# HSZ China Fund



Figures as ofNovember 30, 2021Net Asset ValueUSD 286.14, CHF 205.31, EUR 323.06Fund SizeUSD 337.7 millionInception Date\*May 27, 2003Cumulative Total Return770.0% in USDAnnualized Total Return12.4% in USD

\* The track record is the combination of two consecutive track records of China Investment Corporation (CIC) and HSZ China Fund (HCF). From May 27, 2003 to November 17, 2006, it is the performance of CIC, a trust account managed by HSZ (Hong Kong) Limited for listed Chinese equities. Since the launch of HCF on November 17, 2006 it is the performance of HCF.



Performance

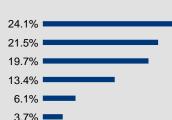
November	YTD	1 Year	May 2003
(0.3%)	(7.7%)	6.0%	770.0%
0.7%	(3.6%)	6.6%	504.8%
2.5%	0.0%	9.1%	794.5%
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### Largest Holdings

Ningbo Orient Wires	8.3%
Longi Green Energy	6.2%
SF Holding	5.8%
Sunny Optical	5.8%
Haitian Flavouring & Food	5.7%
Proya Cosmetics	5.6%

### Exposure

Industrials Information Technology Consumer Staples Consumer Discretionary Health Care Cash



### Newsletter November 2021

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- Hengrui continues to accelerate its R&D pace
- Nongfu Spring to accelerate growth with new products

China's PMI returned to the expansion range. China's National Bureau of Statistics announced that China's PMI climbed back to 50.1% in November. The breakdown showed that among the 21 industries surveyed, the PMI of 12 industries is in the expansion range, an increase of 3 compared with October. China has recently issued a series of policies to strengthen the country's energy supply and stabilize commodity prices, which have gradually yielded results. The tight power supply has eased, and the prices of main raw materials have stabilized significantly.

HSZ China Fund was down 0.3% in November. Main positive contributors were our holdings in Industrials, Healthcare, and Information Technology. With Ningbo Wire being the biggest return contributor, followed by Nongfu Spring and CEG. Our investments in consumer discretionary and utilities detracted from the performance.

CEG reported core profit increased by 48% YoY to CNY 1.6 bn. The leading Chinese vocational education operator reported its latest fiscal year 2021 result with revenue up 38% year over year to CNY 3.7 billion and its core profit increased by 48% year over year to CNY 1.6 billion. Student enrollment has reached to 240'000 students. China Education Group (CEG) continues to expand the schools' network through M&A and launches new vocational courses, including high-end manufacturing, new materials, new energy, environmental protection, to support the needs of emerging industries.

Hengrui continues to accelerate its R&D pace. Hengrui has licensed in a CTLA-4 monoclonal antibody product from a local Biotech company CStone Pharmaceuticals. Hengrui has a rich pipeline in the oncology field and CTLA-4 can be a powerful supplement to its oncology pipeline. CTLA-4 can be used for the combination therapy of company's core product PD-1 and more indications in the future. This is the fourth licensed drug in oncology by Hengrui this year, which shows that Hengrui has also increased its cooperation efforts to speed up the progress for transforming itself into an international innovative drug company.

Nongfu Spring to accelerate growth with new products. During the recent Double 11 Shopping Festival in November, Nongfu Spring was ranked No. 1 in beverages in Taobao's Tmall store, with GMV more than doubled. This is the fifth consecutive year for Nongfu to be ranked top across all water beverage brands. During the month, Nongfu also introduced a new bottled milk tea. Leveraging its strong distribution network across China, Nongfu is set to fuel its future growth with the roll-out of new products and gain more market share in the emerging bottled milk tea segment.

Name Theme Nature Focus	HSZ China Fund Entrepreneurial China Long-only equity fund, actively managed Listed Chinese equities focusing on privately controlled companies
Structure Distributions Fiscal Year End Reporting Currency Classes Trading	Swiss investment fund, regulated by FINMA, open-ended Income annually December 31 Semi-annually in USD USD, CHF, EUR (all unhedged) Daily issuance and redemption, based on net asset value
Fund Manager Custodian Bank Investment Manager Auditors Management Fee Performance Fee Issuance Fee Redemption Fee	Credit Suisse Funds AG UBS Switzerland AG HSZ (Hong Kong) Limited PricewaterhouseCoopers AG 1.5% annually 10% above hurdle rate of 5%, high water mark None None
USD Class CHF Class EUR Class Orders via Banks	ISIN CH0026828035, Valor 2682803 WKN AOLC13 Bloomberg HSZCHID SW Equity ISIN CH0026828068, Valor 2682806 WKN AOLC15 Bloomberg HSZCFCH SW Equity ISIN CH0026828092, Valor 2682809 WKN AOLC14 Bloomberg HSZCHEU SW Equity UBS Switzerland AG IB Execution Hub Tel: +4144 239 1977
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## **General Information**

### Investment Opportunity

Once the world's largest trading power, China's gradual decline during the second millennium culminated in the Maoist purgatory. However, since the 1980s economic development has taken center stage. China has become the engine of the fastest growing region in the world attracting substantial foreign investments and developing into the world's manufacturing hub. Furthermore, an increasing middle class is fueling demand for consumer products. The growth momentum is set to continue as China strives to catch up with mature economies, producing attractive investment opportunities.

### Investment Strategy

The objective of HSZ China Fund is to create sustained shareholder value by acquiring and managing equity and equity-linked investments in a select number of high-quality companies that are rooted in China. At least two-thirds of the total assets are to be invested in companies which are domiciled in China or participate as holding companies in enterprises domiciled there. At most one-third of the total fund volume can be invested in equity-oriented stocks and money market instruments of issuers worldwide. Based on fundamental analysis and a bottom-up approach, investment opportunities are identified that are assessed to provide above-average return on invested capital, have strong earnings per share growth and are priced attractively.

#### **Risk Management**

The Chinese stock market has many of the risks and characteristics of emerging markets. HSZ (Hong Kong) Limited exerts itself for reducing specific risks by accurately screening and monitoring high quality assets. That is why the long-lived experience of its specialists based locally is invaluable for investors. The fund is well diversified to avoid concentration risk. The weight of each position in the portfolio is subject to a maximum limit of 15%. No portfolio leverage is employed. The fact that HSZ China Fund invests in listed equity provides the investor with a reasonable degree of liquidity.

### Investment Manager

HSZ (Hong Kong) Limited is a Hong Kong based independent investment management company. Its investment team has been managing Asian equity portfolios since 1994.

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