IFSL Marlborough US Multi-Cap Income Fund

Annual Report and Audited Financial Statements

for the year ended 10 September 2023



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AUTHORISED INVESTMENT MANAGER'S REPORT

for the year ended 10 September 2023

Performance to 10 September 2023

	Six months	<u>i year</u>	<u>3 years</u>	<u>5 years</u>
IFSL Marlborough US Multi-Cap Income Fund	6.62%	1.86%	28.65%	67.19%
IA North America Sector*	9.50%	1.71%	34.84%	58.69%

External Source of Economic Data: Morningstar (A Income - quoted to quoted price, net income reinvested).

The performance figures above are based on quoted prices and will, therefore, differ from the performance in the Comparative Table.

Capital at risk. 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 take account of all ongoing charges, but not entry charges (if applicable). The past performance of this unit class is calculated in sterling.

Investment commentary

Market review

A year ago, investors were grappling with still rising inflation and global central banks attempting to reign it in. US central bankers were raising policy rates with a speed and magnitude unlike anything seen since the late 1970s, and the general expectation was that the economy would slow and soon enter recession. This was a difficult period for US stocks, with the index tracking the largest US companies, the S&P 500 Index, officially entering bear market territory (defined as a greater than 20% decline) in June 2022 – just six months after making all-time highs – and many investors were bracing for further weakness in 2023.

Fund performance and activity

The best performing companies included building products distributor Ferguson, Microsoft and network operator Cogent Communications. The fund experienced disappointing performance from First Republic Bank and mobile phone tower operator Crown Castle.

Stock turnover is traditionally low in the fund. A new addition during the year under review was Carlisle Companies Inc which manufactures waterproofing and sealing solutions for flat roofs, facades and buildings. The key driver for future earnings growth is customers replacing existing, dated structures. The business is run by a well-regarded management team and generates high returns on capital invested.

Outlook and fund strategy

The yield curve** continues to signal Federal Reserve policies will push the U.S. economy into a slowdown. The Conference Board's Leading Economic Index (an indicator intended to forecast future economic activity) suggests slowing is already occurring, specifically in areas more sensitive to economic growth. The housing market has been better than feared but high mortgage rates have slowed turnover to a crawl, while manufacturing is slowing, and bank lending standards have tightened. Despite that, the weakness has yet to spread more broadly, for example the labour market and consumer spending remain healthy. This resilience has supported share price returns this year, but the strength has been concentrated on just a handful of companies. The narrow leadership has been driven by a selection of the very largest and mostly technology related enterprises dubbed the 'Magnificent Seven'.

At this point of the economic cycle, when the risk of tipping into economic weakness increases, investing behind strong, market leading companies becomes even more critical. Our investment strategy seeks out companies where their businesses should be resilient. Characteristics of these types of businesses include pricing power, transparency in terms of the drivers of sales growth and high costs required by new entrants to compete. Many of the businesses we own have business models that are less reliant on the economy to grow than the average company. Investing behind businesses with high quality attributes like recurring revenue, stable demand for leading products, and pricing power can help mitigate some of the pressure economic weakness may present. Whilst not guaranteed, this approach has proven over time to reward investors with performance better than the benchmark, especially when those shares are purchased at reasonable prices.

Boston Financial Management LLC 16 October 2023

^{*}Benchmark - Comparator for performance purposes.

^{**}Yield curve - the difference between the interest rate of long-term (> 5 years) government bonds and short-term (< 2 years) government bonds.

AUTHORISED INVESTMENT MANAGER'S REPORT

for the year ended 10 September 2023

Total sales for the year

Distributions	Voor 2022	Voor 2022	Voor 2021	Voor 2020
A Income (pence per unit) Net income paid 10 November	<u>Year 2023</u> 10.5122	<u>Year 2022</u> 10.5472	<u>Year 2021</u> 8.7503	<u>Year 2020</u> 8.3407
P Income (pence per unit) Net income paid 10 November	10.9033	10.8599	8.9412	8.4575
Portfolio changes				
<u>Purchases</u>				Cost (£)
CDW Carlisle Companies Dollar General				1,215,678 796,012 794,000
Total purchases for the year				2,805,690
Largest sales				Proceeds (£)
Ritchie Bros. Auctioneers First Republic Bank Watsco Dollar General Cogent Communications Microsoft Lockheed Martin Air Products & Chemicals Costco Wholesale STERIS				1,450,178 974,239 684,650 608,051 598,237 573,778 558,067 486,329 428,518 403,689
Other sales				2,002,859

8,768,595

AUTHORISED STATUS

IFSL Marlborough US Multi-Cap Income Fund (the Fund) is an authorised unit trust scheme within the meaning of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 and is a UCITS scheme operating under the Collective Investment Schemes Sourcebook (COLL) as issued by the Financial Conduct Authority.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Investment objective

The investment objective of the Fund is to provide income, that is, money paid out of an investment such as dividends from shares, with the potential for some increase in the value of an investment, over a minimum of 5 years.

Investment policy

At least 80% of the Fund will be invested in the shares of companies which are listed on stock markets or domiciled in the United States of America.

The Fund is actively managed, which means the investment manager decides which investments to buy or sell and when. Whilst the Investment Manager may invest in small, medium and large companies, in order to meet the income objective, there will typically be a bias towards larger companies.

The Fund may also invest in other types of security 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.

In addition, the Fund may invest in other funds (including investment trusts) which offer exposure to North American companies and from time to time, may hold a small amount in investment grade bonds.

The Fund will normally hold an amount of cash to enable ready settlement of liabilities (including redemption of shares) and efficient management of the Fund both generally and in relation to strategic objectives however may hold higher cash balances in certain circumstances, such as volatile market conditions.

The Fund may also hold money market instruments, a type of short-term loan, and funds that invest in these instruments as an alternative to holding cash.

Assessing performance

The Investment Association (IA), the trade body for UK investment managers, has created a number of 'sectors', as a way of dividing funds into broad groups with similar characteristics.

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

Rights and terms attaching to each unit class

A unit of each class represents a proportional entitlement to the assets of the Fund. The allocation of income and taxation and the rights of each unit in the event the Fund is wound up are on the same proportional basis.

Assessment of value

The Authorised Fund Manager (AFM) is required to carry out an assessment of value at least annually and publish its findings in a report to investors. The AFM should publish the report in the annual report of the Fund, except where the assessment and report are provided as a composite, that is, with other funds that may have a different year end date. IFSL Marlborough US Multi-Cap Income Fund was assessed and reported on, in a composite report which the AFM publishes on the website www.ifslfunds.com. The latest report was published on 30 September 2023.

Changes in prospectus

No significant changes have been made since the last report.

Up to date Key Investor Information Documents, Prospectus and Long Reports and Financial Statements for any fund within the AFM's range, can be requested by the investor at any time.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Remuneration policy

In line with the requirements of UCITS V, Investment Fund Services Limited (the AFM) is subject to a remuneration policy which is consistent with the principles outlined in the European Securities and Markets Authority guidelines on sound remuneration policies under UCITS V. The remuneration policies are designed to ensure that any relevant conflicts of interest can be managed appropriately at all times and that the remuneration of its senior staff is in line with the risk policies and objectives of the UCITS funds it manages.

The quantitative remuneration disclosures as at 30 September 2022 (the AFM's year end) are set out below:

	Number of identified staff	Total remuneration paid	Fixed remuneration paid	Variable remuneration paid
		£	£	£
Remuneration paid to staff of the AFM who have a material				
impact on the risk profile of the Fund				
Senior management	7	757,911	667,666	90,245
Risk takers and other identified staff	2	245,763	203,403	42,360
Allocation of total remuneration of the employees of the AFM				
to the Fund				
Senior management	0.04	4,227	3,724	503
Risk takers and other identified staff	0.01	1,370	1,134	236

The total number of staff employed by the AFM was 236 as at 30 September 2022. The total remuneration paid to those staff was £14,048,823 of which £5,197,123 is attributable to the AFM.

The allocation of remuneration to the Fund is based on Assets Under Management (AUM) and the figures disclosed only include remuneration paid to individuals directly employed by the AFM's group. The way these disclosures are calculated may change in the future.

DIRECTOR'S STATEMENT

This report has been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Collective Investment Schemes Sourcebook as issued and amended by the Financial Conduct Authority.

Allan Hamer Director Helen Redmond Director

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Investment Fund Services Limited 14 December 2023

STATEMENT OF AUTHORISED FUND MANAGER'S RESPONSIBILITIES

The Financial Conduct Authority's Collective Investment Schemes Sourcebook (COLL) requires the Authorised Fund Manager (AFM) to prepare financial statements for each accounting year which give a true and fair view of the financial position of the Fund and of the net revenue and net capital gains on the property of the Fund for the year.

In preparing those financial statements the AFM is required to:

- comply with the disclosure requirements of the Statement of Recommended Practice relating to UK Authorised Funds issued in May 2014 and amended in June 2017;
- follow United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice and applicable accounting standards;
- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Fund will continue in operation.

The AFM is required to keep proper accounting records and to manage the Fund in accordance with the COLL rules, the Trust Deed and the Prospectus. The AFM is responsible for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The AFM is responsible for ensuring that, to the best of its knowledge and belief, there is no relevant audit information of which the auditor is unaware. It is the responsibility of the AFM to take all necessary steps to familiarise itself with any relevant audit information and to establish that the auditor is aware of that information.

STATEMENT OF THE DEPOSITARY'S RESPONSIBILITIES AND REPORT OF THE DEPOSITARY

Statement of the Depositary's Responsibilities in Respect of the Scheme and Report of the Depositary to the Unitholders of the IFSL Marlborough US Multi-Cap Income Fund of the ("the Trust") for the Period Ended 10 September 2023

The Depositary in its capacity as Trustee of IFSL Marlborough US Multi-Cap Income Fund must ensure that the Trust is managed in accordance with the Financial Conduct Authority's Collective Investment Schemes Sourcebook, the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000, as amended, (together "the Regulations"), the Trust Deed and Prospectus (together "the Scheme documents") as detailed below.

The Depositary must in the context of its role act honestly, fairly, professionally, independently and in the interests of the Trust and its investors.

The Depositary is responsible for the safekeeping of all custodial assets and maintaining a record of all other assets of the Trust in accordance with the Regulations.

The Depositary must ensure that:

- the Trust's cash flows are properly monitored and that cash of the Trust is booked in cash accounts in accordance with the Regulations;
- the sale, issue, repurchase, redemption and cancellation of units are carried out in accordance with the Regulations;
- the value of units of the Trust are calculated in accordance with the Regulations;
- any consideration relating to transactions in the Trust's assets is remitted to the Trust within the usual time limits;
- the Trust's income is applied in accordance with the Regulations; and
- the instructions of the Authorised Fund Manager ("the AFM"), which is the UCITS Management Company, are carried out (unless they conflict with the Regulations).

The Depositary also has a duty to take reasonable care to ensure that the Trust is managed in accordance with the Regulations and the Scheme documents of the Trust in relation to the investment and borrowing powers applicable to the Trust.

Having carried out such procedures as we considered necessary to discharge our responsibilities as Depositary of the Trust, it is our opinion, based on the information available to us and the explanations provided, that, in all material respects the Trust, acting through the AFM:

- (i) has carried out the issue, sale, redemption and cancellation, and calculation of the price of the Trust's units and the application of the Trust's income in accordance with the Regulations and the Scheme documents of the Trust; and
- (ii) has observed the investment and borrowing powers and restrictions applicable to the Trust in accordance with the Regulations and the Scheme documents of the Trust.

HSBC Bank plc 14 December 2023

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE UNITHOLDERS OF IFSL MARLBOROUGH US MULTI-CAP INCOME FUND

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of IFSL Marlborough US Multi-Cap Income Fund ("the Fund") for the year ended 10 September 2023, which comprise the Statement of Total Return, the Statement of Change in Net Assets Attributable to Unitholders, the Balance Sheet, the related notes and the Distribution Tables, and the accounting policies of the Fund, which include a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards including FRS 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable to the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland' (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion, the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the financial position of the Fund as at 10 September 2023 and of the net revenue and the net capital gains on the scheme property of the Fund for the year then ended; and
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report below. We are independent of the Fund in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the Financial Reporting Council's ("FRC") Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Conclusions relating to going concern

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the Manager's use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the Fund's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of twelve months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the Manager with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report. However, because not all future events or conditions can be predicted, this statement is not a guarantee as to the Fund's ability to continue as a going concern.

Other information

The other information comprises the information included in the Annual Report other than the financial statements and our audit report thereon. The Manager is responsible for the other information contained in the Annual Report.

Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our audit report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

Our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether this gives rise to a material misstatement in the financial statements themselves. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of the other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE UNITHOLDERS OF IFSL MARLBOROUGH US MULTI-CAP INCOME FUND

Opinions on other matters prescribed by the rules of the Collective Investment Schemes Sourcebook of the Financial Conduct Authority ("the FCA")

In our opinion:

- the financial statements have been properly prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice relating to Authorised Funds, the rules of the Collective Investment Schemes Sourcebook of the Financial Conduct Authority (FCA) and the Trust Deed;
- there is nothing to indicate that adequate accounting records have not been kept or that the financial statements are not in agreement with those records; and
- the information given in the Manager's report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matter in relation to which the Collective Investment Schemes Sourcebook of the Financial Conduct Authority rules requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

• we have not received all the information and explanations which, to the best of our knowledge and belief, are necessary for the purposes of our audit.

Responsibilities of the Manager

As explained more fully in the Statement of Authorised Fund Manager's Responsibilities statement set out on page 5, the Manager is responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the Manager determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the Manager is responsible for assessing the Fund's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the Manager either intends to wind up or terminate the Fund or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE UNITHOLDERS OF IFSL MARLBOROUGH US MULTI-CAP INCOME FUND

Explanation as to what extent the audit was considered capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud

Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. We design procedures in line with our responsibilities, outlined above, to detect irregularities, including fraud. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement due to fraud is higher than the risk of not detecting one resulting from error, as fraud may involve deliberate concealment by, for example, forgery or intentional misrepresentations, or through collusion. The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud is detailed below. However, the primary responsibility for the prevention and detection of fraud rests with both those charged with governance of the entity and management.

Our approach was as follows:

- We obtained an understanding of the legal and regulatory frameworks that are applicable to the Fund and determined
 that the most significant are United Kingdom Accounting Standards (UK GAAP), including FRS 102, the Investment
 Management Association's Statement of Recommended Practice (IMA SORP), the FCA Collective Investment
 Schemes Sourcebook, the Fund's Trust Deed and the Prospectus.
- We understood how the Fund is complying with those frameworks through discussions with the Manager and the Fund's administrators, and a review of the Fund's documented policies and procedures.
- We assessed the susceptibility of the Fund's financial statements to material misstatement, including how fraud might occur by considering the risk of management override, specifically management's propensity to influence revenue and amounts available for distribution. We identified a fraud risk in relation to incomplete or inaccurate revenue recognition through incorrect classification of special dividends and the resulting impact to amounts available for distribution. We tested the appropriateness of management's classification of a sample of special dividends as either a capital or revenue return.
- Based on this understanding we designed our audit procedures to identify non-compliance with such laws and
 regulations. Our procedures involved review of the reporting to the Manager with respect to the application of the
 documented policies and procedures and review of the financial statements to test compliance with the reporting
 requirements of the Fund.
- Due to the regulated nature of the Fund, the Statutory Auditor considered the experience and expertise of the engagement team to ensure that the team had the appropriate competence and capabilities, to identify non-compliance with the applicable laws and regulations.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the FRC's website at https://www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

Use of our report

This report is made solely to the Fund's Unitholders, as a body, pursuant to Paragraph 4.5.12 of the rules of the Collective Investment Schemes Sourcebook of the Financial Conduct Authority. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the Fund's Unitholders those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the Fund and the Fund's Unitholders as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Ernst & Young LLP Statutory Auditor Edinburgh

14 December 2023

Notes:

- The maintenance and integrity of the Investment Fund Services Limited website is the responsibility of the Manager; the work carried out by the auditors does not involve consideration of these matters and, accordingly, the auditors accept no responsibility for any changes that may have occurred to the financial statements since they were initially presented on the website.
- Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

COMPARATIVE TABLE

A Income units Change in net assets per unit	Year to 10.09.2023 pence	Year to 10.09.2022 pence	Year to 10.09.2021 pence
Opening net asset value per unit	772.25	705.67	637.29
Return before operating charges*	20.65	88.74	87.55
Operating charges	(11.70)	(11.61)	(10.42)
Return after operating charges*	8.95	77.13	77.13
Distributions on income units	(10.51)	(10.55)	(8.75)
Closing net asset value per unit	770.69	772.25	705.67
Closing flet asset value per unit	110.00	112.20	100.01
* after direct transaction costs of:	0.05	0.08	0.08
Performance			
Return after charges ^A	1.16%	10.93%	12.10%
Other information			
Closing net asset value (£)	18,217,574	26,804,264	36,141,913
Closing number of units	2,363,793	3,470,939	5,121,633
Operating charges	1.58% ^B	1.57% ^B	1.58% ^B
Direct transaction costs	0.01%	0.01%	0.01%
Prices (pence per unit)			
Highest unit price	792.88	815.25	728.50
Lowest unit price	701.03	676.75	607.94
P Income units	Year to	Year to	Year to
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 $^{^{\}rm A}$ The return after charges is calculated using the underlying investments bid prices.

Operating charges are the same as the ongoing charges and are the total expenses paid by each unit class in the year. Direct transaction costs are the total charges for the year, included in the purchase and sale of investments in the portfolio of the Fund. These amounts are expressed as a percentage of the average net asset value over the year and the average units in issue for the pence per unit figures.

^B From 30 April 2021, the Operating Charges (or Ongoing Charges Figure) calculation has been extended to include, where relevant, charges incurred by closed-ended vehicles such as investment trusts.

SYNTHETIC RISK AND REWARD INDICATOR (all unit classes)

Lower risk Higher i				Higher risk		
Typically lower rew	/ards				Туріс	ally higher rewards
1	2	3	4	5	6	7

This indicator aims to give you a measure of the price movement of the Fund 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 is used.

The Fund has been measured as 6 because its investments have experienced high volatility in the past. During the year the synthetic risk and reward indicator has remained unchanged.

PORTFOLIO STATEMENT

as at 10 September 2023

Holding or nominal value		Bid value £	Percentage of total net assets
	COMMUNICATION SERVICES (10 September 2022 - 6.41%)	L	70
42.802	Cogent Communications	2,337,460	4.85
	Nexstar Media Group	679,868	1.41
-,	Total Communication Services	3,017,328	6.26
1.040	CONSUMER STAPLES (10 September 2022 - 1.71%) Costco Wholesale	457 147	0.05
1,040	Total Consumer Staples	457,147 457,147	0.95 0.95
	Total Consumer Staples	457,147	0.93
	FINANCIALS (10 September 2022 - 16.92%)		
•	Brown & Brown	2,153,067	4.47
	CME Group 'A'	2,378,903	4.93
44,100	W R Berkley	2,182,916	4.53
	Total Financials	6,714,886	13.93
	HEALTH CARE (10 September 2022 - 8.58%)		
10 166	Becton, Dickinson and Company	2,175,252	4.51
	STERIS	1,835,641	3.81
,	Total Health Care	4,010,893	8.32
04.000	INDUSTRIALS (10 September 2022 - 20.40%)	4 705 550	0.70
	A O Smith	1,795,553	3.72
	Carlisle Companies	944,807	1.96
	Ferguson	1,925,737	3.99
	IDEX	621,712	1.29
	Lockheed Martin	2,066,884	4.29
8,543	Watsco	2,415,737	5.01
	Total Industrials	9,770,430	20.26
	INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (10 September 2022 - 25.70%)		
27,731	Amphenol 'A'	1,927,239	4.00
13,186	Apple	1,875,791	3.89
17,442	Broadridge Financial Solutions	2,613,994	5.42
12,749	<u> </u>	2,175,328	4.51
7,437	Mastercard 'A'	2,471,115	5.13
7,766	Microsoft	2,052,785	4.26
12,914	Visa 'A'	2,557,450	5.30
	Total Information Technology	15,673,702	32.51
	MATERIAL C (40 Comtomber 2022 - 7 000/)		
0.450	MATERIALS (10 September 2022 - 7.98%) Air Products & Chemicals	2,211,638	4.59
9,245	The Sherwin-Williams Company Total Materials	2,008,552 4,220,190	4.17 8.76
	Total Materials	4,220,190	0.70
	REAL ESTATE (10 September 2022 - 9.42%)		
12,355	Crown Castle International	990,301	2.05
1,990	Equinix	1,235,997	2.56
16,353	FirstService	1,975,567	4.10
	Total Real Estate	4,201,865	8.71
	Portfolio of investments	48,066,441	99.70
	Net other assets	146,205	0.30
	Total net assets	48,212,646	100.00
	i otal not addete	70,212,040	100.00

All investments are listed on recognised stock exchanges and are approved securities or regulated collective investment schemes within the meaning of the FCA rules unless otherwise stated.

STATEMENT OF TOTAL RETURN

for the year ended 10 September 2023

		Notes	10 Septem	nber 2023	10 Septem	ber 2022
			£	£	£	£
Income:						
	Net capital gains	4		399,350		6,282,979
	Revenue	6	878,724		980,499	
Expenses		7	(591,278)		(688,122)	
Net reven	ue before taxation		287,446		292,377	
Taxation		8	(116,575)		(121,486)	
Net reven	ue after taxation			170,871		170,891
Total retur	n before distributions			570,221		6,453,870
Distributio	ns	9		(716,980)		(818,726)
Change in investmen	net assets attributable to unitho t activities	olders from		(146,759)		5,635,144

STATEMENT OF CHANGE IN NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTABLE TO UNITHOLDERS for the year ended 10 September 2023

	10 Septen £	nber 2023 £	10 Septem £	ber 2022 £
Opening net assets attributable to unitholders	~	55,324,675	~	6 7,158,848
Amounts receivable on issue of units Amounts payable on cancellation of units Amounts payable on unit class conversions	31,242,238 (38,218,101) 32		32,274,224 (49,774,377)	
, ,		(6,975,831)		(17,500,153)
Dilution adjustment		10,135		30,406
Change in net assets attributable to unitholders from investment activities		(146,759)		5,635,144
Unclaimed distributions		426		430
Closing net assets attributable to unitholders		48,212,646		55,324,675

BALANCE SHEET

as at 10 September 2023

	Notes	10 September 2023 £	10 September 2022 £
Assets:			
Fixed Assets:			
Investments	17	48,066,441	53,732,682
Current Assets:			
Debtors	10	127,295	1,385,556
Cash and bank balances		1,123,805	1,322,878
Total assets		49,317,541	56,441,116
Liabilities:			
Creditors:			
Distribution payable		656,022	754,188
Other creditors	11	448,873	362,253
Total liabilities		1,104,895	1,116,441
Net assets attributable to unitholders		48,212,646	55,324,675

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared in compliance with Financial Reporting Standard 102 (FRS102) and in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice for UK Authorised Funds issued by The Investment Association in May 2014 and amended in June 2017.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the Fund. Monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest pound.

The financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost convention, modified to include the revaluation of investments and certain financial instruments at fair value.

There are no material events that have been identified that may cast significant doubt on the Fund's ability to continue as a going concern for the next twelve months from the date when the financial statements are authorised for issue. The Authorised Fund Manager (AFM) believes that the Fund has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future and they continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements.

Revenue

Dividends from quoted ordinary securities are recognised when the security is quoted ex-dividend.

Dividends from non-quoted securities are recognised when the right to receive payment is established.

Bank interest is accounted for on an accruals basis.

Allocation of revenue

Revenue, attributable after expenses to multiple unit classes, with the exception of the AFM's periodic charge, which is directly attributable to individual unit classes, is allocated to unit classes pro-rata to the value of the net assets of the relevant unit class on the day that the revenue is incurred.

Expenses

All expenses, other than those relating to purchase and sale of investments, are charged against revenue on an accruals basis.

Valuation

The valuation point was 12:00 on 8 September 2023 being the last valuation point of the accounting year.

Listed investments are valued at fair value which is the bid price.

Unlisted, unapproved, illiquid or suspended securities are valued at the AFM's best estimate of the amount that would be received from the immediate transfer at arm's length in a manner designed to show fair value. This modelling takes into account, where appropriate, latest dealing prices, valuations from reliable sources, financial performance, maturity of the company and other relevant factors.

Taxation

Corporation tax has been provided for at 20% on taxable income less expenses. Deferred taxation is provided on a full provision basis on timing differences arising from the different treatment of items for accounting and tax purposes. Potential future liabilities and assets are recognised where the transactions, or events giving rise to them, occurred before the balance sheet date.

Exchange rates

Assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the exchange rates prevailing at 12:00 on 8 September 2023 being the last valuation point of the accounting year. Revenue and expenditure transactions are translated at the rates of exchange ruling on the dates of the transactions. Exchange differences on such transactions follow the same treatment as the principal amounts.

Dilution adjustment

The Fund is priced on a single price basis and may suffer a reduction in value as a result of the transaction costs incurred in the purchase and sale of its underlying investments and the spread between the buying and selling prices of such investments caused by subscriptions and redemptions in and out of the Fund. This is known as "dilution". Under certain circumstances dilution may have a material adverse effect on the existing/continuing unitholders' interest in the Fund. In order to counter this and to protect unitholders' interests, the AFM will apply "swing pricing" as part of its daily valuation policy. This will mean that in certain circumstances the Fund will make adjustments to counter the impact of dealing and other costs on occasions when these are deemed to be significant. Any dilution adjustment will be applied consistently and, in the usual course of business, automatically.

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2 DISTRIBUTION POLICIES

The distribution policy of the Fund is to distribute all available revenue, after deduction of expenses properly chargeable against revenue. Gains and losses on non-derivative instruments and currencies, whether realised or unrealised, are taken to capital and are not available for distribution.

As the investment objective of the Fund is to concentrate on the generation of revenue as a higher priority than capital growth, the AFM's periodic charge is to be taken from capital for the purpose of calculating the distribution, as permitted by the regulations.

Equalisation

Equalisation applies only to units purchased during the distribution period. It is the average amount of income included in the purchase price of all group 2 units and is refunded to holders of these units as a return of capital. Being capital it is not liable to UK income tax but must be deducted from the cost of the units for UK capital gains tax purposes.

Stock and special dividends

The ordinary element of stock received in lieu of cash dividends is credited to capital in the first instance followed by a transfer to revenue of the cash equivalent being offered and this forms part of the distributable revenue of the Fund. In the case of an enhanced stock dividend, the value of the enhancement is treated as capital and does not form part of any distribution.

Special dividends are reviewed on a case by case basis in determining whether the dividend is to be treated as revenue or capital. Amounts recognised as revenue will form part of the distributable revenue of the Fund. Amounts recognised as capital are deducted from the cost of the investment. The tax accounting treatment follows the treatment of the principal amount.

3 RISK MANAGEMENT POLICIES

In pursuing its investment objective, the Fund holds a number of financial instruments. The Fund's financial instruments comprise securities held in accordance with the investment objectives and policies together with cash balances, debtors and creditors that arise directly from its operations, for example, in respect of sales and purchases awaiting settlement, amounts receivable for issues and payable for redemptions and debtors for accrued income.

The main risks arising from the Fund's financial instruments and the AFM's policies for managing these risks are summarised below. These policies have been applied throughout the year.

The Fund is managed according to COLL 5, 'Investment and Borrowing Powers' which helps achieve the statutory objective of protecting consumers by laying down the minimum standards for the investments that may be held by an authorised fund. In particular: (a) the proportion of transferable securities and derivatives that may be held by the authorised fund is restricted if those transferable securities and derivatives are not listed on an eligible market. The intention of this is to restrict the transferable securities and derivatives that cannot be accurately valued and readily disposed of; and (b) the authorised funds are required to comply with a number of investment rules that require the spreading of risk.

Market price risk

Market price risk is the risk that the value of the Fund's investment holdings will fluctuate as a result of changes in market prices caused by factors other than interest rate or foreign currency movement. Market price risk arises mainly from uncertainty about future prices of financial instruments the Fund holds. It represents the potential loss the Fund might suffer through holding market positions in the face of price movements. The Fund's investment portfolio is exposed to market price fluctuations which are monitored by the AFM in pursuance of the investment objective and policy as set out in the Prospectus.

Investment limits set out in the Trust Deed, Prospectus and in the rules contained in the Collective Investment Schemes Sourcebook mitigate the risk of excessive exposure to any particular security or issuer.

Foreign currency risk

The income and capital value of the Fund's investments can be affected by foreign currency translation movements as most of the Fund's assets and income are denominated in currencies other than sterling which is the Fund's functional currency.

The AFM has identified three principal areas where foreign currency risk could impact the Fund. These are, movements in exchange rates affecting the value of investments, short-term timing differences such as exposure to exchange rate movements during the period between when an investment purchase or sale is entered into and the date when settlement of the investment occurs, and finally movements in exchange rates affecting income received by the Fund. The Fund converts all receipts of income received in currency into sterling on the day of receipt.

Credit and counterparty risk

Certain transactions in securities that the Fund enters into expose it to the risk that the counterparty will not deliver the investment for a purchase, or cash for a sale after the Fund has fulfilled its responsibilities. The Fund only buys and sells investments through brokers which have been approved by the AFM as an acceptable counterparty.

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RISK MANAGEMENT POLICIES

Interest rate risk

Interest receivable on bank deposits or payable on bank overdraft positions will be affected by fluctuations in interest rates. The Fund's cash holdings are held in deposit accounts, whose rates are determined by the banks concerned on a daily basis.

Liquidity risk

The Fund's assets comprise mainly of readily realisable securities. The main liability of the Fund is the redemption of any units that investors wish to sell. Assets of the Fund may need to be sold if insufficient cash is available to finance such redemptions. The liquidity of the Fund's assets is regularly reviewed by the AFM.

4	NET CAPITAL GAINS		10 September 2023 £	10 September 2022 £
	The net gains on invest	ments during the year comprise:		
	Non-derivative securitie	s gains	445,770	6,245,229
	Currency (losses)/gains	;	(46,330)	38,202
	Transaction charges		(90)	(452)
	Net capital gains		399,350	6,282,979
Ę	5 PURCHASES, SALES	AND TRANSACTION COSTS	10 September 2023	10 September 2022
	Purchases excluding tra	ansaction costs:	£	£
	Equities	anodolion cocks.	2,805,145	5,362,510
	_q		2,805,145	5,362,510
	Equities:	Commissions	545	1,449
	Total purchases transac	ction costs	545	1,449
	Purchases including t		2,805,690	5,363,959
	Purchases transaction of	costs expressed as a percentage of the principal amount:		
	Equities:	Commissions	0.02%	0.03%
	Sales excluding transac	etion costs:		
	Equities		8,771,781	24,673,923
			8,771,781	24,673,923
	Equities:	Commissions	(2,998)	(4,943)
		Taxes and other charges	(188)	(173)
	Total sales transaction	costs	(3,186)	(5,116)
	Sales net of transaction	on costs	8,768,595	24,668,807
	Sales transaction costs	expressed as a percentage of the principal amount:		
	Equities:	Commissions	0.03%	0.02%
	_4	Taxes and other charges	0.00%	0.00%
	Total purchases and sa average net asset value	ales transaction costs expressed as a percentage of the		
	Commissions		0.01%	0.01%
	Taxes and other charge	es	0.00%	0.00%
			0.01%	0.01%

No significant in-specie transfers were identified in the year (2022: nil).

Transaction costs are commissions paid to agents, levies by regulatory agencies and securities exchanges, and transfer taxes and duties associated with investment transactions on the sub-fund. These exclude any differences between quoted bid and offer prices or internal administrative on holding costs.

Transaction	handling	charges
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These are charges payable to the depositary in respect of each transaction:	£90	£452

Average portfolio dealing spread

This spread represents the difference between the values determined respectively by reference to the bid and offer prices of investments expressed as a percentage of the value determined by reference to the offer price.

Average portfolio dealing spread at the balance sheet date	0.03%	0.03%

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6 REVENUE	10 September 2023 £	10 September 2022 £
UK dividends	52,690	-
Overseas dividends	731,568	878,651
Overseas dividends (unfranked)	63,957	101,685
Bank interest	30,509	163
Total revenue	878,724	980,499
7 EXPENSES	10 September 2023	10 September 2022
	£	£
Payable to the AFM or associate:		
AFM's periodic charge	546,109	647,835
Registration fees	9,827	10,203
Out.	555,936	658,038
Other expenses: Trustee's fees	40.007	20.042
	18,227	20,843
Safe custody fees	2,182	1,564
Financial Conduct Authority fee	32	58
Audit fee	9,252	7,380
Bank interest	5,649	239
Total assesses	35,342	30,084
Total expenses	591,278	688,122
8 TAXATION	10 September 2023	10 September 2022
a Analysis of the tax charge for the year	£	£
Overseas tax	116,575	121,486
Total tax charge (see note 8(b))	116,575	121,486
Total tax charge (see hote o(b))	110,575	121,400
b Factors affecting the tax charge for the year The taxation assessed for the year is lower than the standard rate of corpo differences are explained below.	ration tax in the UK for a	a unit trust (20%). The
Net revenue before taxation	287,446	292,377
	57,489	58,475
Corporation tax at 20% (2022: 20%)	0.,.00	
Corporation tax at 20% (2022: 20%) Effects of:	0.,.00	
Effects of:		(175.730)
Effects of: Revenue not subject to taxation	(156,851)	(175,730) 122,780
Effects of: Revenue not subject to taxation Unrelieved excess management expenses		(175,730) 122,780 (3,474)
Effects of: Revenue not subject to taxation Unrelieved excess management expenses Prior period adjustment to unrelieved excess management expenses	(156,851) 101,314 -	122,780 (3,474)
Effects of: Revenue not subject to taxation Unrelieved excess management expenses	(156,851)	122,780

At 10 September 2023 the Fund has deferred tax assets of £1,527,567 (2022: £1,426,253) arising from surplus management expenses, which have not been recognised due to uncertainty over the availability of future taxable profits.

9 DISTRIBUTIONS	10 September 2023	10 September 2022
The distributions take account of revenue received on the issue of units and rever comprise:	nue deducted on the ca	ncellation of units, and
Final	656,022	754,188
Add: Revenue deducted on cancellation of units Deduct: Revenue received on issue of units Equalisation on conversions Revenue brought forward Distributions	263,804 (202,873) 32 (5) 716,980	337,123 (272,582) - (3) 818,726
Movement between net revenue and distributions: Net revenue after taxation AFM's periodic charge borne by capital	170,871 546,109 716,980	170,891 647,835 818,726

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10 DEBTORS	10 September 2023 £	10 September 2022 £
Amounts receivable for issue of units	42,138	1,328,978
Accrued income	85,157	55,880
Dilution adjustment	407.005	698
Total debtors	127,295	1,385,556
11 OTHER CREDITORS	10 September 2023 £	10 September 2022 £
Amounts payable for cancellation of units	417,191	329,683
AFM's periodic charge and registration fees	15,202	18,069
Accrued expenses	16,480	14,501

12 CONTINGENT ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

There were no contingent assets or liabilities as at 10 September 2023 (2022: nil).

13 RELATED PARTIES

The AFM is involved in all transactions in the units of the Fund, the aggregate values of which are set out in the statement of change in net assets attributable to unitholders and note 9. Amounts due to/from the AFM in respect of unit transactions at the year end are disclosed in notes 10 and 11. Amounts paid to the AFM in respect of the AFM's periodic charge and other fees are disclosed in note 7. Amounts due (to)/from the AFM at the year end are £(390,255) (2022: £981,226).

In addition to the above, some units in the Fund are owned by directors of Investment Fund Services Limited or directors of UFC Fund Management plc, the ultimate parent company of Investment Fund Services Limited, as set out below.

	10 September 2023	10 September 2022
Proportion of units owned by directors of Investment Fund Services Limited or		
UFC Fund Management plc	N/A	0.05%

14 UNIT CLASSES

The unit classes in issue for the Fund and the annual management charge for each unit class is as follows:

A Income	1.50%
P Income	0.75%

15 UNITHOLDERS' FUND RECONCILIATION

During the year the AFM has issued, cancelled and converted units from one unit class to another as set out below:

	A Income	P Income
Opening units in issue at 11 September 2022	3,470,939	3,573,664
Unit issues	426,209	3,701,129
Unit cancellations	(1,361,519)	(3,702,549)
Unit conversions	(171,836)	165,469
Closing units in issue at 10 September 2023	2,363,793	3,737,713

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16 RISK DISCLOSURES

Market price risk sensitivity

A five per cent increase in the market prices of the Fund's portfolio would have the effect of increasing the return and net assets by £2,403,322 (2022: £2,686,634). A five per cent decrease would have an equal and opposite effect.

Foreign currency risk

At the year end date a portion of the net assets of the Fund were denominated in currencies other than sterling with the effect that the balance sheet and total return can be affected by exchange rate movements.

Foreign currency exposure at 10 September 2023	Investments	Net other assets	Total
	£	£	£
US dollar	48,066,441	299,178	48,365,619
	48,066,441	299,178	48,365,619
Foreign currency exposure at 10 September 2022	Investments £	Net other assets £	Total £
US dollar	53,732,682	232,503	53,965,185
	53,732,682	232,503	53,965,185

Foreign currency risk sensitivity

A five per cent decrease in the value of sterling relative to the foreign currencies above would have the effect of increasing the return and net assets by £2,418,281 (2022: £2,698,259). A five per cent increase would have an equal and opposite effect.

Interest rate risk	10 September 2023	10 September 2022
The interest rate risk profile of financial assets and liabilities consists of the following	ng:	2
Financial assets floating rate	1,123,805	1,322,878
Financial assets non-interest bearing instruments	48,193,736	55,118,238
Financial liabilities non-interest bearing instruments	(1,104,895)	(1,116,441)
	48,212,646	55,324,675

As most of the Fund's financial assets are non-interest bearing, an interest rate sensitivity analysis has not been included.

Liquidity risk The following table provides a maturity analysis of the Fund's financial liabilities:	10 September 2023 £	10 September 2022 £
On demand: Bank overdrafts	-	-
Within one year: Distribution payable Other creditors	656,022 448,873 1,104,895	754,188 362,253 1.116.441

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17 FAIR VALUE HIERARCHY FOR INVESTMENTS

	10 September 2023		10 Septer	nber 2022
Basis of valuation	Assets (£)	Liabilities (£)	Assets (£)	Liabilities (£)
Level 1 - Quoted prices	48,066,441	-	53,732,682	-
Level 2 - Observable market data	-	-	-	-
Level 3 - Unobservable data	-	-	-	-
	48,066,441		53,732,682	

The intention of a fair value measurement is to estimate the price at which an asset or liability could be exchanged in the market conditions prevailing at the measurement date. The measurement assumes the exchange is an orderly transaction (that is, it is not a forced transaction, involuntary liquidation or distress sale) between knowledgeable, willing participants on an independent basis

The purpose of the fair value hierarchy is to prioritise the inputs that should be used to measure the fair value of assets and liabilities. The highest priority is given to quoted prices at which a transaction can be entered into and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs.

In accordance with FRS102 the Fund classifies fair value measurement under the following levels:

- Level 1 Unadjusted quoted price in an active market for an identical instrument;
- Level 2 Valuation techniques using observable inputs other than quoted prices within level 1; and
- Level 3 Valuation techniques using unobservable inputs.

18 POST BALANCE SHEET EVENTS

Since 8 September 2023, the Net Asset Value per unit has changed as follows:

	Net Asset Value per unit (pence)			
	8 September 2023 ^A	11 December 2023	Movement (%)	
A Income	781.36	798.97	2.25%	
P Income	813.53	833.52	2.46%	

Net Asset Value ner unit (nence)

^A These Net Asset Values differ from those in the Comparative Table as they are the quoted Net Asset Values.

DISTRIBUTION TABLE

Final distribution for the period from 11 September 2022 to 10 September 2023

Group 1: units purchased prior to 11 September 2022 Group 2: units purchased on or after 11 September 2022

		Net revenue 10 September 2023 pence per unit	Equalisation 10 September 2023 pence per unit	Distribution paid 10 November 2023 pence per unit	Distribution paid 10 November 2022 pence per unit
A Income	Group 1 Group 2	10.5122p 7.3932p	- 3.1190p	10.5122p 10.5122p	10.5472p 10.5472p
				-	-
P Income	Group 1	10.9033p	-	10.9033p	10.8599p
Group 2	5.7976p	5.1057p	10.9033p	10.8599p	

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