

HORIZON ASIA-PACIFIC PROPERTY INCOME FUND

At a glance

Performance*

The Fund returned 6.52%, the Index returned 8.36% and the Sector returned 10.02%.

Contributors/detractors

Top positive contributors included Goodman, Scentre and Digital Core. Detractors were in the form of names not held in the fund such as Stockland, GPT, Vicinity and Japan Hotel REIT.

Outlook

Listed property equities appear to be at an inflection point now that interest rates seem to have peaked. Any cuts to rates should be a positive for Asian property equities.

Portfolio management







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Investment environment

Asian property equities rebounded in the fourth quarter of 2023. Markets took their lead from the rally in the US 10-year Treasury yield, which moved from 5% to under 4% over the period ending the year exactly where it started.

Australian REITs were the biggest winner during the period (up 21%) and Singapore enjoyed a strong rebound (up 11%). Japan (up 3%) and Hong Kong (up 3%) lagged meaningfully.

Portfolio review

Positive contributions came from stock selection in Singapore. However, this was offset by stock selection in Japan, Australia and New Zealand. Top individual contributors were Goodman, Digital Core and Scentre Group, which all delivered positive alpha.

Detractors came from names not held in the fund such as Stockland, GPT Group and Vicinity, which all rebounded strongly. Japan Hotel REIT also lagged significantly.

Manager outlook

The recent change in narrative from the US Federal Reserve (Fed), which signalled the potential ending of

interest rate hikes, has resulted in a significant adjustment in expectations for lower interest rates in 2024. This view has been interpreted by the market as a positive development. If correct, it would likely mark a change in sentiment for property equities, which have had a challenging few years.

While we have already seen some rebound in pricing, we note that valuations are still attractive relative to private real estate, trading at a significant discount to net asset value and to history. However, fundamentals are mixed by country and sector. Therefore, we believe that stock selection will remain important.

We believe the long-term benefits of owning listed real estate remain. The asset class has historically offered lower correlations to many other asset classes and provided investors the benefits of portfolio enhancement by increasing risk-adjusted returns within a balanced portfolio.

The real estate market continues to provide an attractive, reliable and growing income stream for investors, which is something we expect to be rewarded over time.

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Performance (%)

	Cumulative				Annualised			
Returns	1 Month	3 Month	YTD	1 Year	3 Year	5 Year	10 Year	Since inception (03/10/05)
A2 USD (Net)	6.39	6.52	-1.58	-1.58	-5.50	0.11	0.22	2.89
Index	7.12	8.36	-1.85	-1.85	-3.05	-0.65	0.87	3.92
Sector	8.08	10.02	-0.19	-0.19	-5.13	-1.37	0.78	3.28

12 month rolling	Dec 2022- Dec 2023	Dec 2021- Dec 2022	Dec 2020- Dec 2021	Dec 2019- Dec 2020	Dec 2018- Dec 2019
A2 USD (Net)	-1.58	-14.85	0.70	-1.48	20.92
Index	-1.85	-11.60	5.03	-9.14	16.93
Sector	-0.19	-14.77	0.39	-6.95	17.43

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Investment objective

The Fund aims to provide a sustainable level of income, with a dividend yield higher than that of the FTSE EPRA Nareit Developed Asia Dividend Plus Index, plus the potential for capital growth over the long term (5 years or more).

For the fund's investment policy, refer to the Additional fund information on page 3.

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Fund details

Inception date	03 October 2005
Total net assets	19.04m
Asset class	Property Equities
Domicile	Luxembourg
Structure	SICAV
Base currency	USD
	FTSE EPRA Nareit
Index	Developed Asia Dividend
	Plus Index
Morningstar sector	Property - Indirect Asia
SFDR category	Article 8
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In accordance with the Sustainable Finance Disclosure Regulation, the Fund is classified as Article 8 and promotes, among other characteristics, environmental and/or social characteristics, and invests in companies with good governance practices.

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Investment policy

The Fund invests at least 75% of its assets in a concentrated portfolio of shares (equities) and equity-related securities of real estate investment trusts (REITs) and companies, of any size, which invest in property, in the Asia Pacific region. Securities will derive the main part of their revenue from owning, developing and managing real estate which in the view of the Investment Manager offer prospects for above average dividends or reflect such prospects. The Fund may also invest in other assets including investment grade government bonds, cash and money market instruments. The investment manager may use derivatives (complex financial instruments) to reduce risk or to manage the Fund more efficiently. The Fund is actively managed with reference to the FTSE EPRA Nareit Developed Asia Dividend Plus Index, which is broadly representative of the securities 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.

Investment strategy

The investment manager seeks to identify Asian listed property companies and real estate investment trusts (REITs) which derive the main part of their revenue from the Asia Pacific region, that can deliver a regular and stable dividend with the potential for capital growth over the long term. The investment process follows a high conviction, 'bottom-up' (fundamental company analysis) approach aiming to identify the best risk-adjusted value from across the investment universe.

Fund specific risks

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