

Legal & General European Equity Income Fund



Unit Trust (UCITS compliant) I-Class GBP

Base currency: **GBP**

Domicile: **UK**

FUND AIM

The objective of the Fund is to provide income and growth above those of the FTSE World Europe ex-UK TR Net Index (the "Benchmark Index"). The Fund aims to outperform the Benchmark Index by 2% per annum. This objective is before the deduction of any charges and measured over rolling three year periods.

RISK AND REWARD PROFILE



The synthetic risk and reward indicator (SRRI) is based on the historic volatility of the fund's value and it may change in the future.

The fund is in category 5 because it invests in company shares which are sensitive to variations in the stock market. The value of company shares can change substantially over short periods of time.

For more information, please refer to the Key Risks section on page 3.

WHO IS THIS FUND FOR?

- This fund is designed for investors looking for a combination of income and growth from an investment in European company shares (excluding UK companies), as represented by the Benchmark Index.
- Although investors can take their money out at any time, this fund may not be appropriate for those who plan to withdraw their money within five years.
- This fund is not designed for investors who cannot afford more than a minimal loss of their investment.
- If you do not understand this document we recommend you seek additional information to help you decide if this fund is right for you.

FUND FACTS

Fund size	Launch date
£192.4m	12 Dec 2017
Historical yield	
5.0%	

COSTS

Initial charge	Ongoing charge
0.00%	0.80%
Price basis	Bid / Offer spread
Dual	0.22%

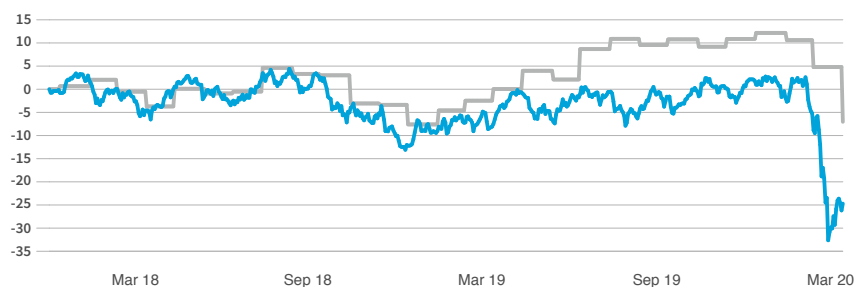
BENCHMARKS

Target benchmark
FTSE World Europe ex UK TR Net Index +2%

Comparator benchmark
IA Sector: Europe Ex UK

For detail on price basis methodologies please refer to the 'Guide to Investing With Us' found on our website. [↗](#)

PERFORMANCE (%)



	1 month	3 months	1 year	3 years	Launch
■ Fund	-17.42	-25.44	-18.64	-	-25.67
■ Benchmark	-11.28	-17.13	-7.07	-	-7.04
Relative to Benchmark	-6.14	-8.31	-11.57	-	-18.63
Comparator	-12.11	-18.85	-9.16	-	-15.02

FUND SNAPSHOT

- **What does it invest in?** Invests at least 85% in the shares of companies in Europe, excluding the UK.
- **How does it invest?** Actively managed, with holdings in between 35 and 70 companies on average over a typical market cycle of 3-5 years, which means the fund may be concentrated at times.

12 MONTH PERFORMANCE TO MOST RECENT QUARTER (%)

12 months to 31 March	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
Fund	-18.64	-4.23	-	-	-
Benchmark	-7.07	3.90	-	-	-
Relative to Benchmark	-11.57	-8.13	-	-	-
Comparator	-9.16	-1.63	-	-	-

Performance for the I Inc unit class in GBP, launched on 19 December 2017. Source: Lipper. Performance assumes all fund charges have been taken and that all income generated by the investments, after deduction of tax, remains in the fund.











Past performance is not a guide to the future.

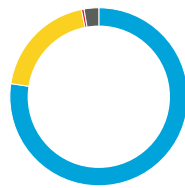


PORTFOLIO BREAKDOWN

All data source LGIM unless otherwise stated. Totals may not sum due to rounding.

COUNTRY (%)

 France	20.9
 Germany	20.5
 Switzerland	12.9
 Denmark	10.4
 Sweden	10.1
 Norway	6.5
 Netherlands	5.8
 Spain	4.4
 Portugal	3.3
 Other	5.3



MARKET CAPITALISATION (%)

Large	77.4
Mid	19.5
Small	0.0
Micro	0.5
Cash and Equivalents	2.7












■ Top 10 holdings 35.6%
■ Rest of portfolio 64.5%
No. of holdings 50











TOP 10 HOLDINGS (%)

Novo Nordisk	5.3
SAP	5.1
Nestle	3.8
ENI	3.3
Siemens AG	3.3
AXA	3.1
Orange	3.1
Bayer	3.0
Ericsson B	2.8
UBS Group	2.7

TOP SECTOR OVER/UNDERWEIGHTS (%)

	Fund	Relative	
Basic Materials	11.4	5.4	
Telecommunications	6.5	3.2	
Financials	20.1	3.1	
Oil & Gas	6.7	3.0	
Consumer Services	7.1	2.9	
Health Care	13.9	-2.8	
Utilities	1.6	-3.7	
Industrials	11.7	-4.3	
Consumer Goods	11.0	-8.8	

TOP 5 STOCK OVER/UNDERWEIGHTS (%)

	Fund	Relative	
Novo Nordisk	5.3	3.5	
SAP	5.1	3.1	
ENI	3.3	2.8	
Orange	3.1	2.7	
Flow Traders	2.6	2.6	
Nestle	3.8	-1.7	
Total	0.0	-1.7	
Sanofi	0.0	-1.8	
ASML	0.0	-2.0	
Novartis	0.0	-3.2	

FUND MANAGER COMMENTARY

The aggressive sell-off for risk assets in March resulted in heavy falls for equity markets. We've seen global demand collapse and supply shock, which drove a 10-day halving of oil prices. Early investor concern on potential supply chain, earnings and multiple risk has since given way to a focus on balance sheet health and liquidity. Through the month, we saw an increasing number of corporates cutting dividends, reducing capex and suspending buybacks amid a growing cash preservation stance.

Turning to equity market performance, all sectors reported varying degrees of negative returns in the period as equities de-rated sharply. As we approach the Q1 earnings season we appear set for downgrades, given still high expectations from analysts, however we think these are widely anticipated by investors. In Europe, Healthcare, Consumer Goods and Technology sectors were relative outperformers. Cyclical and rate-sensitive sectors were the laggards. Utilities also underperformed. At the factor level, Value lagged Quality and Growth styles.

The L&G European Equity Income fund delivered a negative return of -17.5%. Stock selection and sector allocation were both negative in the period. Selection weakness in Consumer Goods and Resources was the biggest detriment to performance. The overweight allocation to Financials was also unhelpful as Banks sold-off sharply. By company, the largest underperformers were PGS, Societe Generale, SES, ING and BNP Paribas. We saw positive contributions from Flow Traders and Novo Nordisk. On activity, we introduced new positions in Mowi, Siemens and Bayer. We sold out of Schneider Electric, SKF and Zurich Insurance.



ANDREW KOCH

Andrew joined LGIM in August 2014 and is a Fund Manager in the Global Income team. He joined from the in-house pension scheme at BAE Systems, where he was head of the European equities team, and a member of the asset allocation committee. Previously, he managed European equities for institutional and retail funds at Henderson Global Investors and HSBC Asset Management. He started his career at Phillips & Drew in 1992, where he spent 10 years investing in UK, European and Japanese Equities. He has an MA in PPE from New College, Oxford. Andrew is a CFA charterholder (since 1998) and an ASIP.

KEY RISKS

- The value of an investment and any income taken from it is not guaranteed and can go down as well as up; you may not get back the amount you originally invested.
- The return from this fund is dependent on relatively few individual investments. This means that a fall in the value of an individual investment can have a major impact on the overall performance of the fund.
- The fund could lose money if any institution providing services such as acting as counterparty to derivatives or other instruments, becomes unwilling or unable to meet its obligations to the fund.
- Derivatives are highly sensitive to changes in the value of the asset on which they are based and can increase the size of losses and gains.
- The fund may have underlying investments that are valued in currencies that are different from sterling (British pounds). Exchange rate fluctuations will impact the value of your investment. Currency hedging techniques may be applied to reduce this impact but may not entirely eliminate it.
- We may take some or all of the ongoing charges from the fund’s capital rather than the fund’s income. This increases the amount of income, but it reduces the growth potential and may lead to a fall in the value of the fund.

For more information, please refer to the key investor information document on our website [↗](#)

LATEST DISTRIBUTION INFORMATION

For distributing unit classes, the latest payments are shown below. Please note that these payments are not guaranteed, are at the discretion of the manager and may be paid out of capital.

Type	Ex-div date	Pay date	Pence per unit
Interim	03 Feb 20	31 Mar 20	0.04p
Interim	01 Nov 19	31 Dec 19	0.16p
Interim	01 Aug 19	30 Sep 19	0.91p
Final	01 May 19	30 Jun 19	0.64p



SPOTLIGHT ON LEGAL & GENERAL INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT

We are one of Europe’s largest asset managers and a major global investor, with assets under management of £1,196.2 billion (as at 31 December 2019). We work with a wide range of global clients, including pension schemes, sovereign wealth funds, fund distributors and retail investors.

Source: LGIM internal data as at 31 December 2019. The AUM disclosed aggregates the assets managed by LGIM in the UK, LGIMA in the US and LGIM Asia in Hong Kong. The AUM includes the value of securities and derivatives positions.

DEALING INFORMATION

Valuation frequency	Daily, 12pm (UK time)
Dealing frequency	Daily
Settlement period	T+4

CODES

ISIN	I Acc	GB00BF18C898
	I Inc	GB00BF18C781
SEDOL	I Acc	BF18C89
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