

# SPECIALIST AUSTRALIAN SMALL COMPANIES FUND

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## New Product Disclosure Statement changes (APIR code: AMP0973AU)

We are writing to advise you of a change relating to the Specialist Australian Small Companies Fund (the Fund) that will be reflected in the new Product Disclosure Statement (PDS) which will be available on our website ([www.ampcapital.com.au](http://www.ampcapital.com.au) – then go to the Fund's page) on 13 February 2017. These changes include:

- > Introduction of securities lending
- > Risk band

Details of these changes are provided below.

Before making any investment decisions, we recommend you read the information in the PDS about the benefits and risks of investing and the other features of the Fund.

### Introduction of securities lending

The Fund will be able to engage in securities lending in order to generate additional returns for investors.

AMP Capital has recently piloted the implementation of a securities lending program across a number of AMP Capital funds. Securities lending is an investment practice whereby securities of a fund are lent to a third party (the borrower) for a period of time in return for a fee. Securities lending allows funds to use their assets held in custody to earn additional income, in the form of fees paid by the borrower. These fees increase the portfolio return and thereby, the return to investors.

Securities lending does expose the Fund to some additional risks, which could cause a loss of capital, in particular the risk that the borrower defaults by failing to return the securities. However, comprehensive processes are in place to manage and substantially mitigate these risks, including careful selection of approved borrowers, borrowing limits, collateral requirements which are monitored and managed daily and restrictions on which securities are to be loaned.

Income earned from securities lending is returned to the Fund and accrued in the unit price after the deduction of operational costs and fees payable to the securities lending agent (for operation of the program) and to AMP Capital (for monitoring, governance and oversight). These fees are 30% and 10% of securities lending revenue, respectively, which are in line with normal commercial rates.

### Risk band

In reviewing the Fund's PDS we have also reviewed the Fund's risk band. The Fund previously had a risk level of seven – an equivalent of very high on a scale between one and seven, with one being very low risk and seven being very high risk. This has been revised down to a risk level of six, equivalent to a high risk level.

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**Important note:** Investors should consider the Product Disclosure Statement (PDS) available from AMP Capital Investors Limited (ABN 59 001 777 591) (AFSL 232497) (AMP Capital) for the Specialist Australian Small Companies Fund (Fund) before making any decision regarding the Fund. AMP Capital Funds Management Limited (ABN 15 159 557 721, AFSL 426 455) is the responsible entity of the Fund and the issuer of units in the Fund. The PDS contains important information about investing in the Fund and it is important investors read the PDS before making a decision about whether to acquire, continue to hold or dispose of units in the Fund. Neither AMP Capital, nor any other company in the AMP Group guarantees the repayment of capital or the performance of any product or any particular rate of return referred to in this document. Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future performance. While every care has been taken in the preparation of this document, AMP Capital makes no representation or warranty as to the accuracy or completeness of any statement in it including without limitation, any forecasts. This letter has been prepared for the purpose of providing general information, without taking account of any particular investor's objectives, financial situation or needs. Investors should, before making any investment decisions, consider the appropriateness of the information in this fact sheet, and seek professional advice, having regard to their objectives, financial situation and needs.

## Further information

If you have any further questions about this update, please contact your Account Manager or our Client Services Team on 1800 658 404, between 8.30am and 5.30pm (Sydney time) Monday to Friday or via email at [clientservices@ampcapital.com](mailto:clientservices@ampcapital.com).

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