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# INVESTOR TRACKING

"It is very important to recognise that data is not information, and information is not knowledge, and knowledge is not wisdom. Wisdom consists of deriving the significance of data." Howard Marks, C

Howard Marks, Chairman of Oaktree

Registered shareholders often aren't the investment decision makers. Investment decision makers don't always hold the voting rights.

## SO WHO SHOULD YOU BE SPEAKING TO AND WHO HOLDS THE VOTING RIGHTS TO YOUR SHARES?

#### **Registered Shareholders?**

- More often than not the largest registered shareholders are nominee accounts which neither make investment decisions nor hold voting rights.
- Look beyond these accounts to identify the real investment decision makers and voting rights holders.

#### Investment Management Companies?

- × They are not the investment decision makers either.
- They may set investment guidelines for their fund managers.
- ✓ They may set voting guidelines for their fund managers.

#### Fund Managers?

- These are the real investment decision makers that you need to know.
- Often they are in control of voting rights. However, not always.

#### **Beneficial Holders?**

As the ultimate beneficiary they may hold the power to overule fund managers when it comes to voting. In other words to know the real investment decision makers and voting rights holders you must:

- Look beyond your share register
- Look beyond the regulatory substantial shareholder filings
- Understand the full structure of your shareholder base

To strive towards the 'perfect' shareholder base which continually reflects the goals of your company, you must:

- Engage the real investment decision makers and voting rights holders
- Monitor the movement of your shareholders and understand it for the feedback it provides
- Know who really owns your shares before you target new investors

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