Apex Australia



Apex Australia delivers the broadest range of services from a single provider across fund, financial and corporate solutions. We leverage best-in-class technologies and experienced specialists to ensure our support meets all of your requirements.

About Apex Group

- Providing the broadest range of solutions in the industry, through a single relationship
- No matter where you are located or what stage in your business lifecycle – we support the growth and ambitions of our clients
- With an entrepreneurial spirit at our core we strive to inspire through doing things differently
- Our purpose, outside of an excellent client experience, is to drive positive change for a more sustainable future

Scale gives us perspective, gives you reach

Established in 2003

13,000 employees globally

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locations

Speaking

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languages

39

countries

14

time zones

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 & 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

Apex Australia

- Apex Australia has offices in Melbourne, Sydney and Brisbane housing specialist:
 - Investor Services and Custody Teams
 - Private Equity and Hedge Fund Teams
 - Corporate Services Team

- 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

Why Australia?



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 capita
- The Australian Stock Exchange is the 16th largest stock exchange in the world

Legal

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

Tax

Australian Taxation Office (ATO) 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 (APRA) regulate the wealth management and banking system.

The Australian Transaction Reports and Analysis Centre (AUSTRAC) 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).

Key Market Statistics

- Fourth largest pension (superannuation) market in the world - A\$3.5 trn.
- Fifth largest Managed Asset Pool in the world (largest in Asia) A\$3.9 trn (total consolidated assets).
- Retail managed assets (including self managed superannuation) - A\$461bn.