

# **EF Brompton Global Opportunities Fund**

An EF Brompton Multi-Manager OEIC sub-fund



Gill Lakin Fund manager

# Investment objective

To achieve long-term capital growth with the flexibility to invest in all major asset classes.

# **Key facts**

£13.5 million Fund size 8 November 2012 Launch date Launch price Flexible IA sector and Benchmark Investment Base currency Sterling Valuation point Noon

**B Shares (Retail)** 

Price at 31/01/20 177.35p Minimum investment £1,000 Minimum top-up £500 £100 Minimum regular savings Investment management fee 0.75% Initial charge 2% Total expense ratio 1.69%

# I Shares (Institutional)

Price at 31/01/20 174.09p Minimum investment £100,000 Minimum top-up £10,000 Investment management fee 1% Total expense ratio 1.94%

ACD admin charge 0.25% Ex-dividend date 1 August Income distribution date 30 September **OEIC** sub-fund Structure Year end 31 July B SEDOL code **B7MHLC6** B ISIN code GB00B7MHLC66 I SEDOL code **B6STGZ7** GB00B6STGZ75 I ISIN code

## Fund manager's commentary

Global equities fell 0.59% as initial gains were eroded by fears that the coronavirus may extinguish the nascent recovery in global economic growth. Investors regained their sang froid in early February, however, after an improvement in a key US manufacturing indicator and strong jobs data. Safe-haven assets rose in January, with gold and global bonds gaining 4.49% and 1.78% respectively in sterling. UK government bonds and sterling corporate bonds returned 3.86% and 2.84% respectively as the gulf between UK and European Union trade negotiators became apparent. Among the EF Brompton Global Opportunities Fund's fixed income holdings, Jupiter Strategic Bond did best, returning 2.37% as it benefitted from its holdings in longer-duration securities, but Schroder Strategic Credit returned only 0.56%. All the investments in alternative funds posted gains, with 3i Infrastructure doing best, gaining 5.43%. UK equities fell 3.31% but four of the portfolio's five UK equity fund investments outperformed. Chelverton UK Equity Growth did best, rising 0.53%, but Majedie UK Focus lagged, falling 3.47%. Equities in Asia excluding Japan underperformed, falling 3.97% in sterling, and Hermes Asia ex-Japan Equity and Fidelity Asian Special Situations were conspicuously weak, down 6.31% and 5.52% respectively. Within the emerging markets allocation, JP Morgan Russian Securities was relatively resilient, falling 0.95% while Russian stocks fell 2.84% in sterling. US technology shares were in demand, contributing to gains from Polar Capital Global Technology and Fundsmith Equity of 4.50% and 2.71% respectively. The EF Brompton Global Opportunities Fund fell 0.26%† in January while the sector fell 0.45%. Financial data source: Thomson Reuters 31 January 2020 † B Acc shares

### Portfolio breakdown \*

Goldman Sachs £ Liquid Reserves Goldman Sachs ¥ Liquid Reserves

# UK fixed income

Artemis Strategic Bond Jupiter Strategic Bond Schroder Strategic Credit

## Global fixed income

RWC Asia Convertibles (£-hedged)

# Alternative

Man GLG UK Absolute Value 3i Infrastructure Artemis US Absolute Return (£-hedged) BlackRock European Absolute Alpha

# UK equity

Majedie UK Focus Man GLG UK Income Vanguard FTSE 250 Liontrust Special Situations Chelverton UK Equity Growth

# Europe ex-UK equity

BlackRock European Dynamic Fidelity Germany

US equity iShares Core S&P 500

### Japanese equity T Rowe Price Japanese Equity

Lindsell Train Japanese Equity (¥-quoted) Comgest Growth Japan

# Pacific ex-Japan equity

Fidelity Asian Special Situations Hermes Asia ex-Japan Equity

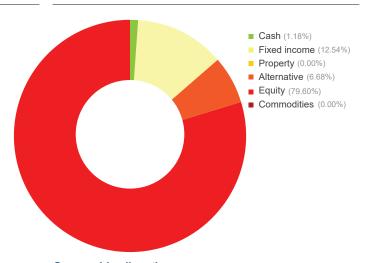
# Emerging market equity

**RWC Global Emerging Markets** JP Morgan Russian Securities

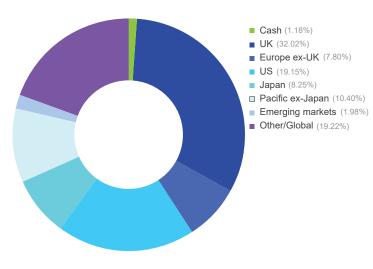
# Global Equity

iShares Core MSCI World Polar Capital Healthcare Opportunities Polar Capital Global Technology Fundsmith Equity

# Asset allocation



# Geographic allocation





<sup>\*</sup> excluding cash



# **Investment policy**

The Fund will typically invest a minimum of 80% of its net asset value in collective investment schemes, exchange traded funds and unregulated collective investment schemes.

The Fund may also invest in investment trusts (and similar instruments), other transferable securities, money-market instruments, fixed income instruments, deposits and foreign exchange contracts. Investments will not be confined by industrial, economic or geographical sector.

Although the Fund will usually be invested across a range of asset classes, in certain market conditions, the Investment Manager may decide to hold up to 100% in equity markets. This would be for a limited period and only in exceptional circumstances.

The Fund may also hold, on a temporary basis, all or part of its assets in cash or other ancillary liquid assets.

The Fund may utilise derivatives for the purposes of efficient portfolio management (typically hedging, including investing in hedged share classes, which attempts to mitigate against falls in the value of the Fund's assets and the effects of changes in currency exchange rates against the Fund's base currency, which is pounds sterling).

The Fund's benchmark is IA Flexible Investment. This represents a comparator benchmark because the Fund's performance can be compared to funds which also sit within this industry sector.

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# **Performance**

Percentage growth, 8 November 2012 to 31 January 2020

EF Brompton Global Opportunities B Acc v IA Flexible Investment since launch



Source: Lipper, NAV-NAV, sterling, net income reinvested Past performance is not an indicator of future performance

Discrete period performance (%)	Year to 31 Jan 2020	Year to 31 Jan 2019	Year to 31 Jan 2018	Year to 31 Jan 2017	Year to 31 Jan 2016
EF Brompton Global Opportunities B Acc	12.71	-8.01	10.07	24.52	0.02
IA Flexible Investment	11.12	-3.90	10.77	20.40	-3.95
Quartile ranking	2	4	3	2	1

Cumulative performance (%) to 31 January 2020	1 month	3 months	6 months	12 months	Since launch
EF Brompton Global Opportunities B Acc	-0.26	3.81	0.60	12.71	77.35
IA Flexible Investment	-0.45	3.24	0.88	11.12	70.94
Quartile ranking	2	2	3	2	3

Source: Lipper, NAV-NAV, sterling, net income reinvested 1st quartile means the fund is ranked in the top 25% of funds in its sector

### Important information

For full details of the fund and its risks please refer to the prospectus or Key Investor Information and Supplementary Information Document, which can be found on the Brompton Asset Management website, www.bromptonam.com. The value of assets and income generated from them may fall as well as rise. Investors may not get a steady income flow and, on disposal, may not receive all their capital back.

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