

van Eyk Blueprint Alternatives Plus ARSN: 121 722 521 ASX code: VBP

# Performance Report

# 30 June 2011

## **Trust Highlights**

- Reduced exposure to gold.
- The Trust's estimated LVR for the month ending June 2011 was 18.7%.



# Investment Performance<sup>1</sup>

	1 mth	3 mths	6 mths	1 yr	2 yrs pa	3yrs pa	Inception %pa (20/12/06)
van Eyk Blueprint Alternatives Plus	1.15%	0.64%	3.86%	13.44%	10.84%	0.79%	3.20%

### Investment Objective & Strategy

The van Eyk Blueprint Alternatives Plus (the "Trust") is a feeder fund which invests into the unlisted van Eyk Blueprint Alternatives Fund (ARSN 112 183 249, the "Master Fund") which is issued by Macquarie Investment Management Limited. The Master Fund aims to provide an actively managed exposure to a range of specialist Underlying Managers who are highly regarded by van Eyk and who employ alternative investment strategies such as fund of hedge funds, global macro, fixed income macro, direct property, commodities and gold. The Trust may use borrowings to increase the investment into the investment strategy.

The Trust aims to generate absolute positive returns while observing the principle of risk diversification whilst providing enhanced investment liquidity and internal gearing to investors.

#### **Investment Manager**

van Eyk Research Pty Ltd ABN 99 010 664 632 corporate authorised representative of van Eyk Financial Group Pty Ltd ABN 28 149 679 078, AFSL 402146 (authorised representative number 408625) and is responsible for investing the assets of the Trust into the Master Fund and managing the borrowings of the Trust.

van Eyk was established in 1989, and is a leading provider of managed fund research to the Australian financial planning industry, specialising in investment research relating to portfolio construction and management, asset allocation and direct share research. van Eyk is independently owned and receives no payment from fund managers for their ratings.

van Eyk also acts as Investment Manager to a series of managed funds issued by Macquarie Investment Management Limited ("Macquarie"). The van Eyk Blueprint Series consists of a number of multi-manager unit trusts, which includes the Master Fund, that provides investors with access to pre-blended portfolios in either single or multiasset class options. van Eyk advises on the construction of the portfolios within the van Eyk Blueprint Series and the selection of Underlying Managers. van Eyk provides direction on the proportion of the allocations to each asset class, and to each Underlying Manager, in accordance with their investment research views.

## **Trust Features**

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Listing Date	20 December 2006
Unit pricing	Monthly
Distribution frequency	Half yearly
Distribution Reinvestment Plan	Available
Applications	Investors may acquire Units on market or via a current Product Disclosure Statement.
Redemptions	On market by selling on the ASX or off-market at the Net Asset Value <sup>2</sup> as at the end of each month.

## Trust Distributions<sup>3</sup> (per Unit)

Period	Cash	Franking Credits	Total	Yield at NAV pa
30 Jun 07	\$1.1889	\$0.0023	\$1.1912	24.6%
31 Dec 07	\$0.2000	\$0.0000	\$0.2000	4.3%
30 Jun 08	\$0.6893	\$0.0011	\$0.6904	15.2%
31 Dec 08	\$0.0000	\$0.0000	\$0.0000	0.0%
30 Jun 09	\$0.2500	\$0.0000	\$0.2500	7.1%
31 Dec 09	\$0.0230	\$0.0000	\$0.0230	0.7%
30 Jun 10	\$0.4500	\$0.0000	\$0.4500	11.7%
31 Dec 10	\$0.0100	\$0.0000	\$0.0100	0.3%
Total	\$2.8112	\$0.0034	\$2.8146	

#### Summary of the Trust

Net Asset Value <sup>1</sup> (NAV)	\$138.3 million
Net Asset Value <sup>1</sup> per Unit	\$8.1516
NAV <sup>₄</sup> Accumulation per Unit	\$11.1958

<sup>1</sup> Estimated and cum-distribution.

<sup>2</sup> Less sell-spread.

<sup>3</sup> Rounded to four decimal figures.

Assumes reinvestment of distributions.

## Master Fund Commentary

#### Reduced exposure to risk assets maintained

During the June 2011 quarter the Master Fund remained overweight to macro strategies while maintaining underweight positions in commodities, gold and direct property.

The quarter commenced strongly with commodity markets rallying on the back of a weakening US dollar. The US dollar weakness followed confirmation from the US Federal Reserve to maintain an extremely accommodative monetary policy as well as concern over the US outlook in light of Standard and Poor's decision to place the US sovereign credit rating on negative watch. At this point gold rose strongly as speculators exploited the flight to safety theme. As the gold price reached new highs in early May, van Eyk felt it was an opportune time to take profits and reallocate to cash.

In the latter half of the quarter, the US dollar rallied and there was a broad based de-risking across equity, credit and commodity markets. Investment markets were decisively negative on concerns of sovereign debt problems in Europe, emerging signs of slowdown in manufacturing in China and worse than expected economic data in US employment and housing. Investment sentiment developed a more bearish overtone as softer economic data raised the possibility of the economy entering a double-dip recession. van Eyk believes this reversal reflected the slowdown in growth momentum, and the most supportive period of growth momentum, profit growth, liquidity and favourable monetary policy settings are behind us.

While seasonal factors and rising geopolitical risks have helped push selective commodities higher in the short-term, the sector could remain under pressure should deteriorating economic fundamentals continue to contribute to slower demand growth. Despite the cyclical head-winds, the long term outlook of commodities remains positive, supported by supply constraints and rising demand from emerging countries. van Eyk looks to remain defensively positioned in commodities at present but are encouraged by the prospect of more attractive entry points to rebuild the Master Fund's investment exposure.

With growth momentum easing and risk of exogenous shocks remain elevated; van Eyk is hesitant to have large directional market exposures in the Master Fund at present and have strengthened the focus on capital preservation. In addition to maintaining strong diversity in investments, van Eyk has also positioned the Master Fund in strategies that emphasise on relative value opportunities, which should benefit from the widening in pricing dispersions across securities and markets. In the event of the global markets substantially weakening from the current level, selective strategies in the Master Fund are well positioned to exploit any strong downward trends or maintain value, such as gold and trend-following macro strategies. By maintaining a flexible investment approach, van Eyk aims to dynamically position the Master Fund away from emerging risks and towards markets with expanding opportunities.

While the Master Fund remains overweight to global macro strategies, positions in hedge funds and less liquid direct assets have been maintained at a moderate level as van Eyk continues to hold stronger preference for more liquid investments.

Issuer and Responsible Entity



The Master Fund is designed to provide returns that are not highly correlated with traditional share and bond market returns. van Eyk is responsible for active asset allocation. Any biases within the Master Fund reflect van Eyk's investment outlook and relative market valuations, as published in its subscription-based research for financial planners.

The resulting targeted portfolio is set out in the table below.

van Eyk	Blueprint A	Alternatives	Fund at	: 30/06/2011	
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Underlying Fund	Target	Strategy
Fauchier Partners Absolute Return Trust	3.5%	Fund of Hedge Funds
HFA Diversified Investments Fund	10.0%	Fund of Hedge Funds
BlackRock Global Ascent Fund	12.5%	Global Macro
Winton Global Alpha Fund	7.0%	Global Macro
GAM Absolute Return Bond	15.0%	Fixed Income
Fund		Macro
Australian Unity Healthcare Property Trust	6.0%	Direct Property
van Eyk Blueprint Gold Bullion Fund	5.0%	Gold
CSL Long/Short Fund	15.0%	Commodties
Macquarie Treasury Fund	26.0%	Cash
	100%	

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- Aurora Global Income Trust (ASX code: AIB)
- Aurora Property Buy-Write Income Trust (ASX code: AUP)
- Aurora Absolute Return Fund (ASX code:ABW)
- Aurora Sandringham Dividend Income Trust (ASX code:AOD)
- Aurora Sandringham Global Income Trust (ARSN 131 291 499)

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