

# NEDGROUP INVESTMENTS GROWTH MULTIFUND CLASS C

April 2024

Marketing Communication



## Nedgroup Investments MultiFunds Plc

### SYNTHETIC RISK REWARD INDICATOR



Equity and property investments are volatile by nature and subject to potential capital loss. For credit and income instruments, while unlikely, capital loss may also occur due to an event like the default of an issuer. For full details of risks, please refer to the risk section in the prospectus and KIID.

### GENERAL INFORMATION

**PERFORMANCE INDICATOR:** Cash +3% to +5% over a minimum 5 years (USD: 3M SOFR / GBP: 3M SONIA)\*\*

**APPROPRIATE TERM:** Minimum 5 years

**MORNINGSTAR CATEGORY:** Morningstar Aggressive Allocation USD

**INVESTMENT MANAGER:** Nedgroup Investments (IOM) Limited; licensed by the Isle of Man Financial Services Authority.

An Isle of Man based fund manager providing investment management services to assets in excess of USD 5bn.

**FUND LEGAL STRUCTURE:** Irish OEIC UCITS  
**DOMICILE OF FUND:** Ireland

**INCEPTION DATE:** 19 August 2011  
**Class C USD:** 30 December 2014  
**Class C GBP:** 06 March 2013

**MARKET VALUE OF FUND:** USD 235.3m

**PRICES (as at 30 April 2024)**  
USD CLASS C: USD 16.0316  
GBP CLASS C: GBP 19.5681

**ANNUAL INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT FEE CLASS C:** 0.5% p.a.

**ON-GOING CHARGES (as at 30 April 2024)<sup>2</sup>**  
USD Class C: 1.3%  
GBP Class C: 1.33%

**MINIMUM INVESTMENT CLASS C**  
USD 1,500 / GBP 1,000

**DEALING:** Daily

**NOTICE PERIODS**  
Subscriptions: T-1 4pm  
Redemptions: T-1 4pm

**SETTLEMENT PERIODS**  
Subscriptions: T+3  
Redemptions: T+3

**ISIN / SEDOL / BLOOMBERG**  
CLASS C USD: IE00B7FH6954 / B7FH695 / NIMGMCU ID Equity  
CLASS C GBP: IE00B8NXWC79 / B8NXWC7 / NIMGMCG ID Equity

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### FUND OBJECTIVE

The Growth MultiFund aims to provide high levels of growth with moderate to high levels of risk and volatility over the medium to longer-term.

The Sub-Fund is actively managed and is not managed in reference to any benchmark. It is managed by reference to a performance target which is to outperform USD 3M SOFR +3% to 5% over a minimum five years.

### SUITABILITY & RISK AND REWARD

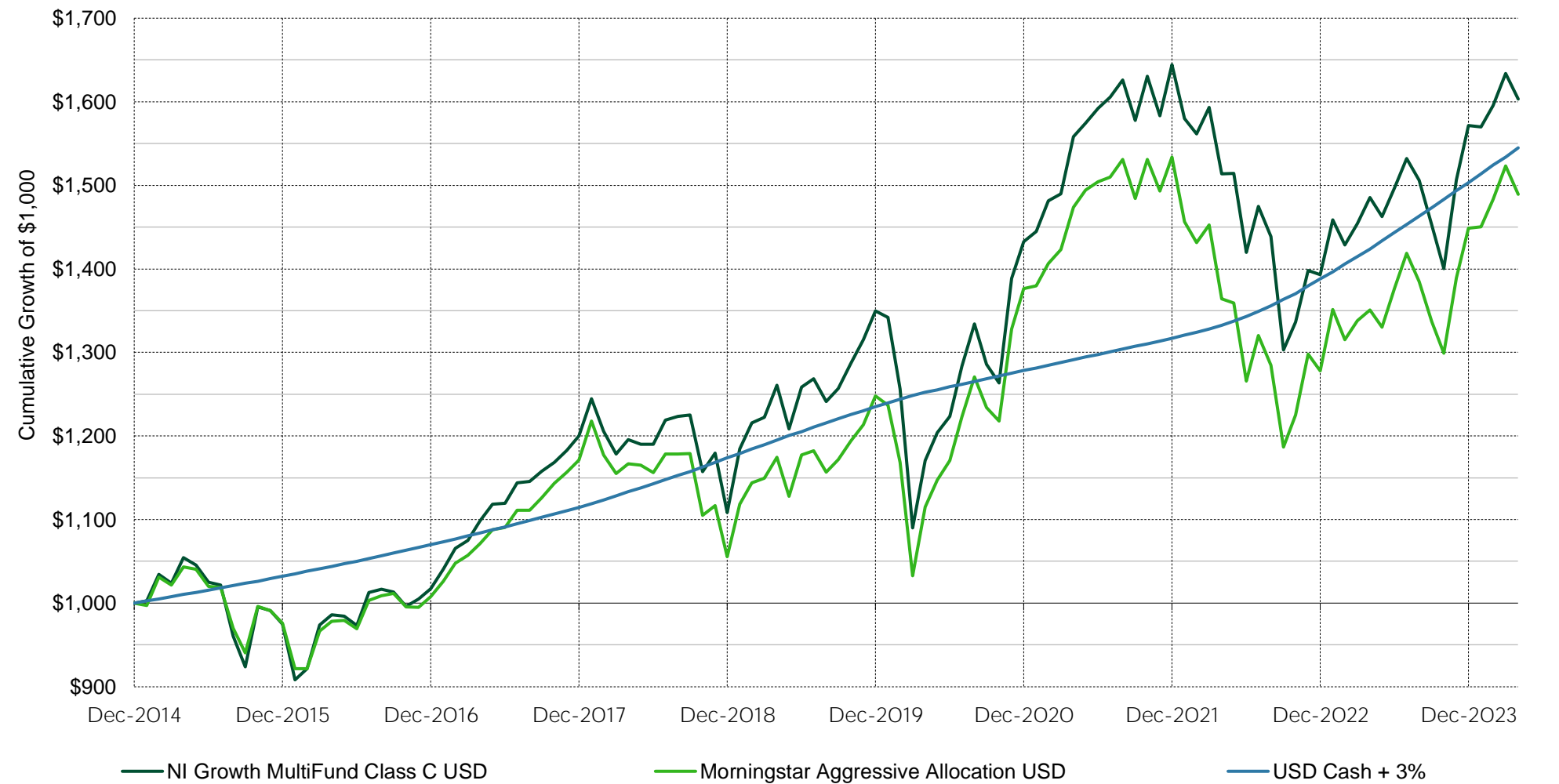
The Growth MultiFund is suitable for clients with an investment time horizon of a minimum 5 years. Investing in the fund involves a risk to capital in order to achieve the desired return.

To achieve the investment objective, the portfolio invests across a range of asset classes within a strategic and tactical asset allocation framework designed to maximise diversification benefits. An absolute and relative valuation-based approach underpins this framework, resulting in a multilayered process to facilitate disciplined decision-making and risk management.

Portfolio construction combines exposures to active fund managers, who are expected to outperform their defined benchmarks and passive investment vehicles which provide low cost access to markets. This blend of active and passive funds is used to create a competitively priced investment solution.

### FUND PERFORMANCE <sup>1</sup>

Past Performance is not indicative of future performance and does not predict future returns



Class C USD monthly returns and cumulative growth of \$1,000

### CUMULATIVE AND ANNUALISED PERFORMANCE, % CHANGE NET OF FEES <sup>1</sup>

SINCE FUND INCEPTION (30 December 2014)	FUND USD	USD PEER GROUP	USD Cash		FUND GBP	GBP PEER GROUP	GBP Cash	
	%	%	3%	5%	%	%	3%	5%
3 Months	2.1%	2.7%	2.1%	2.5%	3.0%	3.6%	2.0%	2.5%
6 Months	14.5%	14.6%	4.2%	5.2%	12.4%	12.6%	4.1%	5.1%
1 Year	7.9%	10.3%	8.5%	10.6%	7.9%	10.0%	8.4%	10.5%
YTD	2.0%	2.8%	2.8%	3.5%	3.0%	3.9%	2.8%	3.4%
3 Years (ann.)	1.0%	0.3%	6.2%	8.2%	2.4%	1.6%	5.9%	8.0%
5 Years (ann.)	4.9%	4.9%	5.3%	7.3%	4.8%	4.7%	4.9%	6.9%
Since inception (ann.)	5.2%	4.4%	4.8%	6.8%	6.2%	5.1%	4.1%	6.1%

### DISCRETE YEAR PERFORMANCE, % CHANGE NET OF FEES <sup>1</sup>

PERIOD	FUND USD	USD PEER GROUP	USD Cash		FUND GBP	GBP PEER GROUP	GBP Cash	
	%	%	3%	5%	%	%	3%	5%
2023	12.8%	13.3%	8.3%	10.4%	8.9%	9.3%	8.0%	10.1%
2022	-15.3%	-16.7%	5.4%	7.4%	-10.1%	-12.1%	5.1%	7.1%
2021	14.8%	11.4%	3.0%	5.0%	15.1%	11.7%	3.0%	5.0%
2020	6.1%	10.3%	3.5%	5.5%	3.3%	7.6%	3.2%	5.2%
2019	21.8%	18.3%	5.2%	7.3%	18.2%	14.6%	3.7%	5.7%
2018	-7.6%	-9.9%	5.3%	7.4%	-5.2%	-7.7%	3.6%	5.7%

Class C performance net of fees as of 30 April 2024. \* Since inception annualised.

USD peer group is Morningstar Aggressive Allocation USD. The GBP is simulated performance based on the same competitor universe and returns are used as for the USD data, although a 45% hedge to sterling is applied net of fees, as per the fund's GBP share class. Past performance is not a guide to future returns.

For full detail on fees and charges, please see Prospectus and Supplement.

\*\*Cash performance indicators calculated using USD and GBP LIBID 3 month figures to 31st January 2022. From 1st February transitioned to using 3mo SOFR for USD and 3mo SONIA for GBP.

1) The annualised total return is the average return earned by an investment each year over a given time period. Performance is calculated for the portfolio and individual investment performance may differ as a result of initial fees, the actual investment, the actual investment date, the date of any reinvestment and dividend withholding tax. Data source Nedgroup Investments (IOM) Limited.

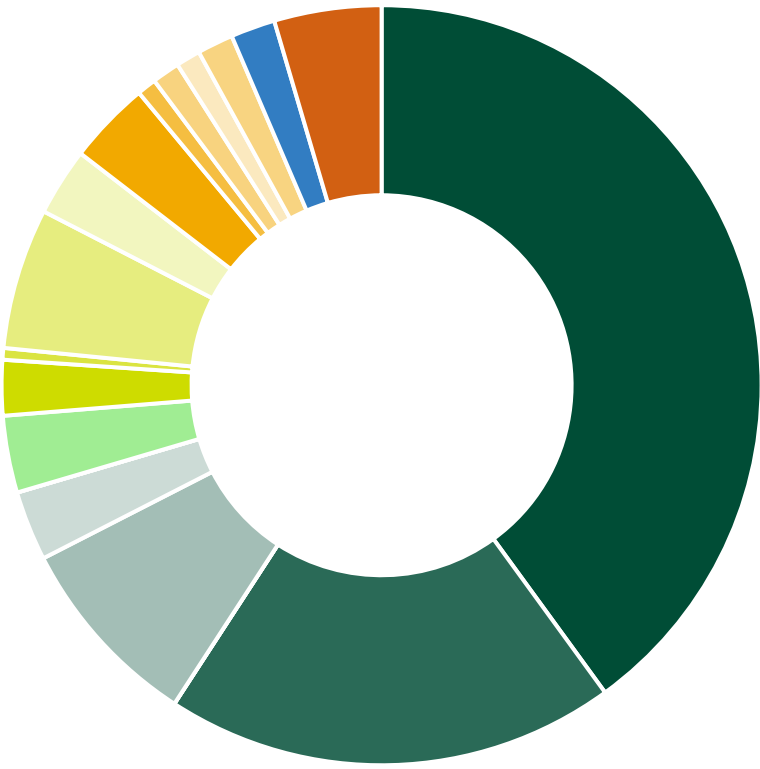
2) The on-going fee is a measure of the actual expenses incurred in the management of the Classes of the Sub-Fund. The on-going fee shown is expressed as a percentage of the monthly average value of the portfolio calculated over a 12-month period as at the date shown. The current on-going fee cannot be used as an indication of future on-going fees. A higher on-going fee does not necessarily imply a poor return, nor does a low on-going fee imply a good return.

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## April 2024



### ASSET ALLOCATION



Equity	70.4%	Real Assets	13.2%
Global Equity	40.0%	Property	6.0%
North American Equity	19.2%	Renewables	2.9%
Global Emerging Market Equity	8.3%	Infrastructure	3.5%
Japan Equity	3.0%	Commodities	0.8%

Fixed Income	6.1%	Alternative Strategies	5.6%
Government Bonds	3.3%	Private Equity	1.2%
Strategic Bonds	2.4%	Asset Backed Lending	1.0%
Emerging Market Debt	0.5%	Music Royalties	1.5%
		Energy Efficiency & Storage	1.9%
		Cash	4.6%

### FULL PORTFOLIO HOLDINGS

EQUITY	70.4%
iShares Core S&P 500 ETF	15.0%
Morgan Stanley Global Brands	11.6%
Fundsmith Equity Fund	11.1%
Nedgroup Global Equity Fund	10.2%
TT Emerging Markets Equity Fund	8.3%
Dodge & Cox Global Stock Fund	5.1%
iShares S&P Small Cap 600 UCITS ETF	4.1%
iShares Core MSCI Japan IMI ETF	3.0%
iShares Edge MSCI World Value Factor ETF	2.0%
FIXED INCOME	6.1%
Nedgroup Global Strategic Bond Fund	2.4%
iShares \$ Treasury Bond 7-10yrs UCITS ETF	1.2%
iShares \$ TIPS UCITS ETF	1.1%
iShares \$ Treasury Bond 1-3YR UCITS ETF	0.5%
Colchester Local Emerging Markets Debt	0.5%
iShares \$ Treasury Bond 3-7yrs UCITS ETF	0.5%
REAL ASSETS	13.2%
Nedgroup Global Property Fund	2.5%
ATLAS Global Infrastructure	2.1%
Target Healthcare REIT	1.8%
3i Infrastructure Plc	1.4%
Greencoat UK Wind	1.0%
The Renewables Infrastructure Group	0.9%
WisdomTree Core Physical Gold ETC	0.8%
Impact Healthcare REIT	0.7%
BMO Commercial Property Trust	0.6%
Greencoat Renewables	0.5%
John Laing Environmental Assets Group	0.5%
Empiric Student Property	0.4%
ALTERNATIVE STRATEGIES	5.6%
Hipgnosis Songs Ordinary Shares	1.5%
GCP Asset Backed Income Fund	1.0%
SDCL Energy Efficiency Income Trust	0.8%
Oakley Capital Investments	0.7%
Gore Street Energy Storage Fund	0.6%
Princess Private Equity	0.5%
Gresham House Energy Storage Fund	0.5%
KKV Secured Loan Fund C Shares	0.1%
CASH	4.6%
	100.0%

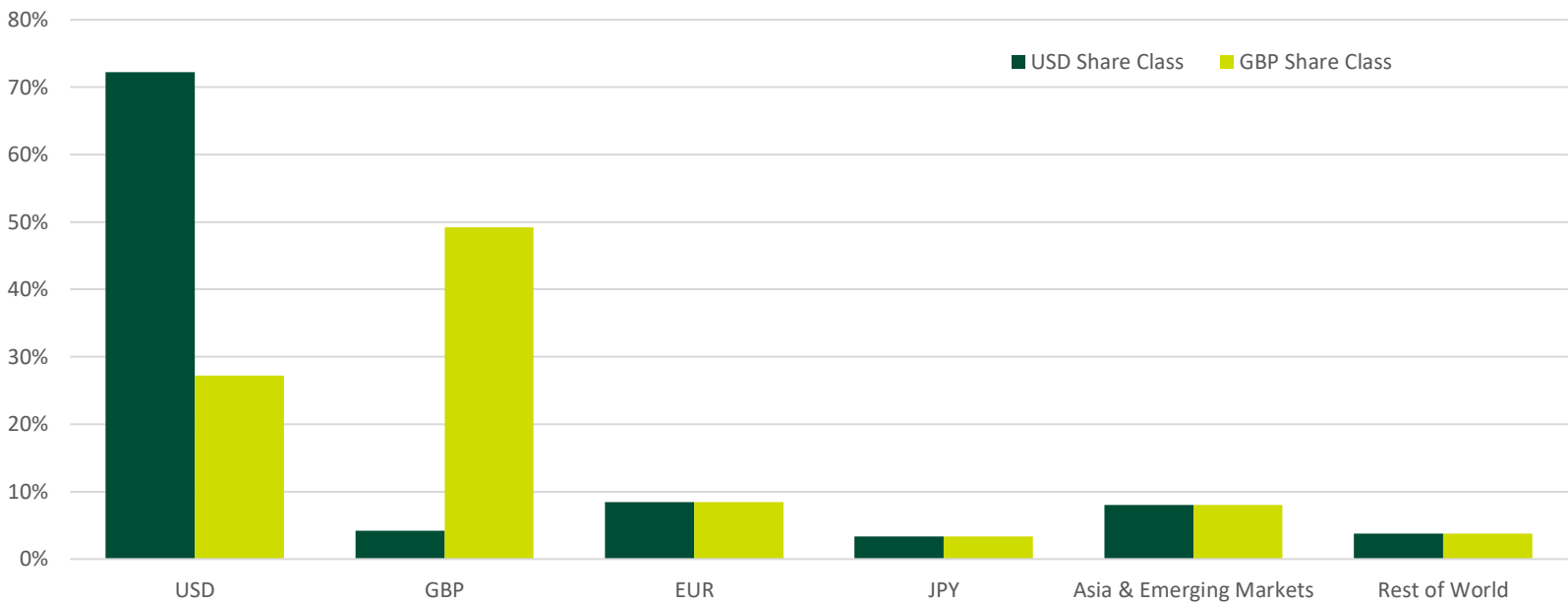
### EQUITY - TOP 10 HOLDINGS<sup>1</sup>

Microsoft	3.5%
Alphabet	2.1%
Amazon	1.9%
L'Oreal	1.8%
Procter & Gamble	1.7%
Meta Platforms	1.6%
Automatic Data Processing	1.6%
Novo Nordisk	1.5%
Apple	1.4%
LVMH	1.2%
	18.5%

### FIXED INCOME - CREDIT QUALITY<sup>2</sup>

AAA	54.3%
AA	10.8%
A	10.4%
BBB	15.5%
< BBB	9.0%
	100.0%
Yield To Maturity	5.03%
Average Weighted Maturity (in years)	5.78
Average Modified Duration (in years)	5.34

### CURRENCY



### KEY RISKS

- The Fund could lose money if a counterparty with which the Fund trades becomes unwilling or unable to meet its obligations, or as a result of failure or delay in operational processes or the failure of a third party provider.
- Shares can lose value rapidly, and typically involve higher risks than bonds or money market instruments. The value of your investment may fall as a result.
- The Fund invests in other funds (including exchange traded funds and investment trusts/companies), which may introduce more risky assets, derivative usage and other risks, as well as contributing to a higher level of ongoing charges.
- The Fund may use derivatives with the aim of reducing risk or managing the portfolio more efficiently. However this introduces other risks, in particular, that a derivative counterparty may not meet its contractual obligations.
- If the Fund holds assets in currencies other than the base currency of the Fund or you invest in a share class of a different currency to the Fund (unless 'hedged'), the value of your investment may be impacted by changes in exchange rates.
- Securities within the Fund could become hard to value or to sell at a desired time and price, especially in extreme market conditions when asset prices may be falling, increasing the risk of investment losses.
- The value of an investment and the income from it can fall as well as rise and you may not get back the amount originally invested.
- Tax assumptions and reliefs depend upon an investor's particular circumstances and may be subject to change.

<sup>1</sup> Based on Equity component look through  
<sup>2</sup> Based on Fixed Income component look through



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## MARKET COMMENTARY

April proved to be a challenging month for a number of asset classes as growing evidence of sticky inflation made investors rethink the prevailing “soft landing” narrative, putting a “no landing” scenario at the forefront of their minds. A number of the major equity markets started the month at new all-time highs, but that quickly changed as a flurry of data prints from the US, including a strong jobs report and a hotter-than-expected inflation release, led markets to reduce the number of rate cuts anticipated this year. Such repricing was given little push back from Federal Reserve Chair Jerome Powell, who conceded that the data points indicated that it may take longer than expected to achieve their inflation target. With investors expecting the Federal Reserve to keep interest rates higher for longer, it was felt that this may also restrict the actions of other major central banks such as the ECB. Away from central bank policy, markets were also confronted with rising geopolitical tensions in the Middle East. Fears of a broader escalation of the ongoing conflict were brought to the fore as Iran launched retaliatory air strikes on Israel following the latter’s attack on an Iranian embassy a few days prior. Given the importance of these countries to global oil supply, prices peaked at their highs for the year however soon fell back after a further escalation failed to materialise.

In terms of market returns, global equities (-2.7%) were negative in April overall, however there was a large variation across regions. UK (+2.8%) and Asia ex Japan (+2.4%) were able to buck the broader negative trend, with UK indices benefiting from their tilt towards the energy sector, whilst better-than-expected growth figures in China helped buoy Asia ex Japan. After five consecutive positive months, the US (-4.2%) gave back some performance, due to fears of higher-for-longer policy rates. In terms of equity styles, growth stocks (-3.5%) underperformed value (-2.9%), and small-cap stocks (-4.0%) lagged large caps (-2.7%), given relative sensitivity to interest rates. This was also reflected in sector performance, with Utilities (+1.1%) and Energy (+0.6%) the strongest two sectors, whilst Real Estate (-6.6%) and Information Technology (-5.4%) lagged significantly.

Fixed income markets were negative over the month, with higher-quality (more interest rate sensitive) government bonds underperforming on a relative basis. The higher-than-expected inflation reading pushed back market expectations for rate cuts and forced bond

yields to rise, meaning that the Global Aggregate bond index fell -1.6% over the month. Strong macro data helped support credit spreads, however, this was not enough to halt a decline within high yield (-0.7%) which finished the month under water.

In the real assets space, both global real estate (-5.4%) and global infrastructure (+0.6%) fell over the month, with the infrastructure segment faring relatively better given its higher weighting to energy. Commodities were one of the few positive areas in April, with Gold (+3.4%) up strongly due to its safe haven status and industrial metals (+13.9%) propelled by surging copper prices because of a combination of tight supply and rising demand given the recent pickup in manufacturing activity.

## PORTFOLIO COMMENTARY

The end of April saw the Growth MultiFund close the month down around -1.9% for the US dollar share classes and -1.5% for the GBP share classes, the small difference reflecting dollar strength over the period.

Within equities, our more cyclical-focused areas, TT Global Emerging Markets (-0.3%) and Dodge & Cox Global Stock (-2.3%), outperformed the broader market due to their exposure to emerging markets and commodities, with oil prices moving higher amid supply constraints driven by concerns over geopolitical tensions in the Middle East. On the other hand, the more interest rate-sensitive Fundsmith Equity (-3.2%) and Morgan Stanley Global Brands (-4.8%) came under pressure from rising bond yields.

Fixed income holdings lost ground in April as investors grew concerned about stubborn US inflation, leading to questions about whether the Fed would cut rates at all this year. Higher bond yields, in turn, meant that our shorter-duration holdings in government bonds via iShares \$ Treasury Bond 1-3YR ETF (-0.3%) outperformed the longer-maturity iShares \$ Treasury Bond 7-10YR ETF (-3.0%).

Elsewhere, there were a wide range of performances within our real asset and alternative strategy holdings. Property investments, being particularly sensitive to yield rises, saw our listed global REITs holding, Nedgroup Global Property Fund (-4.6%), closing the month lower. Balanced Commercial Property (-3.9%) and Target Healthcare REIT (-7.6%) were similarly affected, while Impact Healthcare REIT (-0.3%) demonstrated relative resilience. Within infrastructure, our exposure to renewable energy yielded mixed results.

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## PORTFOLIO COMMENTARY (continued)

Greencoat UK Wind (+0.6%) and Greencoat Renewables (+0.8%) saw modest gains, while The Renewable Infrastructure Group (-0.8%) and JLEN Environmental Asset Group (-1.1%) ended the month lower. Meanwhile, our traditional infrastructure player, 3i Infrastructure (+2.0%) performed well on the back of its European exposure, supported by positive economic data in the region. Lastly, our position in the safe-haven asset of Gold, via WisdomTree Core Physical Gold ETC (+4.4%), continued to rally amidst escalating geopolitical tensions in the Middle East.

Within our alternatives, our asset-backed lending position, GCP Asset Backed Income Fund (+2.1%), saw modest gains following a strategic review that concluded that shareholder value would be best served by an orderly realisation and return of capital. Our Private Equity holdings diverged, with Oakley Capital investments (-0.2%) marginally down and Princess Private Equity (+0.8%) marginally higher. Our holding in song royalties via Hipgnosis Songs Fund (+50.1%) surged as the bidding war for it intensified, highlighting the high quality of the song catalogues they own. Finally, returns for our energy efficiency holdings were mixed. Gore Street Energy Storage Fund (-7.4%) performed weakly, while Gresham House Energy Storage Fund (+36.5%) soared after reporting a significant improvement in the revenues of its underlying battery energy storage systems portfolio.

In terms of portfolio activity, after the continued strong rally in gold, we decided to book some gains and reduce/rebalance our gold exposure back to target. We also added to equities, given the weakness seen here, more specifically to our value position via the Dodge &

Cox Global Stock Fund, reflecting our improved outlook for financials and energy. As yields rose, we capitalized on the weakness in longer-dated government bonds by adding to the iShares \$ Treasury Bond 7-10YR ETF, while trimming our exposure to the shorter-maturity iShares \$ Treasury Bond 1-3YR ETF, thereby increasing the overall duration of the portfolio. And finally, within our investment trust holdings, we opportunistically added to Gresham House Energy Storage Fund and trimmed our position in Hipgnosis Songs Fund as prices recovered.

### Nedgroup Investments MultiFunds Plc (the Fund) – disclaimer

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The Sub-Funds are valued using the prices of underlying securities prevailing at 11pm Irish time the business day before the dealing date. Prices are published on the Investment Manager's website. A summary of investor rights can be obtained, free of charge at [www.nedgroupinvestments.com](http://www.nedgroupinvestments.com).

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