

AFC VIETNAM FUND UPDATE

Fund Category	Vietnam Public Equities
Country Focus	Vietnam
Subscriptions	Monthly at NAV (five days before month end)
Redemptions	Monthly at NAV 60 days notice
Benchmark	VN Index
Fund Manager	Andreas Karall
Investment Manager	Asia Frontier Capital (Vietnam) Ltd., Cayman Islands
Investment Advisor	Asia Frontier Investments Ltd., Hong Kong
Fund Base Currency	USD
Minimum Investment	USD 10,000
Subsequent Investments	USD 1,000
Management Fee	1.8% p.a. of NAV
Performance Fee	12.5% p.a. of AV appreciation with high watermark
Fund Domicile	Cayman Islands
Launch Date	23 December 2013
Custodian Bank	Viet Capital Securities, Ho Chi Minh City
Auditor	EY, Hong Kong
Administrator	Custom House, Singapore
Legal Advisor	Ogier, Hong Kong

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We are very rarely pleased if we are losing money. In the second half of March however, the market behavior provides us with some optimism for Q2, despite a weak Vietnamese stock market performance. In contrast to the overall market which lost 7% in Ho Chi Minh and -4.1% in Hanoi, our fund lost just a little bit over 1% according to our internal calculation at a NAV of approximately USD 1,370.

For the first time in a long time again we see generally tentative buying interests in a few selective stocks. Thanks to numerous asset inflows of several new and existing investors, we can now buy new, mostly liquid shares from our buy list into the current market weakness. From a technical point of view we are confident that the market will turn upwards from the current level. We hope that this will be a turnaround to a positive trend and not just a technical rebound.



Quelle: VietCapital Securities

The reason for this market weakness is not easy to find. Although the Frontier Asia index declined in March approximately 9%, macroeconomic data are very good and the Vietnamese economy is progressing according to plan, as we were able to see firsthand on our investor tours last week. The main reason is probably the alleged margin calls of retail investors which are currently held (forced sellers of shares which were bought on credit). There were also larger redemptions in an ETF (exchange traded fund), and given its size had a strong influence on the current sell off in blue chips.



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After the steep increase in the first quarter of 2014, the Ho Chi Minh index declined by about 9% year on year in USD terms. During the same period, the share price of about the large Vietnam ETF, which manages around USD 500 million, fell by about 22%. Nevertheless for many Vietnam interested investors, this exchange traded fund still remains first choice!



For completeness, it should be mentioned that the AFC Vietnam Fund increased by approximately 15% over the same period.

More information can be found in the forthcoming newsletter.

The subscription deadline for this month will be on the 25th May, if you would like any assistance with the investment process please be in touch with myself or Andreas Vogelsanger.

Best regards

Andreas Karall, CIO

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