

Key Information Document



Smithson
Investment Trust

Purpose:

This document provides you with key information about this investment product. It is not marketing material. The information is required by law to help you understand the nature, risks, costs, potential gains and losses of this product and to help you compare it with other products.

Product: Ordinary Shares in Smithson Investment Trust plc

ISIN: GB00BGJWTR88

Manufacturer: Fundsmith LLP

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You are about to purchase a product that is not simple and may be difficult to understand.

What is this product?

Type	Smithson Investment Trust plc (the "Company") is a public limited company incorporated in England and its shares are listed and traded on the main market of the London Stock Exchange. The company qualifies as an investment trust for United Kingdom tax purposes. Investors invest by acquiring shares in the Company. As an investment trust, dividend income after payment of expenses will be distributed in accordance with the dividend policy. Except for payments of dividends or other returns (e.g., on a winding up), the Company does not expect to pay investors. Fundsmith LLP (the "Investment Manager") also has no obligations to pay investors. Investors may divest and generate a return through selling their shares in the market. Typically, at any given time on any given day, the price you pay for a share will be higher than the price at which you could sell it. The price at which you can sell your shares will vary depending on market conditions and will not necessarily reflect the net asset value of the Company. The share price could be at a premium or a discount to the Company's net asset value.
Term	There is no prescribed maturity date for this product. Fundsmith LLP cannot unilaterally terminate the Company. There are no prescribed events which would automatically terminate the Company.
Objective	<p>The Company's investment objective is to provide Shareholders with long term growth in value through exposure to a diversified portfolio of shares issued by listed or traded companies.</p> <p>The Company's investment policy is to invest in shares issued by small and mid-sized listed or traded companies globally with a market capitalization (at the time of initial investment) of between £500 million to £15 billion. The Company's approach is to be a long-term investor in its chosen stocks. It will not adopt short-term trading strategies. Accordingly, it will pursue its investment policy by investing in approximately 25 to 40 companies. The Company may also invest cash held for working capital purposes and awaiting investment in cash deposits and money market funds.</p>
Benchmark	MSCI World SMID Index, in £ net with dividends reinvested. The Company is actively managed and uses the benchmark for performance comparison purposes and for the calculation of its global exposure. In addition, even if comparisons are made, the Investment Manager is taking investment decisions with the intention of achieving the Company's investment objective; this may include decisions regarding asset selection, regional allocation, sector views and overall level of exposure to the market. The Investment Manager is not in any way constrained by the benchmark in its portfolio positioning and the Company will not hold all, or indeed may not hold any of the benchmark constituents. The deviation from the benchmark may be complete or significant.
Intended Investor	This product is intended for institutional and experienced retail investors who wish to invest for at least 5 years in global equity markets and who understand and are willing to take the potential risk of loss of their entire original capital.
Depository	Northern Trust Investor Services Limited

The latest price of shares in the Company is available from your broker.

What are the risks and what could I get in return?



! The risk indicator assumes you keep the product for five years. The actual risk can vary significantly if you cash in or sell your shares in the market at an early stage and you may get back less.

The summary risk indicator is a guide to the level of risk of this product compared to other products. It shows how likely it is that the product will lose money because of movements in the markets or because we are not able to pay you. The risk category reflects the significance of the Company's share price fluctuations based on historical data. Historical data may not be a reliable indication of the future risk profile of the Company. The risk category of the Company is not guaranteed and may change over time.

We have classified this product as 4 out of 7, which is a medium risk class. This rates the potential losses from future performance at a medium level and poor market conditions could impact your returns. This product does not include any protection from future market performance so you could lose some or all of your investment. The whole amount of your investment in the Company is at risk and there can be no guarantee that you will get back any or all of the amount invested on a sale of shares in the Company. The price at which shares in the Company are sold in the market has not historically exactly tracked the Company's net asset value per share, at times trading at a premium to the net asset value and, at times, a discount.

There are a number of other risks that are materially relevant to the product which are not taken into account in the summary risk indicator.

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Be aware of currency risk. You will receive payments in a different currency, so the final return you will get depend on the exchange rate between the two currencies. This risk is not considered in the indicator shown above.

The Company is subject to the following risks (without limitation):

- Currency risk
- Concentration risk
- Sustainability risk
- Operational risk

Please refer to the prospectus for other relevant risks.

Investment Performance Scenarios

What you will get from this product depends on future market performance. Market developments in the future are uncertain and cannot be accurately predicted. The unfavourable, moderate and favourable scenarios shown are illustrations using the worst, average and best performance of the product over the last 10 years. Markets could develop very differently in the future. The stress scenario shows what you might get back in extreme market circumstances.

With input from benchmark or proxy share prices for years 2012 to 2018:

- the unfavourable scenario occurred for an investment between 2017 and 2022
- the moderate scenario occurred for an investment between 2013 and 2018
- the favourable scenario occurred for an investment between 2016 and 2021

Recommended Holding Period: 5 years Investment EUR 10,000		If you exit after 1 year	If you exit at the end of the recommended period of 5 years
Minimum	There is no minimum guaranteed return. You could lose some or all of your investment.		
Stress	What you might get back after costs	EUR 4,410	EUR 2,320
	Average return each year	-55.90%	-25.34%
Unfavourable	What you might get back after costs	EUR 6,710	EUR 6,710
	Average return each year	-32.90%	-7.67%
Moderate	What you might get back after costs	EUR 11,270	EUR 16,530
	Average return each year	12.70%	10.57%
Favourable	What you might get back after costs	EUR 13,500	EUR 18,950
	Average return each year	35.00%	13.64%

The figures shown include all the costs of the product itself but may not include all the costs that you pay to your advisor or distributor. The figures do not take into account your personal tax situation, which may also affect how much you get back.

What happens if the Company or Fundsmith LLP is unable to pay out?

As a shareholder in the Company, you would not be able to make a claim to the Financial Services Compensation Scheme or other compensation body in the event that the Company is unable to pay any dividends or other returns it may elect to pay from time to time, or if it were unable to pay any amounts due to you on a winding up at the end of its life. Fundsmith LLP has no obligation to make payments to investors in the Company. If you sell your shares on the London Stock Exchange, your bank or stockbroker will receive the sale proceeds in cash on the delivery of shares and should pass this cash to you. If your bank or stockbroker defaults in paying you, you may be able separately to claim from the Financial Services Compensation Scheme.

What are the costs?

The person advising on or selling you this product may charge you other costs. If so, this person will provide you with information about these costs and how they affect your investment.

COSTS OVER TIME

The tables show the amounts that are taken from your investment to cover different types of costs. These amounts depend on how much you invest, how long you hold the product and how well the product does. The amounts shown here are illustrations based on an example investment amount and different possible investment periods.

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What are the costs? (continued)

We have assumed:

- In the first year you would get back the amount that you invested (0% annual return). For the other holding periods we have assumed the product performs as shown in the moderate scenario.
- EUR 10,000 is invested.

Investment Scenarios (EUR 10,000)	If you exit after 1 year	If you exit at the end of the recommended period of 5 years
Total costs	EUR 93	EUR 639
Annual cost impact (*)	0.93%	0.93%

(*) This illustrates how costs reduce your return each year over the holding period. For example it shows that if you exit at the recommended holding period your average return per year is projected to be 11.5% before costs and 10.57% after costs. We may share part of the costs with the person selling you the product to cover the services they provide to you. They will inform you of the amount.

COMPOSITION OF COSTS

The table below shows the impact each year of the different types of costs on the investment return you might get if you exit after 1 year and the meaning of the different cost categories. We have assumed an investment of EUR 10,000.

			If you exit after 1 year
One-off costs upon entry or exit	Entry Costs	We do not charge an entry fee for this product.	EUR 0
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Ongoing costs taken each year	Management fees and other administrative or operating costs	0.90% of the value of your investment per year. This is an estimate based on actual costs over the last year.	EUR 90
	Transaction costs	0.03% of the value of your investment per year. This is an estimate of the costs incurred when we buy and sell the underlying investments for the product. The actual amount will vary depending on how much we buy and sell.	EUR 3
Incidental costs taken under specific conditions	Performance fees	There is no performance fee for this product.	EUR 0

How long should I hold it and can I take my money out early?

The recommended holding period is 5 years. Shares in the Company should be regarded as long-term investments with a medium level of risk and you should be prepared to invest for at least 5 years. If you choose to sell your investment early, you should be aware that the investments held within the Company's portfolio may be subject to short term volatility which can negatively impact the Company's net asset value, over a short period, compared to the Company's performance over the longer term.

However, there is no required minimum holding period. The Company's shares are listed on the London Stock Exchange and you can expect to sell them at any time through your bank or stockbroker. There are no costs or penalties imposed by the Company when you sell your shares, although your bank or stockbroker may impose charges for their services.

How can I complain?

As a shareholder of the Company, you do not have the right to complain to the Financial Ombudsman Service about the management of the Company.

If you have any complaints about the Company or about the conduct of the manufacturer, you may send your complaint in writing to Fundsmith LLP, 33 Cavendish Square, London, W1G 0PW, to smithson@fundsmith.co.uk or via our website – <https://www.smithson.co.uk>

If you have a complaint about your financial adviser or the bank or stockbroker through whom you bought or sold your shares, you should contact them directly.

Other relevant information

Further information and documentation, such as the Company's Prospectus, the latest annual and semi-annual report and Investor Disclosure Document is available, as a matter of law, in English, free of charge, online at <https://www.smithson.co.uk/documents>