

# Legal & General UK Special Situations Trust



Unit Trust (UCITS compliant) R-Class GBP

## FUND AIM

The objective of this fund is to provide growth. The fund will typically invest between 80% and 100% in UK company shares. The fund may also invest in company shares from Europe. The fund will invest in companies considered, in the manager's view, to be undervalued by the market.

## 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 growth from an investment in UK company shares.
- 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

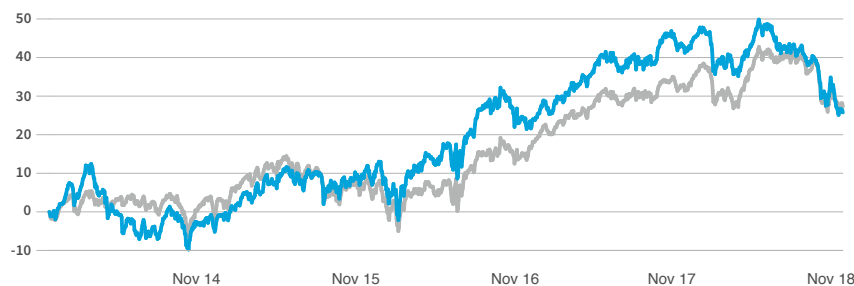
Fund size <b>£239.4m</b>	Base currency <b>GBP</b>	IA Sector <b>IA UK All Companies</b>
Launch date <b>10 Nov 2008</b>	Domicile <b>UK</b>	Historical yield <b>0.7%</b>

## COSTS

Initial charge <b>0.00%</b>	Ongoing charge <b>1.54%</b>
Price basis <b>Dual</b>	Bid / Offer spread <b>0.66%</b>

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	5 years
■ Fund	-4.16	-10.77	-11.74	13.33	25.78
■ IA Sector	-1.55	-8.68	-4.12	17.74	27.20
Quartile ranking	4	4	4	3	2

## 12 MONTH PERFORMANCE TO MOST RECENT QUARTER (%)

12 months to 30 September	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
Fund	-1.55	10.92	21.16	7.06	2.59
IA Sector	5.63	13.84	11.98	1.70	5.94
Quartile ranking	4	3	1	1	4

Performance for the R Inc unit class in GBP, launched on 10 November 2008. 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 future returns. The value of your investment and any income taken from it is not guaranteed and may go up and down.**

## FUND SNAPSHOT

- Aims to provide long-term capital growth through stocks with unrecognised market potential
- The portfolio invests in stocks with strong economic moats and attractive cash generation, which we consider to be either underappreciated or undervalued by the market
- Legal & General has a significant presence in the UK stock market so our fund managers often have the chance to meet a company's management team before we invest

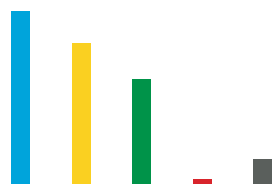


## PORTFOLIO BREAKDOWN

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

### COUNTRY (%)

 United Kingdom	100.0
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### MARKET CAPITALISATION (%)

Large	38.6
Mid	31.5
Small	23.3
Micro	0.9
Cash and Equivalents	5.6



■ Top 10 holdings 39.1%  
■ Rest of portfolio 60.9%  
No. of holdings 36

### TOP 10 HOLDINGS (%)

Urban & Civic PLC	4.6
Energean Oil & Gas	4.6
Carnival	4.1
GVC Holdings	4.0
Melrose Industries Plc	3.9
Prudential	3.7
Ultra Electronics Holdings	3.7
Wizz Air Holdings	3.7
SAGA	3.4
Reckitt Benckiser Group	3.4

### TOP SECTOR OVER/UNDERWEIGHTS (%)

	Fund	Relative	
Consumer Services	24.5	13.1	
Industrials	17.5	6.9	
Technology	6.1	5.1	
Unclassified	2.9	2.9	
Oil & Gas	11.5	-2.5	
Utilities	0.0	-2.8	
Consumer Goods	10.7	-3.0	
Financials	18.8	-7.1	
Health Care	1.5	-8.7	

### TOP 5 STOCK OVER/UNDERWEIGHTS (%)

	Fund	Relative	
Urban & Civic PLC	4.6	4.6	
Energean Oil & Gas	4.6	4.5	
GVC Holdings	4.0	3.8	
Carnival	4.1	3.8	
Ultra Electronics Holding	3.7	3.7	
Diageo	0.0	-3.1	
AstraZeneca	0.0	-3.5	
GlaxoSmithKline	0.0	-3.5	
HSBC Holdings	1.6	-4.4	
Royal Dutch Shell	0.0	-8.9	

## FUND MANAGER COMMENTARY

Equity markets performed better in November, though investors remain relatively risk averse. Corporate newsflow began to recede following Q3 earnings, meaning that market direction was once more in the hands of top-down drivers. Global growth indicators continue to imply an economic slowdown, while the response to comments from a less hawkish Fed and the Bank of England's post-Brexit scenarios were met with a degree of caution. UK equity markets continue to be out of favour, falling -1.6% in total returns. Mid-caps underperformed, while low beta names found support. In terms of sectors, we saw telecoms and healthcare top the winners list. On the flipside, resources and capital goods industries fared poorly.

Turning to performance, the L&G Special Situations fund fell 4.1% in the period, which we consider deeply disappointing. Stock selection was a considerable detriment, driven by our exposure to mid and small caps, alongside returns in consumer services, resources and technology sectors. Sector allocation was broadly neutral. In respect of individual performers, GVC Holdings, IQE, Ophir Energy and Energean Oil & Gas were the biggest detractors. For GVC, analysts lowered estimates to account for recent UK regulatory decisions, which impact 2019 earnings. The company also announced the acquisition of Australian digital sportsbetting group, highlighting the strength of its strategy. Energy names were weak due to the correlation with oil prices, which continues to experience substantial price declines on supply/demand fears. Stand-out positives were leisure names Wizz Air and Carnival.

On activity, there was no significant trading in the period.



### GAVIN LAUNDER

Gavin joined LGIM in 2007 and has been the Fund Manager for the UK Special Situations Trust since January 2018. Previously, he was a Global Equities Analyst at BlueBay Asset Management. Gavin spent the majority of his buy-side career as a Portfolio Manager with UBS O'Connor. Prior to this, he was a top-rated, sell-side analyst covering the Autos, Capital Goods and Conglomerates sectors at investment banks including SG Warburg (now part of UBS) and Goldman Sachs. Gavin holds a degree in Philosophy and Economics from University College, London.

**KEY RISKS**

- 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). Any such investments will be impacted by exchange rate fluctuations and this may affect the value of your investment and any income from it. Currency hedging techniques may be applied to reduce the impact of exchange rate fluctuations but may not entirely eliminate it.

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
Final	17 Sep 18	14 Nov 18	0.70p
Interim	15 Mar 18	14 May 18	0.00p
Final	15 Sep 17	14 Nov 17	0.47p
Interim	14 Mar 17	14 May 17	0.25p



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**DEALING INFORMATION**

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

**CODES**

<b>ISIN</b>	R Acc	GB00B3DMXT38
	R Inc	GB00B3DMXD77
<b>SEDOL</b>	R Acc	B3DMXT3
	R Inc	B3DMXD7
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