Annual Report 2017/2018



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Equity markets

Equity markets in the fiscal year through September 30, 2018

Uneven performance in the international equity markets

In the twelve months through the end of September 2018, prices in the international equity markets increased noticeably overall, although a mixed picture emerged when viewed by region.

Robust global economic growth and a rise in corporate profits supported this trend. In addition, the continuation of the expansionary monetary policy by various central banks, such as the European Central Bank and the Bank of Japan, had a bolstering effect. In the United States, on the other hand, the U.S. Federal Reserve continued on its path of gradual interest rate hikes and raised the key interest rate in several steps during the reporting period to a target range of 2.00% to 2.25% p.a., while additionally promising further increases.

In the period under review, the stock exchanges experienced a headwind from the political side, in particular. The U.S. trade dispute with China and Europe caused uncertainty in the markets, as too did other factors such as a debate about the Italian budget. The sluggish pace of Brexit negotiations between the United Kingdom and the European Union also added to market uncertainty.

Viewed over the entire reporting year through the end of September 2018, equity markets across the globe – as measured by the MSCI World index – gained 11.8% in U.S. dollar terms (+13.6% in euro).

European equity markets show below-average performance

Over the past fiscal year, European equity markets limped behind by international comparison and posted a gain of only 2.1% on euro basis - as measured by the MSCI Europe index. Although economic performance continued to be robust in Europe and the European Central Bank maintained its relaxed monetary policy, political risks also weighed noticeably on the European equity markets. Sectors and economies that are more dependent on exports particularly felt the effects of the trade dispute with the United States and the accompanying fear of possible punitive tariffs. Furthermore, the uncertainty regarding the details and consequences of the UK's planned exit from the European Union also resulted in adverse effects on equity prices, as too did the power struggle between the new Italian government and the EU Commission in Brussels. Concerns about the largest European debtor weighed not only on bond markets but were also reflected in share prices, especially in the euro area.

The heavily export-dependent German economy, and therefore also the share prices of German companies, was not only adversely affected by proposed tariffs by U.S. President Trump but also by the specific problems of individual industries. This was particularly the case for the automotive sector, which is important to the German economy and found

Strong market movements over a five-year period



itself faced with uncertainties in connection with the regulation of diesel vehicles. Against this backdrop, the German equity market, as measured by the DAX index, recorded a decline of 4.5% during the reporting period.

Significant share price upswing in the United States again

In the reporting period, U.S. equities took on a special position and outperformed most other equity markets. Economic momentum remained intact. In addition, the labor market in the United States also recorded a solid performance. Furthermore, tax cuts and deregulatory measures contributed to an improvement in the business climate. The tax reform introduced by President Trump led to greater purchasing power among the U.S. population as well as to higher corporate profits. This was reflected in a rise in share prices. Only defensive sectors such as telecommunications, utilities or non-cyclical consumer goods were slowed down on account

of rising interest rates in the United States, as their stable cash flows appeared less attractive relative to higher bond yields. In contrast, growth sectors such as technology or cyclical consumer goods were able to profit greatly. Technology company equities were particularly sought after by investors. Many companies were able to exceed analysts' profit forecasts with their financial results and added further momentum to the upswing with stock buybacks.

The interest rate hikes by the U.S. Federal Reserve (which further increased the key interest rate in four steps in the reporting period) and political uncertainties did not put a damper on the positive mood in the U.S. equities markets, or only did so temporarily. During the entire reporting period through the end of September 2018, U.S. equities gained 17.9% on a U.S. dollar basis (+19.8% in euro terms) as measured by the S&P 500.

Positive climate overall for Japanese equities

In Japan, following the reelection of Prime Minister Abe, there was increased confidence of an extension of the relaxed monetary policy and of a progression of corporate reforms. In addition, company profits increased despite an at times noticeable appreciation of the yen. Besides the positive financial results of companies with a stronger focus on exports, the increased confidence of domestically-oriented companies was also advantageous.

These profited from an increase in consumer confidence, also supported by a drop in unemployment. Although corporate earnings were solid viewed over the reporting period as a whole, earnings growth in the further course of the period lost momentum somewhat. Major adverse factors arose from fears of an increasingly protectionist international trade policy against the backdrop of the trade dispute between the United States and China on the one hand and the United States and the European Union on the other. As measured by the TOPIX index, Japanese equities rose 10.8% in local currency over the entire 12-month period. In euro terms, this gain was 11.7% because of the overall stronger yen.

Volatile price development in China and other emerging markets

In the reporting period, the equity markets of the emerging markets recorded a two-track development. Good corporate earnings against the backdrop of robust general economic conditions initially had a bolstering effect, as too did strong domestic demand and a certain reform momentum. For example, many emerging markets therefore initially recorded a positive trend in share prices in view of solid growth despite a stronger U.S. dollar.

However, this changed in 2018 when rising U.S. interest rates and the appreciation of the U.S. dollar, among other factors, put more of a spotlight on the problems of some more

International equity markets in the reporting period Performance in %



Germany: DAX – Europe: MSCI Europe – U.S.: S&P 500 – Japan: TOPIX – Worldwide: MSCI World – Emerging markets: MSCI Emerging Markets

fragile countries. Besides Chinese and other Asian equities, the price performance of stocks from other emerging-market regions was also negatively impacted by the trade dispute between the United States and China and the European Union. There were also increased fears of a further escalation of the trade conflict to a global level. Against this backdrop, the MSCI Emerging Markets index fell by 0.4% in U.S. dollar terms (+1.1% in euro).

General information

Performance

The investment return, or performance, of a mutual fund investment is measured by the change in value of the fund's units. The net asset values per unit (= redemption prices) with the addition of intervening distributions, which are, for example, reinvested free of charge within the scope of investment accounts at DWS Investment GmbH, are used as the basis for calculating the value; in the case of domestic reinvesting funds, the domestic investment income tax - following any deduction of foreign withholding tax - plus solidarity surcharge charged to the fund are added. Performance is calculated in accordance with the "BVI method". Past performance is not a guide to future results.

The corresponding benchmarks – if available – are also presented in the report. All financial data in this publication is as of September 30, 2018 (unless otherwise stated).

Sales prospectuses

The sole binding basis for a purchase are the current version of the sales prospectus including the Terms and Conditions of Investment and the key investor information document, which are available from DWS Investment GmbH or any branch of Deutsche Bank AG, as well as from other paying agents.

All-in fee

The all-in fee does not include the following expenses:

- a) any costs that may arise in connection with the acquisition and disposal of assets;
- b) any taxes that may arise in connection with administrative and custodial costs;
- c) the costs of asserting and enforcing the legal claims of the investment fund.

The details of the fee structure are set out in the current sales prospectus.

Issue and redemption prices
Each exchange trading day on
the Internet
www.dws.de

The following companies were renamed effective August 31, 2018:

Deutsche Asset Management Investment GmbH became DWS Investment GmbH Deutsche Asset Management International GmbH became DWS International GmbH DWS Holding & Service GmbH became DWS Beteiligungs GmbH

Renaming

The investment fund Deutsche AM Smart Industrial Technologies was renamed DWS Smart Industrial Technologies effective September 1, 2018.



(Until to August 31, 2018: Deutsche AM Smart Industrial Technologies)

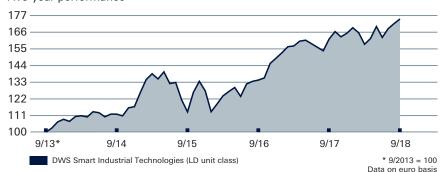
Investment objective and performance in the reporting period

The fund DWS Smart Industrial Technologies invests globally with a focus on themes such as automation, medical technology, infrastructure, energy efficiency, digitalization and global trade/e-commerce. Besides investing in blue chips, i.e., equities of companies with a high market value, consideration is also given to equities of mid-sized and smaller companies, which, experience has shown, have greater price fluctuations due to their lower market capitalizations. In the fiscal year through the end of September 2018, the management exploited what was a favorable equity market environment overall thanks to the robust economy and achieved a significant appreciation of 8.1% per unit (LD unit class; BVI method).

Investment policy in the reporting period

The equity fund management perceived the major risks in the industrial countries as being the uncertainty regarding the further development of the central banks' monetary policies. In the United States, the U.S. Federal Reserve (Fed) raised the key interest rate further by one percentage point to a corridor of 2.00%-2.25% p.a. in four steps during the reporting period while the European Central Bank and the Bank of Japan continued to maintain their very loose monetary policies. The portfolio management also considered the uncertainty surrounding economic growth

DWS SMART INDUSTRIAL TECHNOLOGIES Five-year performance



"BVI method" performance, i.e., excluding the initial sales charge. Past performance is no guide to future results.

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DWS Smart Industrial Technologies Performance of unit classes (in euro)						
Unit class	ISIN	1 year	3 years	5 years		
Class LD	DE0005152482	8.1%	54.1%	74.8%		
Class FC	DE000DWS2MA8	8.9%	16.3%1	-		
Class TFD	DE000DWS2SM0	7.0%²	-	-		

- ¹ Launched on February 6, 2017
- ² Launched on January 2, 2018

in China and its impact on the global economy to be further significant risks. In addition, there were other temporary negative factors, such as the knock-on effects of the withdrawal of the United Kingdom from the European Union ("Brexit"), Italy's very high sovereign debt, persisting economic weakness in France, and particularly the trade dispute between the United States and Europe, on the one hand, and between the United States and China on the other.

Against this backdrop, the portfolio management favored equities with a promising growth profile, which despite the correction in the equity market in the meantime, posted significant price gains relative to more defensive top-quality stocks. Regionally, the portfolio's investment focus was on the very good macroeconomic environment in the United States. The fund was therefore able to profit from the strength of the U.S. dollar. European equities formed a further focus of investment and the general economic conditions for these were solid. Selective investments in Asian equities rounded out the portfolio.

Successful stock picking was the basis of the successful investment performance. The outperformers that made an above-average contribution to the fund's investment result included successful companies from the aviation sector. United Technologies and Safran profited from rising traffic volumes globally, growing demand for

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As of: September 30, 2018

aircraft and from the booming maintenance and service business.

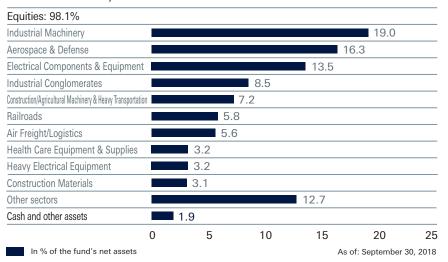
The fund participated in the advancing extensive digitalization of industrial production (keyword "Industry 4.0") with its position in ISRA Vision. The company was a leader in the development and production of interface inspection systems and image processing programs (machine vision) with its specialization being the area of 3D vision, especially 3D robot vision. ISRA Vision thus profited from the strong growth in automated production processes. The fund management took some profits here.

The investment in the U.S. company PTC, a software service provider of product life cycle simulations in the aviation sector, performed well. The position was reduced in the course of the fiscal year.

In the medical technology sector, the investment in Medtronic made above-average gains thanks to strong organic growth. The fund also participated in the successful IPO of Siemens Healthineers and sold the position completely by the end of the reporting period for valuation reasons.

In terms of industries, the automotive sector was particularly under significant price pressure. This was due to a weaker development of the Chinese automotive market and challenges posed by electric mobility. In particular, the changeover to the new WLTP

DWS SMART INDUSTRIAL TECHNOLOGIES Investment focus by sector



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emissions and consumption standard led to production stoppages and declines in earnings. This also led, among other things, to a profit warning at OSRAM and had a noticeably negative effect on its share price performance. The position was, however, retained due to its structural growth potential in the longer term.

In the industrial sector, the world's largest container shipping company A.P. Moeller-Maersk disappointed, as higher tariffs were expected on account of the trade conflict.

However, the weak performance of Nabtesco also weighed on the portfolio's investment result. A decline in incoming orders despite the booming environment dampened the share price performance of the manufacturer of reduction gears. The position was retained.

Main sources of capital gains/losses

The main sources of capital gains were primarily profits realized from the sale of equities.

Overview of the unit class	ses	
ISIN	LD FC TFD	DE0005152482 DE000DWS2MA8 DE000DWS2SM0
Security code (WKN)	LD FC TFD	515248 DWS2MA DWS2SM
Fund currency		EUR
Unit class currency	LD FC TFD	EUR EUR EUR
Date of inception and initial subscription	LC FC TFD	April 24, 2006 (from January 1, 2017, as LD unit class) February 6, 2017 January 2, 2018
Initial sales charge	LD FC TFD	5% None None
Distribution policy	LD FC TFD	Distribution Reinvestment Distribution
All-in fee	LD FC TFD	1.45% p.a. 0.75% p.a. 0.75% p.a.
Minimum investment	LD FC TFD	None EUR 2,000,000 None
Initial issue price	LD FC TFD	EUR 50 (excluding initial sales charge) Net asset value per unit of the DWS Smart Industrial Technologies LD unit class on the inception date of the FC unit class EUR 100



Investment portfolio and financial statements for the reporting period

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Statement of net assets

	Amount in EUR '000	% of net assets
I. Assets		
1. Equities (sectors):		
ndustrials	593 608	87.05
nformation Technology	53 505	7.85
Health Care	21 929	3.22
otal equities:	669 042	98.12
Bank balances	11 256	1.65
Other assets	940	0.14
. Receivables from share certificate transactions	1 597	0.24
. Liabilities		
. Other liabilities	-660	-0.10
Liabilities from share certificate transactions	-338	-0.05
II. Net assets	681 837	100.00

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Investment portfolio – September 30, 2018

Description	Count/ currency (- / '000)	Quantity/ principal amount	Purchases/ additions in the repor	Sales/ disposals ting period		Market price	Total market value in EUR	% of net assets
Securities traded on an exchange							669 041 505.08	98.12
Equities								
Sydney Airport (AU000000SYD9)	Count	1 000 000	1 000 000		AUD	6.8900	4 281 497.59	0.63
Air Canada (variable vtg.) (CA0089118776) Canadian National Railway Co. (CA1363751027) Canadian Pacific Railway Ltd. (CA13645T1003)	Count Count Count	210 000 97 714 35 000	210 000 42 013 35 000		CAD CAD CAD	27.5300 116.8400 276.4000	3 824 749.43 7 553 110.22 6 400 052.93	0.56 1.11 0.94
ABB Reg. (CH0012221716) ³	Count	840 000	529 760		CHF	23.0900	17 090 893.07	2.51
Vestas Wind Systems (DK0010268606)	Count	60 000	45 270		DKK	435.3000	3 500 509.30	0.51
Airbus (NL0000235190). Alstom (FR0010220475) CNH Industrial (NL0010545661) Deutsche Post Reg. (DE0005552004) Kion Group (DE000KGX8881) OSRAM Licht (DE000LED4000) Prysmian (IT0004176001) Safran (FR0000073272). Schneider Electric (FR0000121972) Siemens Reg. (DE0007236101) Thales (C. R.) (FR0000121329). VINCI (FR0000125486) Ashtead Group (GB0000536739) Melrose Industries (GB00BZ1G4322). The Weir Group (GB0009465807). Amada Holdings Co. (JP3122800000).	Count	140 000 258 000 676 000 450 000 130 000 250 000 90 000 144 000 215 000 60 000 100 000 220 000 3 600 000 280 000	96 084 258 000 676 000 331 509 79 879 250 000 600 000 67 064 144 000 76 366 31 759 26 024 220 000 3 600 000 280 000	107 250 55 000 284 014	EUR EUR EUR EUR EUR EUR EUR EUR EUR EUR	108.7800 38.6900 10.3700 30.8700 53.4400 34.0800 20.3000 121.2500 69.5800 110.5000 122.8000 81.5800 24.4605 2.0180 17.6500	15 229 200.00 9 982 020.00 7 010 120.00 13 891 500.00 6 947 200.00 8 520 000.00 12 180 000.00 10 912 500.00 10 912 500.00 7 368 000.00 8 158 000.00 6 052 876.67 8 171 418.93 5 558 742.48	2.23 1.46 1.03 2.04 1.02 1.25 1.79 1.60 1.47 3.48 1.08 1.20 0.89 1.20 0.82
Antada Holdings Co. (JP3566800003) Daifuku Co. (JP349740006). Daikin Industries (JP3481800005). Fanuc (JP3802400006). HII Corp. (JP3134800006). Keyence Corp. (JP3236200006). Komatsu (JP3304200003). Minebea Mitsumi (JP3906000009). Mistubishi Electric Corp. (JP3902400005). Nabtesco (JP3651210001). Nide Corp. (JP3734800000). NSK (JP3720800006). Omron Corp. (JP31978000000).	Count	25 622 70 048 50 000 75 000 200 000 10 900 308 106 650 000 279 993 44 000 600 000 83 893	18 400 63 800 200 000 900 52 200 212 400 530 000 215 600 20 000 600 000	119 500 2 200	JFY JPY JPY JPY JPY JPY JPY JPY JPY JPY JP	23 660.0000 5 790.0000 15 125.0000 21 420.0000 4 305.0000 65 980.0000 3 456.0000 2 060.0000 1 556.5000 3 020.0000 1 302.0000 4 800.0000	9321163.25 4 598 820.51 3 076 755.58 5 736 989.83 12 187 073.28 6 531 634.05 5 455 788.20 8 077 790.44 10 157 790.93 10 036 602.94 6 414 647.70 5 455 773.02 5 926 263.09 3 054 820.21	0.67 0.45 0.84 1.79 0.96 0.80 1.18 1.47 0.94 0.80 0.87
SMC Corp. (JP3162600005) Alfa Laval (SE0000695876)	Count Count Count Count Count Count Count Count	25 000 250 000 400 000 706 000 130 000 40 000 200 000	17 900 250 000 700 000 706 000 47 486 40 000 142 989	300 000	JPY SEK SEK SEK SEK USD USD	36 360.0000 243.7000 258.8500 99.6900 520.2000 210.1100 89.9900	6 895 766.95 5 914 847.55 10 052 085.61 6 832 888.20 6 565 407.97 7 236 438.78 15 496 814.19	1.01 0.87 1.47 1.00 0.96 1.06 2.27
Allegion (IEUUBFR13W74). Amphenol Corp. Cl. A (US0320951017). Applied Materials (US0382221051). Boeing Co. (US0970231058). Boston Scientific Corp. (US1011371077). Carlisle Cos. (US1423391002). Caterpillar (US1491231015). Cognex (US1924221039). Danaher Corp. (US2358511028). Eaton Corporation (IE00B8KQN827). Emerson Electric Co. (US2910111044). Fedex Corp. (US31428X1063). Honeywell International (US4385161066). Hubbell Cl.B (US4435106079). Illinois Tool Works (US4523081093). Ingersoll-Rand (IE00B6330302). IPG Photonics (US4891701109). Kennametal (US4891701109). L3 Technologies (US5024131071). Lockheed Martin Corp. (US5398301094).	Count	200 000 90 000 100 000 65 000 110 000 70 000 130 000 100 000 70 000 145 000 110 000 43 744 140 000 90 000 70 000 140 000 45 000 200 000 80 000 56 311	142 989 60 256 225 000 34 335 138 000 70 000 130 000 150 000 13 657 43 564 73 905 90 000 70 000 26 910 45 000 135 000 80 000 36 100	125 000 278 323 88 260 50 000	USD USD USD USD USD USD USD USD USD USD	89.9900 93.4700 38.3500 367.3900 38.3400 121.8400 152.4700 56.4900 108.1800 86.7600 76.7900 240.7000 141.9800 102.6800 158.8100 44.0700 212.0900 346.0500	15 496 814.19 7 243 240.92 3 302 049.25 20 561 692.78 3 631 307.04 7 343 550.89 17 066 557.60 4 863 957.29 6 520 234.20 10 831 926.98 7 273 032.55 9 065 938.35 19 933 184.09 10 353 022.21 8 557 430.69 12 377 475.46 6 153 306.35 7 589 116.58 14 609 264.68 16 778 389.49	2.27 1.06 0.48 3.02 0.53 1.08 2.50 0.71 0.96 1.59 1.07 1.33 2.92 1.52 1.26 1.82 0.90 1.11 2.14

Description	Count/ currency (- / '000)	Quantity/ principal amount	Purchases/ additions in the repor	Sales/ disposals ting period	N	Market price	Total market value in EUR	% of net asset
Vicrochip Technology (US5950171042)	Count Count	50 000 61 500	50 000		USD USD	78.6100 182.3300	3 384 277.60 9 654 981.06	0.50 1.42
Parker-Hannifin Corp. (US7010941042)	Count	80 000	80 000		USD	186.5000	12 846 564.49	1.88
TC (US69370C1009)	Count	40 000		10 319	USD	106.1400	3 655 588.08	0.54
Rockwell Automation (US7739031091)	Count	65 000 70 000	65 000 70 000		USD USD	189.4700 62.7100	10 604 055.45 3 779 662.48	1.56 0.55
outhwest Airlines Co. (US8447411088)	Count Count	100 000	100 000		USD	91.7500	7 899 948.34	1.16
tanley Black & Decker (US8545021011)	Count	75 000	75 000		USD	147.4600	9 522 558.98	1.40
ynopsys (US8716071076)	Count	45 000	45 000		USD	98.6500	3 822 326.50	0.56
exas Instruments (US8825081040)	Count	65 000	100 000	35 000	USD	107.2900	6 004 692.61	0.88
Inion Pacific Corp. (US9078181081)	Count Count	80 000 150 000	12 088 73 673	30 000	USD USD	163.8000 116.7300	11 282 934.39 15 076 201.14	1.65 2.21
Inited Technologies Corp. (US9130171096)	Count	150 000	40 000		USD	139.6800	18 040 296.19	2.65
otal securities portfolio							669 041 505.08	98.12
Cash and non-securitized money market instruments							11 256 354.30	1.65
Cash at bank							11 256 354.30	1.65
							11 230 334.30	1.05
emand deposits at Depositary UR deposits	EUR	3 762 743.31			%	100	3 762 743.31	0.55
leposits in other EU/EEA currencies	EUR	4 674 214.61			%	100	4 674 214.61	0.69
eposits in non-EU/EEA currencies								
ustralian dollar	AUD	141 512.54			%	100	87 936.95	0.01
Brazilian real	BRL CAD	28 441.72			%	100 100	6 097.81 60 828.49	0.00
anadian dollarwiss franc	CAD	91 945.30 11 491.58			%	100	10 126.08	0.01
long Kong dollar	HKD	6 457 724.84			%	100	710 401.24	0.10
ndonesian rupiah	IDR	53 012 316.32			%	100	3 062.79	0.00
apanese yen	JPY	189 981 689.00			%	100	1 441 220.52	0.21
outh Korean won	KRW MXN	9 272 838.00			%	100 100	7 201.00 23 282.54	0.00
Nexican peso	SGD	508 385.81 1 478.28			%	100	23 282.54 930.53	0.00
urkish lira	TRY	1 476.21			%	100	212.13	0.00
aiwan dollar	TWD	10 401 621.00			%	100	293 418.33	0.04
J.S. dollar	USD	202 733.22			%	100	174 559.34	0.03
outh African rand	ZAR	1 951.16			%	100	118.63	0.00
ther assets	5115						940 470.43	0.14
Vividends receivable	EUR EUR	913 838.42 20 515.82			%	100 100	913 838.42 20 515.82	0.13
Other receivables	EUR	6 116.19			%	100	6116.19	0.00
Receivables from share certificate transactions	EUR	1 596 595.70			%	100	1 596 595.70	0.24
Other liabilities							-660 261.43	-0.10
iabilities from cost items	EUR	-655 284.89			%	100	-655 284.89	-0.10
additional other liabilities	EUR	-4 976.54			%	100	-4 976.54	0.00
iabilities from share certificate transactions	EUR	-337 853.85			%	100	-337 853.85	-0.05
let assets							681 836 810.23	100.00

Net asset value per unit and	Count/	Net asset value per unit
number of units outstanding	currency	in the respective currency
No. 1		
Net asset value per unit		
Class LD	EUR	120.75
Class FC	EUR	122.19
Class TFD	EUR	107.01
Number of units outstanding		
Class LD	Count	4 410 576.427
Class FC	Count	1 219 358.000
Class TFD	Count	2 450.000
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Exchange rates (indirect quotes)

	As of Septer	mbe	er 28, 2	018
AUD	1.609250	-	EUR	1
BRL	4.664250	=	EUR	1
CAD	1.511550	=	EUR	1
CHF	1.134850	=	EUR	1
DKK	7.461200	=	EUR	1
GBP	0.889050	=	EUR	1
HKD	9.090250	=	EUR	1
IDR	17 308.510000	=	EUR	1
JPY	131.820000	=	EUR	1
KRW	1 287.715000	=	EUR	1
MXN	21.835500	=	EUR	1
SEK	10.300350	=	EUR	1
SGD	1.588650	=	EUR	1
TRY	6.958900	=	EUR	1
TWD	35.449800	=	EUR	1
USD	1.161400	=	EUR	1
ZAR	16.446800	=	EUR	1
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Footnotes

These securities are completely or partly lent as securities loans.

Transactions completed during the reporting period that no longer appear in the investment portfolio

Purchases and sales of securities, investment fund units and promissory note loans (Schuldscheindarlehen); market classifications are as of the reporting date

Description	Count/ currency (- / '000)	Purchases/ additions	Sales/ disposal
Securities traded on an exchange			
Equities			
James Hardie Industries Cufs (AU000000JHX1)	Count		188 991
Flughafen Zürich Reg. (CH0319416936)	Count Count	25 000	25 000 14 841
A.P.Møller-Mærsk B (DK0010244508)	Count	700	4 2 1 3
CRH (IE0001827041). Dürr (DE0005565204) Eiffage (FR0000130452) Hochtief (DE0006070006) Isra Vision Systems (DE0005488100) Leonardo (IT0003856405) MTU Aero Engines Reg. (DE000A0D9PT0) Nexans (FR0000044448). Ryanair Holdings (IE00BYTBXV33) Siemens Healthineers (DE000SHL1006). TechnipFMC (GB00BDSFG982) Téléperformance (FR0000051807)	Count	101 145 130 000 15 800 52 000 42 000 216 031	370 000 130 000 48 021 15 800 73 836 285 000 42 000 112 257 375 000 216 031 73 130 25 450
BAE Systems (GB0002634946) Ferguson (JE00BFNWV485) GKN (GB0030646508) IMI (GB0030646508) IMI (GB00BGLP8L22) Rolls Royce Holdings (GB00B63H8491) Spectris (GB0003308607)	Count Count Count Count Count Count	800 000	800 000 57 538 745 245 240 233 1 100 000 250 000
SITC International Holdings Reg.S (KYG8187G1055)	Count		1 863 661
East Japan Railway Co. (JP3783600004) Japan Aviation Electronics Industry	Count		44 002
Japan Aviation Electronics industry (JP3705600009). Kubota Corp. (JP3266400005). Tadano (JP3465000002).	Count Count Count	147 700	211 000 400 024 243 150
Grupo Aeroportuario del Pacifico B (MX01GA000004)	Count	400 000	400 000

Description	Count/ currency (- / '000		s/ Sales/ disposal
Assa-Abloy (SE0007100581)	Count Count Count Count	26 300 150 000	419 689 150 000 150 000 221 536
Broadcom (US11135F1012) Cadence Design Systems (US1273871087) CSX Corp. (US1264081035) Delta Air Lines (US2473617023) DP World (AEDFXA0M6V00).	Count Count Count Count Count	41 000 90 000 170 000	41 000 90 000 140 942 170 000 65 644
Fortive (US34959J1088). Gartner (US3696511072). General Electric (US3696041033). ITT (US45073V1089). Johnson Controls International (IE00BY70L619).	Count Count Count Count	41 547 12 811 135 000	100 000 70 000 882 085 135 000 287 672
Mohawk Industries (US6081901042)	Count Count Count Count	14 706 45 222	33 000 250 000 14 633 20 911 20 061
Schlumberger N.Y. Shares (AN8068571086) Schneider National Cl.B (US80689H1023) TransDigm Group (US8936411003) WEC Energy Group (US92939U1060) Woodward (US9807451037).	Count Count Count Count Count	48 355 6 878 175 000 40 000	150 000 250 509 25 000 175 000 40 000
Unlisted securities			
Equities Prysmian Right (IT0005333866)	Count	450 000	450 000
Rolls Royce Holdings Cl.C Entitl. Shs. lss. 04/18 (GB00BFZWWZ43)	Count	39 050 000	39 050 000
Broadcom (SG9999014823)	Count Count	21 984 15 023	41 000 105 000

Securities loans (total transactions, at the value agreed at the closing of the loan contract)

Value ('000)

No fixed maturity

EUR 227 397

Security description: A.P.Møller-Mærsk B (DK0010244508), ABB Reg. (CH0012221716), Assa-Abloy (SE0007100581), Atlas Copco Cl.A (SE0011166610), Atlas Copco Cl.A (Free) (SE0006886750), BAE Systems (GB0002634946), Eiffage (FR0000130452), Hexagon B (Free) (SE0000103699), Melrose Industries (GB00BZ1G4322), Nexans (FR0000044444), Norfolk Southern Corp. (US6558441084), Prysmian (IT0004176001), Rolls Royce Holdings (GB00B63H8491), Saffan (FR0000073272), Schneider Electric (FR00000121972), Téléperformance (FR0000051807), The Weir Group (GB0009465807), Vestas Wind Systems (DK0010268606), Volvo B (Free) (SE0000115446)

LD unit class

Statement of income and expenses (incl. income adjustment)

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for the period from October 1, 2017, through September 30,	2018	
I. Income		
Dividends from domestic issuers (before corporate income tax)	EUR	783 017.79
Dividends from foreign issuers (before withholding tax)	FUR	8 119 809.01
3. Interest from investments of liquid assets in Germany .	EUR	151 222.81
Income from securities lending and repurchase agreements	EUR	44 080.99
from securities lending EUR 44 080.99	EUR	00.350.35
Deduction for domestic corporate income tax	EUR	-99 250.35 -619 246.45
7. Other income	EUR	3 850.18
Total income	EUR	8 383 483.98
II. Expenses		
1. Interest on borrowings ¹	EUR	-43 967.45
2. Management fee	EUR	-7 302 323.20
thereof: All-in fee EUR -7 302 323.20		
3. Other expenses	EUR	-26 527.85
thereof: Performance-based fee		
from securities lending EUR -17 632.17		
Legal and consulting expenses EUR -8 895.68		
Total expenses	EUR	-7 372 818.50
III. Net investment income	EUR	1 010 665.48
IV. Sale transactions		
1. Realized gains	EUR	33 251 053.18
2. Realized losses	EUR	-19 171 416.06
Capital gains/losses	EUR	14 079 637.12
V. Realized net gain/loss for the fiscal year	EUR	15 090 302.60
Net change in unrealized appreciation	EUR	28 263 174.34
2. Net change in unrealized depreciation	EUR	-6 563 383.76
VI. Unrealized net gain/loss for the fiscal year	EUR	21 699 790.58
VII. Net gain/loss for the fiscal year	EUR	36 790 093.18

Note: the net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) is calculated by subtracting the total of all unrealized appreciation (depreciation) at the end of the fiscal year from the total of all appreciation (depreciation) at the beginning of the fiscal year. Total unrealized appreciation (depreciation) includes positive (negative) differences resulting from the comparison of the values recognized for the individual assets as of the reporting date with their respective acquisition costs.

Unrealized appreciation/depreciation is shown without income adjustment.

Statement of changes in net assets for the investment fund

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I. Value of the investment fund at the beginning of the fiscal year	EUR	299 016 786.90
Previous year's distribution or tax abatement. Tax abatement for the current fiscal year ¹ Net inflows a) Inflows from subscriptions b) Outflows from redemptions.	EUR EUR EUR EUR	-1 340 463.23 -222 631.20 201 869 092.56 354 548 542.80 -152 679 450.24
Income adjustment Net gain/loss for the fiscal year. thereof: Net change in unrealized appreciation Net change in unrealized depreciation.	EUR EUR EUR	-3 534 322.21 36 790 093.18 28 263 174.34 -6 563 383.76
II. Value of the investment fund at the end of the fiscal year	EUR	532 578 556.00

 $^{^{\}rm 1}$ This is the amount of tax relief made available in accordance with article 56 of the Investment Tax Act 2018.

Distribution calculation for the investment fund

Calculation of distribution		Total	Per unit
I. Available for distribution			
Balance brought forward from previous year. Realized net gain/loss for the fiscal year. Transfer from the investment fund	EUR EUR EUR	74 195 963.36 15 090 302.60 0.00	16.82 3.42 0.00
II. Not used for distribution			
Reinvested	EUR EUR	-6 089 447.86 -79 886 783.40	-1.38 -18.11
III. Total distribution	EUR	3 310 034.70	0.75
Tax withholding amount made available 1	EUR	222 631.20	0.05
Final distribution	EUR	3 087 403.50	0.70

 $^{^{\}rm 1}$ This is the amount of tax relief made available in accordance with article 56 of the Investment Tax Act 2018.

Comparative overview of the last three fiscal years

	Net assets at the end of the fiscal year EUR	Net asset value per unit EUR
2018	532 578 556.00	120.75
2017	299 016 786.90	112.15
2016	155 425 442.25	93.65
2015	155 109 944.39	79.41

¹ Includes negative interest on cash at bank.

FC unit class

Statement of income and expenses (incl. income adjustment)

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for the period from October 1, 2017, through September 30,	2018	
I. Income		
Dividends from domestic issuers (before corporate income tax)	EUR	218 134.58
(before withholding tax)	EUR EUR	2 264 038.28 42 218.27
Income from securities lending and repurchase agreements	EUR	12 281.42
from securities lending EUR 12 281.42 5. Deduction for domestic corporate income tax	EUR EUR EUR	-31 813.76 -172 614.38 1 066.15
Total income	EUR	2 333 310.56
II. Expenses		
Interest on borrowings 1	EUR EUR	-12 242.27 -1 054 238.59
All-in fee	EUR	-7 385.83
Total expenses.	EUR	-1 073 866.69
III. Net investment income	EUR	1 259 443.87
IV. Sale transactions		
Realized gains Realized losses	EUR EUR	9 260 837.97 -5 345 911.33
Capital gains/losses	EUR	3 914 926.64
V. Realized net gain/loss for the fiscal year	EUR	5 174 370.51
Net change in unrealized appreciation	EUR EUR	9 044 242.07 -2 328 598.60
VI. Unrealized net gain/loss for the fiscal year $\ldots \ldots$	EUR	6 715 643.47
VII. Net gain/loss for the fiscal year	EUR	11 890 013.98

Note: the net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) is calculated by subtracting the total of all unrealized appreciation (depreciation) at the end of the fiscal year from the total of all appreciation (depreciation) at the beginning of the fiscal year. Total unrealized appreciation (depreciation) includes positive (negative) differences resulting from the comparison of the values recognized for the individual assets as of the reporting date with their respective acquisition costs.

Unrealized appreciation/depreciation is shown without income adjustment.

Statement of changes in net assets for the investment fund

I. Value of the investment fund at the beginning of the fiscal year	EUR	121 695 835.42
Previous year's distribution or tax abatement. Tax abatement for the current fiscal year ¹ Net inflows a) Inflows from subscriptions. b) Outflows from redemptions.	EUR EUR EUR EUR	-410 681.20 -103 973.94 16 082 794.29 48 724 708.54 -32 641 914.25
Income adjustment	EUR EUR	-157 915.91 11 890 013.98
Net change in unrealized appreciation	EUR EUR	9 044 242.07 -2 328 598.60
of the fiscal year	EUR	148 996 072.64

 $^{^{\}rm 1}$ This is the amount of tax relief made available in accordance with article 56 of the Investment Tax Act 2018.

Distribution calculation for the investment fund

Calculation of reinvestment		Total	Per unit
I. Available for distribution			
Realized net gain/loss for the fiscal year. Transfer from the investment fund Tax withholding amount made available	EUR EUR EUR	5 174 370.51 0.00 -103 973.94	4.25 0.00 -0.09
II. Reinvestment	EUR	5 070 396.57	4.16

Comparative overview of the last three fiscal years

	Net assets at the end of the fiscal year EUR	Net asset value per unit EUR
2018	148 996 072.64 121 695 835.42	122.19 112.67
2016	-	-

¹ Includes negative interest on cash at bank.

TFD unit class

Statement of income and expenses (in	cl. income a	adjustment)
for the period from January 3, 2018, through September 30,	2018	
I. Income		
1. Dividends from domestic issuers		
(before corporate income tax)	EUR	384.65
Dividends from foreign issuers (before withholding tax)	FUR	3 234.59
Interest from investments of liquid assets in Germany .	EUR	64.96
4. Income from securities lending		
and repurchase agreements	EUR	7.59
thereof:		
from securities lending EUR 7.59 5. Deduction for domestic corporate income tax	EUR	-0.46
Deduction for domestic corporate income tax	EUR	-270.10
7. Other income.	EUR	0.04
Total income	EUR	3 421.27
II. Expenses		
1. Interest on borrowings ¹	EUR	-5.75
2. Management fee	EUR	-1 350.89
All-in fee EUR -1 350.89 3. Other expenses	FUR	-5.51
thereof:	EUN	-5.51
Performance-based fee		
from securities lending EUR -3.78		
Legal and consulting expenses EUR -1.73		
Total expenses	EUR	-1 362.15
III. Net investment income	EUR	2 059.12
IV. Sale transactions		
1. Realized gains	FUR	11 958 59
2. Realized losses	EUR	-8 558.65
Capital gains/losses	EUR	3 399.94
V. Realized net gain/loss for the fiscal year	EUR	5 459.06
Net change in unrealized appreciation	EUR	8 766.22
Net change in unrealized appreciation	EUR	-968.14
VI. Unrealized net gain/loss for the fiscal year	EUR	7 798.08
VII. Net gain/loss for the fiscal year	EUR	13 257.14
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Note: the net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) is calculated by subtracting the total of all unrealized appreciation (depreciation) at the end of the fiscal year from the total of all appreciation (depreciation) at the beginning of the fiscal year. Total unrealized appreciation (depreciation) includes positive (negative) differences resulting from the comparison of the values recognized for the individual assets as of the reporting date with their respective acquisition costs.

Unrealized appreciation/depreciation is shown without income adjustment.

Statement of changes in net assets for the investment fund

I. Value of the investment fund at the beginning of the fiscal year	EUR	0.00
Net inflows a) Inflows from subscriptions b) Outflows from redemptions Income adjustment Net gain/loss for the fiscal year. thereof:	EUR EUR EUR EUR	251 682.50 251 682.50 0.00 -2 758.05 13 257.14
Net change in unrealized appreciation	EUR EUR	8 766.22 -968.14
of the fiscal year	EUR	262 181.59

Distribution calculation for the investment fund

Calculation of distribution		Total	Per unit
I. Available for distribution			
Balance brought forward from previous year. Realized net gain/loss for the fiscal year. Transfer from the investment fund	EUR EUR EUR	0.00 5 459.06 0.00	0.00 2.23 0.00
II. Not used for distribution			
Reinvested	EUR EUR	0.00 -3 401.06	0.00 -1.39
III. Total distribution	EUR	2 058.00	0.84

Comparative overview of the last three fiscal years

	Net assets Net ass at the end of value pe the fiscal year EUR unit EU	
2018	262 181.59 2 020.78	107.01 101.04
2017	-	-

¹ Includes negative interest on cash at bank.

Notes to the financial statements (in accordance with article 7, no. 9, KARBV (Accounting and Valuation Regulation issued under the KAGB))

Disclosures in accordance with the Derivatives Regulation

Underlying exposure obtained through derivatives:

FUR 0.00

Disclosures according to the qualified approach:

Composition of the reference portfolio (risk benchmark)

MSCI World Industrials NET EUR version Composite

Market risk exposure (value-at-risk)

Lowest market risk exposure	%	95.724
Highest market risk exposure	%	113.497
Average market risk exposure	%	106.590

The values-at-risk were calculated for the period from October 1, 2017, through September 30, 2018, using the VaR method of historical simulation with a 99% confidence level, a 10-day holding period and an effective historical observation period of one year. The risk in a reference portfolio that does not contain derivatives is used as the measurement benchmark. Market risk is the risk to the investment fund's assets arising from an unfavorable change in market prices. The Company determines the potential market risk by means of the **qualified approach** as defined by the Derivatives Regulation.

In the reporting period, the average leverage effect from the use of derivatives was 1.0, whereby the gross method was used for the calculation of leverage.

Exposure obtained through securities loans:

The following securities were transferred under securities loans at the reporting date:

Security name	Quantity/ principal amo ('000)	unt	Fixed maturity	Securities loans Total market value in EUR No fixed maturity	Total
ABB Reg	Count	800 000		16 277 041.02	
Atlas Copco Cl.A	Count Count	259 864 1 276		6 530 437.94 64 442.00	
Total receivables from securities loans				22 871 920.96	22 871 920.96

Contracting parties for securities loans:

Citigroup Global Markets Ltd., London; Crédit Suisse Securities (Europe) Ltd.; Merrill Lynch International Ltd.

Total collateral pledged by third parties for securities loans:

EUR 33 632 550.60

thereof:

 Bonds
 EUR
 16 320 440.92

 Equities
 EUR
 4 835 699.76

 Other
 EUR
 12 476 409.92

Income from securities lending, including costs and charges incurred directly and indirectly:

These items are listed in the statement of income and expenses.

Other disclosures

Net asset value per unit, Class LD: EUR 120.75
Net asset value per unit, Class FC: EUR 122.19
Net asset value per unit, Class TFD: EUR 107.01

Number of units outstanding, Class LD: 4 410 576.427
Number of units outstanding, Class FC: 1 219 358.000
Number of units outstanding, Class TFD: 2 450.000

Disclosure regarding asset valuation procedures:

The Depositary shall determine the value with the participation of the asset management company. The Depositary generally bases its valuation on external sources.

If no trading prices are available, prices are determined with the aid of valuation models (derived market values) which are agreed between the Depositary and the asset management company and which are based as far as possible on market parameters. This procedure is subject to an ongoing monitoring process. The plausibility of price information from third parties is checked through other pricing sources, model calculations or other suitable procedure.

Investments reported in this report are not valued at derived market values

Disclosures on transparency and the total expense ratio:

The total expense ratio was

Class LD 1.45% p.a. Class FC 0.75% p.a. Class TFD 0.75% p.a.

The TER expresses total expenses and fees (excluding transaction costs) as a percentage of the fund's average net assets for a given fiscal year.

As well, the additional income from securities lending resulted in a performance-based fee of

Class LD 0.003% Class FC 0.003% Class TFD 0.002%

of the fund's average net assets.

An all-in fee of

Class LD 1.45% p.a. Class FC 0.75% p.a. Class TFD 0.75% p.a

is payable to the asset management company for the investment fund under the Terms and Conditions of Investment. Of this annual fee, the asset management company in turn pays up to

Class LD 0.15% p.a. Class FC 0.15% p.a. Class TFD 1.28% p.a. 1

to the Depositary and up to

Class LD 0.05% p.a. Class FC 0.05% p.a. Class TFD 0.05% p.a. to other parties (for printing and publication costs, auditing and other items).

1 This is due to the low level of net assets in the TFD class.

In the fiscal year from October 1, 2017, through September 30, 2018, the asset management company, DWS Investment GmbH, was not reimbursed for the fees and expenses paid out of the investment fund DWS Smart Industrial Technologies to the Depositary and other third parties, except in the form of financial information provided by brokers for research purposes.

Of its own portion of the all-in fee, the Company pays

Class LD more than 10% Class FC less than 10% Class TFD less than 10%

in commissions to distributors of the fund; the specific percentage paid is based on the balance of units distributed

Material other income and expenses are presented for each unit class in the statement of income and expenses.

The transaction costs paid in the reporting period amounted to EUR 588,273.71. The transaction costs include all costs that were reported or settled separately for the account of the fund in the reporting period and are directly connected to the purchase or sale of assets. Any financial transaction taxes paid are included in the calculations.

The share of transactions conducted in the reporting period for the account of the investment fund's assets via brokers that are closely related companies and persons (share of 5% and above), amounted to 1.12% of all transactions. The total volume was EUR 9,672,102.28.

Remuneration Disclosure

The DWS Investment GmbH (the "Company") is a subsidiary in Deutsche Bank Group ("Deutsche Bank"). The businesses of Deutsche Bank encompass a wide range of products and services incorporating investment, corporate and retail banking as well as asset management in all regions across the world. The institution at the highest level of consolidation of Deutsche Bank Group is Deutsche Bank AG.

Deutsche Bank AG as a credit institution is subject to the EU's Capital Requirements Directive (CRD) and the Capital Requirements Regulation (CRR) and is supervised by the European Central Bank (ECB). Deutsche Bank AG has established a compensation framework applying to the whole Deutsche Bank Group (excluding Postbank), which therefore also applies to the Company. For further information on the remuneration system of Deutsche Bank Group as provided below, please refer to the Deutsche Bank Group Compensation Report which is part of the Financial Report. 1)

Governance Structure

Deutsche Bank AG is managed by its Management Board. It is overseen by the Supervisory Board which has established a Compensation Control Committee ("CCC"). The CCC is, inter alia, responsible for monitoring the compensation system of the Group's employees and its appropriateness. The Management Board of Deutsche Bank AG has established the Senior Executive Compensation Committee ("SECC") which has the mandate to develop sustainable compensation principles, to prepare recommendations on Total Compensation levels and to ensure appropriate compensation governance and oversight. Furthermore, a Compensation Officer for Deutsche Bank Group was appointed who independently monitors the appropriateness of the employee's compensation systems on a regular basis.

Deutsche Bank has also established the Group Compensation Oversight Committee ("GCOC") and Divisional Compensation Committees ("DCCs") for each business division. As a sub-committee of the SECC, the GCOC is responsible for the oversight of the governance of divisions' year-end compensation processes. This includes demonstrably reviewing that the DCCs (i) meet the established governance requirements and (ii) ensure that sound compensation parameters (financial and non-financial) are taken into account when allocating Variable Compensation ("VC") pools within their division, and by decision-making managers when making individual VC allocation decisions.

The DCCs define and establish division-specific compensation frameworks and processes which are embedded in the year end processes on a global basis. The Deutsche Asset Management DCC oversees the compensation process within the DeAM business division of Deutsche Bank Group ("DeAM"), including the process for the Company, and ensures it is in line with Deutsche Bank's practices and standards. In 2017 members of the DeAM DCC were the Global Head of DeAM, the Global COO of DeAM, the Global Head of DeAM HR and the Head of DeAM Reward & Analytics. The DeAM DCC reviews the remuneration framework of DeAM regularly, at least annually, which includes the principles applying to the Company, and assesses if substantial changes or amendments due to irregularities have to be made.

Both the annual central and independent internal review at Group level and the DeAM DCC review at divisional level concluded the design of the remuneration system to be appropriate, no significant irregularities were recognized.

Compensation Structure

The employees of Deutsche Bank Group and of the Company are subject to the compensation standards and principles as outlined in the Group Compensation Strategy and the Compensation Policy. Both policies are reviewed on an annual basis. As part of the Compensation Strategy, Deutsche Bank Group, including the Company, employs a Total Compensation philosophy which comprises Fixed Pay and Variable Compensation.

Deutsche Bank's compensation framework puts a stronger emphasis on Fixed Pay over Variable Compensation and aims to ensure that these components are appropriately balanced.

Fixed Pay is used to compensate employees for their skills, experience and competencies, commensurate with the requirements, size and scope of their role. The appropriate level of Fixed Pay is determined with reference to the prevailing market rates for each role, internal comparisons and applicable regulatory requirements.

Variable Compensation has the advantage of being able to differentiate between individual performances and to drive behaviour through appropriate incentive systems that can positively influence culture. It also allows for flexibility in the cost base. Variable Compensation generally consists of two elements – the "Group Component" and the "Individual Component". There continues to be no guarantee of Variable Compensation in an existing employment relationship.

Based on one of the overarching goals of the compensation framework – to strengthen the link between Variable Compensation and the performance of the Group – the Management Board of Deutsche Bank AG decided to align the "Group Component" directly and comprehensible for the employees to Deutsche Bank's achievements in reaching its strategic targets.

Depending on eligibility, the "Individual Component" is delivered either in the form of Individual Variable Compensation or a Recognition Award. Individual Variable Compensation takes into consideration a number of financial and non-financial factors, relativities within the employee's peer group and retention considerations. The Recognition Award provides the opportunity to acknowledge and reward outstanding contributions made by employees of lower hierarchical levels. Generally, there are two nomination cycles per year.

Determination of Variable Compensation and appropriate risk-adjustment

Deutsche Bank's VC pools are subject to appropriate risk-adjustment measures which include exante and ex-post risk adjustments. The robust methodology in place aims at ensuring that the determination of VC reflects the risk-adjusted performance as well as the capital position of Deutsche Bank and its divisions. The total amount of VC is primarily driven by (i) Group affordability (i.e. what "can" Deutsche Bank award in alignment with regulatory requirements) and (ii) performance (what "should" Deutsche Bank award in order to provide an appropriate compensation for performance while protecting the long-term health of the franchise).

The Group Component is determined based upon the performance of four equally weighted Key Performance Indicators (KPIs): Common Equity Tier 1 ("CET1") capital ratio (fully loaded), Leverage ratio, Adjusted costs and Post-tax return on tangible equity ("RoTE"). These four KPIs represent important metrics for the capital, risk, cost and the revenue profile of Deutsche Bank and provide a good indication of its sustainable performance.

¹⁾ The most current Compensation Report is linked on: https://www.db.com/cr/en/concrete-compensation-structures.htm

For the determination of Individual VC both divisional and individual performance are taken into account: The financial performance of the division is assessed in context of divisional targets and appropriately risk-adjusted, in particular by referencing the degree of future potential risks to which Deutsche Bank may be exposed, and the amount of capital required to absorb severe unexpected losses arising from these risks. While the VC pools for Infrastructure areas depend on the overall performance of Deutsche Bank, they are not dependent on the performance of the division(s) they oversee in line with regulatory requirements, and are measured against cost performance and control targets instead.

At the level of the individual employee, Deutsche Bank has established "Variable Compensation Guiding Principles", which detail the factors and metrics that must be taken into account when making Individual VC decisions. These include, for instance, investment performance, client retention, culture considerations, and objective setting and performance assessment based on Deutsche Bank's 'Total Performance' approach, Furthermore, any control function inputs and disciplinary sanctions and their impact on the VC have to be considered as well.

Compensation for 2017

The financial year 2017, as expected, has been strongly influenced by the Deutsche Bank's pursuit of its strategic objectives. As such, restructuring and severance costs as well as litigation charges have continued to affect the full year results. However, noticeable progress has been made overall: Deutsche Bank has concluded negotiations on significant litigation items, has continued with its efforts to build a more efficient infrastructure, has invested in digitisation, and furthered both the integration of Postbank and the partial initial public offering (IPO) of Deutsche Asset Management.

Against this backdrop, the SECC has monitored the affordability of VC throughout 2017. It has concluded that, taking into account the Deutsche Bank's pre-tax profit and despite Deutsche Bank's overall negative result, Deutsche Bank's capital and liquidity positions remain comfortably above regulatory minimum requirements, and that therefore affordability parameters are met

After the decision to only award a limited VC pool for 2016, another year with drastically reduced VC or no specific recognition of individual performance would have led to retention risk with respect to both key employees that are critical to Deutsche Bank's future success as well as many other employees who all worked hard to help Deutsche Bank navigate through times of continuous change. Deutsche Bank has clearly stated multiple times throughout the year that it wanted to return to a normal system of VC for 2017, including both a "Group Component" and "Individual Component" of VC, which it considers to be both competitive and fair. This decision is reflected in the table on aggregate compensation information below.

Identification of Material Risk Takers

In accordance with the Capital Investment Act in conjunction with the guidelines on sound remuneration policies under UCITS published by the European Securities and Markets Authority ("ESMA"), the Company has identified individuals who have a material impact of the Company's risk profile ("Material Risk Takers"). The identification process has been based on an assessment of the impact of the following categories of staff on the risk profile of the Company or on a fund it manages: (a) Board Members/Senior Management, (b) Portfolio/Investment managers, (c) Control Functions, (d) Staff heading Administration, Marketing and Human Resources, (e) other individuals (Risk Takers) in a significant position of influence, (f) other employees in the same remuneration bracket as other Risk Takers. At least 40% of the VC for Material Risk Takers is deferred. Additionally, at least 50% of both, the upfront and the deferred proportion, are granted in Deutsche Bank shares or share-based instruments. All deferred components are subject to a number of performance conditions and forfeiture provisions which ensure an appropriate ex-post risk adjustment. In case the VC is lower than EUR 50,000, the Material Risk Takers receive their entire VC in cash without any deferral.

Aggregate Compensation Information for DWS Investment GmbH for 2017²⁾

Number of employees on an annual average	522
Total Compensation	EUR 102,979,645
Fixed Pay	EUR 58,339,162
Variable Compensation	EUR 44,640,483
Thereof: Carried Interest	EUR 0
Total Compensation for Senior Management ³⁾	EUR 9,621,775
Total Compensation for other Material Risk Takers	EUR 9,548,111
Total Compensation for Control Function employees	EUR 1,844,209

²⁾ In cases where portfolio or risk management activities have been delegated by the Company, the compensation data for delegates are not included in the table

³⁾ Senior Management refers to the Directors of the Company. Directors meet the definition of managers. Apart from the Directors, no further managers have been identified.

Information pursuant to Regulation (EU) 2015/2365 on transparency of securities financing transactions (SFTs) and of reuse and amending Regulation (EU) No. 648/2012 – Statement in accordance with Section A

	Securities lending	Repurchase agreements	Total return swaps
Stated in fund currency			
	1. Assets used		
Absolute	22 871 920.96	-	-
In % of the fund's net assets	3.35	-	-
	2. The 10 largest counterparties		
1. Name	Merrill Lynch International Ltd.		
Gross volume of open transactions	16 277 041.02		
Country of registration	United Kingdom		
2. Name	Citigroup Global Markets Ltd., London		
Gross volume of open transactions	6 530 437.94		
Country of registration	United Kingdom		
3. Name	Crédit Suisse Securities (Europe) Ltd.		
Gross volume of open transactions	64 442.00		
Country of registration	United Kingdom		
4. Name			
Gross volume of open transactions			
Country of registration			
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of open transactions Country of registration			

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10. Name					
Gross volume of open transactions					
Country of registration					
	3. Type(s) of settlement and clearing	ng			
(e.g., bilateral, tri-party, central counterparty)	Bilateral	-	-		
	4. Transactions classified by term to maturity (absolute amounts)				
Less than 1 day	-	-	-		
1 day to 1 week	-	-	-		
1 week to 1 month	-	-	-		
1 to 3 months	-	-	-		
3 months to 1 year	-	-	-		
More than 1 year	-	-	-		
No fixed maturity	22 871 920.96	-	-		
Bank balances Bonds	16 320 440.92	-	-		
	Type(s):				
Bonds	16 320 440.92	-	-		
Equities	4 835 699.76	-	-		
Other	12 476 409.92	-	-		
	Quality/Qualities:	Quality/Qualities:			
		Insofar as securities lending transactions, reverse repurchase agreements or transactions with OTC derivatives (except forward currency transactions) are concluded, collateral in one of the following forms is provided to the fund:			
	of March 19, 2007, letters of credit and first- counterparty, or bonds issued by an OECD r	- Liquid assets such as cash, short-term bank deposits, money market instruments according to the definition in Directive 2007/16/EC of March 19, 2007, letters of credit and first-demand guarantees that are issued by top-rated credit institutions not affiliated with the counterparty, or bonds issued by an OECD member country or its local authorities or by supranational institutions and authorities at local, regional or international level, regardless of their term to maturity			
	- Units of a collective investment undertaking (hereinafter "UCI") investing in money market instruments that calculates a net asset value daily and has a rating of AAA or an equivalent rating				
	– Units of a UCITS that invests predominant	- Units of a UCITS that invests predominantly in the bonds and equities listed under the next two indents			
	– Bonds, regardless of their term to maturity	- Bonds, regardless of their term to maturity, that have a minimum rating of low investment-grade			
		- Equities admitted to or traded in a regulated market in a member state of the European Union or on an exchange in an OECD member country, provided that these equities are included in a major index			
		The Management Company reserves the right to restrict the permissibility of the aforementioned collateral. Furthermore, the Management Company reserves the right to deviate from the aforementioned criteria in exceptional cases.			
	Additional information on collateral requirem	Additional information on collateral requirements can be found in the sales prospectus for the fund/sub-fund.			
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	6. Currency/Currencies of collatera	TICCCIVCU			
Currency/Currencies:	EUR; USD; AUD; GBP; CNY	-	-		
	7. Collateral classified by term to m	naturity (absolute amounts)			
Less than 1 day	-	-	-		
1 day to 1 week	-	-	-		
1 week to 1 month	-	-	-		
1 to 3 months	-	-	-		
3 months to 1 year	-	-	-		
More than 1 year	-	-	-		
No fixed maturity	33 632 550.60	-	-		
	O Income and cost newtices (before	in come adjustment			
	8. Income and cost portions (before Income portion of the fund	income adjustment/			
Absolute	28 643.14	-	-		
In % of gross income	60.00	-	-		
Cost portion of the fund	-	-	-		
	Income portion of the Management Company				
Absolute	19 095.21	-	-		
In % of gross income	40.00	-	-		
Cost portion of the Management Company	_	-	-		
	Income portion of third parties				
Absolute	-	-	-		
In % of gross income	-	-	-		
Cost portion of third parties	-	-	-		
	9 Income for the fund from reinves	stment of cash collateral, based on a	all SFTs and total return swans		
Absolute	o. moonic for the fand from formers		-		
	10 Lant congrition in 0/ of all landal	his accete of the fund			
Total	10. Lent securities in % of all lendal	ble assets of the fund			
Total	22 871 920.96	ble assets of the fund			
Total Share		ble assets of the fund			
	22 871 920.96				
	22 871 920.96 3.42				
Share	22 871 920.96 3.42				
Share 1. Name Volume of collateral received	22 871 920.96 3.42 11. The 10 largest issuers, based on French Republic				

3. Name	GPT Group			
Volume of collateral received (absolute)	1 560 160.30			
4. Name	Hamborner Reit Ag			
Volume of collateral received (absolute)	1 560 157.27			
5. Name	APA Group			
Volume of collateral received (absolute)	1 560 154.60			
6. Name	LendLease Group			
Volume of collateral received (absolute)	1 560 153.83			
7. Name	Segro PLC			
Volume of collateral received (absolute)	1 560 153.59			
O Nama	Workspace Group PLC			
8. Name Volume of collateral received	workspace Group PLC			
(absolute)	1 560 152.64			
9. Name	LaSalle Hotel Properties			
Volume of collateral received	LaSalle Hotel Hoperties			
(absolute)	1 560 144.68			
10. Name	ING Office Fund			
Volume of collateral received (absolute)	1 560 138.66			
	12. Reinvested collateral in % of co	llateral received, based on all SFTs a	nd total return swaps	
Share			-	
	13. Custody type of provided collateral from SFTs and total return swaps (In % of all provided collateral from SFTs and total return swaps)			
Segregated cash/ custody accounts	-		-	
Pooled cash/custody accounts	-		-	
Other cash/custody accounts	-		-	
Recipient determines custody type	-		-	

	14. Depositaries/Account holders of received collateral from SFTs and total return swaps			
Total number of depositaries/ account holders	2	-	-	
1. Name	Bank of New York			
Amount held in custody (absolute)	17 312 109.68			
2. Name	State Street Bank			
Amount held in custody	16 320 440.92			
(absolute)				

KPMG issued an unqualified auditor's report for the full annual report in accordance with article 102 of the German Investment Code. The translation of the auditor's report is as follows:

Frankfurt/Main, Germany, December 21, 2018

DWS Investment GmbH, Frankfurt/Main
The Management

Independent auditor's report

To DWS Investment GmbH, Frankfurt/Main

Pursuant to article 102 of the German Investment Code (Kapitalanlagegesetzbuch; KAGB), DWS Investment GmbH commissioned us to audit the annual report of the investment fund DWS Smart Industrial Technologies for the fiscal year from October 1, 2017, through September 30, 2018.

Responsibility of the legal representatives

The preparation of the annual report according to the provisions of the KAGB is the responsibility of the legal representatives of the asset management company.

Responsibility of the independent auditor

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the annual report based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with article 102 KAGB and generally accepted German standards for the audit of financial statements promulgated by the Institut der Wirtschaftsprüfer (Institute of Public Auditors in Germany; IDW). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit such that misstatements materially affecting the annual report are detected with reasonable assurance. Knowledge of the management of the investment fund and expectations as to possible misstatements are taken into account in the determination of audit procedures. The effectiveness of the accounting-related internal control system and the validity of the information found in the annual report are examined primarily on a test basis within the framework of the audit. The audit includes assessing the accounting principles used for the annual report and significant estimates made by the legal representatives of the asset management company. In our view, our audit provides a reasonably secure basis for our assessment.

Audit opinion

In our opinion, based on the findings of our audit, the annual report for the fiscal year from October 1, 2017, through September 30, 2018, complies with the legal requirements.

Frankfurt/Main, Germany, December 21, 2018

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Wirtschaftsprüfungsgesellschaft

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Asset Management Company

DWS Investment GmbH 60612 Frankfurt/Main, Germany Liable equity capital as of December 31, 2017: EUR 183.2 million Subscribed and paid-in capital as of December 31, 2017: EUR 115 million

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Depositary

State Street Bank International GmbH Brienner Straße 59 80333 München, Germany Own funds after approval of the annual financial statements on December 31, 2017: EUR 2,226.3 million Subscribed and paid-in capital as of December 31, 2017: EUR 109.3 million

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