

# Menhaden Capital PLC



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Information as at 30 November 2016

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## Investment Objective

Menhaden Capital PLC (the "Company") seeks to generate long-term shareholder returns, predominantly in the form of capital growth, by investing in businesses and opportunities, irrespective of their size, location or stage of development, delivering or benefiting from the efficient use of energy and resources. Whilst the intention is to pursue an active, non-benchmarked total return strategy, the Company will be cognisant of the positioning of its portfolio against the MSCI World Index (Total Return, Sterling adjusted).

## 10 Largest Holdings at 30 November 2016 (% of total assets)

Name	Total
X-ELIO *	14.7
Terraform Power	7.7
Alpina Partners Fund LP <sup>^</sup>	5.3
Airbus	5.2
WCP Growth Fund LP <sup>^</sup>	4.5
Volkswagen	4.5
Safran	4.0
Air Products & Chemicals	3.3
Terraform Global	3.3
Atlantica Yield Bonds	3.3
<b>Total</b>	<b>55.8</b>

\*investment made through Helios Co-Invest LP

<sup>^</sup> managed by Alpina Partners

## Commentary

During November the Company's NAV per share was down 1.9%, the share price was down 3.0%, while the MSCI World Index (total return, sterling adjusted) was down 0.9%.

Our stake in the private equity fund WCP Growth Fund LP (formerly named WHEB Ventures Private Equity Fund 2 LP) was the top detractor after the portfolio was marked down as of Q3. Since inception this stake has been a significant detractor to the NAV with a loss of £5.2 million.

## Portfolio Manager Profile

Menhaden Capital PLC has appointed Frostrow Capital LLP as its Alternative Investment Fund Manager ('AIFM'). The portfolio management services for which the AIFM has overall responsibility are carried out by the Investment Committee, comprising Graham Thomas, Ben Goldsmith, Alexander Vavalidis and Luciano Suana from Menhaden Capital Management LLP ('Menhaden'), who have been seconded to the AIFM for the purpose of performing such activities.

## Biographies

**Graham Thomas** is the non-executive chairman of the Investment Committee. Before co-founding Menhaden, Graham chaired RIT Capital Partners plc's Executive Committee, was a member of its investment committee and had direct responsibility for its private investments. Prior to this Graham was the head of the Standard Bank Group's US\$3 billion Principal Investment Management division, which was established in 2008 under his leadership. Graham is currently a non-executive director of Tamar Energy and Lesmoir-Gordon, Boyle & Co, and is on the investment committee of Apis Partners, a private equity firm.

**Ben Goldsmith** is the Chief Executive Officer of Menhaden. Before co-founding Menhaden, Ben co-founded the WHEB group, one of Europe's leading energy and resource-focused fund investment businesses. Ben is a director of Cavamont Holdings, the Goldsmith family's investment holding vehicle and also chairs the UK Conservative Environment Network.

**Alexander Vavalidis** is an investment manager at Menhaden. Before co-founding Menhaden, Alexander worked at Manzanita Capital, a private equity firm founded by the Fisher family in London focusing on the prestige beauty industry. Before Manzanita Capital, Alexander worked in New York for the Financial Sponsors group at Credit Suisse and for the Illiquids Group at Dresdner Kleinwort in London.

**Luciano Suana** is an investment manager at Menhaden. Before joining Menhaden, Luciano was a Director for Barclays Capital in the Capital Markets division where he ran the credit trading operations for Brazil out of São Paulo. Before Barclays, Luciano was a Director at Dresdner Kleinwort in London. There he focused mainly on Infrastructure, Utilities and Real Estate assets as head of the Illiquids Credit group.

## Investment Policy

The Company's investment objective is pursued through constructing a conviction-driven portfolio consisting primarily of direct listed and unlisted holdings across different asset classes and geographies. The Company invests, either directly or through external funds, in a portfolio that is comprised of three main allocations: listed equity; yield assets; and special situations. The flexibility to invest across asset classes affords the Company two main benefits: 1) It enables construction of a portfolio based on an assessment of market cycles; and 2) It enables investment in all opportunities which benefit from the investment theme. Once substantially invested, it is expected the portfolio will comprise approximately 20 to 25 positions. Typically, the portfolio will not comprise fewer than 20 positions or more than 50 positions. For these purposes, an investment in an external fund is treated as one position.

The portfolio will be predominantly focused on investments in developed markets, though if opportunities that present an attractive risk and reward profile are available in emerging markets then these may also be pursued. While many of the companies forming the portfolio will be headquartered in the UK, USA or Europe, it should be noted that many of those companies will be global in nature so their reporting currency may not reflect their actual geographic or currency exposures. Subject at all times to any applicable investment restrictions contained in the Listing Rules, the Company will not make an investment if it would cause a breach of any of the following limits at the point of investment: 1) no more than 20% of the Company's gross assets may be invested, directly or indirectly through external funds, in the securities of any single entity; and, 2) no more than 20% of the Company's gross assets may be invested in a single external fund.

Menhaden Capital PLC conducts its affairs so that its shares can be recommended by independent financial advisers ("IFAs") to retail private investors. The shares are excluded from the Financial Conduct Authority's ("FCA's") restrictions which apply to non-mainstream investment products because they are shares in a UK-listed investment trust.

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### Asset Allocation Breakdown as at 30 November 2016 (%)

Asset	Total
Public equities	33.5
Private investments	24.5
Yield investments	17.8
Liquidity	24.2
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>

Source: All portfolio information sourced from Frostrow Capital LLP

### Geographic Breakdown as at 30 November 2016 (%)

Asset	Total
US	28.9
Europe	28.8
Unquoted UK LPs	9.9
UK	3.6
Emerging Markets	3.3
Asia	1.3
Liquidity	24.2
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>

Source: All portfolio information sourced from Frostrow Capital LLP

### Standardised Discrete Performance (%)

Percentage Growth	1 month	YTD	1 Year	Since Inception*
NAV	-1.9	+2.0	+5.3	-12.4
Share Price	-3.0	-14.9	-28.0	-34.5
Index ^	-0.9	+23.9	+24.3	+24.4

Source: Morningstar.

^ MSCI World Index (Total Return, Sterling adjusted). The Company pursues an active, non-benchmarked strategy but is cognisant of the positioning and returns of its portfolio against the MSCI World Index.

\*after IPO costs

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### Fast Facts

As at 30 November 2016

<b>Launch Date</b>	31 July 2015
<b>Annual Management Fee</b>	(payable by the Company) Portfolio Management Fee 1.25% p/a on first £150m of AUM, 1.0% thereafter; AIFM Fee 0.225% p/a up to £150m, 0.20% p/a thereafter up to £500m, 0.175% in excess of £500m.
<b>Performance fee</b>	See Prospectus for details
<b>Ongoing charges*</b>	2.1%
<b>Continuation Vote</b>	At AGM in 2020; every 5 years
<b>Year / Half Year</b>	December / June
<b>Capital Structure</b>	80,000,001 Ordinary Shares of 1p

### Trust Characteristics

<b>Number of Holdings</b>	24
<b>Total Net Assets (£m)</b>	£68.5m
<b>Market Capitalisation (£m)</b>	£52.4m
<b>Dividend Policy</b>	Target 2% per annum dividend yield once the Company's assets are substantially invested
<b>Gearing (AIC basis)</b>	0%
<b>Leverage Gross &amp; Commitment</b>	0%
<b>Share Price (p)</b>	65.50
<b>NAV (p)</b>	85.58
<b>(Discount) / Premium</b>	(23.5%)

### Codes

<b>Sedol</b>	BZ0XWD0
<b>ISIN</b>	GB00BZ0XWD04
<b>Bloomberg</b>	MHN LN
<b>Epic</b>	MHN

\*Calculated at the financial year-end, includes management fees and all other operating expenses.

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