# HL MULTI-MANAGER SPECIAL SITUATIONS TRUST

### Interim Report & Financial Statements

for the six month period to 31st March 2023 (unaudited)



### Directory

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#### **Dealing and Registration:**

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# Manager's Investment Report

For the half year ended 31st March 2023

#### Investment objective

The investment objective of the HL Multi-Manager Special Situations Trust (the "Trust") is to provide long term capital growth.

#### Investment policy

The Trust has an unconstrained equity focus and will seek to invest, either directly or indirectly via other collective investment schemes and exchange traded funds, at least 80% in equities. The Trust is not restricted to investment in any particular geographic or market sector and therefore has the flexibility to invest in both the UK and overseas, including emerging markets. The Trust may also have exposure to floating and fixed interest securities.

The Trust may from time to time be invested principally in other (regulated and unregulated) collective investment schemes, subject to the Rules for Non-UCITS Retail Schemes. The underlying funds in which the Trust will invest will generally be established in Europe (including the UK, Jersey and Guernsey).

In addition, the Trust may, directly or indirectly, invest in other transferable securities (including closed ended funds), money market instruments, deposits and warrants to the extent permitted for Non-UCITS Retail Schemes under the Rules. The Trust may also use derivative instruments and forwards transactions for the limited purposes of efficient portfolio management, including hedging.

In order to achieve the investment objective of the Trust, the Manager may allocate all or a portion of the Trust's assets to one or more Sub-Advisers. Each Sub-Adviser will use its own methodology for managing its allocated portion of the Trust's portfolio, subject at all times to the Manager's oversight and the Trust's investment objective and policy as outlined above. The Manager may, at its discretion, choose to retain the investment management of some or all of the Trust's portfolio.

#### Performance review

Over the six month period to 31st March 2023, the price of the Trust's accumulation units increased from 408.74 pence to 427.76 pence, which represents a rise of 4.65%. Over the same period the IA Global peer group returned an average of 5.75%.

Since the close of the initial offer period (3rd April 2001) to 31st March 2023, the price has increased from 100.00 pence to 427.76 pence, a rise of 327.76%. Over the same period, the IA Global peer group returned an average gain of 286.46%.

	31/03/18	31/03/19	31/03/20	31/03/21	31/03/22
	to	to	to	to	to
	31/03/19	31/03/20	31/03/21	31/03/22	31/03/23
HL Multi-Manager Special Situations Trust IA Global	2.21% 8.77%	-14.27% -5.60%	38.72% 40.43%	2.21% 8.97%	-2.80% -3.19%

Past performance is not a guide to future returns.

Source: Lipper for Investment Management to 31/03/2023, Total Return Net Distribution Re-invested, Bid to NAV from 31/03/2018 to 31/03/2019, NAV from 31/03/2019.

### Manager's Investment Report (continued) For the half year ended 31st March 2023

#### Performance review (continued)

The top ten purchases and sales during the period were as follows:

Purchases	£'000	Sales	£'000
HL US Fund Legal & General US Index Trust JPM Europe Dynamic (ex-UK) Intuit Microsoft Plack Pack European Dynamic	588,662 148,030 56,515 18,886 18,337 15,206	Findlay Park American FSSA Asia All-Cap Man GLG Japan CoreAlpha Stewart Investors Asia Pacific Leaders Sustainability	294,109 80,314 59,977 57,765
BlackRock European Dynamic Amazon EOG Resources Inc Adobe Inc TopBuild Corp	15,206 14,497 14,486 12,287 10,617	JP Morgan Emerging Markets Intuit Microsoft EOG Resources Inc Adobe Amazon	23,967 19,036 16,888 14,323 12,430 12,364
Total purchases during the period were	1,342,423	Total sales during the period were	1,398,721

Hargreaves Lansdown Fund Managers Limited 1st April 2023

### Portfolio Statement

(Unaudited) as at 31st March 2023

Holding	Investment	Bid market valuation £'000	Percentage of total net assets %
	UK Funds – 0.08% (0.11%)		
87,135,429	LF Equity Income≠≈	1,324	0.08
	Europe Funds – 7.94% (2.83%)		
30,990,771	BlackRock European Dynamic	77,422	4.44
42,387,925	JPM Europe Dynamic (ex-UK)	60,954	3.50
		138,376	7.94
	Global Funds – 24.99% (25.02%)		
40 072 400	BlackRock Global Unconstrained Equity	61,934	3.55
	Jupiter Global Value Equity	66,213	3.80
	Lindsell Train Global Equity†	124,974	7.17
58,456,715	Rathbone Global Opportunities	96,553	5.54
56,529,810	Trojan Global Income	85,970	4.93
		435,644	24.99
	Asia/Emerging Funds – 11.00% (20.29%)		
	Federated Hermes Asia Ex-Japan Equity†	37,207	2.13
	FSSA Asia All-Cap†	50,571	2.90
	JP Morgan Emerging Markets	31,199	1.79
7,507,937	Stewart Investors Asia Pacific Leaders Sustainability	72,873	4.18
		191,850	11.00
	Japan Funds – 4.03% (7.51%)		
	FSSA Japan Focus	35,665	2.04
15,671,670	Man GLG Japan CoreAlpha	34,682	1.99
		70,347	4.03
	US Funds – 44.62% (20.01%)		
	Artemis US Smaller Companies	48,176	2.76
	HL US Fund~	582,883	33.43
16,871,609	Legal & General US Index Trust	146,868	8.43
		777,927	44.62
	UK Equities – 4.60% (12.81%)		
143,134	3i Group	2,398	0.14
	Anglo American	839	0.05
	Ashmore Group	787	0.04
246,186		994	0.06
54,000	Bellway	1,209	0.07

### Portfolio Statement (continued) (Unaudited) as at 31st March 2023

Holding	Investment	Bid market valuation £'000	Percentage of total net assets %
	UK Equities – 4.60% (12.81%) (continued)		
302,000	Big Technologies	761	0.04
253,000	Bodycote	1,632	0.09
375,677	BP	1,917	0.11
22,813	Burberry Group	588	0.03
355,000	Bytes Technology Group	1,377	0.08
481,531	C&C Group	753	0.04
1,360,000	CAP-XX	22	_
173,151	Card Factory	146	0.01
57,000	Computacenter	1,189	0.07
59,400	Cranswick	1,801	0.10
16,702	D4t4 Solutions	34	_
53,000	Derwent London	1,243	0.07
155,519	Direct Line Insurance Group	216	0.01
159,500	DiscoverIE Group	1,228	0.07
796,850	Dotdigital Group	724	0.04
516,369	Dr. Martens	735	0.04
107,564	easyJet	562	0.03
146,500	Electrocomponents	1,329	0.08
14,350	Games Workshop Group	1,370	0.08
340,000	Genuit Group	947	0.05
123,700	Grafton Group	1,103	0.06
700,000	Grainger	1,613	0.09
607,000	GRC International Group	79	0.01
19,000	Greggs	532	0.03
62,493	GSK	894	0.05
139,200	Howden Joinery Group	966	0.06
148,353	IG Group	1,038	0.06
91,225	Imperial Brands	1,730	0.10
144,000	Inchcape	1,125	0.06
16,568	Indivior	228	0.01
193,210	Informa	1,337	0.08
80,100	Intermediate Capital Group	960	0.05
1,325,201	ITV	1,105	0.06
112,500	JET2	1,492	0.09
237,825	JTC	1,662	0.10
811,500	Kin & Carta	641	0.04
493,840	Legal & General Group	1,186	0.07
148,000	Liontrust Asset Management	1,498	0.09
20,017	London Stock Exchange Group	1,587	0.09
682,000	LondonMetric Property REIT	1,195	0.07
500,379	LXI REIT	491	0.03
357,219	M&G	694	0.04
1,200,000	MJ Hudson Group	158	0.01
518,544	NatWest Group	1,368	0.08
18,213	Next	1,191	0.07
439,275	NextEnergy Solar	460	0.03
240,000	Pagegroup	1,086	0.06

# Portfolio Statement (continued)

(Unaudited) as at 31st March 2023

Holding	Investment	Bid market valuation £'000	Percentage of total net assets %
	UK Equities – 4.60% (12.81%) (continued)		
205,000	Paragon Banking Group	1,068	0.06
118,550		_	_
	Pearson	1,572	0.09
	Pets at Home Group	1,448	0.08
	QinetiQ Group	1,406	0.08
	Rathbone Brothers	1,324	0.08
190,000		915	0.05
38,734		1,011	0.06
423,511		1,186	0.07
317,000		994	0.06
428,637		1,315	0.08
	Sage Group	864	0.05
	Serco Group	1,183	0.07
	Smiths Group	1,270	0.07
	Spectris	1,682	0.10
	, Spirent Communications	1,641	0.09
	SSP Group	1,028	0.06
542,287		1,443	0.08
	Trackwise Designs Warrant 09/01/2026	_	_
	Travis Perkins	846	0.05
19,741	Verici Dx plc	3	_
	Vesuvius	1,388	0.08
173,747	Vitec Group	1,546	0.09
	Volution Group	1,577	0.09
	Watches of Switzerland Group	1,293	0.07
	Xeros Technology Warrant 31/12/2049	-	_
		80,223	4.60
10 770	Austria Equities – 0.03% (0.40%)	500	0.07
12,778	BAWAG Group	502	0.03
445		42	_
2,451	Kontron	41	
		585	0.03
	Belgium Equities – 0.04% (0.13%)		
5,317	Barco	129	0.01
3,239	D'ieteren	506	0.03
		635	0.04
	Denmark Equities – 0.18% (0.69%)		
12,756	ALK-Abello	158	0.01
1	Alm Brand	158	0.01
	Chr Hansen Holding	474	0.01
7,059	Chin hansen holding	4/4	0.05
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### Portfolio Statement (continued) (Unaudited) as at 31st March 2023

Holding	Investment	Bid market valuation £'000	Percentage of total net assets %
	Denmark Equities – 0.18% (0.69%) (continued)		
20,985	ISS	343	0.02
8,697	Pandora	662	0.04
7,337	Royal Unibrew	521	0.03
13,844	Topdanmark	601	0.04
		2,939	0.18
	Finland Equities –0.12% (0.76%)		
9,325	Cargotec	367	0.02
	Huhtamaki	562	0.03
	Metso Outotec	378	0.02
7,820	Sanoma	55	_
9,689	TietoEVRY	245	0.01
24,524	Valmet	641	0.04
		2,248	0.12
	France Equities – 0.31% (1.29%)		
50,585	ALD	481	0.03
47,377		732	0.04
	Gaztransport Et Technigaz	196	0.01
1,881	lpsen	170	0.01
	IPSOS	370	0.02
7,931	Nexans	634	0.04
	Nexity	156	0.01
	Publicis Groupe	422	0.02
	Quadient	76	_
	Societe BIC	109	0.01
	Sopra Steria SACA	405	0.02
30,565	SPIE	720	0.04
	Verallia	375	0.02
	Virbac	228	0.01
	Worldline	547	0.03
		5,621	0.31
	Germany Equities – 0.19% (1.12%)		
3,912	CANCOM	107	0.01
	CompuGroup Medical	171	0.01
	CTS Eventim	165	0.01
	Eckert & Ziegler Strahlen- und Medizintechnik	51	_
8,263	FraportFrankfurt Airport Services Worldwide	335	0.02
18,829	Freenet	398	0.02
	GEA Group	293	0.02
	Gerresheimer	325	0.02
	HelloFresh	325	0.02

# Portfolio Statement (continued)

(Unaudited) as at 31st March 2023

Holding	Investment	Bid market valuation £'000	Percentage of total net assets %
	Germany Equities – 0.19% (1.12%) (continued)		
3,174	Hugo Boss	184	0.01
11,393	0	316	0.02
	Nemetschek	225	0.01
	Sixt SE	316	0.02
		3,211	0.19
	Ireland Equities – 0.07% (0.37%)		
27 160	Glanbia	322	0.02
		853	
235,390	Origin Enterprises		0.05
		1,175	0.07
	Italy Equities – 0.29% (0.79%)		
7,527	Amplifon	211	0.01
	Ariston	314	0.02
	Banca Generali	552	0.03
	Brembo	358	0.02
54,025	Credito Emiliano	324	0.02
4,706	DiaSorin SpA	402	0.02
	FinecoBank Banca Fineco	488	0.03
125,187	Hera	286	0.02
63,108	Infrastrutture Wireless Italiane	673	0.04
34,151	lveco Group	261	0.02
93,435	Pirelli & C SpA	379	0.02
12,920	Recordati Industria Chimica e Farmaceutica	445	0.03
4,592	Tinexta Spa	81	0.01
		4,774	0.29
	Japan Equities – 0.05% (0.12%)		
27,800	Nintendo	864	0.05
	Luxembourg Equities – 0.00% (0.18%)		
	Netherlands Equities – 0.43% (1.46%)		
8,927	Aalberts	339	0.02
	Arcadis	391	0.02
	ASM International	663	0.04
17,951	ASR Nederland	577	0.03
4,947	BE Semiconductor Industries	346	0.02
45,031	Corbion	1,190	0.07
8,274	Euronext	512	0.03
7,727	Flow Traders	180	0.01
4,501	IMCD	593	0.03

### Portfolio Statement (continued) (Unaudited) as at 31st March 2023

Percentage of Bid market total net valuation assets Holding Investment £'000 % Netherlands Equities -0.43% (1.46%) (continued) 15,963 Koninklijke Vopak 456 0.03 30,155 SBM Offshore 0.02 361 3,750 Van Lanschot Kempen 93 0.01 17,071 Wolters Kluwer 1,749 0.10 7,450 0.43 Norway Equities -0.08% (0.26%) 12,611 Aker BP 247 0.01 0.02 30,893 Borregaard 417 17,866 Nordic Semiconductor 221 0.01 49,277 Storebrand 307 0.02 25,499 TGS-NOPEC Geophysical 369 0.02 1,561 0.08 Portugal Equities - 0.01% (0.01%) 39,629 NOS 147 0.01 Spain Equities - 0.07% (0.19%) 65,867 Applus Services 420 0.02 16,828 CIE Automotive 393 0.02 72,086 Sacyr 188 0.01 7,092 Viscofan 0.02 415 1.416 0.07 Sweden Equities - 0.14% (0.60%) 38,339 AAK 556 0.03 44,970 Alleima 180 0.01 8,814 Loomis 244 0.01 46,331 Nordnet 617 0.04 80,579 Securitas 576 0.03 15,513 SkiStar 0.01 149 9,024 Viaplay Group 0.01 182 2,504 0.14 Switzerland Equities -0.21% (1.57%) 19,285 Accelleron Industries 0.02 364 2,809 Baloise 0.02 354 1,644 BKW 207 0.01 1,042 Bucher Industries 0.02 392 7,093 DKSH 457 0.03 5,905 Julius Baer 321 0.02

### Portfolio Statement (continued)

(Unaudited) as at 31st March 2023

Holding	Investment	Bid market valuation £'000	Percentage of total net assets %
	Switzerland Equities – 0.21% (1.57%) (continued)		
125	Siegfried	74	-
32,125	SIG Combibloc Group	654	0.04
1,716	Tecan Group	600	0.04
2,625	Temenos	146	0.01
		3,569	0.21
	US Equities – 0.03% (0.59%)		
1,755,000	Devolver Digital	562	0.03
EUR (3,849,000) JPY (132,780,000)	Forward FX Currency Contracts – 0.00% (-0.01%) Sold EUR, Bought GBP 3,413,201 for settlement on 16/05/2023 Sold JPY, Bought GBP 819,266 for settlement on 16/05/2023	20 10 <b>30</b>	
	Portfolio of investments – 99.51% (99.10%)	1,734,982	99.51
	Net other assets – 0.49% (0.90%)	8,532	0.49
	Net assets	1,743,514	100.00

The percentages in brackets show the equivalent sector comparatives as at 30th September 2022.

All Collective Investment Schemes are in accumulation shares/units unless otherwise stated.

† Income shares/units.

- \* Delisted shares/units.
- ~ Related party holding.
- ≠ Suspended security since 3rd June 2019.

 $\approx$  On 15th October 2019, Link Fund Solutions announced that, as Authorised Corporate Director, it had terminated Woodford Investment Management's contract to manage the LF Woodford Equity Income Fund with immediate effect. The Fund remains in the process of winding up and returning resulting cash to investors at the earliest opportunity. This process began in January 2020 and partial distributions were made to unitholders on 30th January 2020, 25th March 2020, 26th August 2020, 11th December 2020 and 11th November 2022 totalling £62,169,037.

The capital distributions received have been accounted within the capital gains/losses reported within the statement of total return.

As at 31st March 2023, the LF Equity Income Fund position was valued based on the latest available price at the 11am valuation point produced by Link Fund Solutions. This price reflects these relevant developments from the suspension of the Fund up to the date of the valuation and other factors pertinent to the valuation.

### **General Information**

Launch date:	3rd April 2001
Accounting Periods:	Interim – 31st March Final - 30th September
Distribution Dates:	Interim – 31st May Final – 30th November
Minimum initial investment:	£150,000*
Management charges:	Less than £1 billion – 0.75% Equal to or greater than £1 billion but less than £2 billion – 0.70% Equal to or greater than £2 billion but less than £3 billion – 0.65% Equal to or greater than £3 billion – 0.60%

\* Lower amounts may be permitted when investing via platforms or other nominee companies.

The Trustee and Depositary's fee is 0.01% of the first £100 million and 0.0075% of the net asset value of the Trust between £100 million and £1 billion; and 0.005% on balances greater than £1 billion per annum, plus VAT.

The Manager is not permitted to levy a redemption charge or increase the rates of its initial or annual charges unless 60 days' prior written notice of the introduction of the new charge and the date of its commencement has been given to all unitholders and the Prospectus has been amended to reflect the change.

Full details of the underlying charges are set out in the Key Investor Information for the Trust which is published on Hargreaves Lansdown's website, http://www.hl.co.uk/funds/hl-funds/multi-manager-funds. Copies may be obtained from Hargreaves Lansdown Fund Managers Limited, Sunderland SR43 4AS or directly from the Manager - Hargreaves Lansdown Fund Managers Limited, One College Square South, Anchor Road, Bristol, BS1 5HL.

#### **Unit Price**

Units in the Trust are single-priced. This means that (subject to any dilution adjustment and initial charge) the price of each unit for both buying and selling purposes will be the same and determined by reference to the particular valuation point. The price of each unit of any class will be calculated by reference to the proportion of the net asset value of the Trust attributable to units of that class by:

- taking the proportion of the net asset value of the relevant Trust attributable to the units of the class concerned at the valuation point of that Trust;
- dividing the result by the number of units of the relevant class in issue immediately before the valuation point concerned; and
- increasing or decreasing the result by any dilution adjustment determined by the Manager.

The Trust is normally valued at 11:00 am each day for the purpose of determining the unit price. With the agreement of the Trustee and Depositary the Trust may be valued at other times.

#### **Dealing in Units**

Dealing confirmations are issued for all purchases and sales of units and will be posted within 24 hours of the next valuation point following receipt of your application.

The units of the Trust are non-certificated.

Units may be sold back to the Manager at any time at the price applicable at the valuation point following receipt of instructions.

You will receive a dealing confirmation setting out the details and payment will follow, normally within four working days of receipt of the signed form of renunciation.

Daily prices are currently available from the Hargreaves Lansdown website (www.hl.co.uk), HL App (HL Live) and our Helpdesk on 0117 900 9000.

# **General Information (continued)**

#### **Cancellation Rights**

If you receive financial advice on a face-to-face basis regarding your investment, you will have a right to change your mind. If you receive financial advice on a non face-to-face basis, we will also allow you the right to cancel your investment. If you decide to cancel your contract during the 14 days after the date on which you receive a cancellation notice from us and the value of your investment has fallen at the time we receive your completed cancellation notice, you will not receive a full refund of your investment and an amount equal to any fall in value will be deducted from the sum you originally invested.

#### Taxation - Income

Income earned by unitholders from the Trust is liable to UK Income Tax at the rate applicable for the individual unitholders.

#### **Taxation - Capital Gains**

There is no tax on capital gains within the Trust. Gains realised on disposal of units by unitholders who are UK resident for taxation purposes may be liable to Capital Gains Tax.

All taxation information in this Report is based on current legislation and may be subject to change. Any tax reliefs referred to are those currently applying. Their value depends on the individual circumstances of the unitholder.

#### **Report and Scheme Particulars**

Copies of the Scheme Particulars and Interim and Annual Report and Financial Statements may be obtained from the Manager at the address shown at the beginning of this Report.

The maintenance and integrity of the Hargreaves Lansdown Plc website is the responsibility of the Directors of Hargreaves Lansdown Plc; the work carried out by the Auditor does not involve consideration of these matters and, accordingly, the Auditor accepts no responsibility for any changes that may have occurred to the Financial Statements since they were initially presented on the website.

#### Commission

Commission may be payable to authorised intermediaries, rates are available on request and details are set out on the dealing confirmation.

#### Status

The Manager can only provide information on its own range of Trusts to retail clients.

#### Assessment of Value

For each of its funds, Hargreaves Lansdown Fund Managers Limited (HLFM) published an Assessment of Value covering the previous financial year. These statements are available at www.hl.co.uk/funds/hl-funds/ multi-manager-funds/other-documents.

### Important Investment Notes

You should be aware of the risks involved in investing in the Trust. These risk warnings must not be taken to be comprehensive, as new risks may arise in the future which could not have been anticipated in advance. If you have any doubts over the suitability of an investment please contact a financial adviser for advice.

The price of units (and the income from them) can go down as well as up, and are not guaranteed. You may not receive back the amount you invest in the Trust.

An investment in the Trust is not intended to be a complete investment programme. Units should be regarded by you as a medium-to-long term investment.

Past performance is not a guide to future performance. The Trust's investment objective is an intended result but there is no guarantee that such a result will be achieved. There are no express or implied assurances as to the likelihood of achieving the Trust's investment objectives, as this will depend (in part) on evolving market conditions and the available investment opportunities over time.

The Trust's net asset value can be influenced by factors such as stock market fluctuations, political and economic events, corporate earnings reports and catastrophic events. This means that in any particular period, the Trust may suffer losses and should not be regarded as a short term investment.

In extreme liquidity conditions, redemptions in the underlying assets, and/or a Trust itself, may need to be deferred or suspended.

Economic factors such as changes in interest rates, inflation, deflation and supply and demand can affect the price of all investments, and so affect the value of your investment in the Trust. As with any investment, inflation will reduce the real value (i.e. purchasing power) of the capital over time.

The Trust is potentially exposed to adverse movements in equity, bond, commodity, currency and other market prices, indices or rates (market risk) or changes in the anticipated or calculated volatility of these movements (volatility risk). This could result in the Trust losing value.

The Trust may deduct charges from capital rather than income. Whilst this policy may allow more income to be distributed to unitholders, it may also have the effect of reducing capital and potential capital growth, as well as potentially increasing capital losses.

The Trust conducts transactions with various counterparties and there is a risk that a counterparty will not deliver an investment (for purchases by the Trust) or cash (for sales by the Trust) after the Trust has fulfilled its responsibilities.

This document is provided solely to enable investors to make their own investment decisions. It is not personal advice. These investments are not suitable for everyone. If you are in any doubt about suitability, you should seek expert advice. Please ensure you read the full Key Investor Information before placing any investment instruction.

# **Authorised Status**

The Trust is an authorised unit trust scheme under Section 243 of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000.

The Trust is a 'Non-UCITS Retail Scheme' under the Financial Conduct Authority's Collective Investment Schemes Sourcebook ("COLL") Regulations.

The Trust is categorised as an alternative investment fund under Directive 2011/61/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 8th June 2011 on Alternative Investment Fund Managers and amending Directives 2003/41/EC and 2009/65/EC and Regulations (EC) No 1060/2009 and (EU) No 1095/2010 and Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) No 231/2013 of 19th December 2012 supplementing the AIFM Directive with regard to exemptions, general operating conditions, depositaries, leverage, transparency and supervision (the "AIFMD"). The Manager undertakes portfolio and risk management for the Trust and is therefore an alternative investment fund manager (AIFM) within the terms of AIFMD. The Manager will manage the Trust in accordance with the provisions of the AIFMD, The Alternative Investment Fund Managers Regulations 2013 and the FCA Rules.

# **Trust Information**

The Comparative Tables on pages 15 and 16 give the performance of each active unit class in the Trust.

The 'Return after charges' disclosed in the Comparative Tables is calculated as the return after operating charges per unit divided by the opening net asset value per unit. It differs from the Trust's performance disclosed in the Manager's Investment report, which is calculated based on the latest published price.

Portfolio transaction costs are incurred when investments are bought or sold by a trust in order to achieve the investment objective. These transaction costs affect an investor in different ways depending on whether they are joining, leaving or continuing with their investment in the Trust.

Direct transaction costs include broker commission and taxes. Broker commission includes the fee paid to a broker to execute the trades.

In addition, there are indirect portfolio transaction costs arising from the 'dealing spread' – the difference between the buying and selling prices of underlying investments in the portfolio. Unlike shares whereby broker commissions and stamp duty are paid by the Trust on each transaction, other types of investments (such as bonds, money instruments, derivatives, collective investment schemes) do not have separately identifiable transaction costs; these costs form part of the dealing spread. Dealing spreads vary considerably depending on the transaction value and market sentiment.

### **Trust Information (continued)**

#### **Comparative Tables**

Class A Accumulation Units

#### Change in Net Asset Value per Unit

	31/03/23 (pence per	30/09/22 (pence per	30/09/21 (pence per
For the period ended	unit)	unit)	unit)
Opening net asset value per unit	408.23	468.84	377.62
Return before operating charges*	22.00	(54.62)	97.25
Operating charges (calculated on average price)	(2.54)	(5.99)	(6.03)
Return after operating charges*	19.46	(60.61)	91.22
Distributions	(0.58)	(1.72)	(0.67)
Distributions on accumulation units	0.58	1.72	0.67
Closing net asset value per unit	427.69	408.23	468.84
* after direct transaction costs of **:	0.09	0.18	0.20
Performance			
Return after charges	4.77%	(12.93)%	24.16%
Other information			
Closing net asset value (£'000)	1,177,947	1,157,491	1,401,555
Closing number of units	275,418,764	283,540,566	298,943,371
Operating charges†	0.61%	1.37%	1.39%
Direct transaction costs	0.02%	0.04%	0.05%
Prices^			
Highest mid price	446.83	486.53	480.93
Lowest mid price	397.66	390.24	370.43

\*\* Direct transaction costs are stated after deducting the proportion of the amounts collected from dilution adjustments/dilution levies that relate to direct transaction costs. A negative transaction costs figure might arise where there is a timing difference between inflows and the settlement of the resultant purchases.

† Operating charges, otherwise known as the OCF is the ratio of the Trust's total disclosable costs (excluding overdraft interest) to the average net assets of the Trust. It includes the annual management fee as well as the administrative costs incurred by the Trust. Included within the OCF are synthetic costs which include the OCF of the underlying funds weighted on the basis of their investment proportion. The annualised OCF for the current period is 1.21%.

### **Trust Information (continued)**

#### Comparative Tables (continued)

Class M Accumulation Units

#### Change in Net Asset Value per Unit

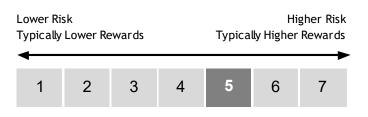
For the period ended	31/03/23 (pence per unit)	30/09/22 (pence per unit)	30/09/21 (pence per unit)
Opening net asset value per unit	408.22	468.82	377.60
Return before operating charges <sup>*</sup> Operating charges (calculated on average price)	22.00 (2.54)	(54.62) (5.98)	97.27 (6.05)
Return after operating charges*	19.46	(60.60)	91.22
Distributions Distributions on accumulation units	(0.58) 0.58	(1.74) 1.74	(0.69) 0.69
Closing net asset value per unit	427.68	408.22	468.82
* after direct transaction costs of **:	0.09	0.18	0.20
<b>Performance</b> Return after charges	4.77%	(12.93)%	24.16%
Other information			
Closing net asset value (£'000) Closing number of units Operating charges† Direct transaction costs	565,567 132,240,784 0.61% 0.02%	566,454 138,763,521 1.37% 0.04%	622,551 132,790,258 1.39% 0.05%
<b>Prices</b> ^ Highest mid price Lowest mid price	446.82 397.65	486.52 390.23	480.94 370.44

\*\* Direct transaction costs are stated after deducting the proportion of the amounts collected from dilution adjustments/dilution levies that relate to direct transaction costs. A negative transaction costs figure might arise where there is a timing difference between inflows and the settlement of the resultant purchases.

† Operating charges, otherwise known as the OCF is the ratio of the Trust's total disclosable costs (excluding overdraft interest) to the average net assets of the Trust. It includes the annual management fee as well as the administrative costs incurred by the Trust. Included within the OCF are synthetic costs which include the OCF of the underlying funds weighted on the basis of their investment proportion. The annualised OCF for the current period is 1.21%.

## **Trust Information (continued)**

#### Synthetic Risk and Reward Indicator ("SRRI")



The Trust is ranked at 5 because trusts of this type have experienced moderate to high rises and falls in value in the past.

The Trust's risk category has been calculated using historical data, which may not be a reliable indication of the future risk profile of the Trust. The risk and reward rating remain the same from the last reporting period.

The Trust's category is not guaranteed to remain the same and may change over time.

Even a trust in the lowest category is not a risk-free investment.

The value of your investment and any income you take from it may fall as well as rise and is not guaranteed.

# Certification of the Financial Statements by Directors of the Manager

In accordance with the requirements of the Financial Conduct Authority's Collective Investment Schemes Sourcebook, we hereby certify the financial statements on behalf of the Directors of Hargreaves Lansdown Fund Managers Limited.

S E Gamble (Director) 26th May 2023 A E Stirling (Director)

### Statement of Total Return

(Unaudited) for the half year ended 31st March 2023

	31/0	31/03/23		/03/22
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Income				
Net capital gains/(losses)		79,453		(126,123)
Revenue	9,784		8,474	
Expenses	(7,359)		(8,827)	
Interest payable and similar charges	(27)	_	(45)	
Net revenue before taxation	2,398		(398)	
Taxation	(47)		(274)	
Net revenue after taxation	_	2,351		(672)
Total return before distributions		81,804		(126,795)
Distributions	_	(2,393)		(1)
Change in net assets attributable to unitholders from investment				
activities	_	79,411		(126,796)

# Statement of Change in Net Assets Attributable to Unitholders

(Unaudited) for the half year ended 31st March 2023

	31/03/23		31/03/22	
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Opening net assets attributable to unitholders†		1,723,944		2,024,106
Amounts receivable on issue of units	47,733		126,139	
Amounts payable on cancellation of units	(109,934)	_	(133,650)	
		(62,201)		(7,511)
Dilution levy		-		20
Change in net assets attributable to unitholders from investment activities		79,411		(126,796)
Retained distribution on accumulation units		2,351		_
Unclaimed distributions		9		_
Closing net assets attributable to unitholders		1,743,514		1,889,819

**+** The opening net assets attributable to unitholders for 31/03/23 differs to the closing position in 31/03/22 by the change in net assets attributable to unitholders for the second half of the comparative financial year.

### Balance Sheet (Unaudited) as at 31st March 2023

	31/03/23 £'000	30/09/22 £'000
ASSETS		
Fixed assets:		
Investments	1,734,982	1,708,500
Current assets:		
Debtors	8,660	11,253
Cash and cash equivalents	10,695	14,865
Total assets	1,754,337	1,734,618
LIABILITIES		
Investment liabilities	-	(156)
Creditors:		
Bank overdraft	(749)	(97)
Other creditors	(10,074)	(10,421)
Total liabilities	(10,823)	(10,674)
Net assets attributable to unitholders	1,743,514	1,723,944

### Notes to the Financial Statements (Unaudited) for the half year ended 31st March 2023

#### Accounting Policies

The accounting policies applied are consistent with the most recent annual Financial Statements.

#### **Basis of Preparation**

The Financial Statements have been prepared in accordance with the historical cost convention, as modified by the revaluation of investments, and in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice for UK Authorised Funds issued by The Investment Association, in May 2014 and amended in June 2017.

### **Distribution Tables** (Unaudited) for the half year ended 31st March 2023

#### In pence per unit

#### Interim accumulation for the period ended 31st March 2023

	Net		Payable	Paid
Class A Accumulation Units	Income	Equalisation	31st May 2023	31st May 2022*
Group 1	0.5766	-	0.5766	-
Group 2	0.3402	0.2364	0.5766	_
	Net		Payable	Paid
Class M Accumulation Units	Income	Equalisation	31st May 2023	31st May 2022*
Group 1	0.5766	-	0.5766	-
Group 2	0.2733	0.3033	0.5766	-

Group 1 - Units created prior to 1st October 2022 Group 2 - Units created on or after 1st October 2022

\* Expenses exceeded revenue during the period, as a result no distributions were paid.



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