# Fortem Capital Progressive Growth Fund

Monthly Report – 31st October 2019

For Professional Investors and Institutional Clients only

### **Investment objective**

The Fund aims to provide positive returns of 6-7% over the medium to long term, whilst aiming to reduce equity market beta in short term draw-downs. It will invest in a core portfolio comprised of defined return equity strategies that aim to provide capital growth over the medium to longer term, in all but extreme negative market scenarios. The Fund will make a smaller allocation to diversifying investments that also meet strict capital preservation and investment return criteria.

### The fund will

- Employ stringent counterparty controls, limiting credit exposure to high grade sovereign risk.
- Mitigate against material single index exposure via robust portfolio construction and management.
- Impose strict exposure limits to each investment, strike level, barrier level.

### Monthly update

Fund performance was flat for the month alongside a rebound of most Global equity markets. The FTSE was an outliner, being down more than 2%, albeit driven most likely by the rebound in sterling.

There were therefore moderate gains made within the Core, with holdings linked to UK equities being offset by gains in other markets. The majority of the gains were attributable to 'Theta' decay, which in layperson's terms is the deterioration in the value of the options the Fund is short, through the passage of time.

These small gains within the Core were offset, primarily from marginal negative performance within the Diversifiers. The positions within the Diversifiers, which have a slightly negative beta to equities, were the primary contributors.

Overall the Fund is well positioned to deliver on the target return. The barriers summary outlined on page two shows how the Fund holdings can withstand, on average, nearly a 36% fall in underlying equity markets and still deliver a positive return, with the most aggressive holding having more than a 25% buffer.

Prospective investors sometimes ask why the Fund holds Diversifiers. The answer is quite simple, they provide, through sensible portfolio construction an element of equity risk 'dampening' and consistency. This is best illustrated by the chart on page three, which plots the historical equity market sensitivity and beta of the Fund. Even in the Fund's relatively short two year life, it has experienced peak to trough equity moves of circa 15%, yet the market sensitivity and realised volatility of the Fund has remained broadly at the 50% target level.



<b>Key Facts</b>							
Investment Manager	Fortem Capital Limited						
Unit NAV	Class A: £1.0997 Class D: £1.0151 <sup>1</sup> Class A (hedged) USD: \$1.0388 Class A (hedged) EUR: €1.0198						
Net Asset Value	£121,515,732						
Fund Launch Date	20th September 2017						
Fund Type	Irish Domiciled UCITS V ICAV						
Base Currency	GBP						
Liquidity	Daily						
Dealing Deadline	10:30am Irish Time						
Pricing	Daily COB						
Share Type	Class A: Accumulation Class D: Distribution of capital						
Initial Share Price	£1.000						
Minimum Subscription Amount	Class A: £5,000,000^ Class D: £5,000,000^						
Annual Management Charge	Class A: 50bps Class D: 50bps						
OCF	Class A: 70bps Class D: 70bps						
Reporting Status	Registered with HMRC						
ISIN	Class A: IE00BF047831 Class D: IE00BD7Y3W82 Class A USD: IE00BJH53458 Class A EUR: IE00BJH53565						
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Dealing Line	+353 (0)1434 5124						
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Depository, Admin, Registrar & TA	Northern Trust						
Auditor	Deloitte						

<sup>1</sup> Excludes distribution of capital

# **Platform Availability**

Zurich	Nucleus	James Hay	Fidelity Int'l	Ascentric	Novia Fin'l	Standard Life
Novia Global	Allfunds	Aviva	7im	Old Mutual	Elevate	Transact

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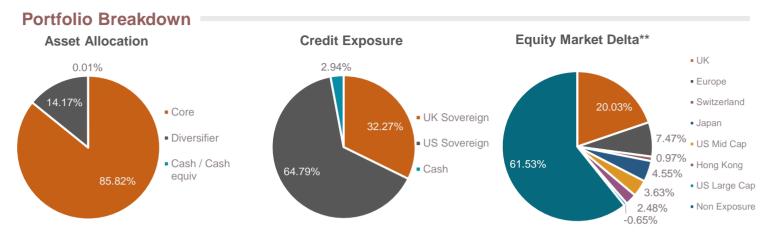
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<sup>^</sup>Minimum sizing can be waved upon request

<sup>\*</sup> Includes the UK Equal Weight Index Information as at 31st October 2019

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Short term projected Fund performance^

\*\* sensitivity of the fund to underlying market moves

	-15%	-10%	-5%	0%	+5%	+10%
Immediate	-7.8%	-4.7%	-2.0%	0.0%	1.4%	2.3%
1 month	-7.4%	-4.3%	-1.7%	0.4%	1.8%	2.8%
2 months	-7.0%	-4.0%	-1.4%	0.7%	2.2%	3.2%
3 months	-6.7%	-3.6%	-1.0%	1.1%	2.6%	3.6%
6 months	-5.4%	-2.4%	0.2%	2.3%	3.8%	4.9%
12 months	-3.5%	0.7%	3.9%	6.1%	7.5%	8.4%

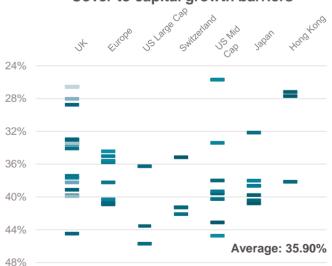
^These scenarios are net of fees and represent sensitivities to equity market moves only. Therefore it does not include performance contribution from the Diversifiers or credit.

### **Summary of equity index barrier exposures**

# Cover to capital preservation barriers

# 24% 28% 32% 36% 40% Average: 38.23%

## Cover to capital growth barriers



- Cover to capital preservation represents for each investment, the level by which the underlying equity index may fall, before capital is eroded, assuming each investments runs to it's maturity.
- Cover to capital growth represents for each investment, the level by which the underlying equity index may fall, before capital growth is zero, assuming each investments runs to it's maturity.

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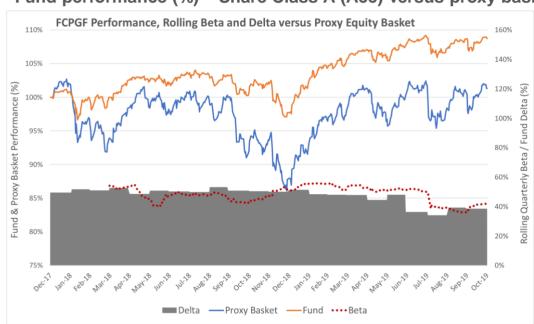
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# Fund performance (%) – Share Class A (Acc)

Year	Jan Fe	o Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD	12 Month Perf Periods	
2017								-0.10	0.06	0.33	0.84	1.13	Oct 16 - Oct 17	N/A
2018	0.34 -0.8	88 0.45	2.66	-0.20	-0.15	1.38	-0.78	0.29	-1.54	0.34	-4.24	-2.47	Oct 17 – Oct 18	2.69
2019	5.03 1.7	6 1.17	1.48	-1.60	2.32	1.08	-1.62	1.49	0.00			11.50	Oct 18 – Oct 19	7.13

### Fund performance (%) – Share Class A (Acc) versus proxy basket of equity indices



\*\*\* Proxy basket of indices consists of underlying indices to which the Fund has market sensitivity, as measured by delta. Their weight within the basket is rebalanced each month end to match that of the Fund's delta, normalised to an overall basket weight of 100%.

For example May 2019 the UK market delta = 21% and overall Fund delta = 50%, UK weight in proxy basket = 21% / 50% = 42%. This methodology is applied for each underlying equity index.

The weights as calculated at May 2019 will be applied for calculating June 2019's historical performance for the Proxy basket.

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