

# Polar Capital Funds plc Global Insurance Fund



USD Class I Dist | ISIN: IE00B503VV16

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#### **NAV** per Share

USD Class I Dist US\$8.24

#### **Fund Details**

Fund Size US\$2,322.9 m

Base Currency GBI

Denominations GBP/USD/EUR

Fund Structure UCITS

Domicile Ireland

Listing Euronext Dublin
Launch Date 16 October 1998

Investment Manager Polar Capital LLP

Historic Yield (%)<sup>2</sup> 1.32

## **Fund Managers**



Nick Martin Fund Manager

Nick joined the team in 2001 and manages the fund. He joined Polar Capital in 2010 and has 23 years of industry experience.



Dominic Evans
Analyst
Dominic joined Polar Capital
in 2012 and has 13 years of
industry experience.

# **Fund Profile**

#### **Investment Objective**

The Fund aims to provide an attractive total return, irrespective of broader economic and financial market conditions, by investing in companies operating within the international insurance sector.



# **Key Facts**

- Managed by industry professionals
- Low correlation to broader equity markets
- 20+ year track record (since launch)
- Typically own 30-35 holdings with low turnover
- No benchmark or tracking error constraints
- Fundamentally-driven analysis and stock selection

# **Share Class Performance**

### **Performance Since Launch (%)**



								Since Launch	
	1m	3m	YTD	1yr	3yrs	5yrs	10 yrs	Cum.	Ann.
USD Class I Dist	5.48	4.13	12.83	31.44	35.73	70.57	216.90	204.59	11.28
Index	4.68	7.11	18.85	47.46	43.36	74.08	190.39	163.06	9.73

# **Discrete Annual Performance (%)**

12 months to	29.10.21	30.10.20	31.10.19	31.10.18	31.10.17
USD Class I Dist	31.44	-13.17	18.93	0.76	24.72
Index	47.46	-16.76	16.80	-4.75	27.49

# Performance relates to past returns and is not a reliable indicator of future returns.

Performance for the US\$ Class I Dist. The class launched on 27 May 2011. Performance data is shown in USD. Source: Northern Trust International Fund Administration Services (Ireland) Ltd. Benchmark performance shown in USD. Source: Bloomberg.

If this is not your local currency, exchange rate fluctuations may cause performance to increase or decrease when converted into your local currency.

Performance data takes account of fees paid by the fund but does not take account of any commissions or costs you may pay when subscribing for or redeeming shares or any taxes or securities account charges that you may pay on your investment in the fund. Such charges will reduce the performance of your investment. Performance data assumes that any income has been reinvested.

1. The Polar Capital Global Insurance Fund was launched on 27 May 2011 (the Hiscox Insurance Portfolio Fund, launched 16 October 1998, was merged into the Polar Capital Global Insurance Fund on 27 May 2011). Performance data prior to 27 May 2011 relates to the Hiscox Insurance Portfolio Fund. Whilst the investment management team and strategy are identical between the Hiscox Insurance Portfolio Fund and the Polar Capital Global Insurance Fund, please note not all terms are consistent, including fees. Please refer to the Fund Prospectus for details of the Polar Capital Global Insurance Fund. Past performance is not indicative or a guarantee of future returns. Prior to the amalgamation of both funds, the benchmark was the Datastream World Insurance Index (£). The benchmark was changed at the launch of the Polar Capital Global Insurance Fund to the MSCI Daily TR World Net Insurance Index as it is the benchmark upon which performance fees are calculated

2. Historic yield is based on a NAV per share of US\$8.24 and income of US\$0.1089 per unit paid in the last 12 months, based on US\$ Institutional distribution units. WARNING: Investors should note that historic yield does not measure the overall performance of a fund. It is possible for a fund to lose money overall but to have a positive historic yield. Historic yield cannot be considered as being similar to the interest rate an investor would earn on a savings account.

## **Fund Ratings**



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# Portfolio Exposure

As at 29 October 2021

# **Top 10 Positions** (%)

Total	56.7
Fairfax Financial Holdings	4.0
WR Berkley	4.2
RenaissanceRe Holdings	4.4
Essent Group	4.5
Alleghany	4.8
Aon	4.9
Markel	5.9
Arch Capital	7.8
Marsh McLennan	8.1
Chubb	8.2

<b>Total Number</b>	of	Positions	33
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## Active Share 69.94%

# **Market Capitalisation Exposure** (%)

Large Cap (>\$20bn)	40.4
Mid Cap (\$5bn - \$20bn)	47.0
Small Cap (<\$5bn)	12.6

# **Sector Exposure** (%)

Commercial	44.4			
Retail	16.1			
Reinsurance	13.8			
Insurance Brokers	13.6			
Life and Health	7.2			
Multi-line Insurance	4.6			
Cash	0.3			
		0	20	40

# **Geographic Exposure by Listing** (%)

US	76.3			
UK	11.7			
Canada	8.0			
Asia	2.2			
Europe Cash	1.5			
Cash	0.3			
		0	50	100

Note: Totals may not sum due to rounding. It should not be assumed that recommendations made in future will be profitable or will equal performance of the securities in this document. A list of all recommendations made within the immediately preceding 12 months is available upon request.

# **Share Class Information**

				Minimum		
Share Class	Bloomberg	ISIN	SEDOL	Investment	OCF <sup>†</sup>	Perf. Fee <sup>††</sup>
USD R Acc	PCFIRUA ID	IE00B5164B09	B5164B0	-	1.34%	10%
USD R Dist	<b>PCFIRUD ID</b>	IE00B4X9QT28	B4X9QT2	-	1.34%	10%
GBP R Acc	PCFIRGA ID	IE00B4X2MP98	B4X2MP9	-	1.34%	10%
GBP R Dist	PCFIRGD ID	IE00B51X0H96	B51X0H9	-	1.34%	10%
EUR R Acc	PCFIREA ID	IE00B52VLZ70	B52VLZ7	-	1.34%	10%
EUR R Dist	PCFIRED ID	IE00B547TM68	B547TM6	-	1.34%	10%
USD I Acc	<b>PCFIIUA ID</b>	IE00B4Y53217	B4Y5321	USD 1m	0.84%	10%
USD I Dist	PCFIIUD ID	IE00B503VV16	B503VV1	USD 1m	0.84%	10%
GBP I Acc	PCFIIGA ID	IE00B5339C57	B5339C5	USD 1m	0.84%	10%
GBP I Dist	PCFIIGD ID	IE00B530JS22	B530JS2	USD 1m	0.84%	10%
EUR I Acc	PCFIIEA ID	IE00B55MWC15	B55MWC1	USD 1m	0.84%	10%
EUR I Dist	PCFIIED ID	IE00B4V4LB63	B4V4LB6	USD 1m	0.84%	10%
USD I Acc Hdg	<b>PCGIIHU ID</b>	IE00BD3BW042	BD3BW04	USD 1m	0.84%	10%
EUR I Acc Hdg	PCGIIHE ID	IE00BD3BW158	BD3BW15	USD 1m	0.84%	10%
GBP RA Dist*	SNGIHPLID	IE00B5NH4W20	B5NH4W2	-	1.34%	N/A
GBP RB Acc*	SNGIHPA ID	IE00B63V4760	B63V476	-	1.34%	N/A
GBP I Dist (E)*	HISIPEI ID	IE00B4XZ9Q84	B4XZ9Q8	USD 1m	0.84%	N/A
GBP I Acc (F)*	HISIPFA ID	IE00B61MW553	B61MW55	USD 1m	0.84%	N/A

<sup>\*</sup>These share classes are closed to new investors.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>††</sup>**Performance Fee** 10% of outperformance of MSCI Daily Net TR World Insurance Index.



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>†</sup>Ongoing Charges Figure (OCF) is the latest available, as per the date of this factsheet.



# Risks

- Capital is at risk and there is no guarantee the Fund will achieve its objective. Investors should make sure their attitude towards risk is aligned with the risk profile of the Fund.
- Past performance is not a reliable guide to future performance. The value of investments may go down as well as up and you might get back less than you originally invested.
- The value of a fund's assets may be affected by uncertainties such as international political developments, market sentiment,
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- The Fund may enter into a derivative contract. The Fund's use of derivatives carries the risk of reduced liquidity, substantial loss and increased volatility in adverse market conditions, such as failure amongst market participants.
- The use of derivatives will result in the Fund being leveraged (where market exposure and the potential for loss exceeds the amount the Fund has invested) and in these market conditions the effect of leverage will magnify losses. The Fund makes extensive use of derivatives.
- If the currency of the share class is different from the local currency in the country in which you reside, the figures shown in this document may increase or decrease if converted into your local currency.

# Glossary

#### **Active Share**

Active Share is a measure of the percentage of stock holdings in a fund that differ from the benchmark index.

## **Alpha**

The excess return on an investment in the fund compared to the benchmark.

#### **Annual Fee**

A charge made each year to cover the expenses associated with running the fund. Although it is expressed in annual percentage figures it is usually split into 12 monthly amounts and taken from the fund monthly.

#### **Base Currency**

The currency in which the net asset value of each portfolio is calculated.

#### **Discrete Annual Performance**

Discrete performance is calculated between two fixed specific time and static dates.

#### **Geographic Exposure**

The geographical location in which the holdings of the Fund are listed. Exposure represents the relative risk particular to the percentage of investment in that particular geographic location.

#### **Hedged Class**

A share class which is denominated in a currency other than the base currency of the portfolio. The investment manager employs techniques and instruments to protect against fluctuations between the class and the base currency of the portfolio.

#### **Historic Yield**

A measure of the dividend return of a fund. It is calculated by dividing the dividend per share for a particular period of time by the NAV per share at a particular date and multiplying by 100.

#### **Market Capitalisation Exposure**

The percentage of the fund's assets that are invested in companies having market capitalisation of a particular size.

#### **NAV** per Share

Is an expression for net asset value that represents a fund's value per share. It is calculated by dividing the total net asset value of the fund or company by the number of shares outstanding.

#### **Ongoing Charges Figure (OCF)**

This is a figure representing all annual charges and other payments taken from the fund.

#### **Share Class**

Share class is a designation applied to a share in a fund. Different share classes within the same fund will confer different rights on their owners.



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