

# L1 Global Long Short Fund Limited (ASX:GLS)

May 2026

- The L1 Global Long Short Fund Limited (GLS) returned 6.9%<sup>1</sup> in May (MSCI World 4.6%<sup>2</sup>).
- Since inception in January 2025, the Global Long Short Fund Strategy has returned 57.6%<sup>3</sup> p.a. (MSCI World 22.9% p.a.<sup>2</sup>).
- Global equities rallied on resilient growth and continued AI investment, while strong stock selection drove portfolio outperformance.

Global equities had a 'narrow rally' in May, with AI-related excitement dominating markets and investors largely looking through Middle East tensions, amid resilient economic data.

U.S. equities surged to record highs across large-, mid- and small-cap benchmarks, driven by strong earnings supported by investment in data centres, cloud and semiconductors. The SOX Index, which tracks the performance of semiconductor stocks, rose ~70% over the past two months. Positive labour, consumer and manufacturing data helped offset concerns around Iran, geopolitical risks, inflation and interest rates.

In Asia, Korea and Taiwan gained on AI-supply chain strength, helping lift the MSCI Emerging Markets Index by 9.7%. Japanese equities (+6%) were buoyed by better-than-expected GDP growth, stronger exports and the expansionary Takaichi government policy. Despite weak data, European equities returned 4% on Middle East peace settlement prospects.

Portfolio performance was strong, with notable positive stock-specific contributions from Arcelor Mittal, Piraeus Bank and copper stocks, while NexGen was a key detractor.

Arcelor Mittal's share price rose on a robust earnings growth outlook, supported by trade protection programs aimed at improving steelmaking economics across key markets. As a result, and aided by recent asset sales, the company continues to execute material share buybacks (38% of shares bought back since 2020), while pursuing a strong organic project pipeline.

Piraeus Bank continued to rally on sector-leading growth metrics, with its shares also a beneficiary of the Greek stock market being upgraded by MSCI from 'Emerging' to 'Developed' market status.

Copper shares contributed strongly to performance as the LME copper price rose 4.6%, recovering to levels seen before the onset of the Iran War. We increased our copper exposure during the recent pullback, expecting medium-term supply/demand fundamentals to remain tight, supporting copper prices and therefore copper miners.

## Returns (Net)<sup>1,3</sup> (%)

|                                      | GLS Portfolio | MSCI World <sup>2</sup> | Out-performance |
|--------------------------------------|---------------|-------------------------|-----------------|
| <b>1 month</b>                       | 6.9           | 4.6                     | +2.4            |
| <b>3 months</b>                      | (1.5)         | 7.3                     | (8.7)           |
| <b>GLS Since Inception</b>           | 8.9           | 11.4                    | (2.4)           |
| <b>Strategy Since Inception p.a.</b> | 57.6          | 22.9                    | +34.7           |

Figures may not sum exactly due to rounding.

NexGen declined over the month, in line with the uranium sector and moderate weakness in the spot uranium price.

The sharp rise in market volatility triggered by the Iran conflict has continued to weigh on the performance of many sectors across the market. We are using this period to identify high quality companies that are now trading far below fair value, even assuming a less favourable macro outlook. In particular, we have added to our positions in gold, construction materials, banks and copper stocks and trimmed exposure to some of our energy and infrastructure names, which have outperformed. We also trimmed a number of high P/E shorts after they sold-off during March and April.

While such volatile periods can be unnerving in the short-term, they provide outstanding medium-term opportunities to invest in great companies at exceptional prices. We believe the portfolio looks particularly attractive at present, with our median long position trading on ~10x P/E, with double-digit earnings growth and modest debt levels.

All performance numbers are quoted net of fees. Figures may not sum exactly due to rounding. **Past performance should not be taken as an indicator of future performance.** 1. GLS (ASX:GLS) returns are calculated based on the movement of the underlying investment portfolio net of all applicable fees and charges. 2. MSCI World Accumulation Index is shown in US\$. Please see important information at the end of this pack regarding MSCI indices. 3. Based on returns achieved by the L1 Global Long Short Fund Limited (ASX:GLS) since inception on 28 November 2025 (being the date that L1 Capital assumed the role of investment manager of the Company). Prior to this date, data is that of the L1 Capital Global Long Short Fund – Daily Class since inception (1 January 2025) which is subject to a higher fee. NOTE: Fund returns and Australian indices are shown in A\$. Returns of U.S. indices are shown in US\$. Index returns are on a total return (accumulation) basis unless otherwise specified.

**Returns (Net)<sup>4,5</sup> (%)**

|             | Jan | Feb   | Mar    | Apr | May | Jun | Jul | Aug | Sep | Oct | Nov  | Dec | Year        |
|-------------|-----|-------|--------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|------|-----|-------------|
| <b>2025</b> | 3.0 | (0.1) | 1.1    | 8.3 | 6.1 | 4.0 | 0.7 | 7.0 | 5.6 | 2.7 | 15.3 | 1.2 | <b>69.6</b> |
| <b>2026</b> | 5.8 | 3.3   | (14.9) | 8.2 | 6.9 |     |     |     |     |     |      |     | <b>7.6</b>  |

**Portfolio positions**

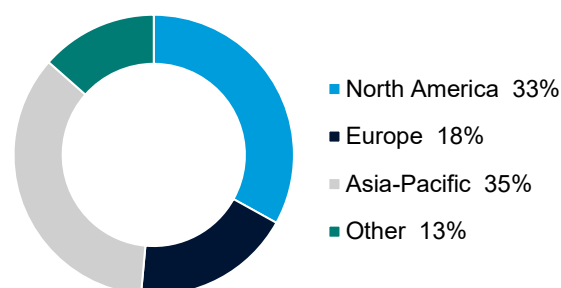
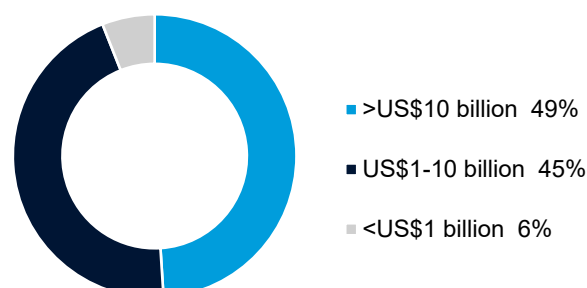
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|---------------------------|----|
| Number of total positions | 96 |
| Number of long positions  | 66 |
| Number of short positions | 30 |

**Net and gross exposure<sup>6</sup> (%)**

|               | Gross long | Gross short  | Net exposure |
|---------------|------------|--------------|--------------|
| North America | 74         | (30)         | 44           |
| Europe        | 53         | (3)          | 50           |
| Asia-Pacific  | 72         | (37)         | 35           |
| Other         | -          | (42)         | (42)         |
| <b>Total</b>  | <b>199</b> | <b>(111)</b> | <b>88</b>    |

**Company information as at 31 May 2026<sup>7</sup>**

|                    |             |
|--------------------|-------------|
| Share Price        | \$1.71      |
| NTA before tax     | \$1.69      |
| NTA after tax      | \$1.72      |
| Shares on issue    | 547,658,403 |
| Company market cap | \$0.94b     |

**Gross geographic exposure as a % of total exposure<sup>6</sup>****Gross market cap exposure as a % of total exposure**

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## Key personnel

|                            |                                                            |
|----------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Rachel Grimes</b>       | Chair and Non-Executive Director                           |
| <b>Douglas Farrell</b>     | Independent Non-Executive Director                         |
| <b>David Gray</b>          | Independent Non-Executive Director                         |
| <b>Katrina Glendinning</b> | Independent Non-Executive Director                         |
| <b>Joanne Jefferies</b>    | Non-Executive Director                                     |
| <b>Jane Stewart</b>        | Company Secretary                                          |
| <b>Registry</b>            | MUFG Corporate Markets                                     |
| <b>Company website</b>     | <a href="http://www.L1.com.au/GLSF">www.L1.com.au/GLSF</a> |

## Company information – GLS

|                          |                                     |
|--------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| <b>Name</b>              | L1 Global Long Short Fund Limited   |
| <b>Structure</b>         | Listed Investment Company (ASX:GLS) |
| <b>Inception</b>         | 28 November 2025                    |
| <b>Management fee*</b>   | 1.44% p.a.                          |
| <b>Performance fee**</b> | 20.5% p.a.                          |
| <b>High watermark</b>    | Yes                                 |

## L1 Capital overview

L1 Capital is a global investment manager with offices in Melbourne, Sydney, Miami and London. The business was established by Raphael Lamm and Mark Landau in 2007 and continues to be majority owned by its founders and staff. The team is committed to offering clients best of breed investment products through strategies that include long-short equities, international equities, activist equities, global convertible debt and U.K. residential property funds. The firm has built a reputation for investment excellence, with all L1 Capital strategies delivering strong returns since inception. In October 2025, L1 Capital merged with Platinum Asset Management to create L1 Group (ASX: L1G), one of Australia's leading investment managers. The L1 Capital team remains dedicated to delivering on that strong reputation by providing market-leading performance via differentiated investment strategies with outstanding client service, transparency and integrity. L1 Capital's clients include large superannuation funds, pension funds, asset consultants, private wealth firms, financial planning groups, family offices, high net worth and retail investors.



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