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

February 2022

#### **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.

#### **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
\$32.0M

#### **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**



#### Portfolio Performance (to 28 February 2022, after all fees)

1 month 3 months 6 months 1 year

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

By thinking and investing like a business owner and taking a long-term

investment approach, Polen believe that clients will best benefit from

companies held in the portfolio. Returns are not guaranteed.

targeted steady compounding returns expected to be generated by the



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\*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.

	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	-9.00%	-12.54%	-13.80%	N/A	3.42%	N/A	14.35%	161.31%
MSCI ACWI (AUD)	-5.42%	-5.87%	-4.59%	N/A	11.38%	N/A	11.32%	115.55%
Out/Underperformance	-3.58%	-6.67%	-9.21%	N/A	-7.96%	N/A	3.03%	45.76%

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 second month of the year lower, attributable to escalations in the Russian war on Ukraine and the imposition of sanctions on Russian companies. In addition, strongly rising commodity prices and increased inflationary expectations further compounded the sell-off. Uncertainty on the possibility of a number of Fed rate hikes this year also continued to cast a cloud over investors' risk appetite. As a result, the Polen Capital Global Growth Fund (the Fund) returned negative 9.00 per cent versus the benchmark which returned negative 5.42 per cent. The Fund's underperformance was driven by unfavorable stock selection and unfavorable sector allocation. Polen Capital's focus is on high quality, strongly growing, competitively advantaged companies, and many of these have underperformed the broader market in recent months.

The top three absolute contributors to performance were Aon, Align Technology, and Siemens Healthineers. Stock selection within the consumer staples sector also added to

Top Completed Holdings (to 28 February 2022)

relative gains led by Nestle. From a geographic perspective, an underweight to Eastern Europe contributed the most to relative performance.

The top three absolute detractors to performance were Meta Platforms, PayPal and Adobe. An overweight to the health care sector also detracted from relative performance led by ICON. From a geographic perspective, stock selection within Western Europe weighed down on relative performance.

The Fund added a new position in Netflix and increased positions in Amazon and SAP, while also selling PayPal.

While Polen Capital's steady and disciplined approach may not stand out during the current rotation towards the "value"" end of the market, or periods of ebullience, they remain steadfast in the belief that it will continue to produce solid absolute and relative returns over the medium and long term. While Polen Capital are careful in approach, they have great confidence in their investment discipline and the businesses the Fund owns.

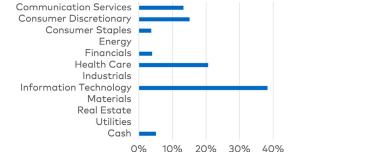
#### **Company Name** Country of Market Weight Sector Domicile Cap US\$ B (%) 1,784 Alphabet Inc **Communication Services** United States 9.1 Visa Inc Information Technology United States 449 6.8 Adobe Inc United States 221 Information Technology 6.4 Microsoft Corp Information Technology United States 2,240 6.2 ICON PLC Health Care Ireland 19 5.9 Mastercard Inc Information Technology United States 353 5.4 United States Amazon.com Inc **Consumer Discretionary** 1,563 5.0 Abbott Laboratories United States 213 4.8 Health Care SAP SE Information Technology Germany 140 4.2 Autodesk Inc United States 48 4.1 Information Technology

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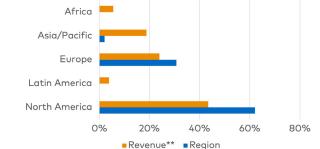
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#### GICS Sector Exposure



#### **Geographic Exposure**



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