WS KLEINWORT HAMBROS GROWTH FUND

Investment Objective and Policy

To provide a return in the form of capital appreciation over the long term through a portfolio of international equity-based securities, collective investment schemes, bonds, cash and money market instruments

Market commentary

The Bank of England and the Fed, held interest rate policy constant, but stating that inflation was moving in the right direction, but now was not the time to cut rates. Going in the other direction is Japan which raised rates for the first time in 17 years ending its negative interest rate policy.

The US labour market remained in "Goldilocks" mode in February with 275k new jobs versus January's downwardly revised 229k (from 353k). Average hourly earnings rose 0.1% versus the downwardly revised 0.5% in January. Overall, the labour market remains strong, but tightness is easing.

February US CPI annual inflation was 3.2%; annual core inflation was 3.8% vs.3.9% in January, delaying expectations of the Fed beginning easing in June. UK CPI fell slightly more than expected on the back of lower food price inflation, with the headline inflation falling to 3.4% y-o-y from 4.0%,

The fund's equities were the main driver of returns, though fixed income and alternatives modestly added value. Equity performance benefited from its US, European and emerging market exposure.

There were strong performances from many holdings, with the following worthy of note: Robeco US Premium Equities (+4.6%), Hermes Asia ex Japan (+4.4%), Fidelity Emerging Markets (+4.8%) and JOHCM Continental European (+3.9%)

Within Fixed Income both government and investment grade bonds benefitted from their duration exposure, Invesco Sterling Bond Fund (+2.4%) being of note. The alternatives were modestly positive with no detractors.

Definitions

Government bonds are loans to governments, which pay interest over their lifetime and are repaid at a given date.

Credit refers to the funds combined exposures of Investment Grade and High Yield Credit

Hedged refers to the removal of a risk we don't want to take, in this case we have removed the fluctuations of the US Dollar/Sterling exchange rate.

Investment Grade Credit refers to loans to companies that pay interest over their lifetime and are repaid at a given date. The level of interest paid is higher than government bonds to compensate for the additional credit risk the lenders are taking.

High Yield Credit is the same as Investment Grade Credit, though the borrowers have a lower credit quality. The level of interest paid is higher than Investment Grade Credit to compensate for the additional credit risk the lenders are taking.

Alternatives are investments that have a low correlation to equity and bond markets.

Fund details

Benchmark

Morningstar GBP Allocation 60-80% Equity

Fund classes available

A Class

Fund size as at 31 March 2024

£79.9 million

Base currency

Sterling

Price listing

Bloomberg

Bloomberg ticker

Income shares – CFKBCAI LN Accumulation shares – CFKBCAA LN

Domicile

UK

Minimum initial investment – Class A £100 000

Minimum subsequent investment £500

Launch date

27 July 1998

Pricing frequency

Daily

Structure

FCA Authorised UCITs scheme. (Fund changed from a Unit Trust to an OEIC on 30 Nov 2009)

Dividend distribution dates

30 June

Wrappers

ISA, SIPP

Investment Manager

SG Kleinwort Hambros Bank Limited

Authorised Corporate Director

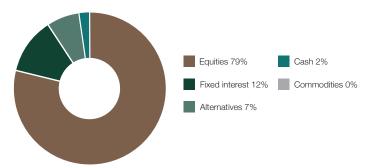
Waystone Management (UK) Limited

Auditor

Grant Thornton



Asset allocation



Source for all data: Kleinwort Hambros (as at 31 March 2024). Actual weighting and investment allocations are subject to change on an ongoing basis and may not be exactly as shown. Investors should understand the different asset classes which make up the strategy as they have different risk characteristics.

Top ten holdings

| | % of fund |
|------------------------------------|-----------|
| Lyxor ETF S&P 500 | 9.9% |
| Ishares S&P 500 Acc | 7.7% |
| Robeco Capital Growth | 7.4% |
| Ishares Core FTSE 100 | 6.9% |
| Pictet Global | 6.1% |
| Ishares S&P 500 Equal Weight UCITs | 5.7% |
| Blackrock Lux SA Eur Flex | 5.4% |
| Lyxor S&P 500 Climate | 5.2% |
| JO Hambro Continental Europe | 4.9% |
| Loomis US Growth | 4.6% |

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Single year fund performance (5 years ending March)

| Mar 19 – Mar 20 | Mar 20 – Mar 21 | Mar 21 – Mar 22 | Mar 22 – Mar 23 | Mar 23 – Mar 24 | | |
|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|--|--|
| -6.5% | 25.4% | 3.9% | -4.0% | 13.0% | | |

Performance table %

| | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024* |
|-------------------------------------|-------|-------|--------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|-------|--------|------|-------|
| WS KH Growth Fund | 10.9% | 10.3% | -29.6% | 26.3% | 13.0% | -4.2% | 7.9% | 13.3% | -0.6% | 2.3% | 13.7% | 6.9% | -7.4% | 16.9% | 5.9% | 9.5% | -9.9% | 8.7% | 6.0% |
| Morningstar GBP 60-80% Equity | 8.8% | 3.3% | -20.7% | 19.2% | 11.9% | -5.8% | 10.5% | 14.8% | 5.2% | 2.3% | 13.4% | 10.0% | -6.5% | 15.7% | 5.3% | 11.1% | -10.4% | 8.0% | 4.3% |

^{*}Figures are as at 31 December, except 2024 - Year to Date. All performance figures compounded monthly

Source for all data: Kleinwort Hambros (as at 31 March 2024). Calculation basis: Sterling, bid to bid, total return. All returns in Sterling unless stated otherwise. Fund returns are based on the A accumulation share class and are actual returns after all fees and expenses are deducted. Actual weighting and investment allocations are subject to change on an ongoing basis and may not be exactly as shown. Investors should understand the different asset classes which make up the strategy as they have different risk characteristics. Past performance should not be seen as an indication of future performance.

Fees and charges

| Growth Fund | | | |
|-----------------|-------|--------------------------|----------|
| Initial charge* | 5.00% | Ongoing charges figure** | 2.15%*** |
| Performance fee | 0.00% | Exit Penalty | 0.00% |

- * May be waived for clients of SG Kleinwort Hambros.
- ** This includes fund administration charges. The ongoing charge is reduced to 1.40% for the institutional share class when assets of over GBP 5 million are in SG Kleinwort Hambros managed funds.
- *** Calculated as at 31-Oct-2023. This amount may fluctuate according to fund size and underlying holdings.

Why is the fund in the specific category?

This Fund is ranked at 5 because funds of this type have experienced medium to high rises and falls in value in the past.

The indicator does not take into account the following risks of investing in this Fund:

Interest Rate Risk: Fixed interest securities are affected by trends in interest rates and inflation. If interest rates go up the value of capital may fall and vice versa. Inflation will also decrease the real value of capital.

Counterparty Risk: As the Fund may enter into structured products agreements there is a risk that other parties may fail to meet their obligations. This may lead to delays in receiving amounts due to the fund, receiving less than is due or receiving nothing.

Currency Risk: As the Fund invests in overseas securities movements in exchange rates may, when not hedged, cause the value of your investment to increase or decrease.

Financial Techniques Impact: The Fund may invest in derivatives. A relatively small movement in the derivative's underlying investment may have a much larger impact, positive or negative, on the value of the fund than if the fund were to hold the underlying investment itself.

Emerging Markets Risk: The Fund invests in some assets which have exposure to emerging market companies. These tend to be more susceptible to large short term swings than shares in more established markets.

Further details on risk factors that apply to this Fund are set out in the Risk Factors section of the prospectus.

A copy of the prospectus and the Key Investor Information Document (KIID) can be found at:

https://www.waystone.com/our-funds/waystone-management-uk-limited/

Investment Risk

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