

# VT HALO GLOBAL ASIAN CONSUMER FUND

## May 2016 Monthly Fund Fact Sheet



All Data at 12.00 GMT 31 May, 2016

### Portfolio Description

The VT Halo Global Asian Consumer Fund aims to achieve an annualised total return before fees of 8-12% over the long term. Primarily from investing in companies globally, which are exposed to the growth of the Asian middle class and the corresponding rise in their consumption.

### Fund Manager's Comments

The fund over the month of May is broadly unchanged compared to April, which compares favourably with MSCI Asia which is down 70bps. The markets over the month have been impacted by the increased probability of a June or July Fed interest rate hike, which could increase the cost of funding in Asia.

Chinese Data released in May showed the rapid acceleration in industrial activity earlier in the year has started to slow, although GDP growth expectations of 6.5% remain on track. This has been at the expense of increasing debt in the Chinese financial system, which remains a worry for us. We wait to hear more, and to see evidence of actions on supply side reforms in the 'old economy'.

During the month, there has been some activity within the fund. We have sold Richemont, as we see little near term visibility in sales rebounding to a mid-single digit growth rate. We added back to ENN, having reduced it in the prior month, following the sell-off over concerns of provincial tariff cuts on gas prices. We believe these concerns are overdone and are fully reflected in the share price. In addition, we have added to Samsonite, again having trimmed it at a higher level.

One stock in our portfolio, Monsanto, received a bid from Bayer at \$122/share. Monsanto has rejected the offer, and at the time of writing, a new offer is not on the table, although we believe Bayer will likely increase the offer. We have reduced the position subsequently, as the likelihood of the deal succeeding is low, given the competition issues and Bayer's shareholders being unhappy about the deal.

We bought a new holding, IMAX China; with the valuation now at a more reasonable level. China is experiencing huge growth in cinema going as the middle-class spend more on leisure. IMAX China is benefiting from this by expanding its screens to more cities in China.

During the month, two of our large holdings announced results, being Tencent and Noah. Tencent beat expectations on strong gaming, with the share price going to an all-time high. Noah's result was strong despite tough markets, and the company kept profit guidance of growing at 15-20% for this year.

Lastly, we are aware of the currency risk within the portfolio, with regards to the U.K. Referendum, in case of an 'out' decision, we expect Sterling to drop by 10% or so against USD. Based on this, we have hedged our Sterling exposure at \$1.46, as we see little upside from this level if we remain in the EU.

**NAV/Share: 102.11p**

**Investment Manager:** Halo Investment Management

**Fund Manager:** Andrew Williamson-Jones

**ACD:** Valu-Trac Investment Management Ltd.

**Fund Type:** UK UCITS IV OEIC

**Launch Date:** 3 Nov 2014

**Classes:** A, B, C

**Base Currency:** Sterling

**Dealing & Valuation:** Daily 12.00pm GMT

**Year End:** 30 June

**Management Fees:** A: 0.95% p.a.  
B: 0.65% p.a.  
C: 0.45% p.a.

**ISIN:**

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A £ Acc	GB00BRGCDR64
B \$ Acc	GB00BRWQWY25
B \$ Inc	GB00BRJTG867
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C \$ Inc	GB00BRJTG974
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C £ Inc	GB00BRGCDT88

**Depository:** National Westminster Bank PLC

**Dealing Frequency:** Daily

**Daily NAV available:** Bloomberg, Morningstar & Valu-Trac

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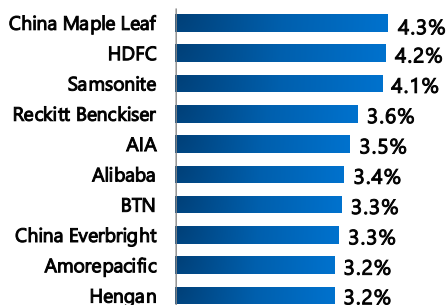
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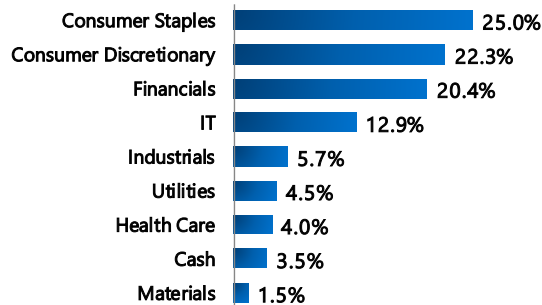
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### Fund Profile.

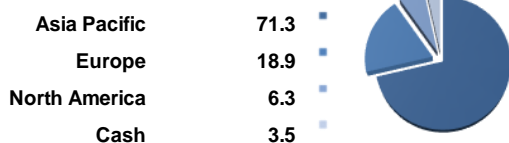
#### Top 10 Holdings (% of NAV)



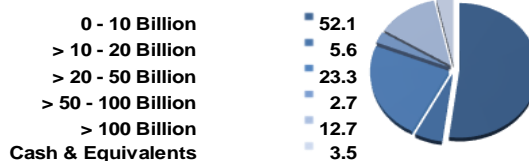
#### Sector Allocation (% of NAV)



#### Geographical Allocation (% of NAV)



#### Market Cap Allocation in USD (%)



### Fund Performance since Inception

Performance data shown is of the B £ Net Acc. share class. Past performance is not a guarantee of future returns. Data from Valu-Trac Administration Services



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