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# MOBIUS INVESTMENT TRUST PLC

Active Ownership in Emerging and Frontier Markets

## **Fund Details**

Launch Date: 1st October 2018 AIC Sector: **Emerging Markets Global** Annual Management Fee: 1.0% Ongoing Charges: 1.7% \*\* Year / Half Year: 30 November / 31 May Capital Structure: 105,000,000 Ord Shs Number of Holdings: 30 Total Net Assets (£m): 111.1 Market Capitalisation (£m): 98.4 Gearing (AIC basis): 0.0% Share Price (p): 93.70p Net Asset Value (p): 105.80p (Discount) / Premium: (11.4%)ISIN: GB00BFZ7R980 Sedol: **BFZ7R98** LEE 21380033EKFQS15X1W22 J9AYNU.99999.SL.826 GIIN: Bloomberg: MMIT LN \*\* calculated at the financial year end, includes management fees and

## **Investment Strategy**

Mobius Investment Trust plc's objective is to deliver long-term absolute returns by investing in emerging and frontier market equities. MMIT will identify companies with resilient business models which are undervalued and mispriced. MMIT does not use any benchmark and follows an active investment style by partnering with portfolio companies. This is achieved by engaging with stakeholders to improve corporate governance, set out a broader ESG pathway and act as a catalyst for wider operational and financial improvements.

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# Performance since launch to 30 September 2020\*

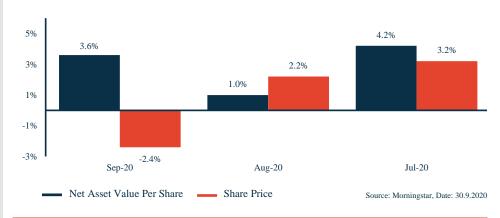


### **Accumulated Performance\***

	1 Month	3 Months	6 Months	YTD	1 Year	Since Launch
Net Asset Value	+3.6%	+9.0%	+38.9%	+10.3%	+15.0%	+8.4%
Share Price	-2.4%	+3.0%	+43.5%	+10.1%	+9.2%	-5.9%

Source: Morningstar, Date: 30.9.2020

## Monthly Performance in GBP\*



#### Sector Breakdown

## Geographical Breakdown



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<sup>\*</sup>Past performance cannot be relied on as a guide to future performance



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#### **Investor Profile**

Mobius Investment Trust plc has no required minimum holding period and is designed for long-term investment (at least five years). MMIT invests in equities and it may therefore be subject to volatility. This requires an elevated risk tolerance.

# **Opportunities**

- Focus on dynamic small and mid-sized companies in many of the fastest growing economies in the world
- Fundamental bottom-up research process identifies resilient business models which are undervalued and mispriced
- Lower ESG standards in emerging and frontier markets offer a unique opportunity for active engagement approach
- + Create value by delivering a clear ESG pathway for our portfolio companies
- + Concentrated portfolio allows a customised engagement strategy for each company

## Risks

- MMIT pursues an active management style.
   Its performance may therefore deviate considerably from that of a comparable market return
- Pronounced fluctuations in price are characteristic of emerging and frontier economies. Other characteristics include specific risks such as lower market transparency, regulatory hurdles, illiquidity of markets as well as political and social challenges
- Investments via Shanghai or Shenzhen Stock Connect are subject to additional risks, quota limitations, custody risk, clearing/settlement risk and counterparty risk
- Focusing intentionally on stocks in small and medium cap companies may entail additional risks (e.g. lower liquidity)

# **Top 10 Positions (% of Net Assets)**

1.	Persistent Systems	9.3%
2.	Apollo Tubes	8.9%
3.	eMemory Technology	7.9%
4.	Yum China	6.1%
5.	Fleury	5.4%
6.	Hugel	4.5%
7.	LEENO Industrial	4.3%
8.	Safaricom	4.3%
9.	Polycab India	4.2%
10.	Mail.Ru	3.9%
Total		58.8%

Source: Frostrow Capital LLP, Date: 30.9.2020

## **Commentary**

September has seen a continuation of the positive performance of the Mobius Investment Trust (NAV) which is up over 40% from the lows in March.

Stock selection in India continues to be an important driver of performance. The top contributors in September were yet again two of our Indian holdings: Persistent Systems which benefits from increased demand for digitalization with its IT-related services contributed 2.9%. Apollo Tubes, the leading branded steel products manufacturer in India, contributed 1.9%. This holding is an example of an industrial company that is coping with the Covid-19 situation in India better than its peers – with an optimized cost structure and improved working capital management. The third positive contributor (0.7%) was South Korean Health Care company Hugel, which is expected to receive approval by the Chinese regulator to enter the Chinese Botox market with its products later this year.

The top detractors were B2W (-0.5%), Mail.Ru (-0.4%) and Yum China (-0.3%). All three holdings saw a correction in their share price after strong performance earlier this year.

For updates from the investment manager, including video and blogs, please visit the Mobius Capital Partners website: https://www.mobiuscapitalpartners.com.

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