

# abrdn Global Real Estate Fund

Interim Long Report (unaudited)
For the six months ended 31 October 2023

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# Report of the Manager

abrdn Global Real Estate Fund (the "fund") and its subsidiaries (together, the "group") is an authorised unit trust scheme under the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 (the "Act").

The fund was established by a Trust Deed entered into on 9 September 2005 and is an authorised unit trust scheme which falls into the category of non-UCITS retail scheme. Its FCA Product Reference Number is 436754. The authorisation order made by the FCA was dated 12 September 2005. The fund is also an alternative investment fund for the purposes of the FCA Rules.

### **Appointments**

#### Manager

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## Report of the Manager

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### Significant Events

On 24 February 2022, Russia launched a military offensive against Ukraine resulting in widespread sanctions on Russia and heightened security and cyber threats. Market disruptions associated with the geopolitical event have had a global impact, and uncertainty exists as to the implications. Such disruptions can adversely affect assets of funds and performance thereon, specifically Russian and Ukrainian assets. The fund has no assets in Russia or Ukraine. The Fund's key suppliers do not have operations pertaining to the Fund in Ukraine or Russia.

The Manager has delegated various tasks to abrdn's Investor Protection Committee (IPC). The IPC is responsible for ensuring the fair treatment of investors. The IPC undertakes daily reviews of the following:

- · Market liquidity across each asset class and fund;
- · Asset class bid-offer spread monitoring;
- · Review of fund level dilution rate appropriateness;
- Review of daily subscriptions/redemptions to anticipate any potential concerns to meet redemption proceeds;
- · Any requirement to gate or defer redemptions;
- · Any requirement to suspend a fund(s);
- Any fair value price adjustments at a fund level. abrdn's Valuation and Pricing Committee (VPC) also continue to review the valuation of assets and the recoverability of income from those assets making appropriate adjustments where necessary. The VPC is made up of a wide range of specialists across abrdn with a wide range of experience in asset pricing. The Manager has also evaluated, and will continue to evaluate, the operational resilience of all service providers.

abrdn's Direct Real Estate Valuations Committee continue to review the valuation of Direct Real Estate assets.

# Development and Prospectus Updates Since 1 May 2023

- The list of funds managed by the Manager was updated, where appropriate.
- Performance and dilution figures were refreshed, where appropriate.
- The list of sub-custodians was refreshed, where appropriate.
- The list of eligible markets was refreshed, where appropriate.
- The list of sub-investment advisors to the funds was refreshed, where appropriate.
- The risk disclosures in relation to the funds were refreshed, where appropriate.

#### Assessment of Value

In 2017 the Financial Conduct Authority (FCA) published the final Asset Management Market Study. This introduced (among other reforms) new governance rules with the aim of enhancing duty of care and ensuring the industry acts in investors' best interests. The rules were outlined in the FCA policy statement PS18/8 and came into effect from 30 September 2019. As a result, abrdn Fund Managers Limited is required to perform a detailed annual assessment, determining whether our funds are "providing value to investors". The resulting findings will be published on a composite basis throughout the year, and can be found on the 'Literature' pages of our website.

#### Climate-Related Financial Disclosures

The recommendations by the Taskforce for Climaterelated Financial Disclosures (TCFD) - initiated by the Financial Stability Board in 2015 and adopted in 2017 – provide organisations with a consistent framework for disclosing financial impacts of climate-related risks and opportunities. The disclosure in line with TCFD recommendations enables external stakeholders to gain a better understanding of the climate-related risks and opportunities (including how they are managed) that are likely to impact the organisation's future financial position as reflected in its income statement, cash flow statement, and balance sheet. The TCFD has developed 11 recommendations which are structured around four thematic areas, notably governance, strategy, risk management and metrics and target. In Policy Statement 21/24 the Financial Conduct Authority (FCA) have created a regulatory framework for asset managers, life insurers and FCA-regulated pension providers to make climate-related disclosures consistent with the recommendations of the TCFD. As a result of the disclosure requirements abran Global Real Estate Fund is required to perform a detailed annual assessment, determining financial impacts of climate-related risks and opportunities. The resulting findings are published at www.abrdn.com.

# Financial Conduct Authority (FCA) Consultation

The FCA are consulting on measures to address the potential harm caused by a mismatch in liquidity in certain UK authorised funds that invest directly in property, for example offices, shops and warehouses. This consultation opened on 3 August 2020 and closed on 3 November 2020. Further details can be found at https://www.fca.org.uk/publications/consultation-papers/cp20-15-liquidity-mismatch-authorised-open-ended-property-funds.

# Manager's Statement

In accordance with the requirements of the COLL sourcebook as issued and amended by the Financial Conduct Authority, we hereby certify the report on behalf of the abrdn Fund Managers Limited, the Authorised Fund Manager.

Aron Mitchell

Director

abrdn Fund Managers Limited

20 December 2023

Adam Shanks

Director

abrdn Fund Managers Limited

20 December 2023

### As at 31 October 2023

#### Investment Objective

To generate income and some growth over the long term (5 years or more) by investing in global commercial property markets.

Performance Target: To generate a return of 5% per annum over rolling three year periods, after charges. The Performance Target is the level of performance that the management team hopes to achieve for the fund. There is however no certainty or promise that they will achieve the Performance Target.

The Manager believes this is an appropriate target for the fund based on the investment policy of the fund.

### **Investment Policy**

#### Portfolio Securities

- The fund invests at least 80% in global commercial property and property-related equities (company shares) with the potential for up to 100% to be held in commercial property at any time.
- The fund may also invest indirectly in commercial property through investment vehicles such as quoted and unquoted property companies or funds (including those managed by abrdn).
- The fund may also invest in money-market instruments, and cash.

#### **Management Process**

- The management team use market research and their discretion (active management) to identify investments that are expected to benefit from changes in property prices and property improvements. They will maintain a diverse asset mix at country and sector level.
- The fund will be subject to constraints which are intended to manage risk such as the fund must not hold more than 35% of its assets in any emerging market countries.
- Non-Sterling denominated assets will typically be hedged back to Sterling to reduce exposure to currency rate movements.

#### **Derivatives and Techniques**

- The fund may use derivatives to reduce risk, reduce cost and/or generate additional income or growth consistent with the risk profile of the fund (often referred to as "Efficient Portfolio Management").
- Where derivatives are used, this would typically be to maintain allocations following a significant inflow into the fund or to manage currency risk.

#### Specific Risks

Investors should be aware of the following risk factors

- (a) Commercial property is less liquid than other asset classes such as bonds or equities. Selling property can be a lengthy process so investors in the Fund should be aware that they may not be able to sell their investment when they want to;
- (b) Commercial property transaction charges are higher than those which apply in other asset classes. Investors should be aware that a high volume of transactions would have a material impact on Fund returns; and
- (c) Property valuation is a matter of judgement by an independent valuer and is therefore a matter of the valuer's opinion rather than fact.
- (d) Equities can lose value rapidly, and typically involve higher (often significantly higher) market risks than bonds or money market instruments. If a company goes through bankruptcy or a similar financial restructuring, its equities may lose most or all of their value.
- (e) Real estate and related investments can be hurt by any factor that makes an area or individual property less valuable.
  - Specifically, investments in real estate holdings or related businesses or securities (including interests in mortgages) can be hurt by natural disasters, economic declines, overbuilding, zoning changes, tax increases, population or lifestyle trends, environmental contamination, defaults on mortgages, failures of management, and other factors that may affect the market value or cash flow of the investment.
  - Many issuers of real estate related securities are highly leveraged, which can make their securities more volatile. The value of real estate-related securities does not necessarily track the value of the underlying assets.
- (f) Emerging markets are less established, and more volatile, than developed markets. They involve higher risks, particularly market, credit, illiquid security, and currency risks, and are more likely to experience risks that in developed markets are associated with unusual market conditions.

Reasons for this higher level of risk include:

- · Political, economic, or social instability
- Economies that are heavily reliant on particular industries, commodities, or trading partners
- High or capricious tariffs or other forms of protectionism

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- Quotas, regulations, laws, or practices that place outside investors (such as the fund) at a disadvantage
- Failure to enforce laws or regulations, to provide fair or functioning mechanisms for resolving disputes or pursuing Fund Profile and Information recourse, or to otherwise recognise the rights of investors as understood in developed markets
- Significant government control of businesses or intervention in markets
- Excessive fees, trading costs, taxation, or outright seizure of assets
- inadequate reserves to cover issuer or counterparty defaults
- Incomplete, misleading, or inaccurate information about securities and their issuers
- Lack of uniform accounting, auditing and financial reporting standards
- Manipulation of market prices by large investors.
   Arbitrary delays and market closures
- Market infrastructure that is unable to handle peak trading volume
- · Fraud, corruption and error

In certain countries, securities markets may also suffer from impaired efficiency and liquidity, which may worsen price volatility and market disruptions.

To the extent that emerging markets are in different time zones from the UK the fund might not be able to react in a timely fashion to price movements that occur during hours when the fund is not open for business.

For purposes of risk, the category of emerging markets includes markets that are less developed, such as most countries in Asia, Africa, South America and Eastern Europe, as well as countries such as China, Russia and India that have successful economies but may not offer the highest levels of investor protection.

(g) Certain derivatives could behave unexpectedly or could expose the company to losses that are significantly greater than the cost of the derivative. Derivatives in general are highly volatile and do not carry any voting rights. The pricing and volatility of many derivatives (especially credit default swaps) may diverge from strictly reflecting the pricing or volatility of their underlying reference(s).

In difficult market conditions, it may be impossible or unfeasible to place orders that would limit or offset the market exposure or financial losses created by certain derivatives. Using derivatives also involves costs that the company would not otherwise incur.

Regulations may limit the company from using derivatives in ways that might have been beneficial to the company. Changes in tax, accounting, or securities laws could cause the value of a derivative to fall or could force the fund to terminate a derivative position under disadvantageous circumstances.

Certain derivatives, in particular futures, options, contracts for difference and some contingent liability contracts, could involve margin borrowing, meaning that the fund could be forced to choose between liquidating securities to meet a margin call or taking a loss on a position that might, if held longer, have yielded a smaller loss or a gain.

To the extent that the fund uses derivatives to increase its net exposure to any market, rate, basket of securities or other financial reference source, fluctuations in the price of the reference source will be amplified at the fund level.

(h) The fund has a single swinging price. The single price can be swung up or down in response to inflows or outflows from the fund, in order to protect investors from the effect of dilution. Dilution occurs where the fund is forced to incur costs as a result of the investment manager buying or selling assets following inflows or outflows. Due to the high transaction charges associated with the fund's assets, a change in the pricing basis will result in a significant movement in the fund's published price.

#### Performance Review

The abrdn Global Real Estate Fund returned -1.35% during the 6-month reporting period ended 31 October 2023. (Source: FactSet, Platform 1 Accumulation, net of fees)

#### **Market Review**

The 6-months under review was a volatile period for the listed real estate sector, as macroeconomic factors overwhelmed underlying real estate fundamentals as a driver of performance. While economic data generally was better than feared, the risk of a global recession remained. That said, central banks remained vigilant in their fight against inflation and indicated that while there will likely be fewer rate hikes going forward, interest rates will likely remain higher for a prolonged period, thereby increasing return hurdles to justify the higher cost of capital many companies are dealing with.

### As at 31 October 2023 continued

In the US, the period was marked by a less-supportive tone from the US Federal Reserve (Fed) and tightening credit markets weighing on real estate sector performance. The Fed, based on its dot plot projections, indicated that rates would be roughly 50 basis points higher in every time period and that they would also remain above 3% up to and during 2026. Investors inferred that the new nominal neutral rate would be 3% versus the long-term expectation of 2.5%, which then led to the sell-off in risk assets. Indeed, during the period, the 10-year yield in the US breached 5%. Not only were nominal interest rates on the rise, but with the sharp move, real rates closed above 2% for the first time since March of 2009. Operating fundamentals have continued to moderate in the Americas, in general, from the robust levels that we saw last year, when numerous sectors were able to pass through double-digit rental rate growth.

In Europe, listed real estate portfolios saw a mixed performance. Generally, investors flocked to names with better balance sheets and less leverage versus having underlying property-level fundamentals drive performance. However, European listed real estate enjoyed a reprieve later in the review period, prompted by a solid mid-year set of results from most names and expectations that interest rates may have peaked. The relief trade particularly helped some of the more highly levered and more interest rate sensitive names that had previously lagged.

Listed real estate in Asia Pacific was heavily affected by the specter of rising rates. Thus, the sentiment in the rate-sensitive markets of Australia and Singapore turned negative in the third quarter of 2023. Hong Kong saw marked weakness in real estate prices and rents, mainly in residential and office, due to structural economic deterioration. Rising rates became yet another headwind to asset values. Meanwhile, Japan was the clear outperformer globally in the third quarter of 2023, returning low single digits on a local currency basis and flat returns on a currency-adjusted basis. The clear driver of its outperformance was the developers, who benefited from the overall narrative that Japan was becoming inflationary, and that this was supportive of asset values.

#### Portfolio Review

The listed portion of the portfolio, which averaged around 19% of Fund value during the reporting period, returned -6.3% (gross).

Within the listed portfolio, we initiated a position in UK student accommodation landlord Unite Students, which gives exposure to one of our highest conviction sectors. We added to the Fund's position in German residential landlord Vonovia due to the prevailing depressed share price, which we believe represents a medium-term buying opportunity. Additionally, we added to our exposure to Central and Eastern European logistics company CTP due to its potential to capitalise on the nearshoring trend. This purchase was funded by reducing exposure to US telecommunications companies American Tower, Crown Castle and SBA Communications due to a muted growth outlook. Conversely, we trimmed exposure to Equity Lifestyle because of increasing insurance costs in this sector, which may affect earnings. We reduced exposure to life-science-focused Alexandria Real Estate due to the risk of life-science contagion from the office sector and issues with fundraising in the bio-science sector. Lastly, we trimmed exposure to Prologis and Segro due to expectations of slowing rental growth and increased our position in Digital Realty following recent share price weakness.

Within the direct portfolio, the St Kilda Road office asset in Melbourne, was written down by 10.1% across the reporting period due to subdued tenant sentiment and outward yield movement driven by current elevated borrowing costs. The Fund's Munich hotel performed well buoyed by improved sentiment towards the sector, a positive financial update from the underlying tenant and indexation. Towards the end of the reporting period, the value of the Custom House Plaza, Dublin office asset was impacted due to yield expansion.

In terms of key portfolio activity, we concluded a 10-year lease with ASX-listed building supplies company Acrow at the Melbourne industrial asset. The lease is subject to 4% annual increases, with provision for an upward-only market review at year five. At the Erskine Park, Sydney industrial asset, we extended our tenant Coil Steels' lease by four years until 2030. The tenant's rent will continue to be annually indexed until 2026, at which point it will increase by 68% (from levels seen at the time of agreement) and then will be subject to further ongoing annual increases for the remainder of the term.

At the end of October 2023, the Fund held a combined cash and listed weighting of circa 33% (listed 19%, cash 14%).

### As at 31 October 2023 continued

Over the last few weeks, we have been conducting due diligence on a French logistics asset and expect to make a non-binding offer within the next few weeks. The expected pricing is attractive, reflecting re-based yields following the last 15 months of inflation-led yield expansion, and the asset would complement our existing portfolio well.

The Fund retained its 4-star rating in the annual GRESB (Global Real Estate Sustainability Benchmark) submission, scoring 83/100 (previously the Fund scored 84/100 in 2022 and 80/100 in 2021).

### **Outlook & Strategy**

As we move forward in the real estate market correction, we anticipate that there is only a modest decline in prices left to play out. Although investment activity remains very subdued, there are signs of sentiment improving, particularly for the industrial, residential and alternative sectors where the current fundamentals are encouraging. Uncertainty remains elevated and is being exacerbated by the ongoing geopolitical concerns. Looking forward, how events materialise from a macroeconomic perspective will be key to the future dynamics in the real estate market. There is an ongoing debate as to whether we will have a 'Table Mountain' or 'Matterhorn' interest-rate cycle from here. The abran Research Institute's view is that the US will experience a recession in the middle of next year and rates will likely fall as a result, which will help to bolster real estate's relative pricing.

In this anticipated environment where demand is subdued, tenant strength and income resilience will be the focus as recession hits demand. We aim to target good-quality occupiers with a strong credit rating in this phase of the cycle. Polarisation between good and poor-quality assets remains elevated and is becoming more pronounced, as investors continue to target good-quality assets with strong environmental, social and governance credentials that are likely to meet future tightening environmental standards. Poor-quality assets in sectors with weak fundamentals (such as the office sector) or lower-quality parts of the retail sector (where leasing demand is subdued and vacancies are high and rising) are expected to bear the brunt of the further corrections in value. A key risk to our outlook where we are more positive on the real estate market towards the end of the year is inflation remaining stickier than the market currently expects and interest rates potentially having to rise further than we currently anticipate, which in turn would lead to further price decreases for real estate then we currently expect.

# Comparative Tables

Retail accumulation	31 October 2023	30 April 2023	30 April 2022	30 April 2021
Closing net asset value (£'000)	22,659	24,876	28,686	29,962
Closing number of units	36,259,820	39,202,218	42,965,027	48,865,609
Closing net asset value per unit (pence)	62.49	63.46	66.77	61.32
Change in net asset value per unit	(1.53%)	(4.96%)	8.89%	5.51%
Operating charges	1.55%	1.51%	1.53%	1.59%
Direct transaction costs	-	0.06%	0.06%	-
Property operating charges	0.53%	0.42%	0.33%	0.28%
Institutional accumulation	31 October 2023	30 April 2023	30 April 2022	30 April 2021
Closing net asset value (£'000)	49,739	52,427	50,946	57,661
Closing number of units	71,535,428	74,411,556	69,004,891	83,394,865
Closing net asset value per unit (pence)	69.53	70.46	73.83	67.52
Change in net asset value per unit	(1.32%)	(4.56%)	9.35%	5.93%
Operating charges	1.03%	0.99%	1.01%	1.07%
Direct transaction costs	-	0.06%	0.06%	-
Property operating charges	0.53%	0.42%	0.33%	0.28%
Retail income	31 October 2023	30 April 2023	30 April 2022	30 April 2021
Closing net asset value (£'000)	542	599	1,581	2,438
Closing number of units	1,482,364	1,593,690	3,908,952	6,410,194
Closing net asset value per unit (pence)	36.54	37.57	40.46	38.03
Change in net asset value per unit	(2.74%)	(7.14%)	6.39%	1.66%
Operating charges	1.55%	1.51%	1.53%	1.59%
Direct transaction costs	-	0.06%	0.06%	-
Property operating charges	0.53%	0.42%	0.33%	0.28%
Institutional income	31 October 2023	30 April 2023	30 April 2022	30 April 2021
Closing net asset value (£'000)	43,007	42,151	62,765	53,495
Closing number of units	104,801,233	100,169,131	139,202,741	126,912,699
Closing net asset value per unit (pence)	41.04	42.08	45.09	42.15
	(2.479/)	(6.68%)	6.98%	2.18%
Change in net asset value per unit	(2.47%)	(=====)		
Change in net asset value per unit  Operating charges	1.03%	0.99%	1.01%	1.07%
			1.01%	1.07%

# Comparative Tables

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ZA income	31 October 2023	30 April 2023	30 April 2022	30 April 2021
Closing net asset value (£'000)	624	1,834	1,945	2,258
Closing number of units	1,025,219	2,948,295	2,948,295	3,696,351
Closing net asset value per unit (pence)	60.88	62.20	65.99	61.09
Change in net asset value per unit	(2.12%)	(5.74%)	8.02%	3.21%
Operating charges	0.05%	0.01%	0.03%	0.09%
Direct transaction costs	-	0.06%	0.06%	-
Property operating charges	0.53%	0.42%	0.33%	0.28%
ZC accumulation	31 October 2023	30 April 2023	30 April 2022	30 April 2021
Closing net asset value (£'000)	57,588	67,545	73,187	72,067
Closing number of units	73,698,445	85,616,141	89,174,281	96,708,807
Closing net asset value per unit (pence)	78.14	78.89	82.07	74.52
Change in net asset value per unit	(0.95%)	(3.87%)	10.13%	6.70%
Operating charges	0.13%	0.09%	0.11%	0.17%
Direct transaction costs	-	0.06%	0.06%	-
Property operating charges	0.53%	0.42%	0.33%	0.28%
Institutional regulated accumulation	31 October 2023	30 April 2023	30 April 2022	30 April 2021
Closing net asset value (£'000)	83,602	94,831	118,168	125,595
Closing number of units	113,111,233	126,850,117	151,396,686	176,582,090
Closing net asset value per unit (pence)	73.91	74.76	78.05	71.13
Change in net asset value per unit	(1.14%)	(4.22%)	9.73%	6.34%
Operating charges	0.58%	0.54%	0.56%	0.62%
Direct transaction costs	-	0.06%	0.06%	-
Property operating charges	0.53%	0.42%	0.33%	0.28%
Platform 1 accumulation	31 October 2023	30 April 2023	30 April 2022	30 April 2021
Closing net asset value (£'000)	55,561	65,776	64,949	68,307
Closing number of units	69,227,778	80,848,912	76,129,143	87,482,733
Closing net asset value per unit (pence)	80.26	81.36	85.31	78.08
Change in net asset value per unit	(1.35%)	(4.63%)	9.26%	5.86%
Operating charges	1.13%	1.09%	1.11%	1.17%
Direct transaction costs	-	0.06%	0.06%	-

# Comparative Tables

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Platform 1 income	31 October 2023	30 April 2023	30 April 2022	30 April 2021
Closing net asset value (£'000)	23,182	13,599	15,374	16,146
Closing number of units	40,628,289	23,232,261	24,489,214	27,481,690
Closing net asset value per unit (pence)	57.06	58.53	62.78	58.75
Change in net asset value per unit	(2.51%)	(6.77%)	6.86%	2.09%
Operating charges	1.13%	1.09%	1.11%	1.17%
Direct transaction costs	-	0.06%	0.06%	-
Property operating charges	0.53%	0.42%	0.33%	0.28%
Institutional S accumulation	31 October 2023	30 April 2023	30 April 2022	30 April 2021
Closing net asset value (£'000)	96,305	117,514	65,720	40,635
Closing number of units	179,272,440	216,031,918	115,463,001	78,168,735
Closing net asset value per unit (pence)	53.72	54.40	56.92	51.98
Change in net asset value per unit	(1.25%)	(4.43%)	9.50%	3.96%
Operating charges	0.86%	0.82%	0.84%	0.89%
Direct transaction costs	-	0.06%	0.06%	-
Property operating charges	0.53%	0.42%	0.33%	0.28%
Institutional S income <sup>A</sup>	31 October 2023	30 April 2023		
Closing net asset value (£'000)	3,607	4,035		
Closing number of units	7,925,042	8,652,200		
Closing net asset value per unit (pence)	45.52	46.63		
Change in net asset value per unit	(2.38%)	(6.74%)		
Operating charges	0.86%	0.82%		
Direct transaction costs	-	0.06%		
Property operating charges	0.53%	0.42%		

The closing net asset value (£'000) divided by the closing number of units may not calculate to the closing net asset value per unit (pence) due to rounding differences. The published closing net asset value per unit (pence) is based on unrounded values and represents the actual price.

The change in the net asset value per unit is the change from the beginning of the period to the close of the period.

Operating charges are expenses associated with the maintenance and administration of the Trust on a day-to-day basis that are actually borne by the unit class.

Property operating charges are separate from fund operating charges. They represent the costs associated with property assets. The figure for property operating charges should be combined with the operating charges to create a Real Estate Expense Ratio (REER) when comparing property funds.

A Institutional S income unit class launched on 22 August 2022.

### As at 31 October 2023

Holding	Investment	Market value £'000	Percentage of total net assets
Equities (17.57%)		81,133	18.61
Australia (1.18%)		4,822	1.11
190,530	Charter Hall REIT	861	0.20
366,731	Goodman REIT	3,961	0.91
European Equities (ex	( UK) (2.67%)	10,523	2.42
Belgium (1.22%)		3,446	0.79
52,877	Aedifica REIT	2,370	0.54
21,070	Cofinimmo REIT	1,076	0.25
France (0.42%)		2,434	0.56
33,410	Covivio	1,175	0.27
15,610	Gecina REIT	1,259	0.29
Germany (0.56%)		2,081	0.48
110,119	Vonovia	2,081	0.48
Netherlands (0.34%)		2,562	0.59
213,728	СТР	2,562	0.59
Spain (0.13%)		-	-
Japan (0.29%)		1,274	0.29
1,954	Canadian Solar Infrastructure	1,274	0.29
North American Equi	ties (12.04%)	58,548	13.42
21,768	Alexandria Real Estate Equities REIT	1,670	0.38
107,218	American Homes 4 Rent REIT	2,892	0.38
5,424	American Tower REIT	797	0.18
32,996	Americal Realty Trust	713	0.16

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Holding	Investment	Market value £'000	Percentage of total net assets
20,795	AvalonBay Communiteis REIT	2,840	0.65
88,016	Brixmor Property REIT	1,507	0.35
9,252	Camden Property Trust REIT	647	0.15
74,417	Canadian Apartment Properties REIT	1,802	0.41
4,792	Crown Castle International REIT	367	0.08
52,330	Digital Realty Trust	5,363	1.23
9,915	Equinix REIT	5,963	1.37
68,279	Equity LifeStyle Properties REIT	3,702	0.85
53,845	Equity Residential REIT	2,453	0.57
91,656	Gaming and Leisure Properties REIT	3,428	0.79
94,411	Invitation Homes REIT	2,309	0.53
61,986	Kimco Realty REIT	916	0.21
14,831	Mid America Apartment Communities REIT	1,444	0.33
28,633	Omega Healthcare	781	0.18
84,862	Prologis REIT	7,039	1.61
7,088	Public Storage REIT	1,393	0.32
32,355	Realty Income REIT	1,263	0.29
37,808	Regency Centres REIT	1,876	0.43
2,379	SBA Communications REIT	409	0.09
10,631	Sun Communciations REIT	975	0.22
126,690	VICI Properties REIT	2,911	0.68
44,816	Welltower REIT	3,088	0.71
JK Equities (1.39%)		5,966	1.37
11,215,951	Hirco*	-	0.00
108,620	Safestore	742	0.17
509,307	Segro	3,629	0.83
183,752	Unite	1,595	0.37
Collective Investmen	t Schemes (9.54%)	41,497	9.51
41,497	Aberdeen Liquidity Fund (Lux) - Sterling Fund Z1Acc**^	41,497	9.53
Unregulated Collectiv	ve Investment Schemes (0.10%)	519	0.12
4,423,142	Pradera Central & Eastern Fund***	84	0.02
118,880	Saffron India Real Estate Fund***	435	0.10

### As at 31 October 2023 continued

Holding	Investment	Market value £'000	Percentage of total net assets
Direct Property Inves	tments Held Through Subsidiaries (61.67%)	291,167	66.71
Australian Direct Prop	perty Investments (16.93%)	79,185	18.15
	1651-1657 Centre Road, Springvale, Victoria	12,784	2.93
	3-5 John Morphett Place, Erskine Park NSW 2759	15,132	3.47
	432 St. Kilda Road, Melbourne	26,224	6.01
	11 Amour Street, Milperra, NSW 2214	25,045	5.74
European (ex UK) Dire	ect Property Investments (28.92%)	135,648	31.08
Germany (3.37%)		17,533	4.02
	Niu Fury Munich	17,533	4.02
Ireland (5.79%)		24,756	5.67
	3 & 5 Custom House Plaza, Dublin	24,756	5.67
Netherlands (8.03%)		37,919	8.69
	Goossens Unit, Doornhoek 3865, Veghel	37,919	8.69
Poland (5.05%)		24,146	5.53
	Galeria Gneizno, Palucka Street, Gniezno	24,146	5.53
Spain (6.68%)		31,294	7.17
	Almeda Park, Barcelona	31,294	7.17
Japan Direct Propert	y Investments (2.32%)	10,478	2.40
	Nishi-Shinbashi, Minato 105-0003, Tokyo	10,478	2.40
Singapore Direct Pro	perty Investments (7.32%)	36,393	8.33
	48/48A Peck Seah Road	11,970	2.74
	52/54 Peck Seah Road	13,022	2.98
	56 Peck Seah Road	11,401	2.61

### As at 31 October 2023 continued

Holding	Investment	Market value £'000	Percentage of total net assets
UK & Channel Islands	Direct Property Investments (6.18%)	29,463	6.75
	44 Esplanade, St Helier, Jersey	29,463	6.75
Derivatives (1.83%)		(1,969)	(0.44)
Forward Currency Co	ontracts (1.83%)	(1,969)	(0.44)
	Forward contract Bought GBP 35,653,037.82 Sold SGD 59,500,000.00	(218)	(0.05)
	Forward contract Bought GBP 81,189,706.82 Sold AUD 155,000,000.00	23	0.01
	Forward contract Bought GBP 139,705,387.50 Sold EUR 161,250,000.00	(1,848)	(0.42)
	Forward contract Bought GBP 10,727,422.64 Sold JPY 1,930,000,000.00	74	0.02
Total investment asse	ets and liabilities	412,347	94.51
Net other assets		24,070	5.49
Total Group Net Asse	ts	436,417	100.00

All investments, except OTC derivatives, are listed on recognised stock exchanges and are approved securities, collective investment schemes or approved derivatives within the meaning of the FCA rules unless otherwise stated.

In addition, joint investment ventures included within 'Net other assets' in the consolidated portfolio statement above are classified as unapproved securities.

Reconciliation of Group Portfolio of Investments to Fund Portfolio of Investments	Market Value £'000
Consolidate portfolio of Investments (see above)	412,347
Less: Investment held through subsidiaries	
Direct property	(291,167)
Add: Investment in Subsidiaries	
(a) Investments in subsidiaries	136,470
(b) Loans to group companies	151,445
Fund investment assets and liabilities	409,095
Net other assets	27,322
Total Fund Net Assets	436,417

The percentage figures in brackets show the comparative holdings as at 30 April 2023.

\* Suspended security.

\*\* Collective Investment Schemes classified as Cash Equivalents in the Balance Sheet.

\*\*\* Unlisted securities.

^ Managed by subsidiaries of abrdn plc.

### As at 31 October 2023 continued

Reconciliation of assets and liabilites to the Consoldiated balance sheet	Market Value £'000
Investment assets as per the Balance Sheet	372,916
Investment liabilities as per the Balance Sheet	(2,066)
Collective Investment Scheme Classified as Cash Equivalent	41,497
Net investment asset as per the Portfolio Statement	412,347
Net other assets	24,070
Total Net Assets	436,417

### Consolidated Statement of Total Return

For the six months ended 31 October 2023

	31 October 2023		31 October 2022	
	€′000	£'000	€′000	£′000
Income:				
Net capital losses		(11,876)		(27,390)
Revenue	12,383		11,430	
Expenses	(6,175)		(5,259)	
Interest payable and similar charges	(23)		(59)	
Group's share of loss in Joint Ventures	(71)		(60)	
Net revenue before taxation	6,114		6,052	
Taxation	6		1,700	
Net revenue after taxation		6,120		7,752
Total return before distributions		(5,756)		(19,638)
Distributions		(5,369)		(5,503)
Change in net assets attributable to unitholders from investment activities		(11,125)		(25,141)

### Consolidated Statement of Change in Net Assets Attributable to Unitholders

For the six months ended 31 October 2023

	31 October 2023		31 October 2022	
	€′000	£′000	£′000	£'000
Opening net assets attributable to unitholders		485,187		483,321
Amounts receivable on issue of units	31,063		76,213	
Amounts payable on cancellation of units	(73,509)		(41,170)	
		(42,446)		35,043
Dilution adjustment		313		40
Change in net assets attributable to unitholders from investment activities		(11,125)		(25,141)
Retained distribution on accumulation units		4,488		4,775
Closing net assets attributable to unitholders		436,417		498,038

### Continued

### Consolidated Balance Sheet

As at 31 October 2023

	31 Octo	31 October 2023		oril 2023
	€,000	€,000	£′000	£′000
Assets				
Fixed assets:				
Investment properties		291,167		299,234
Investment assets		81,749		94,640
Current assets:				
Debtors	13,237		7,899	
Cash and bank balances	18,533		38,166	
Cash equivalents	52,583		65,318	
		84,353		111,383
Total assets		457,269		505,257
Liabilities:				
Investment liabilities		(2,066)		(30)
Provision for liabilities		(7,954)		(9,302)
Creditors:				
Creditors	(10,438)		(10,370)	
Distribution payable	(394)		(368)	
		(10,832)		(10,738)
Total liabilities		(20,852)		(20,070)
Net assets attributable to shareholders		436,417		485,187

### Continued

### Fund Statement of Total Return

For the six months ended 31 October 2023

	31 October 2023		31 October 2022	
	£′000	£′000	£'000	€,000
Income:				
Net capital losses		(9,321)		(23,298)
Revenue	6,314		6,186	
Expenses	(1,939)		(1,855)	
Interest payable and similar charges	(5)		(57)	
Net revenue before taxation	4,370		4,274	
Taxation	(805)		(614)	
Net revenue after taxation		3,565		3,660
Total return before distributions		(5,756)		(19,638)
Distributions		(5,369)		(5,503)
Change in net assets attributable to unitholders from				
investment activities		(11,125)		(25,141)

### Fund Statement of Change in Net Assets Attributable to Unitholders

For the six months ended 31 October 2023

	31 October 2023		31 October 2022	
	£′000	€,000	£'000	€′000
Opening net assets attributable to unitholders		485,187		483,321
Amounts receivable on issue of units	31,063		76,213	
Amounts payable on cancellation of units	(73,509)		(41,170)	
		(42,446)		35,043
Dilution adjustment		313		40
Change in net assets attributable to unitholders from				
investment activities		(11,125)		(25,141)
Retained distribution on accumulation units		4,488		4,775
Closing net assets attributable to unitholders		436,417		498,038

### Continued

### **Fund Balance Sheet**

As at 31 October 2023

	31 Octo	31 October 2023		ril 2023
	£'000	£'000	£′000	£′000
Assets				
Fixed assets:				
Investments in subsidiaries		287,915		315,641
Investment assets		81,749		94,640
Current assets:				
Debtors	18,145		11,709	
Cash and bank balances	22		25	
Cash equivalents	52,583		65,318	
		70,750		77,052
Total assets		440,414		487,333
Liabilities:				
Investment liabilities		(2,066)		(30)
Provision for liabilities		(1)		-
Creditors:				
Creditors	(1,536)		(1,748)	
Distribution payable	(394)		(368)	
		(1,930)		(2,116)
Total liabilities		(3,997)		(2,146)
Net assets attributable to shareholders		436,417		485,187

### Continued

### Consolidated and Trust Cash Flow Statement

For the six months ended 31 October 2023

	Group 31 October 2023 £'000	Trust 31 October 2023 £'000	Group 31 October 2022 £'000	Trust 31 October 2022 £'000
Cash flows from operating activities				
Net revenue before taxation	6,114	4,370	6,075	4,274
Adjustments for:				
Movement in debtors	(1,866)	(2,902)	(2,908)	(884)
Movement in creditors	818	(328)	3,139	43
Interest payable and similar charges	94	5	83	57
Cash from operations	5,160	1,145	6,389	3,490
Interest payable and similar charges	(94)	(5)	(83)	(57)
Taxation	(2,050)	(708)	(1,032)	(571)
Net cash from operating activities	3,016	432	5,274	2,862
Cash flows from investing activities				
Purchases of investments	(17,135)	(17,268)	(7,230)	(6,991)
Disposals of investments	14,629	36,731	22,409	16,610
Handling charges	(5)	(5)	(8)	(8)
Net realised gains/(losses) on forward currency contracts	14,444	14,444	(13,047)	(13,047)
Net cash from/(used in) investing activities	11,933	33,902	2,124	(3,436)
Cash flows from financing activities				
Amounts received on issue of units	27,588	27,588	76,763	76,763
Amounts paid on cancellation of units	(73,658)	(73,658)	(41,219)	(41,219)
Distributions paid	(744)	(744)	(951)	(951)
Dilution adjustment	313	313	40	40
Net cash (used in)/from financing activities	(46,501)	(46,501)	34,633	34,633
Net (decrease)/increase in cash and cash equivalents	(31,522)	(12,167)	42,031	34,059
Reconciliation to net cash decrease/increase				
Cash and cash equivalents at the start of the period	103,484	65,343	70,062	36,453
Foreign exchange adjustment	(816)	(571)	1,640	1,022
(Decrease)/increase in cash and cash equivalents	(31,552)	(12,167)	42,031	34,059
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the period	71,116	52,605	113,733	71,534

### Notes to the Financial Statements

### **Accounting Policies**

For the six months ended 31 October 2023.

### **Basis of Accounting**

The financial statements have been prepared on a historical cost basis, as modified by the revaluation of investments, and in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) for Financial Statements of Authorised Funds issued by the Investment Management Association in May 2014(IMA SORP 2014) and FRS 102, The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland.

The Manger has undertaken a detailed assessment of the fund's ability to meet its liabilities as they fall due, including liquidity, declines in global capital markets and investor redemption levels. Based on this assessment, the fund continues to be open for trading and the Manager is satisfied the fund has adequate financial resources to continue in operation and accordingly it is appropriate to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements.

#### **Distribution Policy**

The net revenue from the fund's investments accumulates daily, proportionately to the net asset value of the assets attributable to each unit class, over each accounting period. If revenue exceeds expenses during the period, the net revenue of the fund is available for distribution (or reinvestment) at unit class level to the unitholders in accordance with the OEIC Regulations. If expenses exceed revenue during the period, the net revenue shortfall may be funded from capital.

The fund makes dividend distributions.

Gains and losses on non-derivative investments and currencies, whether realised or unrealised, are taken to capital and are not available for distribution. For derivative investments, where positions are undertaken to enhance capital return, the gains and losses are taken to capital, otherwise where they generate revenue, the amounts are included as revenue or expense and affect distributions.

# **Distribution Tables**

## For the six months ended 31 October 2023 (in pence per unit)

### First interim dividend distribution

Group 1 - units purchased prior to 1 May 2023

Group 2 - units purchased between 1 May 2023 and 31 July 2023

	Revenue	Equalisation	Distribution paid 29/09/23	Distribution paid 30/09/22
Retail accumulation				
Group 1	0.4231	-	0.4231	0.4291
Group 2	0.3153	0.1078	0.4231	0.4291
Institutional accumulation				
Group 1	0.4515	-	0.4515	0.4555
Group 2	0.2507	0.2008	0.4515	0.4555
Retail income				
Group 1	0.2504	-	0.2504	0.2599
Group 2	0.1183	0.1321	0.2504	0.2599
Institutional income				
Group 1	0.2698	-	0.2698	0.2783
Group 2	0.1606	0.1092	0.2698	0.2783
ZA income				
Group 1	0.3717	-	0.3717	0.3754
Group 2	0.3717	-	0.3717	0.3754
ZC accumulation				
Group 1	0.4702	-	0.4702	0.4701
Group 2	0.1218	0.3484	0.4702	0.4701
Institutional regulated accumulation				
Group 1	0.4624	-	0.4624	0.4643
Group 2	0.2115	0.2509	0.4624	0.4643
Platform 1 accumulation				
Group 1	0.5253	-	0.5253	0.5304
Group 2	0.2504	0.2749	0.5253	0.5304
Platform 1 income				
Group 1	0.3780	-	0.3780	0.3905
Group 2	0.1898	0.1882	0.3780	0.3905
Institutional S accumulation				
Group 1	0.3438	-	0.3438	0.3464
Group 2	0.1906	0.1532	0.3438	0.3464
Institutional S income				
Group 1	0.2946	-	0.2946	-
Group 2	0.1715	0.1231	0.2946	-

# **Distribution Tables**

### For the six months ended 31 October 2023 (in pence per unit) Continued

### Second interim dividend distribution

Group 1 - units purchased prior to 1 August 2023

Group 2 - units purchased between 1 August 2023 and 31 October 2023

	Revenue	Equalisation	Distribution paid 29/12/23	Distribution paid 31/12/22
Retail accumulation				
Group 1	0.3529	-	0.3529	0.3644
Group 2	0.2293	0.1236	0.3529	0.3644
Institutional accumulation				
Group 1	0.3772	-	0.3772	0.3810
Group 2	0.2845	0.0927	0.3772	0.3810
Retailincome				
Group 1	0.2073	-	0.2073	0.2190
Group 2	0.1473	0.0600	0.2073	0.2190
Institutional income				
Group 1	0.2258	-	0.2258	0.2313
Group 2	0.1944	0.0314	0.2258	0.2313
ZA income				
Group 1	0.2990	-	0.2990	0.3112
Group 2	0.2990	-	0.2990	0.3112
ZC accumulation				
Group 1	0.3830	-	0.3830	0.3903
Group 2	0.1997	0.1833	0.3830	0.3903
Institutional regulated accumulation				
Group 1	0.3786	-	0.3786	0.3901
Group 2	0.2110	0.1775	0.3786	0.3901
Platform 1 accumulation				
Group 1	0.4289	-	0.4289	0.4525
Group 2	0.2632	0.1657	0.4289	0.4525
Platform 1 income				
Group 1	0.3255	-	0.3255	0.3282
Group 2	0.1990	0.1265	0.3255	0.2273
Institutional S accumulation				
Group 1	0.2749	-	0.2749	0.2915
Group 2	0.1709	0.1040	0.2749	0.2915
Institutional S income				
Group 1	0.2345	-	0.2345	0.2360
Group 2	0.1414	0.0931	0.2345	0.2360

## **Distribution Tables**

### For the six months ended 31 October 2023 (in pence per unit) Continued

#### Equalisation

This applies only to units purchased during the distribution period (group 2 units). It is the average amount of revenue included in the purchase price of group 2 units and is refunded to the holders of these units as a return of capital. Being capital it is not liable to income tax but must be deducted from the cost of units for capital gains tax purposes.

### **Further Information**

#### Constitution

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Consumers' rights and protections, including any derived from EU legislation, are currently unaffected by the result of the UK referendum to leave the European Union and will remain unchanged unless and until the UK Government changes the applicable legislation.

#### **Documentation and Prices**

Copies of the current Prospectus for the abrdn Global Real Estate Fund, fund's daily prices, together with the latest Annual (and if issued later the interim) Report and Accounts for any fund, are available to download at **www.abrdn.com**. A paper copy of the Report and Accounts is available on request from the Manager.

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