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Triple3 Volatility Advantage Fund wins Lonsec Innovation award 2015

The Triple3 Volatility Advantage Fund has been named the Lonsec Innovation Award Winner for 2015 at the 13th annual SuperRatings Fund of the Year Awards.

The Lonsec Awards highlight and recognise excellence in the industry. To choose the winners Lonsec uses a mix of qualitative and quantitative measures to identify high achieving funds managers and investment products that stand out from their industry peers.

The Lonsec Innovation Award aims to identify funds which stand out from the pack particularly those which have tackled investment solutions from a different angle than most peers, or are simply doing it better or more efficiently.

Simon Ho, CEO of Triple3 Partners, says the Triple3 Volatility Advantage Fund aims to generate long-term absolute returns with its volatility-focused strategy to capture alpha from highly liquid exchange-traded VIX options, which are negatively correlated to equities.

"With volatile markets set to continue to challenge investors, the Triple3 Volatility Advantage Fund fills an important gap in the market - that of real and sustained portfolio diversification.

Andrew McKinnon CEO of Grant Samuel Funds Management, which distributes the fund in the Australian market, says the award is recognition of the success of the Fund's investment approach.

"Simon Ho and his team have spent six years developing their volatility strategy, including the quantitative forecasting techniques and portfolio algorithms that underpin the strategy used in the Triple3 Volatility Advantage Fund. This award is a vindication of the success of that model, and the innovative nature of the fund."

Triple 3 Partners was established in 2009 to provide volatility strategies to institutional clients, including alpha strategies, volatility overlay and volatility research. In addition to a role as an investment manager, Triple3 is a dedicated volatility research house and sells its research to professional investors as well as consulting to stock exchanges around the world.

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Grant Samuel Funds Management (GSFM) was established in July 2007 and is a subsidiary of the Grant Samuel Group, and co-owned by the executives of GSFM. Grant Samuel Group is an independent investment advisory house founded in 1988 and owned by its executives. GSFM specializes in marketing funds managed by high calibre local and international managers to Australian and New Zealand institutional and Australian retail investors.

GSFM formed an alliance in October 2007 with New York based Epoch Investment Partners, Inc. to distribute Epoch's investment products to Australian and New Zealand clients.

In May 2008, GSFM acquired an equity stake in Tribeca Investment Partners, a successful Australian boutique manager which has been investing clients' funds since 1999.

In May 2011, GSFM formed a relationship with Payden & Rygel, a Los Angeles based independent investment management firm established in 1983, to distribute its global fixed income and absolute return strategies in the Australian and New Zealand market.

In early 2014, GSFM established a relationship with Triple Three Partners Pty Ltd (Triple3) a boutique research and investment management firm based in Sydney. Triple3 specialises in volatility as an asset class.

GSFM currently represents \$5.7 billion funds under management (as at 30 September 2015). For more information about GSFM please visit the website: <u>www.gsfm.com.au</u>

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