

Third Link Growth Fund

Quarterly Fund Report – as at 31 December 2016

Performance

The Third Link Growth Fund (Fund) performance is measured after fees and is calculated by comparing unit prices over the relevant performance measurement period and assuming income distributions were reinvested.

For the various periods ending 31 December 2016, the Fund performance after fees was as follows:

	Three months	Six months	One year	Two years	Three years	Four years	Five years
Third Link Growth Fund	-2.1%	+3.0%	+6.4%	+10.9% pa	+10.3% pa	+13.6% pa	+14.6% pa
S&P/ASX 300 Accumulation index ¹	+4.9%	+10.4%	+11.8%	+7.2% pa	+6.6% pa	+9.7% pa	+11.6% pa
Fund performance relative to its benchmark	-7.0%	-7.4%	-5.4%	+3.7% pa	+3.7% pa	+3.9% pa	n/a ²

Figures greater than one year are expressed as annual compound returns. No allowance is made for tax. The benefits of franking credits from dividends received have not been included.

¹ The S&P/ASX 300 Accumulation Index covers the largest 300 shares listed on the Australian market. Being an accumulation index, it measures changes in both the value and income of the shares.

² A comparison of the Fund return to the S&P/ASX 300 Accumulation for the 5 year period has not been included as until the end of January 2012 there was a different benchmark.

Investment objective & benchmark

To provide an investment in Australian listed shares, with the aim of outperforming the S&P/ASX 300 Accumulation Index after fees over rolling five year periods.

The objective of the Fund is to provide an investment in Australian listed shares (and therefore it is suitable for those investors wanting exposure to the Australian share market).

The Fund predominantly invests in other managed investment funds run by professional third party investment managers. Please refer to the Fund's website for a list these.

All fees received by Third Link from managing the Fund's investments, net of expenses incurred, go towards supporting a group of charitable organisations that help Australian children and young people to *thrive*.

The charitable organisations are listed on the Third Link website www.thirdlink.com.au

Investment manager

Third Link Investment Managers Pty Ltd for which Chris Cuffe is the Founding Director & Portfolio Manager.

Distribution frequency

Six monthly, as at end of December and June.

Minimum investment

\$20,000

Fund size as at 31 December 2016

\$125.83 million

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Underlying investments

	%
AUSTRALIAN SHARES	
<u>General:</u> ¹	
JBWere Individually Managed Account	14.7
Bennelong Ex-20 Australian Equities Fund	9.4
Cooper Investors Australian Equities Fund	11.3
Greencape Wholesale High Conviction Fund	4.5
Goldman Sachs Premier Australian Equities Fund	5.4
Lazard Select Australian Equity Fund	6.6
Montgomery [Private] Fund	6.2
Paradice Mid Cap Fund	8.7
	70.8
<u>Small Caps:</u>	
Aberdeen Australian Small Companies Fund	6.6
Harness Asset Management Small Companies Value Fund	2.8
Ophir High Conviction Fund	4.0
Macquarie Australia Small Companies Fund	3.6
Pengana Emerging Companies Fund	5.8
	18.8
	89.6
CASH & CASH EQUIVALENTS²	
Colonial First State Cash Enhanced Fund	7.9
Custodial account & other	2.5
	10.4
TOTAL	100.0

¹The managers of the investments are listed on the Funds website.

² Investment in other managed investment funds is not made on a look through basis. As a result, where an underlying managed investment fund holds cash or cash-equivalents, the Fund's total investment in cash or cash-equivalents may be higher than the figures shown on the Funds website.

Key portfolio changes this quarter

- The Fund made additional investments the following funds:

Aberdeen Australian Small Companies Fund
Bennelong Ex-20 Australia Equities Fund

Cooper Investors Australian Equities Fund
Greencape Wholesale High Conviction Fund
Harness Asset Management Small Companies Fund
Lazard Select Australian Equity Fund
Montgomery [Private] Fund
Paradice Mid Cap Fund

Fees and expenses

There are no entry or exit fees payable by investors. The ongoing fees and expenses paid from the Fund are: an ongoing management fee of 1.4% p.a. of the gross asset value of the Fund, from which normal operating expenses are met; and abnormal operating expenses. All fees received by the investment manager, net of expenses incurred, are donated to charity.

Donations made and charities supported

All fees received by Third Link from managing the Fund's investments, net of expenses incurred, are donated to the charitable sector. The donations to the charitable sector do not dilute the investment returns.

We donated just over \$230k to our Third Link charities for the quarter ended December 2016. Since inception of the Fund in April 2008 up until 31 December 2016, the donations to charities now total around \$5.3m.

Acknowledgment of support

Thanks to the extraordinary and generous support of a number of investment and service professionals who have agreed to waive some or all of the fees that would otherwise be due to them for services rendered, the expenses from running the Fund are kept to a minimum, resulting in a larger pool to donate to the charitable sector.

For a full list of the service providers, please refer to our website at www.thirdlink.com.au

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