



EUR Class I Acc | ISIN: IE00B55MWC15

NAV per Share

EUR Class I Acc €17.00

Fund Details

Fund Size	€2,829.3 m
Base Currency	GBP
Denominations	GBP/USD/EUR
Fund Structure	UCITS
Domicile	Ireland
Launch Date	16 October 1998
Investment Manager	Polar Capital LLP
SFDR Classification ¹	Article 8

Historic Yield (%)³ **1.81**

Fund Managers



Nick Martin

Lead Fund Manager

Nick joined the team in 2001 and manages the fund. He joined Polar Capital in 2010 and has 27 years of industry experience.



Dominic Evans

Fund Manager

Dominic has managed the fund since 2022, he joined Polar Capital in 2012 and has 17 years of industry experience.

Fund Profile

Investment Objective

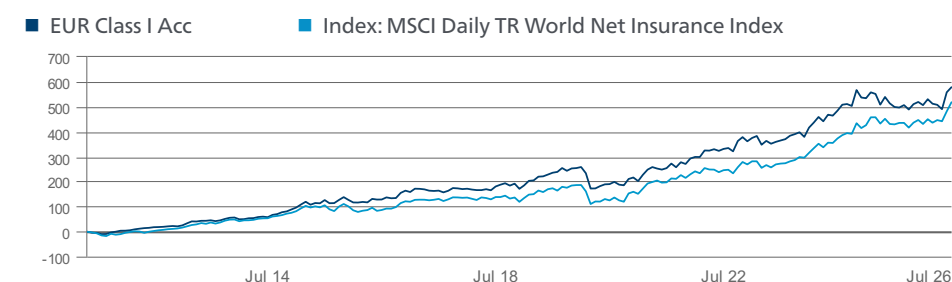
The Fund aims to provide an attractive total return, irrespective of broader economic and financial market conditions, by investing in companies operating within the international insurance sector.

Key Facts

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

Share Class Performance

Performance Since Launch (%)²



	1m	3m	YTD	1yr	3yrs	5yrs	10 yrs	Since Launch	
EUR Class I Acc	3.10	11.62	9.55	13.23	45.87	91.38	196.32	578.67	13.45
Index	6.29	13.08	13.00	16.74	65.90	107.74	230.67	518.53	12.76

Discrete Annual Performance (%)

12 months to	31.07.26	31.07.25	31.07.24	31.07.23	29.07.22
EUR Class I Acc	13.23	2.48	25.70	7.80	21.71
Index	16.74	11.88	27.01	7.62	16.35

Calendar Year Performance (%)

	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
EUR Class I Acc	-2.80	32.86	3.81	17.53	23.97	-10.62	30.57	0.36	2.39	16.28
Index	6.28	29.91	7.29	12.01	26.86	-9.34	30.60	-6.87	6.31	10.12

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Performance for the EUR Class I Acc. The class launched on 27 May 2011. Performance data is shown in EUR. Source: Northern Trust International Fund Administration Services (Ireland) Ltd. Benchmark performance shown in EUR. Source: Bloomberg. If this is not your local currency, exchange rate fluctuations may cause performance to increase or decrease when converted into your local currency. Performance data takes account of fees paid by the Fund but does not take account of any commissions or costs you may pay to third parties when subscribing for or redeeming shares or any taxes or securities account charges that you may pay on your investment in the Fund. Such charges will reduce the performance of your investment. A 5% subscription fee can be charged at the Investment Managers discretion.

1. Refers to the EU Sustainable Finance Disclosure Regulation

2. Hiscox Insurance Portfolio Fund launched 16 October 1998, and was merged into the Polar Capital Global Insurance Fund on 27 May 2011. Whilst the investment management team and strategy are identical, not all terms are consistent, including fees. Please refer to the Fund Prospectus for details of the Polar Capital Global Insurance Fund. Prior to the amalgamation of both funds, the benchmark was the Datastream World Insurance Index (£). The benchmark was changed at the launch of the Polar Capital Global Insurance Fund to the MSCI Daily TR World Net Insurance Index which is the benchmark upon which performance fees are calculated.

3. Historic yield is based on a NAV per share of €11.76 and income of €0.2126 per unit paid in the last 12 months, based on EUR Institutional distribution units. **WARNING: Investors should note that historic yield does not measure the overall performance of a fund. It is possible for a fund to lose money overall but to have a positive historic yield. Historic yield cannot be considered as being similar to the interest rate an investor would earn on a savings account.**

Fund Ratings



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Portfolio Exposure

As at 31 July 2026

Top 10 Positions (%)

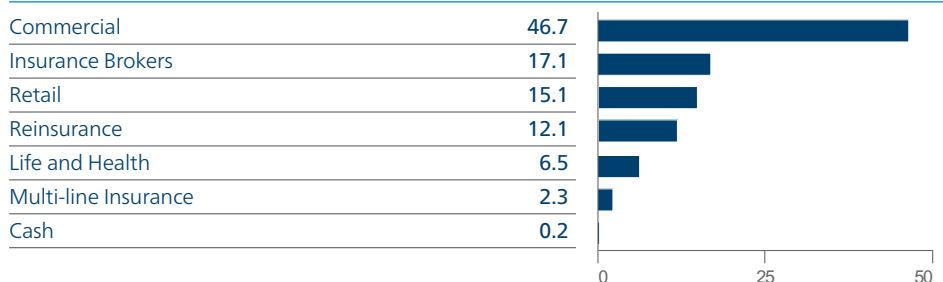
Arch Capital	9.1
RenaissanceRe Holdings	8.7
Marsh	7.6
Chubb	6.8
WR Berkley	4.7
Essent Group	4.7
Markel	4.5
The Travelers Cos	4.5
Intact Financial Corp	4.2
Ryan Specialty Group Holdings	4.0

Total **58.7**
Total Number of Positions **30**
Active Share **75.35%**

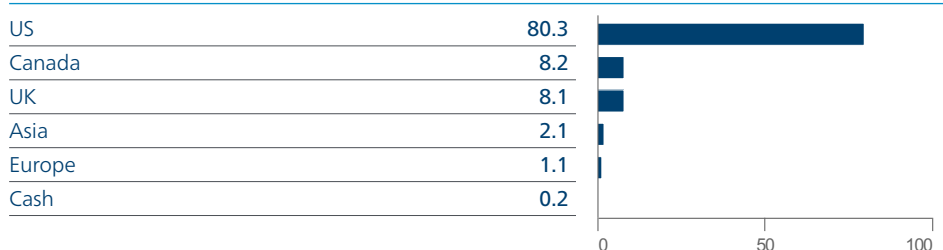
Market Capitalisation Exposure (%)

Large Cap (>\$20bn)	57.4
Mid Cap (\$5bn - \$20bn)	31.5
Small Cap (<\$5bn)	11.1

Sector Exposure (%)



Geographic Exposure by Listing (%)



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

Share Class Information

Share Class	Bloomberg	ISIN	SEDOL	Minimum Investment	OCF [†]	Ann. Fee	Perf. Fee ^{††}
USD R Acc	PCFIRUA ID	IE00B5164B09	B5164B0	-	1.31%	1.25%	10%
USD R Dist	PCFIRUD ID	IE00B4X9QT28	B4X9QT2	-	1.31%	1.25%	10%
GBP R Acc	PCFIRGA ID	IE00B4X2MP98	B4X2MP9	-	1.31%	1.25%	10%
GBP R Dist	PCFIRGD ID	IE00B51X0H96	B51X0H9	-	1.31%	1.25%	10%
EUR R Acc	PCFIREA ID	IE00B52VLZ70	B52VLZ7	-	1.31%	1.25%	10%
EUR R Dist	PCFIRED ID	IE00B547TM68	B547TM6	-	1.31%	1.25%	10%
USD I Acc	PCFIUA ID	IE00B4Y53217	B4Y5321	-	0.81%	0.75%	10%
USD I Dist	PCFIUD ID	IE00B503VV16	B503VV1	-	0.81%	0.75%	10%
GBP I Acc	PCFIIGA ID	IE00B5339C57	B5339C5	-	0.81%	0.75%	10%
GBP I Dist	PCFIIGD ID	IE00B530JS22	B530JS2	-	0.81%	0.75%	10%
EUR I Acc	PCFIEA ID	IE00B55MWC15	B55MWC1	-	0.81%	0.75%	10%
EUR I Dist	PCFIED ID	IE00B4V4LB63	B4V4LB6	-	0.81%	0.75%	10%
USD I Acc Hdg	PCGIHU ID	IE00BD3BW042	BD3BW04	-	0.81%	0.75%	10%
EUR I Acc Hdg	PCGIHE ID	IE00BD3BW158	BD3BW15	-	0.81%	0.75%	10%
Port Hdg GBP I Dist	POLRCPU ID	IE000E6SKV30	BPOVMM3	-	0.81%	0.75%	10%
Port Hdg EUR I Acc	PLRGIER ID	IE0001HWFG02	BPCJJ24	-	0.81%	0.75%	10%
Port Hdg CHF I Acc	PLRCAPT ID	IE0000B2CIJ5	BPOVML2	-	0.81%	0.75%	10%
GBP RA Dist*	SNGIHPI ID	IE00B5NH4W20	B5NH4W2	-	1.31%	1.25%	N/A
GBP RB Acc*	SNGIHPA ID	IE00B63V4760	B63V476	-	1.31%	1.25%	N/A
GBP I Dist (E)*	HISIPFI ID	IE00B4XZ9Q84	B4XZ9Q8	USD 1m	0.81%	0.75%	N/A
GBP I Acc (F)*	HISIPFA ID	IE00B61MW553	B61MW55	USD 1m	0.81%	0.75%	N/A

*These share classes are closed to new investors.

[†]Ongoing Charges Figure (OCF) is the latest available, as per the date of this factsheet. The Ongoing Charges Figure is based upon the expenses incurred by the Fund for the previous 12 month period. The OCF incorporates the Annual Fee charged by the Fund.

^{††}Performance Fee 10% of outperformance of MSCI Daily Net TR World Insurance Index.

Fund Managers' Comments

In July, the Fund (GBP R Acc Share Class) returned 2.3% versus 5.5% for the MSCI World Insurance Daily Net Total Return Index benchmark, -1.1% for the MSCI World Daily Net Total Return Index, 3.7% for the FTSE All Share Total Return Index and -1.7% for the S&P 500 Total Return Index (all figures in sterling terms).

Year to date, the Fund (GBP R Acc Share Class) returned 6.9% versus 10.6% for the MSCI World Insurance Daily Net Total Return Index benchmark, 10.2% for the MSCI World Daily Net Total Return Index, 11.2% for the FTSE All Share Total Return Index and 10.0% for the S&P 500 Total Return Index (all figures in sterling terms).

Elevated share buybacks and M&A continue

Second quarter results to date have been in line with our expectations with underwriting markets showing a continuation of recent trends. Prospective returns on our holdings' investment portfolios have stepped up following the rise in short-term bond yields this year, which will boost earnings power going forward.

Capital management remains a key theme and, as we have discussed in previous factsheets, share repurchase activity has been accelerating. We saw c2% of outstanding shares being repurchased for Fund companies again in 2Q26 following a similar level in 4Q25 and 1Q26. Our management teams, armed with strong balance sheets and a more muted premium growth opportunity, have not been idle in taking advantage of attractive valuations. The second quarter included over \$1bn worth of buybacks at Arch Capital, Fairfax Financial Holdings and Travelers. In the past 12 months these companies have repurchased 10.1%, 8.8% and 8.2% of their 30 June 2025 outstanding shares respectively.

In addition, industry M&A continues. On 3 August it was announced that Bowhead Specialty Holdings, a company we have owned since its IPO in May 2024 is being acquired by American Family in a \$1.2bn all-cash transaction valuing the company at c240% of book. This is a similar price to book multiple that was paid for our holding in Beazley earlier this year. For context, we estimate the Fund price to book at the end of July was c165%.

A deeper dive into our insurance broker holdings

2020-2024 were one of the strongest periods of organic growth in history for the insurance broker universe, but last year saw the pace of sector organic growth slow. A hard property casualty insurance pricing cycle, rising insured values and payrolls, medical and claims inflation, and growing demand for advice around increasingly complex risks drove organic growth into the high-single to low-double digits. Recent property pricing weakness is contributing to the normalisation of broker revenue growth, returning the sector back towards a low to mid-single digits range that has been much more typical for the sector historically. However, importantly this level of organic growth has still been sufficient to deliver double-digit adjusted earnings per share growth over time.

The position of individual brokers within the sector's organic growth range is partly determined by business mix. For instance, commission-led US middle-market brokers, such as Brown & Brown, are more sensitive to changes in premium rates, while larger brokers such as Marsh and Aon have greater exposure to fee-based advisory and consulting revenues. Ryan Specialty Group Holdings (Ryan Specialty), by contrast, benefits from the continued migration of complex risks into the specialty excess and surplus lines ("E&S") and delegated-authority markets where they specialise.

Earnings growth is also supported by ongoing M&A. There was significant activity in 2024 and 2025 with several very large transactions taking place across almost all the major brokers. Marsh bought McGriff (\$7.75bn), Aon bought NFP (\$13bn), Brown & Brown acquired

Accession (\$10bn), AJ Gallagher bought Assured Partners (\$13.5bn) and Ryan Specialty acquired US Assure (\$1.5bn).

The Fund's broker weighting stood at the bottom of its normal 10-15% range at the end of 2025, given we saw more value in the underwriters where we saw a clearer opportunity to compound book value at mid-teens or better rates. We thought the brokers might see some relative share price weakness versus our underwriters as organic growth moderated, but the de-rating we saw in the first five months of this year was significantly more than we had expected. This was compounded by enthusiasm around technology stocks and concerns that artificial intelligence could disintermediate traditional brokers. We addressed this important topic in a separate note for clients, and we continue to believe that such concerns are significantly overdone in the large, complex and specialty broking space where we invest. These businesses depend on relationships, advice, market access, claims advocacy and the structuring of bespoke risks. We also think that AI has great potential to improve broker productivity and margins over time as well as generate new revenues by harnessing their proprietary data and analytics to create more meaningful insights for clients which should help grow the pool of insurable risk.

The share price weakness earlier this year provided an attractive opportunity for us to add materially to Fund holdings Marsh, Ryan Specialty and Brown & Brown during the first and early second quarter, taking the Fund's broker exposure back towards the top of its 10-15% normal range. On our estimates, valuations had fallen towards approximately 10-12x EBITDA and 7-9% free-cash-flow yields which are levels that appeared to discount a far more severe operating downturn than the normalisation in outlook that we believe we are facing. Valuations, by contrast, were close to those last seen in the challenging 2008/09 period when organic revenues turned modestly negative for almost a two-year period given the challenging economic and deflationary backdrop post the financial crisis before recovering in the second half of 2010.

Second quarter results support this thesis. Marsh, the world's largest insurance broker, delivered 5% organic growth, with strong consulting and resilient primary brokerage reporting 4% organic growth offsetting a 2% decline at Guy Carpenter (reinsurance brokerage) as catastrophe reinsurance pricing weakened during the significant mid-year renewals. Despite this, margins declined only modestly as weakness in higher margin areas such as reinsurance was offset elsewhere. In addition, management raised free-cash-flow deployment guidance by 10% to \$5.5bn and highlighted that they continue to expect stronger second-half performance for adjusted earnings growth.

Brown & Brown's 2Q26 results were more mixed, reflecting its greater exposure to US middle-market commission revenues, softer property pricing and competition for talent. While organic growth remained slightly negative in the quarter reflecting several idiosyncratic factors, the company's Retail division showed encouraging underlying progress. Management provided well received second half organic growth guidance of 1.5-2.5% for their Retail division and 2-4% in Specialty before the growing benefit of contingent commissions (these revenues that are dependent on the profitability of the business that Brown & Brown places and are typically included by peers in organic growth disclosures). This contrasts with the consistent mid to high single digit organic declines seen in the 2008 to 2010 period. Synergies from the acquisition of Accession also continue to support margins along with the increasing weighting of higher margin Specialty programs revenues to the overall group result.

In the more complex risk end of the market, Ryan Specialty generated 8.9% organic growth in the first half, only modestly below the prior year, while growing adjusted EPS by 15% and improving its full-year

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margin outlook despite continued investment through its Empower programme. Ryan Specialty's performance continues to highlight the structural attraction of specialty distribution, where risk complexity and growing E&S lines market penetration remain supportive despite a more mixed insurance market backdrop with strength in casualty offset by some of the negative impact from property pricing declines discussed previously. Management presented a strong case during their 2Q26 call for the strength of the platform and the levers at their disposal to deliver sustained outperformance through the cycle.

Capital management actions have also been accelerating. With private market sellers reluctant to accept the sector's lower public-market multiples, acquisition opportunities have been reduced and listed companies have redirected more free cash flow towards their own shares. Brown & Brown, for instance, repurchased \$500m in the first half of this year compared to no shares in the first half of 2025, Ryan Specialty bought approximately \$300m having started its first ever repurchase programme in 1Q26 while Marsh bought \$1.5bn. We believe repurchases at these depressed valuations are highly accretive and will help sustain EPS growth into 2027 and beyond.

A strong investment case for the insurance brokers does not require a return to the exceptional organic growth achieved between 2020 and 2024 or support from accretive acquisitions that we have become used to as the sector has continued to consolidate. Low to mid-single

digit organic growth, restructuring savings, acquisition synergies and productivity improvements when combined with meaningful share repurchases and dividend growth should continue to support attractive EPS and total shareholder return in the short to medium term. Given that much of the organic growth slowdown has been already reflected in valuations, we believe the opportunity ahead for our holdings in the insurance brokers, as demonstrated in the second quarter earnings, has become considerably more favourable and we expect to maintain our overall weighting at the top end of the range for the foreseeable future.

Outlook

It is difficult for us to come up with a period in the Fund's near 28-year history where such a significant proportion of the Fund companies are taking aggressive share repurchase actions. We believe the earnings outlook for our companies remains excellent supported by higher bond yields and strong prospective underwriting profitability. We welcome our management teams taking advantage of the continued depressed valuations.

Nick Martin & Dominic Evans

6 August 2026

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