

# STONEHAGE FLEMING GLOBAL EQUITIES FUND 'GEF'



**UNCONSTRAINED  
GLOBAL UNIVERSE**



**EQUITIES**



**LONG TERM  
CAPITAL GROWTH**



**BLEND OF PASSIVE,  
FACTOR AND ACTIVE  
EXPOSURE**



**DEEP INVESTMENT  
RESOURCE**



**HIGH CONVICTION  
INVESTORS**

## FUND INFORMATION

Total Net Assets (Millions GBP)	258.2
Comparative Index	GEF Official Prospectus Benchmark <sup>1</sup>
Lipper Sector	Lipper Global Equity Global
Fund Type	Authorised Unit Trust
Fund domicile	UK
Base Currency	GBP
Fund launch	31 March 2001
Number of holdings	12
Income paid	Quarterly
Type of payment	Dividend
Ex Dividends	3 Jan, 3 Apr, 3 July, 3 Oct
Payment date	28 Feb, 31 May, 31 Aug, 30 Nov
Dealing	Daily
Yield	0.83
Performance fee	None
Custodian	Northern Trust Global Services Ltd
Administrator	Northern Trust Global Services Ltd
Manager & Investment Adviser	Stonehage Fleming Investment Management Limited

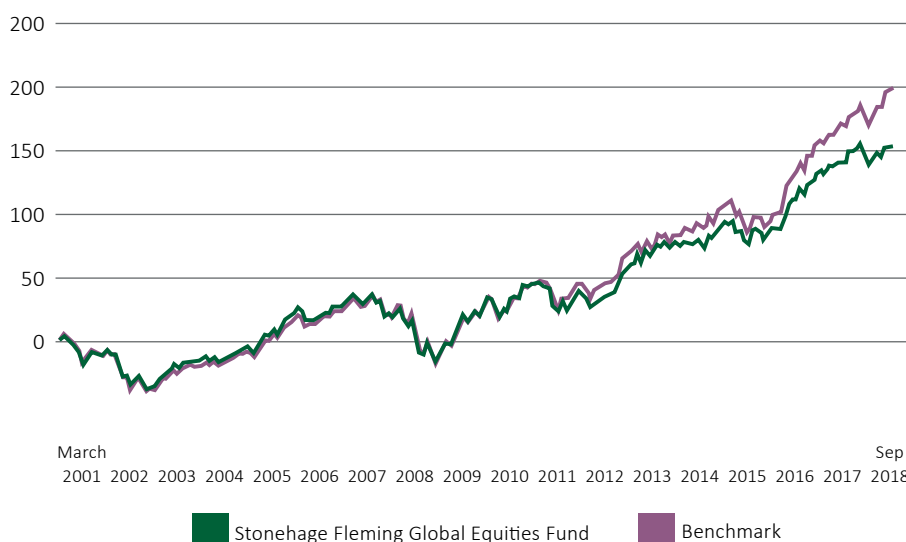
## INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE

To achieve capital growth and an element of income by investing predominantly in the UK and international regulated equity funds. In seeking to meet the investment objective, a portion of the Fund's property may be invested in units or shares of collective investment schemes managed or operated by the Manager or an associate of the Manager.

## INVESTMENT STRATEGY

- We construct globally orientated portfolios of long term investment ideas.
- We blend passive, factor and active market exposure targeting a robust equity solution.
- We are conviction investors with all investments carefully assessed for purpose and clarity.

## CUMULATIVE PERFORMANCE



## PERFORMANCE DISCLOSURE

Past performance is not a guide to future performance. The value of investments can fall. Investors may not get back the amount invested. Income from investments may vary and is not guaranteed. The return may increase or decrease due to currency fluctuations. Performance figures are net of fees and charges. For a full list of risks applicable to this fund, please refer to the Prospectus.

## PORTFOLIO MANAGER



Graham Wainer

Graham is CEO and Head of Stonehage Fleming Investment Management in London. He is also Chairman of the Investment Committee. Prior to joining the Group, Graham was GAM's Group Head of Investments – Multi Asset Class Solutions and Chairman of GAM's Investment Advisory Board where he had overall responsibility for the firm's discretionary mandates and related comingled funds.

## FUND PERFORMANCE %

	3m	12m	YTD	3yrs p.a. %	Since Fund Inception p.a. %
Stonehage Fleming Global Equities Fund	3.7	6.3	1.4	12.7	5.5
Fund Benchmark <sup>1</sup>	5.1	11.8	6.5	16.9	6.5

## DISCRETE ANNUAL FUND PERFORMANCE %

	0-12m	12m-24m	24m-36m	36m-48m	48m-60m
Stonehage Fleming Global Equities Fund	6.3	12.9	19.2	0.0	3.2
Fund Benchmark <sup>1</sup>	11.8	14.6	24.9	-1.8	8.4

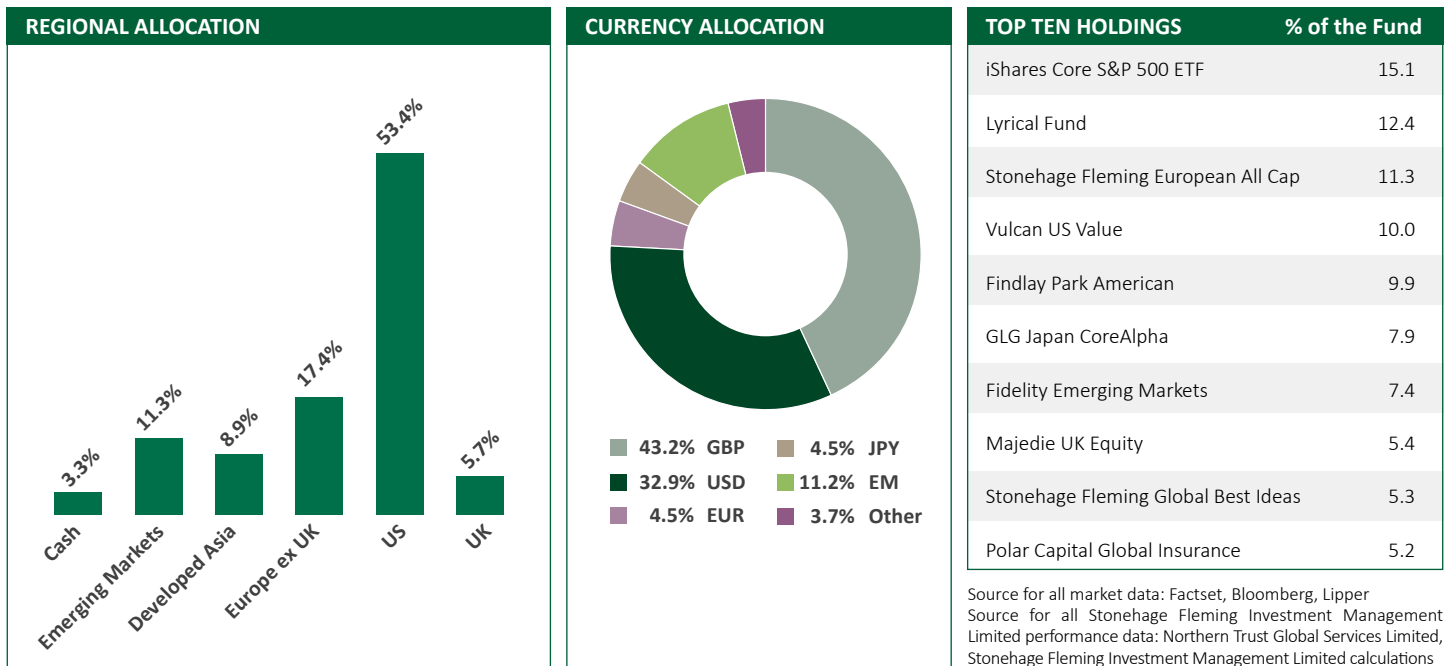
## GBP A (inc) share class details

ISIN	GB00B60YKG92
Synthetic Risk & Reward Indicator (SRRI) rating	4
Inception date	31 March 2001
Max initial charge	Up to 5.25%. Currently no initial charge is made.
Max exit charge	Up to 5.25%. Currently no redemption charge is made.
Annual mgmt charge	0.65%
Ongoing charge (OCF) <sup>2</sup>	1.41%
Min initial investment (GBP)	50 000
Registered for sale	UK

<sup>1</sup> 1 The GEF Prospectus benchmark is the MSCI ACWI 40% hedged into GBP Index since 31 March 2017. From 01 July 2007 to 31 March 2017, the benchmark was a composite benchmark made up of MSCI gross dividend indices - UK 45%; US 22%; Europe ex UK 16%; Far East 10%; Emerging markets 7%; rebalanced monthly. Prior to this, the benchmark was a composite benchmark made up of MSCI gross dividend indices - UK 45%; US 25%; Europe ex UK 17.5%; Far East 12.5%; rebalanced monthly. Source MSCI. The MSCI index has been customized as requested by Stonehage Fleming Investment Management. Such data may not be reproduced or disseminated and may not be used to create any financial instruments or products or any indices. Such data is provided without any warranties of any kind. Neither MSCI nor any of its suppliers have any liability in connection with such data.

<sup>2</sup> OCF as of 2 April 2018.

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### FUND COMMENTARY

Global equities advanced 5.5% over the quarter, driven by the US and Japan. The S&P 500 made new highs during the quarter as investors focused on the positive economic backdrop. European equities rose 3.0% whereas emerging market assets continued to suffer negative returns.

Emerging Markets have come under pressure in recent months driven by concerns over trade and tariffs and specific issues in Turkey and Argentina. The volatility this has caused is not unusual, as emerging market assets are renowned for offering long term potential with high volatility.

At a sector level, Healthcare equities posted very strong returns relative to global markets, whilst Technology, Telecoms and Industrials also produced positive returns. The weakest sectors were Utilities and Materials.

Over the quarter the fund returned 3.7% and underperformed the benchmark return of 5.1%. Performance was impacted by the fund's allocations to Emerging Market equities, where we saw more volatile performance.

In the US, the holding in Lyrical also underperformed markets, with the performance of Value stocks versus Growth stocks acting as a more acute headwind for the strategy. Elsewhere we saw better returns from the GLG Japan CoreAlpha Fund and the Stonehage Fleming European All Cap fund which produced better returns following a weaker period of performance. The Polar Global Insurance fund also delivered stronger returns than the market and in particular benefitted from news of a bid for one of its holding, Jardine Lloyd Thompson.

There was some activity in the portfolio as the iShares EDGE USA Value ETF was sold, after a successful holding period, in favour of increased exposure to the iShares S&P 500 Core ETF.

### IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Derivatives may be used for efficient portfolio management. The fund invests in assets which are denominated in other currencies; hence changes in relevant exchange rate will affect the value of the investment. If the information is not displayed in your base currency, then the return may increase or decrease due to currency fluctuations.

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