

Headstart Advisers Cautiously Optimistic About 2011 After Stellar Returns for 2010 and 2009

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- We can keep on Recognising Fund Manager Talent, Says CIO Najy Nasser
Najy Nasser, Chief Investment Officer of Headstart Advisers, says the investment firm's outlook for 2011 will mean having to rely again on being well diversified, nimble and fleet of foot.

Headstart Advisers advises a number of funds, including the investable Headstart Fund of Funds, which claimed its place at the top of the leader board of the Investhedge rankings for multi-strategy funds of hedge funds for the last three, six and twelve months and has returned 13.94% for the year to date to the end of November 2010.

The investment approach for the Headstart Advisers' run Fund of Funds is to look for the best risk adjusted returns. It pursues a 'bottom up' approach to manager selection and combines it with a top down macro analysis of global markets to determine the correct strategy weightings.

Najy Nasser, CIO of Headstart Advisers, said: "Our aim is to recognise talented managers early on in their ascent and to keep ahead of the curve by continually developing our talent for finding the successful funds of the future. We will work hard so that we can continue delivering high-quality risk-adjusted returns for our clients.

"Following the hedge fund industry's difficult 2008, we are pleased with the Headstart Fund of Funds' outperformance. Since the start of 2009 the investable fund is up 34.28% while the indices we are judged against are up in the region of 15%."

Najy Nasser also said: "The Headstart Fund of Funds is well positioned going into 2011 and is diversified across a range of strategies while being able to adapt quickly to an ever changing investment environment".

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Notes to editors:

Headstart Advisers Ltd is a financial services company incorporated in 1990, authorised and regulated by the FSA as an investment advisor to the Headstart family of hedge funds. It advises three hedge funds and a fund of hedge funds with the common mandate of superior returns with lower volatility (risk).