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## Investment Objective

To achieve long-term capital growth from an actively managed portfolio made up primarily of securities issued by companies listed in China and Chinese companies listed elsewhere. The Company may also invest in listed companies with significant interests in China.

### **Investment Trust Facts**

19.04.10 Launch date: Dale Nicholls Portfolio manager: 01.04.14 Appointed to trust: Years at Fidelity: Total Net Assets (TNA): 2,244m 515,463,483 Ordinary shares in Issue: 434.50p Share price: 435.37p NAV: 0.20% Discount: Gross Market Gearing: 29.1% Net Market Gearing: 21.2%

### **Performance Comparator**

MSCI China Index (Net) Market Index:

The same index is used in the positioning tables on this factsheet. Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future results. The value of investments can go down as well as up and you may get back less than you invested.



Performance is shown for the last five years (or since launch for

## Portfolio Manager Commentary

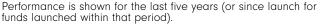
The economic backdrop for China remains supportive given the continued recovery, underpinned by strong control over the COVID-19 virus. Small localised outbreaks have been handled effectively and have not impacted China's overall economic momentum. This is reflected in its Purchasing Managers' Index (PMI) data, which has recovered well ahead of other Asian countries. Its fourth quarter GDP of 6.5% exceeded expectations; China is the only major economy to post positive GDP growth for full year 2020. full-year 2020.

Government stimulus has clearly been a factor in supporting the recovery, but overall it has been more restrained and targeted than measures seen in most western economies. Market valuations are clearly not as attractive as they were in early 2020, and we have seen some pull back in the markets but for China it continues to trade at a significant discount to the US market despite arguably better growth prospects.

Over the 12 months to 28th February 2021, the Trust's NAV registered 74.2% in returns, outperforming its reference index which delivered 30.8% over the same period. Meanwhile, the Trust's share price rose 97.2%. Amongst the top contributors were the Trust's high-conviction holding in China Meidong Auto Holdings and Yadea Group, the largest two-wheeler e-bike manufacturer in China with around 25% market share. Not holding Meituan and Nio detracted from performance after they performed strongly over the reporting

## Cumulative performance in GBP (%)





## Performance for 12 month periods in GRP (%) 100% 80% 40% 20% 0% -11.2% Feb 18 - Feb 19 Feb 16 - Feb 17 Feb 17 - Feb 18 Feb 19 - Feb 20 Feb 20 - Feb 21 Share Price NAV Market Index

## Performance to 28.02.21 in GBP (%)

	1m	3m	YTD	1yr	3yr	5yr	Since 16.04.10*
Share Price Cumulative Growth	3.9	15.3	13.9	97.2	86.4	275.3	387.8
NAV Cumulative Growth	3.0	15.9	11.6	74.2	62.7	209.4	387.6
Index Cumulative Growth	-2.8	4.3	3.9	30.8	29.0	151.0	154.7
Share Price Annualised Growth	-	-	-	97.2	23.1	30.3	15.7
NAV Annualised Growth	-	-	-	74.2	17.6	25.3	15.7
Index Annualised Growth	-	-	-	30.8	8.9	20.2	9.0

Basis: bid-bid with income reinvested, in GBP, net of fees.

Market indices are sourced from RIMES and other data is sourced from third-party providers such as Morningstar.

## Key Risks

The value of investments can go down as well as up and you may not get back the amount invested. Overseas investments may be more volatile than established markets. The shares in the investment trust are listed on the London Stock Exchange and their price is affected by supply and demand. The investment trust can gain additional exposure to the market, known as gearing, potentially increasing volatility.



<sup>\*</sup>Performance commencement date.

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## Equity Exposure % Total Net Assets (% TNA)

	Exposure (% TNA)
Gross Market Exposure	129.1
Net Equity	121.2
Other	-3.2
Uninvested Cash	0.0

Notes on Portfolio Construction and a description of how data is calculated and presented are on page 3. Definitions of the terms used in the Equity Exposure table are in the Glossary.

## Sector/Industry Exposure (% TNA)

GICS Sector	Net	Index	Relative
Consumer Discretionary	36.6	35.2	1.4
Communication Services	24.9	21.5	3.4
Financials	14.6	13.5	1.1
Information Technology	13.3	5.6	7.7
Health Care	13.1	6.5	6.6
Industrials	12.0	4.4	7.7
Materials	5.6	2.3	3.3
Consumer Staples	4.2	4.3	0.0
Energy	1.8	1.1	0.7
Real Estate	1.4	3.7	-2.3
Utilities	0.4	1.8	-1.4
Total Sector Exposure	128.0	100.0	
Other Index / Unclassified	-6.8	0.0	
Total Equity Exposure	121.2	100.0	

## Market Capitalisation Exposure (% TNA)

GBP	Net	Index	Relative
>10bn	41.3	72.0	-30.7
5-10bn	8.1	9.5	-1.4
1-5bn	29.4	7.4	22.0
0-1bn	25.6	0.1	25.5
Total Market Cap Exposure	104.4	89.1	
Other Index / Unclassified	16.8	10.9	
Total Equity Exposure	121.2	100.0	

## Country Exposure (% TNA)

Country

China

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	Net	Index	Relative
China A-Shares	16.8	11.9	4.9
China B-Shares	0.2	0.1	0.1
China H-Shares*	19.8	16.8	3.0
Red Chips*	4.7	3.8	0.9
Listed in HK**	41.6	34.9	6.7
Listed in Singapore	0.0	0.0	0.0
Listed in USA	29.4	32.5	-3.3
Listed in Taiwan	1.4	0.0	1.4
Listed in Japan	0.8	0.0	0.8
Listed in United Kingdom	1.8	0.0	1.8
Unlisted	5.9	0.0	5.9
Other	-1.1	0.0	-1.1
Grand Total	121.2	100.0	21.2

\*As classified in the website of HKEx.

\*\*Non-H-share and non-Red-Chip companies listed in Hong Kong, held by the fund or as part of MSCI China.

Net

12.2

10.7

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2.9

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Index

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Relative

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-3.3

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## Top Net Long Positions (% TNA)

	GICS Sector
TENCENT HLDGS LTD	Communication Services
ALIBABA GROUP HOLDING LTD	Consumer Discretionary
21VIANET GROUP INC	Information Technology
PING AN INS GROUP CO CHINA LTD	Financials
WUXI APPTEC CO LTD	Health Care
CHINA PAC INS GROUP CO LTD	Financials
NOAH HLDGS LTD	Financials
SKSHU PAINT CO LTD	Materials
KUAISHOU TECHNOLOGY	Communication Services
INTRON TECHNOLOGY HOLDINGS	Consumer Discretionary
LTD	

## Top Overweight Positions (% TNA)

	Net	Index	Relative
	1401	macx	KCIGHYC
21VIANET GROUP INC	3.1	0.0	3.1
WUXI APPTEC CO LTD	2.9	0.3	2.6
NOAH HLDGS LTD	2.4	0.0	2.4
SKSHU PAINT CO LTD	2.3	0.0	2.3
KUAISHOU TECHNOLOGY	2.3	0.0	2.3
CHINA PAC INS GROUP CO LTD	2.6	0.5	2.1
INTRON TECHNOLOGY HOLDINGS	1.9	0.0	1.9
ICLICK INTERACTIVE ASIA-ADR	1.7	0.0	1.7
HUTCHISON CHINA MEDITECH LTD	1.8	0.1	1.7
ASIA CUANON TECHNOLOGY	1.5	0.0	1.5
SHANGHAI CO LTD	40 / <b>Thia</b>		

## Net Long Positions Concentration (% TNA)

	Fund	Index
Top 10	43.3	49.6
Top 20	59.0	59.7
Top 50	89.9	72.3

# Top Underweight Positions (% TNA)

	Net	Index	Relative
MEITUAN	0.0	4.9	-4.9
ALIBABA GROUP HOLDING LTD	10.7	14.1	-3.3
TENCENT HLDGS LTD	12.2	15.3	-3.1
JD.COM INC	0.0	2.5	-2.5
CHINA CONSTRUCTION BANK	0.0	2.4	-2.4
BAIDU INC	0.0	2.4	-2.4
Short Position - name withheld	-0.4	1.8	-2.3
PINDUODUO INC	0.0	2.0	-2.0
XIAOMI CORP	0.0	1.5	-1.5
INDUSTRIAL & COML BK CHINA	0.0	1.3	-1.3

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### Approach and Style

Fidelity China Special Situations seeks out investments in:

- Companies with good long-term prospects
- Cash generative businesses
- Companies controlled by strong management teams

Ideally these factors are not well understood by the market, and are therefore not reflected in valuations. The manager also focuses on smaller companies as these tend to be less well researched and, therefore, more mispriced. However, smaller companies tend to be higher risk, so risk management is key and meeting company management teams is essential in order to understand them and monitor their progress. He also stresses that investors must take a long-term view, and patience is sometimes required for these factors to be recognised.

Overall, the manager looks for undervalued companies that can deliver over the long-term.

## Administrative & Dealing Information

31st March Financial Year End: Reference currency: UK Sterling (GBP) United Kingdom Company domicile: Investment Trust Company legal structure: Capital guarantee: GB00B62Z3C74 SEDOL: B62Z3C7 Bloomberg: FCSS LN Distribution frequency: Annual Charges made to income or capital: 25/75\* Other Ongoing Costs (including

AMC/excluding Portfolio transaction costs): 1.25% 0.56% Portfolio Transaction Costs: **Annual Management Charge:** 

0.90% (net assets) +/- 0.20% (based on performance relative to the Market Index)

Last VMF adjustment (+/- 0.2%) applied at

month end:

+0.20%

## Portfolio Construction - Explained

This factsheet contains information about the composition of the fund at a particular point in time. It aims to help you understand how the fund manager is positioned to achieve the fund's objectives.

The Equity Exposure table provides an overall view of the fund. Net Equity represents - in percentage terms - how much of the fund is invested in the market, netting off long and short positions. The higher the figure, the more the fund will take part in any market rises (or falls). It is important to note that Net Equity can be greater than 100% (for example if the manager is using derivative contracts) and when it is, the portfolio may be described as geared.

The exposure and positioning tables on page 2 break the fund down into a number of different views, each providing a different perspective on the fund's investments.

Portfolio composition data has been calculated and presented according to several general principles, which are listed below.

- Aggregation: all investments, including derivatives, linked to a particular issuing company have been combined to form a total percentage holding for each company. The aggregate holding is referred to in this factsheet as a position. Where a company is listed in two separate countries, each listing may be classified as a separate issuing company. Exchange Traded Funds (ETFs) and derivatives on ETFs are treated as individual securities - ie not aggregated.
- Categorisation: for investments that have underlying securities we use the attributes of the underlying issuing company or common share to determine the appropriate sector, market capitalisation band and geographic area.
- Derivatives: all derivatives are included on an exposure basis and, where necessary, are delta-adjusted. Delta-adjusting expresses derivatives in terms of the equivalent number of shares that would be needed to generate the same return.
- "Basket" securities: securities that represent a number of company shares - like index futures or options - are allocated to categories (such as country) whenever possible. Otherwise they are included in the "Other Index / Unclassified" category.

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## **Equity Exposure notes**

### **GROSS MARKET EXPOSURE**

Gross Market Exposure is the total of long exposures, plus the total of short exposures, and less the total of exposures hedging the portfolio, expressed as a percentage of shareholders' funds (Total Net Assets).

### **NET EQUITY**

The net positive exposure to the market with short and hedge positions subtracted from long positions.

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### OTHER

The value of any non-equity investments (excluding cash funds) expressed as a percentage of TNA.

#### UNINVESTED CASH

This is 100% minus the fund's Net Equity exposure and minus Other. This leaves any residual cash exposure that is not invested in shares or via derivatives.

#### **Investment Trust Facts**

#### NAV

The total value of a company's assets less the total value of its liabilities is its net asset value (NAV). For valuation purposes it is common to divide net assets by the number of shares in issue to give the net assets per share. NAV calculations can include or exclude current financial year income. For the purposes of this factsheet, they are valued with assets including income and costs and with debt valued at the market.

### **PREMIUM**

If the share price of an investment company is higher than the net asset value (NAV) per share, the company is said to be trading at a premium. The premium is shown as a percentage of the NAV.

#### DISCOUNT

If the share price of an investment company is lower than the net asset value (NAV) per share, the company is said to be trading at a discount. The discount is shown as a percentage of the NAV.

#### **GFARING**

Gearing is the Market Exposure figure (either gross or net) expressed in excess of Total Net Assets. It represents the additional exposure to the market above Shareholders' Funds.

### FAIR VALUE

The fair value of investments is initially taken to be their cost and is subsequently measured as follows: Listed investments are valued at bid prices, or last market prices, depending on the convention of the exchange on which they are listed; and

Unlisted investments are investments which are not quoted, or are not frequently traded, are stated at the Directors' best estimate of fair value and take account of the cost of the investment, recent arm's length transactions in the same or similar investments and financial performance of the investment since purchase.

## General notes

### TOTAL NET ASSETS (TNA)

The Company's total assets minus its total liabilities - also known as Shareholders' Funds. It represents the amount by which a company is financed through common and preferred shares.

### INDFX

The index used in the positioning tables on page 2 is the index defined in the Performance Comparator section on page 1.

### TOP NET LONG POSITIONS

Those companies in which the largest percentages of the trust's total net assets are effectively invested. Positions in other funds – including ETFs (Exchange Traded Funds) - can appear in this table, but index derivatives form part of an "Other Index / Unclassified" category which will not appear.

## TOP OVERWEIGHT & UNDERWEIGHT POSITIONS

Those positions which have the largest active weight relative to the index. Positions in other funds - including ETFs (Exchange Traded Funds) - can appear in this table, but index derivatives form part of an "Other Index / Unclassified" category which will not appear. In the underweight table, any short position names have been withheld in line with Fidelity's disclosure policy.

### NET LONG POSITIONS CONCENTRATION

Illustrates the weight of the top 10, 20 and 50 positions in the trust and the weight of the top 10, 20 and 50 positions in the index. It does not attempt to show the coincidence of security ownership between fund and index. The sector/industry classification used (i.e. GICS, ICB, TOPIX and IPD) varies by fund. Full descriptions can be found below.

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### ONGOING COSTS (KID)

These include Portfolio transaction costs (the costs of us buying and selling underlying investments) and Other ongoing costs (the costs that we take each year for managing the investment).

These are based on the methodology prescribed by EU Regulation (PRIIPS) and differ from other presentations of costs such as the Ongoing Charge Figure (OCF) in the Company's Annual Report & Accounts.

### PORTFOLIO TRANSACTION COSTS

These are costs incurred when trading underlying investments.

### SECTOR INDUSTRY CLASSIFICATION

GICS: Global Industry Classification Standard (GICS) was developed by Standard & Poor's and MSCI Barra. GICS consists of 11 sectors, 24 industry groups, 68 industries and 157 sub-industries.

More information is available at http://www.standardandpoors.com/indices/gics/en/us

ICB: The Industry Classification Benchmark (ICB) is an industry classification developed by Dow Jones and FTSE. It is used to segregate markets into sectors within the macroeconomy. The ICB uses a system of 10 industries, partitioned into 20 supersectors, which are further divided into 41 sectors, which then contain 114 subsectors.

More information is available at http://www.icbenchmark.com/

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