

# Loftus Peak Global Change Portfolio

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Monthly Investor Letter  
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Traditional business models are being disrupted as connectivity, networks and the sharing economy impact all industries – retail, transport, energy, banking to name a few. Loftus Peak invests to generate returns from these major secular shifts. The Portfolio's geographical and sectoral diversification lowers the concentration risk inherent in the typical Australian portfolio with its heavy skew toward banks, resources and the Australian dollar.

## Review & Outlook

February was a bad month for markets, with the MSCI AC World Net Total Return Index in Australian dollars (against which our investments are measured) down -1.0% for the month, and the S&P500 index falling -2.3%. The problems were brought on by fears of inflation which sparked a round of speculation on interest rate rises, which the market finally took in its stride. Companies in the Fund made real ground with the Fund manager estimated return net of fees of +1.3% which was +2.3% above our benchmark.

## Performance\*

	1m	3m	6m	1y	3y p.a.	Inception p.a.
Portfolio (gross-of-fees)	+1.58%	+4.31%	+18.56%	+37.77%	+19.19%	+23.56%
Index	-0.98%	-0.17%	+10.99%	+17.07%	+8.42%	+13.05%
Outperformance (gross-of-fees)	+2.56%	+4.48%	+7.57%	+20.70%	+10.78%	+10.51%
Portfolio (net-of-fees)	+6.14%	+3.41%	+17.29%	+33.99%	+16.60%	+20.88%

## Portfolio Contributors and Detractors

The Fund's performance for February was pleasing, even as the index fell short during a mixed reporting season.

**Alibaba** sold down in the final days of February after good quarterly numbers failed to convince investors. Margins are tightening due to new investments the company is making in distribution. - for example, Cainiao, its logistics business, which helped add RMB\$3.9 billion to core commerce segment revenue for 2017, closing the loop between ordering and fulfillment.

**Alphabet** (Google) also took a hit following a very strong run in the past year, possibly as investors raise doubts about its voice business, especially in relation to that of Amazon.

\*Manager estimated returns. The Portfolio Benchmark is the MSCI ACWI (net) (as expressed in AUD from Bloomberg). Portfolio Inception date is 30/06/14. All returns are shown to two decimal places. Returns for the periods more than one year are annualised. Total returns include realised and unrealised gains. Valuations are computed and performance reported in Australian dollars. Gross-of-fees performance returns are presented before management and performance fees but after all trading expenses. Net-of-fees performance returns are presented after management and performance fees. Returns are based on the theoretical performance of a portfolio which implemented the Model Portfolio based on simplifying assumptions and stock weightings. Actual individual returns of each client's portfolio will differ depending on factors such as date of initial investment, timing of transactions, contributions and withdrawals, fees and any customisations. Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future performance and may not be achieved in the future. Each client should also take into account their own taxation situations. All information provided in this Report is correct as at the date of this Report.

## Key Facts

Inception Date	30 June 2014
Product Type	Managed Discretionary Account
Product Sponsor	Mason Stevens Limited
Benchmark	MSCI ACWI (net) (as expressed in AUD from Bloomberg)
Number of Investments	10-35
Minimum Cash Allocation	2%
Maximum Cash Allocation	50%
Maximum weighting per investment	20% at time of purchase
Minimum Investment	AU\$50,000
Liquidity	Daily
Suggested Timeframe	3-5 years

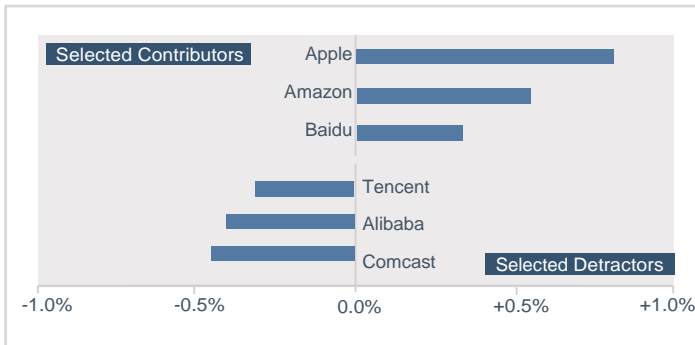
## Fees

Management Cost	1.00% p.a. (inc. GST) calculated daily and charged monthly in arrears
Administration and Custody Fee	0.275% p.a. calculated daily and charged monthly in arrears. A lower fee applies for Investments above \$1 million.
Performance Fee	15% of excess returns over the benchmark return
Transaction cost	0.55% of the value of the transaction

**Apple** performed well. The reason we hold the company is that revenue and earnings growth is likely to continue in the medium term as higher selling prices roll through its new phones, especially the iPhone X, with incremental sales from products like the home speaker and watch. The company had its biggest ever quarter, exceeding expectations on the top and bottom lines. All of Apple's geographical segments grew double digits in the quarter.

The Australian dollar depreciated -3.7% over the month against the US dollar, which is detrimental to our US denominated holdings. As at 28 February 2018, the Portfolio carried a total foreign currency exposure of 99%.

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## Portfolio Construction

96.9% of the Portfolio is invested in 24 holdings which the manager considers likely outperformers. The balance is in cash.

Selected Top Holdings		Capitalisation USD	
Apple	9.2%	Mega Cap > \$100b	61.2%
Amazon	7.8%	Large Cap \$50-100b	20.6%
Qualcomm	7.6%	Mid Cap \$2-50b	11.5%
Tencent	7.6%	Small Cap < \$2b	3.6%
Baidu	7.4%		

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## About Loftus Peak

Loftus Peak is a global fund manager with a focus on investing in listed disruptive businesses. Our team's extensive experience of successfully investing in disruptive businesses brings significant discipline to the investment process.

The Fund, which includes large capitalisation names like Apple, Google and Alibaba, is constructed on the basis of strict criteria, giving investors exposure to the some of the best and fastest-growing companies in the world, at carefully determined valuations. This kind of geographical and sectoral diversification lowers the concentration risk inherent in the typical Australian portfolio, with its heavy skew toward banks, resources and the Australian dollar.

We believe self-managed super funds, and investors generally, want a professionally-managed portfolio that gives them access to these important secular trends.

## The Team

The portfolio is managed by Alex Pollak and Anshu Sharma.

### Alex Pollak CEO, CIO and Founder



With 25 years' experience in disruptive business models gained during a career with Macquarie Bank, Alex heads one of the best-performing teams in global listed disruptive business investment in Australia.

He was instrumental in bringing both Seek and Carsales.com.au to

the Australian stock market. His deep knowledge of investment and global change companies means you are ideally placed to benefit financially from the movements in technology which are daily changing the face of markets.

### Anshu Sharma

#### Portfolio Manager



Anshu started his career in global disruption investment almost a decade ago at TechInvest. This was followed by Portfolio Manager and Technology Analyst responsibilities for the Asia region at Eight Investment Partners.

mentored by the best in this

space early on in his career and having extensively travelled in Asia to meet hundreds of companies, Anshu brings a wealth of experience to investing globally.

He has an M.Comm from the University of New South Wales and a B.Comm (Hons) from Delhi University. He holds the CIPM® certificate and the Chartered Financial Analyst® designation.