

Apax Global Alpha Limited

Quarterly results for the period ended 31 March 2023

Apax Global Alpha (LON:APAX), the closed-ended investment company providing access to the Apax Private Equity Funds, today announced its first quarter results for the period ended 31 March 2023.

Key highlights

- AGA achieved a Total NAV Return¹ of 1.9% (2.8% constant currency) in the quarter ended 31 March 2023. Adjusted NAV remained stable at €1.3bn (31 Dec 2022: €1.3bn).
- The largest driver of Total NAV Return was earnings growth from the Private Equity portfolio companies with LTM EBITDA growth of 15.6%².
- The debt portfolio delivered a Total Return of 2.8% in Q1 2023 (3.9% constant currency).
- Despite a challenging market backdrop, the Apax Funds continued to focus on opportunities where value creation can be achieved through operational improvement. The Apax Funds completed two new Private Equity investments in the period in which, on a look-through basis, AGA deployed €10.1m.
- In Private Equity, two full exits were completed during the period at an average uplift³ of 25%, a Gross IRR³ and Gross MOIC³ of 19% and 2.2x respectively.
- Good pipeline of new investments offers value creation opportunities for shareholders.

Ralf Gruss, Partner at Apax and a member of the AGA investment committee, said:

“Despite the market backdrop, AGA has had a good start to the year, and we’ve seen continued good operating performance across the portfolio companies. Whilst the macro environment remains volatile, the private equity pipeline looks promising. The Apax Funds continue to focus on opportunities to invest in good companies, in target sectors where operational improvement can help transform businesses and achieve a re-rating on exit.”

Financial highlights

- AGA was 97% invested as at 31 March 2023 and had unfunded commitments to the Apax Funds (together with recallable distributions) of €1.0bn.
- At 31 March 2023, AGA’s invested portfolio consisted of €887.7m in Private Equity (71%) and €368.0m in Derived Investments (29%).
- In early 2023, AGA received formal notice that the RCF will revert to a conventional fixed-term arrangement with an expiry date of 10 January 2025.

	Q1 2023	Q1 2023	FY 2022	FY 2022
	€	£	€	£
Adjusted NAV ⁴	1,291m	1,135m	1,299m	1,150m
Adjusted NAV ⁴ per share	2.63	2.31	2.65	2.34
NAV ⁴ per share	2.63	2.31	2.65	2.34

	% of NAV	Q1 2023	Q1 2023 constant currency
Total NAV Return ¹		1.9%	2.8%
Total Return ¹ – Private Equity	69%	1.8%	2.6%
Total Return ¹ – Derived Investments	29%	2.9%	4.0%
○ Total Return ¹ – Derived Debt	27%	2.8%	3.9%
○ Total Return ¹ – Derived Equity	2%	4.3%	4.9%
Cash & Others	2%		

Portfolio highlights

- Invested portfolio split across four key sectors: Tech & Digital (38%), Services (28%), Healthcare (18%), and Internet/Consumer (16%).
- In Private Equity, the portfolio is well diversified across vintages: 11% invested before 2017, 38% were acquired in the 2017-2019 period, and 51% of investments are from 2020 and later.
- The Private Equity portfolio delivered a Total Return¹ of 1.8% (2.6% constant currency) in the period. This reflected resilient trading performance with LTM Revenue and EBITDA growth of 18.6%² and 15.6%² respectively across the Private Equity portfolio companies, demonstrating the robustness of their business models and the benefit of the Apax Funds' investment approach.
- AGA's debt portfolio, which makes up 93% of Derived Investments, delivered a Total NAV Return¹ of 2.8% in Q1 2023.
- 99% of the Derived Debt investments are invested in floating rate loans. With increasing base rates, the portfolio generates a 9.8% income yield.
- The average yield to maturity of the portfolio increased to 11.8% at 31 March 2023 (FY22: 12.1%).
- The Derived Debt portfolio has outperformed the S&P/LSTA leveraged loan index⁵ with a five-year cumulative return on a constant currency basis of 38.8% compared to 19.5%.
- The Derived Debt portfolio absorbs cash not invested in Private Equity, enhances the robustness of AGA's balance sheet, provides a steady flow of income to support dividends, and additional returns.
- There was one new investment in Derived Debt in Q1 2023 and one full exit in Derived Equity.

For further information regarding the announcement of AGA's Q1 2023 Results, including the Company's results presentation and details for today's analyst and investor webcast at 9.30am (UK time), please visit www.apaxglobalalpha.com.

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APPENDIX
Movements in NAV

Adjusted NAV movements (€m)	Private Equity	Derived Investments	Cash	Treasury Shares	Facility drawn	Other ⁶	Q1 2023 Total
Adjusted NAV at 31.12.22	871.0	364.2	68.0	-	-	(3.8)	1,299.4
+ Investments	4.0	5.8	(13.9)	-	-	4.1	-
- Distributions/ divestments	(2.5)	(5.8)	5.7	-	-	2.6	-
+ Interest and dividend income	-	-	7.7	-	-	0.7	8.4
+/- Gains/(losses)	22.6	7.8	-	-	-	-	30.4
+/- FX gains/(losses) ⁷	(7.4)	(4.0)	0.9	-	-	-	(10.5)
+/- Costs and other movements	-	-	(1.6)	-	-	(0.6)	(2.2)
- Dividends paid	-	-	(32.5)	-	-	-	(32.5)
+/- Performance fee reserve ⁸	-	(1.6)	-	-	-	-	(1.6)
+/- Shares purchased	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
+/- Revolving credit facility drawn/repaid	-	-	55.0	-	(55.0)	-	-
Adjusted NAV at 31.03.23	887.7	366.4	89.3	-	(55.0)	3.0	1,291.4

Private Equity – operational metrics

Private Equity – operational metrics	31 March 23	31 December 22
Portfolio year-over-year LTM revenue growth ²	18.6%	21.5%
Portfolio year-over-year LTM EBITDA growth ²	15.6%	18.5%
Enterprise Value / EBITDA valuation multiple ²	17.0x	17.2x
Net debt / EBITDA multiple ²	4.7x	4.8x

Derived Investments – operational metrics

Derived Investments – operational metrics	31 March 23	31 December 22
Debt average yield to maturity ⁴	11.8%	12.1%
Debt average years to maturity	4.8	5.1
Debt average income yield ⁴	9.8%	9.9%

Other Invested Portfolio highlights

Invested Portfolio analysis ⁹	€m	€m	%	%
- AEVI	2.2		0%	
- AEVII	23.1		2%	
- AVIII	93.3		7%	
- AIX	313.7		25%	
- AX	387.7		31%	
- AXI	(5.7)		0%	
- AMI	26.7		2%	
- AMI II	(0.9)		0%	
- ADF	48.9		4%	
- ADF II	0.6		0%	
- AGI	(1.9)		0%	
Private Equity		887.7		71%
- Derived Debt	343.6		27%	
- Derived Equity	24.4		2%	
Derived Investments		368.0		29%
Total		1,255.7		100%

Footnotes

- 1 "Total NAV Return" means the movement in the Adjusted NAV per share over the quarter 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

- 2 Gross Asset Value weighted average of the respective metric across the portfolio. LTM Revenue growth and LTM EBITDA growth rates exclude companies where EBITDA is not meaningful such as financial services or high growth business with fluctuations in EBITDA. Net debt/EBITDA multiple and EV/EBITDA valuation multiple excluded companies where EBITDA is not meaningful such as financial services or high growth business valued on a revenue basis.
- 3 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). Where applicable, average uplifts of partial exits and IPO's includes proceeds received and the closing fair value at period end. Private Equity Aggregate Gross IRR and Gross MOIC calculated based on the expected aggregate cash flows in euro across all funds for the deals signed and/or IPO'd in the period. Gross IRR represents concurrent Gross IRR.
- 4 Adjusted NAV reflects Total NAV of €1,293.0, before performance fee reserve of €1.6m
- 5 Derived Debt constant currency returns and S&P LSTA leveraged loan index rebased to 100 and compounded on a quarterly basis. Bloomberg source for S&P LSTA leveraged loan index
- 6 Other reflects net current assets.
- 7 FX on cash includes the revaluation of cash balances and net gain or losses arising from the differences in exchange rates between transaction dates and settlement dates, and unrealised net gains or losses arising from the translation into euro of assets and liabilities (other than investments) which are not denominated in euro
- 8 Movement in the performance fee reserve reflects the performance fee reserve accrued by the Company's at 31 March 23. This does not represent the underlying Private Equity portfolio's carried interest.
- 9 Invested Portfolio excludes cash and cash equivalents, revolving credit facility drawn and net current assets, including these the NAV was €1,293.0m and Adjusted NAV was €1,291.4m reflecting adjustment of €1.6m for the estimated performance fee reserve accrued.

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AGA is a Guernsey registered closed-ended collective investment scheme incorporated as a non-cellular company that listed on the London Stock Exchange on 15 June 2015. It is regulated by the Guernsey Financial Services Commission.

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's Private Equity activities.

Further information regarding the Company and its publications are available on the Company's website at www.apaxglobalalpha.com.

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