



#### **Company Profile**

Issuer ECP Emerging Growth Limited [ACN 167 689 821] (ECP) is a Listed Investment

Company traded on the ASX.

Manager The portfolio is managed by ECP Asset Management Pty Ltd (ECPAM).

**Approach** The investment strategy centres on the view that the economics of a business

drives long-term investment returns and investing in high quality business franchises that have the ability to generate predictable, above-average economic returns will produce superior investment performance over the long

term.

# The Offer

#### **Offer Summary**

Notes Redeemable, unsecured, unsubordinated, convertible notes.

Offer Size Up to \$12.5 million.

**Lead Manager** Taylor Collison

Purpose Proceeds of the Offer will be invested in the existing ECP portfolio and used to

pay the costs associated with the Offer. Leveraging the portfolio performance since inception the additional funds provide an opportunity for the Company to grow, compounding a larger asset base and benefiting from economies of

scale.

Benefits The ECP Notes will provide investors with a fixed income return of 5.5% per

annum paid quarterly plus a conversion option to capitalise on share price

appreciation.

## **Key Terms of the Notes**

Security Redeemable, unsecured, unsubordinated, convertible notes, trading as ECPGA.

Issue Date 11 April 2022

First Step-Up Date 11 April 2025

Maturity Date 11 April 2027

Issue Price / Face Value \$1.43

First Interest Payment Date 30 June 2022

Interest Rate From the Issue Date until the First Step-Up Date: Fixed at 5.5% per annum; if at the First

Step-Up Date the 2-year Bank Bill Swap rate is above 2.5859% then increasing to 6.5% per

annum.

Conversion Amount Notes can be converted to Ordinary Shares on a 1 for 1 basis.

#### **Key Dates**

Priority Offer Record Date 3 March 2022

Offer Announced 4 March 2022

Offer Opening Date 15 March 2022

Offer Closing Date 1 April 2022

Settlement Date 8 April 2022

Allotment Date 11 April 2022

Commencement of Trading 18 April 2022 on the ASX

## **How to Apply**

Further information is available online:

ecpam.com/emerging/notes-offer

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## Performance & Team

#### Portfolio Performance

#### Historical Performance to 28 February 2022

	6m	1у	3у	5у	Inception
ECP Portfolio	-20.24	-3.44	20.21	20.09	15.81
S&P ASX Small Ords Accum	-9.14	5.02	10.93	9.35	8.05
Alpha	-11.10	-8.46	9.68	10.74	7.76

Past Performance is not a reliable indicator of future performance. The total return figures quoted are historical, calculated using end-of-month prices and do not allow the effects of tax or inflation. Total returns for the benchmark do not incur costs. Returns assume the reinvestment of all dividends. Alnception of the ECP Emerging Growth Company is 2014-07-31.

#### **Investment Team**



Dr Manny Pohl AM

Co-Founded ECP in 2012 Joined Industry in 1989



**Andrew Dale CA** 

Joined ECP in 2014 Joined Industry in 2001



Damon Callaghan CFA

Joined ECP in 2017 Joined Industry in 2011



**Justin Warton** 

Joined ECP in 2021 Joined Industry in 2014



Jared Pohl MBA

Co-Founded ECP in 2012 Joined Industry in 2006



Sam Byrnes CFA

Joined ECP in 2016 Joined Industry in 2008



Jason Pohl MBA

Joined ECP in 2013 Joined Industry in 2013



Justin Breen

Joined ECP in 2021 Joined Industry in 2012

# Investment Philosophy & Process

#### **Our Investment Philosophy**

The economics of a business drives long-term investment returns.

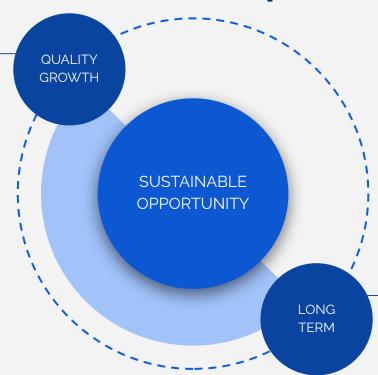
Investing in **high quality, growth businesses**, that have the ability to generate predictable, above average economic returns will produce superior investment performance over the long-term.

- 1 Valuing potential, not just performance
- 2 Choosing high quality growing businesses
- 3 Ignoring temporary market turbulence

#### Market Inefficiencies We Exploit

#### **Growth Anomaly**

On average the market **undervalues** extremely high-quality, capital efficient, organic growth businesses.



#### Time Arbitrage

The market tends to **overemphasize** temporary themes and short-term factors.

#### **Investment Process & Outcomes**

01	ASSET SELECTION
02	PORTFOLIO CONSTRUCTION
03	IMPLEMENTATION
04	REVIEW

We look for high quality businesses, in the growth stage of their lifecycle, who are capable of generating above average returns on their invested capital through time. The research process is designed to <u>minimise the likelihood of default risk</u>.

Where we allocate capital to the assets we've chosen. Weights are based on the relevant IRR and are adjusted to account for medium term risks including predictability of earnings, and liquidity. The portfolio construction process is designed to maximise return relative to risk over our investment time horizon.

Our process for matching our actual portfolio to the theoretical portfolio. Our implementation process is designed to ensure we <u>minimise transaction costs</u> through time, but maintain a portfolio that is reflective of our model all times.

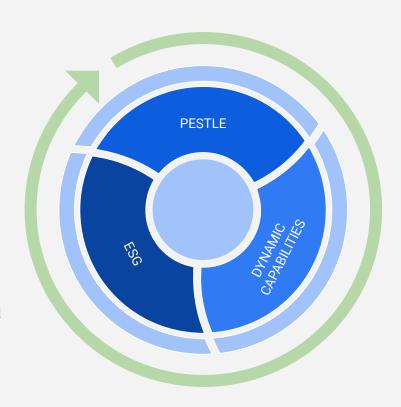
Review what worked and what didn't. Look at ways to incrementally improve the process, prove them up and implement them. The result of this is a <u>process that is constantly evolving</u> through incremental learnings.

#### **ESG & Sustainability**

We view sustainability holistically. Our pillar framework aims to ensure we better understand the risks and opportunities that lie ahead for any company, and the risk to the predictability of business operations.

Our Sustainability Pillar encompasses 3 characteristics:

- The business operates in an industry with a low risk of macro-environmental factors (PESTLE) affecting future operating performance.
- 2. The business has demonstrated strong ESG practices and holds a capacity to mitigate potential ESG issues.
- 3. The business holds Dynamic Capabilities that sustainably renews its competitive advantage through time.



# **Outcomes**

#### **High Active Orientation**

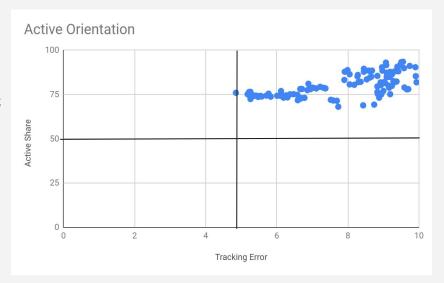
Active Orientation is a useful guide to how 'active' a manager actually is.

It is a measure of:

- the uniqueness of the ideas in the portfolio (active share);
  and
- how those ideas are expressed in the portfolio.

Active managers should be sitting in the upper right quadrant (high active share / tracking error).

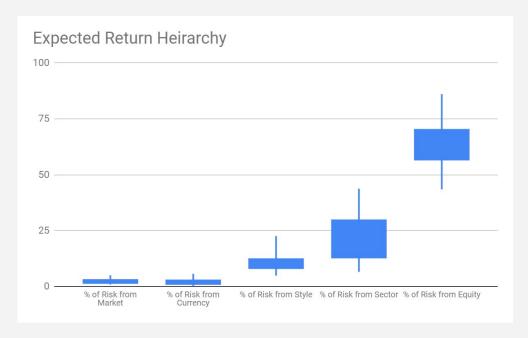
This can be achieved mainly through concentration, so it is important to look further in to the drivers of this and the payoff received.



#### **Equity the Expected Driver of Returns**

Stock Selection drives the majority of the risk in the portfolio.

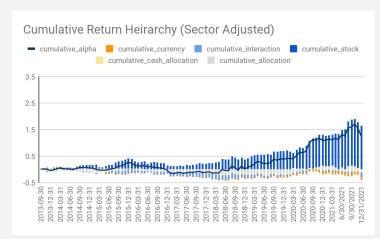
An Ex Ante tracking error decomposition shows that the majority of our tracking error is derived through our equity exposure as opposed to market, style or sector allocations.

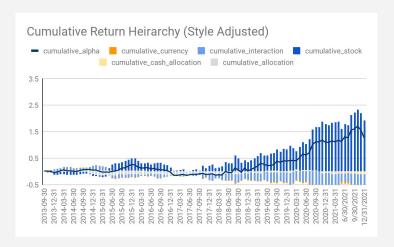


#### **Equity the Realised Driver of Returns**

Historical returns attribution to our alpha show that stock selection accounts for majority of total cumulative alpha. On a sector adjusted basis, stock selection 130% of total alpha impacted mainly by currency effect. On a factor adjusted basis stock selection drives about 152% of the active return, impacted mostly by the interaction effect.

**NB**. What is seen ex post is equivalent to what is expected ex ante.





Emerging Companies Fund vs. the Small Ords Accumulation; Source: Foresight Analytics

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