

31 July 2023

International Growth Assets Fund



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Suggested use

This fund can be one of the key growth drivers in your portfolio and a diversifier to UK equities. Investments include companies based in the Americas, Europe, Asia and the Emerging Markets. Companies will typically be large, stable multi-nationals with good growth prospects, such as Walt Disney or Samsung.

What happened this month?

The Fund underperformed the positive benchmark return in a month when equities extended gains from the second quarter. Positive sentiment was bolstered by solid economic data, particularly in the US, and expectations that interest rate rises are approaching their peak. The Fund's tilt to smaller caps was unrewarded despite investor appetite returning to the small cap universe. At the sector level, stock selection within information technology (technology hardware, semiconductors) was detrimental to returns, including an underweight to Nvidia and an off-benchmark position in TSMC. Selection within financials (banks) was also ineffective. On the other hand, an underweight to utilities that included overweight exposure to Centrica, and an overweight to communication services helped, limiting further downside.

Cumulative performance to 31 July 2023 (%)

Discrete 12 month performance (%)

	1M	3M	1 Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs	Since Inception	30/06/18 30/06/19	30/06/19 30/06/20	30/06/20 30/06/21	30/06/21 30/06/22	30/06/22 30/06/23
Fund (Class C Acc)	2.6	6.2	9.5	38.5	46.0	270.1	8.2	-0.7	35.1	-10.7	13.8
Benchmark	2.8	7.2	8.9	36.4	48.6	280.6	7.4	3.5	30.0	-8.7	13.2

Past performance is not a guide to future performance.

Source: Russell Investments as at July 31, 2023. All returns are cumulative, in GBP, net of C Class Fees. The fund is priced at market open (7am) so Fund prices have been moved a day later with benchmarks which price at market close (7pm).

The MSCI All Country World Index, Net 50% hedged to GBP has been chosen as a comparator benchmark for fund performance because it reflects the geographical diversification of the securities held by the Fund ("Comparator Benchmark").

The Fund is not obliged to hold all constituents of the Comparator Benchmark and its performance may deviate materially from the Comparator Benchmark.

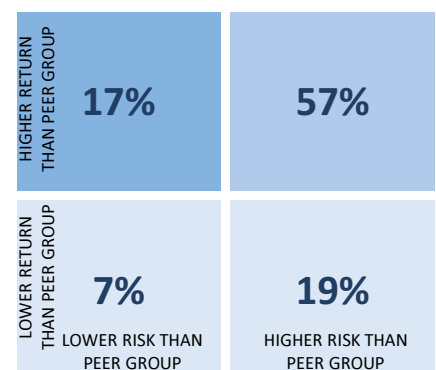
Portfolio statistics

	Fund
Number of Managers	6
Number of Holdings	744
Volatility (since inception)*	13.4%
Highest One-Year Return	49.9%
Lowest One-Year Return	-12.4%
Positive One-Year Returns	77.5%
Current Yield	1.19%
Fund Size	£148.41M

Source: Russell Investments

*Volatility describes the extent to which the fund return has fluctuated over time.

Rolling 12-month Risk & Return †



Source: Morningstar, Russell Investments. Sector used is the Morningstar Europe OE Global Large-Cap Blend Equity Sector. Data as at previous quarter end.

Fund facts
Inception date
12 January 2010
Sector
IMA Global
Benchmark
MSCI AC World Net GBP 50% Hedged
SEDOL
B4KHXP4
Ongoing Charge
1.26% (31/05/20)
Minimum investment
£1,000 initial, £500 subsequent
Currency
GBP
Distribution date
28 February

† The vertical quadrants illustrate the percentage of 12-month periods the fund has delivered more or less return. The horizontal quadrants show how often the fund exhibited more or less volatility than the Morningstar Global Large-Cap Blend Equity sector.

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Top ten holdings

Security	Fund
Microsoft Corp.	3.9%
Apple Inc.	2.9%
Meta Platforms, Inc. Class A	1.9%
Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Co Ltd	1.7%
UnitedHealth Group, Inc.	1.4%
Alphabet Inc. Class A	1.3%
Alphabet Inc. Class C	1.2%
Amazon.com, Inc.	1.1%
Johnson & Johnson	1.0%
MasterCard Inc.	1.0%

Data as at 30 June 2023

Sector weights

	Fund
Information Technology	20.2%
Financials	15.1%
Consumer Discretionary	13.9%
Industrials	11.7%
Health Care	11.5%
Communication Services	8.2%
Consumer Staples	6.0%
Materials	6.0%
Energy	3.2%
Utilities	1.5%
Others	2.9%

Data as at 30 June 2023

Country weights

	Fund
United States	57.6%
Japan	5.1%
United Kingdom	4.9%
France	3.5%
Germany	3.3%
Canada	3.0%
China	2.9%
Switzerland	2.6%
Brazil	2.0%
Others	15.0%

Data as at 30 June 2023

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