

## Fund managers



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## Fund objective

The investment objective is to generate positive absolute returns over a rolling 3 year period irrespective of market conditions.

For a full description of the fund objective and investment policy, please refer to the full prospectus.

[www.kamescapital.com/legaldocuments.aspx](http://www.kamescapital.com/legaldocuments.aspx)

## Fund facts

Launch date	2 December 2014
Domicile	Dublin
Base currency	UK Sterling
Benchmark	LIBOR GBP 1 Month
Initial charge	B shares - 0.00%
Annual charge	B shares - 0.85%
Minimum initial investment	B shares - £500 or equivalent in another acceptable currency
Registered for sale in	Ireland, United Kingdom, Austria, Belgium, Channel Islands, Germany, Italy, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland

Fund size	£208.44 million
Number of long positions	39
Number of short positions	28
Total number of positions	67

## Fund codes

	SEDOL	ISIN	Ongoing charge <sup>†</sup>
B (Acc) GBP	BQQFCT3	IE00BQQFCT31	0.96%
B (Acc) (hedged) USD	BQQFCY8	IE00BQQFCY83	1.07%
B (Acc) (hedged) CHF	BQQFD01	IE00BQQFD019	1.07%
B (Acc) (hedged) EUR	BQQFCW6	IE00BQQFCW69	1.05%

Source: Kames Capital.

<sup>†</sup> Ongoing charge based on actual expenses for the year ending 31/12/2015. For more information on fund charges, please visit [www.kamescapital.com/fundcharges.aspx](http://www.kamescapital.com/fundcharges.aspx)

Past performance is not a guide to future returns.

# Kames Equity Market Neutral Fund

## Factsheet 31 January 2016

**UCITS absolute return fund that aims to deliver positive absolute returns over a 36-month period, irrespective of market conditions, and with volatility lower than government bonds.**

The Fund uses a long/short equity market neutral investment approach to provide a unique stream of returns, uncorrelated to other assets.

## Performance summary

### Performance GBP

(Inception date 02.12.2014)	1 month	3 months	Year to date	Since inception
B (Acc) GBP	-0.09%	1.96%	-0.09%	2.08%
LIBOR GBP 1 Month	0.04%	0.13%	0.04%	0.51%

### Performance EUR

(Inception date 02.12.2014)	1 month	3 months	Year to date	Since inception
B (Acc) (hedged) EUR	-0.16%	1.70%	-0.16%	1.27%
EURIBOR 1 Month	-0.02%	-0.05%	-0.02%	-0.07%

### Performance USD

(Inception date 02.12.2014)	1 month	3 months	Year to date	Since inception
B (Acc) (hedged) USD	-0.10%	1.91%	-0.10%	1.71%
LIBOR USD 1 Month	0.04%	0.08%	0.04%	0.21%

### Performance CHF

(Inception date 02.12.2014)	1 month	3 months	Year to date	Since inception
B (Acc) (hedged) CHF	-0.22%	1.52%	-0.22%	0.38%
LIBOR CHF 1 Month	-0.07%	-0.20%	-0.07%	-0.73%

Source: Lipper, NAV to NAV, noon prices, local currency, as at 31 January 2016. Figures are 'percentage growth' (%), total return excluding initial charges, net of annual management charge. Past performance is not a guide to future returns. Note: the Fund launched within the last 5 years. Please note that the EURIBOR 1 Month, LIBOR USD 1 Month and LIBOR CHF 1 Month are included for illustrative purposes only.

## To find out more about the Kames Equity Market Neutral Fund

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## Portfolio positioning

### Sector allocation

	Long %	Short %	Gross %	Net %
INDUSTRIALS	8.72	11.28	20.00	-2.55
CONSUMER DISCRETIONARY	13.56	6.89	20.45	6.67
MATERIALS	0.00	1.89	1.89	-1.89
HEALTH CARE	3.25	2.44	5.69	0.81
FINANCIALS	8.59	6.01	14.60	2.58
ENERGY	0.00	1.78	1.78	-1.78
CONSUMER STAPLES	4.40	3.03	7.42	1.37
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY	1.26	1.80	3.06	-0.54
UTILITIES	0.00	2.57	2.57	-2.57
TELECOMMUNICATION SERVICES	1.83	1.28	3.11	0.55
OFF INDEX	0.52	0.51	1.03	0.01
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>42.13</b>	<b>39.47</b>	<b>81.61</b>	<b>2.66</b>

### Top ten long holdings

	%
IMPERIAL TOBACCO	2.99
INFORMA	2.43
BAE SYSTEMS	2.20
DIXONS CARPHONE	2.17
WPP	1.95
BT	1.83
BETFAIR	1.76
BALFOUR BEATTY	1.68
RELX	1.68
AVIVA	1.52

### Fund exposure

	%
LONG	42.13
SHORT	39.47
GROSS	81.61
NET	2.66

Source: Kames Capital as at 31 January 2016.  
Fund and general information source: Kames Capital.

## Dealing

You can deal in shares from 08:30 to 17:30 hours UK time (09:30 to 18:30 CET) on any dealing day (except for, unless the ACD decides otherwise, the last working day before Christmas Day, UK and Irish bank holidays and other days at the ACD's discretion). The fund is valued at 13:00 CET time (the valuation point) on each business day. Orders received before 12:00 CET time will be based on the price calculated at that day's valuation point. Orders received after 12:00 CET time will be based on the price calculated at the next valuation point.

You can contact our dealing team on +353 1 622 4493 (Mon-Fri, 8.30am to 5.30pm).

Visit [www.kamescapital.com/fundpricing.aspx](http://www.kamescapital.com/fundpricing.aspx) to access the latest fund prices.

## Risk factors

The value of investments and the income from them may fall as well as rise and cannot be guaranteed. This fund is a medium to long-term investment. Fluctuations in interest rates and exchange rates may affect the capital value and income received from the fund. The views expressed in this document represent our understanding of the current and historical positions of the market. They should not be interpreted as a recommendation or advice. Past performance is not a guide to future performance. The value of investments may fall as well as rise, and investors may not receive back the amount invested. Any investment objective, performance benchmark and yield information will be treated as a target only and should not be considered as an assurance or guarantee of the performance of the fund or any part of it. The impact of the initial charge will be to reduce the amount available for investment. All annual charges are deducted from fund income as far as possible. Where fund income is insufficient to meet charges, they will be deducted from capital. While the investment objective of absolute return funds is to achieve a positive return in all market conditions, this is not guaranteed in any way. Investment professionals must ensure that they meet their obligations in relation to their understanding of this product and the risks involved, and the extent to which this product meets the needs of their clients. Please refer to the Full Prospectus. We define a hedged share class as one which has a different currency from the base currency of the fund; and employs hedging techniques to attempt to mitigate the effects of fluctuations in exchange rates between the share class currency and the relevant currency exposures of the fund.

Investors in the fund should consider the following risk factors:

**Market risk:** The potential for change in market value of instruments due to adverse movements in equity, bond, commodity, currency and other market prices, indices or interest rates or changes in the anticipated or calculated volatility of these movements.

**Liquidity risk:** This includes both market liquidity risk and funding risk. Market liquidity risk is the inability to trade an instrument at the desired price due to a lack of supply or market demand. Funding risk is where a fund has insufficient cash to meet its financial obligations.

**Counterparty risk:** The risk that the failure of a counterparty to meet its obligations leads to a financial loss to the fund, both through loss of any monies owed to the fund by the counterparty and the cost of reinstating economic exposure in the case of counterparty default.

**Concentration risk:** The risk of a portfolio being too concentrated in particular positions or too exposed to certain issuers. Highly concentrated positions can exacerbate market, liquidity and counterparty risk.

Kames Capital Investment Company (Ireland) Plc operates two different methods of hedging share classes. Full details of these can be found in the prospectus.

To improve our customer service, and for training purposes, your telephone conversations with us may be recorded. You should read the Key Investor Information and Application Form document carefully, particularly the section on Risk Factors.

The Prospectus, Supplement, and Key Investor Information of Kames Capital Investment Company (Ireland) plc are available from [www.kamescapital.com](http://www.kamescapital.com) and also by calling our investor helpdesk on + 353 1 622 4493 or in writing from Citigroup Europe plc, PO Box 11167, Cardiff Lane, Dublin 2, Ireland.

The Kames Equity Market Neutral Fund is currently authorised for distribution in Ireland, United Kingdom, Austria, Belgium, Channel Islands, Germany, Italy, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, Spain, Sweden and Switzerland. Not all available share classes are registered in every country. Please email [retailsales@kamescapital.com](mailto:retailsales@kamescapital.com) for the list of share classes registered in your jurisdiction.

Applicants in the countries listed below should note the following:

### For investors in the UK, Ireland and Channel Islands

A limited range of Kames Capital Investment Company (Ireland) plc's sub-funds and share class have "Reporting Fund" status. Kames Capital Investment Company (Ireland) plc seeks to comply with UK Reporting Fund status requirements; more information is contained in the full prospectus.

The Kames Equity Market Neutral Fund is a sub fund of the Kames Capital Investment Company (Ireland) plc which is an umbrella type open-ended investment company with variable capital registered in the Republic of Ireland (no: 442106).

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Kames Capital Investment Company (Ireland) plc, is an umbrella type open-ended investment company with variable capital registered in the Republic of Ireland (Company Number 442106), registered office at 25-28 North Wall Quay, International Financial Services Centre, Dublin 1. Board of Directors: Andrew Bell (UK), Mike Kirby (Ireland) and Bronwyn Wright (Ireland). Kames Capital Investment Company (Ireland) plc is regulated by the Central Bank of Ireland.

Kames Capital plc is the Investment Manager and Marketing Agent for Kames Capital Investment Company (Ireland) plc.

Kames Capital is an Aegon Asset Management company and includes Kames Capital plc (Company Number SC113505) and Kames Capital Management Limited (Company Number SC212159). Both are registered in Scotland and have their registered office at Kames House, 3 Lochside Crescent, Edinburgh, EH12 9SA. Kames Capital plc is authorised and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority (FCA reference no: 144267). Kames Capital plc provides segregated and retail funds and is the Authorised Corporate Director of Kames Capital ICVC, an Open Ended Investment Company. Kames Capital Management Limited is an appointed representative of Scottish Equitable plc (Company Number SC144517), an Aegon company, whose registered office is 1 Lochside Crescent, Edinburgh Park, Edinburgh, EH12 9SE (PRA/FCA reference no: 165548).

**For Investors in Austria** - Kames Capital Investment Company (Ireland) plc is a UCITS collective investment scheme registered in Austria by the Austrian Financial Market Authority (Finanzmarktaufsichtsbehörde). The Prospectus, Supplement and Key Investor Information of Kames Capital Investment Company (Ireland) plc are available free of charge from UniCredit Bank, Austria AG, 8398 Global Securities Sales & Services, PO Box 35, A-1011, Vienna, Austria. Tel: 00 43 50505/58515.

**For Investors in Belgium** - Kames Capital Investment Company (Ireland) plc is a UCITS collective investment scheme registered in Belgium by the Belgian Financial Services and Markets Authority (Autoriteit voor Financiële Diensten en Markten/Autorité des Services et Marchés Financiers). The Prospectus, Supplement and Key Investor Information of Kames Capital Investment Company (Ireland) plc are available free of charge from Societe Generale Private Banking, Kortrijksesteenweg 302, 9000 Gent, Tel : +32 (0) 9/242 22 22.

**For Investors in Germany** - Kames Capital Investment Company (Ireland) plc is a UCITS collective investment scheme registered in Germany by BaFin. The Prospectus, Supplement and Key Investor Information of Kames Capital Investment Company (Ireland) plc are available free of charge from CACEIS Bank Deutschland GmbH Lilienthalallee 34-36, D-80939 Munich.

**For Qualified Investors in Italy** - Kames Capital Investment Company (Ireland) plc is a UCITS collective investment scheme registered in Italy by The Commissione Nazionale per le Società e la Borsa (CONSOB). The Prospectus, Supplement and Key Investor Information for Kames Capital Investment Company (Ireland) plc are available free of charge from our website [www.kamescapital.com](http://www.kamescapital.com) (only the Key Investor Information is available in Italian).

**For Investors in Luxembourg** - Kames Capital Investment Company (Ireland) plc is a UCITS collective investment scheme registered in Luxembourg by the Commission de Surveillance du Secteur Financier. The Prospectus, Supplement and Key Investor Information of Kames Capital Investment Company (Ireland) plc are available from CACEIS Bank Luxembourg 5, allée Scheffer, L-2520 Luxembourg.

**For Investors in Malta** - Kames Capital Investment Company (Ireland) plc is a UCITS collective investment scheme authorised by the MFSA to market its units in Malta. The Prospectus, Supplement and Key Investor Information of Kames Capital Investment Company (Ireland) plc are available free of charge from Michael Grech Financial Investment Services Limited, 78A, Fleur de Lys Road, Birkirkara, BKR 9062, Malta (Tel: +356 21 441003).

**For Investors in Sweden** - Kames Capital Investment Company (Ireland) plc is a UCITS collective investment scheme notified for sale in Sweden. The Prospectus, Supplement and Key Investor Information for Kames Capital Investment Company (Ireland) plc are available free of charge from MFEX Mutual Funds Exchange AB, Grev Turegatan 19, Box 5378, SE- 102 49 Stockholm, Sweden, Tel : +46 (0)8-55 90 36 85

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**For Investors in Switzerland** - On March 26th 2009, the Swiss Financial Market Supervisory Authority FINMA authorised the distribution to the public of the shares of Kames Capital Investment Company (Ireland) plc (the "Company") in or from Switzerland. The articles of the Company, the Extract Prospectus for Switzerland, the Key Investor Information (Swiss edition), the annual and semi-annual Report for Switzerland of the Company can be obtained free of charge on our website [www.kamescapital.com](http://www.kamescapital.com) or from the Representative and Paying Agent in Switzerland, CACEIS (SA) Switzerland, Chemin de Precossy 7-9, CH-1260 Nyon / VD, Suisse, Phone: +41 22 360 94 00, Fax: +41 22 360 94 60.