Apex Australia

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We deliver the broadest range of services from a single provider across fund, financial, and corporate solutions. We leverage leading technologies and experienced specialists to ensure our support meets all of your requirements.

Apex Australia

We have offices in Melbourne, Sydney, and Brisbane with teams across:

- · Investor services and custody
- Private equity and hedge fund
- Corporate services
- Our full middle office support services offer 24/5 trade support, live reporting, and enhanced risk reporting through Tableau
- 15+ years of experience servicing Australian superannuation funds

240+ Employees \$273.3bn
Assets under Administration

Australia offices



Services

Fund services

- Comprehensive fund administration and transfer agency services
- Australian tax reporting and distribution analysis
- Secure online portals
- Middle office, loan administration, and enhanced administration services
- Regulatory reporting including FATCA and CRS services
- Access to global capital through cost efficient offshore structures
- Secure investor portal

Financial services

· Custody services

ESG and sustainability

- Foundation and compliance
- Assessment and reporting
- Strategy and transformation

Corporate and business services

- Company secretarial and registered office services in a range of domiciles globally
- Business/ GP accounting
- Tax services/ reporting
- HR services
- Payroll
- Provision of experienced directors for onshore/ offshore structures

*as of December 31, 2024

Reputation

The Australian political system is stable. Australia is a constitutional monarchy and has one of the longest running parliamentary democratic systems in the modern world.

Economy

Australia boasts consistent economic growth and prosperity. Currently, Australia sits as the 2nd wealthiest nation in terms of median wealth per adult.

- · 5th nation for resilience of the economy
- 14th highest GDP and 11th highest GDP per capita
- The Australian Stock Exchange is the 16th largest stock exchange in the world
- 15+ years of experience servicing Australian superannuation funds

Legal

The Australian legal system is based on the English Common Law augmented by statutes issued by the Federal and State parliaments.

Key market statistics

- Fourth largest pension (superannuation) market in the world A\$3.7 trn**.
- Fifth largest managed asset pool in the world (largest in Asia) - A\$4.1trn (total consolidated assets)***.
- Retail managed assets (including self managed superannuation) - A\$461bn.

Why Apex Group?

We are dedicated to driving positive change in financial services while supporting the growth and ambitions of asset managers, allocators, financial institutions, and family offices. For over two decades, we have continually disrupted the industry through our investment in innovation and talent. Today, we set the pace in fund and asset servicing and stand out for our unique single-source solution and unified cross asset-class platform which supports the entire value chain, harnesses leading innovative technology, and benefits from cross-jurisdictional expertise delivered by a long-standing management team and over 13,000 highly integrated professionals.

Tax

Australian Taxation Office is responsible for implementation of Australia's tax laws. Australia's most common fund structures invested in common asset classes offer investors a pass through tax i.e. all tax on income passes through to investors. Other structures are taxed entities and employ franking credits.

Regulation

Australia has a highly regulated funds management industry.

The Australian Securities and investments Commission ("ASIC") and Australian Prudential Regulation Authority regulate the wealth management and banking system.

The Australian Transaction Reports and Analysis Centre has oversight over AML/CTF laws. Local fund managers provide financial services under an Australian Financial Services License ("AFSL") issued by ASIC. An AFSL permits the manager to give advice, distribute products, and operate a managed investment scheme (Fund)

Offshore managers may be provided some relief from having an AFSL depending on the jurisdiction they currently operate or they can reapply for foreign AFSL.

Fund structures

Australia offers a suite of fund structures including corporate structures, trust structures, and limited partnerships which covers wholesale, retail, and institutional markets. These structures can also be listed or unlisted (and in some cases both). There has been a recent surge in the use of listed investment companies/ trusts and exchange traded funds as a means to gain access to self-directed superannuation market (retail).

Scale gives us perspective, gives you reach

\$3.4trn+

Assets serviced

Years in business

13,000+

Employees

50

Countries?

^{*}Apex Group has capability to provide services into 50 counties from 42 regulated jurisdictions

^{**} https://www.investmentmagazine.com.au/2024/02/australia-tops-charts-for-pension-assets-to-gdp-growth-ratio/

^{***} https://www.thenewdaily.com.au/finance/superannuation/2024/09/17/australias-top-funds-performing