

Monthly roundup | Investment companies

## December 2016

### Winners and losers in November

#### **Best performing funds in price terms in November:**

	(%)		(%)
Dolphin Capital	+33.3	Golden Prospect Precious Metals	-24.9
Polo Resources	+17.5	UIL	-16.9
Lindsell Train	+14.4	Aberdeen Latin American Income	-15.5
Biotech Growth	+12.4	JPMorgan Brazil	-15.4
Alpha Real Trust	+10.9	Green REIT	-15.2
BH Macro (GBP)	+10.8	BlackRock Latin American	-14.0
F&C Commercial Property	+10.1	Pacific Horizon	-14.0
Industrial Multi Property	+9.9	JPMorgan Indian	-12.7
Polar Capital Global Financials	+9.6	India Capital Growth	-12.6
JPMorgan US Smaller Companies	+9.1	Schroder European Real Estate	-12.5

Source: Morningstar, Marten & Co

#### **Worst performing funds in price terms in November:**

	(%)		(%)
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Aberdeen Latin American Income	-15.5	JPMorgan Brazil	-15.4
Green REIT	-15.2	BlackRock Latin American	-14.0
Pacific Horizon	-14.0	JPMorgan Indian	-12.7
India Capital Growth	-12.6	Schroder European Real Estate	-12.5

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#### **Best performing funds in NAV terms in November:**

	(%)		(%)
Kennedy Wilson Europe	+7.4	Golden Prospect Precious Metals	-18.6
Rights & Issues	+7.2	JPMorgan Brazil	-16.2
Jupiter US Smaller Companies	+6.7	BlackRock Latin American	-13.9
Gabelli Value Plus+	+6.5	Candover	-13.6
JPMorgan US Smaller Companies	+6.5	JPMorgan Indian	-13.5
Polar Capital Global Financials	+6.3	Aberdeen Latin American Income	-13.5
International Biotechnology	+6.1	Aseana Properties	-12.1
Chelverton Small Companies Dividend	+6.0	Prospect Japan	-11.6
Biotech Growth	+5.5	India Capital Growth	-10.8
BH Macro (GBP)	+5.4	New India	-10.1

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The best performer was **Dolphin Capital** after it sold one of its properties to Third Point, improving its balance sheet. The big event of the month though was Donald Trump's election. Markets seemed uncertain how to react at first but now seem to have adopted a, possibly illogical, stance that his policies will be good for the US economy while being bad for global trade. Beneficiaries include **BH Macro**, which seems to have been well-positioned for the result, resources companies such as Polo, US focused trusts such as the **Jupiter & JPMorgan US smaller companies** funds and **Gabelli Value Plus+** and US banks, aiding **Polar Capital Global Financials**. Biotech also did well as the threat of pricing controls in that industry receded, benefitting **Biotech Growth** and **International Biotechnology**.

On the downside, an initial flight to safety after the US election result, reversed swiftly. The gold price fell sharply, hitting **Golden Prospect** and **UIL**. Emerging market and Asian funds fell out of favour on fears that Trump might instigate a trade war. Latin American funds were particularly badly affected including **JPMorgan Brazil** and the **BlackRock** and **Aberdeen Latin American** funds. Indian funds also had a tough time but part of this is down to the uncertainty created by the government's abrupt move to withdraw most of India's bank notes from circulation in a bid to curb corruption. Managers think this will be very positive in the long run but in the meantime **India Capital Growth**, **New India** and **JPMorgan Indian** are suffering.

## Significant moves in discounts and premiums

### More expensive relative to NAV (notable changes)

**Lindsell Train**'s premium continues to climb. The premium probably reflects the markets estimate of the undervaluation of the company's stake in its management company. **MedicX** is another trust that trades on a very large premium. Investors are attracted by its high yield and the fact that its rental income could be described a "government-backed". **Aseana** sold one of its remaining investments and Morningstar adjusted its NAV estimate for the company. Morningstar cut its estimate of **Phoenix Spree Deutschland**'s NAV. **F&C Commercial Property** has shrugged off the negative sentiment that hit it at the time of the referendum.

### Cheaper relative to NAV (notable changes)

**Schroder European Real Estate** raised some money in October at a big premium to asset value but, over the course of November, it moved to trading closer to asset value. It has a South African listing, as does **Redefine**, and it may be that South African based investors are selling these funds. The REITs with exposure to Irish property, **Green REIT** and **Kennedy Wilson**, are suffering as the Irish government makes changes to the tax regime for non-resident property investors in Ireland. **Pacific Horizon**'s discount moved back towards the middle of the pack for its peer group. Asian funds were hit by fears of a trade war with the US.

	% discount (-ve) or premium (+ve) 31 Oct (%)		% discount (-ve) or premium (+ve) 30 Nov (%)	
Lindsell Train	+41.1	+66.9	Schroder European Real Estate	+11.2
Aseana Properties	-28.9	-18.5	Green REIT	-8.4
MedicX	+42.5	+51.9	Kennedy Wilson European	-10.6
Phoenix Spree Deutschland	+9.1	+18.5	Pacific Horizon	-4.6
F&C Commercial Property	-6.4	+2.6	Redefine International	+3.1

Source: Morningstar, Marten & Co

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## Money raised and returned in November

### Money raised in November

The big new issue this month and the largest so far in 2016 was **Civitas Social Housing REIT**. This £350m company will invest in housing let to local authorities or housing associations. The list of existing funds raising cash is shorter than it has been but the demand for renewable energy is still buoyant as evidenced by a £147m placing for **Greencoat UK Wind** and £115.3m for **NextEnergy Solar Fund**. The only other one-off issue on the list was **GCP Asset Backed Income**'s placing which raised £15.6m. Looking at funds dipping new stock into the market, **Scottish Mortgage** issued shares worth £22.6m during November. **Finsbury Growth and Income** continued to expand, raking in £20.9m. **Personal Assets** raised £19.6m. **City of London**'s haul was £15.7m. Other funds that expanded by £5m or more included **Fundsmith Emerging Equities** and **Ruffer**,

### Money returned in November

**Kennedy Wilson**'s large buy-back programme marched on with £56.9m worth of shares being repurchased during November. **CVC Credit Partners European Opportunities** bought back 7.1m Euro shares and 39.6m Sterling shares in a tender that settled in November. 8.5m **Marwyn Value Investors** shares worth £12.1m are moving to a new realisation share class but it will be some time before they are paid out in full. Regular repurchasers of stock buying back more than £5m worth of shares included **Mercantile**, **BH Macro** (which just announced a 100% tender offer), **Templeton Emerging Markets** and **VinaLand**.

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### Portfolio Developments

- **NextEnergy Solar** bought a solar plant in Essex
- **EP Global** took off its yen hedge
- **Amedeo Air Four** is buying A380s for Etihad
- **Better Capital** is in talks to sell Gardner Aerospace
- **Hg Capital** invested in fundinfo AG and Evaluate
- **Oakley Capital** upped its investment in Fund III
- **Foresight Solar** bought out the minority stakes in three of its investments



Dolphin Capital sold the Playa Grande golf resort in Dominica

### Property News

- **Empiric Student Property** made some investments in Leicester
- **LondonMetric Property** bought some "last mile" distribution warehouses
- **Hammerson** bought four outlet centres and raised £400m of debt
- **VinaLand** sold project Ceana
- **Trinity Capital** completed some sales
- **Dolphin Capital** sold the Playa Grande golf resort
- **Target Healthcare REIT** bought a care home in Nottinghamshire
- **Highcroft** sold a warehouse in Warwickshire
- **Axa Property** sold its Agnadelo property

### Corporate News

- **BlackRock Income Strategies** and Aberdeen UK Tracker will merge
- **Riverstone Energy** seeks to change its investment policy to accommodate a transaction
- **BH Macro** announces 100% tender amongst other things
- **London & St Lawrence** launched a strategic review
- **UK Mortgages** promised a continuation vote if it doesn't deploy its cash
- **European Real Estate** is exploring ways of accelerating its liquidation
- **CatCo Reinsurance** decided there was no need for it to hold a tender offer
- **M&G High Income** will offer a rollover into JPMorgan Elect
- **Electra** said it would hand back £200m
- **Chelverton Growth** said there was no reason why it was trading on a high premium
- **Fair Oaks** intends to launch a new Master Fund
- **BACIT** will become Syncrona, a life sciences company
- **Sirius Real Estate** secured new bank funding

### Managers & Fees

- **Worldwide Healthcare** amended its fee arrangements
- Tom Buckingham joined the management team at **JPMorgan European**
- **Perpetual Income & Growth** got a new deputy manager



BACIT will become Syncrona, a life sciences company

## Research

We published a note on Aberdeen Frontier Markets – **Long-term growth opportunity?** This examined, in some detail, how this fund goes about generating both capital and income returns for investors from a portfolio that the managers say is less correlated with stock markets in developed countries.

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### Aberdeen Frontier Markets

#### Long term growth opportunity?

Aberdeen Frontier Markets Investment Company (AFMC) offers investors a diversified exposure to the superior growth prospects offered by frontier markets (stock markets that aren't classified as developed or emerging). Its managers believe that weak commodity and energy prices, as well as concerns over Chinese growth, have weighed heavily on this area and the vast majority of investors are now underweight. A valuation

Sector	Global Emerg. Mkts
Ticker	AFMC LN
Base currency	GBP
Price	66.5875p*
NAV	67.75p*
Premium/(discount)	(3.2%)*
Yield estimate**	3.0%

\*Note: as at close 4 Nov. 2016. For current data [click here](#). \*\*Note: based on proposed dividend of 1.25 p/share

Share price and discount  
Time period 30/09/2011 to 02/11/2016

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FTSE All-World Index	-4.0%	21.4%	9.6%	10.2%	14.0%

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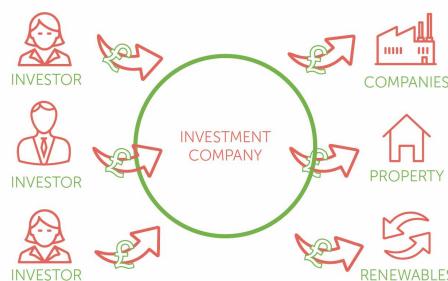
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## Income

### Investment Companies announcing their full year dividends in November

Fund	Year ended	Dividend (pence)	Change over year (%)	Revenue / earnings (pence)	Cover
European Investment Trust	30/09/16	16.0	+14.3	19.0	1.19x
Keystone	30/09/16	53.0+5.3 <sup>a</sup>	+3.9	62.0	1.17x <sup>a</sup>
F&C Capital & Income	30/09/16	10.3	+2.0	11.26	1.09x
Shaftesbury	30/09/16	14.7	+6.9	14.0	0.95x
Troy Income & Growth	30/09/16	2.425	+4.3 <sup>b</sup>	2.59	1.07x
BlackRock Frontier Markets	30/09/16	USc6.6	+0.8	USc6.4	0.97x
Schroder Income Growth	30/09/16	10.6	+2.9	12.08	1.14x
Schroder Oriental Income	31/08/16	8.5	+6.3	9.03	1.06x
Standard Life Equity Income	30/09/16	15.4	+4.8	17.48	1.13x
Henderson Far East Income	31/08/16	20.0	+4.2	21.13	1.06x
British Empire	30/09/16	11.7+2.8 <sup>c</sup>	unchanged	14.32	1.22x <sup>c</sup>
Henderson International Income <sup>d</sup>	31/08/16	4.65	+3.3	6.12	1.32x
Fidelity Special Values	31/08/16	3.7	+10.4	3.39	0.92x

Source: Marten & Co

- a) Keystone is paying a special dividend of 5.3p. The cover ratio relates just to the base dividend.
- b) Troy Income & Growth plans to pay at least 0.625p per quarter for the year ended 30 September 2017.
- c) British Empire is paying a special dividend of 2.8p. the cover ratio relates to the base dividend.
- d) The board intend at least to maintain the quarterly dividend at its new level of 1.2p during the year to 31 August 2017, implying a full year dividend of 4.8p, up 3.2%.

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