# GRAVIS UK INFRA

## MONTHLY FACTSHEET 30 SEPTEMBER 2020

#### **OVERVIEW**

- Deliver a regular income expected to be 5%1 per annum
- Preserve investors' capital throughout market cycles with the potential for capital growth and protection from inflation
- Invests in GBP UK Listed Securities including Investment Companies, Equities, Bonds and REITs
- Offers exposure to a vital sector for the UK's economy which is increasingly becoming a key component of any well-balanced investment portfolio

#### PERFORMANCE CHART

Share Class C GBP Acc 25/01/2016 - 30/09/2020



#### **RETURNS**

	SEPTEMBER 2020	3 MONTHS	12 MONTHS	36 MONTHS	SINCE INCEPTION	VOLATILITY
VT Gravis UK Infrastructure Income Fund	-1.94%	-0.06%	-0.52%	15.48%	33.21%	9.41%
MSCIUK	-1.59%	-4.64%	-19.76%	-12.71%	17.60%	17.34%

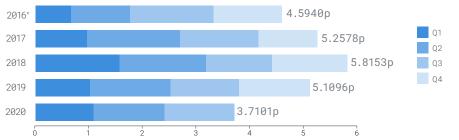
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Fund launched on 25 January 2016.

Fund performance is illustrated by the C GBP Net Accumulation share class.

#### **DIVIDENDS**

Dividends paid net of charges since inception to 30 September 2020 for C GBP Income share class.



Note: \* Part period from launch on 25 January 2016.

Company overview			
Regulatory status	FCA Authorised		
Sector	IA Specialist		
Launch date	25th January 2016		
Fund size	£641.04m		
Share classes	Income & Accumulation Clean & Institutional		
Charges <sup>2</sup>	C: 0.75% pa I: 0.65% pa		
Min. investment	C: £1,000 I: £5,000,000		
Net Asset Value per share as at 30 September 2020	C Acc (£): 133.21p C Inc (£): 106.13p I Acc (£): 134.11p I Inc (£): 106.11p		
Trailing 12 month net yield³ as at 30 September 2020	C: 4.74% I: 4.81%		
Annual turnover to 30 September 2020	3.88%		
Dividend ex dates	end of Dec, Mar, June, Sept		
Dividend pay dates	end of Jan, Apr, July, Oct		
Currencies	£,\$,€		
Classification	Non-complex		
£ISINs	C Acc: GB00BYVB3M28 C Inc: GB00BYVB3J98 I Acc: GB00BYVB3T96		

- This is an unofficial target and there is no guarantee it will be achieved. Per annum by reference to launch price of £1.00 per unit, payable quarterly, one month in arrears.
- The OCF (Ongoing Charges Figure) for all share classes is capped at the AMC (Annual Management Charge) and any costs in excess of the OCF/AMC will be paid by the Investment Adviser.
- 3. Published dividends are net of charges which are taken from income.







I Inc: GB00BYVB3Q65

\*Independently risk-rated and



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#### FUND ADVISER'S REPORT

### Amidst a glut of dividend cuts and omissions across equity markets, the Adviser is pleased to report an increase in the amount of income to be distributed

The Fund conceded ground in September, recording a loss of 1.94% (C Accumulation GBP units). With the exception of water utilities and transmission companies (to which the portfolio is exposed via Pennon and National Grid, for example), weakness was broad-based across the sector as markets contended with fears over the likelihood of a reintroduction of tough restrictions in order to contain the secondary spike in coronavirus infection rates. While the future remains uncertain in this regard, the UK infrastructure sector has rallied strongly in the early stages of October and we believe the fundamentals of stable valuations, highly visible cash flow profiles and attractive yields will keep the sector underpinned.

John Laing Group (c.1.5% position in the portfolio) demonstrated the value inherent in its book of development assets and the ongoing demand for quality infrastructure projects as the group announced the sale of its 30% stake in InterCity Express Programme Phase 2 under which JLG (alongside Hitachi) delivered rolling stock for the UK's East Coast Main Line. Under the terms of the sale, JLG will receive up to £421m (in two tranches) representing an £88m/26.4% uplift on the carrying value in JLG's latest accounts. Under the company's dividend policy, shareholders receive 5-10% of gross proceeds from the sale of investments on an annual basis and so the transaction underpins special distributions from the company in the

During the period, the Fund participated in an equity raise undertaken by Greencoat UK Wind. The Placing was well supported and raised £400m of new capital for the company, which will be used to reduce company-level gearing and will enable Greencoat to acquire additional UK wind assets for its portfolio.

We expect Greencoat UK Wind will be among the first of the UK-listed renewables sector to report on Q3 performance in late October. As noted in our June commentary, recent trends in the UK spot electricity price, as well as futures prices, have shown significant improvement and are now above pre-pandemic levels. We believe this provides a basis to expect at least a hiatus (possibly an inflection) in the trend of lower power price assumptions that have provided a headwind for asset valuations in the renewable energy infrastructure sector over the past year or so.

#### Third quarter distribution announced

On 30th September, the Fund announced income distributions for the third quarter of 2020, payable in October. Against a backdrop of general yield contraction in the UK-listed infrastructure space and more notably, amidst a glut of dividend cuts and omissions across equity markets, the Adviser is pleased to report an increase in the amount of income to be distributed when compared to the same period in 2019. Holders of the C Income GBP units will receive 1.3016p per unit (Q3 2019: 1.2797p) and holders of the I Income GBP units will receive 1.3134p (Q3 2019: 1.2907p).

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#### CORRELATION, PERFORMANCE AND VOLATILITY COMPARISON

25 January 2016 - 30 September 2020

	CORRELATION	RETURN	VOLATILITY	YIELD
VT Gravis UK Infrastructure Income Fund (C GBP Acc)	_	33.2%	9.4%	4.6%
MSCIUK	0.45	17.6%	17.3%	3.9%
MSCI World	0.26	88.1%	16.9%	2.0%
MSCI World Infrastructure	0.25	41.6%	15.6%	4.1%
UK 10 Yr Gilts	0.03	9.2%	6.1%	0.3%
MSCI World vs MSCI World Infrastructure	0.85			

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#### **PORTFOLIO**

#### Sectors





#### TOP 10 HOLDINGS ON 30 SEPTEMBER 2020

COMPANY	%
Sequoia Economic Infrastructure Income Fund Ltd	8.3%
Renewables Infrastructure Group Ltd	7.9%
GCP Infrastructure Investments Ltd	7.3%
JLEN Environmental Assets Group Limited	6.8%
GCP Asset Backed Income Fund Ltd	5.5%
HICL Infrastructure Fund Limited	4.8%
NextEnergy Solar Fund Limited	4.5%
Bluefield Solar Income Fund Ltd	4.4%
Foresight Solar Fund Ltd	4.3%
Greencoat UK WIND PLC	4.1%

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#### **DRAWDOWNS**

	DRAWDOWN	START	END	FUND DURING DRAWDOWN
Fund	-26.46%	20 Jan 20	19 Mar 20	_
MSCIUK	-34.20%	17 Jan 20	23 Mar 20	-23.95%
MSCI World	-26.07%	20 Feb 20	16 Mar 20	-17.25%
MSCI World Infrastructure	-24.14%	20 Feb 20	23 Mar 20	-23.70%

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