



Investment Objective

To earn capital growth and income through value, arbitrage, and special situation investments in the continent of Africa. Portfolio investments will include equity, debt, and other interests in both listed and unlisted assets.

Listing

Specialist Fund Segment of the London Stock Exchange's Main Market

Dividend Policy

An amount equal to the annual comprehensive income excluding net capital gains/losses.

Fund Performance – 31 October 2018

NAV per share	\$0.803	Total Net Assets	\$60.1mm
Share price as at 31 October	\$0.675	Market Capitalization	\$50.5mm
Discount to NAV	16%	Shares outstanding	74.8mm

Year to Date Change in NAV

US\$ NAV Return %	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Jan	-0.7%	-2.1%	5.6%	-1.4%	1.9%	4.9%	2.2%	-5.1%	-3.2%	-1.0%	5.1%
Feb	1.9%	-10.4%	1.2%	-1.1%	0.4%	-0.8%	3.3%	-1.8%	2.5%	-0.5%	3.8%
March	1.4%	16.7%	3.1%	2.9%	0.0%	7.8%	-4.0%	-2.4%	1.8%	3.0%	0.1%
April	1.0%	6.2%	4.7%	5.5%	0.5%	5.4%	-2.8%	2.3%	4.0%	1.8%	-4.5%
May	0.1%	3.7%	-8.4%	1.5%	-6.0%	-1.4%	-8.3%	1.0%	-2.0%	2.1%	-8.4%
June	-0.6%	10.0%	-6.7%	-0.9%	1.1%	0.4%	0.8%	-2.5%	-0.2%	-0.6%	-0.6%
July	-3.8%	5.0%	10.9%	4.2%	-0.7%	3.2%	0.6%	1.8%	-1.3%	3.5%	1.8%
Aug	-8.2%	2.4%	0.3%	-2.5%	-1.9%	1.7%	-2.2%	-2.2%	0.5%	11.3%	-3.9%
Sept	-9.8%	8.0%	8.2%	-9.0%	1.5%	2.8%	-2.6%	-3.2%	0.7%	-2.6%	-2.1%
Oct	-23.8%	1.5%	7.5%	3.6%	-2.7%	-0.3%	-4.1%	-0.5%	-0.2%	-0.5%	-4.6%
Nov	-10.2%	1.6%	-3.5%	-2.8%	4.6%	1.5%	-2.0%	2.9%	-2.1%	1.3%	
Dec	-4.1%	0.1%	3.6%	2.6%	6.3%	-0.1%	0.9%	-2.5%	3.1%	-1.4%	
FY	-42.5%	48.2%	27.1%	1.6%	4.4%	27.7%	-17.3%	-11.4%	-9.5%	16.9%	-13.1%

Table of monthly top performers and losers

Top Gains / Losses

	% Gain	Amount (mm)		% Losses	Amount (mm)
FML Properties	17.0%	0.8	Kosmos Equity	-30.6%	-2.4
Anglogold Equity	10.0%	0.5	Sonatel	-7.6%	-0.5
Copperbelt	3.7%	0.2	SOGB	-31.6%	-0.4
Continental RE	4.8%	0.1	Stanchart Ghana	-14.6%	-0.4
Attacq	39.0%	0.1	Naspers	-18.7%	-0.3



Top Ten Holdings

Company Name	Description	% of NAV
Enterprise	Ghanaian property & casualty insurance and life assurance company	17.0%
Kosmos	Oil Producer and explorer in West Africa	13.5%
Sonatel	Dominant Senegalese and regional integrated telecommunication operator	9.3%
FML Properties	Zimbabwean real estate company	8.8%
Anglogold	Gold mining company operating in 11 countries	8.5%
Copperbelt	Largest electricity transmitter in the Zambian Copperbelt	7.4%
Mashonaland Holdings	Zimbabwean real estate company	4.5%
Stanchart Ghana	Leading commercial bank in Ghana	4.1%
Continental Re	Leading Pan-African reinsurer offering non-life and life reinsurance products	4.1%
Stanbic Uganda	Leading commercial bank in Uganda	3.7%
Total		81.0%

Manager's Commentary

Market Conditions

The Africa Opportunity Fund ("AOF" or the "Company" or the "Fund") NAV declined 4.6% in October, while the share price lost 8% and closed at \$0.675. As a reference, during the month other African indexes broadly suffered declines too: South Africa = -6%, Egypt = -7%, Kenya = -4%, Morocco = -4% and Nigeria = -1%. Three Africa-focused ETFs – the Lyxor ETF (PAF FP), the DBX MSCI Africa Top 50 (XMAF LN), and Van Eck Africa Index (AFK US), lost, 9%, 7%, and 6% respectively.

Portfolio Highlights

The Fund's 4.6% NAV decline was largely due to losses from Kosmos Energy, Sonatel and SOGB. Our Kosmos Energy investment declined on the tail of a 9% decline in Brent crude oil prices from \$82/bbl to \$75/bbl. Sonatel lost 8% after the share price declined 6% whilst the XOF lost 3%. Standard Chartered Bank Ghana's shares lost 16% from GHS 26.10/share to GHS 21.80/share whilst the GHS gained 2% to GHS 4.87/\$.

Gains were mainly from FML Properties and Anglogold. FML Properties gained 17% on the back of a currency crisis in Zimbabwe that has triggered a flight to safety with investors shunning all cash balances and fixed income investments in favour of real assets and shares. Anglogold continued its recovery after it gained a further 10% from \$8.58/share from \$9.41/share following the 2% increase in the price of gold to \$1,213/oz.

Fund Exposure – 31 October 2018

	Exposure		Exposure
Long Equities	86.4%	Arbitrage	0.9%
Short Equities	-2.8%	Cash Balance	9.3%
Bonds	3.4%	Other Assets & Liabilities	-1.1%
Special Situations	3.9%		



Company Details (Ordinary Shares)

Bloomberg	AOF LN
Reuters	AOF.L
Website	www.africaopportunityfund.com
Listing	SFS / London Stock Exchange
Structure	Closed-end
ISIN	KYG012921048
	Euroclear/Clearstream
Inception	26 July 2007
Domicile	Cayman Islands

Portfolio	Francis Daniels
Managers	Robert Knapp
Investment Manager	Africa Opportunity Partners Ltd
Broker	Liberum Capital Ltd
Auditor	Ernst & Young (Mauritius)

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