

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

# **Quarterly Performance Report**

30 September 2012

## Trust Highlights

- · Exposure to gold increased;
- New global macro manager, Tribeca, introduced: and
- The Trust's LVR for the month ending September 2012 was 22.0%.



## Investment Performance<sup>1</sup>

	1 mth	3 mths	6 mths	1 yr	2 yrs pa	3yrs pa	Inception %pa
van Eyk Blueprint Alternatives Plus	0.70%	3.86%	2.04%	6.14%	6.92%	7.17%	3.30%

#### Master Fund Commentary

The September 2012 quarter saw an evolution in central bank thinking and policy making. The European Central Bank announced plans to expand on its bond buying program, dubbed "outright monetary transactions" (OMT), to counter financial market speculation about the break-up of the euro. Further, the Federal Reserve announced a new round of Quantitative Easing (QE) which, unlike previous QE programs, is open-ended and linked more closely with achieving "ongoing sustained improvement in the labour market".

van Eyk believes these measures are supportive of commodity prices, the gold price in particular. As such, during the quarter the exposure to gold within the Master Fund was increased to 13.5%. This has benefitted the Master Fund as the quarter has seen gold trade higher, reaching US\$1773 by September month-end, up 4.09% in AUD terms in the month, 13.4% YTD and the US\$1550 level reached mid-year. Renewed QE in the face of ongoing subpar growth is clearly supporting gold prices.

van Eyk continues to favour managers in the global macro, fixed income macro, commodities and volatility asset classes that have the capability to trade the long and short side, providing a high level of flexibility in investment decisions and a bias towards downside risk management. This also provides the Master Fund the potential to achieve positive returns in either rising or falling markets.

During the quarter a new allocation was made to the Tribeca Global Total Return Fund. The aim of this new global macro allocation was to consolidate to a manager who has exhibited low volatility and absolute returns. Tribeca is also able to exploit shorter time horizons than other managers which provides an added layer of diversification to the return stream. Tribeca is highly rated by van Eyk, highly uncorrelated with equity markets and backed by Grant Samuel. The Tribeca Global Total Return Fund is a set of sub-strategies that can invest in all liquid asset classes globally and operate at a wide spectrum of time scales. By using a broad set of underlying strategies this fund aims to maintain returns through various market environments.

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 Alternatives Fund at 30/09/2012

Underlying Fund	Target	Sub-Sectors	
Absolute Return Strategies			
Tribeca Global Total Return Fund	20.0%	Global Macro	
van Eyk Blueprint Absolute Australian Shares Fund	10.0%	Absolute Equities	
van Eyk Blueprint Absolute International Shares Fund	10.0%	Absolute Equities	
GAM Absolute Return Bond Fund	17.0%	Fixed Income Macro	
Real Assets			
Australian Unity Healthcare Property Trust - Wholesale	5.0%	Direct Property	
van Eyk Blueprint Gold Bullion Fund	13.5%	Gold	
CSL Long/Short Fund	17.0%	Commodties	
Cash			
Macquarie	7.5%	Cash	

<sup>i</sup>Quantitative Easing or QE can be defined as "a government monetary policy occasionally used to increase the money supply by buying government securities or other securities from the market. Quantitative easing increases the money supply by flooding financial institutions with capital, in an effort to promote increased lending and liquidity." Source: investopedia.com.

## Investment Objective & Strategy

The van Eyk Blueprint Alternatives Plus trust (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 absolute return strategies, 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, by investing in the Master Fund, aims to provide returns that are not highly correlated with traditional share and bond market returns.

### **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) 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 premier supplier of investment research to Australian and New Zealand advisers. van Eyk specialises in strategic and tactical asset allocation, investment research, direct share research and economic commentary. 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.

## Summary of the Trust

Net Asset Value <sup>1</sup> (NAV)	\$126.5 million
Net Asset Value <sup>1</sup> per Unit	\$6.9751
NAV⁴ Accumulation per Unit	\$11.7090

- Final ex-distribution. Rounded to four decimal figures.
- Less sell-spread.
   Assumes reinvestment of distributions.

#### **Trust Features**

Listing Date	20 December 2006		
Unit pricing	Weekly		
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> each week.		

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

Period Year Ended	Cash	Franking Credits	Total	Yield at NAV pa
30 Jun 07	\$1.1889	\$0.0023	\$1.1912	24.5%
30 Jun 08	\$0.8893	\$0.0011	\$0.8904	9.6%
30 Jun 09	\$0.2500	\$0.0000	\$0.2500	2.8%
30 Jun 10	\$0.4730	\$0.0000	\$0.4730	6.7%
30 Jun 11	\$0.6465	\$0.0000	\$0.6465	8.9%
30 Jun 12	\$0.8300	\$0.0000	\$0.8300	11.4%
Total	\$4.2877	\$0.0034	\$4.2911	

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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 Dividend Income Trust (APIR code: AFM0010AU)

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