

# Performance report | 31 March 2025

## **Bennelong Emerging Companies Fund**

#### Net returns

	1 mth	3 mths	CYTD	1 year	3 years	5 years	10 years	Since inception <sup>2</sup>
	1 11101	5111113			p.a.	p.a.	p.a.	p.a.
Fund	-5.35%	0.68%	0.68%	24.11%	10.60%	25.37%	na	18.87%
Benchmark <sup>1</sup>	0.76%	2.25%	2.25%	9.53%	8.68%	7.27%	na	7.00%
Value added	-6.11%	-1.57%	-1.57%	+14.58%	+1.92%	+18.10%	na	+11.87%

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 Fund

The Bennelong Emerging Companies Fund provides exposure to small-cap and micro-cap securities listed on the ASX. It is a high conviction portfolio that typically holds 15-40 securities.

Compared to larger companies, emerging companies can offer more exciting growth prospects but can also present far greater investment risks. As these companies are often less well known and researched, we aim to be disciplined in focusing on higher quality and lower risk options that we believe have solid growth prospects.

#### Benefits of the Fund

- Offers investors exposure to micro and small cap companies, which are often less well known and researched compared to larger caps
- Utilises BAEP's research budget, proven research capabilities, and extensive network of industry contacts
- Leverages BAEP's historical success investing in emerging companies, including access to pre-IPO opportunities
- Managed in accordance with BAEP's robust, disciplined and proven investment philosophy and process

#### **About BAEP**

Bennelong Australian Equity Partners (BAEP) is a boutique fund manager investing in Australian listed equities. It was founded in 2008 by Mark East, in partnership with Bennelong Funds Management.

BAEP is a genuinely active, award-winning and highly-rated fund manager with an experienced and performance-oriented team. Its investment philosophy is to selectively invest in high quality companies with strong growth outlooks and underestimated earnings momentum and prospects. Its investment process is research-intensive,

with a focus on proprietary field research, and is supported by macro-economic and quantitative insights.

#### Top five active holdings

At month end, in alphabetical order

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	Company				
ĺ	Aspen Group				
	Mader Group Ltd				
	Superloop Ltd				
	Supply Network Ltd				
	Temple & Webster Group Ltd				

### 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			
Cash limit	0 - 30%			
Inception date	31 October 2017			
Recommended investment period	Long term (seven years plus)			
Minimum investment	\$10,000			
Buy/sell spread	+/-0.25%			
Entry/exit fees	Nil			
Management fees and costs <sup>3</sup>	1.25% 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 of the Official RBA Cash Rate + 5%			



#### How to invest

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

- AMP (Elements Investment, Elements Pension, iAccess, My North, North, Portfolio Care, Portfolio Care eWrap, PPS, Summit, Wealthview eWrap Inv)
- BT Panorama
- Dash
- Hub24 (IDPS, Super)

- Macquarie Wrap (IDPS, Super, Accumulator)
- Netwealth (Super Service, IDPS, Super Service)
- Praemium (Non Super, Super)

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- 1 Official RBA Cash Rate + 5%
- 2 Inception date is 31 October 2017
- 3 Management fees and costs consist of annual management fee rate and capped recoverable expenses. For a detailed split of the fees and costs, please refer to the fund(s) PDS.

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