

# Diversified Fund

Unit-Linked Life Insurance Reported in GBP (Gross of charges)



## FUND AIM

The investment objective of the fund is to provide long-term investment growth through exposure to a diversified range of asset classes.

## RISK AND REWARD PROFILE



The summary risk indicator is a guide to the level of risk of this product compared to other products. It shows how likely it is that the product will lose money because of movements in the markets or because we are not able to pay you.

We have classified this product as class 3 out of 7, which is a medium-low class. This summary risk indicator is based on historical data which may not be a reliable indication of the fund's risk category in the future.

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

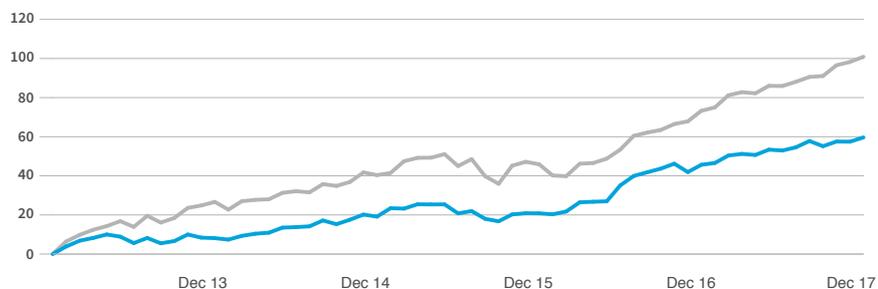
## WHO IS THIS FUND FOR?

- The trustees of UK registered defined benefit or defined contribution occupational pension schemes, which may be classified as either retail clients or professional clients.
- Although investors can take their money out at any time, the recommended minimum holding period is 5 years.
- Please refer to your professional advisor who should be able to advise you on the suitability of this fund for your scheme.

## FUND FACTS

Fund size <b>£5,111.5m</b>	Base currency <b>GBP</b>	Benchmark <b>FTSE Developed World Index - 50% GBP Hedged</b>
Launch date <b>Jan 2012</b>	Domicile <b>United Kingdom</b>	

## PERFORMANCE (%)



Fund	YTD	3m	6m	1y	3y	5y
■ Fund	9.60	2.90	4.39	9.60	10.24	9.81
■ Benchmark	15.95	5.15	8.05	15.95	12.70	14.98
Relative	-6.35	-2.25	-3.66	-6.35	-2.46	-5.17

## CALENDAR YEAR PERFORMANCE (%)

	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013
Fund	9.60	20.54	1.41	10.20	8.13
Benchmark	15.95	18.75	3.95	10.84	26.69
Relative	-6.35	+1.79	-2.54	-0.64	-18.56

All performance periods over a year will be annualised. Performance based on weekly mid-market prices before the deduction of fees. **Past performance is not a guide to future performance and the value of investments can go down as well as up.**

## FUND CHARACTERISTICS

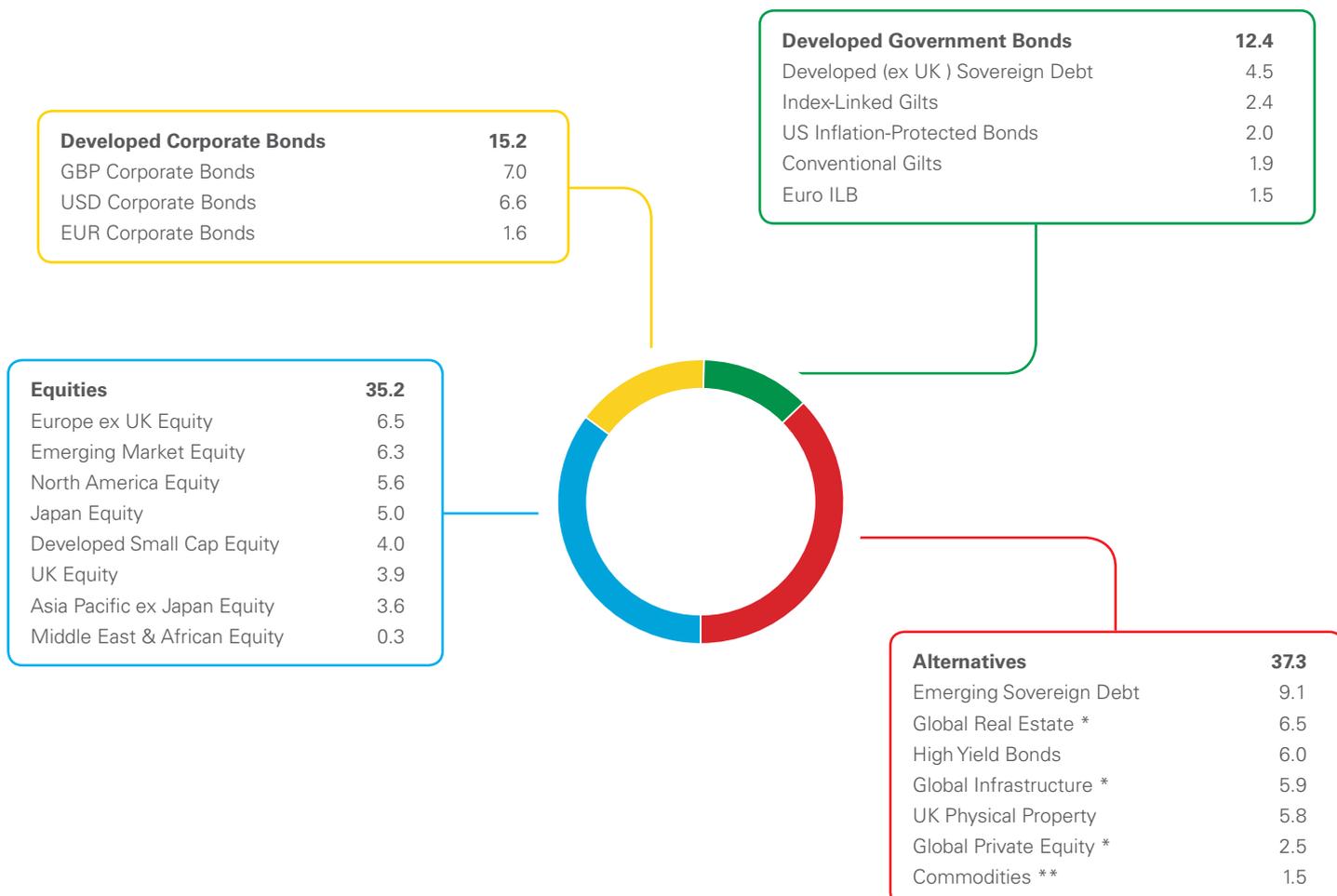
The fund will hold between 20% and 50% in bonds, the remaining 50% to 80% will be held in a range of assets which may include equities, property, commodities and listed infrastructure, private equity and global real estate companies. Exposure to each asset class will primarily be through investing in passively managed funds, although active management may be used for some asset classes where LGIM believes there is an advantage in doing so. The asset allocation will be reviewed periodically (at least annually) and the fund will not take short term, tactical asset allocation positions. Derivatives may be used within the underlying funds for efficient portfolio management.

### Benchmark note

We show the Fund's performance against the comparator indicated because the long-term expected rate of return of the Fund is broadly similar to that of a developed market equity fund. The diversified nature of the Fund means that it is expected to have less exposure than a pure equity fund to adverse equity market conditions. However, the Fund may perform less strongly than a pure equity fund in benign or positive market conditions.

## PORTFOLIO BREAKDOWN

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



### FUND MANAGERS

The Fund is managed by LGIM's Asset Allocation team. The team has a wealth of experience in fund management, investment strategy and economics. They are responsible for a wide range of multi-asset funds and investment strategies across LGIM's client base. The Fund allows a broad range of pension fund investors to access this expertise.

The day-to-day implementation of the allocation of the fund is managed by the ASM team. The team of 10 has an average industry experience of 13 years, of which six years has been at LGIM.

### FUND MANAGER COMMENTARY

Most equity markets continued to move higher over the quarter, led by more cyclical sectors. Both 10-year and shorter-term US yields moved slightly higher, as markets focused on a series of hikes through 2018. Credit and high yield spreads started and finished the quarter at tight levels, while currency moves were largely subdued in the developed world.

The Diversified Fund finished the fourth quarter up 2.9% and continues to perform in line with our expectations. All asset classes held by the fund (except for local currency emerging market debt), contributed positively to fund performance, with the largest contributions coming from Japanese and emerging market equities. Overall, the continued strength in global risk appetite lifted a wide range of risky assets and supported fund performance.

In terms of activity over the quarter, the fund changed how it accesses commodity market exposure, replacing the holding in an LGIM-branded commodity ETF with an investment in the L&G Commodity Index Fund. The new investment vehicle has a lower level of additional expenses and also reduces trading costs by using an alternative commodity index (the "Bloomberg Roll Select Commodity Index") which features lower swap costs. In the first quarter of 2018, the fund will adjust its approach to currency hedging and will start to implement these hedges at a fund level rather than investing into hedged funds. Currency hedging at a fund level provides greater flexibility on how to use the cashflows generated by currency losses or gains and should make it easier to manage the asset allocation over time.

\*Exposure through shares in listed infrastructure and private equity companies and global Real Estate Investment Trusts (REITs).

\*\*Exposure through investing in funds that aim to provide a similar return to selected commodity indices. The underlying funds invest in derivatives to provide the return of the specified indices.

Asset allocations are subject to change.

## 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 get back less than the amount you originally invested.
- The return from your investment is not guaranteed and therefore you may receive a lower or higher return than you anticipated. There will be a variation in performance between funds with similar objectives due to the different assets selected.
- PMC's charges and associated transaction costs are subject to change, with notice for the former and without notice for the latter. Charges and transactions costs deducted from the policy reduce your potential for capital growth in the future.
- Tax rules and the treatment of income and capital gains could change in the future and may be applied retrospectively.
- Inflation reduces the purchasing power of money over time as the cost of purchasing goods and services increases, if the rate of inflation exceeds the rate of return on your portfolio, it will erode the value of your portfolio and its investments in real terms.
- In extreme market conditions it may be difficult to realise assets held for a fund and it may not be possible to redeem units at short notice. We may have to delay acting on your instructions to sell or the price at which you cancel the units may be lower than you anticipated.
- The value of a fund's assets may be affected by uncertainties such as international political developments, market sentiment, economic conditions, changes in government policies, restrictions on foreign investment and currency repatriation, currency fluctuations and other developments in the laws and regulations of countries in which investment may be made.
- PMC seeks to mitigate counterparty risk wherever possible on behalf of its policyholders through a variety of measures which include; each fund's non-cash assets being held with independent custodians, sweeping cash (where appropriate) overnight into the LGIM's range of Liquidity funds (above a deminimus level), using the delivery versus payment system when settling transactions and the use of central clearing for exchange traded derivatives and forward foreign exchange transactions. However, in the event of the failure of a counterparty, custodian or issuer there is a residual risk that a fund may suffer asset losses which are unrecoverable.

For more information, please refer to the Description of Funds [↗](#)



### 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 £983.3 billion (as at 31 December 2017). We work with a wide range of global clients, including pension schemes, sovereign wealth funds, fund distributors and retail investors.

Assets under management includes derivative positions and assets managed by LGIMA, an SEC Registered Investment Advisor.

## DEALING INFORMATION

Units can be purchased, sold or switched on a designated dealing day. Funds are offered on a weekly or daily basis as below:

Weekly close	Yes
Daily close	Yes
Daily midday	Yes

Further information is available in the relevant operational procedures sheet and the Description of Funds [↗](#)

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