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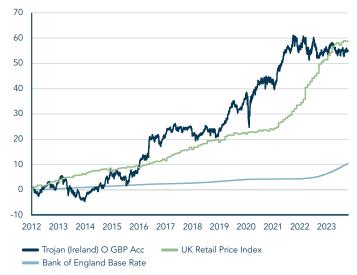
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# Trojan Fund (Ireland)

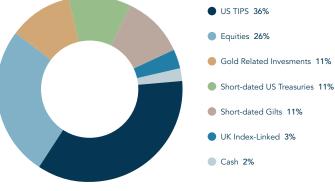
The Fund seeks to achieve growth in capital, ahead of inflation (UK Retail Price Index), over the longer term (5 to 7 years). The Fund employs a long-term, long only approach and has the flexibility to invest across a broad range of asset classes, most commonly a combination of high-quality developed market equities, developed market government bonds, gold related investments and cash.

PRICES		FUND SIZE
1.5514 GBP O Acc	1.5261 GBP O Inc	£617m
1.6059 USD O Acc	1.5754 USD O Inc	
1.3627 EUR O Acc	1.3403 EUR O Inc	
1.6219 SGD O Acc	1.6117 SGD O Inc	

#### PERCENTAGE GROWTH 13/02/2012 TO 30/11/2023



## US TIPS 36% Equities 26%



Source: Factset, Asset Allocation subject to change

**ASSET ALLOCATION** 

Total Return to 30 November 2023	13/02/2012 Since launch	30/11/2013 10 years	30/11/2018 5 years	30/11/2020 3 years	30/11/2022 1 year	31/05/2023 6 months
Trojan Fund (Ireland) (O Acc GBP)	+55.1%	+59.4%	+25.2%	+8.8%	+0.8%	-0.6%
Bank of England Base Rate	+10.5%	+9.5%	+7.0%	+6.0%	+4.6%	+2.6%
UK Retail Price Index	+58.7%	+49.9%	+32.7%	+28.7%	+5.4%	+0.7%

Discrete Calendar Annual Returns	2012#	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023 YTD
Trojan Fund (Ireland) (O Acc GBP)	-0.1%	-3.5%	+8.2%	+2.9%	+11.8%	+3.9%	-3.0%	+10.3%	+7.2%	+11.8%	-3.9%	+0.8%

#### Past performance is not a guide to future performance

NB: Prior to its conversion on 29 March 2019 the Fund was a feeder fund called the Trojan Feeder Fund (Ireland).

### November Commentary

Your Fund returned +0.3% during the month.

As bond yields fell in the month, the Fund's exposures to both index-linked bonds and gold contributed positively to performance. The majority of the Fund's gold exposure is via physically backed exchange-traded commodities but, since 2017, the Fund has also been invested in royalty and streaming company Franco-Nevada. Franco, focused on gold, has an excellent track record in allocating capital to mining projects where the royalty/streaming structure of its investments provides geared exposure to the price of the commodity, whilst avoiding the capital intensity and operational complexity of actually running a mine. This model worked exceptionally well when Franco was smaller and able to find meaningful exposure to a range of projects. Today, the company is arguably a victim of its own success and with a market capitalisation of just over \$20bn compared to a little over \$10bn when we first bought the shares and \$6bn 10 years ago, it has becomes harder for them to find investments that can 'move the needle'. This has resulted in an increased concentration across a handful of larger

investments, most notably in the gold and copper mine Cobre Panama, which comprises just under 20% of Franco-Nevada's assets.

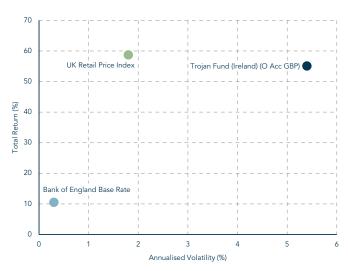
Via Cobre Panama, Franco became exposed to Panamanian social pressures and political uncertainty which, over the past year, led the government to question the constitutionality of the mine's concession agreement and to suspend its operations. We reduced our holding last December from 3% to 1.3% when these pressures first reared their head and when the shares were broadly stable. After an apparent resolution in Q1, the issue has resurfaced and we have sold the remainder of our shares.

Notwithstanding recent troubles, Franco-Nevada generated good returns and helpful diversification for the portfolio over its life. We sold the shares at an average price of \$130, versus an average entry price of \$65 in 2017. Its sale from the portfolio reflects a change in the facts and our approach to managing stock-specific risk.





#### RETURN VS VOLATILITY SINCE LAUNCH (13/02/2012)



Source: Lipper

#### **RISK ANALYSIS**

Risk analysis since launch (13/02/2012)	Trojan Fund (Ireland) O Acc GBP
Total Return	+55.1%
Max Drawdown <sup>1</sup>	-10.1%
Best Month	+4.9%
Worst Month	-4.7%
Positive Months	+60.3%
Annualised Volatility <sup>2</sup>	+5.4%

- <sup>1</sup> Measures the worst investment period
- <sup>2</sup> Measured by standard deviation of annual returns

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#### TOP 10 HOLDINGS (EXCLUDING GOVERNMENT BONDS)

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iShares Physical Gold	6.2%
Invesco Physical Gold	5.1%
Unilever	3.7%
Visa	3.1%
Nestlé	3.0%
Microsoft	2.3%
Diageo	2.3%
Alphabet	1.9%
Becton Dickinson	1.8%
Procter & Gamble	1.7%
Total Top 10	31.1%
8 Other Equity Holdings	6.2%
US TIPS	36.0%
Short-dated Gilts	10.9%
Short-dated US Treasuries	10.4%
UK Index-Linked	3.3%
Cash	2.1%
TOTAL	100.0%
Source: Factset, holdings subject to change.	

#### **FUND MANAGER AWARDS**











#### FUND INFORMATION

A copy of the latest Prospectus (in English) and the KIIDs / KIDs for each class (in English and German) upon which you should base your investment decision, is available from Link Fund Administrators (Ireland) Ltd, the Fund's Administrator and Registrar (Authorised and Regulated by the Central Bank of Ireland) on (+353) 1 400 5300.

#### Structure

Sub-fund of Trojan Funds (Ireland) plc UCITS authorised by the Central Bank of Ireland

#### **Investment Manager** Troy Asset Management Limited

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 Currency
 £ Sterling, \$ US Dollar\*,

 \*Hedged shareclass
 € Euro\*, \$ SGD\*

**Launch Date** 13 February 2012

#### Administrator

Link Fund Administrators (Ireland) Limited Tel: (+353) 1 400 5300

#### Dividend Ex Dates

1 August (interim), 1 February (final)

#### Dividend Pay Dates

30 September (interim) 31 March (final)

Historic Dividend Yield

('O' Inc shares) 0.11%

#### Benchmarks

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

#### Registrar

Link Fund Administrators (Ireland) Limited

#### Auditor

Auditor Grant Thornton

#### Depositary

The Bank of New York Mellon SA/NV, Dublin branch

#### Dealing

Principles for Responsible Investment

> Daily at 11am (UK) Tel: (+353) 1 400 5300

Minimum Investment £ Sterling, \$ US Dollar, € Euro, \$ SGD 250,000

(An initial charge of 5% applies, which may be waived)

#### Bloomberg

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#### ISINs

IE00B6127M75 (GBP O Inc), IE00B757JT68 (GBP O Acc)

IE00B6SBBX64 (USD O Inc), IE00B7483W12 (USD O Acc)

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#### Ongoing Charges

'O' (ordinary) shares: 1.09%





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