# Schroder Unit Trusts Limited European Alpha Plus Fund

Z Accumulation GBP Hedged Unit

### **Fund Launch Date**

06 October 2003

### **Total Fund Size (Million)**

GBP 253.9

### **Unit Price End of Month (GBP)**

68.49 GBX

### Total number of holdings

40

#### **Benchmark**

FTSE World Series Europe ex UK TR

### **Sector Average**

InvAssoc Europe ex UK

#### **Fund Manager**

James Sym

### Managed fund since

01 June 2014

### **Essential Statistics over 3 years**

|                              | •    |           |
|------------------------------|------|-----------|
|                              | Fund | Benchmark |
| Annual Volatility (%)        | 12.9 | 13.4      |
| Alpha (%)                    | -2.7 |           |
| Beta                         | 0.7  |           |
| Information Ratio            | -0.7 |           |
| Sharpe Ratio                 | 0.3  | 0.8       |
| Predicted Tracking Error (%) | 4.0  |           |
|                              |      |           |

The above ratios are based on NAV to NAV price based performance data.

### **Financial Ratios**

|                            | Fund | Benchmark |
|----------------------------|------|-----------|
| P/Book Value               | 1.7  | 1.7       |
| P/E Ratio                  | 19.4 | 16.0      |
| Predicted P/E Ratio        | 12.4 | 13.9      |
| ROE (%)                    | 11.1 | 14.0      |
| Dividend Yield (%)         | 4.5  | 3.7       |
| 3 Year Earnings Growth (%) |      |           |

These financial ratios refer to the average of the equity holdings contained in the fund's portfolio and in the benchmark (if mentioned) respectively.

# Investment Objective and Policy

The fund aims to provide capital growth by investing in equities of European companies, excluding the UK.

The fund invests at least 80% of its assets in a concentrated range of equities of European companies, excluding the UK. The fund typically holds 35 to 60 companies. Alpha' funds invest in companies in which the investment manager has a high conviction that the current share price does not reflect the future prospects for that business. The fund may also invest in other equities including UK companies, collective investment schemes, fixed income securities and warrants, and hold cash. The fund may use derivatives with the aim reducing risk or managing the fund more efficiently.

## Performance Analysis

| Performance (%) | 1<br>month | 3<br>months | 6<br>months | YTD  | 1 year | 3 years | 5 years | Since Launch |
|-----------------|------------|-------------|-------------|------|--------|---------|---------|--------------|
| Fund            | -6.6       | -1.2        | -0.2        | 8.2  | -11.4  | 15.7    | 20.9    | 37.0         |
| Benchmark       | -1.7       | 4.9         | 5.3         | 10.4 | 1.8    | 39.4    | 40.6    | 66.2         |
| Sector Average  | -2.7       | 3.9         | 3.9         | 9.8  | -3.2   | 32.1    | 37.9    | 60.4         |

| Discrete Yearly<br>Performance (%) | Q1/2018 -<br>Q1/2019 | Q1/2017 -<br>Q1/2018 | Q1/2016 -<br>Q1/2017 | Q1/2015 -<br>Q1/2016 | Q1/2014 -<br>Q1/2015 |
|------------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| Fund                               | -4.7                 | 8.4                  | 21.9                 | -11.0                | 13.1                 |
| Benchmark                          | 2.6                  | 4.3                  | 27.9                 | -4.2                 | 7.5                  |

### Performance over 5 years (%)



The return received may rise or fall as a result of currency fluctuations.

Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future results, prices of shares and the income from them may fall as well as rise and investors may not get back the amount originally invested.

The fund is managed with reference to a benchmark and its performance may be measured accordingly, but the manager invests on a discretionary basis and is not limited to investing in accordance with the composition of the benchmark.

Some performance differences between the fund and the benchmark may arise because the fund performance is calculated at a different valuation point from the benchmark.

Source: Schroders, NAV to NAV price with net income reinvested, net of the ongoing charges and portfolio costs and, where applicable, performance fees.

For an explanation of the financial terms included in this factsheet visit <a href="www.schroders.com/ukinvestor/glossary">www.schroders.com/ukinvestor/glossary</a> Printed copies are available by contacting the company address overleaf.

### **European Alpha Plus Fund**

### **Risk Considerations**

- Concentration risk: The fund may be concentrated in a limited number of geographical regions, industry sectors, markets and/or individual positions. This may result in large changes in the value of the fund, both up or down, which may adversely impact the performance of the fund.
- Counterparty risk: The counterparty to a derivative or other contractual agreement or synthetic financial product could become unable to honour its commitments to the fund, potentially creating a partial or total loss for the fund.
- Currency risk: The fund can be exposed to different currencies. Changes in foreign exchange rates could create losses.
- Derivatives risk: A derivative may not perform as expected, and may create losses greater than the cost of the derivative.
- Equity risk: Equity prices fluctuate daily, based on many factors including general, economic, industry or company news.
- Liquidity risk: In difficult market conditions, the fund may not be able to sell a security for full value or at all. This could affect performance and could cause the fund to defer or suspend redemptions of its shares.
- Operational risk: Failures at service providers could lead to disruptions of fund operations or losses.
- Currency risk / hedged unit class: Changes in exchange rates will affect the returns on your investment. The aim
  of this British pound hedged unit class is to reduce the effects of exchange rate fluctuations between British pound
  and the currencies within the fund.

# **Holdings Analysis**

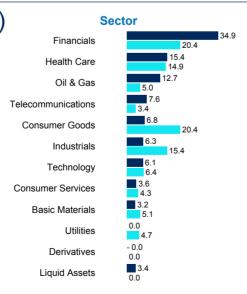
| Top 10 Holdings          |            |                          | Sector      |                           | % NAV       |
|--------------------------|------------|--------------------------|-------------|---------------------------|-------------|
| 1. Roche Holding         |            | ŀ                        | Health Care | <b>!</b>                  | 7.0         |
| 2. Koninklijke KPN       |            | 1                        | Геlесотти   | nications                 | 4.6         |
| 3. AXA                   |            | F                        | inancials   |                           | 4.5         |
| 4. Novo Nordisk          |            | ŀ                        | lealth Care | ;                         | 4.3         |
| 5. AURELIUS Equity Opp   | portunitie | es F                     | inancials   |                           | 3.8         |
| 6. Grupo Catalana Occid  | ente       | F                        | inancials   |                           | 3.7         |
| 7. Zurich Insurance Grou | ıp         | F                        | inancials   |                           | 3.6         |
| 8. KBC Group             |            | F                        | inancials   |                           | 3.3         |
| 9. Sanofi                |            | ŀ                        | lealth Care | ;                         | 3.2         |
| 10. Swiss Re             |            | F                        | inancials   |                           | 3.1         |
| Overweights              | (%)        | Underweights             | (%)         | Total<br>Market Cap Split | 41.1<br>(%) |
| Koninklijke KPN          | 4.4        | Nestle                   | -4.8        | <250 Million              | 0.0         |
| Roche Holding            | 4.0        | Novartis                 | -3.0        | >=250<500 Million         | 2.8         |
| AURELIUS Equity          | 3.8        | Total                    | -2.1        | >=0.5<1 Billion           | 4.7         |
| Opportunities 5.0        |            | SAP                      | -1.9        | >=1<3 Billion             | 18.9        |
| Grupo Catalana Occidente | 3.7        | LVMH Moet Hennessy Louis | -1.5        | >=3 Billion               | 73.6        |
| AXA                      | 3.7        | Vuitton                  | -1.5        |                           |             |

Overweights and underweights data are based on fund's exposure to holdings grouped by name.

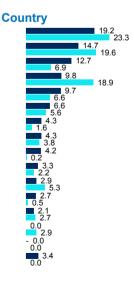
# Asset Allocation (%)



Liquid Assets contain cash, deposits and money market instruments with maturities of up to 397 days, which are respectively not part of the core investment objective and policy. The commitment linked to the equity index futures contracts, if present, is deducted from cash. Source: Schroders







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|                                    | Accumulation      | Income       |
|------------------------------------|-------------------|--------------|
| SEDOL                              | B91WD97           | B91YVB1      |
| Bloomberg                          | SCHIGZA:LN        | SCHIGZI:LN   |
| ISIN                               | GB00B91WD971      | GB00B91YVB14 |
| Fund Base Currency                 | GBP               |              |
| Dealing Frequency                  | Daily (12:00 GMT) |              |
| Ongoing Charges (latest available) | 1.03 %            |              |
| Minimum Investment Amount          | £1,000,000        |              |



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