2017 CAUBO Peer Group Sample

- CAUBO is the Canadian Association of University Business Officers
- CAUBO publishes an annual survey on University Pension funds and Investment Pools classified by size to determine peer groups
- Peer group (1st quartile in survey) consist of the following:
  - Number of Institutions: 18
  - Total Assets ($ mil): $18,160
  - % of Total University Pensions: 82%
  - Lowest fund size: $0.38 billion

Ottawa is the 11th in size in this quartile (11th last year)
Total Fund Returns
CAUBO Peer Group

1 yr: 12.9%
2 yrs: 8.6%
4 yrs: 8.4%
10 yrs: 6.9%

95th - 75th percentile
75th percentile - Median
Median - 25th percentile
25th - 5th percentile
Ottawa
2017 Return Observations

- uOttawa ranking moved to 2nd place among peer group in 2017 from last place in 2016; the 2017 return of 12.9% was fractionally below the 13.0% of the first place.

- As a result of the 2017 performance:
  - 1 year ranking moved to 1st quartile (from 4th quartile in 2016)
  - 4 year ranking remained in 3rd quartile
  - 10 year ranking moved to 1st quartile (from 2nd quartile in 2016)

- The main reasons for the rebound in performance versus the median in the peer group were asset mix differences and investment manager selection:
  - Relative overweights in foreign equities, real estate and infrastructure as well as an underweight in Fixed income were all contributing factors.
  - uOttawa’s relative underweight in Canadian equities as well as its hedge fund holdings were detractions.
uOttawa’s ranking moved to fractionally above the median, down from the 2\textsuperscript{nd} quartile in 2016 but up from the 4\textsuperscript{th} quartile in 2015

- uOttawa costs increased by 4 basis points in 2017 but is still 11 basis points lower than in 2015
- Peer group median costs increased by 3 basis points in 2017
- Note that external costs include only external management fees for public equities, fixed income and hedge fund advisory and certain other costs such as consultants and custodian
- Real estate, infrastructure and hedge fund management fees are excluded