

# abrdn Europe ex UK Income Equity Fund

Platform 1 Acc GBP



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## Objective

To generate income and some growth over the long term (5 years or more) by investing in European equities (company shares).

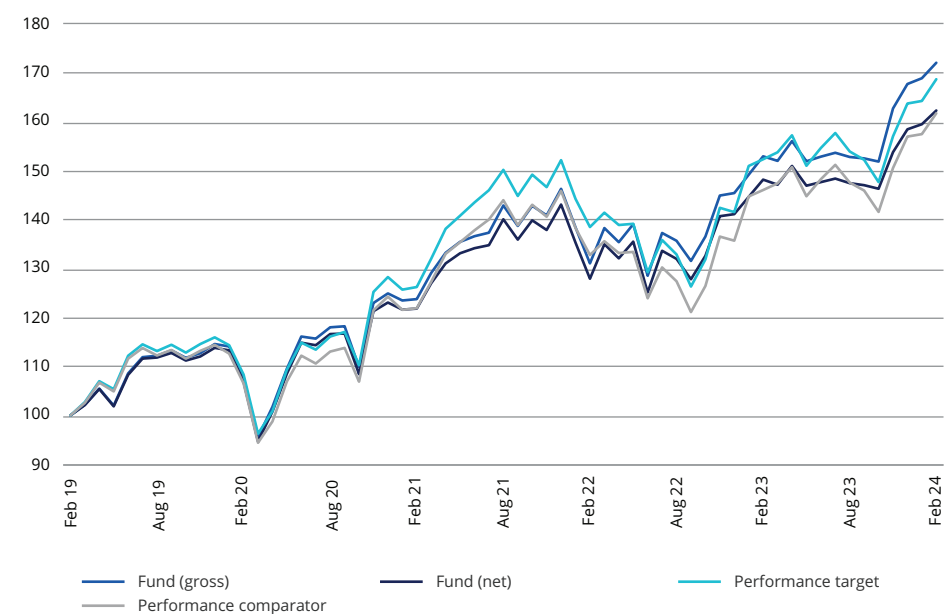
**Performance Target:** To deliver a yield greater than that of and achieve a return in excess of the FTSE World Europe ex UK Index over a rolling five year period (before charges). There is no certainty or promise that the Performance Target will be achieved.

The FTSE World Europe ex UK Index (the "Index") is a representative index of the European (excluding UK) stock market.

## Portfolio securities

- The fund will invest at least 70% in European (excluding UK) equities.
- The fund may also invest up to 15% in bonds (which are like loans to companies or governments that pay interest).
- The fund may also invest in other funds (including those managed by abrdn), cash and assets that can be turned into cash quickly.

## Performance



## Cumulative and annualised performance

	1 month	6 months	Year to date	1 year	3 years (p.a.)	5 years (p.a.)
Fund (gross) (%)	1.87	10.59	2.59	10.49	10.93	11.09
Fund (net) (%)	1.76	10.07	2.42	9.53	10.03	10.16
Performance target (%)	2.70	9.59	3.03	10.74	10.15	11.03
Performance comparator (%)	2.70	9.59	3.03	10.74	9.89	10.10

## Discrete annual returns - year to 29/2

	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020
Fund (gross) (%)	10.49	16.51	6.09	14.88	7.92
Fund (net) (%)	9.53	15.83	5.03	13.99	6.84
Performance target (%)	10.74	10.00	9.72	16.52	8.35
Performance comparator (%)	10.74	10.00	8.93	14.44	6.53

Performance Data: Share Class Platform 1 Acc GBP.

Benchmark history: Performance comparator - FTSE World Europe Ex UK

Source: abrdn (Fund & Benchmark) and Morningstar (Sector). Basis: Total Return, NAV to NAV, UK Net/Gross Income Reinvested.

"Fund (Net)" refers to the actual unit price performance of the shareclass shown; "Fund(Gross)" adds back charges such as the annual management charge to present performance on the same basis as the performance target / performance comparator / portfolio constraining benchmark. These figures do not include the initial charge; if this is paid it will reduce performance from that shown.

**Past performance is not a guide to future returns and future returns are not guaranteed.**

## Key facts

Fund manager(s)	Stuart Brown
Fund managers start date	09 November 2020
Fund launch date	03 April 2009
Share class launch date	14 May 2012
Authorised corporate director (ACD)	abrdn Fund Managers Limited
Fund size	£370.4m
Number of holdings	43
Performance target/ Performance comparator	FTSE World Europe Ex UK
Fund historic yield <sup>1</sup>	2.69%
Index historic yield	2.83%
Distribution frequency	Quarterly
Entry charge (up to) <sup>2</sup>	0.00%
Annual management charge	0.75%
Ongoing charge figure <sup>3</sup>	0.90%
Minimum initial investment	GBP 1,000,000
Fund type	OEIC
Valuation point	12:00 (UK time)
Base currency	GBP
Sedol	B7LG0W7
ISIN	GB00B7LG0W70
Bloomberg	SLIEP1A LN
Citicode	10FU
Domicile	United Kingdom

## Risk and reward profile



This indicator reflects the volatility of the fund's share price. See the relevant UCITS Key Investor Information Document (KIID) or PRIIPs Key Information Document (KID) for details

## Key risks

- The value of investments and the income from them can fall and investors may get back less than the amount invested.
- The fund invests in equity and equity related securities. These are sensitive to variations in the stock markets which can be volatile and change substantially in short periods of time.
- The fund invests in securities which are subject to the risk that the issuer may default on interest or capital payments.
- Interest Rate Risk - The fund invests in securities which can be subject to price fluctuation for a variety of reasons including changes in interest rates or inflation expectations.

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Management process

- The management team use their discretion (active management) to maintain a diverse asset mix at country, sector and company level.
- Their primary focus is on selecting companies using research techniques to select individual holdings. Given the fund's income objective, the management team place particular emphasis on understanding how a company operates, the impact this has on how the company generates cash and how effectively they allocate their cash.
- Due to the income nature of the management process, the fund's performance profile may deviate significantly from that of the Index.

Top Ten Holdings

Novo Nordisk A/S	5.6
SAP SE	4.6
Novartis AG	4.6
ASML Holding NV	4.4
TotalEnergies SE	3.9
Deutsche Telekom AG	3.8
Schneider Electric SE	3.5
Wolters Kluwer NV	3.5
Industria de Diseno Textil SA	3.5
Engie SA	3.3
Assets in top ten holdings	40.7

Country (%)

France	22.1
Netherlands	17.3
Germany	15.5
United States of America	8.1
Switzerland	7.9
Denmark	7.6
Italy	6.5
Spain	5.7
Other	7.9
Cash	1.4

Source : abrdn 29/02/2024  
Figures may not always sum to 100 due to rounding.

Sector (%)

Financials	16.2
Industrials	15.1
Health Care	13.2
Consumer Discretionary	11.6
Information Technology	11.3
Communication Services	9.7
Utilities	8.7
Energy	5.6
Other	7.2
Cash	1.4

- (e) The fund invests in emerging market equities and / or bonds. Investing in emerging markets involves a greater risk of loss than investing in more developed markets due to, among other factors, greater political, tax, economic, foreign exchange, liquidity and regulatory risks.
- (f) Derivatives Risk - The use of derivatives may involve additional liquidity, credit and counterparty risks. In some cases the risk of loss from derivatives may be increased where a small change in the value of the underlying investment may have a larger impact on the value of the derivative.

Risk stats

Alpha^	3.22
Benchmark Volatility (SD)^	12.44
Beta^	0.84
Fund Volatility (SD)^	10.87
Information Ratio^	0.57
R-Squared^	0.93
Sharpe Ratio^	0.82
Tracking Error^	3.53

Source : abrdn. ^ Three year annualised.

Derivative usage

- Derivatives are linked to the value of other assets. In other words, they derive their price from one or more underlying asset.
- Derivative usage in the fund is expected to be very limited. Where derivatives are used, this would mainly be in response to significant inflows into the fund so that in these instances, cash can be invested while maintaining the fund's existing allocations to equities.

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To help you understand this fund and for a full explanation of risks and the overall risk profile of this fund and the shareclasses within it, please refer to the Key Investor Information Documents and Prospectus which are available on our website [www.abrdn.com](http://www.abrdn.com) The Prospectus also contains a glossary of key terms used in this document.

<sup>1</sup>The Historic Yield as at 31/01/2024 reflects distributions declared over the past twelve months as a percentage of the mid-market share price, as at the date shown. It does not include any preliminary charge and investors may be subject to tax on their distributions. The fund charges 100% of the annual management charge to capital. This has the effect of increasing distributions for the year and constraining the fund's capital performance to an equivalent extent.

<sup>2</sup>These are the maximum charges that we might take out of your money before it is invested. In some cases, the charges may be less and you should speak to your financial advisor about this.

<sup>3</sup>The Ongoing Charge Figure (OCF), is the overall cost shown as a percentage of the value of the assets of the fund. It is made up of the Annual Management Charge (AMC) of 0.75% and other charges. It does not include any initial charges or the cost of buying and selling stocks for the fund. The Ongoing Charges figure can help you compare the annual operating expenses of different funds.

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