

INVESTMENT UPDATE May 2023

Cadence Opportunities Fund returned a negative gross performance of 4.3% in May, compared to the All Ordinaries Accumulation Index which was down 2.6% for the month. The top contributors to performance during May were Meta Platforms, Patriot Battery Metals and Netflix. The largest detractors from performance were Tietto Minerals, Capstone Copper, Newcrest Mining, and Austin Engineering. Cadence Opportunities Fund is conservatively positioned with gross exposure of 62% and 56% of its investable portfolio in cash.

While the Australian market was down for the month, the Nasdaq was up 7.6%, with our holdings in Meta Platforms and Netflix performing well. Meta Platforms continued to trend higher after announcing 2023 as the "year of efficiency" and delivering consecutive quarterly results that were better than expected.

Patriot Battery Metals rose over 20%, primarily due to a rising Lithium Carbonate price, with Chinese futures rising over 100% since reaching a low point in late April. The outlook for Lithium demand remains extremely strong with the majority of car manufacturers shifting their focus to battery electric vehicles.

In February US gold miner Newmont approached Newcrest Mining regarding a scrip for scrip takeover, which was recommended by the Newcrest Mining board in May. The prospect of this takeover has seen Newcrest Mining perform well for most of this year, but the share price fell in May due to a fall in the Newmont share price. Now that the takeover is expected to go ahead the Newcrest Mining share price essentially tracks the Newmont share price.

### **Quarterly Audiocast**

Over the next week CDO will be sending out its Quarterly Audiocast. In this audiocast, Karl Siegling will discuss the Company's recent performance, the interim dividend paid, the current composition of the portfolio, some current investment themes and investments and the outlook for the rest of the year.

### **CDO Share Price discount to NTA**

CDO is currently trading at a pre-tax NTA discount of around 10% whilst holding around 50% cash. If all the shares in the portfolio fell by 20% the pre-tax NTA would still be above the share price. To put it another way, the shares in the portfolio can be bought at a 20% discount to their underlying value.

#### **Fund NTA**

Net Tangible Assets as at 31st May 2023	Amount (\$)
Pre Tax NTA*	\$1.920
Post Tax NTA*	\$2.032
Share Price (ASX Code: CDO)*	\$1.890

\*After the 7.5 c fully franked interim dividend

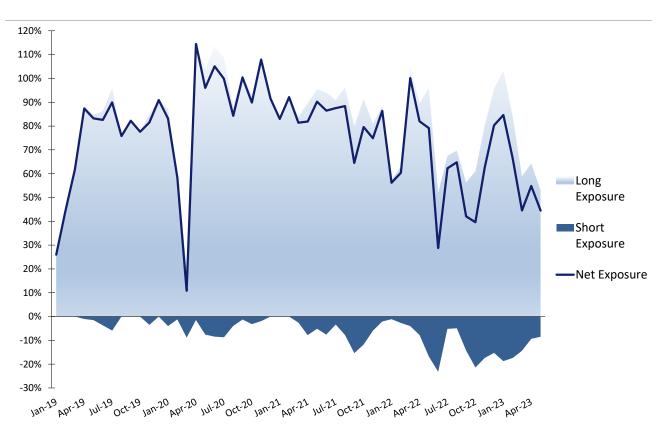


# **Fund Performance**

Gross Performance* to 31st May 2023	CDO
1 Month	-4.3%
3 Years (per annum)	24.6%
Since Inception (per annum)	27.5%
Since Inception (4.4 years) (total return)	192.8%

<sup>\*</sup> Gross Performance: before Management and Performance Fees

# **Historic Portfolio Exposure**



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# **Portfolio Sector Analysis**

Sector	Long	Short	Net
Basic Materials	20.5%	-2.1%	18.4%
Consumer, Non-cyclical	8.7%		8.7%
Communications	7.4%		7.4%
Insurance	4.3%		4.3%
Utilities	2.6%		2.6%
Energy	2.3%	-0.7%	1.6%
Financial	3.0%	-1.5%	1.5%
Industrial	2.3%	-1.2%	1.1%
Consumer, Cyclical	1.9%	-1.0%	0.9%
Banks		-2.0%	-2.0%
	53.0%	-8.5%	44.5%
Net Cash Holdings			55.5%

## **Franked Dividends Declared**

Calendar Year	Interim	Final	Special	Total	Gross (Inc. Franking)
2020		6.0c	-	6.0c	8.6c
2021		12.0c	3.0c	15.0c	21.4c
2022	7.5c	7.5c	-	15.0c	21.4c
2023	7.5c	-	-	7.5c	10.7c
TOTAL	15.0c	25.5c	3.0c	43.5c	62.1c

<sup>\*</sup> Off market Equal access buy back

On the 28th of April the Company paid its 7.5 cent fully franked half-year dividend. After paying this dividend the Company still has 35 cents per share of profits reserves to pay future dividends.

### **News**

To watch CDO's half-year Audiocast <u>please click here</u>. This Audiocast gives an update on the Company's performance, its portfolio composition, some of its current investment holdings and the outlook for the rest of the year.

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