#### **EVANS & PARTNERS**

# GLOBAL DISAUPTION 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) returned 0.7% in October, ahead of the broader global equities market (+0.6%). US-China trade tensions eased following the announcement of a preliminary deal, with the market focus shifting to quarterly results. As expected, the US Federal Reserve cut rates by 25bps, although signalled a pause on further decreases.

To date, the reporting season has been positive for the Fund with most results ahead of market expectations and fundamentals remaining strong. Top performers in the Fund were Spotify (+24.0%), CSL (+9.6%) and TSMC (+8.8%). Spotify reported a strong 3Q result beating market estimates for revenue, margins and subscribers. TSMC reported a strong 3Q result, while also flagging higher investment to support growth in new areas such as 5G. CSL reaffirmed FY20 guidance during its AGM and announced approval for its Albumin product in China.

Tencent (-4.8%), Illumina (-4.8%), and Afterpay (-19.5%) detracted from performance. While Illumina's 3Q result was ahead of market expectations, this was driven by non-core service revenues and the company maintained FY19 guidance which was lowered at the 2Q result. Importantly, growth in the flagship NovaSeq genetic sequencing portfolio remains robust which should bode well for future growth. Lastly, Afterpay weakened as the RBA announced a review into current no-surcharge rules for merchants offering Buy Now Pay Later services.

## PORTFOLIO MANAGER



Raymond Tong Portfolio Manager

NTA per unit \$2.19

Unit price (EGD)

\$2.14

Gross assets

\$242.8 MILLION

12-month distribution yield

N/A

17.4%

Annualised performance

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

## FUND PERFORMANCE1

	1 MONTH	3 MONTH	6 MONTH	1 YEAR	3 YEARS	5 YEARS	INCEPTION (P.A.)
NTA	0.7%	-2.5%	-0.1%	12.1%	-	-	17.4%
MSCI AC World Index (Net, AUD)	0.6%	2.3%	5.4%	15.6%	-	-	14.2%
Excess return	0.1%	-4.8%	-5.5%	-3.5%	-	-	3.2%

Note: Numbers may not sum due to rounding.

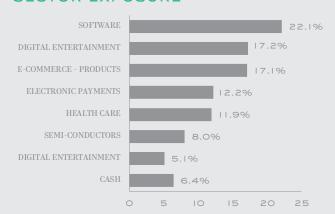
# TOP IO PORTFOLIO HOLDINGS

Adobe	Facebook Inc			
Alibaba	Merck & Co Inc			
Alphabet Inc	Microsoft Corp			
Amazon.com Inc	PayPal Holdings Inc			
ASML Holding	Salesforce.com Inc			

## PERFORMANCE CHART

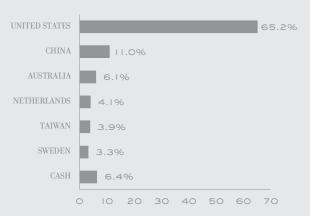


### SECTOR EXPOSURE



Source: Investment Manager, internal classification

### COUNTRY EXPOSURE



Source: Bloomberg, Country of Domicile

Notes: Data at 31 October 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 October 2019. Initial index value 1,000. Index Source: Bloomberg.





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