdrawal request in certain circumstances, including where accepting the request is not in the best interests of investors in the Fund or where the Fund is not liquid (as defined in the Corporations Act). When the Fund is not liquid, an investor can only withdraw when Equity Trustees makes a withdrawal offer to investors in accordance with the Corporations Act. Equity Trustees is not obliged to make such offers.

If you are an Indirect Investor, you need to provide your withdrawal request directly to your IDPS Operator. The time to process a withdrawal request will depend on the particular IDPS Operator and the terms of the IDPS.

### Withdrawal cut-off times

If we receive a withdrawal request:

- before 2.00pm on a Business Day and your withdrawal request is accepted, you will receive the Withdrawal Price calculated for that Business Day; or
- on or after 2.00pm on a Business Day and your withdrawal request is accepted, you will receive the Withdrawal Price calculated for the next Business Day.

We reserve the right to accept or reject withdrawal requests in whole or in part at our discretion. We have the discretion to delay processing withdrawal requests where we believe this to be in the best interest of the Fund's investors.

### Access to funds

Except where the Fund is not liquid (see below), the Responsible Entity will generally allow investors to access their funds within 3 Business Days of receipt of a Redemption Request Form for the relevant amount.

However, the Constitution of the Fund allows the Responsible Entity to make payment up to 30 days after receipt of a Redemption Request Form, and this period can be extended at the discretion of Equity Trustees in accordance with the Constitution.

The Responsible Entity reserves the right to postpone the processing and payment of withdrawals for the Fund subject to the above extensions of time.

Where the Fund is not liquid (as defined in the Corporations Act) an investor does not have a right to withdraw from the Fund and can only withdraw where the Responsible Entity makes a withdrawal offer to investors in accordance with the Corporations Act. The Responsible Entity is not obliged to make such offers. The Fund will cease to be liquid if less than 80% of its assets are liquid assets. Broadly, liquid assets are money in an account or on deposit with a financial institution, bank accepted bills, marketable securities, other prescribed property and other

assets that the Responsible Entity reasonably expects can be realised for their market value within the period specified in the Constitution for satisfying withdrawal requests while the Fund is liquid.

### Terms and conditions for withdrawals

The minimum withdrawal amount in the Fund is \$5,000.00 or more or a lesser sum at our discretion. Where a withdrawal request takes the balance below the minimum level of nil, the Responsible Entity may require you to redeem the remaining balance of your investment. Equity Trustees has the right to change the minimum holding amount.

The Responsible Entity can deny a withdrawal request in whole or in part. Equity Trustees will refuse to comply with any withdrawal request if the requesting party does not satisfactorily identify themselves as the investor. Withdrawal payments will not be made to third parties (including authorised nominees), and will only be paid directly to the investor's bank account held in the name of the investor at a branch of an Australian domiciled bank. By lodging a facsimile or email withdrawal request the investor releases, discharges and agrees to indemnify Equity Trustees from and against any and all losses, liabilities, actions, proceedings, account claims and demands arising from any facsimile or email withdrawal request.

You also agree that any payment made in accordance with the fax or email instructions shall be in complete satisfaction of the obligations of Equity Trustees, notwithstanding any fact or circumstance including that the payment was made without your knowledge or authority.

When you are withdrawing, you should take note of the following:

- We are not responsible or liable if you do not receive, or are late in receiving, any withdrawal money that is paid according to your instructions.
- We may contact you to check your details before processing your Redemption Request Form. This may cause a delay in finalising payment of your withdrawal money. No interest is payable for any delay in finalising payment of your withdrawal money.
- If we cannot satisfactorily identify you as the withdrawing investor, we may refuse or reject your withdrawal request or payment of your withdrawal proceeds will be delayed. We are not responsible for any loss you consequently suffer.
- As an investor who is withdrawing, you agree that any payment made according to instructions received by post, courier, fax or email, shall be a complete satisfaction of our obligations, despite any fact or circumstances such as the payment being made without your knowledge or authority.

You agree that if the payment is made according to all the terms and conditions for withdrawals set out in this PDS, you and any person claiming through or under you, shall have no claim against Equity Trustees or the Investment Manager in relation to the payment. Investors will be notified of any material change to their withdrawal rights (such as any suspension of their withdrawal rights) in writing.

### Distributions

An investor's share of any distributable income is calculated in accordance with the Constitution and is generally based on the number of units held by the investor at the end of the distribution period.

The Fund usually distributes income annually in June. Distributions are calculated effective the last day of the distribution period and are normally paid to investors as soon as practicable after the distribution calculation date.

Investors in the Fund can indicate a preference to have their distribution:

- reinvested back into the Fund; or
- directly credited to their Australian domiciled bank account.

Investors who do not indicate a preference will have their distributions automatically reinvested. Applications for reinvestment will be taken to be received immediately prior to the next Business Day after the relevant distribution period. There is no Buy Spread on distributions that are reinvested.

In some circumstances, the Constitution may allow for an investor's withdrawal proceeds to be taken to include a component of distributable income.

Indirect Investors should review their IDPS Guide for information on how and when they receive any income distribution.

## Valuation of the Fund

The value of the investments of the Fund is generally determined daily. The value of a unit is determined by the Net Asset Value (NAV). This is calculated by deducting from the gross value of the Fund assets the value of the liabilities of the Fund (not including any unitholder liability). Generally, investments will be valued on each Business Day at their market value but other valuation methods and policies may be applied by Equity Trustees if appropriate or if otherwise required by law or applicable accounting standards. The Application Price of a unit in the Fund is based on the NAV divided by the number of units on issue. The Responsible Entity can also make an allowance for transaction costs required for buying investments when an investor acquires units; this is known as the Buy Spread.

The Withdrawal Price of a unit in the Fund is based on the NAV divided by the number of units on issue. The Responsible Entity can also make an allowance for transaction costs required for selling investments when an investor makes a withdrawal; this is known as the Sell Spread.

The Buy/Sell Spread can be altered by the Responsible Entity at any time and [www.eqt.com.au/insto](http://www.eqt.com.au/insto) will be updated as soon as practicable to reflect any change.

Refer to Section 9 for additional information.

## Joint account operation

For joint accounts, each signatory must sign withdrawal requests. Please ensure both signatories sign the declaration in the Application Form. Joint accounts will be held as joint tenants.

## Authorised signatories

You can appoint a person, partnership or company as your authorised signatory. To do so, please nominate them on the

initial Application Form and have them sign the relevant sections. If a company is appointed, the powers extend to any director and officer of the company. If a partnership is appointed, the powers extend to all partners. Such appointments will only be cancelled or changed once we receive written instructions from you to do so.

Once appointed, your authorised signatory has full access to operate your investment account for and on your behalf. This includes the following:

- making additional investments;
- requesting income distribution instructions to be changed;
- withdrawing all or part of your investment;
- changing bank account details;
- enquiring and obtaining copies of the status of your investment; and
- having online account access to your investment.

If you do appoint an authorised signatory:

- you are bound by their acts;
- you release, discharge and indemnify us from and against any losses, liabilities, actions, proceedings, account claims and demands arising from instructions received from your authorised representatives; and
- you agree that any instructions received from your authorised representative shall be complete satisfaction of our obligations, even if the instructions were made without your knowledge or authority.

## Electronic instructions

If an investor instructs Equity Trustees by electronic means, such as facsimile, email or internet, the investor releases Equity Trustees from and indemnifies Equity Trustees against, all losses and liabilities arising from any payment or action Equity Trustees makes based on any instruction (even if not genuine) that Equity Trustees receives by an electronic communication bearing the investor's investor code and which appears to indicate to Equity Trustees that the communication has been provided by the investor e.g. a signature which is apparently the investor's and that of an authorised signatory for the investment or an email address which is apparently the investor's. The investor also agrees that neither they nor anyone claiming through them has any claim against Equity Trustees or the Fund in relation to such payments or actions. There is a risk that a fraudulent withdrawal request can be made by someone who has access to an investor's investor code and a copy of their signature or email address. Please take care.

## 8. Keeping track of your investment

### Complaints resolution

Equity Trustees has an established complaints handling process and is committed to properly considering and resolving all complaints. If you have a complaint about your investment, please contact us on:

Phone: 1300 133 472  
Post: Equity Trustees Limited  
GPO Box 2307, Melbourne VIC 3001  
Email: [compliance@eqt.com.au](mailto:compliance@eqt.com.au)

We will acknowledge receipt of the complaint within 1 Business Day or as soon as possible after receiving the complaint. We will seek to resolve your complaint as soon as practicable but not more than 30 calendar days after receiving the complaint.

If you are not satisfied with our response to your complaint, you may be able to lodge a complaint with the Australian Financial Complaints Authority ("AFCA").

Contact details are:  
Online: [www.afca.org.au](http://www.afca.org.au)  
Phone: 1800 931 678  
Email: [info@afca.org.au](mailto:info@afca.org.au)  
Post: GPO Box 3, Melbourne VIC 3001.

The external dispute resolution body is established to assist you in resolving your complaint where you have been unable to do so with us. However, it's important that you contact us first.

### Reports

We will make the following statements available to all investors;

- A transaction confirmation statement, showing a change in your unit holding (provided when a transaction occurs or on request).
- The Fund's annual audited accounts for each period ended 30 June.
- Annual distribution, tax and confirmation of holdings statements for each period ended 30 June.
- Annual report detailing each of the following:
  - the actual allocation to each asset type;
  - the liquidity profile of the portfolio assets as at the end of the period;
  - the maturity profile of the liabilities as at the end of the period;
  - the derivative counterparties engaged (including capital protection providers); and
  - the leverage ratio (including leverage embedded in the assets of the Fund, other than listed equities and bonds) as at the end of the period;
  - the key service providers if they have changed since the latest report given to investors, including any change in their related party status.

The latest annual report will be available online from [www.eqt.com.au/insto](http://www.eqt.com.au/insto).

The following information is available on Alpha Vista's website and/or is disclosed monthly:

- the current total NAV of the Fund and the withdrawal value of a unit in each class of units as at the date the NAV was calculated;
- the monthly or annual investment returns over at least a five-year period (or, if the Fund has not been operating for five years, the returns since its inception);
- any change to key service providers if they have changed since last report given to investors;
- for each of the following matters since the last report on those matters:
  - the net return on the Fund's assets after fees, costs and taxes;
  - any material change in the Fund's risk profile;
  - any material change in the Fund's strategy; and
  - any change in the individuals playing a key role in investment decisions for the Fund.

By applying to invest in the Fund, you agree that, to the extent permitted by law, any periodic information which is required to be given to you under the Corporations Act or ASIC policy can be given to you by making that information available on Equity Trustees' or the Investment Manager's website.

Please note that Indirect Investors who access the Fund through an IDPS will receive reports directly from the IDPS Operator and not from the Responsible Entity. However, Equity Trustees will be providing the reports described above to relevant IDPS Operators. Indirect Investors should refer to their IDPS Guide for information on the reports they will receive regarding their investment.

If and when the Fund has 100 or more direct investors, it will be classified by the Corporations Act as a 'disclosing entity'. As a disclosing entity the Fund will be subject to regular reporting and disclosure obligations. Investors would have a right to obtain a copy, free of charge, of any of the following documents:

- the most recent annual financial report lodged with ASIC ("Annual Report");
- any subsequent half yearly financial report lodged with ASIC after the lodgement of the Annual Report; and
- any continuous disclosure notices lodged with ASIC after the Annual Report but before the date of this PDS.

Equity Trustees will comply with any continuous disclosure obligation by lodging documents with ASIC as and when required.

Copies of these documents lodged with ASIC in relation to the Fund may be obtained through ASIC's website at [www.asic.gov.au](http://www.asic.gov.au).



## 9. Fees and other costs

### DID YOU KNOW?

Small differences in both investment performance and fees and costs can have a substantial impact on your long-term returns.

For example, total annual fees and costs of 2% of your investment balance rather than 1% could reduce your final return by up to 20% over a 30-year period (for example, reduce it from \$100,000 to \$80,000).

You should consider whether features such as superior investment performance or the provision of better member services justify higher fees and costs.

You may be able to negotiate to pay lower fees. Ask the fund or your financial adviser.

### TO FIND OUT MORE

If you would like to find out more, or see the impact of the fees based on your own circumstances, the **Australian Securities and Investments Commission (ASIC) Moneysmart website** ([www.moneysmart.gov.au](http://www.moneysmart.gov.au)) has a managed funds fee calculator to help you check out different fee options.

### Fees and other costs

This section shows fees and other costs that you may be charged. These fees and costs may be deducted from your money, from the returns on your investment or from the assets of the managed investment scheme as a whole.

Taxes are set out in another part of this document. You should read all the information about fees and costs because it is important to understand their impact on your investment.

### Fees and Costs Summary

Alpha Vista FX Absolute Return Fund		
Type of fee or cost	Amount	How and when paid
<b>Ongoing annual fees and costs<sup>1</sup></b>		
<i>Management fees and costs</i> The fees and costs for managing your investment	1.10% of the NAV of the Fund <sup>2</sup>	The management fees component of management fees and costs are accrued daily and paid from the Fund monthly in arrears and reflected in the unit price. Otherwise, the fees and costs are variable and deducted and reflected in the unit price of the Fund as they are incurred. The management fees component of management fees and costs can be negotiated. Please see "Differential fees" in the "Additional Explanation of Fees and Costs" for further information.
<i>Performance fees</i> Amounts deducted from your investment in relation to the performance of the product	0.75% of the NAV of the Fund <sup>3</sup>	Performance fees are calculated daily and paid annually in arrears from the Fund and reflected in the unit price.
<i>Transaction costs</i> The costs incurred by the scheme when buying or selling assets	0.28% of the NAV of the Fund <sup>2</sup>	Transaction costs are variable and deducted from the Fund as they are incurred and reflected in the unit price. They are disclosed net of amounts recovered by the buy-sell spread.
<b>Member activity related fees and costs (fees for services or when your money moves in or out of the scheme)</b>		
<i>Establishment fee</i> The fee to open your investment	Not applicable	Not applicable
<i>Contribution fee</i> The fee on each amount contributed to your investment	Not applicable	Not applicable

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<p><i>Buy-sell spread</i></p> <p>An amount deducted from your investment representing costs incurred in transactions by the scheme</p>	0.20% upon entry and 0.20% upon exit	These costs are an additional cost to the investor but are incorporated into the unit price and arise when investing application monies and funding withdrawals from the Fund and are not separately charged to the investor. The Buy Spread is paid into the Fund as part of an application and the Sell Spread is left in the Fund as part of a redemption.
<p><i>Withdrawal fee</i></p> <p>The fee on each amount you take out of your investment</p>	Not applicable	Not applicable
<p><i>Exit fee</i></p> <p>The fee to close your investment</p>	Not applicable	Not applicable
<p><i>Switching fee</i></p> <p>The fee for changing investment options</p>	Not applicable	Not applicable

<sup>1</sup> All fees quoted above are inclusive of Goods and Services Tax (GST) and net of any Reduced Input Tax Credits (RITC). See below for more details as to how the relevant fees and costs are calculated.

<sup>2</sup> The indirect costs component of management fees and costs and transaction costs is based on a reasonable estimate of the costs for the current financial year to date, adjusted to reflect a 12 month period. Please see "Additional Explanation of Fees and Costs" below.

<sup>3</sup> This represents the performance fee of the Fund which is payable as an expense of the Fund to the Investment Manager. The performance fee is calculated by reference to a reasonable estimate of the performance fee for the current financial year, adjusted to reflect a 12-month period. See "Performance fees" below for more information.

## Additional Explanation of Fees and Costs

### Management fees and costs

The management fees and costs include amounts payable for administering and operating the Fund, investing the assets of the Fund, expenses and reimbursements in relation to the Fund and indirect costs if applicable.

Management fees and costs do not include performance fees or transaction costs, which are disclosed separately.

The management fees component of management fees and costs of 1.00% p.a. of the NAV of the Fund is payable to the Responsible Entity of the Fund for managing the assets and overseeing the operations of the Fund. The management fees component is accrued daily and paid from the Fund monthly in arrears and reflected in the unit price. As at the date of this PDS, the management fees component covers certain ordinary expenses such as Responsible Entity fees, investment management fees, custodian fees, and administration and audit fees.

The indirect costs and other expenses component of 0.10% p.a. of the NAV of the Fund may include other ordinary expenses of operating the Fund, as well as management fees and costs (if any) arising from interposed vehicles in or through which the Fund invests and the costs of investing in over-the-counter derivatives to gain investment exposure to assets or implement the Fund's investment strategy. The indirect costs and other expenses component is variable and reflected in the unit price of the Fund as the relevant fees and costs are incurred. They are borne by investors, but they are not paid to the Responsible Entity or Investment Manager. The indirect costs and other expenses component is based on a reasonable estimate of the costs for the current financial year to date, adjusted to reflect a 12 month period.

In relation to the costs that have been estimated, they have been estimated on the basis of the expected seeding investments.

Actual indirect costs for the current and future years may differ. If in future there is an increase to indirect costs disclosed in this PDS, updates will be provided on Equity Trustees' website at [www.eqt.com.au/insto](http://www.eqt.com.au/insto) where they are not otherwise required to be disclosed to investors under law.

### Performance fees

Performance fees include amounts that are calculated by reference to the performance of the Fund. The performance fees for the Fund are 0.75% of the NAV of the Fund. As the Fund is first offered in the current financial year, the performance fee figure that is disclosed in the Fees and Costs Summary is calculated by reference to a reasonable estimate of the performance fee for the current financial year, adjusted to reflect a 12 month period.

The performance fee estimate is based on back testing of the investment strategy, the targeted performance of the Fund and the expected seed investment.

A performance fee is payable to the Investment Manager where the investment performance of the Fund based on NAV exceeds CPI plus 2% p.a. or 4%p.a. (whichever is the higher) subject to a high water mark. The performance fee is 15% of this outperformance and is accrued daily in the unit price and paid annually in arrears from the Fund.

Please note that the performance fees disclosed in the Fees and Costs Summary is not a forecast as the actual performance fee for the current and future financial years may differ. The Responsible Entity cannot guarantee that performance fees will remain at their previous level or that the performance of the Fund will outperform the Benchmark.

It is not possible to estimate the actual performance fee payable in any given period, as we cannot forecast what the performance of the Fund will be. Information on current performance fees will be updated from time to time and available at [www.eqt.com.au/insto](http://www.eqt.com.au/insto).

## Performance fee example

The example below is provided for illustrative purposes only and does not represent any actual or prospective performance of the Fund. We do not provide any assurance that the Fund will achieve the performance used in the example and you should not rely on this example in determining whether to invest in the Fund.

The following is an example of the performance fee expense for a 12 month period ending 30 June ("Performance Fee Period") payable on units of the Fund.

Assumptions:

- The percentage movement in the CPI plus 2% p.a. from to the end of the Performance Fee Period is 6% which is higher than the alternative hurdle of 4% p.a.
- The Fund's investment return after deduction of management fees, but before any performance fee accrual for the Performance Fee Period is 8%.
- There is no negative performance fee amounts for previous Performance Fee Periods to be carried forward.

On the basis of the above assumptions and if the Fund NAV (after deduction of management costs, but excluding any performance fee accrual) attributable to an investor's units was \$50,000, the performance fee expense in respect of those units would be approximately \$150 (8% Fund net return less 6% Benchmark return = 2% outperformance x 15%).

Please note that the 'investment return' specified in this example:

- is only an example to assist investors to understand the effect of the performance fee expense on the investment return of the Fund; and
- is not a forecast of the expected investment return for the Fund

## Transaction costs

In managing the assets of the Fund, the Fund may incur transaction costs such as brokerage, buy-sell spreads in respect of the underlying investments of the Fund, settlement costs, clearing costs and applicable stamp duty when assets are bought and sold. Transaction costs also include costs incurred by interposed vehicles in which the Fund invests (if any), that would have been transaction costs if they had been incurred by the Fund itself. Transaction costs are an additional cost to the investor where they are not recovered by the Buy/Sell Spread, and are generally incurred when the assets of the Fund are changed in connection with day-to-day trading or when there are applications or withdrawals which cause net cash flows into or out of the Fund.

The Buy/Sell Spread that is disclosed in the Fees and Costs Summary is a reasonable estimate of transaction costs that the Fund will incur when buying or selling assets of the Fund. These costs are an additional cost to the investor but are incorporated into the unit price and arise when investing application monies and funding withdrawals from the Fund and are not separately

## Example of annual fees and costs for an investment option

This table gives an example of how the ongoing annual fees and costs in the investment option for this product can affect your investment over a 1-year period. You should use this table to compare this product with other products offered by managed investment schemes.

EXAMPLE – Alpha Vista FX Absolute Return Fund		
BALANCE OF \$50,000 WITH A CONTRIBUTION OF \$5,000 DURING THE YEAR		
Contribution Fees	Nil	For every additional \$5,000 you put in, you will be charged \$0

charged to the investor. The Buy Spread is paid into the Fund as part of an application and the Sell Spread is left in the Fund as part of a redemption and not paid to Equity Trustees or the Investment Manager. The estimated Buy/Sell Spread is 0.20% upon entry and 0.20% upon exit. The dollar value of these costs based on an application or a withdrawal of \$20,000 is \$40 for each individual transaction. The Buy/Sell Spread can be altered by the Responsible Entity at any time and [www.eqt.com.au/insto](http://www.eqt.com.au/insto) will be updated as soon as practicable to reflect any change. The Responsible Entity may also waive the Buy/Sell Spread in part or in full at its discretion. The transaction costs figure in the Fees and Costs Summary is shown net of any amount recovered by the Buy/Sell Spread charged by the Responsible Entity.

Transaction costs generally arise through the day-to-day trading of the Fund's assets and are reflected in the Fund's unit price as an additional cost to the investor, as and when they are incurred.

The gross transaction costs for the Fund are 0.48% p.a. of the NAV of the Fund, which is based on a reasonable estimate of the costs for the current financial year to date, adjusted to reflect a 12 month period.

In relation to the costs that have been estimated, they have been estimated on the basis of quotes obtained from vendors.

However, actual transaction costs for future years may differ.

## Can the fees change?

Yes, all fees can change without investor consent, subject to the maximum fee amounts specified in the Constitution. The current maximum management fee to which Equity Trustees is entitled is 2.00% of the GAV of the Fund. However, Equity Trustees does not intend to charge that amount and will generally provide investors with at least 30 days' notice of any proposed increase to the management fees component of management fees and costs. In most circumstances, the Constitution defines the maximum level that can be charged for fees described in this PDS. Equity Trustees also has the right to recover all reasonable expenses incurred in relation to the proper performance of its duties in managing the Fund and as such these expenses may increase or decrease accordingly, without notice.

## Payments to IDPS Operators

Subject to the law, annual payments may be made to some IDPS Operators because they offer the Fund on their investment menus. Product access is paid by the Investment Manager out of its investment management fee and is not an additional cost to the investor.

## Differential fees

The Investment Manager may from time to time negotiate a different fee arrangement (by way of a rebate or waiver of fees) with certain investors who are Australian Wholesale Clients. Please contact the Investment Manager on +61 29189 6800 for further information.

## Taxation

Please refer to Section 10 of the Product Disclosure Statement for further information on taxation.

**EXAMPLE – Alpha Vista FX Absolute Return Fund**

<b>Plus</b> Management fees and costs	1.10% p.a.	<b>And</b> , for every \$50,000 you have in the Alpha Vista FX Absolute Return Fund you will be charged or have deducted from your investment \$550 each year
<b>Plus</b> Performance fees	0.75% p.a.	<b>And</b> , you will be charged or have deducted from your investment \$375 in performance fees each year
<b>Plus</b> Transaction costs	0.28% p.a.	<b>And</b> , you will be charged or have deducted from your investment \$140 in transaction costs
<b>Equals</b> Cost of Alpha Vista FX Absolute Return Fund		If you had an investment of \$50,000 at the beginning of the year and you put in an additional \$5,000 during that year, you would be charged fees and costs of: \$1,065* <b>What it costs you will depend on the investment option you choose and the fees you negotiate.</b>

\* Additional fees may apply. Please note that this example does not capture all the fees and costs that may apply to you such as the Buy/Sell Spread.

This example assumes the \$5,000 contribution occurs at the end of the first year, therefore the fees and costs are calculated using the \$50,000 balance only.

**Warning: If you have consulted a financial adviser, you may pay additional fees. You should refer to the Statement of Advice or Financial Services Guide provided by your financial adviser in which details of the fees are set out.**

ASIC provides a fee calculator on [www.moneysmart.gov.au](http://www.moneysmart.gov.au), which you may use to calculate the effects of fees and costs on account balances. The performance fees stated in this table are based on a reasonable estimate of the performance fee for the current financial year, adjusted to reflect a 12 month period. The performance of the Fund for this financial year, and the performance fees, may be higher or lower or not payable in the future. It is not a forecast of the performance of the Fund or the amount of the performance fees in the future.

The indirect costs and other expenses component of management fees and costs and transaction costs may also be based on estimates. As a result, the total fees and costs that you are charged may differ from the figures shown in the table.

## 10. Taxation

### Taxation

The following information summarises some of the Australian taxation issues you may wish to consider before making an investment in the Fund and assumes that you hold your investment in the Fund on capital account and are not considered to be carrying on a business of investing, trading in investments or investing for the purpose of profit making by sale. The information should be used as a guide only and does not constitute professional tax advice as individual circumstances may differ.

A number of tax reform measures are currently under review by the Australian Government. These reforms may impact on the tax position of the Fund and its investors. Accordingly, it is recommended that investors seek their own professional advice, specific to their own circumstances, of the taxation implications of investing in the Fund.

#### General

The Fund is an Australian resident trust for Australian tax purposes. Therefore, the Fund is required to determine its net income (taxable income) for the year of income. On the basis that investors are presently entitled (which is the intention of Equity Trustees) to the net income of the Fund (including net taxable capital gains) or will be attributed their share of assessable income, exempt income, non-assessable non-exempt income and tax offsets (i.e. credits) of the Fund and the Fund is not a public trading trust, the Fund should be treated as a flow-through trust for tax purposes. This means that investors should be taxed on their share of the Fund's net taxable income or the amount attributed to them, and the Fund should not be subject to Australian income tax.

In the case where the Fund makes a loss for Australian tax purposes, the Fund cannot distribute the tax loss to investors. However, the tax loss may be carried forward by the Fund for offset against taxable income of the Fund in subsequent years, subject to the operation of the trust loss rules.

#### Attribution Managed Investment Trust ("AMIT") – core rules

The Fund may qualify as an eligible Attribution Managed Investment Trust (AMIT), and if so, intends to elect into the AMIT regime. The AMIT legislation applies an attribution model whereby Equity Trustees as the Responsible Entity of the Fund attributes amounts of trust components of a particular character to investors on a fair and reasonable basis consistent with the operation of the Fund's Constitution, which includes provisions in relation to AMIT. Under the AMIT rules, the following will apply:

**Fair and reasonable attribution:** Each year, the Fund's determined trust components of assessable income, exempt income, non-assessable non-exempt income and tax offsets (i.e. credits) will be allocated to investors on a "fair and reasonable" attribution basis, rather than being allocated proportionally based on each investor's present entitlement to the income of the Fund.

**Unders or overs adjustments:** Where the Fund's determined trust components for a year are revised in a subsequent year (e.g. due to actual amounts differing to the estimates of income, gains / losses or expenses), then unders and overs may arise. Unders and overs will generally be carried forward and adjusted in the year of discovery.

**Cost base adjustments:** Where the distribution made is less than (or more than) certain components attributed to investors, then the cost base of an investor's units may be increased (or decreased). Details of cost base adjustments will be included on an investor's annual tax statement, referred to as an AMIT Member Annual Statement ("AMMA").

**Large withdrawals:** In certain circumstances, gains may be attributed to a specific investor, for example, gains on disposal of assets to fund a large withdrawal being attributed to the redeeming investor.

**Penalties:** In certain circumstances (e.g. failure to comply with certain AMIT rules), specific penalties may be imposed.

The new rules are intended to reduce complexity, increase certainty and reduce compliance costs for managed investment trusts and their investors. Where the Fund does not elect into the AMIT regime, or has made the election but the election is not effective for the income year (e.g. the Fund does not satisfy the requirements to be a managed investment trust for the income year), the Tax Law applicable to non-AMITs should be relevant. In particular, the Fund should not generally pay tax on behalf of its investors and instead, investors should be assessed for tax on any income and capital gains generated by the Fund to which they become presently entitled.

#### Deemed Capital Gains Tax ("CGT") Election

Eligible managed investment trusts ("MITs") may make an election to apply a deemed capital account treatment for gains and losses on disposal of certain eligible investments (including equities and units in other trusts but excluding derivatives, debt securities and foreign exchange contracts). Where the election is made the Fund should hold its eligible investments on capital account and gains/(losses) from the disposal of eligible investments should be treated as capital gains/(losses). Capital gains arising on the disposal of eligible investments held for 12 months or greater may be eligible to be treated as discount capital gains.

Where the CGT election is not made, the Fund should hold its eligible investments on revenue account and gains/(losses) from the disposal of eligible investments should be treated as revenue gains or losses.

#### Controlled Foreign Company ("CFC") Provisions

There are certain tax rules (i.e. the CFC provisions) which may result in assessable income arising in the Fund in relation to investments in foreign equities, where certain control thresholds are met. If such interests were to be held at the end of the income year, the taxable income of the Fund may include a share of net income and gains (i.e. CFC attributable income) from such investments.

#### Taxation of Financial Arrangements ("TOFA")

The TOFA rules may apply to certain "financial arrangements" held by the Fund. In broad terms, the TOFA regime seeks to recognise "sufficiently certain" returns on certain financial arrangements on an accruals basis for tax purposes rather than on a realisation basis. Where returns from derivative instruments are not "sufficiently certain" they will continue to be recognised on a realisation basis, unless specific tax timing elections are made.

#### Taxation Reform

The tax information included in this PDS is based on the taxation legislation and administrative practice as at the issue date of this PDS, together with proposed changes to the taxation legislation as announced by the Government. However, the Australian tax system is in a continuing state of reform, and based on the Government's reform agenda, it is likely to escalate rather than diminish. Any reform of a tax system creates uncertainty as to the full extent of announced reforms, or uncertainty as to the meaning of new law that is enacted pending interpretation through the judicial process. These reforms may impact on the tax position of the Fund and its investors. Accordingly, it will be



necessary to closely monitor the progress of these reforms, and investors should seek their own professional advice, specific to their own circumstances, of the taxation implications of investing in the Fund.

#### **Tax File Number ("TFN") and Australian Business Number ("ABN")**

It is not compulsory for an investor to quote their TFN or ABN. If an investor is making this investment in the course of a business or enterprise, the investor may quote an ABN instead of a TFN. Failure by an investor to quote an ABN or TFN or claim an exemption may cause the Responsible Entity to withhold tax at the top marginal rate, plus the Medicare Levy, on gross payments including distributions or attribution of income to the investor. The investor may be able to claim a credit in their tax return for any TFN or ABN tax withheld. Collection of TFNs is permitted under taxation and privacy legislation.

By quoting their TFN or ABN, the investor authorises Equity Trustees to apply it in respect of all the investor's investments with Equity Trustees. If the investor does not want to quote their TFN or ABN for some investments, Equity Trustees should be advised.

#### **GST**

The Fund is registered for GST. The issue or withdrawal of units in the Fund and receipt of distributions are not subject to GST.

The Fund may be required to pay GST included in management and other fees, charges, costs and expenses incurred by the Fund. However, to the extent permissible, the Responsible Entity will claim on behalf of the Fund a proportion of this GST as a reduced input tax credit. Unless otherwise stated, fees and charges quoted in this PDS are inclusive of GST and take into account any available reduced input tax credits. The Fund may be entitled to as yet undetermined additional input tax credits on the fees, charges or costs incurred. If the Responsible Entity is unable to claim input tax credits on behalf of the Fund, the Responsible Entity retains the ability to recover the entire GST component of all fees and charges.

The impact of GST payments and credits will be reflected in the unit price of the Fund. Investors should seek professional advice with respect to the GST consequences arising from their unit holding.

#### **Australian Taxation of Australian Resident Investors**

##### *Distributions*

For each year of income, each Australian resident investor will be required to include within their own tax calculations and tax return filings the assessable income, exempt income, non-assessable non-exempt income and tax offsets (i.e. credits) of the Fund attributed to them by Equity Trustees as the Responsible Entity of the Fund.

The tax consequences for investors in the Fund depends on the tax components of assessable income, exempt income, non-assessable non-exempt income and tax offsets (i.e. credits) of the Fund attributed to them.

Investors will receive an Annual Tax Statement (or an "AMMA" for an AMIT) detailing all relevant taxation information concerning attributed amounts and cash distributions, including any Foreign Income Tax Offset ("FITO") and franking credit entitlements, returns of capital, assessable income, and any upwards or downwards cost base adjustment in the capital gains tax cost base of their units in the Fund (in the case of an AMIT).

An investor may receive their share of attributed tax components of the Fund or net income in respect of distributions made during the year or where they have made a large withdrawal from the Fund, in which case their withdrawal proceeds may include their share of net income or attributed tax components of assessable income, exempt income,

non-assessable non-exempt income and tax offsets (i.e. credits). In addition, because Australian investors can move into and out of the Fund at different points in time, there is the risk that taxation liabilities in respect of gains that have benefited past investors may have to be met by subsequent investors.

##### *Foreign Income*

The Fund may derive foreign source income that is subject to tax overseas, for example withholding tax. Australian resident investors should include their share of both the foreign income and the amount of the foreign tax withheld in their assessable income. In such circumstances, investors may be entitled to a FITO for the foreign tax paid, against the Australian tax payable on the foreign source income. To the extent the investors do not have sufficient overall foreign source income to utilise all of the FITOs relevant to a particular year of income, the excess FITOs cannot be carried forward to a future income year.

##### *Disposal of Units by Australian Resident Investors*

If an Australian resident investor transfers or redeems their units in the Fund, this may constitute a disposal for tax purposes depending on their specific circumstances.

Where an investor holds their units in the Fund on capital account, a capital gain or loss may arise on disposal and each investor should calculate their capital gain or loss according to their own particular facts and circumstances. As noted above, proceeds on disposal may include a component of distributable income. In calculating the taxable amount of a capital gain, a discount of 50% for individuals and trusts or 33 & 1/3% for complying Australian superannuation funds may be allowed where the units in the Fund have been held for 12 months or more. No CGT discount is available to corporate investors.

Any capital losses arising from the disposal of the investment may be used to offset other capital gains the investor may have derived. Net capital losses may be carried forward for offset against capital gains of subsequent years but may not be offset against ordinary income.

The discount capital gains concession may be denied in certain circumstances where an investor (together with associates) holds 10% or more of the issued units of the Fund, the Fund has less than 300 beneficiaries and other requirements are met. Investors who together with associates are likely to hold more than 10% of the units in the Fund should seek advice on this issue.

#### **Australian Taxation of Non-Resident Investors**

##### *Tax on Income*

The Fund expects to derive income which may be subject to Australian withholding tax when attributed by Equity Trustees as the Responsible Entity of the Fund to non-resident investors.

Australian withholding tax may be withheld from distributions of Australian source income and gains attributed to a non-resident investor. The various components of the net income of the Fund which may be regarded as having an Australian source include Australian sourced interest, Australian sourced other gains, Australian sourced dividends and CGT taxable Australian property.

We recommend that non-resident investors seek independent tax advice before investing, taking into account their particular circumstances and the provisions of any relevant Double Taxation Agreement/Exchange of Information Agreement ("EOI") between Australia and their country of residence.

##### *Disposal of Units by Non-Resident Investors*

Based on the Fund's investment profile, generally non-resident investors holding their units on capital account should not be subject to Australian capital gains tax on the disposal of units in the Fund unless the units were capital assets held by the investor in carrying on a business through a permanent establishment in Australia. Australian tax may apply in certain circumstances if the

non-resident holds their units on revenue account. CGT may also apply in some cases where the Fund has a direct or indirect interest in Australian real property. We recommend that

non-resident investors seek independent tax advice in relation to the tax consequences of the disposal of their units.

## 11. Other important information

### Consent

The Investment Manager and the Custodian have both given and, as at the date of this PDS, have not withdrawn:

- written consent to be named in this PDS as the investment manager and custodian respectively of the Fund; and
- written consent to the inclusion of the statements made about them which are specifically attributed to them, in the form and context in which they appear.

The Investment Manager and the Custodian have not otherwise been involved in the preparation of this PDS or caused or otherwise authorised the issue of this PDS. Neither the Investment Manager, the Custodian nor their employees or officers accept any responsibility arising in any way for errors or omissions, other than those statements for which it has provided its written consent to Equity Trustees for inclusion in this PDS.

### Your privacy

The Australian Privacy Principles contained in the Privacy Act 1988 (Cth) ("Privacy Act") regulate the way in which we collect, use, disclose, and otherwise handle your personal information. Equity Trustees is committed to respecting and protecting the privacy of your personal information, and our Privacy Policy details how we do this.

It is important to be aware that, in order to provide our products and services to you, Equity Trustees may need to collect personal information about you and any other individuals associated with the product or service offering. In addition to practical reasons, this is necessary to ensure compliance with our legal and regulatory obligations (including under the Corporations Act, the AML/CTF Act and taxation legislation). If you do not provide the information requested, we may not be able to process your application, administer, manage, invest, pay or transfer your investment(s).

You must therefore ensure that any personal information you provide to Equity Trustees is true and correct in every detail. If any of this personal information (including your contact details) changes, you must promptly advise us of the changes in writing. While we will generally collect your personal information from you, your broker or adviser or the Investment Manager and Administrator directly, we may also obtain or confirm information about you from publicly available sources in order to meet regulatory obligations.

In terms of how we deal with your personal information, Equity Trustees will use it for the purpose of providing you with our products and services and complying with our regulatory obligations. Equity Trustees may also disclose it to other members of our corporate group, or to third parties who we work with or engage for these same purposes. Such third parties may be situated in Australia or offshore, however we take reasonable steps to ensure that they will comply with the Privacy Act when collecting, using or handling your personal information.

The types of third parties that we may disclose your information to include, but are not limited to:

- stockbrokers, financial advisers or adviser dealer groups, their service providers and/or any joint holder of an investment;
- those providing services for administering or managing the Fund, including the Investment Manager, Custodian and Administrator, auditors, or those that provide mailing or printing services;
- our other service providers;

- regulatory bodies such as ASIC, ATO, APRA and AUSTRAC; and
- other third parties who you have consented to us disclosing your information to, or to whom we are required or permitted by law to disclose information to.

Equity Trustees or the Investment Manager may from time to time provide you with direct marketing and/or educational material about products and services they believe may be of interest to you. You have the right to "opt out" of such communications by contacting us using the contact details below.

In addition to the above information, Equity Trustees' Privacy Policy contains further information about how we handle your personal information, and how you can access information held about you, seek a correction to that information, or make a privacy-related complaint.

Full details of Equity Trustees' Privacy Policy are available at [www.eqt.com.au](http://www.eqt.com.au). You can also request a copy by contacting Equity Trustees' Privacy Officer on +61 3 8623 5000 or by email to [privacy@eqt.com.au](mailto:privacy@eqt.com.au).

### The Constitution

The Fund is governed by a constitution that sets out the Fund's operation (the "Constitution"). The Constitution, together with the Fund's PDS, the Corporations Act and other laws, regulate our legal relationship with investors in the Fund. If you invest in the Fund, you agree to be bound by the terms of the Fund's PDS and the Fund's Constitution. You can request a copy of the Constitution free of charge from Equity Trustees. Please read these documents carefully before investing in the Fund.

We may amend the Constitution from time to time in accordance with the provisions in the Constitution and the Corporations Act.

### Anti-Money Laundering and Counter Terrorism Financing ("AML/CTF")

Australia's AML/CTF laws require Equity Trustees to adopt and maintain a written AML/CTF Program. A fundamental part of the AML/CTF Program is that Equity Trustees must hold up-to-date information about investors (including beneficial owner information) in the Fund.

To meet this legal requirement, we need to collect certain identification information (including beneficial owner information) and documentation ("KYC Documents") from new investors. Existing investors may also be asked to provide KYC Documents as part of an ongoing customer due diligence/verification process to comply with AML/CTF laws. If applicants or investors do not provide the applicable KYC Documents when requested, Equity Trustees may be unable to process an application, or may be unable to provide products or services to existing investors until such time as the information is provided.

In order to comply with AML/CTF Laws, Equity Trustees may also disclose information including your personal information that it holds about the applicant, an investor, or any beneficial owner, to its related bodies corporate or service providers, or relevant regulators of AML/CTF Laws (whether inside or outside Australia). Equity Trustees may be prohibited by law from informing applicants or investors that such reporting has occurred.

Equity Trustees and the Investment Manager shall not be liable to applicants or investors for any loss you may suffer because of compliance with the AML/CTF laws.

Indirect Investors



You may be able to invest indirectly in the Fund via an IDPS by directing the IDPS Operator to acquire units on your behalf. If you do so, you will need to complete the relevant forms provided by the IDPS Operator and not the Application Form accompanying the PDS. This will mean that you are an Indirect Investor in the Fund and not an investor or member of the Fund. Indirect Investors do not acquire the rights of an investor as such rights are acquired by the IDPS Operator who may exercise, or decline to exercise, these rights on your behalf.

Indirect Investors do not receive reports or statements from us and the IDPS Operator's application and withdrawal conditions determine when you can direct the IDPS Operator to apply or redeem. Your rights as an Indirect Investor should be set out in the IDPS Guide or other disclosure document issued by the IDPS Operator.

### **Information on underlying investments**

Information regarding the underlying investments of the Fund will be provided to an investor of the Fund on request, to the extent Equity Trustees is satisfied that such information is required to enable the investor to comply with its statutory reporting obligations. This information will be supplied within a reasonable timeframe having regard to these obligations.

### **Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act ("FATCA")**

In April 2014, the Australian Government signed an intergovernmental agreement ("IGA") with the United States of America ("U.S."), which requires all Australian financial institutions to comply with the FATCA Act enacted by the U.S. in 2010.

Under FATCA, Australian financial institutions are required to collect and review their information to identify U.S. residents and U.S. controlling persons that invest in assets through

non-U.S. entities. This information is reported to the Australian Taxation Office ("ATO"). The ATO may then pass that information onto the U.S. Internal Revenue Service.

In order to comply with the FATCA obligations, we may request certain information from you. Failure to comply with FATCA obligations may result in the Fund, to the extent relevant, being subject to a 30% withholding tax on payment of U.S. income or gross proceeds from the sale of certain U.S. investments. If the Fund suffers any amount of FATCA withholding and is unable to obtain a refund for the amounts withheld, we will not be required to compensate investors for any such withholding and the effect of the amounts withheld will be reflected in the returns of the Fund.

### **Common Reporting Standard ("CRS")**

The CRS is developed by the Organisation of Economic Co-operation and Development and requires certain financial institutions resident in a participating jurisdiction to document and identify reportable accounts and implement due diligence procedures. These financial institutions will also be required to report certain information on reportable accounts to their relevant local tax authorities.

Australia signed the CRS Multilateral Competent Authority Agreement and has enacted provisions within the domestic tax legislation to implement CRS in Australia. Australian financial institutions need to document and identify reportable accounts, implement due diligence procedures and report certain information with respect to reportable accounts to the ATO. The ATO may then exchange this information with foreign tax authorities in the relevant signatory countries.

In order to comply with the CRS obligations, we may request certain information from you. Unlike FATCA, there is no withholding tax that is applicable under CRS.

## 12. Glossary of important terms

### **AFSL**

Australian Financial Services Licence.

### **Application Form**

The Application Form that accompanies this PDS.

### **ASIC**

Australian Securities and Investments Commission

### **AML/CTF**

Anti-money laundering and counter terrorism financing.

### **ATO**

Australian Taxation Office.

### **AUSTRAC**

Australian Transaction Reports and Analysis Centre.

### **Business Day**

A day other than Saturday or Sunday on which banks are open for general banking business in Sydney NSW.

### **Buy/Sell Spread**

The difference between the application price and withdrawal price of units in the Fund, which reflects the estimated transaction costs associated with buying or selling the assets of the Fund, when investors invest in or withdraw from the Fund.

### **Constitution**

The document which describes the rights, responsibilities and beneficial interest of both investors and the Responsible Entity in relation to the Fund, as amended from time to time.

### **Corporations Act**

The Corporations Act 2001 and Corporations Regulations 2001 (Cth), as amended from time to time.

### **Equity Trustees**

Equity Trustees Limited (ABN 46 004 031 298) which holds an AFSL No. 240975.

### **Fund**

Alpha Vista FX Absolute Return Fund

### **Fund Benchmark**

Australian Consumer Price Index (CPI)

### **GST**

Goods and Services Tax.

### **Indirect Investors**

Individuals who invest in the Fund through an IDPS.

### **Investment Manager**

Alpha Vista Investment Managers Pty Limited.

### **Net Asset Value (NAV)**

Value of the investments of the Fund after deducting certain liabilities including income entitlements and contingent liabilities.

### **PDS**

This Product Disclosure Statement, issued by Equity Trustees.

### **Responsible Entity**

Equity Trustees Limited.

### **Retail Client**

Persons or entities defined as such under section 761G of the Corporations Act.

### **RITC**

Reduced Input Tax Credit. Equity Trustees will apply for reduced input tax credits where applicable to reduce the cost of GST to the Fund.

### **US Person**

A person so classified under securities or tax law in the United States of America ("US") including, in broad terms, the following persons:

(a) any citizen of, or natural person resident in, the US, its territories or possessions; or

(b) any corporation or partnership organised or incorporated under any laws of or in the US or of any other jurisdiction if formed by a US Person (other than by accredited investors who are not natural persons, estates or trusts) principally for the purpose of investing in securities not registered under the US Securities Act of 1933; or

(c) any agency or branch of a foreign entity located in the US; or

(d) a pension plan primarily for US employees of a US Person; or

(e) a US collective investment vehicle unless not offered to US Persons; or

(f) any estate of which an executor or administrator is a US Person (unless an executor or administrator of the estate who is not a US Person has sole or substantial investment discretion over the assets of the estate and such estate is governed by non-US law) and all the estate income is non-US income not liable to US income tax; or

(g) any Fund of which any trustee is a US Person (unless a trustee who is a professional fiduciary is a US Person and a trustee who is not a US Person has sole or substantial investment discretion over the assets of the trust and no beneficiary (or settlor, if the trust is revocable) of the trust is a US Person); or

(h) any discretionary account or similar account (other than an estate or trust) held by a dealer or other fiduciary for the benefit or account of a US Person; or

(i) any non-discretionary account or similar account (other than an estate or trust) held by a dealer or other fiduciary organised, incorporated or (if an individual) resident in the US for the benefit or account of a US Person.

### **Wholesale Client**

Person or entity which is not a Retail Client.



# ALPHA VISTA FX ABSOLUTE RETURN FUND APPLICATION FORM

This application form accompanies the Product Disclosure Statement (PDS)/Information Memorandum (IM) relating to units in the following product/s issued by Equity Trustees Limited (ABN 46 004 031 298, AFSL 240975). The PDS/IM contains information about investing in the Fund/Trust. You should read the PDS/IM in its entirety before applying.

- Alpha Vista FX Absolute Return Fund

The law prohibits any person passing this Application Form on to another person unless it is accompanied by a complete PDS/IM.

- If completing by hand, use a black or blue pen and print within the boxes in BLOCK LETTERS, if you make a mistake, cross it out and initial. DO NOT use correction fluid
- The investor(s) must complete and sign this form
- Keep a photocopy of your completed Application Form for your records

U.S. Persons: This offer is not open to any U.S. Person. Please refer to the PDS/IM for further information.

## **Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act (FATCA) and Common Reporting Standard (CRS)**

We are required to collect certain information to comply with FATCA and CRS, please ensure you complete section 7.

### **If investing with an authorised representative, agent or financial adviser**

Please ensure you, your authorised representative, agent and/or financial adviser also complete Section 6.

### **Provide certified copies of your identification documents**

Please refer to section 9 on AML/CTF Identity Verification Requirements.

### **Send your documents & make your payment**

See section 2 for payment options and where to send your application form.

## SECTION 1 – YOUR CONSUMER ATTRIBUTES

In relation to our Design and Distribution Obligations (DDO) under the Corporations Act, we seek the following information about your attributes as an investor (please tick only 1 box for each question below)

Further information in relation to these questions can be found in the Target Market Determination (TMD) for the Fund. If you wish to access the TMD, please visit <https://www.eqt.com.au/insto/>

### 1. Have you received advice prior to applying to invest in the Fund?

- I/We have received personal advice in relation to my investment in this Fund
- I/We have received general advice in relation to my investment in this Fund
- I/We have not received any advice in relation to my investment in this Fund

### 2. What is your primary investment objective(s)?

- Capital growth  Capital preservation
- Capital guaranteed  Income Distribution

### 3. Please select the intended use of this Fund in your investment portfolio

- Solution/Standalone – A large allocation (75%-100% of portfolio)
- Core component – A medium allocation (25%-75% of portfolio)
- Satellite/Small Allocation – A small allocation (<25% of portfolio)

### 4. Please select the Intended investment timeframe

- Short term (<=2 years)  Medium term (>2 years)
- Long term (>8 years)

### 5. What is your tolerance for risk?

- Low - I/we can tolerate up to 1 period of underperformance over 20 years  Medium - I/we can tolerate up to 4 periods of underperformance over 20 years.
- High - I/we can tolerate up to 6 periods of underperformance over 20 years  Very High - I/we can tolerate more than 6 periods of underperformance over 20 years

### 6. What do you anticipate your withdrawal needs may be?

- Daily  Weekly
- Monthly  Quarterly
- Annually or longer

#### Please note:

1. Failure to complete the above questions may result in your application not being accepted;
2. Acceptance of your application should not be taken as a representation or confirmation that an investment in the Fund is, or is likely to be, consistent with your intentions, objectives and needs as indicated in your responses to these questions; and
3. For further information on the suitability of this product, please refer to your financial adviser and/or the TMD

## SECTION 1.2 – ARE YOU AN EXISTING INVESTOR IN THE FUND/TRUST AND WISH TO ADD TO YOUR INVESTMENT?

Do you have an existing investment in the Fund/Trust and the information provided remains current and correct?

- Yes**, if you can tick both of the boxes below, complete Sections 2 and 8
- I/We confirm there are no changes to our identification documents previously provided and that these remain current and valid.
- I/We confirm there have been no changes to our FATCA or CRS status

Existing investor number:

If there have been changes in your identification documents or FATCA/CRS status since your last application, please complete the full Application Form as indicated below.

- No**, please complete sections relevant to you as indicated below:

### Investor Type:

- Individuals/Joint:** complete section 2, 3, 6 (if applicable), 7, 8 & 9
- Companies:** complete section 2, 4, 6 (if applicable), 7, 8 & 9
- Custodians on behalf of underlying clients:** complete section 2, 4, 5, 5.1, 6 (if applicable), 7, 8 & 9
- Trusts/superannuation funds:**
- with an individual trustee – complete sections 2, 3, 5, 6 (if applicable), 7, 8 & 9
  - with a company as a trustee – complete sections 2, 4, 5, 6 (if applicable), 7, 8 & 9

If you are an Association, Co-operative, Partnership, Government Body or other type of entity not listed above, please contact Equity Trustees.

## SECTION 2 – INVESTMENT DETAILS

Investment to be held in the name(s) of (must include name(s) of investor(s))

Postal address

Suburb

State

Postcode

Country

Email address

Contact no.

FUND/TRUST NAME	APIR CODE	APPLICATION AMOUNT (AUD)
Alpha Vista FX Absolute Return Fund	ETL8261AU	\$

The minimum initial investment is \$20,000

### Distribution Instructions

If you do not select a distribution option, we will automatically reinvest your distribution. If you select cash, please ensure you provide your bank details below.

- Reinvest distributions** if you select this option your distribution will be reinvested in the Fund/Trust
- Pay distributions to the bank** if you select this option your distribution will be paid to the bank account below

### Investor bank details

For withdrawals and distributions (if applicable), these must match the investor(s)' name and must be an AUD-denominated bank account with an Australian domiciled bank.

Financial institution name and branch location

BSB number

Account number

Account name

### Payment method

- Cheque – payable to <Alpha Vista FX Absolute Return Fund>
- Direct credit – pay to:

Financial institution name and branch location	Westpac Banking Corporation, 341 George Street, Sydney, NSW, 2000
BSB number	032 143
Account number	658 156
Account name	Equity Trustees Limited ARE Alpha Vista FX Absolute Return Fund
Reference	<Investor Name>

## Source of investment

Please indicate the source of the investment amount (e.g. retirement savings, employment income):

### Send your completed Application Form to:

State Street Australia Limited  
Unit Registry  
Level 14, 420 George Street  
Sydney NSW 2000  
Additional applications may be faxed to: +61 2 9323 6411

**Please ensure you have completed all relevant sections and signed the Application Form**

**SECTION 3 – INVESTOR DETAILS – INDIVIDUALS/JOINT**

Please complete if you are investing individually, jointly or you are an individual or joint trustee.

**See Group A AML/CTF Identity Verification Requirements in Section 9****Investor 1**

Title	First name(s)	Surname
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

Residential address (not a PO Box/RMB/Locked Bag)

Suburb	State	Postcode	Country
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

Email address

(Statements will be sent to this address, unless you elect otherwise in Section 6)

Contact no.

<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
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Date of birth (DD/MM/YYYY)

Tax File Number\* – or exemption code

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Country of birth

Occupation

<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
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Does the investor named above hold a prominent public position or function in a government body (local, state, territory, national or foreign) or in an international organisation or are you an immediate family member or a business associate of such a person?

 No
         
  Yes, please give details:
**Investor 2**

Title	First name(s)	Surname
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

Residential address (not a PO Box/RMB/Locked Bag)

Suburb	State	Postcode	Country
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

Email address

(Statements will be sent to this address, unless you elect otherwise in Section 6)

Contact no.

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Date of birth (DD/MM/YYYY)

Tax File Number\* – or exemption code

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Country of birth

Occupation

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**If there are more than 2 registered owners, please provide details as an attachment.**

Does the investor named above hold a prominent public position or function in a government body (local, state, territory, national or foreign) or in an international organisation or are you an immediate family member or a business associate of such a person?

 No
         
  Yes, please give details:



## SECTION 4 – INVESTOR DETAILS – COMPANIES/CORPORATE TRUSTEE

Please complete if you are investing for a company or where the company is acting as trustee.

**See Group B AML/CTF Identity Verification Requirements in Section 9**

Full company name (as registered with ASIC or relevant foreign registered body)

Registered office address (not a PO Box/RMB/Locked Bag)

Suburb

State

Postcode

Country

Australian Company Number

Tax File Number\* – or exemption code

Australian Business Number\* (if registered in Australia) or equivalent foreign company identifier

### Contact Person

Title

First name(s)

Surname

Email address

(Statements will be sent to this address, unless you elect otherwise in Section 6)

Contact no.

**Principal place of business:** If the principal place of business is the same as the registered office street address, state 'As above' below. Otherwise provide address details. For foreign companies registered with ASIC please provide a local agent name and address if you do not have a principal place of business in Australia.

**Principal Place of Business Address (not a PO Box/RMB/Locked Bag)**

Suburb

State

Postcode

Country

### Registration details

Name of regulatory body

Identification number (e.g. ARBN)

### Controlling Persons, Directors and Beneficial Owners

All beneficial owners who own, hold or control either directly or indirectly 25% or more of the issued capital of a proprietary or private company that is not regulated i.e. does not have an AFSL or ACLN etc., will need to provide Group A AML/CTF Identity Verification Requirements specified in Section 9. In the case of an unregulated public company not listed on a securities exchange, provide the details of the senior managing official(s) as controlling person(s) (e.g. managing director, senior executive(s) etc. who is/are authorised to sign on the company's behalf, and make policy, operational and financial decisions) in the following sections. All proprietary and private companies, whether regulated or unregulated, must provide the names of all of the directors.

## Names of the Directors of a Proprietary or Private Company whether regulated or unregulated

1	2
3	4

If there are more than 4 directors, please write the other names below.

### Names of the Beneficial Owners or Senior Managing Official(s)

Select:

- Beneficial owner 1 of an unregulated proprietary or private company; OR
- Senior Managing Official of an unregulated, unlisted, public (e.g. Limited) company

Title	First name(s)	Surname
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

Residential address (not a PO Box/RMB/Locked Bag)

Suburb	State	Postcode	Country
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

Date of birth (DD/MM/YYYY)

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Does the beneficial owner named above hold a prominent public position or function in a government body (local, state, territory, national or foreign) or in an international organisation or are you an immediate family member or a business associate of such a person?

- No  Yes, please give details:

Select:

- Beneficial owner 2 of an unregulated proprietary or private company; OR
- Senior Managing Official of an unregulated, unlisted, public (e.g. Limited) company

Title	First name(s)	Surname
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

Residential address (not a PO Box/RMB/Locked Bag)

Suburb	State	Postcode	Country
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

Date of birth (DD/MM/YYYY)

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Does the beneficial owner named above hold a prominent public position or function in a government body (local, state, territory, national or foreign) or in an international organisation or are you an immediate family member or a business associate of such a person?

- No  Yes, please give details:

**If there are more than 2 beneficial owners or managing officials, please copy and complete this page for the other persons or alternatively, provide the additional details as an attachment.**

## SECTION 5 – INVESTOR DETAILS – TRUSTS/SUPERANNUATION FUNDS

Please complete if you are investing for a trust or superannuation fund.

**See Group C AML/CTF Identity Verification Requirements in section 9**

Full name of trust or superannuation fund

Full name of business (if any)

Country where established

Australian Business Number\* (if obtained)

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Tax File Number\* – or exemption code

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Trustee details – How many trustees are there?

- Individual trustee(s)** – complete Section 3 – Investor details – Individuals/Joint
- Company trustee(s)** – complete Section 4 – Investor details – Companies/Corporate Trustee
- Combination** – trustee(s) to complete each relevant section

### Type of Trust

- Registered Managed Investment Scheme**

Australian Registered Scheme Number (ARSN)

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- Regulated Trust** (including self-managed superannuation funds and registered charities that are trusts)

Name of Regulator (e.g. ASIC, APRA, ATO, ACNC)

Registration/Licence details or ABN

- Other Trust** (unregulated)

Please describe

#### Beneficiaries of an unregulated trust

Please provide details below of any beneficiaries who directly or indirectly are entitled to an interest of 25% or more of the trust.

1	2
3	4

If there are no beneficiaries of the trust, describe the class of beneficiary (e.g. the name of the family group, class of unit holders, the charitable purpose or charity name):

**Other Trust** (unregulated) Continued

**Settlor details**

Please provide the full name and last known address of the settlor of the trust where the initial asset contribution to the trust was greater than \$10,000.

- This information is not required if the initial asset contribution was less than \$10,000, and/or
- This information is not required if the settlor is deceased

Settlor's full name and last known address


Beneficial owners of an unregulated trust

Please provide details below of any beneficial owner of the trust. A beneficial owner is any individual who directly or indirectly has a 25% or greater interest in the trust or is a person who exerts control over the trust. This includes the appointer of the trust who holds the power to appoint or remove the trustees of the trust.

**All beneficial owners will need to provide Group A AML/CTF Identity Verification Requirements in Section 9**

**Beneficial owner 1 or Controlling Person 1**

Select:

- Beneficial owner 1; OR
- Controlling Person – What is the role e.g. Appointer:

Title	First name(s)	Surname

Residential address (not a PO Box/RMB/Locked Bag)

Suburb	State	Postcode	Country

Date of birth (DD/MM/YYYY)  /  /

Does the beneficial owner named above hold a prominent public position or function in a government body (local, state, territory, national or foreign) or in an international organisation or are you an immediate family member or a business associate of such a person?

- No
- Yes, please give details:

**Beneficial owner 2 or Controlling Person 2**

Select:

- Beneficial owner 2; OR
- Controlling Person – What is the role e.g. Appointer:

Title	First name(s)	Surname

Residential address (not a PO Box/RMB/Locked Bag)

Suburb	State	Postcode	Country

Date of birth (DD/MM/YYYY)  /  /

**If there are more than 2 beneficial owners, please provide details as an attachment.**

Does the beneficial owner named above hold a prominent public position or function in a government body (local, state, territory, national or foreign) or in an international organisation or are you an immediate family member or a business associate of such a person?

No       Yes, please give details:

**If there are more than 2 beneficial owners or controlling persons, please copy and complete this page for the other persons or alternatively, provide the additional details as an attachment.**

## **SECTION 5.1 – CUSTODIAN ATTESTATION: CHAPTER 4, PARTS 4.4.18 AND 4.4.19 OF THE AML/CTF RULES**

**If you are a Company completing this Application Form on behalf of an individual, another company, a trust or other entity, in a Custodial capacity, please complete this section.**

In accordance with Chapter 4, part 4.4.19 (1)(a) to (d) of the AML/CTF Rules, does the Custodian meet the definition (see 'Section 10 – Glossary') of a Custodian?

No       Yes

In accordance with Chapter 4, part 4.4.19 (e) of the AML/CTF Rules, do you, in your capacity as Custodian attest that prior to requesting this designated service from Equity Trustees, it has carried out and will continue to carry out, all applicable customer identification procedures on the underlying account holder named or to be named in the Fund's register, including conducting ongoing customer due diligence requirements in accordance with Chapter 15 of the AML/CTF Rules?

No       Yes

If you answered YES to all of the above questions, then Equity Trustees is able to apply the Chapter 4, part 4.4 Custodian rules to this account and will rely upon the customer due diligence conducted by the Custodian on the underlying account holder named or to be named in the Fund's register.

If requested to do so at any time after the provision of this designated service, the Custodian agrees to honour any reasonable request made by Equity Trustees for information or evidence about the underlying account holder in order to allow Equity Trustees to meet its obligations under the AML/CTF Act.

No       Yes

Excepting the below circumstances where the custodian answered NO or did not complete any of the above questions, no other information about the underlying account holder is required to be collected. However, further information about you as the Custodian and as a company is required to be collected and verified as required by the AML/CTF rules. Please complete the rest of this form for the Custodian.

### **Excepting circumstances:**

If you answered NO or did not complete any of the above questions, then we are unable to apply the Chapter 4, part 4.4 Custodian rules to this application. We are therefore obligated to conduct full Know Your Client procedures on the underlying account holder named or to be named in the Fund's register including any named nominee, as well as the trustees, beneficial owners and controlling persons of the underlying named account in addition to the Custodian. Therefore, please complete the relevant forms and provide identity documents for all parties connected to this account.

## SECTION 6 – AUTHORISED REPRESENTATIVE, AGENT AND/OR FINANCIAL ADVISER

Please complete if you are appointing an authorised representative, agent and/or financial adviser.

**See Group D AML/CTF Identity Verification Requirements in Section 9**

- I am an **authorised representative or agent** as nominated by the investor(s)

You must attach a valid authority such as Power of Attorney, guardianship order, grant of probate, appointment of bankruptcy etc. that is a certified copy. The document must be current and complete, signed by the investor or a court official and permits the authorised representative or agent to transact on behalf of the investor.

Full name of authorised representative or agent

Role held with investor(s)

Signature

Date



- I am a **financial adviser** as nominated by the investor

Name of adviser

AFSL number



Dealer group

Name of advisory firm



Postage address

Suburb

State

Postcode

Country





Email address

Contact no.



### Financial Advice (only complete if applicable)

- The investor has received personal financial product advice in relation to this investment from a licensed financial adviser and that advice is current.

### Financial Adviser Declaration

- I/We hereby declare that I/we are not a US Person as defined in the PDS/IM.
- I/We hereby declare that the investor is not a US Person as defined in the PDS/IM.
- I/We have completed an appropriate Customer Identification Procedure (CIP) on this investor which meets the requirements (per type of investor) set out above,
- I/We have attached the relevant CIP documents;

Signature

Date

## Access to information

Unless you elect otherwise, your authorised representative, agent and/or financial adviser will also be provided access to your investment information and/or receive copies of statements and transaction confirmations. By appointing an authorised representative, agent and/or financial adviser you acknowledge that you have read and agreed to the terms and conditions in the PDS/IM relating to such appointment.

- Please tick this box if you DO NOT want your authorised representative, agent and/or financial adviser to have access to information about your investment.
- Please tick this box if you DO NOT want copies of statements and transaction confirmations sent to your authorised representative, agent and/or financial adviser.
- Please tick this box if you want statements and transaction confirmations sent ONLY to your authorised representative, agent and/or financial adviser.

## SECTION 7 – FOREIGN ACCOUNT TAX COMPLIANCE ACT (FATCA), COMMON REPORTING STANDARD (CRS) SELF-CERTIFICATION FORM – ALL INVESTORS MUST COMPLETE

### Sub-Section I – Individuals

Please fill this Sub-Section I only if you are an individual. If you are an entity, please fill Sub-Section II.

#### 1. Are you a US tax resident (e.g. US citizen or US resident)?

- Yes: provide your US Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN) and continue to question 2

Investor 1

Investor 2


- No: continue to question 2

#### 2. Are you a tax resident of any other country outside of Australia?

- Yes: state each country and provide your TIN or equivalent (or Reason Code if no TIN is provided) for each jurisdiction below and skip to question 12

##### Investor 1

Country/Jurisdiction of tax residence	TIN	If no TIN available enter Reason A, B or C
1		
2		

##### Investor 2

Country/Jurisdiction of tax residence	TIN	If no TIN available enter Reason A, B or C
1		
2		

*If more space is needed please provide details as an attachment.*

- No: skip to question 12

#### Reason Code:

If TIN or equivalent is not provided, please provide reason from the following options:

- Reason A: The country/jurisdiction where the investor is resident does not issue TINs to its residents.
- Reason B: The investor is otherwise unable to obtain a TIN or equivalent number (Please explain why the investor is unable to obtain a TIN in the below table if you have selected this reason).
- Reason C: No TIN is required. (Note. Only select this reason if the domestic law of the relevant jurisdiction does not require the collection of the TIN issued by such jurisdiction).

If Reason B has been selected above, explain why you are not required to obtain a TIN:

	Reason B explanation
Investor 1	
Investor 2	



## Sub-Section II – Entities

Please fill this Sub-Section II only if you are an entity. If you are an individual, please fill Sub-Section I.

### 3. Are you an Australian complying superannuation fund?

- Yes: skip to question 12
- No: continue to question 4

## FATCA

### 4. Are you a US Person?

- Yes: continue to question 5
- No: skip to question 6

### 5. Are you a Specified US Person?

- Yes: provide your TIN below and skip to question 7

- No: indicate exemption type and skip to question 7

### 6. Are you a Financial Institution for the purposes of FATCA?

- Yes: provide your Global Intermediary Identification Number (GIIN)

If you do not have a GIIN, please provide your FATCA status below and then continue to question 7. If you are a sponsored entity, please provide your GIIN above and your sponsor's details below and then continue to question 7.

- Exempt Beneficial Owner, provide type below:

- Deemed-Compliant FFI (other than a Sponsored Investment Entity or a Trustee Documented Trust), provide type below:

- Non-Participating FFI, provide type below:

- Sponsored Entity. Please provide the Sponsoring Entity's name and GIIN:


- Trustee Documented Trust. Please provide your Trustee's name and GIIN:


- Other, provide details:

- No: continue to question 7

**CRS****7. Are you a tax resident of any country outside of Australia and the US?**

- Yes: state each country and provide your TIN or equivalent (or Reason Code if no TIN is provided) for each jurisdiction below and continue to question 8

**Investor 1**

Country/Jurisdiction of tax residence	TIN	If no TIN available enter Reason A, B or C
1		
2		

**Investor 2**

Country/Jurisdiction of tax residence	TIN	If no TIN available enter Reason A, B or C
1		
2		

*If more space is needed please provide details as an attachment.*

**Reason Code:**

If TIN or equivalent is not provided, please provide reason from the following options:

- Reason A: The country/jurisdiction where the investor is resident does not issue TINs to its residents.
- Reason B: The investor is otherwise unable to obtain a TIN or equivalent number (Please explain why the investor is unable to obtain a TIN in the below table if you have selected this reason).
- Reason C: No TIN is required. (Note. Only select this reason if the domestic law of the relevant jurisdiction does not require the collection of the TIN issued by such jurisdiction).

If Reason B has been selected above, explain why you are not required to obtain a TIN:

	Reason B explanation
Investor 1	
Investor 2	

- No: continue to question 8

**8. Are you a Financial Institution for the purpose of CRS?**

- Yes: specify the type of Financial Institution below and continue to question 9

- Reporting Financial Institution
- Non-Reporting Financial Institution:
- Trustee Documented Trust
- Other: please specify:

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- No: skip to question 10

**9. Are you an investment entity resident in a non-participating jurisdiction for CRS purposes and managed by another financial Institution?**

- Yes: skip to question 11
- No: skip to question 12

## Non-Financial Entities

### 10. Are you an Active Non-Financial Entity (Active NFE)?

- Yes: specify the type of Active NFE below and skip to question 12:
- Less than 50% of the entity's gross income from the preceding calendar year is passive income (e.g. dividends, distribution, interests, royalties and rental income) and less than 50% of its assets during the preceding calendar year are assets held for the production of passive income
- Corporation that is regularly traded or a related entity of a regularly traded corporation
- Provide name of Listed Entity:
- and exchange on which traded:
- Governmental Entity, International Organisation or Central Bank
- Other: please specify:
- No: you are a Passive Non-Financial Entity (Passive NFE). Continue to question 11

## Controlling Persons

### 11. Does one or more of the following apply to you:

- Is any natural person that exercises control over you (for corporations, this would include directors or beneficial owners who ultimately own 25% or more of the share capital) a tax resident of any country outside of Australia?
- If you are a trust, is any natural person including trustee, protector, beneficiary, settlor or any other natural person exercising ultimate effective control over the trust a tax resident of any country outside of Australia?
- Where no natural person is identified as exercising control of the entity, the controlling person will be the natural person(s) who holds the position of senior managing official.

- Yes. provide controlling person information below:

#### Controlling person 1

Title	First name(s)	Surname	
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	
Residential address (not a PO Box/RMB/Locked Bag)			
<input type="text"/>			
Suburb	State	Postcode	Country
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Date of birth (DD/MM/YYYY)	<input type="text"/>	/	<input type="text"/>
	<input type="text"/>	/	<input type="text"/>

Country/Jurisdiction of tax residence	TIN	If no TIN available enter Reason A, B or C
1		
2		

**Controlling person 2**

Title	First name(s)	Surname
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

Residential address (not a PO Box/RMB/Locked Bag)

Suburb	State	Postcode	Country
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

Date of birth (DD/MM/YYYY)  /  / 

Country/Jurisdiction of tax residence	TIN	If no TIN available enter Reason A, B or C
1		
2		

*If there are more than 2 controlling persons, please provide details as an attachment.*

**Reason Code:**

If TIN or equivalent is not provided, please provide reason from the following options:

- Reason A: The country/jurisdiction where the investor is resident does not issue TINs to its residents.
- Reason B: The investor is otherwise unable to obtain a TIN or equivalent number (Please explain why the investor is unable to obtain a TIN in the below table if you have selected this reason).
- Reason C: No TIN is required. (Note. Only select this reason if the domestic law of the relevant jurisdiction does not require the collection of the TIN issued by such jurisdiction).

If Reason B has been selected above, explain why you are not required to obtain a TIN:

	Reason B explanation
Investor 1	
Investor 2	

No: continue to question 12

**12. Signature and Declaration – ALL investors must sign**

I undertake to provide a suitably updated self-certification within 30 days of any change in circumstances which causes the information contained herein to become incorrect.

I declare the information above to be true and correct.

**Investor 1**

Name of individual/entity

Name of authorised representative

Signature

Date

**Investor 2**

Name of individual/entity

Name of authorised representative

Signature

Date

## SECTION 8 – DECLARATIONS – ALL INVESTORS MUST COMPLETE

In most cases the information that you provide in this form will satisfy the AML/CTF Act, the US Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act (FATCA) and the Common Reporting Standard (CRS). However, in some instances the Responsible Entity may contact you to request further information. It may also be necessary for the Responsible Entity to collect information (including sensitive information) about you from third parties in order to meet its obligations under the AML/CTF Act, FATCA and CRS.

### When you complete this Application Form you make the following declarations:

- I/We have received the PDS/IM and made this application in Australia (and/or New Zealand for those offers made in New Zealand).
- I/We have read the PDS/IM to which this Application Form applies and agree to be bound by the terms and conditions of the PDS/IM and the Constitution of the relevant Fund/Trust in which I/we have chosen to invest.
- I/we have carefully considered the features of Fund/Trust as described in the PDS (including its investment objectives, minimum suggested investment timeframe, risk level, withdrawal arrangements and investor suitability) and, after obtaining any financial and/or tax advice that I/we deemed appropriate, am/are satisfied that my/our proposed investment in the Fund/Trust is consistent with my/our investment objectives, financial circumstances and needs.\*
- I/We have considered our personal circumstances and, where appropriate, obtained investment and/or taxation advice.
- I/We hereby declare that I/we are not a US Person as defined in the PDS/IM.
- I/We acknowledge that (if a natural person) I am/we are 18 years of age or over and I am/we are eligible to hold units in the Fund/Trust in which I/We have chosen to invest.
- I/We acknowledge and agree that Equity Trustees has outlined in the PDS/IM provided to me/us how and where I/we can obtain a copy of the Equity Trustees Group Privacy Statement.
- I/We consent to the transfer of any of my/our personal information to external third parties including but not limited to fund administrators, fund investment manager(s) and related bodies corporate who are located outside Australia for the purpose of administering the products and services for which I/we have engaged the services of Equity Trustees or its related bodies corporate and to foreign government agencies for reporting purposes (if necessary).
- I/we hereby confirm that the personal information that I/we have provided to Equity Trustees is correct and current in every detail, and should these details change, I/we shall promptly advise Equity Trustees in writing of the change(s).
- I/We agree to provide further information or personal details to the Responsible Entity if required to meet its obligations under anti-money laundering and counter-terrorism legislation, US tax legislation or reporting legislation and acknowledge that processing of my/our application may be delayed and will be processed at the unit price applicable for the Business Day as at which all required information has been received and verified.
- If I/we have provided an email address, I/we consent to receive ongoing investor information including PDS/IM information, confirmations of transactions and additional information as applicable via email.
- I/We acknowledge that Equity Trustees does not guarantee the repayment of capital or the performance of the Fund/Trust or any particular rate of return from the Fund/Trust.
- I/We acknowledge that an investment in the Fund/Trust is not a deposit with or liability of Equity Trustees and is subject to investment risk including possible delays in repayment and loss of income or capital invested.
- I/We acknowledge that Equity Trustees is not responsible for the delays in receipt of monies caused by the postal service or the investor's bank.
- If I/we lodge a fax application request, I/we acknowledge and agree to release, discharge and agree to indemnify Equity Trustees from and against any and all losses, liabilities, actions, proceedings, account claims and demands arising from any fax application.
- If I/we have completed and lodged the relevant sections on authorised representatives, agents and/or financial advisers on the Application Form then I/we agree to release, discharge and indemnify Equity Trustees from and against any and all losses, liabilities, actions, proceedings, account claims and demands arising from Equity Trustees acting on the instructions of my/our authorised representatives, agents and/or financial advisers.
- If this is a joint application each of us agrees that our investment is held as joint tenants.
- I/We acknowledge and agree that where the Responsible Entity, in its sole discretion, determines that:
  - I/we are ineligible to hold units in a Fund/Trust or have provided misleading information in my/our Application Form; or
  - I/we owe any amounts to Equity Trustees, then I/we appoint the Responsible Entity as my/our agent to submit a withdrawal request on my/our behalf in respect of all or part of my/our units, as the case requires, in the Fund/Trust.
- **For Wholesale Clients\*** – I/We acknowledge that I am/we are a Wholesale Client (as defined in Section 761G of the Corporations Act 2001 (Cth)) and are therefore eligible to hold units in the Fund/Trust.
- **For New Zealand applicants\*** – I/we have read the terms of the offer relating to New Zealand investors, including the New Zealand warning statement.
- **For New Zealand Wholesale Investors\*** – I/We acknowledge and agree that:
  - I/We have read the “New Zealand Wholesale Investor Fact Sheet” and PDS/IM or “New Zealand Investors: Selling Restriction” for the Fund/Trust;
  - I am/We are a Wholesale Investor and am/are therefore eligible to hold units in the Fund/Trust; and
  - I/We have not:

- Offered, sold, or transferred, and will not offer, sell, or transfer, directly or indirectly, any units in the Fund/Trust;
  - Granted, issued, or transferred, and will not grant, issue, or transfer, any interests in or options over, directly or indirectly, any units in the Fund/Trust; and
  - Distributed and will not distribute, directly or indirectly, the PDS/IM or any other offering materials or advertisement in relation to any offer of units in the Fund/Trust, in each case in New Zealand, other than to a person who is a Wholesale Investor; and
- I/We will notify Equity Trustees if I/we cease to be a Wholesale Investor; and
  - I/We have separately provided a signed Wholesale Investor Certification located at the end of this Application Form.

All references to Wholesale Investor in this Declaration are a reference to Wholesale Investor in terms of clause 3(2) of Schedule 1 of the Financial Markets Conduct Act 2013 (New Zealand).

\* Disregard if not applicable.

**\*Terms and conditions for collection of Tax File Numbers (TFN) and Australian Business Numbers (ABN)**

Collection of TFN and ABN information is authorised and its use and disclosure strictly regulated by tax laws and the Privacy Act. Investors must only provide an ABN instead of a TFN when the investment is made in the course of their enterprise. You are not obliged to provide either your TFN or ABN, but if you do not provide either or claim an exemption, we are required to deduct tax from your distribution at the highest marginal tax rate plus Medicare levy to meet Australian taxation law requirements.

For more information about the use of TFNs for investments, contact the enquiries section of your local branch of the ATO. Once provided, your TFN will be applied automatically to any future investments in the Fund/Trust where formal application procedures are not required (e.g. distribution reinvestments), unless you indicate, at any time, that you do not wish to quote a TFN for a particular investment. Exempt investors should attach a copy of the certificate of exemption. For super funds or trusts list only the applicable ABN or TFN for the super fund or trust.

**When you sign this Application Form you declare that you have read, agree to and make the declarations above**

**Investor 1**

Name of individual/entity

Capacity (e.g. Director, Secretary, Authorised signatory)

Signature

Date

Company Seal (if applicable)

**Investor 2**

Name of individual/entity

Capacity (e.g. Director, Secretary, Authorised signatory)

Signature

Date

## SECTION 9 – AML/CTF IDENTITY VERIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

The AML/CTF Act requires the Responsible Entity to adopt and maintain an Anti-Money Laundering and Counter-Terrorism Financing (AML/CTF) Program. The AML/CTF Program includes ongoing customer due diligence, which may require the Responsible Entity to collect further information.

- Identification documentation provided must be in the name of the investor.
- Non-English language documents must be translated by an accredited translator. Provide both the foreign language document and the accredited English translation.
- Applications made without providing this information cannot be processed until all the necessary information has been provided.
- If you are unable to provide the identification documents described please contact Equity Trustees.

These documents should be provided as an original or a **CERTIFIED COPY** of the original.

### Who can certify?

Below is an example of who can certify proof of ID documents under the AML/CTF requirements:

- Bailiff
- Bank officer with 5 or more years of continuous service
- Building society officer with 5 or more years of continuous service
- Chiropractor (licensed or registered)
- Clerk of court
- Commissioner for Affidavits
- Commissioner for Declarations
- Credit union officer with 5 or more years of continuous service
- Dentist (licensed or registered)
- Fellow of the National Tax Accountant's Association
- Finance company officer with 5 or more years of continuous service
- Judge of a court
- Justice of the peace
- Legal practitioner (licensed or registered)
- Magistrate
- Marriage celebrant licensed or registered under Subdivision C of Division 1 of Part IV of the Marriage Act 1961
- Master of a court
- Medical practitioner (licensed or registered)
- Member of Chartered Secretaries Australia
- Member of Engineers Australia, other than at the grade of student
- Member of the Association of Taxation and Management Accountants
- Member of the Australian Defence Force with 5 or more years of continuous service
- Member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in Australia, the Australian Society of Certified Practising Accountants or the Institute of Public Accountants
- Member of the Parliament of the Commonwealth, a State, a Territory Legislature, or a local government authority of a State or Territory
- Minister of religion licensed or registered under Subdivision A of Division 1 of Part IV of the Marriage Act 1961
- Nurse (licensed or registered)
- Optometrist (licensed or registered)
- Permanent employee of Commonwealth, State or local government authority with at least 5 or more years of continuous service.
- Permanent employee of the Australian Postal Corporation with 5 or more years of continuous service
- Pharmacist (licensed or registered)
- Physiotherapist (licensed or registered)
- Police officer
- Psychologist (licensed or registered)
- Registrar, or Deputy Registrar, of a court
- Sheriff
- Teacher employed on a full-time basis at a school or tertiary education institution
- Veterinary surgeon (licensed or registered)

### When certifying documents, the following process must be followed:

- All copied pages of original proof of ID documents must be certified and the certification must not be older than 2 years.
- The authorised individual must ensure that the original and the copy are identical; then write or stamp on the copied document "certified true copy". This must be followed by the date and signature, printed name and qualification of the authorised individual.
- In cases where an extract of a document is photocopied to verify customer ID, the authorised individual should write or stamp "certified true extract".

**GROUP A – Individuals/Joint**

Each individual investor, individual trustee, beneficial owner, or individual agent or authorised representative must provide one of the following primary photographic ID:

- A current Australian driver's licence (or foreign equivalent) that includes a photo and signature.
- An Australian passport (not expired more than 2 years previously).
- A foreign passport or international travel document (must not be expired)
- An identity card issued by a State or Territory Government that includes a photo.

If you do NOT own one of the above ID documents, please provide one valid option from Column A and one valid option from Column B.

**Column A**

- Australian birth certificate.
- Australian citizenship certificate.
- Pension card issued by Department of Human Services.

**Column B**

- A document issued by the Commonwealth or a State or Territory within the preceding 12 months that records the provision of financial benefits to the individual and which contains the individual's name and residential address.
- A document issued by the Australian Taxation Office within the preceding 12 months that records a debt payable by the individual to the Commonwealth (or by the Commonwealth to the individual), which contains the individual's name and residential address. Block out the TFN before scanning, copying or storing this document.
- A document issued by a local government body or utilities provider within the preceding 3 months which records the provision of services to that address or to that person (the document must contain the individual's name and residential address).
- If under the age of 18, a notice that: was issued to the individual by a school principal within the preceding 3 months; and contains the name and residential address; and records the period of time that the individual attended that school.



## GROUP B – Companies

For Australian Registered Companies, provide one of the following (must clearly show the Company's full name, type (private or public) and ACN):

- A certified copy of the company's Certificate of Registration or incorporation issued by ASIC.
- A copy of information regarding the company's licence or other information held by the relevant Commonwealth, State or Territory regulatory body e.g. AFSL, RSE, ACL etc.
- A full company search issued in the previous 3 months or the company's last annual statement issued by ASIC.
- If the company is listed on an Australian securities exchange, provide details of the exchange and the ticker (issuer) code.
- If the company is a majority owned subsidiary of a company listed on an Australian securities exchange, provide details of the holding company name, its registration number e.g. ACN, the securities exchange and the ticker (issuer) code.

All of the above must clearly show the company's full name, its type (i.e. public or private) and the ACN issued by ASIC.

For Foreign Companies, provide one of the following:

- A certified copy of the company's Certificate of Registration or incorporation issued by the foreign jurisdiction(s) in which the company was incorporated, established or formed.
- A certified copy of the company's articles of association or constitution.
- A copy of a company search on the ASIC database or relevant foreign registration body.
- A copy of the last annual statement issued by the company regulator.

All of the above must clearly show the company's full name, its type (i.e. public or private) and the ARBN issued by ASIC, or the identification number issued to the company by the foreign regulator.

**In addition, please provide verification documents for each beneficial owner or controlling person (senior managing official and shareholder) as listed under Group A.**

A beneficial owner of a company is any person entitled (either directly or indirectly) to exercise 25% or more of the voting rights, including a power of veto, or who holds the position of senior managing official (or equivalent) and is thus the controlling person.

## GROUP C – Trusts

For a Registered Managed Investment Scheme, Government Superannuation Fund or a trust registered with the Australian Charities and Not-for-Profit Commission (ACNC), or a regulated, complying Superannuation Fund, retirement or pension fund (including a self-managed super fund), provide one of the following:

- A copy of the company search of the relevant regulator's website e.g. APRA, ASIC or ATO.
- A copy or relevant extract of the legislation establishing the government superannuation fund sourced from a government website.
- A copy from the ACNC of information registered about the trust as a charity
- Annual report or audited financial statements.
- A certified copy of a notice issued by the ATO within the previous 12 months.
- A certified copy of an extract of the Trust Deed (i.e. cover page and signing page and first two pages that describes the trust, its purpose, appointer details and settlor details etc.)

For all other Unregulated trust (including a Foreign trust), provide the following:

- A certified copy of an extract of the Trust Deed (i.e. cover page and signing page and first two pages that describes the trust, its purpose, appointer details and settlor details etc.)

**If the trustee is an individual, please also provide verification documents for one trustee as listed under Group A.**

**If the trustee is a company, please also provide verification documents for a company as listed under Group B.**

## GROUP D – Authorised Representatives and Agents

In addition to the above entity groups:

- If you are an **Individual Authorised Representative or Agent** – please also provide the identification documents listed under Group A.
- If you are a **Corporate Authorised Representative or Agent** – please also provide the identification documents listed under Group B.

All Authorised Representatives and Agents must also provide a certified copy of their authority to act for the investor e.g. the POA, guardianship order, Executor or Administrator of a deceased estate, authority granted to a bankruptcy trustee, authority granted to the State or Public Trustee etc.

## Section 10 – Glossary

Custodian – means a company that:

- a) is acting in the capacity of a trustee; and
- b) is providing a custodial or depository service of the kind described in item 46 of table 1 in subsection 6(2) of the Anti-Money Laundering and Counter-Terrorism Financing Act 2006 (AML/CTF Act); and
- c) either:
  - i. holds an Australian financial services licence authorising it to provide custodial or depository services under the Corporations Act 2001; or
  - ii. is exempt under the Corporations Act 2001 from the requirement to hold such a licence; and
- d) either:
  - i. satisfies one of the 'geographical link' tests in subsection 6(6) of the AML/CTF Act; or
  - ii. has certified in writing to the relevant reporting entity that its name and enrolment details are entered on the Reporting Entities Roll; and
- e) has certified in writing to the relevant reporting entity that it has carried out all applicable customer identification procedures and ongoing customer due diligence requirements in accordance with Chapter 15 of the AML/CTF Rules in relation to its underlying customers prior to, or at the time of, becoming a customer of the reporting entity.