

JPMorgan Russian Securities plc

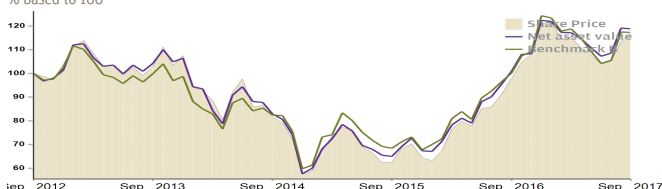
Monthly Update as at 30 September 2017

Management Commentary

The trust performed in line with the index in September. The market outperformed the broader asset class, aided by a strong oil price and positive macroeconomic data. Exposure to the energy sector added to relative returns, most notably our off-benchmark exposure to Nostrum Oil & Gas, a Kazakhstani exploration and production company. The stock rose sharply, on the back of strong 1H17 numbers; this is mainly attributed to the improvement in the oil price. In the financials sector, our lack of exposure to VTB contributed: the stock was hurt by disappointing quarterly earnings that fell short on loan intakes and margins. Due to capital allocation concerns, we prefer the quality and market leadership of Sberbank. In terms of detractors, our off-benchmark exposure to MD Medical Group Holdings, a private healthcare provider for women and children, proved to be a drag on relative performance. The stock has been negatively impacted as the first half of 2017 saw a dip in the number of births in Moscow. Despite these short-term headwinds we expect this company to continue to grow. In Russia, firming oil prices and steady rate cuts are supporting a recovery in absolute and relative performance of Russian equities. We have been waiting for this recovery for some time and believe there is ample room for this market to reclaim the leadership position in the region.

CUMULATIVE PERFORMANCE ENDING SEPTEMBER 2017

% based to 100



QUARTERLY ROLLING 12M ENDING SEPTEMBER 2017

%	2016/17	2015/16	2014/15	2013/14	2012/13
Share Price	19.0	56.6	-23.5	-20.4	2.9
Net asset value ^C	17.6	55.6	-21.7	-20.5	4.2
Benchmark ^B	17.0	46.4	-17.0	-17.4	-0.2

CUMULATIVE PERFORMANCE AS AT 30 SEPTEMBER 2017

%	1 Y	3 Y	5 Y
Share price	19.0	42.4	16.6
Net asset value ^C	17.6	43.3	18.8
Benchmark ^B	17.0	42.2	17.3

Past performance is not a guide to the future. J.P.Morgan/Morningstar. Net asset value performance data has been calculated on a NAV to NAV (using the cum income NAV with debt at fair) basis, including ongoing charges and any applicable fees, with any income reinvested, in GBP. Please note Benchmark Indices do not include fees or operating expenses and are not available for actual investment.

Overall Morningstar Rating™ (as at 31/10/17) ^A ★ ★ ★
Morningstar Category™ Russia Equity

INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE AND POLICY

The Company aims to provide shareholders with capital growth from investment in a diversified portfolio of investments primarily in quoted Russian companies or other companies which operate principally in Russia. The company may also invest up to 10% of its gross assets in companies that operate or are located in former Soviet Union Republics. The Company has the ability to use borrowing to gear the portfolio within the range of 10% net cash to 15% geared in normal market conditions.

KEY FACTS

Portfolio Manager(s)/Start date	Oleg Biryulyov (2002)
Dividends Paid	March
Benchmark ^B	RTS Index in sterling terms
Company Broker(s)	Numis Securities
Gross assets (as at 30/09/17)	GBP 300.8m
Share price (as at 31/10/17)	491.5p
Net asset value (NAV) (as at 31/10/17) ^C	574.6p
Discount(-)/Premium	-14.5%
Total dividend for last financial year (per share) ^D	14.00p
Financial year-end date	31 October
Prospective Dividend Yield ^E	4.7%
Potential gearing range	-10% to 15%
Actual gearing ^F	-2.1%

COMPANY FEES & EXPENSES

Ongoing charges (comprises): ^G	1.40%
-Annual management fee	1.00% on Total net assets
-Operating & administrative expenses	0.40%
Performance fee	No

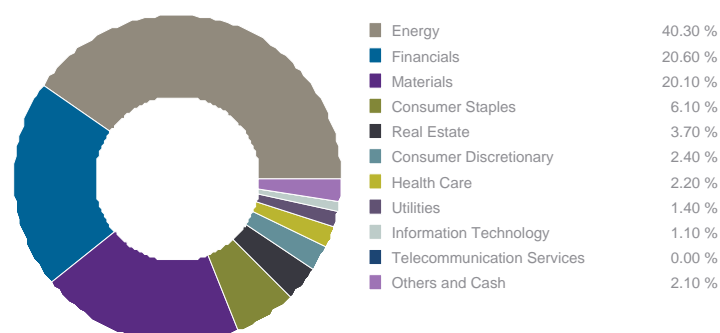
KEY RISKS

The value of investments and the income from them may fall as well as rise and investors may not get back the full amount invested. Please read the Risk Information, Explanatory Notes, Glossary of Terms and Important Information on the next page.

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SECTOR BREAKDOWN AS AT 31 OCTOBER 2017 ^H



The Trust is an actively managed portfolio, holdings, sector weights, allocations and leverage, as applicable are subject to change at the discretion of the Investment Manager without notice.

RISK INFORMATION

- Exchange rate changes may cause the value of underlying overseas investments to go down as well as up.
- Investments in emerging markets may involve a higher element of risk due to political and economic instability and underdeveloped markets and systems. Shares may also be traded less frequently than those on established markets. This means that there may be difficulty in both buying and selling shares and individual share prices may be subject to short-term price fluctuations.
- The fund typically invests in a concentrated portfolio of investments and should a particular investment decline in value, this will have a pronounced effect on the overall value of the fund.
- External factors may cause an entire asset class to decline in value. Prices and values of all shares or all bonds could decline at the same time, or fluctuate in response to the performance of individual companies and general market conditions.
- This trust may utilise gearing (borrowing) which will exaggerate market movements both up and down.
- This trust may also invest in smaller companies which may increase its risk profile.
- The share price may trade at a discount to the Net Asset Value of the company.
- The single market in which the Trust primarily invests, in this case Russia, may be subject to particular political and economic risks and, as a result, the trust may be more volatile than more broadly diversified trusts.

EXPLANATORY NOTES

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^B Prior 01/11/16 the benchmark was MSCI Russian 10/40 Equity Indices Index (£). Prior to 01/11/06 the benchmark was CSFB ROS Index.

^C Cum income only NAV with debt at par, diluted for treasury and/or subscription shares if applicable

^D This includes a special dividend of 4.00p.

^E Source: Morningstar. Prospective dividend yield is indicative and based on mid market prices, and include the declared and net prospective dividends for the current financial year.

^F Gearing represents the excess amount above shareholders' funds of total investments (excluding liquidity fund holdings) expressed as a percentage of the shareholders' funds. If the amount calculated is negative, this is known as a "net cash" position.

^G Ongoing charges are the management fee and all other operating expenses, excluding interest charges on any borrowing and any performance fee payable expressed as a percentage of the average daily net assets during the year. The ongoing charges are an estimate and have been recalculated to reflect the recent change in management fee.

^H Non-Benchmark holdings (where held) are classified in the appropriate sector/region. Cash is net current assets and holdings used as cash substitutes if applicable.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

This factsheet is to provide you summary information about the Company and should not be taken as an advice or recommendation to buy or sell its shares. If you are not sure of suitability of our products for your investment needs, please contact a financial adviser. Please ensure reading important product documentation including Key Features and Terms and Conditions, Investor Disclosure Document and Annual Reports and Accounts.

COMPANY CODES

ISIN	GB0032164732
Sedol	3216473
Bloomberg	JRS LN
Reuters	JRS.L

GLOSSARY OF TERMS

BENCHMARK COMPARISON - Comparison of the Company's performance is made with the benchmark. The benchmark is a recognised index of stocks which should not be taken as wholly representative of the Company's investment universe. The Company's investment strategy does not follow or track this index and therefore there may be a degree of divergence between its performance and that of the Company.

CASH - Net current assets including investment in liquidity funds & treasury stocks (if held) and drawn revolving credit facilities (if any) with an original maturity of less than 1 year.

DISCOUNT / PREMIUM - If the share price of an investment company is lower than the net asset value (NAV) per share, the company is said to be trading at a discount. If the share price of an investment company is higher than the net asset value (NAV) per share, the company is said to be trading at a premium. The discount/premium is shown as a percentage of the NAV.

GEARING - Gearing represents the excess amount above shareholders' funds of total assets expressed as a percentage of the shareholders' funds. Total assets include total investments and net current assets/liabilities less cash/cash equivalents and excluding bank loans of less than one year. If the amount calculated is negative this is known as a 'net cash' position.

SECTOR / GEOGRAPHICAL BREAKDOWNS - These are expressed as a percentage of total portfolio and cash. Investments in liquidity funds will be shown as cash.

TOP 10 HOLDINGS - These are expressed as a percentage of total portfolio and cash. Investments in liquidity funds / treasury stocks will not be shown in the top 10 holdings.