# **JK Global Opportunities Fund**

## November 2015

The Fund rose +1.40% in November (GBP Class, Net of Fees).

Global equity markets were mixed during the month, with the US flat, Japan and Europe up a bit, and Asia ex-Japan down -2.7%.

There were a number of interesting developments during the month, one of which was the IMF's decision (just confirmed) to add the Chinese yuan to the SDR basket. We believe this to be a major positive as it will make it harder to reverse existing reforms and will accelerate further pro-market policy shifts. It will further accelerate the opening of its capital account, at least in part to facilitate the desire of foreign central bankers/institutions to hold more yuan assets, and will probably result in a gradual depreciation of the yuan. We have a bullish medium-term outlook for Chinese equities and maintain a small short position in the yuan.

The other major development is the expected divergence in monetary policy between the FED (tightening), and the ECB (loosening), the first time this has happened in 20 years. Whilst this has been priced-in to a fair degree, we still believe there is risk to the EURO, despite the lack of forward looking guidance from the ECB today, and remain bullish on the US Dollar in general.

We continue to believe an inflection point of sorts is looming for global bond markets. There are clear signs of wage growth coming through in the global economy, and the base effects from lower oil prices will reduce at a time when service sector inflation is picking-up. Furthermore, quantitative tightening could be a major story next year as EM/Middle Eastern central banks need to sell more of their holdings of treasuries and other global bonds, the US starts tightening, and concerns start to build about how other central banks (the ECB and BOJ) deal with their potential QE exit. Whilst we fully appreciate (and have been big advocates of) the concept of the global savings glut and its tendency to keep interest rates at low levels, we just feel that despite this there is room for an interest rate shock from what are, ridiculously low levels. We are reinstating our short JGB positions as a result of these concerns, and will look for selective opportunities elsewhere to short duration.

Any major change in interest rate trends would have a major impact on a variety of financial assets. The global investor universe is long the QE trade. In particular, low beta, higher yield equities which have been flavour of the month for many years now would likely see significant falls, as would a variety of other 'bond proxy' equities that have benefitted hugely from QE. QE has driven the growth/value relationship in equity markets to extreme levels, and one can only assume that this would reverse violently if rates rise meaningfully. Given the huge flow of funds into income funds, and the resultant major revaluation of this type of equity, we can only surmise that the fallout will be significant. Caveat emptor.

Within the Fund we have been adding to our Chinese equity holdings into weakness, reducing our Japanese equity exposures, shorting bond markets (principally JGB's), maintaining long positions in Korean preference shares, whilst 'nibbling' at some gold shares and selected cyclicals. All of which is fairly non-consensus. Whilst we are not that bearish on risk assets, we do feel that there is enormous

'clustering' of exposures into the areas alluded to above, and therefore need to look elsewhere for opportunities.

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GBP Class (%)													
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Ytd
2015	+1.87	+3.87	+0.24	+2.11	+3.89	-4.65	-0.16	-8.20	-6.51	+6.29	+1.40		-0.93
2014	-4.02	-1.96	-0.93	-4.69	+0.89	+1.90	+0.06	-1.61	+2.02	+0.09	+7.77	-2.86	-3.86
2013	+6.18	-1.23	+3.52	+8.65	-2.79	-2.93	+3.05	-0.77	+6.43	+0.96	+4.15	+3.23	+31.51
2012	+2.43	+4.74	-0.62	-1.98	-1.54	-0.84	+0.73	+1.49	-0.54	-1.21	+1.25	+4.75	+8.68
2011	-0.92	-0.19	-1.13	+0.80	-2.89	-1.55	-1.43	-1.14	-3.60	+0.94	-2.67	+0.37	-12.71
2010	+0.83	+0.90	+3.77	+1.93	-4.44	+1.69	+0.70	+0.87	+0.02	+1.38	-0.88	+1.74	+8.62
2009				+1.73	+10.1	+2.66	+5.01	+1.23	+1.25	+1.57	-1.14	+3.32	+28.40

USD Class (%)													
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Ytd
2015	+1.95	+3.92	+0.28	+2.17	+3.81	-4.75	-0.15	-8.28	-6.48	+6.34	+1.36		-0.92
2014	-4.07	-1.88	-0.95	-4.73	+0.85	+1.92	+0.05	-1.59	+1.97	+0.18	+7.70	-2.84	-3.91
2013	+6.06	-1.22	+3.54	+8.83	-2.63	-3.09	+3.02	-0.86	+6.57	+1.00	+4.52	+3.38	+32.33
2012	+2.43	+4.80	-0.65	-2.03	-1.50	-0.87	+0.72	+1.52	-0.56	-1.22	+1.23	+4.79	+8.72
2011	-0.95	-0.20	-1.13	+0.82	-2.88	-1.55	-1.50	-1.17	-3.51	+0.94	-2.63	+0.34	-12.73
2010	+0.81	+0.84	+3.74	+1.92	-3.95	+1.76	+0.74	+0.87	+0.01	+1.39	-0.88	+1.72	+9.13
2009	-2.51	+0.03	+3.13	+2.13	+13.8	+3.42	+6.08	+1.06	+0.99	+1.58	-1.10	+3.14	+35.61
2008	-1.76	-0.01	-0.50	+1.22	-1.15	-4.74	-1.58	-1.00	-1.93	-0.05	-0.44	+2.83	-8.92
2007	+2.01	-1.34	-2.35	-0.81	+1.63	+4.04	+0.41	-6.10	+0.14	-1.38	-3.97	-3.74	-11.27
2006	+0.13	-3.78	+3.72	-2.27	-3.75	+1.57	-4.58	+3.13	-0.84	+2.73	-1.03	+1.61	-3.75
2005	-0.75	+1.04	+0.36	-0.65	-1.05	+0.90	+2.01	+1.99	+9.65	+4.55	+7.71	+9.41	+40.31
2004	+0.82	+2.03	+6.57	+0.16	-2.15	+1.61	-1.66	-0.96	-0.48	-0.78	-0.27	+2.18	+6.98
2003											+0.01	+0.39	+0.40

Yen Class (%)													
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	Мау	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Ytd
2015	+1.96	+3.85	+0.29	+2.08	+3.93	-4.77	-0.19	-8.07	-6.54	+6.33	+1.42		-0.79
2014	-4.10	-1.86	-0.96	-4.74	+0.82	+1.90	+0.03	-1.61	+2.03	+0.51	+7.92	-2.93	-3.53
2013	+6.31	-1.17	+3.49	+9.16	-2.78	-3.02	+2.98	-0.88	+6.62	+0.99	+4.61	+3.52	+33.21
2012	+2.35	+5.36	-0.68	-2.00	-1.50	-0.92	+0.66	+1.49	-0.58	-1.26	+1.24	+4.98	+9.18
2011	-0.99	-0.21	-1.17	+0.78	-2.91	-1.54	-1.47	-1.21	-3.52	+0.90	-2.67	+0.25	-13.02
2010	+0.76	+0.82	+3.93	+1.90	-3.62	+1.67	+0.68	+0.83	-0.02	+1.32	-0.92	+1.62	+9.17
2009	-0.44	+2.14	+2.41	+3.29	+17.6	+5.35	+2.75	+1.22	+1.17	+1.98	-1.32	+3.85	+46.57
2008	-1.92	-0.22	-0.69	+1.09	-1.31	-4.88	-1.77	-1.32	-1.87	-1.00	-0.86	+2.31	-11.89
2007	+1.64	-1.67	-2.71	-1.19	+1.26	+3.72	-0.03	-6.09	-0.28	-1.75	-4.16	-4.10	-14.68
2006	-0.31	-4.10	+3.40	-2.55	-4.13	+1.21	-5.00	+2.76	-1.23	+2.29	-1.43	+1.25	-7.99
2005	-0.94	+0.93	+0.20	-0.96	-1.36	+0.67	+2.08	+1.71	+9.66	+4.45	+7.66	+8.98	+37.47
2004	+0.74	+2.04	+6.20	+0.45	-2.20	+1.52	-1.82	-1.04	-0.61	-0.88	-0.40	+2.01	+5.88
2003											-0.06	+0.31	+0.25

All data is Net of management and performance fees. Fund was launched on November 3<sup>rd</sup> 2003. GBP Class launched 1st April 2009. Mandate broadened to Asia Inc Japan and Name of Fund changed April 1<sup>st</sup> 2009. Please note that performance from 1st April 2009 to 30th August 2013 is for the JK Absolute Return Fund. This Fund re-domiciled from Cayman to Ireland becoming an Irish UCITS on 30th August 2013 and changed its name to The JK Global Opportunities Fund. Management and performance fees have also been reduced from this date (see Prospectus in for details). Historic performance is not a guide to future returns. Source: GSAS, IFS, State Street Dublin.

NAV as at 30-Nov-15						
GBP class	165.71					
USD class	207.37					
Yen class	19,554.18					

Source: State Street (Services) Ireland Ltd.

Asset Type as at above date (market exposure % of Total NAV)							
	Long	Short					
Level 1	76	-28					
Level 2	45	0					
Level 3	0	0					
Total	120	-28					

Source: JK Investment Management LLP.

For more information on the Fund, please see www.jkim.co.uk

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