



as at August 31<sup>st</sup> 2019

## Summary Investment Objective

The objective of the Fund is to obtain a yield higher than that generally available from investment in global equities whilst, over the longer term, achieving growth in both capital and income.

## Investment Process

Valu-Trac's investment approach is based on Intrinsic Value Yield which is an objective and globally consistent measure of the potential income return of a stock. Intrinsic Value Yields are compared and used in conjunction with Behaviour measurements (e.g. overbought/oversold and momentum) to help with timing and risk control.

## Fund Facts

**Dividend Yield (GBP Net Inc): 4.70%**

**Price (GBP Net Inc): 113.6341p**

**Price (GBP Net Acc): 137.9093p**

### Ex Dividend Dates

30 June, 31 December

### Income Allocation Dates

31 August (Final), 28 February (Interim)

### Valuation Point (UK Business Days)

12 noon (UK)

### Deal Closing Time

12 noon (UK)

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## Managers Comment

In August the Fund delivered a return of -1.75% (Net Acc share class) to its valuation point on August 30<sup>th</sup>. The MSCI Developed World Index fell -1.51% in Sterling terms with Net Dividends Reinvested.

The 5 largest holdings in the fund are currently all North American, although Emera Inc and National Bank of Canada are both Canadian. Of the 53.3% total exposure to the North American region, 16.3% is actually Canadian leaving 37.0% invested in US listed stocks. This highlights a significant relative under exposure to the US Equity market which represents 63.3% of the MSCI Developed World Index.

The United Kingdom Equity market continues to offer a relatively attractive level of Intrinsic Value Yield and this month sentiment, in the shape of Relative Momentum, has turned to support the UK (albeit the scale of the turn is slight).

This, coupled with attractive dividend prospects, is why the Fund continues to be overweight Canada and the UK, at the expense of the USA.

There was one small adjustment to the underlying holdings held within the Fund during August. The holding of Iberdrola, the Spanish Utility company, was slightly reduced to raise the cash balance of the Fund.

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## Top 10 Holdings – August 31<sup>st</sup> 2019

Name	Region	Sector	Weight	Yield**
Verizon Communications Inc	North America	Telecoms	4.8%	3.5%
Emera Inc	North America	Utilities	4.1%	3.5%
Southern Co	North America	Utilities	3.8%	3.6%
National Bank of Canada	North America	Financials	3.8%	3.7%
Iron Mountain Inc	North America	Financials	3.5%	6.5%
CNOOC Ltd	Asia ex Japan	Energy	3.3%	6.2%
BCE Inc	North America	Telecoms	3.3%	4.3%
ComfortDelGro Corporation Ltd	Asia ex Japan	Industrials	3.2%	4.3%
United Utilities Group PLC	UK	Utilities	3.1%	5.1%
SalMar ASA	Europe ex UK	Cons. Staples	3.1%	4.4%

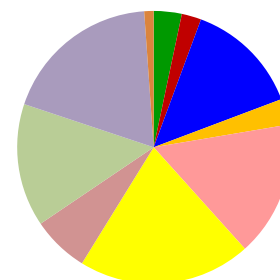
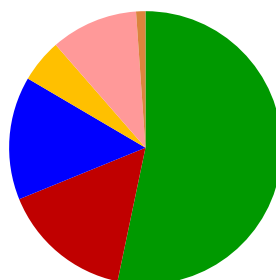
\*\* net of withholding tax

## Regional Breakdown

- North America : 53.3%
- UK : 15.6%
- Europe ex UK : 14.6%
- Japan : 5.1%
- Asia ex Japan : 10.3%
- Cash : 1.1%

## Sector Breakdown

- Energy : 3.3%
- Industrials : 13.6%
- Cons. Staples : 16.0%
- Financials : 20.5%
- Telecoms : 14.6%
- Cash : 1.1%
- Materials : 2.3%
- Cons. Disc. : 3.1%
- Health Care : 0.0%
- Info Tech : 6.7%
- Utilities : 18.8%



## Currency Breakdown

US Dollar	37.0%	Sterling	16.7%
Canadian Dollar	16.3%	Euro	6.8%
Japanese Yen	5.1%	Other	18.1%

Share Classes*	ISIN	Bloomberg Ticker
GBP Net Income	GB00BVV2CQ12	VTEAGNI:LN
GBP Net Accumulation	GB00BVV2CR29	VTEAGNA:LN

\*Other share classes available on request



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## About Valu-Trac

Valu-Trac was founded in 1985 and is based in the north of Scotland.

Valu-Trac has developed a proprietary investment platform based upon a combination of Intrinsic Value and Behaviour. The platform can be used to manage or advise a variety of portfolios (income portfolios, equity only, multi-asset and long/short) and to provide investment research and investment counselling.

Valu-Trac also provides Authorised Corporate Director (ACD) services to a number of investment management groups throughout the United Kingdom and AIFM services worldwide.

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Performance (%)	1M	3M	1Yr	Since launch*
GBP Net Accumulation**	-1.75	+5.19	+5.15	+37.91

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\*The fund launched on 16<sup>th</sup> February 2015.

\*\* Performance is illustrated by the GBP Net Accumulation share class.

## August 2019 ex-Dividend Holdings

### Dividend Payers

Name	Country	Sector
ComfortDelGro Corporation Ltd	Asia ex Japan	Industrials
Compass Minerals International	North America	Materials
Flowers Foods Inc	North America	Cons. Staples
International Business Machines	North America	Info Tech
Southern Co	North America	Utilities
United Parcel Service Inc	North America	Industrials
HSBC Holdings PLC	UK	Financials
Keller Group PLC	UK	Industrials
Legal & General Group PLC	UK	Financials

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