



## **Media Release**

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### **Datt Capital Absolute Return Fund posts 14.98%pa compound return as it hits three-year mark**

Australian Equities boutique fund manager Datt Capital has marked the third anniversary of its Absolute Return Fund by posting an annual compound return of 14.98%pa, almost 50% above the ASX200 Accumulation index, a commonly used benchmark, which was circa 10% pa for the same period.

The Datt Capital Absolute Return Fund is a long-only fund targeting double digit returns over the medium term. It has a multi-asset approach designed to reduce downside risk and volatility and invests in assets typically outside the mandate of conventional equity managers.

Datt Capital founder and portfolio manager Emanuel Datt said passing the three-year milestone was a significant and pleasing benchmark.

The fund had its genesis in the Datt Family office. "The fund was launched based on external requests to extend our funds management horizon to outside investors, which we did," said Datt.

"So much has happened, and not happened, in the Fund's three - year journey to date. We have experienced the disintegration of globalisation and restrictive, pandemic induced social conditions, disruptive US elections and an agitated social environment plus the rise of Asian nations of the future.

"We believe the macro outlook will be more of the same - that is, a continuation of easy money policies overlaid with some inflationary tendencies, a continuation of social environments fuelled by social media but, overall, a relatively positive but potentially volatile markets landscape.

"Over time we have provided differential value to our investors. We believe that a large part of this is driven by the strong relationship and trust that we foster with the management teams of our long-term investee companies."

Some of our best investments have been Adriatic Metals, Afterpay, Dusk, and Selfwealth, he noted.

"Our present portfolio comprises of a mixture of growth companies in a number of sectors with the commodities, retail, biotech and consumer financials featuring prominently; with a small allocation towards fixed income.

All of these equity positions have the potential to provide asymmetric returns should they execute their strategy successfully," Mr Datt added.

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## **About Datt Capital**

Founded in 2015, Datt Capital is a Melbourne-based Australian focused Long-only Fund Manager. Datt Capital is focused on generating alpha by structuring its portfolio in a unique and uncorrelated manner, across asset classes. Datt Capital seeks to identify high growth and special situation opportunities within Australian markets, with no institutional constraints.

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