

# **Polar Capital Funds plc Global Convertible Fund**



Currency Hdg GBP I Dist | ISIN: IE00BYWG2G32

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#### **NAV** per Share

Currency Hedged GBP I Dist £9.01

#### **Fund Details**

**Fund Size** £355.8 m Base Currency USD

**Denominations** USD/GBP/EUR

**Fund Structure UCITS Domicile** Ireland

Launch Date 30 August 2013 Investment Manager Polar Capital LLP SFDR Classification Article 8

Historic Yield (%)1 5.88

#### **Fund Managers**



**David Keetley Fund Manager** David has managed the fund since launch, he joined Polar Capital in 2010 and has 37 years of industry experience.



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**David Sugarman** Fund Manager, Head of Convertible & Credit Research David has managed the fund since 2022, he joined Polar Capital in 2011 and has 21 years of industry experience.

# **Fund Profile**

#### **Investment Objective**

The Fund's investment objective is to generate both income and long term capital growth by investing in a diversified portfolio of securities, primarily in the global convertible market.

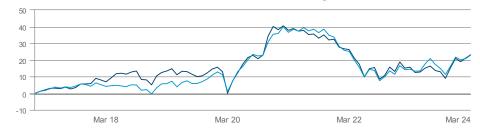
# **Key Facts**

- Team of five sector specialists based in London and Connecticut
- The team has 105+ years of combined industry experience
- Typically 60-100 positions with geographic and sector diversification
- Fundamentally-driven convertible analysis. No benchmark constraints
- Ability to hedge interest rates

# **Share Class Performance**

## **Performance Since Launch (%)**

- Currency Hedged GBP I Dist
- Index: Refinitiv Global Focus Convertible Bond Index (GBP Hedged)



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	1m	3m	YTD	1yr	3yrs	5yrs	Cum.	Ann.
Currency Hdg GBP I Dist	1.69	1.86	1.86	6.47	-10.61	8.66	23.20	2.96
Index	1.79	1.04	1.04	7.43	-9.97	16.27	22.99	2.93

#### **Discrete Annual Performance (%)**

12 months to	28.03.24	31.03.23	31.03.22	31.03.21	31.03.20
Currency Hdg GBP I Dist	6.47	-8.34	-8.40	37.83	-11.80
Index	7.43	-8.56	-8.35	35.15	-4.44

Performance relates to past returns and is not a reliable indicator of future returns.

Performance for the Currency Hedged GBP I Dist. The class launched on 31 January 2017. Performance data is shown in GBP with income (dividends) reinvested. Source: Northern Trust International Fund Administration Services (Ireland) Ltd. Benchmark performance shown in GBP. Source: Bloomberg. If this is not your local currency, services (field of Ltd. Berichmark performance shown in GBP. Source. Bloomberg. It this is not your local currency, exchange rate fluctuations may cause performance to increase or decrease when converted into your local currency. Performance data takes account of fees paid by the fund but does not take account of any commissions or costs you may pay to third parties when subscribing for or redeeming shares or any taxes or securities account charges that you may pay on your investment in the fund. Such charges will reduce the performance of your investment. A 5% subscription fee can be charged at the Investment Managers discretion.

1. Historic yield is based on a NAV per share of GBP9.01 and income of GBP0.5294 per unit paid in the last 12 months, based on GBP Currency Hedged Institutional distribution units. WARNING: Investors should note that

historic yield does not measure the overall performance of a fund. It is possible for a fund to lose money overall but to have a positive historic yield. Historic yield cannot be considered as being similar to the interest rate an investor would earn on a savings account.

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# Portfolio Exposure

As at 28 March 2024

# **Top 5 Positions** (Net Exposure by LMV) (%)

Jet2 1.625% 06/2026	6.6
Uber Technologies 0% 12/2025	4.0
Saipem Spa 2.875% 09/2029	3.9
Cellnex 0.5% 07/2028	3.5
Helios Towers 2.875% 03/2027	3.2
Total	21.2

# **Total Number of Positions** 54

## Modified Duration 1.56

Leverage (LMV/AUM) 101.29%

## **Market Cap Underlying Stocks** (%)

Large (>US\$5bn)	58.2
Medium (US\$500m to 5bn)	39.8
Small ( <us\$500m)< td=""><td>2.0</td></us\$500m)<>	2.0

# Fund Delta 53.61%

# ESG Rating (%) Fund Index 40 30 20 AAA AA A BBB BB B CCC

# **Currency Breakdown AUM** (%)

Source: MSCI

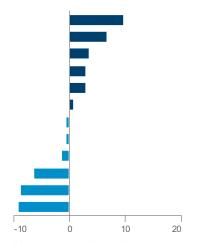
USD	72.6				
EUR	18.7				
JPY	7.1				
GBP	1.3				
Other	0.3				_
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		0	30	60	90

# **Risk / Return** Since Inception

Best Month (%)	9.18
Worst Month (%)	-11.49
Positive Months (%)	59.30
Volatility of Returns (%)	8.13
Sharpe Ratio	0.20

#### Sector Exposure (LMV) (%)

	Fund	Relative
IT	32.1	9.9
Telecom	7.6	6.7
Healthcare	18.3	3.5
Materials	5.6	3.1
Energy	7.1	2.9
Financial	2.6	0.9
Consumer Staples	0.0	-0.7
Industrial	14.0	-0.7
Consumer Discretionary	12.7	-1.3
Real Estate	0.0	-6.3
Transportation	0.0	-8.8
Utilities	0.0	-9.2



The column headed "Fund" refers to the percentage of the Fund's assets invested in each sector. The column headed "Relative" refers to the extent to which the Fund is overweight or underweight in each sector compared (relative) to the index.

# **Credit Quality** (%)

A-AAA	13.7				
BBB	19.5				
BB	51.2				
В	15.6				
		0	20	40	60

Source: Polar Capital

# Maturity Distribution by LMV (%)

0 to 3 Years	36.8		l
3 to 5 Years	39.0		
5 to 7 Years	24.2		

Weighted Avg Credit Quality BB+

# Regional Exposure by LMV (%)

#### Polar Capital Global Convertible Fund

US	43.9
Europe	33.1
Japan	9.8
Asia ex Japan	7.0
Other Markets	6.1



# Refinitiv Global Focus Convertible Bond Index

US	63.2
Europe	20.4
Japan	6.8
Asia ex Japan	6.9
Other Markets	2.7



Note: Totals may not sum due to rounding. It should not be assumed that recommendations made in future will be profitable or will equal performance of the securities in this document. A list of all recommendations made within the immediately preceding 12 months is available upon request.



## Risks

- Capital is at risk and there is no guarantee the Fund will achieve its objective.
   Investors should make sure their attitude towards risk is aligned with the risk profile of the Fund before investing.
- Past performance is not a reliable guide to future performance. The value of investments may go down as well as up and you might get back less than you originally invested as there is no guarantee in place.
- The value of a fund's assets may be affected by uncertainties such as international political developments, market sentiment, economic conditions, changes in government policies, restrictions on foreign investment and currency repatriation, currency fluctuations and other developments in the laws and regulations of countries in which investment may be made. Please see the Fund's Prospectus for details of all risks.
- The Fund invests in equities, convertible and fixed income securities and prices can rise or fall due to several factors affecting global stock markets.
- The Fund uses derivatives which carry the risk of reduced liquidity, substantial loss, and increased volatility in adverse market conditions, such as failure amongst market participants. The use of derivatives will result in the Fund being leveraged (where market exposure and the potential for loss exceeds the amount the Fund has invested) and in these market conditions the effect of leverage will magnify losses. The Fund makes extensive use of derivatives.
- The Fund invests in assets denominated in currencies other than the Fund's base currency. Changes in exchange rates may have a negative impact on the Fund's investments. If the share class currency is different from the currency of the country in

- which you reside, exchange rate fluctuations may affect your returns when converted into your local currency. Hedged share classes may have associated costs which may impact the performance of your investment.
- There may be times where the issuer or guarantor of a fixed income (or convertible) security cannot meet its payment obligations or has their credit rating downgraded, resulting in potential losses for the Fund.
- The Fund invests in emerging markets where there is a greater risk of volatility due to political and economic uncertainties, restrictions on foreign investment, currency repatriation and currency fluctuations.
   Developing markets are typically less liquid which may result in large price movements to the Fund.

# Glossary

#### **Active Share**

Active Share is a measure of the percentage of stock holdings in a fund that differ from the benchmark index.

#### Alpha

The excess return on an investment in the fund compared to the benchmark.

#### **Annual Fee**

A charge made each year to cover the expenses associated with running the fund. Although it is expressed in annual percentage figures it is usually split into 12 monthly amounts and taken from the fund monthly.

#### **Base Currency**

The currency in which the net asset value of each portfolio is calculated.

#### **Bond**

A debt investment where an investor loans money to an entity which borrows the funds for a defined period of time at a variable or fixed interest rate. Owners of bonds are creditors of the issuer.

#### **Discrete Annual Performance**

Discrete performance is calculated between two fixed specific time and static dates.

## **Geographic Exposure**

The geographical location in which the holdings of the Fund are listed. Exposure represents the relative risk particular to the percentage of investment in that particular geographic location

#### **Hedged Class**

A share class which is denominated in a currency other than the base currency of the portfolio. The investment manager employs techniques and instruments to protect against fluctuations between the class and the base currency of the portfolio.

# Hedged Mandatories/Hedged Mandatory Delta

A package of long Mandatory Convertibles and short Equity so that the position has a low sensitivity to the underlying stock.

#### **Historic Yield**

A measure of the dividend return of a fund. It is calculated by dividing the dividend per share for a particular period of time by the NAV per share at a particular date and multiplying by 100.

## LMV/Long Market Value

The aggregate worth of a group of securities calculated using the prior trading day's closing prices of each security in the portfolio.

#### **Market Capitalisation Exposure**

The percentage of the fund's assets that are invested in companies having market capitalisation of a particular size.

#### **NAV** per Share

Is an expression for net asset value that represents a fund's value per share. It is calculated by dividing the total net asset value of the fund or company by the number of shares outstanding.

#### **Ongoing Charges Figure (OCF)**

This is a figure representing all annual charges and other payments taken from the fund.

#### **Share Class**

Share class is a designation applied to a share in a fund. Different share classes within the same fund will confer different rights on their owners.

# Sharpe Ratio

A measure of risk adjusted performance. The higher the ratio, the better risk adjusted performance has been.

#### **Volatility of Returns**

Volatility is a measure of how quickly the value of an investment rises and falls over time and is a term applied to single shares, markets and collective investments schemes.



# **Share Class Information**

				Minimum		
Share Class	Bloomberg	ISIN	SEDOL	Investment	OCF <sup>†</sup>	Perf. Fee <sup>††</sup>
USD R Acc	PCGCRUA ID	IE00BCDBWX02	BCDBWX0	-	1.59%	10%
USD R Dist	PCGCRUD ID	IE00BCDBWW94	BCDBWW9	-	1.59%	10%
GBP R Acc	PCGCRGA ID	IE00BCDBX154	BCDBX15	-	1.59%	10%
GBP R Dist	PCGCRGD ID	IE00BCDBX048	BCDBX04	-	1.59%	10%
EUR R Acc	PCGCREA ID	IE00BCDBWZ26	BCDBWZ2	-	1.59%	10%
EUR R Dist	PCGCRED ID	IE00BCDBWY19	BCDBWY1	-	1.59%	10%
USD I Acc	PCGCIUA ID	IE00BCDBX378	BCDBX37	USD 1m	1.09%	10%
USD I Dist	PCGCIUD ID	IE00BCDBX261	BCDBX26	USD 1m	1.09%	10%
GBP I Acc	PCGCIGA ID	IE00BCDBX717	BCDBX71	USD 1m	1.09%	10%
GBP I Dist	PCGCIGD ID	IE00BCDBX600	BCDBX60	USD 1m	1.09%	10%
EUR I Acc	PCGCIEA ID	IE00BCDBX592	BCDBX59	USD 1m	1.09%	10%
EUR I Dist	PCGCIED ID	IE00BCDBX485	BCDBX48	USD 1m	1.09%	10%
Currency Hedged <sup>1</sup>						
Curr Hdg GBP I Dist	PGCIDGH ID	IE00BYWG2G32	BYWG2G3	USD 1m	1.09%	10%
Curr Hdg EUR I Acc	POGCIHE ID	IE00BYPHSR67	BYPHSR6	USD 1m	1.09%	10%

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>†</sup>Ongoing Charges Figure (OCF) is the latest available, as per the date of this factsheet.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>††</sup>**Performance Fee** 10% of outperformance of Refinitiv Global Focus Convertible Bond Index.

<sup>1.</sup> All material currency exposures hedged to the extent it's practicable.



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