# Smith & Williamson Mid Ocean World Investment Fund B share class



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## Manager

Lead manager: Tim Day
Date appointed: 11 May 2015



Manager: Chris Ford

Date appointed: 11 May 2015



#### Share class details

Share class launch date: 31 March 2014
Benchmark<sup>4</sup>: MSCI AC World Index

Share class currency: GBP Share class unit type: Income

XD date: 30 Jun / 31 Dec Pay date: Any date within

Any date within 6
weeks to 3 months
of the ex dividend
date. Usually 6

date. Usua weeks. \$85.0m OFIC

Fund size: \$85.0m
Fund status: OEIC
Domicile: Ireland
RDR clean: Yes
UCITS: Yes
ISA eligible: Yes
Initial investment: £1,000
Additional investment: £1,000

ISIN: IE00BKZGHP67 SEDOL: BKZGHP6

Initial / AMC / OCF<sup>2</sup>: 5.0% / 1.50% / 1.57%

# Portfolio risk and statistics<sup>3, 4</sup>

|                  | Fund | Benchmark |
|------------------|------|-----------|
| Holdings         | 69   | 2491      |
| Active share (%) | 91.7 |           |
| Volatility (%)   | 10.0 | 9.8       |

#### Fund aim

To achieve income return and capital appreciation. The Fund will endeavor to achieve its investment objective by investing the majority of its Net Asset Value in equity and equity-related securities and debt securities. The Fund may invest in a broad range of debt securities of various types and maturities issued by government or corporate entities.

The fund is an Ireland domiciled UCITS scheme (FCA recognised) launched in March 2014 with the transfer of assets from the Bermuda domiciled Bermuda Capital Company Limited. The unregulated scheme was launched on 20th November 1969.

## Fund manager commentary

Global equities, as measured by the MSCI All Country World index, rose in dollar terms in September but declined in GBP terms. The Fund outperformed the index over the month\*.

Positive contributors to returns in September included our holdings in Daifuku, EOG and CRH. Daifuku has continued to benefit from good performance on the back of new contract wins. US oil exploration and production stocks such as EOG have been benefiting from firmer oil prices following Organisation of the Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) production cuts. Shares in CRH rose after the company announced its intention to acquire Ash Grove Cement, allowing it to expand its footprint in the US. There were few detractors of note, although the holding in Horiba was a relative laggard following the recent Q2 results which were slightly below consensus.

In terms of activity, we added to both Sony and Samsung in Asia, while we shaved our position in Daifuku following its outperformance. We bought Versum Materials, as we expect it to benefit from increased semiconductor spend. We also bought flooring specialist Mohawk Industries, which should benefit once the backlog of flood-related insurance claims in the US begins to clear.

\*Source: Morningstar Direct as at 30.09.17

# Indexed performance<sup>1, 4</sup>



# Trailing performance<sup>1, 4</sup>

|                 | 3m  | 6m  | 1yr  | 3yr  | Lead manager appointed |
|-----------------|-----|-----|------|------|------------------------|
| Share class (%) | 3.2 | 5.1 | 15.0 | 11.3 | 10.8                   |
| Benchmark (%)   | 2.0 | 2.5 | 15.5 | 15.1 | 14.1                   |

# Rolling 12m performance<sup>1, 4</sup>

|                 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 |
|-----------------|------|------|------|
| Share class (%) | -4.3 | 25.2 | 15.0 |
| Benchmark (%)   | 0.4  | 31.3 | 15.5 |



Past performance is not a guide to future performance. Please read the risk warning.



## Top 10 holdings<sup>4</sup>

|                              | Fund | Benchmark | -/+ |
|------------------------------|------|-----------|-----|
| Smith & Williamson AI Fd 'X' | 3.0% |           |     |
| Tencent Holdings             | 2.5% | 0.6%      |     |
| Alphabet 'A'                 | 2.4% | 0.7%      |     |
| UnitedHealth Group           | 2.4% | 0.4%      |     |
| Citigroup                    | 2.4% | 0.5%      |     |
| Raytheon 'B'                 | 2.1% | 0.1%      |     |
| NVIDIA                       | 2.1% | 0.2%      |     |
| Rio Tinto                    | 2.0% | 0.1%      |     |
| U.S. Bancorp                 | 1.9% | 0.2%      |     |
| Activision Blizzard          | 1.8% | 0.1%      |     |

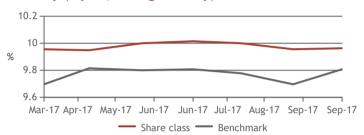
## Geographic exposure

|                | Fund  | Benchmark | -/+ |
|----------------|-------|-----------|-----|
| United States  | 45.5% | 53.2%     |     |
| United Kingdom | 10.4% | 6.0%      |     |
| Japan          | 10.4% | 7.6%      |     |
| Hong Kong      | 8.1%  | 3.6%      |     |
| Germany        | 5.6%  | 3.2%      |     |
| France         | 4.4%  | 3.5%      |     |
| Netherlands    | 3.3%  | 1.2%      |     |
| Unassigned     | 3.0%  |           |     |
| Australia      | 2.5%  | 2.3%      | 1   |
| Cash           | 2.0%  |           |     |
| South Korea    | 1.5%  | 1.7%      | 1   |
| Canada         | 1.5%  | 3.2%      |     |
| Singapore      | 1.0%  | 0.5%      | 1   |
| Malaysia       | 0.9%  | 0.3%      |     |

# Industry weights<sup>4</sup>

|                            | Fund  | Benchmark | -/+ |
|----------------------------|-------|-----------|-----|
| Information Technology     | 20.7% | 17.6%     |     |
| Industrials                | 18.8% | 10.8%     |     |
| Financials                 | 16.6% | 18.7%     |     |
| Health Care                | 11.0% | 11.2%     | 1   |
| Consumer Discretionary     | 9.8%  | 11.9%     |     |
| Consumer Staples           | 5.9%  | 8.8%      |     |
| Materials                  | 5.1%  | 5.3%      | - ! |
| Energy                     | 4.6%  | 6.4%      |     |
| Unassigned                 | 3.0%  |           |     |
| Cash                       | 2.0%  |           |     |
| Real Estate                | 1.5%  | 3.1%      |     |
| Telecommunication Services | 1.0%  | 3.2%      |     |
| Utilities                  |       | 3.1%      |     |

## Volatility (3 year, rolling monthly)



#### Important notes:

<sup>1</sup> Performance figures are shown gross of any initial charges and UK basic income tax reinvested at ex dividend dates to 30 September 2017. Periods over 1 year are annualised. Source: Smith & Williamson Investment Management LLP, Morningstar Direct, 2017.

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Initial charge - up to 5.0% but currently 0.0%. The ongoing charges figure (OCF) is for the year ending 31/12/2016.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Portfolio risk and statistics - Volatility measure used is standard deviation (annualised).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Benchmark performance is provided for illustrative purposes only and is not the stated benchmark for the Fund. Figures may not add to 100% due to rounding.