



Investec Continental European Equity Fund

As at end December 2009

Summary of investment objective

The Fund aims to achieve capital growth by investing predominantly in Continental European companies.

Fund overview

Continental Europe offers a wealth of exciting investment opportunities for the long-term investor. The region is home to companies that are world leaders in financial services, energy, business services, branded consumer products, mobile communications and many other sectors. Moreover, many companies are likely to benefit in the long term from the expansion of the European Community, which creates new opportunities for cross border trade at the same time as helping to keep operating costs low.

The Fund Manager structures the portfolio employing Investec Asset Management's 4Factor™ process which aims to focus on high-quality, attractively valued companies with improving operating performance that are receiving increased investor attention. Having screened the continental European markets to find those with these characteristics, the stocks that are considered to have the best potential are selected to form the portfolio. Given that the Fund is a relatively concentrated portfolio of European equities, returns are likely to be volatile over the shorter term, so could represent an attractive choice for investors seeking to profit from the long-term growth potential of European equities. Furthermore, any change in foreign exchange returns could potentially have a significant effect on sterling returns.

Monthly and annual average returns (%)

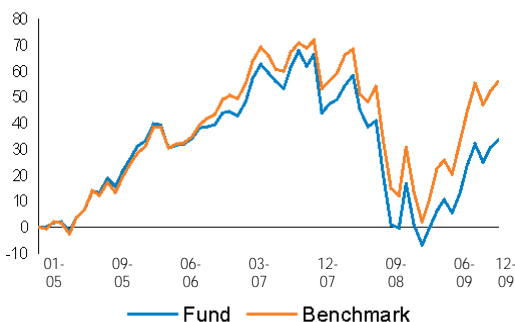
	1 month	1 year	3 years annualised	5 years annualised
Continental European Equity Share Class	2.5	14.6	-2.5	6.0
MSCI Europe ex UK TR USD	2.6	19.3	1.6	9.3
Equity Europe ex UK Average	2.4	19.9	0.7	8.5
Fund / sector rank	35/57	46/56	43/48	36/43

Calendar year performance (%)

Dates to 31.12.09

	YTD	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004
Continental European Equity Share Class	14.6	-30.0	15.7	14.0	26.3	10.5
MSCI Europe ex UK TR USD	19.3	-23.9	15.5	19.6	24.5	14.1
Equity Europe ex UK Average	19.9	-23.5	12.8	18.9	24.4	12.3
Fund / sector rank	46/56	46/53	9/48	43/45	12/43	31/38

Comparative performance (%)



Fund statistics - vs benchmark

	1 year	2 years	3 years
Alpha	-0.1	-0.5	-0.3
Beta	0.9	1.0	1.0
Annualised information ratio	-0.7	-1.1	-0.8
Annualised tracking error	5.6	5.6	5.2
Annualised volatility	25.4	29.6	25.1

Ratings

Morningstar ★★

Key facts

Fund manager: Nigel Hankin

Fund size: £46.7m

Fund launch date: 25.1.85

'A' Share class launch date: 25.1.85

Domicile: Luxembourg

Lipper Global Sector: Equity Europe Ex UK

Benchmark: MSCI Europe ex UK TR USD

'A' Share class dealing currency: USD

Historic yield: 0.84%

'A' Share class charges

Maximum initial charge: 5.00%

Annual management fee: 1.50%

Est. total expense ratio: 1.97%

Other information

Pricing: 16:00 New York Time (forward pricing)

Minimum investment:

\$3,000 lump sum (in GBP equivalent)

Type of shares: Inc - Gross

Acc - Gross

Dividend payment dates:

15 Jan

'A' Share class codes: USD (Inc, Gross)

Sedol: B2PT083

ISIN: LU0345777659

Valoren: 3836188

WKN: A0QYF0

Bloomberg: GUIEUR

MEX ID: GMEU

CUSIP: L54481715

For an explanation of statistical terms, please see:

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Please see over for performance data and other sources.

Out of the Ordinary™



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Top holdings (%)

Nestle S.A.	3.9
Total SA	3.8
Banco Santander Central Hispano	3.6
Telefonica S.A.	3.2
Siemens	2.4
BASF	2.2
Banco Bilbao Vizcaya Argentaria	2.1
Arcelormittal	2.0
Credit Suisse Group	2.0
Interbrew S.A.	2.0
Total	27.2

Sector analysis (%)

Financials	25.0
Consumers	20.0
Services	17.0
Resources	16.5
Industrials	12.5
Technology	8.6
Cash	0.4
Total	100.0

Geographic allocation (%)

France	21.8
Germany	17.9
Spain	13.6
Switzerland	13.0
Sweden	4.7
Italy	4.4
Austria	4.2
Netherlands	3.3
Others	16.7
Cash	0.4
Total	100.0

Stock weightings vs benchmark - top 5 and bottom 5 (%)

Henkel Kga Pfd.	1.3
Davide Campari-Milano Spa	1.2
Arcelor	1.2
Interbrew S.A.	1.2
Eurazeo	1.1
Nokia Corp.	-1.0
Daimlerchrysler	-1.0
Unilever NV Cva	-1.1
UBS	-1.2
Allianz	-1.2

Sector weightings vs benchmark - top 5 and bottom 5 (%)

Speciality & Other Finance	2.3
Beverages	2.3
Support Services	2.0
Investment Companies	1.8
Steel & Other Metals	1.6
Automobiles	-1.2
Telecoms Equipment	-1.8
Carriers	-2.0
Electricity	-4.0
Insurance	-4.5

Geographic weightings vs benchmark - top 5 and bottom 5 (%)

Austria	3.5
Spain	3.4
Turkey	2.2
Ireland	2.1
Greece	1.2
France	-1.2
Finland	-2.5
Netherlands	-2.9
Italy	-3.1
Switzerland	-4.0

Important information

Risk factors you should consider before making an investment:

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Performance data source: Lipper, dates to 31.12.09, NAV based, (inclusive of all annual management fees but excluding any initial charges), gross income reinvested, in sterling. Performance would be lower had initial charges been included. All other information is from Investec Asset Management at 31.12.09.

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