

FUND FACTSHEET

# GF EUROPEAN SMALLER COMPANIES FUND

## A4 Acc EUR Class

Covering the month of March 2025

### THE FUND

The Fund has been managed since launch on 1 February 2017 by James Inglis-Jones and Samantha Gleave. The Fund aims to achieve long-term capital growth (at least 5 years) by investing primarily in European smaller companies, with the majority having a market capitalisation of less than 5 billion Euros at inception.

### THE TEAM



James Inglis-Jones Samantha Gleave

### FUND INFORMATION

Fund launch date	1.02.17
Class launch date	20.02.25
Fund size <sup>^</sup>	€8.4m
Number of holdings	26
Historic yield <sup>^^</sup>	
Active share <sup>*</sup>	94.61%
Ex-dividend date	01 Jan   01 Jul
Distribution date	01 Jan   01 Jul
Min initial investment	€1,000
Min additional investment	€1,000
Sedol code	BYXLK85
Bloomberg code	LGFESA4
ISIN code	IE00BYXLK749

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As the share class has been in existence for less than one discrete year as at the previous quarter end, there is insufficient data to provide an indication of past performance.

<sup>^</sup>Fund AUM shown is in the base currency of the fund.

<sup>^^</sup>Historic Yield: This calculates the income distributions made by the fund over the past 12 months as a percentage of fund value or unit price.

<sup>\*</sup>The fraction of a fund invested differently to its benchmark. A 100% active share is a fund with no holdings in the benchmark, a 0% active share is a fund identical to the benchmark.

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## SECTOR BREAKDOWN (%)

Consumer Discretionary	24.5%	<div></div>
	11.5%	<div></div>
Financials	19.4%	<div></div>
	17.3%	<div></div>
Communication Services	19.1%	<div></div>
	5.4%	<div></div>
Industrials	11.0%	<div></div>
	24.3%	<div></div>
Materials	10.5%	<div></div>
	7.8%	<div></div>
Information Technology	9.4%	<div></div>
	7.1%	<div></div>

Liontrust GF European Smaller Companies Fund  MSCI Europe Small Cap Index

## MARKET CAPITALISATIONS (%)

Small	79.2%
Mid	10.3%
Micro	4.3%

Market capitalisation has been defined using the MSCI Global Investable Market Indices Standards. Any securities falling out of these definitions are classified as Micro Cap.

## TOP 5 OVERWEIGHTS (%)

BPER Banca S.p.A.	5.8%
Ringkjøbing Landbobank A/S	4.8%
Bankinter SA	4.7%
Pandora A/S	4.6%
Kid ASA	4.3%

## GEOGRAPHIC BREAKDOWN (%)

United Kingdom	31.9%	<div></div>
	29.5%	<div></div>
Sweden	13.5%	<div></div>
	12.1%	<div></div>
Germany	10.2%	<div></div>
	9.0%	<div></div>
Italy	10.2%	<div></div>
	7.0%	<div></div>
Denmark	9.8%	<div></div>
	3.9%	<div></div>
Belgium	6.0%	<div></div>
	3.5%	<div></div>
Spain	5.3%	<div></div>
	3.9%	<div></div>
Norway	4.3%	<div></div>
	4.7%	<div></div>
Cash & Derivatives	6.1%	<div></div>
	0.0%	<div></div>
Other	2.6%	<div></div>
	26.3%	<div></div>

## TOP 10 HOLDINGS (%)

BPER Banca S.p.A.	5.8%
Bankinter SA	5.3%
Ringkjøbing Landbobank A/S	5.2%
Pandora A/S	4.6%
Buzzi S.p.A.	4.4%
Kid ASA	4.3%
Balfour Beatty plc	4.3%
freenet AG	4.2%
Serco Group Plc	4.0%
Betsson AB	3.9%

## TOP 5 UNDERWEIGHTS (%)

PSP SWISS PROPERTY	-0.6%
INTERMEDIATE CAPITAL GRP	-0.6%
BEAZLEY	-0.6%
WEIR GROUP	-0.6%
BAWAG GROUP	-0.6%

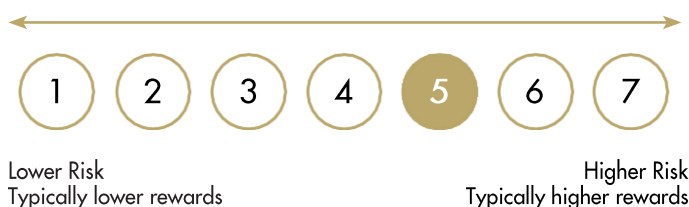
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## CHARGES

Initial charge	Up to 5.00%***
Ongoing Charges Figure*	1.67%
Included within the OCF is the Annual Management Charge**	1.50%
Performance fee	10% with high watermark. Relative to benchmark

\*The Ongoing Charges Figure (OCF) covers all aspects of operating a fund during the course of its financial year. These include the annual charge for managing the fund, administration and independent oversight functions, such as trustee, depository, custody, legal and audit fees and the ongoing costs of underlying investments including open and closed ended collective investment schemes. The OCF excludes portfolio transaction costs except for an entry/exit charge paid by the Fund when buying or selling units in another fund. This will have an impact on the realisable value of the investment, particularly in the short term. \*\*These are the annual costs of running and managing the Fund. \*\*\*This is the maximum that might be taken out of your money before it is invested. The Performance Fee for each Performance Period shall be equal to 10% of the amount, if any, by which the Net Asset Value before Performance Fee accrual of the Fund exceeds the Indexed Net Asset Value of the Fund on the last Business Day of the Performance Period. The Performance Period of the Fund is every 12 months ending on the last business day of each calendar year. In the 2023 calendar year the performance fee was 0.00%.

## RISK AND REWARD PROFILE



## RISK RATIOS

### Annualised over three years

Alpha	4.10%
Beta	0.79
Information Ratio	0.64

### Annualised over five years

Portfolio volatility	17.65%
Benchmark volatility	17.72%

As the share class has been in existence for less than three years, there is insufficient data to provide risk ratios. Where the Fund has a short track record, the ratios shown may be based upon the historic data of the Fund as well as a representative fund or the ratio may be calculated over a shorter time period. Calculated monthly.

- The Fund is categorised 5 primarily for its exposure to Developed European small cap equities.
- The SRI may not fully take into account the following risks:
  - that a company may fail thus reducing its value within the Fund;
  - overseas investments may carry a higher currency risk. They are valued by reference to their local currency which may move up or down when compared to the currency of the Fund.
- Credit Counterparty Risk: outside of normal conditions, the Fund may hold higher levels of cash which may be deposited with several credit counterparties (e.g. international banks). A credit risk arises should one or more of these counterparties be unable to return the deposited cash.
- Concentration Risk: this fund may have a concentrated portfolio, i.e. hold a limited number of investments (35 or fewer) or have significant sector or factor exposures. If one of these investments or sectors / factors fall in value this can have a greater impact on the Fund's value than if it held a larger number of investments across a more diversified portfolio.
- Smaller Companies Risk: as the fund is primarily exposed to smaller companies there may be liquidity constraints from time to time, i.e. in certain circumstances, the fund may not be able to sell a position for full value or at all in the short term. This may affect performance and could cause the fund to defer or suspend redemptions of its shares. In addition the spread between the price you buy and sell units will reflect the less liquid nature of the underlying holdings.
- ESG Risk: there may be limitations to the availability, completeness or accuracy of ESG information from third-party providers, or inconsistencies in the consideration of ESG factors across different third party data providers, given the evolving nature of ESG.
- Investors in share classes with a performance fee will pay a variable performance fee amount that is based on the performance of the underlying share class, which is likely to result in different total fees being charged each year and, during periods of outperformance, higher total fees than that of a share class with no performance fee. A performance fee may be payable in case the share class has outperformed its benchmark but had a negative performance.

## KEY RISKS

Past performance does not predict future returns. You may get back less than you originally invested. We recommend this fund is held long term (minimum period of 5 years). We recommend that you hold this fund as part of a diversified portfolio of investments.

Overseas investments may carry a higher currency risk. They are valued by reference to their local currency which may move up or down when compared to the currency of the Fund. This Fund may have a concentrated portfolio, i.e. hold a limited number of investments. If one of these investments falls in value this can have a greater impact on the Fund's value than if it held a larger number of investments. As the Fund is primarily exposed to smaller companies there may be liquidity constraints from time to time, i.e. in certain circumstances, the fund may not be able to sell a position for full value or at all in the short term. This may affect performance and could cause the fund to defer or suspend redemptions of its shares. In addition the spread between the price you buy and sell units will reflect the less liquid nature of the underlying holdings. Outside of normal conditions, the Fund may hold higher levels of cash which may be deposited with several credit counterparties (e.g. international banks). A credit risk arises should one or more of these counterparties be unable to return the deposited cash. Counterparty Risk: any derivative contract, including FX hedging, may be at risk if the counterparty fails.

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