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#### **Performance Returns**

The AlphaQuest UCITS Fund returned +0.45% in November (USD Institutional Founder Share Class).

#### **Investment Objective & Strategy**

The AlphaQuest UCITS Fund's investment objective is to seek capital appreciation over the long term.

The AlphaQuest UCITS Fund invests, on a long and/or short basis, in a globally diversified futures portfolio representing the major asset classes of equities, fixed income and currencies. The AlphaQuest UCITS Fund also gains exposure to commodities, on a long and/or short basis, through the use of structured financial instruments ("SFIs"). The AlphaQuest UCITS Fund targets, over the medium term, a realized volatility in the range of 10%-12%, in order to adhere to the UCITS investment restrictions.

Quest employs a systematic trading program (the "Program"), diversified by asset class and with individual positions intended to provide a return over different time horizons, that seeks to deliver positive alpha (alpha is a statistical measurement used to determine the risk-reward profile of a potential investment). The Program is composed of a number of trading systems, each of which generates individual trades. These trading systems generate trades on the basis of price movement indicators which seek to identify situations where there is potential for an increase in the price volatility of a given market. Risk controls are integrated into the Program to measure the potential risk associated with trades generated by the Program. Generally, the Program will determine that AlphaQuest UCITS Fund should take a long position in a market that has shown an upward trending price or a short position in a market that has shown a downward trending price.

## **Monthly Commentary**

November was a mixed month as early strong gains were given back mid-month and then followed by a sharp recovery.

Among sectors, the best gains were generated in equities, where markets broke record highs seemingly on a daily basis. US and Japanese equities were the most profitable, while European equities detracted from returns. Foreign exchange also contributed to returns with our models capturing the gains in the Euro and British Pound during the month. Fixed income was a negative contributor to the portfolio in November as the sector continued the range-bound behavior it has demonstrated nearly all of this year, being caught between improving global growth on one hand and Central Bank asset purchases on the other. Commodities also detracted from performance, especially agricultural markets and gold, which traded in a very tight range and volatility fell close to its lowest level ever.

Among system families, the best performance came from our trend crowding models as well as our long-term models, which picked up the steady trends in equities. The short-term volatility breakout models and intermediate-term models, which trade time horizons of up to a few weeks, detracted from performance as price movements in markets remained highly compressed and volatility across several markets fell to new record lows.

# **USD Institutional Founder Share Class UCITS Performance**

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Y-T-D
2017	-4.33%	-2.70%	-0.99%	-0.69%	-2.54%	0.15%	-1.78%	-1.51%	0.70%	3.15%	0.45%		-9.84%
2016	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-0.22%	-0.22%

The performance figures quoted above represent the performance of the AlphaQuest UCITS Fund since launch on  $9^{th}$  December 2016. These performance figures refer to the past and past performance is not a guarantee of future performance or a reliable guide to future performance.

# THE MANAGER



## Nigol Koulajian

Founder and Chief Investment Officer
Nigol has been designing and trading short and
long-term technical systems for over 24
years. Mr. Koulajian began his career with
Andersen Consulting and then moved to
Deutsche Bank, where he helped create and
computerize a risk management system that
became a widely used tool for senior
management. He then became the Head Trader
for Carmel Capital and while working at Carmel

designed and priced hedges on international equity and fixed income arbitrage positions. In 1996, Mr. Koulajian joined Weston Capital Management, LLC where he was the Director of Asset Allocation and Product Development, responsible for the allocation of assets to equity hedge funds and CTAs. In 1998, Mr. Koulajian started Avalon Asset Management, LLC, a fund of funds, and in 1999, he co-founded a CTA, Enterprise Asset Management, LLC. Mr. Koulajian earned an MBA in finance from Columbia Business School and a BS in electrical engineering from Notre Dame.

#### Paul Czkwianianc Head of Research



Paul joined the firm at its inception in 2001. Mr. Czkwianianc started his career in the financial industry in 1999 at Enterprise Asset Management where he worked alongside Mr. Nigol Koulajian. Mr. Czkwianianc holds a B.S. degree in Applied Mathematics from Columbia University and an M.S. degree in Mathematics from New York University.

### **FUND FACTS**

Perf. Fee

Min Init. Sub.

**ISIN Codes** 

Structure	UCITS Fund
Domicile	Ireland
Liquidity	Daily
Fund AUM	\$36.6 million
Strategy AUM	\$1.44 billion
Inception	9 <sup>th</sup> December 2016
Dogistarad	Ireland, UK, France, Lux
Registered	and Switzerland (Qualified Investors Only)
Share Class	Institutional/Institutional Pooled
Currency	EUR/GBP/CHF/USD
Mgt. Fee	1.5%
Perf. Fee	20%
Min Init. Sub.	1,000,000
ISIN Codes	EUR: IE00BD08G390/IE00BD08G739
	USD: IE00BD08G622/IE00BD08GB72
	CHF: IE00BD08G515/IE00BD08G952
	GBP: IE00BD08G408/IE00BD08G846
Share Class	Retail Pooled
Currency	EUR/GBP/CHF/USD
Mgt. Fee	2%

CHF: IE00BD08GP19 GBP: IE00BD08GN94

EUR: IE00BD08GM87 USD: IE00BD08GQ26

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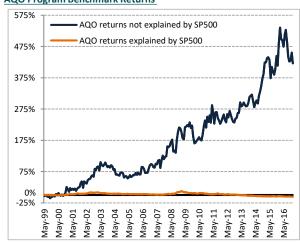
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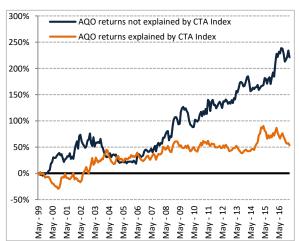
# ALPHAQUEST ORIGINAL (AQO) PROGRAM MONTHLY PERFORMANCE (NON-UCITS)\*

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
2016	14.1	9.19	-6.72	-0.58	-3.62	6.6	2.16	-6.3	-7.64	-2.65	0.2	4.51	7.02%
2015	7.97	-0.68	2.9	0.33	-1.65	-10.7	7.39	-2.01	-1.64	2.17	8.72	-5.47	5.69%
2014	1.62	0.1	-4.51	-5.36	3.2	1.89	-2.29	5.83	3.2	3.75	5.24	3.23	16.27%
2013	0.07	4.45	-0.53	9.07	-3.46	0.86	1.86	-1.42	-1.67	-0.25	2.11	4.39	15.94%
2012	3.07	2.32	-5.14	-2.25	8.66	-3.34	5.75	-3.47	-3.91	-2.62	-0.7	3.77	0.87%
2011	-4.91	5.83	-6.53	16.41	-5.93	-9.4	11.37	0.96	-4.11	-3.85	-2.92	2.1	-4.11%
2010	-6.93	0.19	1.58	1.85	3.26	-1.52	-2.24	6.97	7.52	6.14	-6.82	10.1	20.08%
2009	0.38	-2.32	-7.57	-2.43	13.3	0.36	0.57	-1.73	3.6	-5.17	1.77	-11.16	-11.75%
2008	2.09	14.92	-0.53	1.26	4.88	4.22	-13.55	1.36	-1.26	20.59	10.1	4.98	55.77%
2007	-0.49	-3.23	-0.5	6.26	-0.79	6.81	2.07	-11.84	13.8	6.73	-3.71	4.04	18.11%
2006	4.34	-3.02	0.55	14.62	0.91	-3.18	-6.08	0.36	0.25	7.48	5.95	2.54	25.72%
2005	-7.67	2.58	0.41	-3.46	1.48	5.15	-4.02	2.35	2.94	0.11	4.36	-3.35	0.04%
2004	-2.8	3.93	-1.38	-5.6	1.3	-9.98	1.36	-1.25	-0.99	6.23	-0.6	-1.32	-11.43%
2003	-1.84	6.16	0.93	-7.9	14.36	-4.59	-1.86	1.85	4.23	-4.62	-3.28	1.13	2.74%
2002	4.05	-13.71	16.53	-1.44	-2.49	9.22	3.76	0.83	6.9	0.99	-3.5	16.92	39.94%
2001	-5.22	-5.43	12.11	-5.59	3.89	-2.2	3.68	-4.52	7.38	2.97	0.58	10.42	17.17%
2000	4.18	-1.54	7.14	-2.85	8.03	-4.16	-2.57	3.17	-2.83	4.85	7.97	18.05	44.31%
1999					-2.66	2.81	-1.77	-1.73	1.12	-5.26	4.26	1.11	-2.45%

<sup>\*</sup>The above performance pertains to the AlphaQuest Original (AQO) program and is not representative of the MontLake AlphaQuest UCITS Fund. UCITS Funds have to abide by onerous investment restrictions and consequently the performance of the MontLake AlphaQuest UCITS Fund may not be similar to that presented above.

#### **AQO Program Benchmark Returns**





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