

Goodbody Asset Management

Goodbody Smaller Companies Fund

- Sector allocation a headwind to relative performance
- Technology holdings underperform on pullback

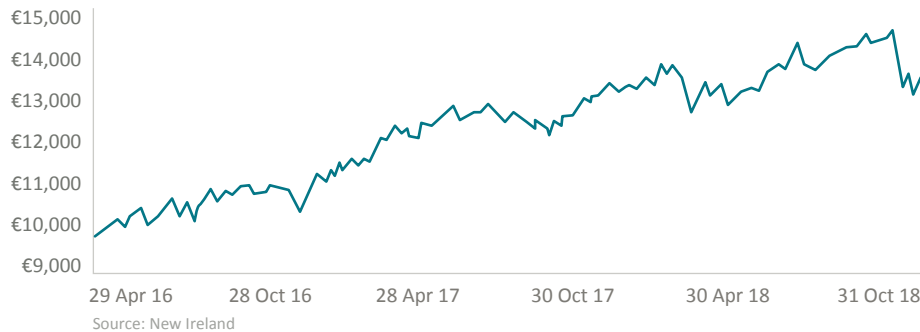
Via New Ireland

Risk rating 1 2 3 4 5 6 7

Fund performance

Global small/midcap equities underperformed large cap in October. Style rotation was a significant trend during the month and growth orientated companies/sectors generally underperformed their more defensive/value orientated counterparts. This meant that sector allocation was the primary headwind to relative performance. The Fund holds no exposure to Real Estate or Consumer Staples, two of the best performing sectors during the month. The Fund’s technology holdings including Cognex and Ansys underperformed the broader market while Healthcare companies Grifols and ResMed outperformed.

Value of €10,000 invested



	1 MTH	3 MTH	YTD	1 YR	Since inception
Goodbody Smaller Companies (Series 6 R)	-7.5%	-4.7%	0.9%	1.1%	39%
Benchmark	-7.1%	-5.7%	0.2%	0.9%	28.8%

Source: New Ireland, Bloomberg

Why consider the Goodbody Smaller Companies Fund?

1. Return enhancement potential

Global small/mid cap equities have historically offered a compelling risk/reward opportunity compared to their large cap counterparts.

2. Diversification benefits

The fund invests in a segment of the equity market that is frequently overlooked and neglected by other investors.

3. Proven smaller company expertise

Our investment team has successfully delivered strong performance in the small/mid cap segment of the equity market over the last 10 years.

Warning: Past performance is not a reliable guide to future performance.

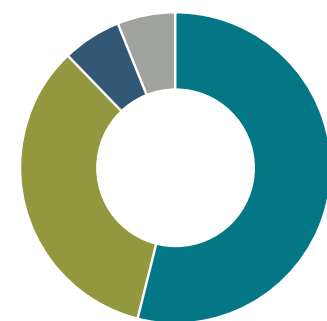
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The **Goodbody Smaller Companies Fund** is an actively managed, concentrated global equity fund that offers investment in a diversified portfolio of 40 small/mid sized growth companies. The fund aims to outperform the MSCI World Small/ Mid cap index by 2 - 3% per annum over the medium to long-term.

Key information

Fund launch date	3 March 2016
Base currency	€
Pricing/Dealing	Daily
Month end unit price (€)	1.32
Number of holdings	37
Top 10 holdings as a % of the fund	33%

Geographic mix as at 31 October 2018



North America	53%
Europe (ex. UK)	34%
Japan	7%
UK	6%
Asia Pacific (ex. Japan)	0%

Source: Goodbody

Performance is shown gross of taxation and gross of fund management fees.

Sector split as at 31 October 2018

Industrials	26%
Technology	22%
Consumer discretionary	14%
Financials	11%
Materials	11%
Healthcare	8%
Energy	5%
Utilities	3%
Telecoms	0%
Consumer staples	0%
Real Estate	0%

Source: Goodbody

Market commentary

October was a volatile period for global markets. In euro terms, the MSCI World index fell 5%, the S&P 500 fared marginally better (-4.3%) while Europe's Euro Stoxx 500 index underperformed (-5.8%). There was no one specific catalyst behind the sell-off. Commentators have cited a multitude of reasons including higher US interest rates, ongoing global trade uncertainty, political issues in Europe, Brexit concerns, and fears over the duration of the global equity market upcycle. The reality is that markets continue to climb a wall of worry. Underneath the bonnet of the market, defensive, value-oriented sectors such as Utilities, Telecoms and Real Estate outperformed while growth-oriented constituents such as Technology and Healthcare underperformed. The third quarter earnings season is currently underway which, given concerns over potential 'peak earnings', will be closely watched. Thus far, with ~75% of S&P 500 companies having reported, close to 80% have beaten consensus earnings expectations (source: Factset).

Top 10 holdings as at 31 October 2018

Cooper Companies	3.8%
Allegion	3.8%
Halma	3.5%
Tractor Supply	3.3%
Ansys	3.3%
Ulta Beauty	3.2%
Teleperformance	3.1%
Huntington Bancshares	3.1%
Xylem	3.1%
Trend Micro	3.0%

Source: Goodbody

Warning: The value of your investment may go down as well as up.

Warning: This fund may be affected by changes in currency exchange rates.

Warning: If you invest in this fund you may lose some or all of the money you invest.

Fund Manager

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