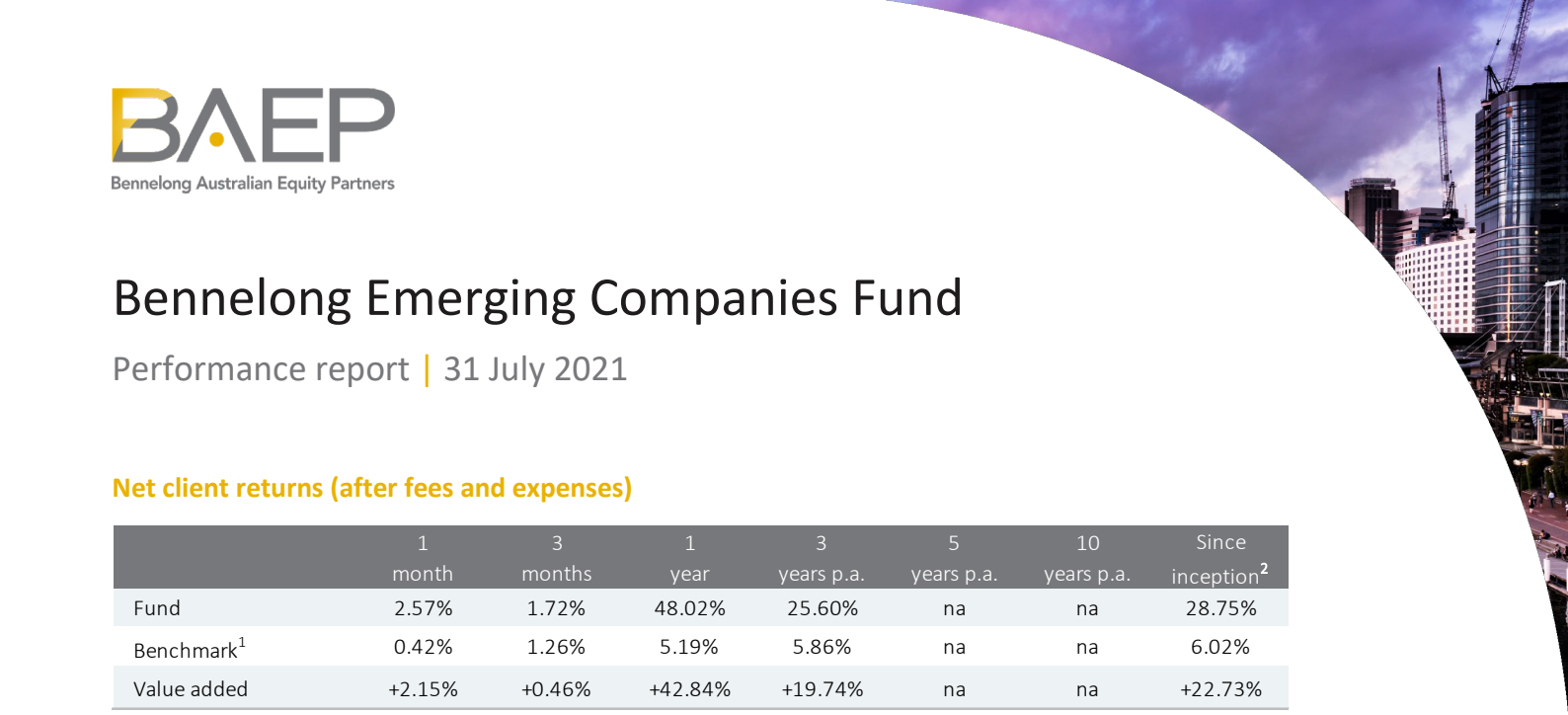
BAEP
Bennelong Australian Equity Partners



Bennelong Emerging Companies Fund

Performance report | 31 July 2021

Net client returns (after fees and expenses)

	1 month	3 months	1 year	3 years p.a.	5 years p.a.	10 years p.a.	Since inception[2]
Fund	2.57%	1.72%	48.02%	25.60%	na	na	28.75%
Benchmark[1]	0.42%	1.26%	5.19%	5.86%	na	na	6.02%
Value added	+2.15%	+0.46%	+42.84%	+19.74%	na	na	+22.73%

Performance figures are net of fees and expenses. 'Value added' calculation does not use rounded performance figures.
Past performance is not indicative of future performance.

About the Emerging Companies Fund

The Bennelong Emerging Companies Fund invests predominantly in micro and small-cap stocks listed on the ASX. It is managed by the BAEP team based on the same investment approach that is behind the success of BAEP's other long established Australian equity funds. This is a research-intensive and predominantly bottom-up investment approach.

Compared to larger companies, emerging companies can offer more exciting growth prospects, but can also present far greater investment risks. In this context, the BAEP team aims to be disciplined in focusing on higher quality and lower risk stocks within the universe of emerging companies. It seeks to avoid the higher risk - but potentially higher returning - investment propositions such as bio-techs, mineral explorers, fads, speculative stocks and unproven business models.

Key features

- The Fund offers investors exposure to micro and small-cap companies;
- It is a high conviction portfolio that has the ability to cash up to 30% of the portfolio;
- It utilises BAEP's large research budget, proven research capabilities, and extensive network of industry contacts;
- It leverages BAEP's historical success investing in emerging companies, including in pre-IPO opportunities; and
- It aims to leverage the size and reputation of BAEP within a micro and small-cap offering. This includes privileged access to attractive pre-IPOs, IPOs, placements, sub-underwriting & other similar opportunities.

Positioning

True to our investment style, we continue to seek to invest in high quality companies that we believe have solid growth prospects over the foreseeable future. Despite the inevitable ups and downs of the market in the short term, we believe the portfolio's investments are all incrementally building value, which value creation should ultimately underpin decent returns over the long term. The portfolio remains reasonably diversified across sector and risk-return drivers. We believe it is currently well set up for attractive returns over the long term, regardless of whatever the market throws up in the short term.

About BAEP

Bennelong Australian Equity Partners (BAEP) is a boutique fund manager focused on Australian equities. It was founded in 2008 in partnership with Bennelong Funds Management. BAEP is a genuinely active fund manager with a consistent, disciplined and proven investment approach.

BAEP's investment philosophy is to selectively invest in high quality companies with strong growth outlooks and underestimated earnings momentum and prospects.

BAEP's investment process is research-intensive with a focus on proprietary field research and is supported by macro-economic and quantitative insights.

About the Fund

The Bennelong Emerging Companies Fund typically holds approximately 20-30 predominantly micro and small-cap stocks listed on the ASX.

Benefits of the Fund

- The Fund offers investors exposure to micro and small-cap companies. Compared to larger caps, these stocks are often less well known and less well researched;
- The Fund utilises BAEP's existing knowledge of micro and small-cap stocks, gained as part of its sector-specific research and analysis;
- The Fund leverages BAEP's historical success investing in emerging companies, including in pre-IPO companies; and
- The Fund aims to leverage the size and reputation of BAEP within a micro and small-cap offering. This includes by taking advantage of IPOs, placements and other similar opportunities.

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The Fund at a glance

Feature	Fund facts
APIR code	BFL3779AU
Benchmark	Official RBA Cash Rate + 5%
Investment objective	To beat the benchmark over the medium to long term
Investment manager	Bennelong Australian Equity Partners (BAEP)
Cash limit	0 - 30%
Inception date	1 November 2017
Recommended investment period	Long term (seven years plus)
Minimum investment	$10,000
Buy/sell spread	+/-0.25%
Entry/exit fees	Nil
Management fee	1.20% p.a. of Net Asset Value of the Fund
Performance fee	20% of the extent to which the Fund's gross performance is 1.20% per annum greater than the benchmark

How to invest

The Fund is open to investors directly via the PDS (available on our website), mFund (code: BAE05), or the following platforms.

Platforms

AMP (Elements Investment, Elements Pension, iAccess, My North, North, Portfolio Care, Portfolio Care eWrap, PPS, Summit, Wealthview eWrap Inv)

Hub24 (IDPS, Super)

Macquarie Wrap (IDPS, Super, Accumulator)

Netwealth (IDPS, Super Service)

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1 Official RBA Cash Rate + 5%

2 Inception date is 1 November 2017

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