# EDGEWOOD

# EDGEWOOD L SELECT - US SELECT GROWTH Société d'Investissement à Capital Variable

# Luxembourg 31 March 2017

#### **INVESTMENT APPROACH**

The Fund aims to offer shareholders a portfolio of equities considered to be stable, of high quality and demonstrating global growth prospects. The Fund may use US common stocks (securities issued by companies whose registered office is located in the United States or whose main economic activities are based in the United States or which hold, as holding companies, prominent participations in companies based in the United States) which shall at all times represent at least 2/3 of the Fund's total assets. The Fund shall invest principally in securities that are undervalued in relation to their potential, in order to generate profits. Derivatives shall be used solely for the purpose of hedging. The Fund applies the strictest selection criteria in order to ensure that only businesses of quality are chosen. These criteria are, among others, market share, unit growth, barriers to entry to the market that the business can impose on the sector in question, a track record of growth and profitability, production costs in comparison to the relevant business sector, government regulations, use of debt and quality of management. The investment manager is free to choose how the Fund is invested and does not manage it with reference to an index.

#### MONTHLY COMMENTS

The Edgewood L Select - US Select Growth fund Class I EUR was up +1.5% for the month, and +11.5% for the quarter and year-to-date. This compares to the S&P 500 Total Return benchmark, which was down -0.7% and up +4.6% commensurately.

There is an old Wall Street adage that advises to "buy on rumor and sell on news". If one looks at the U.S. stock market over the last two quarters, one sees this turned out to be somewhat prophetic.

In the fourth quarter of 2016, the "Trump Rally" favored mostly rust-belt America plays; such sectors as energy, financials, materials, infrastructure, prisons and construction. It largely bypassed the industries of the future, such as biotechnology and technology.

The reasons for this selective rally were fairly logical. They were driven by the euphoria of a solid Republican majority in Congress, coupled with a reliance that the new President would be able to follow through on his oft repeated and clearly stated campaign promises. Investors bought on rumor, anticipating it to come to fruition in short order.

Fast forward a few months to this first quarter of 2017 and investors seem to have digested the news, and have a new appreciation for the complexity of governing a democratic nation. It seems that the Republican Party is not one monolithic voting bloc, and in fact it seems to have fractured somewhat.

As a result, the hoped for prospects of enacting quick passage of both a healthcare plan and also a growth stimulating fiscal package seem distant and very diluted compared to their originally proposed forms.

All that said, the U.S. economy continues to chug along at a stately, although less than inspiring, real GDP growth rate in the range of +1-3% per year. This has largely been the pattern since the 2008/9 crisis. This sluggish expansion, as well as the lack of concrete legislation so far to bolster the "Trump Rally" favored sectors has very much accrued in favor of your less cyclical growth businesses this quarter.

Going forward, we remain of the opinion that U.S. domestic economic growth will proceed slow and steady until we see the passage of a stimulative fiscal package. If passed, this would help offset the slowing influence of increasing Fed Fund's interest rates. These conditions should make for an excellent stock picking environment, and we believe it could continue to favor your growth company holdings.

Edgewood Management LLC was appointed the investment manager of the US Select Growth Fund in March 2007.

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#### **RISK PROFILE**

The investment strategy of this sub-fund focuses on U.S. equity markets which presents a significant degree of risk because of the volatility of these markets. On a scale from 1-7, the fund's synthetic risk and reward profile is a **6**, as reflected in the Key Investor Information document. The value of the securities in the portfolio can be affected by daily stock market movement factors such as corporate events, company earnings, political events, and economic news and may impact the value of the fund's investments. The fund's exposure to growth may result in periods of high short-term volatility.

# CLASS I EUR = € 2891.96 share as of 31 March 2017

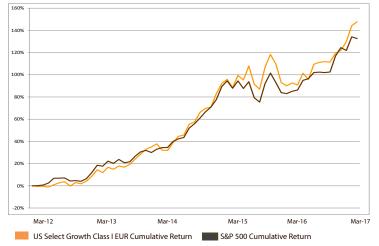
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#### PERFORMANCE AS OF 31 MARCH 2017

	12 month 1 April 2016 to 31 March 2017	12 month 1 April 2015 to 31 March 2016	12 month 1 April 2014 to 31 March 2015	12 month 1 April 2013 to 31 March 2014	12 month 1 April 2012 to 31 March 2013
Class I EUR	28.6%	-1.6	48.4	15.3	14.5
	1 MONTH	1 YEAR	3 YEAR*	5 YEAR*	SINCE 8/1/2007*
Class I EUR	1.5%	28.6	23.3	19.9	11.2
S&P 500 (EUR)	-0.7%	24.7	20.1	18.4	10.2

S&P 500 (Total Return) performance produced by Standard & Poor's. Fund performance produced by Bloomberg. Past performance does not guarantee future results. Performance figures reflect the percentage change in the share class's daily NAV which is net of the fund's expenses including investment management fees; it excludes transaction costs including third party brokerage fees and bank charges on transactions and other charges which may have a negative impact on performance. The return may increase or decrease as a result of currency fluctuations as the share class is in EUR. The performance figures for the S&P 500 are for comparison purposes only and are in EUR. \*Annualized return

#### CUMULATIVE PERFORMANCE 1 APRIL 2012 TO 31 MARCH 2017



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#### FIVE LARGEST HOLDINGS AS OF 31 MARCH 2017

Amazon.com, Inc.
Celgene Corp.
Facebook Inc.
Illumina, Inc.
Visa, Inc.

# Edgewood L Select – US Select Growth

## Société d'Investissement à Capital Variable

#### 31 March 2017

#### **FUND PROFILE**

Fund Name	Edgewood L Select
Sub-Fund Name	US Select Growth
Total Fund Assets	\$2.8 Billion (as of 31 March 2017)
Fund Type	UCITS
Investment Strategy	U.S. Large Cap Growth Equity
Investment Manager	Edgewood Management LLC
Fund Launch Date	February 1997

#### SHARE CLASS FACTS

Ongoing Charges*	1.55% (as of 31 December 2016)
Management Fee	1.4% Class I (Institutional)
Share Class Launch Date	03/07/2007
Sales Commission	Up to 3.0%
Redemption Fee	0%
Authorized for Sale	Luxembourg, Austria, France, The Netherlands, Finland, Switzerland, The United Kingdom, Sweden, Norway, Germany, Italy and Spain

\*The Ongoing Charges figure is based on the last year's expenses, for the year ending 31 December 2016 and this figure may vary from year to year. It includes management fees, but excludes transaction costs including third party brokerage fees and bank charges on securities transactions.

#### MARKET CAP DISTRIBUTION AS OF 31 MARCH 2017

MARKET CAP (IN BILLIONS)	US SELECT GROWTH (%)*	COMPANIES (#)	
Less than \$20	8%	2	
\$20-\$40	25%	6	
\$40-\$75	24%	6	
\$75–\$125	19%	4	
\$125+	22%	4	

\* Rounded to the nearest percentage and for the equity portion of the portfolio

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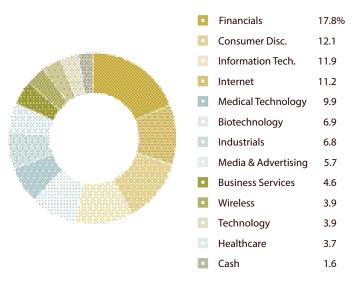
Edgewood L Select Disclosure (as of 31 March 2017) Edgewood L Select is a UCITS organised as an investment company with variable capital, with multiple sub-funds (Société d'investissement à capital variable, "SICAV") under the laws of Luxembourg, and is regulated by the Commission de Surveillance du Secteur Financier ("CSSF"). The issuer of this document is Edgewood L Select. Investors should carefully read the prospectus, more specifically its section on risk factors, the Key Investor Information Document ("KIID"), and all other relevant documentation before investing in the fund. The latest prospectus, the key investor information document ("KIID"), the Articles of Incorporation of the Fund as well as the annual and semi-annual reports are available free of charge on the fund's website (http://edgewoodlselectfund.com/literature).

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#### SECTOR DIVERSIFICATION AS OF 31 MARCH 2017\*



\*As defined by Edgewood Management LLC's Investment Committee. Rounded to the nearest tenth.

#### PORTFOLIO CHARACTERISTICS AS OF 31 MARCH 2017\*

	US SELECT GROWTH	S&P 500	COMMENTS
\$ Weighted Average Market Cap*	\$129	\$44	Focused on Growth (Billions)
Number of Holdings	22	500	Concentrated Portfolio
Sales Growth (3 Years)*	19%	2%	Focused on Revenue Growth
Long Term Earnings Per Share Growth Rate**	18%	7%	Earnings Outlook

\*All portfolio characteristics produced by Bloomberg, rounded to the nearest percentage.

\*\*Bloomberg estimate

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