

# CT Global Emerging Markets Equity Fund

# At a glance

This fund invests in global emerging market equities and seeks to generate excess returns by identifying 'stewards of capital' – companies capable of sustaining and accelerating profitable growth.

# Key reasons to invest

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**Strong EM heritage:** Our experienced investment team draws on global research capabilities to drive high-conviction stock holdings. v

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**Differentiated investment approach:** A tried and tested quality growth approach to investing in emerging markets.

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**All-cap strategy:** A proven ability to generate excess returns from stock selection across the whole market capitalisation scale.

# Key facts

### Fund inception date:

15 March 2006

### Fund objective:

Please refer to the Fund KIID for the objective and policy of this fund

#### Fund size:

£59 million (as at 31.12.2024)



Dara White Portfolio Manager (since July 2019)

"Particularly in emerging markets, the market tends to fade the growth of well-run businesses too quickly and it's this inefficiency that we have consistently looked to exploit. We favour 'stewards of capital' – companies that can sustain and accelerate profitable growth with an emphasis on returns. We combine this with our premise of 'no unintended bets' to create both upside and downside targets with the aim of delivering attractive, consistent long-term returns for our investors." – Dara White

## Investment approach

Bottom-up stock selection is the main driver of the investment process. Evaluating companies using fundamental research supplemented by ESG and quantitative tools – analysing multiple sources of excess returns – is more effective than any single approach because it yields a more comprehensive understanding of factors that drive performance. This is supplemented by macroeconomic views to ascertain the impact of country and sector dynamics at a company level, which provides a holistic overview of stocks identified by our company research.

Our investment process is centred around the premise of 'no unintended bets', where we seek an informed view for all companies within our investment universe, including a perspective on those we don't own. This is achieved through creating upside/downside

targets (buy and sell targets) for all companies in three key groups: all current fund holdings; stocks we see as potential investment opportunities; and all stocks greater than 0.25% in the benchmark. The upside/downside price targets act as our 'map' to allocate capital during the portfolio construction stage, ensuring that the team's best ideas make up the largest percentage of risks taken by the fund.

There is a formalised sell discipline in place for the fund. This rule corrects for a behavioural bias associated with ownership and gauges the level of conviction as, ultimately, we want to maintain a high-conviction portfolio. Independent monitoring teams also help eliminate unintended risks, promote strong, consistent returns and ensure the fund is aligned with its investment objective.

### A clearly defined and repeatable investment process

#### STEP 1

Define & evaluate investable universe

#### STEP 2

Conduct research & valuation analysis

#### STEP 3

Construct portfolio

### STEP 4

Portfolio & risk monitoring

#### "No unintended bets"

### Investable universe

- All stocks held
- Identified opportunities
- All stocks >25bps in BM

# Take a "long-short" view of our universe

### "Stewards of capital"

- Company factors
- Sector factors
- Country factors
- Proprietary Quant and ESG research

Creating upside & downside targets for our investable universe

# "Take risk where you have conviction"

- Upside & downside targetsmap to allocate capital
- Risk budgeting for conviction
- 70-90 names

# High conviction and focused

### "Checks and balances"

- Formalized sell discipline
- Independent risk monitoring
- Investment Oversight monitoring

Routinely & independently monitored

# Key risks

Past performance is not a guide to future returns and the fund may not achieve its Past performance is not a guide to future returns and the fund may not achieve its investment objective. Your capital is at risk. The value of investments can fall as well as rise and investors might not get back the sum originally invested. Where investments are in assets that are denominated in multiple currencies, or currencies other than your own, changes in exchange rates may affect the value of the investments. The fund invests in markets where economic and regulatory risk can be significant. These factors can affect liquidity, settlement and asset values. Any such event can have a negative effect on the value of your investment. The fund holds assets which could prove difficult to sell. The fund may have to lower the selling price, sell other investments or forego more appealing investment opportunities.

The investment policy of the fund allows it to invest in derivatives for the purposes of reducing risk or minimising the cost of transactions.

The fund typically carries a risk of high volatility due to its portfolio composition or the portfolio management techniques used. This means that the fund's value is likely to fall and rise more frequently and this could be more pronounced than with other funds

All the risks currently identified as being applicable to the Fund are set out in the "Risk Factors" section of the Prospectus.

Please read the Key Investor Information Document and the Fund Prospectus if considering investing.





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