# Majedie Asset Management Investment Fund Company

Interim Report & Financial Statements For the period from 1 January 2017 to 30 June 2017 (Unaudited)

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#### Information on the individual sub-funds of Majedie Asset Management Investment Fund Company

#### Objectives

The objectives for the individual sub-funds can be found at the start of each sub-fund section.

#### Minimum initial investment

The minimum initial investment for all sub-funds and share classes is £/\$/€100,000 except for the following:

Majedie UK Equity Fund A Income Shares	£10,000
Majedie UK Equity Fund A Accumulation Shares	£10,000
Majedie UK Focus Fund A Accumulation Shares	£10,000
Majedie UK Income Fund A Income Shares	£10,000
Majedie Tortoise Fund A Accumulation Shares	£10,000,000
Majedie Global Equity Fund A Accumulation (Sterling) Shares	£10,000
Majedie Global Equity Fund A Accumulation (US Dollar) Shares	\$10,000
Majedie Global Focus Fund A Accumulation (Sterling) Shares	£10,000
Majedie Global Focus Fund A Accumulation (US Dollar) Shares	\$10,000

#### **Report of the Authorised Corporate Director**

The Authorised Corporate Director ("ACD") presents herewith the interim long report ("the report") for Majedie Asset Management Investment Fund Company ("the Company") for the period from 1 January 2017 to 30 June 2017.

#### Authorised status

The Company is an Investment Company with Variable Capital ("ICVC") under regulation 12 (Authorisation) of the Open-Ended Investment Company Regulations 2001 ("the OEIC Regulations"). The Company is incorporated in England & Wales with registered number IC000216 and was recognised as an authorised OEIC by the FSA (succeeded by the FCA) on 12 March 2003. The Instrument of Incorporation can be inspected at the office of the ACD.

The Company is an 'umbrella scheme' with seven sub-funds currently in operation. Each sub-fund has the investment powers equivalent to that of a UCITS. The investment objectives, policies and activities of each sub-fund during the period are covered in the investment reports for each sub-fund. The investment reports of each sub-fund also refer to the risk factors associated with the financial instruments utilised and the management tools used to mitigate such risks.

The ACD of the Company is Majedie Asset Management Limited. The ACD is the sole director of the Company and is authorised and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority.

The sub-funds in which shares are currently available are:

Majedie UK Equity Fund Majedie UK Focus Fund Majedie UK Smaller Companies Fund Majedie UK Income Fund Majedie Tortoise Fund Majedie Global Equity Fund Majedie Global Focus Fund

Under the Protected Cell Regime each sub-fund represents a segregated portfolio of assets and accordingly, the assets of a sub-fund belong exclusively to that sub-fund and shall not be used or made available to discharge (directly or indirectly) the liabilities of, or claims against, any other person or body, including any other sub-funds and shall not be available for such purpose. The shareholders of the Company are not liable for the debts of the Company.

#### **Securities Financing Transactions Regulation**

The Securities Financing Transactions Regulation, as published by the European Securities and Markets Authority, aims to improve the transparency of the securities financing markets. Disclosures regarding exposure to Securities Financing Transactions (SFTs) or total return swaps will be required on all reports & accounts published after 13 January 2017. During the period to 30 June 2017 and at the balance sheet date, the sub-funds of the Company did not use SFTs or total return swaps.

#### Holdings in other sub funds of the Company

As at 30 June 2017, no sub-funds held shares in any other sub-fund of the Company.

This report is signed in accordance with the requirement of the COLL sourcebook.

In accordance with COLL 4.5.8BR, the Interim report and the unaudited financial statements were approved by the board of directors of the ACD of the Company and authorised for issue on 21 August 2017.

Christopher Simmons Director Majedie Asset Management Limited Authorised Corporate Director 18 August 2017 James de Uphaugh Director Majedie Asset Management Limited Authorised Corporate Director 18 August 2017

#### Notes applicable to the financial statements of all funds

for the period from 1 January 2017 to 30 June 2017

#### Accounting policies

#### **Basis of accounting**

The financial statements of the Company comprise the financial statements of each of the sub-funds and have been prepared on a going concern basis in accordance with FRS 102 and the Statement of Recommended Practice 'Financial Statements of UK Authorised Funds' issued by the IMA (now known as the Investment Association) in May 2014 (the "SORP").

The accounting and distribution policies applied are consistent with those disclosed within the annual report & financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2016.

# Majedie UK Equity Fund

#### **Investment** report

#### Sub-fund objectives and policy

The sub-fund aims to produce a total return in excess of the FTSE All-Share Index over the long term through investment in a diversified portfolio of predominantly UK equities.

The sub-fund will invest in equity securities of companies which are listed or traded on one or more eligible markets. At least 80% of the sub-fund will be invested in UK equities, with the balance in international equities, cash or near cash. It is not the intention to invest materially in emerging markets.

#### Performance and Financial Review

This report covers the period 1 January 2017 to 30 June 2017. During the period the sub-fund returned +1.2% (Class X Accumulation shares, net of fees) against a benchmark return of +5.5%.

The early part of the year continued the tone set at the end of 2016 with politics preoccupying markets across Europe and the US. Global markets showed remarkable resilience despite political risk, buoyed by nearly a decade of expansionary policy by Central Banks. The S&P 500 Index had reached a record 110 consecutive trading days without an intraday move of more than 1%, despite the political upheavals of 2016. However, investors had a taste of what uncertainty could be like with the global markets' correction on 21 March.

Against this backdrop, the UK government triggered Article 50 and formally notified the European Union (EU) Council of its intention to withdraw from the EU treaties, driving sterling to new lows. The UK consumer initially seemed resilient, which helped to warm a brief honeymoon for Theresa May's leadership. Spurred by positive polling and concerted tabloid media coverage, the prime minister called a snap general election. Against predictions, she was outshone by the unlikely success of the Labour leader with both young and previously disengaged voters who felt they had borne the brunt of the austerity cuts to public services. The loss of the Conservatives' Commons majority and the failure of Labour to make sufficient gains left investors facing a less stable political environment. However, we consider it makes a soft Brexit more likely, although both Conservative and Labour play to populists' concerns with an anti-business rhetoric.

The impact of Brexit-led inflation hitting food prices, and the mounting sense of inequality inflaming politics, were reflected in deteriorating consumer confidence measures and worsening hard data from indicators such as car loans. The UK market factored in a very negative assessment of the background for domestic stocks exposed to the consumer, while assuming near impregnable earnings growth for defensive stocks. Thus the FTSE All-Share Index strength over the period was mainly founded on overseas earners benefiting from the weak pound and Consumer Staples boosted by the bid made – but then quickly withdrawn – for Unilever by Kraft Heinz. Oil & Gas stocks were hit by the 14% drop in the oil price in at the start of the period.

A new holding for the sub-fund was Centrica. As the UK's largest energy retailer, Centrica carries with it the largest exposure to political risk, and sniping from the mainstream media. Yet the company remains at the nexus of energy supply and as such offers defensive characteristics backed by a robust balance sheet and a dividend yield of over 5%.

The shares of domestic General Retailers have endured a torrid few years as traditional business models have been disrupted by shifting tastes to online, and latterly by the uncertainties that come with Brexit negotiations. The shares of Marks and Spencer have de-rated to a near twenty-year relative low, which suggested to us a lot of bad news was in the price. A dividend yield of about 6% offers further support. We also took a position in the DIY Retailer, Kingfisher, a company that has net cash, is backed by property assets and offers geographic diversification.

We took some profits in Rentokil. The shares have almost doubled over the past two years as the company has shifted its portfolio of businesses towards the high return, stable and sustainable pest control operations. The company is now the number two player in the US, and continues to take share in a fragmented market. Nevertheless, we have trimmed our position. After such a strong run, the share price could well consolidate at current levels.

After a massive rerating through last year, as commodity prices rallied, the outlook for the Mining companies has dimmed. Many companies continue to focus on delivering profits at the expense of volumes, but the macro environment may make further share price upside harder to achieve. Given the gains made last year, and a less constructive macro backdrop, we have moved to reduce your exposure to the Mining sector and so sold down holdings in BHP Billiton, Rio Tinto and Anglo American.

The sub-fund underperformed during the period. The main detractors were Tesco, Tullow Oil, BP and our underweight in Unilever. The main positive contributors were Kaz Minerals, Ryanair, Rentokil and Electrocomponents. We continue to think markets are unduly reliant on overvalued Consumer Staples. In addition, there is no recognition of the potential uncertainties as Central Banks move to normalisation while growth slows, full employment translates into wage pressures, or Brexit-related politics in the UK complicates the policy response.

Against this uncertain outlook, we have positioned the sub-fund more cautiously. Our focus has been on parts of the market that we believe have discounted the uncertain outlook like domestic cyclicals, less economically sensitive areas of the market where the valuation is reasonable, and Darwinian winners that will grow at the expense of the weak – in short, businesses in which we see undervalued growth.

#### **Performance tables**

Share Class	Shares	Net Asset Value	Net Asset Value
	in Issue	of Fund	per Share#
		£	(p)
Net Asset Value at 30 June 2017			
A Income Shares	86,592	430,014	496.60
A Accumulation Shares	10,845,066	59,476,431	548.42
B Income Shares	20,295,561	114,635,450	564.83
B Accumulation Shares	134,025,828	858,502,968	640.55
X Income Shares	951,989,855	1,451,311,665	152.45
X Accumulation Shares	858,397,848	1,482,322,880	172.68
Net Asset Value at 31 December 2016			
A Income Shares	84,841	422,618	498.13
A Accumulation Shares	9,828,864	53,440,666	543.71
B Income Shares	21,178,414	120,002,304	566.63
B Accumulation Shares	138,904,030	875,578,714	630.35
X Income Shares	828,828,270	1,267,523,697	152.93
X Accumulation Shares	789,807,999	1,347,160,392	170.57
Net Asset Value at 31 December 2015			
A Income Shares	102,392	427,144	417.16
A Accumulation Shares	15,164,725	67,726,372	446.60
B Income Shares	15,642,008	74,177,804	474.22
B Accumulation Shares	134,053,465	683,810,789	510.10
X Income Shares	865,307,782	1,107,879,948	128.03
X Accumulation Shares	830,908,384	1,155,458,468	139.06
Net Asset Value at 31 December 2014			
A Income Shares	1,086,184	4,695,664	432.31
A Accumulation Shares	19,982,702	90,859,058	454.69
B Income Shares	6,460,397	31,757,264	491.57
B Accumulation Shares	150,333,682	769,097,067	511.59
X Income Shares	708,255,244	939,831,181	132.70
X Accumulation Shares	819,148,138	1,151,030,827	140.52
#Represents the closing BID price for valuation purpo	ses in accordance with the IMAS	SORP.	

#### Interim Distribution 1 January 2017 to 30 June 2017 (payable 31 August 2017)

	30 June 2017	30 June 2016
Share Class	Per Share (p)	Per Share (p)
A Income Shares	5.8697	5.5868
A Accumulation Shares	6.4109	5.9812
B Income Shares	11.0335	9.8888
B Accumulation Shares	12.2731	10.6405
X Income Shares	2.3899	2.1918
X Accumulation Shares	2.6651	2.3814

#### **Risk and Reward Profile**

The sub-fund invests in equities, which can provide higher returns over the medium to long term. However, such returns may be subject to greater rises and falls in the short term than investing in lower risk assets. The sub-fund's Synthetic Risk and Reward Indicator is 5 on a scale of 1 (lower) to 7 (higher).

It should be noted that past performance is not a guide to future performance and the value of your investment may go down as well as up meaning you may not get back your initial investment.

### **Summary of Material Portfolio Changes**

The table below shows the top ten purchases and sales for the period:

Purchases	£	Sales	£
Centrica	101,090,537	HSBC	92,213,853
Marks and Spencer	84,742,725	BHP Billiton	70,567,843
GlaxoSmithKline	63,121,175	Barclays	62,450,572
Kingfisher	52,886,943	Anglo American	58,374,778
ВТ	37,861,676	Rentokil Initial	48,643,052
Orange	33,134,771	Rio Tinto	46,903,139
Vodafone	29,805,914	Standard Chartered	43,679,842
Aviva	29,710,684	Royal Dutch Shell class 'B' shares	43,674,418
Wm Morrison Supermarkets	25,980,340	BP	42,276,070
Tesco	24,712,424	BT	28,519,711

# **Operating Charges figure**

Share Class	30 June 2017 (Annualised)	31 December 2016
A Income Shares	1.52%	1.52%
A Accumulation Shares	1.52%	1.52%
B Income Shares	0.02%	0.02%
B Accumulation Shares	0.02%	0.02%
X Income Shares	0.77%	0.77%
X Accumulation Shares	0.77%	0.77%

The Operating Charges figure represents the annual operating expenses of the sub-fund expressed as a percentage of average net assets for the period. The Operating Charges figure includes the Manager's periodic charge and all charges which are deducted directly from the sub-fund. The Operating Charges figure is expressed as an annual percentage rate.

# Portfolio statement (unaudited)

Holding or nominal	Stock description	Market value	Percentage of total net
value		£	assets %
	EQUITIES (95.13%; 2016 96.49%)		
	Aerospace & Defence (2.27%; 2016 1.34%)		
8,837,237	BAE Systems	55,983,896	1.41
3,622,444	Chemring	6,701,521	0.17
12,214,064	Cobham	15,829,427	0.40
316,875	Leonardo	4,042,845	0.10
55,576,315	Rolls Royce 'C' Shares Entitlement (July 2017)	55,576	-
817,977	Rolls-Royce	7,288,175	0.19
	Banks (10.91%; 2016 16.82%)		
43,730,350	Barclays	88,641,419	2.24
140,078	First Republic Bank	10,792,568	0.27
27,163,316	HSBC	193,321,320	4.87
27,873,148	Royal Bank of Scotland	68,902,422	1.74
206,000	Secure Trust Bank	4,068,500	0.10
8,640,766	Standard Chartered	67,156,033	1.69
	Beverages (0.07%; 2016 0.04%)		
1,538,360	Stock Spirits	2,611,366	0.07
	Chemicals (0.00%; 2016 0.15%)		
	Construction & Materials (0.73%; 2016 0.57%)		
3,946,788	Accsys Technologies	3,039,027	0.08
1,661,412	Balfour Beatty	4,490,797	0.12
284,374	Keller	2,495,382	0.06
3,412,013	Marshalls	12,795,049	0.32
134,524	Morgan Sindall	1,666,752	0.04
2,309,279	Volution	4,410,723	0.11
	Electricity (0.03%; 2016 0.06%)		
2,548,256	OPG Power Ventures	1,197,680	0.03
	Electronic & Electrical Equipment (0.05%; 2016 0.08%)		
183,768	Oxford Instruments	1,924,051	0.05
	Equity Investment Instruments (0.04%; 2016 0.06%)		
434,098	Gresham House	1,380,432	0.04
268,696	LMS Capital	134,348	-
	Financial Services (0.75%; 2016 0.68%)		
1,408,402	3i	12,696,744	0.32
567,464	Charles Stanley	2,014,497	0.05
900,157	Mortgage Advice Bureau	3,600,628	0.09
1,923,965	TP ICAP	8,981,069	0.23
1,199,213	Tungsten	767,496	0.02
1,065,331	Xafinity	1,733,826	0.04

Holding or nominal value	Stock description	Market value £	Percentage of total net assets
			%
	Fixed Line Telecommunications (7.31%; 2016 6.81%)		0 = 1
34,283,039	BT	100,980,691	2.54
6,833,289	KCOM	6,081,627	0.15
8,120,007	Orange	99,000,129	2.50
15,590,983 64,375,129	Royal KPN Telecom Italia	38,346,001 45,645,095	0.97 1.15
	Food & Drug Retailers (8.26%; 2016 7.89%)		
2,240,547	Convivality	6,872,878	0.18
22,356,367	J Sainsbury	56,270,976	1.42
81,621,018	Tesco	137,776,278	3.47
52,568,325	Wm Morrison Supermarkets	126,584,527	3.19
	Food Producers (0.33%; 2016 0.16%)		
299,482	Associated British Foods	8,789,797	0.22
267,104	Hotel Chocolat	940,206	0.02
465,674	M.P. Evans	3,329,569	0.09
	Forestry & Paper (1.26%; 2016 1.07%)		
2,488,440	Mondi	50,092,297	1.26
	Gas, Water & Multiutilities (3.53%; 2016 1.34%)		
64,588,864	Centrica	129,306,906	3.26
1,144,698	National Grid	10,892,946	0.27
	General Industrials (0.32%; 2016 0.40%)		
14,108,216	Coats	10,997,354	0.28
312,278	Vesuvius	1,655,073	0.04
	General Retailers (6.77%; 2016 3.04%)		
11,762,223	Card Factory	34,874,991	0.88
1,578,082	Carpetright	2,887,890	0.07
894,584	DFS Furniture	1,836,134	0.05
5,164,841	Dixons Carphone	14,647,489	0.37
636,973	Dunelm	3,831,393	0.10
15,029,410	Kingfisher	45,193,436	1.14
28,615,184	Marks and Spencer	95,374,408	2.40
2,229,265	Mothercare	2,563,655	0.06
144,274	Next	5,561,763	0.14
899,300	Rakuten	8,139,602	0.21
24,634,514	Saga	51,535,403	1.30
4,034,654	Vertu Motors	1,946,721	0.05
	Health Care Equipment & Services (0.99%; 2016 0.51%)		
1,147,293	CareTech Holdings	4,921,887	0.12
2,589,140	Smith & Nephew	34,306,105	0.87
	Household Goods & Home Construction (0.09%; 2016 0.08%)		
2,334,253	Accrol	3,618,092	0.09

Holding or nominal value	Stock description	Market value £	Percentage of total net assets %
	Industrial Engineering (0.37%; 2016 0.32%)		
1,681,710	CNH Industrial	14,641,221	0.37
	Industrial Transportation (0.30%; 2016 0.30%)		
7,800	AP Moeller-Maersk series 'B' shares	12,039,539	0.30
	Leisure Goods (0.16%; 2016 0.29%)		
3,875,269	Photo-Me	6,394,194	0.16
	Life Insurance (1.17%; 2016 0.90%)		
8,859,266	Aviva	46,599,739	1.17
	Media (1.64%; 2016 1.77%)		
2,065,708	Bloomsbury Publishing	3,418,747	0.09
4,446,874	Daily Mail & General Trust class 'A' shares	29,660,650	0.75
1,977,764	ITE	3,040,812	0.08
3,456,523	Johnston Press	483,913	0.01
2,154,428	Pearson	14,897,870	0.37
942,076	STV	3,579,889	0.09
807,817	Tarsus	2,237,653	0.06
6,245,787	Trinity Mirror	6,105,257	0.15
639,282	YouGov	1,821,954	0.04
	Mining (8.29%; 2016 11.48%)		
3,685,328	Acacia Mining	10,963,851	0.28
6,886,748	Anglo American	70,520,300	1.78
2,868,617	Atalaya Mining	3,356,282	0.08
5,187,635	Barrick Gold	63,539,992	1.60
6,393,275	Berkeley Energia	2,621,243	0.07
3,280,968	BHP Billiton	38,567,779	0.97
1,140,954	Centamin	1,765,056	0.04
1,392,619	Central Asia Metals	3,060,280	0.08
14,436,272	Diamondcorp*	-	-
772,337	Fresnillo	11,476,928	0.29
4,427,460	Gem Diamonds	4,040,057	0.10
4,445,705	Gold Fields ADR (each representing 1 ordinary share)	11,876,205	0.30
2,005,674	Goldcorp (US Line)	19,918,545	0.50
7,652,713	Hochschild Mining	20,983,739	0.53
8,469,868	Hummingbird Resources	2,223,340	0.06
7,568,794	KAZ Minerals	39,168,509	0.99
1,161,073	Kenmare Resources	2,867,850	0.07
295,610	Leyshon Resources*	-	-
9,724,213	Lonmin	6,369,360	0.16
7,712,162	Norseman Gold*	-	-
2,553,074	Petra Diamonds	2,785,404	0.07
1,175,527	Polymetal International	10,121,287	0.25
31,883,081	Shanta Gold	1,514,446	0.04
11,707,909	Sylvania Platinum	1,024,442	0.03

Holding or nominal	Stock description	Market value	Percentage of total net
value		£	assets
			%
	Mobile Telecommunications (3.71%; 2016 3.48%)		
367,067	Deutsche Telekom	5,063,549	0.13
131,300	Softbank	8,179,371	0.20
61,593,375	Vodafone	134,088,777	3.38
	Non-Life Insurance (0.93%; 2016 0.60%)		
862,535	Jardine Lloyd Thompson	10,324,544	0.26
722,752	Novae	4,119,686	0.10
3,657,774	RSA Insurance	22,513,599	0.57
	Oil & Gas Producers (12.90%; 2016 17.81%)		
9,179,686	Amerisur Resources	1,812,988	0.05
141,206,027	Aminex	4,236,181	0.11
49,473,342	BP	219,067,958	5.52
2,600,974	Cairn Energy	4,473,675	0.11
3,569,703	Genel Energy	2,945,005	0.07
1,251,014	Nostrum Oil & Gas	6,021,130	0.15
8,857,758	Ophir Energy	7,462,661	0.19
12,979,262	Rockhopper Exploration	2,920,334	0.07
12,014,855	Royal Dutch Shell class 'B' shares	247,806,384	6.25
9,218,060	Tullow Oil	13,882,398	0.35
2,494,901	Victoria Oil & Gas	1,147,654	0.03
	Oil Equipment, Services & Distribution (0.54%; 2016 0.27%)		
3,565,913	Amec Foster Wheeler	16,652,814	0.42
4,832,643	Lamprell	4,929,296	0.12
	Personal Goods (0.36%; 2016 0.56%)		
135,300	Kao	6,179,579	0.16
190,671	Unilever	7,922,380	0.20
	Pharmaceuticals & Biotechnology (3.59%; 2016 2.53%)		
70,604	AstraZeneca	3,625,515	0.09
8,311,269	GlaxoSmithKline	135,847,692	3.43
1,382,998	Horizon Discovery	2,835,146	0.07
	Real Estate Investment & Services (0.38%; 2016 0.29%)		
2,836,450	Conygar	5,020,517	0.13
21,697,602	Dolphin Capital Investors	1,247,612	0.03
1,634,143	Purplebricks	7,088,095	0.18
4,576,733	Speymill Deutsche Immobilien*	-	-
654,798	Urban&Civic	1,715,571	0.04
	Real Estate Investment Trusts (0.10%; 2016 0.10%)		
6,824,037	Real Estate Investors	4,026,182	0.10

Holding or	Stock description	Market	Percentage
nominal		value	of total net
value		£	assets
			%
	Software & Computer Services (2.82%; 2016 1.54%)		
667,360	Alfa Financial Software	3,088,208	0.08
3,528,556	Eckoh	1,640,779	0.04
281,344	EMIS	2,584,145	0.07
1,958,753	FDM	14,847,348	0.37
208,687	Fidessa	4,833,191	0.12
1,739,721	Gresham Technologies	2,748,759	0.07
1,144,961	NCC	1,872,011	0.05
2,298,982	RM	3,931,259	0.10
6,182,706	Sage	42,537,017	1.07
1,347,727	SDL	8,342,430	0.21
802,500	Tencent	22,096,014	0.56
4,017,725	Tribal	3,174,003	0.08
	Support Services (8.32%; 2016 9.34%)		
1,646,522	Aggreko	15,156,235	0.38
569,453	Biffa	1,257,068	0.03
8,219,090	Carillion	15,336,822	0.39
1,604,262	Charles Taylor	3,657,717	0.09
4,751,769	Communisis	2,352,126	0.06
2,764,719	De La Rue	18,440,676	0.47
12,170,020	Electrocomponents	70,160,165	1.77
3,633,567	Equiniti	9,065,750	0.23
786,769	Essentra	4,429,509	0.11
9,497,837	Hays	15,756,912	0.40
4,084,606	Mears	19,422,302	0.49
6,945,741	Renewi	5,730,236	0.14
20,917,164	Rentokil Initial	57,145,692	1.44
1,577,667	Restore	7,162,608	0.18
3,045,063	RPS	7,970,452	0.20
936,161	RWS	3,545,710	0.09
32,967,018	Serco	37,879,104	0.96
7,675,027	Speedy Hire	4,451,516	0.11
2,009,783	Travis Perkins	29,222,245	0.74
1,750,855	WYG	1,698,329	0.04
	Technology Hardware & Equipment (0.24%; 2016 0.16%)		
2,170,213	Imagination Technologies	3,325,851	0.08
5,475,591	Spirent Communications	6,392,753	0.00
0,710,001		0,002,100	0.10
	Tobacco (0.49%; 2016 0.40%)		
368,314	British American Tobacco	19,277,555	0.49

as at 30 June 2017

Holding or nominal value	Stock description	Market value £	Percentage of total net assets %
	Travel & Leisure (5.11%; 2016 3.25%)		
2,993,499	888.com	7,640,906	0.19
1,075,809	Comptoir	247,436	0.01
6,487,172	Enterprise Inns	8,319,798	0.21
13,231,742	fastjet	2,514,031	0.06
1,838,032	fastjet warrants 31/7/2021	51,465	-
34,828,943	FirstGroup	43,745,152	1.10
1,485,918	Goals Soccer Centres	1,589,932	0.04
2,147,456	Greene King	14,452,379	0.37
2,208,398	GVC	16,695,489	0.42
14,220,972	Ladbrokes Coral	16,268,792	0.41
784,543	Patisserie	2,757,669	0.07
3,523,018	Rank	8,356,599	0.21
4,077,714	Ryanair	64,449,973	1.63
6,144,060	William Hill	15,618,201	0.39
	NON-EQUITY INVESTMENT INSTRUMENTS (4.22%; 2016 2.74%)		
2,213,584	Goldman Sachs Euro Liquidity Reserve Fund	1,943,701	0.05
165,386,899	Goldman Sachs Sterling Liquidity Reserve Fund	165,386,899	4.17
327	Goldman Sachs US Dollar Liquidity Reserve Fund	252	-
95,800	XL TG class 'A' shares*	-	-
	UNITED KINGDOM FIXED RATE INSTRUMENTS (0.00%; 2016 0.01%)		
£375,492	Diamondcorp 14% Bonds 31/12/2018*	-	-
	Portfolio of investments	3,940,938,685	99.35
	Net current assets	25,740,723	0.65
	Total net assets	3,966,679,408	100.00

Unless otherwise stated, all investments are approved securities being either officially listed in a member state or traded on or under the rules of an eligible securities market.

All investments are in ordinary shares unless otherwise stated.

\*Delisted security and is therefore valued at the ACD's best assessment.

Comparative figures show percentages for each sector category at 31 December 2016.

### Statement of total return (unaudited)

for the period from 1 January 2017 to 30 June 2017

	30 June 2017		30 June 2016	
	£	£	£	£
Income				
Net capital (losses)/gains		(18,924,165)		51,317,643
Revenue	73,537,910		64,653,793	
Expenses	(11,213,042)		(9,016,470)	
Interest payable and similar charges	(2,518)		(4,461)	
Net revenue before taxation	62,322,350		55,632,862	
Taxation	1,048,304		(656,447)	
Net revenue after taxation		63,370,654		54,976,415
Total return before distributions		44,446,489		106,294,058
Distributions		(63,370,834)		(54,986,725)
Change in net assets attributable to				
shareholders from investment activities		(18,924,345)		51,307,333

### Statement of change in net assets attributable to shareholders (unaudited)

for the period from 1 January 2017 to 30 June 2017				
		30 June 2017		30 June 2016
	£	£	£	£
Opening net assets attributable to				
shareholders		3,664,128,391		3,089,480,525
Amounts received on issue of shares	391,038,452		200,826,283	
Amounts paid on cancellation of shares	(111,552,060)		(203,597,013)	
		279,486,392		(2,770,730)
Dilution adjustment		1,967,299		1,184,300
Stamp duty reserve tax		(13)		(66,294)
Change in net assets attributable to				
shareholders from investment activities		(18,924,345)		51,307,333
Retained distribution on accumulation shares		40,021,684		36,149,144
Closing net assets attributable				
to shareholders		3,966,679,408		3,175,284,278

There have been no recognised gains or losses in the period other than those shown in the statement above.

Section 3.30 of the IMA SORP requires comparative figures for the above statement. For interim financial statements this will result in closing comparative net assets not being equal to net assets at the start of the current period as these are not consecutive periods.

# **Balance sheet (unaudited)**

as at 30 June 2017				
		30 June 2017		December 2016
	£	£	£	£
Assets				
Fixed assets				
Investments		3,940,938,685		3,636,148,727
Current assets				
Debtors	33,198,504		13,548,322	
Cash and bank balances	47,345,209		32,133,461	
Total other assets		80,543,713		45,681,783
		00,040,715		45,001,705
Total assets		4,021,482,398		3,681,830,510
Liabilities				
Creditors				
Bank overdrafts	(416,692)		-	
Distribution payable	(24,995,736)		(13,814,594)	
Other creditors	(29,390,562)		(3,887,525)	
Total other liabilities		(54,802,990)		(17,702,119)
Total liabilities		(54,802,990)		(17,702,119)
Net assets attributable to shareholders		3,966,679,408		3,664,128,391

## Majedie UK Focus Fund

#### **Investment report**

#### Sub-fund objectives and policy

The sub-fund aims to maximise total return and to outperform the FTSE All-Share Index over the long term through investment in a concentrated portfolio of predominantly UK equities.

The sub-fund will invest in equity securities of companies which are listed or traded on one or more eligible markets. At least 80% of the sub-fund will be invested in UK equities, with the balance in international equities, cash or near cash. It is not the intention to invest materially in emerging markets.

#### Performance and Financial Review

This report covers the period 1 January 2017 to 30 June 2017. During the period the sub-fund returned +2.7% (Class X Accumulation shares net of fees) against a benchmark return of +5.5%.

The early part of the year continued the tone set at the end of 2016 with politics preoccupying markets across Europe and the US. Global markets showed remarkable resilience despite political risk, buoyed by nearly a decade of expansionary policy by Central Banks. The S&P 500 Index had reached a record 110 consecutive trading days without an intraday move of more than 1%, despite the political upheavals of 2016. However, investors had a taste of what uncertainty could be like with the global markets' correction on 21 March.

Against this backdrop, the UK government triggered Article 50 and formally notified the European Union (EU) Council of its intention to withdraw from the EU treaties, driving sterling to new lows. The UK consumer initially seemed resilient, which helped to warm a brief honeymoon for Theresa May's leadership. Spurred by positive polling and concerted tabloid media coverage, the prime minister called a snap general election. Against predictions, she was outshone by the unlikely success of the Labour leader who proved popular with both young and previously disengaged voters who themselves felt they had borne the brunt of the austerity cuts to public services. The loss of the Conservatives Commons' majority and the failure of Labour to make sufficient gains left investors facing a less stable political environment. However, we consider it makes a soft Brexit more likely, although both Conservative and Labour play to populists' concerns with an anti-business rhetoric.

The impact of Brexit-led inflation hitting food prices, and the mounting sense of inequality inflaming politics, were reflected in deteriorating consumer confidence measures and worsening hard data from indicators such as car loans. The UK market factored in a very negative assessment of the background for domestic stocks exposed to the consumer, while assuming near impregnable earnings growth for defensive stocks. Thus the FTSE All-Share strength over the period was mainly founded on overseas earners benefiting from the weak pound and Consumer Staples boosted by the bid made – but then quickly withdrawn – for Unilever by Kraft Heinz. Oil & Gas stocks were hit by the 14% drop in the oil price over the period.

A new holding for the sub-fund was Centrica. As the UK's largest energy retailer, Centrica carries with it the largest exposure to political risk, and sniping from the mainstream media. Yet the company remains at the nexus of energy supply and as such offers defensive characteristics backed by a robust balance sheet and a dividend yield of over 5%. On a similar theme, we added to BT Group on weakness following the emergence of an accounting issue in their Italian subsidiary. BT has an enviable franchise and a fully converged business, which we find attractive.

Barrick Gold had some one-off operational issues which have been resolved. We used the opportunity to add to the sub-fund's exposure.

The shares of domestic General Retailers have endured a torrid few years as traditional business models have been disrupted by shifting tastes to online, and latterly by the uncertainties that come with Brexit negotiations. The shares of Marks and Spencer have de-rated to a near twenty-year relative low, which suggested to us a lot of bad news was in the price. A dividend yield of about 6% offers further support. We also added to Tesco as we continue to like the operational improvements which the market is yet to recognise.

We also trimmed our position in Man Group. After such a strong run, the share price could well consolidate at current levels. We reduced exposure to previously strong overseas earners such as HSBC and Anglo American. After a massive rerating through last year, as commodity prices rallied, the outlook for the mining companies has dimmed.

The sub-fund underperformed during the period. The main detractors were Tesco, Tullow Oil, BP, Cairn Energy and our underweight in BAT. The main contributors were Fevertree Drinks, Man Group, Ryanair, Rentokil and Marshalls. We continue to think markets are unduly reliant on overvalued Consumer Staples. In addition, there is no recognition of the potential uncertainties as Central Banks move to normalisation while growth slows, full employment translates into wage pressures, or Brexit-related politics in the UK complicates the policy response.

Against this uncertain outlook, we have positioned the sub-fund more cautiously. Our focus has been on parts of the market that we believe have discounted the uncertain outlook like domestic cyclicals, less economically sensitive areas of the market where the valuation is reasonable, and Darwinian winners that will grow at the expense of the weak – in short, businesses in which we see undervalued growth.

### **Performance tables**

Share Class	Shares in Issue	Net Asset Value of Fund	Net Asset Value
	missue	of Fund £	per Share#
Net Asset Value at 30 June 2017		Ľ.	(q)
A Accumulation Shares	244,802	1,654,426	675.82
B Accumulation Shares	64,412,079	559,815,767	869.12
X Income Shares	25,708,136	44,706,084	173.90
X Accumulation Shares	120,035,135	227,640,799	189.65
Net Asset Value at 31 December 2016			
A Accumulation Shares	265,856	1,752,775	659.29
B Accumulation Shares	67,991,580	570,785,662	839.49
X Income Shares	25,985,198	44,484,704	171.19
X Accumulation Shares	120,340,293	222,086,668	184.55
Net Asset Value at 31 December 2015			
A Accumulation Shares	549,339	3,042,545	553.86
B Accumulation Shares	66,261,891	458,117,729	691.37
X Income Shares	25,693,266	37,439,970	145.72
X Accumulation Shares	82,286,764	126,962,171	154.29
Net Asset Value at 31 December 2014			
A Accumulation Shares	753,230	4,170,201	553.64
B Accumulation Shares	65,187,626	441,574,827	677.39
X Income Shares	16,692,485	24,593,246	147.33
X Accumulation Shares	25,778,254	39,559,644	153.46

#Represents the closing BID price for valuation purposes in accordance with the IMA SORP.

Interim Distribution 1 January 2017 to 30 June 2017 (payable 31 August 2017)		
	30 June 2017	30 June 2016
Share Class	Per Share (p)	Per Share (p)
A Accumulation Shares	6.1289	5.5817
B Accumulation Shares	16.4695	13.8128
X Income Shares	2.0320	1.8282
X Accumulation Shares	2.1903	1.9372

#### **Risk and Reward Profile**

The sub-fund invests in equities, which can provide higher returns over the medium to long term. However, such returns may be subject to greater rises and falls in the short term than investing in lower risk assets. The portfolio of the sub-fund will be highly concentrated in relatively few holdings, which may increase the possibility of significant rises and falls in value. The sub-fund's Synthetic Risk and Reward Indicator is 5 on a scale of 1 (lower) to 7 (higher).

It should be noted that past performance is not a guide to future performance and the value of your investment may go down as well as up meaning you may not get back your initial investment.

### **Summary of Material Portfolio Changes**

The table below shows the top ten purchases and sales for the period:

Purchases	£	Sales	£
Centrica	34,304,760	Anglo American	36,323,429
BP	22,702,434	Royal Bank of Scotland	26,833,729
Marks and Spencer	16,404,886	HSBC	23,328,840
Ryanair	15,333,650	Man Group	18,413,104
Barrick Gold	14,825,591	Standard Chartered	18,038,946
International Consolidated Airlines	10,983,456	Barclays	15,442,531
Kingfisher	10,524,026	Vodafone	13,291,675
Vodafone	9,715,600	BT	13,087,428
Pearson	9,514,587	BP	11,141,849
Smith & Nephew	8,362,784	Travis Perkins	9,590,094

# **Operating Charges figure**

Share Class	30 June 2017 (Annualised)	31 December 2016
A Accumulation Shares	2.02%	2.02%
B Accumulation Shares	0.02%	0.02%
X Income Shares	1.52%	1.52%
X Accumulation Shares	1.52%	1.52%

The Operating Charges figure represents the annual operating expenses of the sub-fund expressed as a percentage of average net assets for the period. The Operating Charges figure includes the Manager's periodic charge and all charges which are deducted directly from the sub-fund. The Operating Charges figure is expressed as an annual percentage rate.

# Portfolio statement (unaudited)

as at 30 June 2017			
Holding or nominal value	Stock description	Market value £	Percentage of total net assets
			%
	EQUITIES (95.61%; 2016 98.35%)		
	Aerospace & Defence (0.94%; 2016 1.29%)		
4,222,773	Chemring	7,812,130	0.94
	Banks (7.65%; 2016 16.11%)		
12,160,654	Barclays	24,649,646	2.96
1,833,745	HSBC	13,050,763	1.57
64,930,413	Piraeus Bank	12,201,000	1.46
5,612,332	Royal Bank of Scotland	13,873,685	1.66
	Beverages (2.53%; 2016 2.57%)		
1,237,223	Fevertree Drinks	21,057,535	2.53
	Construction & Materials (2.72%; 2016 2.15%)		
6,047,422	Marshalls	22,677,832	2.72
	Financial Services (0.66%; 2016 2.24%)		
125,239	3i	1,129,030	0.14
424,119	Malin	4,346,023	0.52
	Fixed Line Telecommunications (4.98%; 2016 4.47%)		
3,290,884	BT	9,693,299	1.16
1,959,559	Orange	23,891,186	2.87
1,672,224	Royal KPN	4,112,833	0.49
5,357,843	Telecom Italia	3,798,971	0.46
	Food & Drug Retailers (11.47%; 2016 11.06%)		
151,622	Colruyt	6,138,238	0.74
4,741,149	J Sainsbury	11,933,472	1.43
28,680,038	Tesco	48,411,904	5.80
12,107,180	Wm Morrison Supermarkets	29,154,089	3.50
	Gas, Water & Multiutilities (5.28%; 2016 1.53%)		
22,003,942	Centrica	44,051,892	5.28
	General Retailers (5.45%; 2016 2.41%)		
3,073,233	Kingfisher	9,241,212	1.11
5,108,133	Marks and Spencer	17,025,407	2.04
9,174,222	Saga	19,192,472	2.30
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Holding or nominal value	Stock description	Market value £	Percentage of total net assets %
	Health Care Equipment & Services (1.03%; 2016 0.00%)		
649,899	Smith & Nephew	8,611,162	1.03
	Household Goods & Home Construction (0.96%; 2016 0.86%)		
6,078,423	Cairn Homes	8,019,344	0.96
	Industrial Metals & Mining (0.00%; 2016 0.06%)		
	Life Insurance (7.98%; 2016 8.80%)		
4,286,174	Aviva	22,545,275	2.70
8,353,122	Legal & General	21,551,055	2.58
2,909,224	Phoenix	22,502,848	2.70
	Media (2.36%; 2016 1.66%)		
2,843,742	Pearson	19,664,476	2.36
	Mining (6.49%; 2016 8.96%)		
737,878	Anglo American	7,555,871	0.90
1,476,428	Barrick Gold	18,083,813	2.17
806,048	BHP Billiton	9,475,094	1.14
692,549	Gold Fields ADR (each representing 1 ordinary share)	1,850,068	0.22
528,009	Goldcorp (US Line)	5,243,709	0.63
4,338,220	Hochschild Mining	11,895,399	1.43
	Mobile Telecommunications (1.84%; 2016 2.10%)		
7,059,350	Vodafone	15,368,205	1.84
	Oil & Gas Producers (15.50%; 2016 18.44%)		
14,572,639	BP	64,527,646	7.74
7,581,207	Cairn Energy	13,039,676	1.56
15,702,645	Enquest	4,985,590	0.60
2,036,383	Royal Dutch Shell class 'B' shares	42,000,399	5.04
3,094,486	Tullow Oil	4,660,296	0.56
	Pharmaceuticals & Biotechnology (2.53%; 2016 1.66%)		
847,079	GlaxoSmithKline	13,845,506	1.66
6,026,639	PureTech Health	7,231,967	0.87
	Real Estate Investment & Services (0.00%; 2016 0.00%)		
3,617,278	Speymill Deutsche Immobilien*	-	-
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as at 30 June 2017

Holding or nominal value	Stock description	Market value £	Percentage of total net assets %
	Software & Computer Services (0.49%; 2016 0.00%)		
118,798	Sohu.com	4,118,306	0.49
	Support Services (4.31%; 2016 5.43%)		
2,872,285	Electrocomponents	16,558,723	1.99
7,083,728	Rentokil Initial	19,352,745	2.32
	Technology Hardware & Equipment (0.94%; 2016 0.94%)		
3,361,393	Laird	4,638,722	0.56
1,026,783	Telit Communications	3,198,429	0.38
	Travel & Leisure (9.50%; 2016 5.61%)		
6,484,490	888.com	16,551,661	1.99
13,536,917	FirstGroup	17,002,368	2.04
2,941,480	International Consolidated Airlines	17,928,321	2.15
1,752,627	Ryanair	27,701,002	3.32
	NON-EQUITY INVESTMENT INSTRUMENTS (3.38%; 2016 0.67%)		
20,110	Goldman Sachs Euro Liquidity Reserve Fund	17,658	-
28,218,417	Goldman Sachs Sterling Liquidity Reserve Fund	28,218,417	3.38
8	Goldman Sachs US Dollar Liquidity Reserve Fund	6	-
	Portfolio of investments	825,386,376	98.99
	Net current assets	8,430,700	1.01
	Total net assets	833,817,076	100.00

Unless otherwise stated, all investments are approved securities being either officially listed in a member state or traded on or under the rules of an eligible securities market.

All investments are in ordinary shares unless otherwise stated.

\*Delisted security and is therefore valued at the ACD's best assessment.

Comparative figures show percentages for each sector category at 31 December 2016.

### Statement of total return (unaudited)

for the period from 1 January 2017 to 30 June 2017

		30 June 2017		30 June 2016
	£	£	£	£
Income				
Net capital gains/(losses)		13,887,752		(7,411,357)
Revenue	16,261,675		12,694,395	
Expenses	(2,172,021)		(1,332,267)	
Interest payable and similar charges	(931)		(930)	
Net revenue before taxation	14,088,723		11,361,198	
Taxation	220,481		(128,924)	
Net revenue after taxation		14,309,204		11,232,274
Total return before distributions		28,196,956		3,820,917
Distributions		(14,309,256)		(11,231,735)
Change in net assets attributable to				
shareholders from investment activities		13,887,700		(7,410,818)

### Statement of change in net assets attributable to shareholders (unaudited)

for the period from 1 January 2017 to 30 June 2017				
		30 June 2017		30 June 2016
	£	£	£	£
Opening net assets attributable to				
shareholders		839,109,809		625,562,415
Amounts received on issue of shares	11,047,928		22,422,595	
Amounts paid on cancellation of shares	(43,591,382)		(13,201,048)	
	<u>_</u>	(32,543,454)		9,221,547
Dilution adjustment		110,521		127,238
Stamp duty reserve tax		(30)		6,051
Change in net assets attributable to				
shareholders from investment activities		13,887,700		(7,410,818)
Retained distribution on accumulation shares		13,252,530		10,826,942
Closing net assets attributable to shareholders		833,817,076		638,333,375

There have been no recognised gains or losses in the period other than those shown in the statement above.

Section 3.30 of the IMA SORP requires comparative figures for the above statement. For interim financial statements this will result in closing comparative net assets not being equal to net assets at the start of the current period as these are not consecutive periods.

# Balance sheet (unaudited)

	30 June 2017		31	December 2016
	£	£	£	£
Assets				
Fixed assets				
Investments		825,386,376		830,867,034
Current assets				
Debtors	7,054,808		1,541,420	
Cash and bank balances	10,322,441		7,297,020	
Total other assets		17,377,249		8,838,440
Total assets		842,763,625		839,705,474
Liabilities				
Creditors				
Distribution payable	(522,401)		(238,216)	
Other creditors	(8,424,148)		(357,449)	
Total other liabilities		(8,946,549)		(595,665)
Total liabilities		(8,946,549)		(595,665)
Net assets attributable to shareholders		833,817,076		839,109,809

### Majedie UK Smaller Companies Fund

#### **Investment report**

#### Sub-fund objectives and policy

The sub-fund aims to maximise total return and to outperform the Numis Smaller Companies plus AIM (ex Investment Companies) Total Return over the long term through investment in a portfolio of UK equities predominantly within that index.

The sub-fund will invest in shares of smaller companies principally within the UK that in the ACD's opinion have good prospects and are at a reasonable valuation.

#### Performance and Financial Review

During the first six months of 2017 the sub-fund returned 11.3% (Class B Accumulation shares, gross of fees) compared to a return of 11.6% from its benchmark, the Numis Smaller Companies plus AIM (excluding Investment Companies) Index.

UK small companies performed strongly in the first half of 2017 with on-going stimulative global monetary policy and robust momentum in world-wide stock markets. We are experiencing one of the longest periods of economic expansion and positive stock market performance on record. Growth shares among smaller companies are being particularly well rewarded, despite often having immature business models and very unclear medium-term sustainability. Valuations therefore appear expensive relative to both history and company fundamentals in many cases. Your sub-fund has a greater value bias.

Small company shares are more domestically exposed than the more overseas oriented FTSE 100. However, British businesses and financial markets have a long history of engaging internationally to provide adequate growth opportunities. As a result, by 2016 approximately 42% of sales from the companies forming the bottom 10% of the UK stock market are generated overseas. The sub-fund has much higher exposure, approximately 62%. The snap UK general election result has raised the risk of further political turbulence, whilst the departure from the European Union, our largest trading partner, is negotiated. The drivers of longer-term smaller company outperformance, such as having greater scope for material growth, are not at risk.

The UK consumer and the domestic economy has been more resilient for longer than we expected. Consumer confidence has held up, despite an emerging inflationary squeeze on incomes due to currency effects, limp wage inflation and an uncertain political environment; the saving ratio is at extremely low levels. The Bank of England and the government have provided a super-supportive policy backdrop with extremely low interest rates, limited 'austerity', despite the popular narrative with debt/GDP at 85% and an on-going budget deficit, and a helpful corporate tax environment. Unemployment, a key determinant for confidence, remains at very low levels relative to history. We expect a combination of on-going monetary and even higher levels of fiscal support than in recent years, although the scope for spending largesse and meaningful additional monetary measures is now constrained. We therefore remain cautious on the domestic outlook with emerging indications of reduced consumer credit availability, slowing housing markets and a much reduced 'output gap'.

The number of holdings reduced as we further concentrated our exposures. Resources investments weakened after a strong 2016, representing approximately 20% of the sub-fund, focused mainly in oil, gold, diamonds, copper, and also uranium. We have low levels of domestic economic UK exposure, particularly Real Estate and Financial Services, where we are underweight the benchmark. We continue to hold no exposure to traditional house-builders. Our domestic holdings are largely defensive in nature or reliant on internal self-help to improve returns. Where positions do have clear cyclical exposure, our 'margin of safety' in the valuation is significant. Biotechnology continues as a large underweight where current valuations do not reflect the early stage of many drug pipelines and the historic delays to development. We remain overweight Technology where we are focused on software and services companies with strong histories of cash generation and steady growth, rather than the less-proven, emergent internet-based businesses which generally appear over-valued.

The sub-fund benefited further from the strong performance of Coats Group, the world leader in thread manufacture, Conviviality, a leading UK alcoholic drinks distributor, and SDL, a world leader in corporate translation software and services. Aminex made a material gas discovery during the period and our re-financing of the company last year was rewarded with significant share price performance. Performance detractors clustered in the Resources sector: Cairn Energy and Ophir Energy were both weak during a fallow period of project newsflow and weaker oil prices. Gem Diamonds, Shanta Gold and Berkeley Energia were also all weak, and we have added further to these significantly undervalued assets.

The portfolio's holdings are overall more robustly financed than the average UK small company. Our domestic exposures include companies that are very defensive such as Caretech, the care-home provider, Accrol, the loo-roll manufacturer and Restore, the document storage provider. A number of our recovery holdings should progress their plans to improve their medium-term returns such as RPS, the environmental consultancy and Chemring, the defence equipment supplier. We continue to find new opportunities, such as Photo-Me International, despite frothy markets and look forward to the deployment of your capital in our goal to achieve above average, risk-adjusted returns.

### **Performance tables**

Share Class	Shares in Issue	Net Asset Value of Fund	Net Asset Value
	in issue	of Fund £	per Share#
Net Asset Value at 30 June 2017		Ľ.	(p)
A Accumulation Shares	157,959	486,226	307.82
B Accumulation Shares	145,301,697	500,838,313	344.69
Net Asset Value at 31 December 2016			
A Accumulation Shares	157,959	438,091	277.35
B Accumulation Shares	150,089,490	463,824,560	309.03
Net Asset Value at 31 December 2015			
A Accumulation Shares	148,138	387,023	261.26
B Accumulation Shares	154,406,458	445,900,309	288.78
Net Asset Value at 31 December 2014			
A Accumulation Shares	137,357	330,558	240.66
B Accumulation Shares	152,026,952	401,171,726	263.88
#Represents the closing BID price for valuatio	n purposes in accordance with the IMA S	SORP.	
Interim Distribution 1 January 2017 to 30 Ju	une 2017 (payable 31 August 2017)		
		30 June 2017	30 June 2016
Share Class		Per Share (p)	Per Share (p)
A Accumulation Shares		2.1534	2.5745
B Accumulation Shares		4.0967	3.9787

#### **Risk and Reward Profile**

The sub-fund invests in equities, which can provide higher returns over the medium to long term. However, such returns may be subject to greater rises and falls in the short term than investing in lower risk assets. The sub-fund invests in smaller companies, which may be financially weaker and less well established than larger companies. Therefore, they are generally a higher risk investment than larger companies. The sub-fund's Synthetic Risk and Reward Indicator is 5 on a scale of 1 (lower) to 7 (higher).

It should be noted that past performance is not a guide to future performance and the value of your investment may go down as well as up meaning you may not get back your initial investment.

### **Summary of Material Portfolio Changes**

The table below shows the top ten purchases and sales for the period:

Purchases	£	Sales	£
Photo-Me	9,181,861	Coats	7,800,353
Petra Diamonds	4,623,022	LivaNova	6,610,361
Hochschild Mining	4,223,022	Centamin	5,780,177
Novae	3,874,117	Acacia Mining	5,386,150
Nostrum Oil & Gas	3,836,013	Homeserve	5,166,818
Mothercare	3,817,762	Exova	5,157,125
Spirent Communications	3,604,981	Vesuvius	5,067,149
КСОМ	3,301,896	ITE	5,060,402
DFS Furniture	3,296,583	Scapa	4,808,099
Essentra	3,076,120	Vectura	4,710,166

# **Operating Charges figure**

Share Class	30 June 2017 (Annualised)	31 December 2016
A Accumulation Shares	1.02%	1.03%
B Accumulation Shares	0.02%	0.03%

The Operating Charges figure represents the annual operating expenses of the sub-fund expressed as a percentage of average net assets for the period. The Operating Charges figure includes the Manager's periodic charge and all charges which are deducted directly from the sub-fund. The Operating Charges figure is expressed as an annual percentage rate.

### Portfolio statement (unaudited)

as at 30 June 2017			
Holding or nominal value	Stock description	Market value £	Percentage of total net assets %
	EQUITIES (95.63%; 2016 96.55%)		70
	Aerospace & Defence (1.88%; 2016 1.70%)		
5,089,593	Chemring	9,415,747	1.88
	Banks (1.16%; 2016 1.21%)		
293,964	Secure Trust Bank	5,805,789	1.16
	Beverages (0.72%; 2016 0.51%)		
2,136,930	Stock Spirits	3,627,439	0.72
	Chemicals (0.00%; 2016 1.78%)		
	Construction & Materials (4.61%; 2016 3.93%)		
5,859,111	Accsys Technologies	4,511,515	0.90
2,362,306	Balfour Beatty	6,385,313	1.27
414,464	Keller	3,636,922	0.73
191,618	Morgan Sindall	2,374,147	0.47
3,239,703	Volution	6,187,833	1.24
	Electricity (0.33%; 2016 0.69%)		
3,527,566	OPG Power Ventures	1,657,956	0.33
	Electronic & Electrical Equipment (0.54%; 2016 0.99%)		
260,006	Oxford Instruments	2,722,263	0.54
	Equity Investment Instruments (0.40%; 2016 0.64%)		
635,664	Gresham House	2,021,412	0.40
	Financial Services (4.86%; 2016 4.03%)		
823,076	Charles Stanley	2,921,920	0.58
1,284,528	Mortgage Advice Bureau	5,138,112	1.03
2,726,191	TP ICAP	12,725,860	2.54
1,757,230	Tungsten	1,124,627	0.22
1,507,104	Xafinity	2,452,812	0.49
	Fixed Line Telecommunications (1.70%; 2016 1.21%)		
9,582,000	КСОМ	8,527,980	1.70
	Food & Drug Retailers (1.93%; 2016 1.97%)		
3,147,226	Conviviality	9,654,116	1.93
	Food Producers (1.23%; 2016 1.99%)		
376,322	Hotel Chocolat	1,324,653	0.26
676,795	M.P. Evans	4,839,084	0.97

Holding or nominal value	Stock description	Market value £	Percentage of total net assets %
	General Industrials (3.55%; 2016 4.87%)		
19,817,368	Coats	15,447,638	3.08
445,601	Vesuvius	2,361,685	0.47
	General Retailers (2.67%; 2016 1.11%)		
2,275,686	Carpetright	4,164,505	0.83
1,274,325	DFS Furniture	2,615,552	0.52
3,193,965	Mothercare	3,673,060	0.74
6,053,177	Vertu Motors	2,920,658	0.58
	Health Care Equipment & Services (1.46%; 2016 2.20%)		
1,702,200	CareTech Holdings	7,302,438	1.46
	Household Goods & Home Construction (1.05%; 2016 0.91%)		
3,396,012	Accrol	5,263,819	1.05
	Leisure Goods (1.79%; 2016 0.00%)		
5,444,816	Photo-Me	8,983,946	1.79
	Media (5.95%; 2016 7.06%)		
3,078,575	Bloomsbury Publishing	5,095,042	1.02
2,515,586	ITE	3,867,713	0.77
5,290,164	Johnston Press	740,623	0.15
1,368,526	STV	5,200,399	1.04
1,245,606	Tarsus	3,450,329	0.69
9,089,934	Trinity Mirror	8,885,410	1.77
902,233	YouGov	2,571,364	0.51
	Mining (9.39%; 2016 10.08%)		
4,325,097	Atalaya Mining	5,060,363	1.01
9,296,593	Berkeley Energia	3,811,603	0.76
1,602,661	Centamin	2,479,317	0.50
2,089,342	Central Asia Metals	4,591,329	0.92
21,857,233	Diamondcorp*	-	-
6,547,664	Gem Diamonds	5,974,743	1.19
3,829,229	Hochschild Mining	10,499,746	2.09
11,997,112	Hummingbird Resources	3,149,242	0.63
1,622,474	Kenmare Resources	4,007,511	0.80
2,446,809	Leyshon Resources*	-	-
22,831,802	Norseman Gold*	-	-
3,587,269	Petra Diamonds	3,913,710	0.78
44,531,949	Shanta Gold	2,115,268	0.42
16,701,808	Sylvania Platinum	1,461,408	0.29
	Non-Life Insurance (1.15%; 2016 0.48%)		
1,013,953	Novae	5,779,532	1.15

Holding or nominal	Stock description	Market value	Percentage of total net
value		£	assets %
			70
	Oil & Gas Producers (8.79%; 2016 9.39%)	0.007.404	
13,354,387	Amerisur Resources	2,637,491	0.53
205,544,019	Aminex	6,166,321	1.23
3,638,086	Cairn Energy	6,257,508	1.25
5,076,468	Genel Energy	4,188,086	0.83
1,766,866	Nostrum Oil & Gas	8,503,926	1.70
12,445,295	Ophir Energy	10,485,161	2.09
18,447,832	Rockhopper Exploration	4,150,762	0.83
3,659,860	Victoria Oil & Gas	1,683,536	0.33
	Oil Equipment, Services & Distribution (1.38%; 2016 0.95%)		
6,767,137	Lamprell	6,902,480	1.38
	Pharmaceuticals & Biotechnology (0.85%; 2016 1.95%)		
2,075,760	Horizon Discovery	4,255,308	0.85
4 0 4 0 7 7 7	Real Estate Investment & Services (2.81%; 2016 4.65%)	7 169 105	1 4 2
4,049,777	Conygar Investment Company	7,168,105 1,918,838	1.43
33,371,095	Dolphin Capital Investors		0.38
582,114 9,023,019	Purplebricks	2,524,919	0.50
952,462	Speymill Deutsche Immobilien* Urban&Civic	- 2,495,450	- 0.50
332,402		2,493,430	0.50
	Real Estate Investment Trusts (1.22%; 2016 0.00%)		
10,329,176	Real Estate Investors	6,094,214	1.22
	Software & Computer Services (9.30%; 2016 7.47%)		
932,640	Alfa Financial Software	4,315,792	0.86
5,232,342	Eckoh	2,433,039	0.49
409,728	EMIS	3,763,352	0.75
297,797	Fidessa	6,896,979	1.38
2,533,362	Gresham Technologies	4,002,712	0.80
1,638,662	NCC	2,679,212	0.53
3,411,292	RM	5,833,309	1.16
1,955,172	SDL	12,102,515	2.41
5,807,614	Tribal	4,588,015	0.92
	Support Services (15.60%; 2016 17.46%)		
798,534	Biffa	1,762,764	0.35
2,313,328	Charles Taylor	5,274,388	1.05
6,905,487	Communisis	3,418,216	0.68
928,518	De La Rue	6,193,215	1.24
5,088,074	Equiniti	12,694,745	2.53
1,106,508	Essentra	6,229,640	1.24
9,725,762	Renewi	8,023,754	1.60
2,207,688	Restore	10,022,904	2.00
4,129,336	RPS	10,808,537	2.16
1,324,547	RWS	5,016,722	1.00
10,962,513	Speedy Hire	6,358,258	1.27

as at 30 June 2017

Holding or nominal value	Stock description	Market value £	Percentage of total net assets %
	Technology Hardware & Equipment (2.71%; 2016 1.91%)		
3,049,953	Imagination Technologies	4,674,053	0.93
7,658,928	Spirent Communications	8,941,798	1.78
	Travel & Leisure (6.60%; 2016 5.41%)		
4,235,007	888.com	10,809,855	2.16
1,626,567	Comptoir	374,110	0.07
19,713,708	fastjet	3,745,605	0.75
2,682,208	fastjet warrants 31/7/2021	75,102	0.01
2,153,448	Goals Soccer Centres	2,304,189	0.46
1,082,859	Patisserie	3,806,249	0.76
5,053,050	Rank	11,985,835	2.39
	NON-EQUITY INVESTMENT INSTRUMENTS (2.63%; 2016 1.47%)		
13,151,323	Goldman Sachs Sterling Liquidity Reserve Fund (Cash)	13,151,323	2.63
796,300	XL TG class 'A' shares*	-	-
	UNITED KINGDOM FIXED RATE INSTRUMENTS (0.00%; 2016 0.24%)		
1,126,476	Diamondcorp 14% Bonds 31/12/2018*	-	-
	Portfolio of investments	492,582,139	98.26
	Net current assets	8,742,400	1.74
	Total net assets	501,324,539	100.00

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<sup>†</sup>Security listed on AIM.

All investments are in ordinary shares unless otherwise stated.

\*Delisted security and is therefore valued at the ACD's best assessment.

Comparative figures show percentages for each sector category at 31 December 2016.

### Statement of total return (unaudited)

for the period from 1 January 2017 to 30 June 2017

	30 June 2017		30 June 2016	
	£	£	£	£
Income				
Net capital gains/(losses)		47,068,726		(37,557,016)
Revenue	6,112,527		6,096,254	
Expenses	(60,754)		(61,569)	
Net revenue before taxation	6,051,773		6,034,685	
Taxation	316		(41,856)	
Net revenue after taxation		6,052,089		5,992,829
Total return before distributions		53,120,815		(31,564,187)
Distributions		(6,052,089)		(5,992,829)
Change in net assets attributable to				
shareholders from investment activities		47,068,726		(37,557,016)

#### Statement of change in net assets attributable to shareholders (unaudited)

for the period from 1 January 2017 to 30 June 2017

		30 June 2017		30 June 2016
	£	£	£	£
Opening net assets attributable to				
shareholders		464,262,651		446,287,332
Amounts received on issue of shares	11,343,396		15,083,323	
Amounts paid on cancellation of shares	(27,624,814)		(27,384,869)	
		(16,281,418)		(12,301,546)
Dilution adjustment		318,659		424,114
Stamp duty reserve tax		(13)		(116)
Change in net assets attributable to				
shareholders from investment activities		47,068,726		(37,557,016)
Retained distribution on accumulation shares		5,955,934		5,985,647
Closing net assets attributable				
to shareholders		501,324,539		402,838,415

There have been no recognised gains or losses in the period other than those shown in the statement above.

Section 3.30 of the IMA SORP requires comparative figures for the above statement. For interim financial statements this will result in closing comparative net assets not being equal to net assets at the start of the current period as these are not consecutive periods.

# Balance sheet (unaudited)

as at 30 June 2017				
	£	30 June 2017 £	31 £	December 2016 £
Assets	2	2	2	2
Fixed assets				
Investment assets		492,582,139		456,202,481
Current assets				
Debtors	1,257,206		4,898,622	
Cash and bank balances	9,941,033		3,309,728	
Total other assets		11,198,239		8,208,350
Total assets		503,780,378		464,410,831
Liabilities				
Creditors				
Other creditors	(2,455,839)		(148,180)	
Total other liabilities		(2,455,839)		(148,180)
Total liabilities		(2,455,839)		(148,180)
Net assets attributable to shareholders		501,324,539		464,262,651

# Majedie UK Income Fund

#### **Investment report**

#### Sub-fund objectives and policy

The sub-fund aims to maintain an attractive yield, whilst outperforming the FTSE All-Share Index over the long term. At least 80% of the net asset value of the sub-fund will be invested in UK equities.

The Managers intend to pursue this objective by holding a high conviction portfolio of equity investments, selected by the Managers on the basis of detailed fundamental and macroeconomic analysis.

#### Performance and Financial Review

During the first half of 2017, the sub-fund returned +4.9% (Class X Accumulation shares net of fees) against a benchmark return of +5.5%.

Our holding in the alternative asset manager, Man Group, was the biggest contributor to performance over this period, as it recovered from the negative sentiment it experienced in the second half of 2016. That sentiment was driven by the poor performance of some of their funds, which impacted performance fees; it appeared the sell-off was overdone. Underlying this, Man Group's management have continued to improve their business and the company still has a very strong net cash balance sheet, giving the ability to do further deals and diversify the business. We also saw continued strong performance from International Airlines Group aided by a weaker oil price whilst valuations remain at generational lows.

Pearson was the principal negative performance driver during this period following its profit warning in January, when it withdrew previous 2018 guidance and rebased the dividend. The primary cause was weaker than anticipated trading in the US higher education division driven by declines in enrolments, a textbook inventory correction in the retail channel, and the adverse impact of textbook rentals. In response, Pearson announced comprehensive measures to dispose of more businesses, cut costs, accelerate its digital transformation, cut its digital rental pricing and establish its own textbook rental partner model – all of which we believe is the right strategy. We have retained the position.

Oil & Gas shares, including our holding in BP, have generally experienced a weak half following a very strong relative performance in Q4 2016 as a consequence of the OPEC deal. This was driven by weakness in the oil price, which we had anticipated in during the first six months but which we believe should improve in the coming months. BP announced a number of small acquisitions along with its full year results which have increased its cash breakeven oil price for 2017, although this should fall materially in 2018 as new products come online. We also hold International Airlines Group, which benefits from the depressed oil price and has partially offset the weak performance from our oil and gas holdings.

Our biggest sector positions are Financials, which makes up approximately 40% of the Fund's NAV, and Oil & Gas which now constitute approximately 20% of the Fund's NAV. These are the two sectors in which we see the most value at present. We believe there is a lot of cost cutting and technology-enabled process change in those sectors. In general, we continue to favour the large-cap part of the market over the mid-caps, because, at this relatively late stage in the economic cycle, we believe the larger companies have more potential for operational improvement via cost cutting and technology enabled process change than smaller companies (which have already made the necessary changes) and, once made more efficient, should be able to re-exert economies of scale advantage.

### **Performance tables**

Share Class	Shares in Issue	Net Asset Value of Fund	Net Asset Value per Share#
	IIIIssue	£	•
Net Asset Value at 30 June 2017		L	(q)
A Income Shares	427,223	707,517	165.61
B Accumulation Shares	1,072,896	2,343,713	218.45
X Income Shares	501,202,322	774,086,464	154.45
X Accumulation Shares	54,358,553	104,318,007	191.91
Net Asset Value at 31 December 2016			
A Income Shares	447,238	729,497	163.11
B Accumulation Shares	1,072,896	2,236,086	208.42
X Income Shares	558,396,148	846,238,420	151.55
X Accumulation Shares	62,612,327	114,500,173	182.87
Net Asset Value at 31 December 2015			
A Income Shares	998,177	1,608,227	161.12
B Accumulation Shares	1,582,007	3,080,660	194.73
X Income Shares	629,441,928	935,016,200	148.55
X Accumulation Shares	85,921,364	146,444,940	170.44
Net Asset Value at 31 December 2014			
A Income Shares	116,448,386	188,700,883	162.05
B Accumulation Shares	1,491,733	2,783,245	186.58
X Income Shares	304,644,700	451,810,287	148.31
X Accumulation Shares	32,827,675	53,482,305	162.92

#Represents the closing BID price for valuation purposes in accordance with the IMA SORP.

Interim Distribution 1 January 2017 to 30 June 2017 (payable 31 August 2017)			
	30 June 2017	30 June 2016	
Share Class	Per Share (p)	Per Share (p)	
A Income Shares	4.9646	4.5207	
B Accumulation Shares	6.3448	5.4737	
X Income Shares	4.6172	4.1767	
X Accumulation Shares	5.5710	4.7948	

#### **Risk and Reward Profile**

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It should be noted that past performance is not a guide to future performance and the value of your investment may go down as well as up meaning you may not get back your initial investment.

### **Summary of Material Portfolio Changes**

The table below shows the top ten purchases and sales for the period:

Purchases	£	Sales	£
HSBC	50,916,494	Delta Lloyd	33,129,702
Royal Dutch Shell class 'A' shares	23,179,489	GlaxoSmithKline	27,311,075
Marks and Spencer	14,139,791	Tate & Lyle	19,271,983
Lloyds Banking	13,732,473	Bovis Homes	13,469,801
Centrica	10,639,369	Admiral	13,048,827
International Consolidated Airlines	9,804,478	Imperial Brands	11,411,586
Roche Holding	7,943,692	Legal & General	10,783,259
Lundin Mining	6,851,321	Swisscom	10,404,039
BT	6,546,533	Aviva	10,388,417
South32	6,094,399	Lancashire	10,275,200

# **Operating Charges figure**

Share Class	30 June 2017 (Annualised)	31 December 2016
A Income Shares	1.52%	1.52%
B Accumulation Shares	1.02%	1.02%
X Income Shares	0.77%	0.77%
X Accumulation Shares	0.77%	0.77%

The Operating Charges figure represents the annual operating expenses of the sub-fund expressed as a percentage of average net assets for the period. The Operating Charges figure includes the Manager's periodic charge and all charges which are deducted directly from the sub-fund. The Operating Charges figure is expressed as an annual percentage rate.

# Portfolio statement (unaudited)

Holding or nominal value	Stock description	Market value £	Percentage of total net assets %
	EQUITIES (98.63%; 2016 98.97%)		
	Aerospace & Defence (1.20%; 2016 1.14%)		
5,696,469	Chemring	10,538,468	1.20
	Banks (9.74%; 2016 2.65%)		
8,807,384	HSBC	62,682,152	7.11
20,632,050	Lloyds Banking	13,648,101	1.55
50,667,742	Piraeus Bank	9,520,917	1.08
	Electricity (2.00%; 2016 1.73%)		
1,211,903	SSE	17,608,950	2.00
	Electronic & Electrical Equipment (1.31%; 2016 1.52%)		
547,164	HollySys Automation Technologies	6,988,299	0.79
1,216,005	Xaar	4,572,179	0.52
	Financial Services (5.33%; 2016 5.25%)		
6,443,312	Ashmore	22,738,448	2.58
15,646,414	Man Group	24,205,002	2.75
	Fixed Line Telecommunications (0.00%; 2016 1.12%)		
	Food Producers (1.41%; 2016 2.85%)		
950,722	Marine Harvest	12,468,457	1.41
	Gas, Water & Multiutilities (5.72%; 2016 4.71%)		
16,211,529	Centrica	32,455,481	3.68
1,883,940	National Grid	17,927,573	2.04
	General Retailers (3.70%; 2016 2.60%)		
4,748,638	Game Digital	997,214	0.11
5,143,564	Marks and Spencer	17,143,499	1.94
6,930,516	Saga	14,498,639	1.65
	Household Goods & Home Construction (0.00%; 2016 1.86%)		
	Industrial Metals & Mining (2.04%; 2016 0.88%)		
1,560,641	Lundin Mining	6,762,670	0.77
7,037,974	South32	11,190,379	1.27
	Leisure Goods (0.50%; 2016 0.42%)		
2,668,824	Photo-Me	4,403,560	0.50

Holding or nominal value	Stock description	Market value £	Percentage of total net assets %
	Life Insurance (18.90%; 2016 21.48%)		
10,578,375	Aviva	55,642,252	6.31
24,375,661	Legal & General	62,889,205	7.13
6,218,087	Phoenix	48,096,903	5.46
	Media (5.10%; 2016 5.46%)		
728,102	M&C Saatchi	2,413,658	0.27
5,607,477	Pearson	38,775,703	4.40
3,874,005	Trinity Mirror	3,786,840	0.43
	Mining (4.53%; 2016 4.38%)		
11,248,286	Centamin	17,401,098	1.97
2,919,884	Central Asia Metals	6,416,445	0.73
1,377,570	Hochschild Mining	3,777,297	0.43
4,999,539	Kenmare Resources	12,348,861	1.40
	Mobile Telecommunications (1.77%; 2016 1.45%)		
7,153,010	Vodafone	15,572,103	1.77
	Non-Life Insurance (4.17%; 2016 5.75%)		
867,988	Admiral	17,377,120	1.97
5,451,017	Direct Line	19,372,914	2.20
	Oil & Gas Producers (17.88%%; 2016 16.77%)		
14,016,326	BP	62,064,291	7.04
5,938,294	Cairn Energy	10,213,866	1.16
10,014,353	Genel Energy	8,261,841	0.94
12,847,520	Ophir Energy	10,824,036	1.23
42,397	Royal Dutch Shell class 'A' shares	862,779	0.10
2,731,223	Royal Dutch Shell class 'B' shares	56,331,474	6.39
7,746,374	SOCO International	9,043,892	1.02
	Oil Equipment, Services & Distribution (0.19%; 2016 0.56%)		
1,673,983	Lamprell	1,707,463	0.19
	Pharmaceuticals & Biotechnology (1.73%; 2016 3.51%)		
77,658	Roche Holding	15,238,810	1.73
24,506,959	Real Estate Investment & Services (0.16%; 2016 0.21%) Dolphin Capital Investors	1,409,150	0.16
6,161,769	Real Estate Investment Trusts (1.17%; 2016 1.02%) LondonMetric Property	10,308,639	1.17
14,033,961	Support Services (0.92%; 2016 2.04%) Speedy Hire	8,139,697	0.92

as at 30 June 2017

Holding or nominal value	Stock description	Market value £	Percentage of total net assets %
	Technology Hardware & Equipment (0.48%; 2016 0.66%)		
2,761,406	Imagination Technologies	4,231,855	0.48
	Tobacco (1.92%; 2016 2.91%)		
490,187	Imperial Brands	16,904,099	1.92
	Travel & Leisure (6.76%; 2016 6.04%)		
8,587,022	888.com	21,918,374	2.48
527,865	Hostelworld	1,830,372	0.21
5,159,596	International Consolidated Airlines	31,447,738	3.57
281,933	World Wrestling Entertainment	4,419,074	0.50
	NON-EQUITY INVESTMENT INSTRUMENTS (2.50%; 2016 2.71%)		
22,075,538	Goldman Sachs Sterling Liquidity Reserve Fund (cash)	22,075,538	2.50
	Portfolio of investments	891,453,375	101.13
	Net current liabilities	(9,997,674)	(1.13)
	Total net assets	881,455,701	100.00

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All investments are in ordinary shares unless otherwise stated.

Comparative figures show percentages for each sector category at 31 December 2016.

## Statement of total return (unaudited)

for the period from 1 January 2017 to 30 June 2017

	30 June 2017		30 June 2016	
	£	£	£	£
Income				
Net capital gains/(losses)		21,951,440		(79,315,495)
Revenue	27,391,859		31,144,609	
Expenses	(3,592,329)		(4,063,143)	
Interest payable and similar charges	(5,282)		(70,598)	
Net revenue before taxation	23,794,248		27,010,868	
Taxation	13,701		(275,803)	
Net revenue after taxation		23,807,949		26,735,065
Total return before distributions		45,759,389		(52,580,430)
Distributions		(27,395,581)		(30,798,208)
Change in net assets attributable to				
shareholders from investment activities		18,363,808		(83,378,638)

### Statement of change in net assets attributable to shareholders (unaudited)

for the period from 1 January 2017 to 30 June 2017				
		30 June 2017		30 June 2016
	£	£	£	£
Opening net assets attributable to				
shareholders		963,704,176		1,086,150,027
Amounts received on issue of shares	21,681,634		64,803,844	
Amounts paid on cancellation of shares	(125,632,647)		(74,627,350)	
		(103,951,013)		(9,823,506)
Dilution adjustment		242,343		396,933
Change in net assets attributable to				
shareholders from investment activities		18,363,808		(83,378,638)
Retained distribution on accumulation shares		3,096,387		3,733,935
Closing net assets attributable				
to shareholders		881,455,701		997,078,751

There have been no recognised gains or losses in the period other than those shown in the statement above.

Section 3.30 of the IMA SORP requires comparative figures for the above statement. For interim financial statements this will result in closing comparative net assets not being equal to net assets at the start of the current period as these are not consecutive periods.

# Balance sheet (unaudited)

as at 30 June 2017				
		30 June 2017	31	December 2016
	£	£	£	£
Assets				
Fixed assets				
Investments		891,453,375		979,874,556
Current assets				
Debtors	17,456,622		2,265,937	
Cash and bank balances	65,062			
Total other assets		17,521,684		2,265,937
Total assets		908,975,059		982,140,493
Liabilities				
Creditors				
Bank overdrafts	(742)		(323)	
Distribution payable	(23,162,874)		(17,324,109)	
Other creditors	(4,355,742)		(1,111,885)	
Total other liabilities		(27,519,358)		(18,436,317)
Total liabilities		(27,519,358)		(18,436,317)
Net assets attributable to shareholders		881,455,701		963,704,176

## Majedie Tortoise Fund

### **Investment report**

### Sub-fund objectives and policy

The sub-fund aims to achieve positive absolute returns in all market conditions over rolling three year periods with less volatility than a conventional long-only equity fund. An absolute return is not guaranteed and the sub-fund may experience periods of negative return. The sub-fund can offer no guarantee of a return of capital originally invested.

The sub-fund will primarily seek to achieve its objective by investment in a concentrated portfolio of long positions in equities and using derivatives to take synthetic short positions. The sub-fund will invest primarily in equity securities listed on eligible markets located in EEA Member States, Australia, Canada, Hong Kong, Japan, New Zealand, Switzerland or the United States of America. However, the sub-fund may invest in equity securities of companies incorporated anywhere in the world.

### Performance and Financial Review

The Majedie Tortoise Fund (the sub-fund) returned -8.6% (Class A Accumulation shares, net of fees) during H1 2017 (-2.6% in Q1 and - 6.2% in Q2). Since inception on 24 February 2012 the sub-fund is now up 26.2% (class A Accumulation shares, net of fees).

The gross exposure of the sub-fund decreased over the first half, from 134% to 92%. Net exposure adjusted for Beta decreased from +16% to -11%. Gross and adjusted net exposures decreased due to a scaling down of both the long and short books, along with a material reduction in the number of longs. The long Mining position was shifted from industrial metals towards gold, and the long Energy position was pared back to focus just on a few smaller companies, with the majors sold.

The biggest contributors to performance in the first six months were some good stock specific showings from the Mining company, Kaz Minerals, the Italian bank, Unione di Banche Italiane, the Chinese car manufacturer, Geely Automobile Holdings and the Chinese appliance manufacturer, Haier Group, on the long side, along with short positions in the distributor, WW Grainger, and the retailer, L Brands.

The biggest detractors from sub-fund performance in the first half were long positions in energy-related companies such as Tullow Oil, Ensco and Diamond Offshore Drilling, along with weakness from Tesco, the Food Retailer, and Goldcorp, the gold Mining company. The sub-fund's short position in Unilever also detracted from performance as the shares rallied after Kraft Heinz's aborted takeover attempt.

To reiterate what we have said in previous reports, we have always been attracted to stocks shunned by other investors, trading at close to all-time low valuations and with well-known problems, since the bar for 'positive surprises' is consequently rather low. Our logic is that if the long-term outlook is poor, then there is reasonable downside protection from their low stock prices; meanwhile if the reality turns out to be so-so, rather than poor, there can be significant upside. On that basis, we have significantly added to the sub-fund's position in gold Mining companies during the first half. The gold Miners we have bought are all trading at low valuations, with significant scope for self-help, but with low expectations as to what they will achieve. Many are de-levering quickly, and will have significantly better balance sheets within a year. We have chosen to diversify our gold position among several Miners in order to reduce exposure to any one country, and therefore manage our exposure to political risks.

On the short side, our philosophy also remains unchanged: we try to look for stocks trading at very high valuations, embedding very positive expectations for the future, where the bar for 'positive surprises' is set at a lofty level. Our thinking is that if things go well for these companies then the upside for the shares should be limited, but if things turn out to be less than excellent, the downside could be significant. With this in mind, in H1 2017 we added new short positions in semiconductor companies, which are making peak margins and are valued at peak multiples, implying that the market expects continuing blue skies. The nature of the industry (very high fixed costs, many layers of inventory) mean that it is intensely cyclical, and we see many signs that we are now close to the top.

In H1 2017 we shifted the positioning of the sub-fund to reflect what we feel is the growing probability of a recession. We have tried to focus the long book on defensive companies at low valuations, in areas of the economy that should be able to withstand, and even benefit from, a downturn. Conversely, we have focused the short book on expensive cyclical stocks which would suffer greatly in a recession, along with over-priced pseudo-defensives like Consumer Staples, which are valued as if they are safe, but are in fact facing growing structural threats. Overall the sub-fund remains positioned to benefit from a pick-up in inflation.

### **Performance tables**

Share Class	Shares	Net Asset Value	Net Asset Value
	in Issue	of Fund	per Share#
		(£/\$/€)	(p/¢)
Net Asset Value at 30 June 2017			
A Accumulation (Sterling) Shares	434,685	943,731	217.11
B Accumulation (Sterling) Shares	2,603,876	6,599,749	253.46
C Accumulation (Sterling) Shares	32,416,798	59,010,279	182.04
H Accumulation (US Dollars) Shares	4,806	11,265	234.39
I Accumulation (Euro) Shares	6,054	12,357	204.11
Net Asset Value at 31 December 2016			
A Accumulation (Sterling) Shares	434,685	1,032,477	237.52
B Accumulation (Sterling) Shares	2,576,979	7,057,656	273.87
C Accumulation (Sterling) Shares	26,420,161	52,269,019	197.84
H Accumulation (US Dollars) Shares	4,806	11,614	241.66
I Accumulation (Euro) Shares	6,054	13,777	227.57
Net Asset Value at 31 December 2015			
A Accumulation (Sterling) Shares	434,685	830,238	191.00
B Accumulation (Sterling) Shares	2,357,825	5,064,417	214.79
C Accumulation (Sterling) Shares	16,722,909	26,383,150	157.77
H Accumulation (US Dollars) Shares	4,806	11,097	230.90
I Accumulation (Euro) Shares	6,054	12,782	211.13
Net Asset Value at 31 December 2014			
A Accumulation (Sterling) Shares	427,630	899,198	210.27
B Accumulation (Sterling) Shares	1,920,559	4,444,275	231.41
C Accumulation (Sterling) Shares	15,486,247	26,595,318	171.74
H Accumulation (US Dollars) Shares	4,806	12,773	265.77
I Accumulation (Euro) Shares	6,054	13,210	218.20

#Represents the closing BID price for valuation purposes in accordance with the IMA SORP.

#### Interim Distribution 1 January 2017 to 30 June 2017 (payable 31 August 2017)

	30 June 2017	30 June 2016
Share Class	Per Share (p/¢)	Per Share (p/¢)
A Accumulation (Sterling) Shares	0.0000	0.0000
B Accumulation (Sterling) Shares	0.0000	0.0000
C Accumulation (Sterling) Shares	0.0000	0.0000
H Accumulation (US Dollars) Shares	0.0000	0.0000
I Accumulation (Euro) Shares	0.0000	0.0000

#### **Risk and Reward Profile**

The sub-fund invests in a combination of equities, over the counter contracts for difference (OTC CFDs) and exchange traded options. Equities can provide higher returns over the medium to long term. However, such returns may be subject to greater rises and falls in the short term than investing in lower risk assets. OTC CFDs involve both leverage and counterparty risk and as such higher overall risk.

Exchange traded options involve leverage and as such higher overall risk. In addition leverage can be applied to the overall portfolio; this may magnify the gains or losses on the underlying portfolio. The sub-fund's Synthetic Risk and Reward Indicator is 4 on a scale of 1 (lower) to 7 (higher).

It should be noted that past performance is not a guide to future performance and the value of your investment may go down as well as up meaning you may not get back your initial investment.

### **Summary of Material Portfolio Changes**

The table below shows the top ten purchases and sales for the period:

Purchases	£	Sales	£
Goldcorp (US Line)	2,086,236	Anglo American	2,774,360
Gold Fields ADR	1,688,114	Gazprom ADR	1,572,360
Royal KPN	1,488,817	Standard Chartered	1,466,907
Kingfisher	1,391,880	LUKOIL ADR	1,365,818
AngloGold Ashanti	1,374,853	KAZ Minerals	1,273,211
ВТ	1,272,701	AP Moeller-Maersk	1,235,208
Marks and Spencer	1,195,333	UBI Banca	1,215,333
Sibanye Gold	1,086,389	CNH Industrial	1,186,444
Unicredit	957,345	Barclays	1,155,541
Orange	858,462	Royal Bank of Scotland	1,146,707

### **Operating Charges figure**

Share Class	30 June 2017 (Annualised)	31 December 2016
A Accumulation (Sterling) Shares	2.54%	2.56%
B Accumulation (Sterling) Shares	0.04%	0.06%
C Accumulation (Sterling) Shares	1.54%	1.56%
H Accumulation (US Dollars) Shares	1.54%	1.56%
I Accumulation (Euro) Shares	1.54%	1.56%

The Operating Charges figure represents the annual operating expenses of the sub-fund expressed as a percentage of average net assets for the period - it does not include performance fees. The Operating Charges figure includes the Manager's periodic charge and all charges which are deducted directly from the sub-fund. The Operating Charges figure is expressed as an annual percentage rate.

# Portfolio statement (unaudited)

as at 30 June 2017			
Holding or nominal value	Stock description	Market value £	Percentage of total net assets %
	EQUITIES (46.27%; 2016 67.92%)		
	Automobiles & Parts (0.00%; 2016 0.88%)		
	Banks (1.25%; 2016 9.57%)		
437,705	Alpha Bank	830,173	1.25
	Chemicals (1.20%; 2016 1.62%)		
45,402	Mosaic	797,624	1.20
	Electronic & Electrical Equipment (0.00%; 2016 0.87%)		
	Fixed Line Telecommunications (11.01%; 2016 6.93%)		
410,500	BT	1,209,128	1.82
176,407	Orange	2,150,776	3.23
891,432	Royal KPN	2,192,476	3.29
2,509,540	Telecom Italia	1,779,386	2.67
	Food & Drug Retailers (7.11%; 2016 9.13%)		
534,897	J Sainsbury	1,346,336	2.02
1,037,698	Tesco	1,751,634	2.63
678,483	Wm Morrison Supermarkets	1,633,787	2.46
	General Industrials (0.00%; 2016 0.41%)		
	General Retailers (3.47%; 2016 0.00%)		
409,300	Kingfisher	1,230,765	1.85
324,540	Marks and Spencer	1,081,692	1.62
	Household Goods & Home Construction (0.00%; 2016 0.34%)		
	Industrial Engineering (0.00%; 2016 1.82%)		
	Industrial Metals & Mining (0.00%; 2016 1.28%)		
	Industrial Transportation (0.00%; 2016 3.01%)		
	Leisure Goods (0.00%; 2016 0.88%)		
	Mining (15.96%; 2016 10.94%)		
167,800	Acacia Mining	499,205	0.75
139,885	AngloGold Ashanti	1,051,470	1.58
233,749	Barrick Gold	2,863,041	4.30
500,000	Evolution Mining	708,613	1.06
41,150	Fresnillo	611,489	0.92
582,900	Gold Fields ADR (each representing 1 ordinary share)	1,557,152	2.34
147,550	Goldcorp (US Line)	1,465,334	2.20
64,400	Minas Buenaventura sponsored ADR (each representing 1 preference share)	569,657	0.86
56,675	Polymetal International	487,972	0.73
919,542	Sibanye Gold	813,132	1.22

as at 30 June 2017		,		
Holding or	Stock description	Notional	Market	Percentage
nominal		Value	value	of total net
value		£	£	assets
				%
	Mobile Telecommunications (2.20%; 2016 2.93%)			
84,060	Megafon GDR (each representing 1 ordinary share)		592,778	0.89
289,016	VEON ADR (each representing 1 share)		869,974	1.31
	Oil & Gas Producers (0.97%; 2016 12.73%)			
426,910	Tullow Oil		642,926	0.97
	Oil Equipment Services & Distribution (2019/)	016 2 240/ )		
51,484	<b>Oil Equipment, Services &amp; Distribution (2.01%; 2</b> Diamond Offshore Drilling	010 3.24%)	429,248	0.64
99,075	Ensco		393,569	0.59
29,476	Oceaneering International		518,062	0.78
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	Personal Goods (0.65%; 2016 0.00%)			
1,548,000	Li & Fung		432,027	0.65
	Technology Hardware & Equipment (0.00%; 2016	0.86%)		
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	Travel & Leisure (0.44%; 2016 0.48%)			
235,526	FirstGroup		295,821	0.44
	BONDS (32.29%; 2016 12.42%)			
	UK Sterling Denominated Government Bonds (32	2.29%: 2016 12.42%)		
£1,000,000	Treasury 0% Bonds 3/7/2017		999,990	1.50
£6,000,000	Treasury 0% Bonds 17/7/2017		5,999,700	9.01
£7,500,000	Treasury 0% Bonds 21/8/2017		7,498,275	11.27
£6,000,000	Treasury 0% Bonds 29/8/2017		5,998,247	9.01
£1,000,000	Treasury 0% Bonds 2/10/2017		999,440	1.50
		0/ . 2016 0 000/ )		
3,000,000	NON EQUITY INVESTMENT INSTRUMENTS (4.51 HSBC Fixed Cash Deposit	%; 2016 0.00%)	3,000,000	4.51
0,000,000			0,000,000	4.01
	DERIVATIVES ((2.90)%; 2016 (4.53)%)			
	CONTRACTS FOR DIFFERENCES (CFDs) Short (	(3.73)%; 2016 (4.65)%)		
	Aerospace & Defence ((0.53)%; 2016 (0.38)%)			
(4,908)	Boeing	(469,059)	(268,901)	(0.40)
(7,103)	United Technologies	(590,538)	(84,912)	(0.13)
(0.070)	Automobiles & Parts (0.07%; 2016 (0.05)%)	(050,400)	40 500	0.07
(8,679)	Bayerische Motoren Werke	(653,128)	48,529	0.07
	Banks ((0.34)%; 2016 (0.56)%)			
(12,636)	Bank of Nova Scotia	(469,025)	(107,288)	(0.16)
(13,508)	Commonwealth Bank of Australia	(558,437)	(77,839)	(0.12)
(31,837)	Westpac Banking	(527,404)	(40,911)	(0.06)

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Holding or nominal value	Stock description	Notional Value £	Market value £	Percentage of total net assets
				%
	Beverages (0.05%; 2016 0.02%)			
(9,275)	Anheuser-Busch InBev	(797,372)	35,523	0.05
	Construction & Materials ((0.20)%; 2016 0.10%)			
(2,621)	Sherwin-Williams	(573,487)	(130,546)	(0.20)
	Financial Services ((0.22)%; 2016 (0.28)%)			
(2,416)	BlackRock	(640,404)	(148,075)	(0.22)
	Fixed Line Telecommunications (0.09%; 2016 0.00	%)		
(14,353)	Verizon Communications	(568,177)	56,693	0.09
	Food & Drug Retailers (0.03%; 2016 (0.02)%)			
(7,865)	Walgreens Boots Alliance	(518,340)	20,213	0.03
	Food Producers (0.36%; 2016 0.08%)			
(13,069)	Campbell Soup	(592,094)	66,525	0.10
(12,193)	General Mills	(614,948)	94,933	0.15
(10,069)	Kellong	(600,022)	61,579	0.09
(10,221)	Kraft Heinz	(684,865)	13,065	0.02
	General Industrials ((0.10)%; 2016 (0.06)%)			
(6,777)	Honeywell International	(648,097)	(67,820)	(0.10)
	General Retailers ((0.16)%; 2016 (0.32)%)			
(12,473)	Carmax	(480,062)	(122,424)	(0.18)
(12,526)	Dick's Sporting Goods	(559,848)	171,856	0.26
(5,874)	Home Depot	(590,237)	(104,907)	(0.16)
(16,884)	Industria de Diseno Textil	(432,273)	(49,320)	(0.08)
	Health Care Equipment & Services ((0.66)%; 2016	(0.44)%)		
(7,230)	HCA	(426,491)	(73,861)	(0.11)
(3,797)	Humana	(540,962)	(184,177)	(0.28)
(5,035)	Unitedhealth	(567,524)	(181,532)	(0.27)
	Household Goods & Home Construction ((0.48)%;	2016 (0.30)%)		
(15,663)	Berkeley	(397,584)	(107,547)	(0.16)
(30,180)	Persimmon	(512,844)	(196,688)	(0.30)
(272,008)	Taylor Wimpey	(483,006)	(12,653)	(0.02)
	Industrial Transportation ((0.07)%; 2016 (0.14)%)			
(7,771)	Union Pacific Corporation	(614,550)	(46,507)	(0.07)
	Life Insurance ((0.25)%; 2016 (0.66)%)			
(34,588)	Prudential	(441,960)	(166,962)	(0.25)
	Media (0.04%; 2016 (0.32)%)			
(18,072)	Twenty-First Century Fox	(436,592)	27,638	0.04
(8,050)	Walt Disney	(584,245)	(63,521)	(0.10)
(45,596)	WPP	(814,395)	62,038	0.10

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Holding or	Stock description	Notional	Market	Percentage
nominal		Value	value	of total net
value		£	£	assets %
	Non-Life Insurance (0.00%; 2016 (0.20)%)			
	Personal Goods ((0.75)%; 2016 (0.47)%)			
(3,875)	Moët Hennessy Louis Vuitton	(447,317)	(272,472)	(0.41)
(13,801)	Nike	(564,295)	(62,766)	(0.10)
(20,553)	Unilever	(692,480)	(161,497)	(0.24)
	Real Estate Investment Trusts (0.32%; 2016 0	0.62%)		
(11,576)	Crown Castle International	(851,390)	(59,282)	(0.09)
(32,351)	General Growth Properties	(702,511)	119,843	0.18
(4,378)	Simon Property Group	(691,342)	150,330	0.23
	Software & Computer Services (0.00%; 2016	(0.10)%)		
	Support Services ((0.09)%; 2016 (0.62)%)			
(17,079)	Fastenal	(573,512)	2,168	-
(79,445)	Howden Joinery	(335,837)	12,417	0.02
(6,488)	United Rentals	(378,577)	(183,962)	(0.27)
(3,237)	WW Grainger	(557,989)	108,921	0.16
	Technology Hardware & Equipment ((0.31)%;	2016 (0.17)%)		
(7,916)	Analog Devices	(505,952)	11,325	0.02
(5,920)	Apple	(472,593)	(175,066)	(0.26)
(17,642)	Applied Materials	(555,427)	(27,457)	(0.04)
(36,000)	Infineon Technologies	(571,615)	(2,156)	(0.01)
(8,908)	Microchip Technology	(547,472)	(10,797)	(0.02)
	Travel & Leisure ((0.53)%; 2016 (0.38)%)			
(17,777)	Delta Air Lines	(643,371)	(117,279)	(0.17)
(9,963)	Marriot International	(505,372)	(259,912)	(0.39)
(30,394)	Sabre	(587,458)	74,434	0.11
(14,343)	Starbucks	(626,093)	(52,485)	(0.08)
	OPTIONS (0.83%; 2016 0.12%)			
28	S&P 500 Put December 2017 2300		92,475	0.14
46	S&P 500 Put December 2017 2275		140,590	0.21
45	S&P 500 Put December 2017 2250		118,480	0.18
54	S&P 500 Put December 2017 2150		94,369	0.14
58	S&P 500 Put December 2017 2125		106,181	0.16
	Portfolio of investments		53,369,502	80.17
	Net current assets		13,203,780	19.83
	Total net assets		66,573,282	100.00

Unless otherwise stated, all investments are approved securities being either officially listed in a member state or traded on or under the rules of an eligible securities market.

All investments are in ordinary shares unless otherwise stated.

Comparative figures show percentages for each sector category at 31 December 2016.

## Statement of total return (unaudited)

for the period from 1 January 2017 to 30 June 2017

	30 June 2017		30 June 2016	
	£	£	£	£
Income				
Net capital (losses)/gains		(5,050,101)		6,255,694
Revenue	464,865		378,480	
Expenses	(355,604)		(247,139)	
Interest payable and similar charges	(532,516)		(400,882)	
Net expense before taxation	(423,255)		(269,541)	
Taxation	(359)		(10,740)	
Net expense after taxation		(423,614)		(280,281)
Total return before distributions		(5,473,715)		5,975,413
Distributions		-		-
Change in net assets attributable to				
shareholders from investment activities		(5,473,715)		5,975,413

### Statement of change in net assets attributable to shareholders (unaudited)

for the period from 1 January 2017 to 30 June 2017				
		30 June 2017		30 June 2016
	£	£	£	£
Opening net assets attributable to				
shareholders		60,380,311		32,294,754
Amounts received on issue of shares	15,314,611		6,558,736	
Amounts paid on cancellation of shares	(3,656,217)		(3,727,706)	
	<u> </u>	11,658,394	<u> </u>	2,831,030
Dilution adjustment		8,292		8,537
Change in net assets attributable to				
shareholders from investment activities		(5,473,715)		5,975,413
Retained distribution on accumulation shares		-		-
Closing net assets attributable				
to shareholders		66,573,282		41,109,734

There have been no recognised gains or losses in the period other than those shown in the statement above.

Section 3.30 of the IMA SORP requires comparative figures for the above statement. For interim financial statements this will result in closing comparative net assets not being equal to net assets at the start of the current period as these are not consecutive periods.

# Balance sheet (unaudited)

as at 30 June 2017				
		30 June 2017	31	December 2016
	£	£	£	£
Assets				
Fixed assets				
Investments		56,991,024		49,376,978
Current assets				
Debtors	200,744		123,026	
Cash and bank balances	14,287,647		14,769,179	
Total other assets		14,488,391		14,892,205
Total assets		71,479,415		64,269,183
Liabilities				
Investment liabilities		(3,621,522)		(3,601,120)
Creditors				
Bank overdrafts	(242)		(27,067)	
Amounts due to futures clearing houses and brokers	(16,293)		-	
Other creditors	(1,268,076)		(260,685)	
Total other liabilities		(1,284,611)		(287,752)
Total liabilities		(4,906,133)		(3,888,872)
Net assets attributable to shareholders		66,573,282		60,380,311

# Majedie Global Equity Fund

### **Investment report**

### Sub-fund objectives and policy

The sub-fund aims to produce a total return in excess of the MSCI All Country World Index over the long term through investment in a diversified portfolio of primarily global equity securities.

The sub-fund will invest in equity securities of companies which are listed or traded on one or more eligible markets. It may also invest in other transferable securities, money market instruments, cash and near cash.

### Performance and Financial Review

During the first six months of 2017 the sub-fund returned 9.0% (class X accumulation US dollar shares, net of fees) compared to a return of 11.5% from its benchmark, the MSCI All Country World NDR index.

The equity market backdrop over the period was positive: most markets rose and, in the case of the US market, new all-time highs were reached. This was impressive as the US economic cycle is well advanced – it is now the third longest growth phase since World War Two – and stock market valuations appear to be high. The political environment is also challenging. The Eurozone is more encouraging: Central Bank policy appears to be working – deflation is turning to inflation – and economies are generally improving. Investors in the region were relieved that centrist politicians were elected in both the Netherlands and France.

A surprise snap general election in the UK did not produce the clean results that were seen on the continent. Prime Minister Theresa May lost the majority her party had previously commanded, and her ability to pass contentious laws now looks severely curtailed. The most likely consequence of this is that a 'hard' Brexit looks unlikely to materialise. This outcome would be a positive for the UK economy and sentiment more broadly.

The growth outlook in the Far East is less favourable than last year, largely because the Chinese economic stimulus programme is not providing the tailwind that it did then. Indeed, there are some early signs that the Chinese government is beginning to tighten in several areas. Nevertheless, we continue to find some exceptionally attractive investments in the region, particularly in China: the sub-fund has exposure to Tencent (via Naspers), Alibaba (via Softbank) and New Oriental Education. These, plus other strongly performing holdings such as Samsung, meant that positive contributions to returns came from the Consumer Discretionary and Information Technology sectors over the period.

Weak commodity prices were a headwind for the sub-fund: it is overweight both the Energy and Mining sectors. In Energy we have a preference for businesses with strong assets that should withstand low oil prices while offering a pronounced asymmetry of upside/downside should the oil price recover. In Mining we have been reorienting holdings away from 'bulk' producers towards gold.

At the other end of the spectrum, the sub-fund is underweight Industrials and Financials, as many companies in these sectors are highly cyclical, with elevated margins that we feel are unsustainable. The holding in Banco Popular was written down to zero: confidence in the bank had fallen, resulting in a sale of the business to Santander for a token sum at the behest of the European Central Bank. Cognizant of the risks, we had only a small position prior to this. We think other sectors offering perceived safety and predictability, such as Consumer Staples and Utilities, are expensive relative to their low growth prospects, and we remain lightly exposed.

Overall, we view the global economy and equity markets cautiously. We think there is a risk of policy error in the major western markets, with Central Bankers and governments attempting a balancing act between higher inflation and a recession. In addition, eight years of quantitative easing has driven many assets to elevated levels. Equity market volatility has been at low levels – we would not be surprised to see it tick up from here. Given these risks, we retain a degree of caution in the sub-fund's positioning. The diversified range of holdings, itself a function of our distinctive mini multi-manager approach to portfolio construction, should ensure that the sub-fund is well placed to outperform independently of broader market fluctuations.

### **Performance tables**

	Shares	Net Asset Value	Net Asset Value
	in Issue	of Fund \$/£	per Share# (¢)/p
Net Asset Value at 30 June 2017			
A Accumulation (Sterling) Shares	10,000	14,538	145.38
A Accumulation (US Dollar) Shares	10,000	11,084	110.84
B Accumulation (Sterling) Shares	9,738,302	14,807,158	152.05
B Accumulation (US Dollar) Shares	10,000	11,594	115.94
X Accumulation (Sterling) Shares	21,429,542	31,861,174	148.68
X Accumulation (US Dollar) Shares	10,000	11,336	113.36
Net Asset Value at 31 December 2016			
A Accumulation (Sterling) Shares	10,000	14,075	140.75
A Accumulation (US Dollar) Shares	10,000	10,208	102.08
B Accumulation (Sterling) Shares	9,666,070	14,123,538	146.11
B Accumulation (US Dollar) Shares	10,000	10,598	105.98
X Accumulation (Sterling) Shares	21,243,298	30,464,139	143.41
X Accumulation (US Dollar) Shares	10,000	10,401	104.01
Net Asset Value at 31 December 2015			
A Accumulation (Sterling) Shares	10,000	11,419	114.19
A Accumulation (US Dollar) Shares	10,000	9,880	98.80
B Accumulation (Sterling) Shares	9,666,070	11,288,985	116.79
B Accumulation (US Dollar) Shares	10,000	10,105	101.05
X Accumulation (Sterling) Shares	21,126,667	24,398,709	115.49
X Accumulation (US Dollar) Shares	10,000	9,992	99.92
Net Asset Value at 31 December 2014			
A Accumulation (Sterling) Shares	10,000	10,666	106.66
A Accumulation (US Dollar Shares)	10,000	9,762	97.62
B Accumulation (Sterling) Shares	5,047,543	5,424,068	107.46
B Accumulation (US Dollar) Shares	10,000	9,836	98.36
X Accumulation (Sterling) Shares	9,194,376	9,843,252	107.06
X Accumulation (US Dollar) Shares	10,000	9,799	97.99

### Interim Distribution 1 January 2017 to 30 June 2017 (payable 31 August 2017)

	30 June 2017	30 June 2016
Share Class	Per Share (¢/p)	Per Share (¢/p)
A Accumulation (Sterling) Shares	0.0646	0.0785
A Accumulation (US Dollar) Shares	0.0498	0.0535
B Accumulation (Sterling) Shares	1.1701	0.9910
B Accumulation (US Dollar) Shares	0.8940	0.7743
X Accumulation (Sterling) Shares	0.6070	0.5254
X Accumulation (US Dollar) Shares	0.4639	0.4094

The base currency of the sub-fund is US Dollars.

#### **Risk and Reward Profile**

The sub-fund invests in equities, which can provide higher returns over the medium to long term. However, such returns may be subject to greater rises and falls in the short term than investing in lower risk assets. The sub-fund's Synthetic Risk and Reward Indicator is 5 on a scale of 1 (lower) to 7 (higher).

It should be noted that past performance is not a guide to future performance and the value of your investment may go down as well as up meaning you may not get back your initial investment.

## **Summary of Material Portfolio Changes**

The table below shows the top ten purchases and sales for the period:

Purchases	\$	Sales	\$
PepsiCo	1,126,692	Take-Two Interactive Software	731,852
American Electric Power	888,176	Anglo American	677,963
Pfizer	795,728	Telephone & Data Systems	634,662
Parsley Energy	533,651	AT&T	565,817
Sohu.com	485,567	TD Ameritrade	554,994
Barrick Gold	470,516	Time Warner	451,187
Kroger	455,798	Royal Caribbean Cruises	440,587
Amazon	452,842	RPC	382,966
AIA	447,123	Oceaneering International	323,882
Mosaic	425,942	Financial Engines	322,482

# **Operating Charges figure**

Share Class	30 June 2017 (Annualised)	31 December 2016
A Accumulation (Sterling) Shares	1.55%	1.56%
A Accumulation (US Dollar) Shares	1.55%	1.56%
B Accumulation (Sterling) Shares	0.05%	0.06%
B Accumulation (US Dollar) Shares	0.05%	0.06%
X Accumulation (Sterling) Shares	0.80%	0.81%
X Accumulation (US Dollar) Shares	0.80%	0.81%

The Operating Charges figure represents the annual operating expenses of the sub-fund expressed as a percentage of average net assets for the period. The Operating Charges figure includes the Manager's periodic charge and all charges which are deducted directly from the sub-fund. The Operating Charges figure is expressed as an annual percentage rate.

# Portfolio statement (unaudited)

EQUITIES (97.62%; 2016 96.20%)         Argentina (0.52%; 2016 1.30%)       314,149       0.3         3.408       Banco Macro ADR       314,149       0.3         68,679       Barrick Gold       1.095,865       1.3         Chile (0.86%; 2016 0.82%)       522,872       0.4         China (4.69%; 2016 2.59%)       766,516       1.3         4.287       Baidu/DR       766,516       1.3         5,900       Ctrip.com International ADS       317,715       0.3         14,935       Othou (2.25%)       288,239       0.0         7,000       New Oriente Education & Technology ADR       1.052,839       1.1         9,741       Schu.com       438,637       0.0         357.00       AP Moeller-Maersk senes 'B' shares       715,774       1.1         15,242       Now Nordisk class 'B' shares       715,774       1.2         78,267       Orange       1,239,511       2.3         401,071       Pireace (3.79%; 2016 0.0%)       97,995       0.1         70,000       AlA       511,115       0.3         798,000       Astra       534,931       0.4         142,365	Holding or nominal value	Stock description	Market value \$	Percentage of total net assets
3,408     Banco Macro ADR     314,149     0.3       68,879     Barrick Gold     1.095,865     1.4       Chine (0.86%; 2016 0.82%)     522,872     0.0       15,835     Sociedad Quimica y Minera de Chile ADR     522,872     0.0       China (4.69%; 2016 0.82%)     766,516     1.1       4,287     Baldu ADR     766,516     1.1       5,900     China (4.69%; 2016 2.59%)     1.15,835     766,516     1.1       4,287     Baldu ADR     766,516     1.1     1.1       5,900     China (4.69%; 2016 2.59%)     1.15,835     715,774     1.1       14,936     New Oriental Education & Technology ADR     1.052,837     0.3       9,741     Sohu.com     438,637     0.3       7,500     Tencent     268,239     0.4       52,427     Now Nordisk class 'B' shares     652,113     1.1       52,427     Now Nordisk class 'B' shares     652,113     1.1       76,267     Orange     1.239,511     2.0       401,071     Piraeus Bank     97,895     0.1       70,000     Adra     511,115     0.4		EQUITIES (97.62%; 2016 96.20%)		%
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9,741     Sohu.com     438,637     0.1       7,500     Tencent     268,239     0.4       357.00     AP Moeller-Maersk series 'B' shares     715,774     1.1       15,242     Novo Nordisk cass 'B' shares     652,113     1.1       2,377     Kering     808,468     1.1       78,267     Orange     1,239,511     2.6       401,071     Piraeus Bank     97,895     0.1       401,071     Piraeus Bank     97,895     0.1       79,800     Astra     534,931     0.4       142     (3.04%; 2016 0.89%)     131,121     0.4       142, 30.4%; 2016 1.57%)     131,121     0.4       68,959     CNH Industrial     779,847     1.2       37,729     Leonardo     625,269     1.1       142, 355     Telecom Italia     131,121     0.4       142, 355     Telecom Italia     131,121     0.4       37,000     Kao     415,290     0.4       18,200     M3     500,516     0.3       7000     Kao     234,496     0.3       3700     Nintendo	5,900	Ctrip.com International ADS	317,715	0.53
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15,242     Novo Nordisk class 'B' shares     652,113     1.0       France (3.37%; 2016 3.25%)     808,468     1.1       2,377     Kering     808,468     1.1       78,267     Orange     1,239,511     2.0       Greece (0.16%; 2016 0.16%)     97,895     0.1       401,071     Piraeus Bank     97,895     0.1       70,000     AlA     511,115     0.4       70,000     AlA     511,115     0.4       798,800     Astra     534,931     0.4       142,365     Telecom Italia     779,847     1.2       37,729     Leonardo     625,269     1.0       142,365     Telecom Italia     131,121     0.2       37,729     Leonardo     625,269     1.0       142,365     Telecom Italia     131,121     0.2       37,000     Kao     415,290     0.4       38,200     Rakuten     978,170     1.4       38,200     Rakuten     978,170     1.4       28,100     Softbank     2,273,809     3.3       453,134     Royal KPN     1,447,657 <td< td=""><td></td><td>Denmark (2.26%; 2016 2.23%)</td><td></td><td></td></td<>		Denmark (2.26%; 2016 2.23%)		
France (3.37%; 2016 3.25%)         2,377       Kering       808,468       1.2         76,267       Orange       1.239,511       2.0         401,071       Piraeus Bank       97,895       0.7         70,000       AIA       511,115       0.8         70,000       AIA       511,115       0.8         798,800       Astra       534,931       0.8         798,800       Astra       534,931       0.8         142,365       Telecom Italia       131,121       0.4         142,365       Telecom Italia       131,121       0.4         7,000       Kao       415,290       0.0         7,000       Kao       415,290       0.0         71,061       Unione di Banche Italiane       300,516       0.0         7000       Kao       415,290       0.0         7000       Kao       415,290       0.0         71,061       Unione di Banche Italiane       300,516       0.0         32,000       Rakuten       978,170       1.6         33,200       Rakuten       978,170       1.6 <t< td=""><td>357.00</td><td>AP Moeller-Maersk series 'B' shares</td><td>715,774</td><td>1.18</td></t<>	357.00	AP Moeller-Maersk series 'B' shares	715,774	1.18
2,377     Kering     808,468     1.3       78,267     Orange     1,239,511     2.0       Greece (0.16%; 2016 0.16%)       401,071     Piraeus Bank     97,895     0.3       70,000     AlA     511,115     0.3       Indonesia (0.84%; 2016 0.89%)       798,800     Astra     534,931     0.3       Italy (3.04%; 2016 1.57%)       68,959     CNH Industrial     779,847     1.2       37,729     Leonardo     625,269     1.0       142,365     Telecom Italia     131,121     0.3       71,061     Unione di Banche Italiane     305,237     0.4        500,516     0.4       700     Kao     415,290     0.0       18,200     M3     500,516     0.4       700     Nintendo     234,496     0.3       83,200     Rakuten     978,170     1.6       28,100     Softbank     2,273,809     3.3       453,134     Royal KPN     1,447,657     2.5       Panama (1.23%; 2016 1.05%)     1,447,657     2.5	15,242	Novo Nordisk class 'B' shares	652,113	1.08
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	453,134	Royal KPN	1,447,657	2.39
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	6,391	Copa class 'A' shares	747,555	1.23

Holding or nominal value	Stock description	Market value \$	Percentage of total net assets %
	Peru (1.25%; 2016 1.21%)		
4,236	Credicorp	759,600	1.25
	Russia (0.84%; 2016 1.04%)		
49,511	Sberbank of Russia ADR	511,696	0.84
	South Africa (2.48%; 2016 2.47%)		
19,436	AngloGold Ashanti ADR	188,529	0.31
6,769	Naspers class 'N' shares	1,314,294	2.17
	South Korea (3.24%; 2016 2.81%)		
908	NAVER	665,039	1.10
351	Samsung Electronics	728,904	1.20
3,808	Samsung SDI	569,128	0.94
	Spain (0.79%; 2016 1.25%)		
17,290	Grifols	480,888	0.79
	Switzerland (0.41%; 2016 0.46%)		
2,270	Vifor Pharma	250,548	0.41
	Taiwan (1.63%; 2016 1.40%)		
28,273	Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing ADS	988,141	1.63
	United Kingdom (9.39%; 2016 10.22%)		
65,254	Anglo American	867,960	1.43
108,961	Barclays	286,891	0.47
65,286	BP	375,509	0.62
53,436	KAZ Minerals	359,200	0.59
69,603	Royal Dutch Shell class 'B' shares	1,864,723	3.07
64,008	Standard Chartered	646,189	1.06
220,384	Tesco	483,220	0.80
417,577	Tullow Oil	816,872	1.35
	United States (48.28%; 2016 47.15%)		
6,346	AIG	396,815	0.65
1,391	Alphabet class 'A' shares	1,293,046	2.13
580	Amazon	561,220	0.93
5,690	Amdocs	366,777	0.60
13,077	American Electric Power	908,459	1.50
5,034	AmerisourceBergen	475,864	0.78
4,547	Anthem	854,972	1.41
23,805	Bofl	564,178	0.93
16,474	Booz Allen Hamilton class 'A' shares	535,899	0.88
4,379	CACI International	547,375	0.90
6,518	Cavium	404,898	0.67
5,723	Chevron	597,138	0.98
10,557	Cognizant Technology Solutions	700,985	1.16
15,523	Comcast class 'A' shares	604,155	1.00
8,622	Criteo	422,823	0.70
9,598	Diamond Offshore Drilling	103,946	0.17
10,313	Dollar General	743,567	1.23

as at 30 June 2017

Holding or nominal value	Stock description	Market value \$	Percentage of total net assets %
	United States (continued)		
9,812	Facebook	1,481,220	2.44
7,660	First Republic Bank	766,613	1.26
39,154	Freeport McMoRan	469,848	0.77
11,156	Gilead Sciences	789,510	1.30
21,875	Goldcorp (US Line)	282,187	0.46
3,283	Grand Canyon Education	257,387	0.42
19,558	Hostess Brands	314,884	0.52
1,866	Illumina	323,788	0.53
13,251	Intercontinental Exchange	873,506	1.44
18,558	Ionis Pharmaceuticals	944,231	1.56
12,785	JP Morgan Chase	1,168,677	1.93
13,036	Kroger	304,000	0.50
3,669	Laboratory Corporation of America	565,503	0.93
18,998	LKQ	625,984	1.03
3,201	Mercadolibre	803,067	1.03
15,390	Microsoft	1,060,679	1.32
24,331	Mosaic	555,233	0.92
8,450	Nasdag	604,091	1.00
5,650	Nielsen	218,373	0.36
9,071		256,619	0.30
	Noble Energy		
5,156	Oil States International	139,728	0.23
18,504		927,791	1.53
18,048	Parsley Energy	500,471	0.82
10,142	PepsiCo	1,171,401	1.93
23,814	Pfizer	799,912	1.32
11,285	ServiceMaster	442,033	0.73
6,547	Skyworks Solutions	628,054	1.04
13,022	Take-Two Interactive Software	955,554	1.58
6,363	US Bancorp	330,431	0.54
16,891	US Foods	459,435	0.76
4,396	Zions Bancorporation	192,984	0.32
	NON-EQUITY INVESTMENT INSTRUMENT (1.71%; 2016 3.01%)		
2	Goldman Sachs Euro Liquidity Reserve Fund	2	-
56,516	Goldman Sachs Sterling Liquidity Reserve Fund	73,411	0.12
963,875	Goldman Sachs US Dollar Liquidity Reserve Fund	963,875	1.59
	Portfolio of investments	60,265,536	99.33
	Net current assets	407,192	0.67
	Total net assets	60,672,728	100.00

Unless otherwise stated, all investments are approved securities being either officially listed in a member state or traded on or under the rules of an eligible securities market.

All investments are in ordinary shares unless otherwise stated.

Comparative figures show percentages for each sector category at 31 December 2016.

## Statement of total return (unaudited)

for the period from 1 January 2017 to 30 June 2017

	30 June 2017		30 June 2016	
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Income				
Net capital gains/(losses)		4,733,781		(2,052,715)
Revenue	527,877		474,234	
Expenses	(164,757)		(143,824)	
Interest payable and similar charges	(376)		(521)	
Net revenue before taxation	362,744		329,889	
Taxation	(45,422)		(52,937)	
Net revenue after taxation		317,322		276,952
Total return before distributions	-	5,051,103		(1,775,763)
Distributions		(317,322)		(276,952)
Change in net assets attributable to	-			
shareholders from investment activities		4,733,781		(2,052,715)

### Statement of change in net assets attributable to shareholders (unaudited)

for the period from 1 January 2017 to 30 June 2017				
		30 June 2017		30 June 2016
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Opening net assets attributable to				
shareholders		55,143,360		52,646,899
Amounts received on issue of shares	834,667		345,109	
Amounts paid on cancellation of shares	(356,191)		(221,787)	
		478,476		123,322
Change in net assets attributable to				
shareholders from investment activities		4,733,781		(2,052,715)
Retained distribution on accumulation shares		317,111		277,151
Closing net assets attributable				
to shareholders		60,672,728		50,994,657

There have been no recognised gains or losses in the period other than those shown in the statement above.

Section 3.30 of the IMA SORP requires comparative figures for the above statement. For interim financial statements this will result in closing comparative net assets not being equal to net assets at the start of the current period as these are not consecutive periods.

# Balance sheet (unaudited)

as at 30	June	2017
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	•	30 June 2017		December 2016
Assets	\$	\$	\$	\$
Fixed assets		00 005 500		54 700 700
Investments		60,265,536		54,708,738
Current assets				
Debtors	193,531		442,104	
Cash and bank balances	337,875		237,798	
Total other assets		531,406		679,902
				075,502
Total assets		60,796,942		55,388,640
Liabilities				
Creditors				
Bank Overdraft	(10)		-	
Other creditors	(124,204)		(245,280)	
Total other liabilities		(124,214)		(245,280)
Total liabilities		(124,214)		(245,280)
Net assets attributable to shareholders		60,672,728		55,143,360

## Majedie Global Focus Fund

### **Investment report**

#### Sub-fund objectives and policy

The sub-fund aims to maximise total return and to outperform the MSCI All Country World Index over the long term through investment in a concentrated portfolio of primarily global equity securities.

The sub-fund will invest in equity securities of companies which are listed or traded on one or more eligible markets. It may also invest in other transferable securities, money market instruments, cash and near cash.

#### Performance and Financial Review

During the first six months of 2017 the sub-fund returned 8.7% (Class X Accumulation US Dollar shares, net of fees) compared to a return of 11.5% from its benchmark, the MSCI All Country World NDR index.

The equity market backdrop over the period was positive: most markets rose and, in the case of the US market, new all-time highs were reached. This was impressive as the US economic cycle is well advanced – it is now the third longest growth phase since World War Two – and stock market valuations appear to be high. The political environment is also challenging. The Eurozone is more encouraging: Central Bank policy appears to be working – deflation is turning to inflation – and economies are generally improving. Investors in the region were relieved that centrist politicians were elected in both the Netherlands and France.

A surprise snap general election in the UK did not produce the clean results that were seen on the continent. Prime Minister Theresa May lost the majority her party had previously commanded, and her ability to pass contentious laws now looks severely curtailed. The most likely consequence of this is that a 'hard' Brexit looks unlikely to materialise. This outcome would be a positive for the UK economy and sentiment more broadly.

The growth outlook in the Far East is less favourable than last year, largely because the Chinese economic stimulus programme is not providing the tailwind that it did then. Indeed, there are some early signs that the Chinese government is beginning to tighten in several areas. Nevertheless, we continue to find some exceptionally attractive investments in the region, particularly in China: the sub-fund has exposure to Tencent (via Naspers), Alibaba (via Softbank) and New Oriental Education & Technology. These, plus other strongly performing holdings such as Samsung, meant that positive contributions to returns came from the Consumer Discretionary and Information Technology sectors over the period.

Weak commodity prices were the main headwind for the sub-fund: it is overweight both the Energy and Mining sectors. In Energy we have a preference for businesses with strong assets that should withstand low oil prices while offering a pronounced asymmetry of upside/downside should the oil price recover. In Mining we have been reorienting holdings away from 'bulk' producers towards gold.

At the other end of the spectrum, the sub-fund is underweight Industrials and Financials, as many companies in these sectors are highly cyclical, with elevated margins that we feel are unsustainable. The holding in Banco Popular was written down to zero: confidence in the bank had fallen, resulting in a sale of the business to Santander for a token sum at the behest of the European Central Bank. Cognizant of the risks, we had only a small position prior to this. We think other sectors offering perceived safety and predictability, such as Consumer Staples and Utilities, are expensive relative to their low growth prospects, and we remain lightly exposed.

Overall, we view the global economy and equity markets cautiously. We think there is a risk of policy error in the major western markets, with Central Bankers and governments attempting a balancing act between higher inflation and a recession. In addition, eight years of quantitative easing has driven many assets to elevated levels. Equity market volatility has been at low levels – we would not be surprised to see it tick up from here. Given these risks, we retain a degree of caution in the sub-fund's positioning. The diversified range of holdings, itself a function of our distinctive mini multi-manager approach to portfolio construction, should ensure that the sub-fund is well placed to outperform independently of broader market fluctuations.

### **Performance tables**

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#Represents the closing BID price for valuation purposes in accordance with the IMA SORP. \*Fund launched on 30 June 2014.

Interim Distribution 1 January 2017 to 30 June 2017 (payable 31 August 2017)		
	30 June 2017	30 June 2016
Share Class	Per Share (¢/p)	Per Share (¢/p)
A Accumulation (Sterling) Shares	0.0968	0.1198
A Accumulation (US Dollar) Shares	0.0725	0.0863
B Accumulation (Sterling) Shares	1.3655	1.2045
B Accumulation (US Dollar) Shares	1.0394	0.9417
X Accumulation (Sterling) Shares	0.6280	0.5747
X Accumulation (US Dollar) Shares	0.4758	0.4509

The base currency of the sub-fund is US Dollars.

#### **Risk and Reward Profile**

The sub-fund invests in equities, which can provide higher returns over the medium to long term. However, such returns may be subject to greater rises and falls in the short term than investing in lower risk assets. The sub-fund's ranking on the Risk and Reward Indicator prior to its launch was based on the MSCI All Country World Index. The sub-fund's Synthetic Risk and Reward Indicator is 5 on a scale of 1 (lower) to 7 (higher).

It should be noted that past performance is not a guide to future performance and the value of your investment may go down as well as up meaning you may not get back your initial investment.

### **Summary of Material Portfolio Changes**

The table below shows the top ten purchases and sales for the period:

Purchases	\$	Sales	\$
PepsiCo	5,971,151	Anglo American	4,721,956
Facebook	5,227,543	Take-Two Interactive Software	4,297,804
Barrick Gold	2,679,544	Telephone & Data Systems	3,690,503
Orange	2,092,700	Alphabet class 'A' shares	2,509,353
Barclays	2,061,264	Tullow Oil	1,890,513
Royal KPN	1,941,655	Leonardo	1,802,432
Tullow Oil	1,687,411	RPC	1,702,435
Parsley Energy	1,368,564	Vodafone	1,602,491
Unione di Banche Italiane	1,133,705	Time Warner	1,584,259
Royal Dutch Shell class 'B' shares	1,067,081	Laboratory Corporation of America	1,488,707

# **Operating Charges figure**

Share Class	30 June 2017 (Annualised)	31 December 2016
A Accumulation (Sterling) Shares	1.78%	1.82%
A Accumulation (US Dollar) Shares	1.78%	1.83%
B Accumulation (Sterling) Shares	0.03%	0.05%
B Accumulation (US Dollar) Shares	0.03%	0.08%
X Accumulation (Sterling) Shares	1.03%	1.07%
X Accumulation (US Dollar) Shares	1.03%	1.07%

The Operating Charges figure represents the annual operating expenses of the sub-fund expressed as a percentage of average net assets for the period. The Operating Charges figure includes the Manager's periodic charge and all charges which are deducted directly from the sub-fund. The Operating Charges figure is expressed as an annual percentage rate.

# Portfolio statement (unaudited)

Holding or nominal value	Stock description	Market value \$	Percentage of total net assets %
	EQUITIES (94.95%; 2016 95.53%)		
	Canada (2.55%; 2016 1.60%)		
329,197	Barrick Gold	5,237,524	2.55
	China (3.75%; 2016 3.08%)		
17,752	Baidu ADR	3,174,058	1.54
64,409	New Oriental Education & Technology ADR	4,540,190	2.21
	Denmark (4.26%; 2016 4.08%)		
2,156	AP Moeller-Maersk series 'B' shares	4,322,713	2.10
103,611	Novo Nordisk class 'B' shares	4,432,885	2.16
	France (2.69%; 2016 1.86%)		
349,603	Orange	5,536,648	2.69
	Italy (4.97%; 2016 2.45%)		
466,475	CNH Industrial	5,275,298	2.57
218,549	Leonardo	3,621,932	1.76
305,948	Unione di Banche Italiane	1,314,177	0.64
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	Japan (9.54%; 2016 9.04%)		
16,400	Као	972,965	0.47
518,400	Rakuten	6,094,751	2.96
155,200	Softbank	12,558,545	6.11
	Netherlands (4.45%; 2016 9.94%)		
2,859,757	Royal KPN	9,136,254	4.45
	Peru (1.52%; 2016 1.89%)		
17,400	Credicorp	3,120,168	1.52
	South Africa (4.19%; 2016 4.04%)		
104,717	AngloGold Ashanti ADR	1,015,755	0.49
39,140	Naspers class 'N' shares	7,599,564	3.70
	South Korea (3.16%; 2016 3.05%)		
3,127	Samsung Electronics	6,493,687	3.16
	Spain (0.00%; 2016 1.27%)		
	Taiwan (3.28%; 2016 2.62%)		
193,136	Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing ADS	6,750,103	3.28

as at 30 June 2017

lolding or	Stock description	Market	Percentage
nominal		value	of total net
value		\$	assets
			%
	United Kingdom (15.07%; 2016 16.19%)		
280,967	Anglo American	3,737,212	1.82
682,635	Barclays	1,797,359	0.87
533,605	BP	3,069,163	1.49
432,249	Royal Dutch Shell class 'B' shares	11,580,315	5.63
411,393	Standard Chartered	4,153,193	2.02
1,571,905	Tesco	3,446,602	1.68
1,637,820	Tullow Oil	3,203,934	1.56
	United States (35.52%; 2016 34.42%)		
4,143	Alphabet class 'A' shares	3,851,250	1.87
27,242	AmerisourceBergen	2,575,186	1.25
24,632	Anthem	4,631,555	2.25
90,237	Booz Allen Hamilton class 'A' shares	2,935,410	1.43
48,676	Chevron	5,078,854	2.47
46,657	Cognizant Technology Solutions	3,098,025	1.51
30,123	Dollar General	2,171,868	1.00
37,570	Facebook	5,671,567	2.76
23,727	Gilead Sciences	1,679,160	0.82
92,139	Intercontinental Exchange	6,073,803	2.95
55,638	Ionis Pharmaceuticals	2,830,861	1.38
64,492	JP Morgan Chase	5,895,214	2.87
22,920	Laboratory Corporation of America	3,532,660	1.72
102,858	LKQ	3,389,171	1.65
3,740	Mercadolibre	938,291	0.46
80,912	Mosaic	1,846,412	0.90
52,646	Parsley Energy	1,459,874	0.7
53,151	PepsiCo	6,138,941	2.99
22,845	Skyworks Solutions	2,191,521	1.00
95,561	Take-Two Interactive Software	7,012,266	3.4
	NON-EQUITY INVESTMENT INSTRUMENTS (4.30%; 2016 3.86%)		
1	Goldman Sachs Euro Liquidity Reserve Fund	2	
38,406	Goldman Sachs Sterling Liquidity Reserve Fund	49,887	0.02
8,793,605	Goldman Sachs US Dollar Liquidity Reserve Fund	8,793,605	4.28
	Portfolio of investments	204,030,380	99.25
	Net current assets	1,539,907	0.75
	Total net assets	205,570,287	100.00

Unless otherwise stated, all investments are approved securities being either officially listed in a member state or traded on or under the rules of an eligible securities market.

All investments are in ordinary shares unless otherwise stated.

Comparative figures show percentages for each sector category at 31 December 2016.

## Statement of total return (unaudited)

for the period from 1 January 2017 to 30 June 2017

	30 June 2017		30 June 2017 30 Ju	
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Income				
Net capital gains/(losses)		15,531,433		(1,787,274)
Revenue	2,055,526		290,594	
Expenses	(156,583)		(86,704)	
Interest payable and similar charges	(2,675)		-	
Net revenue before taxation	1,896,268		203,890	
Taxation	(168,518)		(27,967)	
Net revenue after taxation		1,727,750		175,923
Total return before distributions		17,259,183		(1,611,351)
Distributions		(1,727,750)		(175,923)
Change in net assets attributable to				
shareholders from investment activities		15,531,433		(1,787,274)

### Statement of change in net assets attributable to shareholders (unaudited)

for the period from 1 January 2017 to 30 June 2017				
		30 June 2017		30 June 2016
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Opening net assets attributable to				
shareholders		189,906,701		25,896,338
Amounts received on issue of shares	10,428,989		1,810,536	
Amounts paid on cancellation of shares	(12,054,253)		(248,285)	
		(1,625,264)		1,562,251
Dilution adjustment		26,675		1,757
Change in net assets attributable to				
shareholders from investment activities		15,531,433		(1,787,274)
Retained distribution on accumulation shares	-	1,730,742		174,548
Closing net assets attributable				
to shareholders		205,570,287		25,847,620

There have been no recognised gains or losses in the period other than those shown in the statement above.

Section 3.30 of the IMA SORP requires comparative figures for the above statement. For interim financial statements this will result in closing comparative net assets not being equal to net assets at the start of the current period as these are not consecutive periods.

# Balance sheet (unaudited)

as at 30	June 2017
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		30 June 2017	31	December 2016
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Assets				
Fixed assets				
Investments		204,030,380		188,747,545
Current assets				
Debtors	1,279,580		3,132,857	
Cash and bank balances	1,167,305		512,144	
Total other assets		2,446,885		3,645,001
Total assets		206,477,265		192,392,546
Liabilities				
Creditors				
Bank overdrafts	(459)		-	
Other creditors	(906,519)		(2,485,845)	
Total other liabilities		(906,978)		(2,485,845)
Total liabilities		(906,978)		(2,485,845)
Net assets attributable to shareholders		205,570,287		189,906,701

### **Directory and General Information**

#### Important Company names and addresses

### The Authorised Corporate Director

Majedie Asset Management Limited (Authorised and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority) 10 Old Bailey London EC4M 7NG

#### Depositary

BNY Mellon Trust & Depositary (UK) Limited (Authorised and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority) 160 Queen Victoria Street London EC2V 4LA

#### Administrator and Registrar

The Bank of New York Mellon (International) Limited (Authorised and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority) One Canada Square, London E14 5AL

#### Auditor

Deloitte LLP Chartered Accountants and Statutory Auditor 110 Queen Street Glasgow G1 3BX

#### **Fund Managers**

Adrian Brass Chris Field Tom Morris Tom Record Chris Reid Matthew Smith Richard Staveley James de Uphaugh

#### **General Information**

#### Valuation Point

The Valuation Point of the sub-funds is 12pm on each business day, except for Majedie Tortoise Fund which has a Valuation Point of 5pm EST.

#### **Buying/Selling Shares**

The ACD will accept orders to buy or sell shares on any business day between 9.00 a.m. and 5.00 p.m. Subject to the terms set out in the Prospectus, orders may be placed by telephone call or sent in writing to:

#### Majedie Asset Management Limited

PO Box 370 Darlington DL1 9RL 0344 892 0974

#### Prices

The most recent prices for all classes of share in each of the sub-funds are published at www.majedie.com.

#### **Data Protection**

Shareholder names may be added to the ACD mailing list. Any shareholders who do not want to receive such details should write to the ACD requesting removal from any such mailing list.