

**Butterfield Global Blue  
Chip Fund**

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED  
JUNE 30, 2017



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## INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Board of Directors of Butterfield Global Blue Chip Fund

### *Opinion*

We have audited the financial statements of Butterfield Global Blue Chip Fund (the "Fund"), which comprise the statements of financial position, including the schedules of investments, as at June 30, 2017 and 2016, and the statements of comprehensive income, changes in net assets and cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Fund as at June 30, 2017 and 2016, and its financial performance, its changes in net assets and its cash flows for the period then ended in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRSs).

### *Basis for Opinion*

We conducted our audits in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (ISAs). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements* section of our report. We are independent of the Fund in accordance with the International Ethics Standards Board for Accountants' *Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants* (IESBA Code), and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the IESBA Code. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

### *Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance for the Financial Statements*

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with IFRSs, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the Fund's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the Fund or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the Fund's financial reporting process.

### *Auditor's Responsibility for the Audit of the Financial Statements*

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.



As part of an audit in accordance with ISAs, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audits. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audits in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Fund's internal control
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Fund's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Fund to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieved fair presentation.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audits and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audits.

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September 20, 2017

# Butterfield Global Blue Chip Fund

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## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

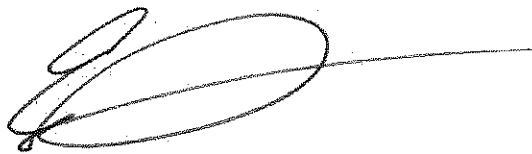
As at June 30, 2017

(Expressed in U.S. Dollars)

	Notes	June 30, 2017	June 30, 2016
<b>ASSETS</b>			
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss (Cost; 2017-\$5,694,016; 2016-\$6,502,775)	2, 3, 4	\$ 7,116,662	\$ 7,295,454
Cash and cash equivalents	2 i)	84,889	119,115
Dividend income receivable		3,862	1,000
Prepaid expenses		4,681	2,169
Subscription receivable		15,000	-
		<b>7,225,094</b>	<b>7,417,738</b>
<b>LIABILITIES (EXCLUDING NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTABLE TO SHAREHOLDERS)</b>			
Accrued expenses	6, 7	72,354	70,758
Redemptions payable		-	173,964
Subscriptions in advance		13,806	-
		<b>86,160</b>	<b>244,722</b>
<b>NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTABLE TO SHAREHOLDERS</b>		<b>\$ 7,138,934</b>	<b>\$ 7,173,016</b>
Number of redeemable shares in issue	5	480,839	557,641
<b>NET ASSET VALUE PER REDEEMABLE SHARE</b>		<b>\$ 14.85</b>	<b>\$ 12.86</b>

On behalf of the Board of Directors:

  
 J. Rosalie Twohey  
 DIRECTOR

  
 Erwin Dikau  
 DIRECTOR

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## STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

For the year ended June 30, 2017

(Expressed in U.S. Dollars)

	Notes	June 30, 2017	June 30, 2016
<b>Income</b>			
Dividend income	2	\$ 161,760	\$ 206,062
Bank interest	2	19	25
Net realised gains on financial assets at fair value through profit or loss		452,249	357,270
Net change in unrealized gain/(loss) on financial assets at fair value through profit or loss		629,966	(583,733)
Net foreign currency losses	2	(7,280)	(677)
<b>Total income/(loss)</b>		<b>1,236,714</b>	<b>(21,053)</b>
<b>Expenses</b>			
Management fees	6	71,683	77,156
Custodian fees	6	17,921	19,289
Administration fees	7	11,186	14,428
Audit and legal fees		21,041	22,568
Sundry expenses		18,163	16,121
<b>Total expenses</b>		<b>139,994</b>	<b>149,562</b>
<b>Net investment income/(loss)</b>		<b>1,096,720</b>	<b>(170,615)</b>
Withholding tax on dividend income		(56,073)	(57,546)
<b>Increase/(decrease) in net assets attributable to shareholders from operations</b>		<b>\$ 1,040,647</b>	<b>\$ (228,161)</b>

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS

For the year ended June 30, 2017

(Expressed in U.S. Dollars)

	June 30, 2017	June 30, 2016
<b>Increase/(decrease) in net assets attributable to shareholders from operations</b>	<b>\$ 1,040,647</b>	<b>\$ (228,161)</b>
<b>Capital transactions</b>		
Issuance of shares	523,663	763,468
Redemption of shares	(1,598,392)	(1,633,336)
Decrease in net assets attributable to shareholders from capital transactions	(1,074,729)	(869,868)
<b>Net decrease in net assets attributable to shareholders</b>	<b>(34,082)</b>	<b>(1,098,029)</b>
<b>Net assets attributable to shareholders – beginning of year</b>	<b>7,173,016</b>	<b>8,271,045</b>
<b>Net assets attributable to shareholders – end of year</b>	<b>\$ 7,138,934</b>	<b>\$ 7,173,016</b>

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## STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

For the year ended June 30, 2017

(Expressed in U.S. Dollars)

	June 30, 2017	June 30, 2016
<b>Cash flows from operating activities</b>		
Increase/(decrease) in net assets attributable to shareholders from operations	\$ 1,040,647	\$ (228,161)
<i>Adjustments for:</i>		
Purchase of financial assets	(1,880,708)	(1,862,231)
Net proceeds from sale of financial assets	3,141,716	2,485,003
Net realised gain on financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	(452,249)	(357,270)
Net change in unrealised (gain)/loss on financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	(629,966)	583,733
Changes in:		
Subscription receivable	(15,000)	-
Dividend income receivable	(2,862)	4,578
Prepaid expenses	(2,512)	2,515
Accrued expenses	1,595	15,566
<b>Net cash provided by operating activities</b>	<b>1,200,661</b>	<b>643,733</b>
<b>Cash flows from financing activities</b>		
Redemptions payable	(173,964)	173,964
Subscriptions in advance	13,806	(2,000)
Proceeds from issuance of shares	523,663	763,468
Paid on redemption of shares	(1,598,392)	(1,633,336)
<b>Net cash used in financing activities</b>	<b>(1,234,887)</b>	<b>(697,904)</b>
<b>Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents</b>	<b>(34,226)</b>	<b>(54,171)</b>
<b>Cash and cash equivalents – beginning of year</b>	<b>119,115</b>	<b>173,286</b>
<b>Cash and cash equivalents – end of year</b>	<b>\$ 84,889</b>	<b>\$ 119,115</b>
<b>Supplemental cash flow information:</b>		
Interest received	\$ 19	\$ 25
Dividends received, net of withholding taxes	102,825	153,094

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## SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS

As at June 30, 2017

(Expressed in U.S. Dollars)

Financial assets	Shares	Cost	Fair Value	% of Portfolio
<b>Equities - Europe</b>				
Bayerische Motoren Werke AG	530	\$ 57,864	\$ 49,380	0.70%
E.ON SE	4,070	33,806	38,454	0.54%
Fresenius SE & Company	2,690	111,895	231,595	3.25%
Nestle SA	2,620	134,193	228,153	3.21%
Novartis AG	2,730	184,860	227,334	3.19%
<b>Total Equities – Europe</b>		<b>\$ 522,618</b>	<b>\$ 774,916</b>	<b>10.89%</b>
<b>Equities/ADRs – United States</b>				
Allergan PLC	820	183,568	199,334	2.79%
Amazon.com Inc.	113	67,094	109,384	1.53%
Boeing Co/The	470	59,676	92,943	1.31%
Chevron Corp.	1,470	139,127	153,365	2.16%
Cisco Systems Inc.	7,130	153,119	223,169	3.14%
Ingersoll-Rand PLC	1,140	61,334	104,185	1.46%
Microsoft Corp.	4,890	150,494	337,068	4.74%
Mondelez International Inc.	4,280	196,401	184,853	2.60%
NXP Semiconductors NV	2,940	227,140	321,783	4.52%
Oracle Corp.	5,140	197,449	257,720	3.62%
Pepsico Inc.	1,835	137,335	211,924	2.98%
Pfizer Inc.	8,950	306,511	300,631	4.22%
Procter & Gamble Co/The	1,440	82,406	125,496	1.76%
Royal Dutch Shell - Sponsored ADR	2,897	206,154	154,091	2.17%
TJX Companies Inc.	1,360	97,244	98,151	1.38%
Total SA - Sponsored ADR	2,950	148,046	146,291	2.06%
United Parcel Service-CI B	945	102,226	104,508	1.47%
Walt Disney Co/The	480	31,604	51,000	0.72%
<b>Total Equities/ADRs – United States</b>		<b>\$ 2,546,928</b>	<b>\$ 3,175,896</b>	<b>44.63%</b>
<b>Total Equities/ADRs</b>		<b>\$ 3,069,546</b>	<b>\$ 3,950,812</b>	<b>55.52%</b>
<b>Exchange Traded Funds – United States</b>				
Financial Select Sector SPDR	22,390	\$ 405,127	\$ 552,360	7.76%
Ishares Global Financials ETF	8,647	424,839	546,144	7.67%
Ishares Global Industrials ETF	920	54,265	77,887	1.09%
Ishares Global Telecom ETF	1,170	79,085	68,445	0.96%
Ishares MSCI Japan ETF	1,790	91,199	96,034	1.35%
Ishares Nasdaq Biotechnology	505	80,758	156,590	2.20%
Ishares U.S. Home Construction ETF	2,300	61,521	78,062	1.10%
Technology Select Sector SPDR	8,275	342,085	452,808	6.36%
Vaneck Vectors Oil Services	7,090	322,748	175,761	2.47%
Vanguard Consumer Discre ETF	585	58,939	83,052	1.17%
Vanguard Consumer Staple ETF	1,175	132,590	165,699	2.33%
Vanguard FTSE Emerging Markets ETF	3,570	142,461	145,763	2.05%
Vanguard Global Ex - US Real Estate ETF	50	2,645	2,813	0.04%
Vanguard Industrials ETF	1,010	59,645	129,694	1.82%
Vanguard Materials ETF	1,880	184,201	228,608	3.21%
Vanguard Reit ETF	65	5,441	5,410	0.08%
Wisdomtree Japan Hedged Equity Fund	3,860	176,921	200,720	2.82%
<b>Total Exchange Traded Funds – United States</b>		<b>\$ 2,624,470</b>	<b>\$ 3,165,850</b>	<b>44.48%</b>
<b>Total Exchange Traded Funds</b>		<b>\$ 2,624,470</b>	<b>\$ 3,165,850</b>	<b>44.48%</b>
<b>Total financial assets at fair value through profit or loss</b>		<b>\$ 5,694,016</b>	<b>\$ 7,116,662</b>	<b>100.00%</b>

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## SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS As at June 30, 2016 (Expressed in U.S. Dollars)

Financial assets	Shares	Cost	Fair Value	% of Portfolio
<b>Equities – Europe</b>				
Bayerische Motoren Werke AG	940	\$ 103,731	\$ 69,001	0.95%
E.ON SE	4,470	42,535	45,020	0.62%
Fresenius SE & Company	4,795	199,457	351,174	4.81%
Nestle SA	2,840	133,578	218,674	3.00%
Novartis AG	4,115	278,081	337,928	4.63%
Total SA	3,880	222,106	186,879	2.56%
<b>Total Equities – Europe</b>		<b>\$ 979,488</b>	<b>\$ 1,208,676</b>	<b>16.57%</b>
<b>Equities/ADRs – United States</b>				
Amazon.com, Inc.	155	\$ 92,031	\$ 110,921	1.52%
BHP Billiton Ltd – Sponsored ADR	1,050	63,607	29,988	0.41%
Boeing Co.	830	105,384	107,792	1.48%
Chevron Corp.	1,640	150,495	171,921	2.36%
Cisco Systems Inc.	7,790	161,403	223,495	3.06%
Fedex Corp.	460	40,092	69,819	0.96%
Ingersoll-Rand Plc	2,010	108,142	127,997	1.75%
Microsoft Corp.	5,610	169,149	287,064	3.93%
Mondelez International Inc.	4,800	220,262	218,448	2.99%
NXP Semiconductors NV	2,940	227,140	230,320	3.16%
Oracle Corp.	6,277	240,670	256,918	3.52%
PepsiCo, Inc.	2,125	142,838	225,123	3.09%
Pfizer Inc.	10,305	352,915	362,839	4.97%
Proctor & Gamble Co.	2,440	139,633	206,595	2.83%
Royal Dutch Shell Sponsored ADR	3,477	249,624	192,000	2.63%
TJX Companies Inc.	1,820	130,136	140,559	1.93%
Walt Disney Co.	580	38,188	56,736	0.78%
<b>Total Equities/ADRs – United States</b>		<b>\$ 2,631,709</b>	<b>\$ 3,018,535</b>	<b>41.37%</b>
<b>Total Equities/ADRs</b>		<b>\$ 3,611,197</b>	<b>\$ 4,227,211</b>	<b>57.94%</b>
<b>Exchange Traded Funds – United States</b>				
Financial Select Sector SPDR Fund	21,103	\$ 440,189	\$ 482,309	6.61%
iShares S&P Global Financials ETF	9,160	421,323	437,848	6.00%
iShares S&P Global Industrials ETF	1,245	68,564	86,478	1.19%
iShares S&P Global Telecommunications ETF	1,410	95,533	89,098	1.22%
iShares NASDAQ Biotechnology	885	134,734	227,746	3.12%
Technology Select Sector SPDR	11,270	461,888	488,776	6.71%
Vaneck Vectors Oil Services	7,830	356,434	229,028	3.14%
Vanguard Consumer Discretionary Fund	1,275	128,458	155,525	2.13%
Vanguard Consumer Staple ETF	1,545	174,342	218,169	2.99%
Vanguard FTSE Emerging Market ETF	4,830	192,741	170,161	2.33%
Vanguard Industrials ETF	1,415	73,986	150,372	2.06%
Vanguard Materials ETF	1,840	174,479	188,471	2.58%
Wisdomtree Japan Hedged EQ	3,720	168,907	144,262	1.98%
<b>Total Exchange Traded Funds – United States</b>		<b>\$ 2,891,578</b>	<b>\$ 3,068,243</b>	<b>42.06%</b>
<b>Total Exchange Traded Funds</b>		<b>\$ 2,891,578</b>	<b>\$ 3,068,243</b>	<b>42.06%</b>
<b>Total financial assets at fair value through profit or loss</b>		<b>\$ 6,502,775</b>	<b>\$ 7,295,454</b>	<b>100.00%</b>

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these financial statements.

# Butterfield Global Blue Chip Fund

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## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the year ended June 30, 2017

(Expressed in U.S. Dollars)

### 1. CORPORATE INFORMATION

Butterfield Global Blue Chip Fund (the "Fund") was incorporated as an open-ended multi-class exempted Mutual Fund Company under the laws of the Cayman Islands on November 5, 1998 and was registered under the Mutual Funds Law of the Cayman Islands on November 12, 1998.

The Fund has received an undertaking from the Cayman Islands government exempting it from all local income, profits, and capital gains taxes until November 24, 2018. No such taxes are levied in the Cayman Islands at the present time.

The Fund commenced operations on December 3, 1998 and is administered by MUFG Fund Services (Cayman) Limited, a Cayman Islands licensed Mutual Fund Administrator.

On December 3, 1998, the Fund was listed on the Cayman Islands Stock Exchange. On January 18, 2000, the Fund was listed on the Bermuda Stock Exchange.

The Fund's investment objective is to achieve long-term capital growth by investing in a global portfolio of international "blue chip" equities.

### 2. BASIS OF PREPARATION

#### Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS") issued by the International Accounting Standards Board ("IASB"). The financial statements have been prepared on a historical-cost basis, except for financial assets and financial liabilities held at fair value through profit or loss.

The financial statements are represented in United States dollars, which is the functional currency of the Fund and all values are rounded to the nearest dollar, except when otherwise stated.

#### Summary of significant accounting policies

##### a) Significant accounting judgements, estimates and assumptions

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with IFRS requires the Fund's management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported and disclosures made in the financial statements, and accompanying notes. Management believes that the estimates and assumptions utilised in preparing the Fund's financial statements are reasonable and prudent. Actual results could differ from these estimates.

##### b) Investment entities

IFRS 10 defines and requires a reporting entity that meets the definition of an investment entity not to consolidate but instead to measure its investments at fair value through profit or loss in its financial statements.

To qualify as an investment entity, a reporting entity is required to:

- Obtain funds from one or more investors for the purpose of providing them with investment management services;
- Commit to its investor(s) that its business purpose is to invest funds solely for returns from capital appreciation, investment income, or both; and
- Measure and evaluate performance of substantially all of its investments.

Management has determined that the Fund meets the definition of an investment entity and recognizes all investments at fair value through profit or loss.

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## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

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### 2. BASIS OF PREPARATION (Continued)

#### Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

##### c) Financial instruments

###### i. Classification

The Fund classifies its financial assets and financial liabilities at initial recognition into the following categories, in accordance with IAS 39 'Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurement'.

###### Financial assets and liabilities at fair value through profit or loss

The category of financial assets and liabilities at fair value through profit or loss is subdivided into:

Financial assets and liabilities held for trading: Financial assets are classified as held for trading if they are acquired for the purpose of selling and/or repurchasing in the near term. This category includes equities. These assets are acquired principally for the purpose of generating a profit from short-term fluctuations in price. All debentures are classified as held for trading. The Fund's policy is not to apply hedge accounting.

Financial instruments designated at fair value through profit or loss upon initial recognition: these include equity securities and debt instruments not held for trading. The Fund did not hold any financial instruments designated at fair value through profit or loss upon initial recognition during the years ended June 30, 2017 and 2016.

###### Receivables

Receivables are non-derivative financial assets with fixed or determinable payments that are not quoted in an active market.

###### Other financial liabilities

This category includes all financial liabilities, other than those classified as held for trading. The Fund includes in this category amounts for other short-term payables.

###### ii. Recognition

The Fund recognises a financial asset or a financial liability when it becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Purchases or sales of financial assets that require delivery of assets within the time frame generally established by regulation or convention in the market place (regular way trades) are recognised on the trade date, i.e., the date that the Fund commits to purchase or sell the asset.

###### iii. Initial measurement

Financial assets and financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss are recorded in the Statement of Financial Position at fair value. All transaction costs for such instruments are recognised directly in profit or loss.

Receivables and other financial liabilities (other than those classified as held for trading) are measured initially at their fair value plus any directly attributable incremental costs of acquisition or issue.

For financial assets and liabilities where the fair value at initial recognition does not equal the transaction price, the Fund recognises the difference in the Statement of Comprehensive Income, unless specified otherwise.

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## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

For the year ended June 30, 2017

(Expressed in U.S. Dollars)

### 2. BASIS OF PREPARATION (Continued)

#### Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

##### c) Financial instruments (continued)

###### iv. Subsequent measurement

After initial measurement, the Fund measures financial instruments which are classified as at fair value through profit or loss, at fair value. Subsequent changes in the fair value of those financial instruments are recorded in net gain or loss on financial assets and liabilities at fair value through profit or loss. Interest and dividends earned or paid on these instruments are recorded separately in interest income or expense and dividend income or expense.

###### v. Derecognition

A financial asset (or, where applicable, a part of a financial asset or a part of a group of similar financial assets) is derecognised where the rights to receive cash flows from the asset have expired or the Fund has transferred its rights to receive cash flows from the asset or has assumed an obligation to pay the received cash flows in full without material delay to a third party under a pass-through arrangement and either: the Fund has transferred substantially all the risks and rewards of the asset, or the Fund has neither transferred nor retained substantially all the risks and rewards of the asset, but has transferred control of the asset.

When the Fund has transferred its right to receive cash flows from an asset (or has entered into a pass-through arrangement), and has neither transferred nor retained substantially all of the risks and rewards of the asset nor transferred control of the asset, the asset is recognised to the extent of the Fund's continuing involvement in the asset. In that case, the Fund also recognises an associated liability. The transferred asset and the associated liability are measured on a basis that reflects the rights and obligations that the fund has retained. The Fund derecognises a financial liability when the obligation under the liability is discharged, cancelled or expired.

##### d) Fair value measurement

The Fund measures its investments in financial instruments at fair value at each reporting date.

Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. The fair value measurement is based on the presumption that the transaction to sell the asset or transfer the liability takes place either in the principal market for the asset or liability or, in the absence of a principal market, in the most advantageous market for the asset or liability. The principal or the most advantageous market must be accessible to the Fund.

The fair value of an asset or a liability is measured using the assumptions that market participants would use when pricing the asset or liability, assuming that market participants act in their economic best interest. The fair value for financial instruments traded in active markets at the reporting date is based on their quoted price or binding dealer price quotations, without any deduction for transaction costs. Securities defined in these accounts as 'listed' are traded in an active market. It is the policy of the Fund to value equities quoted on a stock exchange at the closing daily price or, if there has been no sale on the relevant day, the equity will be valued at the last available average sale price.

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## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

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### 2. BASIS OF PREPARATION (Continued)

#### Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

**e) Impairment of financial assets**

The Fund assesses at each reporting date whether a financial asset or group of financial assets classified as receivables is impaired if, and only if, there is objective evidence of impairment as a result of one or more events that have occurred after the initial recognition of the asset (an incurred loss event) and that loss event has an impact on the estimated future cash flows of the financial asset or the group of financial assets that can be reliably estimated. Evidence of impairment may include a decline in the fair value of an equity investment, if the decline is considered to be significant or prolonged. If there is objective evidence that an impairment loss has been incurred, the amount of the loss is measured as the difference between the asset's carrying amount and the present value of estimated future cash flows (excluding future expected credit losses that have not yet been incurred) discounted using the asset's original effective interest rate.

**f) Functional and presentation currency**

The Fund's functional currency is the United States Dollar, which is the currency of the primary economic environment in which it operates. The Fund's performance is evaluated and its liquidity is managed in United States Dollars. Therefore, the United States Dollar is considered as the currency that most faithfully represents the economic effects of the underlying transactions, events and conditions. The Fund's presentation currency is also the United States Dollar.

**g) Offsetting and financial instruments**

Financial assets and financial liabilities are offset and the net amount reported in the Statement of Financial Position if there is a currently enforceable legal right to offset the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis, or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

As at June 30, 2017 and 2016 there were no assets and liabilities offset in the Statement of Financial Position, nor were there any assets or liabilities available for offset. The Fund does not have a legally enforceable right to offset, nor does it have master netting agreements or similar arrangements that would allow for related amounts to be set off.

**h) Foreign currency translations**

Assets and liabilities that are denominated in foreign currencies are translated into United States dollars at rates of exchange on the period end date. Transactions during the period are translated at the rate in effect at the date of the transaction. Foreign currency translation gains and losses are included in the Statement of Comprehensive Income.

**i) Cash and cash equivalents**

Cash and cash equivalents in the Statement of Financial Position comprise cash on hand and short-term deposits in banks that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash and which are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value, with original maturities of three months or less.

**j) Interest income and expense**

Interest income and expense are recognised in the Statement of Comprehensive Income for all interest-bearing financial instruments using the effective interest method.

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## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

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### 2. BASIS OF PREPARATION (Continued)

#### Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

**k) Dividend income**

Dividend income is recognised on the date on which the investments are quoted ex-dividend or, where no ex-dividend date is quoted, when the Fund's right to receive the payment is established. Dividend income is presented gross of any non-recoverable withholding taxes, which are disclosed separately in the Statement of Comprehensive Income.

**l) Realised and change in unrealised gains and losses**

Realised and change in unrealised gains/(losses) on financial assets at fair value through profit or losses are recognised in the Statement of Comprehensive Income. The cost of investments sold is accounted for using the average cost basis.

**m) Expenses**

All expenses (including management fees) are recognized in the Statement of Comprehensive Income on an accrual basis.

**n) Going concern**

The Fund's management has made an assessment of the Fund's ability to continue as a going concern and is satisfied that the Fund has the resources to continue in business for the foreseeable future. Furthermore, management is not aware of any material uncertainties that may cast significant doubt upon the Fund's ability to continue as a going concern. Therefore, the financial statements continue to be prepared on the going concern basis.

**o) Share capital**

The Fund's Ordinary Shares are classified as equity in accordance with the Fund's articles of association. These shares do not participate in the profits of the Fund.

**p) Redeemable shares**

Shares are redeemable at the shareholder's option and are classified as financial liabilities. Shareholders may arrange to redeem all or part of their Shares on any Dealing Day at the prevailing redemption price of the Shares. A Dealing Day is normally Wednesday of each week, or the following Business Day if Wednesday is not a Business Day. The prevailing redemption price of Shares will be the Net Asset Value per Share of the relevant Class as at the preceding Valuation Day, which is normally the Business Day preceding the Dealing Day. No Shares may be redeemed whilst the calculation of Net Asset Value is suspended.

**q) Impact of accounting pronouncements issued but not yet effective**

The only new standard relevant to the Fund is IFRS 9 'Financial Instruments'.

IFRS 9, published in July 2014, will replace the existing guidance in IAS 39. It includes revised guidance on the classification and measurement of financial instruments, including a new expected credit loss model for calculating the impairment on financial assets, and the new general hedge accounting requirements. It also carries forward the guidance on recognition and derecognition of financial instruments from IAS 39.

IFRS 9 is effective for annual reporting periods beginning on or after January 1, 2018, with early adoption permitted. The Fund plans to adopt IFRS 9 when it becomes effective and is currently evaluating its impact.

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## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

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### 3. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT

The Fund maintains positions in a variety of non-derivative financial instruments as dictated by its investment management strategy. The Fund's investment portfolio is comprised of quoted equity instruments.

Asset allocation is determined by the Investment Advisor with reference to the target asset allocation set out in the Fund's prospectus. The Investment Advisor manages the distribution of the assets to achieve its investment objective. Divergence from target asset allocations and the composition of the portfolio is monitored by the Investment Advisor. In instances where the portfolio has diverged from target asset allocations, the Investment Advisor will rebalance the portfolio to fall in line with the target asset allocations.

The nature and extent of the financial instruments outstanding at the year-end date and the risk management policies employed by the Fund are discussed below:

#### a) Market risk

Market risk embodies the potential for both losses and gains and includes currency risk, interest rate risk and other price risk.

Market risk is the risk that changes in interest rates, foreign exchange rates or equity and commodity prices will affect the positions held by the Fund, making them less valuable. The Fund is exposed to market risk on financial instruments that are valued at market prices.

The Fund's strategy for the management of market risk is driven by the Fund's investment objective. The Fund's market risk is managed on a daily basis by the Investment Advisor in accordance with the policies and procedures in place. The Fund's Directors review the performance of the Investment Advisor on a continuous basis.

#### *Currency Risk*

Currency risk is the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in foreign exchange rates. The Fund may invest in financial instruments and enter into transactions denominated in currencies other than its functional currency. Consequently, the Fund is exposed to risks that the exchange rate of its currency relative to other foreign currencies may change in a manner that has an adverse effect on the value of the portion of the Fund's assets or liabilities denominated in currencies other than US Dollars.

The Fund's policy is not to enter into any currency hedging transactions. The Investment Advisor manages currency risk by monitoring exposure to different geographical regions.

At June 30, 2017, if the exchange rates of the relevant foreign currencies against the US Dollars had been 10% higher or lower with all overall variables held constant, the net assets would have increased/decreased by \$77,492 (2016: \$120,868). 10% is the sensitivity rate used when reporting foreign currency risk internally to key management personnel and represents management's assessment of the reasonably possible change in exchange rates.



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## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

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### 3. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (Continued)

#### a) Market risk (continued)

##### *Currency Risk (continued)*

As at June 30, 2017 and 2016, the Fund had the following currency exposure in US Dollar equivalents:

	2017 USD	2017 % of Net Assets	2016 USD	2016 % of Net Assets
CHF	455,487	6.38%	556,602	7.76%
EUR	319,429	4.47%	652,074	9.09%
<b>Total</b>	<b>774,916</b>	<b>10.85%</b>	<b>1,208,676</b>	<b>16.85%</b>

##### *Interest Rate Risk*

Interest rate risk is the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market interest rates. All of the Fund's investments are highly liquid securities which are actively traded on various stock exchanges. As a result, the Fund is not subject to fair value interest rate risk due to reasonably possible fluctuations in the prevailing levels of market interest rates.

The Fund's exposure to cash flow interest rate risk is limited to its cash and cash equivalents of \$84,889 (2016: \$119,115). Cash and cash equivalents represent 1.19% of the Fund's net assets at June 30, 2017 (2016: 1.66%). The Fund does not have any other significant interest-bearing assets and liabilities and therefore believes its sensitivity to changes in market interest rates is insignificant.

##### *Price Risk*

Price risk is the risk that the value of an instrument will fluctuate as a result of changes in market prices (other than those arising from interest rate or currency risk), whether caused by factors specific to a particular instrument, its issuer or all factors affecting all instruments traded in the market. The Fund is exposed to price risk on its investments. As all of the Fund's financial instruments are carried at fair value with fair value changes recognised in the Statement of Comprehensive Income, all changes in market conditions will directly affect the profit attributable to shareholders.

Price risk is managed by the Investment Advisor by constructing a diversified portfolio of investments traded on various markets. All of the Fund's investments at June 30, 2017 and 2016 are listed on stock exchanges.

As at June 30, 2017, the fair value of the Fund's investments in securities that are exposed to movement in equity prices amounted to \$7,116,662 (2016: \$7,295,454).

The Fund estimates that a reasonably possible movement in its equity portfolio is calculated using the average performance of the Fund's benchmark, which is also the Fund's effective rate, over the past eight years of 8% (2016: 7%) adjusted to correlate to the actual investment portfolio held. As at June 30, 2017, if the benchmark equity market prices had been 8% (2016: 7%) higher or lower with all other variables held constant, the Fund's net assets would have been \$490,952 higher or 459,262 lower (2016: \$486,552 higher or 456,124 lower). The adjusted rate is the rate used when reporting price risk internally to key management personnel.

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## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

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### 3. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (Continued)

#### b) Credit Risk

Credit risk is the risk that a counterparty to a financial instrument will fail to discharge an obligation or commitment that it has entered into with the Fund. Financial instruments that potentially expose the Fund to credit risk consist primarily of cash and cash equivalents and investment balances held at brokers.

Credit risk arising on transactions with brokers includes transactions awaiting settlement. Risk related to unsettled transactions, including dividends and interest accrued, is considered to be low due to the short settlement period involved and the high credit quality of the brokers used. The Fund's maximum exposure to credit risk is limited to the value of its financial assets as reported in the Statement of Financial Position. The Fund monitors the credit rating of its brokers to mitigate this risk.

#### c) Liquidity Risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that an entity will encounter difficulty in meeting obligations associated with financial liabilities. The Fund's financial liabilities at June 30, 2017 represent 1.21% of net assets (2016: 3.41%) that fall due not later than one month. The Fund's Prospectus provides for weekly subscription and redemption of shares and it is therefore exposed to the liquidity risk of meeting shareholder redemptions. The Fund does not anticipate any significant liquidity concerns in funding redemption requests and other liabilities. However, all of the Fund's investments at June 30, 2017 and 2016 are listed securities actively traded on major stock exchanges. As such, they are considered to be highly realisable, mitigating the liquidity risk of the Fund as at June 30, 2017 and 2016.

The Fund's liquidity risk is managed on a daily basis by the Investment Advisor in accordance with the policies and procedures in place.

#### Capital Risk Management

The Fund's capital consists of the issued share capital.

The Investment Advisor manages the capital of the Fund in accordance with the Fund's investment objectives, policies and restrictions, as outlined in the Prospectus, while maintaining sufficient liquidity to meet shareholder redemptions. The Fund's overall strategy for managing capital remains unchanged from 2016. The Fund does not have any externally imposed capital requirements.

### 4. FAIR VALUE OF FINANCIAL ASSETS

The following information provides an analysis of financial instruments that are measured subsequent to initial recognition at fair value, grouped into Levels 1 to 3 based on the degree to which the fair value is observable:

- Level 1 – unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities;
- Level 2 – inputs other than quoted prices included within Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly;
- Level 3 – inputs for the asset or liability that are not based on observable market data, including the Fund's own assumptions in determining the fair value of investments

All of the Fund's investments are classified within Level 1 of the fair value hierarchy as the value of these investments are based on unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets as at June 30, 2017 and 2016.

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## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

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### 4. FAIR VALUE OF FINANCIAL ASSETS (Continued)

The Fund did not hold any Level 3 investments at the beginning, during, or at the end of the years ended June 30, 2017 and 2016.

### 5. SHARE CAPITAL

The Fund may issue up to 5,000,000 Non-Voting Redeemable Shares, which are redeemable at the option of the shareholders. The authorised share capital of the Fund shall consist of \$50,100 divided into 100 Ordinary Shares having a nominal value of \$1.00 each and 5,000,000 Non-Voting Redeemable Shares having a nominal value of \$0.01.

The Investment Advisor is the holder of the Ordinary Shares and shall be entitled to receive notice of and attend and vote at any general meeting of the Fund.

Details of Redeemable Shares issued, redeemed and outstanding during the year are as follows:

	2017	2016
	No. of Shares	No. of Shares
Balance - beginning of year	557,641	628,110
Issue of redeemable shares	37,171	59,703
Redemption of redeemable shares	(113,973)	(130,172)
Balance - end of year	480,839	557,641

Currently only the US Dollar class of shares, and no others, have been designated and issued.

### 6. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Butterfield Bank (Cayman) Limited (the "Custodian") acts as custodian for the Fund and is entitled to receive a fee, calculated at a rate of 0.25% per annum of the net asset value of the Fund, calculated and accrued weekly.

Custodian fees charged for the year ended June 30, 2017 were \$17,921 (2016: \$19,289) for the Fund, of which \$9,047 (2016: \$9,132) remained payable at year end and is included in accrued expenses.

Butterfield Bank (Cayman) Limited (the "Investment Advisor") is entitled to receive a management fee for providing investment advice to the Fund, calculated at a rate of 1.00% per annum of the net asset value of each Class of shares, calculated and accrued weekly.

Management fees for the year ended June 30, 2017 were \$71,683 (2016: \$77,156) for the Fund, of which \$36,187 (2016: \$36,529) remained payable at year end and is included in accrued expenses.

Employees of the Investment Advisor, its parent company and other affiliated companies, and their immediate family members may hold shares in the Fund. These shareholdings are not significant to the Fund.

### 7. ADMINISTRATION FEE

In accordance with the administration agreement, the Administrator receives a fee based upon the nature and extent of the services provided. Administration fee for the year was \$11,186 (2016: \$14,428) of which \$4,464 (2016: \$3,413) was payable at year end and is included in accrued expenses.

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## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) For the year ended June 30, 2017 (Expressed in U.S. Dollars)

### 8. DIRECTORS AND DIRECTORS' INTERESTS

The Directors of the Fund during the year were:

Erwin Dikau  
Michael McWatt  
Rosalie Twohey

The Directors are not entitled to any remuneration for their services as directors. At June 30, 2017, the Directors held between 0 and 5,000 shares each in the Fund. Each Director is affiliated with the Custodian and Investment Advisor.

### 9. FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

Per share operating performance  
(for a share outstanding throughout the year)

<b>Per Share Information</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2016</b>
<b>Net asset value – beginning of year</b>	<b>\$ 12.86</b>	<b>\$ 13.17</b>
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<b>Income from investment operations</b>		
Net investment income/(loss)	<b>(0.06)</b>	(0.00)
Net realised and unrealised gain/(loss) on financial assets and foreign currency	<b>2.05</b>	(0.31)
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<b>Total from investment operations</b>	<b>1.99</b>	(0.31)
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<b>Net asset value – end of year</b>	<b>\$ 14.85</b>	<b>\$ 12.86</b>
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<b>Total Return</b>	<b>15.47%</b>	(2.35)%
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<b>Ratios / supplemental data</b>		
Total net assets - end of year	<b>\$ 7,138,934</b>	\$ 7,173,016
Ratio of expenses to weighted average net assets	<b>1.95%</b>	1.95%
Ratio of net investment loss to weighted average net assets	<b>(0.48)%</b>	(0.01)%
Portfolio turnover rate*	<b>35.37%</b>	24.58%

\* Portfolio turnover rate is calculated using the lesser of purchases or sales of investments for the year divided by the weighted average value of investments, calculated using the last valuation date of each month.

An individual investor's return and ratios may vary from the above returns and ratios based on the timing of capital transactions.

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## **NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)**

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### **10. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS**

The Fund has evaluated all the events or transactions that occurred after June 30, 2017 through September 20, 2017, the date the financial statements were available to be issued. During this period, the Fund did not have any material recognisable subsequent events.

### **11. APPROVAL OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Directors on September 20, 2017.

