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

November 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 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.

**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 global businesses with competitive advantages. APIR FHT8597AU Portfolio Managers Damon Ficklin Jeff Mueller Recommended Investment Timeframe At least 5 years Minimum Initial Investment A\$25,000 Inception Date 15 March 2021 Aggregate Fund Size \$36.9M

#### Management Fees and Costs

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

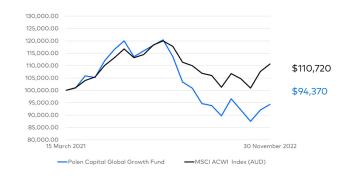
#### **Performance Fees**

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 30 November 2022, after all fees)

### 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<br>(15 Mar 2021) | Compound Annual<br>Return (CAR)<br>Since Inception | Strategy CAR<br>Since<br>Inception* | Strategy<br>Return Since<br>Inception* |
|----------------------------------|---------|----------|----------|---------|----------------------------------|--|-------------------------------------|--|
| Polen Capital Global Growth Fund | 2.53%   | 2.53%    | 0.54%    | -20.19% | -5.63%                           | -3.33%   | 11.60%                              | 138.44%                                |
| MSCI ACWI (AUD)                  | 2.89%   | 5.77%    | 4.43%    | -6.43%  | 10.72%                           | 6.13%  | 10.11%                              | 114.26%                                |
| Out/Underperformance             | -0.36%  | -3.24%   | -3.89%   | -13.76% | -16.35%                          | -9.46%   | 1.49%                               | 24.18%                                 |

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**

The hallmark of 2022 to date has been heightened market sensitivity to both macroeconomic data and company quarterly reporting. November proved to be no exception as equity markets were buoyed by softer-than-expected U.S. inflation data. Bond yields fell back with the 10-year U.S. Treasury yield declining 44 basis points to close the month at 3.61 per cent. The U.S. dollar index also retreated from recent highs, falling 5.7 per cent during November. Further relief was provided at month-end with the Chair of the U.S. Federal Reserve stating that the pace of interest rate rises might be smaller than previously expected although this was tempered somewhat by robust payroll numbers at the very end of the period. Oil fell to almost its lowest level yearto-date, declining 9.6 per cent to end the month at \$78.10 per barrel. For November 2022, the Polen Capital Global Growth Fund (the Fund) returned 2.53 per cent net of fees. The MSCI ACWI Index in A\$ (the Benchmark) returned 2.89 per cent. The zero weighting to the Energy sector was a positive while a zero allocation to the Materials sector was a negative. The top three absolute contributors to performance were Microsoft, Siemens Healthineers and SAP. The bottom three contributors to performance were Autodesk, Amazon and Align Technology. The Fund added to positions in ServiceNow and L'Oreal in the month.

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#### **Company Name** Country of Market Weight Sector Domicile Cap US\$ B Investors (%) Microsoft Corp Information Technology United States 1,902 8.5 Visa Inc Information Technology United States 458 7.1 Alphabet Inc **Communication Services** United States 1,310 6.5 ICON PLC Health Care Ireland 18 6.4 Adobe Inc Information Technology United States 160 5.6 Abbott Laboratories Health Care United States 188 5.1 Information Technology Mastercard Inc United States 343 5.0 Aon PLC United Kingdom 64 5.0 Financials SAP SE Information Technology Germany 134 4.7 Autodesk Inc United States 44 4.5 Information Technology

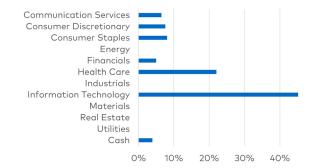
#### Top Completed Holdings (to 30 November 2022)

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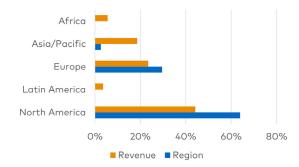
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#### GICS Sector Exposure



#### **Geographic Exposure**



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Polen Capital continue to see nearer-term growth headwinds primarily from COVID-19 grow-over issues. Uncertainty about the trajectory of interest rates and inflation and input costs still weigh on markets and are contributing to a broader 'risk-off' sentiment, which is exacerbated by any negative news at a company level. Polen Capital's long-term earnings growth expectations, however, remain largely unchanged, and they plan to continue to use volatility to take advantage of pricing anomalies and become more concentrated in their best investment ideas with the most sustainable competitive advantages for the next five-plus years.