

AIT *Alternative* Investment Trust

Alternative Investment Trust (AIT) has exposure to a portfolio of leading absolute return funds and a single direct investment in EBI Income Fund. With a revised investment strategy, the assets of AIT are being realised and the fund is being wound down.

Fund facts as at January 2011

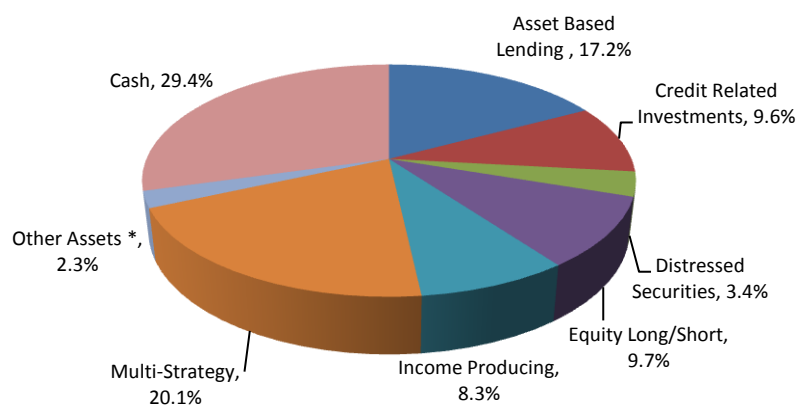
Monthly return	3.02%	Net Assets (NA)	AUD 181,167,481
Unaudited NTA Jan 2011	AUD 1.386	Units in issue	130,692,470
Gross Assets (GA)	AUD 182,470,168	Traded on	ASX
Leverage - GA/NA	1.0072	Currency	AUD
Domicile	Australia	Responsible Entity	The Trust Company (RE Services) Limited
SEDOL	B1B0GT6		ACN 003 278 831 AFSL 235 150
Ticker	AIQ AU	ISIN	AU000000AIQ2

Commentary & Portfolio Updates

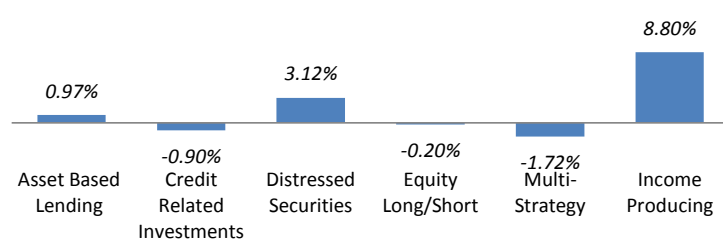
- For January 2011, AIT returned +3.0% in NTA terms. This was largely influenced by exchange rate movements during the month with the AUD weakening by -1.7% against the USD. As the majority of AIT's assets are USD denominated, this had a positive impact on AIT's NTA. AIT's underlying funds returned +1.0% for the month on a value-weighted basis - using a fixed exchange rate.
- As planned, the secondary BNP swap unwound at the beginning of January and the withheld cash came through to AIT. This was put towards the Return of Capital of AUD 49.7m (AUD 0.38 per unit) - paid on 18 February 2011.
- Excluding cash used in the distribution, but including January's redemption proceeds, AIT's cash levels at 31 January are approx. 3.0% of remaining GA, and the fund has approx. 81.8% exposure to the USD, 18.2% to the

AIT Asset Allocation and Fund Performance for the Month by Strategy

AIT Strategy Allocation at 31 January 2011



Fund Performance by Strategy, Jan 2011



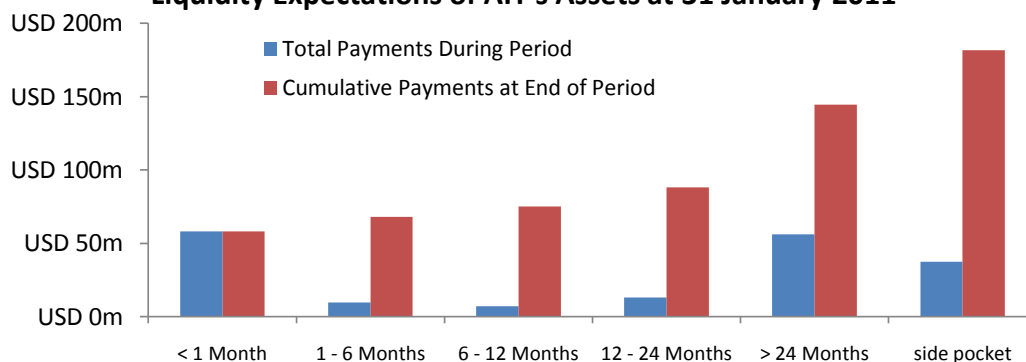
Fund performance is calculated using the USD values of funds at end December and end January. For AUD denominated funds a fixed exchange rate is used.

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, together with a single investment in a fund held outside the Swap. As of August 2010, AIT has repaid all of its debt and the Swap is now unleveraged. As a result, AIT is free to make distributions to shareholders and will do so once sufficient cash is available. The majority of the cash position shown above was used in the February 2011 Return of Capital and further unitholder distributions will be made once sufficient cash builds up from future redemptions.

Expected Liquidity Profile of Gross Assets of AIT

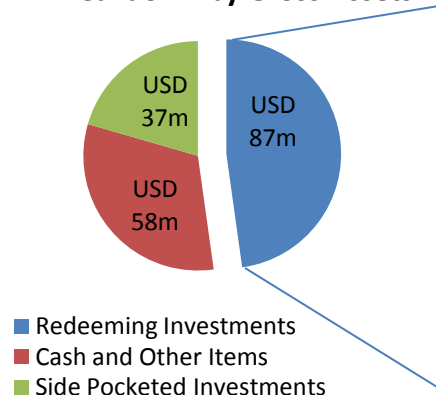
Liquidity Expectations of AIT's Assets at 31 January 2011



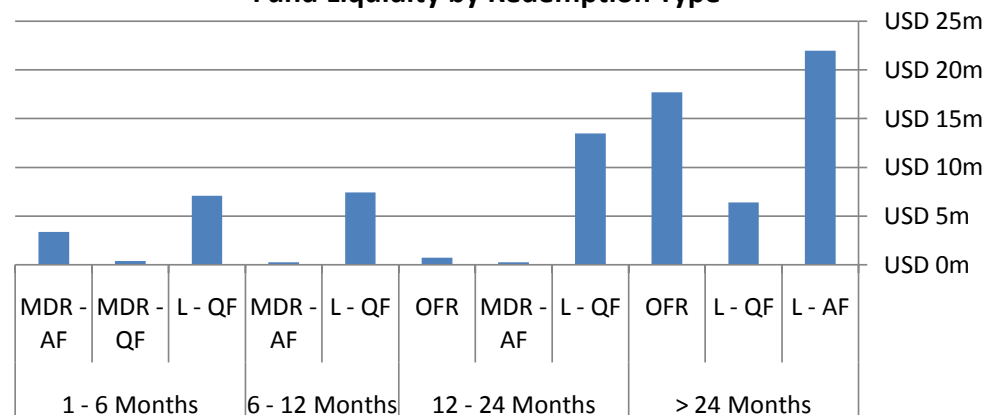
This graph (see the April 2009 NTA factsheet for a full description) shows the payments that AIT expects to receive from its underlying investments as well as the anticipated reduction in AIT's Net Debt within the Swap.

Breakdown of Gross Assets by Redemption Type of Underlying Funds

Breakdown by Gross Assets



Fund Liquidity by Redemption Type

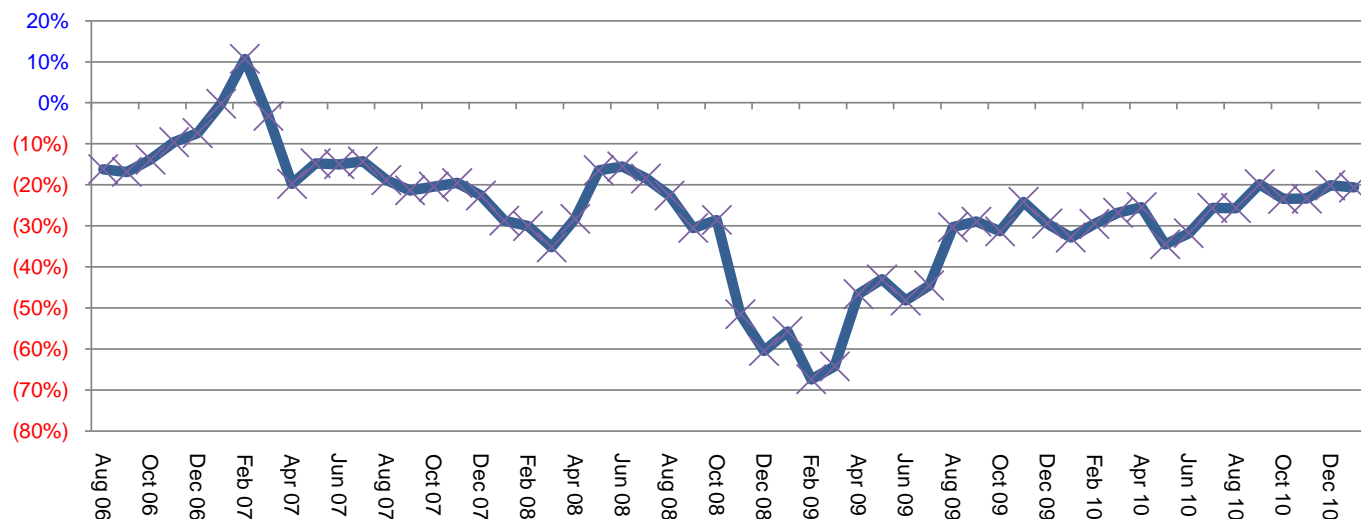


Glossary. MDR - AF: Multi date redemption - Annual flow ; MDR - QF: Multi date redemption - Quarterly flow ; OFR: Once-off full redemption ; L - AF: Liquidating Fund - Ad hoc flow ; L - QF: Liquidating Fund - Quarterly flow

Note: Liquidity profiles are based on best available information and may be subject to significant change in light of new information or events.

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Alternative Investment Trust Price to NAV Discount



NTA returns (net)¹

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
2006									1.69%	2.85%	3.47%	2.68%	9.26%
2007	2.83%	(9.30%)	2.10%	5.08%	(4.89%)	(4.91%)	(0.25%)	(3.20%)	1.27%	3.27%	(1.70%)	0.74%	(9.50%)
2008	(4.18%)	0.77%	(1.78%)	0.78%	1.54%	(3.80%)	(1.58%)	(1.87%)	(9.81%)	(15.4%)	(7.86%)	(7.75%)	(41.5%)
2009	(2.78%)	0.76%	(5.20%)	(2.88%)	(5.13%)	(0.43%)	(2.16%)	(1.05%)	(2.87%)	(1.07%)	(1.63%)	3.47%	(16.30%)
2010	0.47%	(0.35%)	(1.37%)	0.46%	7.00%	(1.15%)	(5.65%)	0.99%	(5.96%)	0.40%	2.25%	(4.51%)	(7.84%)
2011	3.02%												3.02%

¹ 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). The May 2007 monthly NTA performance was impacted by the AIT (previously EBI) rights issue and placement which were completed that month and does not include the implied value of EBB shares received by investors who successfully participated in the EBI capital raising. The performance of the underlying investment portfolio (excluding the effect of the capital raising) for May 2007 was +2.40%. 2009's performance is adjusted for the AUD 0.47 per unit distribution in August 2009.

AIT Top Holdings as at January 2011

Fund	Strategy	% Gross Assets
Drawbridge Special Opportunities	Asset Based Lending	17.19%
ESL Investments	Equity Long/Short	9.74%
EBIIF	Income Producing	8.34%
Marathon Special Opportunity Fund	Credit Related Investments	4.98%
Eton Park Overseas Fund Ltd	Multi-Strategy	3.95%
TPG-Axon Partners Offshore Ltd	Multi-Strategy	3.59%
GSO Special Situations Oversea	Credit Related Investments	2.76%
Everest Absolute Return Fund	Multi-Strategy	2.66%
Och-Ziff Global Special Investments	Multi-Strategy	1.91%
Cerberus International Ltd	Distressed Securities	1.86%
Total		56.97%

AIT Top Unitholders*

Weiss Capital	34.60%†
Laxey Partners Ltd	23.52%
QVT Funds	8.08%

* Source: Bloomberg

† As at 3 Feb 2011 (33.18% at 31 Dec 2010)

Currency Exposure

AUD	39.80%
USD	60.20%

Company Data and Contact Information

Manager	Laxey Partners (UK) Ltd	Management fee	0.75% of Gross Asset Value (GAV)
Focus	Absolute Return Fund	Performance fee	1% of each distribution made to unitholders
Strategy	Realisation of Assets	Year end	31st December
Launch	2005	Administrator	CITCO

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Information

The monthly NTA is also released to the ASX and www.thealternativeinvestmenttrust.com, by the 14th of each month and AIT factsheets will be released within the first 10 days following each month end and are available from AIT's website.

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