

# Apax Global Alpha Limited Quarterly results for the period ended 30 September 2021

### **Key highlights**

- Total NAV Return<sup>1</sup> of 9.9% in the quarter (8.3% constant currency).
- Total Adjusted NAV increased to c.€1.5bn with Adjusted NAV per share, growing from €2.81 (£2.41) to €3.02 (£2.59) in the three months to 30 September 2021.
- Performance in Private Equity driven primarily by earnings growth in the portfolio and an increase in multiples, mainly as a result of ThoughtWorks IPO in the guarter.
- Private Equity exits achieved at healthy uplifts<sup>2</sup> of 56.9%.
- Strong investment pace in Private Equity, with AGA deploying c.€47m on a look through basis across three new Private Equity investments in the period.
- Distributions of c.€85m received from Private Equity, including proceeds from one full exit (TietoEvry), one partial exit (Wizeline) and two public listings (ThoughtWorks and Paycor) in the period.
- Five Derived Investments positions were realised in the quarter for a total of c. €70m, providing net realisations of c. €43m that can be used to meet future Private Equity calls.
- Liquidity position is healthy with available cash after net liabilities of €73m, and the evergreen revolving credit facility of €140m remaining undrawn. Derived Investments of c.€394m³ provide a further source of funding for AGA.

# Ralf Gruss, COO of Apax Partners, said:

"It has been another strong quarter and we are pleased to see that AGA's investment strategy and sector focus have continued to deliver robust NAV performance. In Private Equity, we have seen a number of transactions, primarily in the Tech sector. There continues to be a solid pipeline of deals and real momentum across the portfolio."

# Financial highlights

- Growth in Adjusted NAV³ to c. €1.5 billion, up from c. €1.4 billion as at 30 June 2021.
- Portfolio weighted towards Private Equity (72%), vs. Derived Debt (24%) and Derived Equity (4%).
- AGA was 95% invested as at 30 September 2021 and had outstanding commitments to the Apax Funds (together with recallable distributions) of €434m.

	Q3 2021 (EUR)	Q3 2021 (GBP)
Adjusted NAV <sup>3</sup>	EUR 1,483m	GBP 1,274m
Adjusted NAV <sup>3</sup> per share	EUR 3.02	GBP 2.59
NAV <sup>3</sup> per share	EUR 3.03	GBP 2.61

	Exposure	Q3 2021	Q3 2021
			constant currency
Total NAV Return <sup>1</sup>		9.9%	8.3%
Total Return <sup>1</sup> – Private Equity	68%	13.6%	11.8%
Total Return <sup>1</sup> – Derived Debt	23%	3.4%	1.5%
Total Return <sup>1</sup> – Derived Equity	4%	6.5%	5.4%
Cash & Others	5%		

## Private Equity portfolio highlights

- The Private Equity portfolio performed strongly in the quarter: Total Return<sup>1</sup> of 13.6% (11.8% constant currency).
- Deal activity reflective of Apax's 'good to great' investment strategy and sub-sector expertise, focusing on companies where a significant re-rating opportunity exists based on business quality improvement.
- Aggregate Gross IRR<sup>4</sup> and Gross MOIC<sup>4</sup> on Private Equity exits in Q3 2021 were 73.6% and 6.5x respectively. Exits were achieved at an average uplift<sup>2</sup> of 56.9%, reflecting the quality of the portfolio.
- On a look-through basis, AGA invested c.€47m<sup>5</sup> in three new investments in Tech that closed during the period.
- Continued strong earnings growth and operating performance from the portfolio companies: LTM Revenue<sup>6</sup> and EBITDA growth<sup>6</sup> of 22% and 41% respectively across the Private Equity portfolio.
- LTM Enterprise Value/EBITDA valuations multiples increased to 23.5x from 18.0x in June 2021, primarily driven by the re-rating of ThoughtWorks achieved at IPO.
- The Apax Digital Fund II, to which AGA has made a commitment of \$90m, closed at its \$1.75bn hard cap in the period.

## **Derived Investments portfolio highlights**

- Steady performance across the portfolio with Derived Investments achieving a Total Return<sup>1</sup> of 3.8% (2.0% constant currency) in the quarter, driven by Derived Debt which makes up 87% of the Derived Investments portfolio.
- Continued focus on investments in lower risk first and second lien loans where there is a high degree of visibility on cash flow, and in target sub-sectors where Apax has unique insights gained from the Private Equity investment activity − c.€27m deployed across 4 new debt positions in Q3 2021.
- Five Derived Investments positions were realised during the quarter with net distributions of c. €43m. The realisations reflect AGA's strategy of creating liquidity from the Derived Investments portfolio to support capital calls from the Apax Private Equity funds.
- Strong operating performance from underlying Derived Debt portfolio companies: c.33% LTM EBITDA growth to 30 September 2021.
- Reflecting the increased share of first lien loans and the impact of lower base rates in the portfolio, the overall yield to maturity of the portfolio stands at 6.5% at 30 September 2021.
- No new investments in Derived Equity.
- Derived Debt delivered a Total Return<sup>1</sup> of 3.4% (1.5% constant currency) and Derived Equity delivered Total Return<sup>1</sup> of 6.5% (5.4% constant currency) in the quarter.

For further information regarding the announcement of AGA's 2021 third quarter results, including the Company's results presentation and dial-in details for today's analyst and investor webcast at 9.30am (UK time), please visit <a href="https://www.apaxglobalalpha.com">www.apaxglobalalpha.com</a>.

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**APPENDIX** 

Movements in NAV

Adjusted NAV³ movements (€m)	Private Equity	Derived Investments	Cash	Treasury Shares	Facility drawn	Other	Q3 2021 Total
Adjusted NAV at 30.6.21	916.6	434.7	78.4	-	-	(49.4)	1,380.3
+ Investments	59.2	27.1	(122.1)	-	-	35.8	-
- Distributions/ divestments	(84.8)	(70.2)	154.7	-	-	0.3	-
+ Interest and dividend income	-	-	11.8	-	-	0.6	12.4
+/- Gains/(losses)	108.9	(2.8)	-	-	-	-	106.1
+/- FX gains/(losses) <sup>7</sup>	16.2	7.0	(0.4)	-	-	-	22.8
+/- Costs and other movements	-	-	(2.2)	-	-	0.1	(2.1)
- Dividends paid	-	-	(34.4)	-	-	-	(34.4)
+/- Performance fee reserve	-	(2.1)	-	-	-	-	(2.1)
+/- Treasury shares	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
+/- Revolving credit facility drawn/repaid	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Adjusted NAV at 30.9.213	1,016.1	393.7	85.8	-	-	(12.6)	1,483.0

# **Private Equity – operational metrics**

Private Equity – operational metrics	30 September 2021	30 June 2021
Portfolio year-over-year LTM revenue growth <sup>6</sup>	21.5%	22.3%
Portfolio year-over-year LTM EBITDA growth <sup>6</sup>	41.0%	42.7%
Enterprise Value / EBITDA valuation multiple <sup>6</sup>	23.5x	18.0x
Net debt / EBITDA multiple <sup>6</sup>	3.4x	3.7x

# **Derived Investments – operational metrics**

Derived Investments – operational metrics	30 September 2021	30 June 2021
Debt year-over-year LTM EBITDA growth8	32.6%	37.3%
Debt average income yield to maturity <sup>8</sup>	6.5%	6.8%
Debt average years to maturity	6.2	5.9
Debt average income yield <sup>9</sup>	6.5%	6.4%

# Other Invested Portfolio highlights

Invested Portfolio analysis <sup>10</sup>	€m	€m	%	%
- AMI	52.5		4%	
- AEVI	7.3		0%	
- AEVII	23.4		2%	
- AVIII	164.8		11%	
- AIX	576.4		41%	
- ADF	38.3		3%	
- <i>AX</i>	153.4		11%	
Private Equity		1,016.1		72%
- Derived Debt	348.8		24%	
- Derived Equity	51.5		4%	
Derived Investments		400.3		28%
Total		1,416.4		100%

## Footnotes

1. "Total NAV Return" means the movement in the Adjusted NAV per share over the period plus any dividends paid. "Total Return" reflects the sub-portfolio performance on a stand-alone basis. It excludes items at the overall AGA level such as cash, management fees, and costs

- Valuation uplifts on exits are calculated based on the total actual or estimated sales proceeds and income as appropriate since the last Unaffected Valuation. Unaffected Valuation is determined as the fair value in the last quarter before exit, when valuation is not affected by the exit process (i.e. because an exit was signed, or an exit was sufficiently close to being signed that the Apax Funds incorporated the expected exit multiple into the quarter end valuation). Average uplift of full exits and significant partial exits in the current period calculated based on the expected sales proceeds and/ or the fair value remaining. For investments where there were subsequent partial realisations since June 2021, uplift calculated by taking proceeds received in Q3 2021 plus remaining fair value at 30 September 2021 compared to fair value at 30 June 2021
- 3. NAV was €1,489.6m whilst Adjusted NAV was €1,483.0m reflecting the estimated performance fee reserve of €6.6m at period end. Private Equity NAV and Adjusted NAV were the same at €1,016.1m. Derived Investments NAV was €400.3m compared to an Adjusted NAV of €393.7m which has an adjustment of €6.6m for the performance fee reserve.
- 4. Private Equity Aggregate Gross IRR and Gross MOIC, combined in EUR, of 73.6% and 6.5x calculated based on the aggregate cash flows across all funds for the 1 full exit, 1 partial exit and 2 IPOs
- 5. €47m of invested cost in new Private Equity investments remains subject to final closing adjustments
- 6. Gross Asset Value weighted average of the respective metric across the portfolio. At June 2021 and September 2021, 21 and 24 investments were excluded (investments in the financial services sector; companies with negative EBITDA or moving from negative to positive EBITDA; investments that are written-off; companies where EBITDA is not meaningful for specific reasons)
- 7. FX on cash includes the revaluation of cash balances and net losses arising from the differences in exchange rates between transaction dates and settlement dates, and unrealised net losses arising from the translation into euro of assets and liabilities (other than investments) which are not denominated in euro
- 8. Gross Asset Value weighted average of the respective metric across the Derived Debt portfolio
- Gross Asset Value weighted average of the current full year income (annual coupon/clean price as at the respective date) for each debt position in the Derived Debt portfolio as at the respective date
- 10. Invested Portfolio excludes cash and cash equivalents, revolving credit facility drawn and net current assets, including these the NAV was €1,489.6m and Adjusted NAV was €1,483.0m reflecting adjustment of €6.6m for the estimated performance fee reserve

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AGA's objective is to provide shareholders with capital appreciation from its investment portfolio and regular dividends. The Company is targeting an annualised Total Return, across economic cycles, of 12-15% (net of fees and expenses) including a dividend yield of 5% of Net Asset Value.

The investment policy of the Company is to make Private Equity investments in Apax Funds, and Derived Investments which are investments in equities and debt derived from the insights gained via Apax Partners' Private Equity activities.

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