

JK Global Opportunities Fund

December 2016

The Fund fell -1.92% in December (GBP Class, Net of Fees), leaving the Fund up +3.50% for the year.

In terms of attribution for 2016, the main positive contributions came from the tactical currency book; gold and resource equities; Vietnamese and U.K. equities (driven by the Fund's holding in ARM Holdings); and the bond book. Negative contributions derived from the China, Japan, and Korean equity books (all fairly small).

More generally, 2016 was a challenging year for investors, with global equities delivering low nominal returns, with bonds fairly flat. This is in line with our view on theoretical long-run returns, which we expect to be in the low single digits, given current inflated prices.

The year started poorly, with big moves in bonds, commodities (in particular oil) and equities signalling a growing risk of recession, deflation, and financial contagion. By the end of the year, courtesy in part to Mr Trump, sentiment had turned 180 degrees, with economic optimism, rising bond yields, and rallying equity markets the order of the day.

During the year there were two major political events, Brexit and the U.S. election. Brexit in our view was the more straightforward of the two from a financial market perspective, although we were surprised at the speed of the rebound in risk assets post result. The election of Trump, and the subsequent second order financial market impacts were more surprising. Whilst we had felt at the time that the market was mispricing the risk of a Trump victory, we completely misjudged the financial market reaction to his election. We had expected a far more cautious response, and had considerably reduced risk exposures as a result.

Heading into 2017, the investment outlook is one that might well prove more exciting for the macro investor than it has for many years, as central bank(s) influence on asset prices dwindles. Essentially, the 'elephant in the room' that simply sought to drive interest rates and bond yields down to zero, is played out. This policy has left bond markets massively over-valued, and distorted valuations of many financial assets. Furthermore, fiscal expansion seems to us to more likely to generate inflation than real growth. As prices adjust, and Dollar liquidity tightens, we would expect to see some major moves in asset classes. We have noted before how investors have thrown liquidity at 'bond proxies' and yield, at the expense of cyclical, financial, and 'value' counters, and how yields have been 'chased' in higher risk areas such as emerging markets. We have also noted how global finance is more dollarized today than at any time in history, and how debt levels also continue to rise. This is a heady cocktail of risk for financial markets and economies.

As a result of this, the Fund continues to run a conservative policy. Cash levels are high as we want the optionality to exploit market dislocations. We remain short of global bond markets, and remain active in currencies on a tactical basis. Strategically we like the Dollar, but are aware that this is a strong consensus view right now. Within equities we are focusing our attention on counters that we believe will be of interest to a potential acquirer, such as Imperial Tobacco, and have increased exposures to the U.S.

Value is beginning to emerge in Europe, with some interesting restructuring stories such as Hugo Boss AG. Asia presents more of a conundrum, and until Trump's actual policies become clearer we will remain side-lined despite some decent value. We have reduced Japan exposures and cut the YEN hedge given that the consensus has shifted so much over the last few months.

We wish our investors a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

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NAV as at 31-Dec-16	
GBP class	170.20
USD class	214.59
Yen class	20,039.72

Source: State Street (Services) Ireland Ltd.

Asset Type as at above date (market exposure % of Total NAV)		
	Long	Short
Level 1	72	-58
Level 2	11	0
Level 3	0	0
Total	82	-58

Source: JK Investment Management LLP.

All data is Net of management and performance fees. Fund was launched on November 3rd 2003. GBP Class launched 1st April 2009.

Mandate broadened to Asia Inc Japan and Name of Fund changed April 1st 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.

GBP Class (%)													
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Ytd
2016	-5.68	+0.15	+6.37	-0.85	+0.92	-1.35	+3.67	-0.87	+1.49	+1.80	+0.20	-1.92	+3.50
2015	+1.87	+3.87	+0.24	+2.11	+3.89	-4.65	-0.16	-8.20	-6.51	+6.29	+1.40	-0.77	-1.69
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
2016	-5.53	+0.16	+6.52	-0.81	+0.93	-1.32	+3.74	-0.81	+1.53	+1.86	+0.22	-1.82	+4.26
2015	+1.95	+3.92	+0.28	+2.17	+3.81	-4.75	-0.15	-8.28	-6.48	+6.34	+1.36	-0.74	-1.65
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	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Ytd
2016	-5.47	+0.00	+6.50	-0.83	+0.89	-1.40	+3.87	-0.93	+1.38	+1.74	+0.07	-2.01	+3.36
2015	+1.96	+3.85	+0.29	+2.08	+3.93	-4.77	-0.19	-8.07	-6.54	+6.33	+1.42	-0.85	-1.63
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
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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

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Administrator for JK Global Opportunities Fund

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