# International Equity

Unit Trust

31 July 2014

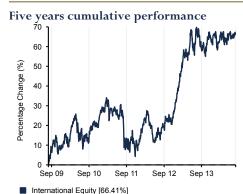
### Investment objective

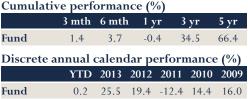
The investment objective of the fund is to achieve long-term capital appreciation by investing internationally in a focused portfolio of equities. The Scheme will invest primarily in equities, cash and near cash. Magellan's investment philosophy is to find outstanding companies at attractive prices whilst maintaining a fundamental understanding of the wider macroeconomic environment, enabling them to effectively manage risk within the portfolio.

### Manager commentary as at 30 June 2014

During the second quarter, 2014, the Fed continued to normalise US monetary policy amid expanding economic activity and an improving employment situation. Conversely, the ECB took further steps to support the eurozone, which continues to suffer from below-target inflation. These include a number of measures to boost bank lending, including the introduction of negative deposit rates, as well as the decision to halt sterilisation of bond purchases, which has been judged by some as a potential precursor to a US-style quantitative easing programme. In China, the property downturn continued with little sign that the government is ready to relax general controls imposed on the market towards the end of 2013. A significant slowdown in China's economy remains possible, in our view, as the country continues to address structural oversupply within its housing market. The rapid rate of credit expansion, and its role in funding the property developers, adds to economic risk. eBay was among the strategy's largest detractors, suffering a confluence of headwinds including a data breach, a change in Google's search algorithm adversely affecting its positioning within internet search results, slowing (but still strong) retail sales growth and the resignation of PayPal's CEO. We judge these issues as of limited materiality over the longer term.

### **Fund performance**



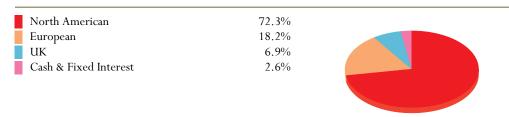


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# Top ten holdings

2 3 4	Microsoft Corp eBay Inc Target Corp Lowe's Comp Inc	6.2% 6.1% 5.9%	6 Tesco Plc 7 Visa Inc (A) 8 Wal Mart Stores Inc 9 Oracle Corp	5.5% 4.6% 4.5% 4.3%
	DirecTV		10 Yum Brands Inc	4.3%

# Asset allocation



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# Manager



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#### **Fund facts**

Fund manager start date

04 February 2013 **Units** Acc / Inc

Currency classes GBP Inception date of the fund

03 February 1997

Fund size £529m (at 30 June 2014)

Mandate size\* £2635m

Yield 0.2%

Distribution dates November

Sector IMA Global
Risk rating Medium

Bloomberg -

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Source: Financial Express. All figures are percentage growth on a bid to bid basis for accumulation units, income reinvested and in fund currency. Please be aware that past performance is not indicative of future performance. Equities do not include the security of capital characteristic of a deposit with a bank or building society. The price of units and the income from them may go down as well as up. You may not get back the amount invested.

\*This is the total funds under management for the investment mandate across all of the product wrappers.

Unit Trust Yields: The yield is calculated as a percentage of the mid-market unit price as at 31 July 2014. The yield is a historic yield and reflects distributions over the past twelve months. It does not include any preliminary charge and investors may be subject to tax on distributions. It is shown net of tax for a basic rate taxpayer. Yields can fluctuate and therefore are not guaranteed.

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