

## Performance Commentary

Month-end return figures hide the volatility that was experienced through December. Global markets were down heavily in the first half of the month before recovering in the last two weeks. This was particularly evident in the UK where the FTSE was off nearly 8% mid-month before closing down just 2%. The Fund was less volatile but ended the month down 1.8%.

With oil falling below \$40 (Brent contracts closed 2015 at around \$38), our energy exposure contributed negatively in December (a 1% drag on performance). Elsewhere, Delta Lloyd continues to find a market level in advance of its rights issue that will take place in late February/early March. The shares closed 2015 at €5.45, representing a post-rights issue discount to embedded value of around 50% - we remain excited about the opportunity this represents for future returns. Asia Satellite (which operates satellites primarily used by broadcasting and telecommunication clients in Asia) was also off approximately 10% during December. It now trades at approximately a 30% discount to the replacement cost of its 5 in-orbit satellites, and offers an excellent exposure to rising affluence in southern Asia.

Our Japanese holdings performed strongly during the month as the Japanese yen, up nearly 5% against the pound, provided a strong tailwind. Taisho, Fukuda Denshi and Canon Marketing all produced positive returns for the Fund. In Hong Kong we continued to trim Kingmaker (mentioned in November) as it reached \$2.20 in early December, up 80% for 2015. Admiral, with modest gains in December, finished the year up 34%.

## Investment Philosophy

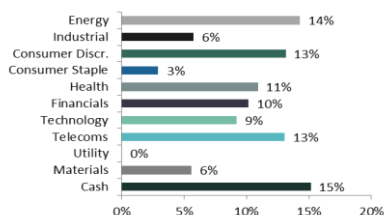
Kennox was established to focus exclusively on running the Strategic Value Fund, our value-driven global equities portfolio, for a limited number of risk-conscious investors who identify with our long term, capital preservation focused approach.

Our aim is to deliver good long term capital growth. We are not benchmarked and are not influenced by short term relative returns.

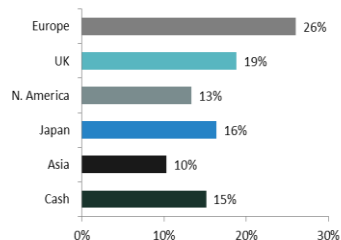
We look to uncover stocks that are significantly undervalued despite sound underlying business franchises and with asymmetric risk profiles – significant upside potential with limited downside risk – and hold these for the long term.

## Fund Positioning

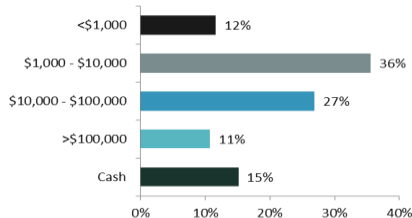
### Sector



### Region



### Market Cap (\$m)



## Top 10 Holdings

## % Fund

NEWMONT MINING	4.3%
NEOPOST	4.0%
WESTERN UNION	3.9%
MUNICH REINSURANCE	3.9%
ADMIRAL	3.9%
EXXON	3.9%
TAISHO	3.7%
GLAXOSMITHKLINE	3.7%
BP	3.7%
CHINA MOBILE	3.6%

**Total Top Ten** 38.5%

19 other holdings 46.4%

Cash 15.1%

**Total** 100.0%

## Performance

Inception (9/7/2007)	75%
UK Launch (30/4/2009)	61%
5 Years	16%
4 Years	21%
3 Years	9.6%
2 Years	-5.1%
1 Year	-4.0%
3 Month	4.0%
1 Month	-1.8%

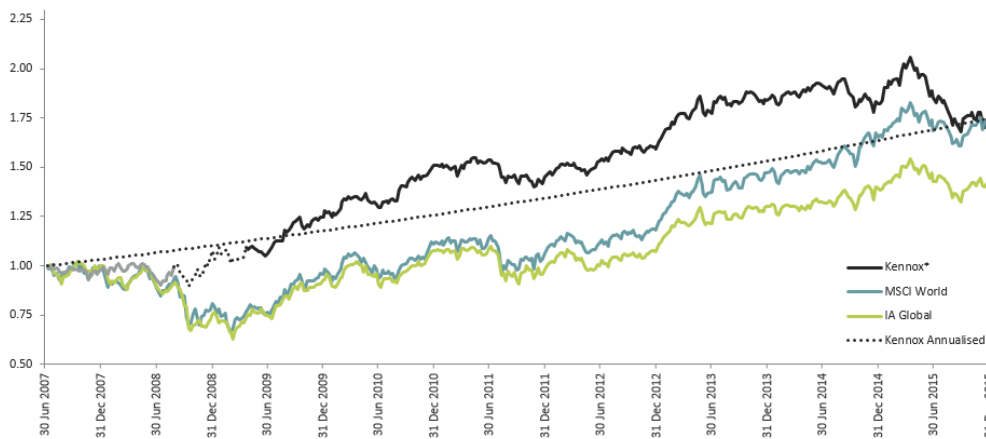
## Annualised

Inception (9/7/2007)	6.8%
UK Launch (30/4/2009)	7.4%

## Portfolio Diversification

Our portfolio is concentrated, currently 29 stocks. We believe that excessive diversification is a poor surrogate for real knowledge of holdings. We consider the key to building a robust portfolio is to ensure that underlying profit drivers are not correlated, but truly diversified. In order to be added to the portfolio, a stock must complement existing holdings and not merely add to a concentration of risk.

Relative Performance



We focus on long-term, absolute performance, not on short-term relative returns.

We are not benchmarked.

Comparisons to the MSCI World and IA Global indices are for illustrative purposes only.

We would expect that Fund weightings (geographic, sector and market cap) may vary considerably from those of the MSCI and IA indices.

Active Share<sup>‡</sup> of the Fund is 98%

Since Inception	Annualised Return	Sharpe Ratio Annualised <sup>+</sup>	Best Month	Worst Month	Volatility <sup>+</sup>
Kennox*	6.8%	2.76	14%	-6.5%	11%
MSCI World	6.8%	2.38	9.0%	-10.7%	16%
IA Global Sector	4.3%	1.47	9.0%	-12.6%	15%

Discrete annual	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007 (9/7/2007)
Kennox*	-4.0%	-1.1%	15%	10.0%	-4.0%	21%	16%	9.8%	-2.1%
MSCI World	5.4%	12%	25%	11%	-4.5%	16%	18%	-18.8%	-0.4%
IA Global Sector	2.8%	7.0%	22%	9.6%	-9.4%	16%	23%	-24.3%	-0.1%

Track Record Description & Methodology

The portfolio was launched in July 2007 (“Inception”) in Australia as the Contrarian Global Value Fund. The Kennox investment team ran that fund from launch until September 2008. The Kennox Strategic Value Fund was launched in April 2009, comprising 19 of the 20 positions that existed in the Australia fund. We have assumed a static portfolio for the interim period.

Performance shown reflects total return of the Institutional Share class. Performance figures are generated from the accumulation shares since their launch on 29 April 2013. Prior to that performance figures are taken from an alternative share class, adjusted to reflect a 1.0% management fee throughout.

The performance figures for November have been restated to reflect the actual final dividend paid on 29 January 2016, rather than the previously estimated amount. This data was updated on Bloomberg on 25th January 2016.

+ Sharpe Ratio is calculated as annualised return divided by the standard deviation of the excess return over the Libor 3m Bond yield.

+ Volatility is calculated as the standard deviation of the natural log returns multiplied by the square root of the periodicity of the returns.

‡ Active Share is calculated by taking the sum of the absolute value of the differences of the weight of each holding in the portfolio versus the weight of each holding in the benchmark index and dividing by two

Investment Team

Charles L. Heenan (CFA), & Geoff Legg

Charles and Geoff have worked together as an investment team since the inception of the portfolio in July 2007. Both focus exclusively on the management of the Fund. They are fully aligned with investors, each having 100% of his investment in equities in the Fund. Prior to Kennox, Geoff was an actuary with Towers Perrin and Charles had spent 7 years on the First State Investment Asia Pac (ex-Japan)/GEM team.

Together, Charles and Geoff have been recognised as FE Alpha Managers: [www.kennox.co.uk/fealpha](http://www.kennox.co.uk/fealpha)

3 Share Classes (Income & Accumulation)	Investment Management Fee	Minimum Initial Investment	GBP (Pence)	OCF	SEDOL	ISIN
Professional Income	1.3%	£20,000	95.97	1.43%	B2R8FY9	GB00B2R8FY91
Professional Accumulation	1.3%	£20,000	101.3	1.43%	B9DH0K0	GB00B9DH0K00
Institutional Income	1.0%	£2m	96.61	1.13%	B3YDJ20	GB00B3YDJ200
Institutional Accumulation	1.0%	£2m	103.3	1.13%	B8Y8GR4	GB00B8Y8GR43
Class A Income	0.80%	£20m	96.91	0.93%	B9D9Z90	GB00B9D9Z904
Class A Accumulation	0.80%	£20m	103.7	0.93%	B9B3CY8	GB00B9B3CY80

## Fund Details

<b>Fund Managers</b>	Charles L. Heenan, Geoff Legg
<b>Investment Universe</b>	Listed securities on any globally recognised stock exchange, bonds and cash
<b>Target Asset Allocation</b>	80-100% equities; 0-20% cash
<b>Fund Status</b>	UK OEIC; UCITS
<b>IA Sector</b>	Global Equity
<b>Benchmark</b>	The Fund is not benchmarked
<b>Inception Date</b>	July 2007; UK Fund launched in April 2009
<b>Fund Size</b>	£180 Million
<b>IS Able Fund</b>	Yes
<b>Pricing</b>	Daily at 1200
<b>Dilution Adjustment</b>	A dilution adjustment may apply on orders greater than 5% of AUM
<b>Performance Tracking</b>	See performance section of our website: <a href="http://www.kennox.co.uk/performance">www.kennox.co.uk/performance</a>
<b>Income Share</b>	Income distributed semi-annually
<b>Ex-Dividend Dates</b>	Y/E: 1 October Interim: 1 April
<b>Distribution Payment Dates</b>	Y/E: 31 January Interim: 31 May
<b>Gross Dividend Yield (net of fees)</b>	Professional: 2.2% Institutional: 2.5% Class A: 2.8%
<b>Registrar</b>	Smith & Williamson Fund Administration
<b>Depositary; Custodian</b>	Royal Bank of Scotland; Bank of New York Mellon
<b>Auditor; Legal Advisor</b>	KPMG; Macfarlanes

## To deal in the Fund

**All dealing is through our Transfer Agency:**

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[SWFAdealing@smith.williamson.co.uk](mailto:SWFAdealing@smith.williamson.co.uk)  
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Application forms, the Fund prospectus and KIIDs are available on our website:

[www.kennox.co.uk/investing-fund](http://www.kennox.co.uk/investing-fund)

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