



# **Montanaro European Smaller Companies Trust**

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#### **Fund Objective**

To achieve capital growth by investing principally in Continental European quoted smaller companies. The Company's benchmark index is the MSCI Europe SmallCap (ex UK) Index (in sterling terms).

#### **Key Information**

Fund Launch 04/09/2006‡

Legal Status UK Investment Trust

Listing London Stock Exchange

Dividend Dates January and July/August

 Price
 136.6p

 NAV⁺
 153.6p

 Discount
 -11%

#### **Performance**

Rolling Returns (	£)								
	YTD	1M	3M	6M	12M	3Y	5Y	10Y	Launch
Trust (Price)	1.0%	1.0%	16.4%	-2.1%	-21.0%	17.3%	61.7%	188.2%	327.9%
Trust (NAV) <sup>†</sup>	3.3%	3.3%	15.7%	-1.3%	-13.6%	33.3%	64.8%	186.1%	349.3%
Benchmark*	7.1%	7.1%	15.2%	6.3%	-5.5%	20.1%	14.9%	136.8%	181.2%

#### **Fund Facts**

Fund Manager	George Cooke
Backup Fund Manager	Stefan Fischerfeier
Benchmark	MSCI Europe SmallCap xUK
Net Assets	£291 million
Gross Assets	£303 million
No.of Holdings	49
Median Mkt Cap	£2,041 million

Gearing 4.1%

Annual Returns (£) [Financial Year End - 31 March]

	FYTD	21/22	20/21	19/20	18/19	17/18	16/17	15/16	14/15
Trust (Price)	-18.7%	4.3%	83.0%	-1.1%	11.3%	15.1%	28.7%	4.9%	-4.6%
Trust (NAV) <sup>†</sup>	-10.4%	7.9%	66.1%	-5.3%	12.2%	10.7%	27.7%	11.4%	-3.7%
Benchmark*	-4.4%	2.2%	55.6%	-15.1%	-6.3%	9.9%	25.5%	7.8%	1.5%

### **ESG**

Carbon Intensity	31.5
Water Intensity	1,281.7
Waste Intensity	14.8
Fund ESG Score*	6.31

\*The Fund ESG Score is the weighted average of Montanaro's proprietary company ESG Checklist scores (0-10; 10 is best).

#### **Cumulative Performance Since Inception**



Source: Montanaro, Bloomberg. NAV to NAV, fully diluted.

‡The date Montanaro took over the Trust.

# **Risk & Reward Profile**



These numbers rate how the Fund may perform and the risk of losing some or all of your investment. In general the potential for higher returns also implies a higher level of risk. However, the lowest category (1) does not mean a risk free investment.

This risk rating is based on historical data which may not be a reliable indication of the future risks and rewards of the fund. The risk rating of the fund may change over time.

Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future results. All investments are subject to risk and the value of shares and the income from them can fall as well as rise due to stock market and currency movements. You may not get back as much as you originally invested.

For further information please see the Risk and Reward section of the Key Investor Information Document (KID).

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<sup>\*</sup> Effective June 1st 2009 the index used in this factsheet for comparison purposes is the MSCI European Smaller Companies Index ex-UK (Capital Return). The performance history prior to June 1st 2009 was the MSCI European Smaller Companies Index (Capital Return).

<sup>†</sup> NAV excludes income.

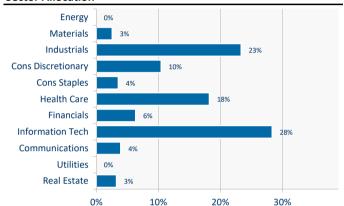
Top 10 Holdings	
NCAB	5.6%
MTU Aero Engines	4.7%
CTS Eventim	3.9%
Melexis	3.7%
IMCD	3.6%
Kitron	3.6%
Brunello Cucinelli	3.3%
Sartorius Stedim Biotech	3.2%
VZ	3.2%
Tecan	3.1%
	38.0%

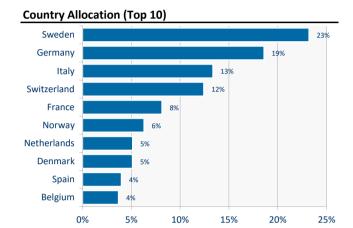
Fund	Index
2.9%	
1.13	1.00
27.6%	21.7%
0.37	0.3
13.2%	
0.32	
93.4%	
	2.9% 1.13 27.6% 0.37 13.2% 0.32

Note: risk statistics over three years

EPS Growth 23F	7.5%
Dividend Yield 23F	1.8%
Dividend Growth 23F	2.6%
Return on Equity 23F	15.4%
EV/EBITDA 23F	19.9
EBIT Margin 23F	21.1%
Net Debt/Equity 23F	1.1%

### **Sector Allocation**





# **Share Information**

Currency	Ticker	ISIN	SEDOL	Launch	Price	NAV	Discount	Ongoing Charge	Annual AMC	Perf Fee	High Water Mark	SRRI
Sterling	MTE LN	GB00BM8H3X05	вм8Н3Х0	04/09/2006‡	136.6p	153.6p	-11%	1.1%*	0.90%	N/A	N/A	5

<sup>\*</sup>The costs of buying and selling investments are excluded, as are interest costs, taxation, non-recurring costs and the costs of buying back or issuing Ordinary shares.

‡The date Montanaro took over the Trust.



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