# **AXA Framlington Global Technology Fund Z GBP**



### JEREMY GLEESON Fund Manager Joined July 2007

Jeremy joined AXA Investment Managers in July 2007 and is the lead fund manager of the AXA Framlington Global Technology Fund. In 2017 he was named winner of the Tech Fund Manager of the Year Award at the UK Tech Awards. Previously he was named winner of the Investment Week Tech & Telecoms Fund Manager of the Year Award for 2011 and 2012

Previously, he was a senior portfolio manager at Close Investments (formerly Reabourne Technology), a subsidiary of Close Brothers Group PLC, from 2003 to 2007, having been a portfolio manager for the previous three years and an assistant portfolio manager from 1997 to 2000 with Reabourne Technology. During his time at Close Investments / Reabourne, Jeremy was the lead fund manager on several technology funds and won the FTSE techMARK Technology Fund Manager of the Year award in 2003 and 2005.

Jeremy holds a BSc (Hons) in Mathematics (1st class) and an MSc. in Systems Engineering from Cardiff University (1992-1996). He is also a CFA charterholder.

#### **Objective**

The aim of this Fund is to provide long-term capital growth.

#### Fund manager's commentary

#### Main changes to the portfolio during November

There were no major changes to the portfolio during the month.

#### Factors affecting performance during November

The MSCI World Index rose by 9.3% while the technology sector underperformed, with the MSCI World Information Technology Index gaining 9.1%.

Equity markets were driven higher by the positive news around COVID-19 vaccines as well as the certainty of the US presidential election after Democrat nominee Joe Biden's victory.

The top-performing stocks within the Fund included automotive semiconductor companies Ambarella and Cree, and semiconductor capital equipment leader Applied Materials. Cloud-based provider of sales and marketing software Hubspot, and cybersecurity company Palo Alto Networks also delivered strong returns during the month.

#### Current market influences and outlook

Most companies have now reported their third-quarter results, and these have been largely positive for the technology sector.

For those companies in the MSCI World Index, representing the broader market, that have so far reported their third-quarter financial results, 66% have reported better-than-expected revenues and 74% reported better-than-expected earnings, while for the technology component of the same index, the results were 80% for both metrics. For the Fund, these figures are 96% and 93%, respectively.

With many parts of Europe having entered another lockdown during November, and data in the US worsening, we are aware that there will continue to be negative economic effects as a result of the pandemic. However, we continue to believe that the long-term thematic approach we take when identifying investments will help us focus on companies with long-term growth opportunities in areas such as cloud computing, cybersecurity and digital payments.

Past performance is not a guide to future performance. The value of investments and the income from them can fall as well as rise and you may not get back the full amount originally invested. Before investing you should read the fund's Key Investor Information Document (KIID) for full product details including investment risks and contact a financial adviser where unsure.

#### Top 10 fund holdings

	Weight
APPLE INC	7.22%
ALPHABET INC	6.28%
QUALCOMM INC	3.49%
VISA INC	3.34%
FACEBOOK INC	2.80%
SERVICENOW INC	2.63%
SALESFORCE.COM INC	2.61%
PAYPAL HOLDINGS INC	2.37%
FIVE9 INC	2.30%
AMAZON.COM INC	2.17%
Total*	35.19%
Total number of holdings	65
Turnover (1 rolling year)	11.96

<sup>\*</sup> Total may not equal sum of top ten holdings weightings (above) due to rounding.

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Turnover: (abs(purchase) + abs(sale) - abs(subscription - redemption)) / (2\* average AUM)



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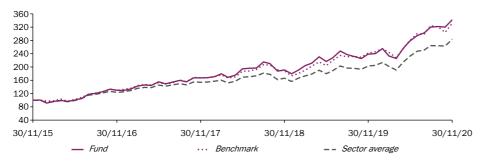
#### Discrete performance over 12 month periods to latest quarter end (%)

	30/09/15	30/09/16	30/09/17	30/09/18	30/09/19
	- 30/09/16	- 30/09/17	- 30/09/18	- 30/09/19	- 30/09/20
AXA Framlington Global Technology Fund Z GBP	43.0	23.6	35.3	10.2	39.0
Benchmark**	41.2	23.8	31.9	12.8	38.4

#### Cumulative performance

	Fund (%)	Benchmark**(%)	Sector median*** (%)	Ranking	Quartile
6 M.	23.1	18.6	22.8	6/15	2
Year to date	42.4	34.9	40.0	5/15	2
1 Y.	43.4	37.2	39.6	7/15	2
3 Y.	104.7	98.1	93.1	2/14	1
5 Y.	242.1	231.7	203.9	2/11	1

#### Cumulative performance over five years



Source: AXA Investment Managers and Morningstar. Figures are quoted on single price basis, net of Z share class fees and expenses with net income reinvested, in GBP. Performance takes into account ongoing charges but not any initial charge that may be payable. Between 8/9/2014 and 6/10/2014, AXA Framlington Authorised Unit Trusts moved to a single pricing basis (Net Asset Value - NAV), prior to this, they were on a dual pricing basis (bid to bid). To ensure consistent performance figures between bid and NAV prices an adjustment factor has been applied. Past performance is not a guide to future performance

\*\*Benchmark is the MSCI World Information Technology Total Return Net. Prior to 01/01/2013 the benchmark of the fund was MSCI World Information Technology Total Return Gross. The benchmark index is shown for comparison purposes only. The fund manager has full discretion to select investments for the fund in line with the fund's investment policy and in doing so may take into consideration the benchmark index.

\*\*\*The fund's peer group sector is the IA Technology & Telecoms sector.

The breakdowns provided look through to the underlying investments (including cash) of any in-house collective investment schemes held by the fund. Breakdowns may not sum to 100% due to rounding.

The geographical breakdown is based on the country classification as published by the index provider. The second available source is the Country ISO from Bloomberg (or Ultimate Country of risk for Emerging markets funds).

Geographical Allocation	1	Sector Allocation		
	%		%	
North America	87.55	Software	29.59	
Emerging	7.39	Semiconductors & Semiconductor Equipment	20.74	
UK	1.97	IT Services	13.65	
Europe Ex UK	1.04	Interactive Media & Services	11.71	
		Technology Hardware, Storage & Peripherals	8.60	
		Internet & Direct Marketing Retail	4.75	
		Communications equipment	3.80	
		Real estate invest. trusts (reits)	1.87	
		Entertainment	1.83	
		Health care technology	1.41	
		Cash	2.05	

Sources: AXA Investment Managers UK Limited and Morningstar. Unless otherwise stated all data shown is at 30/11/2020.

#### **Fund facts**

Fund type	Unit Trust
Fund size	£1324.6m
Underlying Yield*	0.00%
Launch date	15/04/99
IA Sector Technolog	y and Telecommunications
Currencies available	GBP
Dealing day	09:00 to 17:30 business hours
Valuation point	12:00 London time

\* As at 30/11/2020. \* Net of tax, net of expenses. All information in this factsheet relates to unit class Z only. The underlying yield reflects the annualised income net of expenses of the fund as a percentage of the mid-market unit price of the fund as at the date shown. It is based on a snapshot of the portfolio on that day. It does not include any initial charge and investors may be subject to tax on distributions.

#### Investment information

Initial charge	Nil%
Ongoing charges	0.82%
Min initial investment	£100,000
Min subsequent investment	£5,000
ISA status	Eligible

#### **Fund codes**

Sedol	accumulation	B4W52V5
	income	B5MQXC3
ISIN	accumulation	GB00B4W52V57
	income	GB00B5MQXC30
MEX	accumulation	FRMNFA
	income	FRMNFI
Valoren	accumulation	801389
	income	801372
Bloomberg	accumulation	AXAGTIA LN
	income	FRANETI LN

#### Income payments

Accounting Ref Dates	Final	15 Jan
24100	Interim	15 Jul

