

JK Global Opportunities Fund

June 2018

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The Fund fell -3.30% during the month as risk assets came under pressure. Escalating trade conflicts, a stronger USD and rising Fed rate expectations brought significant headwinds to EM and Asian markets in particular. With the imposition of tariffs on USD34bn of Chinese goods, tensions remain high and there is clearly a risk that trade related events deteriorate further. In addition, recent economic data indicates some slowing in global growth (not surprising given everything that is going on), and given that credit conditions in general are tightening as central banks' balance sheets start contracting. A weakening Chinese currency added fuel to the fire last month, and we will discuss this in more detail below. However, as 90% of China's GDP growth comes from domestic demand, the medium-term outlook for Asian markets remains constructive. Valuations have come down significantly, earnings are still set to grow at 10% plus, and panic selling has started to emerge. Having reduced exposures earlier on in the year, we are now looking for opportunities to buy back.

The recent sell-off in China equities and sharp CNY depreciation has revived memories of 2015, however in our view, China is less vulnerable today. Further large CNY depreciation is unlikely, due to capital outflow concerns. Fundamentally, valuations have de-rated similar to 2015, but the current earnings cycle is different. 2015 earnings growth was negative, while 2018E earnings growth remains stable and solid at around 15%. Meanwhile, current valuations are now less demanding than in 2015. Lastly, we think debt levels and credit risks should be contained, as macro policy adjustments to support slowing domestic activity and rising external headwinds are unlikely to derail financial deleveraging efforts.

Turning to equity market valuations, the consensus suggests that the US stock market is more vulnerable than the euro-zone because its valuation is much higher. However, we would highlight a recent report by Capital Economics which showed that when comparing price/estimated operating EPS ratios for the EMU and US indices, there is a gap of only about 3 points between the readings (x13 versus x16). Furthermore, this gap in price/estimated operating EPS ratios is also influenced by the compositions of the two indices. The weightings of the information technology and health care sectors are much larger in the US index, whereas those of the financials, industrials, materials and consumer staples sectors are notably larger in the EMU index. Elsewhere, the price/estimated EPS ratios of most other sectors are quite similar in both indices, with two exceptions, namely real estate and consumer discretionary (where they are much higher in the US). Capital Economics' analysis suggested that after stripping out real estate and consumer discretionary sectors, the gap between them shrinks to only about 1 point (15 vs. 16). And it disappears altogether if we apply the weightings of the remaining sectors in the US index to the EMU index in order to put them on an equal footing. Strategically we remain optimistic on the outlook for US equities and concur with Capital Economics that valuations are not in bubble territory as suggested by the army of so called 'experts'.

Tactically, we have been gradually reducing our net long position in equities, as well as our short positioning in global bond markets. Within equities, the main exposures at the time of writing are to the US (approx. 35%), Asia ex-Japan (approx. 25%), and the UK (approx. 13%), with a net short position

in European (approx. 17%). We have short positions in Italian bonds and UK Gilts. The Fund has a small long position in the US Dollar and Sterling, and is short the Brazilian Real, Euro, and Korean Won.

As we have discussed previously, there are fewer good risk/reward opportunities in global markets at the moment -although Asia is starting to look more interesting, and Japan is back in the buy zone - which means we will have to be more nimble and trading orientated to achieve our goal of double digit returns.

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GBP Class (%)													
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Ytd
2018	+6.32	-1.45	-2.01	-1.05	+3.67	-3.30							+1.84
2017	+2.97	-1.11	+1.97	+3.52	+2.16	-0.43	+2.84	+2.19	+0.46	+5.38	+2.54	+1.55	+26.66
2016	-5.68	+0.15	+6.37	-0.85	+0.92	-1.35	+3.67	-0.87	+1.49	+1.80	+0.20	-1.92	+3.50
2015	+1.87	+3.87	+0.24	+2.11	+3.89	-4.65	-0.16	-8.20	-6.51	+6.29	+1.40	-0.77	-1.69
2014	-4.02	-1.96	-0.93	-4.69	+0.89	+1.90	+0.06	-1.61	+2.02	+0.09	+7.77	-2.86	-3.86
2013	+6.18	-1.23	+3.52	+8.65	-2.79	-2.93	+3.05	-0.77	+6.43	+0.96	+4.15	+3.23	+31.51
2012	+2.43	+4.74	-0.62	-1.98	-1.54	-0.84	+0.73	+1.49	-0.54	-1.21	+1.25	+4.75	+8.68
2011	-0.92	-0.19	-1.13	+0.80	-2.89	-1.55	-1.43	-1.14	-3.60	+0.94	-2.67	+0.37	-12.71
2010	+0.83	+0.90	+3.77	+1.93	-4.44	+1.69	+0.70	+0.87	+0.02	+1.38	-0.88	+1.74	+8.62
2009				+1.73	+10.1	+2.66	+5.01	+1.23	+1.25	+1.57	-1.14	+3.32	+28.40

USD Class (%)													
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Ytd
2018	+6.49	-1.25	-1.89	-0.89	+3.75	-3.06							+2.85
2017	+3.07	-1.06	+2.06	+3.56	+2.15	-0.31	+2.96	+2.35	+0.63	+5.47	+2.60	+1.71	+28.09
2016	-5.53	+0.16	+6.52	-0.81	+0.93	-1.32	+3.74	-0.81	+1.53	+1.86	+0.22	-1.82	+4.26
2015	+1.95	+3.92	+0.28	+2.17	+3.81	-4.75	-0.15	-8.28	-6.48	+6.34	+1.36	-0.74	-1.65
2014	-4.07	-1.88	-0.95	-4.73	+0.85	+1.92	+0.05	-1.59	+1.97	+0.18	+7.70	-2.84	-3.91
2013	+6.06	-1.22	+3.54	+8.83	-2.63	-3.09	+3.02	-0.86	+6.57	+1.00	+4.52	+3.38	+32.33
2012	+2.43	+4.80	-0.65	-2.03	-1.50	-0.87	+0.72	+1.52	-0.56	-1.22	+1.23	+4.79	+8.72
2011	-0.95	-0.20	-1.13	+0.82	-2.88	-1.55	-1.50	-1.17	-3.51	+0.94	-2.63	+0.34	-12.73
2010	+0.81	+0.84	+3.74	+1.92	-3.95	+1.76	+0.74	+0.87	+0.01	+1.39	-0.88	+1.72	+9.13
2009	-2.51	+0.03	+3.13	+2.13	+13.8	+3.42	+6.08	+1.06	+0.99	+1.58	-1.10	+3.14	+35.61
2008	-1.76	-0.01	-0.50	+1.22	-1.15	-4.74	-1.58	-1.00	-1.93	-0.05	-0.44	+2.83	-8.92
2007	+2.01	-1.34	-2.35	-0.81	+1.63	+4.04	+0.41	-6.10	+0.14	-1.38	-3.97	-3.74	-11.27
2006	+0.13	-3.78	+3.72	-2.27	-3.75	+1.57	-4.58	+3.13	-0.84	+2.73	-1.03	+1.61	-3.75
2005	-0.75	+1.04	+0.36	-0.65	-1.05	+0.90	+2.01	+1.99	+9.65	+4.55	+7.71	+9.41	+40.31
2004	+0.82	+2.03	+6.57	+0.16	-2.15	+1.61	-1.66	-0.96	-0.48	-0.78	-0.27	+2.18	+6.98
2003											+0.01	+0.39	+0.40

EURO Class (%)													
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2018	+6.36	-1.44	-2.09	-1.16	+3.59	-3.39							+1.53
2017										+3.69*	+2.47	+1.43	+7.77*

*Euro Class started on 04-Oct-17

YEN Class (%)													
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2018	+6.38	-1.42	-2.06	-1.16	+3.59	-3.26							+1.75
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2003											-0.06	+0.31	+0.25

NAV as at 30-Jun-18	
GBP class	227.03
USD class	291.63
Yen class	26,572.73
Euro Class	113.26

Source: Apex Fund Services (Ireland) Ltd.

Asset Type as at above date (market exposure % of Total NAV)		
	Long	Short
Level 1	96	-65
Level 2	20	0
Level 3	0	0
Total	116	-65

Source: JK Investment Management LLP

For more information on the Fund, please see www.jkim.co.uk

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Mandate broadened to Asia Inc Japan and Name of Fund changed April 1st 2009. Please note that performance from 1st April 2009 to 30th August 2013 is for the JK Absolute Return Fund. This Fund re-domiciled from Cayman to Ireland becoming an Irish UCITS on 30th August 2013 and changed its name to The JK Global Opportunities Fund. Management and performance fees have also been reduced from this date (see Prospectus in for details). Historic performance is not a guide to future returns.

Source: JKIM LLP, Apex Fund Services (Ireland) Ltd.

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