

# **EF Brompton Global Opportunities Fund**

An EF Brompton Multi-Manager OEIC sub-fund



Gill Lakin Fund manager

#### Fund manager's commentary

Jerome Powell, the Federal Reserve chairman, turned dovish, pronouncing interest rates "just below" neutral against previous guidance describing them "a long way" from neutral. Global equities rose 1.66% in sterling. Fundsmith Equity, the EF Brompton Global Opportunities Fund's largest actively-managed investment, outperformed thanks to its quality stock focus, rising 3.29%. US stocks rose 2.19% in sterling while equities in Asia excluding Japan and emerging markets did even better as investors anticipated advances in US-Sino trade talks, rising 5.47% and 4.28% respectively in sterling. Fears about oversupply, however, pushed oil prices down 21.96%, a fall that benefited oil-importing economies. Blackrock Asia Special Situations was added to the portfolio's Asia ex-Japan equity allocation. The portfolio's other regional equity holding, Hermes Asia ex-Japan Equity, lagged, rising only 2.37%. The Bank of England's assumption of a bank rate rise to 5.5% if there were no Brexit deal contributed to weakness for sterling bonds, with UK government bonds and sterling corporate bonds falling 1.28% and 1.73% respectively. The fund benefited from its low bond allocation while the iShares \$ Treasury Bond 1-3 Years exchange-traded fund made gains, returning 0.31%. UK equities fell 1.51% but Liontrust UK Special Situations rose 0.28% against the trend. Among the portfolio's daily-traded long/short equity investments, the sterling-hedged Artemis US Absolute Return holding and Man GLG UK Absolute Value did best, rising 0.85% and 0.35% respectively, but Man GLG European Mid-Cap Equity Alternative fell 0.89%. The EF Brompton Global Opportunities Fund rose 1.09% † in November while the sector rose 0.85%. Financial data source: Thomson Reuters 30 November 2018 † B Acc shares

# Key facts

Fund size £14.0 million

Launch date 8 November 2012

Launch price 100p

IA sector Flexible Investment

Base currency Sterling

Valuation point Noon

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

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

Price at 30/11/18

Minimum investment

£1,000

Minimum top-up

£500

Minimum regular savings

Investment management fee

0.75%

Initial charge

2%

Total expense ratio

1.84%

# I Shares (Institutional)

 Price at 30/11/18
 159.34p

 Minimum investment
 £100,000

 Minimum top-up
 £10,000

 Investment management fee
 1%

 Total expense ratio
 2.09%

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

# Portfolio breakdown \*

#### UK fixed income

Artemis Strategic Bond

### Global fixed income

iShares \$ Treasury Bond 1-3 Years

#### Alternative

3i Infrastructure
Artemis US Absolute Return (£-hedged)
Man GLG UK Absolute Value
Man GLG European Mid-Cap Equity Alternative
F&C Real Estate Equity Long/Short

# UK equity

Schroder Recovery
Liontrust Special Situations
Aberforth UK Small Companies

# Europe ex-UK equity

Schroder European

JP Morgan European Smaller Companies

Threadneedle European Smaller Companies

# US equity

iShares Core S&P 500 SPDR S&P US Financials iShares S&P SmallCap 600

#### Japanese equity

Lindsell Train Japanese Equity (¥-quoted) GLG Japan CoreAlpha T Rowe Price Japanese Equity

#### Pacific ex-Japan equity

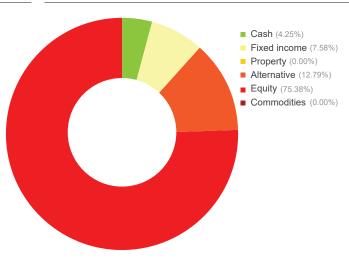
Hermes Asia ex-Japan Equity
Blackrock Asia Special Situations

#### Global Equity

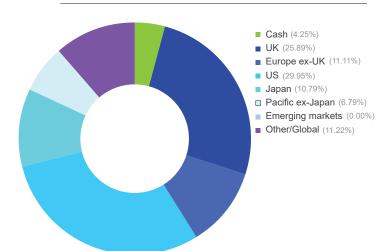
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\* excluding cash and cash funds

# Asset allocation



# **Geographic allocation**





# **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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#### Performance

Percentage growth, 8 November 2012 to 30 November 2018

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 30 Nov 2018	Year to 30 Nov 2017	Year to 30 Nov 2016	Year to 30 Nov 2015	Year to 30 Nov 2014
EF Brompton Global Opportunities B Acc	-3.34	11.70	15.69	6.17	5.04
IA Flexible Investment	-1.45	12.91	11.27	1.90	6.25
Quartile ranking	4	3	1	1	3

Cumulative performance (%) to 30 November 2018	1 month	3 months	6 months	12 months	Since launch
EF Brompton Global Opportunities B Acc	1.09	-5.41	-4.51	-3.34	61.84
IA Flexible Investment	0.85	-4.59	-3.07	-1.45	55.16
Quartile ranking	2	3	3	4	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 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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