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# 2018 Final Results

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# **Financial highlights**

*By Icy WONG Chief Financial Officer* 

## **Financial highlights**

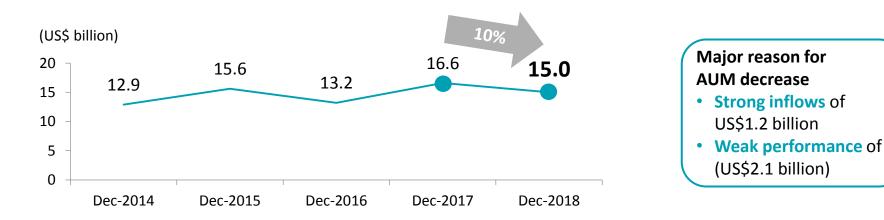


(In HK\$ million)	2018	2017	Change
Profit attributable to owners of the Company	229.5	2,048.1	-89%
Fee income and other revenue	1,641.4	4,105.9	-60%
Gross management fees	1,347.5	1,196.0	+13%
Gross performance fees	56.2	2,570.9	-98%
Total expenses	(535.0)	(1,091.8)	-51%
Operating profit (before other gains or losses)	399.9	2,207.3	-82%
Basic earnings per share (HK cents)	12.4	110.6	-89%
Diluted earnings per share (HK cents)	12.4	110.5	-89%
Interim dividend per share (HK cents)	Nil	Nil	
Final dividend per share (HK cents)	6.0	18.0	-67%
Special dividend per share (HK cents)	Nil	86.0	-100%
Total dividends per share (HK cents)	6.0	104.0	-94%

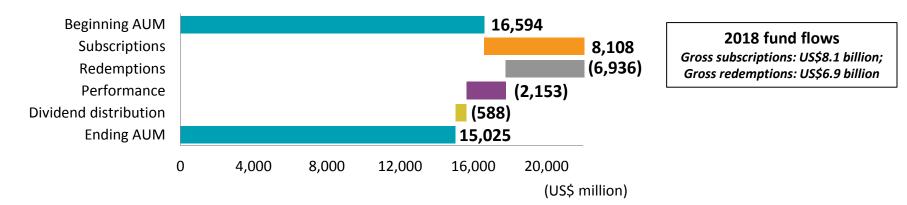
## **Assets under management**



### Assets under management ("AUM")



### AUM change in the year 2018



**1.** AUM as at 31 December 2018 and 31 December 2017

## AUM analysis

Classification by brand	2018	2017	2018
Own Branded Funds	72%	73%	
White Label & Co-branded Funds	28%	27%	
Classification by strategy	2018	2017	2018-

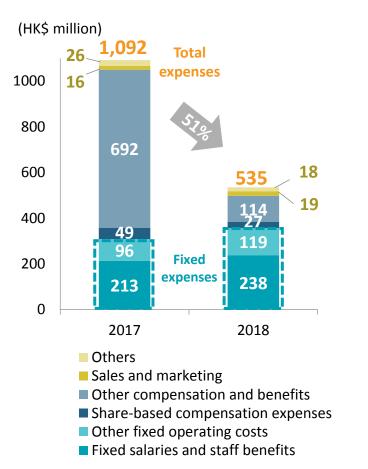
Classification by strategy	2018	2017	2018
<ul> <li>Absolute Return Long-biased Funds</li> </ul>	62%	68%	-2017
Fixed Income Funds	36%	30%	
<ul> <li>Quantitative Funds &amp; ETF</li> </ul>	1%	1%	
<ul> <li>Alternative Funds</li> </ul>	1%	1%	

Client analysis by			
geographical region	2018	2017	2018
Hong Kong	78%	80%	-2017
Singapore	7%	6%	
- China	7%	5%	
<ul> <li>United States</li> </ul>	3%	4%	
Europe	2%	2%	
Australia	1%	1%	
<ul> <li>Others</li> </ul>	2%	2%	

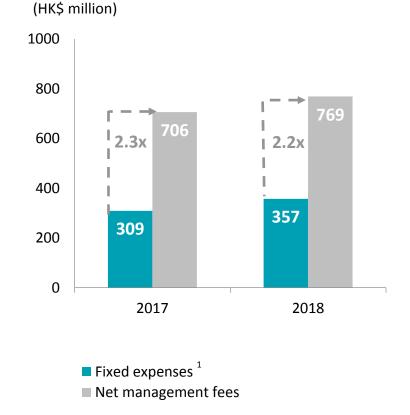


## Stringent cost control

Total expenses



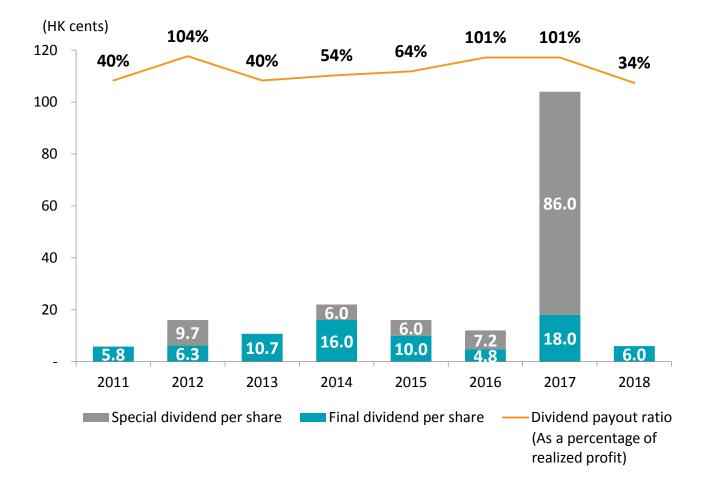
### Fixed cost coverage ratio





## **Dividends**





**1**. Dividend per share is declared based on the Group's realized profit, which excluded unrealized gains/ losses recognized. However, earnings per share reflected the impact of net unrealized gains/ losses.

## **Strong Balance Sheet**



As at 31 December, 2018	HK\$ millions
ASSETS Current assets • Cash & equivalents <sup>1</sup> • Fees receivable • Investments <sup>2</sup>	2,528 • 1,629 • 129 • 517
<ul> <li>Non-current assets</li> <li>Investments (including investment in JV and investment property)<sup>2</sup></li> </ul>	1,868 • 1,781
Total assets	4,396
LIABILITIES Current liabilities • Accrued bonus • Distribution fee expenses payable	316 • 130 • 130
Non-current liabilities Total liabilities	102 417
EQUITY Equity attributable to owners of company • Issued equity • Retained earnings	3,978 • 1,410 • 2,336
Total equity	3,978

1. Cash & equivalents includes the balance sheet items of Cash and cash equivalents and Deposits with brokers;

2. Net Investments (including investments, investment in a joint venture and investment property) = HK\$2,298 million

## **Business review**

By Dr. AU King Lun мн, PhD Chief Executive Officer

## Delivering growth



	China		Investment	
Rest of the World	Investment Expert	Value Partners	Solutions Provider	China

### **Global Footprint**

- Opened Kuala Lumpur office in October 2018 to further strengthen our presence in Southeast Asia
- Opened Boston office to act as a distribution hub for North America
- London office continues to make good progress in growing our business in Europe
- Inked strategic partnership in Japan and seeing strong investor interest from elsewhere in North Asia and the Middle East

### **Product Suite Expansion**

- Alternatives as the focus of the next phase of our product suite expansion. Strong pipeline of funds to launch in 2019
- Developed a number of thematic products in light of strong investor appetite
- Fixed income product suite now encompasses six funds that cover most of the risk spectrum

### **China Business**

- Established domestic private equity business in Shenzhen and announced the formation of our inaugural private equity fund on the mainland of China
   Have launched four domestic private investment securities funds since winning a Private Fund Management ("PFM") license in November 2017
  - Flagship Classic Fund received northbound approval for the **Mutual Recognition of Funds** ("MRF") program. Applied for High-Dividend Stocks Fund to also join program

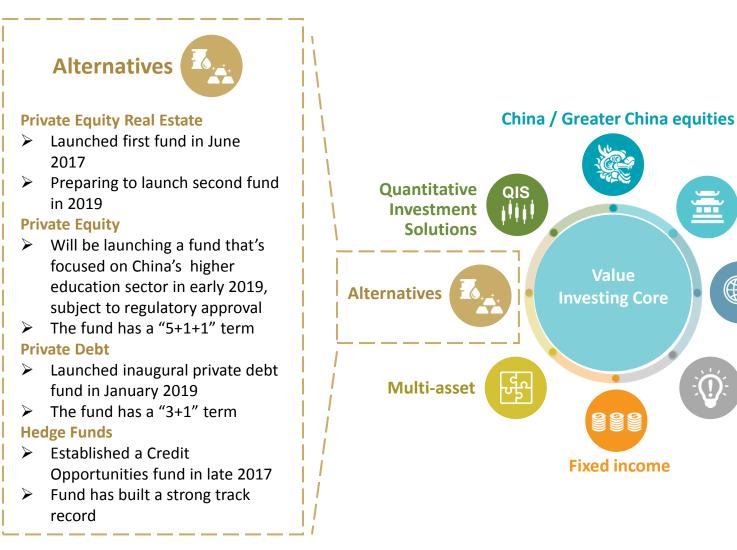
# Alternatives: The next phase of our product suite expansion



**Asia equities** 

Thematic

**GEM equities** 



# **China:** Further breakthroughs and accelerating growth



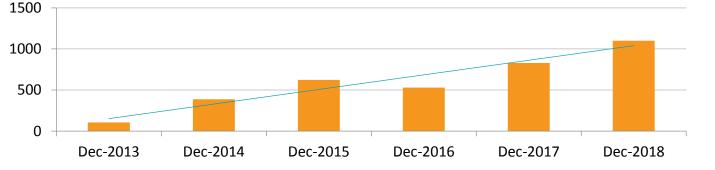
**Private Funds/ PFM Business** 

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Launched first PFM fund in January

### Launched another three PFM funds in June, July and September $\checkmark$ Established $\checkmark$ First HK asset **WFOE** in manager to be **Onshore Private Equity Business** Granted **QDLP** Shanghai to granted a **Opened Shenzhen office in January** provide quota of US\$100 **Private Fund** Signed agreement with China Education Group investment million Management to establish a China education-focused fund $\checkmark$ advisory Established **WFOE** ("PFM") license on the services in Shenzhen, **Mutual Recognition of Funds Opened** office which was granted mainland of **Classic Fund received approval** $\checkmark$ in Shanghai the **QFLP** license China Applied for High-Dividend Stocks Fund to join 2009 2018 2015 2017

**China AUM** (in USD millions)



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## Making inroads globally

### Europe

- UCITS funds are seeing strong inflows following revamp of products to better fit European institutional investors
- Added new Asia ex-Japan equity fund to UCITS suite in 2018 and will continue to grow offerings
- Won substantial institutional mandate from a major European investor
- London office has obtained a FCA license

### London office

### **Boston office**

### North America

- Distribution hub for North America that opened in Jan 2019
- Initial focus will be institutional and professional investors

### **Other Growth Markets**

- Middle East: Prospecting activities revealed strong institutional investor interest in products
- Taiwan: Inflows from major institutional clients. Planning a number of distribution partnerships
- Japan: Launched an A-share Innovation fund with key business partner Daiwa Securities Group

Beijing office Shanghai office Shenzhen office Singapore office

### Kuala Lumpur office

### **Southeast Asia**

- Established Kuala Lumpur office in October 2018 to act as a distribution, product development and investment management hub for Southeast Asia
- Launch of new smart beta ETF products to begin in Q4 of 2019. New products will include thematic and Southeast Asia-focused factor-based ETFs
- To manufacture and manage Shariah-compliant products for global distribution
- · Formed distribution partnerships with major financial institutions

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