

# M&G Investment Funds (1)



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## Introduction

### **COMPANY INFORMATION**

#### Company

M&G Investment Funds (1)

#### **Registered Office**

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#### Authorised Corporate Director (ACD)

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Telephone: 0800 390 390 (UK only)

(Authorised and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority)

#### Directors of the ACD

W J Nott (Chief Executive),

G N Cotton, P R Jelfs, M Lewis, G W MacDowall, L J Mumford

#### Investment Manager

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(Authorised and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority)

## Investment Manager for the M&G Japan Fund & the M&G Japan Smaller Companies Fund

Eastspring Investments (Singapore) Limited,

10 Marina Boulevard #32-01, Marina Bay Financial Centre Tower 2, Singapore 018983

#### Fund managers

The following fund managers are employed by M&G Limited which is an associate of M&G Securities Limited.

#### **M&G American Fund**

Aled Smith

#### **M&G Asian Fund**

Matthew Vaight

### M&G European Fund

Greg Aldridge & Charles Anniss

### M&G European Index Tracker Fund

Nigel Booth

### M&G European Smaller Companies Fund

Charles Anniss

### M&G Global Basics Fund

Randeep Somel

At the start of the review period Graham French was the fund manager.

### M&G Global Growth Fund

Greg Aldridge

### **M&G Global Leaders Fund**

Aled Smith

#### M&G North American Value Fund

Daniel White

At the start of the review period Richard Brody was the fund manager.

#### M&G Pan European Fund

Greg Aldridge & Charles Anniss

The following fund managers are employed by Eastspring Investments (Singapore) Limited which is an associate of M&G Securities Limited.

#### **M&G Japan Fund**

Dean Cashman

### M&G Japan Smaller Companies Fund

Max Godwin

### Registrar

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### Depositary

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### **Independent Auditors**

Ernst & Young

10 George Street, Edinburgh EH2 2DZ, UK

Ernst & Young LLP were appointed as independent auditors on 24 March 2014 following the resignation of

PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP.

#### Customer Services and Administration for UK Clients

M&G Securities Limited,

PO Box 9039, Chelmsford CM99 2XG, UK

Please remember to quote your name and M&G client reference and sign any written communication to M&G. Failure to provide this will affect your ability to transact with us.

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For security purposes and to improve the quality of our service, we may record and monitor telephone calls. You will require your M&G client reference. Failure to provide this will affect your ability to transact with us.

### Regulatory changes affecting sub-funds

UK law has been changed in order to segregate each sub-fund's assets and liabilities. This means that each sub-fund is responsible for meeting its own debts and its assets may not be used to pay the debts of the other sub-funds. As a result of the change in regulation, sub-funds are also permitted to invest in other sub-funds in the same umbrella Open-Ended Investment Company (OEIC) under specific conditions. The Prospectus has been updated to reflect these changes.

M&G is a member of the Investment Management Association and of the Tax Incentivised Savings Association.

The Instrument of Incorporation can be inspected at our offices or at the office of the Depositary.

## Introduction

### FOR EUROPEAN INVESTORS

The Prospectus, Instrument of Incorporation, Key Investor Information Documents as well as the latest Annual or Interim Investment Report and Financial Statements are available free of charge on request from the following addresses:

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Issuer Services, Postboks 850, 0900 Copenhagen C, Denmark

### French Centralising Agent:

RBC Dexia Investor Services, Bank France S.A., 105 rue Réaumur, 75002 Paris, France

### German Paying and Information Agent:

J.P. Morgan AG,

Junghofstraße 14, 60311 Frankfurt am Main, Germany

### Irish Facilities Agent:

BNY Mellon Fund Services (Ireland) Limited, Guild House, Guild Street, IFSC, Dublin 1, Ireland

#### **Italian Correspondent Banks:**

Allfunds Bank, S.A.,

Via Santa Margherita 7, 20121 Milano, Italy

Banca Monte dei Paschi di Siena S.p.A.,

Piazza Salimbeni 3, 53100 Siena, Italy

Banca Sella Holding S.p.A.,

Piazza Gaudenzio Sella 1, 13900 Biella, Italy

BNP PARIBAS Securities Services,

Via Ansperto 5, 20123 Milano, Italy

State Street Bank S.p.A.,

Via Ferrante Aporti 10, 20125 Milano, Italy

Société Générale Securities Services S.A.,

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#### Spanish Representative:

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#### **Swedish Paying Agent:**

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#### **Swiss Paying Agent:**

JP Morgan Chase Bank,

National Association, Columbus, Zurich Branch, Dreikönigstrasse 21, 8002 Zürich, Switzerland

### **Swiss Representative:**

Carnegie Fund Services S.A.,

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### FOR HONG KONG INVESTORS

The following sub-funds are not authorised in Hong Kong and not available to Hong Kong residents:

M&G Asian Fund

M&G European Fund

M&G European Index Tracker Fund

M&G European Smaller Companies Fund

M&G Global Growth Fund

M&G Japan Fund

M&G Japan Smaller Companies Fund

M&G North American Value Fund

## Introduction

# AUTHORISED CORPORATE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

The Authorised Corporate Director (ACD) presents its interim investment report and unaudited financial statements for the six months ended 28 February 2014.

The sub-funds in this report are all part of an umbrella Open-Ended Investment Company (OEIC), M&G Investment Funds (1). This OEIC is an Investment Company with Variable Capital (ICVC) incorporated under the Open-Ended Investment Companies Regulations 2001. It is authorised and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority (FCA) under the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000. M&G Investment Funds (1), as an umbrella OEIC, contains 12 sub-funds, each of which is a UCITS (Undertakings for Collective Investment in Transferable Securities) scheme as defined in the Collective Investment Schemes sourcebook, as issued (and amended) by the FCA:

M&G American Fund

M&G Asian Fund

M&G European Fund

M&G European Index Tracker Fund

M&G European Smaller Companies Fund

M&G Global Basics Fund

M&G Global Growth Fund

M&G Global Leaders Fund

M&G Japan Fund

M&G Japan Smaller Companies Fund

M&G North American Value Fund

M&G Pan European Fund

The Company was authorised on 6 June 2001 and was launched on 1 November 2001, following the conversion of a series of authorised unit trusts.

The Company's principal activity is to carry on business as an OEIC. The Company is structured as an umbrella company, and different sub-funds may be established by the ACD from time to time with the agreement of the Depositary and approval from the FCA. The subfunds are operated separately and the assets of each sub-fund are managed in accordance with the investment objective and policy applicable to that sub-fund.

The interim investment report and unaudited financial statements for each sub-fund for the six months ended 28 February 2014 are set out in detail in their section of this report (see contents page).

G W MacDowall
Director of M&G Securities Limited

L J Mumford Director of M&G Securities Limited

14 April 2014

## Aggregated Financial Statements (unaudited)

For the six months ended 28 February 2014.

	20	2014		2013
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Income				
Net capital gains		17,595		1,381,399
Revenue	52,002		67,847	
Expenses	(65,956)		(73,405)	
Finance costs: Interest	(1)		(4)	
Net expense before taxation	(13,955)		(5,562)	
Taxation	(442)		(4,925)	
Net expense after taxation		(14,397)		(10,487)
Total return before distributions		3,198		1,370,912
Finance costs: Distributions		(5,807)		(6,581)
Change in net assets attributable to shareholders from investment activities		(2,609)		1,364,331

	2	2014	2	2013
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Opening net assets attributable to shareholders		8,594,384		8,796,587
Amounts received on issue of shares	563,381		582,412	
Amounts paid on cancellation of shares	(1,797,736)		(1,285,755)	
Value of securities transferred from in-specie cancellations	(34,085)		0	
		(1,268,440)		(703,343)
Stamp Duty Reserve Tax		(195)		(350)
Change in net assets attributable to shareholders from investment activities (see above)		(2,609)		1.364.331
Retained distributions on		(2,000)		1,001,001
Accumulation shares		4,421		4,884
Inclaimed distributions		16		11

The opening net assets attributable to shareholders for 2014 differs to the closing position in 2013 by the change in shareholders' net assets for the second half of the comparative financial year.

	as at 28 February 2014 £'000 £'000			as at gust 2013 £'000
Assets	2 000	2 000	2 000	2 000
Investment assets		7,119,177		8,524,070
Debtors	94,031		105,627	
Cash and bank balances	210,010		36,605	
Total other assets		304,041		142,232
Total assets		7,423,218		8,666,302
Liabilities				
Investment liabilities		(3)		(238)
Creditors				
Net distributions payable on				
Income shares	(909)		(12,750)	
Other creditors	(94,729)		(58,930)	
Total other liabilities		(95,638)		(71,680)
Total liabilities		(95,641)		(71,918)
Net assets attributable to shareholders		7,327,577		8,594,384

### NOTE TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

### **Accounting policies**

The accounting policies applied are set out in the notes to the financial statements of each of the sub-funds.

The aggregated financial statements represent the summation of the financial statements for each of the sub-funds.

### **DIRECTORS' STATEMENT**

This report has been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Collective Investment Schemes sourcebook, as issued and amended by the Financial Conduct Authority.

G W MACDOWALL Director

14 April 2014

## AUTHORISED CORPORATE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

## Investment objective and policy of the M&G American Fund

The Fund's objective is long term capital growth through investment wholly or mainly in securities of North American (including Canadian) issuers. When not wholly invested as above, it may only invest in companies which are listed, registered or trading within North America.

#### Investment approach

The M&G American Fund is an equity fund designed to give investors broad exposure to US equities. The fund manager aims to outperform the S&P 500 Composite Index in the long run and deliver competitive returns against the North American peer group. (In the UK, this is the IMA North America sector; in Europe, the Morningstar US Large Cap Blend Equity sector.)

Stock selection is designed to be the key driver of fund performance. It is the core belief of the fund manager that value creation for shareholders – a company's return in excess of the cost of capital – drives share prices over the long term.

The fund manager looks for investment ideas derived from four alpha generating strategies in order to achieve an appropriate level of portfolio diversification. They are: 'quality', 'internal change', 'external change' and 'asset growth'. Stocks are selected on a bottom-up basis and the fund manager's skill lies in understanding valuation, business models from first principles and management ability, particularly with respect to their approach to capital allocation.

Risk management is an integral part of the investment process and the fund aims to add value through efficient portfolio construction. The fund usually holds between 50 and 80 stocks, with a typical holding period of three to five years.

### Risk and reward profile\*



- The above risk number is based on the rate at which the value of the Fund has moved up and down in the past.
- This risk number is based on historical data and may not be a reliable indicator of the future risk profile of the Fund.
- The risk number shown is not guaranteed and may change over time.
- The lowest risk number does not mean risk free.
- \* This 'Risk and reward profile' section is based on Sterling Class 'A' shares.

# INVESTMENT ACTIVITIES OVER THE REPORT PERIOD

## As at 3 March 2014, for the six months ended 28 February 2014

We made a number of changes to the portfolio during the review period. In technology, we added NVIDIA, which designs and manufactures high performance graphics processing units (GPUs). Whilst demand for PCs in general may be slowing, demand for gaming computers is growing strongly; 'cloud'-based computing is another rapidly expanding market, where NVIDIA's GPUs are needed.

Also in the technology sector, we established a new position in Avago Technologies, a leading designer and manufacturer of electronic and optoelectronic components used in wireless communications and wired infrastructure; these components contain a significant amount of intellectual property. We believe the rollout of 4G services will generate firm demand for the company's products.

In industrials, having done very well with General Electric, we decided to recycle some of the money into smaller and potentially higher returning names such as Deere & Co. The company is one of the largest manufacturers of agricultural machinery such as tractors, combine harvesters and planters in the world. It has been quick to realise that its future lay in providing technology solutions for its customers.

We also initiated a position in power tool manufacturer Stanley Black & Decker. Stanley acquired a Swedish security systems company in 2011. However, the integration took longer than expected, which unsettled investors. We believe the shares are now attractive and there are signs that the integration is back on track.

Elsewhere, we initiated a position in medical device manufacturer Medtronic and disposed of branded beverage company Coca-Cola, while partially selling the fund's holding in household products business Procter & Gamble on valuation grounds.

Medtronic's new chief executive is realigning the company away from low margin products towards businesses which have a greater proportion of recurring revenues and higher earnings visibility. As part of this strategy, Medtronic recently announced the formation of a unit focused on developing partnerships with hospitals and has already been awarded its first two contracts.

Finally, we decreased the fund's exposure to financials, reducing holdings in Citigroup and Wells Fargo as we felt there were other opportunities offering better value.

### **Aled Smith**

Fund manager

An employee of M&G Limited which is an associate of M&G Securities Limited.

Please note that the views expressed in this Report should not be taken as a recommendation or advice on how the fund or any holding mentioned in the Report is likely to perform. If you wish to obtain financial advice as to whether an investment is suitable for your needs, you should consult a Financial Adviser.

## **FUND STATISTICS**

DISTRIBUTION DATES AND FUND FACTS			
Distribution type	xd	payment	
Final	01.09.14	31.10.14	

	Ongoing Chai	
	28.02.14	31.08.13
Sterling	%	%
Class 'A'	1.66	1.66
Class 'I'	0.91	0.91
Class 'R'	1.16	1.16
Class 'X'	1.66	1.66
Euro	%	%
Class 'A'	1.66	1.66
Class 'A-H'	1.68	1.70
Class 'C'	0.91	0.91
Class 'C-H'	0.93	0.95
US dollar	%	%
Class 'A'	1.66	1.66
Class 'C'	0.91	0.91

<sup>[</sup>a] The Ongoing Charges Figure is the ratio of the relevant annualised total disclosable costs of each share class from the most recent reporting period to the average net asset value for that share class over the same period.

The M&G American Fund distributes annually, therefore there is no interim distribution.

Performance of	f chara classo					
renormance o	Net ass per sha	set value are as at 02.14	per sha	set value are as at 08.13		set value nange
	Inc	Acc	Inc	Acc	Inc	Acc
Sterling	р	р	р	р	%	%
Class 'A'	1,098.75	1,414.07	1,047.84	1,348.55	+4.86	+4.86
Class 'l'	1,295.51	1,306.31	1,231.00	1,240.87	+5.24	+5.27
Class 'R'	129.39	130.10	123.09	123.76	+5.12	+5.12
Class 'X'	1,097.46	1,393.44	1,046.62	1,328.89	+4.86	+4.86
Euro	€	€	€	€	%	%
Class 'A'	n/a	12.1818	n/a	11.2411	n/a	+8.37
Class 'A-H'	n/a	13.9114	n/a	12.3420	n/a	+12.72
Class 'C'	n/a	13.1493	n/a	12.0924	n/a	+8.74
Class 'C-H'	n/a	14.1973	n/a	12.5459	n/a	+13.16
US dollar	\$	\$	\$	\$	%	%
Class 'A'	n/a	13.1878	n/a	11.6840	n/a	+12.87
Class 'C'	n/a	13.8869	n/a	12.2577	n/a	+13.29

Past performance is not a guide to future performance.

The value of stockmarket investments, and the income from them, will fluctuate. This will cause the fund price to fall as well as rise and you may not get back the original amount you invested.

PERFORMANCE SINCE LAUNCH						
	six months 02.09.13 %	one year 01.03.13 %	five years 03.03.09 % p.a. [a]	since launch % p.a. <sup>[a]</sup>		
Sterling [b]						
Class 'A'	+4.6	+6.8	+17.1	+7.7 <sup>[c]</sup>		
Class 'I'	+5.0	+6.9	n/a	+16.9 [d]		
Class 'R'	+4.8	+6.9	n/a	+16.8 [d]		
Class 'X'	+4.6	+6.8	+17.1	+8.3 [e]		
Euro [f]						
Class 'A'	+7.8	+12.5	+19.2	+1.6 [9]		
Class 'A-H'	+12.1	+19.0	+20.2	+6.0 [h]		
Class 'C'	+8.2	+13.3	+20.1	+2.2 [9]		
Class 'C-H'	+12.5	+20.0	n/a	+10.4 [i]		
US dollar [f]						
Class 'A'	+12.2	+18.9	+21.4	+3.9 [j]		
Class 'C'	+12.6	+19.8	+22.3	+4.7 [i]		

- [a] Shows the compound rate of return, per annum, over the period.
- [b] Bid to bid excluding reinvested income.
- [9] 18 December 1972, the end of the initial offer period of the predecessor unit trust.
- [d] 3 August 2012, the launch date of the share class.
- [e] 1 October 2002, the launch date of the share class.
- [f] Bid to bid with net income reinvested.
- [g] 28 November 2001, the launch date of the share class.
- [h] 12 September 2008, the launch date of the share class.
- [i] 1 October 2010, the launch date of the share class.
- [j] 9 March 2007, the launch date of the share class.

SINGLE YEAR PERFORMANCE (5 YEARS ENDING FEBRUARY)						
From To	01.03.13 28.02.14 %	01.03.12 28.02.13 %	01.03.11 29.02.12 %	01.03.10 28.02.11 %	01.03.09 28.02.10 %	
Sterling						
Class 'A'	+9.9	+17.5	-1.4	+13.8	+45.7	

Source: Morningstar, Inc., bid to bid with net income reinvested.

## **FUND STATISTICS**

	Calendar year	Income Highest	e shares Lowest	Accumula Highest	tion shares Lowest
Sterling (net)		р	р	р	р
Class 'A'	2009	733.13	470.09	943.34	603.35
	2010	875.06	685.42	1,125.96	881.94
	2011 <sup>[a]</sup>	883.05	675.83	1,136.23	869.80
	2012	889.18	794.65	1,144.36	1,022.70
	2013	1,114.82	885.27	1,434.75	1,139.32
	2014 <sup>[b]</sup>	1,124.24	1,043.92	1,446.87	1,343.49
Class 'I'	2012 <sup>[c]</sup>	1,044.73	990.54	1,046.06	991.80
	2013	1,317.69	1,041.84	1,319.36	1,043.17
	2014 <sup>[b]</sup>	1,324.41	1,230.26	1,335.44	1,240.52
Class 'R'	2012 <sup>[c]</sup>	104.44	99.01	104.55	99.11
	2013	131.49	104.11	131.62	104.21
	2014 [b]	132.31	122.89	133.03	123.56
Class 'X'	2009	732.12	469.43	929.57	594.54
	2010	873.87	684.48	1,109.55	869.08
	2011 [a]	881.84	675.06	1,119.67	857.12
	2012	888.14	793.73	1,127.68	1,007.79
	2013	1,113.52	884.24	1,413.83	1,122.71
	2014 [b]	1,122.93	1,042.70	1,425.77	1,323.90
Euro (net)		€	€	€	€
Class 'A'	2009	n/a	n/a	7.4317	4.8037
	2010	n/a	n/a	9.4206	7.3115
	2011 <sup>[a]</sup>	n/a	n/a	9.6371	7.0734
	2012	n/a	n/a	10.3125	8.7124
	2013	n/a	n/a	12.1058	9.9752
	2014 <sup>[b]</sup>	n/a	n/a	12.3615	11.5515
Class 'A-H'	2009	n/a	n/a	8.9946	5.2982
	2010	n/a	n/a	10.3547	8.0446
	2011 <sup>[a]</sup>	n/a	n/a	10.9627	8.2558
	2012	n/a	n/a	10.8831	9.4850
	2013	n/a	n/a	13.7644	10.9240
	2014 [b]	n/a	n/a	13.9381	12.9327
Class 'C'	2009	n/a	n/a	7.7767	4.9964
	2010	n/a	n/a	9.9305	7.6518
	2011 <sup>[a]</sup>	n/a	n/a	10.1624	7.4937
	2012	n/a	n/a	11.0067	9.2551
	2013	n/a	n/a	13.0428	10.6772
	2014 <sup>[b]</sup>	n/a	n/a	13.3353	12.4664
Class 'C-H'	2010 <sup>[d]</sup>	n/a	n/a	10.3818	9.1418
	2011 <sup>[a]</sup>	n/a	n/a	11.0020	8.3203
	2012	n/a	n/a	10.9920	9.5050
	2013	n/a	n/a	14.0275	11.0430

	(continued)				
	Calendar year	Income Highest	shares Lowest	Accumulat Highest	tion shares Lowest
US dollar (n	net)	\$	\$	\$	\$
Class 'A'	2009	n/a	n/a	8.3642	4.7934
	2010	n/a	n/a	9.7052	7.4891
	2011 <sup>[a]</sup>	n/a	n/a	10.2922	7.8042
	2012	n/a	n/a	10.3292	8.9225
	2013	n/a	n/a	13.0556	10.3768
	2014 <sup>[b]</sup>	n/a	n/a	13.2096	12.2541
Class 'C'	2009	n/a	n/a	8.5369	4.8630
	2010	n/a	n/a	9.9802	7.6733
	2011 <sup>[a]</sup>	n/a	n/a	10.5952	8.0713
	2012	n/a	n/a	10.7800	9.2450
	2013	n/a	n/a	13.7310	10.8328
	2014 <sup>[b]</sup>	n/a	n/a	13.8973	12.8973

<sup>[</sup>a] The Prudential North American Trust merged into the M&G American Fund immediately after 17 June 2011.

<sup>[</sup>d] From 1 October 2010 (the launch date of the share class).

INCOME			
Dividend income per			
	Calendar year	Distributed	Reinvested
Sterling (net)		p	р
Class 'A'	2009	1.6500	2.1177
	2010	nil	nil
	2011	nil	nil
	2012	nil	nil
	2013	nil	nil
	2014 <sup>[a]</sup>	-	-
Class 'I'	2012	1.2930	1.2930
	2013	8.2708	8.2750
	2014 <sup>[a]</sup>	-	-
Class 'R'	2012	0.1050	0.1050
	2013	0.5418	0.5421
	2014 <sup>[a]</sup>	-	-
Class 'X'	2009	1.6350	2.0707
	2010	nil	nil
	2011	nil	nil
	2012	nil	nil
	2013	nil	nil
	2014 <sup>[a]</sup>	-	-

<sup>[</sup>b] To 3 March 2014.

<sup>[</sup>c] From 3 August 2012 (the launch date of the share class).

## **FUND STATISTICS**

Dividend income pe	r share		
·	Calendar year	Distributed	Reinvested
Euro (net)		¢	¢
Class 'A'	2009	n/a	1.7140
	2010	n/a	nil
	2011	n/a	nil
	2012	n/a	nil
	2013	n/a	nil
	2014 <sup>[a]</sup>	n/a	-
Class 'A-H'	2009	n/a	1.9620
	2010	n/a	nil
	2011	n/a	nil
	2012	n/a	nil
	2013	n/a	nil
	2014 <sup>[a]</sup>	n/a	-
Class 'C'	2009	n/a	6.4600
	2010	n/a	2.6140
	2011	n/a	1.1080
	2012	n/a	5.9718
	2013	n/a	7.9625
	2014 <sup>[a]</sup>	n/a	-
Class 'C-H'	2011	n/a	1.0490
	2012	n/a	5.7060
	2013	n/a	7.6094
	2014 [a]	n/a	-
US dollar (net)		¢	¢
Class 'A'	2009	n/a	1.2910
	2010	n/a	nil
	2011	n/a	nil
	2012	n/a	nil
	2013	n/a	nil
	2014 <sup>[a]</sup>	n/a	-
Class 'C'	2009	n/a	7.0830
	2010	n/a	2.5610
	2011	n/a	1.2440
	2012	n/a	5.9040
	2013	n/a	8.0608
	2014 <sup>[a]</sup>	n/a	-

<sup>[</sup>a] The M&G American Fund distributes annually, therefore there is no interim

The level of income earned by the fund will fluctuate.

		Value per share Number of share			
01 11	Period ended	Inc	Acc	Inc	Acc
Sterling Class 'A'	Aug 2011	<b>p</b> 743.40	<b>p</b> 956.73	26,621,745	52,562,62
0.000 71	Aug 2012	866.31	1,114.92	16,704,945	39,668,22
	Aug 2013	1,047.84	1,348.55	10,728,945	32,819,82
	Feb 2014	1,098.75	1,414.07	9,319,545	26,561,92
Class 'l'	Aug 2012	1,016.94	1,018.23	1,000	1,00
	Aug 2013	1,231.00	1,240.87	1,462,400	1,290,60
	Feb 2014	1,295.51	1,306.31	2,883,300	4,240,20
Class 'R'	Aug 2012	101.70	101.80	10,000	10,00
	Aug 2013	123.09	123.76	56,500	45,00
	Feb 2014	129.39	130.10	80,500	85,00
Class 'X'	Aug 2011	742.53	942.77	861,862	5,240,67
	Aug 2012	865.30	1,098.67	1,144,062	5,776,17
	Aug 2013	1,046.62	1,328.89	1,144,062	5,829,07
	Feb 2014	1,097.46	1,393.44	1,032,362	4,951,77
Euro		€	€	, , , , , , ,	,,,,
Class 'A'	Aug 2011	n/a	7.6847	n/a	30,890,23
	Aug 2012	n/a	9.9927	n/a	10,714,03
	Aug 2013	n/a	11.2411	n/a	9,709,23
	Feb 2014	n/a	12.1818	n/a	8,388,13
Class 'A-H'	Aug 2011	n/a	9.2743	n/a	26,928,00
	Aug 2012	n/a	10.4412	n/a	1,219,90
	Aug 2013	n/a	12.3420	n/a	1,049,60
	Feb 2014	n/a	13.9114	n/a	1,074,70
Class 'C'	Aug 2011	n/a	8.1422	n/a	24,161,34
	Aug 2012	n/a	10.6668	n/a	8,020,34
	Aug 2013	n/a	12.0924	n/a	5,411,04
	Feb 2014	n/a	13.1493	n/a	4,393,24
Class 'C-H'	Aug 2011	n/a	9.3292	n/a	4,885,50
	Aug 2012	n/a	10.5261	n/a	4,463,70
	Aug 2013	n/a	12.5459	n/a	4,638,60
	Feb 2014	n/a	14.1973	n/a	3,974,60
US dollar		\$	\$		
Class 'A'	Aug 2011	n/a	8.7079	n/a	31,605,20
	Aug 2012	n/a	9.8692	n/a	5,936,60
	Aug 2013	n/a	11.6840	n/a	4,847,00
	Feb 2014	n/a	13.1878	n/a	4,651,35
Class 'C'	Aug 2011	n/a	8.9997	n/a	29,283,75
	Aug 2012	n/a	10.2766	n/a	8,870,75
	Aug 2013	n/a	12.2577	n/a	10,870,95
	Feb 2014	n/a	13.8869	n/a	8,880,55

Total net asset value of sub-fund Period ended	£	<b>€</b> [a]
Aug 2011	1,734,058,000	1,956,094,000
Aug 2012	955,416,000	1,202,565,000
Aug 2013	1,010,943,000	1,183,704,000
Feb 2014	953,180,000	1,153,096,000

<sup>[</sup>a] Based on the midday exchange rate on the last business day of each accounting period.

PORTFOLIO	STATEMENT			
as at 28 February 2				
-		Value £'000	28.02.14	31.08.13
Holding	Oil & gas producers	2 000	5.83	7.61
275 222	Anadarko Petroleum	13.696	1.44	7.01
- /	Chevron	12,239	1.44	
,	EOG Resources	6,919	0.73	
,		10,852	1.14	
	Talisman Energy	,	1.14	
407,776	Valero Energy	11,855		
	Oil equipment, services & distribution		2.64	2.29
,	Halliburton	11,863	1.24	
240,000	Schlumberger	13,316	1.40	
	Forestry & paper		1.03	0.89
330,060	West Fraser Timber	9,778	1.03	
	Industrial metals & mining		1.04	1.42
137,114	Parker Hannifin	9,874	1.04	
	Construction & materials		0.77	0.00
85 984	Acuity Brands	7,314	0.77	0.00
00,004	•	7,014		4.00
440.004	General industrials	0.050	2.24	4.99
,	General Electric	6,859	0.72	
550,000	111	14,486	1.52	
	Electronic & electrical equipment		4.09	5.09
482,737	Jabil Circuit	5,537	0.58	
375,259	Motorola Solutions	14,820	1.55	
816,525	Trimble Navigation	18,673	1.96	
	Industrial engineering		2.54	0.00
288,861	Deere & Co	14,708	1.54	
283,203	Joy Global	9,508	1.00	
	Industrial transportation		4.21	3.34
432 753	Con-Way	9,935	1.04	0.0 .
,	Norfolk Southern	9,677	1.01	
,	Orbital Sciences	15,699	1.65	
,	UTi Worldwide	4,885	0.51	
100,221		1,000	1.29	1.35
222 654	Support services	10.057	1.29	1.33
322,034	G & K Services	12,257		
	Automobiles & parts		1.71	1.50
414,668	Harley-Davidson	16,255	1.71	
	Beverages		1.32	3.76
406,228	Dr Pepper Snapple	12,567	1.32	
	Food producers		1.24	1.91
327,349	•	11,802	1.24	
, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	Household goods & home construct		5.70	5.23
500 000	Fortune Brands Home & Security	14,110	1.48	3.23
	Procter & Gamble	11,279	1.40	
,	Snap-on	13,877	1.46	
	Stanley Black & Decker	15,103	1.58	
505,350	-	10,100		0 = 0
4 007 000	Leisure goods	4 400	0.46	0.70
1,027,668	LeapFrog Enterprises	4,403	0.46	
	Healthcare equipment & services		5.67	4.90
212,208		4,972	0.52	
,	Covidien	17,171	1.80	
,	Haemonetics	14,721	1.54	
495,092	Medtronic	17,295	1.81	
	Pharmaceuticals & biotechnology		7.59	7.64
581,308	Affymetrix	2,783	0.29	
346,300	Amgen	25,539	2.68	
385,595	Eli Lilly	13,759	1.44	
430,601	Mallinckrodt Pharmaceuticals	18,082	1.90	
634,105	Pfizer	12,244	1.28	

at 28 February 2	2014	Value	28.02.14	31.08.
ding		£'000	%	
005.004	Food & drug retailers	45.707	2.28	2.8
	CVS Caremark	15,797	1.66	
1,545,752	SuperValu	5,956	0.62	
	General retailers		3.07	3.4
	Amazon	16,734	1.76	
358,427	еВау	12,534	1.31	
	Media		6.51	3.
327,755	CBS 'B'	13,040	1.37	
2,479,048	Groupon	12,643	1.33	
1,145,528	News Corporation	12,130	1.27	
301,240	Rocket Fuel	10,442	1.10	
715,582	Twenty-First Century Fox	13,770	1.44	
	Travel & leisure		2.43	2.
221,926	American Airlines	4,862	0.51	
139,819	Madison Square Garden	4,921	0.52	
796,962	MGM Resorts International	13,306	1.40	
	Electricity		2.55	2.
582.015	Dominion Resources	24,269	2.55	
,	Gas, water & multi-utilities		1.75	1.0
705,459	,	16,640	1.75	1.
700,400	•	10,040		•
400.000	Banks	0.000	4.44	8.
	Citigroup	3,993	0.42	
	Huntington Bancshares	24,545	2.58	
498,219	Wells Fargo	13,743	1.44	
	Non-life insurance		1.00	1.
164,627	Ace	9,547	1.00	
	Life insurance		2.06	2.
647,150	MetLife	19,593	2.06	
	Real estate investment trusts		2.53	1.3
1,958,532	BioMed Realty Trust	24,155	2.53	
	Financial services		6.73	5.
291,112	Equifax	12,214	1.28	
968,904	Morgan Stanley	17,617	1.85	
765,945	SLM	10,911	1.14	
309,643	Waddell & Reed Financial	12,743	1.34	
183,373	World Acceptance	10,681	1.12	
	Software & computer services		4.58	5.
262,125	•	12,270	1.29	-
1,383,157		31,391	3.29	
.,500,.01	Technology hardware & equipment	,00 .	8.14	5.
53 <i>1</i> 535	Avago Technologies	19,663	2.06	3.
328,033	0 0	4,866	0.51	
1,597,595		17,703	1.86	
	Qualcomm	17,7657	1.85	
	Tech Data	9,763	1.02	
601,115		8,015	0.84	
001,110		0,0.0		/0
C000 E40	Forward currency contracts	0	0.06	(0.
	Bought for €19,552 (expires 24.03.14)	0	0.00	
€1,002,520	Bought for C\$2,499,934 (expires 24.03.14)	28	0.00	
€69,185,832	Bought for \$94,527,825 (expires 24.03.14)	541	0.06	
\$834,883	Bought for €608,459 (expires 24.03.14)		0.00	
,	'AAA' rated money market funds [a]	. , ,	1.97	2.
31 308 000	Northern Trust Global Fund - US dollar	18,763	1.97	۷.,
tfolio of investr				00
other assets	nema	948,155 5,025	99.47 0.53	99. 0.
other assets		3,020	100.00	100.

<sup>[</sup>a] Uncommitted surplus cash is placed into 'AAA' rated money market funds with the aim of reducing counterparty risk.

## **PORTFOLIO**

PORTFOLIO TRANSACTIONS

COUNTERPARTY EXPOSURE				
	Financial deriva	Financial derivative exposure		
Counterparty	Forward currency contracts £'000	Total as at 28.02.14 £'000		
State Street Bank	566	566		
Total	566	566		

for the six months ended 28 February 2014	
Largest purchases	£'00
Medtronic	17,79
Con-Way	17,56
Avago Technologies	17,20
NVIDIA	17,17
Deere & Co	15,83
Groupon	14,94
Stanley Black & Decker	14,61
SLM	12,24
Rocket Fuel	11,35
BioMed Realty Trust	11,22
Joy Global	9,64
Morgan Stanley	7,82
News Corporation	6,97
Acuity Brands	6,76
Tech Data	6,02
Equifax	5,89
Norfolk Southern	5,14
Trimble Navigation	5,10
American Airlines	4,92
LeapFrog Enterprises	3,38
Northern Trust Global Fund - US dollar [a]	156,17
Other purchases	43,62
Total purchases	411,44
Largest sales	£'00
General Electric	28,09
Citigroup	27,93
Coca-Cola	15,79
Intel	12,47
Procter & Gamble	12,42
Wells Fargo	12,23
Dr Pepper Snapple	9,95
Equifax	9,45
EOG Resources	9,34
Trimble Navigation	9,13
Intuit	9,03
Pfizer	9,00
Ace	8,62
Qualcomm	7,95
Eli Lilly	7,87
Jabil Circuit	7,82
KLA-Tencor	7,80
eBay	7,69
Abaxis	7,45
Microsoft	6,60
Northern Trust Global Fund - US dollar [a]	161,20
Other sales	132,44

<sup>[</sup>a] Uncommitted surplus cash is placed into 'AAA' rated money market funds with the aim of reducing counterparty risk.

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For the six months ended 28 February 2014.

STATEMENT OF TOTAL RETURN			
20	)14	2	013
£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
	49,106		134,794
8,064		9,661	
(7,314)		(7,059)	
0		(1)	
750		2,601	
813		(1,436)	
	1,563		1,165
	50,669		135,959
	(57)		(40)
	50 612		135,919
	8,064 (7,314) 0 750	2014 £'000 £'000 49,106 8,064 (7,314) 0 750 813 1,563 50,669 (57)	2014 £'000 £'000 £'000 49,106 8,064 9,661 (7,314) (7,059) 0 (1) 750 2,601 813 (1,436) 1,563 50,669 (57)

		2014	2	2013
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Opening net assets attributable to shareholders		1,010,943		955,416
Amounts received on issue of shares	161,844		113,827	
Amounts paid on cancellation of shares	(270,219)		(221,480)	
		(108,375)		(107,653)
Change in net assets attributable to shareholders from investment				
activities (see above)		50,612		135,919
Closing net assets attributable				
to shareholders		953,180		983,682

The opening net assets attributable to shareholders for 2014 differs to the closing position in 2013 by the change in net assets attributable to shareholders for the second half of the comparative financial year.

BALANCE SHEET				
	-	s at uary 2014 £'000	-	ns at gust 2013 £'000
Assets				
Investment assets		948,158		1,010,010
Debtors	42,623		5,248	
Cash and bank balances	622		1,809	
Total other assets		43,245		7,057
Total assets		991,403		1,017,067
Liabilities				
Investment liabilities		(3)		(218)
Creditors				
Net distributions payable				
on income shares	0		(121)	
Other creditors	(38,220)		(5,785)	
Total other liabilities		(38,220)		(5,906)
Total liabilities		(38,223)		(6,124)
Net assets attributable to shareholders		953,180		1,010,943

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### NOTE TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

### **Accounting policies**

The interim financial statements have been prepared on the same basis as the audited annual financial statements for the year ended 31 August 2013. They are in accordance with the historical cost convention, as modified by the revaluation of investments, and the Statement of Recommended Practice for Authorised Funds issued by the Investment Management Association in October 2010.

# AUTHORISED CORPORATE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

## Investment objective and policy of the M&G Asian Fund

The Fund's sole objective is long term capital growth. It invests wholly or mainly in a range of Asian (including Australasian) securities. When not wholly invested as above, the Fund may also invest in global securities with the exception of Japanese securities.

#### Investment approach

The M&G Asian Fund is an equity fund invested in publicly listed companies throughout Asia, excluding Japan, regardless of sector or size. The fund can also invest in companies outside Asia that conduct a significant part of their business activities in the region.

The fund manager focuses exclusively on bottom-up stock selection aiming to deliver consistent top-quartile performance in the Asia Pacific ex Japan sector. (In the UK, this is the IMA Asia Pacific ex Japan sector; in Europe, the Morningstar Asia Pacific ex Japan Equity sector.) It is the core belief of the fund manager that value creation for shareholders, not economic growth, drives share prices over the long run. Consequently, investment decisions are determined by the fundamental analysis of individual companies and the fund's country and sector exposure is not influenced by top-down views.

The investment strategy of the fund is to identify companies that are undergoing improvements in their return on capital, either through external change or internal change. The fund also invests in higher returning businesses where the market does not believe these levels of returns are sustainable; we define these as asset growth and quality companies.

The fund manager aims to hold between 50 and 70 stocks, with a typical holding period of three to five years. Taking a long term view enables the manager to align his interests with the strategic value-creating decisions of company management. It also allows him to take advantage of valuation anomalies created by the short-term nature of Asian stockmarkets.

### Risk and reward profile\*



- The above risk number is based on the rate at which the value of the Fund has moved up and down in the past.
- This risk number is based on historical data and may not be a reliable indicator of the future risk profile of the Fund.
- The risk number shown is not guaranteed and may change over time.
- The lowest risk number does not mean risk free.
- \* This 'Risk and reward profile' section is based on Sterling Class 'A' shares.

# INVESTMENT ACTIVITIES OVER THE REPORT PERIOD

## As at 3 March 2014, for the six months ended 28 February 2014

As value investors, we are drawn to countries and industries that have underperformed. China is a market that investors have shunned lately, and during the review period, we invested in PICC Property & Casualty, China's biggest non-life insurance company. PICC offers insurance cover for vehicles and buildings and we believe it should benefit from rising wealth and consumption in China. We also bought shares in Fufeng, one of the world's largest producers of flavour enhancers, including monosodium glutamate. In our view, consolidation in the market should enhance the firm's pricing power. Existing positions in Dongfeng Motor, a Chinese automaker, and medical equipment manufacturer Mindray Medical International were increased too.

SK hynix, a Korean maker of memory chips, joined the portfolio as well. We were attracted by the management's disciplined approach to investment and believe SK hynix is well placed to exploit the demand for memory in mobile devices. Kia Motors, a Korean car maker, was another newcomer. The firm is an affiliate of Hyundai Motor, one of our existing holdings. In our view, both companies are improving their operational efficiency and focusing on profitability, but the market is underestimating their potential. We added to the position in Hyundai during the period, and also topped up a position in Standard Chartered, a UK-listed bank that operates extensively in Asia.

In terms of sales, we took profits in several holdings that had performed well, such as Taiwanese manufacturer of power supplies Delta Electronics, HollySys Automation Technologies, a Chinese provider of control devices to the railway network, and Singapore-listed chocolate maker Petra Foods. We also closed our position in Bank of India, as we had concerns about the state-owned lender's vulnerability to slowing growth in India. Naver Corporation, a Korean internet company, left the portfolio too. Naver has a popular mobile messaging application and its share price has soared as investors have high expectations for its growth prospects. However, we considered Naver's potential to be fully reflected in the share price and exited the position.

### **Matthew Vaight**

Fund manager

An employee of M&G Limited which is an associate of M&G Securities Limited.

Please note that the views expressed in this Report should not be taken as a recommendation or advice on how the fund or any holding mentioned in the Report is likely to perform. If you wish to obtain financial advice as to whether an investment is suitable for your needs, you should consult a Financial Adviser.

## **FUND STATISTICS**

DISTRIBUTION DATES AND FUND FACTS			
Distribution type	xd	payment	
Final	01.09.14	31.10.14	

	Ongoing Cha	Ongoing Charges Figure [a]	
	28.02.14	31.08.13	
Sterling	%	%	
Class 'A'	1.73	1.73	
Class 'I'	0.99	1.02	
Class 'R'	1.23	1.25	
Class 'X'	1.73	1.73	
Euro	%	%	
Class 'A'	1.73	1.73	
Class 'C'	0.98	0.98	
US dollar	%	%	
Class 'A'	1.73	1.73	
Class 'C'	0.98	0.99	

<sup>[</sup>a] The Ongoing Charges Figure is the ratio of the relevant annualised total disclosable costs of each share class from the most recent reporting period to the average net asset value for that share class over the same period.

The M&G Asian Fund distributes annually, therefore there is no interim distribution.

Performance of	per sh	set value are as at 02.14	per sh	set value are as at 08.13	% ch	et value ange
Ctarling	Inc	Acc	Inc	Acc	Inc %	Acc %
Sterling Class 'A'	<b>p</b> 989.67	<b>p</b> 1,525.71	<b>p</b> 989.79	<b>p</b> 1,525.92	-0.01	-0.01
Class 'l'	1,121.55	1,137.40	1,117.49	1,133.38	+0.36	+0.35
Class 'R'	111.91	113.33	111.64	113.06	+0.24	+0.24
Class 'X'	988.63	1,511.49	988.76	1,511.70	-0.01	-0.01
Euro	€	€	€	€	%	%
Class 'A'	n/a	28.2168	n/a	27.3147	n/a	+3.30
Class 'C'	n/a	30.5713	n/a	29.4840	n/a	+3.69
US dollar	\$	\$	\$	\$	%	%
Class 'A'	n/a	22.5109	n/a	20.9159	n/a	+7.63
Class 'C'	n/a	23.3931	n/a	21.6550	n/a	+8.03

Past performance is not a guide to future performance.

The value of stockmarket investments, and the income from them, will fluctuate. This will cause the fund price to fall as well as rise and you may not get back the original amount you invested.

PERFORMANCE	SINCE LAUNC	Н		
	six months 02.09.13 %	one year 01.03.13 %	five years 03.03.09 % p.a. [a]	since launch % p.a. <sup>[a]</sup>
Sterling [b]				
Class 'A'	-1.2	-12.6	+16.7	+7.8 <sup>[c]</sup>
Class 'I'	-0.8	-12.6	n/a	+6.7 [d]
Class 'R'	-1.0	-12.8	n/a	+6.6 [d]
Class 'X'	-1.2	-12.6	+16.7	+12.9 [e]
Euro [f]				
Class 'A'	+1.8	-7.7	+19.4	+8.8 [9]
Class 'C'	+2.2	-7.0	+20.3	+9.5 [g]
US dollar [f]				
Class 'A'	+6.0	-2.4	+21.5	+16.6 <sup>[h]</sup>
Class 'C'	+6.4	-1.7	+22.4	+17.5 [h]

- [a] Shows the compound rate of return, per annum, over the period.
- [b] Bid to bid excluding reinvested income.
- [c] 14 September 1973, the end of the initial offer period of the predecessor unit trust.
- [d] 3 August 2012, the launch date of the share class.
- [e] 1 October 2002, the launch date of the share class.
- [f] Bid to bid with net income reinvested.
- [g] 28 November 2001, the launch date of the share class.
- [h] 19 December 2008, the launch date of the share class.

SINGLE YEAR PERFORMANCE (5 YEARS ENDING FEBRUARY)							
From To	01.03.13 28.02.14 %	01.03.12 28.02.13 %	01.03.11 29.02.12 %	01.03.10 28.02.11 %	01.03.09 28.02.10 %		
Sterling Class 'A'	-10.1	+17.3	+3.2	+16.6	+75.7		

Source: Morningstar, Inc., bid to bid with net income reinvested.

## **FUND STATISTICS**

PRICES					
(	Calendar year	Income Highest	e shares Lowest	Accumulat Highest	tion shares Lowest
Sterling (net)		р	р	р	р
Class 'A'	2009	796.39	442.44	1,208.79	665.58
	2010	1,001.81	747.21	1,527.81	1,134.14
	2011	1,017.47	768.05	1,551.71	1,173.65
	2012	997.89	837.16	1,533.40	1,279.26
	2013	1,136.62	954.50	1,746.56	1,466.69
	2014 [a]	1,025.32	955.40	1,580.65	1,472.90
Class 'I'	2012 <sup>[b]</sup>	1,129.75	976.63	1,133.11	979.53
	2013	1,288.74	1,084.61	1,292.59	1,087.85
	2014 [a]	1,160.61	1,082.01	1,176.94	1,097.33
Class 'R'	2012 <sup>[b]</sup>	112.91	97.67	113.21	97.93
	2013	128.77	108.30	129.10	108.57
	2014 [a]	115.85	107.98	117.31	109.36
Class 'X'	2009	795.71	442.10	1,197.45	659.40
	2010	1,000.94	746.57	1,513.47	1,123.50
	2011	1,016.59	767.26	1,537.13	1,162.62
	2012	996.92	836.60	1,518.98	1,267.23
	2013	1,135.51	953.62	1,730.16	1,453.02
	2014 <sup>[a]</sup>	1,024.25	954.40	1,565.92	1,459.17
Euro (net)		€	€	€	€
Class 'A'	2009	n/a	n/a	20.5175	11.4052
	2010	n/a	n/a	27.3060	19.8874
	2011	n/a	n/a	28.1225	20.7867
	2012	n/a	n/a	28.7876	23.3995
	2013	n/a	n/a	31.0598	26.3789
	2014 [a]	n/a	n/a	29.1756	27.2478
Class 'C'	2009	n/a	n/a	21.5467	11.9074
	2010	n/a	n/a	28.8890	20.9020
	2011	n/a	n/a	29.7614	22.1192
	2012	n/a	n/a	30.9071	24.9454
	2013	n/a	n/a	33.4563	28.4340
	2014 <sup>[a]</sup>	n/a	n/a	31.5726	29.5112
US dollar (net)		\$	\$	\$	\$
Class 'A'	2009	n/a	n/a	17.0903	8.3167
	2010	n/a	n/a	20.9141	15.1476
	2011	n/a	n/a	22.2251	16.0549
	2012	n/a	n/a	21.8500	17.6085
	2013	n/a	n/a	23.4382	19.9996
	2014 [a]	n/a	n/a	23.0988	21.3824
Class 'C'	2009	n/a	n/a	17.2115	8.3267
	2010	n/a	n/a	21.2198	15.3007
	2011	n/a	n/a	22.6523	16.3863
	2012	n/a	n/a	22.5077	18.0544
	2013	n/a	n/a	24.2915	20.6773
	2014 <sup>[a]</sup>	n/a	n/a	23.9754	22.2094

Olass A	2003	0.3730	3.3302
	2010	4.0740	6.1837
	2011	1.7780	2.6400
	2012	4.9170	7.7860
	2013	3.2531	3.9056
	2014 <sup>[a]</sup>	-	-
Class 'I'	2012	10	2.9550
	2013	12.4785	12.6898
	2014 <sup>[a]</sup>	-	-
Class 'R'	2012	0.2660	0.2660
	2013	1.1335	1.1477
	2014 <sup>[a]</sup>	-	-
Class 'X'	2009	6.3620	9.4890
	2010	4.0820	6.1429
	2011	1.9220	2.8640
	2012	4.8680	7.8640
	2013	3.3702	5.2202
	2014 [a]	-	-
Euro (net)		¢	¢
Class 'A'	2009		16.7790
	2010	n/a	13.0740
	2011	n/a	4.4600
	2012	n/a	16.8830
	2013	n/a	10.5665
	2014 [a]	n/a	-
Class 'C'	2009	n/a	26.8580
	2010	n/a	29.8930
	2011	n/a	24.9560
	2012	n/a	35.9910
	2013	n/a	32.7831
	2014 [a]	n/a	-
US dollar (net)		¢	¢
Class 'A'	2009	n/a	8.8550
	2010	n/a	11.1880
	2011	n/a	10.6850
	2012	n/a	12.1760
	2013	n/a	8.5121
	2014 [a]	n/a	-
Class 'C'	2009	n/a	14.6580
	2010	n/a	20.9400
	2011	n/a	19.9240
	2012	n/a	25.2170
	2013	n/a	23.8828
	2014 [a]	n/a	-

Distributed

р

6.3750

Reinvested

р

9.5902

[a] The M&G Asian Fund distributes annually, therefore there is no interim distribution.

The level of income earned by the fund will fluctuate.

INCOME

Sterling (net)

Class 'A'

Dividend income per share Calendar year

2009

<sup>[</sup>a] To 3 March 2014.

<sup>[</sup>b] From 3 August 2012 (the launch date of the share class).

## **FUND STATISTICS**

		Value p	er share	Number	of shares
	Period ended	Inc	Acc	Inc	Acc
Sterling		p	p	10.010.000	0.050.000
Class 'A'	Aug 2011	896.18	1,371.90	12,810,983	8,656,099
	Aug 2012	876.14	1,346.32	15,350,341	9,119,902
	Aug 2013	989.79	1,525.92	14,831,041	5,999,352
	Feb 2014	989.67	1,525.71	14,822,541	5,743,052
Class 'l'	Aug 2012	989.50	992.46	100	100
	Aug 2013	1,117.49	1,133.38	160,100	314,950
	Feb 2014	1,121.55	1,137.40	272,100	768,150
Class 'R'	Aug 2012	98.96	99.22	1,000	1,000
	Aug 2013	111.64	113.06	111,500	73,000
	Feb 2014	111.91	113.33	150,500	73,000
Class 'X'	Aug 2011	895.25	1,356.57	1,231,093	403,690
	Aug 2012	875.28	1,333.67	1,196,893	570,490
	Aug 2013	988.76	1,511.70	1,199,793	434,440
	Feb 2014	988.63	1,511.49	1,135,093	545,990
Euro		€	€		
Class 'A'	Aug 2011	n/a	23.6171	n/a	3,717,295
	Aug 2012	n/a	25.9062	n/a	4,159,795
	Aug 2013	n/a	27.3147	n/a	3,528,395
	Feb 2014	n/a	28.2168	n/a	3,866,709
Class 'C'	Aug 2011	n/a	25.1118	n/a	4,660,810
	Aug 2012	n/a	27.7547	n/a	3,840,460
	Aug 2013	n/a	29.4840	n/a	4,063,560
	Feb 2014	n/a	30.5713	n/a	4,213,960
US dollar		\$	\$		
Class 'A'	Aug 2011	n/a	19.7189	n/a	613,600
	Aug 2012	n/a	18.8539	n/a	1,380,000
	Aug 2013	n/a	20.9159	n/a	1,355,800
	Feb 2014	n/a	22.5109	n/a	1,432,100
Class 'C'	Aug 2011	n/a	20.1118	n/a	1,017,700
	Aug 2012	n/a	19.3741	n/a	458,300
	Aug 2013	n/a	21.6550	n/a	914,600
	Feb 2014	n/a	23.3931	n/a	1,040,650
Total net as	set value of sub-fund		£		[a]
	Period ended Aug 2011		40,000	509,47	
	Aug 2011		97,000	588,68	
				· · ·	-
	Aug 2013		42,000	559,73	
	Feb 2014	496,4	21,000	600,53	00,000

 $<sup>{\</sup>it [a]}$  Based on the midday exchange rate on the last business day of each accounting period.

PORTFOLIO	STATEMENT			
as at 28 February 2	2014			
Holding		Value £'000	28.02.14	31.08.13 %
	United Kingdom		6.87	5.56
4,670,000	AZ Electronic Materials	18,582	3.74	
858,000	Prudential	11,652	2.35	
3,900,000	Salamander Energy	3,861	0.78	
	Australia		9.38	9.14
2,281,840	ALS	9,263	1.87	
2,595,000	BlueScope Steel	8,542	1.72	
3,495,000	Downer EDI	9,233	1.86	
1,725,000	Iluka Resources	8,698	1.75	
1,500,000	Mesoblast	4,607	0.93	
325,000	Orica	4,206	0.85	
7,600,564	Panoramic Resources	1,490	0.30	
2,025,000	Rex Minerals	478	0.10	
	China		19.20	20.40
26,090,000	AMVIG Holdings	6,285	1.27	
6,930,600	China Resources Power	10,018	2.02	
11,154,000	China Unicom	8,905	1.79	
11,540,000	CNOOC	11,334	2.28	
9,045,000	Dongfeng Motor	7,333	1.48	
5,120,000	Hang Lung Properties	8,480	1.71	
1,055,449	HollySys Automation Technologies	12,612	2.54	
573,000	Mindray Medical International ADR	12,245	2.47	
5,534,000	PICC Property & Casualty	4,530	0.91	
30,400,000	Shanghai Electric Group 'H'	6,197	1.25	
20,954,853	Shui On Land	3,463	0.70	
7,255,000	Yingde Gases	3,854	0.78	
	Hong Kong		15.54	15.08
5,400,000	Esprit	6,071	1.22	
11,100,000	Fufeng Group	2,631	0.53	
2,149,250	HSBC Holdings	13,642	2.75	
2,490,500	Hutchison Whampoa	20,115	4.05	
39,995,000	PCCW	11,365	2.29	
824,000	Standard Chartered	10,454	2.11	
4,800,000	Techtronic Industries	7,561	1.52	
6,554,438	The Hongkong and Shanghai Hotels	5,324	1.07	
	India		10.98	10.47
866,000	Axis Bank	10,624	2.14	
2,520,000	CESC	11,820	2.38	
4,940,000	Crompton Greaves	6,150	1.24	
1,097,000	Genpact	10,749	2.17	
	Idea Cellular	4,986	1.00	
2,670,000	Indiabulls Housing Finance	4,944	1.00	
1,495,000	Power Grid Corporation of India	1,368	0.28	
	Punjab National Bank	2,801	0.56	
23,678,804	REI Agro	1,053	0.21	
	Philippines		2.55	2.56
165,499,950	Energy Development	12,666	2.55	
	Singapore		8.18	8.78
11,500,000	CSE Global	3,346	0.67	
1,460,000	DBS Group Holdings	11,398	2.30	
14,080,000	Genting	3,291	0.66	
426,679	Jardine Matheson	14,856	2.99	
2,099,000	Petra Foods	3,496	0.70	
434,727	United Overseas Bank	4,243	0.86	

at 28 February 2	2014	Value £'000	28.02.14	31.08.13
	South Korea		15.41	15.0
492,007	Hana Financial Group	11,490	2.31	
110,906	Hyundai Motor	15,192	3.06	
156,000	Kia Motors	4,852	0.98	
33,700	Samsung Electronic	25,503	5.14	
486,000	Shinhan Financial Group	12,114	2.44	
338,600	SK hynix	7,356	1.48	
	Taiwan		6.81	8.1
8,956,564	Compal Electronics	3,623	0.73	
3,245,000	Delta Electronics	10,783	2.17	
7,580,178	Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing	16,118	3.25	
1,933,000	Yungtay Engineering	3,281	0.66	
	Thailand		1.95	1.5
29,500,000	Krung Thai Bank	9,700	1.95	
	Brazil		1.66	2.0
1,090,000	Vale ADR	8,263	1.66	
	Eire ('AAA' rated money market funds) [a]		0.36	0.0
2,999,000	Northern Trust Global Fund - US dollar	1,797	0.36	
ortfolio of investr	nents	490,894	98.89	98.7
et other assets		5,527	1.11	1.3
at accote attribut	table to shareholders	496,421	100.00	100.00

<sup>[</sup>a] Uncommitted surplus cash is placed into 'AAA' rated money market funds with the aim of reducing counterparty risk.

PORTFOLIO TRANSACTIONS	
for the six months ended 28 February 2014	
Largest purchases	£'000
SK hynix	6,901
Standard Chartered	6,549
PICC Property & Casualty	5,225
Kia Motors	5,094
Hyundai Motor	5,029
Orica	4,216
Jardine Matheson	3,767
Genting	3,740
Mindray Medical International ADR	3,561
Krung Thai Bank	3,061
Fufeng Group	2,687
AZ Electronic Materials	2,532
Indiabulls Housing Finance	2,121
Dongfeng Motor	2,065
Iluka Resources	2,065
China Resources Power	2,065
Hang Lung Properties	2,054
Genpact	2,021
Hutchison Whampoa	1,557
Axis Bank	1,501
Northern Trust Global Fund - US dollar [a]	51,454
Other purchases	13,868
Total purchases	133,133
Total purchases  Largest sales	133,133 £'000
Largest sales Naver Corporation	
Largest sales Naver Corporation Delta Electronics	£'000
Largest sales Naver Corporation Delta Electronics Petra Foods	£'000 9,514 4,555 4,182
Largest sales Naver Corporation Delta Electronics Petra Foods Yingde Gases	£'000 9,514 4,555 4,182 3,922
Largest sales Naver Corporation Delta Electronics Petra Foods Yingde Gases Bank of India	£'000 9,514 4,555 4,182 3,922 3,655
Largest sales Naver Corporation Delta Electronics Petra Foods Yingde Gases Bank of India LG Life Sciences	£'000 9,514 4,555 4,182 3,922 3,655 3,171
Largest sales Naver Corporation Delta Electronics Petra Foods Yingde Gases Bank of India LG Life Sciences Idea Cellular	£'000 9,514 4,555 4,182 3,922 3,655 3,171 3,046
Largest sales Naver Corporation Delta Electronics Petra Foods Yingde Gases Bank of India LG Life Sciences Idea Cellular CESC	£'000 9,514 4,555 4,182 3,922 3,655 3,171 3,046 2,510
Largest sales Naver Corporation Delta Electronics Petra Foods Yingde Gases Bank of India LG Life Sciences Idea Cellular CESC United Overseas Bank	£'000 9,514 4,555 4,182 3,922 3,655 3,171 3,046 2,510 2,467
Largest sales Naver Corporation Delta Electronics Petra Foods Yingde Gases Bank of India LG Life Sciences Idea Cellular CESC United Overseas Bank HollySys Automation Technologies	£'000 9,514 4,555 4,182 3,922 3,655 3,171 3,046 2,510 2,467 2,230
Largest sales Naver Corporation Delta Electronics Petra Foods Yingde Gases Bank of India LG Life Sciences Idea Cellular CESC United Overseas Bank HollySys Automation Technologies Esprit	£'000 9,514 4,555 4,182 3,922 3,655 3,171 3,046 2,510 2,467 2,230 2,044
Largest sales Naver Corporation Delta Electronics Petra Foods Yingde Gases Bank of India LG Life Sciences Idea Cellular CESC United Overseas Bank HollySys Automation Technologies Esprit Compal Electronics	£'000 9,514 4,555 4,182 3,922 3,655 3,171 3,046 2,510 2,467 2,230 2,044 2,022
Largest sales Naver Corporation Delta Electronics Petra Foods Yingde Gases Bank of India LG Life Sciences Idea Cellular CESC United Overseas Bank HollySys Automation Technologies Esprit Compal Electronics Hutchison Whampoa	£'000 9,514 4,555 4,182 3,922 3,655 3,171 3,046 2,510 2,467 2,230 2,044 2,022 1,989
Largest sales Naver Corporation Delta Electronics Petra Foods Yingde Gases Bank of India LG Life Sciences Idea Cellular CESC United Overseas Bank HollySys Automation Technologies Esprit Compal Electronics Hutchison Whampoa Prudential	£'000 9,514 4,555 4,182 3,922 3,655 3,171 3,046 2,510 2,467 2,230 2,044 2,022 1,989 1,909
Largest sales  Naver Corporation  Delta Electronics  Petra Foods  Yingde Gases  Bank of India  LG Life Sciences Idea Cellular  CESC  United Overseas Bank  HollySys Automation Technologies  Esprit  Compal Electronics  Hutchison Whampoa  Prudential  BlueScope Steel	£'000 9,514 4,555 4,182 3,922 3,655 3,171 3,046 2,510 2,467 2,230 2,044 2,022 1,989 1,909 1,907
Largest sales  Naver Corporation  Delta Electronics  Petra Foods  Yingde Gases  Bank of India  LG Life Sciences Idea Cellular  CESC  United Overseas Bank  HollySys Automation Technologies  Esprit  Compal Electronics  Hutchison Whampoa  Prudential  BlueScope Steel  Downer EDI	£'000 9,514 4,555 4,182 3,922 3,655 3,171 3,046 2,510 2,467 2,230 2,044 2,022 1,989 1,909 1,907 1,537
Largest sales  Naver Corporation  Delta Electronics  Petra Foods  Yingde Gases  Bank of India  LG Life Sciences Idea Cellular  CESC  United Overseas Bank  HollySys Automation Technologies  Esprit  Compal Electronics  Hutchison Whampoa  Prudential  BlueScope Steel  Downer EDI  Techtronic Industries	£'000  9,514 4,555 4,182 3,922 3,655 3,171 3,046 2,510 2,467 2,230 2,044 2,022 1,989 1,909 1,907 1,537 1,520
Largest sales  Naver Corporation  Delta Electronics  Petra Foods  Yingde Gases  Bank of India  LG Life Sciences Idea Cellular  CESC  United Overseas Bank  HollySys Automation Technologies  Esprit  Compal Electronics  Hutchison Whampoa  Prudential  BlueScope Steel  Downer EDI  Techtronic Industries  Shui On Land	£'000  9,514 4,555 4,182 3,922 3,655 3,171 3,046 2,510 2,467 2,230 2,044 2,022 1,989 1,909 1,907 1,537 1,520 1,386
Largest sales  Naver Corporation  Delta Electronics  Petra Foods  Yingde Gases  Bank of India  LG Life Sciences Idea Cellular  CESC  United Overseas Bank  HollySys Automation Technologies  Esprit  Compal Electronics  Hutchison Whampoa  Prudential  BlueScope Steel  Downer EDI  Techtronic Industries  Shui On Land  Shanghai Electric Group 'H'	£'000  9,514 4,555 4,182 3,922 3,655 3,171 3,046 2,510 2,467 2,230 2,044 2,022 1,989 1,909 1,907 1,537 1,520 1,386 1,104
Largest sales Naver Corporation Delta Electronics Petra Foods Yingde Gases Bank of India LG Life Sciences Idea Cellular CESC United Overseas Bank HollySys Automation Technologies Esprit Compal Electronics Hutchison Whampoa Prudential BlueScope Steel Downer EDI Techtronic Industries Shui On Land Shanghai Electric Group 'H' Axis Bank	£'000  9,514 4,555 4,182 3,922 3,655 3,171 3,046 2,510 2,467 2,230 2,044 2,022 1,989 1,909 1,907 1,537 1,520 1,386 1,104 1,059
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<sup>[</sup>a] Uncommitted surplus cash is placed into 'AAA' rated money market funds with the aim of reducing counterparty risk.

# INTERIM FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (unaudited)

For the six months ended 28 February 2014.

	2014		2	013
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Income				
Net capital (losses) / gains		(757)		118,494
Revenue	3,111		2,611	
Expenses	(3,820)		(3,861)	
Finance costs: Interest	(1)		0	
Net expense before taxation	(710)		(1,250)	
Taxation	(258)		(172)	
Net expense after taxation		(968)		(1,422)
Total return before equalisation		(1,725)		117,072
Finance costs: Equalisation		14		(32)
Change in net assets attributable to shareholders from investment activities		(1,711)		117,040

STATEMENT OF CHANGE IN NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTABLE TO SHAREHOLDERS 2014 2013						
	2	2014 2		013		
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000		
Opening net assets attributable to shareholders		478,042		467,697		
Amounts received on issue of shares	76,470		96,981			
Amounts paid on cancellation of shares	(56,358)		(92,761)			
		20,112		4,220		
Stamp Duty Reserve Tax		(23)		(18)		
Change in net assets attributable to shareholders from investment						
activities (see above)		(1,711)		117,040		
Unclaimed distributions		1		0		
Closing net assets attributable to shareholders		496,421		588,939		

The opening net assets attributable to shareholders for 2014 differs to the closing position in 2013 by the change in net assets attributable to shareholders for the second half of the comparative financial year.

BALANCE SHEET				
	•	s at uary 2014 £'000		s at just 2013 £'000
Assets				
Investment assets		490,894		471,814
Debtors	6,509		5,614	
Cash and bank balances	1,543		3,078	
Total other assets		8,052		8,692
Total assets		498,946		480,506
Liabilities				
Creditors				
Net distributions payable on Income shares	0		(544)	
Other creditors	(2,525)		(1,920)	
Total liabilities		(2,525)		(2,464)
Net assets attributable to shareholders		496,421		478,042

### NOTE TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

### **Accounting policies**

The interim financial statements have been prepared on the same basis as the audited annual financial statements for the year ended 31 August 2013. They are in accordance with the historical cost convention, as modified by the revaluation of investments, and the Statement of Recommended Practice for Authorised Funds issued by the Investment Management Association in October 2010.

## AUTHORISED CORPORATE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

## Investment objective and policy of the M&G European Fund

The Fund's prime objective is long term capital growth. It invests wholly or predominantly in a diversified portfolio of securities of European (excluding United Kingdom) issuers. When not wholly invested as above, it may also invest in companies which are listed or registered outside Europe but trade within it. Income is of secondary importance when investments are selected.

### Investment approach

The M&G European Fund is a concentrated portfolio of between 40 and 60 holdings. It seeks to capitalise on compelling investment opportunities from across the European investment universe. The fund managers adopt a bottom-up approach to stock selection, based upon a strong foundation of detailed fundamental research.

Consistent with the managers' investment philosophy, the portfolio has a growth bias. However, the managers do not define growth in the traditional sense that focuses on rapid growth in earnings or sales. Instead, their innovative approach to growth rests upon the identification of companies with world-class scarce assets that are not easily replicable, and which give such companies an edge over international competitors to drive profitability, grow their businesses and create long-term value.

By virtue of their scarce assets, these companies can compete effectively on the world stage, and generate sustainable returns above the cost of capital through time. By reinvesting in the business at attractive rates of return, the fundamental value of these companies should grow over time, thereby rewarding long-term investors.

Accordingly, the fund managers are prepared to be long-term investors in companies with scarce assets whose long-term potential is not fully recognised by the market, in the expectation that the true intrinsic value of these assets will be recognised by other market participants over time.

The fund managers regard meeting a company's management team as an important element of the research process, allowing them to gauge their conviction in the company's abilities and assets. The fund managers also work closely with the portfolio construction and risk team to ensure that the primary driver of the portfolio's risk is stock selection, and that unintended risks are minimised. Investors can therefore expect a long-term, bottom-up stock-selection investment approach with moderate turnover.

### Risk and reward profile\*



- The above risk number is based on the rate at which the value of the Fund has moved up and down in the past.
- This risk number is based on historical data and may not be a reliable indicator of the future risk profile of the Fund.

- The risk number shown is not guaranteed and may change over time.
- The lowest risk number does not mean risk free.
- \* This 'Risk and reward profile' section is based on Sterling Class 'A' shares.

# INVESTMENT ACTIVITIES OVER THE REPORT PERIOD

## As at 3 March 2014, for the six months ended 28 February 2014

As active stockpickers, we continued to seek opportunities to selectively purchase companies with compelling scarce assets, structural growth drivers and the potential to produce sustainably high returns, which became available at attractive valuations.

We added Spanish-listed international IT services and solutions provider Indra Sistemas, which benefits from diverse end markets, including healthcare, financials, energy and telecommunications among others. We think this will help the company to ride through downturns in specific industries, with further diversification provided through its growing international presence.

We bought shares in Irish-listed building materials company Kingspan, a producer of prefabricated walls and insulation. We feel that the company is well positioned to profit from economic recovery and the resultant increase in building activity, and that long-term growth should also be aided by an ongoing regulatory drive for improved environmental performance from buildings.

We established a position in TGS-NOPEC Geophysical, a Norwegian seismic surveyor. TGS-NOPEC operates within the oil services industry, and its asset-light nature, hiring in capacity where needed, differentiates it from the competition. It produces high returns, operates on a compelling business model and, we think, has strong growth potential, as oil becomes more difficult to find and extract. Finally, also related to the energy sector, we added downstream oil & gas engineering firm Técnicas Reunidas. The company is listed in Spain but operates globally, with expertise and know-how in very niche areas, including complex refining and petrochemical projects.

Conversely, we closed our position in Amadeus, the global leader in IT outsourcing for airlines, believing there were more attractively valued companies available. We also sold our shares in Asya Katilim Bankası, a Turkish bank operating in a niche sub-sector of Islamic banking. We added the position in December, but unfortunately, subsequent to initiating the holding, political tensions in Turkey manifested, including a corruption scandal – this led to widespread sell-offs across swathes of the Turkish market. The bank began to suffer significant deposit outflows, and it started to appear increasingly unlikely that it would be able to reach its targets in the developing economic backdrop. In light of this, we exited the position in January.

### **Greg Aldridge & Charles Anniss**

Co-fund managers

Employees of M&G Limited which is an associate of M&G Securities Limited.

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## **FUND STATISTICS**

DISTRIBUTION DATES AND FUND FACTS					
Distribution type	xd	payment			
Final	01.09.14	31.10.14			

	Ongoing Char	Ongoing Charges Figure [a]		
	28.02.14	31.08.13		
Sterling	%	%		
Class 'A'	1.69	1.69		
Class 'l'	0.94	0.94		
Class 'R'	1.19	1.19		
Class 'X'	1.69	1.69		
Euro	%	%		
Class 'A'	1.69	1.70		
Class 'C'	0.94	0.94		

<sup>[</sup>a] The Ongoing Charges Figure is the ratio of the relevant annualised total disclosable costs of each share class from the most recent reporting period to the average net asset value for that share class over the same period.

The M&G European Fund distributes annually, therefore there is no interim distribution.

FUND PERFORMANCE							
Performance of	share classes Net ass per sha 28.0 Inc	per sha	set value are as at 08.13 Acc	Net asset value % change Inc Acc			
Sterling	р	р	р	р	%	%	
Class 'A'	1,490.87	2,161.41	1,406.82	2,039.89	+5.97	+5.96	
Class 'I'	1,358.98	1,380.33	1,275.67	1,295.29	+6.53	+6.57	
Class 'R'	135.76	137.43	127.65	129.24	+6.35	+6.34	
Class 'X'	1,476.63	2,139.68	1,393.27	2,018.41	+5.98	+6.01	
Euro	€	€	€	€	%	%	
Class 'A'	n/a	12.6802	n/a	11.5600	n/a	+9.69	
Class 'C'	n/a	13.9500	n/a	12.6646	n/a	+10.15	

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PERFORMANCE SINCE LAUNCH							
	six months 02.09.13 %	one year 01.03.13 %	five years 03.03.09 % p.a. [a]	since launch % p.a. <sup>[a]</sup>			
Sterling [b]							
Class 'A'	+3.7	+5.9	+11.5	+8.3 [c]			
Class 'I'	+4.1	+5.9	n/a	+20.1 [d]			
Class 'R'	+4.0	+5.9	n/a	+20.1 [d]			
Class 'X'	+3.7	+5.9	+11.5	+8.4 [e]			
Euro [f]							
Class 'A'	+6.9	+12.3	+14.4	+1.8 [g]			
Class 'C'	+7.3	+13.1	+15.4	+2.6 [9]			

- [a] Shows the compound rate of return, per annum, over the period.
- [b] Bid to bid excluding reinvested income.
- [c] 24 July 1972, the end of the initial offer period of the predecessor unit trust.
- [d] 3 August 2012, the launch date of the share class.
- $\ensuremath{\mathit{[e]}}\xspace$  1 October 2002, the launch date of the share class.
- [f] Bid to bid with net income reinvested.
- [g] 26 November 2001, the launch date of the share class.

	AR PERFORM				
From To	01.03.13 28.02.14 %	01.03.12 28.02.13 %	01.03.11 29.02.12 %	01.03.10 28.02.11 %	01.03.09 28.02.10 %
Sterling Class 'A'	+8.7	+17.4	-4.3	+8.3	+35.2

Source: Morningstar, Inc., bid to bid with net income reinvested.

## **FUND STATISTICS**

			shares	Accumulat	
	Calendar year	Highest	Lowest	Highest	Lowest
Sterling (net)		р	р	р	p
Class 'A'	2009	1,293.20	823.33	1,810.75	1,143.77
	2010	1,285.34	1,003.99	1,799.74	1,405.79
	2011	1,343.17	964.94	1,898.60	1,377.44
	2012	1,243.94	1,033.06	1,790.15	1,474.69
	2013	1,511.61	1,242.25	2,191.68	1,787.71
	2014 [a]	1,498.85	1,413.29	2,173.18	2,049.17
Class 'l'	2012 <sup>[b]</sup>	1,130.50	1,000.00	1,130.98	1,000.00
	2013	1,372.47	1,129.10	1,393.38	1,129.58
	2014 [a]	1,363.07	1,285.74	1,383.83	1,305.40
Class 'R'	2012 <sup>[b]</sup>	112.99	100.00	113.01	100.00
	2013	137.28	112.85	138.97	112.87
	2014 [a]	136.27	128.52	137.94	130.11
Class 'X'	2009	1,279.04	814.93	1,791.70	1,131.73
	2010	1,271.27	993.00	1,780.81	1,391.00
	2011	1,328.01	953.98	1,878.63	1,362.95
	2012	1,232.01	1,021.33	1,771.32	1,459.18
	2013	1,497.05	1,230.33	2,168.60	1,768.91
	2014 [a]	1,484.42	1,399.67	2,150.30	2,027.60
Euro (net)		€	€	€	€
Class 'A'	2009	n/a	n/a	9.4000	6.1191
	2010	n/a	n/a	9.8549	8.1585
	2011	n/a	n/a	10.3654	7.7044
	2012	n/a	n/a	10.6037	8.8510
	2013	n/a	n/a	12.4591	10.6407
	2014 [a]	n/a	n/a	12.6916	11.9772
Class 'C'	2009	n/a	n/a	10.0065	6.4563
	2010	n/a	n/a	10.5831	8.7232
	2011	n/a	n/a	11.1602	8.3184
	2012	n/a	n/a	11.5567	9.5780 [c
	2013	n/a	n/a	13.6782	11.5999
	2014 [a]	n/a	n/a	13.9567	13.1653

<sup>[</sup>a] To 3 March 2014.

INCOME	,		
Dividend income per	share Calendar year	Distributed	Reinvested
Sterling (net)		р	р
Class 'A'	2009	8.8450	12.2875
	2010	10.0920	14.1309
	2011	11.0060	15.4890
	2012	8.9250	12.7754
	2013	10.6476	15.3357
	2014 <sup>[a]</sup>	-	-
Class 'I'	2012	0.4250	0.4250
	2013	19.0756	18.2932
	2014 <sup>[a]</sup>	-	-
Class 'R'	2012	0.0210	0.0210
	2013	1.5518	1.5714
	2014 <sup>[a]</sup>	-	-
Class 'X'	2009	9.5940	13.3236
	2010	10.3360	14.4788
	2011	10.9620	15.3860
	2012	6.9770	12.9092
	2013	10.5983	15.1976
	2014 [a]	-	-
Euro (net)		¢	¢
Class 'A'	2009	n/a	6.9900
	2010	n/a	nil
	2011	n/a	8.4860
	2012	n/a	8.8200
	2013	n/a	12.0041
	2014 <sup>[a]</sup>	n/a	-
Class 'C'	2009	n/a	13.5860
	2010	n/a	16.7070
	2011	n/a	16.8820
	2012	n/a	16.3914
	2013	n/a	18.2411
	2014 [a]	n/a	-

<sup>[</sup>a] The M&G European Fund distributes annually, therefore there is no interim distribution.

The level of income earned by the fund will fluctuate.

<sup>[</sup>b] From 3 August 2012 (the launch date of the share class).

<sup>[</sup>c] In the Annual report for the year ended 31 August 2012, this figure was incorrectly quoted as €8.8730.

## **FUND STATISTICS**

NET AS	SSETS						
	Period ended	Value p Inc	er share Acc	Number Inc	of shares Acc		
Sterling		р	р				
Class 'A'	Aug 2011	1,108.97	1,583.09	5,642,463	4,872,242		
	Aug 2012	1,120.67	1,612.49	5,178,033	4,422,222		
	Aug 2013	1,406.82	2,039.89	7,432,983	3,292,622		
	Feb 2014	1,490.87	2,161.41	7,316,183	3,132,832		
Class 'I'	Aug 2012	1,015.83	1,016.26	100	100		
	Aug 2013	1,275.67	1,295.29	33,300	54,800		
	Feb 2014	1,358.98	1,380.33	53,300	106,000		
Class 'R'	Aug 2012	101.59	101.61	1,000	1,000		
	Aug 2013	127.65	129.24	48,100	15,000		
	Feb 2014	135.76	137.43	65,100	20,000		
Class 'X'	Aug 2011	1,096.37	1,566.44	94,294	40,742		
	Aug 2012	1,109.79	1,595.53	94,194	38,242		
	Aug 2013	1,393.27	2,018.41	96,869	38,307		
	Feb 2014	1,476.63	2,139.68	97,369	41,507		
Euro		€	€				
Class 'A'	Aug 2011	n/a	8.6434	n/a	48,760		
	Aug 2012	n/a	9.8232	n/a	37,760		
	Aug 2013	n/a	11.5600	n/a	56,760		
	Feb 2014	n/a	12.6802	n/a	113,060		
Class 'C'	Aug 2011	n/a	9.3273	n/a	2,225		
	Aug 2012	n/a	10.6815	n/a	2,225		
	Aug 2013	n/a	12.6646	n/a	4,725		
	Feb 2014	n/a	13.9500	n/a	11,925		
Total net as	sset value of sub-fund Period ended		Ε	€	[a]		
	Aug 2011		69,000		22,000		
	Aug 2012		10,000		78,000		
	Aug 2013		34,000	205,70			
	Feb 2014		39,000				
	100 2011	102,70	,	221,066,000			

<sup>[</sup>a] Based on the midday exchange rate on the last business day of each accounting period.

PORTFOLIO	STATEMENT			
as at 28 February 2 Holding	2014	Value £'000	28.02.14	31.08.13 %
	Oil & gas producers		6.25	7.34
218,000	Repsol	3,271	1.79	
187,000	Statoil	2,955	1.62	
135,000	Total	5,189	2.84	
	Oil equipment, services & distribution		2.88	0.00
93,000	Técnicas Reunidas	2,993	1.64	
122,000	TGS-NOPEC Geophysical	2,267	1.24	
	Chemicals		7.12	6.89
72,500	Bayer	6,020	3.29	
122,000	Symrise	3,560	1.95	
118,500	Umicore	3,432	1.88	
	Construction & materials		3.64	1.96
78,000	Holcim (Regd.)	3,790	2.07	
240,000	Kingspan Group	2,873	1.57	
	Aerospace & defence		1.94	2.23
81,000	Airbus (formerly European Aeronautic			
	Defence and Space)	3,546	1.94	
	Industrial engineering		5.65	6.63
59,500	Andritz	2,207	1.21	
76,500	Atlas Copco 'A'	1,283	0.70	
61,000	MTU Aero Engines	3,080	1.69	
116,000	Vallourec	3,749	2.05	
	Support services		3.11	4.77
97,500	DCC	3,080	1.69	
735,000	Prosegur Compania Seguridad	2,594	1.42	
	Automobiles & parts		4.45	4.87
64,000	Bayerische Motoren Werke	4,407	2.41	
57,000	Delticom	1,580	0.86	
94,500	ElringKlinger	2,158	1.18	
	Food producers		11.29	11.44
102,500	Chr. Hansen Holding	2,525	1.38	
78,500	Danone	3,297	1.80	
209,000	Nestlé (Regd.)	9,425	5.16	
227,500	Unilever	5,388	2.95	
	Leisure goods		3.14	2.89
226,500	Amer Sports 'A'	3,039	1.66	
420,000	Gameloft	2,708	1.48	
	Personal goods		5.50	4.81
57,500	•	3,978	2.18	
	HUGO BOSS	2,143	1.17	
99,620	Pandora	3,938	2.15	
	Healthcare equipment & services		3.51	3.49
88,000	Fresenius Medical Care	3,584	1.96	
33,500	Sonova Holding	2,828	1.55	
	Pharmaceuticals & biotechnology		9.75	9.24
188.500	Novartis (Regd.)	9,429	5.16	
	Roche Holding 'Genussscheine'	8,384	4.59	
	General retailers		1.51	1.40
224,500		2,757	1.51	1.40
	Media	_,. 01	3.89	4.47
72,500		2,507	1.37	4.41
	Publicis Groupe	4,607	2.52	
02,000	1 abilioto Oroupo	7,007	2.02	

at 28 February 2	2014	V-I.	00 00 44	04.00.4
lding		Value £'000	28.02.14	31.08.1
	Banks		5.51	4.7
147,000	Société Générale	5,791	3.17	
138,500	Svenska Handelsbanken 'A'	4,284	2.34	
	Non-life insurance		5.18	5.1
112,000	Vienna Insurance Group	3,434	1.88	
33,000	Zurich Insurance	6,024	3.30	
	Life insurance		1.09	1.6
528,000	Storebrand 'A'	1,986	1.09	
	Real estate investment & services		1.18	1.0
242,000	Hufvudstaden 'A'	2,163	1.18	
	Real estate investment trusts		1.46	1.3
98,500	Eurocommercial Properties	2,671	1.46	
	Financial services		1.93	2.1
335,000	GAM Holding (Regd.)	3,518	1.93	
	Software & computer services		5.77	4.6
268,000	Indra Sistemas	2,922	1.60	
85,500	SAP	4,086	2.24	
75,000	Wincor Nixdorf	3,531	1.93	
	Technology hardware & equipment		2.26	2.3
533,000	Ericsson 'B'	4,132	2.26	
	'AAA' rated money market funds [a]		1.59	2.8
3,511,000	Northern Trust Global Fund - Euro	2,902	1.59	
rtfolio of investr	nents	182,015	99.60	98.3
t other assets		724	0.40	1.6
t assets attribut	table to shareholders	182,739	100.00	100.0

<sup>[</sup>a] Uncommitted surplus cash is placed into 'AAA' rated money market funds with the aim of reducing counterparty risk.

for the six months ended 28 February 2014	
Purchases	£'000
Técnicas Reunidas	2,706
Indra Sistemas	2,700
Kingspan Group	2,520
TGS-NOPEC Geophysical	2,520
Asya Katilim Bankası	1,773
Asya Katiliti darkasi Gameloft	269
Unilever	257
TAKKT	196
Pandora	190
Lmicore	127
Northern Trust Global Fund - Euro <sup>[a]</sup>	9,397
Total purchases	22,141
Sales	£'000
Amadeus IT Holdings	3,033
Total	1,259
Airbus (formerly European Aeronautic Defence and Space)	1,042
Storebrand 'A'	1,011
Wincor Nixdorf	1,004
Asya Katilim Bankası	905
Publicis Groupe	724
GFK	676
Repsol	627
Prosegur Compania Seguridad	621
Bayerische Motoren Werke	538
Société Générale	261
Statoil	248
Gameloft	177
adidas	148
Repsol (Rights issue)	108
Northern Trust Global Fund - Euro [a]	11,493
Northern Trust Global Fund - Euro 197	11,100

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# INTERIM FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (unaudited)

For the six months ended 28 February 2014.

	20	14	20	)13
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Income				
Net capital gains		10,901		30,944
Revenue	1,045		860	
Expenses	(1,502)		(1,191)	
Net expense before taxation	(457)		(331)	
Taxation	(53)		(39)	
Net expense after taxation		(510)		(370)
Change in net assets attributable to shareholders from investment activities		10,391		30,574

STATEMENT OF CHANGE IN NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTABLE TO SHAREHOLDERS					
2	014	2	013		
£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000		
	175,684		131,310		
2,390		20,325			
(5,726)		(17,650)			
	(3,336)		2,675		
	10,391		30,574		
	0		1		
	102 720		164.560		
	2,390	2014 £'000 £'000 175,684 2,390 (5,726) (3,336) 10,391	2014 2000 2000 2000 2000 2000 2000 2000		

The opening net assets attributable to shareholders for 2014 differs to the closing position in 2013 by the change in net assets attributable to shareholders for the second half of the comparative financial year.

BALANCE SHEET				
		s at uary 2014 £'000	-	s at just 2013 £'000
Assets				
Investment assets		182,015		172,778
Debtors	852		1,209	
Cash and bank balances	47		3,194	
Total other assets		899		4,403
Total assets		182,914		177,181
Liabilities				
Creditors				
Net distributions payable on				
Income shares	0		(809)	
Other creditors	(175)		(688)	
Total liabilities		(175)		(1,497)
Net assets attributable to shareholders		182,739		175,684

### NOTE TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

### **Accounting policies**

The interim financial statements have been prepared on the same basis as the audited annual financial statements for the year ended 31 August 2013. They are in accordance with the historical cost convention, as modified by the revaluation of investments, and the Statement of Recommended Practice for Authorised Funds issued by the Investment Management Association in October 2010.

# AUTHORISED CORPORATE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

## Investment objective and policy of the M&G European Index Tracker Fund

The Fund is designed to track the FTSE World Europe ex UK Index.

#### Investment approach

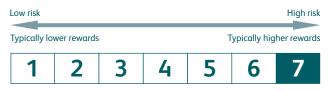
The M&G European Index Tracker Fund is a European ex UK fund that tracks the performance of the FTSE World Europe ex UK Index\* using a technique called stratified sampling.

The fund will normally hold the largest 100 stocks in the index as well as a selection of the remaining smaller stocks to ensure that the fund's capitalisation and industry weights are in line with the index weightings.

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### Risk and reward profile\*



- The above risk number is based on the rate at which the value of the Fund has moved up and down in the past.
- This risk number is based on historical data and may not be a reliable indicator of the future risk profile of the Fund.
- The risk number shown is not guaranteed and may change over time
- The lowest risk number does not mean risk free.
- \* This 'Risk and reward profile' section is based on Sterling Class 'A' shares

# INVESTMENT ACTIVITIES OVER THE REPORT PERIOD

## As at 3 March 2014, for the six months ended 28 February 2014

A number of developments in the portfolio over the six months related to merger and acquisition activity. For example, Italian firm Fiat Industrial merged with Dutch concern CNH Industrial and the former was replaced in the portfolio by the merged company, which was renamed CNH Industrial. Meanwhile, Irish pharmaceutical business Elan exited the portfolio in advance of its merger with US drugs firm Perigo.

Other holdings leaving the portfolio included soft drinks concern Coca-Cola Hellenic Bottling Company after the stock was delisted from the Greek stockmarket and relisted on the London Stock Exchange.

Further sales related to cash-raising activity undertaken to finance outflows, most notably by trimming the positions in Swiss food company Nestlé, Swiss pharmaceutical businesses Roche and Novartis, German automotive manufacturer Daimler, German engineering firm Siemens and French oil and gas concern Total.

New holdings included Norwegian media group Schibsted, Dutch tank storage provider VOPAK and German industrial lubricant firm FUCHS PETROLUB, which had entered the index earlier in the year. Elsewhere, an existing position in Nordea Bank was topped up to take it closer to its weighting in the index.

### **Nigel Booth**

Fund manager

An employee of M&G Limited which is an associate of M&G Securities Limited.

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### **FUND STATISTICS**

DISTRIBUTION DATES AND FUND FACTS				
Distribution type	xd	payment		
Final	01.09.14	31.10.14		

	Ongoing Cha	Ongoing Charges Figure [a]	
	28.02.14	31.08.13	
Sterling	%	%	
Class 'A'	0.71	0.72	
Euro	%	%	
Class 'A'	0.71	0.72	

[a] The Ongoing Charges Figure is the ratio of the relevant annualised total disclosable costs of each share class from the most recent reporting period to the average net asset value for that share class over the same period.

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FUND PE	RFORMAN	ICE				
Performance o	f share classe Net as per sh 28. Inc	Net asset value per share as at 31.08.13 Inc Acc		Net asset value % change Inc Acc		
Sterling	р	р	р	р	%	%
Class 'A'	66.30	86.43	60.40	78.73	+9.77	+9.78
Euro	€	€	€	€	%	%
Class 'A'	n/a	15.4529	n/a	13.6242	n/a	+13.42

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The value of stockmarket investments, and the income from them, will fluctuate. This will cause the fund price to fall as well as rise and you may not get back the original amount you invested.

The tracking difference between the fund's investment return and that of the FTSE World Europe ex UK Index for the 12 month period ending 28 February 2014 was +0.18%. The investment returns are calculated gross of fees using end of day pricing in order to be comparable with the index.

The historic tracking error of the investment return of the fund relative to the FTSE World Europe ex UK Index for the period ending 28 February 2014 was +0.14%, which falls within the predicted tracking error range of 0% to 0.50%. Historic tracking error is a measure of the monthly volatility of the investment returns relative to the index over a 36 month period.

Both the above differences relative to the index are due to the fact that we use a technique called 'stratified sampling' rather than 'full replication'.

PERFORMANCE SINCE LAUNCH						
	six months 02.09.13 %	one year 01.03.13 %	five years 03.03.09 % p.a. [a]	since launch % p.a. <sup>[a]</sup>		
Sterling [b]						
Class 'A'	+7.4	+9.4	+12.4	+1.9 <sup>[c]</sup>		
Euro [d]						
Class 'A'	+10.3	+17.9	+17.3	+3.5 [e]		

- [a] Shows the compound rate of return, per annum, over the period.
- [b] Bid to bid excluding reinvested income.
- [c] 31 January 2000, the end of the initial offer period of the predecessor unit trust.
- [d] Bid to bid with net income reinvested.
- [e] 28 November 2001, the launch date of the share class.

	AR PERFORM				
From To	01.03.13 28.02.14 %	01.03.12 28.02.13 %	01.03.11 29.02.12 %	01.03.10 28.02.11 %	01.03.09 28.02.10 %
Sterling Class 'A'	+14.4	+16.3	-9.3	+13.1	+46.4

Source: Morningstar, Inc., bid to bid with net income reinvested.

	Calendar year	Income Highest	shares Lowest	Accumula Highest	tion shares Lowest
Sterling (ne	et)	р	р	р	р
Class 'A'	2009	58.80	35.14	69.10	40.34
	2010	59.41	49.12	71.37	57.73
	2011	63.67	42.79	76.60	53.03
	2012	54.61	44.28	69.56	54.89
	2013	66.56	54.77	86.77	69.76
	2014 <sup>[a]</sup>	66.69	62.69	86.95	81.74
Euro (net)		€	€	€	€
Class 'A'	2009	n/a	n/a	11.1260	6.5694
	2010	n/a	n/a	12.2005	10.0440
	2011	n/a	n/a	12.7111	8.9870
	2012	n/a	n/a	12.6054	10.0834
	2013	n/a	n/a	15.0924	12.5798
	2014 <sup>[a]</sup>	n/a	n/a	15.5821	14.5889

[a] To 3 March 2014

## **FUND STATISTICS**

Dividend income p	er share		
	Calendar year	Distributed	Reinvested
Sterling (net)		р	р
Class 'A'	2009	1.2320	1.4142
	2010	1.2160	1.4291
	2011	1.5000	1.8046
	2012	1.3530	1.6800
	2013	1.4094	1.7889
	2014 <sup>[a]</sup>	-	-
Euro (net)		¢	¢
Class 'A'	2009	n/a	23.7800
	2010	n/a	25.6120
	2011	n/a	30.0850
	2012	n/a	31.2210
	2013	n/a	30.9619
	2014 <sup>[a]</sup>	n/a	-

<sup>[</sup>a] The M&G European Index Tracker Fund distributes annually, therefore there is no interim distribution.

The level of income earned by the fund will fluctuate.

NET ASSETS						
	Period ended	Value p Inc	per share Acc	Number of	of shares Acc	
Sterling		р	р			
Class 'A'	Aug 2011	49.52	61.38	44,086,890	51,408,176	
	Aug 2012	49.03	62.46	45,138,890	46,862,176	
	Aug 2013	60.40	78.73	45,607,890	45,069,676	
	Feb 2014	66.30	86.43	44,793,890	43,239,676	
Euro		€	€			
Class 'A'	Aug 2011	n/a	10.2331 <sup>[a]</sup>	n/a	282,645	
	Aug 2012	n/a	11.6180	n/a	267,445	
	Aug 2013	n/a	13.6242	n/a	223,845	
	Feb 2014	n/a	15.4529	n/a	207,145	

Total net asset value of sub-fund Period ended	£	<b>€</b> [b]
Aug 2011	55,952,000	63,116,000
Aug 2012	53,870,000	67,805,000
Aug 2013	65,637,000	76,854,000
Feb 2014	69,718,000	84,340,000

<sup>[</sup>a] In the Annual Report for the year ended 31 August 2011, this figure was incorrectly quoted as €9.0715.

	STATEMENT			
as at 28 February 2	014	Value	28.02.14	31.08.13 <sup>[a]</sup>
Holding		£'000	%	%
	Austria		0.68	0.75
,	Andritz	56	0.08	
.,	Erste Group	130	0.19	
,	Immofinanz	60	0.09	
2,712	Raiffeisen International Bank	74 22	0.11	
	Telekom Austria	40	0.03	
,	VERBUND	25	0.04	
,	voestalpine	56	0.08	
	Belgium		2.53	2.53
4,365		119	0.17	
	Anheuser-Busch InBev	918	1.32	
	Anheuser-Busch InBev VVPR Strip [b]	0	0.00	
	Belgacom	64	0.09	
	Delhaize Group	95	0.14	
	GDF Suez VVPR Strip [b]	0	0.00	
	Groupe Bruxelles Lambert	90	0.13	
286	Groupe Bruxelles Lambert VVPR Strip [b]	0	0.00	
4 590	KBC Group	171	0.26	
	Solvay	86	0.12	
	Telenet Group	37	0.05	
2,400	· ·	114	0.16	
,	Umicore	64	0.09	
	Czech Republic		0.15	0.15
3,500	CEZ	56	0.08	
350	Komer ní banka	51	0.07	
0.7	Denmark	007	2.98	2.67
	AP Moller-Maersk 'B'	267	0.38	
	Carlsberg 'B'	141	0.20	
	Coloplast  Peneka Bank	103 242	0.15 0.35	
3,500	Danske Bank	67	0.35	
	FLSmidth	22	0.10	
	Novo Nordisk 'B'	1.038	1.49	
,	Novozymes 'B'	138	0.20	
9,000	*	53	0.08	
	Eire		0.46	0.52
	Bank of Ireland	112	0.16	0.02
,	Irish Bank Resolution Corporation [b]	0	0.00	
	Kerry Group	112	0.16	
	Ryanair Holdings	95	0.14	
	Finland		1.97	1.82
8,225	Fortum	116	0.17	
6,524		158	0.23	
3,100	Metso	60	0.09	
3,000	Neste Oil	38	0.06	
72,674	Nokia	337	0.48	
2,500	Nokian Renkaat	67	0.10	
8,975	Sampo	270	0.39	
12,900	Stora Enso	88	0.13	
	UPM-Kymmene	107	0.15	
3,100	Valmet	17	0.02	
2,947	Wartsila	103	0.15	
	France		20.57	20.90
3,396		102	0.15	
	Aéroports de Paris	68	0.10	
	Air Liquide (prime de fidélité 2012)	497	0.71	
43,531	Alcatel-Lucent	114	0.16	

<sup>[</sup>b] Based on the midday exchange rate on the last business day of each accounting period.

		Value	28.02.14	31.08.13
lding	- / // "	£'000	%	%
A 12A	France (continued) Alstom	66	0.09	
,	Arkema	65	0.09	
1,542		89	0.13	
34,274		531	0.76	
,	BIC	49	0.07	
	BNP Paribas	878	1.26	
	Bouygues	78	0.11	
	Bureau Veritas	67	0.10	
	Cap Gemini	146	0.21	
12,343	Carrefour	270	0.39	
846	Casino Guichard Perrachon	57	0.08	
3,480	CGG	32	0.05	
1,012	Christian Dior	118	0.17	
3,895	CNP Assurances	50	0.07	
7,736	Compagnie de Saint Gobain	275	0.39	
9,964	Crédit Agricole	94	0.13	
10,000	Crédit Agricole (prime de			
	fidélité 2014)	95	0.14	
10,147	Danone	426	0.61	
907	Dassault Systemes	62	0.09	
	Edenred	70	0.10	
1,399		33	0.05	
	EDF (prime de fidélité 2014)	82	0.12	
	Eiffage	34	0.05	
	Eramet	13	0.02	
	Essilor International	247	0.35	
	Eurazeo	41	0.06	
,	Eutelsat Communications	59	0.08	
	Fonciere Des Regions	28	0.04	
,	GDF Suez	381	0.55	
	Gecina	29	0.04	
	Groupe Eurotunnel	72	0.10	
	Hermes International	34	0.05	
	Iliad	36	0.05	
	Kering	175 69	0.25 0.10	
	Klepierre			
	Lafarge	16	0.02	
	Lafarge (prime de fidélité 2010)	139 60	0.20	
	Lagardère Legrand	177	0.09	
	L'Oréal (prime de fidélité 2012)			
	LVMH	446 496	0.64 0.71	
	Michelin	268	0.71	
	Natixis	72	0.30	
	Orange	254	0.10	
	Pernod Ricard	274	0.39	
	Peugeot Peugeot	66	0.09	
	Publicis Groupe	166	0.24	
	Renault	193	0.24	
	Rexel	45	0.26	
,	Safran	182	0.26	
21,131		1,308	1.88	
	Schneider Electric	541	0.78	
	SCOR SCOR	62	0.78	
	SES FDR	129	0.09	
	Société Générale	507	0.13	
	Sodexo	21	0.73	
	Sodexo (prime de fidélité 2016)	95	0.03	
	STMicroelectronics	71	0.14	

t 28 February 2	2014	Value	28.02.14	31.08.13 [a]
ling		£'000	%	%
F 000	France (continued)	00	0.00	
,	Suez Environnement Technip	63 121	0.09 0.17	
3,863	'	43	0.17	
,	Thales	79	0.00	
37,291		1,433	2.06	
	Unibail-Rodamco	281	0.40	
	Valeo	99	0.14	
2,064	Vallourec	67	0.10	
7,975	Veolia Environnement	91	0.13	
8,743	Vinci	389	0.56	
23,229	Vivendi	395	0.57	
3,500	Zodiac Aerospace	73	0.10	
	Germany		19.62	19.16
.,	adidas	267	0.38	
,	Allianz	894	1.28	
17,077		1,162	1.68	
15,271	•	1,268	1.82	
	Bayerische Motoren Werke Beiersdorf	424 117	0.61 0.17	
, ,	Bilfinger	45	0.17	
	Brenntag	111	0.16	
,	Celesio	42	0.06	
	Commerzbank	163	0.23	
- /	Continental	240	0.34	
	Daimler	978	1.40	
19,599	Deutsche Bank	564	0.81	
3,733	Deutsche Börse	182	0.26	
4,300	Deutsche Lufthansa	67	0.10	
17,041	Deutsche Post	377	0.54	
57,584	Deutsche Telekom	581	0.83	
33,442	E.ON	380	0.56	
	Fraport	28	0.04	
, .	Fresenius	225	0.32	
,	Fresenius Medical Care	168	0.24	
	FUCHS PETROLUB	41	0.06	
	Gea Group	104 35	0.15	
	Hannover Re HeidelbergCement	131	0.05 0.19	
,	Henkel	342	0.19	
-,	Hochtief	45	0.43	
	HUGO BOSS	48	0.07	
	Infineon Technologies	127	0.18	
4,272	•	86	0.12	
450	Kabel Deutschland	37	0.05	
1,990	LANXESS	88	0.13	
3,502	Linde	431	0.62	
650	MAN	50	0.07	
1,200	Merck	124	0.18	
2,792	Metro	70	0.10	
	MTU Aero Engines	30	0.04	
	Munich Re	399	0.57	
,	OSRAM	62	0.09	
	Porsche Pref.	195	0.28	
	PUMA	9	0.01	
9,045		217	0.31	
	Salzgitter	21	0.03	
17,142 14,651		819 1 158	1.17	
	Siemens Software	1,158 38	1.66 0.06	
	Südzucker	17	0.00	
	ThyssenKrupp	120	0.02	
3,878		42	0.17	
0,010		72	0.47	

at 28 February 2	2014	Value	28.02.14	31.08.13 <sup>[</sup>
olding		£'000	%	%
4.400	Germany (continued)	404	0.00	
1,188	Volkswagen Pref.	184	0.26	0.07
6.057	Greece Hellenic Telecommunications	63	<b>0.09</b> 0.09	0.07
0,001	Hungary		0.15	0.21
2,850	Gedeon Richter	30	0.04	0.2.
800	MOL Hungarian Oil and Gas	28	0.04	
4,800	OTP Bank	51	0.07	
	Italy		5.13	4.86
	Assicurazioni Generali	329	0.47	
	Atlantia Banca Monte dei Paschi di Siena	116 16	0.17 0.02	
	Banco Popolare	41	0.02	
	CNH Industrial	106	0.15	
118,499	Enel	362	0.52	
,	Enel Green Power	42	0.06	
45,866		660	0.95	
,	EXOR	36	0.05	
18,800	Finmeccanica	117 46	0.17 0.07	
	Intesa Sanpaolo	369	0.53	
	Luxottica Group	95	0.14	
18,811	Mediaset	64	0.09	
11,025	Mediobanca	66	0.09	
	Prysmian	58	0.08	
	Saipem	65	0.09	
38,693		131 131	0.19	
	Telecom Italia Telecom Italia (Savings shares)	59	0.19	
	Tenaris	114	0.16	
28,622		87	0.12	
18,916	UBI Banca	96	0.14	
80,399	UniCredit	378	0.54	
	Netherlands		6.55	6.89
35,490	•	191 152	0.27 0.22	
13,588 9.440	Airbus Group (formerly European	132	0.22	
0,110	Aeronautic Defence and Space)	413	0.59	
4,498	Akzo Nobel	222	0.32	
	ArcelorMittal	171	0.26	
	ASML Holding	334	0.48	
1,040 2,062	Boskalis	31 57	0.04	
3,421		130	0.00	
,	Fugro	52	0.07	
	Gemalto	100	0.14	
6,876	Heineken	278	0.40	
300	Heineken Holding	12	0.02	
	ING Groep	621	0.89	
60,598		129	0.20	
,	Philips (formerly Philips Electronics) QIAGEN	371 59	0.53	
	Randstad Holding	83	0.03	
	Reed Elsevier	172	0.25	
	SBM Offshore	30	0.04	
9,783	TNT Express	57	0.08	
	Unilever	687	0.99	
1 000	VOPAK	34	0.05	
	Wolters Kluwer	113	0.16	

t 28 February 2	1014	Value	28.02.14	31.08.13 [a
ding		£'000	%	%
0.000	Norway	00	1.80	1.85
2,600	Aker Solutions	28 234	0.04	
,	Gjensidige Forsikring	57	0.04	
	Norsk Hydro	54	0.08	
17,030	•	81	0.12	
	Schibsted	47	0.07	
,	Seadrill	153	0.22	
18,794		297	0.43	
	Subsea 7	63	0.09	
12,100	Telenor	159	0.23	
2,891	Yara International	70	0.10	
	Poland		0.92	0.91
2,958	Bank Pekao	112	0.16	
1,500	Jastrzebska Spolka Weglowa	15	0.02	
	KGHM Polska Miedź	64	0.09	
	mBank	28	0.04	
13,000	Orange Polska (formerly Telekomunikacja Polska)	26	0.04	
16 000	PGE Polska Grupa	58	0.04	
	PKN Orlen	60	0.09	
	PKO Bank Polski	154	0.22	
1.150		99	0.14	
,	TAURON Polska Energia	26	0.04	
, ·	Portugal		0.31	0.35
31 120	EDP - Energias de Portugal	80	0.11	0.00
	Galp Energia 'B'	57	0.08	
	Jerónimo Martins	48	0.07	
13,358	Portugal Telecom	36	0.05	
	Spain		7.05	6.50
.,	Abertis Infraestructuras	125	0.18	
	Acciona	37	0.05	
	Acerinox	15	0.02	
	ACS Actividades	80	0.11	
	Amadeus IT Holdings	163	0.23	
,	Banco de Sabadell	112	0.16	
	Banco Popular Español Banco Santander	107 1,145	0.15 1.64	
,		71		
105,944	Bankinter BBVA	777	0.10 1.11	
	Caixabank	102	0.15	
	Distribuidora International	73	0.10	
	EDP Renováveis	23	0.03	
	Enagas	52	0.07	
	Endesa	39	0.06	
	Ferrovial	90	0.13	
	Gas Natural	96	0.14	
	Grifols 'A'	106	0.15	
197	Grifols 'B'	5	0.01	
86,350	Iberdrola	342	0.49	
4,062	Inditex	345	0.49	
	Mapfre	44	0.06	
18,101		63	0.09	
	Red Electrica	00		
1,350	Red Electrica Repsol	253	0.36	
1,350 16,890				
1,350 16,890	Repsol	253	0.36	7.27
1,350 16,890 73,653	Repsol Telefónica	253	0.36 0.97	7.27
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1,350 16,890 73,653 3,000 6,208	Repsol Telefónica Sweden Alfa Laval	253 673 49	0.36 0.97 <b>7.11</b> 0.07	7.27
1,350 16,890 73,653 3,000 6,208 18,043	Repsol Telefónica  Sweden Alfa Laval Assa Abloy 'B'	253 673 49 189	0.36 0.97 <b>7.11</b> 0.07 0.27	7.27
1,350 16,890 73,653 3,000 6,208 18,043 7,000 4,323	Repsol Telefónica  Sweden Alfa Laval Assa Abloy 'B' Atlas Copco 'A'	253 673 49 189 303	0.36 0.97 <b>7.11</b> 0.07 0.27 0.43	7.27

Bolding	PORTFOLIO STATEMENT (continued)				
Sweden (continued)	•	2014			31.08.13 <sup>[a</sup>
17,709 Hennes & Mauritz 'B'		Sweden (continued)			
4,500 Hexagon 'B' 8,772 Husqvarna 'B' 5,988 Industrivarden 'A' 73 0.10 8,935 Investor B' 190 0.27 4,000 Kinnevik Investment 'B' 3,500 Lundin Petroleum 42 0.06 58,898 Nordea Bank 503 0.72 3,500 Ratos 'B' 19 0.03 21,220 Sandvik 177 0.25 6,500 Scania 'B' 119 0.17 8,180 Securitas 'B' 27,851 Skandinaviska Ensklida 'A' 233 0.33 7,620 Skanska 'B' 99 0.14 8,300 SKF 'B' 8,300 SKF 'B' 193 0.04 10,914 Svenska Cellulosa 'B' 19,863 Swedbank 'A' 3,300 Swedish Match 7,100 Tele2 'B' 40,812 TeliaSonera 28,667 Volvo 'B' 28,667 Volvo 'B' 28,667 Volvo 'B' 28,677 Ced Clard (Regd.) 1,700 ARYZTA 1,000 Baloise Holdings (Regd.) 1,700 ARYZTA 1,000 Clariant (Regd.) 1,700 ARYZTA 1,000 Clariant (Regd.) 1,700 ARYZTA 1,000 Baloise Holdings (Regd.) 1,700 Tele2 'B' 4,111 Compagnie Financière Richemont (Regd.) 1,700 ARYZTA 1,000 Baloise Holdings (Regd.) 1,700 Clariant (Regd.) 1,700 Clariant (Regd.) 1,700 ARYZTA 1,000 Baloise Holdings (Regd.) 1,700 ARYZTA 1,70	4,300	,	93	0.13	
8,772 Husqvarna 'B' 5,988 Industrivarden 'A' 73 0.10 8,935 Investor 'B' 4,000 Kinnevik Investment 'B' 92 0.13 3,500 Lundin Petroleum 42 0.06 58,988 Mordea Bank 503 0.72 3,500 Ratos 'B' 19 0.03 21,220 Sandvik 177 0.25 6,500 Scania 'B' 8,180 Securitas 'B' 8,180 Securitas 'B' 8,300 SKF 'B' 8,300 SK	17,709	Hennes & Mauritz 'B'	477	0.68	
5,988 Industrivarden 'A'         73         0.10           8,935 Investor 'B'         199         0.27           4,000 Kinnevik Investment 'B'         92         0.13           3,500 Lundin Petroleum         42         0.06           58,898 Nordea Bank         503         0.72           3,500 Ratos 'B'         19         0.03           21,220 Sandvik         177         0.25           6,500 Scania 'B'         119         0.17           8,180 Securitas 'B'         53         0.08           27,851 Skandinaviska Ensklida 'A'         233         0.33           7,620 Skanska 'B'         99         0.14           8,300 SKF 'B'         133         0.19           6,375 SSAB 'A'         30         0.04           10,914 Svenska Cellulosa 'B'         198         0.28           8,635 Svenska Handelsbanken 'A'         267         0.38           19,685 Swedbank 'A'         331         0.47           3,900 Swedish Match         74         0.11           7,100 Tele2 'B'         52         0.07           40,812 TellaSonera         188         0.27           28,667 Volvo 'B'         258         0.37           Switzerland	4,500	Hexagon 'B'	95	0.14	
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at 28 February	2014			
olding		Value £'000	28.02.14 %	31.08.13 <sup>[a]</sup>
	Switzerland (continued)			
1,735	Syngenta (Regd.)	377	0.54	
6,200	Transocean	157	0.23	
66,820	UBS (Regd.)	852	1.22	
2,765	Zurich Insurance	505	0.72	
	Turkey		0.76	1.02
38,000	Akbank	59	0.08	
5,000	Anadolu Efes	32	0.05	
4,400	BIM Birlesik Magazalar	48	0.07	
19,199	ENKA	34	0.05	
26,183	Eregli Demir Celik Fabrikalari	17	0.02	
11,000	Halkbank	32	0.05	
18,250	Koç Holding	40	0.06	
10,000	Sabanci Holdings	21	0.03	
2,500	Tüpra	27	0.04	
15,000	Türk Telekom	24	0.03	
16,000	Turkcell Iletisim	49	0.07	
14,050	Turkish Airlines	25	0.04	
38,000	Türkiye Garanti Bankası	63	0.09	
35,000	Türkiye İş Bankası	39	0.06	
15,000	Türkiye Vakıflar Bankası	13	0.02	
	Futures contracts		0.00	(0.03)
28	DowJones EURO STOXX 50 Index Fut	tures 2	0.00	
	Eire ('AAA' rated money market		0.00	0.00
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	Northern Trust Global Fund - Sterling	1	0.00	
ortfolio of investi	nents	68,834	98.73	98.91
et other assets		884	1.27	1.09
et assets attribu	table to shareholders	69,718	100.00	100.00

<sup>[</sup>a] The comparative country weightings have been re-analysed to reflect changes to the country classifications.

<sup>[</sup>c] Uncommitted surplus cash is placed into 'AAA' rated money market funds with the aim of reducing counterparty risk.

COUNTERPARTY EXPOSURE		
	Financial derivative e	xposure
		Total
		as at
	Futures	28.02.14
Counterparty	£'000	£'000
Royal Bank of Scotland	2	2
Total	2	2

<sup>[</sup>b] Delisted.

## **PORTFOLIO**

Largest purchases	£'00
Nordea Bank	5
Schibsted	4
FUCHS PETROLUB	3
EXOR	3
Kabel Deutschland	3
VOPAK	3
BBVA	3
ASML Holding	3
Red Electrica	3
Bureau Veritas	3
mBank	2
-raport	2
resenius	2
AXA	2
Elekta 'B'	2
TDC	2
Andritz	1
Banco Popular Español	1
Fugro	1
Bank of Ireland	1
Northern Trust Global Fund - Sterling [a]	2,68
Other purchases	3
Total purchases	3,30
Largest sales	£'00
Kabel Deutschland	13
D.E MASTER BLENDERS 1753	12
Nestlé (Regd.)	11
Elan	10
Roche Holding 'Genussscheine'	8
Novartis (Regd.)	8
Daimler	7
Siemens	6
Total	6
Coca-Cola Hellenic	6
Ahold	5
Bayer	5
BNP Paribas	4
Novo-Nordisk 'B'	4
Danone	4
Vartsila	4
Telecom Italia	4
ntesa Sanpaolo	3
Sanofi	3
Telefónica	3
Northern Trust Global Fund - Sterling <sup>[a]</sup>	2,72
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Other sales	1,47

 [a] Uncommitted surplus cash is placed into 'AAA' rated money market funds with the aim of reducing counterparty risk.

# INTERIM FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (unaudited)

For the six months ended 28 February 2014.

STATEMENT OF TOTAL RETURN				
	20	14	20	)13
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Income				
Net capital gains		6,213		11,121
Revenue	352		279	
Expenses	(243)		(208)	
Net revenue before taxation	109		71	
Taxation	(11)		(23)	
Net revenue after taxation		98		48
Total return before equalisation		6,311		11,169
Finance costs: Equalisation		(1)		(1)
Change in net assets attributable to shareholders from investment activities		6,310		11,168

	20	114	20	)13
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Opening net assets attributable to shareholders		65,637		53,870
Amounts received on issue of shares	2,624		4,836	
Amounts paid on cancellation of shares	(4,853)		(3,544)	
		(2,229)		1,292
Change in net assets attributable to shareholders from investment				
activities (see above)		6,310		11,168

The opening net assets attributable to shareholders for 2014 differs to the closing position in 2013 by the change in net assets attributable to shareholders for the second half of the comparative financial year.

BALANCE SHEET				
		at uary 2014 £'000		at ust 2013 £'000
Assets		00.004		24.244
Investment assets		68,834		64,941
Debtors	302		483	
Cash and bank balances	654		948	
Total other assets		956		1,431
Total assets		69,790		66,372
Liabilities				
Investment liabilities		0		(20)
Creditors				
Net distributions payable on				
Income shares	0		(643)	
Other creditors	(72)		(72)	
Total other liabilities		(72)		(715)
Total liabilities		(72)		(735)
Net assets attributable to shareholders		69,718		65,637

# INTERIM FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (unaudited)

### NOTE TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

### **Accounting policies**

The interim financial statements have been prepared on the same basis as the audited annual financial statements for the year ended 31 August 2013. They are in accordance with the historical cost convention, as modified by the revaluation of investments, and the Statement of Recommended Practice for Authorised Funds issued by the Investment Management Association in October 2010.

## M&G European Smaller Companies Fund

## AUTHORISED CORPORATE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

## Investment objective and policy of the M&G European Smaller Companies Fund

The Fund invests in smaller companies in Europe, with the sole objective of long term capital growth. It will invest wholly or mainly in securities of European companies which constitute the bottom third in terms of total market capitalisation of all publicly listed equity in Europe. When not wholly invested as above, the Fund may only invest in medium and larger capitalised companies in order to enhance the liquidity of the Fund.

### Investment approach

The M&G European Smaller Companies Fund aims to select attractive investment opportunities from a diverse universe of smaller companies that is often less well covered and understood than a universe of larger companies. The fund manager picks stocks on a purely bottom-up basis, resulting in a concentrated portfolio of high conviction positions.

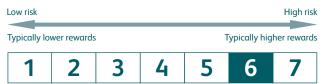
Key to the fund's investment strategy is the identification of companies with world-class scarce assets and resources that are not easily replicable. Scarce assets give such companies an edge over competitors, enabling them to generate sustainable returns above the cost of capital through time. In combination with reinvesting in the business at attractive rates of return, taking advantage of external growth opportunities, the fundamental value of these companies grows over time. In the fund manager's view, investing in such growing companies at attractive valuations rewards long-term investors.

Investment ideas are generated through the systematic use of screening tools such as cashflow return on investment analysis, augmented by the fund manager's broad knowledge of firms in the smaller companies' universe. He is also supported by the wider M&G Equities team and internal research analysts, all of whom offer invaluable opportunities for idea-generation and discussion.

The manager aims to hold a concentrated portfolio of around 40 to  $60^{[a]}$  stocks in the fund, where every holding is of a material size. The fund manager is "benchmark aware", ensuring that the risk taken in the fund relative to the index benchmark is understood, although no reference is made to the benchmark in the stock selection process.

[a] Please note that the number of holdings may temporarily deviate from this range over short periods.

### Risk and reward profile\*



- The above risk number is based on the rate at which the value of the Fund has moved up and down in the past.
- This risk number is based on historical data and may not be a reliable indicator of the future risk profile of the Fund.

- The risk number shown is not guaranteed and may change over time.
- The lowest risk number does not mean risk free.
- \* This 'Risk and reward profile' section is based on Sterling Class 'A' shares.

# INVESTMENT ACTIVITIES OVER THE REPORT PERIOD

## As at 3 March 2014, for the six months ended 28 February 2014

In line with our philosophy of investing in companies with scarce assets, able to generate high sustainable returns and grow their fundamental value over time, we added a number of new holdings during the review period.

We focused on companies more closely tied to the economic cycle, while also concentrating on the smaller end of our investment universe, where we are seeing better opportunities. New purchases included COMET, a high-quality, niche technology and electronics developer, Jungheinrich, a forklift truck and logistics systems manufacturer, and TGS-NOPEC Geophysical, a differentiated seismic surveyor operating in the oil services industry.

We also took part in several new issues (where a company's shares are sold to the public for the first time), including the European leader in bathroom ceramics Sanitec and drinks manufacturer and distributor Stock Spirits. We take a very cautious, selective approach to new issues, and will only participate if it is clearly in the fund's favour to do so with respect to the quality and valuation of the business.

Conversely, we closed a number of positions during the review period, our sell philosophy broadly split between merger and acquisition (M&A) activity, valuations, and a change in the fundamental strategy of the holding. As an example of M&A, Veripos, the global leader for provision of high-precision positioning systems for the offshore oil & gas industry, left the portfolio following a bidding war to buy the company.

On valuation grounds, for instance, we sold our shares in Irish-listed international food and nutritional ingredients company Glanbia. Glanbia had transformed from a legacy Irish dairy and cheese producer into a high-growth, high-returning international food ingredients business. While we believe it is still a great company, we thought it had become too expensive for comfort.

As an example of a change in strategy, we disposed of specialist chemicals producer LANXESS, as we believe the market environment for synthetic rubber for tyres is proving difficult.

#### Charles Anniss

Fund manager

An employee of M&G Limited which is an associate of M&G Securities Limited.

Please note that the views expressed in this Report should not be taken as a recommendation or advice on how the fund or any holding mentioned in the Report is likely to perform. If you wish to obtain financial advice as to whether an investment is suitable for your needs. you should consult a Financial Adviser.

## M&G European Smaller Companies Fund

### **FUND STATISTICS**

DISTRIBUTION DATES AND FUND FACTS					
Distribution type	xd	payment			
Final	01.09.14	31.10.14			

28.02.14 % 1.70	<b>31.08.13</b> % 1.70
1.70	
	1.70
0.05	
0.95	0.96
1.20	1.21
1.70	1.70
%	%
1.70	1.71
0.96	0.96

<sup>[</sup>a] The Ongoing Charges Figure is the ratio of the relevant annualised total disclosable costs of each share class from the most recent reporting period to the average net asset value for that share class over the same period.

The M&G European Smaller Companies Fund distributes annually, therefore there is no interim distribution.

FUND PERFORMANCE							
Performance of	per sh	Net asset value per share as at 28.02.14		Net asset value per share as at 31.08.13 Inc Acc		Net asset value % change Inc Acc	
Sterling	р	р	р	р	%	%	
Class 'A'	279.19	288.89	250.82	259.53	+11.31	+11.31	
Class 'l'	1,522.09	1,538.41	1,362.60	1,376.43	+11.70	+11.77	
Class 'R'	151.82	153.32	136.09	137.43	+11.56	+11.56	
Class 'X'	276.18	285.53	248.08	256.49	+11.33	+11.32	
Euro	€	€	€	€	%	%	
Class 'A'	n/a	25.6452	n/a	22.2725	n/a	+15.14	
Class 'C'	n/a	28.0476	n/a	24.3024	n/a	+15.41	

Past performance is not a guide to future performance.

The value of stockmarket investments, and the income from them, will fluctuate. This will cause the fund price to fall as well as rise and you may not get back the original amount you invested.

PERFORMANCE SINCE LAUNCH							
	six months 02.09.13 %	one year 01.03.13 %	five years 03.03.09 % p.a. <sup>[a]</sup>	since launch % p.a. <sup>[a]</sup>			
Sterling [b]							
Class 'A'	+8.9	+15.5	+19.6	+10.6 <sup>[c]</sup>			
Class 'I'	+9.3	+15.5	n/a	+29.4 [d]			
Class 'R'	+9.2	+15.4	n/a	+29.2 [d]			
Class 'X'	+8.9	+15.5	+19.6	+14.7 <sup>[e]</sup>			
Euro [f]							
Class 'A'	+12.2	+22.1	+22.2	+7.9 [9]			
Class 'C'	+12.7	+23.0	+23.1	+8.7 [9]			

- [a] Shows the compound rate of return, per annum, over the period.
- [b] Bid to bid excluding reinvested income.
- [9] 30 September 1996, the end of the initial offer period of the predecessor unit trust.
- [d] 3 August 2012, the launch date of the share class.
- $\ensuremath{\mathit{[e]}}\xspace$  1 October 2002, the launch date of the share class.
- [f] Bid to bid with net income reinvested.
- [g] 28 November 2001, the launch date of the share class.

SINGLE YEAR PERFORMANCE (5 YEARS ENDING FEBRUARY)							
From To	01.03.13 28.02.14 %	01.03.12 28.02.13 %	01.03.11 29.02.12 %	01.03.10 28.02.11 %	01.03.09 28.02.10 %		
Sterling Class 'A'	+18.1	+22.0	-2.6	+17.2	+49.2		

Source: Morningstar, Inc., bid to bid with net income reinvested.

### **FUND STATISTICS**

		Income	e shares	Accumula	tion shares
	Calendar year	Highest	Lowest	Highest	Lowest
Sterling (net)		р	р	р	р
Class 'A'	2009	179.18	110.58	183.38	112.27
	2010	209.48	154.02	214.39	157.63
	2011	218.64	157.36	223.77	161.20
	2012	214.33	170.00	220.87	174.15
	2013	271.68	216.33	281.11	222.93
	2014 [a]	281.26	266.18	291.02	275.43
Class 'l'	2012 <sup>[b]</sup>	1,165.22	1,000.00	1,164.56	1,000.00
	2013	1,477.10	1,176.32	1,493.31	1,175.59
	2014 <sup>[a]</sup>	1,531.04	1,448.27	1,547.84	1,464.16
Class 'R'	2012 <sup>[b]</sup>	116.36	100.00	116.36	100.00
	2013	147.39	117.46	148.84	117.46
	2014 [a]	152.71	144.48	154.21	145.90
Class 'X'	2009	177.27	109.39	181.16	110.91
	2010	207.24	152.37	211.79	155.72
	2011	216.31	155.65	221.06	159.25
	2012	211.98	168.16	218.19	172.04
	2013	268.70	213.95	277.71	220.23
	2014 [a]	278.18	263.27	287.50	272.09
Euro (net)		€	€	€	€
Class 'A'	2009	n/a	n/a	14.4788	9.1113
	2010	n/a	n/a	18.2234	13.5702
	2011	n/a	n/a	18.5884	13.7789
	2012	n/a	n/a	19.8063	15.4193
	2013	n/a	n/a	24.7293	19.8963
	2014 [a]	n/a	n/a	25.8011	24.3779
Class 'C'	2009	n/a	n/a	15.3275	9.6038
	2010	n/a	n/a	19.4622	14.4288
	2011	n/a	n/a	19.8569	14.8002
	2012	n/a	n/a	21.4704	16.5933
	2013	n/a	n/a	27.0079	21.5817
	2014 [a]	n/a	n/a	28.2125	26.6431

<sup>[</sup>a] To 3 March 2014.

Dividend income per	share		
	Calendar year	Distributed	Reinvested
Sterling (net)		р	p
Class 'A'	2009	1.2210	1.2397
	2010	nil	nil
	2011	0.1880	0.1840
	2012	1.0968	1.1504
	2013	1.0421	1.0654
	2014 <sup>[a]</sup>	-	-
Class 'I'	2012	0.0950	0.0950
	2013	15.9735	15.2781
	2014 <sup>[a]</sup>	-	-
Class 'R'	2012	nil	nil
	2013	1.3634	1.4043
	2014 <sup>[a]</sup>	-	-
Class 'X'	2009	1.1990	1.2157
	2010	nil	nil
	2011	0.2160	0.2080
	2012	1.1180	1.1546
	2013	1.0150	1.1611
	2014 <sup>[a]</sup>	-	-
Euro (net)		¢	¢
Class 'A'	2009	n/a	11.3690
	2010	n/a	nil
	2011	n/a	nil
	2012	n/a	14.0380
	2013	n/a	4.4869
	2014 [a]	n/a	-
Class 'C'	2009	n/a	20.0070
	2010	n/a	11.7180
	2011	n/a	nil
	2012	n/a	nil
	2013	n/a	27.0020
	2014 [a]	n/a	_

<sup>[</sup>a] The M&G European Smaller Companies Fund distributes annually, therefore there is no interim distribution.

The level of income earned by the fund will fluctuate.

<sup>[</sup>b] From 3 August 2012 (the launch date of the share class).

### **FUND STATISTICS**

NET AS	SETS				
	Period ended	Value <sub> </sub> Inc	per share Acc	Number of	of shares Acc
Sterling		р	р		
Class 'A'	Aug 2011	180.20	184.62	32,349,896	9,673,436
	Aug 2012	188.59	194.34	26,910,396	8,835,936
	Aug 2013	250.82	259.53	25,609,396	8,151,036
	Feb 2014	279.19	288.89	25,072,296	8,018,136
Class 'I'	Aug 2012	1,021.97	1,022.07	100	100
	Aug 2013	1,362.60	1,376.43	46,840	29,880
	Feb 2014	1,522.09	1,538.41	80,840	74,280
Class 'R'	Aug 2012	102.16	102.16	1,000	1,000
	Aug 2013	136.09	137.43	52,000	100,000
	Feb 2014	151.82	153.32	52,000	100,000
Class 'X'	Aug 2011	178.24	182.38	999,312	625,440
	Aug 2012	186.51	191.99	963,312	602,640
	Aug 2013	248.08	256.49	917,812	730,840
	Feb 2014	276.18	285.53	994,412	820,640
Euro		€	€		
Class 'A'	Aug 2011	n/a	15.2605	n/a	142,380
	Aug 2012	n/a	17.9231	n/a	95,880
	Aug 2013	n/a	22.2725	n/a	129,980
	Feb 2014	n/a	25.6452	n/a	1,106,944
Class 'C'	Aug 2011	n/a	16.3804	n/a	1,035
	Aug 2012	n/a	19.3854	n/a	1,035
	Aug 2013	n/a	24.3024	n/a	28,035
	Feb 2014	n/a	28.0476	n/a	73,035
Total net as	set value of sub-fund Period ended	1	£	€!	[a]
	Aug 2011	81,0	16,000	91,39	0,000
	Aug 2012	72,2	60,000	90,95	2,000
	Aug 2013	93,8	50,000	109,88	8,000
	Feb 2014	126,0	17,000	152,447,000	

<sup>[</sup>a] Based on the midday exchange rate on the last business day of each accounting period.

PORTFOLIO	STATEMENT			
as at 28 February 2				
Holding		Value £'000	28.02.14	31.08.13
Tiolding	Oil & gas producers	2 000	1.05	1.27
423,000	Ophir Energy	1,318	1.05	1121
	Oil equipment, services & distribution		4.72	4.93
28,500	Schoeller-Bleckmann	1,953	1.55	
*	Técnicas Reunidas	2,124	1.68	
101,000	TGS-NOPEC Geophysical	1,877	1.49	
	Chemicals		4.05	3.03
757,000	AZ Electronic Materials	3,012	2.39	
138,000	Frutarom Industries	2,090	1.66	
	Construction & materials		1.59	0.00
167,000	Kingspan Group	1,999	1.59	
	General industrials		1.34	2.12
179,893	Addtech	1,684	1.34	
	Electronic & electrical equipment		6.23	3.92
4,400	COMET Group	1,470	1.17	
58,000	EVS Broadcast Equipment	2,158	1.71	
38,000	Ingenico	2,174	1.72	
84,000	Spectris	2,058	1.63	
	Industrial engineering		11.90	8.27
48,000	Andritz	1,780	1.41	
309,275	Bufab Holding	1,494	1.19	
508,000		3,298	2.62	
48,000		2,376	1.89	
	Jungheinrich Pref. (non-voting)	2,465	1.96	
	Kongsberg Gruppen	2,084	1.65	
4,100	KSB Cum. Pref	1,488	1.18	
422.000	Industrial transportation	0.544	3.36	3.24
132,000	Kapsch TrafficCom	2,511 1,732	1.99 1.37	
32,000	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	1,7 32		F 00
60,000	Support services CTS EVENTIM	2,142	<b>4.69</b> 1.70	5.98
78,000		2,464	1.70	
570,000		1,314	1.04	
	Automobiles & parts	.,	7.90	8.61
49 000	Delticom	1,358	1.08	0.01
*	ElringKlinger	1,986	1.58	
26,000	0 0	2,532	2.01	
1,032,000	Piaggio	1,865	1.48	
241,000	SAF-HOLLAND	2,203	1.75	
	Beverages		1.51	0.00
675,000	Stock Spirits Group	1,909	1.51	
	Food producers		1.47	5.14
75,000	Chr. Hansen Holding	1,848	1.47	
	Household goods & home construction	1	0.72	0.00
120,000	Sanitec	902	0.72	
	Leisure goods		5.53	5.73
212,000	Amer Sports	2,844	2.26	
274,000	Bang & Olufsen 'B'	1,836	1.46	
354,000	Gameloft	2,282	1.81	
	Personal goods		3.72	3.15
21,500	HUGO BOSS	1,706	1.35	
75,500	Pandora	2,985	2.37	
_	Healthcare equipment & services		4.77	7.63
11,000	Eurofins Scientific	1,913	1.52	
52,000	Gerresheimer Group	2,091	1.66	
23,800	Sonova Holding	2,009	1.59	

t 28 February 2	2014	Value	28.02.14	31.08.1
ding		£'000	%	
000 000	Food & drug retailers	0.000	2.67	2.8
900,000	United Drug	3,369	2.67	
	General retailers		1.95	2.
200,500		2,462	1.95	
	Media		1.26	1.
46,000	GFK	1,591	1.26	
	Travel & leisure		1.06	1.
1,032,000	bwin.party digital entertainment	1,334	1.06	
	Mobile telecommunications		1.41	1.3
89,000	Freenet	1,779	1.41	
	Gas, water & multi-utilities		2.03	2.
61,000	Rubis	2,554	2.03	
	Banks		0.00	0.
	Non-life insurance		3.19	3.
124,000	FBD Holdings	1,905	1.51	
69,000	Vienna Insurance Group	2,116	1.68	
	Real estate investment & services		0.00	1.3
	Real estate investment trusts		2.87	2.
87,000	Eurocommerical Properties	2,359	1.87	
191,000	Shaftesbury	1,259	1.00	
	Financial services		8.13	8.
190,000	GAM Holding (Regd.)	1,995	1.58	
325,000	IG Group Holdings	2,033	1.61	
188,000	Intrum Justitia	3,233	2.57	
690,000	Jupiter Fund Management	2,986	2.37	
	Software & computer services		5.71	3.
62,560	ESI	1,307	1.04	
82,500	Fidessa Group	2,021	1.60	
143,000	Groupe Steria	1,777	1.41	
192,000	Indra Sistemas	2,093	1.66	
	AIM quoted		1.45	0.
630,000	3Legs Resources	153	0.12	
	EMIS Group	1,315	1.04	
160,000	Providence Resources	363	0.29	
	'AAA' rated money market funds [a]		2.44	3.
3,071,000	Northern Trust Global Fund - Sterling	3,071	2.44	
rtfolio of investr	nents	124,409	98.72	99.
t other assets		1,608	1.28	0.
t accote attribut	table to shareholders	126,017	100.00	100.0

<sup>[</sup>a] Uncommitted surplus cash is placed into 'AAA' rated money market funds with the aim of reducing counterparty risk.

PORTFOLIO TRANSACTIONS	
PORTFOLIO TRANSACTIONS	
for the six months ended 28 February 2014	
Largest purchases	£'000
Jungheinrich Pref. (non-voting)	2,210
Kongsberg Gruppen	1,958
Técnicas Reunidas	1,952
Indra Sistemas	1,897
Groupe Steria	1,828
TGS-NOPEC Geophysical Kingspan Group	1,783 1,776
Stock Spirits Group	1,627
Spectris	1,487
EMIS Group	1,344
Bufab Holding	1,331
COMET Group	1,236
Asya Katilim Bankası	932
EVS Broadcast Equipment	711
Sanitec	685
Rubis	513
LISI	489
Deutz	485
Pandora	484
Intrum Justitia	423
Northern Trust Global Fund - Sterling [a]	14,245
Other purchases	9,578
Total purchases	48,974
Sales	£'000
Medica	1,995
Glanbia	1,958
Technip	1,735
Veripos	1,662
GSW Immobilien	1,202
Experian	1,011
Club Méditerranée	1,003
LANXESS	811
Asya Katilim Bankası	748
Addtech	721
Deutz	638
FBD Holdings	396
SAF-HOLLAND	289
Eurofins Scientific	245
CTS EVENTIM	212
Jupiter Fund Management	174
Gameloft	145
Gerresheimer Group	127
Rubis (Rights issue)	27
Northern Trust Global Fund - Sterling [a]	14,884
Total sales	29,983

<sup>[</sup>a] Uncommitted surplus cash is placed into 'AAA' rated money market funds with the aim of reducing counterparty risk.

# INTERIM FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (unaudited)

For the six months ended 28 February 2014.

	2014		2013	
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Income				
Net capital gains		11,598		19,797
Revenue	444		399	
Expenses	(866)		(686)	
Net expense before taxation	(422)		(287)	
Taxation	(19)		(10)	
Net expense after taxation		(441)		(297)
Total return before equalisation		11,157		19,500
Finance costs: Equalisation		1		1
Change in net assets attributable to shareholders from investment activities		11,158		19.501

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	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Opening net assets attributable to shareholders		93,850		72,260
Amounts received on issue of shares	24,184		6,839	
Amounts paid on cancellation of shares	(3,173)		(4,233)	
		21,011		2,606
Stamp Duty Reserve Tax		(2)		(1)
Change in net assets attributable to shareholders from investment				
activities (see above)		11,158		19,501
Closing net assets attributable				
to shareholders		126,017		94,366

The opening net assets attributable to shareholders for 2014 differs to the closing position in 2013 by the change in net assets attributable to shareholders for the second half of the comparative financial year.

BALANCE SHEET				
		s at uary 2014 £'000		at ust 2013 £'000
Assets				
Investment assets		124,409		93,798
Debtors	2,070		824	
Cash and bank balances	620		25	
Total other assets		2,690		849
Total assets		127,099		94,647
Liabilities				
Creditors				
Net distributions payable on			(22.1)	
Income shares	0		(284)	
Other creditors	(1,082)		(513)	
Total liabilities		(1,082)		(797)
Net assets attributable to shareholders		126,017		93,850

#### NOTE TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### **Accounting policies**

The interim financial statements have been prepared on the same basis as the audited annual financial statements for the year ended 31 August 2013. They are in accordance with the historical cost convention, as modified by the revaluation of investments, and the Statement of Recommended Practice for Authorised Funds issued by the Investment Management Association in October 2010.

# AUTHORISED CORPORATE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

## Investment objective and policy of the M&G Global Basics Fund

The Fund is a global equity fund which invests wholly or mainly in companies operating in basic industries ('primary' and 'secondary' industries) and also in companies that service these industries. The Fund may also invest in other global equities. The sole aim of the Fund is long term capital growth.

#### Investment approach

The M&G Global Basics Fund invests in companies considered to be the 'building blocks' of the world's economy. A key aspect to the stock selection process involves the assessment of structural trends in the global economy and the identification of those companies that are positioned to benefit.

This approach is illustrated by the M&G Global Basics 'curve of economic development' concept, which represents the changing needs of an economy at different stages of development. As the structural shift in economic power towards emerging markets continues to build momentum, the rising incomes and increasingly sophisticated demands of the consumer combine to create an emerging middle class. As nations 'move up the curve', basic demands for food and shelter are accompanied by increasing appetite for additional goods and services. The fund can gain exposure to such themes by investing in best-in-class international companies with a durable competitive advantage that enables them to capitalise on such trends through their global operations.

Given the fund's unconstrained mandate, the fund manager has the flexibility to move up and down the curve of economic development, based on where he thinks the opportunity and valuation levels are most attractive. This includes examining a company's asset base, competitive position, business model, financial strength and management ability. Meeting company management is key to his approach. The fund manager seeks management teams who are able to execute an intelligent business strategy and whose interests are clearly aligned with those of the firm's shareholders. The fund manager employs a long-term investment horizon in order to capitalise on these themes and is quite prepared to hold companies whose merits are not yet fully recognised by the market.

#### Risk and reward profile\*



- The above risk number is based on the rate at which the value of the Fund has moved up and down in the past.
- This risk number is based on historical data and may not be a reliable indicator of the future risk profile of the Fund.

- The risk number shown is not guaranteed and may change over time.
- The lowest risk number does not mean risk free.
- \* This 'Risk and reward profile' section is based on Sterling Class 'A' shares.

# INVESTMENT ACTIVITIES OVER THE REPORT PERIOD

## As at 3 March 2014, for the six months ended 28 February 2014

Portfolio activity over the review period has been higher than usual. Purchases were funded predominantly by reallocating capital away from companies in the food & agriculture and consumer goods industries, including German fragrance and flavours company Symrise, where the position was substantially reduced.

Complete exits from the portfolio included Australian copper miner Inova Resources after it was acquired at a premium by Chinese bidders. Japanese probiotic drinks maker Yakult Honsha was sold on valuation grounds, while Austria-headquartered Agrana Beteiligung, a processor of sugar, starch and fruit preparations, was sold in order to focus on new opportunities. Elsewhere, UK-listed, Russia-based potash miner Uralkali left the portfolio on concerns over the company's corporate governance.

The fund has never been wedded to one area of the market. Instead, we have the flexibility to invest in any area where we see the greatest opportunities. This makes for a diversified portfolio with representation wherever valuations are compelling. This approach was apparent in recent additions to the fund: Australian diversified miner BHP Billiton, US-software giant Microsoft and German car manufacturer Bayerische Motoren Werke (BMW). All are best-in-class companies, whose products and services cater to the evolving needs of the 3.5 billion people in emerging markets as their economies take the journey towards developed status.

Elsewhere, we initiated two new positions in the industrials sector — US-headquartered National Oilwell Varco and UK-listed Weir Group. Both companies provide the equipment and components used in the exploration and extraction of natural resources. Crucially, once installed, their products require regular servicing and both businesses generate significant, sustainable and growing revenues as a result.

#### Randeep Somel

Fund manager

An employee of M&G Limited which is an associate of M&G Securities Limited. At the start of the review period Graham French was the fund manager.

Please note that the views expressed in this Report should not be taken as a recommendation or advice on how the fund or any holding mentioned in the Report is likely to perform. If you wish to obtain financial advice as to whether an investment is suitable for your needs, you should consult a Financial Adviser.

### **FUND STATISTICS**

DISTRIBUTION DATE	S AND FUND FACTS	
Distribution type	xd	payment
Final	01.09.14	31.10.14

	Ongoing Cha	
	28.02.14	31.08.13
Sterling	%	%
Class 'A'	1.67	1.66
Class 'I'	0.92	0.92
Class 'R'	1.17	1.17
Class 'X'	1.67	1.66
Euro	%	%
Class 'A'	1.92	1.92
Class 'C'	0.92	0.91
US dollar	%	%
Class 'A'	1.92	1.91
Class 'C'	0.92	0.92

<sup>[</sup>a] The Ongoing Charges Figure is the ratio of the relevant annualised total disclosable costs of each share class from the most recent reporting period to the average net asset value for that share class over the same period.

The M&G Global Basics Fund distributes annually, therefore there is no interim distribution.

Performance (	per sh	set value are as at 02.14	per sh	set value are as at 08.13		et value
	Inc	Acc	Inc	Acc	Inc	Acc
Sterling	р	р	р	р	%	%
Class 'A'	639.85	963.21	663.05	998.21	-3.50	-3.51
Class 'l'	1,068.04	1,084.25	1,102.81	1,119.59	-3.15	-3.16
Class 'R'	106.74	108.02	110.34	111.69	-3.26	-3.29
Class 'X'	641.80	953.73	665.09	988.39	-3.50	-3.51
Euro	€	€	€	€	%	%
Class 'A'	23.8688	23.9312	23.9239	24.0344	-0.23	-0.43
Class 'C'	n/a	26.8646	n/a	26.8461	n/a	+0.07
US dollar	\$	\$	\$	\$	%	%
Class 'A'	n/a	11.7057	n/a	11.2834	n/a	+3.74
Class 'C'	n/a	12.5194	n/a	12.0087	n/a	+4.25

Past performance is not a guide to future performance.

The value of stockmarket investments, and the income from them, will fluctuate. This will cause the fund price to fall as well as rise and you may not get back the original amount you invested.

PERFORMANCE SINCE LAUNCH						
	six months 02.09.13 %	one year 01.03.13 %	five years 03.03.09 % p.a. [a]	since launch % p.a. <sup>[a]</sup>		
Sterling [b]						
Class 'A'	-5.6	-9.1	+12.9	+6.4 [c]		
Class 'I'	-5.3	-9.1	n/a	+3.6 [d]		
Class 'R'	-5.4	-9.1	n/a	+3.5 [d]		
Class 'X'	-5.6	-9.1	+12.9	+12.4 <sup>[e]</sup>		
Euro [f]						
Class 'A'	-2.9	-4.0	+14.8	+7.3 [9]		
Class 'C'	-2.4	-3.1	+16.0	+8.3 [9]		
US dollar [f]						
Class 'A'	+1.1	+1.5	+16.9	+2.2 [h]		
Class 'C'	+1.6	+2.5	+18.1	+3.1 [h]		

- [a] Shows the compound rate of return, per annum, over the period.
- [b] Bid to bid excluding reinvested income.
- [c] 28 February 1973, the end of the initial offer period of the predecessor unit trust.
- [d] 3 August 2012, the launch date of the share class.
- [e] 1 October 2002, the launch date of the share class.
- [f] Bid to bid with net income reinvested.
- [g] 28 November 2001, the launch date of the share class.
- [h] 9 March 2007, the launch date of the share class.

	EAR PERFORM ENDING FEBR				
From To	01.03.13 28.02.14 %	01.03.12 28.02.13 %	01.03.11 29.02.12 %	01.03.10 28.02.11 %	01.03.09 28.02.10 %
Sterling Class 'A'	-7.3	+1.8	-0.6	+22.1	+57.3

Source: Morningstar, Inc., bid to bid with net income reinvested.

### **FUND STATISTICS**

		Income	shares	Accumula	tion shares
	Calendar year	Highest	Lowest	Highest	Lowest
Sterling (net) Class 'A'	2000	<b>p</b>	<b>p</b>	<b>p</b>	<b>p</b> 506.44
Class A	2009	716.90	340.55 525.45	1 060 61	783.98
				1,069.61	
	2011	727.53	575.66	1,085.48	859.40
		684.86	578.99	1,022.42	864.37
	2013	714.80	629.62	1,070.38	947.84
Class 'l'	2014 <sup>[a]</sup>	650.76	620.06	979.66	933.43
Class I		1,084.48	1,000.00	1,086.88	1,000.00
	2013	1,193.75	1,049.36	1,196.38	1,061.54
OI (DI	2014 [a]	1,085.28	1,034.48	1,101.81	1,050.24
Class 'R'	2012 <sup>[b]</sup>	108.42	100.00	108.63	100.00
	2013	119.23	104.93	119.46	106.05
01 0/1	2014 [a]	108.50	103.40	109.80	104.65
Class 'X'	2009	566.95	341.59	835.13	501.49
	2010	719.02	527.01	1,059.14	776.30
	2011	729.69	577.21	1,074.85	850.94
	2012	686.71	580.55	1,012.37	855.87
	2013	716.85	631.54	1,059.85	938.51
	2014 <sup>[a]</sup>	652.75	621.95	970.02	924.25
Euro (net) Class 'A'	2000	€	<b>€</b>	€ 19.4363	€
Class A	2009	n/a n/a	n/a n/a	25.8631	11.7968
					18.6574
	2011	n/a	n/a	26.0838	20.7126
	2012	n/a	n/a	24.9836	22.3099
	2013	24.8914 <sup>[c]</sup>	23.0019 [c]	25.7385	23.0620
01 (01	2014 [a]	24.2258	23.0963	24.2891	23.1567
Class 'C'	2009	n/a	n/a	20.9274	12.6022
	2010	n/a	n/a	28.1251	20.1086
	2011	n/a	n/a	28.3768	22.6964
	2012	n/a	n/a	27.4822	24.6009
	2013	n/a	n/a	28.6619	25.8368
	2014 [a]	n/a	n/a	27.2386	25.9787
<b>US dollar (net</b> Class 'A'	2009	\$ n/a	<b>\$</b> n/a	<b>\$</b> 9.9699	<b>\$</b> 5.2635
01033 71	2010	n/a	n/a	12.1197	8.6931
	2010	n/a	n/a	13.0691	9.6804
	2012	n/a	n/a	11.9006	9.8323
	2013 2014 [a]	n/a	n/a	11.9527	10.8048
Class 'C'		n/a	n/a		
Class 'C'	2009	n/a	n/a	10.2224	5.3566
	2010	n/a	n/a	12.5605	8.9553
	2011	n/a	n/a	13.5885	10.1101
			n/a		10.3366
		n/a	n/a	12.7271	11.4774
[a] To 3 Mar	2012 2013 2014 <sup>[a]</sup>	n/a n/a n/a		12.4791 12.7271 12.5100	-

Dividend income pe			
0( 1) ( 2)	Calendar year	Distributed	Reinvested
Sterling (net) Class 'A'	2009	<b>p</b> 1.5960	<b>p</b> 2.3750
Class A			
	2010	nil	nil
	2011	0.4400	0.7000
	2012	1.8150	2.6945
	2013	3.5152	5.2635
	2014 <sup>[a]</sup>	-	-
Class 'I'	2012	2.2430	2.2380
	2013	14.5286	14.5568
	2014 [a]	-	-
Class 'R'	2012	0.2000	0.2002
	2013	1.1154	1.2021
	2014 <sup>[a]</sup>	-	-
Class 'X'	2009	1.6500	2.4223
	2010	nil	nil
	2011	0.5870	0.8330
	2012	1.7100	2.6581
	2013	3.5514	5.2123
	2014 <sup>[a]</sup>	-	-
Euro (net)		¢	¢
Class 'A'	2009	n/a	1.9460
	2010	n/a	nil
	2011	n/a	nil
	2012	n/a	0.1015
	2013	6.4761	6.4998
	2014 [a]	-	-
Class 'C'	2009	n/a	16.9080
	2010	n/a	10.4660
	2011	n/a	20.0950
	2012	n/a	27.5104
	2013	n/a	34.8378
	2014 <sup>[a]</sup>	n/a	-
US dollar (net)		¢	¢
Class 'A'	2009	n/a	1.7170
	2010	n/a	nil
	2011	n/a	nil
	2012	n/a	0.0151
	2013	n/a	2.4354
	2014 <sup>[a]</sup>	n/a	-
Class 'C'	2009	n/a	8.4540
	2010	n/a	4.6030
	2011	n/a	9.8010
	2012	n/a	12.2801
	2013	n/a	15.5622
	2014 [a]	n/a	-

<sup>[</sup>a] The M&G Global Basics Fund distributes annually, therefore there is no interim

The level of income earned by the fund will fluctuate.

<sup>[</sup>a] To 3 March 2014.

<sup>[</sup>b] From 3 August 2012 (the launch date of the share class).

<sup>[</sup>c] From 12 July 2013 (the launch date of the income shares).

### **FUND STATISTICS**

NET AS	SEIS				
	Period ended	Value   Inc	per share Acc	Number Inc	of shares Acc
Sterling		р	р		
Class 'A'	Aug 2011	655.94	979.32	119,025,807	145,000,000
	Aug 2012	607.33	909.39	119,925,807	141,687,40
	Aug 2013	663.05	998.21	80,653,407	108,532,803
	Feb 2014	639.85	963.21	56,687,407	86,284,603
Class 'l'	Aug 2012	1,010.20	1,012.43	1,000	3,000
	Aug 2013	1,102.81	1,119.59	6,603,300	6,187,000
	Feb 2014	1,068.04	1,084.25	3,691,900	11,327,500
Class 'R'	Aug 2012	101.02	101.22	10,000	10,000
	Aug 2013	110.34	111.69	368,000	138,500
	Feb 2014	106.74	108.02	248,000	193,500
Class 'X'	Aug 2011	657.74	969.74	25,356,286	46,850,176
	Aug 2012	609.08	900.44	21,987,786	46,262,626
	Aug 2013	665.09	988.39	16,516,586	36,099,426
	Feb 2014	641.80	953.73	10,787,386	25,780,126
Euro		€	€		
Class 'A'	Aug 2011	n/a	22.8318	n/a	119,875,694
	Aug 2012	n/a	23.5965	n/a	104,073,894
	Aug 2013	23.9239	24.0344	4,500	89,604,894
	Feb 2014	23.8688	23.9312	51,600	72,446,794
Class 'C'	Aug 2011	n/a	24.9958	n/a	24,840,93
	Aug 2012	n/a	26.0923	n/a	16,538,031
	Aug 2013	n/a	26.8461	n/a	9,168,63
	Feb 2014	n/a	26.8646	n/a	1,611,13
US dollar		\$	\$		
Class 'A'	Aug 2011	n/a	11.6864	n/a	23,495,400
	Aug 2012	n/a	10.5264	n/a	17,397,000
	Aug 2013	n/a	11.2834	n/a	10,543,200
	Feb 2014	n/a	11.7057	n/a	8,669,400
Class 'C'	Aug 2011	n/a	12.1949	n/a	6,188,250
	Aug 2012	n/a	11.0937	n/a	8,152,150
	Aug 2013	n/a	12.0087	n/a	7,123,750
	Feb 2014	n/a	12.5194	n/a	4,295,700
Total not se	set value of sub-fun	nd.			
iotai net as	Period ended	iu	£	€	[a]
	Aug 2011	6,013	,548,000	6,783,5	547,000
	Aug 2012	5,034	,016,000	6,336,2	225,000
	Aug 2013	4,408	,982,000	5,162,4	137,000
	Feb 2014	3,234,638,000 3,913,058,			058,000

Aug 2011	6,013,548,000	6,783,547,000	
Aug 2012	5,034,016,000	6,336,225,000	
Aug 2013	4,408,982,000	5,162,437,000	
Feb 2014	3,234,638,000	3,913,058,000	

<sup>[</sup>a] Based on the midday exchange rate on the last business day of each accounting period.

PORTFOLIO	STATEMENT			
as at 28 February 2	2014		00.00.44	04.00.40
Holding		Value £'000	28.02.14 %	31.08.13 %
	Austria		0.00	3.83
	Belgium		2.42	1.93
2,700,000	Umicore	78,206	2.42	
	Eire		4.30	5.61
3,100,000	Kerry Group	139,120	4.30	
	France		9.91	10.38
	Compagnie des Alpes	34,458	1.07	
1,800,000 1,000,000		75,602 55,582	2.34 1.72	
	Publicis Groupe	154,511	4.78	
	Germany	,	8.56	10.60
1.050.000	Bayerische Motoren Werke	72,301	2.24	10.00
	Südzucker	50,081	1.55	
5,000,000	Symrise	145,920	4.51	
800,000	Villeroy & Boch Pref. (non-voting)	8,465	0.26	
	Russia		0.34	0.74
2,000,000	MD Medical Group GDR	10,847	0.34	
	Spain		1.17	0.86
600,000	Baron de Ley	37,694	1.17	
	United Kingdom		12.90	15.50
57,538,977	G4S	136,022	4.21	
3,231,772	Genus	37,683	1.16	
20,416,692	Hochschild Mining	40,323	1.25	
	PZ Cussons	116,777	3.61	
2,500,000		61,275	1.89	
1,000,000	Weir Group	25,270	0.78	
44.000.000	Australia	100 110	16.19	13.34
14,000,000	Aquila Resources	136,442 37,309	4.22 1.15	
	Australian Zircon [a]	0	0.00	
	BHP Billiton	139,091	4.30	
	Equatorial Resources	3,027	0.09	
	Galaxy Resources	1,034	0.03	
	GI Dynamics	22,458	0.69	
	Iluka Resources	123,531	3.82	
22,000,000	OZ Minerals	44,299	1.37	
15,000,000	Panoramic Resources	2,940	0.09	
38,000,000	Starpharma	13,773	0.43	
	Hong Kong		3.39	3.05
134,950,663	The Hongkong and Shanghai Hotels	109,622	3.39	
	India		0.94	1.13
15,000,000		30,566	0.94	
425,786	Marico Kaya Enterprises	17	0.00	
	Japan		4.03	4.70
16,000,000	Kirin Holdings	130,319	4.03	
	Malaysia	07	3.02	4.43
74,000,000	AMMB Holdings	97,722	3.02	
00 000 000	Singapore	00.044	1.13	0.89
22,000,000	Petra Foods	36,641	1.13	
0.500.000	United Arab Emirates	400.004	3.16	3.18
9,500,000	DP World	102,364	3.16	
0.574.004	Canada	20.504	0.94	0.65
3,5/4,631	Dominion Diamond	30,524	0.94	

### **PORTFOLIO**

PORTFOLIO STATEMENT (continued)							
as at 28 February 2014							
Holding	Value £'000	28.02.14 %	31.08.13 %				
United States		22.37	17.88				
2,300,000 AMCOL International	61,695	1.91					
3,400,000 Elizabeth Arden	61,881	1.91					
5,000,000 Microsoft	113,475	3.51					
1,000,000 National Oilwell Varco	44,761	1.38					
3,150,000 The Scotts Miracle-Gro Company 'A'	107,923	3.34					
2,900,000 United Parcel Service 'B'	166,077	5.13					
2,400,000 United Technologies	167,719	5.19					
Portfolio of investments	3,065,347	94.77	98.70				
Net other assets	169,291	5.23	1.30				
Net assets attributable to shareholders	3,234,638	100.00	100.00				

[a] Suspended on 1 September 2009.

#### PORTFOLIO TRANSACTIONS

for the six months ended 28 February 2014	
Purchases	£'000
BHP Billiton	142,492
Microsoft	112,229
Bayerische Motoren Werke	72,144
National Oilwell Varco	47,139
Weir Group	22,038
Unilever	18,674
Iluka Resources	8,729
Umicore	7,017
DP World	2,903
United Parcel Service 'B'	2,800
Hochschild Mining	2,041
The Hongkong and Shanghai Hotels	1,113
OZ Minerals	1,063
Compagnie des Alpes	886
GI Dynamics	140
Dominion Diamond	39
Total purchases	441,447

Largest sales	£'000
Symrise	240,074
Agrana Beteiligung	137,105
Unilever	129,110
Kerry Group	122,193
The Scotts Miracle-Gro Company 'A'	112,376
Ansell	100,911
Publicis Groupe	87,816
AMMB Holdings	86,777
United Technologies	81,882
G4S	77,755
Imerys	58,673
Kirin Holdings	52,077
DP World	48,490
United Parcel Service 'B'	44,638
PZ Cussons	38,229
Iluka Resources	28,136
Marico	19,097
Danone	16,873
AMCOL International	13,936
Yakult Honsha	12,434
Other sales	84,446
Total sales	1,593,028

# INTERIM FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (unaudited)

For the six months ended 28 February 2014.

STATEMENT OF TOTAL RETURN						
	2	014	2	013		
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000		
Income						
Net capital (losses) / gains		(136,577)		692,565		
Revenue	24,030		37,300			
Expenses	(32,903)		(43,404)			
Finance costs: Interest	0		(3)			
Net expense before taxation	(8,873)		(6,107)			
Taxation	(387)		(1,624)			
Net expense after taxation		(9,260)		(7,731)		
Total return before equalisation		(145,837)		684,834		
Finance costs: Equalisation		(111)		(47)		
Change in net assets attributable to shareholders from investment activities		(145,948)		684,787		

ATTRIBUTABLE TO SHAREHOLDERS						
		2014	2013			
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000		
Opening net assets attributable to shareholders		4,408,982		5,034,016		
Amounts received on issue of shares	102,577		218,002			
Amounts paid on cancellation of shares	(1,130,844)		(643,622)			
		(1,028,267)		(425,620)		
Stamp Duty Reserve Tax		(130)		(303)		
Change in net assets attributable to shareholders from investment						
activities (see above)		(145,948)		684,787		
Unclaimed distributions		1		0		

The opening net assets attributable to shareholders for 2014 differs to the closing position in 2013 by the change in net assets attributable to shareholders for the second half of the comparative financial year.

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		as at		as at
	28 February 2014			gust 2013
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Assets				
Investment assets		3,065,347		4,351,820
Debtors	15,830		75,210	
Cash and bank balances	194,056		21,100	
Total other assets		209,886		96,310
Total assets		3,275,233		4,448,130
Liabilities				
Creditors				
Net distributions payable on				
Income shares	0		(4,385)	
Other creditors	(40,595)		(34,763)	
Total liabilities		(40,595)		(39,148)
Net assets attributable to shareholders		3,234,638		4,408,982

Closing net assets attributable to shareholders

# INTERIM FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (unaudited)

#### NOTE TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### **Accounting policies**

The interim financial statements have been prepared on the same basis as the audited annual financial statements for the year ended 31 August 2013. They are in accordance with the historical cost convention, as modified by the revaluation of investments, and the Statement of Recommended Practice for Authorised Funds issued by the Investment Management Association in October 2010.

# AUTHORISED CORPORATE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

#### Investment objective of the M&G Global Growth Fund

The Fund aims to maximise long term total return (the combination of capital growth and income) by investing mainly in a wide range of global equities.

#### Investment policy of the M&G Global Growth Fund

The Fund will invest globally (including the UK) in the equities of companies across a wide range of geographies, sectors and market capitalisations. Income is of secondary importance to capital growth when investments are selected.

#### Investment approach

The M&G Global Growth Fund is a mainstream global equity fund invested in a concentrated portfolio of high conviction positions. The core fund proposition is one of bottom-up stockpicking, focused on quality companies with scarce assets that are under-appreciated by the market but which we believe will generate sustainable high returns, plus growth, over the long term.

The scarce assets that drive the fund manager's stockpicking process range from the traditional and usually tangible, such as mines and factories, to the less traditional and often intangible, such as brands, commercial expertise and organisational culture. It is these types of assets that the market can often find difficult to price correctly, a scenario on which the fund manager looks to capitalise. In the fund manager's opinion, these scarce assets mark out the identified companies as special and should equip them to sustain and often grow returns and reinvest profitably in their businesses, creating value and increasing shareholder wealth in the process.

#### Risk and reward profile\*



- The above risk number is based on the rate at which the value of the Fund has moved up and down in the past.
- This risk number is based on historical data and may not be a reliable indicator of the future risk profile of the Fund.
- The risk number shown is not guaranteed and may change over time.
- The lowest risk number does not mean risk free.
- \* This 'Risk and reward profile' section is based on Sterling Class 'A' shares.

# INVESTMENT ACTIVITIES OVER THE REPORT PERIOD

### As at 3 March 2014, for the six months ended 28 February 2014

As active stockpickers, we continued to seek opportunities to selectively purchase shares in companies with compelling scarce assets, structural growth drivers and the potential to produce sustainably high returns which became available at attractive valuations.

For instance, we added US-listed specialist economics, legal and financial communications consultancy FTI Consulting. The company is highly specialised, with its services linked to global deal flows, meaning it stands to benefit from a pickup in merger and acquisition activity. We feel this is a well-managed, value-creating business with solid return on capital as well as return on people.

We purchased shares in US drilling rig equipment maker National Oilwell Varco (NOV), having met the company on a research trip to the US in June 2013. We think NOV is best-in-market, with a solid equipment servicing aftermarket, a reputation in the industry for service and quality which is second to none, and an installed base of customers that has grown quickly over the past decade.

Finally, we invested in Samsonite International, a Hong Kong-listed branded luggage specialist. We see the company as highly profitable and extremely innovative, with its technology, powerful brands and focused management team making it difficult to compete with.

We sold out of other holdings where we felt there were more attractively valued companies with better growth prospects available. The sales included German fragrances and flavours manufacturer Symrise, Hong Kong-based clothing retailer Esprit, US-based personal care business Colgate-Palmolive and Danish diversified shipping business AP Moller-Maersk.

In addition, we sold our shares in US biopharmaceutical firm Myriad Genetics, believing that the stock had become prone to sharp movements in the share price, with outcomes driven by patent cases coming to dominate investor perceptions, rather than fundamentals. We exited our position in Austrian-listed sugar, starch and fruit preparations business Agrana Beteiligung, as well. This had been a somewhat illiquid holding, and we took the opportunity to sell our shares at an attractive price to the company's largest shareholder.

#### **Greg Aldridge**

Fund manager

An employee of M&G Limited which is an associate of M&G Securities Limited.

Please note that the views expressed in this Report should not be taken as a recommendation or advice on how the fund or any holding mentioned in the Report is likely to perform. If you wish to obtain financial advice as to whether an investment is suitable for your needs, you should consult a Financial Adviser.

### **FUND STATISTICS**

DISTRIBUTION DATE	S AND FUND FACTS	DISTRIBUTION DATES AND FUND FACTS				
Distribution type	xd	payment				
Final	01.09.14	31.10.14				

	Ongoing Cha	rges Figure [a]
	28.02.14	31.08.13
Sterling	%	%
Class 'A'	1.68	1.67
Class 'I'	0.93	0.93
Class 'R'	1.18	1.18
Class 'X'	1.68	1.67
Euro	%	%
Class 'A'	1.93	1.93
Class 'C'	0.93	0.93
US dollar	%	%
Class 'A'	1.93	1.92
Class 'C'	0.93	0.93

<sup>[</sup>a] The Ongoing Charges Figure is the ratio of the relevant annualised total disclosable costs of each share class from the most recent reporting period to the average net asset value for that share class over the same period.

The M&G Global Growth Fund distributes annually, therefore there is no interim distribution.

Performance of	per sh	set value are as at 02.14	per sh	set value are as at 08.13		et value
	Inc	Acc	Inc	Acc	Inc	Acc
Sterling	р	р	р	р	%	%
Class 'A'	259.50	497.12	256.69	491.72	+1.09	+1.10
Class 'I'	1,244.30	1,261.47	1,226.10	1,243.25	+1.48	+1.47
Class 'R'	124.27	125.66	122.62	123.99	+1.35	+1.35
Class 'X'	259.48	492.95	256.67	487.60	+1.09	+1.10
Euro	€	€	€	€	%	%
Class 'A'	n/a	18.2808	n/a	17.5235	n/a	+4.32
Class 'C'	n/a	20.2389	n/a	19.3046	n/a	+4.84
US dollar	\$	\$	\$	\$	%	%
Class 'A'	n/a	18.7813	n/a	17.2805	n/a	+8.68
Class 'C'	n/a	19.7763	n/a	18.1055	n/a	+9.23

Past performance is not a guide to future performance.

The value of stockmarket investments, and the income from them, will fluctuate. This will cause the fund price to fall as well as rise and you may not get back the original amount you invested.

PERFORMANCE SINCE LAUNCH						
	six months 02.09.13 %	one year 01.03.13 %	five years 03.03.09 % p.a. [a]	since launch % p.a. <sup>[a]</sup>		
Sterling [b]						
Class 'A'	+0.5	-0.8	+14.1	+8.9 [c]		
Class 'I'	+0.9	-0.7	n/a	+14.2 [d]		
Class 'R'	+0.8	-0.8	n/a	+14.1 [d]		
Class 'X'	+0.5	-0.8	+14.0	+11.8 <sup>[e]</sup>		
Euro [f]						
Class 'A'	+3.4	+4.7	+16.2	+5.0 [9]		
Class 'C'	+4.0	+5.8	+17.4	+5.9 [9]		
US dollar [f]						
Class 'A'	+7.7	+10.7	+18.3	+12.7 <sup>[h]</sup>		
Class 'C'	+8.2	+11.8	+19.5	+13.9 [h]		

- [a] Shows the compound rate of return, per annum, over the period.
- [b] Bid to bid excluding reinvested income.
- [c] 19 December 1967, the end of the initial offer period of the predecessor unit trust.
- [d] 3 August 2012, the launch date of the share class.
- [e] 1 October 2002, the launch date of the share class.
- [f] Bid to bid with net income reinvested.
- [g] 28 November 2001, the launch date of the share class.
- [h] 19 December 2008, the launch date of the share class.

	AR PERFORM NDING FEBR				
From To	01.03.13 28.02.14 %	01.03.12 28.02.13 %	01.03.11 29.02.12 %	01.03.10 28.02.11 %	01.03.09 28.02.10 %
Sterling Class 'A'	+1.7	+16.1	+0.9	+9.2	+45.5

Source: Morningstar, Inc., bid to bid with net income reinvested.

### **FUND STATISTICS**

PRICES					
	Calendar year	Income Highest	e shares Lowest	Accumula Highest	tion shares Lowest
Sterling (net)		р	р	р	р
Class 'A'	2009 [a]	202.08	130.97	381.74	246.18
	2010	228.42	189.40	431.50	357.79
	2011 <sup>[b]</sup>	233.00	182.70	440.14	346.52
	2012	228.89	200.28	436.38	379.88
	2013	275.19	230.45	524.64	439.36
	2014 [c]	267.97	250.84	513.34	480.54
Class 'I'	2012 <sup>[d]</sup>	1,095.84	1,000.00	1,097.76	1,000.00
	2013	1,321.38	1,103.43	1,323.69	1,105.36
	2014 [c]	1,283.70	1,202.15	1,301.48	1,218.80
Class 'R'	2012 <sup>[d]</sup>	109.51	100.00	109.66	100.00
	2013	131.94	110.27	132.10	110.42
	2014 [c]	128.24	120.08	129.68	121.43
Class 'X'	2009 <sup>[a]</sup>	202.13	131.02	378.53	244.12
	2010	228.49	189.46	427.89	354.79
	2011 <sup>[b]</sup>	233.06	182.75	436.46	343.63
	2012	228.89	200.34	432.72	376.70
	2013	275.19	230.45	520.24	435.67
	2014 [c]	267.94	250.82	509.03	476.50
Euro (net)		€	€	€	€
Class 'A'	2009 <sup>[a]</sup>	n/a	n/a	12.9803	8.4474
	2010	n/a	n/a	15.4887	12.6805
	2011 <sup>[b]</sup>	n/a	n/a	15.6403	12.2718
	2012	n/a	n/a	16.3482	14.0704
	2013	n/a	n/a	18.7123	16.4718
	2014 [c]	n/a	n/a	18.8293	17.6444
Class 'B'	2009 [a]	n/a	n/a	9.8040	6.3930
	2010	n/a	n/a	11.6697	9.5750
	2011 <sup>[b]</sup>	n/a	n/a	11.7828	9.2294
	2012	n/a	n/a	12.2621	10.5751
	2013 <sup>[e]</sup>	n/a	n/a	14.0163	12.3529
Class 'C'	2009 [a]	n/a	n/a	13.7845	8.8982
	2010	n/a	n/a	16.6138	13.4805
	2011 <sup>[b]</sup>	n/a	n/a	16.7830	13.2604
	2012	n/a	n/a	17.8810	15.2459
	2013	n/a	n/a	20.6627	18.0269
	2013	II/a			

	Calendar year	Income Highest	shares Lowest	Accumula Highest	tion shares Lowest
US dollar (r	net)	\$	\$	\$	\$
Class 'A'	2009 [a]	n/a	n/a	13.9565	7.9576
	2010	n/a	n/a	15.2407	12.3093
	2011 <sup>[b]</sup>	n/a	n/a	16.5025	12.1368
	2012	n/a	n/a	16.1225	13.3978
	2013	n/a	n/a	19.1084	16.2073
	2014 <sup>[c]</sup>	n/a	n/a	19.0398	17.7582
Class 'C'	2009 [a]	n/a	n/a	14.0853	7.9751
	2010	n/a	n/a	15.5514	12.4848
	2011 <sup>[b]</sup>	n/a	n/a	16.8956	12.4764
	2012	n/a	n/a	16.7790	13.8655
	2013	n/a	n/a	20.0858	16.8746
	2014 [c]	n/a	n/a	20.0170	18.6871

<sup>[</sup>a] The M&G Global Technology Fund merged into the M&G Global Growth Fund immediately after 13 March 2009.

<sup>[</sup>b] The Prudential International Growth Trust merged into the M&G Global Growth Fund immediately after 14 October 2011.

<sup>[</sup>c] To 3 March 2014.

<sup>[</sup>d] From 3 August 2012 (the launch date of the share class).

<sup>[</sup>e] To 7 June 2013 (the closure date of the share class).

#### **FUND STATISTICS**

**INCOME** Dividend income per share Calendar year Distributed Sterling (net) 2009 0.8960 1.6841 Class 'A' 2010 nil nil 2011 0.8260 1.6030 2.0482 2012 1.1066 1.2350 2.3623 2014 [a] Class 'l' 2012 1.7650 1.7650 2013 14.9213 14.9424 2014 [a] Class 'R' 2012 0.1450 0.1450 1.2106 2013 1.2224 2014 [a] Class 'X' 2009 0.9080 1.6918 2010 nil nil 2011 0.8310 1.5790 2012 1.1654 2.0092 2013 1.2562 2.3383 2014 [a] Euro (net) ¢ ¢ 2009 Class 'A' n/a 4.2750 2010 n/a nil 2.6740 2011 n/a 2012 3.4840 2013 4.5734 n/a 2014 [a] n/a Class 'B' 2009 n/a 0.9010 2010 nil n/a 2011 n/a nil n/a Class 'C' 14.3720 2009 2010 10.3390 2011 17.4420 n/a 20.9900 2012 n/a 2013 n/a 23.0130 2014 [a] n/a US dollar (net) ¢ ¢ Class 'A' 2009 4.4350 n/a 2010 1.1970 n/a 2011 n/a 2.9290 2012 4.4100 n/a 2013 4.5412 2014 [a] n/a Class 'C' 2009 11.1690 n/a 2010 9.4490 2011 17.8400 n/a 2012 18.7050 n/a 2013 n/a 21.5868 2014 [a] n/a

The level of income earned by the fund will fluctuate.

			per share		of shares
	Period ended	Inc	Acc	Inc	Acc
Sterling Class 'A'	Aug 2011	<b>p</b> 201.82	<b>p</b> 382.82	150,256,329	40,463,889
Class A					
	Aug 2012	213.71	407.45	210,444,702	45,050,978
	Aug 2013	256.69	491.72	191,349,902	41,129,078
Ol (II	Feb 2014	259.50	497.12	189,367,202	38,551,278
Class 'I'	Aug 2012	1,020.00	1,021.77	100	100
	Aug 2013	1,226.10	1,243.25	289,700	686,500
	Feb 2014	1,244.30	1,261.47	486,200	1,519,200
Class 'R'	Aug 2012	102.00	102.15	1,000	1,000
	Aug 2013	122.62	123.99	78,000	94,000
	Feb 2014	124.27	125.66	88,000	96,000
Class 'X'	Aug 2011	201.88	379.61	3,081,176	2,706,754
	Aug 2012	213.71	404.04	3,077,176	2,254,654
	Aug 2013	256.67	487.60	3,244,576	2,439,854
	Feb 2014	259.48	492.95	3,296,076	1,948,054
Euro		€	€		
Class 'A'	Aug 2011	n/a	13.2085	n/a	8,482,607
	Aug 2012	n/a	15.6473	n/a	5,830,557
	Aug 2013	n/a	17.5235	n/a	6,377,857
	Feb 2014	n/a	18.2808	n/a	6,552,057
Class 'B'	Aug 2011	n/a	9.9354	n/a	1,000
	Aug 2012	n/a	11.7414	n/a	3,700
Class 'C'	Aug 2011	n/a	14.2640	n/a	9,467,090
	Aug 2012	n/a	17.0668	n/a	5,765,030
	Aug 2013	n/a	19.3046	n/a	6,125,530
	Feb 2014	n/a	20.2389	n/a	1,700,730
US dollar		\$	\$		
Class 'A'	Aug 2011	n/a	14.2025	n/a	168,400
	Aug 2012	n/a	14.6647	n/a	153,050
	Aug 2013	n/a	17.2805	n/a	114,450
	Feb 2014	n/a	18.7813	n/a	108,850
Class 'C'	Aug 2011	n/a	14.5889	n/a	5,259,000
	Aug 2012	n/a	15.2123	n/a	2,459,000
	Aug 2013	n/a	18.1055	n/a	3,161,200
	Feb 2014	n/a	19.7763	n/a	1,610,350

Total net asset value of sub-fund Period ended	£	<b>€</b> [a]
Aug 2011	742,274,000	1,075,424,000
Aug 2012	824,718,000	1,038,058,000
Aug 2013	960,576,000	1,124,730,000
Feb 2014	874,438,000	1,057,839,000

<sup>[</sup>a] Based on the midday exchange rate on the last business day of each accounting period.

<sup>[</sup>a] The M&G Global Growth Fund distributes annually, therefore there is no interim distribution.

at 28 February 2	2014	Value	28.02.14	31.08.13
lding		£'000	%	9
	Oil & gas producers		5.25	5.5
220,000	Chevron	15,250	1.75	
2,540,000	Petrobras	9,198	1.05	
400,000		12,126	1.39	
17,400,000	Yingde Gases	9,244	1.06	
	Oil equipment, services & distribution		3.85	2.4
	National Oilwell Varco	15,666	1.79	
325,000	Schlumberger	18,032	2.06	
	Chemicals		2.59	3.1
5,700,000	AZ Electronic Materials	22,680	2.59	
	Industrial metals & mining		1.36	1.3
1,570,000	Vale Non-cum. Pref.	11,869	1.36	
	Mining		1.85	1.5
475,400	Dominion Diamond	4,059	0.47	
335,321	Rio Tinto	12,035	1.38	
	Construction & materials		1.81	1.5
325,000	Holcim (Regd.)	15,794	1.81	
	Aerospace & defence		5.56	5.9
340,000	Airbus (formerly European Aeronautic			
	Defence and Space)	14,885	1.70	
	Ultra Electronics Holdings	14,882	1.70	
270,000	United Technologies	18,868	2.16	
	General industrials		1.70	1.6
185,000	3M	14,895	1.70	
	Electronic & electrical equipment		1.61	0.4
575,000	Spectris	14,087	1.61	
	Industrial engineering		4.57	4.7
420,000	Atlas Copco 'A'	7,042	0.81	
765,000	Misumi Group	13,299	1.52	
606,189	Vallourec	19,593	2.24	
	Industrial transportation		0.00	1.0
	Support services		3.03	1.9
600,000	FTI Consulting	10,607	1.21	
6,740,000	G4S	15,933	1.82	
	Automobiles & parts		3.77	4.4
385,000	Hankook Tire	13,422	1.54	
570,000	Toyota Motor	19,526	2.23	
	Food producers		2.22	3.3
14,241.347	Chaoda Modern Agriculture [a]	0	0.00	5.0
	Nestlé (Regd.)	19,391	2.22	
-,	Household goods & home construction		4.84	3.4
340.000	Procter & Gamble	15,930	1.82	•
	Samsonite International	13,014	1.49	
	Techtronic Industries	13,390	1.53	
	Leisure goods		1.44	1.3
470 000	Brunswick	12,602	1.44	110
0,000		,50=	2.81	4.9
245,000	Personal goods adidas	16,949	1.94	4.9
	Elizabeth Arden	7,644	0.87	
7£0,001		7,044		4.0
420 000	Healthcare equipment & services	17 510	<b>4.35</b>	4.6
	Fresenius Medical Care Mindray Medical International ADR	17,513 10,792	2.00 1.23	
	Sysmex	9,784	1.12	
210,000		0,104		4.0
420.000	Pharmaceuticals & biotechnology	14 002	3.60	4.6
430,000		14,003	1.60	
30 UUU	Roche Holding 'Genussscheine'	17,504	2.00	

	STATEMENT (continued)			
s at 28 February 2	2014	Value	28.02.14	31.08.13
Holding		£'000	20.02.14 %	31.06.13
	General retailers		3.82	4.25
515,000	Dollar General	18,447	2.11	
335,000	Wal-Mart Stores	14,969	1.71	
	Media		2.02	2.07
315,000	Publicis Groupe	17,699	2.02	
	Travel & leisure		2.25	1.96
810,000	Carnival	19,635	2.25	
	Mobile telecommunications		1.03	1.08
820,000	MTN Group	8,991	1.03	
	Banks		7.10	6.60
1.550.015	Banco do Brasil	8,108	0.93	0.00
	HSBC Holdings	17,774	2.03	
	Société Générale	19,305	2.21	
,	Standard Chartered	16,915	1.93	
,,	Non-life insurance	-,-	2.21	1.98
106 000	Zurich Insurance	19,351	2.21	1.00
,	Real estate investment & services	.0,001	1.22	1.30
6.460.000	Hang Lung Properties	10,700	1.22	1.30
0,100,000	Financial services	10,100	4.07	3.87
324 400	Capital One Financial	14,128	1.62	3.07
510,000	1	21,398	2.45	
010,000	Software & computer services	21,000	8.29	8.67
28 500	Google	20,823	2.38	0.07
,	International Business Machines	19,435	2.30	
360,000		17,203	1.97	
•	Wincor Nixdorf	15,067	1.72	
020,000	Technology hardware & equipment	.0,00.	8.78	9.00
655.054		12.181	1.39	3.00
,	Cisco Systems	15,749	1.80	
	Ericsson 'B'	17,832	2.04	
	Linear Technology	13,972	1.60	
	Samsung Electronic	17,027	1.95	
,	'AAA' rated money market funds [b]	,-	0.65	0.83
9.498.000	Northern Trust Global Fund - US dollar	5,692	0.65	0.00
Portfolio of investn		853,909	97.65	99.73
	HOLLO	550,505	31.00	30.70
let other assets		20,529	2.35	0.27

<sup>[</sup>a] Suspended on 26 September 2011.

<sup>[</sup>b] Uncommitted surplus cash is placed into 'AAA' rated money market funds with the aim of reducing counterparty risk.

### **PORTFOLIO**

for the six months ended 28 February 2014	
Purchases	£'00
National Oilwell Varco	17,110
Samsonite International	13,98
FTI Consulting	13,35
Spectris	9,49
Standard Chartered	6,10
AZ Electronic Materials	3,57
Parexel	3,43
Hang Lung Properties	1,57
HSBC Holdings	39
Northern Trust Global Fund - US dollar [a]	80,75
Total purchases	149,76
Largest sales	£'00
Colgate-Palmolive	18,86
Symrise	15,64
AP Moller-Maersk	11,66
Myriad Genetics	10,85
Google	9,57
Agrana Beteiligung	8,67
Roche Holding 'Genussscheine'	7,56
Wincor Nixdorf	6,76
Schlumberger	6,33
Airbus (formerly European Aeronautic Defence and Space)	6,19
Société Générale	6,18
Esprit	5,56
Publicis Groupe	5,27
United Technologies	4,76
Hankook Tire	4,59
Equifax	4,11
Parexel	3,29
Toyota Motor	3,25
Nestlé (Regd.)	3,03
adidas	2,95
Northern Trust Global Fund - US dollar [a]	82,02
Other sales	39,46

<sup>[</sup>a] Uncommitted surplus cash is placed into 'AAA' rated money market funds with the aim of reducing counterparty risk.

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STATEMENT OF TOTAL RETURN				
	20	)14	2	013
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Income				
Net capital gains		13,222		157,648
Revenue	5,666		5,830	
Expenses	(7,530)		(6,697)	
Net expense before taxation	(1,864)		(867)	
Taxation	(275)		(162)	
Net expense after taxation		(2,139)		(1,029)
Total return before equalisation		11,083		156,619
Finance costs: Equalisation		(38)		7
Change in net assets attributable to shareholders from investment activities		11,045		156,626

	2	014	2	013
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Opening net assets attributable to shareholders		960,576		824,718
Amounts received on issue of shares	34,737		35,009	
Amounts paid on cancellation of shares	(131,907)		(75,582)	
		(97,170)		(40,573)
Stamp Duty Reserve Tax		(15)		(7)
Change in net assets attributable to shareholders from investment				
activities (see above)		11,045		156,626
Unclaimed distributions		2		1
Closing net assets attributable				
to shareholders		874,438		940,765

The opening net assets attributable to shareholders for 2014 differs to the closing position in 2013 by the change in net assets attributable to shareholders for the second half of the comparative financial year.

		s at uary 2014 £'000		s at just 2013 £'000
Assets	2 000	2 000	2 000	2 000
Investment assets		853,909		957,979
Debtors	12,397		7,371	
Cash and bank balances	9,692		4,353	
Total other assets		22,089		11,724
Total assets		875,998		969,703
Liabilities				
Creditors				
Net distributions payable on				
Income shares	0		(2,448)	
Other creditors	(1,560)		(6,679)	
Total liabilities		(1,560)		(9,127)
Net assets attributable to shareholders		874,438		960,576

# INTERIM FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (unaudited)

#### NOTE TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### **Accounting policies**

The interim financial statements have been prepared on the same basis as the audited annual financial statements for the year ended 31 August 2013. They are in accordance with the historical cost convention, as modified by the revaluation of investments, and the Statement of Recommended Practice for Authorised Funds issued by the Investment Management Association in October 2010.

## AUTHORISED CORPORATE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

## Investment objective and policy of the M&G Global Leaders Fund

The objective of the fund is to maximise long term total return (the combination of income and growth of capital). The fund invests in a wide range of global equities issued by companies that the fund manager considers to be, or have the potential to be, leading in their field in terms of improving shareholder value.

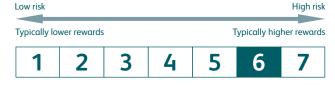
#### Investment approach

The M&G Global Leaders Fund is a distinctive global equity fund with a clear investment strategy. The fund manager selects stocks from across the global equities universe that are undergoing positive internal change leading to improvements in return on capital.

The approach has three core tenets: i) management can make a big difference to returns; ii) capital allocation is key – companies must concentrate resources on those business activities where they have a competitive advantage and can create value; iii) the above factors are only attractive from an investment perspective if they are not yet reflected in the share price.

Stocks are selected on a bottom-up basis; the fund manager tends to avoid imposing top-down views on sector, country or currency selections, but will take into account macroeconomic factors where they impact on a particular stock or the risk profile of the broader portfolio. The fund usually holds between 50 and 80 stocks, with a typical holding period of three to five years.

#### Risk and reward profile\*



- The above risk number is based on the rate at which the value of the Fund has moved up and down in the past.
- This risk number is based on historical data and may not be a reliable indicator of the future risk profile of the Fund.
- The risk number shown is not guaranteed and may change over time.
- The lowest risk number does not mean risk free.
- \* This 'Risk and reward profile' section is based on Sterling Class 'A' shares.

# INVESTMENT ACTIVITIES OVER THE REPORT PERIOD

### As at 3 March 2014, for the six months ended 28 February 2014

We made a number of changes to the portfolio during the review period. In financials, we initiated a position in Italian bank UniCredit. The bank has a complex footprint over many European countries and is looking to exit non-core businesses and improve the cost structure of its continuing operations. At the same time we reduced the fund's exposure to US giant Citigroup on valuation grounds.

In industrials, having done very well with General Electric, we decided to recycle the money into smaller and potentially higher returning names such as Deere & Co. The US company is one of the largest manufacturers of agricultural machinery such as tractors, combine harvesters and planters in the world. It has been quick to realise that its future lay in providing technology solutions for its customers.

In the healthcare sector, we initiated positions in Swiss pharmaceutical giant Roche and US-based Medtronic. In our opinion, Roche is a well-run company with a good pipeline in oncology products. We are also excited about the developments in their diagnostics business; Roche is going from selling the machines to providing solutions.

Medtronic is a medical device manufacturer. The new chief executive is realigning the company away from low margin products towards businesses which have a greater proportion of recurring revenues and higher earnings visibility. As part of this strategy, Medtronic recently announced the formation of a unit focused on developing partnerships with hospitals and has already been awarded its first two contracts.

In Japan, we began a new position in FUJIFILM and sold Toyota Tsusho. The market still perceives FUJIFILM as a manufacturer of colour film, but this is now a tiny part of its business. The company has undertaken a number of restructuring initiatives and is now focused on higher value-added products such as healthcare, materials for flat panel displays and photocopiers and printers. Meanwhile, diversified industrial Toyota Tsusho left the portfolio as we were disappointed with the pace of cultural change at the company.

#### **Aled Smith**

Fund manager

An employee of M&G Limited which is an associate of M&G Securities Limited.

Please note that the views expressed in this Report should not be taken as a recommendation or advice on how the fund or any holding mentioned in the Report is likely to perform. If you wish to obtain financial advice as to whether an investment is suitable for your needs, you should consult a Financial Adviser.

### **FUND STATISTICS**

DISTRIBUTION DATES AND FUND FACTS					
Distribution type	xd	payment			
Final	01.09.14	31.10.14			
Interim	02.03.15	30.04.15			

	Interim di Inc 28.04.14 <sup>[a]</sup>	stribution Acc 03.03.14 [a]	Ongoing Char 28.02.14	ges Figure <sup>[b]</sup> 31.08.13
Sterling	р	р	%	%
Class 'A'	0.9355	2.1448	1.67	1.67
Class 'I'	6.5297	6.6607	0.92	0.93
Class 'R'	0.6444	0.6641	1.17	1.17
Class 'X'	0.9249	2.1123	1.67	1.67
Euro	¢	¢	%	%
Class 'A'	n/a	7.4998	1.92	1.92
Class 'C'	n/a	8.3885	0.92	0.92
US dollar	¢	¢	%	%
Class 'A'	n/a	5.4224	1.92	1.92
Class 'C'	n/a	5.7423	0.92	0.92

- [a] The date on which the interim distribution will be paid to Income shareholders and credited to Accumulation shareholders.
- [b] The Ongoing Charges Figure is the ratio of the relevant annualised total disclosable costs of each share class from the most recent reporting period to the average net asset value for that share class over the same period.

Performance of	per sh	set value are as at 02.14	per sh	set value are as at 08.13		set value nange
	Inc	Acc	Inc	Acc	Inc	Acc
Sterling	р	р	р	р	%	%
Class 'A'	188.38	433.27	182.11	416.73	+3.44	+3.97
Class 'I'	1,302.96	1,332.87	1,254.83	1,277.24	+3.84	+4.36
Class 'R'	129.77	132.69	125.13	127.34	+3.71	+4.20
Class 'X'	186.34	427.59	180.13	411.27	+3.45	+3.97
Euro	€	€	€	€	%	%
Class 'A'	n/a	15.0911	n/a	14.0660	n/a	+7.29
Class 'C'	n/a	16.9578	n/a	15.7278	n/a	+7.82
US dollar	\$	\$	\$	\$	%	%
Class 'A'	n/a	10.8860	n/a	9.7382	n/a	+11.79
Class 'C'	n/a	11.6609	n/a	10.3798	n/a	+12.34

Past performance is not a guide to future performance.

The value of stockmarket investments, and the income from them, will fluctuate. This will cause the fund price to fall as well as rise and you may not get back the original amount you invested.

PERFORMANCE SINCE LAUNCH						
	six months 02.09.13 %	one year 01.03.13 %	five years 03.03.09 % p.a. [a]	since launch % p.a. <sup>[a]</sup>		
Sterling [b]						
Class 'A'	+1.9	+4.5	+13.9	+4.9 [c]		
Class 'I'	+2.3	+5.3	n/a	+16.8 [d]		
Class 'R'	+2.2	+5.0	n/a	+16.5 [d]		
Class 'X'	+1.9	+4.5	+13.9	+8.7 <sup>[e]</sup>		
Euro [f]						
Class 'A'	+5.4	+11.3	+17.5	+3.3 [9]		
Class 'C'	+6.0	+12.4	+18.7	+4.3 [9]		
US dollar [f]						
Class 'A'	+9.8	+17.7	+19.7	+1.0 <sup>[h]</sup>		
Class 'C'	+10.3	+18.9	+20.9	+2.0 [h]		

- [a] Shows the compound rate of return, per annum, over the period.
- [b] Bid to bid excluding reinvested income.
- [c] 31 May 1985, the end of the initial offer period of the predecessor unit trust.
- [d] 3 August 2012, the launch date of the share class.
- [e] 1 October 2002, the launch date of the share class.
- [f] Bid to bid with net income reinvested.
- [g] 28 November 2001, the launch date of the share class.
- [h] 9 March 2007, the launch date of the share class.

SINGLE YEAR PERFORMANCE (5 YEARS ENDING FEBRUARY)									
From To	01.03.13 28.02.14 %	01.03.12 28.02.13 %	01.03.11 29.02.12 %	01.03.10 28.02.11 %	01.03.09 28.02.10 %				
Sterling									
Class 'A'	+9.0	+14.0	-5.5	+14.1	+49.5				

Source: Morningstar, Inc., bid to bid with net income reinvested.

### **FUND STATISTICS**

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	Calendar year	Incom Highest	e shares Lowest	Accumula Highest	tion shares Lowest
Sterling (net)		р	р	р	р
Class 'A'	2009	151.15	92.87	323.45	196.46
	2010	171.18	136.81	372.85	294.69
	2011	173.36	132.32	377.61	289.67
	2012	160.39	142.47	356.93	317.05
	2013	196.32	158.32	445.05	356.78
	2014 [a]	194.97	180.49	446.18	413.04
Class 'I'	2012 <sup>[b]</sup>	1,071.85	1,000.00	1,074.20	1,000.00
	2013	1,351.91	1,085.37	1,363.22	1,088.10
	2014 [a]	1,347.32	1,247.76	1,371.36	1,270.01
Class 'R'	2012 <sup>[b]</sup>	107.13	100.00	107.34	100.00
	2013	134.84	108.45	135.94	108.64
	2014 <sup>[a]</sup>	134.22	124.28	136.60	126.48
Class 'X'	2009	149.50	91.85	319.23	193.90
	2010	169.31	135.32	367.99	290.85
	2011	171.48	130.88	372.68	285.90
	2012	158.65	140.92	352.28	312.92
	2013	194.19	156.58	439.22	352.13
	2014 [a]	192.85	178.53	440.33	407.63
Euro (net)		€	€	€	€
Class 'A'	2009	n/a	n/a	10.4126	6.4172
	2010	n/a	n/a	12.6941	10.1399
	2011	n/a	n/a	13.0270	9.5970
	2012	n/a	n/a	12.6369	11.2202
	2013	n/a	n/a	15.1352	12.6693
	2014 [a]	n/a	n/a	15.4369	14.3649
Class 'C'	2009	n/a	n/a	11.2214	6.8601
	2010	n/a	n/a	13.8190	10.9398
	2011	n/a	n/a	14.1888	10.5153
	2012	n/a	n/a	13.9851	12.3395
	2013	n/a	n/a	16.9662	14.0729
	2014 [a]	n/a	n/a	17.3283	16.1310
US dollar (net	)	\$	\$	\$	\$
Class 'A'	2009	n/a	n/a	7.8459	4.2248
	2010	n/a	n/a	8.7409	6.7862
	2011	n/a	n/a	9.2335	6.9010
	2012	n/a	n/a	8.6530	7.5198
	2013	n/a	n/a	10.8673	8.7577
	2014 [a]	n/a	n/a	10.9766	10.1506
Class 'C'	2009	n/a	n/a	8.0620	4.3070
	2010	n/a	n/a	9.0729	7.0096
	2011	n/a	n/a	9.5980	7.2177
	2012	n/a	n/a	9.1580	7.9181
	2013	n/a	n/a	11.6234	9.2736
	2014 <sup>[a]</sup>	n/a	n/a	11.7455	10.8672

 $<sup>\</sup>ensuremath{\mathit{[b]}}$  From 3 August 2012 (the launch date of the share class).

INCOME					
Dividend inco	me per share				
	Calendar year	Interim	Distributed Final	Total	Reinvested
Sterling (net)		р	р	р	р
Class 'A'	2009	1.3190	1.5490	2.8680	6.0311
	2010	1.0050	1.5950	2.6000	5.5863
	2011	0.8530	1.5230	2.3760	4.9319
	2012	0.9340	1.9080	2.8420	6.2867
	2013	1.0304	1.7175	2.7479	6.1010
	2014 [a]	0.9355	-	0.9355	2.1448
Class 'I'	2012	n/a	1.9450	1.9450	1.9450
	2013	7.0389	11.8083	18.8472	19.4391
	2014 <sup>[a]</sup>	6.5297	-	6.5297	6.6607
Class 'R'	2012	n/a	0.1900	0.1900	0.1900
	2013	0.7634	1.1790	1.9424	1.9426
	2014 <sup>[a]</sup>	0.6444	-	0.6444	0.6641
Class 'X'	2009	1.3090	1.5280	2.8370	5.9528
	2010	0.9950	1.5790	2.5740	5.5184
	2011	0.8430	1.5070	2.3500	5.1302
	2012	0.9250	1.8870	2.8120	6.0038
	2013	1.0082	1.6990	2.7072	6.0197
	2014 <sup>[a]</sup>	0.9249	-	0.9249	2.1123
Euro (net)		¢	¢	¢	¢
Class 'A'	2009	n/a	n/a	n/a	19.8710
	2010	n/a	n/a	n/a	19.1450
	2011	n/a	n/a	n/a	17.2310
	2012	n/a	n/a	n/a	22.3779
	2013	n/a	n/a	n/a	20.5184
	2014 [a]	n/a	n/a	n/a	7.4998
Class 'C'	2009	n/a	n/a	n/a	21.2380
	2010	n/a	n/a	n/a	20.8430
	2011	n/a	n/a	n/a	18.8030
	2012	n/a	n/a	n/a	24.0191
	2013	n/a	n/a	n/a	22.8391
	2014 <sup>[a]</sup>	n/a	n/a	n/a	8.3885
US dollar (net)		¢	¢	¢	¢
Class 'A'	2009	n/a	n/a	n/a	14.0860
	2010	n/a	n/a	n/a	12.9750
	2011	n/a	n/a	n/a	12.8070
	2012	n/a	n/a	n/a	15.1221
	2013	n/a	n/a	n/a	14.1452
	2014 <sup>[a]</sup>	n/a	n/a	n/a	5.4224
Class 'C'	2009	n/a	n/a	n/a	14.4060
	2010	n/a	n/a	n/a	13.3790
	2011	n/a	n/a	n/a	13.3230
	2012	n/a	n/a	n/a	15.4041
	2013	n/a	n/a	n/a	15.0329
	2014 <sup>[a]</sup>	n/a	n/a	n/a	5.7423
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<sup>[</sup>a] Up to interim: ex-distribution date 3 March 2014; payment date 30 April 2014.

The level of income earned by the fund will fluctuate.

### **FUND STATISTICS**

NET AS	SETS				
	Period ended	Value   Inc	per share Acc	Number Inc	of shares Acc
Sterling		p	р	07.055.555	05.001.001
Class 'A'	Aug 2011	142.82	315.98	97,696,966	95,861,901
	Aug 2012	149.80	337.05	88,800,466	105,510,701
	Aug 2013	182.11	416.73	44,331,166	106,621,501
	Feb 2014	188.38	433.27	42,304,266	101,617,805
Class 'I'	Aug 2012	1,023.08	1,025.03	100	100
	Aug 2013	1,254.83	1,277.24	148,200	159,000
	Feb 2014	1,302.96	1,332.87	319,400	422,200
Class 'R'	Aug 2012	102.29	102.48	1,000	1,000
	Aug 2013	125.13	127.34	80,000	12,000
	Feb 2014	129.77	132.69	90,000	42,000
Class 'X'	Aug 2011	141.26	311.86	5,962,942	7,729,137
	Aug 2012	147.97	333.22	5,319,942	7,004,937
	Aug 2013	180.13	411.27	4,561,942	5,838,737
	Feb 2014	186.34	427.59	4,316,342	5,473,437
Euro		€	€		
Class 'A'	Aug 2011	n/a	10.3276	n/a	28,208,441
	Aug 2012	n/a	12.2632	n/a	27,232,541
	Aug 2013	n/a	14.0660	n/a	23,765,341
	Feb 2014	n/a	15.0911	n/a	22,919,441
Class 'C'	Aug 2011	n/a	11.3179	n/a	12,949,355
	Aug 2012	n/a	13.5766	n/a	7,600,855
	Aug 2013	n/a	15.7278	n/a	7,158,055
	Feb 2014	n/a	16.9578	n/a	2,349,355
US dollar		\$	\$		
Class 'A'	Aug 2011	n/a	7.7930	n/a	1,249,100
	Aug 2012	n/a	8.0696	n/a	1,343,300
	Aug 2013	n/a	9.7382	n/a	2,652,200
	Feb 2014	n/a	10.8860	n/a	4,986,554
Class 'C'	Aug 2011	n/a	8.1440	n/a	1,089,200
	Aug 2012	n/a	8.5148	n/a	1,185,500
	Aug 2013	n/a	10.3798	n/a	562,500
	Feb 2014	n/a	11.6609	n/a	691,700
Total net as	set value of sub-fun Period ended	d	£	<b>€</b> [a]	
	Aug 2011	874,5	565,000	986,5	48,000
	Aug 2012	880,3	389,000	1,108,1	30,000
	Aug 2013	963,3	362,000	1,127,9	92,000
	Feb 2014	917,5	589,000	1,110,040,000	

 $<sup>{\</sup>it [a]}$  Based on the midday exchange rate on the last business day of each accounting period.

PORTFOLIO	STATEMENT			
as at 28 February 2	2014	Value	28.02.14	31.08.13 <sup>[a]</sup>
Holding		£'000	20.02.14 %	% % %
	Oil & gas producers		3.93	7.32
313,905	Anadarko Petroleum	15,621	1.70	
	China Petroleum & Chemical 'H'	7,771	0.85	
	Rockhopper Exploration	2,724	0.30	
1,611,948	Talisman Energy	9,865	1.08	
	Oil equipment, services & distribu		2.55	1.30
,	Halliburton	10,927	1.19	
914,458	Petrofac	12,491	1.36	
	Chemicals		1.99	1.10
,	Akzo Nobel	10,086	1.10	
89,600	Solvay	8,177	0.89	
	Industrial metals & mining		1.21	1.35
154,510	Parker Hannifin	11,126	1.21	
	Mining		2.36	0.00
	Glencore Xstrata	10,177	1.11	
334,066	Rio Tinto	11,455	1.25	
	General industrials		1.55	4.08
538,364	ITT	14,180	1.55	
	Electronic & electrical equipment		6.66	7.25
207,288	Barco	9,767	1.06	
3,237,000	Hitachi	15,248	1.66	
*	Jabil Circuit	5,103	0.56	
*	Motorola Solutions	10,961	1.19	
273,900	Nidec	20,110	2.19	
	Industrial engineering		4.37	1.32
2,004,596	•	14,844	1.62	
	Deere & Co	13,493	1.47	
351,064	Joy Global	11,786	1.28	
	Industrial transportation		1.69	2.68
	Con-Way	10,887	1.19	
/13,0/1	UTi Worldwide	4,594	0.50	
	Automobiles & parts		6.79	7.65
	Bridgestone	11,857	1.29	
	Harley-Davidson	16,269	1.77	
	NGK SPARK PLUG CO.	16,423	1.79	
290,337	Renault	17,834	1.94	0.70
2 400 404	Beverages	7.054	0.80	2.73
3,490,404	Treasury Wine Estates	7,251	0.80	
202 442	Household goods & home constru		3.93	4.16
	Fortune Brands Home & Security	10,990	1.20	
	Samsonite International	10,995	1.20	
211,140	Snap-on	14,058	1.53	
4 400 744	Leisure goods	45.000	3.36	3.42
	Amer Sports	15,036	1.64	
	KONAMI	5,531	0.60	
	LeapFrog Enterprises Sega Sammy Holdings	4,644 5,558	0.51 0.61	
397,000		3,330		4.70
020 407	Personal goods	15,048	1.64	1.79
030,467	Svenska Cellulosa 'B'	10,040	1.64	4.00
500.004	Healthcare equipment & services	10.044	3.08	1.82
	Haemonetics Madtrania	12,914	1.41	
438,019	Medtronic	15,301	1.67	

at 28 February 2	2014			_
lding		Value £'000	28.02.14 %	31.08.13 <sup>[8</sup>
	Pharmaceuticals & biotechnology		9.20	9.44
216,814	Amgen	15,990	1.74	
786,036	H. Lundbeck	13,504	1.47	
312,549	Mallinckrodt Pharmaceuticals	13,125	1.43	
80,986	Merck	8,392	0.91	
301,451	Novartis (Regd.)	15,079	1.64	
100,296	Roche Holding 'Genussscheine'	18,480	2.01	
075 70 4	Food & drug retailers	44.000	2.99	2.73
	CVS Caremark	11,926	1.30	
423,201		10,596	1.15	
1,284,238	SuperValu	4,949	0.54	
	General retailers		1.11	1.48
291,908	eBay	10,208	1.11	
	Media		6.98	4.82
,	CBS 'B'	10,645	1.16	
2,343,398	'	11,951	1.30	
	News Corporation	7,867	0.86	
	Rocket Fuel	9,448	1.03	
	Twenty-First Century Fox	8,906	0.97	
897,476		15,272	1.66	
	Travel & leisure		2.26	3.65
134,270	Madison Square Garden	4,726	0.52	
956,099	MGM Resorts International	15,963	1.74	
	Gas, water & multi-utilities		1.42	0.91
553,944	Xylem	13,066	1.42	
	Banks		9.95	9.20
	Bank of Yokohama	14,342	1.56	
	Bankinter	7,053	0.77	
	Citigroup	4,479	0.49	
	Intesa Sanpaolo	14,027	1.53	
	Lloyds Banking Group	9,385	1.02	
	Royal Bank of Scotland Group	14,193	1.55	
	Sberbank of Russia ADR	5,376	0.59	
	State Bank of India	6,800	0.74	
3,322,472	UniCredit	15,614	1.70	
	Non-life insurance		2.24	3.69
	AIA Group	16,121	1.76	
1,074,546	Brasil Insurance	4,421	0.48	
	Life insurance		1.77	2.21
535,631	MetLife	16,217	1.77	
	Real estate investment & services		0.51	1.29
6,049,910	New World Development	4,681	0.51	
	Financial services		2.72	1.53
839,014	Morgan Stanley	15,255	1.66	
684,170	SLM	9,746	1.06	
	Software & computer services		3.43	3.88
672,109	Microsoft	15,254	1.66	
830,700	Nomura Research Institute	16,268	1.77	
	Technology hardware & equipment		7.24	3.32
1,107,700	FUJIFILM Holdings	19,021	2.07	
1,231,611	NVIDIA	13,647	1.49	
290,373	Qualcomm	13,081	1.43	
00.000	Samsung Electronic Pref.	13,304	1.45	
22,293	3			

PORTFOLIO STATEMENT (continued)							
as at 28 February 2014							
Holding	Value £'000	28.02.14 %	31.08.13 <sup>[a]</sup> %				
'AAA' rated money market funds [	b]	1.85	3.83				
28,276,000 Northern Trust Global Fund - US dollar	16,945	1.85					
Portfolio of investments	913,750	99.58	99.95				
Net other assets	3,839	0.42	0.05				
Net assets attributable to shareholders	917,589	100.00	100.00				

<sup>[</sup>a] The comparative sector weightings have been re-analysed to reflect changes to the sector classifications.

<sup>[</sup>b] Uncommitted surplus cash is placed into 'AAA' rated money market funds with the aim of reducing counterparty risk.

### PORTFOLIO

PORTFOLIO TRANSACTIONS	
for the six months ended 28 February 2014	
Largest purchases	£'000
FUJIFILM Holdings	17,996
Roche Holding 'Genussscheine'	17,569
UniCredit	16,516
Medtronic	16,108
Deere & Co	14,519
Groupon	14,188
NVIDIA	13,681
Joy Global	13,526
Metro	13,468
Samsung Electronic Pref.	13,334
Glencore Xstrata	11,424
Rio Tinto	11,188
SLM	11,031
Halliburton	9,946
Rocket Fuel	9,928
Akzo Nobel	9,787
Barco	9,738
Sberbank of Russia ADR	7,090
Bank of Yokohama	6,426
KONAMI	6,332
Northern Trust Global Fund - US dollar [a]	144,282
Other purchases	57,956
Total purchases	446,033
Largest sales	£'000
General Electric	26,453
Citigroup	18,523
Valero Energy	16,024
Dr Pepper Snapple	14,357
Eli Lilly	14,261
Toyota Tsusho	
	13,344
Yokogawa Electric	13,34 <sup>2</sup> 12,916
Yokogawa Electric Intel	12,916
Intel	12,916 12,695
9	12,916 12,695 12,48
Intel Intesa Sanpaolo	12,916 12,699 12,48 11,486
Intel Intesa Sanpaolo Repsol Deutsche Lufthansa	12,916 12,699 12,48 11,486 11,150
Intel Intelsa Sanpaolo Repsol Deutsche Lufthansa Ace	12,916 12,699 12,48° 11,486 11,150 9,81°
Intel Intesa Sanpaolo Repsol	12,916 12,698 12,48° 11,486 11,158 9,81° 9,058
Intel Intesa Sanpaolo Repsol Deutsche Lufthansa Ace Sanofi MGM Resorts International	12,916 12,699 12,48 11,486 11,159 9,81 9,058 7,81
Intel Intesa Sanpaolo Repsol Deutsche Lufthansa Ace Sanofi MGM Resorts International Jabil Circuit	12,916 12,696 12,486 11,486 11,156 9,816 9,056 7,816 7,706
Intel Intesa Sanpaolo Repsol Deutsche Lufthansa Ace Sanofi MGM Resorts International	12,916 12,695 12,48* 11,486 11,155 9,811 9,055 7,811 7,705 6,607
Intel Intesa Sanpaolo Repsol Deutsche Lufthansa Ace Sanofi MGM Resorts International Jabil Circuit Sega Sammy Holdings China Petroleum & Chemical 'H'	12,916 12,699 12,48 11,486 11,159 9,81 9,059 7,81 7,709 6,600 6,228
Intel Intesa Sanpaolo Repsol Deutsche Lufthansa Ace Sanofi MGM Resorts International Jabil Circuit Sega Sammy Holdings China Petroleum & Chemical 'H' Novartis (Regd.)	12,916 12,699 12,48 11,486 11,159 9,81 9,059 7,81 7,709 6,607 6,229
Intel Intesa Sanpaolo Repsol Deutsche Lufthansa Ace Sanofi MGM Resorts International Jabil Circuit Sega Sammy Holdings China Petroleum & Chemical 'H' Novartis (Regd.) Twenty-First Century Fox	12,916 12,699 12,48* 11,486 11,159 9,81* 9,059 7,81* 7,709 6,607 6,229 6,225 6,21*
Intel Intesa Sanpaolo Repsol Deutsche Lufthansa Ace Sanofi MGM Resorts International Jabil Circuit Sega Sammy Holdings China Petroleum & Chemical 'H' Novartis (Regd.) Twenty-First Century Fox New World Development	12,916 12,699 12,48 11,486 11,159 9,81 9,059 7,81 7,709 6,600 6,228
Intel Intesa Sanpaolo Repsol Deutsche Lufthansa Ace Sanofi MGM Resorts International Jabil Circuit Sega Sammy Holdings China Petroleum & Chemical 'H'	12,916 12,699 12,48 11,486 11,155 9,81 9,055 7,81 7,706 6,607 6,225 6,227 5,948

<sup>[</sup>a] Uncommitted surplus cash is placed into 'AAA' rated money market funds with the aim of reducing counterparty risk.

# INTERIM FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (unaudited)

For the six months ended 28 February 2014.

STATEMENT OF TOTAL RETURN						
	20	)14	2013			
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000		
Income						
Net capital gains		40,632		145,516		
Revenue	5,761		7,358			
Expenses	(8,130)		(7,279)			
Net (expense) / revenue before taxation	(2,369)		79			
Taxation	(49)		(1,117)			
Net expense after taxation		(2,418)		(1,038)		
Total return before distributions		38,214		144,478		
Finance costs: Distributions		(4,899)		(5,512)		
Change in net assets attributable to shareholders from investment activities		33,315		138,966		

STATEMENT OF CHANGE IN NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTABLE TO SHAREHOLDERS						
	2	014	2	013		
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000		
Opening net assets attributable to shareholders		963,362		880,389		
Amounts received on issue of shares	74,668		14,750			
Amounts paid on cancellation of shares	(123,754)		(112,177)			
Value of securities transferred from						
in-specie cancellations	(34,085)		0			
		(83,171)		(97,427)		
Stamp Duty Reserve Tax		(18)		(4)		
Change in net assets attributable to shareholders from investment						
activities (see above)		33,315		138,966		
Retained distributions on Accumulation shares		4,093		4,549		
Unclaimed distributions		8		5		
Closing net assets attributable		047 500		026 470		

The opening net assets attributable to shareholders for 2014 differs to the closing position in 2013 by the change in net assets attributable to shareholders for the second half of the comparative financial year.

BALANCE SHEET				
	as at 28 February 2014 £'000 £'000			s at just 2013 £'000
Assets				
Investment assets		913,750		962,895
Debtors	9,110		3,590	
Cash and bank balances	2,090		1,479	
Total other assets		11,200		5,069
Total assets		924,950		967,964
Liabilities				
Creditors				
Net distributions payable on				
Income shares	(457)		(857)	
Other creditors	(6,904)		(3,745)	
Total liabilities		(7,361)		(4,602)
Net assets attributable to shareholders		917,589		963,362

# INTERIM FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (unaudited)

#### NOTE TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### **Accounting policies**

The interim financial statements have been prepared on the same basis as the audited annual financial statements for the year ended 31 August 2013. They are in accordance with the historical cost convention, as modified by the revaluation of investments, and the Statement of Recommended Practice for Authorised Funds issued by the Investment Management Association in October 2010.

# AUTHORISED CORPORATE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

## Investment objective and policy of the M&G Japan Fund

The Fund invests in a wide range of securities of Japanese issuers, covering most aspects of the economy. Its sole objective is long term capital growth. Income is not a consideration when investments are selected.

#### Investment approach

The M&G Japan Fund screens a wide investment universe to form a concentrated portfolio of Japanese companies that are trading on low valuations relative to their history and the market. The fund aims to achieve sound capital growth over the long term.

The fund manager applies disciplined and rigorous fundamental analysis during the selection process to ensure a high level of conviction around the valuation for each of the companies held in the fund. The portfolio maintains diversification by typically holding between 30 and 50 stocks.

The fund manager adopts a value approach to investment and the fund owns shares in companies that have cheap valuations relative to the trend returns they are likely to generate over the medium to long term. These companies are quite often out of favour with the market for one reason or another. The fund's investment strategy therefore tends to be contrarian in nature.

The fund manager sees value investing as a price-sensitive process that takes advantage of the mis-pricing of a company's shares by the market. Whilst recognising that markets are generally efficient, the fund manager believes that market mis-pricings can and often do occur because human characteristics (such as fear and greed) may prevent investors from always assessing investments rationally.

As a result, market prices do not always reflect fundamental values since they may over-shoot and under-shoot. For example, shares in companies become mis-priced when investors are willing to pay a high price for the 'comfort' of strong near-term earnings momentum and to be associated with success, whilst they will sell 'unfashionable' securities regardless of inherent value characteristics, such as healthy balance sheets and the likely level of longer term earnings.

Such behavioural biases are evident in Japan's equity markets today and can be systemically exploited. The fund manager aims to take advantage of these biases by adopting a disciplined, long-term investment approach.

#### Risk and reward profile\*



- The above risk number is based on the rate at which the value of the Fund has moved up and down in the past.
- This risk number is based on historical data and may not be a reliable indicator of the future risk profile of the Fund.

- The risk number shown is not guaranteed and may change over time.
- The lowest risk number does not mean risk free.
- \* This 'Risk and reward profile' section is based on Sterling Class 'A' shares.

# INVESTMENT ACTIVITIES OVER THE REPORT PERIOD

## As at 3 March 2014, for the six months ended 28 February 2014

The six months under review was a relatively busy period for portfolio changes, with a number of holdings that have performed well for the fund sold on valuation grounds. Among them were telecommunications company KDDI, electronics manufacturer Panasonic, wholesale pharmaceutical supplier Alfresa, steel manufacturer Tokyo Steel Manufacturing, and Daifuku, a designer and manufacturer of airport baggage handling machines.

Capital from these sales was reallocated to new positions that we believe offer better long-term value: Kurita Water Industries, Mitsubishi and T&D Holdings.

Kurita Water Industries offers a 'one-stop-shop' water treatment and purification service, which includes equipment, chemicals and operation and maintenance services. We believe the company is well run with strong capital discipline. In Japan, its position as a 'one-stop-shop' is a key advantage, while its overseas business is being driven by economic development and rising demand for the higher end water treatment chemicals in which it specialises. The company operates in a global environment where demand for fresh water continues to rise and environmental regulations around the world are becoming more stringent. We view this as a long-term tailwind for Kurita.

A small position in the efficiently run trading giant Mitsubishi was initiated at what we believe is a very compelling share price. Meanwhile, T&D Holdings is a financially sound, profitable insurance company that we believe is very attractively valued given the level of sustainable earnings it can generate.

Elsewhere, we topped up a number of our existing positions on share price weakness, including glass manufacturer Asahi Glass, clothing manufacturer and retailer Onward Holdings and home improvement stores operator Komeri.

#### Dean Cashman

Fund manager

An employee of Eastspring Investments (Singapore) Limited which is an associate of M&G Securities Limited, by being a subsidiary of Prudential plc.

Please note that the views expressed in this Report should not be taken as a recommendation or advice on how the fund or any holding mentioned in the Report is likely to perform. If you wish to obtain financial advice as to whether an investment is suitable for your needs, you should consult a Financial Adviser.

### **FUND STATISTICS**

DISTRIBUTION DATES AND FUND FACTS					
Distribution type	xd	payment			
Final	01.09.14	31.10.14			

	Ongoing Char	Ongoing Charges Figure [a]		
	28.02.14	31.08.13		
Sterling	%	%		
Class 'A'	1.72	1.75		
Class 'I'	0.96	1.01		
Class 'R'	1.21	1.26		
Class 'X'	1.72	1.75		
Euro	%	%		
Class 'A'	1.71	1.75		
Class 'C'	0.97	1.01		

<sup>[</sup>a] The Ongoing Charges Figure is the ratio of the relevant annualised total disclosable costs of each share class from the most recent reporting period to the average net asset value for that share class over the same period.

The M&G Japan Fund distributes annually, therefore there is no interim distribution

	RFORMAN					
Performance	per sh 28	sset value nare as at .02.14	per sh	sset value nare as at .08.13	% ch	et value
Ctaulina	Inc	Acc	Inc	Acc	Inc	Acc
Sterling Class 'A'	<b>p</b> 33.86	<b>p</b> 36.93	<b>p</b> 33.58	<b>p</b> 36.62	% +0.83	% +0.85
Class 'l'	1,337.61	1,349.90	1,321.59	1,333.74	+1.21	+1.21
Class 'R'	133.53	134.50	132.08	133.06	+1.10	+1.08
Class 'X'	33.38	36.43	33.11	36.13	+0.82	+0.83
Euro	€	€	€	€	%	%
Class 'A'	n/a	10.7258	n/a	10.2945	n/a	+4.19
Class 'C'	n/a	11.6806	n/a	11.1702	n/a	+4.57

Past performance is not a guide to future performance.

The value of stockmarket investments, and the income from them, will fluctuate. This will cause the fund price to fall as well as rise and you may not get back the original amount you invested.

PERFORMANCE SINCE LAUNCH							
	six months 02.09.13 %	one year 01.03.13 %	five years 03.03.09 % p.a. [a]	since launch % p.a. <sup>[a]</sup>			
Sterling [b]							
Class 'A'	-0.6	+5.9	+12.4	+6.3 [c]			
Class 'I'	-0.3	+6.0	n/a	+19.4 [d]			
Class 'R'	-0.4	+6.0	n/a	+19.2 [d]			
Class 'X'	-0.6	+5.9	+12.4	+5.2 [e]			
Euro [f]							
Class 'A'	+2.4	+11.8	+14.7	+0.5 [g]			
Class 'C'	+2.8	+12.6	+15.6	+1.2 [g]			

- [a] Shows the compound rate of return, per annum, over the period.
- [b] Bid to bid excluding reinvested income.
- [c] 6 April 1971, the end of the initial offer period of the predecessor unit trust.
- [d] 3 August 2012, the launch date of the share class.
- [e] 1 October 2002, the launch date of the share class.
- [f] Bid to bid with net income reinvested.
- [g] 28 November 2001, the launch date of the share class.

	AR PERFORM				
From To	01.03.13 28.02.14 %	01.03.12 28.02.13 %	01.03.11 29.02.12 %	01.03.10 28.02.11 %	01.03.09 28.02.10 %
Sterling Class 'A'	+8.9	+9.6	-6.8	+14.5	+40.9

Source: Morningstar, Inc., bid to bid with net income reinvested.

### **FUND STATISTICS**

PRICES					
	Calendar year	Incom Highest	e shares Lowest	Accumula Highest	ation shares Lowest
Sterling (net)		р	р	р	р
Class 'A'	2009	26.23	18.27	28.23	19.60
	2010	31.06	24.22	33.43	26.07
	2011 <sup>[a]</sup>	31.15	25.14	33.53	27.06
	2012	29.45	24.39	31.83	26.53
	2013	38.93	27.08	42.34	29.45
	2014 <sup>[b]</sup>	35.73	32.56	38.97	35.51
Class 'l'	2012 <sup>[c]</sup>	1,079.67	959.24	1,079.29	959.22
	2013	1,539.52	1,067.80	1,538.92	1,067.43
	2014 <sup>[b]</sup>	1,410.49	1,285.62	1,423.41	1,297.40
Class 'R'	2012 <sup>[c]</sup>	107.84	95.89	107.84	95.89
	2013	153.61	106.65	153.64	106.65
	2014 <sup>[b]</sup>	140.85	128.36	141.86	129.29
Class 'X'	2009	25.87	18.02	27.85	19.34
	2010	30.62	23.88	32.98	25.71
	2011 <sup>[a]</sup>	30.71	24.79	33.07	26.70
	2012	29.04	24.05	31.40	26.18
	2013	38.38	26.69	41.77	29.05
	2014 [b]	35.23	32.10	38.45	35.03
Euro (net)		€	€	€	€
Class 'A'	2009	n/a	n/a	7.6896	5.1448
	2010	n/a	n/a	9.4177	7.0555
	2011 <sup>[a]</sup>	n/a	n/a	9.6331	7.4245
	2012	n/a	n/a	9.1416	7.9357
	2013	n/a	n/a	11.8650	8.5938
	2014 <sup>[b]</sup>	n/a	n/a	11.3945	10.2959
Class 'C'	2009	n/a	n/a	8.0957	5.3792
	2010	n/a	n/a	10.0146	7.4476
	2011 <sup>[a]</sup>	n/a	n/a	10.2462	7.9339
	2012	n/a	n/a	9.8104	8.5597
	2013	n/a	n/a	12.8475	9.2817
	2014 <sup>[b]</sup>	n/a	n/a	12.4002	11.2078

<sup>[</sup>a] The Prudential Japanese Trust merged into the M&G Japan Fund immediately after 14 October 2011.

INCOME			
Dividend income per	r share		
• " ( )	Calendar year	Distributed	Reinvested
Sterling (net) Class 'A'	2009	<b>p</b> 0.0830	<b>p</b> 0.0891
Class A	2010	nil	nil
	2011	0.1040	0.1119
		0.1640	0.1788
	2013	0.0894	0.0873
	2014 [a]	-	-
Class 'I'	2012	nil	nil
	2013	12.6714	12.4061
	2014 <sup>[a]</sup>	-	-
Class 'R'	2012	nil	nil
	2013	0.9609	0.9734
	2014 <sup>[a]</sup>	-	-
Class 'X'	2009	0.0910	0.0976
	2010	0.0070	0.0075
	2011	0.1030	0.1109
	2012	0.1600	0.1746
	2013	0.0877	0.0944
	2014 <sup>[a]</sup>	-	-
Euro (net)		¢	¢
Class 'A'	2009	n/a	0.9590
	2010	n/a	1.1080
	2011	n/a	3.0730
	2012	n/a	5.3257
	2013	n/a	2.3967
	2014 <sup>[a]</sup>	n/a	-
Class 'C'	2009	n/a	12.1090
	2010	n/a	6.9060
	2011	n/a	9.6640
	2012	n/a	12.7147
	2013	n/a	10.2998
	2014 [a]	n/a	-

<sup>[</sup>a] The M&G Japan Fund distributes annually, therefore there is no interim distribution.

<sup>[</sup>b] To 3 March 2014.

<sup>[</sup>c] From 3 August 2012 (the launch date of the share class).

The level of income earned by the fund will fluctuate.

### **FUND STATISTICS**

NET ASSETS					
	Period ended	Value Inc	per share Acc	Number Inc	of shares Acc
Sterling		р	р		
Class 'A'	Aug 2011	26.31	28.43	40,868,484	52,401,682
	Aug 2012	24.84	27.01	54,109,627	141,212,978
	Aug 2013	33.58	36.62	37,788,627	75,562,978
	Feb 2014	33.86	36.93	43,627,627	74,826,978
Class 'I'	Aug 2012	976.67	976.67	100	100
	Aug 2013	1,321.59	1,333.74	9,600	16,600
	Feb 2014	1,337.61	1,349.90	12,350	46,605
Class 'R'	Aug 2012	97.67	97.67	1,000	1,000
	Aug 2013	132.08	133.06	11,000	20,000
	Feb 2014	133.53	134.50	11,000	20,000
Class 'X'	Aug 2011	25.93	28.04	2,520,252	4,907,700
	Aug 2012	24.48	26.65	2,550,252	4,572,700
	Aug 2013	33.11	36.13	2,860,252	4,382,700
	Feb 2014	33.38	36.43	3,162,252	3,993,700
Euro		€	€		
Class 'A'	Aug 2011	n/a	7.7001	n/a	544,946
	Aug 2012	n/a	8.1650	n/a	806,146
	Aug 2013	n/a	10.2945	n/a	890,146
	Feb 2014	n/a	10.7258	n/a	721,896
Class 'C'	Aug 2011	n/a	8.2298	n/a	146,850
	Aug 2012	n/a	8.7915	n/a	92,350
	Aug 2013	n/a	11.1702	n/a	954,350
	Feb 2014	n/a	11.6806	n/a	1,084,050
Total net ass	set value of sub-fund Period ended		£	€	[a]
	Aug 2011	32,4	169,000	36,62	26,000
	Aug 2012	59,3	306,000	74,64	17,000

Total net asset value of sub-fund Period ended	£	<b>€</b> [a]
Aug 2011	32,469,000	36,626,000
Aug 2012	59,306,000	74,647,000
Aug 2013	60,211,000	70,501,000
Feb 2014	62,618,000	75,751,000

<sup>[</sup>a] Based on the midday exchange rate on the last business day of each accounting period.

PORTFOLIO	STATEMENT			
as at 28 February 2	2014			
Holding		Value £'000	28.02.14 %	31.08.13 %
	Chemicals		4.53	4.70
535,000	Kaneka	2,083	3.33	
869,000	Showa Denko Group	751	1.20	
	Industrial metals & mining		0.00	1.03
	Construction & materials		3.21	1.51
612,000	Asahi Glass	2,012	3.21	
	Electronic & electrical equipment		4.41	4.38
107,200	TDK	2,764	4.41	

28 February 2	2014	Value	28.02.14	31.08
ing		£'000	%	31.00
	Industrial engineering		4.83	4.
73,100	Kurita Water Industries	922	1.47	
764,000	Sumitomo Heavy Industries	2,103	3.36	
	Industrial transportation		2.52	3
637,000	Mitsui O.S.K. Lines	1,577	2.52	
	Support services		2.24	1
31,800	Meitec	497	0.79	
79,700	Mitsubishi	911	1.45	
	Automobiles & parts		6.93	6
204,300	NOK	2,000	3.19	
270,800	Yamaha Motor	2,341	3.74	
	Household goods & home construction	on	1.38	1
141,700	Sumitomo Forestry	867	1.38	
	Leisure goods		4.44	7
266,200	Sony	2,779	4.44	
	Personal goods		8.37	7
78,900		1,538	2.46	
375,000	Onward Holdings	1,561	2.49	
1,491,000	Teijin	2,140	3.42	
	Pharmaceuticals & biotechnology		1.17	1
70,900	Daiichi Sankyo	730	1.17	
	General retailers		4.00	3
111,800	Komeri	1,633	2.61	
39,000	Seven & i Holdings	873	1.39	
	Media		2.18	2
126,300	Fuji Media Holdings	1,366	2.18	
	Travel & leisure		2.97	2
39.900	East Japan Railway	1,860	2.97	_
,	Fixed line telecommunications	.,	3.40	3
63 600	Nippon Telegraph & Telephone	2,132	3.40	
00,000	Mobile telecommunications	2,102	0.00	1
				14
1 040 000	Banks Mitaubiahi UE L Financial Croup	2 624	<b>12.81</b> 5.78	14
	Mitsubishi UFJ Financial Group Sumitomo Mitsui Financial Group	3,621 2,717	4.34	
	Sumitomo Mitsui Trust Holdings	1,684	2.69	
001,000	Non-life insurance	1,004	3.63	3
150.750	NKSJ Holdings	2 271		3
130,730		2,271	3.63	
205 200	Life insurance T&D Holdings	1,506	<b>2.41</b> 2.41	0
200,000		1,000		_
303 000	Financial services Nomura Holdings	1 5 4 7	5.12 2.47	5
189,000	•	1,547 1,659	2.47 2.65	
109,000		1,009		
26 500	Software & computer services	607	2.70	4
36,500 55,600		687 1,001	1.10 1.60	
33,000		1,001		40
145 600	Technology hardware & equipment	0.46	16.64	12
,	Advantest	946 3,415	1.51	
1,698,000 454,500		3,415	5.45 5.45	
85,900		2,647	4.23	
00,300		2,041		^
222 000	'AAA' rated money market funds [a]	202	0.36	0
	Northern Trust Global Fund - Sterling	223	0.36	
olio of investr		62,775	100.25	99
ther (liabilitie	es) / assets	(157)	(0.25)	0

<sup>[</sup>a] Uncommitted surplus cash is placed into 'AAA' rated money market funds with the aim of reducing counterparty risk.

### PORTFOLIO

5 (I ) (I   1   100 E) 0011	
for the six months ended 28 February 2014	
Largest purchases	£'000
T&D Holdings	1,623
Asahi Glass	1,398
Mitsubishi	1,018
Kurita Water Industries	960
Ricoh	870
Onward Holdings	652
Komeri	524
Teijin	483
Mitsubishi UFJ Financial Group	482
NEC	48
Sony	460
Advantest	419
Sumitomo Heavy Industries	37
NKSJ Holdings	35
Sumitomo Mitsui Financial Group	34
Rohm	32
Yamaha Motor	30
East Japan Railway	28
Nippon Telegraph & Telephone	27
TDK	26
Northern Trust Global Fund - Sterling [a]	3,07
Other purchases	1,48
Total purchases	16,47
Largest sales	£'000
Largest sales Panasonic	£'00 1,32
Panasonic	1,32
Panasonic Daifuku	1,32 1,14
Panasonic Daifuku KDDI	1,32 1,14 1,02
Panasonic Daifuku KDDI SCSK	1,32 1,14 1,02 95 65
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<sup>[</sup>a] Uncommitted surplus cash is placed into 'AAA' rated money market funds with the aim of reducing counterparty risk.

# INTERIM FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (unaudited)

For the six months ended 28 February 2014.

STATEMENT OF TOTAL RETURN				
	20	14	20	13
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Income				
Net capital gains		444		12,039
Revenue	566		624	
Expenses	(494)		(438)	
Net revenue before taxation	72		186	
Taxation	(46)		(46)	
Net revenue after taxation		26		140
Total return before equalisation		470		12,179
Finance costs: Equalisation		10		(51)
Change in net assets attributable to				
shareholders from investment activities		480		12,128

STATEMENT OF CHANGE IN NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTABLE TO SHAREHOLDERS				
	20	114	2	013
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Opening net assets attributable to shareholders		60,211		59,306
Amounts received on issue of shares	11,314		11,286	
Amounts paid on cancellation of shares	(9,387)		(28,473)	
		1,927		(17,187)
Change in net assets attributable to shareholders from investment				
activities (see above)		480		12,128
Closing net assets attributable				
to shareholders		62,618		54,247

The opening net assets attributable to shareholders for 2014 differs to the closing position in 2013 by the change in net assets attributable to shareholders for the second half of the comparative financial year.

BALANCE SHEET				
		s at uary 2014 £'000		at ust 2013 £'000
Assets				
Investment assets		62,775		59,926
Debtors	1,493		1,787	
Cash and bank balances	233		99	
Total other assets		1,726		1,886
Total assets		64,501		61,812
Liabilities				
Creditors				
Net distributions payable on Income shares	0		(38)	
Other creditors	(1,883)		(1,563)	
Total liabilities		(1,883)		(1,601)
Net assets attributable to shareholders		62,618		60,211

# INTERIM FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (unaudited)

#### NOTE TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### **Accounting policies**

The interim financial statements have been prepared on the same basis as the audited annual financial statements for the year ended 31 August 2013. They are in accordance with the historical cost convention, as modified by the revaluation of investments, and the Statement of Recommended Practice for Authorised Funds issued by the Investment Management Association in October 2010.

# AUTHORISED CORPORATE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

### Investment objective and policy of the M&G Japan Smaller Companies Fund

The Fund invests wholly or predominantly in securities of smaller Japanese companies, the universe for which is the bottom third in terms of total market capitalisation of all publicly listed equity in Japan. When not wholly invested as above, the Fund may also invest in medium sized and larger companies in order to enhance its liquidity. Its sole objective is long term capital growth.

#### Investment approach

The M&G Japan Smaller Companies Fund invests in listed smaller Japanese companies to achieve sound capital growth over the long term.

The fund manager applies disciplined and rigorous fundamental analysis during the selection process to ensure a high level of conviction around the valuation for each of the companies held in the fund

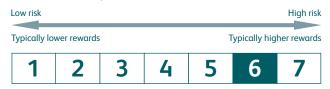
The fund manager adopts a value approach to investment and the fund owns shares in companies that have cheap valuations relative to the trend returns they are likely to generate over the medium to long term. These companies are quite often out of favour with the market for one reason or another. The fund's investment approach therefore tends to be contrarian in nature.

The fund manager sees value investing as a price-sensitive process that takes advantage of the mis-pricing of a company's shares by the market. Whilst recognising that markets are generally efficient, the fund manager believes that market mis-pricings can and often do occur because human characteristics (such as fear and greed) may prevent investors from always assessing investments rationally.

As a result, market prices do not always reflect fundamental values since they may over-shoot and under-shoot. For example, shares in companies become mis-priced when investors are willing to pay a high price for the 'comfort' of strong near-term earnings momentum and to be associated with success, whilst they will sell 'unfashionable' securities regardless of inherent value characteristics, such as healthy balance sheets and the likely level of longer term earnings.

Such behavioural biases are evident in Japan's equity markets today and can be systemically exploited. The fund manager aims to take advantage of these biases by adopting a disciplined, long-term investment approach.

#### Risk and reward profile\*



- The above risk number is based on the rate at which the value of the Fund has moved up and down in the past.
- This risk number is based on historical data and may not be a reliable indicator of the future risk profile of the Fund.

- The risk number shown is not guaranteed and may change over time.
- The lowest risk number does not mean risk free.
- \* This 'Risk and reward profile' section is based on Sterling Class 'A' shares.

# INVESTMENT ACTIVITIES OVER THE REPORT PERIOD

## As at 3 March 2014, for the six months ended 28 February 2014

Over the six-month review period, a number of outperforming holdings left the portfolio on valuation grounds: television and radio broadcaster Fuji Media, gaming software business TECMO KOEI and Daifuku, a designer and manufacturer of airport baggage handling machines. A position in forklift truck components manufacturer Nippon Yusoki, meanwhile, was closed after the company merged with the forklift trucks division of Mitsubishi Heavy Industries, to form a new company known as Mitsubishi Nichiyu. Capital from these sales was reallocated to new areas that we believe offer better long-term value.

Logistics business Hamakyorex was bought on recent share price weakness; we think its current price is attractive relative to the sustainable earnings it can generate over the longer term. As a third-party outsourced logistics company, Hamakyorex can lower costs and improve efficiency across the supply chain for its clients.

Other notable additions were electronics manufacturer SIIX, cardboard manufacturer Rengo and utility company Kurita Water Industries. SIIX is a global business with joint ventures and manufacturing operations overseas. Profitability for SIIX has been suppressed in recent years by a strong yen, more higher-than-usual new plant start-up costs and one-off events (such as the severe floods in Thailand in 2011). As the impact of these unwind and sales volumes recover, we believe profitability should also improve.

Rengo is one of two dominant manufacturers of cardboard boxes in Japan, which is a domestic industry with very few imports or exports of finished cardboard boxes. Rengo's shares have lagged the market on shorter term concerns, which has presented a buying opportunity. We believe the valuation is very supportive for Rengo given the likely level of sustainable earnings the company can generate over the medium to long term.

Kurita Water Industries offers a 'one-stop-shop' water treatment and purification service, which includes equipment, chemicals and operation and maintenance services. We believe the company is well run with strong capital discipline. Furthermore, it operates in a global environment where demand for fresh water continues to rise and environmental regulations around the world are getting more stringent.

#### **Max Godwin**

Fund manager

An employee of Eastspring Investments (Singapore) Limited which is an associate of M&G Securities Limited, by being a subsidiary of Prudential plc.

Please note that the views expressed in this Report should not be taken as a recommendation or advice on how the fund or any holding mentioned in the Report is likely to perform. If you wish to obtain financial advice as to whether an investment is suitable for your needs, you should consult a Financial Adviser.

#### **FUND STATISTICS**

DISTRIBUTION DATES AND FUND FACTS					
Distribution type	xd	payment			
Final	01.09.14	31.10.14			

	Ongoing Cl 28.02.14	narges Figure <sup>[a]</sup> 31.08.13
Sterling	%	%
Class 'A'	1.70	1.74
Class 'I'	0.96	0.99
Class 'R'	1.22	1.25
Class 'X'	1.70	1.74
Euro	%	%
Class 'A'	1.71	1.74
Class 'C'	0.96	0.99

<sup>[</sup>a] The Ongoing Charges Figure is the ratio of the relevant annualised total disclosable costs of each share class from the most recent reporting period to the average net asset value for that share class over the same period.

The M&G Japan Smaller Companies Fund distributes annually, therefore there is no interim distribution.

FUND PE	RFORMAN	CE				
Performance of	per sh	set value are as at 02.14 Acc	per sh	set value are as at 08.13 Acc		et value ange Acc
Sterling	р	р	р	р	%	%
Class 'A'	274.20	287.50	264.64	277.49	+3.61	+3.61
Class 'l'	1,345.88	1,361.19	1,294.15	1,309.13	+4.00	+3.98
Class 'R'	134.38	135.58	129.37	130.51	+3.87	+3.88
Class 'X'	272.54	285.32	263.06	275.38	+3.60	+3.61
Euro	€	€	€	€	%	%
Class 'A'	n/a	16.3570	n/a	15.2802	n/a	+7.05
Class 'C'	n/a	17.9052	n/a	16.6638	n/a	+7.45

Past performance is not a guide to future performance.

The value of stockmarket investments, and the income from them, will fluctuate. This will cause the fund price to fall as well as rise and you may not get back the original amount you invested.

PERFORMANCE SINCE LAUNCH					
	six months 02.09.13 %	one year 01.03.13 %	five years 03.03.09 % p.a. <sup>[a]</sup>	since launch % p.a. <sup>[a]</sup>	
Sterling [b]					
Class 'A'	+2.0	+11.4	+18.5	+6.0 [c]	
Class 'I'	+2.4	+11.5	n/a	+20.0 [d]	
Class 'R'	+2.2	+11.5	n/a	+19.9 [d]	
Class 'X'	+2.0	+11.4	+18.5	+8.5 [e]	
Euro [f]					
Class 'A'	+5.1	+17.8	+21.5	+4.0 [9]	
Class 'C'	+5.5	+18.7	+22.4	+4.8 [g]	

- [a] Shows the compound rate of return, per annum, over the period.
- [b] Bid to bid excluding reinvested income.
- [c] 15 May 1984, the end of the initial offer period of the predecessor unit trust.
- [d] 3 August 2012, the launch date of the share class.
- $\ensuremath{\mathit{[e]}}\xspace$  1 October 2002, the launch date of the share class.
- [f] Bid to bid with net income reinvested.
- [g] 28 November 2001, the launch date of the share class.

	AR PERFORM				
From To	01.03.13 28.02.14 %	01.03.12 28.02.13 %	01.03.11 29.02.12 %	01.03.10 28.02.11 %	01.03.09 28.02.10 %
Sterling Class 'A'	+13.7	+18.2	-2.4	+16.9	+57.4

Source: Morningstar, Inc., bid to bid with net income reinvested.

### **FUND STATISTICS**

		Income	e shares	Accumula	tion shares
	Calendar year	Highest	Lowest	Highest	Lowest
Sterling (net)		р	р	р	р
Class 'A'	2009	182.39	114.38	185.62	115.56
	2010	214.49	162.73	219.43	165.61
	2011	216.73	165.42	221.72	169.23
	2012	218.17	189.53	225.77	196.13
	2013	300.83	213.32	314.16	222.77
	2014 [a]	293.53	267.45	307.77	280.41
Class 'l'	2012 <sup>[b]</sup>	1,044.21	946.34	1,044.71	946.67
	2013	1,478.08	1,045.35	1,478.90	1,045.93
	2014 <sup>[a]</sup>	1,439.64	1,312.09	1,455.97	1,326.97
Class 'R'	2012 <sup>[b]</sup>	104.32	94.57	104.32	94.57
	2013	147.57	104.43	147.56	104.43
	2014 [a]	143.78	131.03	145.03	132.17
Class 'X'	2009	181.30	113.69	184.23	114.69
	2010	213.19	161.75	217.76	164.36
	2011	215.42	164.42	220.04	167.95
	2012	216.86	188.39	224.06	194.64
	2013	299.02	212.04	311.77	221.07
	2014 [a]	291.76	265.83	305.43	278.28
Euro (net)		€	€	€	€
Class 'A'	2009	n/a	n/a	9.8965	5.9969
	2010	n/a	n/a	12.1026	8.7765
	2011	n/a	n/a	12.5273	9.1786
	2012	n/a	n/a	13.2476	11.0769
	2013	n/a	n/a	17.4260	12.3839
	2014 [a]	n/a	n/a	17.6143	15.9274
Class 'C'	2009	n/a	n/a	10.4837	6.3264
	2010	n/a	n/a	12.9414	9.3170
	2011	n/a	n/a	13.3991	9.8302
	2012	n/a	n/a	14.3223	11.9303
	2013	n/a	n/a	18.9640	13.4479
	2014 [a]	n/a	n/a	19.2662	17.4258

<sup>[</sup>a] To 3 March 2014.

Dividend income per	share		
	Calendar year	Distributed	Reinvested
Sterling (net)		р	р
Class 'A'	2009	1.3160	1.3296
	2010	0.9280	0.9444
	2011	2.2350	2.2864
	2012	1.8400	1.9062
	2013	1.0704	1.1223
	2014 <sup>[a]</sup>	-	-
Class 'l'	2012	nil	nil
	2013	14.0639	14.5847
	2014 <sup>[a]</sup>	-	-
Class 'R'	2012	nil	nil
	2013	1.1472	1.1382
	2014 <sup>[a]</sup>	-	-
Class 'X'	2009	1.3160	1.3275
	2010	0.9280	0.9430
	2011	2.2130	2.2605
	2012	1.8310	1.8931
	2013	1.0651	1.0953
	2014 <sup>[a]</sup>	-	-
Euro (net)		¢	¢
Class 'A'	2009	n/a	7.1340
	2010	n/a	5.1820
	2011	n/a	12.0790
	2012	n/a	11.3239
	2013	n/a	6.1039
	2014 <sup>[a]</sup>	n/a	-
Class 'C'	2009	n/a	13.3530
	2010	n/a	14.1470
	2011	n/a	21.3450
	2012	n/a	nil
	2013	n/a	17.8370
	2014 [a]	n/a	-

<sup>[</sup>a] The M&G Japan Smaller Companies Fund distributes annually, therefore there is no interim distribution.

The level of income earned by the fund will fluctuate.

<sup>[</sup>b] From 3 August 2012 (the launch date of the share class).

### **FUND STATISTICS**

	Period ended	Value p Inc	per share Acc	Number of	of shares Acc
Sterling		р	р		
Class 'A'	Aug 2011	192.48	199.19	2,888,344	7,275,303
	Aug 2012	202.54	211.50	4,187,344	7,617,303
	Aug 2013	264.64	277.49	5,037,644	8,998,903
	Feb 2014	274.20	287.50	7,376,144	6,919,103
Class 'l'	Aug 2012	989.65	989.65	100	100
	Aug 2013	1,294.15	1,309.13	7,600	81,215
	Feb 2014	1,345.88	1,361.19	77,400	220,615
Class 'R'	Aug 2012	98.94	98.94	1,000	1,000
	Aug 2013	129.37	130.51	35,000	83,500
	Feb 2014	134.38	135.58	55,000	381,500
Class 'X'	Aug 2011	191.32	197.68	461,306	2,443,846
	Aug 2012	201.32	209.90	519,806	5,387,346
	Aug 2013	263.06	275.38	574,406	5,934,446
	Feb 2014	272.54	285.32	590,406	5,583,646
Euro		€	€		
Class 'A'	Aug 2011	n/a	10.5703	n/a	766,960
	Aug 2012	n/a	12.5202	n/a	699,960
	Aug 2013	n/a	15.2802	n/a	1,405,060
	Feb 2014	n/a	16.3570	n/a	1,981,960
Class 'C'	Aug 2011	n/a	11.3499	n/a	457,920
	Aug 2012	n/a	13.5520	n/a	160,420
	Aug 2013	n/a	16.6638	n/a	114,920
	Feb 2014	n/a	17.9052	n/a	455,420

Total net asset value of sub-fund Period ended	£	<b>€</b> [a]
Aug 2011	37,559,000	42,368,000
Aug 2012	45,640,000	57,446,000
Aug 2013	77,443,000	90,677,000
Feb 2014	95,833,000	115,933,000

<sup>[</sup>a] Based on the midday exchange rate on the last business day of each accounting period.

PORTFOLIO	STATEMENT			
as at 28 February 2	2014			
Holding		Value £'000	28.02.14 %	31.08.13 %
	Chemicals		11.72	7.55
897,000	Chugoku Marine Paints	3,102	3.24	
682,000	Kaneka	2,655	2.77	
3,355,000	Showa Denko Group	2,900	3.03	
258,300	Tocalo	2,566	2.68	
	General industrials		5.48	2.45
846,000	Rengo	2,920	3.05	
394,400	Tokai Rubber Industries	2,324	2.43	

8 February 2	2014	Value £'000	28.02.14	31.0
3	Electronic & electrical equipment	2 000	16.16	1
377.000	Denki Kogyo	1,503	1.57	
541,300	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	2,537	2.65	
	Iriso Electronics	211	0.22	
210,900		1,337	1.40	
,	Nippon Signal	1,938	2.02	
259,000	11 0	2.448	2.55	
134,800		3,476	3.63	
436,100		2.029	2.12	
,	Industrial engineering	2,020	7.34	
172 800	Kurita Water Industries	2,180	2.27	
301,000		2,100	2.22	
	Sumitomo Heavy Industries	2,736	2.85	
334,000	•	2,730	1.53	
502 000	Industrial transportation Mitsui O.S.K. Lines	1,466	1.53	
332,000		1,400	8.02	
257 000	Support services AEON DELIGHT	3,093	3.23	
,		,	2.01	
	Hamakyorex	1,926		
227,900	Nippon Kanzai	2,667	2.78	
444 400	Automobiles & parts	0.040	8.09	
441,100	•	2,348	2.45	
285,900		2,799	2.92	
938,000	Riken	2,604	2.72	
	Household goods & home construction		2.52	
394,500	Sumitomo Forestry	2,413	2.52	
	Leisure goods		2.03	
185,200	Fields	1,944	2.03	
	Personal goods		7.01	
106,400	KOSÉ	2,074	2.16	
457,000	Onward Holdings	1,903	1.99	
1,913,000	Teijin	2,745	2.86	
	General retailers		12.27	1
399,700	Geo	2,179	2.27	
210,800	Komeri	3,079	3.21	
174,100	Kyoto Kimono Yuzen	1,086	1.13	
324,900	Otsuka Kagu	1,685	1.76	
174,400	•	1,829	1.91	
271,100	Saizeriya	1,910	1.99	
	Media		0.00	
	Banks		1.20	
193,100	Tokyo Tomin Bank	1,154	1.20	
, ,	Financial services		1.15	
378,000		929	0.97	
,	Pocket Card	177	0.18	
, .	Software & computer services		8.62	1
422,600	•	2,376	2.48	
159,400		1,862	1.94	
	Future Architect	1,226	1.28	
197,000		1,515	1.58	
71,300		1,283	1.34	
,	Technology hardware & equipment	,	6.11	
327 200	Advantest	2,126	2.22	
91,700		2,826	2.22	
63,300		899	0.94	
50,000	'AAA' rated money market funds [a]	000	0.18	
177 000	Northern Trust Global Fund - Sterling	177	0.18	
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er assets		545	0.57	

<sup>[</sup>a] Uncommitted surplus cash is placed into 'AAA' rated money market funds with the aim of reducing counterparty risk.

# M&G Japan Smaller Companies Fund

### **PORTFOLIO**

for the six months ended 28 February 2014	
Largest purchases	£'000
Rengo	2,787
Tocalo	2,589
Kurita Water Industries	2,263
SIIX	2,24
PAL	2,130
Hamakyorex	1,93
Nippon Kanzai	1,74
Zuken	1,55
Onward Holdings	1,42
Showa Denko Group	1,24
Kaneka	1,07
KOSÉ	99
Advantest	88
Komeri	84
Sumitomo Forestry	72
Saizeriya	69
Nippon Signal	66
CAC Churaltu Marina Bainta	65 63
Chugoku Marine Paints Rohm	
KOIIII	54
Northern Trust Global Fund - Sterling <sup>[a]</sup>	6,75
Other purchases	8,22
Total purchases	42,59
Total purchases  Largest sales	42,59 £'00
•	£'00
Largest sales	<b>£'00</b>
Largest sales TECMO KOEI	£'00 1,86 1,76
Largest sales TECMO KOEI Fuji Media Holdings	£'00 1,86 1,76 1,61
Largest sales TECMO KOEI Fuji Media Holdings Daifuku	£'00 1,86 1,76 1,61 1,48
Largest sales TECMO KOEI Fuji Media Holdings Daifuku riso Electronics	£'00 1,86 1,76 1,61 1,48 1,19
Largest sales TECMO KOEI Fuji Media Holdings Daifuku riso Electronics Mitsubishi Nichiyu	£'00 1,86 1,76 1,61 1,48 1,19
Largest sales TECMO KOEI Fuji Media Holdings Daifuku riso Electronics Mitsubishi Nichiyu DTS	£'00 1,86 1,76 1,61 1,48 1,19 1,16
Largest sales TECMO KOEI Fuji Media Holdings Daifuku riso Electronics Mitsubishi Nichiyu DTS Future Architect Denki Kogyo	£'00 1,86 1,76 1,61 1,48 1,19 1,16 1,12
Largest sales TECMO KOEI Fuji Media Holdings Daifuku riso Electronics Mitsubishi Nichiyu DTS Future Architect	£'00 1,86 1,76 1,61 1,48 1,19 1,16 1,12 1,00
Largest sales TECMO KOEI Fuji Media Holdings Daifuku riso Electronics Mitsubishi Nichiyu DTS Future Architect Denki Kogyo SCSK	£'00 1,86 1,76 1,61 1,48 1,19 1,16 1,12 1,00 86
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Largest sales TECMO KOEI Fuji Media Holdings Daifuku riso Electronics Mitsubishi Nichiyu DTS Future Architect Denki Kogyo SCSK Fields	£'00  1,86  1,76  1,61  1,48  1,19  1,16  1,12  1,00  86  83  78  69
Largest sales TECMO KOEI Fuji Media Holdings Daifuku riso Electronics Mitsubishi Nichiyu DTS Future Architect Denki Kogyo SCSK Fields Rohm Kyoto Kimono Yuzen	£'00  1,86  1,76  1,61  1,48  1,19  1,16  1,12  1,00  86  83  78  69  67
Largest sales TECMO KOEI Fuji Media Holdings Daifuku riso Electronics Mitsubishi Nichiyu DTS Future Architect Denki Kogyo SCSK Fields Rohm Kyoto Kimono Yuzen Nippon Signal	£'00  1,86  1,76  1,61  1,48  1,19  1,16  1,12  1,00  86  83  78  69  67
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Largest sales TECMO KOEI Fuji Media Holdings Daifuku riso Electronics Mitsubishi Nichiyu DTS Future Architect Denki Kogyo SCSK Fields Rohm Kyoto Kimono Yuzen Nippon Signal Sato Koa	£'00  1,86  1,76  1,61  1,48  1,19  1,16  1,12  1,00  86  83  78  69  67  59  52  50
Largest sales TECMO KOEI Fuji Media Holdings Daifuku riso Electronics Mitsubishi Nichiyu DTS Future Architect Denki Kogyo SCSK Fields Rohm Kyoto Kimono Yuzen Nippon Signal Sato Koa KOSÉ	£'00  1,86  1,76  1,61  1,48  1,19  1,16  1,12  1,00  86  83  78  69  67  59  52  50  47
Largest sales TECMO KOEI Fuji Media Holdings Daifuku riso Electronics Mitsubishi Nichiyu DTS Future Architect Denki Kogyo SCSK Fields Rohm Kyoto Kimono Yuzen Nippon Signal Sato Koa KOSÉ Pocket Card	£'00  1,86  1,76  1,61  1,48  1,19  1,16  1,12  1,00  86  83  78  69  67  59  52  50  47  40
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Largest sales TECMO KOEI Fuji Media Holdings Daifuku riso Electronics Mitsubishi Nichiyu DTS Future Architect Denki Kogyo SCSK Fields Rohm Kyoto Kimono Yuzen Nippon Signal Sato Koa KOSÉ Pocket Card Donward Holdings TDK Ahresty	£'00  1,86  1,76  1,61  1,48  1,19  1,16  1,12  1,00  86  83  78  69  67  59  52  50  47  40  39  38

<sup>[</sup>a] Uncommitted surplus cash is placed into 'AAA' rated money market funds with the aim of reducing counterparty risk.

# INTERIM FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (unaudited)

For the six months ended 28 February 2014.

STATEMENT OF TOTAL RETURN					
	20	14	2013		
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	
Income					
Net capital gains		2,489		9,264	
Revenue	813		627		
Expenses	(718)		(414)		
Net revenue before taxation	95		213		
Taxation	(69)		(46)		
Net revenue after taxation		26		167	
Total return before equalisation		2,515		9,431	
Finance costs: Equalisation		31		10	
Change in net assets attributable to shareholders from investment activities		2,546		9,441	

STATEMENT OF CHANGE IN NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTABLE TO SHAREHOLDERS					
	2014 2013				
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	
Opening net assets attributable to shareholders		77,443		45,640	
Amounts received on issue of shares	28,994		14,702		
Amounts paid on cancellation of shares	(13,150)		(9,038)		
		15,844		5,664	
Change in net assets attributable to shareholders from investment					
activities (see above)		2,546		9,441	
Closing net assets attributable					
to shareholders		95,833		60,745	

The opening net assets attributable to shareholders for 2014 differs to the closing position in 2013 by the change in net assets attributable to shareholders for the second half of the comparative financial year.

BALANCE SHEET				
		at uary 2014 £'000		at ust 2013 £'000
Assets	2 000	2 000	2 000	
Investment assets		95,288		77,214
Debtors	470		533	
Cash and bank balances	431		33	
Total other assets		901		566
Total assets		96,189		77,780
Liabilities				
Creditors				
Net distributions payable on	•		(0.1)	
Income shares	0		(61)	
Other creditors	(356)		(276)	
Total liabilities		(356)		(337)
Net assets attributable to shareholders		95,833		77,443

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#### NOTE TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### **Accounting policies**

The interim financial statements have been prepared on the same basis as the audited annual financial statements for the year ended 31 August 2013. They are in accordance with the historical cost convention, as modified by the revaluation of investments, and the Statement of Recommended Practice for Authorised Funds issued by the Investment Management Association in October 2010.

## AUTHORISED CORPORATE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

### Investment objective and policy of the M&G North American Value Fund

The Fund aims to achieve long-term capital growth through investment in North American securities of North American companies using a value based investment philosophy.

#### Investment approach

The M&G North American Value Fund is an actively managed fund with a bottom-up stockpicking approach, driven by the fundamental analysis of individual companies. While value strategies have tended to outperform over time, the fund manager believes an understanding of a company's qualitative aspects – financial strength, business durability and management behaviour – will help him to avoid the shortcomings of a purely quantitative approach.

The fund manager employs a three-stage investment process – screening, fundamental analysis and portfolio construction – to create a diversified portfolio with exposure to a broad range of sectors. The portfolio is designed to have a value bias, and the fund manager invests with a long-term view and a typical holding period of three to five years.

#### Risk and reward profile\*



- The above risk number is based on the rate at which the value of the Fund has moved up and down in the past.
- This risk number is based on historical data and may not be a reliable indicator of the future risk profile of the Fund.
- The risk number shown is not guaranteed and may change over time
- The lowest risk number does not mean risk free.
- \* This 'Risk and reward profile' section is based on Sterling Class 'A' shares.

# INVESTMENT ACTIVITIES OVER THE REPORT PERIOD

### As at 3 March 2014, for the six months ended 28 February 2014

The portfolio has been rebalanced since the change in management on 1 September 2013. The investment approach though remains unchanged. It is based on the belief that buying attractively valued stocks that are out of favour with investors, tends to outperform the market over the long term. This is something borne out by historical research. Our investment approach is to identify companies that are the least expensive in their respective sectors and then apply in-depth analysis to filter out those stocks whose valuations we do not believe have the potential to recover.

Since the initial rebalancing we have added a number of new names to the portfolio, including Baxter International, which is a global healthcare company whose main drug treats haemophilia. The shares have been weak due to the threat of new entrants into the market. However, we believe there are significant barriers preventing patients from switching to alternative drugs. We also added Cadence Design Systems, an IT software company whose main product is used by the semiconductor industry in the design of microchips. The management is focused on improving margins with a cost-cutting programme. At the time of purchase, the market was pricing in a decline in the semiconductor market, which we do not believe to be the case.

In the banking sector, we added Capitol Federal Financial, a regional lender in the US. It is one of the largest residential mortgage lenders in Kansas and has a very strong balance sheet. It is currently pursuing a programme of returning value to shareholders through dividends<sup>[a]</sup> and share buybacks. In mining, we initiated a position in silver producer Pan American Silver. The miner has a robust balance sheet with a large net cash position.

Conversely, we sold a number of holdings, including Assurant, as we have had increasing concerns about the regulatory environment for speciality home insurers. We no longer felt the company had 'business durability', which is one of the criteria we apply for including a stock in the fund. The stock was initially bought at the time of the portfolio rebalancing at the start of the review period. Meanwhile, Molex, an electrical components company, was acquired during the period by Koch Industries. The offer was at a 30% premium to Molex's share price prior to the announcement. Elsewhere, petro-chemical companies Newmarket and Sensient were sold; both had performed strongly and no longer represented attractive value opportunities in our opinion.

#### **Daniel White**

Fund manager

An employee of M&G Limited which is an associate of M&G Securities Limited. At the start of the review period Richard Brody was the fund manager.

[a] Dividends represent a share in the profits of the company and are paid out to a company's shareholders at set times of the year.

Please note that the views expressed in this Report should not be taken as a recommendation or advice on how the fund or any holding mentioned in the Report is likely to perform. If you wish to obtain financial advice as to whether an investment is suitable for your needs, you should consult a Financial Adviser.

### **FUND STATISTICS**

DISTRIBUTION DATES AND FUND FACTS			
Distribution type	xd	payment	
Final	01.09.14	31.10.14	

	Ongoing Cha	Ongoing Charges Figure [a]		
	28.02.14	31.08.13		
Sterling	%	%		
Class 'A'	1.69	1.69		
Class 'I'	0.93	0.94		
Class 'R'	1.19	1.20		
Class 'X'	1.68	1.69		
Euro	%	%		
Class 'A'	1.68	1.68		
Class 'C'	0.91	0.91		
US dollar	%	%		
Class 'A'	1.67	1.69		
Class 'C'	0.93	0.94		

<sup>[</sup>a] The Ongoing Charges Figure is the ratio of the relevant annualised total disclosable costs of each share class from the most recent reporting period to the average net asset value for that share class over the same period.

The M&G North American Value Fund distributes annually, therefore there is no interim distribution.

FUND PERFORMANCE							
Performance (	per sh	es set value nare as at .02.14 Acc	per sh	sset value nare as at .08.13 Acc		set value hange Acc	
Sterling	р	р	р	р	%	%	
Class 'A'	74.46	75.96	68.59	69.98	+8.56	+8.55	
Class 'l'	1,396.33	1,413.37	1,281.70	1,297.23	+8.94	+8.95	
Class 'R'	139.45	140.70	128.14	129.30	+8.83	+8.82	
Class 'X'	74.45	76.09	68.59	70.09	+8.54	+8.56	
Euro	€	€	€	€	%	%	
Class 'A'	n/a	12.4646	n/a	11.1143	n/a	+12.15	
Class 'C'	n/a	13.3125	n/a	11.8241	n/a	+12.59	
US dollar	\$	\$	\$	\$	%	%	
Class 'A'	n/a	11.4895	n/a	9.8331	n/a	+16.85	
Class 'C'	n/a	12.1103	n/a	10.3262	n/a	+17.28	

Past performance is not a guide to future performance.

The value of stockmarket investments, and the income from them, will fluctuate. This will cause the fund price to fall as well as rise and you may not get back the original amount you invested.

PERFORMANCE SINCE LAUNCH						
	six months 02.09.13 %	one year 01.03.13 %	five years 03.03.09 % p.a. [a]	since launch % p.a. <sup>[a]</sup>		
Sterling [b]						
Class 'A'	+7.9	+14.8	+23.0	+4.6 [c]		
Class 'I'	+8.3	+14.8	n/a	+22.6 [d]		
Class 'R'	+8.2	+14.9	n/a	+22.5 [d]		
Class 'X'	+7.9	+14.9	+23.0	+4.6 <sup>[c]</sup>		
Euro [e]						
Class 'A'	+11.2	+21.3	+25.5	+2.5 [c]		
Class 'C'	+11.7	+22.2	+26.4	+3.3 [c]		
US dollar [e]						
Class 'A'	+15.8	+28.2	+27.7	+1.9 [f]		
Class 'C'	+16.2	+29.2	+28.7	+2.6 [f]		

- [a] Shows the compound rate of return, per annum, over the period.
- [b] Bid to bid excluding reinvested income.
- [c] 1 July 2005, the launch date of the fund.
- [d] 3 August 2012, the launch date of the share class.
- [e] Bid to bid with net income reinvested.
- [f] 9 March 2007, the launch date of the share class.

SINGLE YEAR PERFORMANCE (5 YEARS ENDING FEBRUARY)						
From To	01.03.13 28.02.14 %	01.03.12 28.02.13 %	01.03.11 29.02.12 %	01.03.10 28.02.11 %	01.03.09 28.02.10 %	
Sterling Class 'A'	+17.9	+14.1	+0.9	+14.8	+70.1	

Source: Morningstar, Inc., bid to bid with net income reinvested.

### **FUND STATISTICS**

			e shares	Accumula	tion shares
	Calendar year	Highest	Lowest	Highest	Lowest
Sterling (net)	0000	p 47.04	<b>p</b>	p 47.07	<b>p</b>
Class 'A'	2009	47.01 55.02	24.66	47.67	24.81 45.14
	2010			55.80	
	2011	56.67	42.47 50.27	57.47 58.73	43.07
	2012	57.91 73.65	55.41		50.98
				75.14	56.34
01 (!!	2014 [a] 2012 [b]	74.85	71.18	76.36	72.62
Class 'I'		1,063.09	985.93	1,064.43	987.19
	2013	1,379.65	1,037.67	1,396.45	1,038.98
OI (DI	2014 [a]	1,402.43	1,334.32	1,419.55	1,350.58
Class 'R'	2012 <sup>[b]</sup>	106.27	98.52	106.36	98.61
	2013	137.83	103.65	139.08	103.74
01 0/	2014 [a]	140.10	133.27	141.36	134.48
Class 'X'	2009	47.00	24.66	47.75	24.85
	2010	55.02	44.51	55.89	45.21
	2011	56.66	42.47	57.56	43.14
	2012	57.91	50.27	58.83	51.06
	2013	73.64	55.40	75.27	56.43
	2014 <sup>[a]</sup>	74.85	71.17	76.49	72.74
Euro (net) Class 'A'	0000	€	€ /-	€ 7.1543	€
Ulass A	2009	n/a	n/a	8.8875	3.7076 6.9805
	2010	n/a	n/a		
	2011	n/a	n/a	9.2896	6.6726
	2012	n/a	n/a	9.8428	8.2737
	2013	n/a	n/a	12.1971	9.3977
01 (01	2014 [a]	n/a	n/a	12.5646	11.8971
Class 'C'	2009	n/a	n/a	7.4025	3.8131
	2010	n/a	n/a	9.2636	7.2287
	2011	n/a	n/a	9.6940	6.9893
	2012	n/a	n/a	10.3864	8.6895
	2013	n/a	n/a	13.0091	9.9464
	2014 [a]	n/a	n/a	13.4173	12.6988
<b>US dollar (net</b> Class 'A'	) 2009	\$ n/a	<b>\$</b> n/a	<b>\$</b> 6.8538	<b>\$</b> 3.1504
0.000 /1	2010				
	2010	n/a n/a	n/a n/a	7.7885 8.4289	6.2219
	2012	n/a	n/a	8.4654	7.2140
	2012			11.2180	
	2013 2014 [a]	n/a	n/a		8.3224 10.7431
Class 'C'		n/a	n/a	7,0009	
Class 'C'	2009	n/a	n/a	7.0009	3.1986
	2010	n/a	n/a	8.0147	6.3797
	2011	n/a	n/a	8.6960	6.3451
	2012	n/a	n/a	8.8258	7.4817
	2013	n/a	n/a	11.8094	8.6960

INCOME			
Dividend income pe	r share Calendar year	Distributed	Reinvested
Sterling (net)		р	р
Class 'A'	2009	0.3270	0.3290
	2010	nil	nil
	2011	nil	nil
	2012	0.1430	0.1471
	2013	0.2284	0.2321
	2014 <sup>[a]</sup>	-	-
Class 'I'	2012	1.2250	1.2250
	2013	13.8175	13.5665
	2014 <sup>[a]</sup>	-	-
Class 'R'	2012	0.0900	0.0900
	2013	1.0858	1.0543
	2014 <sup>[a]</sup>	-	-
Class 'X'	2009	0.3270	0.3296
	2010	nil	nil
	2011	nil	nil
	2012	0.1440	0.1491
	2013	0.2284	0.2323
	2014 [a]	-	-
Euro (net)		¢	¢
Class 'A'	2009	n/a	3.1480
	2010	n/a	nil
	2011	n/a	nil
	2012	n/a	2.8167
	2013	n/a	3.6482
	2014 <sup>[a]</sup>	n/a	-
Class 'C'	2009	n/a	9.4190
	2010	n/a	4.4830
	2011	n/a	4.5520
	2012	n/a	10.2347
	2013	n/a	9.4080
	2014 <sup>[a]</sup>	n/a	-
US dollar (net)		¢	¢
Class 'A'	2009	n/a	4.8120
	2010	n/a	nil
	2011	n/a	nil
	2012	n/a	2.4921
	2013	n/a	3.2194
	2014 [a]	n/a	-
Class 'C'	2009	n/a	8.9090
	2010	n/a	3.7530
	2011	n/a	4.3150
	2012	n/a	6.7711
	2013	n/a	10.3331
	2014 <sup>[a]</sup>	n/a	-

<sup>[</sup>a] The M&G North American Value Fund distributes annually, therefore there is no interim distribution.

The level of income earned by the fund will fluctuate.

<sup>[</sup>a] To 3 March 2014.

<sup>[</sup>b] From 3 August 2012 (the launch date of the share class).

### **FUND STATISTICS**

NET AS	<u> </u>	V-1		No.	of alassa
	Period ended	Value Inc	per share Acc	Number Inc	of shares Acc
Sterling		р	р		
Class 'A'	Aug 2011	46.79	47.45	6,380,400	43,736,868
	Aug 2012	54.48	55.40	5,238,400	39,863,868
	Aug 2013	68.59	69.98	3,895,400	36,612,868
	Feb 2014	74.46	75.96	3,792,400	32,553,455
Class 'I'	Aug 2012	1,017.01	1,018.24	100	100
	Aug 2013	1,281.70	1,297.23	319,200	68,700
	Feb 2014	1,396.33	1,413.37	640,700	156,500
Class 'R'	Aug 2012	101.80	101.71	1,000	1,000
	Aug 2013	128.14	129.30	13,000	111,000
	Feb 2014	139.45	140.70	23,000	126,000
Class 'X'	Aug 2011	46.79	47.53	6,753,500	120,458,000
	Aug 2012	54.48	55.49	5,916,500	139,224,500
	Aug 2013	68.59	70.09	5,496,500	92,477,500
	Feb 2014	74.45	76.09	1,287,500	73,612,500
Euro		€	€		
Class 'A'	Aug 2011	n/a	7.2609	n/a	18,600
	Aug 2012	n/a	9.4579	n/a	84,100
	Aug 2013	n/a	11.1143	n/a	403,800
	Feb 2014	n/a	12.4646	n/a	317,700
Class 'C'	Aug 2011	n/a	7.6059	n/a	2,150
	Aug 2012	n/a	9.9858	n/a	47,250
	Aug 2013	n/a	11.8241	n/a	1,450
	Feb 2014	n/a	13.3125	n/a	15,950
US dollar		\$	\$		
Class 'A'	Aug 2011	n/a	7.0069	n/a	7,700
	Aug 2012	n/a	7.9536	n/a	432,300
	Aug 2013	n/a	9.8331	n/a	101,600
	Feb 2014	n/a	11.4895	n/a	213,650
Class 'C'	Aug 2011	n/a	7.2463	n/a	796,800
	Aug 2012	n/a	8.2893	n/a	634,400
	Aug 2013	n/a	10.3262	n/a	1,173,800
	Feb 2014	n/a	12.1103	n/a	1,449,900
Total net as:	set value of sub-fur Period ended	nd	£	€	[a]
	Aug 2011	87,8	372,000		23,000
	Aug 2012	111,9	916,000	140,8	67,000
	Aug 2013	114,3	337,000	133,8	76,000
	Feb 2014	111,3	328,000	134.6	77,000

 $<sup>{\</sup>it [a]}$  Based on the midday exchange rate on the last business day of each accounting period.

DODTEOLIO	CTATEMENT			
PORTFOLIO				
as at 28 February 2	2014	Value	28.02.14	31.08.13
Holding		£'000	%	%
	Oil & gas producers		10.46	7.61
. ,	Apache	1,540	1.38	
,	Chevron	2,714	2.44	
46,029 31,421	ConocoPhillips	1,827 1,497	1.64 1.34	
,	Occidental Petroleum	1,497	1.78	
,	Suncor Energy	1,162	1.04	
	Valero Energy	932	0.84	
	Oil equipment, services & distribution		1.21	5.91
99,708	Nabors Industries	1,346	1.21	0.0.
	Chemicals	,	0.58	1.04
19,691		641	0.58	1.04
	Forestry & paper		1.00	0.00
16.906	Domtar	1,112	1.00	0.00
,	Industrial metals & mining	-,	0.00	2.91
	Mining		1.69	0.00
66 088	Newmont Mining	935	0.84	0.00
,	Pan American Silver	945	0.85	
111,200	Aerospace & defence	010	0.81	5.84
52 919	Spirit AeroSystems 'A'	902	0.81	3.04
02,010	Electronic & electrical equipment	302	1.94	1.27
141.876		1,081	0.97	1.27
	Celestica	1,081	0.97	
101,001	Industrial engineering	.,	3.15	3.46
25 702	Caterpillar	1,489	1.34	3.40
	Cummins	1,097	0.98	
,	Kennametal	924	0.83	
	Industrial transportation		2.08	0.00
14,002	•	1,120	1.01	0.00
	Norfolk Southern	1,187	1.07	
	Automobiles & parts		1.20	0.97
25,560	Magna International	1,335	1.20	
	Beverages		1.35	0.00
43,944	Molson Coors Brewing 'B'	1,498	1.35	
	Food producers		2.20	2.15
30,868	Bunge	1,471	1.32	
41,824	Tyson Foods	975	0.88	
	Household goods & home construction	on	0.00	1.95
	Leisure goods		0.91	0.00
15,941	Harman International	1,009	0.91	0.00
	Personal goods		2.36	0.00
25.486	Columbia Sportswear	1,273	1.14	0.00
	Kimberly-Clark	1,356	1.22	
	Tobacco		1.68	2.00
87,110	Altria Group	1,873	1.68	
	Healthcare equipment & services		4.62	5.05
33,145	Baxter International	1,368	1.23	
27,674	Hill-Rom Holdings	629	0.56	
25,546	Owens & Minor	532	0.48	
	Stryker	1,305	1.17	
24,499	WellPoint	1,311	1.18	
	Pharmaceuticals & biotechnology		10.49	5.94
,	Abbott Laboratories	1,714	1.54	
	Eli Lilly	1,763	1.58	
	Forest Laboratories	1,295	1.16	
31,233 74,297	Johnson & Johnson	1,710	1.54	
138,534		2,523 2,675	2.27 2.40	
100,004		2,010	2.70	

at 28 February 2	2014			
ding		Value £'000	28.02.14	31.08.1
	Food & drug retailers		1.50	1.4
40,917	Walgreen	1,672	1.50	
· · ·	General retailers		7.01	3.8
53 836	DeVry Education	1,369	1.23	0.0
,	Dillard's 'A'	1,257	1.13	
	Lowe's	1,552	1.39	
,	Signet Jewelers	1,549	1.39	
	Wal-Mart Stores	2.088	1.87	
70,720		2,000		4.1
60 100	Media	2 117	<b>2.77</b> 1.90	4.5
	Comcast 'A'	2,117		
2,244	Graham Holdings	969	0.87	
	Travel & leisure		1.87	0.9
,	Carnival	1,236	1.11	
63,110	Southwest Airlines	849	0.76	
	Fixed line telecommunications		3.39	2.0
118,486	AT&T	2,288	2.05	
79,994	Centurylink	1,489	1.34	
	Electricity		1.36	1.4
83,661	Exelon	1,513	1.36	
	Banks		10.07	10.2
98.351	Capitol Federal Financial	714	0.64	1011
	Citigroup	2,106	1.89	
	FirstMerit	507	0.46	
	JPMorgan Chase	2,772	2.49	
	People's United Bank	907	0.81	
	PNC Financial Services	1,381	1.24	
	Wells Fargo	2,823	2.54	
102,000		2,020		
50.004	Non-life insurance	4.000	3.79	6.4
	Loews	1,389	1.25	
	The Hartford Financial Services Group		1.26	
28,264	The Travelers Companies	1,420	1.28	
	Life insurance		1.53	2.5
56,286	MetLife	1,704	1.53	
	Real estate investment trusts		0.83	0.0
70,139	Kimco Realty	925	0.83	
	Financial services		0.00	4.8
	Equity investment & instruments		0.50	0.0
60.811	American Capital	560	0.50	•
,.	Software & computer services		7.00	4.1
144 608	Cadence Design Systems	1,330	1.19	٦.
	Google	3,091	2.78	
	Microsoft	3,370	3.03	
140,403		3,370		
447 440	Technology hardware & equipment	4 000	8.10	10.7
	Corning	1,360	1.22	
26,894		1,194	1.07	
128,085		1,900	1.71	
	Lexmark International	1,200	1.08	
	Qualcomm	2,224	2.00	
21,455	Western Digital	1,137	1.02	
	'AAA' rated money market funds [a]		2.21	0.4
4,102,000	Northern Trust Global Fund - US dollar	2,458	2.21	
tfolio of investr		110,944	99.66	100.0
other assets /		384	0.34	(0.0
	(HUDHINGS)	J04	0.34	(0.0

[a]	Uncommitted surplus	cash is plac	ed into	'AAA' rated	money	market funds	with
	the aim of reducing co	ounterparty ri	sk.				

PORTFOLIO TRANSACTIONS	
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for the six months ended 28 February 2014	C1000
Largest purchases Google	£'000 3,125
ConocoPhillips	2,877
Citigroup	2,485
Wal-Mart Stores	2,403
MetLife	2,256
Qualcomm	2,230
Eli Lilly	1,968
Walgreen	1,841
Hess	1,785
Forest Laboratories	1,760
Lowe's	1,754
Centurylink	1,730
Kimberly-Clark	1,681
Exelon	1,628
Abbott Laboratories	1,603
Bunge	1,596
Loews	1,552
FedEx	1,527
WellPoint	1,492
Valero Energy	1,435
	,
Northern Trust Global Fund - US dollar [a]	30,009
Other purchases	50,556
Total purchases	119,181
Largest sales	£'000
Viacom 'B'	2,978
CIGNA	2,975
Lockheed Martin	2,963
Lincoln National	2,933
Apple	2,864
Morgan Stanley	2,829
Medtronic	2,807
Goldman Sachs Group	2,783
Macy's	2,692
National Oilwell Varco	2,672
Diamond Offshore Drilling	2,555
Textron	2,502
Archer Daniels Midland	2,488
US Bancorp	2,291
Applied Materials	2,252
Newell Rubbermaid	2,248
Texas Instruments	2,182
Allstate	2,002
Hewlett-Packard	1,977
Nucor	1,884
Northern Trust Global Fund - US dollar [a]	27,779
Other sales	53,411
Total sales	132,067

<sup>[</sup>a] Uncommitted surplus cash is placed into 'AAA' rated money market funds with the aim of reducing counterparty risk.

# INTERIM FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (unaudited)

For the six months ended 28 February 2014.

	2014		20	2013	
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	
Income					
Net capital gains		9,562		14,011	
Revenue	1,194		1,165		
Expenses	(896)		(774)		
Net revenue before taxation	298		391		
Taxation	(62)		(173)		
Net revenue after taxation		236		218	
Total return before equalisation		9,798		14,229	
Finance costs: Equalisation		2		(8)	
Change in net assets attributable to					
shareholders from investment activities		9,800		14,221	

	2	014	2	013
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Opening net assets attributable to shareholders		114,337		111,916
Amounts received on issue of shares	27,447		31,994	
Amounts paid on cancellation of shares	(40,256)		(55,926)	
		(12,809)		(23,932)
Change in net assets attributable to shareholders from investment				
activities (see above)		9,800		14,221
activities (see above)  Closing net assets attributable		9,800		14,2
to shareholders		111,328		102,205

The opening net assets attributable to shareholders for 2014 differs to the closing position in 2013 by the change in net assets attributable to shareholders for the second half of the comparative financial year.

BALANCE SHEET				
		s at uary 2014 £'000		s at just 2013 £'000
Assets				
Investment assets		110,944		114,358
Debtors	1,503		1,906	
Cash and bank balances	22		108	
Total other assets		1,525		2,014
Total assets		112,469		116,372
Liabilities				
Creditors				
Net distributions payable on	0		(00)	
Income shares	0		(66)	
Other creditors	(1,141)		(1,969)	
Total liabilities		(1,141)		(2,035)
Net assets attributable to shareholders		111,328		114,337

#### NOTE TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### **Accounting policies**

The interim financial statements have been prepared on the same basis as the audited annual financial statements for the year ended 31 August 2013. They are in accordance with the historical cost convention, as modified by the revaluation of investments, and the Statement of Recommended Practice for Authorised Funds issued by the Investment Management Association in October 2010.

# AUTHORISED CORPORATE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

### Investment objective and policy of the M&G Pan European Fund

The Fund invests wholly or mainly in European (including UK) companies. The Fund may also invest in companies outside Europe but only when these companies derive the majority of their income from European activity. The objective is to maximise long term total return (the combination of income and growth of capital).

#### Investment approach

The M&G Pan European Fund is a concentrated portfolio of between 50 and 70 holdings. It seeks to capitalise on compelling investment opportunities from across the pan-European investment universe. The fund managers adopt a bottom-up approach to stock selection, based upon a strong foundation of detailed fundamental research.

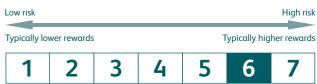
Consistent with the managers' investment philosophy, the portfolio has a growth bias. However, the managers do not define growth in the traditional sense that focuses on rapid growth in earnings or sales. Instead, their innovative approach to growth rests upon the identification of companies with world-class scarce assets that are not easily replicable, and which give such companies an edge over international competitors to drive profitability, grow their businesses and create long-term value.

By virtue of their scarce assets, these companies can compete effectively on the world stage, and generate sustainable returns above the cost of capital through time. By reinvesting in the business at attractive rates of return, the fundamental value of these companies should grow over time, thereby rewarding long-term investors.

Accordingly, the fund managers are prepared to be long-term investors in companies with scarce assets whose long-term potential is not fully recognised by the market, in the expectation that the true intrinsic value of these assets will be recognised by other market participants over time.

The fund managers regard meeting a company's management team as an important element of the research process, allowing them to gauge their conviction in the company's abilities and assets. The fund managers also work closely with the portfolio construction and risk team to ensure that the primary driver of the portfolio's risk is stock selection, and that unintended risks are minimised. Investors can therefore expect a long-term, bottom-up stock-selection investment approach with moderate turnover.

#### Risk and reward profile\*



- The above risk number is based on the rate at which the value of the Fund has moved up and down in the past.
- This risk number is based on historical data and may not be a reliable indicator of the future risk profile of the Fund.

- The risk number shown is not guaranteed and may change over time.
- The lowest risk number does not mean risk free.
- \* This 'Risk and reward profile' section is based on Sterling Class 'A' shares.

# INVESTMENT ACTIVITIES OVER THE REPORT PERIOD

### As at 3 March 2014, for the six months ended 28 February 2014

As active stockpickers, we continued to seek opportunities to selectively purchase companies with compelling scarce assets, structural growth drivers and the potential to produce sustainably high returns, which became available at attractive valuations.

We added Spanish-listed international IT services and solutions provider Indra Sistemas, which benefits from diverse end markets, including healthcare, financials, energy and telecommunications among others. We think this will help the company to ride through downturns in specific industries, with further diversification provided through its growing international presence. We also believe that its people, technology, strong market positions and aftermarkets make it very difficult to compete with.

We bought shares in Irish-listed building materials company Kingspan, a producer of prefabricated walls and insulation. We feel that the company is well positioned to profit from economic recovery and the resultant increase in building activity, and that long-term growth should also be aided by an ongoing regulatory drive for improved environmental performance from buildings.

Finally, we established a position in TGS-NOPEC Geophysical, a Norwegian seismic surveyor. TGS-NOPEC operates within the oil services industry, and its asset-light nature, hiring in capacity where needed, differentiates it from the competition. It produces high returns, operates on a compelling business model, and, we think, has strong growth potential, as oil becomes more difficult to find and extract.

We sold out of other holdings where we felt there were more attractively valued companies with better growth prospects available. These included pharmaceutical giant GlaxoSmithKline and Amadeus, the global leader in IT outsourcing for airlines. We also closed our position in UK-listed precious metals miner Hochschild Mining. The company focuses on metals in Peru, and its markets have been relatively weak for some time, suppressing its share price. The shares strengthened near the end of the review period, and we took the opportunity to move on, having lost conviction in the holding.

#### **Greg Aldridge & Charles Anniss**

Co-fund managers

Employees of M&G Limited which is an associate of M&G Securities Limited.

Please note that the views expressed in this Report should not be taken as a recommendation or advice on how the fund or any holding mentioned in the Report is likely to perform. If you wish to obtain financial advice as to whether an investment is suitable for your needs, you should consult a Financial Adviser.

### **FUND STATISTICS**

DISTRIBUTION DATES AND FUND FACTS					
Distribution type	xd	payment			
Final	01.09.14	31.10.14			
Interim	02.03.15	30.04.15			

	Interim di Inc	stribution Acc	Ongoing Cha	rges Figure [b]
	30.04.14 <sup>[a]</sup>	03.03.14 <sup>[a]</sup>	28.02.14	31.08.13
Sterling	р	р	%	%
Class 'A'	0.6544	1.2129	1.68	1.68
Class 'I'	5.0238	5.1709	0.93	0.93
Class 'R'	0.5011	0.5145	1.19	1.19
Class 'X'	0.6513	1.1983	1.68	1.68
Euro	¢	¢	%	%
Class 'A'	n/a	5.7881	1.69	1.68
Class 'C'	n/a	6.5453	0.91	0.94

- [a] The date on which the interim distribution will be paid to Income shareholders and credited to Accumulation shareholders.
- [b] The Ongoing Charges Figure is the ratio of the relevant annualised total disclosable costs of each share class from the most recent reporting period to the average net asset value for that share class over the same period.

FUND PERFORMANCE								
Performance of	Net as per sh	s set value are as at 02.14 Acc	per sh	set value are as at 08.13		et value ange Acc		
Sterling	р	р	р	р	%	%		
Class 'A'	170.76	316.60	162.62	300.42	+5.01	+5.39		
Class 'I'	1,307.78	1,352.31	1,240.66	1,278.60	+5.41	+5.76		
Class 'R'	130.23	134.60	123.72	127.41	+5.26	+5.64		
Class 'X'	168.91	312.88	160.87	296.89	+5.00	+5.39		
Euro	€	€	€	€	%	%		
Class 'A'	n/a	15.0705	n/a	13.8420	n/a	+8.88		
Class 'C'	n/a	16.5704	n/a	15.1607	n/a	+9.30		

Past performance is not a guide to future performance.

The value of stockmarket investments, and the income from them, will fluctuate. This will cause the fund price to fall as well as rise and you may not get back the original amount you invested.

PERFORMANCE SINCE LAUNCH						
	six months 02.09.13 %	one year 01.03.13 %	five years 03.03.09 % p.a. <sup>[a]</sup>	since launch % p.a. <sup>[a]</sup>		
Sterling [b]						
Class 'A'	+2.6	+2.8	+10.8	+5.3 [c]		
Class 'I'	+3.0	+3.6	n/a	+17.7 [d]		
Class 'R'	+2.9	+3.3	n/a	+17.4 <sup>[d]</sup>		
Class 'X'	+2.6	+2.8	+10.8	+7.7 <sup>[e]</sup>		
Euro [f]						
Class 'A'	+6.2	+11.1	+15.6	+3.3 [g]		
Class 'C'	+6.6	+11.9	+16.4	+4.1 [9]		

- [a] Shows the compound rate of return, per annum, over the period.
- [b] Bid to bid excluding reinvested income.
- [c] 29 September 1989, the end of the initial offer period of the predecessor unit trust.
- [d] 3 August 2012, the launch date of the share class.
- $\ensuremath{\mathit{[e]}}\xspace$  1 October 2002, the launch date of the share class.
- [f] Bid to bid with net income reinvested.
- [g] 28 November 2001, the launch date of the share class.

SINGLE YEAR PERFORMANCE (5 YEARS ENDING FEBRUARY)								
From To	01.03.13 28.02.14 %	01.03.12 28.02.13 %	01.03.11 29.02.12 %	01.03.10 28.02.11 %	01.03.09 28.02.10 %			
Sterling Class 'A'	+7.5	+17.1	-2.2	+5.4	+42.1			

Source: Morningstar, Inc., bid to bid with net income reinvested.

### **FUND STATISTICS**

		lna	a abarea	A	tion obor
	Calendar year	Highest	e shares Lowest	Accumula Highest	tion shares Lowest
Sterling (net)		р	р	р	р
Class 'A'	2009	159.30	99.73	264.85	163.25
	2010	160.57	126.80	268.28	211.59
	2011 <sup>[a]</sup>	160.58	118.85	275.12	208.30
	2012	148.78	126.62	267.55	223.19
	2013	173.16	149.06	317.53	268.07
	2014 <sup>[b]</sup>	172.71	163.36	318.98	301.70
Class 'l'	2012 <sup>[c]</sup>	1,129.21	1,000.00	1,132.20	1,000.00
	2013	1,320.42	1,131.56	1,352.90	1,134.60
	2014 <sup>[b]</sup>	1,322.45	1,250.21	1,362.44	1,288.00
Class 'R'	2012 <sup>[c]</sup>	112.83	100.00	113.06	100.00
	2013	131.70	113.06	134.77	113.30
	2014 <sup>[b]</sup>	131.72	124.54	135.61	128.22
Class 'X'	2009	157.56	98.64	261.74	161.33
	2010	158.82	125.41	265.14	209.11
	2011 <sup>[a]</sup>	158.83	117.56	271.89	205.86
	2012	147.17	125.25	264.41	220.58
	2013	171.29	147.45	313.80	264.92
	2014 <sup>[b]</sup>	170.85	161.59	315.23	298.15
Euro (net)		€	€	€	€
Class 'A'	2009	n/a	n/a	11.1838	7.1359
	2010	n/a	n/a	12.4141	10.1081
	2011 <sup>[a]</sup>	n/a	n/a	12.5050	9.4359
	2012	n/a	n/a	12.8414	10.8511
	2013	n/a	n/a	14.8850	12.7980
	2014 <sup>[b]</sup>	n/a	n/a	15.2082	14.3374
Class 'B'	2010 <sup>[d]</sup>	n/a	n/a	11.3425	9.2569
	2011 <sup>[a]</sup>	n/a	n/a	11.4222	8.5878
	2012	n/a	n/a	11.6131	9.8619
	2013 [e]	n/a	n/a	12.8915	11.6508
Class 'C'	2009	n/a	n/a	11.9011	7.5590
	2010	n/a	n/a	13.3280	10.8147
	2011 <sup>[a]</sup>	n/a	n/a	13.4317	10.1862
	2012	n/a	n/a	13.9943	11.7388
	2013	n/a	n/a	16.3464	13.9984
	2014 [b]	n/a	n/a	16.7210	15.7563

<sup>[</sup>a] The Prudential European Trust merged into the M&G Pan European Fund immediately after 17 June 2011.

Dividend inco	me per share				
	Calendar year	Interim	Distributed Final	Total	Reinvested
Sterling (net)		р	р	р	р
Class 'A'	2009	0.3410	2.1320	2.4730	4.0461
	2010	0.5560	2.3060	2.8620	4.7725
	2011	1.4500	3.0760	4.5260	7.7311
	2012	0.8300	2.6950	3.5250	6.2068
	2013	0.7797	3.6400	4.4197	7.9740
	2014 <sup>[a]</sup>	0.6544	-	0.6544	1.2129
Class 'I'	2012	n/a	2.1450	2.1450	2.1450
	2013	5.9437	27.7045	33.6482	34.3970
	2014 [a]	5.0238	-	5.0238	5.1709
Class 'R'	2012	n/a	0.2100	0.2100	0.2100
	2013	0.6509	2.7651	3.4160	3.4366
	2014 [a]	0.5011	-	0.5011	0.5145
Class 'X'	2009	0.3390	2.1090	2.4480	4.0019
	2010	0.5500	2.2810	2.8310	4.7169
	2011	1.4350	3.0300	4.4650	7.6204
	2012	0.8200	2.6670	3.4870	6.1645
	2013	0.7708	3.6007	4.3715	7.8800
	2014 [a]	0.6513	-	0.6513	1.1983
Euro (net)		¢	¢	¢	¢
Class 'A'	2009	n/a	n/a	n/a	18.0970
	2010	n/a	n/a	n/a	22.4610
	2011	n/a	n/a	n/a	34.9380
	2012	n/a	n/a	n/a	30.3125
	2013	n/a	n/a	n/a	36.6510
	2014 <sup>[a]</sup>	n/a	n/a	n/a	5.7881
Class 'B'	2010	n/a	n/a	n/a	3.7990
	2011	n/a	n/a	n/a	31.7600
	2012	n/a	n/a	n/a	27.5274
	2013 <sup>[b]</sup>	n/a	n/a	n/a	5.7166
Class 'C'	2009	n/a	n/a	n/a	19.1970
	2010	n/a	n/a	n/a	23.9890
	2011	n/a	n/a	n/a	37.3960
	2012	n/a	n/a	n/a	33.0153
	2013	n/a	n/a	n/a	39.8848
	2014 [a]	n/a	n/a	n/a	6.5453

<sup>[</sup>a] Up to interim: ex-distribution date 3 March 2014; payment date 30 April 2014.

The level of income earned by the fund will fluctuate.

<sup>[</sup>b] To 3 March 2014.

<sup>[</sup>c] From 3 August 2012 (the launch date of the share class).

<sup>[</sup>d] From 3 June 2010 (the launch date of the share class).

<sup>[</sup>e] To 7 June 2013 (the closure date of the share class).

<sup>[</sup>b] To 7 June 2013 (the closure date of the share class).

### **FUND STATISTICS**

NET AS	SETS					
	Period ended	Value   Inc	per share Acc	Number of	of shares Acc	
Sterling		р	р			
Class 'A'	Aug 2011	133.16	233.42	82,405,128	18,896,464	
	Aug 2012	133.90	240.80	82,366,428	17,229,464	
	Aug 2013	162.62	300.42	67,345,328	15,826,364	
	Feb 2014	170.76	316.60	67,583,628	15,234,464	
Class 'I'	Aug 2012	1,013.17	1,015.32	100	100	
	Aug 2013	1,240.66	1,278.60	54,900	16,000	
	Feb 2014	1,307.78	1,352.31	94,700	53,740	
Class 'R'	Aug 2012	101.29	101.50	1,000	1,000	
	Aug 2013	123.72	127.41	109,000	50,000	
	Feb 2014	130.23	134.60	134,000	95,000	
Class 'X'	Aug 2011	131.72	230.68	726,446	387,415	
	Aug 2012	132.45	237.97	708,446	370,915	
	Aug 2013	160.87	296.89	691,446	333,915	
	Feb 2014	168.91	312.88	707,446	326,915	
Euro		€	€			
Class 'A'	Aug 2011	n/a	10.3615	n/a	1,005,860	
	Aug 2012	n/a	11.9249	n/a	302,860	
	Aug 2013	n/a	13.8420	n/a	745,860	
	Feb 2014	n/a	15.0705	n/a	1,543,160	
Class 'B'	Aug 2011	n/a	8.8294	n/a	16,200	
	Aug 2012	n/a	10.8034	n/a	13,100	
Class 'C'	Aug 2011	n/a	11.1846	n/a	1,662,140	
	Aug 2012	n/a	12.9653	n/a	336,240	
	Aug 2013	n/a	15.1607	n/a	1,254,940	
	Feb 2014	n/a	16.5704	n/a	1,146,940	
Total net as	Total net asset value of sub-fund Period ended		£	€	[a]	
	Aug 2011	181,5	537,000	204,78	32,000	
	Aug 2012	160,0	049,000	201,45	51,000	
	Aug 2013	185,3	317,000	216,98	36,000	
	Feb 2014	203,0	058,000	245,647,000		

<sup>[</sup>a] Based on the midday exchange rate on the last business day of each accounting period

PORTFOLIO	STATEMENT			
as at 28 February 2	2014		00.00.44	04.00.40
Holding		Value £'000	28.02.14	31.08.13 %
	Oil & gas producers		6.93	7.61
242,000	Repsol	3,631	1.79	
206,000	Statoil	3,255	1.60	
138,500	Total	5,324	2.62	
240,000	Tullow Oil	1,871	0.92	
	Oil equipment, services & distribution		3.07	1.90
273,000	Petrofac	3,729	1.84	
134,000	TGS-NOPEC Geophysical	2,490	1.23	
	Chemicals		5.69	5.05
1,072,500	AZ Electronic Materials	4,267	2.10	
120,500	Symrise	3,517	1.73	
130,500	Umicore	3,780	1.86	
	Mining		1.58	2.04
93,500	Rio Tinto	3,206	1.58	
	Construction & materials		3.48	1.95
82,000	Holcim (Regd.)	3,985	1.96	
	Kingspan Group	3,094	1.52	
	Aerospace & defence	-	3.53	3.80
86 500	Airbus (formerly European Aeronautic		0.00	0.00
00,000	Defence and Space)	3,787	1.86	
177,500	Ultra Electronics Holdings	3,387	1.67	
	Electronic & electrical equipment		1.65	0.40
136,500	Spectris	3,344	1.65	
	Industrial engineering		3.59	4.35
63.000	Andritz	2,337	1.15	
	Atlas Copco 'A'	1,283	0.63	
	Vallourec	3,668	1.81	
	Support services		3.11	4.79
100,000	• •	3,159	1.55	
1,341,500		3,171	1.56	
	Automobiles & parts		3.91	4.35
58 000	Bayerische Motoren Werke	3,994	1.97	4.00
	Delticom	1,663	0.82	
,	ElringKlinger	2,283	1.12	
	Food producers	,	9.02	9.50
100 500	Chr. Hansen Holding	2,476	1.22	3.30
	Danone	3,360	1.65	
,	Nestlé (Regd.)	6,900	3.40	
	Unilever	5,577	2.75	
	Leisure goods	-,	1.57	1.63
238 000	Amer Sports	3,193	1.57	1.03
200,000	·	0,100		4.50
E4 E00	Personal goods	2 770	4.99	4.56
	adidas	3,770	1.86 1.05	
	HUGO BOSS	2,143 4,230		
107,000	Pandora	4,230	2.08	
00.500	Healthcare equipment & services	0.000	3.23	3.38
	Fresenius Medical Care	3,808	1.88	
32,500	Sonova Holding	2,743	1.35	
4	Pharmaceuticals & biotechnology	0 ===	6.52	8.25
	Novartis (Regd.)	6,778	3.34	
35,000	Roche Holding 'Genussscheine'	6,449	3.18	
	General retailers		1.94	2.12
643,000	Inchcape	3,932	1.94	

	2014			
		Value	28.02.14	31.08.
ding		£'000	%	
	Media		3.36	3.
73,000		2,524	1.24	
76,500	Publicis Groupe	4,298	2.12	
	Travel & leisure		3.34	3.
151,500	Carnival	3,789	1.87	
318,000	Compass Group	2,986	1.47	
	Banks		9.16	9.
902,500	HSBC Holdings	5,692	2.80	
143,000	Société Générale	5,634	2.77	
263,500	Standard Chartered	3,302	1.63	
129,000	Svenska Handelsbanken 'A'	3,990	1.96	
	Non-life insurance		3.95	4.
94,500	Vienna Insurance Group	2,897	1.43	
28,000	Zurich Insurance	5,111	2.52	
	Life insurance		2.01	1.
300,500	Prudential	4,081	2.01	
	Real estate investment trusts		0.96	0.
296,000	Shaftesbury	1,951	0.96	
	Financial services		1.75	2.
338,000	GAM Holding (Regd.)	3,549	1.75	
	Software & computer services		6.84	6.
131,000	Fidessa Group	3,209	1.58	
286,500	Indra Sistemas	3,124	1.54	
81,000	SAP	3,871	1.91	
78,000	Wincor Nixdorf	3,673	1.81	
	Technology hardware & equipment		2.12	2.
555,000	Ericsson 'B'	4,303	2.12	
	'AAA' rated money market funds [a]		2.60	1.
5,286,000	Northern Trust Global Fund - Sterling	5,286	2.60	
rtfolio of investn	nents	202,854	99.90	100.
t other assets /	(liabilities)	204	0.10	(0.

<sup>[</sup>a] Uncommitted surplus cash is placed into 'AAA' rated money market funds with the aim of reducing counterparty risk.

PORTFOLIO TRANSACTIONS	
for the six months ended 28 February 2014	
Largest purchases	£'000
Indra Sistemas	
Kingspan Group	2,800 2,721
• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	2,721
TGS-NOPEC Geophysical Spectris	2,303
Standard Chartered	1,234
Umicore	625
AZ Electronic Materials	574
Unilever	438
Danone	430
Petrofac	340
HSBC Holdings	307
Roche Holding 'Genussscheine'	256
Nestlé (Regd.)	222
Novartis (Regd.)	218
Pandora	218
Société Générale	174
Zurich Insurance	174
Total	164
adidas	152
Airbus (formerly European Aeronautic Defence and Space)	139
Northern Trust Global Fund - Sterling [a]	21,709
Other purchases	2,945
Total nurchases	40.400
Total purchases	40,499
Largest sales	£'000
Largest sales Amadeus IT Holdings	<b>£'000</b> 2,985
Largest sales Amadeus IT Holdings GlaxoSmithKline	<b>£'000</b> 2,985 2,896
Largest sales Amadeus IT Holdings GlaxoSmithKline Wincor Nixdorf	£'000 2,985 2,896 1,142
Largest sales Amadeus IT Holdings GlaxoSmithKline Wincor Nixdorf Hochschild Mining	£'000 2,985 2,896 1,142 801
Largest sales Amadeus IT Holdings GlaxoSmithKline Wincor Nixdorf Hochschild Mining Airbus (formerly European Aeronautic Defence and Space)	£'000 2,985 2,896 1,142 801 709
Largest sales Amadeus IT Holdings GlaxoSmithKline Wincor Nixdorf Hochschild Mining Airbus (formerly European Aeronautic Defence and Space) Publicis Groupe	£'000 2,985 2,896 1,142 801 709 705
Largest sales Amadeus IT Holdings GlaxoSmithKline Wincor Nixdorf Hochschild Mining Airbus (formerly European Aeronautic Defence and Space) Publicis Groupe HSBC Holdings	£'000 2,985 2,896 1,142 801 709 705 481
Largest sales Amadeus IT Holdings GlaxoSmithKline Wincor Nixdorf Hochschild Mining Airbus (formerly European Aeronautic Defence and Space) Publicis Groupe HSBC Holdings Repsol	£'000 2,985 2,896 1,142 801 709 705 481 393
Largest sales Amadeus IT Holdings GlaxoSmithKline Wincor Nixdorf Hochschild Mining Airbus (formerly European Aeronautic Defence and Space) Publicis Groupe HSBC Holdings Repsol Novartis (Regd.)	£'000 2,985 2,896 1,142 801 709 705 481 393 376
Largest sales Amadeus IT Holdings GlaxoSmithKline Wincor Nixdorf Hochschild Mining Airbus (formerly European Aeronautic Defence and Space) Publicis Groupe HSBC Holdings Repsol Novartis (Regd.) Ericsson 'B'	£'000 2,985 2,896 1,142 801 709 705 481 393 376 331
Largest sales  Amadeus IT Holdings GlaxoSmithKline Wincor Nixdorf Hochschild Mining Airbus (formerly European Aeronautic Defence and Space) Publicis Groupe HSBC Holdings Repsol Novartis (Regd.) Ericsson 'B' Roche Holding 'Genussscheine'	£'000 2,985 2,896 1,142 801 709 705 481 393 376 331 324
Largest sales  Amadeus IT Holdings GlaxoSmithKline Wincor Nixdorf Hochschild Mining Airbus (formerly European Aeronautic Defence and Space) Publicis Groupe HSBC Holdings Repsol Novartis (Regd.) Ericsson 'B' Roche Holding 'Genussscheine' Société Générale	£'000 2,985 2,896 1,142 801 709 705 481 393 376 331 324 319
Largest sales  Amadeus IT Holdings GlaxoSmithKline Wincor Nixdorf Hochschild Mining Airbus (formerly European Aeronautic Defence and Space) Publicis Groupe HSBC Holdings Repsol Novartis (Regd.) Ericsson 'B' Roche Holding 'Genussscheine' Société Générale Inchcape	£'000 2,985 2,896 1,142 801 709 705 481 393 376 331 324 319 316
Largest sales  Amadeus IT Holdings GlaxoSmithKline Wincor Nixdorf Hochschild Mining Airbus (formerly European Aeronautic Defence and Space) Publicis Groupe HSBC Holdings Repsol Novartis (Regd.) Ericsson 'B' Roche Holding 'Genussscheine' Société Générale Inchcape Bayerische Motoren Werke	£'000 2,985 2,896 1,142 801 709 705 481 393 376 331 324 319 316 301
Largest sales  Amadeus IT Holdings GlaxoSmithKline Wincor Nixdorf Hochschild Mining Airbus (formerly European Aeronautic Defence and Space) Publicis Groupe HSBC Holdings Repsol Novartis (Regd.) Ericsson 'B' Roche Holding 'Genussscheine' Société Générale Inchcape Bayerische Motoren Werke adidas	£'000 2,985 2,896 1,142 801 709 705 481 393 376 331 324 319 316 301 287
Largest sales  Amadeus IT Holdings GlaxoSmithKline Wincor Nixdorf Hochschild Mining Airbus (formerly European Aeronautic Defence and Space) Publicis Groupe HSBC Holdings Repsol Novartis (Regd.) Ericsson 'B' Roche Holding 'Genussscheine' Société Générale Inchcape Bayerische Motoren Werke adidas Unilever	£'000 2,985 2,896 1,142 801 709 705 481 393 376 331 324 319 316 301 287
Largest sales  Amadeus IT Holdings GlaxoSmithKline Wincor Nixdorf Hochschild Mining Airbus (formerly European Aeronautic Defence and Space) Publicis Groupe HSBC Holdings Repsol Novartis (Regd.) Ericsson 'B' Roche Holding 'Genussscheine' Société Générale Inchcape Bayerische Motoren Werke adidas Unilever Nestlé (Regd.)	£'000 2,985 2,896 1,142 801 709 705 481 393 376 331 324 319 316 301 287 196 170
Largest sales  Amadeus IT Holdings GlaxoSmithKline Wincor Nixdorf Hochschild Mining Airbus (formerly European Aeronautic Defence and Space) Publicis Groupe HSBC Holdings Repsol Novartis (Regd.) Ericsson 'B' Roche Holding 'Genussscheine' Société Générale Inchcape Bayerische Motoren Werke adidas Unilever Nestlé (Regd.) Zurich Insurance	£'000 2,985 2,896 1,142 801 709 705 481 393 376 331 324 319 316 301 287 196 170 159
Largest sales  Amadeus IT Holdings GlaxoSmithKline Wincor Nixdorf Hochschild Mining Airbus (formerly European Aeronautic Defence and Space) Publicis Groupe HSBC Holdings Repsol Novartis (Regd.) Ericsson 'B' Roche Holding 'Genussscheine' Société Générale Inchcape Bayerische Motoren Werke adidas Unilever Nestlé (Regd.)	£'000 2,985 2,896 1,142 801 709 705 481 393 376 331 324 319 316 301 287 196 170
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# INTERIM FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (unaudited)

For the six months ended 28 February 2014.

	20	2014		2013	
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	
Income					
Net capital gains		10,762		35,206	
Revenue	956		1,133		
Expenses	(1,540)		(1,394)		
Net expense before taxation	(584)		(261)		
Taxation	(26)		(77)		
Net expense after taxation		(610)		(338)	
Total return before distributions		10,152		34,868	
Finance costs: Distributions		(759)		(908)	
Change in net assets attributable to shareholders from investment act	,.	9,393		33,960	

STATEMENT OF CHANGE IN NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTABLE TO SHAREHOLDERS					
		014	2	013	
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	
Opening net assets attributable to shareholders		185,317		160,049	
Amounts received on issue of shares	16,132		13,861		
Amounts paid on cancellation of shares	(8,109)		(21,269)		
		8,023		(7,408)	
Stamp Duty Reserve Tax		(7)		(17)	
Change in net assets attributable to shareholders from investment activities (see above)		9,393		33,960	
Retained distributions on Accumulation shares		328		335	
Unclaimed distributions		4		4	
Closing net assets attributable to shareholders		203,058		186,923	

The opening net assets attributable to shareholders for 2014 differs to the closing position in 2013 by the change in net assets attributable to shareholders for the second half of the comparative financial year.

BALANCE SHEET				
	as at		as at	
	28 Febr £'000	uary 2014 £'000	31 Aug £'000	ust 2013 £'000
Assets				
Investment assets		202,854		186,537
Debtors	872		1,852	
Cash and bank balances	0		379	
Total other assets		872		2,231
Total assets		203,726		188,768
Liabilities				
Creditors				
Net distributions payable on				
Income shares	(452)		(2,494)	
Other creditors	(216)		(957)	
Total liabilities		(668)		(3,451)
Net assets attributable to shareholders		203,058		185,317

#### NOTE TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### **Accounting policies**

The interim financial statements have been prepared on the same basis as the audited annual financial statements for the year ended 31 August 2013. They are in accordance with the historical cost convention, as modified by the revaluation of investments, and the Statement of Recommended Practice for Authorised Funds issued by the Investment Management Association in October 2010.

### **Further Information**

#### LIQUIDITY

The ACD's policy is that the sub-funds should normally be close to fully invested but this is subject to the need to retain liquidity for the purpose of effecting the redemption of shares, and the efficient management of the sub-funds in accordance with their objectives. There may, therefore, be occasions when there will be higher levels of liquidity, for example following the issue of shares or the realisation of investments. Higher liquidity levels may also arise when a subfund's asset allocation policy is changed.

#### **DILUTION**

The actual cost of purchasing or selling a sub-fund's investments may deviate from the mid-market price due to dealing costs and these costs can have an adverse effect on the value of the sub-fund, known as 'dilution'. The Collective Investment Schemes sourcebook, as issued (and amended) by the Financial Conduct Authority, allows the cost of dilution to be recovered from investors on the purchase or redemption of shares by means of a dilution adjustment to the dealing price, and this is the policy which has been adopted by the ACD.

Further information on the ACD's dilution adjustment policy is in the Prospectus, which is available free of charge from the ACD, M&G Securities Limited.

#### THE EU SAVINGS DIRECTIVE

The percentage of the following M&G sub-funds held in interest-bearing assets (as defined by the UK rules for the EU Savings Directive 2003/48/EC) is as follows:

M&G American Fund	2.03%
M&G Asian Fund	0.67%
M&G European Fund	1.61%
M&G European Index Tracker Fund	0.94%
M&G European Smaller Companies Fund	2.93%
M&G Global Basics Fund	6.00%
M&G Global Growth Fund	1.76%
M&G Global Leaders Fund	2.07%
M&G Japan Fund	0.73%
M&G Japan Smaller Companies Fund	0.63%
M&G North American Value Fund	2.23%
M&G Pan European Fund	2.60%

#### **OTHER**

A shareholder is not liable for the debts of the Company and will never be liable to make any further payment to the Company after paying the purchase price of the shares.

#### PORTFOLIO TURNOVER RATES

The Portfolio Turnover Rate (PTR) is a ratio that reflects the volume of trading within each sub-fund over the course of a 12 month period. The PTR is calculated by taking the sum of all transactions in securities less the sum of all transactions in the sub-fund's shares and is expressed as a percentage of the sub-fund's average net asset value.

The unaudited PTRs for the sub-funds currently registered in Switzerland are as follows:

	as at 28.02.14	as at 31.08.13
M&G American Fund	25.84%	53.51%
M&G Asian Fund	2.80%	-1.20%
M&G European Fund	17.52%	-5.24%
M&G European Smaller Companies Fund	34.44%	23.16%
M&G Global Basics Fund	35.64%	24.16%
M&G Global Growth Fund	16.31%	92.66%
M&G Global Leaders Fund	98.45%	10.17%
M&G Japan Fund	4.36%	-0.99%
M&G Japan Smaller Companies Fund	66.44%	84.77%
M&G North American Value Fund	101.45%	-28.38%
M&G Pan European Fund	18.30%	12.41%

## **Further Information**

### **TOTAL EXPENSE RATIOS**

The Total Expense Ratio (TER) is shown only for those share classes currently available in Switzerland. The TER shows the relevant annualised operating expenses of each share class from the most recent reporting period as a single percentage of the average net asset value for that share class over the same period.

The unaudited TERs for the sub-funds currently registered in Switzerland are as follows:

		Share class	Total Expe 28.02.14	ense Ratio 31.08.13
			%	%
M&G American Fund	Euro	Class 'A'	1.66	1.66
		Class 'A-H'	1.68	1.70
		Class 'C'	0.91	0.91
		Class 'C-H'	0.93	0.95
	US dollar	Class 'A'	1.66	1.66
		Class 'C'	0.91	0.91
M&G Asian Fund	Euro	Class 'A'	1.73	1.73
		Class 'C'	0.98	0.98
	US dollar	Class 'A'	1.73	1.73
		Class 'C'	0.98	0.99
M&G European Fund	Euro	Class 'A'	1.69	1.70
		Class 'C'	0.94	0.94
M&G European Smaller				
Companies Fund	Euro	Class 'A'	1.70	1.71
		Class 'C'	0.96	0.96
M&G Global Basics Fund	Euro	Class 'A'	1.92	1.92
		Class 'C'	0.92	0.91
	US dollar	Class 'A'	1.92	1.91
		Class 'C'	0.92	0.92
M&G Global Growth Fund	Euro	Class 'A'	1.93	1.93
		Class 'C'	0.93	0.93
	US dollar	Class 'A'	1.93	1.92
		Class 'C'	0.93	0.93
M&G Global Leaders Fund	Euro	Class 'A'	1.92	1.92
		Class 'C'	0.92	0.92
	US dollar	Class 'A'	1.92	1.92
		Class 'C'	0.92	0.92
M&G Japan Fund	Euro	Class 'A'	1.71	1.75
		Class 'C'	0.97	1.01
M&G Japan Smaller				
Companies Fund	Euro	Class 'A'	1.71	1.74
		Class 'C'	0.96	0.99
M&G North American Value Fund	Euro	Class 'A'	1.69	1.68
value Fullu	Eul0	Class A		
	IIC dall		0.91	0.91
	US dollar	Class 'A'	1.67	1.69
M00 D F F F		Class 'C'	0.93	0.94
M&G Pan European Fund	Euro	Class 'A'	1.69	1.68
		Class 'C'	0.91	0.94

### HONG KONG INVESTOR INFORMATION

The total investment cost as at 28 February 2014 for the following sub-funds is:

Sub-fund	Total investment at cost (£'000)
M&G American Fund	783,610
M&G Global Basics Fund	2,882,900
M&G Global Leaders Fund	788,590
M&G Pan European Fund	167,512

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## Notes

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