

# MS Ascend UCITS Fund

Fundlogic Alternatives plc, an Irish UCITS Fund

#### **Fund Objective and Investment Strategy**

The Ascend Investment Strategy is an opportunistic U.S.- focused Long/ Short equity investment strategy.

The strategy is a variation of the "Jones Model" investing strategy with the intention of achieving capital appreciation in a broad range of market environments. The Jones Model is an investment strategy whereby the portfolio is long securities and short securities, and which seeks to hedge against market fluctuations. The strategy is focused on targeting absolute returns rather than returns that are correlated to the broad stock market. The Investment Manager invests in companies it identifies through a disciplined process involving thorough bottom-up fundamental research.

The sub-fund provides shareholders with a return linked to the performance of the Ascend Investment Strategy through the use of total return swaps.

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\$172 M
USD
Ireland
UK, Spain, Italy, Germany, France, Switzerland, Sweden,
Finland and Singapore
An Open-Ended Investment Company (OEIC)
Weekly. Every Friday (except legal public holidays in the
UK, Ireland or US and days on which stock markets in
London or New York are closed)
12 midday Irish time, 3 business day prior to the relevant
dealing day
Subscription: Dealing Day +3
Redemption: Dealing Day +5
EUR / USD / GBP
Ascend Capital LLC
Morgan Stanley & Co International plc
Northern Trust Fiduciary Services (Ireland) Ltd
Northern Trust International Fund Administration
Services (Ireland) Ltd
Ernst & Young

#### Performance (1)



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#### **Investment Management**

Established in 1999, Ascend Capital LLC is a Delaware limited liability company registered as an investment adviser with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission. The company was founded by Malcolm Fairbairn who has 22 years experience as a Long/Short portfolio manager, delivering positive net returns in 20 of the 22 years.

Ascend Capital LLC manages approximately \$2.6 Bn of assets under management and has 23 investment professionals: 1 Chief Investment Officer, 7 Portfolio Managers, 1 Sector Manager, 9 Researchers, 1 Director of Analytics and 4 Traders, and is headquartered in Orinda with a satellite office in San Francisco.

#### Simulated Returns Prior to Fund Launch\*

		Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
2004	Simulated		1.52%	0.08%	0.19%	-1.38%	-0.08%	-2.54%	0.64%	1.94%	0.61%	3.24%	3.23%	7.52%
2005	Simulated	-0.41%	1.38%	0.91%	0.40%	1.20%	2.23%	0.57%	1.10%	1.18%	-0.57%	1.11%	2.21%	11.86%
2006	Simulated	0.89%	0.25%	1.60%	1.08%	-0.26%	0.06%	0.20%	1.10%	2.32%	2.79%	1.78%	1.39%	13.97%
2007	Simulated	0.86%	0.54%	2.23%	3.09%	2.31%	2.69%	-0.61%	1.11%	2.16%	2.78%	-0.91%	0.37%	17.82%
2008	Simulated	-3.05%	2.55%	-1.23%	0.84%	1.73%	0.49%	0.50%	0.23%	-4.50%	-0.56%	0.29%	0.34%	-2.56%
2009	Simulated	2.40%	1.05%	-0.32%	0.16%	3.15%	1.28%	1.47%	1.58%	1.98%	-0.78%	-0.14%	1.76%	14.36%
2010	Simulated	-0.86%	1.65%	2.16%	0.74%	-3.84%	-1.40%	1.07%	0.13%	1.31%	0.39%	-0.15%	1.12%	2.19%
2011	Simulated	0.99%	0.86%	-0.94%	1.51%	-0.09%	-0.26%	0.18%	-4.70%	-0.65%	-0.88%	-0.61%	-0.34%	-4.96%

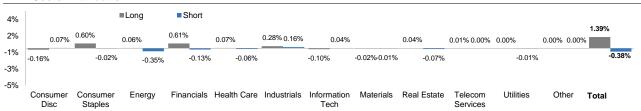
\* The above returns are based on simulated monthly performance from Feb 2004 to May 2011 and the net of fees (1.5% management fee and 20% performance fee). The returns from June 2011 to Dec 2011 are the actual returns. Past

#### **Historical Monthly Returns**

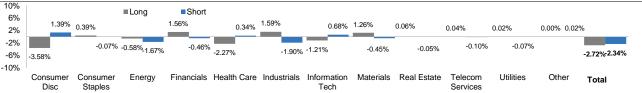
Share I (EUR)	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May *	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD*
2011	-	-	-	-	-0.09%	-0.26%	0.18%	-4.70%	-0.65%	-0.88%	-0.61%	-0.34%	-7.06%
2012	0.42%	0.46%	-0.37%	1.20%	0.29%	-0.29%	-0.61%	0.48%	0.04%	-0.92%	-0.60%	-0.21%	-0.14%
2013	2.42%	0.33%	1.27%	-0.58%	0.45%	-0.10%	0.88%	-0.01%	1.63%	1.86%	1.73%	1.70%	12.16%
2014	0.00%	2.06%	0.11%	-2.06%	1.35%	1.21%	0.59%	-0.07%	0.96%	-0.02%	0.23%	0.69%	5.11%
2015	0.32%	1.55%	0.24%	0.04%	0.27%	-0.62%	0.77%	-0.44%	-1.07%	1.14%	0.31%	-0.86%	1.62%
2016	-2.59%	-2.78%	-1.37%	0.37%	0.00%	-1.01%	-0.15%	0.41%	0.50%	0.07%	-1.80%	0.69%	-7.49%

Source: Morgan Stanley / Northern Trust. The above figures refer to the past. Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future results. Performance is quoted net of fees and based on unaudited figures

#### MTD Sector Attribution (2)



#### YTD Sector Attribution (2)



- Index information is included for illustration purposes only and is not intended to imply that the portfolio was similar to any index either in composition or element of risk
   Information surced from Ascend Capital LLC, Indicates the long and short positions contribution to the overall gross fund return



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Figures Below Represent Exposure to the Ascend Investment Strategy

#### Top Holdings (3)

Top 5 Longs	
Company/Sector	% of NAV
Facebook, Inc.	3.60%
Element Financial Corp	3.08%
Alphabet Inc.	2.95%
Dollar Tree, Inc.	2.40%
Roper Technologies, Inc.	2.37%
	14.40%
Source: Information sourced from Ascend Capital LLC	

#### Risk Metrics (4)

Exposure and Risk Summary	
	% of NAV
Long Exposure	84%
Short Exposure	71%
Gross Exposure	155%
Net Exposure	13%
Annualised Volatility <sup>(6)</sup>	4.29%
Relative VaR (7)	0.26

#### **Position Concentration**

	Long	Short
Top 5	14.40%	6.81%
Top 10	23.80%	11.90%
Top 20	37.39%	20.52%

Number of Positions	
No. of Longs	124
No. of Shorts	131

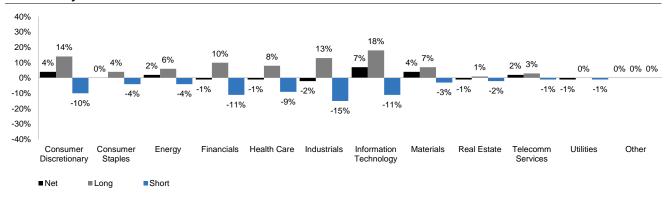
Source: Information sourced from Ascend Capital LLC. Volatility and VaR: Morgan Stanley

#### Market Capitalisation Analysis (Equities) (3)(8)



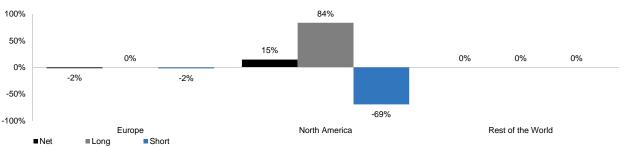
Source: Information sourced from Ascend Capital LLC

#### Sector Analysis (4)



Source: Information sourced from Ascend Capital LLC

#### Geographical Analysis (4)(5)



- Source: Information sourced from Ascend Capital LLC
  3. Month-end data used. Exposures are delta adjusted, exclude market hedges
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  Indicative values as insufficient data points for statistical calculations. The volatility is computed as the standard deviation of the daily returns.

7. Var 99% - 20 days computed against the \$&P 500 as benchmark.

8. Mega Cap (>= 20 Bn); Large Cap (>= 5 Bn, < 20 Bn); Mid Cap (>= 1 Bn, < 5 Bn); Small Cap (> 0, < 1 Bn)

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#### **Fund Share Class Details**

	Share Class				Perfori	mance			Identifiers				Fees		
	Ccy	Min Inv	Launch Date	NAV	MTD	YTD	LTD	ISIN	BBG	SEDOL	Mgmt	Perf.	TER <sup>(9)</sup>		
Class I	EUR	1,000,000	20/05/2011	1,028.61	0.69%	-7.49%	2.86%	IE00B53HHV28	FLMSAIE ID	B53HHV2	1.5%	20%	1.90%		
Class P	USD	250,000	09/09/2011	1,096.59	0.89%	-6.29%	9.66%	IE00B53STN13	FLMSAPU ID	B53STN1	1.5%	20%	1.90%		

Source: Morgan Stanley. NAV are computed by Northern Trust

9. Total Expense Ratio includes Management Fees and Promoter Fees. For share classes launched before 31 July 2014, the TER is based on the expenses for the year ending 31 July 2014. This figure

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