

# FP Octopus Global Strategies Fund

Access a world of alternatives

## An actively managed, diversified multi manager portfolio, designed to target positive absolute returns with low volatility.

The FP Octopus Global Strategies Fund was launched in 2011. The fund aims to produce positive returns over a rolling 12 month period by investing in a broad range of alternative strategies.

### Targeting positive returns with low volatility

The FP Global Strategies Fund is a UK regulated fund of funds which aims to achieve steady, consistent capital growth with a strong focus on capital preservation.

### Multi manager approach

Returns are achieved through a diversified portfolio made up of different specialist funds managed by other leading investment companies. We use proprietary screening techniques and in-depth analysis to review the funds in the sector, carefully selecting the right funds across different alternative strategies, investment themes, geographies and markets.

### Real diversification

The fund aims to generate returns that are not linked to the ups and downs of traditional asset classes (in other words, its 'beta' to equities and bonds is low). This lack of correlation with the returns generated by equities and bonds makes it an ideal addition to portfolios to help manage risk and improve long-term returns.

### Long-term track record with no performance fee

The latest discrete annual returns to the end of the last quarter are below.\*

	Q4 17-18	Q4 16-17	Q4 15-16	Q4 14-15	Q4 13-14
Global Strategies Fund Y Acc	-3.6%	1.8%	1.4%	1.8%	3.4%
LIBOR GBP 3 month	0.7%	0.4%	0.5%	0.6%	0.5%

\*Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future results. Source: Lipper, Octopus Investments. Covers period 31/12/2013 to 31/12/2018. Returns are in sterling and are based on published dealing prices excluding any initial charges, with net income reinvested, and net of all fund fees.

### Designed with uncertainty in mind

With continued doubt over the prospects for global markets, the increased versatility of an absolute return strategy, and its potential for sustainable performance irrespective of wider economic conditions, make this an appealing approach. Low correlation and low volatility make the fund a genuine diversifier.

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# Need to know

## Alternatives

Difficult markets only reinforce the need for diversification. Alternative strategies can help enhance portfolio returns during periods of volatility, without increasing the risk level taken.

Our fund managers have a great deal of experience investing in alternatives and this enables them to feel more comfortable allocating higher proportions of portfolios to these sorts of investments. Of the £1.3bn currently under the management of the Octopus multi manager team, about a quarter is in alternatives across a wide range of strategies.

### The case for alternatives

Alternatives are less tied to the swings of the stock market - they tend to behave differently to equities and bonds under the same conditions. This helps to smooth volatility and diversify returns within a portfolio. By helping to manage the risk within a portfolio, alternatives enable better long-term returns for the level of risk taken. There are around 600 regulated funds to choose from that focus on alternatives, it is tricky for most investors to know which funds to invest in. That's why it makes sense to rely on an expert to do the hard work for you.

## Multi manager investing

The aim of a multi manager fund is to select the best fund managers and combine them in a portfolio that's capable of achieving the investment objectives. The multi manager approach allows us to blend the 'best of breed' managers in a single fund. Multi manager funds are typically more diversified than single manager funds. As the investment is spread across many funds and fund managers, the impact of a particular fund or fund manager underperforming is reduced.

A multi manager's responsibilities include:

- Keeping track of global investment markets and constantly searching for opportunities to improve the returns for the fund.
- Analysing performance to make sure every fund is contributing what it should to the performance of the portfolio and taking decisions to buy or sell part, or all, of any fund within the portfolio.
- Regularly meeting with the managers of the funds we invest in, asking the awkward questions that most investors never get the chance to ask.

### Doing what we say we will

Funds in the IA Targeted Absolute Return Sector (which is the sector where you will find most of the funds that invest in alternatives) all aim to make money regardless of market conditions. However, these returns are not guaranteed – and the success many have had in hitting this target has varied enormously. That's why picking funds from this sector is best left to experts.

**As with all investments, there are risks associated with the FP Octopus Global Strategies Fund. The key risks are set out below.**

- The value of an investment and any income from it, can fall as well as rise. Investors may not get back the full amount invested.
- Certain securities could become hard to value or sell, or they may cease to trade altogether. Interest rate

movements affect the value of bonds. Bonds with a longer maturity period are more sensitive to changes in interest rates. Fluctuations in exchange rates may affect the value of your investment.

# How to buy

## Fund platforms

Aegon	Ascentric	Aviva
AXA Elevate	Cofunds	Fidelity/FundsNetwork
FundsDirect	Hargreaves Lansdown	Novia
Nucleus	Pershing	SEI Investments
Standard Life	Transact	Zurich

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Share class	Sedol	ISIN	Ongoing charge
FP Octopus Global Strategies Y Acc	B54S598	GB00B54S5982	1.30% (as at 30 Apr 2018)
FP Octopus Global Strategies B Acc	B66SL39	GB00B66SL396	1.30% (as at 30 Apr 2018)

The fund does not have any initial charges and does not impose a performance fee.

To find out more please call **0800 316 2295** or visit **octopusinvestments.com**.



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