# **Polen Emerging Markets Growth**

Separately Managed Account - September 2024

## **Investment Objective**

Our Emerging Markets Growth strategy seeks to achieve long-term growth by building a concentrated portfolio of competitively advantaged global businesses with potential for sustained earnings growth.

#### **Product Profile**

Inception Date	12-01-2009
Strategy Assets+	\$320.2M
Number of Holdings	25-40
Style	Growth
Benchmark	MSCI Emerging Markets (Net)

## Why Invest in Polen Emerging Markets Growth?

- Global emerging markets growth strategy with a strong emphasis on sustainable earnings growth
- Focus on companies with high returns on capital and double-digit earnings growth
- Concentrated portfolio of 25-40 high-quality growth companies
- Low portfolio turnover with long-term holding periods

## **Experience in High Quality Growth Investing**



**Damian Bird, CFA**Head of Team, Portfolio Manager & Analyst
15 years of industry experience



**Dafydd Lewis, CFA**Portfolio Manager & Analyst
19 years of industry experience

### Seeks Growth & Capital Preservation (Performance (%) as of 9-30-2024)



	Qtr	YTD	1Yr	3 Yr	5 Yr	10 Yr	Inception
Polen Emerging Markets Growth (Gross)	11.19	12.99	20.49	-2.79	2.58	-	3.79
Polen Emerging Markets Growth (Net)	10.81	11.85	19.06	-3.59	1.93	-	3.26
MSCI Emerging Markets (Net)	8.72	16.86	26.05	0.40	5.74	-	4.54

Inception date of the GIPS verified track record is 07-01-2015. Performance shown prior to March 2023 represents results achieved by the Emerging Markets team while certain members were part of Columbia Threadneedle. The team joined the firm on 1 March 2023. The performance results from Columbia Threadneedle are linked to Polen Capital's performance record .Represents the performance of the Polen Capital Emerging Markets Growth Account. The Emerging Markets Growth strategy is managed by the same team and with the same investment philosophy of the Emerging Markets Growth strategy. The performance data quoted represents past performance and does not guarantee future results. Current performance may be lower or higher. Periods over one-year are annualized. Performance figures are presented gross and net of fees and have been calculated after the deduction of all transaction costs and commissions and include the reinvestment of all income.

\*Preliminary assets as of 9-30-2024. Asset figures include discretionary as well as nondiscretionary assets.



## Top Ten Holdings (% of Portfolio)

Taiwanmiconductor Manufacturing	6.66
Tencent Music Entertainment Group	5.22
Tencent Holdings	4.84
HDFC Bank	4.29
PDD Holdings	4.19
NetEase	3.90
FPT	3.86
E Ink Holdings	3.77
Las Vegasnds	3.72
ANTA Sports Products	3.43
Total	43.88

#### Portfolio Statistics\*

	Emerging Markets Growth	MSCI Emerging Markets (Net)
Alpha	-0.97	-
Beta	0.90	1.00
Sharpe Ratio	0.09	0.16
Upside Capture	84.34%	100.00
Downside Capture	92.07%	100.00
Information Ratio	-0.17	-
Standard Deviation	17.13%	17.41%

#### **Portfolio Characteristics**

Weighted Average Market Cap	\$40.9B
Polen Long Term EPS Growth Estimate	17.9%
Net Debt/Equity ex lease	1.0
P/E Forward (12m)	18.2x
Return on Invested Capital	15.5%
Active Share	79.4%
Annual Turnover*	22.6%

## GICS Sector Exposure (% of Portfolio)

Consumer Discretionary	26.08
Information Technology	20.98
Financials	17.80
Communication Services	13.96
Industrials	9.09
Consumer Staples	5.77
Health Care	2.42
Energy	1.54
Cash	2.37

For the avoidance of doubt, the portfolio characteristics are based on the underlying assets of the portfolio. This information along with all other information in the fact sheet is not intended to be construed or understood in any way to equate to the expected or projected future performance/returns of the portfolio or any Polen portfolio.

#### Region Exposure (% of Portfolio)

Asia Ex Japan	70.84
Europe	12.10
Latin America	9.50
North America	5.19
Cash	2.37

All data as of 9-30-2024 unless otherwise noted. \*Since inception 10-22-2009 of the GIPS verified track record.



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Alpha: the excess return of an investment relative to the return of the benchmark. Beta: the measure of systemic risk of a portfolio in comparison to the market as a whole. Sharpe Ratio: a ratio of the return on an investment relative to its risk. Upside Capture: a statistical measure of overall performance relative to a benchmark during rising markets. Downside Capture: a statistical measure of overall performance relative to a benchmark during declining markets. Information Ratio: a measurement of portfolio returns relative to a given benchmark. Standard Deviation: measurement of the dispersion or volatility of investment returns relative to its mean or average.

Active Share: Active share is a measure of the percentage of stock holdings in a manager's portfolio that differ from the benchmark index. Weighted Average Market Cap: a weighted average of the price of each security multiplied by the number of shares outstanding all the securities in the portfolio. Polen Long Term EPS Growth Estimate: a Polen Capital estimate of projected long-term earnings growth rates (Earnings Growth is not a measure of future performance). Net Debt/Equity ex Lease: is a measure of a company's financial leverage calculated by dividing its net liabilities by stockholders' equity, excluding leases. P/E Forward: denotes the weighted harmonic average of all the P/E's of the securities in the fund's portfolio. Return on Invested Capital: assesses a company's efficiency at allocating the capital and is measured by operating profit after taxes divided by investment capital.

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