#### **EVANS & PARTNERS**

## **GLOBAL** DISSUPTION **FUND**

## INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE

To provide investors with capital growth over the long-term through exposure to companies that will benefit from disruptive innovation.

### PORTFOLIO UPDATE

The Evans & Partners Global Disruption Fund (Fund) declined 1.7% compared to the broader global equities market which was down 0.1%. While a rising US dollar benefited returns, global markets were impacted by an escalation of the US-China trade dispute and weakness in Asian markets with ongoing political unrest in Hong Kong.

The Fund's top contributors were Afterpay (+15.9%), Merck (+6.6%) and Microsoft (+3.8%). Afterpay reported a strong FY19 result with an accelerating US/UK customer base and merchant growth, while engagement trends in Australia continued to improve.

Tencent (-9.9%), Spotify (-10.9%), and Square (-21.3%) were the main detractors. Tencent, which was also impacted by a weaker Hong Kong market, reported a mixed 2Q result with revenue growth accelerating to +21% (lower than market expectations), while profits grew +19% (ahead). Spotify declined despite reporting strong subscriber growth, revenue growth of +31% and improved gross margins. Square delivered a 2Q result ahead of market expectations with revenue growing +46% and earnings +54%, while disclosing for the first time that its consumer Cash App is generating annualised revenues of \$0.5bn. However, the stock fell as Square maintained, rather than raised (which the market expected), its FY19 guidance of +43% revenue growth.

### PORTFOLIO MANAGER



Raymond Tong Portfolio Manager

NTA per unit \$2.20

Unit price (EGD) \$2.12

Gross assets

\$258.0 MILLION

12-month distribution yield N/A

Annualised performance since inception (25 July 2017)<sup>1</sup>

19.3%

### FUND PERFORMANCE1

	1 MONTH	3 MONTH	6 MONTH	1 YEAR	2 YEARS	5 YEARS	INCEPTION (P.A.)
NTA	-1.7%	7.1%	8.9%	0.0%	-	-	19.3%
MSCI AC World Index (Net, AUD)	-0.1%	7.5%	8.4%	6.5%	-	-	14.1%
Excess return	-1.6%	-0.4%	0.5%	-6.5%	-	-	5.2%

Note: Numbers may not sum due to rounding.

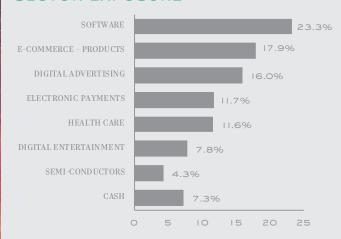
## TOP 10 PORTFOLIO HOLDINGS

Merck & Co Inc		
Microsoft Corp		
PayPal Holdings Inc		
Salesforce.com Inc		
Tencent Holdings Ltd		

## PERFORMANCE CHART<sup>1</sup>

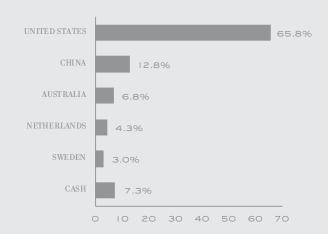


### SECTOR EXPOSURE



Source: Investment Manager, internal classification

## **COUNTRY EXPOSURE**



Source: Bloomberg, Country of Domicile

Notes: Data at 31 August 2019 unless stated. Numbers may not sum due to rounding. 1. All returns are total returns, inclusive of reinvested distributions. NTA returns are net of fees and costs. Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future performance. Inception 25 July 2017. Due to the change in the composition of the Fund and of the MSCI ACWI Information Technology Index over the prior 12 months, it is no longer shown as a comparable index. Chart data range: 25 July 2017 to 31 August 2019. Initial index value 1,000. Index Source: Bloomberg.





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