

FACTSHEET

Performance Returns

The SPARX OneAsia Long Short UCITS Fund returned 1.29% in the month of October.

Investment Objective & Strategy

The investment objective of the fund is to maximise risk-adjusted returns regardless of the market cycle by investing in equity within Asia including Japan. The strategy aims to capitalize on Asia's growth dynamics by identifying potential winners and losers through bottom-up fundamental research.

Market Commentary

During the month, one of the top positive contributors was our long position in **Naver 035420 KS (Market USD 25.5bn)**.

Naver is the dominant internet portal/search service provider in Korea with a 70% market share in search query. The company also commands a 70% market share in fast growing digital advertising market in Korea. The business in Korea consists of ad revenue (display ads, 10% of total revenue in 3Q17), business platform (search ads, 46%), IT Platform (Payment, Cloud etc, 5%) and contents (Music, Webtoon, 2%). It also generates 38% of revenue from the consolidated subsidiary, **Line Corp (3938 JP, Market cap USD 9.3bn, 79% owned by NAVER)** - the dominant messenger service platform in Japan, Taiwan, and Thailand.

The growth drivers are digital advertising and e-commerce on the back of proliferating digital lifestyle. In Korea, digital ads growth is in the mid teens per year compared to a low-to-mid single digit growth of total ad market. Meanwhile growth in e-commerce in Korea is over 20% compared to a low-to-mid single digit growth of the total retail industry. We expect the company to grow mid to high teens per year for the next few years with reinforcing trend of digital lifestyles. In particular, the company continues to gain GMV market share in e-commerce as a gateway and the first destination for search for on-line shopper.

Naver's Korea business (62% of total revenue) has 40% OPM accounting for 95% of consolidated operating profit of USD 1.2bn. **Line Corp**, is in its early stages of monetization in Japan and Taiwan, and will likely gain more market share in digital ads industry in both countries. Naver's current market cap of USD 25bn remains attractive given its core earnings capacity of Korea business on top of the growth option of its subsidiaries.

USD Institutional Class UCITS Performance

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Y-T-D
2017	1.26%	-1.82%	3.07%	1.03%	4.18%	0.18%	1.08%	0.68%	0.57%	1.29%	-	-	12.02%
2016	-1.66%	0.81%	-0.08%	2.79%	-0.10%	-1.86%	-0.20%	3.32%	-1.56%	0.19%	-2.07%	-1.51%	-2.09%
2015	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-0.51%	0.87%	0.50%	-1.08%	-0.23%

The performance figures quoted above represent the performance of the SPARX OneAsia Long Short UCITS Fund since launch on 17th September 2015. These performance figures refer to the past and past performance is not a guarantee of future performance or a reliable guide to future performance.

SPARX OneAsia Long Short Representative Strategy

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Y-T-D
2015	0.07%	1.36%	1.59%	-0.11%	-1.43%	1.02%	4.57%	-3.11%	-	-	-	-	-
2014	-	-	-	-	-	0.41%	1.78%	0.92%	-1.19%	2.27%	0.90%	0.68%	5.88%

The above performance pertains to the performance since inception of the SPARX OneAsia Long Short Representative Strategy and is not of the SPARX OneAsia Long Short UCITS Fund. UCITS Funds have to abide by onerous investment restrictions and consequently the performance of the SPARX OneAsia Long Short UCITS Fund may not be similar to that presented above. These performance figures refer to the past and past performance is not a guarantee of future performance or a reliable guide to future performance.

Risk Metrics (% of NAV)

Long Exposure	88.25%
Short Exposure	-67.71%
Index Hedge	-45.68%
Gross Exposure	155.95%
Net Exposure	20.54%
No of Longs	20
No of Shorts	11

Historical Risk Metrics[^]

Annualised Return	5.89%
Annualised Volatility	6.02%
Sharpe	0.90
Sortino	1.34
Beta	0.30

[^]The above historical risk metrics pertain to the daily statistics since inception of the SPARX OneAsia Long Short Representative Strategy, merged with the statistics of combined share classes SPARX OneAsia Long Short UCITS Fund from 1st September 2015 to 30th December 2016.

1. Arithmetic means of 1 Month USD LIBOR interest rate was used as the Risk Free Rate of returns for the calculation period.
2. Downside deviation refers to standard deviation of negative daily returns during the period.

THE MANAGER



Hak Kim is the portfolio manager for the SPARX OneAsia Long Short UCITS Fund. He has over 15 years of experience in the fund management business and is responsible for coordinating SPARX's fundamental research

activities across Asia. Prior to becoming a founding member of the OneAsia team, Mr. Kim was a portfolio manager at SPARX's Korean subsidiary where he ran a Korea long short fund. Before this, he was an analyst covering various sectors and also played a key role in creating the firm's investment outlook and strategy. Mr. Kim holds a B.A. in Business Administration from Seoul National University and attended an MBA program in International Finance at the graduate school of Seoul National University. He is a CFA charter holder.

FUND FACTS

Structure	UCITS Fund
Domicile	Ireland
Liquidity	Weekly
Fund AUM	\$11.5 million
Firm AUM	\$9.9 billion
Inception	17 th September, 2015
Share Class	Institutional/Institutional Pooled
Currency	EUR/GBP/CHF/USD
Mgt. Fee	1.50%
Perf. Fee	15%
Min Init. Sub.	1,000,000
ISIN Codes	EUR: IE00BYMVZK37/IE00BYMVZX65 USD: IE00BYMVZV58/IE00BYMW0S95 CHF: IE00BYMVZN67/IE00BYMW0P64 GBP: IE00BYMVZL44/IE00BYMVZ289
Share Class	Institutional Founder/Retail Pooled
Currency	EUR/GBP/CHF/USD
Mgt. Fee	1.00%/2.00%
Perf. Fee	10%/15%
Min Init. Sub.	10,000,000/10,000
ISIN Codes	EUR: IE00BZ03QD85/IE00BYQF1X69 USD: IE00BZ03QH24/IE00BYQF2000 CHF: IE00BZ03QG17/IE00BYQF1Z83 GBP: IE00BZ03QF00/IE00BYQF1Y76

Composition of UCITS Fund

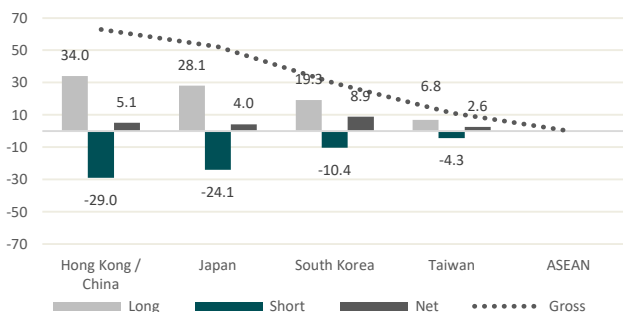
Top 5 Longs (% of NAV)

JD.com	6.78%
Softbank	6.53%
Nidec	6.07%
Samsung Electronics	5.80%
Naver	5.40%
TOTAL	30.58%

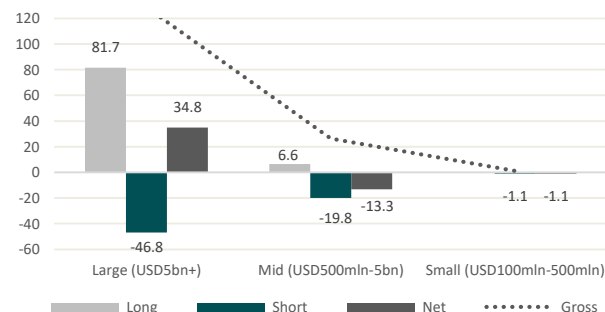
Top 5 Shorts (% of NAV)

Japanese DSLR Manufacturer	-3.06%
Korean Brewer	-3.02%
Chinese Retailer	-2.87%
Japanese Retailer	-2.42%
Chinese Retailer	-2.08%
TOTAL	-13.45%

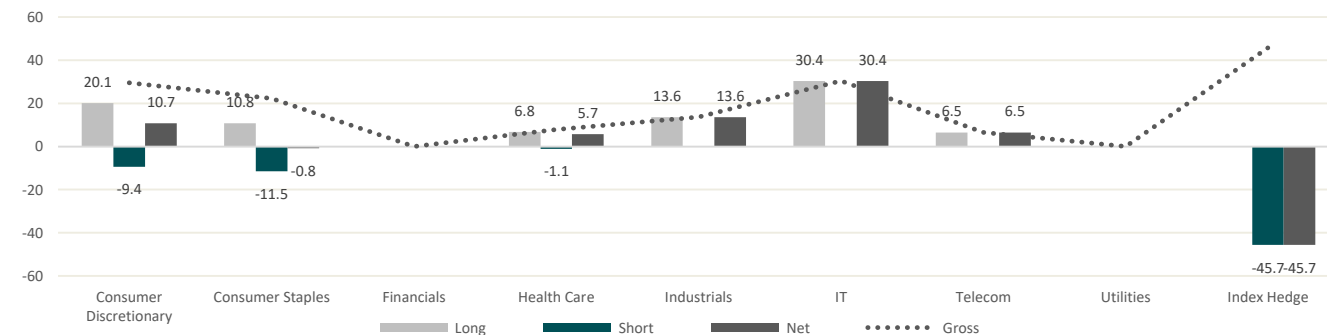
Geographic Analysis (% of NAV)



Market Cap Analysis (% of NAV)



Sector Analysis (% of NAV)



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