

# **Polen Capital Global Growth Fund** Class A Units Investment Report & Fact Sheet

December 2021

#### **Fund Overview**

Polen's Global Growth strategy seeks to achieve long-term growth by building a concentrated portfolio of outstanding global businesses. Polen Capital (Polen) believe that consistent earnings growth is the primary driver of intrinsic value and long-term stock appreciation. Polen invests in companies they identify as having a durable earnings profile driven by a sustainable competitive advantage, superior financial strength, proven management teams and powerful products/services.

By thinking and investing like a business owner and taking a long-term investment approach, Polen believe that clients will best benefit from targeted steady compounding returns expected to be generated by the companies held in the portfolio. Returns are not guaranteed.

#### **Fund Facts**

#### Investment Manager

Montgomery Investment Management Pty Ltd

#### Objective

The Fund aims to outperform the benchmark, over a rolling five-year period, net of fees.

#### **Benchmark**

MSCI ACWI Net Total Return Index, in Australian Dollars

#### **Fund Construction**

The Fund typically invests in a portfolio of 25 to 35 high quality outstanding global businesses with competitive advantages and the potential for sustained superior returns.

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#### Recommended Investment Timeframe

At least 5 years

#### Minimum Initial Investment

A\$25,000

#### **Inception Date**

15 March 2021

### **Aggregate Fund Size**

\$36.7M

#### Management Fees and Costs

Up to 1.20% per annum of the net asset value of The Fund

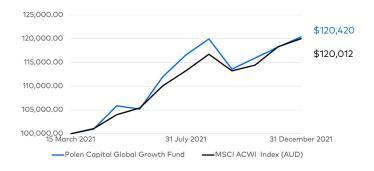
#### **Performance Fees**

15.05% of the excess total return of The Fund (after management fees and expenses have been deducted) above the Fund's benchmark.

#### **Application & Redemption Prices**

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### Polen Capital Global Growth Fund Performance



# Polen Capital Global Growth Strategy Performance – AUD adjusted\*



\*Source: Montgomery/Archer. The Fund's inception date is 15 March 2021. Performance for prior periods is based on the actual performance of the Polen Capital Global Growth strategy managed by Polen Capital since 31 December 2014, adjusted for fees and converted to AUD and assumes all distributions are reinvested. The Fund invests using the identical strategy to the Polen Capital Global Growth Strategy and is advised by the same investment management team managing to the same investment objectives. Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future performance.

Portfolio Performance (to 31 December 2021, after all fees)

	1 month	3 months	6 months	1 year	Since Inception (15 Mar 2021)	Compound Annual Return (CAR) Since Inception	Strategy CAR Since Inception*	Strategy Return Since Inception*
Polen Capital Global Growth Fund	1.84%	6.01%	7.52%	N/A	20.42%	N/A	17.23%	204.26%
MSCI ACWI (AUD)	1.43%	5.99%	8.99%	N/A	20.01%	N/A	12.79%	132.24%
Out/Underperformance	0.41%	0.02%	-1.47%	N/A	0.41%	N/A	4.44%	72.02%

Portfolio Performance is calculated after fees and costs, including the Investment management fee and Performance fee, but excludes the buy/sell spread. All returns are on a pre-tax basis.



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#### **Fund Commentary**

Global equities closed the month higher, as investor sentiment seemingly improved following news that the highly transmissible COVID-19 Omicron variant may be less lethal than initially feared. Despite higher inflation readings in many parts of the world, expectations of economic recovery appeared to boost risk appetite for global stocks. The Polen Capital Global Growth Fund (the Fund) returned 1.84 per cent in December versus the MSCI ACWI in Australian Dollars, which rose by 1.43 per cent.

From its inception (15 March 2021) to 31 December 2021, The Fund increased by 20.42 per cent, after expenses. This led to outperformance against its benchmark by 0.41 per cent over the nine and a half months under review. For the month, an overweight to the information technology contributed to relative performance, led by Accenture. Similarly, an overweight to the health care sector supported relative performance, led by ICON. An overweight to the consumer discretionary sector also added to relative gains and from a geographic perspective, Western Europe was the region with the largest contribution to relative performance.

The top three absolute contributors to performance were ICON, Accenture, and Mastercard.

An underweight to the industrials sector detracted from relative performance. The Portfolio typically does not have exposure to companies within the sector since they often do not meet the Portfolio's criteria for long-term growth and profitability. Likewise, an underweight to the financials and materials sectors also detracted from relative performance.

Polen Capital continue to believe that the Fund is well-positioned for long-term growth. Despite the different styles that will inevitably drift in and out of favor during the coming quarters, Polen Capital feel confident that their disciplined and consistent investment approach will stand up well as they believe that the underlying earnings growth of the Fund will drive the long-term investment outcome. Polen Capital also believe the secular tailwinds that many of the businesses owned by the Fund are benefitting from will persist for years to come, serving as tailwinds to bolster growth.

#### **Top Completed Holdings** (to 31 December 2021)

Company Name	Sector	Country of Domicile	Market Cap US\$ B	Weight (%)
Microsoft Corp	Information Technology	United States	2,525	8.7
Alphabet Inc	Communication Services	United States	1,922	8.4
ICON PLC	Health Care	Ireland	25	6.6
Visa Inc	Information Technology	United States	464	5.9
Adobe Inc	Information Technology	United States	270	5.8
Accenture PLC	Information Technology	Ireland	273	5.4
Abbott Laboratories	Health Care	United States	249	4.9
Mastercard Inc	Information Technology	United States	353	4.6
Autodesk Inc	Information Technology	United States	62	4.6
Siemens Healthineers AG	Health Care	Germany	84	4.0

#### **Contact Details**

## Investors

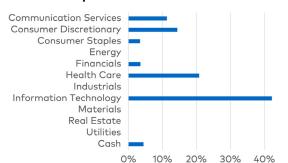
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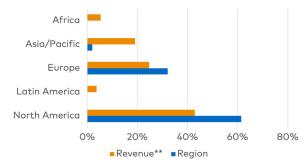
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#### **GICS Sector Exposure**



#### **Geographic Exposure**



\*\* Revenue data is updated quarterly

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