

The Law Debenture Corporation p.l.c.

Factsheet - 31 October 2014

Company history

From its origins in 1889, Law Debenture has diversified to become a group with a unique range of activities in the financial services sector. The group divides into two distinct complementary areas of business.

Firstly, we are a global investment trust, listed on the London Stock Exchange. Our portfolio of investments is managed by Henderson Global Investors Limited under a contract terminable by either side on 6 months' notice.

Secondly, we are a leading provider of independent fiduciary services. Our activities are corporate trusts, agency solutions, pension trusts, corporate services (including agent for service of process), governance services and whistle blowing services. We have offices in London, Sunderland, New York, Delaware, Hong Kong and the Channel Islands.

Fund objective

Our objective is to achieve long term capital growth in real terms and steadily increasing income. The aim is to achieve a higher rate of total return than the FTSE All-Share Index through investing in a portfolio diversified both geographically and by industry.

Fund manager's comments – James Henderson

October was a moderately weak month for the Trust with certain holdings coming back in share price terms. While there are concerns over the strength of global economic growth, it is our view that the global economy remains mixed. We are seeing evidence of this at the company level – Elementis, for example, recently reported good sales growth in North America and Europe but flat sales in Latin America. While sales growth is mixed, wage pressure remains subdued and input prices such as oil and iron ore have come down, meaning that margins can be upheld and cash generation remains strong.

Among the best performers during the month were non-life insurers Hiscox and Amlin. As it is coming to the end of the hurricane season with no major events, the expectation is that these companies could choose to return surplus capital to shareholders in the form of special dividends. One of the weaker performers was Balfour Beatty following a profit warning relating to their UK construction business.

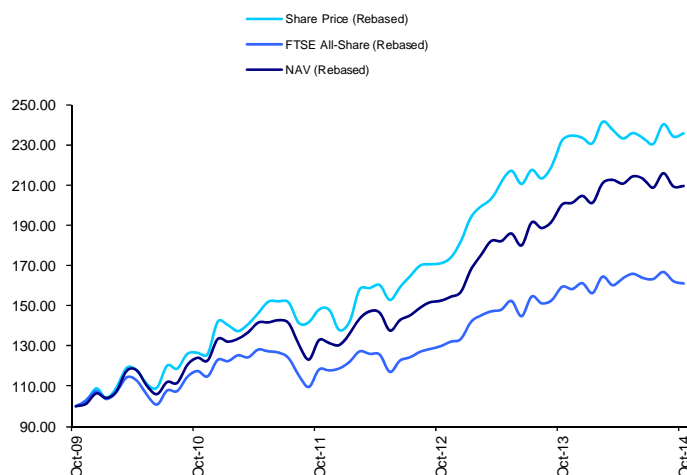
Trust information

Sector	Global Growth
Benchmark	FTSE All-Share index
Trust type	Conventional (Ords)
Launch date	December 1889
Financial year end	31 December
Dividend payment	April, September
Last ex div date	13 August 2014
Management fee (based on NAV)	0.30%
Performance fee	No
Ongoing charges	0.47%

Trust statistics

Gross total assets	£629m
NAV per ordinary share (cum income)	477.3p
NAV per ordinary share (ex income)	467.9p
Share price (code LWDB)	519.0p
Premium/(discount) (cum income)	8.7%
NAV (debt at fair value)	
NAV per ordinary share (cum income)	469.3p
NAV per ordinary share (ex income)	459.9p
Group gearing – AIC (net)	5%
Yield	2.9%

Performance (October 2009 = 100)



* Performance over	1yr	3yrs	5yrs	10yrs
Share price (total return)	1.5%	59.2%	135.6%	233.5%
Net asset value (total return)	4.5%	54.8%	105.6%	221.1%
FTSE All-Share (total return)	1.0%	36.2%	61.0%	116.1%

Please remember that past performance is not a guide to future performance. The value of an investment and the income from it can rise as well as fall as a result of market and currency fluctuations, and you may not get back the amount originally invested.

* Performance source: Morningstar (1 yr, 3 yrs & 5 yrs based on debt at fair value)

Geographic breakdown

UK	72.8%
North America	9.2%
Europe	6.5%
Other Pacific	6.5%
Japan	2.8%
Other	2.2%

Pooled Equity Investments include:	
Henderson Japan Capital Growth	2.4%
Henderson Asia Pacific Capital Growth	2.3%
Baillie Gifford Pacific	2.1%
First State Asia Pacific	1.9%
Templeton Emerging Markets Investment Trust	1.5%

Sector breakdown

Industrials	24.3%
Financials	12.8%
Pooled Equity Investments	12.4%
Consumer Goods	10.7%
Oil & Gas	9.8%
Basic Materials	8.6%
Health Care	8.5%
Consumer Services	8.4%
Utilities	2.3%
Technology	1.8%
Telecommunications	0.4%

Top Ten Equity Holdings (excluding Pooled Equity Investments)

BP	2.7%	HSBC	2.0%
Senior	2.6%	Amlin	1.9%
GKN	2.4%	Velocys	1.8%
Royal Dutch Shell	2.3%	GlaxoSmithKline	1.8%
Rio Tinto	2.1%	BTG	1.5%

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Important information

The Law Debenture Corporation p.l.c. currently conducts its affairs so that its ordinary shares are capable of being recommended by independent financial advisors to ordinary retail investors in accordance with relevant FCA rules. Our ordinary shares are, we consider, mainstream investment products because they are shares in an investment trust. The Corporation intends to continue conducting its affairs for the foreseeable future so that the ordinary shares can continue to be categorised as mainstream.

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