Manager's Interim Report

F&C North American Fund



Review Period:

Six months ended 31 October 2013 www.fandc.com



Fund manager: Erik Rubingh

North American Fund

The objective of the Fund is capital growth and income from investing mainly in ordinary shares in the US and Canada.

The Fund will invest in a well-balanced spread of ordinary shares in the US and Canada. The Fund may use traded options and other derivative products and may engage in currency hedging activities in accordance with the relevant regulations. The Fund may also hold convertible stocks and cash where appropriate.

Fund Facts

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Lead Fund Manager	Erik Rubingh	
Deputy Fund Manager	Terry Wood	
Sector	North America	
Benchmark	FTSE AW North America	
Launch date	15 October 1984	
Fund size at 30 April 2013	£301.39m	
at 31 October 2013	£330.01m	
	£1,000 lump sum,	
Minimum Investments	£50 per month	
	0.00% (1 Acc), 1.00% (2 Acc),	
	1.30% (3 Acc), 1.50% (4 Acc),	
Historic Yield	1.60% (4 Inc)	
Share type	Accumulation/Income	
Number of stocks	162	
Initial charge	5.00%	
Annual charge	1.50%	
	1.94% (1 Acc), 0.79% (2 Acc),	
	0.46% (3 Acc), 0.03% (4 Acc),	
Ongoing charge	0.03% (4 Inc)	
Account dates (interim)	31 October	
(annual)	30 April	
Distribution dates	30 June	

Market review

US stocks posted solid positive returns in the six months under review. Worries about quantitative easing being withdrawn from the economy weighed on sentiment for much of the summer. The subsequent announcement of a postponement of the tapering boosted the market in September, although the relief was short-lived as fears about the lack of agreement in Congress about raising the debt ceiling dominated the headlines. The subsequent partial shutdown of the federal government led to further share price volatility until a deal was brokered at the beginning of October. This subsequently helped the market nudge new all-time highs.

Fund strategy

The F&C North American Fund employs a purely quantitative approach to stock selection. We apply a proprietary alpha model and portfolio construction methodology to create an active portfolio, without being overly exposed to any particular investment style or specific areas of the market.

During the period the portfolio was rebalanced a number of times in accordance with our disciplined process. Among the biggest additions to the portfolio's positions were Target Corporation, EMC Corporation and FedEx. We reduced our positions in U.S. Bancorp, General Electric and Walgreen. While the Fund is broadly sector neutral, we do have a significant overweight in food & staples retailing versus an underweight in food, beverage & tobacco within consumer staples. The latter now trades at a very large premium to the rest of the sector and we therefore think that the former represents a better investment opportunity.

Market outlook

Our quantitative investment process aims to add value relative to the index irrespective of market conditions. Therefore we do not explicitly position the portfolio for particular market conditions.

Summary Fund Performance

Year	Share Class	Highest Share Price (pence)	Lowest Share Price (pence)	Distribution per Share (pence)
2013	1 Accumulation	278.4	215.0	0.0385
2013	2 Accumulation	310.9	238.4	3.0227
2013	3 Accumulation	325.0	248.8	4.0249
2013	4 Accumulation	337.3	257.5	5.2946
2013	4 Income	290.2	225.5	4.6413

Net Asset Value Record

Share Class	Share Type	Net Asset Value as at 30 April 2013 (pence)	Net Asset Value as at 31 October 2013 (pence)
1	Accumulation	251.9	274.4
2	Accumulation	280.4	307.2
3	Accumulation	292.9	321.4
4	Accumulation	303.6	333.9
4	Income	261.2	287.2

Top Ten Holdings

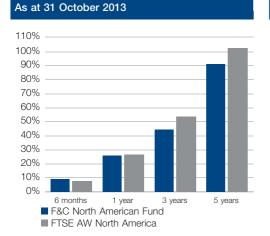
As at 30 April 2013	%
Apple	4.48
Exxon Mobil	4.19
Microsoft	3.13
JPMorgan Chase	3.09
Wells Fargo	3.07
Comcast 'A' Shares	2.51
Philip Morris International	2.07
Discover Financial Services	1.99
Southwest Airlines	1.96
Amgen	1.70
Total	28.19

As at 31 October 2013	%
Apple	4.63
Exxon Mobil	3.83
Wells Fargo	3.10
Microsoft	2.94
JPMorgan Chase	2.64
Comcast 'A' Shares	2.45
Southwest Airlines	2.36
Target	2.14
Wal-Mart Stores	2.07
Philip Morris International	2.05
Total	28.21

Portfolio Breakdown



Fund Performance



As at 31 October 2013



Standardised Performance

31 Oct 2008 to	31 Oct 2009 to	31 Oct 2010 to	31 Oct 2011 to	31 Oct 2012 to
31 Oct 2009	31 Oct 2010	31 Oct 2011	31 Oct 2012	31 Oct 2013
15.75%	14.45%	5.10%	8.81%	26.26%

Past Performance is not a guide to future performance.

Source: Lipper, percentage growth total return (UK net tax), mid to mid, with no initial charges. Share Class 1 accumulation shares. For past performance data for the full range of F&C Funds visit www.fandc.com.

Risk Profile

Currency Risk: your investment may be adversely affected by changes in currency exchange rates.

Derivative Risk: derivative values rise and fall at a greater rate than equities and debt instruments. Losses can be greater than the initial investment.

Report and Accounts

Copies of the annual and half yearly Reports and Accounts for the F&C Investment Funds ICVC, which include this Fund are available free of charge on request to the ACD or can be downloaded from our website **www.fandc.com**.

Other information

The information in this report is designed to enable shareholders to make an informed judgement on the activities of the Fund during the period it covers and the results of those activities at the end of the period. For more information about the activities and performance of the Fund during this and previous periods, please contact the Authorised Corporate Director.

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