

## RV Capital Asia Opportunity Fund

Domestic macro conditions point to clear policy choices - raise rates in Japan and cut everywhere else. These conclusions have very little to do with the US. Yet almost all noise emanates from the US – which is often a great opportunity for us. In the big picture sense China & India's dominance in goods and services surpluses should continue given excess capacity in each. This is helpful, and not hurtful to world GDP growth. The quicker we adjust to this, the quicker we should return to trendline global GDP growth.

As I sat on an Asia Panel at a European Hedge fund symposium, the “Why Asia? Why now?” question invariably came up. In response the below trend of numbers floated in my head.

	GDP (\$ tn)		GDP (PPP; \$ tn)		GDP per capita (\$ '000)		GDP per capita (PPP; \$ '000)	
	2000	2024	2000	2024	2000	2024	2000	2024
United States	10.3	29.2	10.3	29.2	36.3	85.8	36.3	85.8
China	1.2	18.7	3.2	38.2	1.0	13.3	2.6	27.1
India	0.5	3.9	2.2	16.2	0.4	2.7	1.9	11.2
Japan	5.0	4.0	3.3	6.5	39.2	32.5	26.4	52.7

Source: IMF, RV Capital Research

## To summarize the takeaways:

- The huge divergence between India and China's GDP and PPP GDP (both nominal and per capita) explains the demand for outsourcing to Chinese manufacturing and Indian services. The microphone I used in the panel was made in China whilst most of the research material displayed on an esteemed investment bank's slides was created in India.
- The large per capita GDP gap between India/China and the OECD world highlights the continued prospect for these two countries to drive global GDP growth.
- The flatlining of Japan's nominal GDP over the past two and a half decades serves as a warning sign for China, which may face similar demographic and economic stagnations in the future.

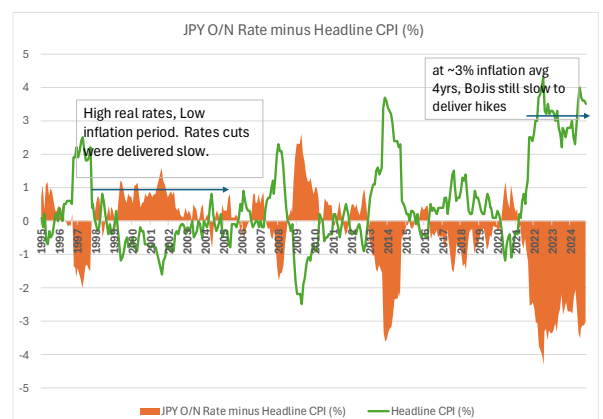
Finally, when asked what surprises me in Asia, I pointed to Japan's inflation, which has shifted sharply in recent decades. For much of the last two decades, Japan battled low growth and deflation whilst EM Asia experienced the opposite. Yet now Japan's inflation stands higher than the rest of EM/DM Asia and even the broader DM world.

Country	% Rates	CPI	2Y Swap - CPI (Bps)
US	3.52	2.4	112
EU	2.00	1.9	10
JP	0.79	3.5	-271
SK	2.39	1.9	49
AU	3.15	2.4	75
SG	1.81	0.8	101
CN	1.48	-0.1	158
TH	1.23	-0.6	180
MA	3.12	1.2	192
IN	5.51	2.8	269
PH*	5.70	1.3	440
ID*	6.05	1.6	445

Source: Bloomberg, RV Capital Research

Amidst such an accommodative policy setting, Japan's high inflation becomes less of a mystery. Given its deflationary history, the BoJ seems hesitant to normalize its policy aggressively leaving Japan with a pro-cyclical policy amid inflation.

We anticipate the BoJ will eventually be forced to either hike short-term policy rates or tolerate significantly higher long-end yields. Hiking short-term rates more directly reins in demand, anchors short-end yields, contains inflation, and calms FX markets. However, the BoJ is concerned that such tightening could trigger a sharper slowdown and spill over into variable-rate mortgages, a touchy topic. Alternatively, allowing long-end yields to rise lets market forces gradually tighten financial conditions, but at the cost of heavier debt-service burdens and increased volatility in the bond market. The BoJ shows more restraint when it comes to reengaging in tools like Yield Curve Control (YCC). In short, the BoJ is caught between a bond and a hard rate.



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Where rates have less to fall ( or even rise) the USD also looks vulnerable against most current account surplus economies with Korea, Taiwan, China, and Japan of special interest as suggested in the previous newsletter.

Lastly, as shown in the chart alongside, our Credit metrics continue to flash Amber to red with another small blip during the “12-day war”. Our contrarian instincts continue to be trade from the short side as valuation gives very little scope for mistakes in the world of credit.

To summarize, domestic macro conditions recommend very clear policy choices - raise rates in Japan and cut rates everywhere else. These conclusions have very little to do with the US. Yet markets frequently trade on correlations without any regard to causality. This provides a great set of opportunities if one is patient in entries and conservative in sizing individual trades.



Credit Cross-over Index Spread movement  
Source : Bloomberg

-Ronnie Roy



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### Portfolio Summary

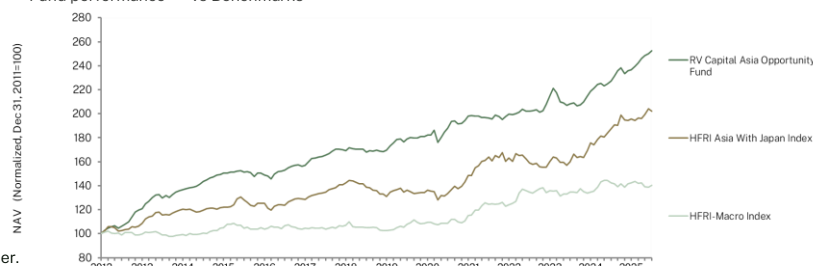
Monthly Return	0.9%
Year-To-Date Return (%)	6.7%
Life-To-Date Return (%)	152.4%
VaR (%-Daily 99% CI)	0.9%

### Monthly returns

Past performance may not be indicative of future performance. See disclaimer.

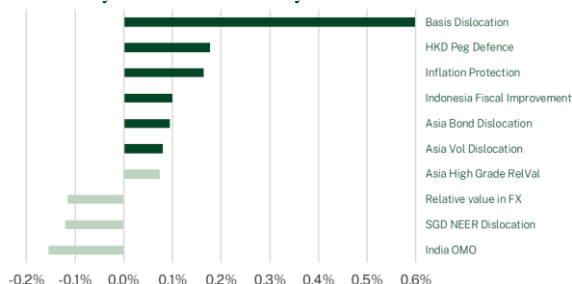
### Performance

Fund performance<sup>1,2,3</sup> vs Benchmarks

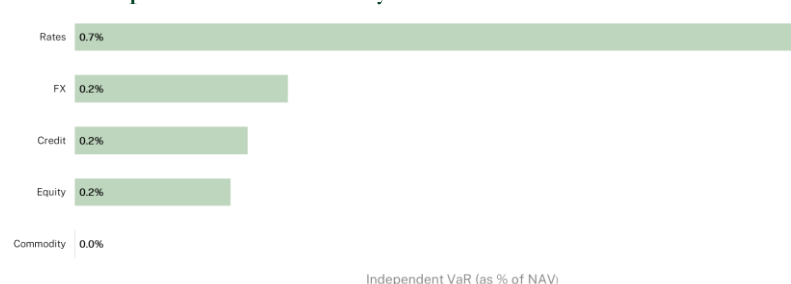


	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
2012	3.1%	1.6%	1.2%	0.7%	-2.0%	1.9%	1.5%	1.7%	3.9%	3.3%	1.4%	1.1%	20.9%
2013	3.2%	1.9%	2.3%	1.8%	0.4%	-2.4%	1.8%	-1.3%	1.7%	1.7%	0.7%	0.6%	13.1%
2014	0.5%	0.6%	0.5%	0.3%	1.4%	1.6%	0.9%	0.9%	0.8%	1.1%	0.3%	0.6%	10.0%
2015	0.2%	0.6%	-0.1%	0.5%	0.3%	-0.8%	0.3%	-0.6%	-2.2%	1.9%	0.1%	-1.1%	-1.0%
2016	-0.6%	-1.5%	2.7%	1.4%	0.3%	0.5%	1.4%	0.6%	0.5%	0.3%	-0.6%	0.4%	5.4%
2017	1.8%	1.7%	0.4%	0.4%	0.3%	0.8%	0.8%	1.3%	0.8%	0.1%	-0.2%	-0.5%	7.9%
2018	1.4%	-0.5%	-0.2%	0.1%	-0.1%	-1.4%	0.6%	-0.2%	0.5%	-0.3%	-0.3%	0.6%	0.1%
2019	2.3%	1.3%	1.6%	0.3%	-1.4%	1.3%	0.8%	-0.2%	0.0%	0.6%	0.1%	0.6%	7.5%
2020	0.0%	2.2%	-5.5%	2.4%	2.5%	1.7%	3.0%	0.3%	-1.3%	0.2%	1.3%	1.8%	8.7%
2021	0.3%	-0.3%	0.1%	-0.6%	-0.1%	-0.2%	-0.5%	1.7%	-0.6%	-1.3%	1.3%	0.9%	0.8%
2022	-0.1%	0.4%	0.5%	1.3%	-0.8%	0.0%	0.1%	0.5%	-1.0%	0.5%	2.7%	3.5%	7.8%
2023	2.7%	-1.5%	-3.6%	-0.4%	-1.1%	0.7%	0.5%	-1.1%	0.3%	1.2%	2.3%	1.9%	1.7%
2024	1.0%	1.5%	0.4%	-0.9%	0.8%	1.1%	1.8%	1.9%	1.0%	-2.0%	1.1%	0.2%	8.1%
2025	1.3%	1.1%	1.5%	1.0%	0.7%	0.9%							6.7%

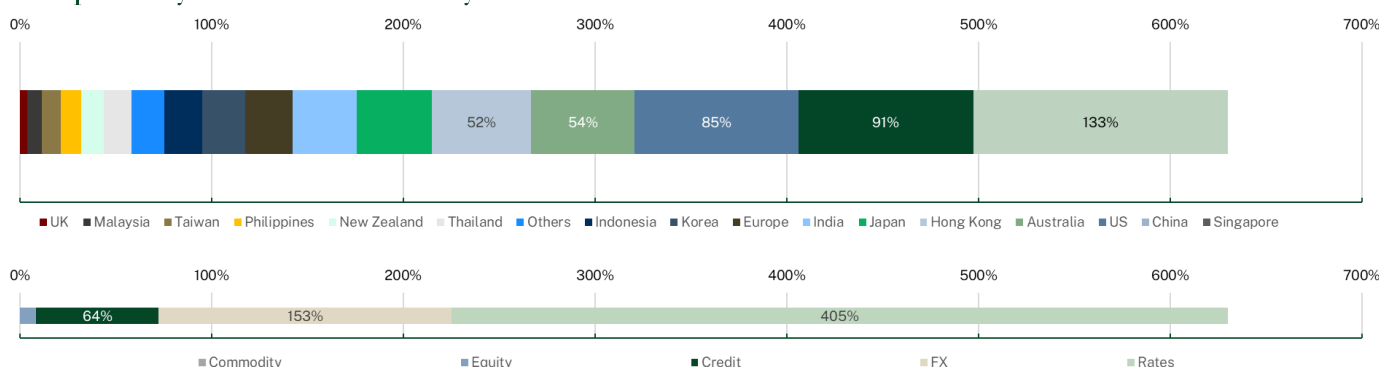
### Monthly Performance by Theme<sup>3</sup>



### RISK - Top VaR Contributors by Asset Class<sup>3</sup>



### Gross Exposure by Asset Class and Country<sup>4</sup>



### Fund Details

Inception	Jan 2012
Sector	Asian Macro
Legal Council	Rajah and Tann, Ogier (Cayman), Proskauer (US)
Administrator	SS&C Fund Services (Asia)
Depository	MUFG Investor Services and Banking
Auditor	Cohen & Co International (Cayman)
Bloomberg Ticker	RVCCLSB (Class B)
ISIN	KYG7741J1186 (Class B)

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RV Capital Management is a Singapore-based hedge fund management company founded in 2011. We focus on long/short investments in the interest rates, foreign exchange and credit markets in Asia. These investments are driven by economic, secular and structural themes. Our culture is rooted in top-down macro research of Asian economies framed within the context of price dislocations resulting from drivers outside Asia. We emphasize strong risk discipline and seek to employ liquid instruments while being mindful of market technicals.

1. Actual net returns of Class B Shares. Other available share classes are detailed in the Fund Prospectus

2. Source for benchmark indices: Bloomberg

3. Approximate return and VaR contributions as on 30 Jun 2025

4. These are first order exposures on a duration adjusted basis using 10yr equivalents for Rates, 5yr equivalents for Credit and delta equivalents for FX. The sum of unadjusted gross notionals of all positions will be significantly higher for this portfolio.



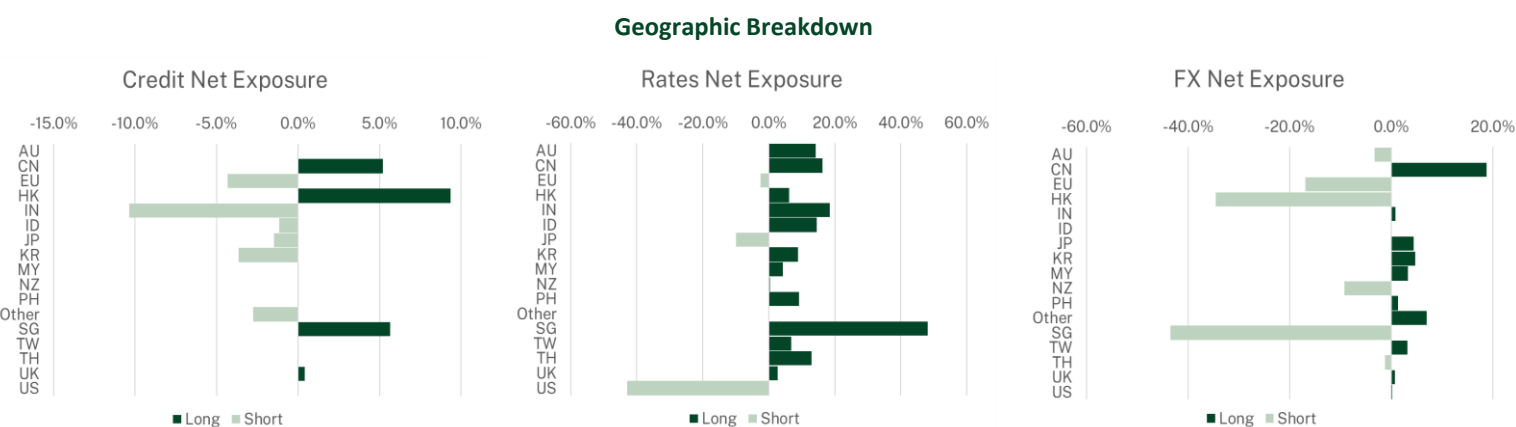
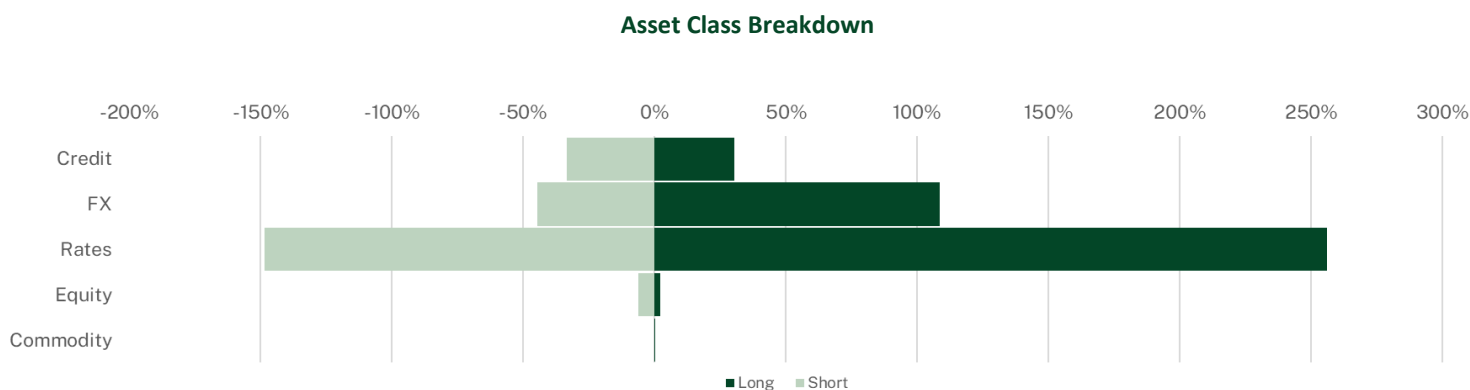
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### Return Attribution

Monthly Return: 0.9%

Top Contributors	
Basis Dislocation	+0.60%
	Singapore basis trades added during risk off times in April started to converge in June, with a bias of rates rally
HKD Peg Defence	+0.18%
	As expected US\$HKD moved to the upper end along with a collapse of Hibor rates as south bound flows picked up
Inflation Protection	+0.16%
	Breakevens in Japan increased with persistent inflation
Top Detractors	
India OMO	-0.15%
	Post the move from accommodative to neutral stance India Government bonds sold off
SGD NEER Dislocation	-0.12%
	The SGD FX valuation is trading at the upper extreme of its valuation band even after the last MAS slope change
Relative Value in FX	-0.11%
	Relative value FX trades in JPY, KRW and EUR underperformed

### Portfolio Exposure<sup>1</sup>





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