

#### **ABOUT THE ALTERNATIVES FUND**

Blue Sky Alternatives Access Fund Limited ('Alternatives Fund') is a listed investment company that invests in a diverse range of alternative assets including:

- · Private equity and venture capital;
- · Real assets;
- · Private real estate; and
- Hedge funds

The Alternatives Fund is the only listed investment company on the Australian Securities Exchange ('ASX') that allows investors to make a strategic allocation to a diverse portfolio of directly managed alternative assets.

The Alternatives Fund is listed on the ASX under the code BAF, with options in the Alternatives Fund trading under the code BAFO.

### **OBJECTIVES OF THE ALTERNATIVES FUND**

The primary objectives of the Alternatives Fund are to:

- Deliver long term absolute returns to shareholders, comprised of both capital appreciation and a dividend yield (franked to either 100% or the maximum extent possible);
- Provide investors with access to a diverse range of alternative assets: and
- Provide investors with the ability to invest in alternative assets through an ASX listed structure that is more readily accessible and liquid than is typical for many alternative assets.

### MANAGER OF THE ALTERNATIVES FUND

BSAAF Management Pty Limited ('Manager') is the manager of the Alternatives Fund. All investments made by the Manager on behalf of the Alternatives Fund are directly managed by wholly owned subsidiaries of Blue Sky Alternative Investments Limited (ASX: BLA) ('Blue Sky').

Blue Sky has in excess of \$700 million in assets under management and an eight year track record of generating overall returns to investors in its funds of 14.9% p.a. [net of fees, since inception].1

Overall returns to investors in Blue Sky managed funds are equity weighted.
For more details, please refer to BLA's regular ASX announcements on the
investment performance of its funds. Please also note that past performance
is not a reliable indicator of future performance.

### NET TANGIBLE ASSETS - AS AT 31 JANUARY 2015<sup>2</sup>

Net Tangible Assets (NTA) per share (pre tax) <sup>3</sup>	\$0.9644
Net Tangible Assets (NTA) per share (post tax)	\$0.9751

- NTA figures in this report are unaudited and no adjustments have been made for future exercises of the BAFO options [exercise price \$1.00 per option].
   The pre tax NTA would be approximately 0.9822 per share if all of the BAFO options had been exercised on 31 January 2015.
- The pre-tax NTA per share is lower than the post-tax NTA per share due to the net Deferred Tax Asset (DTA) position of the company. The net DTA relates to future tax benefits to be received in relation to the retained losses of the company since inception and costs associated with listing on the ASX.

### **NET TANGIBLE ASSETS - SINCE INCEPTION**



## SUMMARY OF INVESTMENT PORTFOLIO 4

	Current Value (\$M)	% of Portfolio
PRIVATE EQUITY AND VENTURE CAPITAL		
Private Equity investment(s)	\$11.82	19.4%
Venture Capital investment(s)	\$3.84	6.3%
Subtotal	\$15.66	25.7%
REAL ASSETS		
Water Fund	\$16.17	26.5%
Other Real Assets	\$6.18	10.1%
Subtotal	\$22.35	36.6%
PRIVATE REAL ESTATE		
Residential Development investment(s)	\$7.61	12.5%
Residential Asset Management investment(s)	\$1.88	3.1%
Commercial Asset Management investment(s)	\$3.23	5.3%
Subtotal	\$12.72	20.9%
HEDGE FUNDS		
SRA Alliance Fund (IS 16Q)	\$7.29	12.0%
Subtotal	\$7.29	12.0%
Cash	\$2.92	4.8%
GRAND TOTAL	\$60.94	100%

4. Figures in this report are unaudited. The current value for each investment in the table above is consistent with the Alternatives Fund's investment valuation policy, which may be found at blueskyfunds.com.au/alternativesfund. Note that the total value of the investment portfolio will not directly reconcile to the NTA due to the impact of interest revenue, management fees, accrued performance fees, etc.

### **SECTOR WEIGHTINGS**



### **FURTHER INFORMATION:**

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### **NEW INVESTMENTS**

The Alternatives Fund made no new investments in the month of January and is now fully deployed.

### INVESTMENT PERFORMANCE - EXISTING INVESTMENTS

The post-tax NTA of the Alternatives Fund increased by \$0.0046 in January, underpinned by strong investing conditions in hedge fund and water markets. Material<sup>5</sup> changes that affected the NTA were:

- **Private equity and venture capital:** There were no material changes to the value of the Alternatives Fund's existing investments in private equity in January. Under the Alternatives Fund's valuation policy (available on our website) private equity assets must be valued annually, and more frequently if it is considered that value has changed to an extent that would be material to the Alternatives Fund's NTA.
- Real assets: The value of the Alternatives Fund's units in the Blue Sky Water Fund increased by 0.97% in January. Early January was hot and dry, coinciding with the peak irrigation demand, which pushed water allocations upward to a \$130-140/ML peak. Prices retreated to \$125/ML in late January with above-average rainfall across the southern Murray-Darling system. El Nino thresholds were reached briefly but were not sustained long enough to be declared and have since moved back to a neutral position.
- **Private real estate:** There were no material changes to the value of the Alternatives Fund's investments in private real estate in January. Residential development projects are revalued when four key criteria are met (purchase of land becomes unconditional, pre-sales reach a level sufficient to secure debt funding, a fixed-price construction contract is signed and senior debt is secured). None of the Alternatives Fund's investments met all of these criteria in January. We expect projects to begin meeting these criteria towards the end of FY15, requiring revaluation at that point.
- **Hedge funds:** The value of the Alternatives Fund's units in the Blue Sky SRA Alliance Fund (IS 16Q) increased by 3.27% in January, which was comprised of a number of large offsetting profits and losses as central banks' decisions and expectations caused large swings in currency and interest rate markets. Overall, the 16Q portfolio currently has a slightly bearish bias, driven mainly by the downtrends established in interest rates and energy prices. The seasonal and trend indicators in equities are bullish, but to a lesser degree than in previous months. Foreign exchange positions are being maintained: long the Australian dollar versus a short position in its commodity-driven counterpart Canadian dollar, and long the US dollar versus the Swiss franc.

## **INVESTMENTS REALISED**

There were no investments realised in the month of January.



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## **DESCRIPTION OF INVESTMENTS**

INVESTMENT	DESCRIPTION
PRIVATE EQUITY AND VENTURE CAPITAL	
Early Learning Fund	To hold equity in Foundation Early Learning Limited, a premium Australian child care operator.
Wild Breads Fund	To hold equity in Wild Breads Pty Ltd, a leading business in the rapidly growing artisan and specialty bread category in Australia.
Software Services Fund II	To hold equity in Readify Pty Ltd, a leading Australian IT-services company focused on application development and platform deployment in the Microsoft environment.
VC2014 Fund LP	To hold a diversified portfolio of venture capital investments.
Hospital Pharmacy Services Fund	To hold equity in a market leading provider of outsourced pharmacy services to hospitals, oncology clinics and correctional facilities in Australia.
REAL ASSETS	
Water Fund	Invests in a diversified portfolio of agricultural water entitlements, largely in the Southern Murray-Darling Basin.
Agriculture Fund	To hold equity in Gundaline Pty Ltd, the owner and operator of a large scale irrigated cropping business east of Hay in NSW.
Water Utilities Australia Fund 2	To hold equity in the Water Utilities Group, which owns and operates a portfolio of high-quality water infrastructure assets.
PRIVATE REAL ESTATE	
Regina Street Greenslopes Trust	A residential development consisting of a 61 apartment complex (comprising 29 one bedroom and 32 two bedroom apartments) in the Brisbane suburb of Greenslopes.
37 Regent Street Woolloongabba Trust	A residential development consisting of a 44 apartment complex (comprising 9 one bedroom and 35 two bedroom apartments) in the Brisbane suburb of Woolloongabba.
Alice Street Kedron Trust	A residential development consisting of a 38 apartment complex (comprising 5 one bedroom and 33 two bedroom apartments) in the Brisbane suburb of Kedron, which is 8km from the Brisbane CBD.
Main Street Kangaroo Point Trust	A residential development consisting of a 104 apartment complex (comprising 25 one bedroom, 71 two bedroom and 8 three bedroom apartments) in the Brisbane suburb of Kangaroo Point.
Logan Road Greenslopes Trust	A residential development consisting of a 53 apartment complex (comprising 12 one bedroom, 36 two bedroom and 5 three bedroom apartments) and 650m² of ground floor commercial space in the Brisbane suburb of Greenslopes.
Grantson Street Windsor Trust	A residential development consisting of a 65 apartment complex (comprising 2 one bedroom, 49 two bedroom and 14 three bedroom apartments) in the Brisbane suburb of Windsor.



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PRIVATE REAL ESTATE	
Duke Street Kangaroo Point Trust	A residential development consisting of a 82 apartment complex (comprising 28 one bedroom, 50 two bedroom and 4 three bedroom apartments) in the Brisbane suburb of Kangaroo Point.
Management Rights Income Fund 4	Management rights for the 3 tower, 788 apartment 'Southport Central' precinct on the Gold Coast, plus the freehold title to the manager's office.
Student Accommodation Fund	A social accommodation development project consisting of a 12 storey, purpose-built, 283 bed student accommodation building in the Brisbane suburb of Woolloongabba.
Darra Industrial Income Fund	To hold the freehold title to a 3,479m² single-tenant industrial manufacturing, distribution and office facility sited on a 7,254m² land holding in the Brisbane suburb of Darra.
HEDGE FUNDS	
SRA Alliance Fund (IS 16Q)	A portfolio of quantitative trading strategies, diversified across currency, commodity, equity and interest rate markets, utilising derivatives and short selling in its strategy execution.