

Alternative Investment Trust (AIT) has exposure primarily to a portfolio of absolute return funds. With a revised investment strategy, the assets of AIT are being realised and the fund is being wound down.

<b>Fund facts as at Decembe</b>	r 2016								
Monthly return	-0.23%	Net Assets (NA)	AUD 13,937,508						
Unaudited NTA Dec 2016	AUD 0.107	Units in issue	130,692,470						
Gross Assets (GA)	AUD 14,137,666	Traded on	ASX						
Leverage - GA/NA	1.01	Currency	AUD						
Domicilo	Australia	Responsible Entity	The Trust Company (DE Services) Limited						

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Ticker AIQ AU ISIN AU000000AIQ2

### **Commentary & Portfolio Updates**

- AIT's NTA return was -0.23% for December. The AUD weakened by 2.4% against the USD in December. This had a positive effect on AIT's NTA as the majority of AIT's net assets are USD denominated.
- On 20 January 2017 the responsible entity released an announcement titled Update on Change of Responsible Entity to ASX, stating that the responsible entity for AIT has not yet changed and the incoming responsible entity will inform the market once the Australian Securities & Investments Commission (ASIC) has updated its register.

### **Liquidity of AIT**

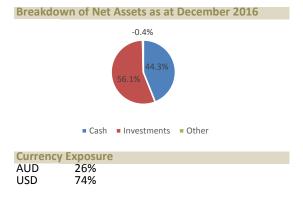
The portfolio of AIT consists of exposure to a basket of absolute return funds via a Swap facility with Macquarie Bank Ltd. With all debt repaid in August 2010, AIT is free to make distributions to unitholders. The first return of capital to unitholders under the revised investment strategy was made in August 2009. After the July 2016 distribution of AUD 0.015 per unit, AUD 1.775 per unit (232 million AUD in total) has been returned to unitholders since February 2009; distributions will continue to be paid as per the revised mandate.

AIT is now predominately exposed to Side Pocket type positions and Redeeming Investments which have been gradually liquidating for a number of years. This means it is difficult to predict the future liquidity of these funds and payments to AIT are made on an ad hoc basis when the cash is available to the funds.

NTA returns (net) <sub>-1</sub>													
Annual	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016 YTD		
	9.3%	(9.5%)	(41.5%)	(16.3%)	(7.8%)	0.8%	1.7%	9.4%	3.4%	(0.1%)	(12.8%)		
Monthly	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
2009	(2.8%)	0.8%	(5.2%)	(2.9%)	(5.1%)	(0.4%)	(2.2%)	(1.1%)	(2.9%)	(1.1%)	(1.6%)	3.5%	(16.3%)
2010	0.5%	(0.3%)	(1.4%)	0.5%	7.0%	(1.1%)	(5.6%)	1.0%	(6.0%)	0.4%	2.2%	(4.5%)	(7.8%)
2011	3.0%	0.1%	0.3%	(3.5%)	0.8%	0.2%	(1.8%)	1.4%	6.6%	(4.6%)	(0.1%)	(2.4%)	0.8%
2012	(2.7%)	3.2%	3.4%	(0.9%)	4.9%	(5.6%)	(1.6%)	1.4%	1.6%	2.1%	(3.7%)	(0.2%)	1.7%
2013	(0.1%)	1.4%	(1.7%)	(0.2%)	(8.6%)	2.6%	(8.2%)	(0.1%)	(4.2%)	1.5%	3.5%	(0.7%)	9.4%
2014	1.7%	(2.0%)	(2.9%)	0.6%	(0.1%)	(1.6%)	1.7%	(1.1%)	4.9%	(1.6%)	2.2%	3.6%	3.4%
2015	1.7%	(1.0%)	1.8%	(3.9%)	1.5%	(0.3%)	2.3%	1.2%	(0.4%)	(1.8%)	(1.0%)	(0.9%)	(0.1%)
2016	0.3%	(2.9%)	(5.4%)	(1.0%)	2.0%	(2.7%)	(2.6%)	0.2%	(2.0%)	(0.0%)	0.7%	(0.2%)	(12.8%)

Unaudited – In calculating the NTA, AIT asset values have been calculated using unaudited absolute return fund performance estimates for the month being reported. For the purposes of calculating the above figures, the Australian Equivalents to International Financial Reporting Standards (AEIFRS) have been applied (other than for classification of net assets attributable to unitholders of AIT where Australian Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (AGAAP), as applied before the introduction of AEIFRS, have been used).

AIT Top Holdings as at December 2016				
Fund	Strategy % (	% Gross Assets		
TPG-Axon Partners Offshore Ltd Eton Park Overseas Fund Ltd Fortress Partners Fund LP Cerberus International Ltd Marathon Special Opportunity Fund Drawbridge Special Opportunities Fallaron II Holdings LP Canyon Value Realization Fund Och-Ziff Asia Overseas Fund Everest Absolute Return Fund	Multi-Strategy Multi-Strategy Multi-Strategy Distressed Securities Credit Related Investmen Asset Based Lending Multi-Strategy Multi-Strategy Multi-Strategy Multi-Strategy Multi-Strategy	12.35% 10.52% 7.60% 6.96% ts 6.10% 4.34% 4.30% 4.07% 3.72% 2.67%		
Total		62.63%		





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### **Company Data and Contact Information**

Manager Laxey Partners (UK) Ltd Management fee The lower of either AUD 200,000 or 0.75% of average Gross

Administrator CITCO Asset Value (GAV)

Focus Absolute Return Fund Year end 31st December

Strategy Realisation of Assets

Launch 27-Jun-05

## About The Trust Company (RE Services) Limited, Responsible Entity of AIT

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Laxey is part of Laxey Partners Ltd. Based on the Isle of Man in the British Isles and founded in 1998 as a globally active value management company, Laxey Partners Ltd manages a range of assets and funds for institutional investors.

### Information

The monthly NTA is released to the ASX and www.thealternativeinvestmenttrust.com by the 14th of each month and AIT factsheets are available from AIT's website and the ASX. Figures in the factsheet are based on the interim monthly data available at the time that the corresponding monthly NTA is released.

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