Janus Henderson Horizon Asian Dividend Income Fund

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Investment environment

China was a key disappointment during the quarter. Weak economic data, tensions with the US and a lack of major policy stimulus concerned investors and meant both China and Hong Kong were two of the weakest performers. However, there was a resurgence in the shares of companies with links to artificial intelligence (AI) as strong numbers from Nvidia in the US boosted the information technology (IT) sector in Asia. Taiwan and South Korea were beneficiaries given that their respective economies are technology-heavy. India was another bright spot and ended up being the best performing market of the quarter, as its improving macroeconomic outlook attracted investors due to hopes of strong earnings growth gathering momentum.

The ASEAN region performed poorly as Singapore, Thailand and Malaysia lagged. Here, company earnings expectations remained lacklustre flows and investors moved towards technology shares and into India. The weaker sentiment in China contributed to the decline in expectations for construction demand, which was negative for the materials sector. Real estate was also weak as interest rate expectations were raised following stronger economic data in the US and expectations for further interest rate hikes. In addition, the Chinese and Hong Kong property remained weak with volumes subdued, which was a key contributor to the sector's weak performance.

Portfolio review

The fund fell 2.0% over the month, underperforming the MSCI AC Asia Pacific ex Japan High Dividend Yield Index benchmark which rose 0.5% (in US dollar terms). The Asia Pacific ex Japan Equity income peer group fell 0.4%.

Performance was negatively impacted by the weak performance of Chinese consumer companies as the pace of recovery after the re-opening of the economy continued to disappoint. Anta Sports, JD.com and Li Ning were the key detractors. The weak economic and earnings outlook also impacted broader Chinese holdings in Industrial Bank, Citic Securities and Guangdong Investment.

Conversely, the strong performance of TSMC was a key positive contributor over the month. Here, the excitement around companies linked to AI convinced investors that TSMC's valuation was not pricing in the future benefit of AI spend. Samsung Electronics was another positive contributor for similar reasons, while Pilbara and IGO were positive as lithium demand remained resilient and battery inventory in China appeared to normalise.

In terms of activity over the quarter, we added a new position in Astra International in Indonesia for some exposure to the Indonesia consumer. The company was trading at what we saw as an attractive valuation and offering a double-digit dividend yield. We sold the holding in Hindustan Petroleum following a disappointing outlook for its dividends, and also following resilient performance in an environment of rising regulatory risk. We added a new position in ASE Technology in Taiwan for some exposure to any recovery in the semiconductor area, and we liked its high dividend and attractive valuation. We also sold the position in Industrial Bank in China due to fears that Chinese banks would be expected to provide further support to local governments given their high financial leverage and weak fiscal positions.



Manager outlook

The likelihood of a recessionary environment in developed markets has been well flagged. The severity of this will be key for the outlook in the Asia Pacific region, along with the prospects of a sustained recovery in China. These events will have a material impact on corporate profitability and the earnings trajectory, which has already been negatively impacted by a weaker outlook for the consumer from stubbornly high inflation and elevated interest rates.

However, Asian equity valuations continue to look attractive to us relative to global equities. We have already witnessed a sharp downgrade in earnings. Meanwhile, inflationary pressures also remain less pronounced in the region. We are also more confident about the outlook for dividends considering the excess cash being generated and the low level of dividends paid out compared to earnings. We remain focused on domestically orientated companies with strong cash flows and what we see as sustainable and growing dividends.

Source: Janus Henderson Investors, as at 30 June 2023



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Fund information (Investment policy is on the next page)

Index	MSCI All Countries Asia Pacific Ex Japan High Dividend Yield Index
Morningstar sector	Europe OE Asia-Pacific ex-Japan Equity
Objective	The Fund aims to provide an income in excess of the income generated by the MSCI AC Asia
	Pacific ex Japan High Dividend Yield Index with the potential for capital growth over the long
	term (5 years or more).

Performance in (USD)

A2 (Net)	Index	Sector
1.8	2.8	3.0
-0.4	6.9	3.5
-0.7	6.9	2.4
0.2	6.7	5.2
-1.6	2.3	2.0
1.2	4.9	3.7
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Calendar year returns %	A2 (Net)	Index	Sector
2023 to 30 Jun 2023	-0.4	6.9	3.5
2022	-12.8	-8.9	-14.0
2021	-1.3	6.6	3.5
2020	-1.6	1.3	11.6
2019	19.1	14.6	16.4
2018	-11.7	-11.0	-11.9
2017	28.5	37.0	28.4
2016	1.5	6.8	6.7
2015	-9.9	-9.2	-10.2
2014	2.2	3.1	4.4
2013	4.4	3.7	3.7

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Investment into the fund will acquire units/shares of the fund itself and not the underlying assets owned by the fund.

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Fund charges will impact the value of your investment. In particular, the ongoing charges applicable to each fund will dilute investment performance, particularly over time. For further explanation of charges please visit our Fund Charges page at http://www.janushenderson.com.

Source for target returns (where applicable) – Janus Henderson. Please note the performance target is to be achieved over a specific annualised time period. Refer to the performance target wording within the objective. With effect from 1 January 2023, the Key Investor Information document (KIID) changed to the Key Information Document (KID), except in the UK where investors should continue to refer to the KIID. Availability of share classes shown may be limited by law in certain jurisdictions. Performance records/scenarios are detailed within the fund's specific KIID/KID, fees and charges, and the respective risk rating may vary. Further information can be found in the fund's prospectus and KIID/KID which must be reviewed before investing. Please consult your local sales representative if you have any further queries.

From 8 October 2014 the Fund changed its objective. The benchmark was changed to MSCI AC Asia Pacific ex Japan High Dividend Yield Index. Past performance shown before 8 October 2014 was achieved under circumstances that no longer apply.

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What are the risks specific to this fund?

- The Fund could lose money if a counterparty with which the Fund trades becomes unwilling or unable to meet its obligations, or as a result of failure or delay in operational processes or the failure of a third party provider.
- In addition to income, this share class may distribute realised and unrealised capital gains and original capital invested. Fees, charges and expenses
 are also deducted from capital. Both factors may result in capital erosion and reduced potential for capital growth. Investors should also note that
 distributions of this nature may be treated (and taxable) as income depending on local tax legislation.
- Shares/Units can lose value rapidly, and typically involve higher risks than bonds or money market instruments. The value of your investment may fall as a result.
- Emerging markets expose the Fund to higher volatility and greater risk of loss than developed markets; they are susceptible to adverse political and economic events, and may be less well regulated with less robust custody and settlement procedures.
- If a Fund has a high exposure to a particular country or geographical region it carries a higher level of risk than a Fund which is more broadly diversified.
- This Fund may have a particularly concentrated portfolio relative to its investment universe or other funds in its sector. An adverse event impacting even a small number of holdings could create significant volatility or losses for the Fund.
- The Fund may use derivatives with the aim of reducing risk or managing the portfolio more efficiently. However this introduces other risks, in particular, that a derivative counterparty may not meet its contractual obligations.
- If the Fund holds assets in currencies other than the base currency of the Fund, or you invest in a share/unit class of a different currency to the
 Fund (unless hedged, i.e. mitigated by taking an offsetting position in a related security), the value of your investment may be impacted by changes
 in exchange rates.
- Securities within the Fund could become hard to value or to sell at a desired time and price, especially in extreme market conditions when asset prices may be falling, increasing the risk of investment losses.
- Some or all of the ongoing charges may be taken from capital, which may erode capital or reduce potential for capital growth.
- The Fund may incur a higher level of transaction costs as a result of investing in less actively traded or less developed markets compared to a fund that invests in more active/developed markets. These transaction costs are in addition to the Fund's Ongoing Charges.

General risks

- Past performance does not predict future returns.
- The value of an investment and the income from it can fall as well as rise and you may not get back the amount originally invested.
- Tax assumptions and reliefs depend upon an investor's particular circumstances and may be subject to change.

Investment policy

The Fund invests at least two-thirds of its assets in a concentrated portfolio of shares (equities) and equity-related securities of companies, of any size, in any industry, in the Asia Pacific region (excluding Japan) and may include China A-Shares.

The Fund may also invest in other assets including companies outside this region, cash and money market instruments.

The investment manager may use derivatives (complex financial instruments) to reduce risk, to manage the Fund more efficiently, or to generate additional income for the Fund.

The Fund is actively managed with reference to the MSCI AC Asia Pacific ex Japan High Dividend Yield Index, which is broadly representative of the companies in which it may invest, as this forms the basis of the Fund's income target and the level above which performance fees may be charged (if applicable). The investment manager has discretion to choose investments for the Fund with weightings different to the index or not in the index, but at times the Fund may hold investments similar to the index.



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