# GAM Star Global Selector II - EUR

Equity Long/Short - Global

EUR UCITS (FCA Recognised) / ISA eligible (Reporting fund status) / Price as at 31 Aug 2015 EUR 11.2318 (Acc)

#### **GAM** September 2015

### **Fund description**

Investment strategy: Global

To achieve capital appreciation through investing in a concentrated portfolio of global equities across Investment objective:

Investment style: Bottom-up, stock-picking style focused on selecting high quality, undervalued companies over a long-

term investment horizon.

Currency hedging: Employed to protect against exchange rate risk

## Manager commentary as at 31 Aug 2015

It has been a disappointing and challenging year to-date for the fund. Although we have been relatively underinvested in equities for most of the year, our results have still suffered due to our concentration in a small number of holdings, most of which have underperformed the market.

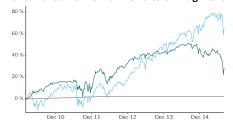
Our largest equity holding for some time has been Berkshire Hathaway. Its share price has dropped around 14% this year. There is no particular reason to account for the change, other than the more or less random perturbations of the market. The stock price has now retreated to the point where Berkshire could start buying in shares again.

Last December, we took a very contrarian position in a company that own specialised vessels to ship liquefied propane gas. With the drop in oil prices, the shares retreated. Nobody can say what the price of oil will be in the near future, or even further down the road. What we can predict with some confidence is that there is a very large demand for propane for both heating fuel and as a petrochemical feedstock in many parts of the world, especially in Asia, India and South America. And the transportation of propane requires ships. We believe – adjusted for the dividends that we have received – that we have purchased these assets at about half of what they are worth on the private market today, using conservative valuations.

Nobody likes to underperform. But it is inevitable as an investor that if one takes contrarian positions there will be painful times Indeed, with the average American stock is down 20% this year. That said, we remain committed to our discipline of buying assets at a substantial discount to intrinsic private market value. So long as we do, we are confident that our performance will prove satisfactory over time, and should more than offset recent subpar results.

## Fund performance and risk analysis

## Performance from 8 Mar 2010 to 31 Aug 2015



## Performance summary as at 31 Aug 2015

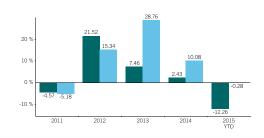
	Fund %	Equity Index %
1 month return	-7.45	-6.58
3 months' return	-10.86	-7.03
12 months' return	-15.08	1.94
Return since inception	27.95	65.31
Annualised return since inception	4.60	9.60

The fund does not include the security of capital which is characteristic of a deposit with a bank or building society

## Standardised past performance to 31 Aug 2015

August- August (%)	2010/ 2011	2011/ 2012	2012/ 2013	2013/ 2014	2014/ 2015
GAM Star Global Selector II – EUR	5.43	10.10	12.38	8.28	-15.08
MSCI World Index Hedged to EUR	8.34	10.95	20.32	21.09	1.94

## Performance history to 31 Aug 2015



Key to charts and tables:

Fund: GAM Star Global Selector II - EUR; Equity Index: MSCI World Index Hedged to EUR; Cash Index: Average EUR 1 Month Deposit Rate

## Historical monthly returns

%	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Year
2015	-6.45	5.16	-2.94	3.37	-0.28	-0.46	-3.24	-7.45	-	-	-	-	-12.26
2014	-0.54	1.29	1.09	1.58	0.64	0.95	-1.09	1.79	-0.13	-0.86	-0.41	-1.83	2.43
2013	2.78	-0.02	0.64	0.82	2.14	-1.48	1.13	-1.03	1.92	1.31	-1.20	0.29	7.46
2012	10.97	2.99	1.38	-1.49	-6.48	2.71	0.72	2.84	2.61	2.42	-0.27	2.10	21.52
2011	0.52	0.96	-0.70	1.18	-0.48	0.46	-1.32	-2.15	-6.84	10.27	-3.82	-1.88	-4.57
2010	-	-	0.61	2.28	3.10	-0.25	1.96	-1.13	3.75	1.38	0.29	1.54	14.26

## Manager

Gifford Combs, Dalton Investments LLC

### **Fund facts**

Fund managed by Gifford Combs, Dalton

Fund type UCITS

Stock exchange listing Irish

Currency classes EUR, GBP, USD classes are available

Base currency of the class EUR Inception date of the fund 19 Nov 2009 Inception date of the class 8 Mar 2010\*\*

Fund size EUR 183.6m Class size EUR 59.7m

Min investment of the class EUR 10,000 Dividend policy Net income will be distributed annually. Reporting fund status received.

Dealing day Any business day Investment manager and sponsor fees\*

#### Performance fee

15% over 3-month Libor on a High Water Mark basis. Please see Prospectus for further details on fe

TER 1.48% as at 31 Dec 2014

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Data sources GAM, MSCI, Bloomberg

- \*Excludes administration and custodian fee
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- \*\*The GAM Star Global Selector EUR II Class launched on 2 August 2011. Performance shown prior to that date is for GAM Star Global Selector EUR class which has been adjusted to reflect the fees of the EUR II class.

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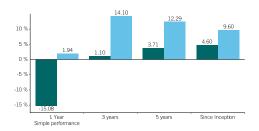
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## Fund performance and risk analysis, continued

## Compound annual growth rates as at 31 Aug 2015



## Risk summary as at 31 Aug 2015

## Relative summary as at 31 Aug 2015

	12 mo	nths	s 5 years			Relative to Eq	uity Index
	Fund	Equity Index	Fund	Equity Index		12 months	5 years
Maximum drawdown (%) ***	-15.08	-7.03	-15.08	-17.07	Alpha (%)	-1.46	-0.41
Annualised standard deviation (%)	11.78	10.38	10.91	11.02	Beta	0.78	0.75
Sharpe Ratio*	-1.27	0.19	0.31	1.08	Correlation	0.69	0.75

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> The largest loss, peak to trough based on monthly data
\* Risk free rate is Average EUR 1 Month Deposit Rate

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#### Asset allocation

## Geographic breakdown vs Equity Index as at 31 Aug 2015

United States	67.97 %		57.96 %
Norway		15.80 % 0.22 %	
Germany		3.09 % ■ 3.46 %	
UK		0.68 % 7.76 %	
Canada		0.22 % 3.39 %	
Netherlande		0.21 % 1.08 %	

## Industry breakdown vs Equity Index as at 31 Aug 2015

Fixed Interest	31.07 %	
Energy	22.53 %	6.77 %
Financials	19.43 %	20.88 %
Consumer Discretionary	8.31 %	13.14 %
Information Technology	5.73 %	13.46 %
Materials	0.92 %	4.71 %

Net Current Assets 12.03 %

Currency exposure as at 31 Aug 2015

Name % of Fund 98.9 Euro US Dollar 1.1

## Top 10 holdings as at 31 Aug 2015

Industry % of Fund Name Avance Gas Holding Energy 7.7 Aurora LPG Holding ASA 6.7 Energy Berkshire Hathaway Financials 6.4 Micron Technology Information Technology 5.7 Retail Holdings Consumer Discretionary 4.2 Dorian LPG Energy 4.1 Ally Financial Financials 3.9 Pacific Ethanol 2.4 Energy Genworth Financial Financials 2.4 American International Group Financials 20 Total 45.5

Net Current Assets 12.03 %

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