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## NAOS Asset Management

### Our Mission

To provide investors with genuine long-term, concentrated exposure to Australian undervalued listed micro, small and mid-cap companies with an industrial focus.

NAOS established its first Listed Investment Company (LIC) in 2013 with 400 shareholders, today NAOS manages approximately \$300 million across three LIC vehicles for more than 7,500 shareholders.

Our directors and employees have a significant interest in all three LICs, this means we are invested alongside our shareholders creating a strong alignment of interests.

NAOS is a signatory to the United Nations-supported Principles for Responsible Investment (PRI) and is committed to a responsible investment strategy, ESG considerations are incorporated into our investment process and apply across all NAOS investments.

# NAOS investment beliefs provide a competitive advantage





Value with Long Term Growth



Quality over Quantity



Invest for the Long Term

5+ years



Performance v Liquidity Focus

The closed end LIC structure removes application and redemption risk.



Ignore the Index



Pure Exposure to Industrials



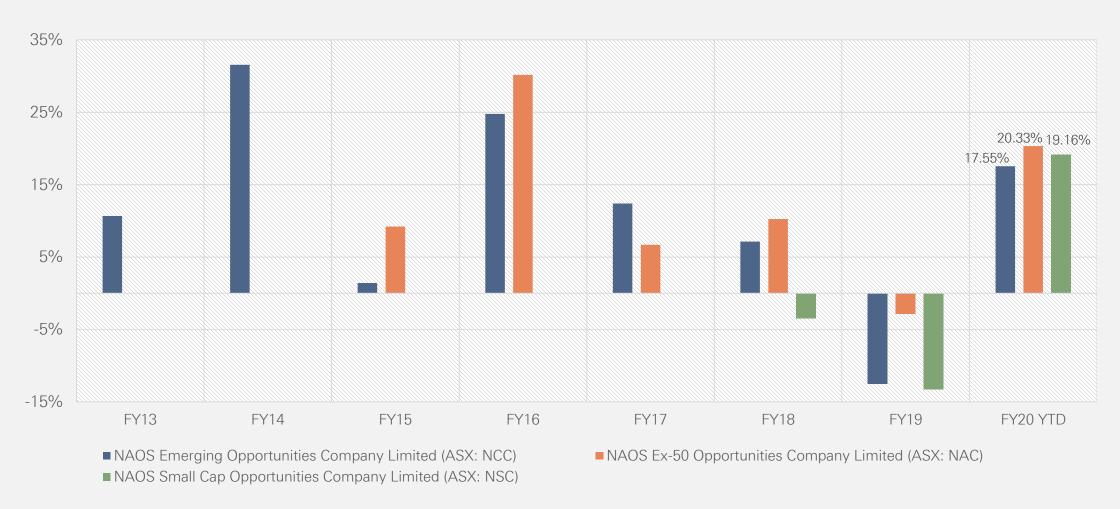
Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG)

We do not invest in businesses that are directly related to the production or sale of tobacco, gambling, nuclear, uranium, coal or iron ore, controversial weapons, coal mining operations or oil and gas production companies.



Management Alignment

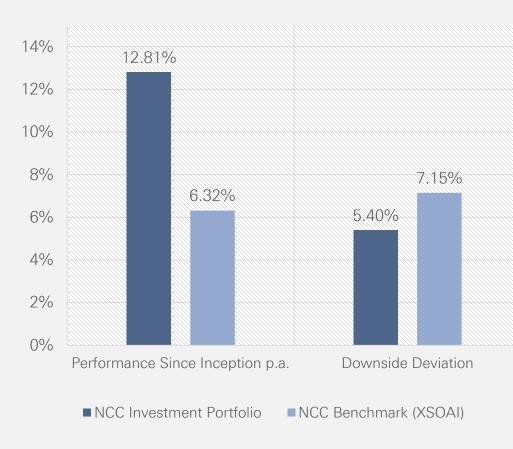
### NAOS investment portfolio financial year returns\*



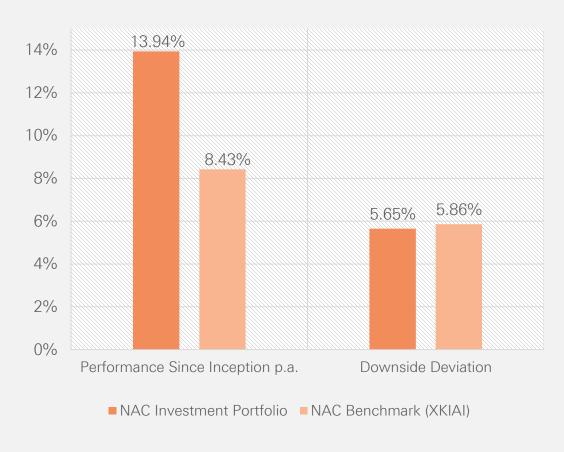
<sup>\*</sup> Investment Portfolio Performance is post all operating expenses, before fees, taxes and initial IPO and placement commissions. Performance has not been grossed up for franking credits received by shareholders. Inception dates are February 2013 (NCC), November 2014 (NAC) and December 2017 (NSC). FY20 YTD performance to 31 December 2019.

# NAOS strong long term (5 years+) risk-adjusted returns\*

#### NCC Investment Portfolio Risk and Performance Metrics



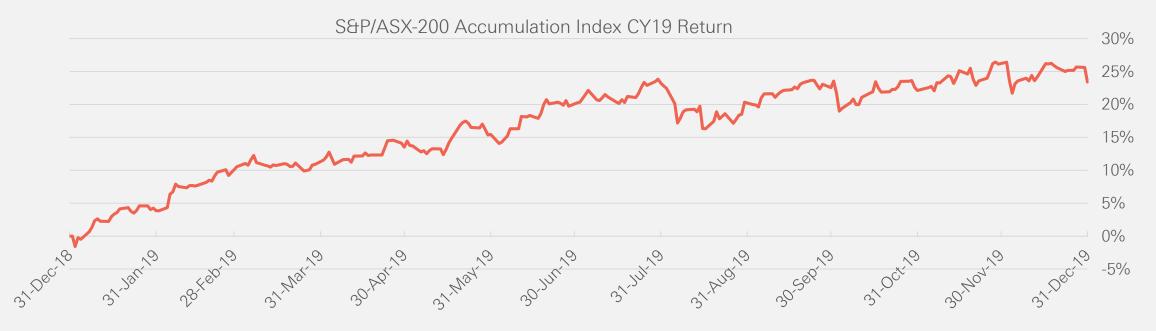
#### NAC Investment Portfolio Risk and Performance Metrics



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### Market commentary

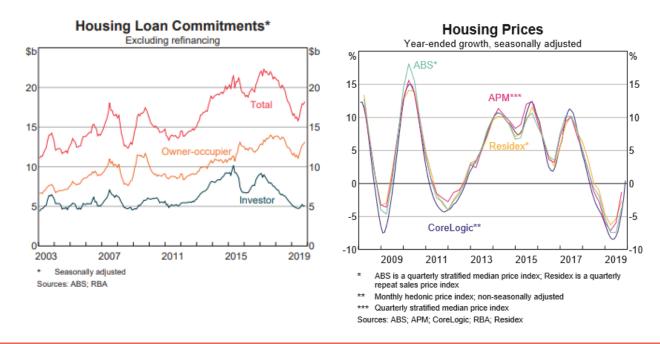
- The S&P/ASX-200 Accumulation Index (XJOAI) returned +23.4% for CY19.
- However earnings per share growth (EPS) was just +1.0%
- o The P/E of the XJOAI excluding resources has increased from a low of 13.80 times in late CY18 to almost 22 times at the end of CY19.
- o The P/E of the XJOAI excluding resources and financials is now over 24 times.
- Clearly the market and investors continue to grapple with record low cash rates and investment opportunities that represent a fair risk/reward opportunity.



Source: Bloomberg Data

### Market commentary

- o Credit contraction in housing loans has eased with loan commitments increasing from \$15.5 billion to \$17.5 billion, led purely by owner-occupier loans.
- o Resultant sharp rebound in house prices with capital city prices almost completely erasing the 9% fall in CY19.
- The unemployment rate released by the Australian Bureau of Statistics in January stated +28.9k jobs were filled during December 2019 against expectations of just +10k, with the unemployment rate falling to 5.07%.
- Both the iron ore price and export volumes remain elevated which may provide the federal government with increased funds to stimulate the economy after May 2020.



Sources: Reserve Bank of Australia: Australian Bureau of Statistics

### Market outlook

- Reporting season commences for 1H FY20 company results in early February.
- Significantly elevated valuation levels place increased pressure on companies to deliver reasonable results to avoid being punished considerably, as seen with Cimic Group Limtied (ASX: CIM), Kogan.com Limited (ASX: KGN), NIB Holdings Limited (ASX: NHF), Mosaic Brands Limited (ASX: MOZ) and Nearmap Limited (ASX: NEA).
- o The companies that we will be looking at closely for updates within our portfolios include:
  - BSA Limited (ASX: BSA) Continuation of organic earnings growth and any update on contract negotiations.
  - Over the Wire Limited (ASX: OTW) Focus on organic growth rates post the poorly received FY19
    result.
  - o Smartgroup Corporation Limited (ASX: SIQ) Organic growth rates relative to the wider market as well as clarification on potential earnings changes from contract or legislative changes.

Stock	Downgrade Date	Share Price Day Prior to Downgrade	Share Price at 30.01.2020	Move
ASX: CIM	23.01.2020	\$34.98	\$28.41	-18.78%
ASX: NHF	20.01.2020	\$6.54	\$5.39	-17.58%
ASX: MOZ	14.01.2020	\$2.26	\$1.75	-22.57%
ASX: KGN	20.01.2020	\$7.94	\$5.25	-33.88%
ASX: NEA	30.01.2020	\$2.43	\$1.71	-29.63%

# NCC Key Portfolio Events Q2 FY20

Company	Industry	Q2 Update	^ _
CML Group Limited (ASX: CGR)	Financial Services	<ul> <li>Received an indicative, non-binding proposal from Scottish Pacific at \$0.60 per share, competing with the ongoing scheme of arrangement with Consolidated Operations Group (ASX: COG).</li> <li>Scottish Pacific due diligence progressing with an update expected in the 1st week of February.</li> <li>CML Directors have stated they believe the indicative proposal from Scottish Pacific would constitute a superior offer to the existing COG scheme of arrangement.</li> </ul>	S
Saunders International Limited (ASX: SND)	Infrastructure Services	<ul> <li>From guidance provided at the Annual General Meeting (AGM) we expect an improved HY result compared to the prior period.</li> <li>One of the three major competitors to SND, being CB&amp;I, has run into financial difficulty with their parent company McDermott entering Chapter 11 bankruptcy.</li> <li>SND have recently announced a \$15 million contract with Sydney Water, their 1st major contract win in over 18 months.</li> </ul>	
BTC Health Limited (ASX: BTC)	Medical Product Distribution	<ul> <li>Reaffirmed revenue guidance growth of +15% p.a. with a steady gross margin.</li> <li>Are in a range of discussions to secure exclusive rights to unique hospital products that could add \$1-\$3 million p.a. in revenue per product.</li> <li>Following the successful integration of the Infusion business BTC will continue to assess complementary bolt-on acquisitions in the healthcare space.</li> </ul>	

# NCC portfolio update as at 31 December 2019

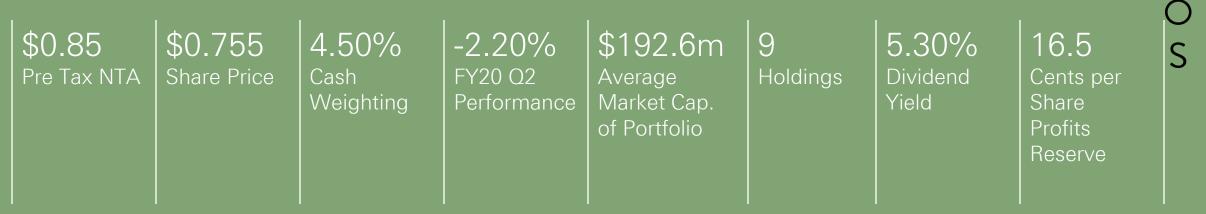
	nare Price Cash	+0.37% FY20 Q2 Performance	Average	11 Holdings	7.00% Dividend Yield	25.0 Cents per Share Profits Reserve	S
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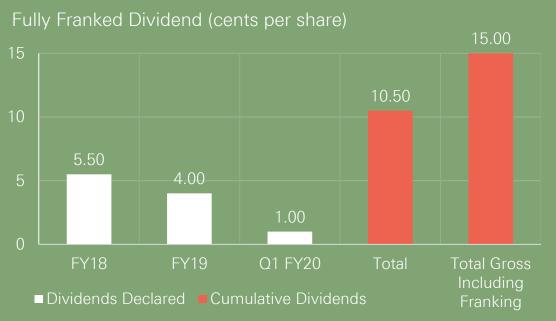


## NSC Key Portfolio Events Q2 FY20

Company	Industry	Q2 Update				
MNF Group (ASX: MNF)	IT Software and Services	<ul> <li>Completed a \$50 million institutional placement at \$5.00 per share to pay down all debt and fund international growth initiatives.</li> <li>Tailwinds for MNF remain significant, for example Spoke Phone, an MNF customer which is a mobile based voice company, recently announced the successful tender for a large commercial insurance provider.</li> </ul>				
Enero Group (ASX: EGG)	Marketing and Communications	<ul> <li>CEO Matthew Melhuish announced his intention to resign by the end of March 2020, even though this is a significant loss for EGG, we believe the risk is mitigated as all of the large agencies have their own management teams and also there is depth in the EGG management team.</li> <li>We believe the tailwinds for EGG remain significant, particularly for Hotwire and Orchard as they operate in the technology and healthcare space.</li> </ul>				
Eureka Group (ASX: EGH)	Senior Living/Property	<ul> <li>Announced their first acquisition in over 2 years, acquiring a 124 unit facility in Bundaberg.</li> <li>The acquisition was internally funded as the company continues to sell legacy non-core assets and reduce debt through cash flow resulting in a potential EBITDA uplift of over 15%.</li> <li>We believe the company has a significant runway for growth as the market remains highly fragmented with a significant demographic tailwind.</li> </ul>				

## NSC portfolio update as at 31 December 2019





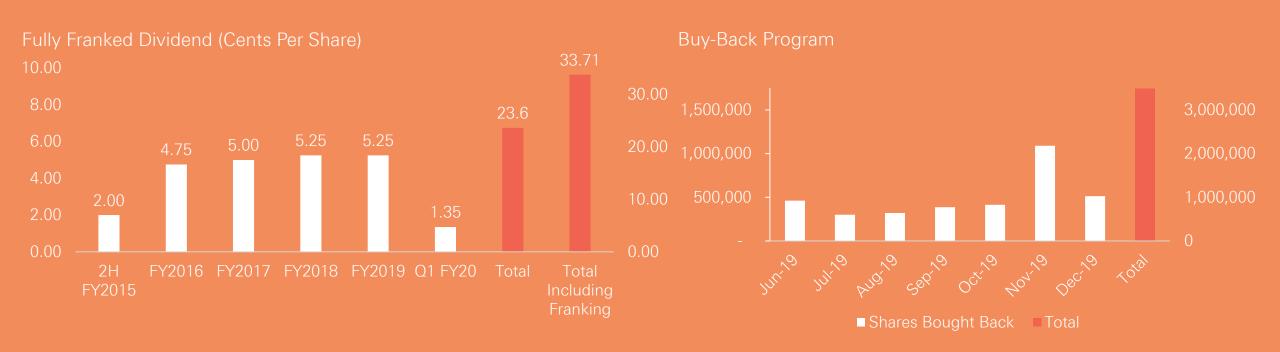


## NAC Key Portfolio Events Q2 FY20

Company	Industry	Q2 Update
Objective Corporation Limited (ASX: OCL)	IT Software and Services	<ul> <li>Operating Profit is expected to increase by close to 24%, and importantly recurring revenue increase to 75% of 1H FY20 total revenue.</li> <li>100% of the research and development spend continues to be expensed through the profit and loss statement as incurred.</li> <li>At the AGM management provided more commentary around potential acquisitions which could be funded out of the \$34 million net cash balance sheet and debt facilities.</li> </ul>
Moelis Australia Limited (ASX: MOE)	Asset Management	<ul> <li>Announced the acquisition of a 50% stake in South Australia's largest shopping centre for \$670 million which will be allocated to one large institutional client.</li> <li>Completion of a special purpose vehicle to acquire the freehold and operating rights to the Beach Hotel in Byron Bay.</li> <li>We believe FUM will be close to \$5 billion with corporate and advisory also performing strongly.</li> </ul>
Smartgroup Corporation Limited (ASX: SIQ)	Salary Packaging	<ul> <li>Recent addition to the investment portfolio after share price retracted from a high of ~\$12.50 to a low of \$6.80 over the past 3 months.</li> <li>SIQ announced the resignation of their highly regarded Managing Director, the exit of a large founding shareholder together with a ~10% earnings downgrade due to changes with their insurance provider.</li> <li>SIQ remains a capital light and high free cash flow generating business.</li> </ul>

## NAC portfolio update as at 31 December 2019

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\$1.18 Pre Tax NT	5.00% Cash Weighting	3.88% FY20 Q2 Performance	\$397.2m Average Market Cap. of Portfolio	9 Long Holdings 1 Short Holding	5.44% Dividend Yield	16.3 Cents per Share Profits Reserve	O S



## Capital management initiatives

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Performance Maintain a focus on long term performance without deviating from the NAOS investment

philosophy.

**Dividends** Continue to focus on maintaining a growing stream of fully franked dividends whilst

maintaining an adequate reserve balance.

Alignment Continue to be aligned with shareholders as Directors and Staff are some of the largest

shareholders across all 3 of the LIC's

**Communication** Maintain a very high standard of marketing materials and communications so all current and

prospective shareholders have a clear understanding of the NAOS offering.

NCC Over 10% of the NCC listed options (ASX: NCCOB) have been exercised\* and we expect NCC

to soft close at a FUM of \$100 million.

NSC The buyback remains active with 7.7m shares bought back\* together with the repayment of

the NSCG listed convertible notes via a lower cost and non-dilutionary unlisted note offering.

NAC Continue to buy back shares on market (over 7% of SOI bought back\*) which has been

significantly accretive for shareholders given the CY19 investment portfolio return of +27.83%.

<sup>\*</sup> As at 31 December 2019

### NAOS 2020 investor roadshow dates

### **EVENT DETAILS**

#### CANBERRA

11:00am-12:30pm Tuesday, March 17

Hyatt Hotel Canberra 120 Commonwealth Avenue Canberra, ACT 2600

#### ADELAIDE

11:00am-12:30pm Tuesday, March 31

Pullman Adelaide 16 Hindmarsh Square Adelaide, SA 5000

#### MELBOURNE

11:00am-12:30pm Thursday, March 19

The Westin Melbourne 205 Collins Street Melbourne, VIC 3000

#### TOOWOOMBA

9.30am-11.30am Wednesday, April 1

St Bart's Anglican Church 103 Stenner Street Toowoomba, QLD 4350

#### SYDNEY

11:00am-12:30pm Tuesday, March 24

State Library of NSW
Corner of Macquarie Street
and Shakespeare Place
Sydney, NSW 2000

#### BRISBANE

11:00am-12:30pm Thursday, April 2

Customs House 399 Queen Street Brisbane, QLD 4000

#### PERTH

11:00am-12:30pm Thursday, March 26

DoubleTree by Hilton Perth Northbridge 100 James Street Perth, WA 6000

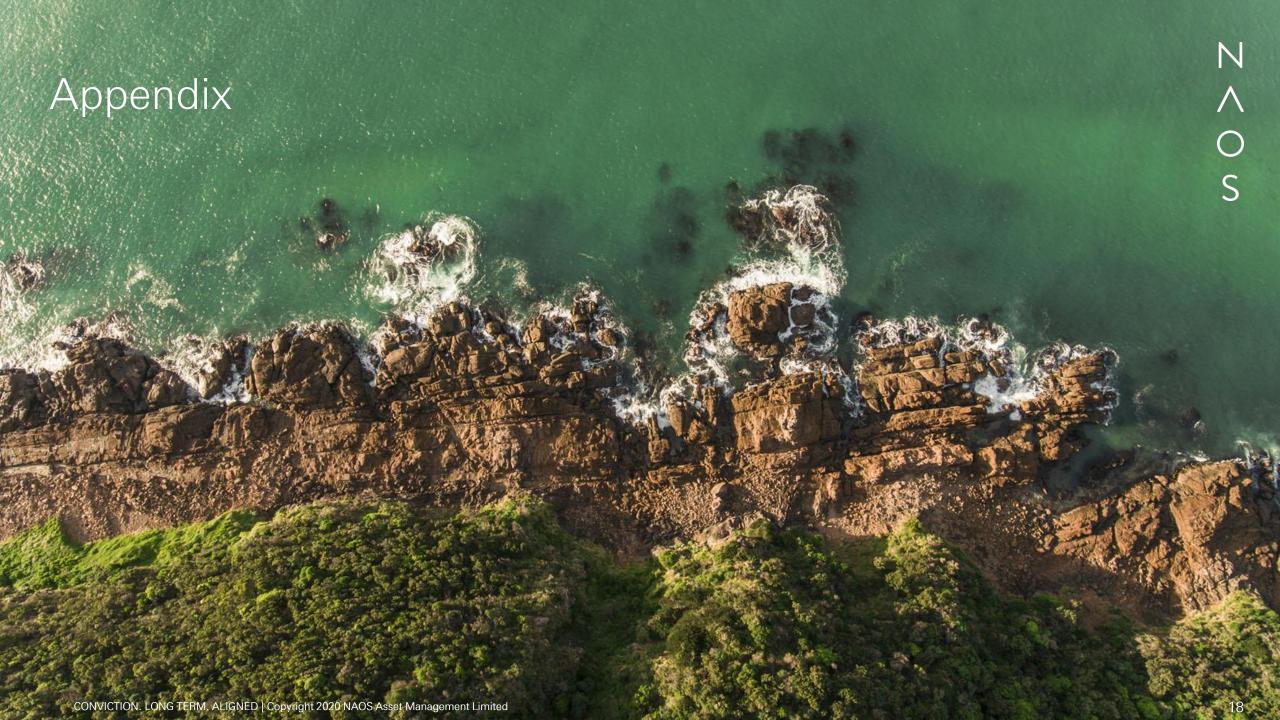
#### HOBART

11:00am-12:30pm Monday, April 6

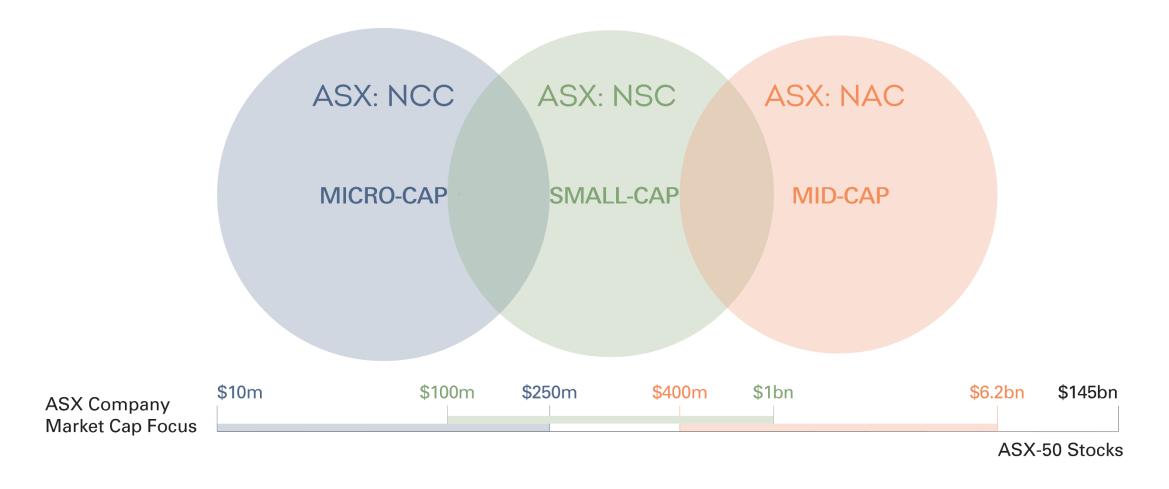
Tasmanian Museum and Art Gallery Dunn Place Hobart, TAS 7000



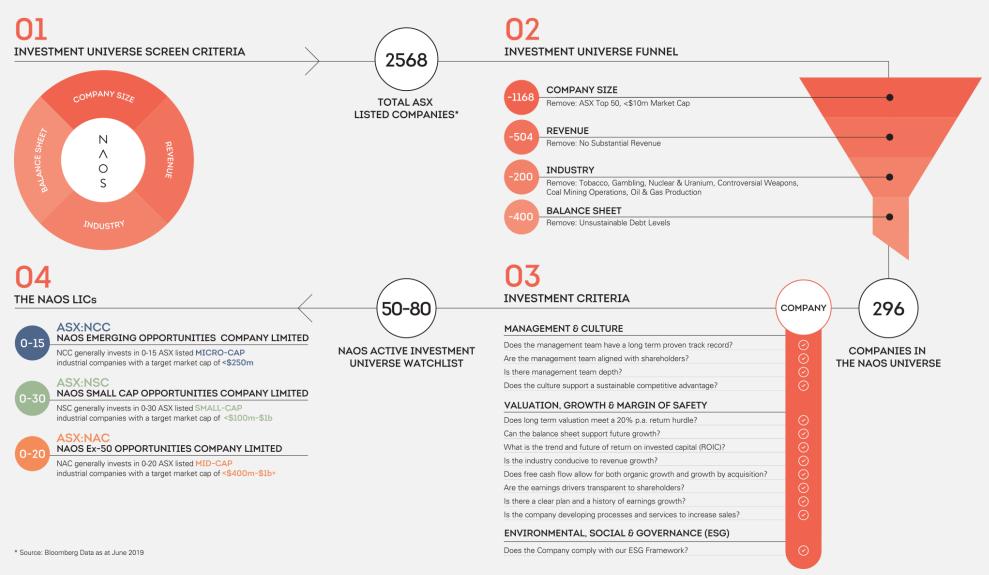
To register for the event please visit our website naos.com.au or email enquiries@naos.com.au noting the city you would like to attend and the number of attendees.



### NAOS investment universe

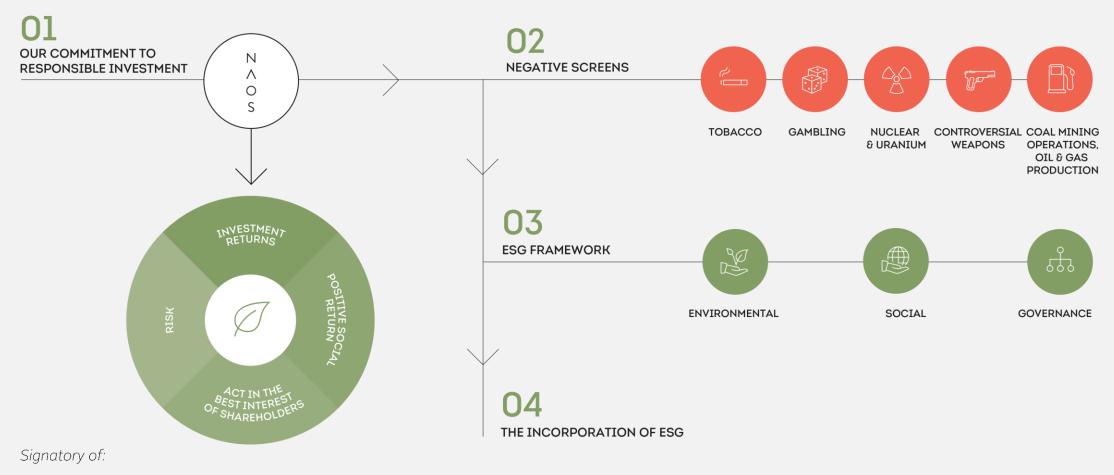


## NAOS investment process



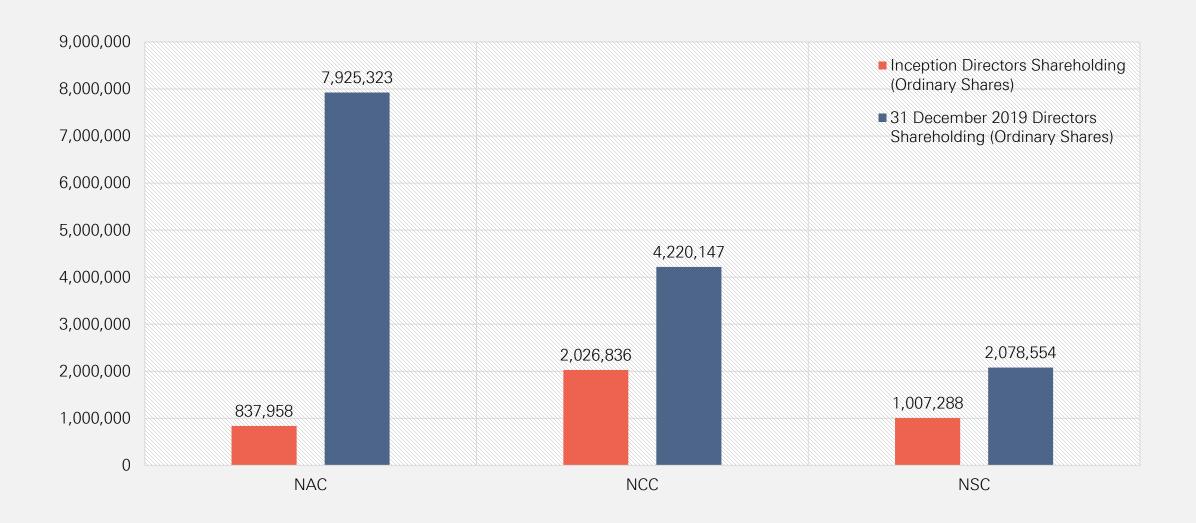
### NAOS ESG framework



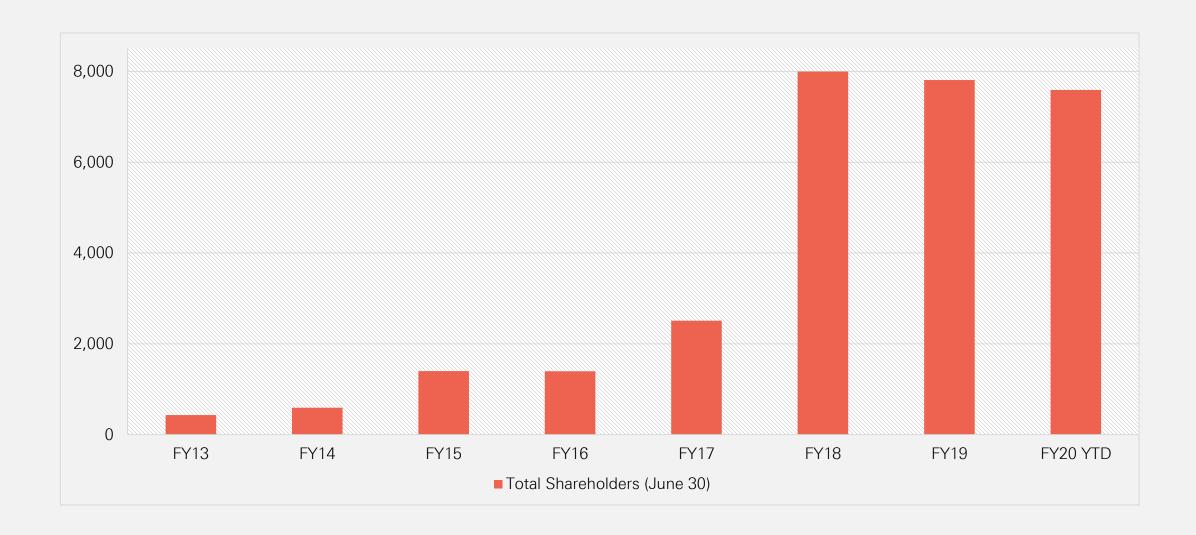


Principles for Responsible

## NAOS management alignment



### NAOS Shareholder Numbers as at 31st December 2019



### **NAOS** Directors and Team

## OUR DIRECTORS



Sebastian Evans Managing Director, NAOS Asset Management Limited & Director NCC, NSC & NAC



Warwick Evans Chairman, NAOS Asset Management Limited & Director NCC, NSC & NAC



Mark Bennett
Director, NAOS Asset
Management Limited



Trevor Carroll Independent Chairman NSC



Matthew Hyder Director, NAOS Asset Management Limited



David Rickards
Independent Chairman &
Director,
NCC and NAC &
Independent Director NSC



Sarah Williams Independent Director, NCC and NAC

### OUR TEAM



Sebastian Evans
Chief Investment Officer



**Ben Rundle**Portfolio Manager



Robert Miller Portfolio Manager



Rachel Cole Investment Analyst



Richard Preedy Chief Financial and Operating Officer



**Julia O'Brien**Business Development
Manager



Julie Coventry
Compliance Officer

### Investor awareness and communication





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### NAOS giving

NAOS Asset Management, the management company, is proud to be giving back ~ 1% of recurring income to the following charities









'Golden Shouldered Parrot' threatened





'Reef Aid' campaign, in partnership with Greening Australia

RFDS, dedicated to providing healthcare to Australians in remote communities

species project, in partnership with Bush Heritage

