

## Sandhurst Future Leaders Fund

## Monthly fund update - May 2021

#### Investment approach

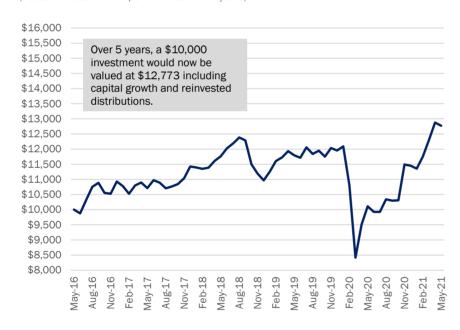
The Fund aims to deliver income and capital growth over the long term by providing exposure to a diversified portfolio of quality ASX listed shares outside the top 50 shares listed on the ASX where these assets are identified by Investors Mutual Limited (IML) as being undervalued.

Fund performance <sup>1</sup> as at 31 May 2021	Morningstar Rating <sup>TM</sup> Overall <sup>3</sup>	Morningstar Category Rank 5 Year <sup>3</sup>	1 month %	3 months %	1 year %	3 years %p.a.	5 years %p.a.
Sandhurst Future Leaders Fund	**	12/14	-0.80	8.68	26.32	2.78	5.02
Benchmark <sup>2</sup>			0.50	7.40	32.20	9.90	11.70

## An example of how your investment grows

#### Growth of \$10,000<sup>1</sup>

(Based on historic Fund performance over 5 years)



#### Fund facts

Fund APIR code	STL0011AU
Fund inception date	7 June 2002
Distribution frequency	Half yearly
Management costs <sup>4</sup>	1.25% p.a.
Buy / Sell spread <sup>4</sup>	+0.25% / -0.25%
Minimum investment / minimum balance	\$2,000
Recommended investment timeframe	5 years +
Risk level	High

# Unit price as at 31 May 2021

Application price	\$1.02284
Withdrawal price	\$1.01774

#### Distribution details (cents per unit)

30 June 2020	No distribution
31 December 2020	\$0.00500

## Make the most of your investment

#### ► The power of compounding

Compounding can be a powerful tool in wealth creation. Reinvesting distributions can be one of the easiest and cheapest ways to increase your holdings over time. You're compounding your investment's growth by continually adding more units which, in turn, will generate distributions of their own.

Why not reinvest your half yearly distributions?

#### ► The benefits of making it regular

Making regular contributions to your investment can both grow your investment and smooth the effects of market highs and lows. Why not add a Regular Savings Plan to your investment? Establish one from as little as \$50 per month.

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## Sharemarket commentary<sup>5</sup>

- Global sharemarkets enjoyed a solid month as stimulus measures and vaccination programmes underpin the recovery
- The Fund's ex-50 benchmark just eked out a positive return for the month, despite a strong performance from resources

Global equity markets finished their fourth consecutive month higher, with the MSCI World Index returning +1.1% as ongoing confidence in the global economic recovery grows as vaccination programmes accelerate. While the US S&P500 Index held on to its gains for the month, returning +0.7%, the tech-heavy NASDAO Index came under increasing pressure, shedding -1.4% as investors' inflationary concerns and the prospect of higher bond yields weighed on fully-priced tech valuations. Indeed, US inflation accelerated at its fastest annual pace in over a decade as the economic recovery kicked into gear. Across the Atlantic the mood was similarly positive as economies emerge from lockdowns in time for the summer tourism season, with European bourses enjoying a solid month, the EuroStoxx50 Index returning +2.3%.

Domestically, the mood remained upbeat following the release of the Federal Budget, with government fiscal largesse continuing to aid the post-COVID recovery. The Australian sharemarket, as measured by the S&P/ASX300 Index, pushed through to record highs, returning +2.3%, courtesy of the feel-good factor from the 'big-spending' budget, higher commodity prices and positive offshore markets.

Top 10 holdings

Crown Pact SG Fleet Tabcorp **AusNet Services** Nine Entertainment SkvCitv Australian Pharmaceutical **Event Hospitality** Homeco Daily Needs REIT

The Fund's ex-50 benchmark eked out a positive result for the month, returning +0.5%. The ex-50 Resources sector provided the heavy lifting for the month, offsetting general weakness in the industrial segments of the market. The ex-50 Resources sector gained +3.3%, thanks to the gold mining sector rallying strongly on higher gold prices, in addition to the Energy sector on buoyant oil prices. The Industrials segment was muted, down -0.5%. The Financials sector gained +1.4%, supported by the listed fund managers, along with IOOF which gained +8% following the announcement that IOOF had completed its takeover of MLC.

## Portfolio performance & summary<sup>5</sup>

▶ IML continue to use volatility to top up in good quality companies they believe can do well over the next 3-5 years

The Fund had a lacklustre month, down -0.8%. Holdings in Regis Healthcare, MNF and Infomedia all had a negative month although IML maintain confidence in the long-term outlook for these companies. Positively, holdings in good quality companies such as Crown Resorts and Integral Diagnostics enjoyed a strong month. IML trimmed their holdings in Event Hospitality & Entertainment, Healius, Home Consortium, and Sealink Travel Group over the month following strength in their respective share prices. IML used the proceeds to top up on good quality companies such as Australian Pharmaceutical Industries, Brickworks, Infomedia, and TPG Telecom, which are currently unloved and which they believe are significantly undervalued.

## Outlook<sup>5</sup>

Sharemarkets around the world, including Australia's, remain well-supported as economic growth continues to rebound from COVID lows and central banks continue to hold interest rates at record low levels, despite increasing signs of rising inflationary expectations. The Australian sharemarket is now trading at record levels with seemingly very little on the horizon to halt its ongoing rise. Having said this, IML continue to steer away from some of the riskier parts of the sharemarket and focus on good quality companies which are well-managed, where valuations remain justifiable and which they firmly believe can do well over the next 3 - 5 years.

#### Footnotes

- 1. Fund performance figures are calculated before tax and after fees and costs; using withdrawal prices and assumes distributions are reinvested. Past performance is not an indication of future performance.
- The benchmark for the Fund is the S&P/ASX 300 Accumulation Index (excluding S&P/ASX 50, excluding property trusts).
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