

# **Monthly Fact Sheet** 31 January 2024

### **About the Fund**

The objective of the fund is to deliver long term capital growth to investors by investing in a diversified portfolio of European (ex-UK) companies. The fund has an unconstrained approach investing across the size spectrum down to a minimum market capitalisation of c.€50m. Using cashflow analysis, the strong valuation discipline will always deliver a material premium to the market in terms of free cashflow yield. and will always have a risk constraint of having lower net debt to EBITDA than the market at the portfolio level. These two commitments will be delivered whilst being invested in companies which have good long-term growth prospects.

6 March 2018
£181m
1.55%

Share Price (as at 31.01.24)

Income Accumulation **B** Shares 133.40p 149.74p

# Codes (B Shares)

Accumulation Income BFNL2P3 Sedol BFNL2N1 ISIN GB00BFNL2N15 GB00BFNL2P30

# **Fund Managers**



**Dale Robertson** ioined Chelverton in 2017. He began his career as a chartered accountant at Arthur Andersen, moving to Edinburgh Fund Managers in 1995. He then managed European funds at SWIP before moving to Edinburgh

Partners where he managed the EP European Opportunities Fund from 2003 - 2016.

**Gareth Rudd** 



# joined Chelverton in 2017. He began his career in financial Fund Managers. He then moved to ABN Amro where

services in 1996 at Edinburgh he was a long/short investor within Principal Strategies until 2009. Before joining

Chelverton, Gareth was a partner at Willis Welby, a boutique research house.

\*The historic yield reflects distributions over the past 12 months as a percentage of the bid price of the B share class as at the date shown. It does not include any initial charge and investors may be subject to tax on their distributions

# MI Chelverton European Select Fund

# **Monthly Manager Commentary**

European markets were fairly directionless during January. Markets were generally focussed on broader macreconomic topics, such as attempting to predict the likely timing of the turn in the interest rate cycle, towards an easing of rates. Small companies underperformed their larger counterparts over the month.

The fund lagged the broader European markets, largely due to its exposure to smaller companies.

The largest contributor to performance over the month was once again Pagero (business to business software). Having received a bid approach last month, a further 2 bidders entered the fray, sending the price up significantly. There were also strong performances from Rheinmetall (defence), ASM International (semiconductor equipment), Fabasoft and Cyberoo (both software). Imerys (materials) posted gains, as analysts factored in strong profit contribution from its quartz mine.

TGS (seismic data for energy sector) was the largest detractor from performance over the month as it posted disappointing short-term results. Eurogroup Laminations (electric vehicle part supplier) and Enad Global were weak on no particular newsflow. In the former, a range of senior managers have recently been purchasing shares. La Francaise de L'Energie (zero carbon energy producer) fell after an opportunistic acquisition plus uninspiring short-term results - we have been adding here.

Using funds from the Pagero takeover, the fund initiated holdings in two companies over the month. Technogym is a world leading supplier of gym equipment, with excellent prospects for expansion. Admicom is a software as a service provider, predominantly to the construction sector in Finland. Both are high quality, strongly cash generative companies.

# **Performance Since Launch (%)**



Source: Morningstar, NAV to NAV, B Shares Acc, Total Return to 31.01.2024

# **Cumulative Performance**

	1 m	3 m	1 yr	3 yrs	5 yrs	Since Launch
Fund (%)	-1.49	15.50	-0.83	20.58	68.49	49.74
Rank in sector	91/110	13/110	102/109	60/101	16/93	40/93
Quartile	4th	1st	4th	3rd	1st	2nd
IA Europe Ex UK (%)	-0.16	11.64	7.65	22.54	54.02	43.00

Source: Morningstar, NAV to NAV, B Shares Acc, Total Return to 31.01.2024

# **Calendar Year Performance (%)**

	YTD	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
Fund	-1.49	5.45	-7.07	26.56	11.54	30.14
IA Sector (%)	-0.16	14.25	-8.90	15.63	10.53	20.38

Source: Morningstar, NAV to NAV, B Shares Acc, Total Return to 31.01.2024

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Apex Fundrock Ltd

**Investment Advisor** 

Chelverton Asset Management Limited

Administrator

Apex Fundrock Ltd

Income Paid	Biannually
XD Dates	30 June, 31 December
Valuation	12 Nooi

Initial Charge (%)

B Shares 5.0\*

**Annual Management Fee (%)** 

B Shares 0.75

**Minimum Investment** 

B Shares £1,000

Ongoing Charge (%)

B Shares 0.96

 $\mbox{*or}$  any such lower amount agreed with the ACD

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# **Top 20 Holdings**

Но	lding	Sector	% of Portfolio
1.	Pagero Group	Information Technology	4.1
2.	OX2	Industrials	3.0
3.	Amadeus FiRe	Industrials	2.9
4.	BE Semiconductor Industries	Information Technology	2.5
5.	Arcadis	Industrials	2.4
6.	Valmet	Industrials	2.4
7.	Française De l'Énergie	Energy	2.4
8.	Vallourec	Energy	2.3
9.	Brunel	Industrials	2.3
10.	Roche	Healthcare	2.3
11.	D'Ieteren	Consumer Discretionary	2.3
12.	Rheinmetall	Industrials	2.3
13.	ASM International	Information Technology	2.3
14.	Kering	Consumer Discretionary	2.3
15.	Siemens	Industrials	2.2
16.	Fabsoft	Information Technology	2.1
17.	Bouvet	Information Technology	2.1
18.	DEME	Industrials	2.0
19.	TGS-NOPEC	Energy	2.0
20.	Kaufman & Broad	Consumer Discretionary	2.0

# **Sector Breakdown**

# % of Portfolio

# Information Technology 35.0 Industrials 30.7 Energy 10.4 Consumer Discretionary 10.0 Health Care 5.2 Materials 4.7 Financials 1.2 Cash 2.8

# **Market Cap Breakdown**

	% of Portfolio	No. of Stocks
Above €10bn	17.8	9
€2bn - €10bn	15.5	8
Below €2bn	63.9	43
Cash and Income	2.8	N/A
Total	100.0	60

Source: Chelverton Asset Management Limited, Sector and Industry information per GICS

# Geographic Breakdown

	% of Portfolio
France	19.1
Sweden	14.6
Germany	13.4
Netherlands	13.2
Italy	9.6
Norway	7.2
Belgium	5.7
Finland	4.9
Austria	4.5
Switzerland	3.9
Spain	1.1
Cash	2.8

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