## Latitude Global Fund



### **Investment Objective**

The Latitude Global Fund follows a focussed, style agnostic approach to equity investment. By combining fundamental internal research with disciplined portfolio construction we aim to achieve strong returns throughout market cycles.

### **March Commentary**

The first quarter of 2021 continued the fierce volatility of 2020. This was, fortunately, accompanied by a rising tide of expected economic recovery, which lifted stock markets higher.

However, that is where the similarity to last year ends. The dynamics within the market are changing. The most successful investments thus far this year have been those more exposed to the reopening of the economy. Our investments in US banking shares and semiconductor manufacturing stocks, such as JP Morgan, Goldman Sachs and Texas Instruments, were particularly strong. So strong, in fact, that we cut back our position in the US banks following their near doubling from the middle of last year.

We also had strong performance from domestically-exposed US consumer stocks, like **AutoZone** and **Dollar Tree**. These businesses continued to compound earnings through 2020 and are set to benefit from the income support in the US this year too.

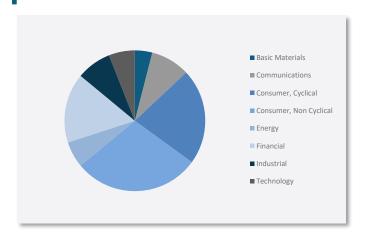
On the flip side, given the high levels of risk appetite, investors no longer sought the safety of the steady growth offered by

consumer "staples". These were among our worst performers. Heineken, Unilever and Coca-Cola were all below where they began the year and we took the opportunity to increase the position.

We own several positions that are fashionably known as "quality growth" stocks and these performed very much in the middle of the road. The likes of **Novo Nordisk**, **Visa** and **Alphabet**, for example, contributed little between them.

For us, the most important thing remains not which constituents of the market will do well and when, but what the constituents of our portfolio are able to achieve in the long term. Our internal estimates point to a potential growth rate for our portfolio of 12-14%, with a 2.5% dividend yield on top. That it, in aggregate, is trading at less than 15x PE, compared to a market which is 25% higher, gives us further comfort as we stare down the barrel of ensuing quarters of volatility.

### **Sector Allocation**



### **Top Ten Holdings**

Texas Instruments	5.9%
Coca-Cola	5.6%
Dollar Tree	5.6%
Advance Auto Parts	5.5%
Sony	5.3%
Autozone	5.2%
Alphabet	4.4%
Diageo	4.4%
Heineken	4.3%
JPMorgan Chase	4.2%
Total Top 10	50.4%

### Net Performance<sup>1</sup>

%	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
2020									0.4%	-3.5%	11.1%	1.6%	9.4%
2021	-3.4%	3.4%	6.3%										6.1%

All data shown as at 31 March 2021. Performance shown is representative of the GBP Acc P share class and is net of fees. The September 2020 data in the table reflects the performance since the launch date of the fund (23rd September 2020). Past performance is not a guide to future performance and may not be repeated, the value of an investment may go down as well as up and you may not get back the total value of your investment.

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### **Key Fund Information**

Fund Manager	Freddie Lait
Launch Date	23rd September 2020
Strategy Assets	£52m
Firm Assets	£235m
Legal Structure	Irish Domiciled UCITS V Fund - ICAV
Regulator	Central Bank of Ireland
Base Currency	Sterling
Regional Exposure	Global
Management Fee	0.75% per annum (Institutional Classes) 1% per annum (Primary Classes)
Performance Fee	0%
Dividends	Semi-annual
Dealing	Daily, 2pm Dublin cut off
Administrator	SEI Investments – Global Fund Services
Custodian	SEI Investments Trustee and Custodial Services (Ireland)
Auditors	PriceWaterhouseCoopers (Ireland)
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### **Share Classes and Identifiers**

Share Class	Class	Minimum	Management Fee	TER*	ISIN	SEDOL
GBP Accumulation	- 1	£1m	0.75%	1.03%	IE00BMT7RM66	BMT7RM6
GBP Income	1	£1m	0.75%	1.03%	IE00BMT7RL59	BMT7RL5
USD Accumulation	1	\$1m	0.75%	1.03%	IE00BNGJKV20	BNGJKV2
GBP Accumulation	Р	No Min.	1.00%	1.28%	IE00BMT7RH14	BMT7RH1
GBP Income	Р	No Min.	1.00%	1.28%	IE00BMT7RG07	BMT7RG0
EUR Accumulation	Р	No Min.	1.00%	1.28%	IE00BMT7JW07	BMT7JW0

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