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## AXA Framlington Global Opportunities Fund

### For the year ended 15 October 2013

#### Investment objective and policy

Capital growth through worldwide investment in equities. Investment is in companies which, in the Manager's opinion, show above average profitability, management quality and growth.

#### Results

| Unit Class | Unit Type | Price at 15.10.12 (p) | Price at 15.10.13 (p) | Unit Class Performance | Comparative Benchmark |
|------------|-----------|-----------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|
| R          | Acc*      | 707.5                 | 855.5                 | 20.92%                 | 21.84%^               |
| Z          | Acc*      | 97.31                 | 118.6                 | 21.88%                 | 21.84%^               |
| R          | Inc**     | 631.5                 | 758.0                 | 20.03%                 | 19.30%^               |

\* Acc units include net revenue reinvested, total return. \*\* Inc units do not include net revenue reinvested, capital return dividends excluded. ^ MSCI World (Total Return) Index. ^^ MSCI World (Capital Return) Index. Source of all performance data: AXA Investment Managers and Lipper, bid to bid, to 15 October 2013.

#### Review

Global equity markets delivered strong positive returns over the 12 month review period, as a combination of the ongoing low interest rate environment, falling systemic risks, robust corporate profits and signs of economic recovery, provided a near perfect backdrop. The Fund outperformed the comparative benchmark during the 12 months in review, driven by positive stock selection.

Certainly, many of the supports for equity markets highlighted above remain in place however, with limited earnings upgrades in evidence over the last 12 months most equity markets have experienced quite a considerable re-rating. As such, in many cases, markets are now trading either in-line with, or above, longer term valuation ranges. As a result, earnings upgrades are increasingly needed in order to justify a further uplift in performance.

With several leading indicators pointing to an improving economic outlook, the much needed earnings upgrades may well eventuate over the next 12 months. However, with the structural challenge of the over-leveraged consumer in many advanced economies, combined with the ongoing focus on fiscal retrenchment of many governments, we feel that any economic upturn will be gradual. As such, we continue to favour companies exposed to more secular growth trends and self-help investment cases, as they are more likely to be able to deliver on earnings expectations in the current economic environment.

Stock selection was the core driver of relative outperformance over the last twelve months. Notable contributions came from holdings within the technology sector, such as ASML and Google. Within the consumer sector, solid contribution came from Las Vegas Sands. In addition, being overweight developed markets verses emerging economies proved beneficial as the latter suffered from the uncertainty surrounding the US 'tapering' strategy, with conflicting messages from the US Federal Reserve over the course of the year.

From a macro perspective, it proved to be an interesting period. Notably, we saw the launch of 'Abenomics' in Japan, a significant fall in systemic risks within the Eurozone and emerging markets being buffeted by the US Federal Reserve's (the Fed) announcements regarding the wind down or

'tapering' of its bond purchase programme. With regard to Japan, while the first stage of Abenomics can clearly be viewed as a success, it remains to be seen if the third 'arrow', relating to structural reform of the economy, will be implemented on a sufficient scale. The next twelve months will be particularly instructive on this matter and we expect investors to remain sensitive to the pace of the reform programme. Overall, we remain constructive on the Abenomics programme, but acknowledge the next stage may prove more challenging as many vested interests need to be challenged and overcome.

Within the Eurozone, comments last summer from Mario Draghi, the President of the European Central Bank, appear to have had the desired effect, causing a considerable reduction in risk premium within the region. Indeed, signs of economic stabilisation in southern Europe, plus evidence that some of the structural imbalances between northern and southern Europe are unwinding, resulted in many international investors returning to the region. While the backdrop has clearly improved, we do anticipate any recovery in the region will be a gradual process. The actions of the Fed regarding its plans to begin tapering quantitative easing, had a considerable impact on asset markets during the period. While the Fed subsequently downplayed the pace of any tapering programme, yield curves in most major bond markets have structurally risen in response to the initial comments. In many ways, the Fed succeeded in eliminating some of the 'irrational exuberance' that was potentially emerging in many credit markets, while not disrupting the US real economy to any meaningful degree. In contrast, the actions had more negative consequences for many emerging markets, which experienced a sudden reversal of the positive net investor inflows they had been enjoying in recent years. We expect these headwinds to continue to weigh on many emerging markets over the medium-term.

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## Outlook

Recent company results continue to highlight the generally robust state of corporate profits in most markets. However, corporate confidence remains a crucial missing variable, resulting in many company management teams adopting a cautious attitude to capital spending, thereby hindering the creation of jobs and the return to a more self-sustaining recovery in many economies. Clearly, factors such as falling systemic risks in Europe are a positive, however just as one issue subsides, several others appear, as evidenced by the experiences of many emerging markets this year and the

ongoing political deadlock in Washington. As such, we continue to expect that any economic recovery will remain moderate in nature, as the structural headwinds and ongoing uncertainties, continue to subdue the confidence of many corporates and their investment programmes. Given such a backdrop, maintaining a bias towards higher quality companies, with exposure to secular growth trends, remains the core strategy of the Fund.

**Mark Hargraves**

**7 November 2013**

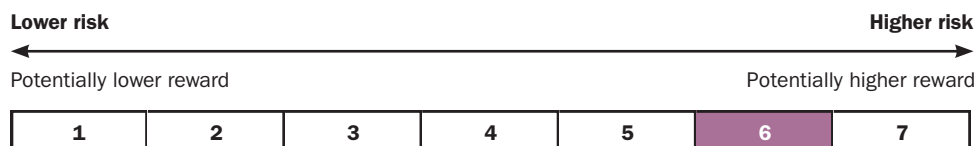
All performance data source: AXA Investment Managers and Lipper to 15 October 2013.

# AXA Framlington Global Opportunities Fund

## For the year ended 15 October 2013

### Risk and reward profile

The Fund invests primarily in the shares of quoted companies on worldwide financial markets drawn from all economic sectors. As many of these investments will be made in non sterling denominated listed equities, the value of the fund will not only be impacted by the market risk associated with investing in equities but also by exchange rate movements between those currencies and sterling in which the fund is based. The Fund also invests in emerging and newer markets which may involve a higher risk than investing in established markets due to heightened geopolitical risk (see below) and potential large currency volatility. Investors should consider carefully whether this investment risk is suitable for them. The value of investments and the income from them is not guaranteed and can go down as well as up.



The risk category is calculated using historical performance data and may not be a reliable indicator of the Fund's future risk profile. The risk category shown is not guaranteed and may shift over time. The lowest category does not mean risk free.

#### Why is this Fund in this category?

The capital of the Fund is not guaranteed. The Fund is invested in financial markets and uses techniques and instruments which may be subject to sudden and significant variation, which may result in substantial gains or losses.

#### Additional risks

Impact of any techniques such as derivatives: certain management strategies involve specific risks, such as liquidity risk, credit risk, counterparty risk, legal risk, valuation risk, operational risk and risks related to the underlying assets. The use of such strategies may also involve leverage, which may increase the effect of market movements on the Fund and may result in significant risk of losses.

Geopolitical Risk: investments in securities issued or listed in different countries may imply the application of different standards and regulations. Investments may be affected by movements of foreign exchange rates, changes in laws or restrictions applicable to such investments, changes in exchange control regulations or price volatility.

### FUND FACTS

|                               |                           |
|-------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Lead Fund manager             | Mark Hargraves            |
| Sector                        | Global Growth             |
| Comparative Benchmark         | MSCI World Capital Return |
| Launch date                   | 29 Oct 1976               |
| Fund size at 15 Oct 2013      | £93m                      |
| Fund size at 15 Oct 2012      | £246m                     |
| Lump sum                      | R: £1,000<br>Z: £100,000  |
| Minimum subsequent investment | R: £100 / Z: £5,000       |
| Net Yield                     |                           |
| R Inc                         | 0.61%                     |
| R Acc                         | 0.60%                     |
| Z Acc                         | 1.35%                     |
| Unit type                     | Inc/Acc                   |
| Number of stocks              | 71                        |
| Initial charge                | R: 5.25% / Z: 0.00%       |
| Annual charge                 | R: 1.50% / Z: 0.75%       |
| Ongoing charges               |                           |
| R Inc/Acc                     | 1.59% / 1.59%             |
| Z Acc                         | 0.84%                     |
| Accounting dates (interim)    | 15 Apr                    |
| Accounting dates (annual)     | 15 Oct                    |
| Distribution dates (interim)  | 15 Jun                    |
| Distribution dates (annual)   | 15 Dec                    |

All data, source: AXA Investment Managers as at 15 October 2013.

### Top five purchases

#### For the year ended 15 October 2013

Google  
SAP  
Autodesk  
Amgen  
Guangshen Railway

### Top five sales

#### For the year ended 15 October 2013

Kabel Deutschland Holding  
Core Laboratories  
British American Tobacco  
Walt Disney  
MasterCard

# AXA Framlington Global Opportunities Fund

For the year ended 15 October 2013

## Five year discrete annual performance %

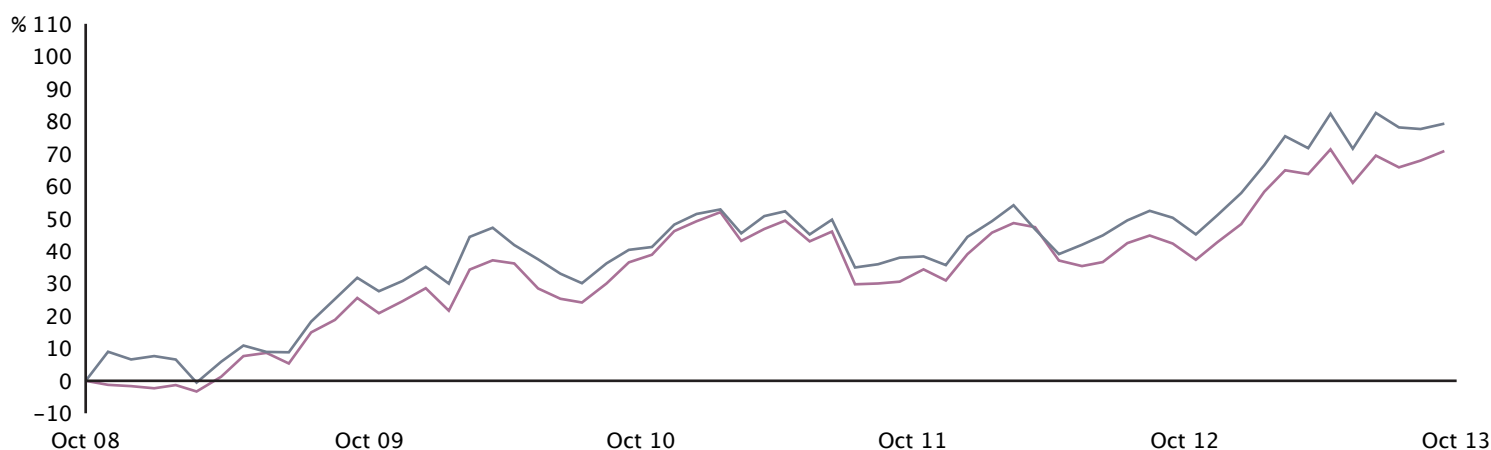
| Oct 08 to Oct 09 | Oct 09 to Oct 10 | Oct 10 to Oct 11 | Oct 11 to Oct 12 | Oct 12 to Oct 13 |
|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| 25.53%           | 8.74%            | -4.36%           | 8.99%            | 20.03%           |

Past performance is not a guide to future returns. Sources: AXA Investment Managers and Lipper as at 15 October 2013. Basis: Bid to bid, with no income reinvested, net of fees in GBP. Performance is representative of R Inc class.

## Cumulative fund performance versus comparative benchmark

as at 15 October 2013

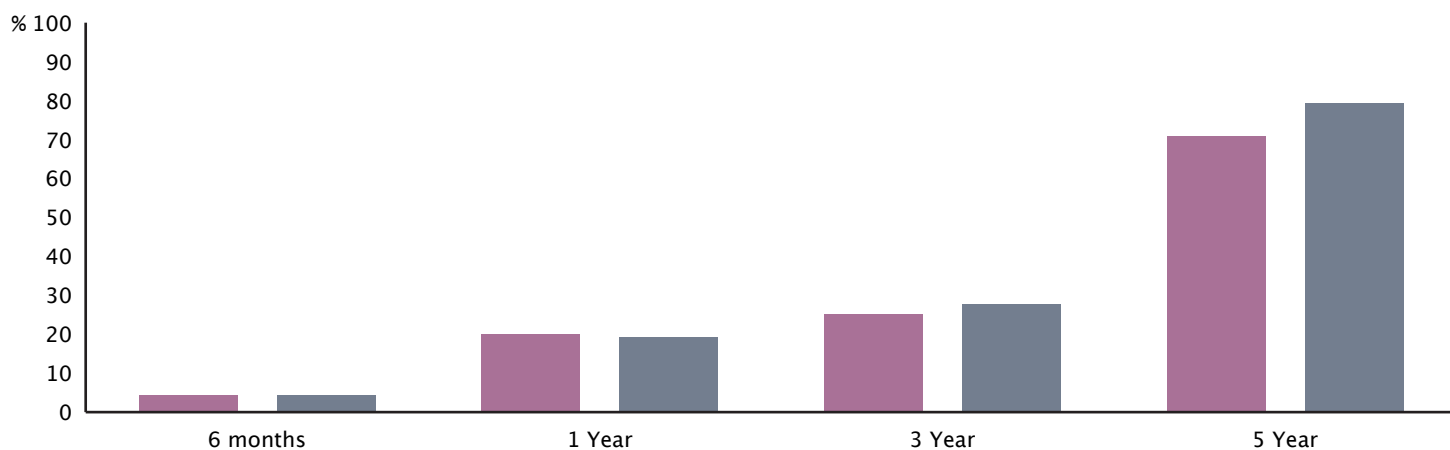
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# AXA Framlington Global Opportunities Fund

## For the year ended 15 October 2013

### Summary of historic prices and distributions

| Year   | Unit class | Unit type | Highest offer price (pence) | Lowest bid price (pence) | Total net distribution per unit (pence) |
|--------|------------|-----------|-----------------------------|--------------------------|---|
| 2008   | R          | Inc       | 788.6                       | 381.2                    | 0.385                                   |
| 2008   | R          | Acc       | 875.6                       | 423.7                    | 0.427                                   |
| 2009   | R          | Inc       | 602.7                       | 395.2                    | 3.080                                   |
| 2009   | R          | Acc       | 673.6                       | 439.2                    | 3.425                                   |
| 2010   | R          | Inc       | 709.2                       | 526.0                    | Nil                                     |
| 2010   | R          | Acc       | 792.7                       | 587.9                    | Nil                                     |
| 2011   | R          | Inc       | 720.8                       | 522.1                    | Nil                                     |
| 2011   | R          | Acc       | 805.6                       | 583.6                    | Nil                                     |
| 2012   | R          | Inc       | 701.4                       | 588.1                    | 3.800                                   |
| 2012   | R          | Acc       | 784.1                       | 658.9                    | 4.314                                   |
| 2012 # | Z          | Acc       | 100.2                       | 90.42                    | 0.671                                   |
| 2013*+ | R          | Inc       | 815.5                       | 636.6                    | 4.626                                   |
| 2013*+ | R          | Acc       | 919.5                       | 715.9                    | 5.167                                   |
| 2013*+ | Z          | Acc       | 120.7                       | 98.63                    | 1.611                                   |

Highest offer and lowest bid price quoted at any time in the calendar year and \* to 15 October 2013.

+ Distribution to 15 December 2013. # Launched on 16 April 2012.

### Net asset value record

| Unit class | Unit type | Net asset value per unit as at 15 October 2013 (pence) | Net asset value per unit as at 15 October 2012 (pence) |
|------------|-----------|--|--|
| R          | Inc       | 755.9  | 631.1  |
| R          | Acc       | 857.9  | 709.3  |
| Z          | Acc       | 118.2  | 97.31  |

Please note, that the NAV prices shown above are different from the Results prices as at 15 October 2013. The differences are due to the fund performance tables taking the quoted valuation prices on the last day of the period, whereas the NAV table above is showing prices including any accounting adjustments at the end of the period (for example, notional dealing charges are removed).

### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

#### Report and accounts

The purpose of sending this Short Report for the Fund is to give you a summary of how the Fund has performed during the accounting period in accordance with the Collective Investment Schemes Sourcebook (COLL) Rules. If you would like any additional information about the Fund you can request a copy of the more detailed long form accounts for the Fund. For a copy of this, please contact our dedicated customer services team on 0845 777 5511.

#### European Savings Directive

The AXA Framlington Global Opportunities Fund has been reviewed against the requirements of the directive 2003/48/EC on taxation of savings in the form of interest payments (ESD), in line with the HM Revenue & Customs debt investment reporting guidance notes. Under the Directive, information is collected about the payment of savings income to residents in certain other countries and is reported to HM Revenue & Customs to be exchanged with tax authorities in those countries. The AXA Framlington Global Opportunities Fund does not meet the HM Revenue & Customs debt investment reporting thresholds. This means that no details of income distributions will be reported to HM Revenue & Customs.

# AXA Framlington Global Opportunities Fund

## For the year ended 15 October 2013

### Top ten holdings as at 15 October 2013

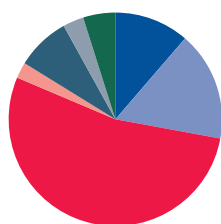
| Company         | Sector              | %    |
|-----------------|---------------------|------|
| Prudential      | UK Equities         | 2.59 |
| EOG Resources   | US Equities         | 2.30 |
| Google          | US Equities         | 2.18 |
| ASML            | Netherland Equities | 2.11 |
| Blackstone      | US Equities         | 2.11 |
| TJX             | US Equities         | 2.06 |
| Bank Of Georgia | UK Equities         | 2.01 |
| US Bancorp      | US Equities         | 1.97 |
| Qualcomm        | US Equities         | 1.85 |
| Diageo          | UK Equities         | 1.83 |

### Top ten holdings as at 15 October 2012

| Company                  | Sector           | %    |
|--------------------------|------------------|------|
| Apple                    | US Equities      | 3.21 |
| British American Tobacco | UK Equities      | 2.98 |
| Philip Morris            | US Equities      | 2.71 |
| Lennar                   | US Equities      | 2.68 |
| MasterCard               | US Equities      | 2.51 |
| Walt Disney              | US Equities      | 2.47 |
| Microsoft                | US Equities      | 2.41 |
| Mead Johnson Nutrition   | US Equities      | 2.41 |
| Kabel Deutschland        | Germany Equities | 2.27 |
| Anheuser-Busch           | Belgium Equities | 2.23 |

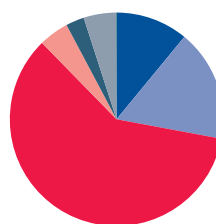
### Portfolio breakdown

as at 15 October 2013



| Sector                           | %     |
|----------------------------------|-------|
| United Kingdom                   | 11.32 |
| Europe (ex. UK & Eastern Europe) | 16.57 |
| North America                    | 53.49 |
| South America                    | 2.42  |
| Japan                            | 8.16  |
| Asia Pacific (ex. Japan)         | 3.16  |
| Net Current Assets               | 4.88  |

as at 15 October 2012



| Sector                           | %     |
|----------------------------------|-------|
| United Kingdom                   | 10.96 |
| Europe (ex. UK & Eastern Europe) | 16.97 |
| North America                    | 59.76 |
| South America                    | 4.55  |
| Japan                            | 2.78  |
| Asia Pacific (ex. Japan)         | 4.92  |
| Net Current Assets               | 0.06  |

All data, source: AXA Investment Managers

# AXA Framlington Global Opportunities Fund

## For the year ended 15 October 2013

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