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Polen Capital Global Growth Fund Class A Units

Investment Report & Fact Sheet

March 2024

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 seeks to invest in companies they identify as having a durable earnings profile driven by a sustainable competitive advantage, 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

The Fund typically invests in a portfolio of 25 to 35 high quality global businesses with competitive advantages. APIR FHT8597AU Portfolio Managers Damon Ficklin

Bryan Power

Fund Construction

Recommended Investment Timeframe At least 5 years value of The Fund **Minimum Initial Investment** A\$25,000 Inception Date 15 March 2021 **Aggregate Fund Size** \$50.4M

Management Fees and Costs

Up to 1.20% per annum of the net asset

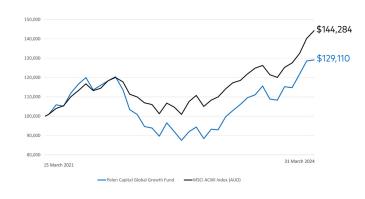
Performance Fees

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 31 March 2024, after all fees)

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.

	1 month	3 months	6 months	1 year	3 years	Since Inception (15 Mar 2021)	Compound Annual Return (CAR) Since Inception	Strategy CAR Since Inception*	Strategy Return Since Inception*
Polen Capital Global Growth Fund	0.42%	12.49%	18.55%	29.54%	8.54%	29.11%	8.75%	13.64%	226.22%
MSCI ACWI (AUD)	2.89%	13.10%	18.78%	26.43%	12.60%	44.28%	12.80%	11.74%	179.21%
Out/Underperformance	-2.47%	-0.61%	-0.23%	3.11%	-4.06%	-15.17%	-4.05%	1.90%	47.01%

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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Top Completed Holdings

GICS Sector Exposure

Global large cap growth equities faltered a little in March as the strong start to the year came face to-face with the realisation that any rate cuts by the U.S. Federal Reserve were likely to be fewer in number than expected and further away. This was driven by a persistently strong U.S. economy and stubborn inflation data. Value equities, which had lagged year-to-date, outperformed their growth counterparts in March. Overall, regional markets posted solid total returns, with the U.K. the best performer and China the laggard, as scepticism remains over the government's ability to stimulate domestic equity markets. Oil hit a high for the year on OPEC+ production cuts remaining in place alongside expectations for a stronger-than-expected U.S. economy.

In March, the Polen Capital Global Growth Fund (the Fund) increased by 0.42 per cent in Australian dollars, while its benchmark, the MSCI ACWI Net Total Return Index, in Australian Dollars, returned 2.89 per cent. For the three months to 31 March, the Fund has returned 12.49 per cent, while its benchmark has returned 13.10 per cent.

(to 31 March 2024)

Sector allocation was negative over the month, driven by the zero weightings in the Energy and Materials sectors. At a stock selection level, the zero weightings to Apple and Tesla were the first and third largest contributors to relative returns, respectively, as both companies continue to face challenging fundamentals. The overweight to Alphabet also benefitted performance. The overweight to Adobe was the most significant relative detractor, with the company seeing an unusually negative reaction to solid results. Overweights to Workday and Abbott Laboratories also detracted.

The top three absolute contributors to performance in March were Alphabet, Novo Nordisk, and Aon. The bottom three absolute detractors were Adobe, Workday, and Accenture. During the month, the Fund added to its position in Globant and trimmed its positions in Accenture, ICON and Siemens Healthineers.

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Country of Market Cap Weight **Company Name** Sector Domicile US\$B (%) Amazon.com Inc Consumer Discretionary United States 1,874 9.9 Microsoft Corp Information Technology United States 3,126 7.8 Alphabet Inc **Communication Services** United States 1,885 7.2 SAP SE 239 Information Technology Germany 6.3 United States 72 4.7 Workday Inc Information Technology United States Abbott Laboratories Health Care 197 4.6 Mastercard Inc Financials United States 449 4.6 Visa Inc United States Financials 573 43 Adobe Inc Information Technology **United States** 226 4.2 ICON PLC Health Care United Kingdom 28 4.0

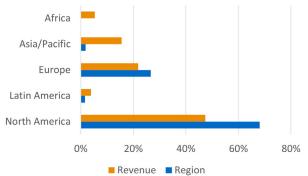
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Geographic Exposure



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While the market remains dynamic, Polen Capital are confident that the shares within the portfolio are well-positioned to deliver continued robust earnings per share (EPS) growth in 2024 and beyond. Polen Capital focus on secular growth companies offering differentiated products and services that they believe will perform well over time, regardless of the economic environment. While valuations have recovered this year, the Fund's fundamentals remain sound. Polen Capital's long-term earnings growth expectations remain largely unchanged, and they plan to take advantage of volatility and potential pricing anomalies to build a more concentrated portfolio of their best investment ideas for the next five-plus years.

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