# BROMPTON ASSET MANAGEMENT

# **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**

Fund size £15.3 million

Launch date 8 November 2012

Launch price 100p

IA sector Flexible Investment

Base currency Sterling

Valuation point Noon

#### **B Shares (Retail)**

 Price at 31/12/17
 170.03p

 Minimum investment
 £1,000

 Minimum top-up
 £500

 Minimum regular savings
 £100

 Investment management fee
 0.75%

 Initial charge
 2%

 Total expense ratio
 1.81%

#### I Shares (Institutional)

 Price at 31/12/17
 167.79p

 Minimum investment
 £100,000

 Minimum top-up
 £10,000

 Investment management fee
 1%

 Total expense ratio
 2.06%

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

The Federal Reserve raised interest rates in December to 1.25-1.5%. Since the previous policy-setting meeting, US economic growth has proved stronger and unemployment lower than expected while inflation has been as expected by the Federal Open Markets Committee. President Trump's tax cuts may lead to stronger growth in 2018, prompting further rate rises. In response, US equities lagged, rising 1.18% in sterling while global equities gained 1.71%. Financial stocks should, however, benefit from rising longer-term interest rates and the EF Brompton Global Opportunities Fund's holding in the SPDR S&P US Financials exchange-traded fund (ETF) outperformed, gaining 1.99%. UK equities gained 5.03% as Brexit talks progressed and entered their next phase, which will include trade. All the portfolio's UK equity holdings underperformed but 3i Infrastructure, which has significant UK assets, was the portfolio's top performer, returning 5.42%. Commodity prices strengthened, with oil rising 5.37% in sterling as Russia and Opec members honoured their supply agreements while copper rose 7.17% on Chinese production cuts. Stronger commodity prices contributed to outperformance from equities in emerging markets and Asia excluding Japan, up 3.71% and 2.81% respectively in sterling. Goldman Sachs India outperformed, rising 4.72%. Investment in absolute return funds, which may generate modest positive returns irrespective of trends within equity and fixed income markets, increased through the addition of Smith & Williamson Enterprise. Man GLG UK Absolute Value, which has a similar style, returned 1.21%. The EF Brompton Global Opportunities Fund gained 1.55% in December while the sector gained 1.16%.†

#### Portfolio breakdown \*

#### UK fixed income

Artemis Strategic Bond

#### Global fixed income

Templeton Emerging Markets Bond (£-hedged) Legg Mason Western Asset Macro Opportunities Bond

#### Alternative

3i Infrastructure Trojan Man GLG UK Absolute Value Smith & Williamson Enterprise

#### UK equity

Schroder Recovery Liontrust Special Situations SPDR FTSE UK All Share Aberforth UK Small Companies

#### Europe ex-UK equity

WisdomTree Europe SmallCap Dividend Schroder European JP Morgan European Smaller Companies Fidelity Germany

#### US equity

SPDR S&P US Financials

#### Japanese equity

Lindsell Train Japanese Equity GLG Japan CoreAlpha (£-hedged) GLG Japan CoreAlpha

#### Pacific ex-Japan equity

Hermes Asia ex Japan Equity

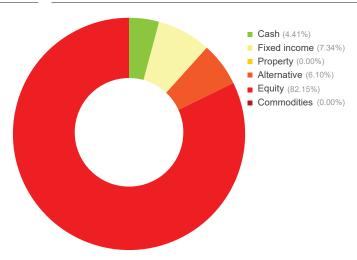
#### Emerging market equity

Schroder Small Cap Discovery Goldman Sachs India Equity Goldman Sachs Emerging Markets Equity

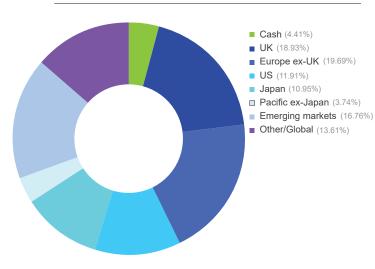
#### Global Equity

RobecoSAM Smart Materials

## Asset allocation



#### Geographic allocation



### Please see overleaf for performance and other important information

<sup>\*</sup> excluding cash



#### **Investment policy**

The Fund will principally invest in collective investment schemes, exchange-traded funds and unregulated collective investment schemes (which include limited partnerships).

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

Although the Fund will usually be invested across a range of asset classes, in certain market conditions, the fund 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.

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## EF Brompton Global Opportunities Fund (continued)

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#### Performance

Percentage growth, 8 November 2012 to 31 December 2017

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 Dec 2017	Year to 31 Dec 2016	Year to 31 Dec 2015	Year to 31 Dec 2014	Year to 31 Dec 2013
EF Brompton Global Opportunities B Acc	10.03	18.62	7.03	3.07	15.97
IA Flexible Investment	11.37	14.40	2.25	4.86	14.57
Quartile ranking	3	1	1	4	3

Cumulative performance (%) to 31 December 2017	1 month	3 months	6 months	12 months	Since launch
EF Brompton Global Opportunities B Acc	1.55	5.37	6.81	10.03	70.03
IA Flexible Investment	1.16	3.71	4.96	11.37	59.29
Quartile ranking	1	1	1	3	2

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 simplified prospectus, 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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