

## Key Investor Information

This document provides you with key investor information about this fund. It is not marketing material. The information is required by law to help you understand the nature and the risks of investing in this fund. You are advised to read it so you can make an informed decision about whether to invest.

# IFSL Marlborough European Special Situations Fund Class P Units

(ISIN Income GB00B90VHJ34, Accumulation GB00BR54BD51)

This Fund is managed by Investment Fund Services Limited (IFSL)

## Objectives and Investment Policy

The aim of the Fund is to provide capital growth, that is, to increase the value of your investment, over a minimum of 5 years, however, there is no certainty this will be achieved.

The Fund is actively managed which means the Investment Manager decides which investments to buy or sell, and when.

At least 80% of the Fund will be invested in the shares of companies listed on European stock markets (excluding the UK). Of this, up to 90% will be in smaller companies. Smaller companies are defined as those in the bottom 20% of the market capitalisation. The remainder will be in medium and large sized companies.

The Fund may also invest up to 20% in other securities which are linked to the performance of a company, such as; investment grade bonds, which are loans typically issued by companies and governments, where the issuer has a higher capacity to repay the debt; bonds which may be converted into shares (known as convertible bonds); and preference shares.

The Fund may, from time to time, hold shares in UK companies following changes made to existing investments, for example following a corporate restructure or other corporate event. The Fund will not make any new investments into the shares of UK companies.

In addition, up to 10% of the Fund may be invested in other funds (including investment trusts) which offer exposure to shares of European companies.

The Fund may hold up to 20% in cash to enable the ready settlement of liabilities (including the redemption of units), for the efficient management of the portfolio or in pursuit of the Fund's investment objective. The Fund may also hold money market instruments (a type of short-term loan typically issued by governments and corporations), and funds that invest in these instruments as an alternative to holding cash.

Whilst the Fund itself will not use derivatives, the underlying funds purchased may have the ability to use derivatives to varying degrees.

The Investment Manager seeks unique opportunities in the markets to invest in, known as 'special situations'. These 'special situations' in the Investment Manager's opinion, are European companies that exhibit one or more of the following characteristics:

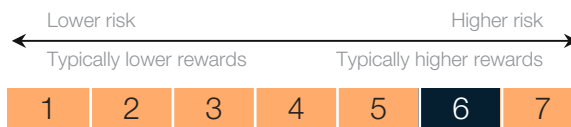
- Attractive share valuations relative to the potential for profit growth. The Investment Manager is looking for companies that may be less extensively researched and therefore less familiar to investors, thereby has the potential offering a higher likelihood of being undervalued; this typically results in a focus on smaller companies.
- Potential for growing profits faster than the average growth rate of all listed European companies, often attributed to superior market share, new product innovations, economies of scale, and intellectual property advantages over competitors.
- Well-managed operations, demonstrated by prudent investment in company projects, external acquisitions and a careful management of the company's finances with a focus on expanding the company's primary business activity.

Whilst meeting the policy requirement to hold a large proportion in smaller company shares, the Investment Manager targets a diversified portfolio across securities, sectors, and geographical regions, this aims to mitigate performance being overly dependent on any one single factor that may affect investment performance.

The Fund's investment policy puts it in the IA Europe Excluding UK sector. You may want to assess the Fund's performance compared to the performance of this sector.

The Fund pays income. If you wish to receive this please tell us. If you do not want to receive income you will be given accumulation units which means income is invested back into the Fund and reflected in the price of your units. You can buy or sell all or part of your investment on any business day subject to the minimum holding requirements.

## Risk and Reward Profile



This indicator aims to give you a measure of the price movement of this unit class based on past data. It uses historic returns over the last five years. If five years' data is not available, simulated data based on a representative portfolio are used.

Past data may not be a reliable indication of the future risk profile of the Fund. The risk category may change in the future and is not guaranteed. The lowest category does not mean risk free. The value of investments and the income from them may fall as well as rise and you may not get back the amount you originally invested.

This Fund has been measured as 6 because its investments have experienced high volatility in the past. The Fund's volatility is affected by various risks, including:

The Fund will be exposed to financial markets and market conditions can change rapidly. Prices can move irrationally and be affected unpredictably by diverse factors, including political and economic events.

The Fund will be exposed to the shares of smaller companies which are typically riskier than larger, more established companies. Difficulty in trading may arise, resulting in a negative impact on your investment. Shares in smaller companies may be harder to sell at a desired price and/or in a timely manner, especially in

difficult market conditions.

The Fund may be exposed to bonds, the prices of which will be impacted by factors including; changes in interest rates, inflation expectations and perceived credit quality.

The Fund will have exposure to overseas markets, either directly or indirectly, and is therefore exposed to currency risk. As a result, the value of your investment can be affected by changes in exchange rates.

In certain market conditions, the Fund may not be able to sell one or more of its assets for the full value, or at all. This could affect the performance of the Fund and could cause the Fund to defer or suspend redemptions of its shares, meaning investors may not be able to have immediate access to their holdings.

A company that we deal with may renege on its obligations, costing the Fund money.

Operational processes, including those related to the safekeeping of assets, may fail. This may result in losses to the Fund, or inconvenience to investors.

Investors are encouraged to read the 'risk factors' section of the Fund's prospectus to find a more extensive list of the risks that apply to this Fund.

## Charges

The charges you pay are used to pay the costs of running the Fund, including the costs of marketing and distributing it. These charges reduce the potential growth of your investment. The entry and exit charges shown are maximum figures. In some cases you may pay less - you can find this out from your financial adviser.

The ongoing charges figure is based on expenses as at 10/09/2024. This figure may vary from year to year. It excludes:

- Portfolio transaction costs, except in the case of an entry/exit charge paid by the Fund when buying or selling units in another collective investment undertaking.

For more information about charges, please see Section 6 of the Fund's Prospectus, which is available at [www.ifslfunds.com](http://www.ifslfunds.com).

### One-off charges taken before or after you invest

Entry Charge	0.00%
Exit Charge	None

This is the maximum that might be taken out of your money before it is invested.

### Charges taken from the fund over each year

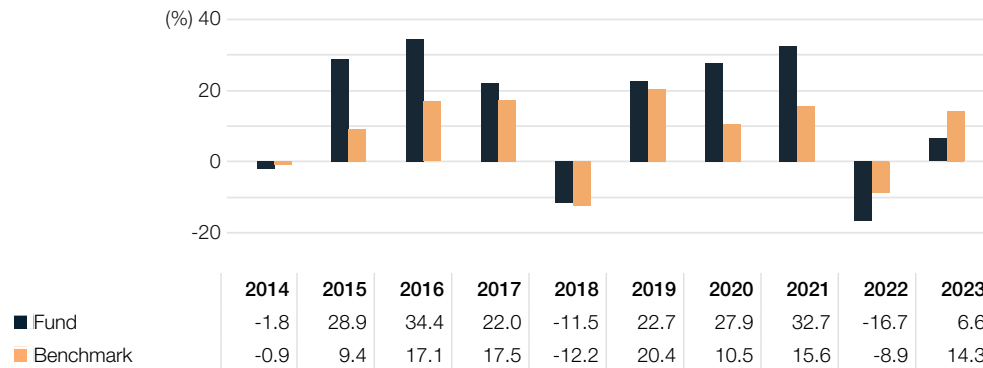
Ongoing Charges	0.80%
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### Charges taken from the fund under certain conditions

Performance Fee	None
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## Past Performance

### Historic performance to 31 December 2023



Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future performance; the value of your investment and any income from it can go down as well as up.

Performance returns are based on the net asset value with distributable income reinvested and takes account of all ongoing charges, but not entry and exit charges. The past performance of this unit class is calculated in GBP.

The Fund was launched on 22 May 1986.

This Unit Class was launched on 31 December 2012.

Benchmark: IA Europe Excluding UK.

## Practical Information

If you wish to sell all or part of your investment please write to us at Investment Fund Services Limited, Marlborough House, 59 Chorley New Road, Bolton, BL1 4QP or telephone 0808 178 9321. Your deal will be placed at the next valuation point after we receive your instruction.

The Prospectus, Annual and Half-Yearly Report and Accounts for the Fund are available free of charge at [www.ifslfunds.com](http://www.ifslfunds.com) or by calling 0808 178 9321. The documents are available in English only.

For further details including how to invest please see the Supplementary Information Document which is available at [www.ifslfunds.com](http://www.ifslfunds.com) or call 0808 178 9321.

Other unit classes of the Fund are available. For further details please see the Fund's Prospectus which is available at [www.ifslfunds.com](http://www.ifslfunds.com).

You may switch to any Fund in the range subject to meeting the investment

criteria, please refer to the Prospectus for further details.

The Trustee for the Fund is HSBC Bank plc.

UK taxation may have an impact on your personal tax position.

Fund prices are available on our website [www.ifslfunds.com](http://www.ifslfunds.com).

Investment Fund Services Limited may be held liable solely on the basis of any statement contained in this document that is misleading, inaccurate or inconsistent with the relevant parts of the Prospectus.

The Remuneration Policy of Investment Fund Services Limited is available from [www.ifslfunds.com](http://www.ifslfunds.com). This Policy describes how remuneration and benefits are calculated and the governance arrangements in place around these payments. A paper copy of this Policy is also available free of charge upon request.