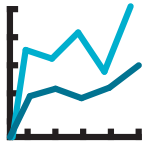


The South Korean Hedge Fund Industry

Using data from Preqin's [Hedge Fund Online](#), this factsheet looks in detail at the hedge fund industry in South Korea, from investors and fund managers to South Korea-focused fund performance.

Is South Korea becoming the heart and Seoul of the Asian hedge fund market?



+3.18%

12-month performance of South Korea-focused hedge funds (as at 31 March 2016), compared with 0.18% for all Asia-Pacific-focused hedge funds.



+1.14%

Q1 2016 performance of South Korea-focused hedge funds, compared with -3.00% for all Asia-Pacific-focused hedge funds.



\$2.5bn

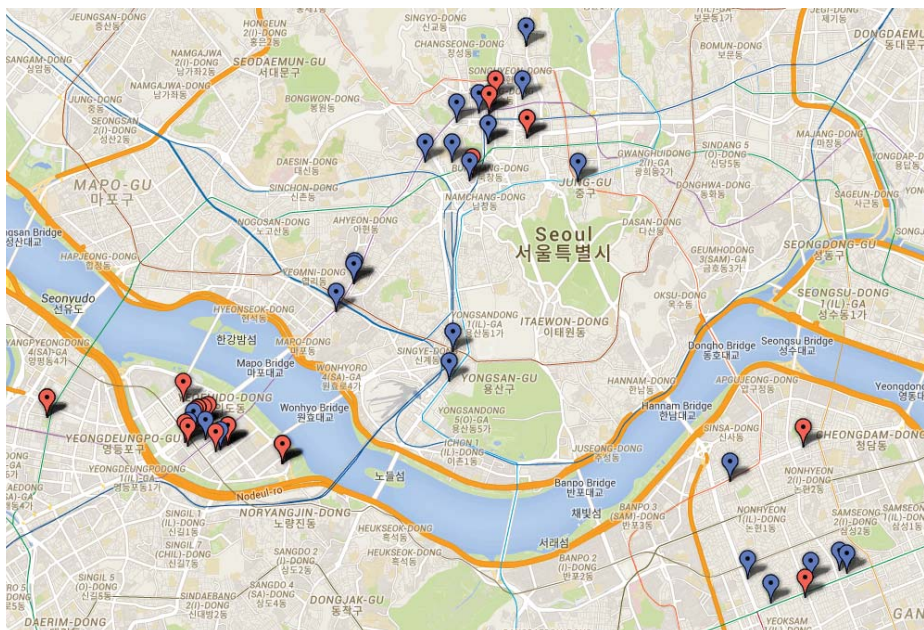
Assets under management (as at 31 March 2016) of QUAD Investment Management, the largest South Korea-based fund manager.



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Number of South Korea-based hedge fund investors tracked by Preqin.

Locations of Seoul-Based Hedge Fund Managers and Investors



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Key:  Fund Managers  Investors



56%

Proportion of South Korea-focused hedge funds managed by domestic fund managers.



36%

Proportion of South Korea-based investors that are targeting long/short equity strategies.



\$1.48tn

Aggregate assets under management of South Korea-based investors in hedge funds.

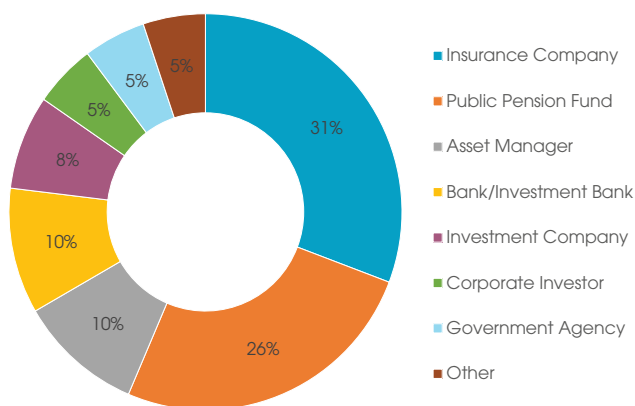


14%

Proportion of South Korea-focused hedge funds managed by firms based in Singapore.

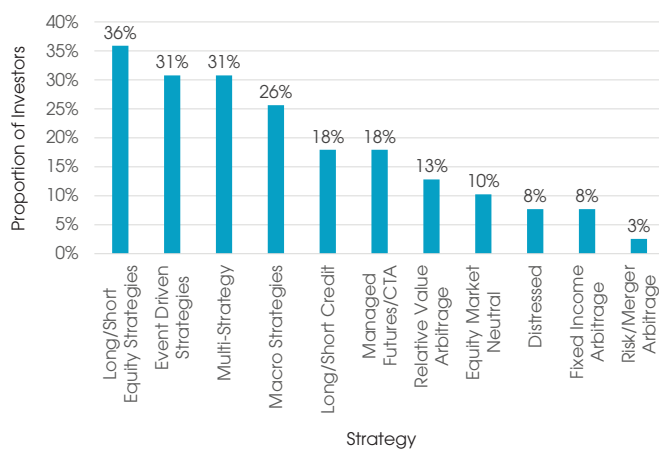
South Korea-Based Investors and South Korea-Focused Hedge Funds

Fig. 1: South Korea-Based Hedge Fund Investors by Type



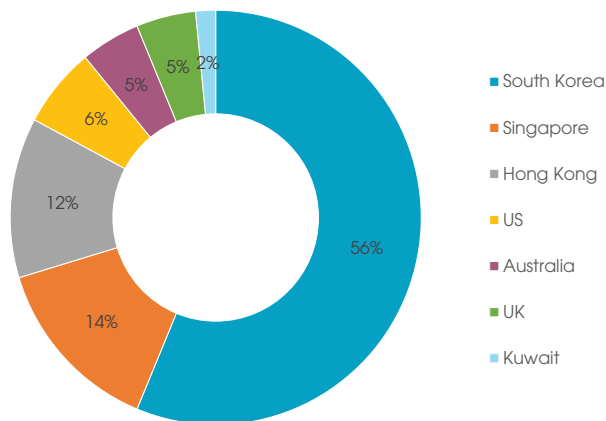
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Fig. 2: Strategy Preferences of South Korea-Based Hedge Fund Investors



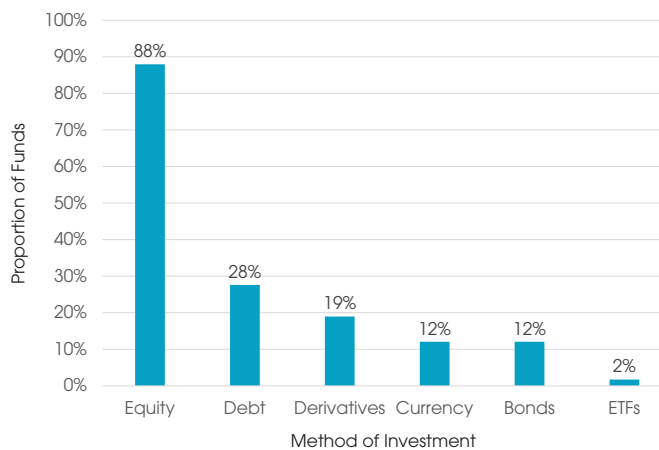
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Fig. 3: South Korea-Focused Hedge Funds by Fund Manager Location



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Fig. 4: Methods of Investment Employed by South Korea-Focused Hedge Funds



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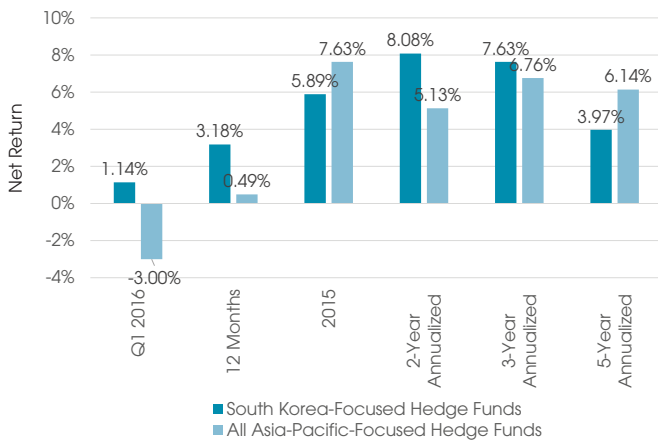
Fig. 5: Sample South Korea-Based Investors Targeting Hedge Funds in 2016

Investor	Type	Investment Plan for 2016
Korean Teachers' Credit Union	Public Pension Fund	Plans to make two fund of hedge funds investments in 2016 with managers it does not have an existing relationship with.
Scientists and Engineers Mutual Aid Association	Public Pension Fund	Will invest with new managers and increase investments with existing managers after reviewing their current fund performance, maintaining its preference for separately managed account funds of hedge funds.
Specific Post Office Pension Service Agency	Public Pension Fund	Plans to make new US- and Europe-focused hedge fund investments in 2016. It is open to all hedge fund strategies, but maintains a preference for multi-strategy direct hedge funds and funds of hedge funds.

Source: Preqin Hedge Fund Online

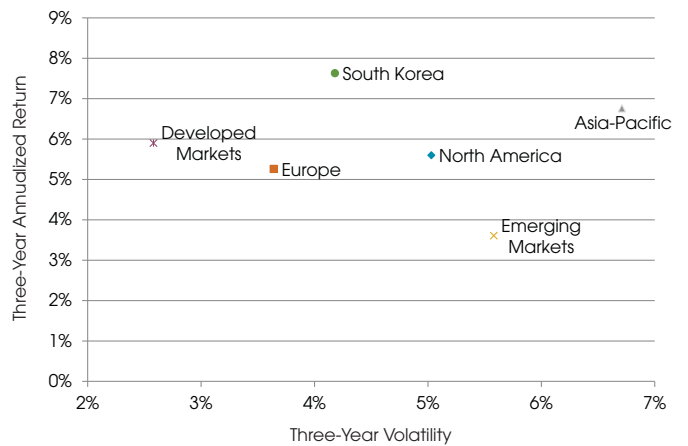
South Korea-Focused Hedge Fund Performance

Fig. 6: Performance of South Korea-Focused Hedge Funds vs. All Asia-Pacific-Focused Hedge Funds



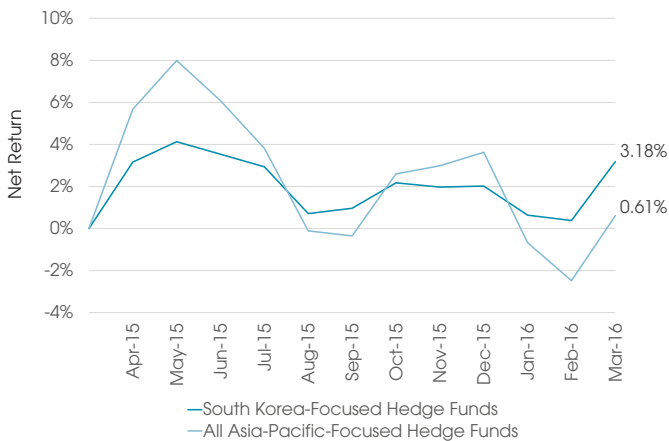
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Fig. 7: Risk/Return Profile of Hedge Funds by Regional Focus (As of March 2016)



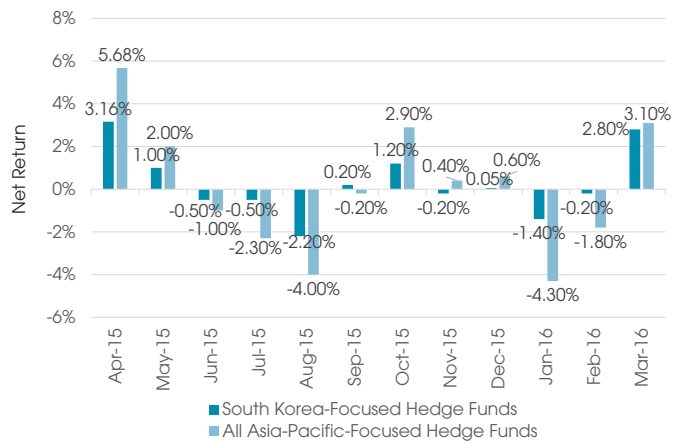
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Fig. 8: 12-Month Cumulative Return: South Korea-Focused Hedge Funds vs. All Asia-Pacific-Focused Hedge Funds



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Fig. 9: Monthly Performance of South Korea-Focused Hedge Funds vs. All Asia-Pacific-Focused Hedge Funds, April 2015 - March 2016



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