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#### **Fund Aim**

The fund aims to provide long-term capital growth through investment primarily in Continental European equities.

### **TOP 10 HOLDINGS** 1. **BNP Paribas** 6.8% 2. 5.3% Bayer 3. **Novo Nordisk** 5.1% Anheuser-Busch 4.4% **Bigben Interactive** 3.8% 6. **SKF** 3.5% 7. A.P. Moller 3.5% 8. **OMV** 3.0% Crayon Group 2.9% Pareto Bank 10. 2.8%

## **PERFORMANCE**

	Class B EUR	STOXX Europe 600 ex UK
3 months	3.5%	3.5%
6 months	1.4%	4.0%
12 months	4.2%	14.0%
Since launch (11 Sept. 2015)	22.9%	27.3%

	Class B EUR	STOXX Europe 600 ex UK
2019 YTD	14.4%	21.8%
2018	-16.4%	-10.9%
2017	13.9%	11.6%
2016	8.6%	2.4%
2015 (from 11 Sept.)	4.0%	2.6%

### Commentary

In October the Comeragh European Growth Fund rose 2.9%, outperforming the benchmark STOXX Europe 600 ex UK index, which rose 1.0%.

We continue to see warning signs in global economic data. For instance, the Chicago PMI fell 3.9 points to 43.2, considerably below expectations for 48. Strikingly, the S&P 500 sits at all-time highs even as new orders sank to 37, the lowest reading since March 2009 – when equity markets were in the process of bottoming out following the global financial crisis! The Chicago data is closely tied to economic fortunes in the Midwest which does not bode well for the performance of the manufacturing sector. In Europe, we have seen some tentative signs of stabilisation in the macro data but it remains to be seen how sustainable this is given trends in both the US and China, where growth is slowing and producer prices (PPI) are turning increasingly negative even as the rise in consumer prices (CPI) is accelerating – not a healthy combination for corporate profitability.

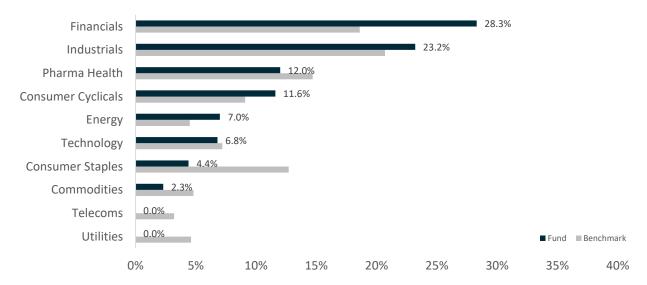
Whilst the gathering storm clouds we perceive lead us to be cautious on market levels more generally, we are excited about the prospect of a shift in market leadership away from growth in favour of value. Duration/growth stocks in Europe have begun to underperform and in the US, the WeWork fiasco is the latest and most glaring



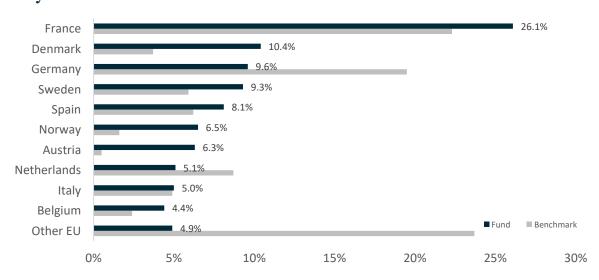
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example of how the market's appetite for "new tech" growth at any cost is waning. Meanwhile value stocks, epitomised in Europe by the banking sector, have started to outperform. As valuations became increasingly attractive over the last few months we continued to bolster our positioning such that financials now represent 28% of the Fund, a 10% overweight vs. the index. This stood us in good stead in October with Unicaja Banco, BNP Paribas and ING Group among the strongest contributors to performance. Encouragingly, there is increasing talk of share buybacks being on the cards. Regulators have shown willingness to authorise buybacks as capital ratios have improved. Despite October's good performance, much of the sector still trades on distressed valuation multiples and buybacks would represent a highly accretive use of capital.

### **Sector Allocation**



## **Country Allocation**





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### **Risk Overview**

	FUND	INDEX	
P/E	11.7	17.9	
EV/EBITDA	5.1	10.7	
Div Yield	4.2%	3.4%	
ROE	14.9%	16.7%	
3m EPS Revs	0.6%	1.0%	
Net Debt / EBITDA	0.58	1.04	
Sharpe Ratio	-0.37		
Beta (3m)	1.02		

### **Fund Facts**

**Fund Status** Sub-fund of a Dublin-domiciled UCITS ICAV, authorised and regulated by the

Central Bank of Ireland. Recognised in the UK by the Financial Conduct

Authority

Sector Europe ex UK

Benchmark Index STOXX Europe 600 ex UK

Fund Size €51.4m

Fund Launch Date 11<sup>th</sup> September 2015

Class	ISIN	SEDOL	Distribution Type	Annual Management Fee	Initial Minimum Subscription
Class A EUR	IE00BYN38431	BYN3843	Income	0.60%	€100,000
Class A GBP Hedged	IE00BYN38985	BYN3898	Income	0.60%	£100,000
Class B EUR	IE00BYN38M12	BYN38M1	Accumulation	0.60%	€100,000
Class B GBP Hedged	IE00BYN38Q59	BYN38Q5	Accumulation	0.60%	£100,000
Class C EUR	IE00BYN38Y34	BYN38Y3	Income	0.75%	€500
Class C GBP Hedged	IE00BYN39629	BYN3962	Income	0.75%	£500
Class D EUR	IE00BYN39B71	BYN39B7	Accumulation	0.75%	€500
Class D GBP Hedged	IE00BYN39C88	BYN39C8	Accumulation	0.75%	£500



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#### Risk Warning

The value of investments and the income from them can go down as well as up and investors may not receive back the original amount invested. Past performance is not an indicator of future performance. Exchange rates may cause the value of the underlying overseas investments to go down as well as up. Investment in smaller companies may involve a higher degree of risk as markets are usually more sensitive to price movements.

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