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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** UniCredit S.p.A. 5.8% 2. UBS Group AG 4.7% SKF AB 4.5% 4. ASML Holding 4.2% 5. Repsol SA 3.6% **BBVA** 3.6% Societe Generale S.A. 3.5% 8. SCOR SE 3.5% Novo Nordisk 3.4% Volkswagen AG 3.0% 10.

#### STOXX Europe Class B EUR 600 ex UK 3 months 9.7% 7.8% 6 months 23.5% 21.2% 1 year 2.5% 3.9% 61.5% 54.8% 3 years 22.3% 43.8% 5 years Since launch 50.2% 62.7% (Sept 2015) 2023 YTD 7.8% 9.7% 2022 -8.7% -13.0% 2021 13.2% 24.6% 2020 0.4%2.9%2019 24.9% 27.3%

-16.4%

13.9%

PERFORMANCE

## Commentary

The Comeragh European Growth Fund fell 3.9% vs. the benchmark STOXX Europe 600 ex UK Index return of 0.6%.

2018

2017

The month was notable for turmoil in the banking sector, with the downfall of Silicon Valley Bank precipitating a collapse in confidence and the failure of Signature Bank and shotgun merger of Credit Suisse with UBS. With our overweight position in financials, the Fund suffered as underperformance was driven by our holdings in both mid and large cap European banks. We believe that the problems faced by the American banks (liquidity, asset structure and nature of deposits) do not apply to the European banking sector at large and that the risk of a systemic issue is low. Nonetheless, the market has been in unforgiving mood and punished banking stocks indiscriminately. Activity wise, we have sold our holding in BAWAG and built a position in UBS, which we believe is absorbing Credit Suisse on highly favourable terms, creating a banking giant with plenty of scope for cost cutting synergies (a figure of around CHF 1.5bn looks achievable), backstopped by government loss guarantees and the complete write-off of Credit Suisse's AT1 equity.

Other portfolio entrants this month included Italian broadcast tower operator Rai Way, Swiss HVAC company

-10.9%

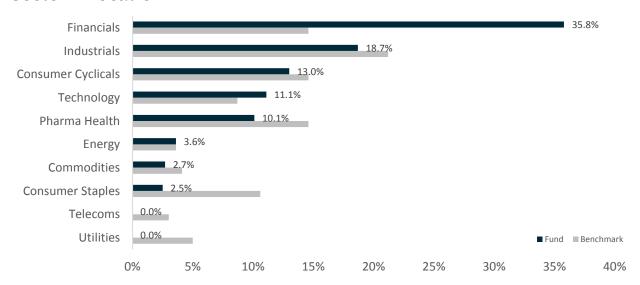
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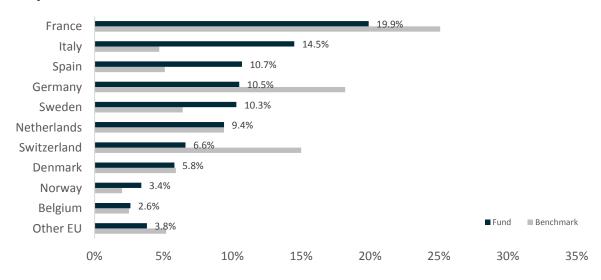
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Meier Tobler, Aalberts (Dutch producer of hydronic flow control and piping systems), Trelleborg (Swedish-listed polymer solutions specialist) and Acerinox (Spanish stainless steel producer with a large presence in the US), whilst exits included Klepierre (French retail property owner), El.En (Italian laser equipment manufacturer), Sodexo (French-listed contact catering and facilities management company) and Solar (Danish sourcing and installation provider of electrical, heating and plumbing products).

### **Sector Allocation**



## **Country Allocation**





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## **Risk Overview**

|                   | FUND  | INDEX |  |
|-------------------|-------|-------|--|
| P/E               | 13.2  | 19.0  |  |
| EV/EBITDA         | 6.5   | 14.3  |  |
| Div Yield         | 3.9%  | 3.2%  |  |
| ROE               | 20.1% | 19.9% |  |
| 3m EPS Revs       | -1.9% | 1.9%  |  |
| Net Debt / EBITDA | 0.08  | 1.63  |  |
| Sharpe Ratio      | 0.74  |       |  |
| Beta (3m)         | 1.16  |       |  |

## **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 €63.1m

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

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



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### **Further Information**

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