



Trojan Ethical Fund

All data as at 29 February 2020

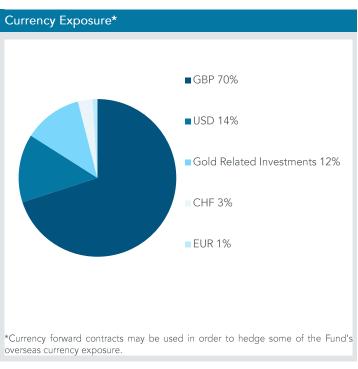
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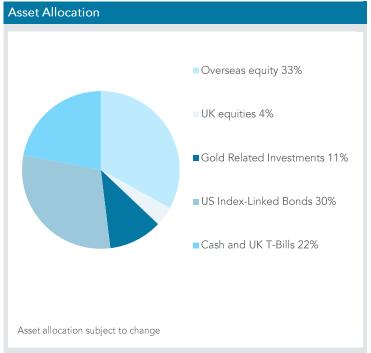
The investment objective of the Trojan Ethical Fund is to provide capital growth (net of fees), ahead of inflation (UK Retail Price Index), over the longer term (5 to 7 years). Its investment policy is to invest across a broad range of asset classes. Whilst asset allocation will vary, in general, the investment universe will comprise high-quality, developed market equities, developed market government bonds, gold related investments, cash and money market instruments (such as treasury bills). The portfolio will be constructed with input from both top-down analysis (looking at an economy as a whole) and bottom-up analysis (study of individual securities). The Fund will invest in accordance with the parameters of its Ethical Investment Criteria.

Prices
107.62p
'O' accumulation shares

107.48p
'O' income shares

Fund Size £115m





Source: Troy Asset Management Limited

February Commentary

In our Investment Report No.63, published in mid-February, we noted that the level of investor complacency was reaching an extreme. Whilst we certainly did not predict coronavirus, we expected volatility to pick up from unsustainably low levels. Initially, markets ignored the threat to economic growth and corporate profitability posed by the outbreak of the virus in China. It was perceived as an isolated incident - a single quarter of business interruption, with the expectation of a 'V'-shaped recovery in Q2. The news that the virus had then spread to Italy on the weekend of 22/23 February changed

everything. In anticipation of a wider global impact, shares sold off worldwide.

Lower interest rates will not offset an economic slowdown resulting from the virus. Markets recognise the inherent fragility of the financial system and the interconnected nature of the global economy. The challenge for central banks will be what to do if a recession emerges later this year, with monetary policy almost exhausted. Interest rates are close to zero and QE has played out with government bond yields at record lows. Fiscal policy will be required to support the global economy, with long-term implications for

asset prices. If recession is averted, a sharp bounce in equities could be expected. We remain open-minded as to the outcome.

The Fund entered 2020 with the allocation to equities at close to all-time-lows (31%). At the end of February, following the steep falls in share prices, we increased our equity allocation by 5 percentage points. Despite the recent de-rating, equities are not cheap. If markets should become more febrile in the coming months we are well positioned to exploit subsequent falls. For long-term investors there are reasons for optimism.

Ethical Exclusion Criteria

The Trojan Ethical Fund will adhere to the following ethical exclusion criteria.

Equities

The present ethical investment criteria mean that the Fund will not invest in any organisation which: **Alcohol** – derives more than 10% of its total turnover from the sale or production of alcohol.

Armaments – (a) generates more than 10% of its total turnover from strategic military supplies relating to conventional weapons and/or (b) produces key parts of, or provides services for, cluster munitions systems, and/or (c) is alleged to have contravened the convention on anti-personnel mines in the last ten years and which has not addressed the allegations, and/or (d) manufactures products, or provides services, which are all or part of a nuclear weapons system.

Fossil Fuels – (a) derives more than 10% of its total turnover from the refining or extraction of, or generation of power from, fossil fuels and/ or (b) derives more than 10% of its turnover from coal mining activities. Companies whose listing falls within Oil & Gas sector are also excluded.

Gambling – derives more than 10% of its total turnover from gambling (including spread betting). High Interest Rate Lending – derives more than 10% of its total turnover from high interest rate lending (high interest being defined as lending at an annual percentage rate (APR) of over 100%). Pornography – derives more than 3% of its total turnover from pornography or adult entertainment. Tobacco – makes more than 10% of its total turnover from tobacco products.

Government and Public Securities

Investment in government debt is limited to that issued by Canada, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, the UK and the US (commonly known as the "G7"). The Fund will not invest in the securities of any sovereign issuer which is subject to a sanction issued by either the United Nations or the European Union. The Investment Manager would only consider investing more than 35% of the Fund's assets in UK or US government issued transferable securities or approved money market instruments.

Gold Related Investments

The Fund will seek to minimise exposure to gold mined prior to 2012, which is the date after which it can be ascertained that gold has been sourced in compliance with the London Bullion Market Association's Responsible Gold Guidance.

Please read the Fund's Ethical Exclusion Criteria before investing (available at www.linkfundsolutions.co.uk)

Top 10 holdings	% Fund
ETFS Physical Gold	7.5
Microsoft	4.1
ETC Physical Gold	4.0
Unilever	4.0
Nestlé	3.3
Alphabet	3.0
Medtronic	2.8
American Express	2.2
Visa	2.2
Berkshire Hathaway	1.9
Total Top 10	35.0
16 other holdings	38.3
UK T-Bills	21.2
Cash	5.5
Total	100.0

Holdings subject to change

Fund information

A copy of the latest Prospectus and the KIID for each class (in English) upon which you should base your investment decision is available from Link Fund Solutions Ltd, the Fund's Authorised Corporate Director at www.linkfundsolutions.co.uk.

Structure

Sub-fund of Trojan Investment Funds UCITS

Investment Manager

Troy Asset Management Limited 33 Davies Street

London W1K 4BP Tel: 020 7499 4030 Fax: 020 7491 2445 email: busdev@taml.co.uk

Fund Manager Charlotte Yonge

Currency £ Sterling

Launch Date 22 March 2019

Ongoing Charges (capped)

'O' (ordinary) shares: 1.02% 'S' (charity) shares: 0.77%

Dividend Ex Dates

1 August (interim), 1 February (final)

Dividend Pay Dates

30 September (interim), 31 March (final)

Authorised Corporate Director

Link Fund Solutions Limited

ISIN

GB00BJP0XY24 (O Inc), GB00BJP0XX17 (O Acc) GB00BJP0Y054 (S Inc), GB00BJP0XZ31 (S Acc)

Benchmarks

For more information on the benchmarks used please refer to the 'use of benchmarks' section in the fund information sheet, available from our <u>website</u>

Dealing

Daily at noon Tel: 0345 608 0950

Registrar

Link Fund Administrators Limited

Audito

Ernst & Young LLP

Depositary

The Bank of New York Mellon (International) Limited

SEDOL (O shares)

BJP0XY2 (O Inc), BJP0XX1 (O Acc) BJP0Y05 (S Inc), BJP0XZ3 (S Acc)

Pricing

"O" share class prices published daily in the FT

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