

For the six months ended 31 March 2014

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### Short Report

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### **Fund Managers**

Henderson Global Equities Team

### **Other information**

With effect from 20 January 2014, PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP replaced KPMG Audit Plc as the Auditors of the Fund.

### Investment objective and policy

To achieve a high level of income.

The Fund will invest principally in the securities of financial services companies both in the UK and internationally. In addition to ordinary shares, the Fund may also invest in fixed interest securities, preference shares, debt securities convertible into ordinary stock, money market instruments and deposits.

### **Risk and reward profile**

The Fund currently has 5 types of shares in issue; A (accumulation & income), Euro A accumulation, I accumulation and US Dollar A accumulation. The risk and reward profile is the same for each type of share and is as follows:



The value of an investment in the Fund can go up or down. When you sell your units they may be worth less than you paid for them.

The risk/reward rating above is based on mediumterm volatility. In the future, the Fund's actual volatility could be higher or lower and its rated risk/ reward level could change.

The lowest category does not mean risk free.

The Fund's risk level reflects the following:

- The Fund invests in a mix of different asset classes
- Fluctuations in exchange rates may cause the value of your investment to rise or fall

The rating does not reflect the possible effects of unusual market conditions or large unpredictable events which could amplify everyday risk and trigger other risks such as:

**Counterparty risk** The Fund could lose money if an entity with which it interacts becomes unwilling or unable to meet its obligations to the Fund.

**Liquidity risk** Certain securities could become hard to value or sell at a desired time and price.

**Management risk** Investment management techniques that have worked well in normal market conditions could prove ineffective or detrimental at other times.

The full list of the Fund's risks are contained in the "Risk Warnings" section of the Fund's prospectus.

### **Managers' commentary**

The past six months have seen greater uncertainty within equity markets as the combined pressures of the US Federal Reserve (Fed) tapering (reducing) its quantitative easing (QE) asset purchases and slowing growth in China have curtailed the support that was present in the market. While the positive momentum in global financial equities continued into late 2013, as broad economic growth looked to take up where stimulus had left off, a series of negative economic and political developments saw markets move sideways into the first guarter of 2014. The effects of the Fed tapering were felt strongly in global currency markets, leading many emerging market (EM) currencies to weaken against the US dollar. This was detrimental to the profits of multinational companies and also prompted some EM central banks to raise interest rates in an attempt to fend off currency devaluations. This dovetailed with a raft of disappointing data on Chinese growth and its first domestic bond default,

which set the tone for heightening investor tensions just as Russia decided to occupy Crimea. That being said, EM performance was far from homogeneous, with several markets including: India, Indonesia, Turkey, Argentina and Brazil, rallying strongly at the end of the first guarter of 2014. After a broadly flat start to the year, developed markets sold off on weaker than expected US manufacturing data. The results of the Fed's bank stress tests were announced in March. Designed to ensure that financial institutions have sufficient capital to ensure continued operations through times of economic and financial stress, the results led to the approval of capital plans of 25 out of 30 banks. Citigroup failed to meet the Fed's standard's, however, its dividend increase and buyback plans being denied. In Europe, economic data showed signs of stabilisation with eurozone fourth guarter gross domestic product (GDP) rising 0.5% year-on-year, although company fourth guarter earnings were generally disappointing. Japan was by far the weakest performer among the developed markets as investors were led to further guestion the effect of Prime Minister Abe's reforms as forth guarter GDP was revised down to 0.7%, from an already weaker than expected 1.0%.

Stock selection in the Fund's North American and European holdings added most to performance. Chief amongst these was the position in US alternative asset manager Blackstone, where management said their pipeline of investments is well positioned to benefit from accommodative market conditions, and fundraising growth has also been strong. French bank Crédit Agricole performed well following results that showed better than expected earnings and progress towards its core tier 1 capital ratio (measure of capital strength) target. The bank trades at a discount to its peers on a price-to-book metric but we think continued results such as these should see that valuation gap close. Shares in Spain's Bankia have benefited from the improving peripheral European market, which has provided a tailwind in efforts to normalise the bank's balance sheet and profitability. The biggest detractors from performance over the period were holdings in Japanese financials such as Credit Saison, SMFG and Chiba Bank. Japanese equities, particularly financials, sold off during January as doubts over President Abe's stimulus and economic reform policies combined with concerns over deterioration in bank's net interest margins and loan spreads. The pressure seen in EM had a negative effect on the Fund's Russian and Turkish holdings, namely Sberbank and Turkiye Garanti Bankasi.

2014 will be a crucial year for European banks as the European Central Bank's asset quality review (AQR) is delivered. Designed to improve the transparency and the strength of bank balance sheets, many European Union banks have had to either raise tier one capital or shed some riskier assets ahead of the 31 December cut-off point. Due in late October, negative findings may have significant effects on some of the banks' share prices. With March marking the five year anniversary of the global financial crisis market low: guestions remain as to whether global markets and economies can stand on their own feet as US QE stimulus is gradually withdrawn. That said, we remain broadly positive about equity markets as supportive economic policies are likely to remain in place while growth gains traction.

| Performance summary                      |                              |                              |                              |                              |                              |
|------------------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|
|                                          | 30 Sep 13-<br>31 Mar 14<br>% | 30 Sep 12-<br>31 Mar 13<br>% | 30 Sep 11-<br>31 Mar 12<br>% | 30 Sep 10-<br>31 Mar 11<br>% | 30 Sep 09-<br>31 Mar 10<br>% |
| Henderson Global Financials Fund         | 6.5                          | 22.7                         | 14.0                         | 7.9                          | (3.2)                        |
| FTSE World Financials Total Return Index | 5.2                          | 23.6                         | 19.9                         | 8.3                          | 7.2                          |

Source : Morningstar, bid to bid, reinvested net income, GBP, based on cumulative returns. Figures in brackets are negative.

Please remember that past performance is not a guide to future performance. The value of an investment and the revenue from it can fall as well as rise as a result of market and currency fluctuations and you may not get back the amount originally invested.

| Summary of Fund performance    |                                   |                                   |                             |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Share class                    | Net asset value*<br>31/03/14<br>p | Net asset value*<br>30/09/13<br>p | Net asset value<br>% change |
| Class A income                 | 55.12                             | 51.89                             | 6.22                        |
| Class A accumulation           | 288.27                            | 269.14                            | 7.11                        |
| Class I accumulation           | 322.57                            | 300.20                            | 7.45                        |
| Class Euro A accumulation      | 409.85                            | 382.60                            | 7.12                        |
| Class US Dollar A accumulation | 327.40                            | 305.70                            | 7.10                        |

\* The net asset value is calculated as at close of business on the last business day of the accounting period. The investments are valued at fair value which is generally deemed to be the bid market price.

| Fund facts             |                                     |
|------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Accounting dates       | Payment dates                       |
| 31 March. 30 September | 31 May*, 30 November*, 31 January** |

\* Only applies to A income classes.

\*\* All classes except A income.

### **Ongoing charge figure**

|                   | 31/03/14<br>% | <b>30/09/13</b><br>% |
|-------------------|---------------|----------------------|
| Class A           | 1.72          | 1.77*                |
| Class I           | 1.09          | 1.10**               |
| Class Euro A      | 1.72          | 1.77*                |
| Class US Dollar A | 1.72          | 1.77*                |

The annualised ongoing charge figure (OCF) of the Fund, calculated as the ratio of the total ongoing charges to the average net asset value for twelve months.

The OCF is calculated in accordance with guidelines issued by the Committee of European Securities Regulators (CESR), with the aim of ensuring a harmonised approach to the calculation of the OCF by all UCITS.

From 10 August 2013 the General Administration Charge (GAC) decreased:

\* from 0.24% to 0.18% \*\*from 0.06% to 0.045%

| Net revenue distribution |          |          |
|--------------------------|----------|----------|
|                          | 31/03/14 | 31/03/13 |
| Unit class               | р        | р        |
| Class A income           | 0.47     | 0.43     |

Total dividend distributions for the year ended 31 March 2014, comparison is for the same period last year.

| Performance record        |                                      |                                    |                                   |
|---------------------------|--------------------------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Calendar year             | Net revenue<br>(pence per share)     | Highest price<br>(pence per share) | Lowest price<br>(pence per share) |
| Class A income            |                                      |                                    |                                   |
| 2010#                     | 0.44                                 | 51.59                              | 41.75                             |
| 2011                      | 1.34                                 | 51.97                              | 34.38                             |
| 2012                      | 1.06                                 | 44.65                              | 36.08                             |
| 2013                      | 1.23                                 | 56.03                              | 44.76                             |
| 2014                      | 0.47+                                | 57.50+                             | 53.16+                            |
| Class A accumulation      |                                      |                                    |                                   |
| 2009                      | 1.07                                 | 249.00                             | 144.80                            |
| 2010                      | 0.70                                 | 246.30                             | 197.60                            |
| 2011                      | 3.08                                 | 247.90                             | 169.80                            |
| 2012                      | 2.61                                 | 226.10                             | 180.30                            |
| 2013                      | 2.60                                 | 290.50                             | 226.70                            |
| 2014                      | -                                    | 298.10+                            | 275.60+                           |
| Class I accumulation      |                                      |                                    |                                   |
| 2009                      | 1.73                                 | 271.40                             | 157.30                            |
| 2010                      | -                                    | 270.00                             | 216.00                            |
| 2011                      | 5.82                                 | 272.10                             | 187.30                            |
| 2012                      | 6.03                                 | 250.80                             | 199.50                            |
| 2013                      | 2.30                                 | 324.30                             | 251.50                            |
| 2014                      | -                                    | 333.20+                            | 308.10+                           |
| Calendar year             | Net revenue<br>(EUR cents per share) | Highest price<br>(EUR per share)   | Lowest price<br>(EUR per share)   |
| Class Euro A accumulation |                                      |                                    |                                   |
| 2009                      | 2.06                                 | 3.86                               | 2.27                              |
| 2010                      | 2.29                                 | 4.10                               | 3.28                              |
| 2011                      | 5.58                                 | 4.21                               | 2.83                              |
| 2012                      | 4.36                                 | 3.94                               | 3.18                              |
| 2013                      | 2.27                                 | 4.94                               | 3.96                              |
| 2014                      | -                                    | 5.09+                              | 4.73+                             |
| Class Euro I accumulation |                                      |                                    |                                   |
|                           |                                      |                                    |                                   |
| 2009                      | 4.13                                 | 4.25                               | 2.49                              |

### Past performance is not a guide to future performance.

| Performance record (continued) |                                      |                                  |                                 |  |
|--------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|--|
| Calendar year                  | Net revenue<br>(USD cents per share) | Highest price<br>(USD per share) | Lowest price<br>(USD per share) |  |
| Class US Dollar A accu         | mulation                             |                                  |                                 |  |
| 2009                           | 0.43                                 | 4.59                             | 2.29                            |  |
| 2010                           | 3.20                                 | 4.35                             | 3.30                            |  |
| 2011                           | 5.67                                 | 4.60                             | 2.99                            |  |
| 2012                           | 6.43                                 | 4.16                             | 3.20                            |  |
| 2013                           | 4.72                                 | 5.44                             | 4.20                            |  |
| 2014                           | -                                    | 5.54+                            | 5.11+                           |  |
| Class US Dollar I accun        | nulation                             |                                  |                                 |  |
| 2009                           | 2.50                                 | 4.17                             | 2.07                            |  |
| 2010##                         | -                                    | 3.87                             | 3.27                            |  |

+ to 31 March

# Launched 1 October 2009 ## Closed 12 February 2010

| Major holdings              |      |
|-----------------------------|------|
| as at 31/03/14              | %    |
| Lloyds Banking              | 2.64 |
| Bank of America             | 2.34 |
| JPMorgan Chase              | 2.14 |
| Unicredito Italiano         | 2.08 |
| Blackstone                  | 2.01 |
| KBC                         | 1.99 |
| 5th Third Bancorp           | 1.72 |
| Sumitomo Mitsui Financial   | 1.69 |
| Discover Financial Services | 1.69 |
| ING                         | 1.68 |
|                             |      |

| as at 30/09/13        | 0/0  |
|-----------------------|------|
| Lloyds Banking        | 4.28 |
| JPMorgan Chase        | 2.54 |
| KBC                   | 2.54 |
| Sumitomo Mitsui Trust | 2.11 |
| Bank of America       | 2.06 |
| Mitsubishi            | 1.96 |
| HSBC                  | 1.95 |
| Citigroup             | 1.83 |
| BNP Paribas           | 1.73 |
| Crédit Agricole       | 1.73 |

### Asset allocation

| as at 31/03/14   | %      |
|------------------|--------|
| United States    | 39.00  |
| United Kingdom   | 10.62  |
| Japan            | 8.54   |
| Australia        | 5.00   |
| France           | 4.68   |
| Canada           | 4.42   |
| Germany          | 3.79   |
| Spain            | 3.54   |
| China            | 2.29   |
| Switzerland      | 2.28   |
| Other countries  | 15.15  |
| Net other assets | 0.69   |
| Total            | 100.00 |

### **Report and accounts**

This document is a short report of the Henderson Global Financials Fund for the six months ended 31 March 2014.

Copies of the annual and half yearly long form report and financial statements of this Fund are available on our website www.henderson.com or contact client services on the telephone number provided.

### **Other information**

The information in this report is designed to enable you to make an informed judgement on the activities of the Fund during the year it covers and the results of those activities at the end of the year.

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### Depositary

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| Asset allocation |        |
|------------------|--------|
| as at 30/09/13   | %      |
| United States    | 36.91  |
| United Kingdom   | 13.36  |
| Japan            | 9.05   |
| France           | 5.73   |
| Australia        | 5.30   |
| Canada           | 4.71   |
| Germany          | 2.64   |
| China            | 2.58   |
| Belgium          | 2.54   |
| Switzerland      | 2.29   |
| Other countries  | 13.17  |
| Net other assets | 1.72   |
| Total            | 100.00 |

### **Risk warning**

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### Auditor

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### Any questions?

and previous periods can be obtained from the Investment Manager. If you have any guestions please call our Client Services Team on 0800 832 832 or email Further information about the activities and performance of the fund for this support@henderson.com.

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