# E. I. STURDZA FUNDS Plc

(An umbrella fund with variable share capital and segregated liability between Sub-Funds)

# ANNUAL REPORT AND AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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# Sub-Fund Full Name Strategic China Panda Fund Strategic Euro Bond Fund SEBF

Nippon Growth (UCITS) Fund **NGUF SEVF** Strategic Europe Value Fund Strategic Global Bond Fund **SGBF** Strategic US Momentum and Value Fund **SMVF** Strategic Global Quality Fund **SGQF** Strategic European Smaller Companies Fund **SESF SQBF** Strategic Quality Emerging Bond Fund Strategic Beta Flex Fund **SBXF** Strategic Japan Opportunities Fund SJOF Strategic Bond Opportunities Fund **SBOF** Sturdza Family Fund SFF

## Strategic China Panda Fund

The Investment Manager's report has been compiled with the assistance of the Investment Adviser, LBN Advisers Limited (Discretionary adviser).

## **FUND PERFORMANCE**

The Sub-Fund declined 21.4%, underperforming the benchmark by 2.5% in 2018. There was a clear reversion of previous performance as the winners of the portfolio in 2017 turned into value detractors in 2018. The overweight in Macau gaming, technology, property and auto sectors had an adverse impact on performance as those sectors were most vulnerable to trade war risk. The underweighting in the internet sector however added value.

## MARKET OVERVIEW

2018 was centred around the trade war with the US and China. The local bourse was in a trading range in the first 5 months until Donald Trump started the trade war and triggered a massive market sell-off. The MSCI China total return index and CSI 300 index tumbled 18.9% and 25.3%, respectively, after a bull run in 2017. The timing of the trade war could not have been worse as it happened at a time that China growth had begun to slow following financial deleveraging. Renminbi tanked 5.7%, reversing the appreciation trend in 2017. The currency however did not break seven to one US dollar which is an important psychological threshold to investors, thanks to the intervention from the Chinese government.

The Sino-US trade war was definitely the black swan of the year. In June, Donald Trump unexpectedly imposed 25% import tariffs on USD50bn worth of Chinese goods. As retaliation, China announced import tariffs on equivalent US goods. However, it was quickly met with even more punitive tariffs from the US. What was initially thought as a trade spat turned into a real trade war. On 1 December 2018, just when no one saw an end to the deadlock, China and the US agreed on a temporary trade truce for a 90-day period ending 1 March 2019. The arrest of Huawei CFO shortly after the truce cast uncertainty on the outcome of the trade talks even though the US played down the sensitivity of the timing of the arrest.

Technology, property and auto sectors have been the major casualties from the trade war so far. Technology hardware stocks were first hit on disappointing iPhone shipments and then de-rated following the component export ban on ZTE by the US. Auto stocks were hit by talks of opening up the industry to foreign Original Equipment Manufacturers. As for property stocks, they were hit on sharp Renminbi devaluation given high gearing and exposure to foreign debt.

Regulatory risk was another negative surprise to the market in 2018. Healthcare, education and online gaming stocks were sold down heavily on regulatory change. In the healthcare industry, the government introduced a new bidding mechanism to drive down drug prices. In the education industry, the government tightened teacher qualification requirements in after school tutoring and restricted development of pre-school education. In the online gaming industry, the government stopped approving new game licenses in March 2018 and proposed to limit the number of new online games and the time spent on games by children.

Strategic China Panda Fund (continued)

#### **MAKET OVERVIEW (continued)**

The government stepped up financial deleveraging through tightened asset management rules and lending requirements in shadow banking in early 2018. However, it quickly shifted the policy stance from tightening to easing as soon as the trade war broke out. In terms of monetary easing, the reserve requirement ratio (RRR) was cut four times from 17% to 14.5% for major banks. In terms of fiscal stimulus, individual tax reform and increased infrastructure spending were announced in the second half of the year. Subsidies to certain industries and VAT cuts were also discussed. Selective property easing (like price caps or purchase limit removal) was also seen in some cities. The government was responsive to the deteriorating macro environment.

Unsurprisingly, the winners in 2017 like technology hardware, property, internet, education, healthcare and auto stocks all became underperformers in 2018. They were either hit by trade war woes or regulatory change in China.

#### MARKET OUTLOOK

When the trade war broke out it was at a time when China was undergoing financial deleveraging, exacerbating the downside risk of the Chinese economy, resulting in the policy shift of the Chinese government from tightening to loosening. The Investment Adviser expects fiscal stimulus rather than monetary easing to be the major tool for the government to boost growth as monetary easing contradicts the government's objective to deleverage. The government is likely to do more RRR cuts instead of outright interest rate cuts to inject liquidity into the financial system. With RRR standing at well above 10%, one of the highest in the world, China has ample room to cut RRR further. In terms of fiscal stimulus, subsidies in auto and home appliance industries and VAT cuts to boost consumption are likely to be announced in the short term. The Investment Adviser believes there is even a good chance of property easing should the economy weaken further. During the fourth quarter, the Investment Adviser has already seen some early signs of easing, such as increased mortgage approval by banks, reduction of mortgage rates, re-opening of onshore debt markets to developers and removal of price caps in some cities.

China and the US are likely to strike a trade deal after all, since the trade war has started to show negative impact on both economies. Judging from the friendly gesture of China to resume purchase of soybeans from the US and halt the punitive import tariffs on US autos as well as Donald Trump's positive tweets lately, the Investment Adviser believes that both sides are genuinely eager to make a deal by the March 2019 deadline. If that is the case, Renminbi will regain strength, which will be positive to companies with high foreign debt exposure.

The Investment Adviser is confident about the market. First, China market P/E is cheap at 10.7x 2019 P/E, discount to regional and developed markets like US. Any positive catalyst like a trade deal will instantly re-rate the market. Further re-rating is possible as the announced stimulus measures work their way down to the economy in the next few quarters. Furthermore, regulatory risk is dissipating.

**Strategic China Panda Fund (continued)** 

#### MARKET OUTLOOK (continued)

Take online gaming for example, the government has resumed approving online gaming licenses since last December after a nine month suspension.

The Investment Adviser also expects increased inflows to China as A shares will be included in FTSE indices starting in June 2019. Finally, the US dollar is peaking with the US Fed taking a dovish view on the interest rate outlook. Historically, a weak US dollar is positive to emerging markets like China. Simply put, it is the Investment Adviser's view that the headwinds in 2018 will turn into tailwinds this coming year.

## PORTFOLIO STRATEGY

The Investment Adviser is hopeful of a trade deal between the US and China. A trade deal should restore market confidence and have a positive impact on consumer spending and investment demand. Coupled with monetary and fiscal stimulus, sectors that were sold down on the poor macro outlook in 2018 should see a strong come-back this year. As such, the Sub-Fund is overweight Macau gaming and property. For property stocks, they trade at levels close to the last cyclical trough with attractive dividend yields although company fundamentals like balance sheet strength and profitability are much healthier today. Leading players are taking market share away from cash strapped peers. With an overweight position, the Sub-Fund is well positioned for any potential property policy relaxation. As for Macau gaming, monthly gross gaming revenue (GGR) has remained resilient despite the slowing economy, thanks to more traffic brought to Macau upon the opening of the HK-Zhuzhai-Shenzhen Bridge in October 2018. Strengthening of Renminbi, if there is a trade deal, will boost the spending power of Chinese tourists, another positive catalyst for consumer discretionary like Macau gaming.

The Investment Adviser remains cautious on technology hardware. A weak iPhone cycle on the new models and scrutiny on ZTE and Huawei (the two Chinese telecom equipment giants) by the US are likely to pose earnings risk to the technology supply chain. On the contrary, value is seen in banks. Even quality large banks are only trading at below 0.8x P/B (low end of historical trading range) with good dividend yield support and stable asset quality despite the weak economy, thanks to their prudent provisioning policy over the last few years.

After a dismal 2018, most of the negatives have been priced in. The Investment Adviser sees more potential upside surprise in 2019.

LBN Advisers Limited E.I. Sturdza Strategic Management Limited January 2019

## **Strategic Euro Bond Fund**

The Investment Manager's report has been compiled with the assistance of the Investment Adviser, Banque Eric Sturdza SA (Discretionary adviser).

#### **FUND PERFORMANCE**

For the year up to 14 December 2018 (the closure of the Sub-Fund), the performance continued to be impacted by the negative rate policy of the European Central Bank and the probable end of its asset purchases. The investment strategy was changed with effect from 1 July 2018, following the updated prospectus, which started to bear fruits during the summer. However, this was followed by corporate and emerging debt spreads widening and the performance did not reflect this new long-term strategy. In this context, as at 14 December 2018, the Accumulating EUR Class reached a performance of -2.94% compared to -0.32% for the Euribor 3m. This is attributable to the behavior of the European short term bond market in the first half and corporate and emerging debt spreads in the fourth quarter, discussed further below.

#### MARKET OVERVIEW

In 2018, the Fed raised its key rate in March, June, September and December to reach 2.25%-2.50%. The European Central Bank maintained its ultra-accommodative policy including a negative deposit rate (-0.40%) and monthly purchases of EUR 30 billion from January 2018 to September 2018, reducing to EUR 15 billion per month during the last quarter. As expected, this Quantitative Easing policy ended on 31 December 2018. During the year, the Euro decreased against the US dollar from 1.20 to 1.13, having reached 1.25 in February 2018.

During the year, the US Treasury curve experienced a bearish flattening due to subdued inflation expectations combined with the Fed's aggressive monetary policy. The 2y US Treasury yield increased from 1.88% to 2.49% (+61bp), the 5y rose from 2.21% to 2.51% (+30bp), the 10y from 2.41% to 2.68% (+27bp) and the 30y from 2.74% to 3.01% (+27bp). At the same time, the 30y inflation breakeven fell by 21bp from 2.02% to 1.81%. In addition, the 3 Month USD LIBOR increased from 1.69% to 2.81% (+112bp) following Fed rate hikes.

In Europe, the German yield curve experienced a slightly bullish flattening, partially due to "fly-to-quality" purchases during the Italian political turmoil and fears of a slowdown in the Eurozone, led by a possible recession in Germany expected in 2019. In this context, the 2y German yield increased from -0.63% to -0.61% (+2bp) while the 5y and 10y decreased, respectively, from -0.20% to -0.31% (-11bp) and +0.43% to +0.24% (-19bp). On the credit side, the European iTraxx Main increased from 45bp to 87bp (+42bp) while the US corporate CDX index rose from 49bp to 88bp (+39bp). This was due to risk aversion including fears of a global slowdown in 2019 (mainly from China, then Europe and the US) and the behaviour of equity markets in the fourth quarter.

In Emerging Markets, the CDX 10y EM index increased sharply from 196bp to 258bp (+62bp) driven by a higher US dollar, the hawkish Fed's monetary policy, the continuation of sanctions against Russia, spread widening in problematic countries such as Turkey or Argentina and massive outflows from Emerging Market fixed-income ETFs.

## **Strategic Euro Bond Fund (continued)**

#### PORTFOLIO STRATEGY

The Sub-Fund started the year with a size of EUR 40 million and declined to EUR 27 million by 14 December 2018. During the first semester, the investment grade corporate bond exposure remained stable around 82-83% from January to May and decreased to 77% in June. Then, due to the change in strategy in July 2018, the exposure to emerging markets increased to 26%-28%, the BB/BB+ exposure to 5%-8% and the subordinated debt to 12%-15% until early November 2018. From then until the closure of the Sub-Fund on 14 December 2018, the portfolio was modified in order to prepare for the liquidation of the portfolio, and the allocation to German and French government bonds increased to 55%.

The Investment Adviser actively managed the modified duration of the Sub-Fund: the duration decreased sharply in February 2018 from 1.2 to a record low of 0.5. In March 2018, it increased dramatically to 1.7 and stayed between 1.7 and 2 during the whole of the second quarter. From July 2018 to November 2018, the modified duration was increased substantially and stayed between 3.3 and 3.5 due to the new guidelines allowing more duration risk, prior to the closure of the Sub-Fund on 14 December 2018.

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# Nippon Growth (UCITS) Fund

The Investment Manager's Report has been compiled with the assistance of the Investment Adviser, Evarich Asset Management (Non-discretionary adviser).

#### **FUND PERFORMANCE**

The net asset value per unit for the Sub-Fund on a Japanese yen basis fell 20.7% over the course of the year, while the TOPIX declined 17.8% over the same period. The Sub-Fund put five new names (Nippon Steel and Sumitomo Metal, INPEX, Obayashi, NIDEC and Penta-Ocean Construction) into the portfolio with nine stocks (Rohm, GS Yuasa, Nissan Motor, Yamada Denki, Isuzu Motors, Sekisui Chemical, Mitsubishi Chemical, Mitsubishi Motors and Toyo Engineering) sold out. The majority of underperformance of the Sub-Fund against the index was attributed to sector positioning. Overweighting in economic sensitive sectors such as marine transportation, iron and steel, machinery and banks, and underweighting in defensive sectors such as utilities, pharmaceuticals, retail and communications were the chief reason. The top five performers among the TSE 33 sectors were utilities, land transportation, fishery and agriculture, precision instruments and pharmaceuticals, while the worst five performers were marine transportation, non-ferrous metals, metal products, mining and iron and steel.

#### MARKET OVERVIEW

The Japanese stock market began 2018 with a promising start, propelled by expectations regarding global economic growth, which is likely to fuel a further expansion in corporate profits with the Nikkei 225 showing a strong rally, reaching 24,000 for the first time in 26 years on 23 January 2018. However, data on US jobs, released on 2 February 2018, showed an increase in hourly wages of 2.9% compared to the same time in 2017, prompting US long-term interest rates to surge and US stocks to tumble. The Nikkei 225 subsequently retreated more than 1,000 points in early February, temporarily falling below 21,000 on 14 February 2018. Following President Trump's announcement in early March 2018 that the US would impose heavy tariffs on US steel and aluminum imports, global markets tumbled. This was further exacerbated by Mr. Trump signing an executive order imposing tariffs on USD 50 billion of imports from China, leading to growing concern of a trade war between the US and China. The Nikkei 225 declined sharply by 974 on 23 March 2018, the lowest since 12 October 2017.

In the second quarter of 2018, the market entered a recovery phase on the back of sound economic data. The work-style reform-related bills passed in the Diet at the end of the second quarter, in principle capping overtime at 45 hours per month and 360 hours per year, led to the anticipation of companies (1) increasing staff members and (2) raising capital expenditure in order to improve productivity. On 20 July 2018, Japan enacted a law (Integrated Resorts bill) outlining a road map for casino resorts. One still has to wait for a couple of years before blueprints come out with information on what kind of projects are planned but it is very likely that these projects will have a significant impact on a variety of industries such as construction, transportation, gaming, tourism, financing technology and the like, with trillions of yen of capital investments anticipated. It is likely be one of the core growth strategies for the Japanese economy after the 2020 Olympic Games in Tokyo.

**Nippon Growth (UCITS) Fund (continued)** 

#### **MARKET OVERVIEW (continued)**

At the end of July 2018, the Bank of Japan announced a set of monetary policy changes for the first time in almost two years, outlining a more flexible policy designed to let long-term interest rates move more freely. This change should be interpreted as the beginning of financial normalization. On the back of positive factors mentioned above together with a depreciating yen, the Japanese market continued to gain until the beginning of the fourth quarter with the Nikkei 225 reaching 24,270, the highest level in almost 27 years. However, this was short-lived as the market detracted when the US market started to fall from 3 October 2018 onwards, following a rise in the US long bond yield (to above 3.2%) and uncertainty on global politics and trade friction.

In December, the risk-off market prevailed and on 19 December 2018, the Federal Reserve Board decided to raise interest rates for the fourth time in 2018. In addition, the political environment stagnated in the US following the partial shutdown of US government institutions. Nearing the end of December the Nikkei 225 declined below 19,000 intraday for the first time since April 2017, with the market not recovering substantially before the year-end break.

## PORTFOLIO STRATEGY

Against the backdrop of Japan's vulnerability against natural disasters and sizable fiscal spending to be decided from November 2018 onwards, the Investment Adviser has begun increasing the weighting of construction and real estate in the portfolio. The Sub-Fund continues to be overweight with regards to economic sensitive sectors such as energy, trading companies, banking and machinery. At the same time, defensive sectors such as foods, pharmaceuticals and utilities continue to be avoided.

During the second half of the year, the net assets of the Sub-Fund had reduced significantly (JPY 823m since 30 June 2018). Going forward, the Investment Adviser will reduce the number of stocks from approximately 40 to around 30, beginning in Q1 2019. The aim is to concentrate the portfolio with higher conviction stocks.

## MARKET OUTLOOK

Global markets are currently watching the developments of the US-China talks regarding a trade deal and the progress on the partial shutdown of the US government. Until these issues have been resolved the markets, including equities, bonds, commodities and currencies, are unlikely to follow a clear direction.

On 21 December 2018, the government approved the second supplementary budget for the 2018 financial year, with JPY1.1 trillion out of JPY3.0 trillion allocated to public works spending. The budget is likely to be legalised in the Diet by early February 2019.

Since Mr. Abe took office as Prime Minister in December 2012, he has tried to bolster economic growth based on three themes (the so called "three arrows"), namely (1) financial policy, (2) fiscal stimulus and (3) structural reforms.

**Nippon Growth (UCITS) Fund (continued)** 

## **MARKET OUTLOOK (continued)**

Looking back in history, one however can dispute the impact of fiscal stimulus. In fact, public works showed a negative year-on-year growth three times (2014, 2015 and 2018 (estimated)) over the previous 6 years.

Mr. Abe has not kept his initial promises, partly due to the resistance shown by the Ministry of Finance, but more significantly due to a lack of urgency in his approach. This time however, it appears that he will by all means pursue higher growth (2.0%) over the coming three years. On 7 January 2019, the government appointed Mr. Shunpei Takemori, a professor of Keio University, as a private member to the Council of Economic and Fiscal Policy. Mr.Takemori is a well-known believer of Keynesian economics and an expert on the global economy, including trade issues. His appointment implies that the government is inclined to implement decisive fiscal stimulus at last. Regardless of this being good or bad, Japanese businesses and people's mentality by nature rely heavily on government policy. In that sense, the Investment Adviser believes the economy has the potential to achieve reasonable growth.

It is hoped that the US President, Donald Trump and the China President, Xi Jinping will be able to find some meaningful solutions on trade talks as they both recognise that they eventually need to share economic and strategic responsibilities for the world. The Investment Adviser strongly believes that the Japanese market should show a remarkable recovery in 2019 with the Nikkei 225 going over 25,000 by year end.

Evarich Asset Management E.I. Sturdza Strategic Management Limited January 2019

# **Strategic Europe Value Fund**

The Investment Manager's Report has been compiled with the assistance of the Investment Adviser, Lofoten Asset Management Limited (Discretionary adviser).

#### **FUND PERFORMANCE**

During the year 31 December 2018 the EUR Class returned -6.63%, closing at EUR 206.50, outperforming the benchmark which returned -10.57% over the same period. The EUR Institutional Class closed at EUR 183.92, returning -5.86% for the period.

The Sub-Fund's defensive positioning, particularly being mostly invested in large market capitalization quality names, helped to generate alpha. Over the period, both sector allocation and stock selection were strong. The best performing sectors were Industrials, Information Technology, Financials and Health Care. Industrials and Information Technology were driven by strong stock selection; while Health Care and Financials added to alpha largely due to the Sub-Fund's relative overweight and underweight, respectively. The main detractor to return over the year was Consumer Staples, largely due to stock selection and to tobacco in particular. The Investment Adviser has since sold out of Philip Morris International and British American Tobacco; the Investment Adviser remains committed to integrating Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) issues into their investment process and as such will no longer invest in tobacco names. 2018 was a difficult year for markets with all sectors of the benchmark in negative territory with the exception of the Utilities sector.

## MARKET OVERVIEW

2018 was a challenging year for most asset classes with the return of volatility to Global markets. In the United States, corporate tax reform provided a boost to smaller and domestic companies; and a more indirect impact saw the repatriation of overseas cash on the balance sheets of multinational companies. However, the reduction in the Fed's balance sheet, rising interest rates and the ongoing trade dispute between the United States and China offset gains as the year came to a close. Technology stocks slowed in the fourth quarter and fears of a global growth slowdown weighed on cyclical sectors.

In Europe, political and macro risks prevailed. The Italian election caused some short-term volatility, trade wars had a negative effect on the German economy, and Brexit plans made little progress. In France, Emmanuel Macron was confronted with protests as he attempted to enact his reform program. French macro data became increasingly bad throughout 2018, with real GDP growth slowing every quarter, driven by falling household consumption, fixed investment and exports. Indeed, industrial production turned negative in the fourth quarter. Germany faired no better, Brexit remains unresolved and Italy is still a concern; all of this heading into the European parliamentary election in May.

Japanese equites didn't escape the global equity sell off, a sharp fourth quarter drop resulting in a technical 'bear market'. Emerging markets also entered 'bear market' territory in September, weighed down by tighter global liquidity and a slowdown in global growth. Investors are understandably worried about a less robust outlook for global growth and further political and economic risks as we enter 2019.

**Strategic Europe Value Fund (continued)** 

#### PORTFOLIO STRATEGY

The Sub-Fund employs a bottom up stock picking strategy with a strong preference for high quality business models as evidenced by high margins at the operating level and/or return on capital employed, ideally combined with visible revenue. The aim is to buy these companies at a discount to intrinsic value. As a result, sector allocation is a consequence of the investment process rather than a driver of it. The portfolio will typically have a structural bias towards sectors such as consumer staples, consumer discretionary, healthcare, IT, media and support service sectors whilst normally avoiding the commercial banks, insurance and commodity sectors.

The best performing stocks for 2018 were: Wirecard, Wolters Kluwer, Safran and AstraZeneca.

Wirecard is a German based provider of online payment and risk management applications. It operates through three segments; Payment Processing, Risk Management (credit, fraud, for example), and Acquiring and Issuing. Wirecard is a pure play on the structural shift towards e-commerce, a sector which is experiencing strong and accelerating secular growth trends. The Sub-Fund has held a position in Wirecard since 2016 and it has been one of the largest contributors to return since, driven by strong secular growth trends. The Investment Adviser exited the position in the fourth quarter of 2018 as the stock had become over-owned and expensive.

Wolters Kluwer is a global leader in information services and solutions for professionals in the areas of legal, tax and accounting, finance, health, and risk and compliance. This is a position the Sub-Fund has held since inception. The company was initially perceived as a value trap whilst the underlying business mix was undergoing a significant digital transformation from a predominantly paper-based traditional Dutch publisher to a multinational provider of professional information services and Software as a Service (SaaS). Today c. 85% of revenues are generated from digital services.

Safran is a French Aerospace group, operating in aircraft and rocket engines, aerospace components and defence. The Sub-Fund bought a position in Safran in January 2018, in the Investment Adviser's view, cash generation should double in the next three years, underpinned by strong aircraft demand, the successful launch of the LEAP engine, as well as accelerating aftermarket sales profitability. The group's latest acquisition of Zodiac should contribute to Safran's growth over the coming years. These highly favourable prospects are not fully reflected in the share price. Shares have performed well in 2018 as the market has come to appreciate that the cash flow is going to improve going forward.

AstraZenca is a multinational biopharmaceutical company with headquarters in the United Kingdom. The Investment Adviser has owned shares in the company since the summer of 2017 when a key oncology drug trial was misunderstood by the market, causing the shares to fall 16%, providing a nice entry point. Following several years of top line growth decline, AstraZenca is now at an inflection point with an approved broad portfolio of blockbuster drugs which will drive significant revenue, margin and earnings over the medium term. The Investment Adviser believes that AstraZenca will have the fastest top-line growth of Europe large capitalization pharma companies.

The worst performing stocks over the period were: British American Tobacco, Fresenius Medical Care, Sage Group, Philip Morris International and Pandora.

**Strategic Europe Value Fund (continued)** 

#### **PORTFOLIO STRATEGY (continued)**

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Pandora is a Denmark based company engaged in the design, manufacturing and marketing of branded jewelry. The share price fell sharply after first quarter results. The main concern was that growth in China was much slower than the company had hoped for, due to a large increase in grey market sales and insufficient marketing by the company. Furthermore, the United States market continues to cause problems and management execution was very poor. The Sub-Fund exited the position in Pandora during the second quarter of 2018.

**Strategic Europe Value Fund (continued)** 

## MARKET OUTLOOK

As mentioned, 2018 was a challenging year for equity markets, with increased volatility, rising central bank interest rates, a slowdown in the Eurozone, weaker Chinese growth and increased political worries. Going into 2019, the Investment Adviser maintains their cautious view on markets even though there has been a partial sell off, the Investment Adviser believes there is more to come. The Investment Adviser still remains concerned about the pricing of risk assets given the overall tightening of global monetary policy and the amount of leverage in the economic system.

In this environment, the Investment Adviser will retain their preference for defensive portfolio positioning. However, the market has also begun to move towards this way of thinking, and so the Investment Adviser is finding selective opportunities outside of the traditionally preferred sectors.

Lofoten Asset Management Limited E.I. Sturdza Strategic Management Limited January 2019

## **Strategic Global Bond Fund**

The Investment Manager's report has been compiled with the assistance of the Investment Adviser, Banque Eric Sturdza SA (Discretionary adviser).

#### **FUND PERFORMANCE**

For the year up to 14 December 2018 (the closure of the Sub-Fund), the performance had been impacted by higher US dollar rates and wider corporate spreads. On the positive side, the barbell strategy, favouring very short term bonds combined with 30y Treasuries, had been successful in the flattening curve environment. In this context, the Sub-Fund reached a negative performance of -0.62%, whilst the benchmark (ICE LIBOR 3m USD +1%) had a performance of 2.93%.

## MARKET OVERVIEW

In 2018, the Fed raised its key rate in March, June, September and December to reach 2.25%-2.50%. The European Central Bank maintained its ultra-accommodative policy including a negative deposit rate (-0.40%) and monthly purchases of EUR 30 billion from January 2018 to September 2018, reducing to EUR 15 billion per month during the last quarter. As expected, this Quantitative Easing policy ended on 31 December 2018. During the year, the Euro decreased against the US dollar from 1.20 to 1.13, having reached 1.25 in February 2018.

During the year, the US Treasury curve experienced a bearish flattening due to subdued inflation expectations combined with the Fed's aggressive monetary policy. The 2y US Treasury yield increased from 1.88% to 2.49% (+61bp), the 5y rose from 2.21% to 2.51% (+30bp), the 10y from 2.41% to 2.68% (+27bp) and the 30y from 2.74% to 3.01% (+27bp). At the same time, the 30y inflation breakeven fell by 21bp from 2.02% to 1.81%. In addition, the 3 Month USD LIBOR increased from 1.69% to 2.81% (+112bp) following Fed rate hikes.

In Europe, the German yield curve experienced a slightly bullish flattening, partially due to "fly-to-quality" purchases during the Italian political turmoil and fears of a slowdown in the Eurozone, led by a possible recession in Germany expected in 2019. In this context, the 2y German yield increased from -0.63% to -0.61% (+2bp) while the 5y and 10y decreased respectively from -0.20% to -0.31% (-11bp) and +0.43% to +0.24% (-19bp).

On the credit side, the European iTraxx Main increased from 45bp to 87bp (+42bp) while the US corporate CDX index rose from 49bp to 88bp (+39bp). This was due to risk aversion including fears of a global slowdown in 2019 (mainly from China, then Europe and the US) and the behaviour of equity markets in the fourth quarter.

In Emerging Markets, the CDX 10y EM index increased sharply from 196bp to 258bp (+62bp) driven by a higher US dollar, the hawkish Fed's monetary policy, the continuation of sanctions against Russia, spread widening in problematic countries such as Turkey or Argentina and massive outflows from Emerging Market fixed-income ETFs.

**Strategic Global Bond Fund (continued)** 

## PORTFOLIO STRATEGY

The Sub-Fund started the year with a size of USD 32 million and declined to USD 22 million by 14 December, caused in part by switches of investors into equity funds, absolute return equity funds and other strategies replacing fixed-income investments. During the year, the Investment Adviser actively managed the modified duration of the Sub-Fund and the barbell position including three major investments: Floating Rate Notes, corporate bonds yielding above 3% with maturity around 2 years and 30y Treasuries, until the closure of the Sub-Fund on 14 December 2018.

Banque Eric Sturdza SA E.I. Sturdza Strategic Management Limited January 2019

## Strategic US Momentum and Value Fund

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#### FUND PERFORMANCE

Over the period, up to the closure of the Sub-Fund on 14 December 2018, it returned -0.41% net whilst the MSCI USA returned +0.88%. The largest contributor to performance was MasterCard Inc. followed by IQVA Holdings and Thermo Fischer Inc.

Aside from the unusually high level of stock volatility in the second half, when pictured as a whole, 2018 was another fantastic year for payment stocks (with MasterCard returning approximately +25%, Visa c. +16%, and PayPal c.+14%) and their fundamentals. The Sub-Fund's holdings saw significant positive revisions (2018 earnings c.+12% for MasterCard and similar for Visa) and the strongest earnings performance in 5 years (earnings performance of c.+44% for MasterCard and c.+32% for Visa) driven by the tax reform, a strong macro environment and healthy acceleration in the secular trend of cash-to-card conversion coupled with the shift from offline to online payments. Looking forward, the Investment Adviser expects the macro environment (especially the resilience of individual company's earnings in the face of a slowdown or downturn) and the battle between secular and disruptive forces to dominate the industry's narrative in 2019. Some of the themes expected to impact the industry include, (1) the risk of negative revisions from potentially weaker macro conditions, foreign exchange, gas prices and cross-border payments; (2) an Emerging Market battle ground for market share; (3) growth inflection and intensifying disruption at the online checkout; (4) contactless systems as a catalyst for digitizing everyday cash; (5) greater regulation and government intervention; and, (6) accelerating innovation from tokens, push payments, and the convergence in paymentssoftware amongst others.

The Investment Adviser believes that both MasterCard and Visa are the clearest beneficiaries of the secularly attractive payments market, and enjoy deeply attractive business models (competitive moat, low capital intensity and operating leverage). Earnings are still poised to grow at a superior rate with expectations pointing towards a mid-double digit range over the next several years. Whilst the Investment Adviser is cognizant of the many and various risks emerging (such as government intervention, internet giants, competition in emerging markets through various payment methods), none of these appear imminent. Furthermore, the Investment Adviser believes that these various sources of uncertainty are outweighed by the long term optionality in these businesses from expansion in their addressable market, increase in yields (through for example charging for value added services), and new revenue streams (such as data based services). While the macro environment will most certainly be tougher in 2019, with incremental headwinds kicking in, such as gas price weakness (2-3% of revenue exposure), reduction in Chinese consumer spend (between 3-6% of revenue exposure) and weaker cross-border volume (on stronger USD), the Investment Adviser still expects a mid-teens earnings growth on the back of secular factors and company specific catalysts (such as continued pricing improvement in Visa Europe and volume performance in general, share shifts, traction of Visa Direct and MasterCard Send, MasterCard's guidance for 2019-2021, and the potential for changes in the competitive landscape in Emerging Markets).

The October 2016 merger between Quintiles and IMS Health resulted in a power house called IQVIA. The combined entity operates in three segments: Research and Development, Commercial Solutions and Integrated Engagement Services. The company provides outsourced R&D and real-world solutions to biopharmaceutical companies. It also provides solutions in connected healthcare and technology-enabled commercial operations.

## Strategic US Momentum and Value Fund (continued)

## **FUND PERFORMANCE** (continued)

Beyond the company's earnings quality and growth potential, the Investment Adviser believes there is an extra strategic benefit from the combination of the two businesses and expects the enhanced value to be realised over time. Management announced its target of 100-200bps of estimated annual revenue increments by three years following the completion of the merger in October 2016. Management also expects to achieve \$200 million in cost synergies by the end of 2019. Additionally, the Investment Adviser sees an opportunity for the company to deliver faster than expected revenue growth and greater cost synergies than what the current market has priced in. If the company is able to deliver on better than anticipated cross-sales the share price will increase to reflect the combined entities earnings growth.

Aside from the fact that there is a lot to like when it comes to the life science and diagnostics industry (such as attractive growth opportunities, several competitive advantages that reinforce economic moats, tendency to have a predictable and higher growth outlook (especially in areas such as bioprocessing or analytical instrumentation), and somewhat insulated from broader macroeconomic cycles), Thermo Fischer is the largest supplier of research instruments and consumables. The firm's target market is estimated at around \$110 billion and Thermo Fischer's total sales stand close to \$25 billion. The company is among the industry leaders in practically every product category and has proven to be a very efficient integrator of acquired entities. The firm's successful acquisition strategy not only enabled it to significantly broaden its product offering but also gain market share over time. Its broadened product offering yields pricing flexibility and results from stronger customer relationships. Furthermore, Thermo Fischer's simplified procurement process offers sizeable benefits to large pharmaceutical companies and has been the key driver behind its expanding penetration of the sector. The Investment Adviser expects this trend to continue even in the face of the deceleration seen in biopharma spending from the high levels seen at the end of 2018. Another impressive aspect with Thermo Fischer is its growth in emerging market presence (currently representing 20% of total sales). The company has expanded its manufacturing footprint in these regions and given its brand recognition power among researchers has been able to compete effectively against indigenous manufacturers. Given the ongoing commitment to research (especially for life sciences) by governments in these areas, the company's stated goal of expanding its emerging market business by 8-10% annually seems very much achievable in the Investment Adviser's opinion.

## MARKET OVERVIEW

2018 will be remembered, as strong fundamentals coexisting with more volatility, and markets struggling to find positive returns even though growth improved and the labor market tightened. It is a rare instance when the economy and financial markets move in different directions. Growth accelerated far above the economy's trend growth rate of approx. 2%, coming into the second half of 2018, due to pro-cyclical stimulus and driven by a strong labor market that surprisingly pushed the unemployment rate even lower.

However, despite the strong growth, market volatility gained significant traction over the second half of the year, due in part to the extreme low and steady levels the market had enjoyed, but more so, from an accelerating yet tight economy and how the path for short and long rates unfolded. Looking also at the upward pressure on the term premium in 2018, many had anticipated long rates could have reached as high as 3.35% (a level the bond market came very close to reaching in October and November) but had subsequently backed away from, due to weakening risk appetites, unsteady policy rhetoric on the natural rate and increased recession fears for 2019 boosted by heightened political uncertainty.

## Strategic US Momentum and Value Fund (continued)

## **MARKET OVERVIEW (continued)**

The household tax cut was powerful in its effect but temporary, and the corporate tax cut was somewhat surprising in its ability to boost capex growth and as a result the economy's capacity.

Inflation was largely expected to stay anchored, however cyclically speaking, the pricing power of company's appeared too weak to pass through input price pressures. Nonetheless, those pressures were largely absorbed in margins, which remained healthy and were given a boost by the corporate tax cut. The dollar was also largely expected to weaken, but strengthened despite large external financial needs. While in 2018 the US dollar was aided by relative U.S. strength, the Investment Adviser still believes that external financing requirements and the move towards more elastic lenders (more private funding versus less official reserve accumulation) would have an impact over the medium term.

Finally, while the labor market was also largely expected to stay strong in 2018, its sustainability was surprising and delivered slightly stronger growth than anticipated.

At the end of the year, just as investors were becoming comfortable with a modestly positive year, the market sold off sharply, despite two pretty bullish developments; the first coming in late November, when Mr. Powell flipped on his previous hawkish comments for the natural rate, which had sent stocks lower and pushed yields higher. While the comment in November gave a boost to equities, it was short-lived; secondly, when U.S. President Trump's truce with China on trade conflicts turned out to be equally short-lived. Whilst the 90 day stay on tariffs gave some initial reprieve, the market swiftly shifted its attention to the still existing (but now slightly pushed out) risks of the standoff with China. Additional disturbances, such as the arrest of Huawei's CFO, demonstrated the fragile market sentiment on the subject.

#### PORTFOLIO STRATEGY

The strategy's aim was to achieve NAV appreciation above that of its benchmark index (MSCI USA) by selecting companies with a stellar track record of persistent growth throughout varying cycles, but which have attributes that are underappreciated by the market based on a wide set of fundamental valuation metrics.

The Sub-Fund aimed to select companies which exhibit high levels of price and earnings momentum, at prices which are deemed undervalued compared to their growth perspectives. A central tenet of the strategy was to focus on the discrepancy between the market's valuation of a company's growth profile and both its actual and potential growth. The process makes full use of both quantitative screens and fundamental analyses to select the most attractive companies within the mandate's universe, whilst aiming to maintain a portfolio of at least 25 stocks, which exhibits sectoral diversification. The Sub-Fund followed a bottom-up selection process with top-down-conscious portfolio construction. It was thus a natural consequence of the strategy and process that specific sectors or otherwise defined groups of stocks exhibit a weighting discrepancy when compared to the benchmarks. The Sub-Fund closed on 14 December 2018.

Banque Eric Sturdza SA E.I. Sturdza Strategic Management Limited January 2019

## **Strategic Global Quality Fund**

The Investment Manager's Report has been compiled with the assistance of the Investment Adviser, Lofoten Asset Management Limited (Discretionary adviser).

#### **FUND PERFORMANCE**

Over the period, the USD Institutional Class returned -6.24%, in comparison to the benchmark, the MSCI Daily Total Return Net World Index, which returned -8.71%.

The majority of alpha was generated by stock selection, particularly in the Information Technology and Industrials sectors which were two of the top performing sectors. Financials were also a top contributor to return for 2018, due to the Sub-Fund's zero weight to the sector. The Sub-Fund's overweight to the Consumer Staples sector was a negative contributor. Stock selection in some of the Health Care names also weighed on returns. The best performing sectors for the benchmark in 2018 were Health Care and Utilities, with the rest of the sectors in negative territory, the worst performing sectors being Financials, Materials and Energy.

At a single stock level the best performing stocks were Wirecard, Wolters Kluwer, Microsoft and MasterCard. Whilst the main detractors to return over the period were British American Tobacco, Fresenius Medical Care, Sage Group, Philip Morris International and Reckitt Benckiser Group. Specific stock selection is discussed in more detail as part of the Portfolio Strategy.

## MARKET OVERVIEW

2018 was a challenging year for most asset classes with the return of volatility to Global markets. In the United States, corporate tax reform provided a boost to smaller and domestic companies; and a more indirect impact saw the repatriation of overseas cash on the balance sheets of multinational companies. However, the reduction in the Fed's balance sheet, rising interest rates and the ongoing trade dispute between the United States and China offset gains as the year came to a close. Technology stocks slowed in the fourth quarter and fears of a global growth slowdown weighted on cyclical sectors.

In Europe political and macro risks prevailed. The Italian election caused some short-term volatility, trade wars had a negative effect on the German economy, and Brexit plans made little progress. In France, Emmanuel Macron was confronted with protests as he attempted to enact his reform program. French macro data became increasingly bad throughout 2018, with real GDP growth slowing every quarter, driven by falling household consumption, fixed investment and exports. Indeed, industrial production turned negative in the fourth quarter. Germany is no better, Brexit remains unresolved and Italy is still a concern; all of this heading into the European parliamentary election in May.

Japanese equites didn't escape the global equity sell off, a sharp fourth quarter drop resulting in a technical 'bear market'. Emerging markets also entered 'bear market' territory in September, weighed down by tighter global liquidity and a slowdown in global growth. Investors are understandably worried about a less robust outlook for global growth and further political and economic risks as we enter 2019.

Strategic Global Quality Fund (continued)

## PORTFOLIO STRATEGY

The Sub-Fund employs a bottom up stock picking strategy with a strong preference for high quality business models as evidenced by high margins at the operating level and/or return on capital employed, ideally combined with visible revenue. The aim is to buy these companies at a discount to their intrinsic value. As a result of this philosophy, sector allocation is a consequence of the investment process rather than a driver of it. The portfolio will normally have a structural bias towards sectors such as consumer staples, information technology, consumer discretionary and healthcare whilst avoiding the commercial banks, insurance and commodity sectors.

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The payment processing sector is an area the Sub-Fund has long favoured. At the heart of it sits Visa and MasterCard, being the major networks through which electronic payments take place by facilitating electronic fund transfers, be they credit, debit, or gift cards globally. MasterCard is the number two payment system in the United States, serving about 22,000 member financial institutions around the world. Similarly to Visa, the company markets its MasterCard and Maestro brands, providing a transaction authorization network. Through its Vocalink acquisition MasterCard will have access to technology which ensures uninterrupted access to cash, real-time payments and new mobile payment solutions. MasterCard also operates the Cirrus ATM network.

Microsoft is the global leader in software, services, devices and solutions for corporates and individuals. Microsoft is a company in transition, moving from being dominated by transactional revenues to one that is primarily driven by annuity/recurring sales. This transition is driven by both the cloud offering and new products, such as Azure, as well as trends within the older products, such as the shift from Office to 365.

**Strategic Global Quality Fund (continued)** 

#### **PORTFOLIO STRATEGY (continued)**

In the numbers what the investment team expects to see is an acceleration in earnings as the deferred revenues from subscription sales are recognised as upgrades are delivered. Gross margins should also begin to improve in time as the mathematical effect of cloud growth comes down and growth from the personal computing division normalises. According to the Investment Adviser the market does not fully appreciate these coming improvements.

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**Strategic Global Quality Fund (continued)** 

#### **PORTFOLIO STRATEGY (continued)**

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Reckitt Benckiser Group is a global consumer goods company with headquarters in the United Kingdom. The Sub-Fund established a position in Reckitts in 2017, when the share price suffered due to market concerns over the price paid for their acquisition of Mead Johnson. This was a contrarian call, but the Investment Adviser believes this is a true self-help story, and that the Mead Johnson deal will prove to be a good one. The Investment Adviser still believes this to be the case, however, more recently the share price has suffered on concerns over several, one-off mishaps, and a loss of confidence in management's ability to deliver on their plans. In today's low growth, deflationary and disrupted environment it is becoming increasingly important that companies such as Reckitt Benckiser continue to innovate and cut costs in order to remain competitive and drive earnings. They have plenty of scope to achieve this.

## MARKET OUTLOOK

As mentioned, 2018 was a challenging year for equity markets, with increased volatility, rising central bank interest rates, a slowdown in the Eurozone, weaker Chinese growth and increased political worries. Going into 2019, the Investment Adviser maintains their cautious view on markets even though there has been a partial sell off, the Investment Adviser believes there is more to come. The Investment Adviser still remains concerned about the pricing of risk assets given the overall tightening of global monetary policy and the amount of leverage in the economic system. In this environment, the Investment Adviser will retain their preference for defensive portfolio positioning.

Lofoten Asset Management Limited E.I. Sturdza Strategic Management Limited January 2019

# E.I. Sturdza Funds Plc Investment Manager's Report (continued)

# For the year ended 31 December 2018

## Strategic European Smaller Companies Fund

The Investment Manager's report has been compiled with the assistance of the Investment Adviser, Pascal Investment Advisers S.A. (Discretionary adviser).

## **FUND PERFORMANCE**

The year under review covers the Sub-Fund's evolution from 1 January 2018 to 31 December 2018 and saw the net asset value per share of the EUR class decrease by EUR 344.11 from EUR 1,384.42 to EUR 1,040.25, a total net return of -24.86%. The Sub-Fund's benchmark, the STOXX 600 Total Return Index, decreased by -10.77% over the same period resulting in a -14.09% underperformance.

The -24.86% performance is comprised of -23.25% gross portfolio performance and -1.61% fees and other expenses.

On a quarterly basis the Sub-Fund reported the following returns versus the benchmark for each quarter:

- Q1: -5.51% vs. -4.16% i.e. underperformance of 1.35%
- Q2: -2.31% vs. +3.97% i.e. underperformance of 6.28%
- Q3: -3.25% vs. +1.26% i.e. underperformance of 4.51%
- Q4: -15.86% vs. -11.57% i.e. underperformance of 4.30%

The largest individual stock contributors to performance during the year were Takeaway.com (+0.63% contribution to performance), Valmet (+0.61%) and Barco (+0.44%), while the top detractors were Akwel (-2.23%), Spie (-2.00%) and Balta (-1.58%).

Out of the 38 positions held by the Sub-Fund during the year, 8 were profitable and 30 made a loss. The profitable investments contributed 2.37% gross performance (+0.30% on average), whilst the unprofitable positions impacted the gross performance by -25.61% (-0.85% on average). Takeaway.com, the single largest contributor, represents 26.4% of the positive gross contribution, whilst Balta, the single largest detractor, makes up 8.7% of the negative gross contribution.

Since inception on 5 May 2015, the Sub-Fund's performance was +4.03% and compares favorably versus the Sub-Fund's benchmark index, STOXX 600 Total Return Index, which reported a -5.52% performance over the same period, translating into a 9.55% outperformance over 44 months.

## MARKET OVERVIEW

2018 was a much more volatile year than the market has experienced for a number of years as a result of concerns about rising interest rates, a China slowdown, US led trade wars, the rise of populist political parties in Europe, particularly in Italy and France, and the continued lack of clarity from Brexit.

All of those triggered massive outflows in the European equity space since April 2018, up until year end. While we have been relatively immune to that phenomenon over the last year, other market participants were not in the same position and had no other choice than to be in a forced seller position, indirectly impacting valuations of the Sub-Fund's investments with a peak around the 20 December 2018.

**Strategic European Smaller Companies Fund (continued)** 

## **MARKET OVERVIEW (continued)**

Since that date and up until 8 January 2019, the Sub-Fund recorded a +7.3% return with some of its constituents experiencing sizeable rebounds like Takeaway.com (+28.3%), Lisi (+23.9%), Jacquet Metal (+17.4%), Akwel (+16.1%), Metall Zug (+15.5%), Barco (+13.9%), Mauna Kea (+13.5%), Mersen (+12.6%), Rieter (+11.7%) and Elis (+10.2%).

This shows that the last part of 2018 was mostly technical from a mark to market perspective and went way beyond the fundamentals of the underlying businesses. In spite of this rebound, this remains valid today with an upside potential on the basis of assumptions incorporating a more prudent macro scenario for the years to come of around 50% for the Sub-Fund from here.

## PORTFOLIO STRATEGY

The Sub-Fund is positioned to respond to the macro position detailed above. The Investment Adviser believes that holding positions in fewer stocks allows its "best ideas" to have a meaningful impact on the Sub-Fund's performance. Accordingly, the portfolio might typically include investments in approximately 30 stocks. As at 31 December 2018, the five largest positions represented 25.29% compared to 20.28% at 31 December 2017. This increase in concentration is representative of the increased upside potential that the Investment Adviser believes exists in positions at this stage of the cycle.

As of 31 December 2018, the five largest holdings (and their weighting) of the Sub-Fund were Albioma (France) (7.06%), Barco (Begium) (4.64% weight), Valmet (Finland) (4.63% weight), Ipsos (France) (4.56% weight) and Spie (France) (4.40% weight).

During 2018, 12 investments were exited, and 4 new positions were initiated, decreasing the number of positions from 34 to 26. The cash allocation remained stable during the year, moving from 9.3% at the end of December 2017 to 14.6% at the end of December 2018.

By country, exposure to France was increased from 32.6% at the end of December 2017 to 40.8% at the end of December 2018. This country still remains the largest in terms of geographical exposure.

By sector, exposure to Industrial companies also saw its allocation increased, from 38.7% to 40.2% during the year with decreases in the allocations to Consumer Discretionary and Information Technology sectors.

During 2018, net assets of the Sub-Fund fell from EUR 193m as of 31 December 2017 to EUR 149m by 31 December 2018.

## MARKET OUTLOOK

The Sub-Fund's largest position over most of 2018 was Albioma, which is an independent energy producer developing and operating projects in thermal biomass and solar power. Albioma's core business is high-performance energy recovery from biomass that is free from any conflict of use, with particular emphasis on bagasse, the fibrous residue that remains after sugar cane has been crushed.

## **Strategic European Smaller Companies Fund (continued)**

## **MARKET OUTLOOK (continued)**

Up to the end of November, Albioma declined 20% in spite of the fact that it is the least cyclical company held in the portfolio (its returns are guaranteed by the regulator), and the year is developing exactly as planned.

Recent news flow has been very positive for the company:

- November 2018 The French energy regulator approved the terms of a draft amendment between EDF and Albioma Caraïbes power plant in Guadeloupe, allowing the conversion of the only 100% coal-fueled facility to operate with biomass. Converting the power plant to operate with biomass will increase the share of renewable energy in Guadeloupe's energy mix to approximately 35% (from 20.5% in 2017).
- December 2018 the company announced that the warrants issue reserved for 42 employees and the CEO, was met with great success with a subscription rate of over 140%. Each employee paid €0.90 for each warrant struck at €20.9 with an exercise period between 2021 and 2024. Each employee implicitly created the stock at €1.80, a great sign of confidence for a stock that closed at €15.70 in mid-January 2019.
- December 2018 Jacques Veyrat, 51% shareholder of the recently listed company Neoen, acquired 5.50% of the company for €31.7 Million to clean up the residual stake held by the historical private equity owner of the business, at a 20% premium for only a minority stake.

This specific example is here to demonstrate that the mark to market evolution of Albioma, albeit frustrating, was, for most of the year, totally disconnected from the underlying fundamentals, the trust of its employees in the future of the company and the capital that investors with deep knowledge in the industry are willing to invest in the business. The contrast is so staggering that, in the Investment Adviser's opinion, it cannot remain as mispriced as it is indefinitely. In December 2018, Albioma rebounded by 12.8% and therefore partially closed the gap towards its fair value that remains substantially higher than the year end closing stock price.

Even though markets have continued a selling off month in December we are observing changes, such as the mood from companies seeming cautiously relaxed and positive. Investors are clearly desperate for companies to say that the cycle is rolling over and that they're seeing weakness, but they simply aren't in most areas outside of autos, semis and retail, and even in those sectors there are pockets of strength.

The Investment Adviser is also seeing a clear increase in the trading of firms' own stock by management, within the Sub-Fund's universe, coupled with increasing M&A activity since November 2018, with takeovers announced by several companies in Europe: Amer Sports, Basware, Poyry, Ahlsell, Osram Lighting to name but a few.

All these observations are important factors to watch and keep in mind for 2019.

Pascal Investment Advisers S.A. E.I. Sturdza Strategic Management Limited January 2019

## **Strategic Quality Emerging Bond Fund**

The Investment Manager's report has been compiled with the assistance of the Investment Adviser, Banque Eric Sturdza SA (Discretionary adviser).

#### **FUND PERFORMANCE**

For the year up to 14 December 2018 (due to the closure of the Sub-Fund), the performance had been impacted by higher US dollar rates and the widening of Emerging Markets spreads. As a result, the USD Class returned -3.61% compared to 3.90% for the benchmark (ICE LIBOR 3MTH USD +2%). The performance since inception was still positive, reaching +3.56%.

#### MARKET OVERVIEW

In 2018, the Fed raised its key rate in March, June, September and December to reach 2.25%-2.50%. The European Central Bank maintained its ultra-accommodative policy including a negative deposit rate (-0.40%) and monthly purchases of EUR 30 billion from January 2018 to September 2018, reducing to EUR 15 billion per month during the last quarter. As expected, this Quantitative Easing policy ended on 31 December 2018. During the year, the Euro decreased against the US dollar from 1.20 to 1.13, having reached 1.25 in February 2018.

During the year, the US Treasury curve experienced a bearish flattening due to subdued inflation expectations combined with the Fed's aggressive monetary policy. The 2y US Treasury yield increased from 1.88% to 2.49% (+61bp), the 5y rose from 2.21% to 2.51% (+30bp), the 10y from 2.41% to 2.68% (+27bp) and the 30y from 2.74% to 3.01% (+27bp). At the same time, the 30y inflation breakeven fell by 21bp from 2.02% to 1.81%. In addition, the 3 Month USD LIBOR increased from 1.69% to 2.81% (+112bp) following Fed rate hikes.

In Europe, the German yield curve experienced a slightly bullish flattening, partially due to "fly-to-quality" purchases during the Italian political turmoil and fears of a slowdown in the Eurozone, led by a possible recession in Germany expected in 2019. In this context, the 2y German yield increased from -0.63% to -0.61% (+2bp) while the 5y and 10y decreased, respectively, from -0.20% to -0.31% (-11bp) and +0.43% to +0.24% (-19bp).

On the credit side, the European iTraxx Main increased from 45bp to 87bp (+42bp) while the US corporate CDX index rose from 49bp to 88bp (+39bp). This was due to risk aversion including fears of a global slowdown in 2019 (mainly from China, then Europe and the US) and the behaviour of equity markets in the fourth quarter.

In Emerging Markets, the CDX 10y EM index increased sharply from 196bp to 258bp (+62bp) driven by a higher US dollar, the hawkish Fed's monetary policy, the continuation of sanctions against Russia, spread widening in problematic countries such as Turkey or Argentina and massive outflows from Emerging Market fixed-income ETFs.

**Strategic Quality Emerging Bond Fund (continued)** 

#### PORTFOLIO STRATEGY

The Sub-Fund started the year with a size of USD 41 million and declined to USD 35 million by 14 December 2018. During the period, the investment grade emerging bond exposure increased from 72% in January 2018 to 80-82% in February 2018 and to 85-90% from July 2018 until the closure of the Sub-Fund. The corporate bond exposure stayed between 64% and 66% until May 2018 and declined to 56% in June 2018. From July to October 2018, it stayed in a range 55-60% and then decreased to 43-44% in November through to December 2018.

In terms of country exposure, the two major moves were the sale of the whole position in Russia (11%) in April 2018, as sanctions against the country were maintained by the US and the EU, and the decrease of Mexico from 17% to 8% in June 2018 due to the probable election of AMLO as President on 1 July 2018. In the second half of the calendar year, exposure to high beta countries was also removed. China and the US exposures have been increased sharply to the detriment of South Africa and Indonesia (which were still in the top 3 countries in July 2018).

The modified duration of the Sub-Fund has been actively managed: the duration decreased to 3.2 in February 2018 but increased sharply to 4.7 in March 2018 and was maintained between 5 and 5.4 between April and August 2018. Then, in order to prepare for the liquidation of the portfolio, the modified duration was reduced to around 4.5 in September and October 2018, then to around 3 in November until the Sub-Fund's closure on 14 December 2018.

Banque Eric Sturdza SA E.I. Sturdza Strategic Management Limited January 2019

## Strategic Beta Flex Fund

The Investment Manager's report has been compiled with the assistance of the Investment Adviser, Sofia Gestione del Patrimonio Sgr (Italy) (Non-discretionary adviser).

#### FUND PERFORMANCE

Over the period from 1 January 2018 up to the closure of the Sub-Fund on 15 August 2018, the Sub-Fund achieved a negative performance of -0.79% vs the benchmark return of -0.39% (MSCI Europe Net Return) over the same period. A significant challenge faced by the Investment Adviser was controlling volatility in a very erratic market scenario, done by using its beta management strategy in a dynamic way whilst simultaneously avoiding over-trading.

#### MARKET OVERVIEW

During the first half of the year, the main global equity markets registered a negative performance in local currency, USA and France were the only few exceptions. The overall negative performance could be explained by three main factors. Firstly, came the trade war, initiated by Trump against China and Europe. Secondly, US Dollar appreciation, predominantly against the Euro but which also penalised the Emerging Markets, and thirdly, the Geopolitical Risk. For example, the creation of the new Italian government led by the "Five stars movement" and the "Northern League", with negative performance due to a growing perception of an anti-Euro sentiment.

On the bond side, the ten year risk free yields were still compressed, especially in Europe where the Central Bank was still pursuing its Quantitative Easing, even if in a more moderate way.

#### PORTFOLIO STRATEGY

Up to its closure on 15 August 2018, the Sub-Fund was a European Absolute Return fund of funds, with a dynamic management of net exposure, which can go from 0% to 50% on the long side of the portfolio, in order to reduce the overall volatility and minimize the drawdowns.

The Sub-Fund strategy focused on two main areas:

- 1. The research of Alpha: the Sub-Fund sought to invest in a select number of funds (between eight and thirteen), with a proven ability to consistently beat their benchmark. The Investment Adviser looked to combine the different equity strategies in order to generate positive returns even in difficult market conditions.
- 2. The management of the risk: Through proprietary indicators, the Investment Adviser dynamically managed the net exposure of the Sub-Fund, thus reducing the overall volatility and limiting the drawdowns.

In summary the Sub-Fund aimed to achieve a Sharpe Ratio greater than 1.00, offering an equally distributed risk/reward profile. In terms of contribution to return, it was JP Morgan's Europe Strategic Growth Fund, Amundi's Stoxx Europe 600 UCITS ETF and Fidelity's European Growth Fund that contributed the most to the Sub-Fund's return prior to its closure.

Sofia Gestione del Patrimonio Sgr (Italy) E.I. Sturdza Strategic Management Limited January 2019

# Strategic Japan Opportunities Fund

The Investment Manager's report has been compiled with the assistance of the Investment Adviser, Rheos Capital Works Inc. (Non-discretionary adviser).

#### **FUND PERFORMANCE**

The Sub-Fund's NAV, based on the JPY Institutional Class declined 20%, underperforming its benchmark, the Topix Total Return JPY, which returned 18% over the same period.

## MARKET OVERVIEW

The Japanese market suffered from a gloomy global economy caused by geopolitical disputes over the year. The market declined sharply in 2018, after a good run in the previous year, caused by issues such as, North Korea's missile tests, an uncertain US mid-term election, rising US interest rates, the US and China trade war, and increased default risk of European Banks, capped corporate activities and capital expenditure plans. Major Japanese companies seemed to postpone their capital expenditure plans for the time-being and the global economy slow-down had an adverse impact on earnings projections and bottom lines. The consensus is that corporate earnings for 2018 may rise around eight percent on a bottom line basis compared to 2017, 2% lower than the expected corporate earnings at the start of the year. Investors' sentiment worsened along with the accelerated US and China trade dispute and revised down earnings trend through the year. Investors had some hope that the US and China dispute may end after the US interim election, where the Republican's lost their majority in the Lower House but the discord between the US and China continued and even deteriorated further towards the end of the year. The results of the election and the US government's shut down caused another concern for President Trump's unpopularity amongst US chambers which may cause serious delays in executing policies and adds to further negativity on the global economy.

When looking back on the Japanese market, value stocks were favoured in the first half of the year rather than growth-oriented stocks that were owned in the portfolio, largely due to a weak dollar and slightly conservative views on corporate earnings projections. The dollar depreciated against the Yen during the first quarter of 2018 and turned to appreciate afterwards, which supported the exporters. The Federal Reserve Board's constant rate hikes kept the dollar firm and partially supported the overall Japanese market during 2018. A strong US economy and recovering Chinese economy supported the domestic market but stormy weather and natural disasters hit Japan and had a negative impact on Japanese consumer sentiment, pulling down earnings projection over the year. Declining oil prices in the final quarter of 2018 also negatively impacted investor sentiment. As a result, foreign investors sold Japanese cash and futures markets heavily through the year totally around \$110 billion, which was the biggest net selling ever in the last decade. For comparison, following the collapse of the Lehman Brothers in 2008, net selling by foreign investors in the Japanese market was just \$24 billion.

**Strategic Japan Opportunities Fund (continued)** 

## PORTFOLIO STRATEGY

The Investment Adviser will continue to focus on finding unique, independent companies that have the potential for growth. Consequently, the majority of the portfolio is made up of relatively small companies that meet these criteria.

A sudden jump in the VIX index early in 2018 gave us an alert about the future of the domestic market and economy. In early 2018, the Investment Adviser reduced small cap stocks, which became overvalued due to the share price rising since 2017 and instead put money into relatively large but low value electronics such as TDK and Sony, a key feature being the production of sensors not only for electronic gadgets but for use in autos. The Investment Adviser also purchased Cosmos Pharmaceutical following a downward revision of earnings in early January 2018 due to increasing their employee salary. Small to midcap companies whose share price deteriorated such as Net One Systems and SG Holdings were also added to the portfolio. The Investment Adviser continued to maintain quality small companies such as Outsourcing, Don Quijote Holdings, Kyoritsu Maintenance, Digital Arts and Relo Group in the portfolio as core holdings during the year. The Investment Adviser also focused on foreign labour market related companies, which will benefit from the Abe government's plans to grow the Japanese economy. This included investments in Outsourcing, UT Group, Persol Holdings, Benefit One and Recruit Holdings. In addition, the Investment Adviser also increased exposure to 5G telecommunication related companies such as Mirait Holdings, Kyudenko, Sumitomo Electric Industries, Rohm and Murata Manufacturing in the portfolio during the period.

#### MARKET OUTLOOK

Foreign investors sold \$110 billion worth Japanese cash and futures markets in 2018 which was the largest yearly net selling in the last decade. Domestic investors ended the year as a net seller of \$0.6 billion the same period, but Unit Trust Funds, which are presumably individuals, bought \$17 billion during 2018. The Japanese government's equity investment support for domestic individual investors such as NISA (Individual Savings Account scheme for Japan residents) started in 2014 but unfortunately it has not reached its true potential. The US and China trade talk in early January 2019 proved insignificant, however the strong Non-Farm Payroll data from December 2018 is providing some confidence to investors.

In Japan the new era name will be approved by the Cabinet and officially announced to the public in April 2019, prior to the imperial transition in May. In June, Japan will host G20 Summit in Osaka with a backdrop of a difficult global economy and geopolitical environment. Prime Minister Abe maintains a steady government and his next important milestone will be the House of Councilors' election in July. We believe Prime Minister Abe will be able to manage such important events smoothly and investors will respond positively. Key factors of the domestic economy remain relevant going into 2019, for not only corporates but also consumers, who will face a consumption tax hike in October 2019. The Investment Adviser will continue to watch carefully all trends and construct the portfolio accordingly. It is expected that 5G telecommunication networking will take off sometime within next few years, as such related stocks in the portfolio.

Additionally, labour-related companies form a key part of the portfolio given the shortage of workforce and less well supported foreigners' social issues, reducing the attractiveness of working in Japan, potentially a key issue for Japan over the next decade. The current portfolio will be maintained to achieve the maximum benefit from a possible turnaround of the economy in the near future.

Rheos Capital Works Inc. E.I. Sturdza Strategic Management Limited January 2019

## **Strategic Bond Opportunities Fund**

The Investment Manager's report has been compiled with the assistance of the Investment Adviser, Banque Eric Sturdza SA (Discretionary adviser).

#### FUND PERFORMANCE

The Sub-Fund was launched on 14 December 2018. By 31 December 2018, the performance had already reached +0.45% compared to +0.54% for the benchmark (50% SOFR + 50% LUGCTRUU index, Bloomberg Barclays US Aggregate Government/Credit).

#### MARKET OVERVIEW

In 2018, the Fed raised its key rate in March, June, September and December 2018 to reach 2.25%-2.50%. The European Central Bank maintained its ultra-accommodative policy including a negative deposit rate (-0.40%) and monthly purchases of EUR 30 billion from January 2018 to September 2018, reducing to EUR 15 billion per month during the last quarter of the year. As expected, this Quantitative Easing policy ended on 31 December 2018. During the year, the Euro decreased against the US dollar from 1.20 to 1.13, having reached 1.25 in February 2018.

During the year, the US Treasury curve experienced a bearish flattening due to subdued inflation expectations combined with the Fed's aggressive monetary policy. The 2y US Treasury yield increased from 1.88% to 2.49% (+61bp), the 5y rose from 2.21% to 2.51% (+30bp), the 10y from 2.41% to 2.68% (+27bp) and the 30y from 2.74% to 3.01% (+27bp). At the same time, the 30y inflation breakeven fell by 21bp from 2.02% to 1.81%. In addition, the 3 Month USD LIBOR increased from 1.69% to 2.81% (+112bp) following Fed rate hikes.

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#### E.I. Sturdza Funds Plc Investment Manager's Report (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

**Strategic Bond Opportunities Fund (continued)** 

#### PORTFOLIO STRATEGY

The Sub-Fund launched with a size of USD 59 million on 14 December 2018. On 31 December 2018, the allocation was around 26% US Treasuries, 21% Investment Grade USD bonds (3% Floating Rate Notes + 18% fixed), 31% USD Emerging Markets and 17% EUR denominated bonds hedged in USD (10% Investment grade and Crossover + 7% subordinated debt). The modified duration was slightly above 4.

#### MARKET OUTLOOK

The Investment Adviser's outlook is tied to two major topics, inflation and Central Banks' stand-point. Inflation risk remains subdued with the US yield curve flattening. When combined with other topics such as trade war risk escalation, it suggests that recession fears (or at least fears of a significant slowdown) will increasingly become a major concern. In addition, after the recent correction of emerging markets and the European periphery, the Investment Adviser remains convinced that high quality bonds, considered as safe havens, will attract more investors in the coming months.

In the US market, the Investment Adviser believes that long US Treasuries are still attractive, considering that they could be a top performing asset class in 2019. An inverted curve slope is not excluded in early 2019, after the Fed rate hike on 19 December 2018. By pursuing its monetary policy normalization, the markets may be put under pressure with insufficient capacity to absorb additional rate hikes. The Investment Adviser believes that the best strategy today is to keep investing in short term corporate bonds yielding around 3.5% combined with 30y US Treasuries. The behavior of the Fed will be a key driver of the markets and bond yields will also depend on the evolution of equity markets. Further, the Investment Adviser believes that no more than one rate hike will be possible in 2019 in the US and that the Fed will probably be forced to ease before the 2019 year end. Consequently, the Fed funds rate could be back to their current level in one year.

In Europe, the Investment Adviser believes the Bund will match the US Treasuries behavior and, in addition, will perform well in case of any resurgence of tension in Italy or in France and in case of recession fears in Germany. Brexit uncertainties will add further stress to the market. A second round of quantitative easing is possible in the Eurozone before the end of the 2019 year. Meanwhile, in the Emerging Markets, the Investment Adviser will continue to closely monitor the behavior of spreads (both governments and corporates) and increasing volatility due to global risk aversion. Spreads have widened substantially in 2018 and some Emerging bonds could perform in 2019.

In conclusion, the Investment Adviser still believes that the best performing asset class is a mix of short term Investment Grade corporates and long-dated US Treasuries. Emerging markets will probably stay volatile during the coming months but current levels offer an attractive opportunity to invest in very high-quality Emerging Markets. Bonds denominated in Euro and hedged in US dollar are also becoming an attractive investment opportunity.

Banque Eric Sturdza SA E.I. Sturdza Strategic Management Limited January 2019

#### E.I. Sturdza Funds Plc Investment Manager's Report (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

#### Sturdza Family Fund

The Investment Manager's Report has been compiled with the assistance of the Investment Adviser, Banque Eric Sturdza S.A. (Discretionary adviser).

#### **FUND PERFORMANCE**

During the period from the launch of the Sub-Fund on 14 December 2018 to year end, the Sub-Fund had a total return of -2.75%. The largest equity contributor to performance was Dollar Tree, followed by Sherwin Williams and Kose. On the other hand, the largest detractor over the period was Centene, followed by Constellation Brands and Allergan. For the fixed income segment, the largest contributor was the 10y US Treasury bond exposures.

Dollar Tree's management has been under intense scrutiny since their acquisition of the Family Dollar banner has failed to generate returns that match investors' initial expectations. Nonetheless, they recently responded with stronger efforts which have reinvigorated their comparable growth outlook, expanded gross margin and lowered expenses. The ambitious drive of renovating Family Dollar stores, including plans for the refit of 1,000 stores in 2019, will help improve year-on-year performance comparisons whilst also reducing markdowns and labor costs. Furthermore, as the general market sentiment and outlook has deteriorated, investors are reminded that both banners tend to do relatively well during a downturn which translates to stable sales whilst cost pressures most likely abate. Through such efforts, the Investment Adviser believes the stock's bull narrative has recently been improved from the Family Dollar banner being "priced-in at zero" to management putting enough hard work into the acquired banner for it to be worth something. Finally, the Investment Adviser believes that going forward upside can be found through various scenarios and the risk/reward profile has improved and should continue on the same trajectory.

Centene's stock price has struggled recently but the Investment Adviser remains confident in the company's strong fundamental position to generate above average growth - approximately in line with its past 6 years of 15+% EPS growth. The company is the largest Medicaid Managed Care Organization (MCO), serving members in 21 states and is positioned to reap the benefits from the expected long term growth in Medicaid as states continue to move high acuity patients to managed care in the U.S. Additionally, the Investment Adviser believes the company should also gain market share as states continue to consolidate vendors and seek MCOs to service high and low acuity patients. Given the company's underlying growth outlook and the fact that its valuation is below that of MCO peers and the S&P 500, the Investment Adviser believes the risk/reward profile to be extremely attractive at current levels.

#### MARKET OVERVIEW

2018 will be remembered as a year when strong fundamentals coexisted with more volatility and markets struggling to find positive returns, even though growth held relatively steady. It is a rare instance when the economy and financial markets move in such drastically different directions.

The latter part of 2018 saw weaker performances in Europe and Asia. The recent slower momentum and higher volatility in the Eurozone has reflected specific, country-level dynamics, such as Germany's introduction of new automobile emission standards, growing concerns for Italy's sovereign and financial situation (which have weighed on the country's domestic demand), and a contraction in Turkey's outlook which keeps deteriorating further than anticipated.

#### E.I. Sturdza Funds Plc Investment Manager's Report (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

**Sturdza Family Fund (continued)** 

#### PORTFOLIO STRATEGY

The strategy's aim is to achieve NAV appreciation over time by selecting companies with a stellar track record of persistent growth throughout varying cycles, but which have attributes that are underappreciated by the market based on a wide set of fundamental valuation metrics. The strategy also allows for a reduction in the overall portfolio volatility and risk profile with a complimentary selection of fixed income instruments.

The Sub-Fund aims to select companies which exhibit high levels of price and earnings momentum, at prices which are deemed undervalued compared to their growth perspectives. A central tenet of the strategy is to focus on the discrepancy between the market's valuation of a company's growth profile and both its actual and potential growth. The process makes full use of both quantitative screens and fundamental analyses to select the most attractive companies within the mandate's universe, whilst aiming to maintain a portfolio of at least 45 stocks, which exhibits sectoral diversification. The Sub-Fund can be described as following a bottom-up selection process with top-down-conscious portfolio construction. Furthermore, the strategy's goal is to achieve superior yet stable NAV appreciation over long periods of time by also selecting de-correlated fixed income instruments such as US Treasuries. By doing so, the overall portfolio risk/tolerance is reduced and should enable investors to better weather tough periods of volatility and uncertainty whilst continuously being exposed to best in class growth companies.

#### MARKET OUTLOOK

The global economy's growth is projected to slow from current levels and an outlook that is under threat of being revised to the downside as not only market sentiment but general business conditions, and the Investment Adviser remains on standby for any new information on various geopolitical risks following a tough second half of the 2018 year.

Generally speaking, risks to the global growth outlook are now tilted to the downside. Any escalation in trade tensions (beyond those already priced in) remains a large source of risk. Financial conditions have already tightened since November and an additional pallet of triggers could ignite further deterioration in general risk sentiment with adverse growth implications (especially given the high levels of public and private debt and as monetary policy solutions become harder to find). Such triggers include a no-deal Brexit and a greater than expected slowdown in China. As such, the general outlook will be very much dependent on any measures taken to boost output growth and strengthen fiscal and financial buffers in an environment of high debt and increasingly tighter financial conditions.

Banque Eric Sturdza SA E.I. Sturdza Strategic Management Limited January 2019

## E.I. Sturdza Funds Plc Directors' Report and Statement of Directors' Responsibilities For the year ended 31 December 2018

The Directors submit their annual report and audited financial statements of E.I. Sturdza Funds Plc (the "Company") for the year ended 31 December 2018.

#### Principal Activities, Business Review and Future Prospects

The Directors have directed the affairs of the Company in accordance with the Companies Act 2014. A detailed business review and future prospects are outlined in the Investment Manager's Reports on pages 6-38. Significant events during the year have been disclosed on pages 44-45.

#### **Risk Management Objectives and Policies**

Information in relation to the use by the Company of financial instruments and the financial risk management objectives and policies of the Company and the exposures of the Company to market risk (currency risk, interest rate risk and price risk), liquidity risk and credit risk are outlined in Note 7 to these financial statements.

Key performance indicators reported to the Directors for each of the Sub-Funds include: NAV timeliness; NAV accuracy; Reconciliations (Cash and Assets); and the Incidents and Errors log.

#### **Results and Dividends**

The results for the year are shown in the Statement of Comprehensive Income on pages 55-58. Please see Note 12 of the financial statements for details of dividends approved during the year.

#### **Directors**

The Directors of the Company, who held office throughout the year, are listed on page 2. On 6 April 2018, Marc Craquelin was appointed as a Director of the Company.

### Statement of Directors' Responsibilities in respect of the Directors' Report and the Financial Statements

The Directors are responsible for preparing the Directors' Report and financial statements, in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

Company law requires the Directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law they have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) as adopted by the EU and applicable law.

Under Company law the Directors must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the assets, liabilities and financial position of the Company and of its decrease in net assets attributable to holders of redeemable participating shares for that year.

#### Directors' Report and Statement of Directors' Responsibilities (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

Statement of Directors' Responsibilities in respect of the Directors' Report and the Financial Statements (continued)

In preparing the financial statements, the Directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- assess the Company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern; and
- use the going concern basis of accounting unless they either intend to liquidate the Company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

The Directors are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the assets, liabilities, financial position and profit or loss of the Company and enable them to ensure that its financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2014, the European Communities (Undertakings for Collective Investment in Transferable Securities) Regulations 2011 and the Central Bank (Supervision and Enforcement) Act 2013 (Section 48(1)) (Undertakings for Collective Investment in Transferable Securities) Regulations 2015. They have general responsibility for taking such steps as are reasonably open to them to safeguard the assets of the Company. In this regard they have entrusted the assets of the Company to a trustee for safekeeping. They are responsible for such internal controls as they determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to prevent and detect fraud and other irregularities. The Directors are also responsible for preparing a Directors' Report that complies with the requirements of the Companies Act 2014. Legislation in the Republic of Ireland governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

#### **Corporate Governance Statement**

The Company is subject to compliance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2014 and with, the Central Bank's UCITS Regulations, as applicable to the Company.

The European Communities (Directive 2006/46/EC) Regulations (S.I. 450 of 2009 and S.I. 83 of 2010) requires the inclusion of a corporate governance statement in the Directors' Report of a public limited company, whose shares are admitted to trading on a regulated market in an EEA state. Following the delisting of the Company's shares from Euronext Dublin on 11 July 2018, the corporate governance statement is no longer required, but has been voluntarily included. As such, relevant information on the Company's governance arrangements for the year ended 31 December 2018 is set out below.

Presently, the Company is subject to corporate governance practices imposed by:

- i) The Memorandum and Articles of Association of the Company;
- ii) The Companies Act 2014; and
- iii) The European Communities (Undertakings for Collective Investment in Transferable Securities) Regulations, 2011 and the Central Bank's UCITS Regulations issued by the Central Bank.

#### Directors' Report and Statement of Directors' Responsibilities (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

#### **Corporate Governance Statement (continued)**

Copies of all of the above are available for inspection at the Company's registered office at 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, 76 Baggot Street Lower, Dublin 2, Ireland.

With effect from 1 January 2013, the Directors have adopted the Code on Corporate Governance for Collective Investment Schemes and Management Companies published by the Irish Fund Industry Association (the "IFIA Code"), following an assessment of the measures included in the IFIA Code as being consistent with its existing corporate governance principles and procedures. This publication is available from the IFIA website (www.irishfunds.ie).

Internal control and risk management systems in relation to financial reporting

The Directors are responsible for establishing and maintaining adequate internal control and risk management systems in relation to the financial reporting processes of the Company. Such systems are designed to manage, rather than eliminate, the risk of error or fraud in achieving the Company's financial reporting objectives and can only provide reasonable and not absolute assurance against material misstatement or loss.

The Board of Directors (the "Board") has procedures in place which are designed to ensure that all relevant accounting records are properly maintained and are readily available, including production of annual and half yearly financial statements. The Board has appointed the Administrator to maintain the accounting records of the Company. The Administrator is authorised and regulated by the Central Bank and must comply with the rules imposed by the Central Bank. From time to time, the Board receives reports with respect to the Administrator's financial accounting and reporting routines.

The annual and half yearly financial statements of the Company are produced by the Administrator and reviewed by the Investment Manager. They are required to be approved by the Board and the annual and half yearly financial statements of the Company are required to be filed with the Central Bank. Effective from 11 July 2018, all the listed shares of the Company's Sub-Funds were delisted from Euronext Dublin (formerly the Irish Stock Exchange). The annual financial statements of the Company are no longer required to be filed with Euronext Dublin.

The annual financial statements are required to be audited by an independent auditor who reports annually to the Board on their findings. As part of its review procedures, the Board receives presentations from relevant parties including consideration of IFRS accounting standards and their impact on the annual financial statements, and presentations and reports on the audit process. The Board evaluates and discusses significant accounting and reporting issues as the need arises.

#### Board composition and activities

The Directors of the Company meet regularly to review the business and affairs of the Company and they also discuss and evaluate significant accounting and reporting issues as the need arises. The minimum required number of Directors is two, which is also the minimum number of Directors required for a meeting to take place. At year end, there were five non-executive Directors, one of which is independent and four of whom do not hold an executive function with the Investment Manager or any of its affiliates.

## Directors' Report and Statement of Directors' Responsibilities (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

#### **Corporate Governance Statement (continued)**

Board composition and activities (continued)

The business of the Company is managed by the Directors, who are responsible for the Company's overall direction and strategy, including review of investment management performance, administration of the Company's Sub-Funds and compliance with the Company's regulatory requirements. Custody of the Company's assets is maintained by an independent Depositary, BNY Mellon Trust Company (Ireland) Limited.

The Board meets at least four times a year, and more frequently if required, to review the operations of the Company, address matters of strategic importance and to receive reports from the Administrator, the Depositary and the Investment Manager. During the financial year the Board met 8 times. A Director may convene a meeting of Directors at any time.

Questions arising at any meeting of the Directors are generally decided by consensus, but majority voting can be used if necessary to reach a decision. If there are an equal number of votes for or against a resolution the Chairman of the meeting can effectively decide the matter by exercising a second or casting vote.

In accordance with the requirements of the Central Bank UCITS Regulations, all transactions carried out with the Company by the management company or depositary and the delegate or sub-delegates of such management company or depositary (excluding any non-group company sub-custodians appointed by the depositary) and any associated or group companies of such management company, depositary, delegate or sub-delegate ("connected persons") must be carried out as if negotiated at arm's length and be in the best interests of shareholders. The Directors are satisfied that there are arrangements (evidenced by written procedures) in place to ensure that the obligations set out in paragraph 1 of the Central Bank UCITS Regulations are applied to all transactions with connected persons and transactions with connected persons entered into during the year complied with the obligations set out in the Central Bank UCITS Regulations.

#### Dealings with Shareholders

The convening and conduct of Shareholders' meetings are governed by Irish Company Law and the Memorandum and Articles of Association. Shareholders together holding 5 per cent or more in aggregate of the shares of the Company in issue may at any time request that the Directors convene a meeting of Shareholders to consider any matters that may be proposed by the Shareholders requesting the meeting.

A meeting of Shareholders held in accordance with the provisions of the Memorandum and Articles of Association may by a 75% majority of those voting approve a change to the Memorandum and Articles of Association or a proposal to wind up the Company. A simple majority vote is required for most other proposals, including proposals to determine that the Directors shall retire, or to terminate any of its Sub-Funds, and any material change in the investment objective and policies or the investment restrictions set out in the Prospectus issued by the Company.

## Directors' Report and Statement of Directors' Responsibilities (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

#### **Corporate Governance Statement (continued)**

Dealings with Shareholders (continued)

Twenty one clear days' notice at least of every meeting shall be given to Shareholders in the manner provided in the Memorandum and Articles of Association. At any general meeting a resolution put to the vote of the meeting shall be decided on a show of hands unless before or upon the declaration of the result of the show of hands a poll is demanded by the Chairman or by at least two members present in person or by proxy or any Shareholder or Shareholders present in person or by proxy representing at least one tenth of the Shares in issue having the right to vote at the meeting. Unless a poll is so demanded, a declaration by the Chairman that a resolution has been carried, or carried unanimously, or by a particular majority, or lost, or not carried by a particular majority, and an entry to that effect in the book containing the minutes of the proceedings of the Company shall be conclusive evidence of the fact without proof of the number or proportion of the votes recorded in favour of or against such resolution.

If a poll is duly demanded, it shall be taken in such manner and at such place as the Chairman may direct (including the use of ballot or voting papers or tickets) and the result of a poll shall be deemed to be the resolution of the meeting at which the poll was demanded.

#### **Compliance Statement**

The Directors of the Company acknowledge their responsibility for ensuring the Company's compliance with relevant obligations. In doing so, they confirm that:

- (i) A compliance policy statement has been prepared and approved by the Board
- (ii) Appropriate arrangements and structures are in place to ensure material compliance with the relevant obligations; and
- (iii) A review of the effectiveness of the procedures and arrangements has been completed during the year.

#### **Principal Risks and Uncertainties**

The Company is an umbrella fund with segregated liability between Sub-Funds. The principal risks facing the Company relate primarily to the holding of financial instruments and markets in which it invests. The most significant types of financial risks to which the Company is exposed are market risk, credit risk and liquidity risk. Market risk includes other price risk, currency risk and interest rate risk. Details of the risks associated with financial instruments are included in Note 7 to the financial statements.

#### **Accounting Records**

The Company is obliged to keep or cause to be kept adequate accounting records as outlined in Sections 281 to 285 of the Companies Act 2014. To achieve this, the Directors have appointed the Administrator. The accounting records are kept at SS&C Financial Services (Ireland) Limited, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, La Touche House, IFSC, Dublin 1, Ireland.

Legislation in the Republic of Ireland governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

#### Directors' Report and Statement of Directors' Responsibilities (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

#### Directors' and Secretary's Interests in the Share Capital of the Company

The Company's Secretary did not hold any interest, beneficial or otherwise, in the share capital of the Company during or at the end of the year. Directors' interests are disclosed in Note 11.

#### **Significant Events During the Year**

The following changes to the Company's Prospectus and/or Sub-Funds' Supplements have been implemented with effect from 1 January 2018:

- The Investment Manager's fee of the Super Institutional Classes of the Strategic Europe Value Fund and Strategic Global Quality Fund has been reduced from 0.90% to 0.75%;
- The Performance Fee has been removed from the Institutional Share Classes of the Strategic Europe Value Fund and Strategic Global Quality Fund;
- Research costs, capped at 5 basis points per annum, are being charged to the Strategic Europe Value Fund and Strategic Global Quality Fund;
- The dealing deadline for Strategic China Panda Fund, Strategic Europe Value Fund and Strategic Global Quality Fund has changed from 5pm to 11.59pm;
- The use of volatility index futures for Strategic Europe Value Fund and Strategic Global Quality Fund, subject to a 7.5% limit, has been included. Each Sub-Fund currently provides for the use of Financial Derivative Investments, to include futures. The use of volatility index futures within the stated limit of 7.5% does not impact on the risk profile of the Sub-Funds;
- Certain classes which were hedged classes but did not specifically reference 'hedged' within the share class name have been updated;
- The benchmark used by the Strategic China Panda Fund for reporting purposes was amended to the MSCI China NR USD Index (the benchmark used for calculating Performance Fees);
- Pursuant to a new German Investment Tax Act which took effect from 1 January 2018, the Supplements of Strategic China Panda Fund, Nippon Growth (UCITS) Fund, Strategic Europe Value Fund, Strategic US Momentum and Value Fund, Strategic Global Quality Fund, Strategic European Smaller Companies Fund and Strategic Beta Flex Fund have been updated to reference that there will be at least 51% of the NAV of the relevant Sub-Fund invested in equities. This does not constitute a change in investment policy;
- The dealing deadline for subscriptions into the Strategic Japan Opportunities Fund was amended to 1 business day's notice in line with all other Sub-Funds; and
- The minimum investment amount for the relevant Institutional Share Classes of certain Sub-Funds was reduced to 1,000,000 (denominated in the currency of the relevant Share Class).

On 20 February 2018, Azimut, through its subsidiary Azimut Capital Management SGR S.p.A, entered into an agreement for the acquisition of the investment management business of Sofia Gestione del Patrimonio SGR S.p.A. This includes the investment advisory services provided to the Strategic Beta Flex Fund. The Bank of Italy approved the agreement on 27 March 2018. On 4 July 2018, the Directors resolved to terminate the operations of the Strategic Beta Flex Fund. On 15 August 2018, all of the Sub-Fund's redeemable participating shares were redeemed and it's trading ceased. On the same date, the services of Sofia Gestione del Patrimonio SGR S.p.A. were terminated.

#### Directors' Report and Statement of Directors' Responsibilities (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

#### **Significant Events During the Year (continued)**

The Strategic Europe Value Fund launched the EUR SP Class on 7 March 2018, the Strategic Japan Opportunities Fund launched the EUR Hedged Institutional Class on 14 March 2018 and the Strategic China Panda Fund launched the EUR Hedged R Class on 24 January 2018 and the CHF Hedged Institutional Class on 26 June 2018.

On 6 April 2018, Marc Craquelin was appointed as a Director of the Company.

On 28 June 2018, a new Supplement was issued for the Strategic Euro Bond Fund with the following changes:

- The Investment Manager fees were reduced from 0.75% to 0.60% for the Accumulating and Distributing Classes and from 0.45% to 0.30% for the Institutional Classes.
- The investment parameters that previously restricted the Sub-Fund to invest 100% in investment grade bonds and in a maximum S&P Matrix Score of 90 or A- credit rating were changed to:
  - a. Minimum 75% investment grade + Maximum 25% non-investment grade (i.e. crossover BB/BB+ bonds)
  - b. Maximum 25% subordinated debt (i.e. hybrid corporate or bank subordinated debt)
  - c. Credit derivatives (i.e. iTraxx and CDS)
  - d. Maximum 20% in bonds in non-base currency EUR hedged

Effective from 11 July 2018, all the listed shares of the Company's Sub-Funds were delisted from Euronext Dublin and the services of Dillon Eustace as the Listing Sponsor were terminated on the same date.

On 29 November 2018, a new Prospectus and Supplements were issued by the Company covering the following changes:

- Termination of operations of the Strategic Beta Flex Fund effective 15 August 2018 and termination of the services of Sofia Gestione del Patrimonio SGR S.p.A. as Investment Adviser to the Sub-Fund on the same date:
- Launch of the Strategic Bond Opportunities Fund and Sturdza Family Fund on 14 December 2018 and appointment of Banque Eric Sturdza SA as Investment Adviser to the Sub-Funds on the same date; and
- The minimum investment requirement in the Institutional Classes of the Strategic China Panda Fund was reduced from USD 3,000,000 to USD 1,000,000.

On 14 December 2018, the operations of the Strategic Euro Bond Fund, Strategic Global Bond Fund, Strategic Quality Emerging Bond Fund and Strategic US Momentum and Value Fund were terminated.

There have been no other significant events during the year.

#### Directors' Report and Statement of Directors' Responsibilities (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

#### **Events Since the Year end**

On 14 February 2019, a new Supplement was issued for the Sturdza Family Fund, which was amended to include a reporting benchmark for the Sub-Fund. This is a composite of three indices, the MSCI World Net Total Returns Index, the Bloomberg-Barclays US Aggregate Gov/Credit Total Return Value Unhedged USD and a total return index calculated from the Secured Overnight Financing Rate. The indices are weighted 60%, 20% and 20%, respectively. The Performance fee benchmark remains unchanged.

There have been no other significant events that happened since the year end.

#### Statement on relevant audit information

In the case of each of the persons who are Directors at the time this Directors' Report is approved in accordance with Section 332 of the Companies Act 2014:

- so far as each Director is aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the Company's statutory auditors are unaware; and
- each Director has taken all the steps that he or she ought to have taken as a Director in order to make himself or herself aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the Company's statutory auditors are aware of that information.

#### **Auditors**

In accordance with section 383(2) of the Companies Act 2014, the auditor KPMG, Chartered Accountants and Registered Auditors, will continue in office.

#### **Political Donations**

The Company made no political donations for the years ended 31 December 2018 and 2017.

On behalf of the Board of Directors:

Denise Kinsella Director 12 April 2019 Brian Dillon Director 12 April 2019

#### Report of the Depositary to the Shareholders Dated 12 April 2019

For the period from 1 January 2018 to 31 December 2018 (the "**Period**")

BNY Mellon Trust Company (Ireland) Limited (the "Depositary" "us", "we", or "our") has enquired into the conduct of E.I. Sturdza Funds Plc (the "Company") for the Period, in its capacity as Depositary to the Company.

This report including the opinion has been prepared for and solely for the shareholders in the Company, in accordance with our role as Depositary to the Company and for no other purpose. We do not, in giving this opinion, accept or assume responsibility for any other purpose or to any other person to whom this report is shown.

#### **Responsibilities of the Depositary**

Our duties and responsibilities are outlined in Regulation 34 of the European Communities (Undertakings for Collective Investment in Transferable Securities) Regulations 2011 (S.I. No 352 of 2011), as amended (the "Regulations").

Our report shall state whether, in our opinion, the Company has been managed in that Period in accordance with the provisions of the Company's constitutional documentation and the Regulations. It is the overall responsibility of the Company to comply with these provisions. If the Company has not been so managed, we as Depositary must state in what respects it has not been so managed and the steps which we have taken in respect thereof.

#### **Basis of Depositary Opinion**

The Depositary conducts such reviews as it, in its reasonable opinion, considers necessary in order to comply with its duties and to ensure that, in all material respects, the Company has been managed (i) in accordance with the limitations imposed on its investment and borrowing powers by the provisions of its constitutional documentation and the appropriate regulations and (ii) otherwise in accordance with the Company's constitutional documentation and the appropriate regulations.

#### **Opinion**

In our opinion, the Company has been managed during the Period, in all material respects:

- (i) in accordance with the limitations imposed on the investment and borrowing powers of the Company by the constitutional documentation and the Regulations; and
- (ii) otherwise in accordance with the provisions of the constitutional documentation and the Regulations.

Ian Slevin
For and on behalf of BNY Mellon Trust Company (Ireland) Limited
One Dockland Central
Guild Street
IFSC
Dublin 1

#### Independent Auditor's Report to the Members of E.I. Sturdza Funds Plc

#### Report on the audit of the financial statements

#### **Opinion**

We have audited the financial statements of E.I. Sturdza Funds Plc ('the Company') for the year ended 31 December 2018, which comprise the Statement of Financial Position, Statement of Comprehensive Income, Statement of Changes in Net Assets Attributable to Holders of Redeemable Participating Shares, Statement of Cash Flows and related notes, including the summary of significant accounting policies set out in note 3. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is Irish Law and International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) as adopted by the European Union.

In our opinion, the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the assets, liabilities and financial position of the Company as at 31 December 2018 and of its decrease in net assets attributable to holders of redeemable participating shares for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with IFRS as adopted by the European Union; and
- have been properly prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2014, the European Communities (Undertakings for Collective Investment in Transferable Securities) Regulations 2011 and the Central Bank (Supervision and Enforcement) Act 2013 (Section 48(1)) (Undertakings for Collective Investment in Transferable Securities) Regulations 2015.

#### Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (ISAs) (Ireland) and applicable law. 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 Company in accordance with ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of financial statements in Ireland, including the Ethical Standard issued by the Irish Auditing and Accounting Supervisory Authority (IAASA), and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

#### We have nothing to report on going concern

We are required to report to you if we have concluded that the use of the going concern basis of accounting is inappropriate or there is an undisclosed material uncertainty that may cast significant doubt over the use of that basis for a period of at least twelve months from the date of approval of the financial statements. We have nothing to report in these respects.

#### Independent Auditor's Report to the Members of E.I. Sturdza Funds Plc (continued)

#### Other information

The directors are responsible for the other information presented in the Annual Report together with the financial statements. The other information comprises the information included in the directors' report. The financial statements and our auditor's report thereon do not comprise part of the other information. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, accordingly, we do not express an audit opinion or, except as explicitly stated below, any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

Our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether, based on our financial statements audit work, the information therein is materially misstated or inconsistent with the financial statements or our audit knowledge. Based solely on that work we have not identified material misstatements in the other information.

Based solely on our work on the other information, we report that:

- we have not identified material misstatements in the directors' report;
- in our opinion, the information given in the directors' report is consistent with the financial statements;
- in our opinion, the directors' report has been prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 2014.

#### Opinions on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2014

We have obtained all the information and explanations which we consider necessary for the purposes of our audit.

In our opinion the accounting records of the Company were sufficient to permit the financial statements to be readily and properly audited and the financial statements are in agreement with the accounting records.

#### Matters on which we are required to report by exception

The Companies Act 2014 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion, the disclosures of directors' remuneration and transactions required by Sections 305 to 312 of the Act are not made. We have nothing to report in this regard.

#### Respective responsibilities and restrictions on use

#### Responsibilities of directors for the financial statements

As explained more fully in the directors' responsibilities statement set out on pages 39 to 40, the directors are responsible for: the preparation of the financial statements including being satisfied that they give a true and fair view; such internal control as they determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error; assessing the Company'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 they either intend to liquidate the Company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

#### Independent Auditor's Report to the Members of E.I. Sturdza Funds Plc (continued)

#### Auditor's responsibilities 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 (Ireland) 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.

A fuller description of our responsibilities is provided on IAASA's website at https://www.iaasa.ie/getmedia/b2389013-1cf6-458b-9b8f-a98202dc9c3a/Description of auditors responsibilities for audit.pdf.

#### The purpose of our audit work and to whom we owe our responsibilities

Our report is made solely to the Company's members, as a body, in accordance with Section 391 of the Companies Act 2014. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the Company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the Company and the Company's members, as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Colm Clifford
for and on behalf of
KPMG
Chartered Accountants, Statutory Audit Firm
1 Harbourmaster Place
International Financial Services Centre
Dublin 1
Ireland

Date: 12 April 2019

#### E.I. Sturdza Funds Plc Statement of Financial Position As at 31 December 2018

	Notes _	Total 2018 EUR	SCPF 2018 USD	SEBF <sup>(2)</sup> 2018 EUR	NGUF 2018 JPY	SEVF 2018 EUR	SGBF <sup>(2)</sup> 2018 USD	SMVF <sup>(2)</sup> 2018 USD
Assets								
Cash and cash equivalents		59,526,820	769,212	721	2,449,542	36,197,039	1,167	2,537
Financial assets at fair value								
through profit or loss	4							
- Investment funds		11,500,362	-	-	-	-	-	-
<ul> <li>Transferable securities</li> <li>Derivative financial instruments</li> </ul>		1,212,163,678	150,753,778	-	2,316,035,687	619,883,758	-	-
		126,875	34,611	-	-	44,869	-	-
Subscription receivable		801,207	17,140	-	-	783,719	-	-
Due from broker Dividend and interest receivable		7,868,281 1,401,010	595,856 32,828	-	5,798,000	6,711,490 387,198	-	-
Other receivables		65,686	32,828 11,408	-	3,798,000 17,564	53,412	-	-
	-							
Total assets	-	1,293,453,919	152,214,833	721	2,324,300,793	664,061,485	1,167	2,537
Liabilities								
Redemptions payable		2,473,111	55,466	_	-	664,776	-	_
Financial liabilities at fair value								
through profit or loss	4							
- Derivative financial instruments		163,075	815	-	1,166,703	60,424	-	-
Due to broker		7,063,767	739,566	-	-	5,115,381	-	-
Investment Manager fees payable	5	1,101,396	159,332	-	3,011,603	556,446	-	-
Performance fees payable	5	409,636	67,726	-	3,737	317,536	-	-
Administrator's fees payable	5	239,590	28,051	-	511,298	126,699	-	-
Depositary fees payable	5	116,921	17,152	-	158,186	62,243	-	-
Directors' fees payable	5	105,988	15,992	-	213,526	59,370	-	-
Sundry payables and accrued expenses		624,660	94,641	721	13,692,666	158,185	1,167	2,537
Total liabilities	- -	12,298,144	1,178,741	721	18,757,719	7,121,060	1,167	2,537
Net assets attributable to holders of	-							
redeemable participating shares	<u>-</u>	1,281,155,775	151,036,092	-	2,305,543,074	656,940,425	-	-

The Sub-Funds' abbreviated names as presented above are defined on page 5.

On behalf of the Board of Directors:

Denise Kinsella Brian Dillon Director Director 12 April 2019 12 April 2019

#### E.I. Sturdza Funds Plc Statement of Financial Position (continued) As at 31 December 2018

	Notes	SGQF 2018 USD	SESF 2018 EUR	SQBF <sup>(2)</sup> 2018 USD	SBXF <sup>(1)</sup> 2018 EUR	SJOF 2018 JPY	SBOF <sup>(3)</sup> 2018 USD	SFF <sup>(3)</sup> 2018 USD
Assets								
Cash and cash equivalents Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	4	3,326,666	11,902,688	936	-	214,618,477	788,830	6,194,238
- Investment funds		-	11,500,362	-	-	-	-	-
- Transferable securities		55,841,816	128,193,588	-	-	7,565,360,600	58,429,561	175,430,912
- Derivative financial instruments		30,731	2,353	-	-	39,499	8,441	16,912
Subscription receivable		-	2,494	-	-	-	-	-
Due from broker		-	-	-	-	79,581,779	-	1,180
Dividend and interest receivable		36,210	-	-	-	13,545,050	560,445	353,154
Other receivables	<u> </u>	1,677	573	-	-	14,403	-	<u> </u>
Total assets	_	59,237,100	151,602,058	936		7,873,159,808	59,787,277	181,996,396
Liabilities								
Redemptions payable Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss	4	-	1,193,310	-	-	4,665,217	15,051	590,028
- Derivative financial instruments		-	-	-	-	8,972,928	22,893	1,220
Due to broker		-	631,504	-	-	84,022,666	-	-
Investment Manager fees payable	5	67,446	156,168	-	-	9,063,115	20,398	87,205
Performance fees payable	5	34,197	2,910	-	-	-	-	-
Administrator's fees payable	5	18,040	38,690	-	-	2,424,460	2,895	9,079
Depositary fees payable	5	7,714	19,793	-	-	1,023,734	1,029	3,211
Directors' fees payable	5	7,920	15,760	-	-	756,218	617	1,907
Sundry payables and accrued expenses	_	60,761	102,492	936	-	8,429,594	15,127	38,461
Total liabilities	_	196,078	2,160,627	936	-	119,357,932	78,010	731,111
Net assets attributable to holders of redeemable participating shares	<u>-</u>	59,041,022	149,441,431	-	-	7,753,801,876	59,709,267	181,265,285

<sup>(1)</sup> Effective from 15 August 2018, the Strategic Beta Flex Fund ceased operations.

<sup>(2)</sup> Effective from 14 December 2018, the Strategic Euro Bond Fund, Strategic Global Bond Fund, Strategic Quality Emerging Bond Fund and Strategic US Momentum and Value Fund ceased operations.

<sup>(3)</sup> Effective from 14 December 2018, the Strategic Bond Opportunities Fund and Sturdza Family Fund commenced operations.

#### E.I. Sturdza Funds Plc Statement of Financial Position (continued) As at 31 December 2017

	Notes	Total 2017 EUR	SCPF 2017 USD	SEBF 2017 EUR	NGUF 2017 JPY	SEVF 2017 EUR	SGBF 2017 USD
Assets							
Cash and cash equivalents Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	4	35,641,512	18,676	987,129	16,486,311	1,380,175	1,026,414
- Investment funds		29,408,250	-	-	-	-	-
- Transferable securities		1,526,546,046	190,897,489	38,866,397	2,698,575,521	803,037,365	29,599,228
- Derivative financial instruments		1,812,678	250,395	41,214	1,408,771	1,090,615	-
Subscription receivable		4,285,582	11,863	-	-	2,257,373	915,400
Due from broker		6,747,846	1,816,158	1,804,923	-	-	4,600
Dividend and interest receivable		1,724,755	181,558	306,168	5,124,000	530,090	204,879
Other receivables	_	210,264	29,891	7,804	1,372,395	84,652	8,668
Total assets		1,606,376,933	193,206,030	42,013,635	2,722,966,998	808,380,270	31,759,189
Liabilities							
Redemptions payable Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss	4	3,374,863	101,098	1,850,842	-	1,046,661	-
- Derivative financial instruments		102,653	904	2,908	_	49,688	_
Due to broker		2,258,145	493,909	2,,,,,,	_	-	_
Investment Manager fees payable	5	1,610,873	197,478	23,783	3,215,334	763,943	22,737
Performance fees payable	5	1,410,303	247,622		119,132	275,411	
Administrator's fees payable	5	156,084	17,598	6,256	396,798	70,631	5,074
Depositary fees payable	5	358,037	127,913	19,505	4,009,970	103,768	22,653
Directors' fees payable	5	101,899	10,263	3,290	194,656	52,729	2,197
Sundry payables and accrued expenses		1,178,017	114,412	141,736	13,668,769	277,964	108,974
Total liabilities	_	10,550,874	1,311,197	2,048,320	21,604,659	2,640,795	161,635
Net assets attributable to holders of redeemable participating shares	_	1,595,826,059	191,894,833	39,965,315	2,701,362,339	805,739,475	31,597,554

#### E.I. Sturdza Funds Plc **Statement of Financial Position (continued)** As at 31 December 2017

	Notes	SMVF 2017 USD	SGQF 2017 USD	SESF 2017 EUR	SQBF 2017 USD	SBXF 2017 EUR	SJOF <sup>(1)</sup> 2017 JPY
Assets							
Cash and cash equivalents Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	4	18,601,715	1,307,650	6,707,810	1,476,209	2,519,213	709,564,957
- Investment funds		-	-	11,554,973	-	22,313,942	-
- Transferable securities		177,836,484	67,169,184	175,386,326	38,019,848	4,080,913	8,914,733,900
- Derivative financial instruments		125,926	186,292	4,964	213,327	3,525	2,131,773
Subscription receivable		-	570,729	-	919,993	-	1,970,000
Due from broker		3,631,342	-	298,371	-	-	14,090,055
Dividend and interest receivable		33,841	89,435	-	419,908	-	10,341,270
Other receivables		18,210	23,349	12,879	16,921	5,974	1,081,791
Total assets	_	200,247,518	69,346,639	193,965,323	41,066,206	28,923,567	9,653,913,746
Liabilities							
Redemptions payable Financial liabilities at fair value		19,674	-	-	207,459	204,016	-
through profit or loss	4						
- Derivative financial instruments		286	-	12	4,653	10,165	4,736,291
Due to broker		603,915	-	-	-	-	181,789,632
Investment Manager fees payable	5	248,645	71,951	221,028	31,632	27,590	10,015,557
Performance fees payable	5	-	3,318	350,679	-	3,531	77,215,461
Administrator's fees payable	5	19,791	7,392	18,104	6,254	4,304	964,341
Depositary fees payable	5	53,487	-	9,634	19,938	1,881	956,339
Directors' fees payable	5	13,875	4,092	10,993	2,847	2,233	474,147
Interest payable		-	-	-	-	-	-
Sundry payables and accrued expenses		155,801	97,671	69,830	85,750	64,178	7,403,948
Total liabilities	_	1,115,474	184,424	680,280	358,533	317,898	283,555,716
Net assets attributable to holders of redeemable participating shares	<u></u>	199,132,044	69,162,215	193,285,043	40,707,673	28,605,669	9,370,358,030

 $<sup>^{(1)}</sup>$  Effective from 16 March 2017, the Strategic Japan Opportunities Fund commenced operations.

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	Notes	Total 2018 EUR	SCPF 2018 USD	SEBF <sup>(2)</sup> 2018 EUR	NGUF 2018 JPY	SEVF 2018 EUR	SGBF <sup>(2)</sup> 2018 USD	SMVF <sup>(2)</sup> 2018 USD
Income/(Expense) from operating activities								
Interest income		172,499	29,779	27	3,686	26,440	6,823	113,334
Dividend income		25,754,939	4,638,893	-	91,084,249	14,753,960	-	1,480,151
Net gain/(loss) on financial assets and liabilities at fair value through profit or loss		(175,091,052)	(44,073,496)	(728,203)	(890,230,158)	(53,159,808)	(25,576)	615,865
Net gain/(loss) on foreign exchange Other income		253,366 1,044,691	7,120 65,190	(711) 107,724	1,151,105 942,232	359,118 194,657	3,243 50,314	9,994 139,235
Total income/(expense) from operating activities		(147,865,557)	(39,332,514)	(621,163)	(797,048,886)	(37,825,633)	34,804	2,358,579
Expenses								
Investment Manager fees	5	(16,531,791)	(2,222,400)	(188,046)	(48,426,387)	(6,929,637)	(227,627)	(2,704,032)
Performance fees	5	(736,625)	(79,320)	-	(12,499)	(335,299)	-	(4,960)
Administrator's fees	5	(1,514,576)	(184,301)	(43,028)	(3,465,262)	(695,866)	(24,562)	(185,875)
Transaction costs		(3,331,704)	(1,009,199)	(1,107)	(2,532,075)	(1,717,788)	(2,681)	(163,694)
Depositary fees	5	(438,105)	(38,280)	(9,280)	(746,996)	(147,390)	(6,923)	(46,624)
Directors' fees	5	(347,804)	(53,744)	(5,801)	(702,278)	(141,370)	(4,654)	(64,809)
Consulting fees	5	(70,316)	(11,683)	(1,515)	(143,647)	(29,162)	(1,074)	(11,397)
Audit fees	5	(113,930)	(13,813)	(9,205)	(1,250,938)	(13,808)	(9,867)	(12,827)
Legal and other professional fees	5	(229,384)	(38,497)	(522)	(1,354,605)	(94,308)	(1,381)	(10,238)
Interest expense		(378,332)	(18,791)	(11,566)	(96,658)	(164,185)	(737)	-
Other expenses	5	(701,125)	(37,024)	(9,270)	(1,453,516)	(455,116)	(3,211)	(26,287)
Total expenses		(24,393,692)	(3,707,052)	(279,340)	(60,184,861)	(10,723,929)	(282,717)	(3,230,743)
Foreign exchange gain on translation		26,641,522	-	-	-	-	-	-
Operating profit/(loss)		(145,617,727)	(43,039,566)	(900,503)	(857,233,747)	(48,549,562)	(247,913)	(872,164)
Finance costs								
Dividends to holders of redeemable participating shares	12	(346,942)		-		(346,942)	-	
Increase/(Decrease) in net assets attributable to holders of redeemable participating shares before tax		(145,964,669)	(43,039,566)	(900,503)	(857,233,747)	(48,896,504)	(247,913)	(872,164)
Withholding tax on dividend income		(2,049,758)	(93,465)	-	(13,669,567)	(980,271)	-	(376,456)
Increase/(Decrease) in net assets attributable to holders of redeemable participating shares from operations		(148,014,427)	(43,133,031)	(900,503)	(870,903,314)	(49,876,775)	(247,913)	(1,248,620)

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	Notes	SGQF 2018 USD	SESF 2018 EUR	SQBF <sup>(2)</sup> 2018 USD	SBXF <sup>(1)</sup> 2018 EUR	SJOF 2018 JPY	SBOF <sup>(3)</sup> 2018 USD	SFF <sup>3)</sup> 2018 USD
Income/(Expense) from operating activities								_
Interest income		10,806	144	11,138	-	10,093	-	-
Dividend income		1,341,648	2,895,379	-	-	128,625,905	-	103,025
Net gain/(loss) on financial assets and liabilities at fair value		(5,000,505)	(50,000,610)	(2.722.624)	21.512	(2.122.402.002)	400.072	(4.012.010)
through profit or loss		(5,098,686)	(50,892,619)	(2,738,624)	31,513	(2,122,492,903)	409,273	(4,813,918)
Net gain/(loss) on foreign exchange Other income		(5,862) 31,664	51,549 176,811	9,664 55,815	355 33,179	(3,012,892) 30,092,821	(70,601)	(121,711) 3,887
Total income/(expense) from operating activities		(3,720,430)	(47,768,736)	(2,662,007)	65,047	(1,966,776,976)	338,672	(4,828,717)
Expenses								
Investment Manager fees	5	(849,485)	(2,494,035)	(334,695)	(114,253)	(125,580,981)	(20,392)	(87,179)
Performance fees	5	(39,525)	(20,691)	-	(355)	(35,767,754)	-	-
Administrator's fees	5	(79,091)	(204,913)	(38,352)	(11,340)	(11,464,233)	(2,895)	(9,079)
Transaction costs	3	(106,389)	(336,749)	(2,193)	(22,171)	(13,611,785)	-	(47,764)
Depositary fees	5	(42,039)	(86,546)	(8,804)	(22,915)	(5,410,288)	(1,029)	(3,211)
Directors' fees	5	(14,802)	(46,466)	(13,472)	(1,614)	(2,148,347)	(617)	(1,907)
Consulting fees	5	(3,085)	(9,411)	(1,803)	(529)	(452,688)	(138)	(426)
Audit fees	5	(11,347)	(10,879)	(11,347)	(8,787)	(1,250,938)	(974)	(1,137)
Legal and other professional fees	5	(14,438)	(48,979)	(2,228)	(1,292)	(1,960,822)	(903)	(1,613)
Interest expense		(2,228)	(146,469)	(794)	(19,837)	(2,132,369)	-	-
Other expenses	5	(48,716)	(50,637)	(13,761)	(3,165)	(3,592,661)	(15,630)	(25,285)
Total expenses		(1,211,145)	(3,455,775)	(427,449)	(206,258)	(203,372,866)	(42,578)	(177,601)
Foreign exchange gain on translation		-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Operating profit/(loss)	_	(4,931,575)	(51,224,511)	(3,089,456)	(141,211)	(2,170,149,842)	296,094	(5,006,318)
Finance costs								
Dividends to holders of redeemable participating shares	12	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Increase/(Decrease) in net assets attributable to holders of redeemable participating shares before tax		(4,931,575)	(51,224,511)	(3,089,456)	(141,211)	(2,170,149,842)	296,094	(5,006,318)
Withholding tax on dividend income		(165,943)	(259,287)	-	-	(19,293,886)	-	(20,375)
Increase/(Decrease) in net assets attributable to holders of redeemable participating shares from operations	_	(5,097,518)	(51,483,798)	(3,089,456)	(141,211)	(2,189,443,728)	296,094	(5,026,693)

 $<sup>^{(1)}</sup>$ Effective from 15 August 2018, the Strategic Beta Flex Fund ceased operations.

<sup>(2)</sup> Effective from 14 December 2018, the Strategic Euro Bond Fund, Strategic Global Bond Fund, Strategic Quality Emerging Bond Fund and Strategic US Momentum and Value Fund ceased operations.

<sup>(3)</sup> Effective from 14 December 2018, the Strategic Bond Opportunities Fund and Sturdza Family Fund commenced operations.

#### E.I. Sturdza Funds Plc Statement of Comprehensive Income (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2017

		Total 2017 EUR	SCPF 2017 USD	SEBF 2017 EUR	NGUF 2017 JPY	SEVF 2017 EUR	SGBF 2017 USD
Income//Europea) from an austing activities		EUR	CSD	EUK	31 1	EUR	CSD
Income/(Expense) from operating activities Interest income		3,959,929	514	1 006 000	138	10.201	1 215 000
Dividend income		29,566,116	2,564,484	1,006,980	79,171,966	10,281 21,886,928	1,215,980
Net gain/(loss) on financial assets and liabilities at fair value through profit or loss		247,767,788	66,173,072	(1,324,534)	663,207,150	98,966,481	1,220,672
Net gain/(loss) on foreign exchange		(801,170)	82,568	3,140	(1,262,023)	(802,361)	(6,311)
Other income		911,998	200,937	25,394	6,419,411	297,847	38,815
Total income/(expense) from operating activities	_	281,404,661	69,021,575	(289,020)	747,536,642	120,359,176	2,469,156
Expenses							
Investment Manager fees	5	(19,094,677)	(1,744,032)	(376,088)	(47,317,778)	(9,751,645)	(419,242)
Performance fees	5	(3,922,422)	(607,348)	•	(119,202)	(374,134)	· · · · ·
Administrator's fees	5	(1,682,471)	(143,474)	(65,963)	(3,928,043)	(864,542)	(54,499)
Transaction costs		(3,940,500)	(732,580)	(1,376)	(3,093,895)	(2,506,886)	(831)
Depositary fees	5	(520,678)	(110,267)	(20,855)	(2,428,077)	(214,542)	(23,599)
Directors' fees	5	(309,990)	(24,579)	(12,635)	(645,159)	(165,484)	(8,700)
Consulting fees	5	(75,707)	(12,165)	(2,335)	(134,920)	(40,201)	(1,840)
Audit fees	5	(120,964)	(12,861)	(10,795)	(1,438,049)	(15,703)	(11,185)
Legal and other professional fees	5	(261,116)	(23,352)	(14,671)	(1,469,104)	(95,398)	(12,508)
Interest expense		(210,374)	(25,128)	(10,046)	(163,537)	(58,909)	(257)
Other expenses	5	(1,151,428)	(102,239)	(103,687)	(7,517,872)	(348,030)	(75,319)
Total expenses		(31,290,327)	(3,538,025)	(618,451)	(68,255,636)	(14,435,474)	(607,980)
Foreign exchange loss on translation	_	(64,478,940)	-	-	-	-	-
Operating profit/(loss)	_	185,635,394	65,483,550	(907,471)	679,281,006	105,923,702	1,861,176
Finance costs							
Dividends to holders of redeemable participating shares	12 _	(233,541)	-	-	-	(233,541)	
Increase/(Decrease) in net assets attributable to holders of							
redeemable participating shares before tax		185,401,853	65,483,550	(907,471)	679,281,006	105,690,161	1,861,176
Withholding tax on interest income		(31,169)	-	(5,625)	-	-	(29,110)
Withholding tax on dividend income	_	(3,619,847)	(2,888)	-	(11,746,482)	(2,750,314)	
Increase/(Decrease) in net assets attributable to holders of		101 550 025	CF 400 CC2	(012.000)	(CE 524 52 :	102 030 045	1 022 077
redeemable participating shares from operations	_	181,750,837	65,480,662	(913,096)	667,534,524	102,939,847	1,832,066

## Statement of Comprehensive Income (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2017

	Notes	SMVF 2017 USD	SGQF 2017 USD	SESF 2017 EUR	SQBF 2017 USD	SBXF 2017 EUR	SJOF <sup>(1)</sup> 2017 JPY
Income/(Expense) from operating activities							
Interest income		17,781	478	-	2,118,632	-	4,631
Dividend income		1,540,634	1,142,003	2,042,296	-	-	52,374,885
Net gain/(loss) on financial assets and liabilities at fair value							
through profit or loss		29,132,245	16,654,523	25,992,651	3,372,788	993,378	2,044,460,733
Net gain/(loss) on foreign exchange		(10,618)	(34,361)	55,961	25,356	501	(12,511,690)
Other income	_	201,103	73,310	24,641	38,542	- 002.070	3,659,827
Total income/(expense) from operating activities	_	30,881,145	17,835,953	28,115,549	5,555,318	993,879	2,087,988,386
Expenses							
Investment Manager fees	5	(3,126,782)	(799,761)	(2,064,578)	(412,239)	(324,811)	(63,773,072)
Performance fees	5	(1,040)	(33,636)	(2,236,482)	-	(32,050)	(91,152,093)
Administrator's fees	5	(223,684)	(81,558)	(148,400)	(53,922)	(39,950)	(5,592,114)
Transaction costs		(174,110)	(125,413)	(314,854)	(552)	(66,601)	(15,238,602)
Depositary fees	5	(59,874)	(12,378)	(31,005)	(19,659)	(15,930)	(2,696,845)
Directors' fees	5	(44,538)	(14,408)	(25,556)	(9,047)	(5,789)	(840,300)
Consulting fees	5	(8,639)	(2,967)	(5,354)	(1,803)	(1,301)	(178,553)
Audit fees	5	(14,540)	(11,743)	(9,815)	(12,863)	(9,815)	(1,031,619)
Legal and other professional fees	5	(31,239)	(17,136)	(24,023)	(14,206)	(16,437)	(1,614,606)
Interest expense		(1,724)	(2,405)	(67,255)	(1,057)	(30,790)	(1,944,767)
Other expenses	5	(143,601)	(113,462)	(68,969)	(64,777)	(77,953)	(7,078,192)
Total expenses	_	(3,829,771)	(1,214,867)	(4,996,291)	(590,125)	(621,427)	(191,140,763)
Foreign exchange loss on translation	_	-	-	-	-	-	
Operating profit/(loss)	_	27,051,374	16,621,086	23,119,258	4,965,193	372,452	1,896,847,623
Finance costs							
Dividends to holders of redeemable participating shares	12 _	-	-	-	-	-	
Increase/(Decrease) in net assets attributable to holders of redeemable participating shares before tax		27,051,374	16,621,086	23,119,258	4,965,193	372,452	1,896,847,623
Withholding tax on dividend income	_	(378,847)	(195,480)	(209,162)	-	-	(7,856,232)
Increase/(Decrease) in net assets attributable to holders of							
redeemable participating shares from operations	=	26,672,527	16,425,606	22,910,096	4,965,193	372,452	1,888,991,391

 $<sup>^{(1)}</sup>$  Effective from 16 March 2017, the Strategic Japan Opportunities Fund commenced operations.

# E.I. Sturdza Funds Plc Statement of Changes in Net Assets Attributable to Holders of Redeemable Participating Shares For the year ended 31 December 2018

	SCPF 2018 USD	SEBF <sup>(1)</sup> 2018 EUR	NGUF 2018 JPY	SEVF 2018 EUR	SGBF <sup>(1)</sup> 2018 USD	SMVF <sup>(1)</sup> 2018 USD
Net assets attributable to holders of redeemable participating shares at beginning of year	191,894,833	39,965,315	2,701,362,339	805,739,475	31,597,554	199,132,044
Proceeds from redeemable participating shares issued:						
USD Class	15,651,755	-	-	-	1,169,135	7,779,123
USD Hedged Class	· · · · · · · · · · · · ·	-	-	598,109	· · · · · -	-
EUR Class	-	-	-	15,208,430	-	-
EUR Hedged Class	10,420,795	-	6,265,329	-	-	3,006,643
GBP Hedged Class	1,140,390	-	-	-	-	-
EUR Accumulating Class	-	516,000	-	-	-	-
EUR Institutional Class	-	3,462,741	-	89,506,112	-	-
EUR Hedged Institutional Class	15,608,879	-	43,155,840	-	-	-
CHF Hedged Class	778,620	=	-	1,572,922	-	1,021,311
USD Institutional Class	31,236,281	-	-	-	=	725,097
GBP Hedged Institutional Class	-	-	-	860,218	-	-
USD Hedged Institutional Class	-	-	-	18,479	-	-
USD Hedged Super Institutional Class	-	-	-	1,177,538	-	-
CHF Hedged Institutional Class	2,357,231	-	-	2,391,843	-	-
EUR R Class	-	-	-	1,352,509	-	-
EUR Hedged R Class	563,246	-	-	-	-	-
EUR Super Institutional Class	-	-	-	108,231,665	-	-
EUR Institutional Distributing Class	-	-	-	37,739,996	-	-
JPY A Class	-	-	2,022,407,474	-	-	-
JPY B Accumulating Class	-	-	48,436,715	-	-	-
EUR SP Class	-	_	-	23,815,082	-	-
Total proceeds from redeemable participating shares issued	77,757,197	3,978,741	2,120,265,358	282,472,903	1,169,135	12,532,174

<sup>(1)</sup> Effective from 14 December 2018, the Strategic Euro Bond Fund, Strategic Global Bond Fund and Strategic US Momentum and Value Fund ceased operations.

#### Statement of Changes in Net Assets Attributable to Holders of Redeemable Participating Shares (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

	SCPF 2018 USD	SEBF <sup>(1)**</sup> 2018 EUR	NGUF 2018 JPY	SEVF 2018 EUR	SGBF <sup>(1)**</sup> 2018 USD	SMVF <sup>(1)*</sup> 2018 USD
Payments on redemption of redeemable participating shares:						
USD Class	(21,889,720)	-	-	-	(32,518,776)	(160,901,921)
USD Hedged Class		-	-	(691,114)		
EUR Hedged Class	(13,770,640)	-	(57,428,002)	-	-	(4,218,245)
GBP Hedged Class	(849,589)	-	-	-	-	-
EUR Distributing Class	-	(1,319,902)	-	-	-	-
USD Hedged Super Institutional Class	-	-	-	(1,982,938)	-	-
EUR Super Institutional Class	-	-	-	(69,845,357)	-	-
EUR Accumulating Class	-	(21,390,500)	-	-	-	-
JPY B Accumulating Class	-	-	(307,574,564)	-	-	-
EUR Institutional Class	-	(17,625,189)	-	(170,608,464)	-	-
CHF Hedged Accumulating Class	-	(2,707,962)	-	=	-	-
CHF Hedged Class	(86,918)	-	-	(6,931,096)	-	(7,760,967)
USD Institutional Class	(31,487,578)	-	-	-	-	(37,534,465)
USD Hedged Institutional Class	-	-	-	(979,624)	-	-
GBP Hedged Institutional Class	-	-	-	(5,936,693)	-	-
EUR Class	-	-	-	(101,758,405)	-	-
EUR Hedged Institutional Class	(7,256,636)	-	(76,276,226)	=	-	-
EUR R Class	-	-	-	(9,467,141)	-	-
EUR Institutional Distributing Class	-	-	-	(9,030,511)	-	-
EUR Hedged R Class	(53,849)	-	-	· -	-	-
JPY A Class	-	-	(1,203,902,517)	-	-	-
CHF Hedged Institutional Class	(87,977)	-	- -	(4,163,835)	-	-
Total payments on redemption of redeemable participating shares	(75,482,907)	(43,043,553)	(1,645,181,309)	(381,395,178)	(32,518,776)	(210,415,598)
Increase/(Decrease) in net assets attributable to holders of redeemable participating shares from operations	(43,133,031)	(900,503)	(870,903,314)	(49,876,775)	(247,913)	(1,248,620)
Net assets attributable to holders of redeemable participating shares at end of year	151,036,092	-	2,305,543,074	656,940,425	-	-

<sup>(1)</sup> Effective from 14 December 2018, the Strategic Euro Bond Fund, Strategic Global Bond Fund and Strategic US Momentum and Value Fund ceased operations.

<sup>\*</sup>Certain redemptions of redeemable participating shares during the year for SMVF are a result of in-specie transfers to SFF.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Certain redemptions of redeemable participating shares during the year for SEBF, SGBF and SQBF are a result of in-specie transfers to SBOF.

#### **Statement of Changes in Net Assets Attributable** to Holders of Redeemable Participating Shares (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

	SGQF 2018 USD	SESF 2018 EUR	SQBF <sup>(2)</sup> 2018 USD	SBXF <sup>(1)</sup> 2018 EUR	SJOF 2018 JPY	SBOF <sup>(3)**</sup> 2018 USD	SFF <sup>(3)*</sup> 2018 USD
Net assets attributable to holders of redeemable participating shares							
at beginning of year	69,162,215	193,285,043	40,707,673	28,605,669	9,370,358,030	-	-
Proceeds from redeemable participating shares issued:							
USD Class	3,380,119	-	2,414,019	-	-	-	42,565,657
EUR Class	-	15,243,460	-	-	-	-	-
EUR X Class	-	882,462	-	-	-	-	-
EUR Hedged Class	862,368	-	721,731	-	315,078,883	-	3,665,983
JPY Class	-	-	-	-	396,789,352	-	-
JPY Institutional Class	-	-	-	-	898,966,280	-	-
EUR Institutional Class	-	48,884,638	-	5,140,962	-	-	-
EUR Hedged Institutional Class	2,247,110	-	76,321	-	284,319,038	-	2,756,489
USD Hedged Class	-	-	-	-	165,287,494	-	-
USD Hedged Institutional Class	-	-	-	-	51,460,173	-	-
USD Institutional Class	2,041,923	-	4,613,620	-	-	-	20,865,720
USD Super Institutional Class	-	-	-	-	-	-	113,238,677
CHF Hedged Class	2,970,410	955,431	740,154	-	-	-	3,970,618
CHF Hedged Accumulating Class	-	-	-	-	-	1,940,258	-
EUR Hedged Accumulating Class	-	-	-	-	-	745,997	-
EUR Hedged Distributing Class	-	-	-	-	-	124,564	-
EUR Hedged Institutional Accumulating Class	-	-	-	-	-	2,500,029	-
USD Accumulating Class	-	-	-	-	-	41,147,893	-
USD Institutional Accumulating Class				-	-	13,238,890	-
Total proceeds from redeemable participating shares issued	11,501,930	65,965,991	8,565,845	5,140,962	2,111,901,220	59,697,631	187,063,144

<sup>(1)</sup> Effective from 15 August 2018, the Strategic Beta Flex Fund ceased operations.

 $<sup>^{(2)}</sup>$ Effective from 14 December 2018, the Strategic Quality Emerging Bond Fund ceased operations.

<sup>(3)</sup> Effective from 14 December 2018, the Strategic Bond Opportunities Fund and Sturdza Family Fund commenced operations.

Certain subscriptions of redeemable participating shares during the year for SBOF are a result of in-specie transfers from SMVF.

\*\*Certain subscriptions of redeemable participating shares during the year for SBOF are a result of in-specie transfers from SEBF, SGBF and SQBF.

#### Statement of Changes in Net Assets Attributable to Holders of Redeemable Participating Shares (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2017

	SGQF 2018 USD	SESF 2018 EUR	SQBF <sup>(2)*</sup> 2018 USD	SBXF <sup>(1)</sup> 2018 EUR	SJOF 2018 JPY	SBOF <sup>(3)</sup> 2018 USD	SFF <sup>(3)</sup> 2018 USD
Payments on redemption of redeemable participating shares:							
USD Class	(5,252,791)	_	(12,356,642)	_	-	-	(191,033)
EUR Class	-	(14,640,262)	-	(9,365,156)	-	-	-
EUR X Class	-	(11,260,478)	-	-	-	-	-
EUR Hedged Class	(207,422)	-	(12,557,955)	-	(185,571,349)	-	-
EUR Institutional Class	-	(31,604,662)		(16,872,021)	-	-	_
EUR Hedged Institutional Class	(1,113,888)		(1,343,127)	-	(54,089,019)	-	_
CHF Hedged Class	(988,524)	(820,403)	(10,838,677)	-	-	-	(580,133)
JPY Class	-	-	-	-	(827,815,631)	-	-
USD Institutional Class	(8,962,980)	-	(9,087,661)	-	-	-	-
EUR R Class	-	-	-	(7,368,243)	-	-	-
USD Hedged Class	-	-	-	-	(85,643,063)	-	-
USD Hedged Institutional Class	_	-	-	_	(238,600,014)	-	_
JPY Institutional Class	-	-	-	-	(147,294,570)	-	-
EUR Hedged Accumulating Class	_	-	-	_	- -	(137,717)	_
USD Accumulating Class		-	-	-	-	(146,741)	
Total payments on redemption of redeemable participating shares	(16,525,605)	(58,325,805)	(46,184,062)	(33,605,420)	(1,539,013,646)	(284,458)	(771,166)
Increase/(Decrease) in net assets attributable to holders of redeemable participating shares from operations	(5,097,518)	(51,483,798)	(3,089,456)	(141,211)	(2,189,443,728)	296,094	(5,026,693)
Net assets attributable to holders of redeemable participating shares at end of year	59,041,022	149,441,431	-	-	7,753,801,876	59,709,267	181,265,285

<sup>(1)</sup> Effective from 15 August 2018, the Strategic Beta Flex Fund ceased operations.

<sup>(2)</sup> Effective from 14 December 2018, the Strategic Quality Emerging Bond Fund ceased operations.

<sup>(3)</sup> Effective from 14 December 2018, the Strategic Bond Opportunities Fund and Sturdza Family Fund commenced operations.

<sup>\*</sup>Certain redemptions of redeemable participating shares during the year for SEBF, SGBF and SQBF are a result of in-specie transfers to SBOF.

#### Statement of Changes in Net Assets Attributable to Holders of Redeemable Participating Shares (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2017

- -	SCPF 2017 USD	SEBF 2017 EUR	NGUF 2017 JPY	SEVF 2017 EUR	SGBF 2017 USD	SMVF 2017 USD
Net assets attributable to holders of redeemable participating shares at beginning of year	92,129,013	65,897,574	4,195,660,656	930,101,157	63,924,196	214,263,041
Proceeds from redeemable participating shares issued:						
USD Class	27,447,011	-	-	-	4,859,850	4,734,084
USD Hedged Class	-	-	-	1,292,032	-	-
EUR Class	-	-	-	41,765,186	-	-
EUR Hedged Class	16,542,917	-	267,842,680	-	-	197,689
GBP Hedged Class	323,669	-	-	-	-	-
EUR Distributing Class	-	5,970	-	-	-	-
EUR Accumulating Class	-	8,659,546	-	-	-	-
JPY Class B Accumulating	-	-	83,376,364	-	-	-
EUR Institutional Class	-	15,175,655	-	112,125,345	-	-
EUR Hedged Institutional Class	10,075,792	-	39,392,202	-	-	-
CHF Hedged Class	584,196	-	-	3,285,909	-	796,503
USD Institutional Class	61,577,440	-	-	-	-	3,977,030
USD Hedged Institutional Class	-	-	-	387,932	-	-
USD Hedged Super Institutional Class	-	-	-	2,310,663	-	-
GBP Hedged Institutional Class	-	-	-	2,336,583	-	-
CHF Hedged Institutional Class	_	-	_	7,790,425	-	-
EUR R Class	_	_	_	4,892,951	_	_
EUR Super Institutional Class	_	_	_	91,851,460	_	_
EUR Institutional Distributing Class		<u>-</u>		14,803,563	<u>-</u>	
Total proceeds from redeemable participating shares issued	116,551,025	23,841,171	390,611,246	282,842,049	4,859,850	9,705,306

#### Statement of Changes in Net Assets Attributable to Holders of Redeemable Participating Shares (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2017

	SCPF 2017 USD	SEBF 2017 EUR	NGUF 2017 JPY	SEVF 2017 EUR	SGBF 2017 USD	SMVF 2017 USD
Payments on redemption of redeemable participating shares:						
USD Class	(23,644,536)	-	-	-	(26,483,257)	(42,786,174)
USD Hedged Class	-	-	-	(1,276,875)	-	-
EUR Hedged Class	(20,311,628)	-	(806,543,875)	-	-	(1,260,462)
GBP Hedged Class	(283,376)	-	=	=	-	-
EUR Distributing Class	-	(1,258,172)	-	-	-	-
USD Hedged Super Institutional Class	-	-	-	(487,941)	-	-
EUR Super Institutional Class	-	-	-	(73,081,809)	-	-
EUR Accumulating Class	-	(17,058,964)	-	-	_	-
JPY B Accumulating Class	-	-	(950,112,026)	-	_	-
RMB Hedged Class	-	-	-	-	(12,535,301)	-
EUR Institutional Class	-	(21,099,928)	-	(232,211,806)	_	-
CHF Hedged Accumulating Class	_	(9,443,270)	_	-	_	_
JPY D Institutional Class	_	-	(618,255,651)	_	_	_
USD Institutional Class	(30,216,576)	_	-	_	_	(5,788,817)
USD Hedged Institutional Class	-	_	_	(1,302,546)	_	-
GBP Hedged Institutional Class	-	-	-	(3,341,383)	_	_
CHF Hedged Class	(243,477)	_	-	(20,669,840)	_	(1,673,377)
EUR Class	-	-	-	(149,841,979)	-	-
EUR Hedged Institutional Class	(7,566,274)	-	(172,277,930)	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	-	-
EUR R Class	-	-	- -	(3,328,520)	-	-
EUR Institutional Distributing Class	-	-	-	(24,116,061)	-	-
JPY A Class	-	-	(5,254,605)	-	-	-
CHF Hedged Institutional Class		-	-	(484,818)	-	-
Total payments on redemption of redeemable participating shares	(82,265,867)	(48,860,334)	(2,552,444,087)	(510,143,578)	(39,018,558)	(51,508,830)
Increase/(Decrease) in net assets attributable to holders of redeemable participating shares from operations	65,480,662	(913,096)	667,534,524	102,939,847	1,832,066	26,672,527
Net assets attributable to holders of redeemable participating shares at end of year	191,894,833	39,965,315	2,701,362,339	805,739,475	31,597,554	199,132,044

#### Statement of Changes in Net Assets Attributable to Holders of Redeemable Participating Shares (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2017

	SGQF 2017 USD	SESF 2017 EUR	SQBF 2017 USD	SBXF 2017 EUR	SJOF <sup>(1)</sup> 2017 JPY
Net assets attributable to holders of redeemable participating shares	50.664.202	C5 220 142	51 A15 O10	5 512 260	
at beginning of year	59,664,292	65,239,143	51,415,818	5,513,260	-
Proceeds from redeemable participating shares issued:					
USD Class	10,962,578	-	3,737,481	-	-
EUR Class	-	71,188,384	-	5,467,804	-
EUR X Class	-	24,803,722	=	-	=
EUR Hedged Class	349,475	-	1,896,284	-	673,817,161
JPY Class	-	=	=	-	3,544,926,276
JPY Institutional Class	-	-	-	-	2,786,561,980
EUR Institutional Class	-	70,206,126	-	28,631,819	-
USD Hedged Class	-	-	-	-	823,404,738
USD Hedged Institutional Class	-	-	-	-	1,018,086,360
EUR Hedged Institutional Class	349,475	-	182,223	-	-
USD Institutional Class	11,482,515	-	4,000,000	-	-
CHF Hedged Class	1,982,459	2,260,010	2,575,755	-	-
EUR R Class	-	-	-	7,619,602	
Total proceeds from redeemable participating shares issued	25,126,502	168,458,242	12,391,743	41,719,225	8,846,796,515

 $<sup>^{(1)}</sup>$  Effective from 16 March 2017, the Strategic Japan Opportunities Fund commenced operations.

#### Statement of Changes in Net Assets Attributable to Holders of Redeemable Participating Shares (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2017

	SGQF 2017 USD	SESF 2017 EUR	SQBF 2017 USD	SBXF 2017 EUR	SJOF <sup>(1)</sup> 2017 JPY
Payments on redemption of redeemable participating shares:					
USD Class	(7,378,666)	-	(13,897,146)	-	-
EUR X Class	-	(7,979,274)	-	-	-
EUR Hedged Class	-	-	(3,157,588)	-	(160,932,391)
EUR Institutional Class	-	(5,929,215)	-	(17,001,426)	-
EUR Hedged Institutional Class	-	-	(2,407,896)	-	-
CHF Hedged Class	(1,134,656)	(424,522)	(2,440,990)	-	-
JPY Class	-	-	-	-	(281,651,330)
USD Institutional Class	(23,540,863)	-	(6,161,461)	-	-
EUR Class	-	(48,989,427)	-	(1,667,725)	-
EUR R Class	-	-	-	(330,117)	-
USD Hedged Class	-	-	-	-	(206,207,276)
USD Hedged Institutional Class	-	-	-	-	(695,725,848)
JPY Institutional Class		-	-	-	(20,913,031)
Total payments on redemption of redeemable participating shares	(32,054,185)	(63,322,438)	(28,065,081)	(18,999,268)	(1,365,429,876)
Increase in net assets attributable to holders of redeemable participating shares from operations	16,425,606	22,910,096	4,965,193	372,452	1,888,991,391
Net assets attributable to holders of redeemable participating shares at end of year	69,162,215	193,285,043	40,707,673	28,605,669	9,370,358,030

<sup>(1)</sup> Effective from 16 March 2017, the Strategic Japan Opportunities Fund commenced operations.

#### **Statement of Cash Flows**

#### For the year ended 31 December 2018

	Total 31 December 2018	Total 31 December 2017
	EUR	EUR
Cash flows from operating activities (Decrease)/Increase in net assets attributable to holders of		
redeemable participating shares from operations	(148,014,427)	181,750,837
Adjustments to reconcile (decrease)/increase in net assets attributable to holders of redeemable participating shares from operations to net cash from operating activities:		
Net (increase)/decrease in receivables	(652,112)	162,041
Net increase in payables	2,588,600	118,870
Net decrease/(increase) in investments	334,036,481	(35,391,986)
Net cash from operating activities	187,958,542	146,639,762
Cash flows from financing activities  Net proceeds from issuance of redeemable participating shares  Net payments on redemption of redeemable participating shares  Net cash used in financing activities	653,858,671 (817,931,905) (164,073,234)	620,766,103 (781,500,425) (160,734,322)
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	23,885,308	(14,094,560)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year  Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	35,641,512 59,526,820	49,736,072 35,641,512
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year is comprised of: Cash and cash equivalents Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	59,526,820 59,526,820	35,641,512 35,641,512
Supplementary disclosure of cash flow information: Interest received Dividend received Interest paid	172,499 25,982,943 (378,332)	4,725,551 29,434,528 (223,708)

#### E.I. Sturdza Funds Plc Notes to the Financial Statements For the year ended 31 December 2018

#### 1. General information

E.I. Sturdza Funds Plc (the "Company") is an open-ended umbrella investment company with variable capital and segregated liability between Sub-Funds, incorporated in Ireland on 27 August 2008 under the Companies Act, 2014 with registration number 461518. The Company has been authorised by the Central Bank of Ireland ("Central Bank") as an Undertaking for Collective Investment in Transferable Securities ("UCITS") pursuant to the Central Bank's UCITS Regulations.

The Company is structured as an umbrella fund consisting of Sub-Funds: Strategic China Panda Fund ("SCPF"), Strategic Euro Bond Fund ("SEBF"), Nippon Growth (UCITS) Fund ("NGUF"), Strategic Europe Value Fund ("SEVF"), Strategic Global Bond Fund ("SGBF"), Strategic US Momentum and Value Fund ("SMVF"), Strategic Global Quality Fund ("SGQF"), Strategic European Smaller Companies Fund ("SESF"), Strategic Quality Emerging Bond Fund ("SQBF"), Strategic Beta Flex Fund ("SBXF"), Strategic Japan Opportunities Fund ("SJOF"), Strategic Bond Opportunities Fund ("SBOF") and Sturdza Family Fund ("SFF") (collectively referred to as the "Sub-Funds").

As at 31 December 2018, the Company had 8 (2017: 11) active Sub-Funds.

The Strategic Europe Value Fund launched the EUR SP Class on 7 March 2018, the Strategic Japan Opportunities Fund launched the EUR Hedged Institutional Class on 14 March 2018 and the Strategic China Panda Fund launched the EUR Hedged R Class on 24 January 2018 and the CHF Hedged Institutional Class on 26 June 2018.

On 15 August 2018, the operations of the Strategic Beta Flex Fund were terminated, on the same date all of the Sub-Fund's redeemable participating shares were redeemed and it's trading ceased.

On 14 December 2018, the operations of the Strategic Euro Bond Fund, Strategic Global Bond Fund, Strategic Quality Emerging Bond Fund and Strategic US Momentum and Value Fund were terminated. On the same date, all of the Sub-Funds' redeemable participating shares were redeemed and their trading ceased.

On 14 December 2018, the Strategic Bond Opportunities Fund and Sturdza Family Fund were launched and commenced operations.

As at 31 December 2017, certain share classes of the Sub-Funds were listed on Euronext Dublin (formerly the Irish Stock Exchange). Effective from 11 July 2018, all the listed shares of the Company's Sub-Funds were delisted from Euronext Dublin and the services of Dillon Eustace as the Listing Sponsor were terminated on the same date.

#### 2. Basis of preparation

#### (a) Statement of compliance

The financial statements are prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS") as adopted by the European Union ("EU") and interpretations adopted by the International Accounting Standards Board ("IASB").

#### Notes to the Financial Statements (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

#### 2. Basis of preparation (continued)

#### (a) Statement of compliance (continued)

The accounting policies set out in Note 3 have been applied in preparing the financial statements for the financial year ended 31 December 2018. The comparative information for the financial year ended 31 December 2017 presented in these financial statements have been prepared in consistent basis. These financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis.

These financial statements are also prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 2014.

As at 31 December 2018, following the closure of the Strategic Beta Flex Fund, Strategic Euro Bond Fund, Strategic Global Bond Fund, Strategic Quality Emerging Bond Fund and Strategic US Momentum and Value Fund, the assets of these terminated Sub-Funds were classified as current and were stated at estimated recoverable amounts and all liabilities were classified as falling due within one year and were stated at net realisable value, which approximated the fair value of the assets and liabilities.

#### (b) Basis of aggregation

The financial statements include the aggregated assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses of the Company and its Sub-Funds (Note 3(f)(i)).

#### (c) Basis of measurement

The financial statements have been prepared on a historical cost basis, except for financial instruments classified at fair value through profit or loss that have been measured at fair value.

#### (d) Functional and presentation currency

These financial statements are presented in Euro ("EUR"), which is the Company's functional currency (Note 3(f)(i)).

#### (e) Use of estimates and judgments

The preparation of financial statements, in conformity with IFRS requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the year. Actual results could differ from those estimates. The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the year in which the estimate is revised if the revision affects only that year or in the year of the revision and future years if the revision affects both current and future years.

For financial instruments, where a quoted price is not available the Directors use a variety of techniques and make assumptions that are based on market conditions existing at the Statement of Financial Position date, further details of which are outlined in Note 3(a) of the financial statements.

#### Notes to the Financial Statements (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

#### 3. Significant accounting policies

#### (a) Financial instruments

On 1 January 2018, the Company adopted IFRS 9, Financial Instruments ("IFRS 9"), see Note 3(n) for the explanation of the impact. The comparative figures for the year ended 31 December 2017 have not been restated. Therefore, financial instruments in the comparative year have been accounted for in accordance with IAS 39, Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurement ("IAS 39").

#### (i) Classification

#### Classification policy effective from 1 January 2018 under IFRS 9

In accordance with IFRS 9, the Company classifies its financial assets and financial liabilities at initial recognition into the categories of financial assets and financial liabilities discussed below.

In applying that classification, a financial asset or financial liability is considered to be measured at fair value through profit or loss ("FVTPL") if any of the following is met:

- (a) It is acquired or incurred principally for the purpose of selling or repurchasing it in the near term
- (b) On initial recognition, it is part of a portfolio of identified financial instruments that are managed together and for which, there is evidence of a recent actual pattern of short-term profit-taking
- (c) It is a derivative (except for a derivative that is a financial guarantee contract or a designated and effective hedging instrument)

#### Financial assets

The Company classifies its financial assets as subsequently measured at fair value through profit or loss or measured at amortised cost on the basis of both:

- (a) The Company's business model for managing the financial assets
- (b) The contractual cash flow characteristics of the financial asset

#### Financial assets measured at FVTPL

A financial asset is measured at fair value through profit or loss if any of the following is met:

- (a) Its contractual terms do not give rise to cash flows on specified dates that are solely payments of principal and interest (SPPI) on the principal amount outstanding
- (b) It is not held within a business model whose objective is either to collect contractual cash flows, or to both collect contractual cash flows and sell
- (c) At initial recognition, it is irrevocably designated as measured at FVTPL when doing so eliminates or significantly reduces a measurement or recognition inconsistency that would otherwise arise from measuring assets or liabilities or recognising the gains and losses on them on different bases.

#### Notes to the Financial Statements (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

- 3. Significant accounting policies (continued)
- (a) Financial instruments (continued)
- (i) Classification (continued)

Classification policy effective from 1 January 2018 under IFRS 9 (continued)

#### Financial assets (continued)

#### Financial assets measured at FVTPL (continued)

The Company includes in this category equity securities and debt securities which are acquired principally for the purpose of generating a profit from short-term fluctuations in price. This category also includes derivative contracts in an asset position. Debt securities include investments that are held under a business model to manage them on a fair value basis for investment income and fair value gains. The equity securities, debt securities and derivatives are held for trading and therefore classified mandatorily at FVTPL.

#### Financial assets measured at amortised cost

A debt security is measured at amortised cost if it is held within a business model whose objective is to hold financial assets in order to collect contractual cash flows and its contractual terms give rise on specified dates to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding. As at 31 December 2018, the Company did not hold debt securities measured at amortised cost.

The Company's financial assets measured at amortised cost include cash and cash equivalents, subscription receivable, dividend and interest receivable, due from broker and other short-term receivables. Their carrying value, measured at amortised cost less any expected loss, is an approximation of fair value given their short-term nature.

#### Financial liabilities

#### Financial liabilities measured at FVTPL

A financial liability is measured at FVTPL if it meets the definition of held for trading. The Company includes in this category, equity securities and debt securities sold short and derivative contracts in a liability position as they are classified as held for trading. The Company also includes its redeemable participating shares in this category. The Company's accounting policy regarding the redeemable participating shares is described in Note 3(k).

#### Financial liabilities measured at amortised cost

This category includes all financial liabilities other than those measured at fair value through profit or loss. The Company includes in this category redemptions payable, due to broker and other short-term payables. Their carrying value, measured at amortised cost, is an approximation of fair value given their short-term nature.

#### Classification policy effective before 1 January 2018 under IAS 39

#### Financial assets and liabilities at FVTPL

The Company had classified its investments into the financial assets and liabilities at fair value through profit or loss category in accordance with IAS 39.

- 3. Significant accounting policies (continued)
- (a) Financial instruments (continued)
- (i) Classification (continued)

## Classification policy effective before 1 January 2018 under IAS 39 (continued)

## Financial assets and liabilities at FVTPL (continued)

This category has two sub-categories: financial assets and liabilities held for trading, and those designated as at fair value through profit or loss upon initial recognition. Financial assets or liabilities held for trading are acquired or incurred principally for the purpose of selling or repurchasing in the short term. All equity securities, debt securities, investments in investment funds and derivative contracts have been categorised as held for trading. There were no financial assets and liabilities designated as at fair value through profit or loss at year ended 31 December 2017. The Company also includes its redeemable participating shares in this category. The Company's accounting policy regarding the redeemable participating shares is described in Note 3(k).

#### Loans and receivables

Loans and receivables are non-derivative financial assets with fixed or determinable payments that are not quoted in an active market. The Company includes in this category cash and cash equivalents, subscription receivable, dividend and interest receivable, due from broker and other short-term receivables.

#### Other financial liabilities

This category includes all financial liabilities other than those measured at fair value through profit or loss. The Company includes in this category redemptions payable, due to broker and other short-term payables.

### (ii) Recognition and initial measurement

Financial assets and liabilities at fair value through profit and loss are recognised initially on the trade date at which the Company becomes a party to contracted provisions of the instruments. Other financial assets and liabilities are recognised on the date they originated.

Financial assets and liabilities at fair value though profit or loss are measured initially at fair value, with transaction costs recognised in the profit and loss. Financial assets or financial liabilities not at fair value through profit and loss are measured initially at fair value plus transaction costs that are directly attributable to its acquisition or issue.

#### (iii) Derecognition

A financial asset is derecognised when the Company no longer has control over the contractual rights that comprise that asset. This occurs when the contractual rights to the cash flow from the asset expire or when it transfers the rights to receive the contractual cash flows in a transaction in which substantially all of the risks and rewards of ownership of the financial asset are transferred or in which the Company neither transfers nor retains substantially all of the risks and rewards of ownership and does not retain control of the financial asset. A financial liability is derecognised when it is extinguished or when the obligation specified in the contract is discharged, cancelled or expired. Assets held for trading that are sold are derecognised and corresponding receivables from the buyer for the payment are recognised as of the date the Company commits to sell the assets.

## 3. Significant accounting policies (continued)

#### (a) Financial instruments (continued)

#### (iv) Subsequent measurement

After initial measurement, the Company measures financial instruments which are classified as at fair value through profit or loss, at their fair values. 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 in the principal or, in its absence, the most advantageous market to which the Company has access at that date. The fair value of a liability reflects its non-performance risk.

When available the Company measures the fair value of an instrument using the quoted price in an active market for that instrument. A market is considered to be "active" if transactions for that asset or liability take place with sufficient frequency and value to provide pricing information on an ongoing basis.

If a quoted market price is not available on a recognised stock exchange or from a reputable broker/counterparty, the fair value of the financial instruments may be estimated by the Directors using valuation techniques, including use of recent arm's length market transactions, reference to the current fair value of another instrument that is substantially the same, discounted cash flow techniques, option pricing models or any other valuation technique that provides a reliable estimate of prices obtained in actual market transactions.

Where discounted cash flow techniques are used, estimated future cash flows are based on the Directors' best estimates and the discount rate used is a market rate at the Statement of Financial Position date applicable for an instrument with similar terms and conditions. Where other pricing models are used, inputs are based on market data available at the Statement of Financial Position date. Fair values for unquoted equity investments are estimated, if possible, using price/earnings ratios for similar listed companies adjusted to reflect the specific circumstances of the issuer.

Gains and losses on financial assets and financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss are calculated on a first-in-first-out ("FIFO") basis and are included in the Statement of Comprehensive Income in the year in which they arise. Net gain or loss on financial assets and liabilities at fair value through profit or loss includes all realised and unrealised fair value changes and foreign exchange differences but excludes interest on cash and cash equivalents and dividend income.

Interest earned on fixed income securities is recorded on an effective interest rate basis ("EIR") and is included as a gain on financial assets and liabilities at fair value through profit or loss for the Strategic Bond Opportunities Fund, Sturdza Family Fund, Strategic Euro Bond Fund, Strategic Global Bond Fund and Strategic Quality Emerging Bond Fund.

The carrying value of cash and cash equivalents, subscriptions receivable, dividend and interest receivable, redemptions payable, due from/to broker and other short-term receivables and payables, measured at amortised cost less any expected loss, is an approximation of fair value given their short-term nature.

## 3. Significant accounting policies (continued)

#### (a) Financial instruments (continued)

## (v) Specific instruments

Forward foreign exchange contracts

Forward foreign exchange contracts are fair valued by reference to the forward price at which a new forward contract of the same size and maturity could be undertaken at the valuation date. The unrealised gain or loss on open forward foreign exchange contracts is calculated as the difference between the forward rate for the transaction specified in the contract and the forward rate on the valuation date as reported in published sources, multiplied by the face amount of the forward contract. Any resulting unrealised gains are recorded as assets and losses as liabilities in the Statement of Financial Position. Realised gains and losses are recognised in the Statement of Comprehensive Income at the time the forward foreign exchange contract settles. Realised and unrealised gains and losses applicable to forward foreign exchange contracts entered into at a Sub-Fund level are allocated at Sub-Fund level.

#### **Futures contracts**

During a period in which futures contracts are open, changes in the value of the contracts are recognised as unrealised gains and losses by marking-to-market on a daily basis to reflect the value of the contracts at the end of each day's trading. Futures contracts are valued at the settlement price established each day by the exchange on which they are traded and the Company's investment therein, representing unrealised gain or loss on the contracts, is included in the Statement of Financial Position and in the Statement of Comprehensive Income.

Commission charges to open such contracts are expensed at the time that the contracts are opened.

### **Options**

Options are valued at fair value based on the closing price on the relevant valuation date provided by the relevant counterparty. The premium on written call options exercised is added to the proceeds from the sale of the underlying security or foreign currency in determining the realised gain or loss. The premium on written put options exercised is subtracted from the cost of the securities or foreign currencies purchased. Premiums received from written options, which expire unexercised, are treated as realised gains. For unsettled positions, unrealised gains or losses are recognised in the Statement of Comprehensive Income.

#### (vi) Offsetting financial instruments

Financial assets and liabilities are offset and the net amount reported in Note 7 when there is a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis, or realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously. The Company holds master netting or similar agreements with The Bank of New York Mellon for all of the Sub-Funds. The Company is considered to have a legally enforceable right to set-off recognised amounts as further described in Note 7 to the financial statements, however it is not expected to realise the relevant assets and settle the liabilities simultaneously and therefore has not offset the relevant financial assets and liabilities under such agreements.

## 3. Significant accounting policies (continued)

#### (b) Impairment of financial assets

## Impairment policy effective from 1 January 2018 under IFRS 9

The Company only holds receivables at amortised cost, with no financing component and which have maturities of less than 12 months and as such, has chosen to apply an approach similar to the simplified approach for expected credit losses (ECL) under IFRS 9 to all its receivables. Therefore, the Company does not track changes in credit risk, but instead, recognises a loss allowance based on lifetime ECLs at each reporting date.

The Company's approach to ECLs reflects a probability-weighted outcome, the time value of money and reasonable and supportable information that is available without undue cost or effort at the reporting date about past events, current conditions and forecasts of future economic conditions.

The Company assesses the ECL of groups of receivables based on days past due and similar loss patterns. Any historical observed loss rates are adjusted for forward-looking estimates and applied over the expected life of the receivables.

The carrying value of cash and cash equivalents, subscription receivable, dividend and interest receivable, due from broker and other short-term receivables, measured at amortised cost less any expected loss, is an approximation of fair value given their short-term nature and no history of default.

The Company did not recognise any impairment during the year ended 31 December 2018.

## Impairment policy effective before 1 January 2018 under IAS 39

The Company assesses at each reporting date whether a financial asset or group of financial assets is impaired. A financial asset or a group of financial assets is deemed to be 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 indications that the debtor, or a group of debtors, is experiencing significant financial difficulty, default or delinquency in interest or principal payments, the probability that they will enter bankruptcy or other financial reorganisation and, where observable data indicates that there is a measurable decrease in the estimated future cash flows, such as changes in arrears or economic conditions that correlate with defaults. 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 ECLs that have not yet been incurred) discounted using the asset's original EIR. The carrying amount of the asset is reduced through the use of an allowance account and the amount of the loss is recognised in profit or loss as credit loss expense.

## E.I. Sturdza Funds Plc Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)

## For the year ended 31 December 2018

## 3. Significant accounting policies (continued)

#### (b) Impairment of financial assets (continued)

Impairment policy effective before 1 January 2018 under IAS 39 (continued)

Impaired debts, together with the associated allowance, are written off when there is no realistic prospect of future recovery and all collateral has been realised or has been transferred to the Company. If a previous write-off is later recovered, the recovery is credited to the credit loss expense. Interest revenue on impaired financial assets is recognised using the rate of interest used to discount the future cash flows for the purpose of measuring the impairment loss.

The Company did not recognise any impairment during the year ended 31 December 2017.

#### (c) Cash and cash equivalents

Cash comprises cash on hand and demand deposits. Cash equivalents are short term, highly liquid investments that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash and which are subject to insignificant changes in value, and are held for the purpose of meeting short-term cash commitments rather than for investments or other purposes.

#### (d) Taxation

Dividends, interest and capital gains (if any) received on investments made by the Sub-Funds may be subject to withholding taxes imposed by the country from which the investment income/gains are received and such taxes may not be recoverable by the Sub-Funds or its shareholders.

Income that is subject to such tax is recognised gross of the taxes and the corresponding withholding tax is recognised as withholding tax expense in the Statement of Comprehensive Income.

## (e) Other income

Other income is recognised in the Statement of Comprehensive Income on an accruals basis.

Other income includes income received from securities lending (Note 8), tax refunds and other miscellaneous income. Investments on loan under securities lending agreements continue to be recognised in the Statement of Financial Position as the Company continues to be exposed to all gains and losses arising from the ownership of the securities and are measured in accordance with the accounting policies for financial instruments held for trading.

## (f) Foreign currency translation

#### (i) Functional and presentation currency

Items included in the Company's financial statements are measured and presented using the currency of the primary economic environment in which the Company and the Sub-Funds operate (the "functional currency"). If indicators of the primary economic environment are mixed, management uses its judgment to determine the functional currency that most faithfully represents the economic effect of the underlying transactions, events and conditions. The EUR is the functional as well as presentation currency of the Company.

## Notes to the Financial Statements (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

## 3. Significant accounting policies (continued)

## (f) Foreign currency translation (continued)

#### (i) Functional and presentation currency (continued)

The Sub-Funds' functional and presentation currencies are as follows:

	Functional	Presentation
	currency	currency
Strategic China Panda Fund	USD	USD
Strategic Euro Bond Fund	EUR	EUR
Nippon Growth (UCITS) Fund	JPY	JPY
Strategic Europe Value Fund	EUR	EUR
Strategic Global Bond Fund	USD	USD
Strategic US Momentum and Value Fund	USD	USD
Strategic Global Quality Fund	USD	USD
Strategic European Smaller Companies Fund	EUR	EUR
Strategic Quality Emerging Bond Fund	USD	USD
Strategic Beta Flex Fund	EUR	EUR
Strategic Japan Opportunities Fund	JPY	JPY
Strategic Bond Opportunities Fund	USD	USD
Sturdza Family Fund	USD	USD

The investments and transactions of the Sub-Funds are denominated in EUR, USD and JPY as presented above. Investor subscriptions and redemptions are determined based on net asset value and are primarily received and paid in each Sub-Fund's functional currency. The expenses (including investment manager fees, depositary fees and administrator's fees) are denominated and paid mostly in the Sub-Funds' functional currency. Accordingly, management has determined the above currencies as the Sub-Funds' functional currencies.

For the purpose of aggregating the financial statements of the Sub-Funds, the Statement of Financial Position figures for the Strategic China Panda Fund, Nippon Growth (UCITS) Fund, Strategic Global Bond Fund, Strategic US Momentum and Value Fund, Strategic Global Quality Fund, Strategic Quality Emerging Bond Fund, Strategic Japan Opportunities Fund, Strategic Bond Opportunities Fund and Sturdza Family Fund have been translated to EUR at the exchange rate ruling at the year end, while the Statement of Comprehensive Income, Statement of Changes in Net Assets Attributable to Holders of Redeemable Participating Shares and Statement of Cash Flows have been translated at the average exchange rate for the year. The resulting gain or loss on translation that arises at the Company level has been presented as foreign exchange gain/loss on translation on the Statement of Comprehensive Income and has no effect on the Net Asset Value per share attributable to the individual Sub-Funds.

## (ii) Foreign currency transactions

Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in currencies other than EUR are translated into EUR at the closing rates of exchange at year end. Transactions during the year, including purchases and sales of securities, income and expenses, are translated at the rate of exchange prevailing on the date of the transaction. Foreign currency translation gains and losses on investments are included in net gain/(loss) on financial assets and liabilities at fair value through profit or loss in the Statement of Comprehensive Income.

## Notes to the Financial Statements (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

## 3. Significant accounting policies (continued)

#### (f) Foreign currency translation (continued)

#### (ii) Foreign currency transactions (continued)

Foreign currency translation gains and losses on cash and cash equivalents are included in net gain/(loss) on foreign exchange in the Statement of Comprehensive Income. Non-monetary assets and liabilities measured at fair value are re-translated into EUR at the prevailing foreign exchange rate on the date at which fair value is determined.

## (g) Amounts due from and to brokers

Amounts due from and to brokers represent receivables for securities sold and payables for securities purchased that have been contracted for but not yet settled or delivered on the Statement of Financial Position date, respectively.

These amounts are recognised initially at fair value and subsequently measured at amortised cost, less provision for impairment, if any, for amounts due from brokers.

#### (h) Dividend income

Dividends are credited to the Statement of Comprehensive Income on the dates on which the relevant securities are listed as "ex-dividend". Income is shown gross of any non-recoverable withholding taxes, which are disclosed separately in the Statement of Comprehensive Income, and net of any tax credits.

#### (i) Interest income and expense

Interest income and interest expense are recognised in the Statement of Comprehensive Income on an effective interest rate basis.

## (j) Fees and other expenses

All expenses, including management and performance fees, are recognised in the Statement of Comprehensive Income on an accruals basis.

#### (k) Redeemable participating shares

Redeemable participating shares are redeemable at the shareholder's option and are classified as financial liabilities in accordance with IAS 32, Financial Instruments: Presentation. The participating shares can be put back to the Sub-Funds on any dealing day for cash equal to a proportionate share of the Sub-Fund's Net Asset Value.

#### (l) Transaction costs

Transaction costs are incremental costs that are directly attributable to the acquisition, issue or disposal of a financial asset or financial liability. An incremental cost is one that would not have been incurred if the entity had not acquired, issued or disposed of the financial instrument.

Transaction costs on purchases and sales of investments are recognised as expenses paid and are presented separately in the Statement of Comprehensive Income for each Sub-Fund.

## 3. Significant accounting policies (continued)

#### (m) Elimination of cross holdings

Certain Sub-Funds in the Company hold investments in other Sub-Funds within the Company. For the purposes of determining the net assets and results of the Company these cross holdings are eliminated so that the total amounts only reflect external assets and liabilities of the Company as a whole. This elimination for the purpose of ascertaining the total Company results and net assets does not have any effect on the results and net assets of any individual Sub-Fund.

# (n) Standards, amendments and interpretations that are effective 1 January 2018 and have been adopted by the Company

The nature and the impact of each new standard and amendment are described below:

#### **IFRS 9, Financial Instruments**

The Company adopted IFRS 9, Financial Instruments on its effective date of 1 January 2018. IFRS 9 replaces IAS 39 Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurement and introduces new requirements for classification and measurement, impairment and hedge accounting. IFRS 9 is not applicable to items that have already been derecognised at 1 January 2018, the date of initial application.

#### (a) Classification and measurement

The Company has assessed the classification of financial instruments as at the date of initial application and has applied such classification retrospectively. Based on that assessment:

- All financial assets previously measured at fair value continue to be measured at fair value.
- Equity securities, debt securities and derivative contracts are acquired for the purpose of generating profit through trading. Therefore, they meet the held-for-trading criteria and are required to be measured at FVTPL.
- Financial assets previously classified as loans and receivables continue to be measured at amortised cost under IFRS 9. The carrying value of such financial assets is an approximation of fair value given their short-term nature.
- The classification of financial liabilities under IFRS 9 remains broadly the same as under IAS 39. The main impact on measurement from the classification of liabilities under IFRS 9 relates to the element of gains or losses for financial liabilities designated as at FVTPL attributable to changes in credit risk. IFRS 9 requires that such element be recognised in other comprehensive income (OCI), unless this treatment creates or enlarges an accounting mismatch in profit or loss, in which case, all gains and losses on that liability (including the effects of changes in credit risk) should be presented in profit or loss. The Company has not designated any financial liabilities at FVTPL. Therefore, this requirement has not had an impact on the Company.

## Notes to the Financial Statements (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

#### 3. Significant accounting policies (continued)

## (n) Standards, amendments and interpretations that are effective 1 January 2018 and have been adopted by the Company

#### **IFRS 9, Financial Instruments (continued)**

#### (b) Impairment

IFRS 9 requires the Company to record ECLs on all of its financial instruments measured at amortised cost, either on a 12-month or lifetime basis. Given the limited exposure of the Company to credit risk, this amendment has not had a material impact on the financial statements. The Company only holds receivables with no financing component and that have maturities of less than 12 months at amortised cost. Therefore, it has adopted an approach similar to the simplified approach to ECLs as described in Note 3(b).

#### (c) Hedge accounting

The Company has not applied hedge accounting under IAS 39 nor will it apply hedge accounting under IFRS 9.

## Impact of adoption of IFRS 9

The classification and measurement requirements of IFRS 9 have been adopted retrospectively as of the date of initial application on 1 January 2018. However, the Company has chosen to take advantage of the option not to restate comparatives. Therefore, the 2017 figures are presented and measured under IAS 39.

The following table shows the original measurement categories in accordance with IAS 39 and the new measurement categories under IFRS 9 for the Company's financial assets and financial liabilities as at 1 January 2018. The balances are presented on an aggregated basis for all the Sub-Funds:

### At 1 January 2018

		IAS 39		IFRS 9
		carrying amount	IFRS 9	carrying amount
Financial assets	IAS 39 classification	EUR	classification	EUR
Cash and cash equivalents	Loans and receivables	35,641,512	Amortised cost	35,641,512
Investment funds	Held for trading at FVTPL	29,408,250	FVTPL	29,408,250
Transferable securities	Held for trading at FVTPL	1,526,546,046	FVTPL	1,526,546,046
Derivative financial instruments	Held for trading at FVTPL	1,812,678	FVTPL	1,812,678
Subscription receivable	Loans and receivables	4,285,582	Amortised cost	4,285,582
Due from broker	Loans and receivables	6,747,846	Amortised cost	6,747,846
Dividend and interest receivable	Loans and receivables	1,724,755	Amortised cost	1,724,755
Other receivables	Loans and receivables	210,264	Amortised cost	210,264

## Notes to the Financial Statements (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

#### 3. Significant accounting policies (continued)

## (n) Standards, amendments and interpretations that are effective 1 January 2018 and have been adopted by the Company (continued)

Impact of adoption of IFRS 9 (continued)

At 1 January 2018 (continued)

		IAS 39		IFRS 9
		carrying amount	IFRS 9	carrying amount
Financial liabilities	IAS 39 classification	EUR	classification	EUR
Redemptions payable	Other financial liabilities	3,374,863	Amortised cost	3,374,863
Derivative financial instruments	Held for trading at FVTPL	102,653	FVTPL	102,653
Due to broker	Other financial liabilities	2,258,145	Amortised cost	2,258,145
Investment Manager fees payable	Other financial liabilities	1,610,873	Amortised cost	1,610,873
Performance fees payable	Other financial liabilities	1,410,303	Amortised cost	1,410,303
Administrator's fees payable	Other financial liabilities	156,084	Amortised cost	156,084
Depositary fees payable	Other financial liabilities	358,037	Amortised cost	358,037
Directors' fees payable	Other financial liabilities	101,899	Amortised cost	101,899
Sundry payables and accrued expenses	Other financial liabilities	1,178,017	Amortised cost	1,178,017

In line with the characteristics of the Company's financial instruments as well as its approach to their management, the Company neither revoked nor made any new designations on the date of initial application. IFRS 9 has not resulted in changes in the carrying amounts of the Company's financial instruments due to changes in measurement categories. All financial assets that were classified as FVTPL under IAS 39 are still classified as FVTPL under IFRS 9. All financial assets that were classified as loans and receivables and measured at amortised cost continue to be measured at amortised cost.

In addition, the application of the ECL model under IFRS 9 did not result in any adjustment on the carrying amounts of the Company's amortised cost financial assets on the date of transition on 1 January 2018. The carrying amounts of amortised cost financial assets and liabilities continued to approximate their fair values.

Also, following the adoption of IFRS 9, interest income or expense arising from financial assets and liabilities measured at FVTPL are included within net gain/(loss) on financial assets and liabilities at fair value through profit or loss while interest income or expense from financial assets and liabilities measured at amortised cost are presented as interest income or expense in the Statement of Comprehensive Income.

## IFRS 15, Revenue from contracts with customers

The Company adopted IFRS 15, Revenue from contracts with customers on its effective date of 1 January 2018. IFRS 15 replaces IAS 18, Revenue and establishes a five-step model to account for revenue arising from contracts with customers. The five-step model requires the following: (i) Identify the contract(s) with a customer; (ii) Identify the performance obligations in the contract; (iii) Determine the transaction price; (iv) Allocate the transaction price to the performance obligations in the contract; and (v) Recognise revenue when or as the entity satisfies a performance obligation.

## Notes to the Financial Statements (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

## 3. Significant accounting policies (continued)

## (n) Standards, amendments and interpretations that are effective 1 January 2018 and have been adopted by the Company (continued)

#### IFRS 15, Revenue from contracts with customers (continued)

In addition, guidance on interest and dividend income have been moved from IAS 18 to IFRS 9 without significant changes to the requirements. Therefore, the adoption of IFRS 15 did not have an impact on the Company.

# (o) Standards, amendments and interpretations in issue that are not yet effective and have not been early adopted

## IFRIC 23, Uncertainty over income tax treatments

IFRIC 23 was published in June 2017. It addresses whether an entity considers uncertain tax treatments separately; the assumptions an entity makes about the examination of tax treatments by taxation authorities; how an entity determines taxable profit (tax loss), tax bases, unused tax losses, unused tax credits and tax rates; and how an entity considers changes in fact and circumstances.

#### Guidance contained in IFRIC 23 includes:

- (i) if an entity concludes it is probable that the taxation authority will accept an uncertain tax treatment, the entity shall determine the taxable profit (tax loss), tax bases, unused tax credits or tax rates consistently with the tax treatment used or planned to be used in its income tax filings; and
- (ii) if an entity concludes it is not probable that the taxation authority will accept an uncertain tax treatment, the entity shall reflect the effect of uncertainty in determining the related taxable profit (tax loss), tax bases, unused tax losses, unused tax credits or tax rates. An entity shall reflect the effect of uncertainty for each uncertain tax treatment by using either of the following methods, depending on which method the entity expects to better predict the resolution of the uncertainty; (a) the most likely amount the single most likely amount in a range of possible outcomes. The most likely amount may better predict the resolution of the uncertainty if the possible outcomes are binary or are concentrated on one value; (b) the expected value the sum of the probability-weighted amounts in a range of possible outcomes. The expected value may better predict the resolution of the uncertainty if there is a range of possible outcomes that are neither binary nor concentrated on one value.

IFRIC 23 is effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2019. Early application is permitted. The Company expects that the adoption of IFRIC 23 will not have a material impact on the financial statements in the period of initial application.

There are no other standards, interpretations or amendments to existing standards that are not yet effective that is expected to have a significant impact on the Company.

## Notes to the Financial Statements (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

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

The following tables present the financial instruments carried on the Statement of Financial Position by caption and by level within the fair value hierarchy as at 31 December 2018 and 31 December 2017.

Strategic China Panda Fund				
	Level 1 2018 USD	Level 2 2018 USD	Level 3 2018 USD	Total 2018 USD
Financial Assets at Fair Value through Profit or Loss				
Held for trading:	150 552 550			150 550 550
<ul><li>Equity securities</li><li>Forward foreign exchange contracts</li></ul>	150,753,778	- 34,611	-	150,753,778 34,611
Total financial assets at fair value	<u> </u>	34,011	-	34,011
through profit or loss	150,753,778	34,611	-	150,788,389
Financial Liabilities at Fair Value through Profit or Loss				
<ul><li>Held for trading:</li><li>Forward foreign exchange contracts</li></ul>	_	815	_	815
Total financial liabilities at fair value		613		613
through profit or loss	-	815	-	815
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
	Level 1 2017	Level 2 2017	Level 3 2017	Total 2017
Financial Assets at Fair Value through Profit or Loss	2017	2017	2017	2017
through Profit or Loss Held for trading:	2017 USD	2017	2017	2017 USD
<ul><li>through Profit or Loss</li><li>Held for trading:</li><li>Equity securities</li></ul>	2017	2017 USD	2017	2017 USD 175,257,071
<ul><li>through Profit or Loss</li><li>Held for trading:</li><li>Equity securities</li><li>Participatory notes</li></ul>	2017 USD	2017 USD	2017	2017 USD 175,257,071 15,640,418
<ul> <li>through Profit or Loss</li> <li>Held for trading:</li> <li>Equity securities</li> <li>Participatory notes</li> <li>Forward foreign exchange contracts</li> </ul>	2017 USD	2017 USD	2017	2017 USD 175,257,071
<ul><li>through Profit or Loss</li><li>Held for trading:</li><li>Equity securities</li><li>Participatory notes</li></ul>	2017 USD	2017 USD	2017	2017 USD 175,257,071 15,640,418
<ul> <li>through Profit or Loss</li> <li>Held for trading:</li> <li>Equity securities</li> <li>Participatory notes</li> <li>Forward foreign exchange contracts</li> <li>Total financial assets at fair value</li> </ul>	2017 USD	2017 USD - 15,640,418 250,395	2017	2017 USD 175,257,071 15,640,418 250,395
through Profit or Loss  Held for trading: - Equity securities - Participatory notes - Forward foreign exchange contracts  Total financial assets at fair value through profit or loss  Financial Liabilities at Fair Value through Profit or Loss	2017 USD	2017 USD - 15,640,418 250,395	2017	2017 USD 175,257,071 15,640,418 250,395

## Notes to the Financial Statements (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

## 4. Financial assets and liabilities at fair value through profit or loss (continued)

## **Strategic Euro Bond Fund**

	Level 1 2017 EUR	Level 2 2017 EUR	Level 3 2017 EUR	Total 2017 EUR
Financial Assets at Fair Value through Profit or Loss Held for trading:				
<ul> <li>Debt securities</li> <li>Futures contracts</li> <li>Forward foreign exchange contracts</li> </ul>	38,866,397 27,900 -	13,314	- - -	38,866,397 27,900 13,314
Total financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	38,894,297	13,314	-	38,907,611
Financial Liabilities at Fair Value through Profit or Loss Held for trading:				
- Forward foreign exchange contracts	-	2,908	-	2,908
Total financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	_	2,908	-	2,908
Nippon Growth (UCITS) Fund				
	Level 1 2018 JPY	Level 2 2018 JPY	Level 3 2018 JPY	Total 2018 JPY
Financial Assets at Fair Value through Profit or Loss Held for trading:				
- Equity securities	2,316,035,687	-	-	2,316,035,687
Total financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	2,316,035,687	-	-	2,316,035,687
Financial Liabilities at Fair Value through Profit or Loss  Held for trading:				
- Forward foreign exchange contracts	-	1,166,703	-	1,166,703
Total financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	-	1,166,703	-	1,166,703

## Notes to the Financial Statements (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

## 4. Financial assets and liabilities at fair value through profit or loss (continued)

## Nippon Growth (UCITS) Fund (continued)

	Level 1 2017 JPY	Level 2 2017 JPY	Level 3 2017 JPY	Total 2017 JPY
Financial Assets at Fair Value through Profit or Loss				
Held for trading:	2 (00 575 521			2 <00 585 521
- Equity securities	2,698,575,521	1 400 771	-	2,698,575,521
- Forward foreign exchange contracts	-	1,408,771	-	1,408,771
Total financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	2,698,575,521	1,408,771	-	2,699,984,292
Strategic Europe Value Fund				
	Level 1 2018 EUR	Level 2 2018 EUR	Level 3 2018 EUR	Total 2018 EUR
Financial Assets at Fair Value through Profit or Loss Held for trading:				
- Equity securities	619,883,758	-	-	619,883,758
- Forward foreign exchange contracts	-	44,869	-	44,869
Total financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	619,883,758	44,869	-	619,928,627
Financial Liabilities at Fair Value through Profit or Loss Held for trading:				
<ul><li>Forward foreign exchange contracts</li></ul>	_	60,424	_	60,424
Total financial liabilities at fair value	<del>-</del>	00,727	<del>-</del>	00,424
through profit or loss	-	60,424	-	60,424

## Notes to the Financial Statements (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

## 4. Financial assets and liabilities at fair value through profit or loss (continued)

## **Strategic Europe Value Fund (continued)**

	Level 1 2017 EUR	Level 2 2017 EUR	Level 3 2017 EUR	Total 2017 EUR
Financial Assets at Fair Value				
through Profit or Loss				
Held for trading:				
- Equity securities	803,037,365	-	-	803,037,365
- Options contracts	988,333	-	-	988,333
- Forward foreign exchange contracts	-	102,282	-	102,282
Total financial assets at fair value				
through profit or loss	804,025,698	102,282	-	804,127,980
Financial Liabilities at Fair Value through Profit or Loss Held for trading: - Forward foreign exchange contracts Total financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss  Strategic Global Bond Fund	<u>-</u>	49,688 49,688	-	49,688 49,688
8	Level 1 2017 USD	Level 2 2017 USD	Level 3 2017 USD	Total 2017 USD
Financial Assets at Fair Value			- ·	- ~-
through Profit or Loss Held for trading:				
- Debt securities	29,599,228	<u>-</u>		29,599,228
Total financial assets at fair value				
through profit or loss	29,599,228	-		29,599,228

## Notes to the Financial Statements (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

## 4. Financial assets and liabilities at fair value through profit or loss (continued)

Strategic US Momentum and Value Fu	nd			
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
	2017 USD	2017 USD	2017 USD	2017 USD
Financial Assets at Fair Value	CSZ	C.S.2	652	652
through Profit or Loss				
Held for trading: - Equity securities	177,836,484	_	_	177,836,484
- Options contracts	42,000	-	-	42,000
- Forward foreign exchange contracts	, -	83,926	-	83,926
Total financial assets at fair value				
through profit or loss	177,878,484	83,926	-	177,962,410
Financial Liabilities at Fair Value through Profit or Loss Held for trading:				
- Forward foreign exchange contracts	-	286	-	286
Total financial liabilities at fair value		206		206
through profit or loss	-	286	-	286
Strategic Global Quality Fund				
Can i	Level 1 2018 USD	Level 2 2018 USD	Level 3 2018 USD	Total 2018 USD
Financial Assets at Fair Value through Profit or Loss	0.02	CSD	CSD	COD
Held for trading:				
- Equity securities	55,841,816	-	-	55,841,816
- Forward foreign exchange contracts	-	30,731	-	30,731
Total financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	55,841,816	30,731	_	55,872,547
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	Level 1 2017 USD	Level 2 2017 USD	Level 3 2017 USD	Total 2017 USD
Financial Assets at Fair Value through Profit or Loss Held for trading:				
- Equity securities	67,169,184	_	-	67,169,184
- Options contracts	83,592	-	-	83,592
- Forward foreign exchange contracts	-	102,700	-	102,700
Total financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	67,252,776	102,700	-	67,355,476

## Notes to the Financial Statements (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

## 4. Financial assets and liabilities at fair value through profit or loss (continued)

## **Strategic European Smaller Companies Fund**

Financial Assets at Fair Value   through Profit or Loss   Held for trading:		Level 1 2018	Level 2 2018	Level 3 2018	Total 2018
Through Profit or Loss   Held for trading:   11,500,362   -   11,500,362   -   128,193,588   -   128,193,588   -   128,193,588   -   2,353   -   128,193,588   -   2,353   -   128,193,588   -   2,353   -   128,193,588   -   2,353   -   128,193,588   -   2,353   -   128,193,588   -   2,353   -   128,193,588   -   2,353   -   12,535   -   139,696,303		EUR	EUR	EUR	EUR
Held for trading:					
Investment funds	9				
Equity securities	v e	11 500 262			11 500 262
Total financial assets at fair value through profit or loss   139,693,950   2,353   - 139,696,303		the state of the s	-	-	
139,693,950   2,353   - 139,696,303	* *	128,193,588	2.252	-	· ·
through profit or loss         139,693,950         2,353         - 139,696,303           Level 1 2017 2017 2017 EUR         Level 2 EUR         Level 3 EUR         Total 2017 2017 2017           Financial Assets at Fair Value through Profit or Loss         EUR	_	-	2,353	-	2,353
Level 1 Level 2 Level 3 Total 2017 2017 2017 2017 EUR EUR EUR EUR EUR EUR  Financial Assets at Fair Value through Profit or Loss  Held for trading: - Investment funds 11,554,973 11,554,973 - Equity securities 175,386,326 - 175,386,326 - Forward foreign exchange contracts  Total financial assets at fair value through profit or loss  Held for trading: - Forward foreign exchange contracts  Financial Liabilities at Fair Value through Profit or Loss  Held for trading: - Forward foreign exchange contracts  Total financial liabilities at fair value					
2017   2017   2017   2017   EUR   EUR   EUR   EUR   EUR	through profit or loss	139,693,950	2,353	-	139,696,303
2017   2017   2017   2017   EUR   EUR   EUR   EUR   EUR					
Financial Assets at Fair Value through Profit or Loss  Held for trading: - Investment funds 11,554,973 - 11,554,973 - Equity securities 175,386,326 - 175,386,326 - Forward foreign exchange contracts  Total financial assets at fair value through profit or loss  Held for trading: - Forward foreign exchange contracts  Tinancial Liabilities at Fair Value through Profit or Loss  Held for trading: - Forward foreign exchange contracts  Total financial Liabilities at fair value through Profit or Loss  Held for trading: - Forward foreign exchange contracts  Total financial liabilities at fair value					
Financial Assets at Fair Value through Profit or Loss  Held for trading: - Investment funds 11,554,973 - 115,5386,326 - Equity securities 175,386,326 - 175,386,326 - Forward foreign exchange contracts  Total financial assets at fair value through profit or loss 186,941,299 4,964 - 186,946,263  Financial Liabilities at Fair Value through Profit or Loss  Held for trading: - Forward foreign exchange contracts - 12 - 12  Total financial liabilities at fair value			2017	2017	2017
through Profit or Loss  Held for trading:  - Investment funds - Equity securities - Forward foreign exchange contracts  Total financial assets at fair value through profit or loss  Held for trading: - Forward foreign exchange contracts  Tinancial Liabilities at Fair Value through Profit or Loss  Held for trading: - Forward foreign exchange contracts  - 12  Total financial liabilities at fair value		EUR	EUR	EUR	EUR
Held for trading: - Investment funds - Equity securities - Forward foreign exchange contracts  Total financial assets at fair value through profit or loss  Held for trading: - Forward foreign exchange contracts  Total financial Liabilities at Fair Value through Profit or Loss  Held for trading: - Forward foreign exchange contracts  Total financial liabilities at fair value  Total financial liabilities at fair value					
- Investment funds 11,554,973 - 11,554,973 - Equity securities 175,386,326 - 175,386,326 - Forward foreign exchange contracts - 4,964 - 4,964  Total financial assets at fair value through profit or loss 186,941,299 4,964 - 186,946,263  Financial Liabilities at Fair Value through Profit or Loss  Held for trading: - Forward foreign exchange contracts - 12 - 12  Total financial liabilities at fair value	through Profit or Loss				
- Equity securities 175,386,326 - 175,386,326 - Forward foreign exchange contracts  Total financial assets at fair value through profit or loss 186,941,299 4,964 - 186,946,263  Financial Liabilities at Fair Value through Profit or Loss  Held for trading: - Forward foreign exchange contracts  Total financial liabilities at fair value	Held for trading:				
- Forward foreign exchange contracts  Total financial assets at fair value through profit or loss  186,941,299  4,964  - 186,946,263  Financial Liabilities at Fair Value through Profit or Loss  Held for trading: - Forward foreign exchange contracts  Total financial liabilities at fair value	- Investment funds	11,554,973	-	-	11,554,973
Total financial assets at fair value through profit or loss  186,941,299  4,964  - 186,946,263  Financial Liabilities at Fair Value through Profit or Loss  Held for trading: - Forward foreign exchange contracts  Total financial liabilities at fair value	- Equity securities	175,386,326	-	-	175,386,326
through profit or loss 186,941,299 4,964 - 186,946,263  Financial Liabilities at Fair Value through Profit or Loss  Held for trading: - Forward foreign exchange contracts  Total financial liabilities at fair value	<ul> <li>Forward foreign exchange contracts</li> </ul>	-	4,964	-	4,964
Financial Liabilities at Fair Value through Profit or Loss  Held for trading: - Forward foreign exchange contracts  Total financial liabilities at fair value	Total financial assets at fair value				
through Profit or Loss  Held for trading: - Forward foreign exchange contracts  Total financial liabilities at fair value	through profit or loss	186,941,299	4,964	-	186,946,263
through Profit or Loss  Held for trading: - Forward foreign exchange contracts  Total financial liabilities at fair value	-				
Held for trading: - Forward foreign exchange contracts  Total financial liabilities at fair value  - 12 - 12  Total financial liabilities at fair value	Financial Liabilities at Fair Value				
Held for trading: - Forward foreign exchange contracts  Total financial liabilities at fair value  - 12 - 12  Total financial liabilities at fair value	through Profit or Loss				
- Forward foreign exchange contracts - 12 - 12  Total financial liabilities at fair value					
Total financial liabilities at fair value	•	-	12	-	12
	<u> </u>				
	through profit or loss	-	12	-	12

## Notes to the Financial Statements (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

## 4. Financial assets and liabilities at fair value through profit or loss (continued)

## **Strategic Quality Emerging Bond Fund**

	Level 1 2017 USD	Level 2 2017 USD	Level 3 2017 USD	Total 2017 USD
Financial Assets at Fair Value	0.02	0.22	0.02	0.22
through Profit or Loss				
Held for trading:				
- Debt securities	38,019,848	-	-	38,019,848
- Forward foreign exchange contracts	-	213,327	-	213,327
Total financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	38,019,848	213,327	_	38,233,175
through profit or loss	30,017,040	213,327	<u> </u>	36,233,173
Financial Liabilities at Fair Value				
through Profit or Loss				
<ul><li>Held for trading:</li><li>Forward foreign exchange contracts</li></ul>	_	4,653	_	4,653
Total financial liabilities at fair value	<del>_</del>	4,033	<del>-</del>	4,033
through profit or loss	-	4,653	-	4,653
Strategic Beta Flex Fund				
Strategic Deta Flex Fund				
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
	2017	2017	2017	2017
	EUR	EUR	EUR	EUR
Financial Assets at Fair Value				
through Profit or Loss				
Held for trading:				
- Investment funds	22,313,942	-	-	22,313,942
- Equity securities	4,080,913	-	-	4,080,913
- Futures contracts	3,525	-	-	3,525
Total financial assets at fair value				
through profit or loss	26,398,380	-	-	26,398,380
Financial Liabilities at Fair Value through Profit or Loss				
Held for trading:				
- Futures contracts	10,165	_	-	10,165
Total financial liabilities at fair value	·			<del>, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , </del>
through profit or loss	10,165	-	-	10,165

## Notes to the Financial Statements (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

## 4. Financial assets and liabilities at fair value through profit or loss (continued)

## Strategic Japan Opportunities Fund

	Level 1 2018 JPY	Level 2 2018 JPY	Level 3 2018 JPY	Total 2018 JPY
Financial Assets at Fair Value through Profit or Loss				
<ul><li>Held for trading:</li><li>Equity securities</li><li>Forward foreign exchange contracts</li></ul>	7,565,360,600	- 39,499	- -	7,565,360,600 39,499
Total financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	7,565,360,600	39,499	-	7,565,400,099
Financial Liabilities at Fair Value through Profit or Loss  Held for trading:				
- Forward foreign exchange contracts	-	8,972,928	-	8,972,928
Total financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss	-	8,972,928	-	8,972,928
	Level 1 2017 JPY	Level 2 2017 JPY	Level 3 2017 JPY	Total 2017 JPY
Financial Assets at Fair Value through Profit or Loss Held for trading:	<b>V-</b> -	<b>0</b> 2	<b>V</b> 2 2	<b>V</b> -
- Equity securities - Forward foreign exchange contracts	8,914,733,900	<b>2</b> ,131,773	-	8,914,733,900 2,131,773
Total financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	8,914,733,900	2,131,773	-	8,916,865,673
Financial Liabilities at Fair Value through Profit or Loss  Held for trading:				
- Forward foreign exchange contracts	-	4,736,291	-	4,736,291
Total financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss	-	4,736,291	-	4,736,291

## Notes to the Financial Statements (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

## 4. Financial assets and liabilities at fair value through profit or loss (continued)

## **Strategic Bond Opportunities Fund**

	Level 1 2018	Level 2 2018	Level 3 2018	<b>Total 2018</b>
	USD	USD	USD	USD
Financial Assets at Fair Value				
through Profit or Loss				
Held for trading:	50.400.561			50 400 561
- Debt securities	58,429,561	9 441	-	58,429,561
- Forward foreign exchange contracts  Total financial assets at fair value	-	8,441	-	8,441
through profit or loss	58,429,561	8,441	_	58,438,002
=	30,427,301	0,441		30,430,002
Financial Liabilities at Fair Value				
through Profit or Loss				
Held for trading:		22.002		22.002
- Forward foreign exchange contracts  Total financial liabilities at fair value	-	22,893	-	22,893
through profit or loss		22,893		22,893
through profit of loss	-	22,693		22,093
Sturdza Family Fund				
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
	Level 1 2018	Level 2 2018	Level 3 2018	<b>Total 2018</b>
Financial Assets at Fair Value	2018	2018	2018	2018
through Profit or Loss	2018	2018	2018	2018
through Profit or Loss Held for trading:	2018 USD	2018	2018	2018 USD
<ul><li>through Profit or Loss</li><li>Held for trading:</li><li>Debt securities</li></ul>	2018 USD 54,836,672	2018	2018	2018 USD 54,836,672
<ul><li>through Profit or Loss</li><li>Held for trading:</li><li>Debt securities</li><li>Equity securities</li></ul>	2018 USD	2018 USD	2018	2018 USD 54,836,672 120,594,240
<ul> <li>through Profit or Loss</li> <li>Held for trading:</li> <li>Debt securities</li> <li>Equity securities</li> <li>Forward foreign exchange contracts</li> </ul>	2018 USD 54,836,672	2018	2018	2018 USD 54,836,672
<ul> <li>through Profit or Loss</li> <li>Held for trading:</li> <li>Debt securities</li> <li>Equity securities</li> <li>Forward foreign exchange contracts</li> <li>Total financial assets at fair value</li> </ul>	2018 USD 54,836,672 120,594,240	2018 USD - - 16,912	2018	2018 USD 54,836,672 120,594,240 16,912
<ul> <li>through Profit or Loss</li> <li>Held for trading:</li> <li>Debt securities</li> <li>Equity securities</li> <li>Forward foreign exchange contracts</li> </ul>	2018 USD 54,836,672	2018 USD	2018	2018 USD 54,836,672 120,594,240
through Profit or Loss  Held for trading: - Debt securities - Equity securities - Forward foreign exchange contracts  Total financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	2018 USD 54,836,672 120,594,240	2018 USD - - 16,912	2018	2018 USD 54,836,672 120,594,240 16,912
through Profit or Loss Held for trading: - Debt securities - Equity securities - Forward foreign exchange contracts Total financial assets at fair value through profit or loss  Financial Liabilities at Fair Value	2018 USD 54,836,672 120,594,240	2018 USD - - 16,912	2018	2018 USD 54,836,672 120,594,240 16,912
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through Profit or Loss  Held for trading: - Debt securities - Equity securities - Forward foreign exchange contracts  Total financial assets at fair value through profit or loss  Financial Liabilities at Fair Value through Profit or Loss  Held for trading:	2018 USD 54,836,672 120,594,240	2018 USD - - 16,912 16,912	2018	2018 USD 54,836,672 120,594,240 16,912 175,447,824
through Profit or Loss  Held for trading:  - Debt securities  - Equity securities  - Forward foreign exchange contracts  Total financial assets at fair value through profit or loss  Financial Liabilities at Fair Value through Profit or Loss  Held for trading:  - Forward foreign exchange contracts	2018 USD 54,836,672 120,594,240	2018 USD - - 16,912	2018	2018 USD 54,836,672 120,594,240 16,912
through Profit or Loss  Held for trading: - Debt securities - Equity securities - Forward foreign exchange contracts  Total financial assets at fair value through profit or loss  Financial Liabilities at Fair Value through Profit or Loss  Held for trading:	2018 USD 54,836,672 120,594,240	2018 USD - - 16,912 16,912	2018	2018 USD 54,836,672 120,594,240 16,912 175,447,824

## Notes to the Financial Statements (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

## 4. Financial assets and liabilities at fair value through profit or loss (continued)

IFRS 13, Fair Value Measurement, requires disclosure of financial instruments based on a fair value hierarchy that prioritises the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value. The hierarchy gives the highest priority to unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (Level 1 measurements) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (Level 3 measurements).

The three levels of the fair value hierarchy are described as follows:

Level 1	Inputs that reflect unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets
	or liabilities that the Company has the ability to access at the measurement date;
Level 2	Inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the asset or liability either directly
	or indirectly, including inputs in markets that are not considered to be active; and
Level 3	Inputs that are unobservable.

Inputs are used in applying the various valuation techniques and broadly refer to the assumptions that market participants use to make valuation decisions, including assumptions about risk. Inputs may include price information, volatility statistics, specific and broad credit data, liquidity statistics and other factors. A financial instrument's level within the fair value hierarchy is based on the lowest level of any input that is significant to the fair value measurement. However, the determination of what constitutes "observable" requires significant judgment by the Company. The Company considers observable data to be that market data which is readily available, regularly distributed or updated, reliable and verifiable, not proprietary and provided by independent sources that are actively involved in the relevant market. The categorisation of a financial instrument within the hierarchy is based upon the pricing transparency of the instrument and does not necessarily correspond to the Company's perceived risk of that instrument.

#### Investments

Investments whose values are traded based on quoted market prices in active markets, and are therefore classified within level 1, include active traded listed equities, certain U.S. government and sovereign obligations and certain money market securities. The Company does not adjust the quoted price for such instruments, even in situations where the Company holds a large position and a sale could reasonably impact the quoted price.

Investments that trade in markets that are not considered to be active, but are valued based on quoted market prices, dealer quotations or alternative pricing sources supported by observable inputs are classified within level 2. As level 2 investments include positions that are not traded in active markets and/or are subject to transfer restrictions, valuations may be adjusted to reflect illiquidity and/or non-transferability, which are generally based on available market information.

## Notes to the Financial Statements (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

## 4. Financial assets and liabilities at fair value through profit or loss (continued)

*Investments* (continued)

Investments classified within level 3 have significant unobservable inputs, as they trade infrequently or not at all. When observable prices are not available for these securities, the Directors use one or more valuation techniques (e.g. the market approach or the income approach) for which sufficient and reliable data is available. Within level 3, the use of the market approach generally consists of using comparable market transactions, while the use of the income approach generally consists of the net present value of estimated future cash flows, adjusted as appropriate for liquidity, credit, market and/or other risk factors.

#### Derivative instruments

Derivative instruments can be exchange-traded or privately negotiated over-the-counter ("OTC"). Exchange-traded derivatives, such as futures contracts and exchange traded options contracts, are typically classified within level 1 or level 2 of the fair value hierarchy depending on whether or not they are deemed to be actively traded.

OTC derivatives, such as generic forwards contracts, have inputs which can generally be corroborated by market data and are therefore classified within level 2. In instances where models are used, the value of an OTC derivative depends upon the contractual terms of, and specific risks inherent in the instrument as well as the availability and reliability of observable inputs. Such inputs include market prices for reference securities, yield curves, credit curves, measures of volatility, prepayment rates and correlations of such inputs.

The fair value hierarchy for the Company's assets and liabilities not measured at fair value is level 1 for cash and cash equivalents and level 2 for subscriptions receivable, redemptions payable, due from/to broker and other short-term receivables and payables. The fair value is not disclosed as carrying value is an approximation of the fair value given the short-term nature of instruments.

#### 5. Fees and other expenses

#### Other expenses

The other expenses figure included in the Statement of Comprehensive Income includes front end load fees, tax advisory fees, administrator ancillary services fees, directors' insurance, listing fees, regulatory fees, establishment costs, bank charges, broker fees and research fees.

## Notes to the Financial Statements (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

## 5. Fees and other expenses (continued)

## **Investment Manager fees**

The Investment Manager is entitled to a fee payable out of the assets of the relevant Sub-Fund. An annual fee is accrued at each Valuation Point and payable monthly in arrears at the following rates:

Share Class	SCPF	SEBF	NGUF	SEVF	SGBF	SMVF
EUR Hedged Class	1.50%	-	1.50%	-	-	1.50%
GBP Hedged Class	1.50%	=	=	-	=	
EUR Hedged Institutional Class	1.00%	-	1.00%	-	-	
USD Institutional Class	1.00%	-	=	=	-	1.00%
USD Hedged Institutional Class	-	-	-	0.90%	-	
USD Class	1.50%	-	-	-	0.90%	1.50%
USD Hedged Class	-	-	-	1.50%	-	
JPY A Class	-	-	1.50%	-	-	
JPY B Accumulating Class	-	-	1.50%	-	-	
JPY D Institutional Class	-	-	1.00%	-	-	
CHF Hedged Accumulating Class	-	0.60% (4)	-	-	-	
EUR Accumulating Class	-	0.60% (4)	-	-	-	
EUR Distributing Class	-	0.60% (4)	-	-	-	
EUR R Class	-	-	-	2.20%	-	
EUR Institutional Distributing Class	-	-	-	0.90%	-	
EUR Super Institutional Class	-	-	-	0.75% <sup>(1)</sup>	-	
USD Hedged Super Institutional Class	-	-	-	0.75% <sup>(1)</sup>	-	
EUR Class	-	-	-	1.50%	-	
EUR Institutional Class	-	0.30% (4)	-	0.90%	-	
GBP Hedged Institutional Class	-	-	-	0.90%	-	
CHF Hedged Institutional Class	1.00% (2)	-	-	0.90%	-	
CHF Hedged Class	1.50%	-	-	1.50%	-	1.50%
EUR Hedged R Class	2.20%(3)	-	-	-	-	
EUR SP Class	-	-	-	0.70% <sup>(5)</sup>	-	

## Notes to the Financial Statements (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

## 5. Fees and other expenses (continued)

### **Investment Manager fees (continued)**

Share Class	SGQF	SESF	SQBF	SBXF	SJOF	SBOF	SFF
EUR Hedged Class	1.50%	-	1.00%	-	1.50%	-	1.50% <sup>(7)</sup>
USD Institutional Class	1.00%	1	0.50%	1	ı	-	1.00% <sup>(7)</sup>
USD Class	1.50%	-	1.00%	-	-	-	1.50% <sup>(7)</sup>
CHF Hedged Class	1.50%	1.50%	1.00%	-	-	-	1.50% <sup>(7)</sup>
EUR Class	-	1.50%	-	1.20%	-	-	-
EUR X Class	-	1.50%	-	-	-	-	-
EUR Institutional Class	-	1.00%		0.75%	-	-	-
EUR R Class	-	-	-	2.20%	-	-	
EUR Hedged Institutional Class	1.00%	-	0.50%	-	1.00% (6)	-	1.00% <sup>(7)</sup>
USD Hedged Institutional Class	-	-	-	-	1.00%	-	
USD Hedged Class	-	-	-	-	1.50%	-	-
JPY Institutional Class	-	-	-	-	1.00%	-	-
JPY Class	-	-	-	-	1.50%	-	-
USD Accumulating Class	-	-	-	-	-	0.80% <sup>(7)</sup>	-
CHF Hedged Accumulating Class	-	-	-	-	-	0.80% <sup>(7)</sup>	-
EUR Hedged Accumulating Class	-	-	-	-	-	0.80% <sup>(7)</sup>	
EUR Hedged Distributing Class	-	-	-	-	-	0.80% <sup>(7)</sup>	_
USD Institutional Accumulating Class	-	-	-	-	-	0.40% <sup>(7)</sup>	_
EUR Hedged Institutional Accumulating Class	-	-	-	-	-	0.40% <sup>(7)</sup>	-
USD Super Institutional Class	-	-	-	- 0.1 0	-	7.1 F	0.75% <sup>(7)</sup>

<sup>(1)</sup> Effective from 1 January 2018, the Investment Manager's fees of the Super Institutional Classes of the Strategic Europe Value Fund have been reduced from 0.90% to 0.75%.

The Investment Manager may be paid different fees in respect of individual classes within the Sub-Funds.

Investment Manager fees for the year ended 31 December 2018 amounted to EUR 16,531,791 (2017: EUR 19,094,677) of which EUR 1,101,396 (2017: EUR 1,610,873) was payable at year end.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>(2)</sup>CHF Hedged Institutional Class was launched on 26 June 2018.

<sup>(3)</sup> EUR Hedged R Class was launched on 24 January 2018.

<sup>(4)</sup> The Investment Manager fees for the Strategic Euro Bond Fund were reduced, with effect from 28 June 2018 to 14 December 2018 (termination of operations), from 0.75% to 0.60% for the Accumulating and Distributing Classes and from 0.45% to 0.30% for the Institutional Classes.

<sup>(5)</sup> EUR SP Class was launched on 7 March 2018.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>(6)</sup>EUR Hedged Institutional Class was launched on 14 March 2018.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>(7)</sup>The share classes were launched on 14 December 2018.

## Notes to the Financial Statements (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

## 5. Fees and other expenses (continued)

#### Performance fees

In addition to the annual fee payable to the Investment Manager, the Investment Manager is entitled to a performance related fee ("Performance Fee") payable by certain share classes of the Strategic China Panda Fund, Nippon Growth (UCITS) Fund, Strategic Europe Value Fund, Strategic US Momentum and Value Fund, Strategic Global Quality Fund, Strategic European Smaller Companies Fund, Strategic Beta Flex Fund, Strategic Japan Opportunities Fund and Sturdza Family Fund. The Investment Manager was not entitled to a Performance Fee on any share class of the Strategic Euro Bond Fund, Strategic Global Bond Fund, Strategic Quality Emerging Bond Fund and is not entitled to a Performance Fee on any share class of the Strategic Bond Opportunities Fund.

This Performance Fee will be taken into account on each Valuation Point on the calculation of the Net Asset Value and will be paid semi-annually in arrears as at each of 30 June and 31 December (each a "Crystallisation Date") in line with the Performance Fee calculation methodology as per the Supplement to the Prospectus for each Sub-Fund. The Performance Fees for the Strategic US Momentum and Value Fund and Sturdza Family Fund crystallise on a quarterly basis.

Share Class	SCPF	NGUF	SEVF	SMVF
EUR Hedged Class	15.00%	15.00%	-	15.00%
GBP Hedged Class	15.00%	-	-	-
EUR Hedged Institutional Class	10.00%	10.00%	-	-
USD Institutional Class	10.00%	-	-	10.00%
USD Hedged Institutional Class	-	-	_(1)	-
USD Class	15.00%	-	-	15.00%
USD Hedged Class	-	-	10.00%	-
JPY A Class	-	15.00%	-	-
JPY B Accumulating Class	-	15.00%	-	-
JPY D Institutional Class	-	10.00%	-	-
EUR R Class	-	-	10.00%	-
EUR Institutional Distributing Class	-	-	_(1)	-
EUR Institutional Class	-	-	_(1)	-
GBP Hedged Institutional Class	-	-	_(1)	-
CHF Hedged Institutional Class	10.00% (2)	-	_(1)	-
EUR Class	-	-	10.00%	-
CHF Hedged Class	15.00%	-	10.00%	15.00%
EUR Hedged R Class	15.00% <sup>(3)</sup>	-	-	-

## Notes to the Financial Statements (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

## 5. Fees and other expenses (continued)

#### Performance fees (continued)

Share Class	SGQF	SESF	SBXF	SJOF	SFF
USD Institutional Class	_(1)	-	-	-	15.00% <sup>(5)</sup>
USD Class	10.00%	-	-	-	15.00% <sup>(5)</sup>
CHF Hedged Class	10.00%	15.00%	-	-	15.00% <sup>(5)</sup>
EUR Class	-	15.00%	-	ı	
EUR X Class	-	15.00%	-	1	
EUR Class	-	-	10.00%	-	
EUR R Class	-	-	10.00%	ı	
EUR Institutional Class	-	15.00%	10.00%	-	
USD Hedged Institutional Class	-	-	-	15.00%	
USD Hedged Class	-	-	-	15.00%	
EUR Hedged Class	10.00%	-	-	15.00%	15.00% <sup>(5)</sup>
JPY Institutional Class	-	-	-	15.00%	
JPY Class	-	-	-	15.00%	
EUR Hedged Institutional Class	_(1)	-	-	15.00% <sup>(4)</sup>	15.00% <sup>(5)</sup>

<sup>(1)</sup> Effective from 1 January 2018, performance fees for the Institutional Share Classes of the Strategic Europe Value Fund and the Strategic Global Quality Fund were removed (31 December 2017: 10.00%).

The Performance Fee is calculated for each individual share tranche subscribed as at a relevant Valuation Point. For each subsequent subscription, the subscription amount is treated as a separate share tranche.

Performance Fees for the year ended 31 December 2018 amounted to EUR 736,625 (2017: EUR 3,922,422) of which EUR 409,636 (2017: EUR 1,410,303) was payable at year end.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>(2)</sup>CHF Hedged Institutional Class was launched on 26 June 2018.

<sup>(3)</sup>EUR Hedged R Class was launched on 24 January 2018.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>(4)</sup>EUR Hedged Institutional Class was launched on 14 March 2018.

<sup>(5)</sup> The share classes were launched on 14 December 2018.

## Notes to the Financial Statements (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

## 5. Fees and other expenses (continued)

#### **Auditor's Remuneration**

Fees and expenses paid to statutory auditors, KPMG Ireland, in respect of the financial year are as follows:

	2018	2017
	EUR	EUR
Audit of financial statements	92,625*	98,345*
Tax advisory services	61,954	51,475
	154,579	149,820

The fees in the above table are calculated exclusive of VAT.

#### **Investment Advisers' fees**

All fees payable to any appointed Investment Adviser shall be paid by the Investment Manager out of the remuneration it receives pursuant to the terms of the Investment Management Agreement. All fees payable to any appointed sub-investment adviser shall be paid by the Investment Advisers out of the remuneration they receive pursuant to the terms of the Investment Management Agreement.

#### Administrator's fees

SS&C Financial Services (Ireland) Limited ("SS&C") serves as Administrator of the Company and is entitled to a minimum fee of up to \$166,667 per month (the "Monthly Minimum Fee"). The Monthly Minimum Fee is applied when the calculated basis point fee is less than the minimum. The minimum fee applies to the total net assets of related group entities which are also administered by SS&C. Fees are calculated for each tier of assets multiplied by the appropriate basis point figure as per the below table.

Further fees may be payable to the Administrator in consideration of ancillary services rendered to the Company and its Sub-Funds, which fees will be at normal commercial terms.

The fees of the Administrator will be paid out of the assets of the relevant Sub-Fund.

Description	Fee
First \$3 billion of aggregate net assets	10 basis points
Next \$1 billion of aggregate net assets	7 basis points
Next \$1 billion of aggregate net assets	6 basis points
Next \$1 billion of aggregate net assets	4 basis points
All additional aggregate net assets above \$6 billion	3 basis points

The Administrator's fees for the year ended 31 December 2018 amounted to EUR 1,514,576 (2017: EUR 1,682,471) of which EUR 239,590 (2017: EUR 156,084) was payable at year end.

<sup>\*</sup>Total VAT on these fees amounted to EUR 21,305 (2017: EUR 22,619)

## Notes to the Financial Statements (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

### 5. Fees and other expenses (continued)

#### **Depositary fees**

BNY Mellon Trust Company (Ireland) Limited serves as Depositary and is entitled to an annual fee equal to a percentage of the Net Asset Value of each Sub-Fund or Share Class, subject to a maximum rate of 2.3 basis points (0.023%) per annum.

Further fees may be payable to the Depositary in consideration of ancillary services rendered to the Company and its Sub-Funds, which fees will be at normal commercial terms.

The fees of the Depositary will be paid out of the assets of the relevant Sub-Fund.

The Depositary fees for the year ended 31 December 2018 amounted to EUR 438,105 (2017: EUR 520,678) of which EUR 116,921 (2017: EUR 358,037) was payable at year end.

#### Directors' fees

The Articles of Association authorise the Directors to charge a fee for their services at a rate determined by the Directors. The Directors shall receive a fee for their services up to a total aggregate maximum fee of EUR 400,000 per annum, or such other amount as may from time to time be disclosed in the annual report of the Company. Any increase above the maximum permitted fee will be notified in advance to shareholders. Each Director may be entitled to special remuneration if called upon to perform any special or extra services to the Company. All Directors will be entitled to reimbursement by the Company of expenses properly incurred in connection with the business of the Company or the discharge of their duties.

The Directors fees for the year ended 31 December 2018 amounted to EUR 347,804 (2017: EUR 309,990) of which EUR 105,988 (2017: EUR 101,899) was payable at year end.

#### **Consulting fees**

The Company has appointed Bridge Consulting to provide services to assist the Directors in carrying out the management functions specified by the Central Bank. Bridge Consulting receives an annual fee for governance services of no more than EUR 75,000 (2017: EUR 75,000), payable out of the assets of the Company, accrued at each Valuation Point and payable quarterly in arrears.

The fees for the services of Bridge Consulting for the year ended 31 December 2018 amounted to EUR 69,254 (2017: EUR 63,946), included within Consulting fees in the Statement of Comprehensive Income.

## Notes to the Financial Statements (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

## 5. Fees and other expenses (continued)

### Legal fees

The Company has appointed Dillon Eustace as Irish legal adviser. The Legal fees for the year ended 31 December 2018 amounted to EUR 100,000 (2017: EUR 100,000).

#### Company secretarial fees

The Company has appointed Sanne Group Plc as company secretary. The company secretarial fees for the year ended 31 December 2018 amounted to EUR 28,317 (2017: EUR 25,390).

## 6. Share capital

The authorised share capital of the Company is 500,000,000,000 redeemable participating shares of no par value and 300,000 redeemable non-participating shares of no par value.

The Company's objective is managing the redeemable share capital to ensure a stable and strong base to maximise returns to all investors, and to manage liquidity risk arising from redemptions.

The Company is a self-managed UCITS company and the minimum capital requirement is met by taking into account the participating and non-participating shares.

Non-participating shares do not entitle the holders thereof to any dividend and on a winding up entitle the holders thereof to receive the amount paid up thereon but do not otherwise entitle them to participate in the assets of the Company. The Directors have the power to allot shares in the capital of the Company on such terms and in such manner as they may think fit. There are two non-participating shares currently in issue. Non-participating shares have not been included in these financial statements.

## Notes to the Financial Statements (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

## 6. Share capital (continued)

The movement in the number of redeemable participating shares for the year ended 31 December 2018 is as follows:

	At 1 January 2018	Shares Issued	Shares Redeemed	At 31 December 2018
	1 January 2016	Issueu	Reucemeu	31 December 2016
Strategic China Panda Fund				
USD Class	18,271.948	4,609.126	(6,104.508)	16,776.566
EUR Hedged Class	6,598.767	2,622.080	(3,502.232)	5,718.615
GBP Hedged Class	161.348	244.013	(199.252)	206.109
USD Institutional Class	66,782.219	22,948.450	(24,585.844)	65,144.825
EUR Hedged Institutional Class	4,232.768	10,068.595	(4,191.224)	10,110.139
CHF Hedged Class	355.113	736.963	(94.104)	997.972
CHF Hedged Institutional Class	-	2,520.342	(109.076)	2,411.266
EUR Hedged R Class	-	506.959	(61.017)	445.942
Strategic Euro Bond Fund				
EUR Distributing Class	1,340.925	-	(1,340.925)	-
EUR Accumulating Class	18,982.564	460.421	(19,442.985)	-
EUR Institutional Class	14,322.407	3,433.698	(17,756.105)	-
CHF Hedged Accumulating Class	3,297.090	-	(3,297.090)	-
Nippon Growth (UCITS) Fund				
EUR Hedged Class	510.746	35.605	(387.442)	158.909
JPY A Class	838.605	15,900.055	(10,724.530)	6,014.130
JPY B Class	20,434.453	486.395	(3,383.577)	17,537.271
JPY D Institutional Class	2,075.000	0.000	-	2,075.000
EUR Hedged Institutional Class	1,664.198	238.107	(428.850)	1,473.455
Strategic Europe Value Fund				
EUR Class	1,002,882.767	69,374.657	(475,746.460)	596,510.964
EUR Institutional Class	1,613,737.318	460,403.937	(896,554.348)	1,177,586.907
CHF Hedged Class	184,188.541	10,722.522	(48,388.758)	146,522.305
GBP Hedged Institutional Class	99,748.594	5,217.850	(37,072.084)	67,894.360
EUR Institutional Distributing Class	144,735.131	358,382.234	(88,166.004)	414,951.361
USD Hedged Institutional Class	13,102.169	205.000	(11,511.169)	1,796.000
EUR R Class	102,824.353	13,615.063	(92,601.200)	23,838.216
USD Hedged Class	12,952.927	5,994.000	(7,469.306)	11,477.621
EUR Super Institutional Class	1,726,006.477	1,012,986.391	(667,186.875)	2,071,805.993
USD Hedged Super Institutional Class	44,783.464	12,755.237	(21,810.779)	35,727.922
CHF Hedged Institutional Class	77,896.780	26,361.338	(45,958.338)	58,299.780
EUR SP Class	-	226,395.000	-	226,395.000
Strategic Global Bond Fund				
USD Class	29,784.848	1,116.209	(30,901.057)	-

## 6. Share capital (continued)

The movement in the number of redeemable participating shares for the year ended 31 December 2018 is as follows:

	At 1 January 2018	Shares Issued	Shares Redeemed	At 31 December 2018
Strategic US Momentum and Value Fund				
USD Class	182,305.671	8,836.608	(191,142.279)	-
EUR Hedged Class	2,341.216	4,316.496	(6,657.712)	-
CHF Hedged Class	12,376.019	1,765.068	(14,141.087)	-
USD Institutional Class	65,121.782	1,193.528	(66,315.310)	-
Strategic Global Quality Fund				
USD Institutional Class	234,069.453	14,725.831	(65,957.366)	182,837.918
USD Class	198,118.727	26,347.842	(41,076.028)	183,390.541
CHF Hedged Class	84,062.576	26,539.491	(8,811.187)	101,790.880
EUR Hedged Class	2,959.020	7,373.210	(1,863.643)	8,468.587
EUR Hedged Institutional Class	2,959.020	19,923.188	(10,372.050)	12,510.158
Strategic European Smaller Companies Fund				
EUR Class	66,861.385	11,725.041	(11,771.737)	66,814.689
EUR X Class	24,609.996	667.124	(9,289.136)	15,987.984
EUR Institutional Class	58,045.536	44,595.762	(30,398.912)	72,242.386
CHF Hedged Class	1,873.900	1,069.241	(898.447)	2,044.694
Strategic Quality Emerging Bond Fund				
CHF Hedged Class	10,394.633	718.933	(11,113.566)	_
EUR Hedged Class	10,648.125	599.449	(11,247.574)	_
EUR Hedged Institutional Class	1,132.867	68.282	(1,201.149)	_
USD Class	9,613.290	2,311.999	(11,925.289)	-
USD Institutional Class	4,508.220	4,492.224	(9,000.444)	-
Strategic Beta Flex Fund				
EUR Class	9,260.510	_	(9,260.510)	_
EUR Institutional Class	11,578.017	5,049.304	(16,627.321)	_
EUR R Class	7,288.835	-	(7,288.835)	-
Strategic Japan Opportunities Fund				
USD Hedged Institutional Class	3,463.132	353.591	(1,748.132)	
USD Hedged Class	5,055.966	1,200.644	(627.171)	
EUR Hedged Class	3,696.583	1,823.614	(1,192.521)	
JPY Institutional Class	54,843.012	13,916.028	(2,661.262)	
JPY Class	62,487.493	6,304.690	(13,829.078)	
EUR Hedged Institutional Class	-	2,293.862	(468.473)	1,825.389
Strategic Bond Opportunities Fund				
USD Accumulating Class	-	41,147.893	(146.414)	
CHF Hedged Accumulating Class	-	1,927.938		1,927.938
EUR Hedged Accumulating Class	-	657.411	(120.670)	
EUR Hedged Distributing Class	-	109.772	-	109.772
EUR Hedged Institutional Accumulating Class	-	2,203.154	-	2,203.154
USD Institutional Accumulating Class	-	13,236.556	-	13,236.556
Sturdza Family Fund				
CHF Hedged Class	-	3,948.711	(592.675)	3,356.036
EUR Hedged Class	-	3,230.653	-	3,230.653
EUR Hedged Institutional Class	-	2,429.160	-	2,429.160
USD Institutional Class	-	20,865.720	-	20,865.720
USD Super Institutional Class	-	113,238.677	-	113,238.677
USD Class	-	42,595.963	(200.592)	42,395.371

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## 6. Share capital (continued)

The movement in the number of redeemable participating shares for the year ended 31 December 2017 is as follows:

	At 1 January 2017	Shares Issued	Shares Redeemed	At 31 December 2017
Strategic China Panda Fund				
USD Class	18,515.787	8,034.397	(8,278.236)	18,271.948
EUR Hedged Class	7,770.984	4,638.378	(5,810.595)	6,598.767
GBP Hedged Class	137.194	91.171	(67.017)	161.348
USD Institutional Class	38,236.398	52,267.124	(23,721.303)	66,782.219
EUR Hedged Institutional Class	2,240.082	6,920.601	(4,927.915)	4,232.768
CHF Hedged Class	-	598.445	(243.332)	355.113
Strategic Euro Bond Fund				
EUR Distributing Class	2,579.668	5.886	(1,244.629)	1,340.925
EUR Accumulating Class	26,406.361	7,623.186	(15,046.983)	18,982.564
EUR Institutional Class	20,167.267	14,929.162	(20,774.022)	14,322.407
CHF Hedged Accumulating Class	13,830.369	-	(10,533.279)	3,297.090
Nippon Growth (UCITS) Fund				
EUR Hedged Class	4,105.919	2,070.192	(5,665.365)	510.746
JPY Class A Class	883.605	-	(45.000)	838.605
JPY Class B Class	30,749.480	978.937	(11,293.964)	20,434.453
JPY Class D Institutional Class	12,304.791	-	(10,229.791)	2,075.000
EUR Hedged Institutional Class	2,467.013	243.592	(1,046.406)	1,664.198
Strategic Europe Value Fund				
EUR Class	1,514,474.023	198,866.521	(710,457.777)	1,002,882.767
EUR Institutional Class	2,267,706.352	597,902.420	(1,251,871.454)	1,613,737.318
CHF Hedged Class	300,166.244	22,016.858	(137,994.561)	184,188.541
GBP Hedged Institutional Class	106,377.813	14,426.577	(21,055.796)	99,748.594
EUR Institutional Distributing Class	231,859.471	145,194.307	(232,318.647)	144,735.131
USD Hedged Institutional Class	23,155.737	4,351.169	(14,404.737)	13,102.169
EUR R Class	87,806.638	49,349.068	(34,331.353)	102,824.353
USD Hedged Class	12,966.733	13,454.256	(13,468.062)	12,952.927
EUR Super Institutional Class	1,590,912.648	874,845.664	(739,751.835)	1,726,006.477
USD Hedged Super Institutional Class	24,240.816	25,925.546	(5,382.898)	44,783.464
CHF Hedged Institutional Class	-	83,270.752	(5,373.972)	77,896.780
Strategic Global Bond Fund				
USD Class	50,281.257	4,598.555	(25,094.964)	29,784.848
RMB Hedged Class	11,391.964	-	(11,391.964)	-

## Notes to the Financial Statements (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

## 6. Share capital (continued)

The movement in the number of redeemable participating shares for the year ended 31 December 2017 is as follows:

	At 1 January 2017	Shares Issued	Shares Redeemed	At 31 December 2017
Strategic US Momentum and Value	·			
Fund				
USD Class	228,452.833	5,928.051	(52,075.213)	182,305.671
EUR Hedged Class	4,006.520	308.943	(1,974.247)	2,341.216
CHF Hedged Class	13,925.754	1,464.458	(3,014.193)	12,376.019
USD Institutional Class	68,231.448	7,425.351	(10,535.017)	65,121.782
Strategic Global Quality Fund				
USD Institutional Class	332,119.329	88,567.694	(186,617.570)	234,069.453
USD Class	167,191.206	92,773.063	(61,845.542)	198,118.727
CHF Hedged Class	76,609.823	18,355.710	(10,902.957)	84,062.576
EUR Hedged Class	-	2,959.020	-	2,959.020
EUR Hedged Institutional Class	-	2,959.020	-	2,959.020
Strategic European Smaller Companies	i			
Fund				
EUR Class	48,337.463	54,904.201	(36,380.279)	66,861.385
EUR X Class	10,073.144	20,765.461	(6,228.609)	24,609.996
EUR Institutional Class	-	63,310.287	(5,264.752)	58,045.536
CHF Hedged Class	-	2,323.900	(450.000)	1,873.900
Strategic Quality Emerging				
Bond Fund				
CHF Hedged Class	10,238.000	2,475.276	(2,318.643)	10,394.633
EUR Hedged Class	11,802.240	1,578.560	(2,732.675)	10,648.125
EUR Hedged Institutional Class	3,006.260	156.607	(2,030.000)	1,132.867
USD Class	19,425.240	3,554.763	(13,366.713)	9,613.290
USD Institutional Class	6,508.220	3,915.250	(5,915.250)	4,508.220
Strategic Beta Flex Fund	5 506 150	5 202 052	(1,620,602)	0.260.510
EUR Class	5,506.150	5,393.052	(1,638.692)	9,260.510
EUR Institutional Class	-	28,324.858	(16,746.841)	11,578.017
EUR R Class	-	7,616.970	(328.135)	7,288.835
Strategic Japan Opportunities Fund		0.506.555	(5.102.405)	2 462 122
USD Hedged Institutional Class	-	8,586.557	(5,123.425)	3,463.132
USD Hedged Class	-	6,583.727	(1,527.761)	5,055.966
EUR Hedged Class	-	4,930.189	(1,233.606)	3,696.583
JPY Institutional Class	-	55,215.342	(372.330)	54,843.012
JPY Class	-	67,465.652	(4,978.159)	62,487.493

## Notes to the Financial Statements (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

#### 7. Risk associated with financial instruments

#### Risk profile

The Company's risks are those set out in the Prospectus and each Supplement and any consideration of risk here should be viewed in the context of the Prospectus which is the primary documentation governing the operations of the Company and any subscriptions and redemptions.

The Company's activities expose it to a variety of financial risks: market risk (including equity price risk, currency risk and interest rate risk), credit risk and liquidity risk. The Company's overall risk management process focuses on the unpredictability of financial markets and seeks to mitigate potential adverse effects on the Company's financial performance.

The Investment Manager seeks to mitigate the financial risk in the Company in its daily risk management process. From year to year, the Company's exposure to risk will alter as market conditions change and as the components of the portfolio change and are adjusted through trading, subscriptions and redemptions. With regard to the objectives, policies and processes for managing the risk, whilst adapting to the current market conditions, the approach will remain consistent from year to year.

The Investment Manager has advised the Directors that the Commitment Approach to measuring position exposure is an adequate measure of risk and the global exposure and leverage of each Sub-Fund is calculated on this basis.

#### Limitations of sensitivity analyses

The sensitivity analyses of the risk factors in the notes below represent the effect of movements in various risk variables on the Company's performance. In certain cases a linear relationship between movements in the risk variable and the Company's performance is assumed to create the sensitivity analyses. In reality, a linear relationship is unlikely. The various analysis shown are static scenarios and represent the effect on the Company of movements in a single risk variable. In reality, the Company is affected by dynamic movements in these risk variables and in a global context the risk variables have certain inter-relationships which cause dynamic movements in the variables. As a result, it should be noted that movements to the Company may be greater than that shown in the sensitivity analyses.

The analysis is that of a reasonably possible change in the relevant risk variable and not a worst case or best case analysis. IFRS 7, 'Financial Instruments Disclosure', does not require a sensitivity analysis of the worst case scenario, but states that analysis should be of reasonably possible changes. The analysis should not be taken to rule out a worst case scenario occurring in the future, the impact of which is greater than the represented adverse movements in Company performance.

It should be noted that future exposures may differ from exposures at the Statement of Financial Position date.

The potential for changes in the fair value or cash flows of the Sub-Funds' investment portfolios is referred to as Market Risk. Categories of Market Risk include equity price risk, currency risk and interest rate risk.

## Notes to the Financial Statements (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

## 7. Risk associated with financial instruments (continued)

#### (a) Market risk

## (i) Equity price risk

Equity price risk is the risk that the value of instruments will fluctuate as a result of changes in market prices (other than those arising from interest rate risk or currency risk), whether caused by factors specific to an individual investment, its issuer or all factors affecting all instruments traded in the market. The equity securities held by the Sub-Funds are held at fair value with fair value changes recognised in the Statement of Comprehensive Income.

All changes in market conditions will therefore directly affect net investment income for these Sub-Funds. The Sub-Funds manage this exposure to individual price movements of underlying positions by only making investments which are in line with the investment restrictions. The investment restrictions aim to ensure that the Sub-Funds are not overly exposed to individual investments through investing across a significant number of positions, and ensuring that the investments that are made are subject to conditions such as being listed or traded on a recognised world exchange or are subject to market capitalisation requirements.

The below table provides an analysis of the management's best estimate of the effect on net assets and profit/(loss) of the respective Sub-Fund due to a reasonably possible change in market indices, with all other variables held constant. In practice, the actual results may differ from the sensitivity analysis below and the difference could be material. Following is the analysis as at 31 December 2018 and 31 December 2017:

Sub-Fund	Market index	Change in market index 31 December 2018	Portfolio Beta 31 December 2018	Effect on net assets and profit/(loss) 31 December 2018
SCPF	MSCI China NR USD	+5%	0.93	USD7,049,323
SCPF	MSCI China NR USD	-5%	0.93	USD(7,049,323)
NGUF	TOPIX TOTAL RETURN	+5%	0.86	JPY99,203,945
NGUF	TOPIX TOTAL RETURN	-5%	0.86	JPY(99,203,945)
SEVF	MSCI EUROPE NET TOTAL RETURN	+5%	0.81	EUR26,500,550
SEVF	MSCI EUROPE NET TOTAL RETURN	-5%	0.81	EUR(26,500,550)
SGQF	MSCI WORLD NET TOTAL RETURN	+5%	0.65	USD1,912,008
SGQF	MSCI WORLD NET TOTAL RETURN	-5%	0.65	USD(1,912,008)
SESF	STOXX EUROPE 600 NET RETURN	+5%	0.84	EUR6,286,717
SESF	STOXX EUROPE 600 NET RETURN	-5%	0.84	EUR(6,286,717)
SJOF	TOPIX TOTAL RETURN	+5%	0.96	JPY370,562,721
SJOF	TOPIX TOTAL RETURN	-5%	0.96	JPY(370,562,721)
SFF	COMPOSITE	+5%	1.46*	USD13,235,647
SFF	COMPOSITE	-5%	1.46*	USD(13,235,647)

<sup>\*</sup>The Portfolio Beta was calculated using realised daily returns, for the period from 14 December 2018 (commencement of operations) to 31 December 2018, against a composite benchmark index made up of 60% MSCI World NTR, 20% Bloomberg Barclays US Government/Credit Bond and 20% FTSE 3-Month Treasury Bill (used as a proxy for the Secured Overnight Financing Rate).

## Notes to the Financial Statements (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

## 7. Risk associated with financial instruments (continued)

#### (a) Market risk (continued)

#### (i) Equity price risk (continued)

Sub-Fund	Market index	Change in market index 31 December 2017	Portfolio Beta 31 December 2017	Effect on net assets and profit/(loss) 31 December 2017
SCPF	MSCI China NR USD	+5%	0.93	USD8,938,835
SCPF	MSCI China NR USD	-5%	0.93	USD(8,938,835)
NGUF	TOPIX TOTAL RETURN	+5%	1.10	JPY148,369,895
NGUF	TOPIX TOTAL RETURN	-5%	1.10	JPY(148,369,895)
SEVF	MSCI EUROPE NET TOTAL RETURN	+5%	0.91	EUR36,672,104
SEVF	MSCI EUROPE NET TOTAL RETURN	-5%	0.91	EUR(36,672,104)
SMVF	MSCI USA NET TOTAL RETURN	+5%	1.02	USD10,120,328
SMVF	MSCI USA NET TOTAL RETURN	-5%	1.02	USD(10,120,328)
SGQF	MSCI WORLD NET TOTAL RETURN	+5%	0.90	USD3,128,639
SGQF	MSCI WORLD NET TOTAL RETURN	-5%	0.90	USD(3,128,639)
SESF	STOXX EUROPE 600 NET RETURN	+5%	0.37	EUR3,614,913
SESF	STOXX EUROPE 600 NET RETURN	-5%	0.37	EUR(3,614,913)
SBXF	STOXX EUROPE 600 NET RETURN	+5%	0.06	EUR91,365
SBXF	STOXX EUROPE 600 NET RETURN	-5%	0.06	EUR(91,365)
SJOF	TOPIX TOTAL RETURN	+5%	0.81*	JPY378,526,857
SJOF	TOPIX TOTAL RETURN	-5%	0.81*	JPY(378,526,857)
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<sup>\*</sup>The Portfolio Beta was for the period from 16 March 2017 (commencement of operations) to 31 December 2017.

The Strategic China Panda Fund changed its benchmark index from MXCN China (in USD terms) to MSCI China NR USD effective from 31 October 2017. The Portfolio Beta for the year ended 31 December 2017 was based on MSCI China NR USD.

This analysis is not provided for the Strategic Bond Opportunities Fund as at 31 December 2018 and was not provided for the Strategic Euro Bond Fund, Strategic Global Bond Fund and Strategic Quality Emerging Bond Fund as at 31 December 2017 as these Sub-Funds did not hold equity securities and therefore did not have a significant exposure to movement in equity prices.

#### (ii) Currency risk

Currency risk is the risk that the fair value of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in foreign exchange rates. The Sub-Funds may hold assets or liabilities denominated in currencies other than the functional currencies of the respective Sub-Funds. Each Sub-Fund may, therefore, be exposed to currency risk as the value of the assets and liabilities denominated in other currencies other than the functional currency may fluctuate as a result of movements in the exchange rates.

The Sub-Funds may enter into forward foreign exchange contracts to hedge the currency exposures of securities denominated in a currency other than the functional currency of the relevant Sub-Fund and to hedge against other changes in currency rates which may have an impact on a Sub-Fund. Forward foreign exchange contracts may be also used by the Investment Manager to hedge the currency exposure on behalf of investors invested in foreign currency share classes offered by each Sub-Fund in relation to the functional currency of that Sub-Fund.

## Notes to the Financial Statements (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

## 7. Risk associated with financial instruments (continued)

#### (a) Market risk (continued)

#### (ii) Currency risk (continued)

Any financial instruments used to implement such strategies with respect to one or more classes shall be assets/liabilities of a Sub-Fund as a whole but will be attributable to the relevant class and the gains/losses on and the costs of the relevant financial instruments will accrue solely to the relevant class.

The table below outlines the Sub-Funds' net foreign currency risk exposure as at the Statement of Financial Position date.

#### Strategic China Panda Fund

#### **31 December 2018**

	Non-Monetary Assets and Liabilities	Monetary Assets and Liabilities	Forward foreign exchange contracts (notional amounts)	Total
	USD	USD	USD	USD
EUR	-	17,226	29,199,091	29,216,317
GBP	-	2,731	680,650	683,381
HKD	150,753,778	76,029	229,851	151,059,658
CHF	-	2,532	2,654,958	2,657,490
Total	150,753,778	98,518	32,764,550	183,616,846

	Non-Monetary Assets and Liabilities	Monetary Assets and Liabilities	Forward foreign exchange contracts (notional amounts)	Total
	USD	USD	USD	USD
EUR	-	(334,184)	33,692,502	33,358,318
GBP	-	(25,015)	743,660	718,645
HKD	150,757,389	1,853,954	(579,882)	152,031,461
CHF	-	(5,038)	362,417	357,379
CNY	-	148,956	-	148,956
Total	150,757,389	1,638,673	34,218,697	186,614,759

## Notes to the Financial Statements (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

## 7. Risk associated with financial instruments (continued)

#### (a) Market risk (continued)

## (ii) Currency risk (continued)

## **Strategic China Panda Fund (continued)**

The forward foreign exchange contracts exposure amounts in the above table arise as a result of forward contracts entered into by the Company to hedge currency risk exposure on the following non-base share classes:

	Share Class Net Asset Value	Share Class Net Asset Value
	2018 USD	2017 USD
EUR Hedged Class	16,687,335	26,460,813
GBP Hedged Class	694,032	747,659
CHF Hedged Class	767,329	363,545
EUR Hedged Institutional Class	12,701,127	7,268,781
EUR Hedged R Class	352,267	-
CHF Hedged Institutional Class	1,935,739	-

## **Strategic Euro Bond Fund**

#### **31 December 2018**

The Strategic Euro Bond Fund terminated its operations on 14 December 2018. As at 31 December 2018, the Sub-Fund only held cash denominated in EUR, its functional currency.

	Monetary Assets and Liabilities	Forward foreign exchange contracts	Total
		(notional amounts)	
	EUR	EUR	EUR
CHF	(1,259,061)	3,983,448	2,724,387
GBP	(18,532)	-	(18,532)
USD	(6,220)	-	(6,220)
Total	(1,283,813)	3,983,448	2,699,635

# Notes to the Financial Statements (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

## 7. Risk associated with financial instruments (continued)

- (a) Market risk (continued)
- (ii) Currency risk (continued)

#### **Strategic Euro Bond Fund (continued)**

The forward foreign exchange contracts exposure amounts in the above table arise as a result of forward contracts entered into by the Company to hedge currency risk exposure on the following non-base share classes:

Share Class Net
Asset Value
2017
EUR
2,719,935

CHF Hedged Accumulating class

#### Nippon Growth (UCITS) Fund

#### **31 December 2018**

	Monetary Assets and Liabilities	Forward foreign exchange contracts (notional amounts)	Total
	JPY	JPY	JPY
EUR	834,566	234,542,458	235,377,024
USD	2,048,217	-	2,048,217
Total	2,882,783	234,542,458	237,425,241

	Monetary Assets and Liabilities	Forward foreign exchange contracts (notional amounts)	Total
	JPY	JPY	JPY
EUR	(8,314,963)	422,832,890	414,517,927
GBP	(3,136,461)	-	(3,136,461)
USD	241,066	-	241,066
CHF	(36,308)	-	(36,308)
Total	(11,246,666)	422,832,890	411,586,224

## Notes to the Financial Statements (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

## 7. Risk associated with financial instruments (continued)

#### (a) Market risk (continued)

## (ii) Currency risk (continued)

## **Nippon Growth (UCITS) Fund (continued)**

The forward foreign exchange contracts exposure amounts in the above table arise as a result of forward contracts entered into by the Company to hedge currency risk exposure on the following non-base share classes:

	Share Class Net	Share Class Net
	Asset Value	Asset Value
	2018	2017
	JPY	JPY
EUR Hedged Class	19,756,361	86,853,443
EUR Hedged Institutional Class	216,933,096	334,547,329

## **Strategic Europe Value Fund**

#### **31 December 2018**

	Non-Monetary Assets and Liabilities	Monetary Assets and Liabilities	Forward foreign exchange contracts	Total
			(notional amounts)	
	EUR	EUR	EUR	EUR
USD	26,538,570	1,285,890	4,544,330	32,368,790
GBP	200,002,710	40,360	10,285,809	210,328,879
DKK	24,278,941	675	-	24,279,616
SEK	-	3,149	-	3,149
CHF	66,898,477	57,090	25,984,911	92,940,478
NOK	-	680	-	680
JPY	12,785,162	7,675	(6,709,763)	6,083,074
Total	330,503,860	1,395,519	34,105,287	366,004,666

of Beechider 2017	Non-Monetary Assets and Liabilities	Monetary Assets and Liabilities	Forward foreign exchange contracts (notional amounts)	Total
	EUR	EUR	EUR	EUR
USD	83,256,112	610,808	6,492,907	90,359,827
GBP	237,352,519	(90,581)	16,478,680	253,740,618
DKK	26,855,094	12,648	-	26,867,742
SEK	-	3,245	-	3,245
CHF	40,031,633	(234,887)	34,582,125	74,378,871
NOK	17,544,153	-	-	17,544,153
Total	405,039,511	301,233	57,553,712	462,894,456

## Notes to the Financial Statements (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

## 7. Risk associated with financial instruments (continued)

#### (a) Market risk (continued)

#### (ii) Currency risk (continued)

#### **Strategic Europe Value Fund (continued)**

The forward foreign exchange contracts exposure amounts in the above table arise as a result of forward contracts entered into by the Company to hedge currency risk exposure on the following non-base share classes:

	Share Class Net Asset Value 2018 EUR	Share Class Net Asset Value 2017 EUR
CHF Hedged Class	20,890,388	27,192,759
GBP Hedged Institutional Class	10,330,440	16,181,402
USD Hedged Institutional Class	161,022	1,158,333
USD Hedged Class	1,096,105	1,239,416
USD Hedged Super Institutional Class	3,317,916	4,102,416
CHF Hedged Institutional Class	5,156,831	7,090,847

#### **Strategic Global Bond Fund**

#### **31 December 2018**

The Strategic Global Bond Fund terminated its operations on 14 December 2018. As at 31 December 2018, the Sub-Fund only held cash denominated in USD, its functional currency.

	Monetary Assets and Liabilities	Forward foreign exchange contracts	Total
		(notional amounts)	
	USD	USD	USD
EUR	(55,313)	-	(55,313)
GBP	(11,445)	-	(11,445)
CNY	(2,740)	-	(2,740)
CHF	(288)	-	(288)
Total	(69,786)	-	(69,786)

## Notes to the Financial Statements (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

- 7. Risk associated with financial instruments (continued)
- (a) Market risk (continued)
- (ii) Currency risk (continued)

## Strategic US Momentum and Value Fund

#### **31 December 2018**

The Strategic US Momentum and Value Fund terminated its operations on 14 December 2018. As at 31 December 2018, the Sub-Fund only held cash denominated in USD, its functional currency.

#### **31 December 2017**

	Monetary Assets and Liabilities	Forward foreign exchange contracts (notional amounts)	Total
	USD	USD	USD
CHF	(17,188)	7,177,867	7,160,679
EUR	(118,141)	1,611,541	1,493,400
GBP	(27,661)	-	(27,661)
CAD	8,926	-	8,926
Total	(154,064)	8,789,408	8,635,344

The forward foreign exchange contracts exposure amounts in the above table arise as a result of forward contracts entered into by the Company to hedge currency risk exposure on the following non-base share classes:

Share Class Net
Asset Value
2017
USD
CHF Hedged Class
EUR Hedged Class
1,597,343

## Notes to the Financial Statements (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

## 7. Risk associated with financial instruments (continued)

- (a) Market risk (continued)
- (ii) Currency risk (continued)

## **Strategic Global Quality Fund**

#### **31 December 2018**

	Non-Monetary Assets and Liabilities	Monetary Assets and Liabilities	Forward foreign exchange contracts	Total
			(notional amounts)	
	USD	USD	USD	USD
EUR	11,547,911	11,934	2,153,157	13,713,002
GBP	11,635,485	4,253	-	11,639,738
JPY	6,122,685	2,213	-	6,124,898
DKK	2,054,284	2,656	-	2,056,940
SEK	-	2,919	-	2,919
CHF	3,362,480	8,451	10,429,492	13,800,423
Total	34,722,845	32,426	12,582,649	47,337,920

#### **31 December 2017**

	Non-Monetary Assets and Liabilities	Monetary Assets and Liabilities	Forward foreign exchange contracts (notional amounts)	Total
	USD	USD	USD	USD
EUR	14,623,132	(24,532)	706,165	15,304,765
GBP	19,018,713	20,404	-	19,039,117
JPY	-	6,677	-	6,677
DKK	-	137	-	137
SEK	-	3,161	-	3,161
CHF	2,579,784	(13,022)	9,704,126	12,270,888
Total	36,221,629	(7,175)	10,410,291	46,624,745

The forward foreign exchange contracts exposure amounts in the above table arise as a result of forward contracts entered into by the Company to hedge currency risk exposure on the following non-base share classes:

	<b>Share Class Net</b>	<b>Share Class Net</b>	
	Asset Value	<b>Asset Value</b>	
	2018	2017	
	USD	USD	
CHF Hedged Class	10,519,837	9,741,597	
EUR Hedged Class	871,084	354,786	
EUR Hedged Institutional Class	1,301,390	354,857	

# Notes to the Financial Statements (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

## 7. Risk associated with financial instruments (continued)

- (a) Market risk (continued)
- (ii) Currency risk (continued)

## **Strategic European Smaller Companies Fund**

#### **31 December 2018**

	Non-Monetary Assets and Liabilities	Monetary Assets and Liabilities	Forward foreign exchange contracts (notional amounts)	Total
	EUR	EUR	EUR	EUR
CHF	11,196,417	20,596	1,500,943	12,717,956
USD	-	25,274	-	25,274
SEK	15,268,668	29	-	15,268,697
Total	26,465,085	45,899	1,500,943	28,011,927

#### **31 December 2017**

	Non-Monetary Assets and Liabilities	Monetary Assets and Liabilities	Forward foreign exchange contracts (notional amounts)	Total
	EUR	EUR	EUR	EUR
GBP	-	(11,152)	-	(11,152)
CHF	26,688,009	306,980	1,792,749	28,787,738
USD	-	(34,276)	-	(34,276)
SEK	12,487,349	1,548	-	12,488,897
Total	39,175,358	263,100	1,792,749	41,231,207

The forward foreign exchange contracts exposure amounts in the above table arise as a result of forward contracts entered into by the Company to hedge currency risk exposure on the following non-base share classes.

	Share Class Net	<b>Share Class Net</b>
	Asset Value	Asset Value
	2018	2017
	EUR	EUR
CHF Hedged Class	1,524,434	1,799,068

## Notes to the Financial Statements (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

- 7. Risk associated with financial instruments (continued)
- (a) Market risk (continued)
- (ii) Currency risk (continued)

## **Strategic Quality Emerging Bond Fund**

#### **31 December 2018**

The Strategic Quality Emerging Bond Fund terminated its operations on 14 December 2018. As at 31 December 2018, the Sub-Fund only held cash denominated in USD, its functional currency.

#### **31 December 2017**

	Monetary Assets and Liabilities	Forward foreign exchange contracts (notional amounts)	Total
	USD	USD	USD
GBP	(13,548)	-	(13,548)
CHF	(9,507)	11,001,652	10,992,145
EUR	857,847	13,776,072	14,633,919
Total	834,792	24,777,724	25,612,516

The forward foreign exchange contracts exposure amounts in the above table arise as a result of forward contracts entered into by the Company to hedge currency risk exposure on the following non-base share classes.

	Share Class Net
	Asset Value
	2017
	USD
EUR Hedged Class	13,273,809
CHF Hedged Class	10,987,164
EUR Hedged Institutional Class	1,417,793

# Notes to the Financial Statements (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

## 7. Risk associated with financial instruments (continued)

- (a) Market risk (continued)
- (ii) Currency risk (continued)

#### Strategic Beta Flex Fund

#### **31 December 2018**

The Strategic Beta Flex Fund terminated its operations on 15 August 2018. As at 31 December 2018, the Sub-Fund only held cash denominated in EUR, its functional currency.

#### **31 December 2017**

	Monetary Assets and Liabilities	Forward foreign exchange contracts (notional amounts)	Total
	EUR	EUR	EUR
GBP	(3,421)	-	(3,421)
CHF	(43)	-	(43)
USD	(6,735)	-	(6,735)
Total	(10,199)	-	(10,199)

## Strategic Japan Opportunities Fund

	Monetary Assets and Liabilities	Forward foreign exchange contracts (notional amounts)	Total
	JPY	JPY	JPY
EUR	514,167	737,624,544	738,138,711
USD	5,016,716	883,133,121	888,149,837
Total	5,530,883	1,620,757,665	1,626,288,548

## Notes to the Financial Statements (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

## 7. Risk associated with financial instruments (continued)

- (a) Market risk (continued)
- (ii) Currency risk (continued)

## **Strategic Japan Opportunities Fund (continued)**

#### **31 December 2017**

	Monetary Assets and Liabilities	Forward foreign exchange contracts	Total
		(notional amounts)	
	JPY	JPY	JPY
GBP	(483,472)	-	(483,472)
CHF	(6,742)	-	(6,742)
EUR	(8,110,529)	635,444,341	627,333,812
USD	(12,333,435)	1,225,192,917	1,212,859,482
Total	(20,934,178)	1,860,637,258	1,839,703,080

The forward foreign exchange contracts exposure amounts in the above table arise as a result of forward contracts entered into by the Company to hedge currency risk exposure on the following non-base share classes.

	<b>Share Class Net</b>	<b>Share Class Net</b>	
	Asset Value 2018	Asset Value 2017	
	JPY	JPY	
EUR Hedged Class	546,134,544	639,332,601	
USD Hedged Class	640,319,604	732,475,655	
USD Hedged Institutional Class	237,751,733	504,567,957	
EUR Hedged Institutional Class	183,297,493	-	

## Notes to the Financial Statements (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

## 7. Risk associated with financial instruments (continued)

- (a) Market risk (continued)
- (ii) Currency risk (continued)

## **Strategic Bond Opportunities Fund**

#### **31 December 2018**

	Non-Monetary Assets and Liabilities	Monetary Assets and Liabilities	Forward foreign exchange contracts (notional amounts)	Total
	USD	USD	USD	USD
EUR	9,956,666	(8,996,935)	(6,839,336)	(5,879,605)
CHF	-	1,955,706	1,957,897	3,913,603
Total	9,956,666	(7,041,229)	(4,881,439)	(1,966,002)

**Share Class Net** 

**Asset Value** 

2018 USD

1,960,500 614,581

125,696

EUR Hedged Institutional Accumulating Class 2,523,194

#### **Sturdza Family Fund**

CHF Hedged Accumulating Class

**EUR Hedged Accumulating Class** 

**EUR Hedged Distributing Class** 

	Non-Monetary Assets and Liabilities	Monetary Assets and Liabilities	Forward foreign exchange contracts (notional amounts)	Total
	USD	USD	USD	USD
EUR	12,617,827	1,830,663	6,123,240	20,571,730
JPY	11,348,713	17,829	-	11,366,542
CHF	-	(682,678)	3,761,361	3,078,683
Total	23,966,540	1,165,814	9,884,601	35,016,955

## Notes to the Financial Statements (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

- 7. Risk associated with financial instruments (continued)
- (a) Market risk (continued)
- (ii) Currency risk (continued)

**Sturdza Family Fund (continued)** 

31 December 2018 (continued)

	Share Class Net
	Asset Value
	2018
	USD
CHF Hedged Class	3,303,949
EUR Hedged Class	3,581,072
EUR Hedged Institutional Class	2,693,338

At 31 December 2018 and 31 December 2017, had any non-functional currencies strengthened by 5% in relation to the respective functional currency of each of the Sub-Funds, with all other variables held constant, net assets attributable to holders of redeemable participating shares would have increased by the amounts shown below:

#### Strategic China Panda Fund

	2018	2017
	USD	USD
EUR	1,460,816	1,667,916
GBP	34,169	35,932
HKD	7,552,982	7,601,573
CHF	132,875	17,869
CNY	-	7,448
Total	9,180,842	9,330,738

## Notes to the Financial Statements (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

## 7. Risk associated with financial instruments (continued)

#### (a) Market risk (continued)

#### (ii) Currency risk (continued)

At 31 December 2018 and 31 December 2017, had any non-functional currencies strengthened by 5% in relation to the respective functional currency of each of the Sub-Funds, with all other variables held constant, net assets attributable to holders of redeemable participating shares would have increased by the amounts shown below:

## **Strategic Euro Bond Fund**

	2017
	EUR
CHF	136,219
GBP	(927)
USD	(311)
Total	134,981

#### Nippon Growth (UCITS) Fund

	2018 JPY	2017 JPY
EUR	11,768,851	20,725,896
GBP	-	(156,823)
USD	102,411	12,053
CHF	-	(1,815)
Total	11,871,262	20,579,311

#### **Strategic Europe Value Fund**

	2018	2017
	EUR	EUR
USD	1,618,440	4,517,991
GBP	10,516,444	12,687,031
DKK	1,213,981	1,343,387
SEK	157	162
CHF	4,647,024	3,718,944
NOK	34	877,208
JPY	304,153	-
Total	18,300,233	23,144,723

## Notes to the Financial Statements (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

## 7. Risk associated with financial instruments (continued)

#### (a) Market risk (continued)

#### (ii) Currency risk (continued)

At 31 December 2018 and 31 December 2017, had any non-functional currencies strengthened by 5% in relation to the respective functional currency of each of the Sub-Funds, with all other variables held constant, net assets attributable to holders of redeemable participating shares would have increased by the amounts shown below:

## **Strategic Global Bond Fund**

	2017
	USD
EUR	(2,766)
GBP	(572)
CNY	(137)
CHF	(14)
Total	(3,489)

## Strategic US Momentum and Value Fund

	2017
	USD
CHF	358,034
EUR	74,670
GBP	(1,383)
CAD	446_
Total	431,767

#### **Strategic Global Quality Fund**

	2018	2017
	USD	USD
CHF	690,021	613,544
EUR	685,650	765,238
GBP	581,987	951,956
DKK	102,847	7
SEK	146	158
JPY	306,245	334
Total	2,366,896	2,331,237

## Notes to the Financial Statements (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

## 7. Risk associated with financial instruments (continued)

#### (a) Market risk (continued)

#### (ii) Currency risk (continued)

At 31 December 2018 and 31 December 2017, had any non-functional currencies strengthened by 5% in relation to the respective functional currency of each of the Sub-Funds, with all other variables held constant, net assets attributable to holders of redeemable participating shares would have increased by the amounts shown below:

#### Strategic European Smaller Companies Fund

	2018 EUR	2017 EUR
CHF	635,898	1,439,387
GBP	-	(558)
SEK	763,435	624,445
USD	1,264	(1,714)
Total	1,400,597	2,061,560

#### **Strategic Quality Emerging Bond Fund**

	2017 USD
EUR	731,696
GBP	(677)
CHF	549,607
Total	1,280,626
Strategic Beta Flex Fund	2017 EUR
USD	(337)
CHF	(2)
GBP	(171)
Total	(510)

## Notes to the Financial Statements (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

## 7. Risk associated with financial instruments (continued)

#### (a) Market risk (continued)

#### (ii) Currency risk (continued)

At 31 December 2018 and 31 December 2017, had any non-functional currencies strengthened by 5% in relation to the respective functional currency of each of the Sub-Funds, with all other variables held constant, net assets attributable to holders of redeemable participating shares would have increased by the amounts shown below:

#### Strategic Japan Opportunities Fund

	2018 JPY	2017 JPY
USD	44,407,491	60,642,974
EUR	36,906,936	-
CHF	-	(337)
GBP		(24,174)
Total	81,314,427	60,618,463

## **Strategic Bond Opportunities Fund**

	2018
	USD
CHF	195,680
EUR	(293,980)
Total	(98,300)

#### Sturdza Family Fund

	2018
	USD
EUR	1,028,587
JPY	568,327
CHF	153,934
Total	1,750,848

## Notes to the Financial Statements (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

#### 7. Risk associated with financial instruments (continued)

#### (a) Market risk (continued)

#### (ii) Currency risk (continued)

A 5% decrease in non-functional currencies in relation to the respective functional currency of each of the Sub-Funds, with all other variables held constant, would lead to a corresponding decrease in the net assets attributable to holders of redeemable participating shares by the exact amounts as shown in the above tables. The estimated movement is based on management's determination of a reasonably possible change in foreign exchange rates. In practice, the actual results may differ from the sensitivity analysis above and the difference could be material.

#### (iii) Interest rate risk

Interest rate risk is the risk that the fair value of future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market interest rates.

As at 31 December 2018, the portfolio held by the Strategic Bond Opportunities Fund and Sturdza Family Fund includes debt securities. As at 31 December 2017, the portfolio of investments held by the Strategic Euro Bond Fund, Strategic Global Bond Fund and Strategic Quality Emerging Bond Fund included debt securities. The fair values of debt securities will fluctuate in response to changes in market interest rates. Increases and decreases in prevailing interest rates generally translate into decreases and increases in fair values of those instruments. Additionally, fair values of interest rate sensitive instruments may be affected by the creditworthiness of the issuer, prepayment options, relative values of alternative investments, the liquidity of the instrument and other general market conditions. Fixed interest rate investments may be more sensitive to interest rate changes than variable rate investments.

The majority of the financial assets and liabilities held by the other Sub-Funds, Strategic China Panda Fund, Nippon Growth (UCITS) Fund, Strategic Europe Value Fund, Strategic US Momentum and Value Fund, Strategic European Smaller Companies Fund, Strategic Global Quality Fund, Strategic Beta Flex Fund and Strategic Japan Opportunities Fund are non-interest bearing. Interest bearing financial assets and liabilities include cash and cash equivalents which mature or reprices in the short-term, no longer than 3 months. As a result, these Sub-Funds are subject to limited exposure to fair value interest rate risk due to fluctuations in the prevailing levels of market interest rates.

The Investment Advisor mitigates interest rate risk by constructing a diversified portfolio of debt securities with differing modified duration and term to maturity characteristics, which acts to reduce the Strategic Bond Opportunities Fund and Sturdza Family Fund's overall exposure to interest rate risk (2017: Strategic Euro Bond Fund the Strategic Global Bond Fund and the Strategic Quality Emerging Bond Fund). The Investment Manager constantly monitors its view of the Sub-Funds' exposure to interest rate risk and makes decisions accordingly about the composition of the Sub-Funds' portfolio of debt securities in order to ensure the interest rate risk in the portfolio is maintained at an appropriate level.

## Notes to the Financial Statements (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

## 7. Risk associated with financial instruments (continued)

#### (a) Market risk (continued)

#### (iii) Interest rate risk (continued)

The following tables detail the Sub-Funds' exposure to interest rate risk at 31 December 2018 and 2017. It includes the Sub-Funds' assets and liabilities at fair values, categorised by the earlier of contractual re-pricing or maturity date measured by the carrying value of assets and liabilities.

Strategic Bond Opportunities Fu	ınd
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	Less than 1	1-3	More than	Non-interest	
31 December 2018	year	years	3 years	bearing	Total
	USD	USD	USD	USD	USD
Non- interest bearing					
Derivative contracts (fair value)	-	-	-	(14,452)	(14,452)
Other assets and liabilities	-	-	-	505,328	505,328
Cash flow interest rate risk					
Debt securities	2,506,315	20,313,347	35,609,899	_	58,429,561
Cash and cash equivalents	788,830	-	-	-	788,830
Total	3,295,145	20,313,347	35,609,899	490,876	59,709,267
Sturdza Family Fund		1-3	3.5	Non-interest	
24 B 1 2040	Less than 1		More than	bearing	<b>7</b> 7 1
31 December 2018	year	years	3 years		Total
<b>N</b>	USD	USD	USD	USD	USD
Non- interest bearing				100 504 040	100 50 4 0 40
Equity securities	-	-	-	120,594,240	120,594,240
Derivative contracts (fair value)	-	-	-	15,692	15,692
Other assets and liabilities	-	-	-	(375,557)	(375,557)
Cash flow interest rate risk					
Debt securities	-	22,642,313	32,194,359	-	54,836,672
Cash and cash equivalents	6,194,238	-	-	-	6,194,238
Total	6,194,238	22,642,313	32,194,359	120,234,375	181,265,285
Strategic Euro Bond Fund					
Strategic Euro Dona Funa		1-3		Non-interest	
44.5	Less than 1	years	More than	bearing	<b></b>
<b>31 December 2017</b>	year	•	3 years		Total
	EUR	EUR	EUR	EUR	EUR
Non-interest bearing				20.20.5	20.20.5
Derivative contracts (fair value)	-	-	-	38,306	38,306
Other assets and liabilities	-	-	-	73,483	73,483
Cash flow interest rate risk					
Debt securities	3,566,392	18,323,715	16,976,290	-	38,866,397
Cash and cash equivalents	987,129				987,129
Total	4,553,521	18,323,715	16,976,290	111,789	39,965,315

## Notes to the Financial Statements (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

#### 7. Risk associated with financial instruments (continued)

#### (a) Market risk (continued)

(iii) Interest rate risk (continued)

#### **Strategic Global Bond Fund**

31 December 2017	Less than 1 year USD	1-3 years USD	More than 3 years USD	Non-interest bearing USD	Total USD
Non-interest bearing Other assets and liabilities	-	-	-	971,912	971,912
Cash flow interest rate risk					
Debt securities	6,204,563	8,062,845	15,331,820	-	29,599,228
Cash and cash equivalents	1,026,414	-	-	-	1,026,414
Total	7,230,977	8,062,845	15,331,820	971,912	31,597,554

## **Strategic Quality Emerging Bond Fund**

31 December 2017	Less than 1 year USD	1-3 years USD	More than 3 years USD	Non-interest bearing USD	Total USD
Non-interest bearing					
Derivative contracts (fair value)	-	-	-	208,674	208,674
Other assets and liabilities	-	-	-	1,002,942	1,002,942
Cash flow interest rate risk					
Debt securities	-	3,624,655	34,395,193	-	38,019,848
Cash and cash equivalents	1,476,209	-	-	-	1,476,209
Total	1,476,209	3,624,655	34,395,193	1,211,616	40,707,673

For Strategic China Panda Fund, Nippon Growth (UCITS) Fund, Strategic Europe Value Fund, Strategic US Momentum and Value Fund, Strategic Global Quality Fund, Strategic European Smaller Companies Fund, Strategic Beta Flex Fund and Strategic Japan Opportunities Fund, the only interest bearing financial asset is cash and cash equivalents.

At 31 December 2018 and 31 December 2017, should interest rates have increased by 50 basis points with all other variables remaining constant, the decrease in net assets attributable to holders of redeemable participating shares for the year are as below:

- Strategic Bond Opportunities Fund would amount to approximately USD 1,466,582 as at 31 December 2018
- Sturdza Family Fund would amount to approximately USD 1,423,012 as at 31 December 2018
- Strategic Euro Bond Fund would amount to approximately EUR 371,174 as at 31 December 2017
- Strategic Global Bond Fund would amount to approximately USD 821,379 as at 31 December 2017
- Strategic Quality Emerging Bond Fund would amount to approximately USD 1,032,239 as at 31 December 2017

## Notes to the Financial Statements (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

#### 7. Risk associated with financial instruments (continued)

#### (a) Market risk (continued)

#### (iii) Interest rate risk (continued)

As described above, the Strategic China Panda Fund, Nippon Growth (UCITS) Fund, Strategic Europe Value Fund, Strategic US Momentum and Value Fund, Strategic Global Quality Fund, Strategic European Smaller Companies Fund, Strategic Beta Flex Fund and Strategic Japan Opportunities Fund have limited exposure to interest rate risk and therefore an interest rate sensitivity analysis has not been presented.

#### (b) Credit risk and collateral provided

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 Company. It arises principally from debt securities held and also from derivative financial assets, cash and cash equivalents and balances due from brokers. Credit risk is generally higher when a non-exchange traded financial instrument is involved because the counterparty for non-exchange traded financial instruments is not backed by an exchange clearing house.

Credit risk includes settlement risk which is the risk that a counterparty will not discharge an obligation to deliver a security or its value in cash when the Company has already delivered the security or its value in cash as per the agreement.

Credit risk associated with investing activities is monitored by the Investment Manager as part of the overall investment process. To reduce the Company's counterparty credit exposures, securities trading is primarily conducted on authorised exchanges and on a delivery-versus-payment basis.

The assets which do not trade this way will be exposed to different forms of credit risk. When these securities are sold delivery is only made once the custodian has received payment. The trade will fail if either party fails to meet its obligation.

The Strategic Bond Opportunities Fund and Sturdza Family Fund (2017: Strategic Euro Bond Fund, Strategic Global Bond Fund and Strategic Quality Emerging Bond Fund) invest in debt securities which are subject to credit risk. The Investment Adviser analyses the credit risk of the Sub-Funds' debt securities prior to purchase and continues to monitor developments in credit quality subsequently.

Due from brokers represent primarily sales transactions awaiting settlement and cash collateral from derivatives. Credit risk relating to unsettled transactions is considered small due to the short settlement period involved and the high quality of the brokers used.

As at 31 December 2018, the significant balance of the amount due from brokers was concentrated with one broker, The Bank of New York Mellon, having a credit rating of AA- (Standard and Poor's). The credit rating of the brokers are monitored on a quarterly basis.

Substantially all the assets and cash held by the Company are held with The Bank of New York Mellon. Bankruptcy or insolvency by The Bank of New York Mellon may cause the Company's rights with respect to the cash held or assets to be delayed or may result in the Company not receiving the full value of such cash or assets.

## Notes to the Financial Statements (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

#### 7. Risk associated with financial instruments (continued)

#### (b) Credit risk and collateral provided (continued)

The Investment Manager monitors the credit rating of The Bank of New York Mellon on a monthly basis, as reported by Standard and Poor's, Moody's and Fitch. In addition, the Investment Manager monitors the financial position of The Bank of New York Mellon on a quarterly basis by reviewing earnings releases. If the credit quality or the financial position of this bank deteriorates significantly the Investment Manager will recommend to the Board of Directors that the cash holdings be moved to another bank.

The Company will also be exposed to a credit risk in relation to the counterparties with whom it transacts or places margin or collateral in respect of transactions in financial derivative instruments and may bear the risk of counterparty default. The Investment Manager seeks to enter into netting agreements with counterparties that would allow receivables and payables to that counterparty to be offset. Additionally, certain Sub-Funds engage in securities lending activities which expose the Sub-Funds to credit risk. The maximum exposure of each Sub-Fund is equal to the value of the securities loaned at 31 December 2018. To mitigate this risk, the Sub-Funds take collateral which is in excess of the value of the securities loaned.

The Investment Manager actively invests in corporate bonds to reduce the credit risk inherent in the investment portfolio. Any investment in corporate bonds is actively monitored to ensure that the credit rating of these securities is maintained at the highest level and that the sovereign risk exposure is limited as far as possible.

The credit ratings for debt securities are assessed using the highest ratings for the relevant bonds as rated by Moody's, Fitch and Standard & Poor's. Concentration of credit risk of the debt securities based on geographical location is disclosed in each relevant schedule of investments.

The below table provides an analysis of the Company's main financial assets at the Statement of Financial Position date that are exposed to credit risk together with the relevant counterparty's credit rating as reported by Standard and Poor's and Moody's.

#### Strategic China Panda Fund

Financial assets	Counterparty	<b>Credit Rating</b>	USD
Forward foreign exchange contracts		AA-	34,611
Cash and cash equivalents	The Bank of New York Mellon	AA-	769,212
Total			803,823
At 31 December 2017 Financial assets	Counterparty	Credit Rating	USD
Forward foreign exchange contracts	The Bank of New York Mellon	AA-	250,395
Cash and cash equivalents	The Bank of New York Mellon	AA-	18,676
Total			269,071

# Notes to the Financial Statements (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

# 7. Risk associated with financial instruments (continued)

# (b) Credit risk and collateral provided (continued)

## **Strategic Euro Bond Fund**

Financial assets	Counterparty	Credit Rating	EUR
Cash and cash equivalents	The Bank of New York Mellon	AA-	721
Total			721
At 31 December 2017			

Financial assets	Counterparty	Credit Rating	EUR
Forward foreign exchange contracts	The Bank of New York Mellon	AA-	13,314
Futures contracts	The Royal Bank of Scotland	BBB+	27,900
Debt securities	The Bank of New York Mellon	A	2,700,569
		A-	4,065,302
		A+	10,796,127
		AA	4,034,869
		AA-	8,710,029
		AAA	3,411,157
		BBB	529,264
		BBB+	4,619,080
Cash and cash equivalents	The Bank of New York Mellon	AA-	694,005
Cash and cash equivalents	The Royal Bank of Scotland	BBB+	293,124
Total			39,894,740

# Notes to the Financial Statements (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

# 7. Risk associated with financial instruments (continued)

# (b) Credit risk and collateral provided (continued)

# Nippon Growth (UCITS) Fund

## At 31 December 2018

Financial assets	Counterparty	<b>Credit Rating</b>	JPY
Cash and cash equivalents	The Bank of New York Mellon	AA-	2,449,542
Total			2,449,542
At 31 December 2017			
Financial assets	Counterparty	<b>Credit Rating</b>	JPY
Forward foreign exchange contract	s The Bank of New York Mellon	AA-	1,408,771
Cash and cash equivalents	The Bank of New York Mellon	AA-	16,486,311
Total			17,895,082

# **Strategic Europe Value Fund**

Financial assets	Counterparty	Credit Rating	EUR
Forward foreign exchange contracts	The Bank of New York Mellon	AA-	44,869
Cash and cash equivalents	The Bank of New York Mellon	AA-	34,916,688
Cash and cash equivalents	The Royal Bank of Scotland	BBB-	1,280,351
Total		_	36,241,908

# Notes to the Financial Statements (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

# 7. Risk associated with financial instruments (continued)

# (b) Credit risk and collateral provided (continued)

**Strategic Europe Value Fund (continued)** 

## At 31 December 2017

Financial assets	Counterparty	Credit Rating	EUR
Forward foreign exchange contracts	The Bank of New York Mellon	AA-	102,282
Options contracts	The Royal Bank of Scotland	BBB+	988,333
Cash and cash equivalents	The Bank of New York Mellon	AA-	1,368,983
Cash and cash equivalents	The Royal Bank of Scotland	BBB+	11,192
Total			2,470,790

## **Strategic Global Bond Fund**

## At 31 December 2018

Financial assets	Counterparty	Credit Rating	USD
Cash and cash equivalents	The Bank of New York Mellon	AA-	1,167
Total		_	1,167

Financial assets	Counterparty	Credit Rating	USD
Debt securities	The Bank of New York Mellon	A	4,018,639
		A-	2,029,365
		A+	3,942,445
		AA	2,499,215
		AA-	3,188,834
		AA+	750,470
		AAA	8,406,459
		BBB	1,072,879
		BBB+	2,534,672
		BBB-	1,156,250
Cash and cash equivalents	The Bank of New York Mellon	AA-	871,987
Cash and cash equivalents	The Royal Bank of Scotland	BBB+	154,427
Total	•		30,625,642

# Notes to the Financial Statements (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

# 7. Risk associated with financial instruments (continued)

# (b) Credit risk and collateral provided (continued)

## Strategic US Momentum and Value Fund

## At 31 December 2018

Financial assets	Counterparty	Credit Rating	USD
Cash and cash equivalents	The Bank of New York Mellon	AA-	2,537
Total		_	2,537
At 31 December 2017			
Financial assets	Counterparty	<b>Credit Rating</b>	USD
Forward foreign exchange contracts	The Bank of New York Mellon	AA-	83,926
Options contracts	The Royal Bank of Scotland	BBB+	42,000
Cash and cash equivalents	The Bank of New York Mellon	AA-	15,147,405
Cash and cash equivalents	The Royal Bank of Scotland	BBB+	3,454,310

18,727,641

## **Strategic Global Quality Fund**

## At 31 December 2018

**Total** 

Financial assets	Counterparty	Credit Rating	USD
Forward foreign exchange contracts Cash and cash equivalents Cash and cash equivalents Total	The Bank of New York Mellon The Bank of New York Mellon The Royal Bank of Scotland	AA- AA- BBB-	30,731 3,052,462 2,74,204 3,357,397
20002		-	3,331,371

Financial assets	Counterparty	Credit Rating	USD
Forward foreign exchange contracts	The Bank of New York Mellon	AA-	102,700
Options contracts	The Royal Bank of Scotland	BBB+	83,592
Cash and cash equivalents	The Bank of New York Mellon	AA-	1,304,439
Cash and cash equivalents	The Royal Bank of Scotland	BBB+	3,211
Total			1,493,942

# **Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)** For the year ended 31 December 2018

#### 7. Risk associated with financial instruments (continued)

# (b) Credit risk and collateral provided (continued)

# **Strategic European Smaller Companies Fund**

At 31 December 2018			
Financial assets	Counterparty	Credit Rating	EUR
Forward foreign exchange contracts Cash and cash equivalents Total  At 31 December 2017	The Bank of New York Mellon The Bank of New York Mellon	AA- AA-	2,353 11,902,688 11,905,041
Financial assets	Counterparty	Credit Rating	EUR
Forward foreign exchange contracts Cash and cash equivalents Total Strategic Quality Emerging Bond	The Bank of New York Mellon	AA- AA-	4,964 6,707,810 6,712,774
At 31 December 2018			
Financial assets	Counterparty	Credit Rating	USD
Cash and cash equivalents  Total	The Bank of New York Mellon	AA-	936 936
At 31 December 2017			
Financial assets	Counterparty	Credit Rating	USD

Financial assets	Counterparty	<b>Credit Rating</b>	USD
Forward foreign exchange contracts	The Bank of New York Mellon	AA-	213,327
Debt securities	The Bank of New York Mellon	A-	1,614,244
		A+	2,739,706
		A	1,775,500
		BB+	7,189,805
		BBB	4,800,553
		BBB-	18,876,810
		BBB+	1,023,230
Cash and cash equivalents	The Bank of New York Mellon	AA-	1,350,114
Cash and cash equivalents	The Royal Bank of Scotland	BBB+	126,095
Total			39,709,384

# **Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)** For the year ended 31 December 2018

#### 7. Risk associated with financial instruments (continued)

# (b) Credit risk and collateral provided (continued)

# Strategic Beta Flex Fund

## At 31 December 2017

Financial assets	Counterparty	<b>Credit Rating</b>	EUR
Futures contracts	The Royal Bank of Scotland	BBB+	3,525
Cash and cash equivalents	The Bank of New York Mellon	AA-	66,357
Cash and cash equivalents	The Royal Bank of Scotland	BBB+	2,452,856
Total			2,522,738
Strategic Japan Opportunities 1	Fund		

#### At 31 December 2018

Financial assets	Counterparty	Credit Rating	JPY
Forward foreign exchange contracts	The Bank of New York Mellon	AA-	39,499
Cash and cash equivalents	The Bank of New York Mellon	AA-	214,618,477
Total			214,657,976

Financial assets	Counterparty	Credit Rating	JPY
Forward foreign exchange contracts	The Bank of New York Mellon	AA-	2,131,773
Cash and cash equivalents	The Bank of New York Mellon	AA-	709,564,957
Total			711,696,730

## Notes to the Financial Statements (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

#### 7. Risk associated with financial instruments (continued)

#### (b) Credit risk and collateral provided (continued)

#### **Strategic Bond Opportunities Fund**

Financial assets	Counterparty	<b>Credit Rating</b>	USD
Forward foreign exchange contracts	s The Bank of New York Mellon	AA-	8,441
Debt securities	The Bank of New York Mellon	A	2,266,637
		A-	4,943,915
		A+	6,118,543
		AA	734,120
		AA-	1,956,560
		AAA	17,470,231
		BB	745,127
		BB+	2,542,619
		BBB	6,630,426
		BBB-	8,434,054
		BBB+	2,695,198
		NR	3,892,131
Cash and cash equivalents	The Bank of New York Mellon	AA-	788,830
Total			59,226,832

#### **Sturdza Family Fund**

Counterparty	Credit Rating	USD
The Bank of New York Mellon	AA-	16,912
The Bank of New York Mellon	AAA	54,836,672
The Bank of New York Mellon	AA-	6,194,238
		61,047,822
	The Bank of New York Mellon The Bank of New York Mellon	Counterparty Credit Rating  The Bank of New York Mellon The Bank of New York Mellon The Bank of New York Mellon AAA AA- AA-

#### Amounts due from and to brokers

For the purpose of providing margin or collateral in respect of transactions in techniques and instruments, the Company may transfer, mortgage, charge or encumber any assets or cash forming part of the relevant Sub-Fund in accordance with normal market practice. Collateral received and any investment of such collateral must meet the requirements of the Central Bank as set out in the Central Bank's UCITS Regulations. Collateral received on a title transfer basis should be held by the Depositary. For other types of collateral arrangement, the collateral can be held by a third party Depositary which is subject to prudential supervision, and which is unrelated to the provider of the collateral. Non-cash collateral cannot be sold, pledged or re-invested. Cash collateral may only be reinvested in:

- (i) deposits with relevant institutions;
- (ii) high-quality government bonds;
- (iii) reverse repurchase agreements provided the transactions are with credit institutions subject to prudential supervision and the Sub-Fund is able to recall at any time the full amount of cash on an accrued basis; and,
- (iv) short-term money market funds as defined in the ESMA Guidelines on a Common Definition of European Money Market Funds.

## Notes to the Financial Statements (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

#### 7. Risk associated with financial instruments (continued)

#### (b) Credit risk and collateral provided (continued)

In addition, all reinvested cash collateral must be diversified in terms of country, market and issuers. This diversification requirement is deemed satisfied if the maximum exposure to any given issuer is 20% of the Sub-Fund's net asset value. Where the Sub-Fund is exposed to different counterparties, the different baskets of collateral should be aggregated to calculate the 20% limit of exposure to a single issuer.

The level of collateral required to be posted may vary by counterparty with which the Sub-Fund trades. The haircut policy applied to posted collateral will be negotiated on a counterparty basis and will vary depending on the class of asset received by the Sub-Fund, taking into account the credit standing and price volatility of the relevant counterparty.

#### Concentration risk: Sector wise allocation of debt securities

The portfolio of investments held by the Strategic Bond Opportunities Fund and Sturdza Family Fund as at 31 December 2018 and by the Strategic Euro Bond Fund, Strategic Global Bond Fund and Strategic Quality Emerging Bond Fund as at 31 December 2017 included debt securities. The following table shows the allocation of debt securities by sectors at 31 December 2018 and 31 December 2017:

Sector	SBOF 2018	SFF 2018	SEBF 2017	SGBF 2017	SQBF 2017
Basic materials	5.71%	-	2.70%	7.28%	32.18%
Communications	11.04%	_	8.25%	15.96%	10.29%
Consumer, Cyclical	7.88%	-	20.44%	15.23%	4.05%
Consumer, Non-Cyclical	4.75%	-	13.01%	10.16%	4.11%
Energy	8.81%	_	11.80%	4.21%	22.06%
Financial	17.52%	_	3.83%	6.72%	13.48%
Industrial	0.00%	-	13.91%	0.00%	2.89%
Sovereign	35.87%	100.00%	4.57%	25.87%	10.94%
Technology	-	_	2.71%	5.93%	-
Utilities	7.10%	_	18.78%	8.64%	-
Diversified	1.33%	-	-	-	-
	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%

The Sturdza Family Fund's investment in debt securities comprised 30.26% of its net asset value as at 31 December 2018.

#### (c) Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that an entity will encounter difficulty in meeting obligations associated with financial liabilities.

The Company's Prospectus provides for the daily creation and cancellation of shares for the Strategic China Panda Fund, Nippon Growth (UCITS) Fund, Strategic Europe Value Fund, Strategic Global Quality Fund, Strategic Japan Opportunities Fund, Strategic Bond Opportunities Fund, Sturdza Family Fund and weekly for the Strategic European Smaller Companies Fund and, it is therefore exposed to the liquidity risk of meeting shareholder redemptions at any time. The Company therefore invests the majority of its assets in investments that are traded in an active market and can be readily disposed of.

## Notes to the Financial Statements (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

#### 7. Risk associated with financial instruments (continued)

#### (c) Liquidity risk (continued)

The Company's financial instruments also comprise investments in derivative contracts traded over-the-counter, which are not traded in an organised public market and which generally may be illiquid. As a result, the Company may not be able to liquidate quickly some of its investments in these instruments at an amount close to its fair value in order to meet its liquidity requirements, or to respond to specific events such as deterioration in the credit worthiness of any particular issuer.

The Company has also obtained an overdraft facility in order to manage its short-term liquidity requirements. Details of the overdraft facility are outlined in Note 10.

All of the Company's financial liabilities at 31 December 2018 and 31 December 2017 are payable within one month including liabilities on outstanding forward foreign exchange contracts. Please see the following table for notional value of forward foreign exchange contracts:

At 31 December 2018	Fair Value/ Notional Value EUR	Less than 1 month EUR	1 - 3 months EUR		More than 3 months EUR
Derivative financial					
liabilities settled net					
Forward foreign exchange contracts					
(Notional Value):	(105.545.151)	(105.546.161)			
- Outflows	(127,546,161)	(127,546,161)		-	-
- Inflows	127,509,961	127,509,961		-	-
Total	(36,200)	(36,200)		-	-
At 31 December 2017	Fair Value/ Notional Value EUR	Less than 1 month EUR	1 - 3 months EUR		More than 3 months EUR
Derivative financial	LUK	LUK	LUK		ECK
liabilities settled net					
Forward foreign exchange contracts					
(Notional Value):					
- Outflows	(151,191,947)	(151,191,947)		-	-
- Inflows	151,787,789	151,787,789		-	-
Total	595,842	595,842		-	_

## Notes to the Financial Statements (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

#### 7. Risk associated with financial instruments (continued)

#### (d) Derivatives

The Company engages in transactions in derivative financial instruments for the purpose of efficient portfolio management. Forward foreign exchange contracts are entered into for speculative purposes or to hedge the Company's currency risk. Futures contracts are entered into for speculative purposes or to hedge the Company's market risk. Efficient portfolio management techniques include futures contracts, forward foreign exchange contracts and options contracts. The derivative counterparty for forward foreign exchange contracts is The Bank of New York Mellon and for futures and options contracts The Royal Bank of Scotland.

Forward foreign exchange contracts and futures contracts

Forward foreign exchange contracts and futures are commitments either to purchase or sell a designated financial instrument, currency, commodity or an index at a specified future date for a specified price and may be settled in cash or another financial asset. Forward foreign exchange contracts are individually traded overthe-counter contracts and result in credit exposure to the counterparty.

Forward foreign exchange contracts and futures result in exposure to market risk based on changes in market prices relative to contracted amounts. Market risks arise due to the possible movement in foreign currency exchange rates, indices, and securities' values underlying these instruments. In addition, because of the low margin deposits normally required in relation to notional contract sizes, a high degree of leverage may be typical of a futures or forward trading account. As a result, a relatively small price movement in an underlying of a futures or forward contract may result in substantial losses to the Company. Forward foreign exchange contracts are generally traded over-the-counter and therefore are subject to greater liquidity risk.

If prices fluctuate during a single day's trading beyond those limits, the Company could be prevented from promptly liquidating unfavourable positions and thus could be subject to substantial losses.

Notional amounts are the underlying reference amounts to stock exchange indices, equities and foreign currencies upon which the fair value of the forward foreign exchange and future contracts traded by the Company are based. While notional amounts do not represent the current fair value and are not necessarily indicative of the future cash flows of the Company's forward foreign exchange, the underlying price changes in relation to the variables specified by the notional amounts affect the fair value of these derivative financial instruments.

#### **Options**

The Company may purchase and sell put and call options through listed exchanges and OTC markets. Options purchased by the Company provide it with the opportunity to purchase or sell the underlying asset at an agreed-upon value either on or before the expiration of the option. The options may be traded on recognised exchanges and OTC markets and are valued by reference to last traded price or quoted prices, respectively.

# Notes to the Financial Statements (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

## 7. Risk associated with financial instruments (continued)

#### (d) Derivatives (continued)

(i) Forward foreign exchange contracts

## Strategic China Panda Fund

As at 31 December 2018, the Sub-Fund held the following forward foreign exchange contracts:

Bought amount	Sold amount	Maturity date	Unrealised gain/(loss)
			USD
HKD 1,800,000	USD (229,848)	3/1/2019	56
CHF 742,711	USD (753,253)	31/1/2019	2,081
EUR 14,994	USD (17,160)	3/1/2019	(20)
EUR 14,662,912	USD (16,786,007)	31/1/2019	14,975
EUR 32,582	USD (37,260)	31/1/2019	73
EUR 14,994	USD (17,200)	31/1/2019	(20)
USD 17,160	EUR (14,994)	3/1/2019	20
USD 380,709	EUR (332,913)	31/1/2019	(746)
USD 34,080	EUR (29,768)	31/1/2019	(29)
USD 17,200	EUR (14,994)	31/1/2019	20
GBP 534,980	USD (681,607)	31/1/2019	683
CHF 1,874,157	USD (1,900,758)	31/1/2019	5,252
EUR 10,909,245	USD (12,488,833)	31/1/2019	11,142
EUR 302,612	USD (346,428)	31/1/2019	309
		-	33,796

## As at 31 December 2017, the Sub-Fund held the following forward foreign exchange contracts:

Bought amount	Sold amount	Maturity date	Unrealised gain/(loss)
-		-	USD
USD 580,000	HKD (4,534,009)	3/1/2018	3
CHF 353,032	USD (359,313)	31/1/2018	3,648
EUR 63,223	USD (75,238)	2/1/2018	664
EUR 19,960	USD (23,855)	3/1/2018	113
EUR 22,024,923	USD (26,301,712)	31/1/2018	188,382
EUR 9,980	USD (11,896)	31/1/2018	107
USD 11,877	EUR (9,980)	2/1/2018	(105)
USD 75,361	EUR (63,223)	31/1/2018	(679)
USD 23,895	EUR (19,960)	31/1//2018	(112)
GBP 550,075	USD (738,887)	31/1//2018	5,890
EUR 1,584	USD (1,893)	3/1/2018	9
EUR 6,030,527	USD (7,201,532)	31/1//2018	51,580
USD 1,896	EUR (1,584)	31/1//2018	(9)
			249,491

## Notes to the Financial Statements (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

## 7. Risk associated with financial instruments (continued)

#### (d) Derivatives (continued)

(i) Forward foreign exchange contracts (continued)

#### **Strategic Euro Bond Fund**

As at 31 December 2017, the Sub-Fund held the following forward foreign exchange contracts:

Bought amount	Sold amount	Maturity date	Unrealised gain/(loss)
			EUR
CHF 228,165	EUR (194,241)	3/1/2018	648
CHF 1,245,267	EUR (1,065,773)	3/1/2018	(2,118)
CHF 4,661,059	EUR (3,973,248)	31/1//2018	11,148
EUR 194,251	CHF (228,165)	31/1//2018	(790)
EUR 1,066,005	CHF (1,245,267)	31/1//2018	1,518
			10,406

#### Nippon Growth (UCITS) Fund

As at 31 December 2018, the Sub-Fund held the following forward foreign exchange contracts:

Bought amount	Sold amount	Maturity date	Unrealised gain/(loss) JPY
EUR 156,124	JPY (19,687,012)	31/1/2019	(97,396)
EUR 1,714,069	JPY (216,141,745)	31/1/2019	(1,069,307)
		_	(1,166,703)

#### As at 31 December 2017, the Sub-Fund held the following forward foreign exchange contracts:

Bought amount	Sold amount	Maturity date	Unrealised gain/(loss) JPY
EUR 644,260	JPY (86,888,953)	31/1//2018	290,390
EUR 2,481,251	JPY (334,637,072)	31/1//2018	1,118,381
			1,408,771

# Notes to the Financial Statements (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

# 7. Risk associated with financial instruments (continued)

# (d) Derivatives (continued)

(i) Forward foreign exchange contracts (continued)

# **Strategic Europe Value Fund**

As at 31 December 2018, the Sub-Fund held the following forward foreign exchange contracts:

Bought amount	Sold amount	Maturity date	Unrealised gain/(loss)
			EUR
EUR 3,539,264	JPY (448,000,000)	7/1/2019	(31,530)
EUR 3,114,640	JPY (394,000,000)	8/1/2019	(25,740)
CHF 2,399	EUR (2,130)	3/1/2019	(2)
CHF 23,484,069	EUR (20,811,283)	31/1/2019	32,672
EUR 2,131	CHF (2,399)	31/1/2019	1
USD 1,248,306	EUR (1,090,192)	31/1/2019	(746)
CHF 5,794,415	EUR (5,134,937)	31/1/2019	8,062
GBP 9,241,780	EUR (10,282,484)	31/1/2019	4,133
USD 183,390	EUR (160,161)	31/1/2019	(109)
USD 3,475,686	EUR (3,035,446)	31/1/2019	(2,076)
USD 300,000	EUR (262,042)	31/1/2019	(220)
			(15,555)

# Notes to the Financial Statements (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

# 7. Risk associated with financial instruments (continued)

#### (d) Derivatives (continued)

(i) Forward foreign exchange contracts (continued)

#### **Strategic Europe Value Fund (continued)**

As at 31 December 2017, the Sub-Fund held the following forward foreign exchange contracts:

Bought amount	Sold amount	Maturity date	Unrealised gain/(loss)
			EUR
CHF 113,406	EUR (96,544)	3/1/2018	322
CHF 25,992	EUR (22,245)	3/1/2018	(44)
CHF 32,055,588	EUR (27,325,294)	31/1/2018	76,668
EUR 96,550	CHF (113,406)	31/1/2018	(393)
EUR 22,250	CHF (25,992)	31/1/2018	32
USD 22,992	EUR (19,356)	31/1/2018	(240)
USD 1,466,076	EUR (1,228,065)	31/1/2018	(9,124)
CHF 73,819	EUR (62,843)	3/1/2018	210
CHF 8,395,532	EUR (7,156,642)	31/1/2018	20,079
EUR 62,847	CHF (73,819)	31/1/2018	(256)
EUR 80,561	GBP (71,399)	31/1/2018	185
EUR 279,968	GBP (248,814)	31/1/2018	(131)
GBP 248,814	EUR (280,212)	2/1/2018	104
GBP 14,707,950	EUR (16,552,836)	31/1/2018	4,393
EUR 23,245	USD (27,612)	31/1/2018	288
USD 1,419,062	EUR (1,188,683)	31/1/2018	(8,830)
USD 4,927,972	EUR (4,127,935)	31/1/2018	(30,669)
		<u> </u>	52,594

### Notes to the Financial Statements (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

### 7. Risk associated with financial instruments (continued)

#### (d) Derivatives (continued)

(i) Forward foreign exchange contracts (continued)

### Strategic US Momentum and Value Fund

As at 31 December 2017, the Sub-Fund held the following forward foreign exchange contracts:

Bought amount	Sold amount	Maturity date	Unrealised gain/(loss)
			USD
CHF 8,464	USD (8,575)	3/1/2018	106
CHF 6,992,004	USD (7,116,394)	31/1/2018	72,244
USD 8,590	CHF (8,464)	31/1/2018	(112)
EUR 1,353,378	USD (1,616,176)	31/1/2018	11,576
USD 13,613	EUR (11,463)	31/1/2018	(174)
		_	83,640

#### **Strategic Global Quality Fund**

As at 31 December 2018, the Sub-Fund held the following forward foreign exchange contracts:

Bought amount	Sold amount	Maturity date	Unrealised gain/(loss)
			USD
CHF 10,279,861	USD (10,425,773)	31/1/2019	28,807
EUR 754,636	USD (863,902)	31/1/2019	771
EUR 1,129,042	USD (1,292,520)	31/1/2019	1,153
		_	30,731

As at 31 December 2017, the Sub-Fund held the following forward foreign exchange contracts:

Bought amount	Sold amount	Maturity date	Unrealised gain/(loss)
			USD
CHF 9,452,837	USD (9,621,006)	31/1/2018	97,670
EUR 294,008	USD (351,099)	31/1/2018	5,030
			102,700

### Notes to the Financial Statements (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

### 7. Risk associated with financial instruments (continued)

#### (d) Derivatives (continued)

(i) Forward foreign exchange contracts (continued)

#### Strategic European Smaller Companies Fund

As at 31 December 2018, the Sub-Fund held the following forward foreign exchange contracts:

Bought amount	Sold amount	Maturity date	Unrealised gain/(loss)
			EUR
CHF 1,691,187	EUR (1,498,708)	31/1/2019	2,353
		_	2,353

As at 31 December 2017, the Sub-Fund held the following forward foreign exchange contracts:

Bought amount	Sold amount	Maturity date	Unrealised gain/(loss)
			EUR
CHF 2,063,416	EUR (1,758,928)	31/1/2018	4,935
CHF 55,953	EUR (47,801)	31/1/2018	29
EUR 19,120	CHF (22,381)	31/1/2018	(12)
			4,952

#### **Strategic Quality Emerging Bond Fund**

As at 31 December 2017, the Sub-Fund held the following forward foreign exchange contracts:

Bought amount	Sold amount	Maturity date	Unrealised gain/(loss)
			USD
CHF 10,716,762	USD (10,907,417)	31/1/2018	110,730
EUR 10,310,194	USD (12,312,223)	31/1/2018	88,184
EUR 770,000	USD (921,793)	31/1/2018	4,314
USD 920,266	EUR (770,000)	3/1/2018	(4,350)
USD 23,713	EUR (19,968)	31/1/2018	(303)
EUR 1,180,741	USD (1,410,017)	31/1/2018	10,099
			208,674

### Notes to the Financial Statements (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

### 7. Risk associated with financial instruments (continued)

#### (d) Derivatives (continued)

(i) Forward foreign exchange contracts (continued)

### **Strategic Japan Opportunities Fund**

As at 31 December 2018, the Sub-Fund held the following forward foreign exchange contracts:

Bought amount	Sold amount	Maturity date	Unrealised gain/(loss)
			JPY
EUR 24,957	JPY (3,155,536)	7/1/2019	(24,353)
EUR 4,320,771	JPY (544,843,255)	31/1/2019	(2,695,474)
EUR 89,360	JPY (11,294,814)	31/1/2019	(82,319)
JPY 3,156,953	EUR (24,957)	31/1/2019	25,461
JPY 1,477,276	USD (13,362)	31/1/2019	14,037
USD 13,362	JPY (1,480,114)	7/1/2019	(14,089)
USD 5,766,968	JPY (635,254,847)	31/1/2019	(3,732,369)
USD 120,805	JPY (13,312,748)	31/1/2019	(83,811)
EUR 1,441,601	JPY (181,783,899)	31/1/2019	(899,330)
EUR 29,936	JPY (3,783,843)	31/1/2019	(27,578)
USD 2,136,006	JPY (235,289,752)	31/1/2019	(1,382,419)
USD 44,950	JPY (4,953,572)	31/1/2019	(31,185)
		_	(8,933,429)

### As at 31 December 2017, the Sub-Fund held the following forward foreign exchange contracts:

Bought amount	Sold amount	Maturity date	Unrealised gain/(loss)
			JPY
EUR 4,676,770	JPY (630,738,443)	31/1/2018	2,107,974
EUR 20,331	JPY (2,727,268)	31/1/2018	23,799
USD 6,449,896	JPY (728,462,622)	31/1/2018	(2,804,533)
USD 4,442,679	JPY (501,763,997)	31/1/2018	(1,931,758)
		_	(2,604,518)

### Notes to the Financial Statements (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

### 7. Risk associated with financial instruments (continued)

#### (d) Derivatives (continued)

(i) Forward foreign exchange contracts (continued)

### **Strategic Bond Opportunities Fund**

As at 31 December 2018, the Sub-Fund held the following forward foreign exchange contracts:

Bought amount	Sold amount	Maturity date	Unrealised gain/(loss)
			JPY
USD 10,098,327	EUR (8,833,000)	31/1/2019	(22,622)
CHF 1,929,808	USD (1,957,199)	31/1/2019	5,408
EUR 109,765	USD (125,658)	31/1/2019	112
EUR 657,365	USD (752,547)	31/1/2019	671
USD 137,985	EUR (120,662)	31/1/2019	(271)
EUR 2,203,176	USD (2,522,181)	31/1/2019	2,250
		_	(14,452)

#### **Sturdza Family Fund**

Bought amount	Sold amount	Maturity date	Unrealised gain/(loss)
			JPY
CHF 537,652	USD (546,429)	3/1/2019	(1,220)
CHF 3,707,788	USD (3,760,416)	31/1/2019	10,390
USD 547,847	CHF (537,652)	31/1/2019	1,051
EUR 3,057,587	USD (3,500,306)	31/1/2019	3,123
EUR 2,299,297	USD (2,632,220)	31/1/2019	2,348
		<u> </u>	15,692

#### (ii) Futures contracts

As at 31 December 2018, none of the Company's Sub-Funds held futures contracts.

#### **Strategic Euro Bond Fund**

As at 31 December 2017, the Sub-Fund held the following futures contracts:

Contracts	Description	Notional	Maturity date	Unrealised gain/(loss) EUR
(20)	EUR-BOBL FUTURE MAR18	2,632,200	8/3/2018	14,600
(10)	EUR-BUND FUTURE MAR18	1.616.800	8/3/2018	13.300

### Notes to the Financial Statements (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

#### 7. Risk associated with financial instruments (continued)

#### (d) Derivatives (continued)

(ii) Futures contracts(continued)

#### Strategic Beta Flex Fund

As at 31 December 2017, the Sub-Fund maintained exposure to the following futures contracts:

Contracts	Description	Notional	Maturity date	Unrealised gain/(loss) EUR
(1,026)	STOXX EUROPE 600 MAR18	19,832,580	16/3/2018	(6,640)

#### (iii) Options contracts

As at 31 December 2018, none of the Company's Sub-Funds held option positons.

As at 31 December 2017, the Company maintained exposure to the following option positions within the portfolio for the Strategic US Momentum and Value Fund:

March 2018 Strike Price: 230 Call Options on United Health Group Inc 100 contracts

As at 31 December 2017, the Company maintained exposure to the following option positions within the portfolio for the Strategic Europe Value Fund:

June 2018	Strike Price: 2,600	Put Option on S&P 500 Index	36 contracts
June 2018	Strike Price: 310	Put Option on Tesla Inc	310 contracts

As at 31 December 2017, the Company maintained exposure to the following option positions within the portfolio for the Strategic Global Quality Fund:

June 2018	Strike Price: 2,600	Put Option on S&P 500 Index	3 contracts
June 2018	Strike Price: 310	Put Option on Tesla Inc	21 contracts

As at 31 December 2017, the Investment Manager considered the residual risk inherent in holding option positions to be insignificant. The options held represented a hedge within the portfolio to the risk factor exposures to which the Strategic US Momentum and Value Fund, Strategic Europe Value Fund and Strategic Global Quality Fund were exposed. As a consequence, the Investment Manager considered these option positions to be covered option positions.

### Notes to the Financial Statements (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

### 7. Risk associated with financial instruments (continued)

#### (d) Derivatives (continued)

(iv) Offsetting financial instruments

#### **31 December 2018**

Financial assets which are subject to enforceable master netting arrangements or similar agreements are detailed in the following table (presented in each of the Sub-Fund's functional currency):

						Gross amounts	not offset	
						in the State	ment of	
						Financial P	osition	
Sub-Fund	Sub-Fund's Functional Currency	Description of type of Financial Assets	Gross amount of recognised Financial Assets	Gross amount of Financial Liabilities offset in the Statement of Financial Position	Net amount of Financial Assets presented in the Statement of Financial Position	Financial instruments	Cash Collateral received	Net amount
SCPF	USD	Derivatives	34,611	_	34,611	(815)	-	33,796
SEVF	EUR	Derivatives	44,869	-	44,869	(44,869)	-	-
SGQF	USD	Derivatives	30,731	-	30,731	-	_	30,731
SESF	EUR	Derivatives	2,353	-	2,353	-	_	2,353
SJOF	JPY	Derivatives	39,499	-	39,499	(39,499)	-	-
SBOF	USD	Derivatives	8,441	-	8,441	(8,441)	-	-
SFF	USD	Derivatives	16,912	-	16,912	(1,220)	-	15,692

Financial liabilities which are subject to enforceable master netting arrangements or similar agreements are detailed in the following table (presented in each of the Sub-Fund's functional currency):

						Gross amounts	s not offset	
						in the State	ment of	
						Financial P	Position	
					Net amount of			
				Gross amount	Financial			
			Gross	of Financial	Liabilities			
		Description of	amount of	Assets offset in	presented in the			
	Sub-Fund's	type of	recognised	the Statement of	Statement of		Cash	
	Functional	Financial	Financial	Financial	Financial	Financial	Collateral	Net
Sub-Fund	Currency	Liabilities	Liabilities	Position	Position	instruments	pledged	amount
SCPF	USD	Derivatives	(815)	-	(815)	815	-	-
NGUF	JPY	Derivatives	(1,166,703)	-	(1,166,703)	-	-	(1,166,703)
SEVF	EUR	Derivatives	(60,424)	-	(60,424)	44,869	-	(15,555)
SJOF	JPY	Derivatives	(8,972,928)	-	(8,972,928)	39,499	-	(8,933,429)
SBOF	USD	Derivatives	(22,893)	-	(22,893)	8,441	-	(14,452)
SFF	USD	Derivatives	(1,220)	-	(1,220)	1,220	-	-

### Notes to the Financial Statements (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

### 7. Risk associated with financial instruments (continued)

### (d) Derivatives (continued)

(iv) Offsetting financial instruments (continued)

#### **31 December 2017**

Financial assets which are subject to enforceable master netting arrangements or similar agreements are detailed in the following table (presented in each of the Sub-Fund's functional currency):

						Gross amounts	not offset	
						in the State		
						Financial P	osition	
Sub-Fund	Sub-Fund's Functional	Description of type of Financial Assets	Gross amount of recognised Financial Assets	Gross amount of Financial Liabilities offset in the Statement of Financial Position	Net amount of Financial Assets presented in the Statement of Financial Position	Financial instruments	Cash Collateral received	Net amount
Sub-Fulld	Currency	Assets	Assets	Fosition	FOSITION	mstruments	received	amount
SCPF	USD	Derivatives	250,395	-	250,395	(904)	-	249,491
SEBF	EUR	Derivatives	41,214	-	41,214	(2,908)	-	38,306
NGUF	JPY	Derivatives	1,408,771	-	1,408,771	-	-	1,408,771
SEVF	EUR	Derivatives	1,090,615	-	1,090,615	(49,688)	-	1,040,927
SMVF	USD	Derivatives	125,926	-	125,926	(286)	-	125,640
SGQF	USD	Derivatives	186,292	-	186,292	-	-	186,292
SQBF	USD	Derivatives	213,327	-	213,327	(4,653)	-	208,674
SESF	EUR	Derivatives	4,964	-	4,964	(12)	-	4,952
SBXF	EUR	Derivatives	3,525	-	3,525	(3,525)	-	-
SJOF	JPY	Derivatives	2,131,773	-	2,131,773	(2,131,773)	-	-

### Notes to the Financial Statements (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

#### 7. Risk associated with financial instruments (continued)

#### (d) Derivatives (continued)

(iv) Offsetting financial instruments (continued)

#### 31 December 2017 (continued)

Financial liabilities which are subject to enforceable master netting arrangements or similar agreements are detailed in the following table (presented in each of the Sub-Fund's functional currency):

						Gross amo	ounts not	
						offset in the	Statement	
						of Financia	l Position	
					Net amount of			
				Gross amount of	Financial			
			Gross	Financial Assets	Liabilities			
		Description of	amount of	offset in the	presented in the			
	Sub-Fund's	type of	recognised	Statement of	Statement of		Cash	
	Functional	Financial	Financial	Financial	Financial	Financial	Collateral	Net
Sub-Fund	Currency	Liabilities	Liabilities	Position	Position	instruments	pledged	amount
SCPF	USD	Derivatives	(904)	-	(904)	904	-	-
SEBF	EUR	Derivatives	(2,908)	-	(2,908)	2,908	-	-
SEVF	EUR	Derivatives	(49,688)	-	(49,688)	49,688	-	-
SMVF	USD	Derivatives	(286)	-	(286)	286	-	-
SQBF	USD	Derivatives	(4,653)	-	(4,653)	4,653	-	-
SESF	EUR	Derivatives	(12)	-	(12)	12	-	-
SBXF	EUR	Derivatives	(10,165)	-	(10,165)	3,525	-	(6,640)
SJOF	JPY	Derivatives	(4,736,291)	-	(4,736,291)	2,131,773	-	(2,604,518)

The Strategic Global Bond Fund did not hold any financial assets and liabilities subject to enforceable master netting arrangements or similar agreements as at 31 December 2017.

#### 8. Securities lending

On 14 August 2017, the Company on behalf of Strategic China Panda Fund, Strategic Europe Value Fund, Nippon Growth (UCITS) Fund, Strategic Global Quality Fund, Strategic US Momentum and Value Fund, Strategic European Smaller Companies Fund and Strategic Japan Opportunities Fund engaged in a securities lending program in accordance with an agreement with BNY Mellon Trust Company (Ireland) Limited (the "Depositary") and The Bank of New York Melon (the "Bank"), a related party to the Depositary, as securities lending agent. The Company is allowed to lend securities with a value of up to 15% of the net asset value of each Sub-Fund per borrower. The Company received collateral in the form of government securities, equities, certificates of deposit and cash against the loaned securities.

During the year, the securities lending agreement was amended to exclude the Strategic US Momentum and Value Fund and include the Sturdza Family Fund.

### Notes to the Financial Statements (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

#### 8. Securities lending (continued)

The Company is entitled to 70% of such securities lending income and the Bank is entitled to 30% of the securities lending income as its fee under the agreement. The Bank met any additional custody charges and other operating costs incurred under this agreement out of its own fee.

Collateral held on behalf of the Company has a minimum margin of between 102% and 105% of the value of the securities on loan.

The below table lists the income earned from securities lending transactions for the year ended 31 December 2018 and 31 December 2017:

	2018	2017
Strategic China Panda Fund	USD 64,405	USD 1,066
Nippon Growth (UCITS) Fund	JPY 903,462	JPY 95,211
Strategic Europe Value Fund	EUR 180,476	EUR 29,118
Strategic European Smaller Companies Fund	EUR 175,320	EUR 7,278
Strategic Global Quality Fund	USD 7,619	USD 357
Strategic US Momentum and Value Fund	USD 16,724	USD 1,043
Strategic Japan Opportunities Fund	JPY 29,906,485	JPY 3,659,827
Total	EUR 668,103	EUR 68,033

The securities lending income is included under Other income in the Statement of Comprehensive Income.

The details of securities loaned and related collateral balances at year-end are disclosed in the unaudited reporting requirements in respect of the Securities Financing Transactions Regulation section of the financial statements.

#### 9. Net gain/(loss) from efficient portfolio management techniques

The below tables list the net gains and losses from derivatives which are used for efficient portfolio management for the year ended 31 December 2018 and 31 December 2017.

#### 31 December 2018

JI December 2010							
	Total	SCPF	SEBF <sup>(2)</sup>	NGUF	SEVF	SGBF <sup>(2)</sup>	SMVF <sup>(2)</sup>
	EUR	USD	EUR	JPY	EUR	USD	USD
Command foreign anabanga							
Forward foreign exchange contracts	3,440,912	2,519,283	(38,906)	29,806,857	(1,504,121)	46	653,734
Futures contracts	525,371	-	259,287	-	-	(157,573)	-
Options contracts	(1,434,087)	-	-	-	(829,184)	-	(627,929)
Net gain/(loss)	2,532,195	2,519,283	220,381	29,806,857	(2,333,305)	(157,527)	25,805

### Notes to the Financial Statements (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

#### 9. Net gain/(loss) from efficient portfolio management techniques (continued)

#### 31 December 2018 (continued)

The below tables list the net gains and losses from derivatives which are used for efficient portfolio management for the year ended 31 December 2018 and 31 December 2017.

	SGQF USD	SESF EUR	SQBF <sup>(2)</sup> USD	SBXF <sup>(1)</sup> EUR	SJOF JPY	SBOF <sup>(3)</sup> USD	SFF <sup>(3)</sup> USD
Forward foreign exchange contracts	578,576	(24,916)	1,548,162	(38)	59,558,198	27,624	(232,460)
Futures contracts Options contracts	(85,262)	<u>-</u>	(131,803)	511,522	- •	-	-
Net gain/(loss)	493,314	(24,916)	1,416,359	511,484	59,558,198	27,624	(232,460)

<sup>(1)</sup> Effective from 15 August 2018, the Strategic Beta Flex Fund ceased operations.

#### **31 December 2017**

31 December 2017						
_	Total	SCPF	SEBF	NGUF	SEVF	SGBF
<u>-</u>	EUR	USD	EUR	JPY	EUR	USD
Forward foreign exchange						
contracts	1,117,284	2,643,387	(418,798)	58,422,209	(4,405,306)	897,178
Futures contracts	(1,920,550)	-	(45,676)	-	-	(26,243)
Options contracts	804,003	-	-	-	(208,588)	-
Net gain/(loss)	737	2,643,387	(464,474)	58,422,209	(4,613,894)	870,935
	SMVF USD	SGQF USD	SESF EUR	SQBF USD	SBXF EUR	SJOF <sup>(1)</sup> JPY
Forward foreign exchange						
contracts	356,120	127,235	(181,609)	1,795,526	(26)	71,074,574
Futures contracts	-	-	-	5,618	(1,856,775)	-
Options contracts	1,167,133	(13,197)	-	-	- -	-
Net gain/(loss)	1,523,253	114,038	(181,609)	1,801,144	(1,856,801)	71,074,574

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>(1)</sup> For the period 16 March 2017 (commencement of operations) to 31 December 2017.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>(2)</sup>Effective from 14 December 2018, the Strategic Euro Bond Fund, Strategic Global Bond Fund, Strategic Quality Emerging Bond Fund and Strategic US Momentum and Value Fund ceased operations.

<sup>(3)</sup> Effective from 14 December 2018, the Strategic Bond Opportunities Fund and Sturdza Family Fund commenced operations.

### Notes to the Financial Statements (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

#### 10. Overdraft facility

The Company has an overdraft facility with The Bank of New York Mellon.

The Bank of New York Mellon offers each Sub-Fund an overdraft facility of up to 10% of the net asset value of the Sub-Fund. Interest is charged on the drawn facility at The Bank of New York Mellon's overdraft rate.

#### 11. Related parties and connected persons

#### (i) Related parties

The below table provides an analysis of related party transactions for the year ended 31 December 2018:

<u>Name</u>	Relationship	Transaction type	Fees paid
E.I. Sturdza Strategic Management Limited	Investment Manager, Promoter, Global Distributor and Common Directors	Investment management services	See Note 5
Banque Eric Sturdza SA	Investment Adviser/Shareholder	Investment adviser services	See Note 5
Dillon Eustace	Common Director/Partner	Legal advice	See Note 5

L. Georges Gutmans and Gavin Farrell, Directors of the Company, are also Directors of the Investment Manager and other investment funds managed by the Investment Manager. Brian Dillon is a Director of the Company and also a partner of Dillon Eustace, the Irish Legal and Irish Tax Adviser of the Company. Denise Kinsella is a Director of Pâris Bertrand Systematic Asset Management Plc (formerly Pâris Bertrand Sturdza Investments Plc), which is managed by Banque Pâris Bertrand SA (formerly Banque Pâris Bertrand Sturdza SA). Banque Pâris Bertrand SA was a corporate affiliate of the Investment Manager until 4 September 2018.

The fees paid to the Directors were disclosed in Note 5.

As at 31 December 2017, the Strategic Beta Flex Fund held 8,977 shares in EUR Institutional Class of the Strategic Europe Value Fund and 2,356 shares in EUR Institutional Class of the Strategic European Smaller Companies Fund. The Strategic Beta Flex Fund's operations were terminated on 15 August 2018, there are no cross holdings between Sub-Funds as at 31 December 2018.

During the year, in-specie transfers from the Strategic US Momentum and Value Fund to the Sturdza Family Fund amounted to USD 185,852,839 and in-specie transfers from the Strategic Euro Bond Fund, Strategic Global Bond Fund and Strategic Quality Emerging Bond Fund to the Strategic Bond Opportunities Fund amounted to USD 58,677,377.

### Notes to the Financial Statements (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

### 11. Related parties and connected persons (continued)

### (i) Related parties (continued)

Related party shareholdings

			No. of Shares		
Name	Relationship	Share Class	2018	2017	
Strategic China Panda Fu	nd				
Banque Eric Sturdza	Investment Adviser to				
SA*	other Sub-Funds	USD Class	7,421.46	5,142.95	
		EUR Hedged Class	2,851.34	2,780.31	
		GBP Hedged Class	21.67	20.58	
		EUR Hedged Institutional Class	5,151.58	809.39	
		USD Institutional Class	735.16	314.20	
		CHF Hedged Class	837.99	275.11	
		CHF Hedged Institutional Class	40.27		
Banque Pâris Bertrand	A corporate affiliate of				
SA**	the Investment Manager	USD Class	-	278.05	
	and Banque Eric Sturdza		-	6,588.00	
	SA**			,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	
L. Georges Gutmans	Director	EUR Hedged Class	20.62	20.62	
		CHF Hedged Class	40.00	40.00	
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E.I. Sturdza Strategic					
Management Limited	Investment Manager	CHF Hedged Class	4.98	_	
Strategic Euro Bond Fund	I				
Banque Eric Sturdza SA*	Investment Adviser	EUR Distributing Class	=	1,277.17	
		EUR Accumulating Class	-	18,001.74	
		EUR Institutional Class	-	3,140.03	
		CHF Hedged Accumulating			
		Class	-	3,071.31	
Nippon Growth (UCITS) Banque Eric Sturdza SA*	Fund Investment Adviser to	JPY Class A	792.97	838.61	
Banque Eric Sturdza SA	other Sub-Funds	JPY Class B	4,716.08	6,680.54	
	other Sub-Funds	EUR Hedged Class	4,710.08	228.15	
		EUR Heuged Class	104.31	220.13	
Strategic Europe Value F					
Banque Eric Sturdza SA*	Investment Adviser to	EUR Class	307,518.95	354,592.91	
	other Sub-Funds	EUR Institutional Class	185,487.38	181,177.90	
		CHF Hedged Class	122,221.63	144,316.37	
		EUR Institutional			
		Distributing Class	25,619.88	25,619.88	
		CHF Hedged Institutional			
		Class	28,464.71	34,115.36	

### Notes to the Financial Statements (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

### 11. Related parties and connected persons (continued)

### (i) Related parties (continued)

Related party shareholdings (continued)

				Shares
Name	Relationship	Share Class	2018	2017
Strategic Europe Value Fund Banque Paris Bertrand SA**		EUR Institutional Class	-	2,305.00
Anguilla Trust	A trust for beneficiaries related to L. Georges Gutmans (Director of the Company)	CHF Hedged Class	1,071.08	1,071.08
The Guardian Angel Trust	A trust for beneficiaries related to L. Georges Gutmans (Director of the Company)	CHF Hedged Class	299.78	299.78
Zedra Trust Company Limited	Trust company of Willem Vinke (PM of Investment Adviser of Strategic Europe Value Fund, beneficiary of this trust)	EUR Institutional Class	1,756.71	1,756.71
DB Retirement Investment Scheme	Pension plan of Rosemary Diana Rachel Bichard (wife of PM of Investment Adviser of Strategic Europe Value Fund)	EUR Class	-	296.91
E.I. Sturdza Strategic Management Limited	Investment Manager	EUR SP Class	50.00	-

### Notes to the Financial Statements (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

### 11. Related parties and connected persons (continued)

### (i) Related parties (continued)

Related party shareholdings (continued)

			No.	of Shares
Name	Relationship	Share Class	2018	2017
Strategic Global Bond Fu	nd			
Banque Eric Sturdza SA*	Investment Adviser	USD Class	-	27,093.77
Banque Pâris Bertrand SA**	A corporate affiliate of the Investment Manager and Banque Eric Sturdza SA**	USD Class	-	162.83
Strategic US Momentum				
Banque Eric Sturdza SA*	Investment Adviser	USD Class	-	116,630.90
		EUR Hedged Class	-	2,303.22
		CHF Hedged Class	-	12,376.02
		USD Institutional Class	-	65,121.78
Strategic Quality Emergin	ng Bond Fund			
Banque Eric Sturdza SA*	Investment Adviser	CHF Hedged Class	-	10,339.83
		EUR Hedged Class	_	10,527.13
		EUR Hedged Institutional		
		Class	-	1,132.87
		USD Class	-	9,513.29
		USD Institutional Class	-	4,508.22
Strategic Global Quality	Fund			
Banque Eric Sturdza SA*	Investment Adviser to	USD Class	167,468.30	183,324.57
1	other Sub-Funds	CHF Hedged Class	69,783.37	65,086.13
		USD Institutional		
		Class	102,045.12	123,855.95
		EUR Hedged		
		Institutional Class	8,704.31	-
		EUR Hedged Class	3,804.42	-
E.I. Sturdza Strategic	Investment Manager	USD Institutional		
Management Limited	٥	Class	5,000.00	5,000.00
-		EUR Hedged		
		Institutional Class	2,959.02	2,959.02
		EUR Hedged Class	2,959.02	2,959.02

### Notes to the Financial Statements (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

### 11. Related parties and connected persons (continued)

### (i) Related parties (continued)

Related party shareholdings (continued)

			No.	of Shares
Name	Relationship	Share Class	2018	2017
Strategic Global Quality Fu	und (continued)			
Willem Vinke	PM to Investment Adviser of Strategic Global Quality Fund	USD Institutional Class	-	4,550.00
WPV Family Investment Trust	A trust for beneficiaries related to Willem Vinke (PM to Investment Adviser of Strategic Global Quality Fund)	USD Institutional Class	-	5,000.00
Anguilla Trust	A trust for beneficiaries related to L. Georges Gutmans (Director of the Company)	USD Institutional Class	1,500.00	2,500.00
The Guardian Angel Trust	A trust for beneficiaries related to L. Georges Gutmans (Director of the Company)	USD Institutional Class	1,000.00	1,000.00
ZedraTrust Company Limited	Trust company of Willem Vinke (PM of Investment Adviser of Strategic Global Quality Fund, beneficiary of this trust)	USD Class	-	2,500.00

### Notes to the Financial Statements (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

### 11. Related parties and connected persons (continued)

### (i) Related parties (continued)

Related party shareholdings (continued)

			No.	of Shares
Name	Relationship	Share Class	2018	2017
Strategic European Smalle	er Companies Fund			
Banque Eric Sturdza SA*	Investment Adviser to	EUR Class	46,706.69	47,619.20
	other Sub-Funds	CHF Hedged Class	1,715.69	898.11
		EUR Institutional Class	6,094.28	6,944.22
L. Georges Gutmans	Director	CHF Hedged Class	60.00	91.00
Strategic Beta Flex Fund Banque Eric Sturdza SA*	Investment Adviser to other Sub-Funds	EUR Class	-	9,260.51
Strategic Japan Opportun	ities Fund			
Banque Eric Sturdza SA*	Investment Adviser to	USD Hedged Institutional		
	other Sub-Funds	Class	2,068.59	3,463.13
		USD Hedged Class	4,130.43	3,411.09
		EUR Hedged Class	1,486.10	1,871.60
		JPY Institutional Class	27,353.54	20,704.78
		JPY Class	52,845.61	60,602.49
		EUR Hedged Institutional		
		Class	1,081.39	-
E.I. Sturdza Strategic	Investment Manager	EUR Hedged Institutional	·	
Management Limited	C	Class	5.00	_
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### Notes to the Financial Statements (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

#### 11. Related parties and connected persons (continued)

#### (ii) Related parties (continued)

Related party shareholdings (continued)

The below table provides an analysis of the number of shares held in the Company by related parties as at 31 December 2018 and 31 December 2017:

			No. of S	Shares
Name	Relationship	Share Class	2018	2017
Strategic Bond Opportunit	ties Fund			
Banque Eric Sturdza SA*	Investment Adviser	USD Accumulating Class	39,828.14	-
		CHF Hedged Accumulating Class	1,894.40	-
		EUR Hedged Accumulating Class	240.95	-
		EUR Hedged Distributing Class	109.77	-
		EUR Hedged Institutional		
		Accumulating Class	2,203.15	-
		USD Institutional		
		Accumulating Class	13,122.68	-
Sturdza Family Fund				
Banque Eric Sturdza SA*	Investment Adviser	CHF Hedged Class	3,356.04	-
		EUR Hedged Class	3,230.65	-
		EUR Hedged Institutional Class	2,429.20	-
		USD Institutional Class	20,865.72	-
		USD Super Institutional Class	61,056.16	-
		USD Class	42,395.37	-

<sup>\*</sup>Banque Eric Sturdza SA held these shares as part of a nominee account. The holders of shares through the nominee account are not related parties.

None of the other Directors hold any disclosable interest in the Company.

#### (ii) Connected persons

In accordance with the requirements of the Central Bank UCITS Regulations, all transactions carried out with the Company by the management company or depositary and the delegate or sub-delegates of such management company or depositary (excluding any non-group company sub-custodians appointed by the depositary) and any associated or group companies of such management company, depositary, delegate or sub-delegate ("connected persons") must be carried out as if negotiated at arm's length and be in the best interests of shareholders. The Directors are satisfied that there are arrangements (evidenced by written procedures) in place to ensure that the obligations set out in paragraph 1 of the Central Bank UCITS Regulations are applied to all transactions with connected persons and transactions with connected persons entered into during the year complied with the obligations set out in the Central Bank UCITS Regulations.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Banque Pâris Bertrand SA (formerly Banque Pâris Bertrand Sturdza SA) was no longer a corporate affiliate of Banque Eric Sturdza SA and the Investment Manager effective on 4 September 2018, hence, no longer a related party as at 31 December 2018.

### Notes to the Financial Statements (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

#### 12. Distributions

The Directors are empowered to declare and pay distributions on any class of shares in the Company.

For the Strategic China Panda Fund it is intended that dividends, if declared, would be declared for the GBP Hedged Class on an annual basis in line with the completion of the preparation of the audited financial statements. It is not the current intention of the Directors to distribute dividends to shareholders in any of the other share classes of the Sub-Fund.

For the Nippon Growth (UCITS) Fund it is intended that dividends, if declared, would be declared for the JPY C Distributing Class on a semi-annual basis in line with the completion of the audited and interim financial statements. It is not the current intention of the Directors to distribute dividends to shareholders in any of the other share classes of the Sub-Fund.

For the Strategic Europe Value Fund it is intended that dividends, if declared, would be declared for the EUR Institutional Distributing Class on a semi-annual basis in line with the completion of the audited and interim financial statements. It is not the current intention of the Directors to distribute dividends to shareholders in any of the other share classes of the Sub-Fund.

For the Strategic Bond Opportunities Fund it is intended that dividends, if declared, would be declared for the USD Distributing Class, EUR Hedged Distributing Class, USD Institutional Distributing Class and EUR Hedged Institutional Distributing Class on a semi-annual basis in line with the completion of the audited and interim financial statements. It is not the current intention of the Directors to distribute dividends to shareholders in any of the other share classes of the Sub-Fund.

For the Strategic Global Quality Fund, Strategic European Smaller Companies Fund, Strategic Japan Opportunities Fund and Sturdza Family Fund it is not the current intention of the Directors that dividends be recommended for payment to shareholders in any of the share classes of the Sub-Funds.

During the year, the Strategic Beta Flex Fund, Strategic Euro Bond Fund, Strategic Global Bond Fund, Strategic Quality Emerging Bond Fund and Strategic US Momentum and Value Fund ceased operations. No dividends were distributed from any of the share classes of these Sub-Funds in the current and prior years.

The dividends declared and paid during the year ended 31 December 2018 were as follows.

Sub-Fund	<b>Share Class</b>	Date	Dividend per share EUR	Gross amount EUR
Strategic Europe Value Fund	EUR Institutional Distributing Class	18 September 2018	0.98	346,942

The dividends declared and paid during the year ended 31 December 2017 were as follows.

Sub-Fund	Share Class	Date	Dividend per share EUR	Gross amount EUR
Strategic Europe Value Fund	<b>EUR Institutional</b>	22 September		
	Distributing Class	2017	0.89	233,541

### Notes to the Financial Statements (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

#### 13. Comparative figures

The comparative figures for the Statement of Financial Position are as at 31 December 2017. The comparative figures for the Statement of Comprehensive Income, Statement of Changes in Net Assets Attributable to Holders of Redeemable Shares and Statement of Cash Flows are for the year ended 31 December 2017.

#### 14. Taxation

Under current law and practice the Company qualifies as an investment undertaking as defined in Section 739B of the Taxes Consolidation Act, 1997, as amended. As such, it is not chargeable to Irish tax on its income or gains.

However, Irish tax may arise on the happening of a "chargeable event". A chargeable event includes any distribution payments to shareholders or any encashment, redemption, cancellation or transfer of shares.

No Irish tax will arise on the Company in respect of chargeable events in respect of:

- (a) a shareholder who is neither an Irish resident nor ordinarily resident in Ireland for tax purposes, at the time of the chargeable event, provided appropriate valid declarations in accordance with the provisions of the Taxes Consolidation Act, 1997, as amended, are held by the Company; and
- (b) certain exempted Irish tax resident shareholders who have provided the Company with the necessary signed statutory declarations and the Company is not in possession of any information which would reasonably suggest that the information contain therein is no longer materially correct.

#### 15. Significant events during the year

The following changes to the Company's Prospectus and/or Sub-Funds' Supplements have been implemented with effect from 1 January 2018:

- The Investment Manager's fee of the Super Institutional Classes of the Strategic Europe Value Fund and Strategic Global Quality Fund has been reduced from 0.90% to 0.75%;
- The Performance Fee has been removed from the Institutional Share Classes of the Strategic Europe Value Fund and Strategic Global Quality Fund;
- Research costs, capped at 5 basis points per annum, are being charged to the Strategic Europe Value Fund and Strategic Global Quality Fund;
- The dealing deadline for Strategic China Panda Fund, Strategic Europe Value Fund and Strategic Global Quality Fund has changed from 5pm to 11.59pm;
- The use of volatility index futures for Strategic Europe Value Fund and Strategic Global Quality Fund, subject to a 7.5% limit, has been included. Each Sub-Fund currently provides for the use of Financial Derivative Investments, to include futures. The use of volatility index futures within the stated limit of 7.5% does not impact on the risk profile of the Sub-Funds;
- Certain classes which were hedged classes but did not specifically reference 'hedged' within the share class name have been updated;
- The benchmark used by the Strategic China Panda Fund for reporting purposes was amended to the MSCI China NR USD Index (the benchmark used for calculating Performance Fees);

### Notes to the Financial Statements (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

#### 15. Significant events during the year (continued)

- Pursuant to a new German Investment Tax Act which took effect from 1 January 2018, the Supplements of Strategic China Panda Fund, Nippon Growth (UCITS) Fund, Strategic Europe Value Fund, Strategic US Momentum and Value Fund, Strategic Global Quality Fund, Strategic European Smaller Companies Fund and Strategic Beta Flex Fund have been updated to reference that there will be at least 51% of the NAV of the relevant Sub-Fund invested in equities. This does not constitute a change in investment policy;
- The dealing deadline for subscriptions into the Strategic Japan Opportunities Fund was amended to 1 business day's notice in line with all other Sub-Funds; and
- The minimum investment amount for the relevant Institutional Share Classes of certain Sub-Funds was reduced to 1,000,000 (denominated in the currency of the relevant Share Class).

On 20 February 2018, Azimut, through its subsidiary Azimut Capital Management SGR S.p.A, entered into an agreement for the acquisition of the investment management business of Sofia Gestione del Patrimonio SGR S.p.A. This includes the investment advisory services provided to the Strategic Beta Flex Fund. The Bank of Italy approved the agreement on 27 March 2018. On 4 July 2018, the Directors resolved to terminate the operations of the Strategic Beta Flex Fund. On 15 August 2018, all of the Sub-Fund's redeemable participating shares were redeemed and it's trading ceased. On the same date, the services of Sofia Gestione del Patrimonio SGR S.p.A. were terminated.

The Strategic Europe Value Fund launched the EUR SP Class on 7 March 2018, the Strategic Japan Opportunities Fund launched the EUR Hedged Institutional Class on 14 March 2018 and the Strategic China Panda Fund launched the EUR Hedged R Class on 24 January 2018 and the CHF Hedged Institutional Class on 26 June 2018.

On 6 April 2018, Marc Craquelin was appointed as a Director of the Company.

On 28 June 2018, a new Supplement was issued for the Strategic Euro Bond Fund with the following changes:

- The Investment Manager fees were reduced from 0.75% to 0.60% for the Accumulating and Distributing Classes and from 0.45% to 0.30% for the Institutional Classes.
- The investment parameters that previously restricted the Sub-Fund to invest 100% in investment grade bonds and in a maximum S&P Matrix Score of 90 or A- credit rating were changed to:
  - a. Minimum 75% investment grade + Maximum 25% non-investment grade (i.e. crossover BB/BB+ bonds)
  - b. Maximum 25% subordinated debt (i.e. hybrid corporate or bank subordinated debt)
  - c. Credit derivatives (i.e. iTraxx and CDS)
  - d. Maximum 20% in bonds in non-base currency EUR hedged

### Notes to the Financial Statements (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

#### 15. Significant events during the year (continued)

Effective from 11 July 2018, all the listed shares of the Company's Sub-Funds were delisted from Euronext Dublin and the services of Dillon Eustace as the Listing Sponsor were terminated on the same date.

On 29 November 2018, a new Prospectus and Supplements were issued by the Company covering the following changes:

- Termination of operations of the Strategic Beta Flex Fund effective 15 August 2018 and termination
  of the services of Sofia Gestione del Patrimonio SGR S.p.A. as Investment Adviser to the Sub-Fund
  on the same date;
- Launch of the Strategic Bond Opportunities Fund and Sturdza Family Fund on 14 December 2018 and appointment of Banque Eric Sturdza SA as Investment Adviser to the Sub-Funds on the same date; and
- The minimum investment requirement in the Institutional Classes of the Strategic China Panda Fund was reduced from USD 3,000,000 to USD 1,000,000.

On 14 December 2018, the operations of the Strategic Euro Bond Fund, Strategic Global Bond Fund, Strategic Quality Emerging Bond Fund and Strategic US Momentum and Value Fund were terminated.

There have been no other significant events during the year.

#### 16. Events since the year end

On 14 February 2019, a new Supplement was issued for the Sturdza Family Fund, which was amended to include a reporting benchmark for the Sub-Fund. This is a composite of three indices, the MSCI World Net Total Returns Index, the Bloomberg-Barclays US Aggregate Gov/Credit Total Return Value Unhedged USD and a total return index calculated from the Secured Overnight Financing Rate. The indices are weighted 60%, 20% and 20%, respectively. The Performance fee benchmark remains unchanged.

There have been no other significant events that happened since the year end.

#### 17. Approval of the financial statements

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Board of Directors on 12 April 2019.

### Strategic China Panda Fund

Holding	Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities at Fair Value through Profit or Loss	Fair Value USD	% of Net Assets
	Transferable securities*		
	<b>Equity securities</b>		
	Bermuda		
1,192,000	Luk Fook Holdings International Ltd	3,402,734	2.25
3,173,000	Man Wah Holdings Ltd	2,938,207	1.95
		6,340,941	4.20
	Cayman Islands		
1,709,000	Anta Sports Products Ltd	8,196,459	5.42
430,300	ASM Pacific Technology Ltd	4,146,721	2.75
15,328,500	Bestway Global Holding Inc	6,695,763	4.43
3,457,600	Chow Tai Fook Jewellery Group Ltd	2,883,780	1.91
9,966,000	CIFI Holdings Group Co Ltd	5,295,275	3.50
6,425,563	Far East Consortium International Ltd/Hk	2,773,973	1.84
1,095,000	JNBY Design Ltd	1,535,645	1.02
1,674,000	Lee &Man Paper Manufacturing Ltd	1,419,704	0.94
1,340,400	MGM China Holdings Ltd	2,249,594	1.49
3,459,500	Nexteer Automotive Group Ltd	4,931,191	3.26
1,036,000	Precision Tsugami China Corp Ltd	947,430	0.63
1,587,600	Sands China Ltd	6,955,198	4.60
1,348,500	Shimao Property Holdings Ltd	3,599,743	2.38
5,955,000	SITC International Holdings Co Ltd	5,613,225	3.72
286,300	Tencent Holdings Ltd	11,482,205	7.60
4,154,000	Times China Holdings Ltd	4,615,939	3.06
1,362,400	Wynn Macau Ltd	2,972,123	1.97
2,124,000	Xinyi Glass Holdings Ltd	2,349,344	1.56
6,813,481	Yuzhou Properties Co Ltd	2,810,903	1.86
	•	81,474,215	53.94
	China		
8,640,000	China Construction Bank Corp	7,128,868	4.72
1,616,000	China Merchants Bank Co Ltd	5,923,761	3.92
2,906,000	Guangzhou R&F Properties Co Ltd	4,394,623	2.91
1,428,500	Ping An Insurance Group Co Of China Ltd	12,616,727	8.35
10,862,000	Postal Savings Bank Of China Ltd	5,729,730	3.80
	-	35,793,709	23.70

### Strategic China Panda Fund (continued)

II aldin a	Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities at Fair Value	Fair Value	% of
Holding	through Profit or Loss	USD	Net Assets
	Transferable securities* (continued)		
	<b>Equity securities (continued)</b>		
	Hong Kong		
808,200	Aia Group Ltd	6,709,753	4.44
2,126,000	China Overseas Land & Investment Ltd	7,304,489	4.84
687,000	Galaxy Entertainment Group Ltd	4,369,788	2.89
6,350,000	SJM Holdings Ltd	5,920,670	3.92
		24,304,700	16.09
	Italy		
861,900	Prada SpA	2,840,213	1.88
		2,840,213	1.88
	Total Equity securities	150,753,778	99.81
	Total Transferable securities		
	(31 December 2017: USD 190,897,489 - 99.48%)	150,753,778	99.81
	Derivative financial instruments at positive fair value		
	OTC Derivative financial instruments		
	Forward foreign exchange contracts**		
	Appreciation in Forward foreign exchange contracts	34,611	0.02
	Total Derivative financial instruments at positive fair value (31 December 2017: USD 250,395 – 0.13%)	34,611	0.02
	Total Financial Assets at Fair Value through Profit or Loss	150,788,389	99.83

### **Strategic China Panda Fund (continued)**

	Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities at Fair Value	Fair Value	% of
Holding	through Profit or Loss	USD	Net Assets
	Derivative financial instruments at negative fair value		
	OTC Derivative financial instruments		
	Forward foreign exchange contracts**		
	Depreciation in Forward foreign exchange contracts	(815)	0.00
	Total Derivative Financial Instruments at negative fair value (31 December 2017: USD $(904) - 0.00\%$ )	(815)	0.00
	Total Financial Liabilities at Fair value through Profit or Loss	(815)	0.00
	Total Financial Assets and Liabilities at Fair value through Profit or Loss	150,787,574	99.83
	Cash and cash equivalents**	769,212	0.51
	Other assets and liabilities	(520,694)	(0.34)
	Total Net Assets Attributable to Holders		
	of Redeemable Participating Shares	151,036,092	100.00
			% of
	Analysis of Total Assots	Fair Value USD	Total Assets
	Analysis of Total Assets Transferable securities	150,753,778	99.04
	OTC Derivative financial instruments	34,611	0.02
	Cash and cash equivalents	769,212	0.02
	Other Assets	657,232	0.43
	Total Assets	152,214,833	100.00

<sup>\*</sup>Transferable securities admitted to official stock exchange listing or traded on another regulated market

<sup>\*\*</sup>Cash and cash equivalents and Forward foreign exchange contracts are held with The Bank of New York Mellon (AA-) (rating from Standard and Poor's).

### Nippon Growth (UCITS) Fund

Holding	Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities at Fair Value through Profit or Loss	Fair Value JPY	% of Net Assets
	Transferable securities*		
	<b>Equity securities</b>		
	Japan		
55,000	DMG Mori Co Ltd	68,255,000	2.96
25,000	Fujifilm Holdings Corp	106,750,004	4.63
10,000	Fujitsu Ltd	68,470,000	2.97
20,000	HIS Co Ltd	79,700,008	3.45
13,000	IHI Corp	39,390,000	1.71
100,000	Iino Kaiun Kaisha Ltd	40,100,000	1.74
41,000	Inpex Corp	40,249,700	1.74
100,000	Itochu Corp	186,700,000	8.10
130,000	JXTG Holdings Inc	74,971,000	3.25
16,000	Kajima Corp	23,648,000	1.02
45,000	Kobe Steel Ltd	34,380,000	1.49
16,000	Makino Milling Machine Co Ltd	62,239,996	2.70
80,000	Marubeni Corp	61,792,002	2.68
41,000	Mitsubishi Corp	123,820,000	5.37
180,000	Mitsubishi Ufj Financial Group Inc	96,821,998	4.20
9,500	Mitsui Osk Lines Ltd	22,790,500	0.99
260,000	Mizuho Financial Group Inc	44,278,000	1.92
20,000	Nabtesco Corp	47,920,010	2.08
12,000	Nachi-Fujikoshi Corp	45,900,000	1.99
22,000	NEC Corp	71,830,000	3.11
3,000	Nidec Corp	37,425,000	1.62
24,000	Nippon Steel & Sumitomo Metal Corp	45,420,000	1.97
165,000	Nomura Holdings Inc	69,431,999	3.01
80,000	Obayashi Corp	79,520,000	3.45
12,000	Otsuka Corp	36,240,000	1.57
100,000	Penta-Ocean Construction CoLtd	60,900,000	2.64
8,000	SCSK Corp	31,119,998	1.35
23,000	Seibu Holdings Inc	44,022,000	1.91
6,000	Shimadzu Corp	13,044,000	0.57
120,000	Sojitz Corp	45,839,999	1.99
85,000	Sumitomo Chemical CoLtd	45,305,000	1.97
15,000	Sumitomo Metal Mining Co Ltd	44,212,497	1.92
22,000	Sumitomo Mitsui Financial Group Inc	80,189,996	3.48

### Schedule of Investments (unaudited) (continued) As at 31 December 2018

### Nippon Growth (UCITS) Fund (continued)

Holding	Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities at Fair Value through Profit or Loss	Fair Value JPY	% of Net Assets
	Transferable securities*		
	<b>Equity securities</b>		
	Japan (continued)		
22,000	Sumitomo Mitsui Trust Holdings Inc	88,484,000	3.84
13,000	Sumitomo Realty & Development Co Ltd	52,338,000	2.27
10,000	Taisei Corp	47,049,995	2.04
43,000	Tokyo Tatemono Co Ltd	49,019,995	2.13
25,000	Tokyu Corp	44,875,000	1.95
90,000	Tokyu Fudosan Holdings Corp	48,780,003	2.12
2,000	Toyota Motor Corp	12,811,987	0.56
		2,316,035,687	100.46
	Total Transferable securities		
	(31 December 2017: JPY 2,698,575,521 – 99.90%)	2,316,035,687	100.46
	Total Financial Assets at Fair Value through Profit or Loss	2,316,035,687	100.46
	Derivative financial instruments at negative fair value		
	OTC Derivative financial instruments		
	Forward foreign exchange contracts**		
	Depreciation in Forward foreign exchange contracts	(1,166,703)	(0.05)
	Total Derivative financial instruments at positive fair value (31 December 2017: JPY 1,408,771 - 0.05 %)	(1,166,703)	(0.05)
	Total Financial Liabilities at Fair Value through Profit or Loss	(1,166,703)	(0.05)
	Total Financial Diabilities at Fair Value through Front of Loss	(1,100,703)	(0.03)
	Total Financial Assets and Liabilities at Fair Value through		
	Profit or Loss	2,314,868,984	100.41
	Cash and cash equivalents**	2,449,542	0.10
	Other assets and liabilities	(11,775,452)	(0.51)
	<b>Total Net Assets Attributable to Holders of Redeemable</b>		
	Participating Shares	2,305,543,074	100.00

### **Nippon Growth (UCITS) Fund (continued)**

		% of
	Fair Value	Total
Analysis of Total Assets	JPY	Assets
Transferable securities	2,316,035,687	99.64
Cash and cash equivalents	2,449,542	0.11
Other assets	5,815,564	0.25
Total Assets	2,324,300,793	100.00

<sup>\*</sup>Transferable securities admitted to official stock exchange listing or traded on another regulated market.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Cash and cash equivalents and Forward foreign exchange contracts are held with The Bank of New York Mellon (AA-) (rating from Standard and Poor's).

### **Strategic Europe Value Fund**

Holding	Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities at Fair Value through Profit or Loss	Fair Value EUR	% of Net Assets
	Transferable securities*		
	<b>Equity securities</b>		
	Denmark		
608,190	Novo Nordisk A/S	24,278,941	3.70
		24,278,941	3.70
	France		
476,206	Danone SA	29,291,431	4.46
66,475	L'Oreal SA	13,374,770	2.04
52,100	LVMH Moet Hennessy Louis Vuitton SE	13,452,220	2.05
126,480	Safran SA	13,330,992	2.03
87,251	Sanofi	6,601,411	1.00
		76,050,824	11.58
	Germany		
272,331	Bayer AG	16,492,365	2.51
198,775	Beiersdorf AG	18,120,329	2.76
454,880	Fresenius Medical Care AG & Co Kgaa	25,764,403	3.92
230,159	SAP SE	20,007,722	3.04
		80,384,819	12.23
	Japan		
432,800	Takeda Pharmaceutical Co Ltd	12,785,162	1.95
		12,785,162	1.95
	Jersey (Channel Islands)		
263,000	Shire Plc	13,390,654	2.04
ŕ		13,390,654	2.04
	Netherlands		
934,064	ABN AMRO Group NV	19,185,675	2.92
363,197	ASR Nederland NV	12,559,352	1.91
493,637	Grandvision NV	9,443,276	1.44
603,918	Qiagen NV	17,924,286	2.73
1,600,528	SBM Offshore NV	20,686,824	3.15
511,289	Wolters Kluwer NV	26,413,190	4.02
,		106,212,603	16.17

### **Strategic Europe Value Fund (continued)**

Holding	Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities at Fair Value through Profit or Loss	Fair Value EUR	% of Net Assets
	Transferable securities*(continued)		
	<b>Equity securities (continued)</b>		
	Switzerland		
463,717	Nestle SA	32,837,030	5.00
177,864	Novartis AG	13,264,231	2.02
96,289	Roche Holding AG	20,797,217	3.16
		66,898,478	10.18
	United Kingdom		
603,582	Admiral Group Plc	13,765,245	2.09
297,502	AstraZeneca Plc	19,466,135	2.96
1,577,775	Glaxosmithkline Plc	26,212,642	3.99
33,865,533	Lloyds Banking Group Plc	19,563,047	2.98
389,340	Reckitt Benckiser Group Plc	26,082,551	3.97
1,487,571	RELX Plc	26,731,651	4.07
2,077,822	Royal Bank Of Scotland Group Plc	5,016,457	0.76
3,254,426	Sage Group Plc/The	21,805,581	3.32
1,286,898	Smith & Nephew Plc	20,990,125	3.20
736,460	Unilever Plc	33,710,274	5.13
		213,343,708	32.47
	United States of America		
56,705	International Flavours & Fragrances Inc	6,660,351	1.01
297,315	Vantiv Inc	19,878,218	3.03
		26,538,569	4.04
	Total Transferable securities		
	(31 December 2017: EUR 803,037,365 - 99.68 %)	619,883,758	94.36

### Schedule of Investments (unaudited) (continued) As at 31 December 2018

### **Strategic Europe Value Fund (continued)**

Holding	Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities at Fair Value through Profit or Loss	Fair Value EUR	% of Net Assets
	Derivative financial instruments at positive fair value		
	OTC Derivative financial instruments		
	Forward foreign exchange contracts**		
	Appreciation in Forward foreign exchange contracts	44,869	0.01
	Total Derivative financial instruments at positive fair value (31 December 2017: EUR 1,090,615 – 0.13%)	44,869	0.01
	Total Financial Assets at Fair value through Profit or Loss	619,928,627	94.37
	Derivative financial instruments at negative fair value		
	OTC Derivative financial instruments		
	Forward foreign exchange contracts**		
	Depreciation in Forward foreign exchange contracts	(60,424)	(0.01)
	Total Derivative financial instruments at negative fair value (31 December 2017: EUR (49,688) - (0.01)%)	(60,424)	(0.01)
	Total Financial Assets and Liabilities at Fair Value through Profit and Loss	619,868,203	94.36

### **Strategic Europe Value Fund (continued)**

	Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities at Fair Value	Fair Value	% of
Holding	through Profit or Loss	EUR	<b>Net Assets</b>
	Cash and cash equivalents**	36,197,039	5.51
	Other assets and liabilities	875,183	0.13
	Total Net Assets Attributable to Holders of Redeemable Participating Shares	656,940,425	100.00
		Fair Value	% of
	Analysis of Total Assets	EUR	<b>Total Assets</b>
	Transferable securities	619,883,758	93.35
	OTC Derivative financial instruments	44,869	0.01
	Cash and cash equivalents	36,197,039	5.44
	Other assets	7,935,819	1.20
	Total Assets	664,061,485	100.00

<sup>\*</sup>Transferable securities admitted to official stock exchange listing or traded on another regulated market.

In accordance with the French Financial Monetary Code ("Plan d'épargne en actions" or "PEA") the Strategic Europe Value Fund held an average of 80.80% in PEA eligible securities during the year (2017: 86.77%).

<sup>\*\*</sup>Cash and cash equivalents are held with The Bank of New York Mellon (AA-) and The Royal Bank of Scotland (BBB+) (ratings from Standard & Poor's). Forward foreign exchange contracts are held with The Bank of New York Mellon.

### **Strategic Global Quality Fund**

Page	Holding	Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities at Fair Value through Profit or Loss	Fair Value USD	% of Net Assets
Novo Nordisk A/S   2,054,284   3.48   2,054,284   3.48   2,054,284   3.48   2,054,284   3.48   2,054,284   3.48   2,054,284   3.48   2,054,284   3.48   2,054,284   3.48   2,054,284   3.48   2,054,284   3.48   2,054,284   3.48   2,054,284   3.48   2,054,284   3.48   2,054,284   3.68   3.682,316   3.20   3.682,316   3.20   3.682,316   3.20   3.5727   5.20   5.20   5.20   3.20		Transferable securities*		
		<b>Equity securities</b>		
Prance   2,054,284   3.48   3.48   3.295   3		Denmark		
Stance   S	45,016	Novo Nordisk A/S	2,054,284	3.48
Safran SA   2,481,773   4,21     9,964   Safran SA   1,200,543   2,03     Cermany			2,054,284	3.48
9,964         Safran SA         1,200,543         2.03           Germany         3,682,316         6.24           17,379         Beiersdorf AG         1,811,058         3.07           35,727         Fresenius Medical Care AG & Co Kgaa         2,313,252         3.92           19,528         SAP SE         1,940,576         3.29           Ereland         1,164,288         1.97           12,800         Medtronic Plc         1,164,288         1.97           Japan         3,300         Kao Corp         2,281,619         3.86           33,300         Shiseido Co Ltd         2,091,816         3.54           51,800         Takeda Pharmaceutical Co Ltd         1,749,250         2.96           51,800         Takeda Pharmaceutical Co Ltd         1,205,802         2.04           51,800         Takeda Pharmaceutical Co Ltd         1,205,802         2.04           20,717         Shire Plc         1,205,802         2.04           30,492         Wolters Kluwer NV         1,800,709         3.05           80,492         Switzerland         1,800,709         3.05           41,538         Nestle SA         3,362,480         5,70           3,362,480         5,70		France		
Cermany   Seirsdorf AG   1,811,058   3.07     35,727   Fresenius Medical Care AG & Co Kgaa   2,313,252   3.92     19,528   SAP SE   1,940,576   3.29     19,528   Treland   1,164,288   1.97     12,800   Medtronic Plc   1,164,288   1.97     1,164,285   1.93     1,164,285   1.93     1,164,285   1.93     1,164,285   1.93     1,205,802   2.04     1,205,802   2.04     1,205,802   2.04     1,800,709   3.05	35,295	Danone SA	2,481,773	4.21
Germany           17,379         Beiersdorf AG         1,811,058         3.07           35,727         Fresenius Medical Care AG & Co Kgaa         2,313,252         3.92           19,528         SAP SE         1,940,576         3.29           6,064,886         10.28           Ireland           Japan           30,700         Kao Corp         1,164,288         1.97           Japan           30,700         Kao Corp         2,281,619         3.86           33,300         Shiseido Co Ltd         2,091,816         3.54           51,800         Takeda Pharmaceutical Co Ltd         1,749,250         2.96           Jersey (Channel Islands)           Jersey (Channel Islands)           Nétherlands           Jersey (Channel Islands)           Nétherlands           Jaya (Saya)           30,492         Wolters Kluwer NV         1,800,709         3.05           Switzerland           41,538         5,70           Switzerland         3,362,480         5,70           Caya (Saya)         5,70           <	9,964	Safran SA	1,200,543	2.03
17,379			3,682,316	6.24
35,727       Fresenius Medical Care AG & Co Kgaa       2,313,252       3.92         19,528       SAP SE       1,940,576       3.29         6,064,886       10.28         Ireland         12,800       Medtronic Plc       1,164,288       1.97         Japan         30,700       Kao Corp       2,281,619       3.86         33,300       Shiseido Co Ltd       2,091,816       3.54         51,800       Takeda Pharmaceutical Co Ltd       1,749,250       2.96         Jersey (Channel Islands)         Jersey (Channel Islands)         Netherlands         30,492       Wolters Kluwer NV       1,800,709       3.05         Netterland         41,538       Nestle SA       3,362,480       5.70         Switzerland         41,538       Nestle SA       3,362,480       5.70         Juited Kingdom         33,633       Reckitt Benekiser Group PLc       2,575,668       4.35         127,279       Relx Plc       2,620,387       4.44         256,422       Sage Group Plc       3,269,582       5.54		Germany		
19,528   SAP SE   1,940,576   3.29     1,940,576   1,028     1,940,576   1,028     1,940,576   1,028     1,940,576   1,028     1,940,576   1,028     1,940,576   1,028     1,940,576   1,028     1,940,576   1,028     1,940,576   1,164,288   1,97     1,164,288   1,97     1,164,288   1,97     1,164,288   1,97     1,164,288   1,97     1,164,288   1,97     3,86   3,330     3,86   3,340     3,86   3,360     3,86   3,86     3,86   3,86     3,86   3,86     3,86   3,86     3,86   3,86     3,86   3,86     3,86     3,86   3,86     3,86	17,379	Beiersdorf AG	1,811,058	3.07
Treland	35,727	Fresenius Medical Care AG & Co Kgaa	2,313,252	3.92
Treland	19,528	SAP SE	1,940,576	3.29
12,800       Medtronic Plc       1,164,288       1.97         Japan       1,164,288       1.97         30,700       Kao Corp       2,281,619       3.86         33,300       Shiseido Co Ltd       2,091,816       3.54         51,800       Takeda Pharmaceutical Co Ltd       1,749,250       2.96         Jersey (Channel Islands)         Jersey (Channel Islands)         Netherlands         30,492       Wolters Kluwer NV       1,205,802       2.04         Netterlands         41,538       Nestle SA       1,800,709       3.05         Switzerland         41,538       Nestle SA       3,362,480       5.70         United Kingdom         33,633       Reckitt Benckiser Group PLc       2,575,668       4.35         127,279       Relx Plc       2,620,387       4.44         256,422       Sage Group Plc       1,964,046       3.33         62,485       Unilever Plc       3,269,582       5.54			6,064,886	10.28
1,164,288   1,97     30,700   Kao Corp   2,281,619   3.86   33,300   Shiseido Co Ltd   2,091,816   3.54   51,800   Takeda Pharmaceutical Co Ltd   1,749,250   2.96   6,122,685   10.36		Ireland		
Supar   Supa	12,800	Medtronic Plc	1,164,288	1.97
30,700       Kao Corp       2,281,619       3.86         33,300       Shiseido Co Ltd       2,091,816       3.54         51,800       Takeda Pharmaceutical Co Ltd       1,749,250       2.96         Jersey (Channel Islands)         20,717       Shire Plc       1,205,802       2.04         Netherlands         30,492       Wolters Kluwer NV       1,800,709       3.05         Switzerland         41,538       Nestle SA       3,362,480       5.70         United Kingdom         33,633       Reckitt Benckiser Group PLc       2,575,668       4.35         127,279       Relx Plc       2,620,387       4.44         256,422       Sage Group Plc       1,964,046       3.33         62,485       Unilever Plc       3,269,582       5.54			1,164,288	1.97
33,300       Shiseido Co Ltd       2,091,816       3.54         51,800       Takeda Pharmaceutical Co Ltd       1,749,250       2.96         Jersey (Channel Islands)         20,717       Shire Plc       1,205,802       2.04         Netherlands         30,492       Wolters Kluwer NV       1,800,709       3.05         Switzerland         41,538       Nestle SA       3,362,480       5.70         United Kingdom         33,633       Reckitt Benckiser Group PLc       2,575,668       4.35         127,279       Relx Plc       2,620,387       4.44         256,422       Sage Group Plc       1,964,046       3.33         62,485       Unilever Plc       3,269,582       5.54		Japan		
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Shire Plc   1,205,802   2.04   1,205,802   2.04   1,205,802   2.04   1,205,802   2.04   1,205,802   2.04   1,205,802   2.04   1,205,802   2.04   1,205,802   2.04   1,800,709   3.05   1,800,709   1,800,709   1,800,709   1,800,709   1,800,709   1,800,709   1,800,709   1,800,709   1,800,709   1,800	51,800	Takeda Pharmaceutical Co Ltd	1,749,250	2.96
20,717       Shire Plc       1,205,802       2.04         Netherlands         30,492       Wolters Kluwer NV       1,800,709       3.05         Switzerland         41,538       Nestle SA       3,362,480       5.70         United Kingdom         33,633       Reckitt Benckiser Group PLc       2,575,668       4.35         127,279       Relx Plc       2,620,387       4.44         256,422       Sage Group Plc       1,964,046       3.33         62,485       Unilever Plc       3,269,582       5.54			6,122,685	10.36
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Netherlands         30,492       Wolters Kluwer NV       1,800,709       3.05         Switzerland         41,538       Nestle SA       3,362,480       5.70         United Kingdom         33,633       Reckitt Benckiser Group PLc       2,575,668       4.35         127,279       Relx Plc       2,620,387       4.44         256,422       Sage Group Plc       1,964,046       3.33         62,485       Unilever Plc       3,269,582       5.54	20,717	Shire Plc	1,205,802	2.04
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41,538       Nestle SA       3,362,480       5.70         United Kingdom         33,633       Reckitt Benckiser Group PLc       2,575,668       4.35         127,279       Relx Plc       2,620,387       4.44         256,422       Sage Group Plc       1,964,046       3.33         62,485       Unilever Plc       3,269,582       5.54			1,800,709	3.05
United Kingdom       3,362,480       5.70         United Kingdom         33,633       Reckitt Benckiser Group PLc       2,575,668       4.35         127,279       Relx Plc       2,620,387       4.44         256,422       Sage Group Plc       1,964,046       3.33         62,485       Unilever Plc       3,269,582       5.54		Switzerland		
United Kingdom       3,362,480       5.70         United Kingdom         33,633       Reckitt Benckiser Group PLc       2,575,668       4.35         127,279       Relx Plc       2,620,387       4.44         256,422       Sage Group Plc       1,964,046       3.33         62,485       Unilever Plc       3,269,582       5.54	41,538	Nestle SA	3,362,480	5.70
33,633       Reckitt Benckiser Group PLc       2,575,668       4.35         127,279       Relx Plc       2,620,387       4.44         256,422       Sage Group Plc       1,964,046       3.33         62,485       Unilever Plc       3,269,582       5.54			3,362,480	
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	62,485			5.54
			10,429,683	17.66

### **Strategic Global Quality Fund (continued)**

Holding	Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities at Fair Value through Profit or Loss	Fair Value USD	% of Net Assets
	Transferable securities*(continued)		
	<b>Equity securities (continued)</b>		
	United States of America		
19,135	Clorox Co	2,949,470	5.00
45,200	Coca-Cola Co	2,140,220	3.62
20,960	Colgate-Palmolive Co	1,247,539	2.11
10,401	Equifax Inc	968,645	1.64
9,521	International Flavours & Fragrances Inc	1,278,385	2.17
13,067	McDonald's Corp	2,320,307	3.93
25,790	Microsoft Corp	2,619,490	4.44
21,351	Protector & Gamble Co/The	1,962,584	3.32
24,303	Vantiv Inc	1,857,478	3.15
19,786	Visa Inc	2,610,565	4.42
		19,954,683	33.80
	Total Transferable securities		
	(31 December 2017: USD 67,169,184 – 97.12 %)	55,841,816	94.58
	Derivative financial instruments at positive fair value		
	OTC Derivative financial instruments		
	Forward foreign exchange contracts**		
	Appreciation in Forward foreign exchange contracts	30,731	0.05
	Total Derivative financial instruments at positive fair		
	value (31 December 2017: USD 186,292 - 0.27%)	30,731	0.05

### **Strategic Global Quality Fund (continued)**

	Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities at Fair Value	Fair Value	% of
Holding	through Profit or Loss	USD	Net Assets
	Total Financial Assets at Fair Value		
	through Profit or Loss	55,872,547	94.63
	Cash and cash equivalents**	3,326,666	5.63
	Other assets and liabilities	(158,191)	-0.26
	Total Net Assets attributable to the Holders of		
	Redeemable Participating Shares	59,041,022	100.00
			% of
		Fair Value	Total
	Analysis of Total Assets	USD	Assets
	Transferable securities	55,841,816	94.27
	OTC Derivative financial instruments	30,731	0.05
	Cash and cash equivalents	3,326,666	5.62
	Other assets	37,887	0.06
	Total Assets	59,237,100	100.00

<sup>\*</sup>Transferable securities admitted to official stock exchange listing or traded on another regulated market.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Cash and cash equivalents are held with The Bank of New York Mellon (AA-) and The Royal Bank of Scotland (BBB+) (ratings from Standard & Poor's). Forward foreign exchange contracts are held with The Bank of New York Mellon.

### **Strategic European Smaller Companies Fund**

Holding	Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities at Fair Value through Profit or Loss	Fair Value EUR	% of Net Assets
	Investment funds		
	Luxembourg		
9,444	Amundi Money Market Fund	9,470,881	6.34
14,570	BNP Paribas InstiCash EUR	2,029,481	1.36
	Total Investment funds		
	(31 December 2017: EUR 11,554,973 – 5.97%)	11,500,362	7.70
	Transferable securities*		
	<b>Equity securities</b>		
	Belgium		
690,158	Balta Group NV	2,291,325	1.53
70,581	Barco NV	6,980,461	4.67
		9,271,786	6.20
	Finland		
387,771	Valmet Oyj	6,960,489	4.66
		6,960,489	4.66
	France		
562,157	Albioma SA	10,624,767	7.11
59,346	Alten SA	4,314,454	2.89
414,441	Elis SA	6,030,117	4.03
334,078	Ipsos	6,861,962	4.59
331,909	Jacquet Metal Service	5,151,228	3.45
111,233	LISI	2,280,277	1.52
899,126	Mauna Kea Technologies	1,807,243	1.21
172,058	Mersen	4,043,363	2.71
379,407	Mgi Coutier	6,108,453	4.09
88,146	Somfy SA	5,553,198	3.72
570,389	SPIE SA	6,610,809	4.42
105,650	Tarkett SA	1,850,988	1.24
		61,236,859	40.98

### **Strategic European Smaller Companies Fund (continued)**

Holding	Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities at Fair Value through Profit or Loss	Fair Value EUR	% of Net Assets
	Transferable securities* (continued)		
	<b>Equity securities (continued)</b>		
	Germany		
99,248	NORMA Group SE	4,285,529	2.87
		4,285,529	2.87
	Italy		
649,788	Brembo Spa	5,779,864	3.87
		5,779,864	3.87
	Luxembourg		
141,826	Befesa SA	5,318,475	3.55
388,447	SAF-Holland SA	4,350,606	2.91
		9,669,081	6.46
	Netherlands		
76,954	Takeaway .Com Holding BV	4,524,895	3.03
	, c	4,524,895	3.03
	Sweden	- <del></del>	
1,123,482	Boozt AB	5,016,041	3.36
367,138	Ferronordic Machines AB	4,607,792	3.08
710,688	Granges AB	5,644,835	3.78
		15,268,668	10.22
	Switzerland		
57,918	Feintool International Holding AG	3,864,910	2.59
1,910	Metall Zug AG	4,237,223	2.83
27,073	Reiter Holding AG	3,094,284	2.07
		11,196,417	7.49

## E.I. Sturdza Funds Plc Schedule of Investments (unaudited) (continued)

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### **Strategic European Smaller Companies Fund (continued)**

Holding	Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities at Fair Value through Profit or Loss	Fair Value EUR	% of Net Assets
	Transferable securities* (continued)		
	<b>Equity securities (continued)</b>		
	<b>Total Equity securities</b>	128,193,588	85.78
	Total Transferable securities		
	(31 December 2017: EUR 175,386,326 – 90.75%)	128,193,588	85.78
	Derivative financial instruments at positive fair value		
	Forward foreign exchange contracts**		
	Appreciation in Forward foreign exchange contracts	2,353	0.00
	Total Derivative financial instruments at positive fair value (31		
	<b>December 2017: USD 4,952 – 0.00%)</b>	2,353	0.00
	Total Financial Assets at fair value through profit or loss	139,696,303	93.48
	Cash and cash equivalents**	11,902,688	7.96
	Other assets and liabilities	(2,157,560)	(1.44)
	<b>Total Net Assets Attributable to Holders of Redeemable</b>		<u> </u>
	Participating Shares	149,441,431	100.00
			% of
		Fair Value	Total
	Analysis of Total Assets	EUR	Assets
	Investment in funds	11,500,362	7.59
	Transferable securities	128,193,588	84.56
	OTC financial derivative instruments	2,353	0.00
	Cash and cash equivalents	11,902,688	7.85
	Other assets	3,067	0.00
	Total Assets	151,602,058	100.00

<sup>\*</sup>Transferable securities admitted to official stock exchange listing or traded on another regulated market.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Cash and cash equivalents and Forward foreign exchange contracts are held with The Bank of New York Mellon (AA-) (rating from Standard and Poor's).

# Schedule of Investments (unaudited) (continued) As at 31 December 2018

# **Strategic Japan Opportunities Fund**

Holding	Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities at Fair Value through Profit or Loss	Fair Value JPY	% of Net Assets
	Transferable securities*		
	<b>Equity securities</b>		
	Japan		
63,000	AI Holdings Corp	122,346,000	1.58
102,000	Anritsu Corp	155,652,000	2.01
38,700	Asahi Printings Co Ltd	39,396,600	0.51
24,500	Benefit One Inc	82,687,500	1.07
5,000	C Uyemura & Co Ltd	31,475,000	0.40
10,500	Crowdworks Inc	18,469,500	0.24
44,000	CTS Co Ltd	28,248,000	0.36
16,500	Cyberagent Inc	70,042,500	0.90
17,400	Daifuku Co Ltd	87,348,000	1.13
19,100	Denki Kogyo Co Ltd	45,400,700	0.58
33,000	Digital Arts Inc	201,300,000	2.60
15,600	Digital Garage Inc	39,046,800	0.50
35,800	Don Quijote Holdings Co Ltd	244,156,000	3.15
62,000	Fringe81 Co Ltd	44,392,000	0.57
20,900	GMO Payment Gateway Inc	97,812,000	1.26
200,000	GungHo Online Entertainment Inc Hikari Tsushin Inc	40,000,000 22,321,000	0.51 0.29
1,300 34,000	Hitachi Chemical Co Ltd	56,440,000	0.29
97,100	Ibiden Co Ltd	150,310,800	1.94
27,000	Information Services International-Dentsu Ltd	74,223,000	0.96
9,500	IT Holdings Corp	41,087,500	0.50
28,200	Jafco Co Ltd	98,559,000	1.27
30,000	Japan Investment Adviser Co Ltd	92,550,000	1.19
123,000	Japan Material Co Ltd	131,487,000	1.70
7,900	Japan Meat Co Ltd	13,366,800	0.17
18,000	Jins Inc	104,580,000	1.35
8,400	JSB Co Ltd	28,560,000	0.37
69,900	Kanematsu Corp	93,316,500	1.20
1,500	Keyence Corp	83,520,000	1.08
23,700	KH Neochem Co Ltd	54,557,400	0.70
31,300	Komatsu Ltd	74,040,150	0.95
33,400	Komeri Co Ltd	79,191,400	1.02
15,500	Kureha Corp	94,395,000	1.22
42,400	Kyoritsu Maintenance Co Ltd	204,368,000	2.63
33,900	Kyowa Exeo Corp	87,394,200	1.13
22,500	Kyudenko Corp	93,825,000	1.21
18,100	LEC Inc	29,611,600	0.38
25,700	Litalico Inc	41,711,100	0.54
75,100	M3 Inc	110,697,400	1.43

## E.I. Sturdza Funds Plc Schedule of Investments (unaudited) (continued) As at 31 December 2018

Transferable securities* (continued)   Equity securities (continued)	Holding	Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities at Fair Value through Profit or Loss	Fair Value JPY	% of Net Assets
Japan (continued)		Transferable securities* (continued)		
43,400         Marui Group Co Ltd         92,572,200         1.19           54,800         Mec Co Ltd/Japan         \$8,690,800         0.76           69,800         MIRAIT Holdings Corp         112,517,600         1.45           33,400         MISUMI Group Ine         77,454,600         1.00           65,000         Misubishi UFJ Financial Group Ine         34,963,500         0.45           19,000         Misua Co Ltd         47,595,000         0.61           6,400         Money Forward Ine         21,600,000         0.28           10,600         Murata Manufacturing Co Ltd         138,523,000         2.04           71,100         Net One Systems Co Ltd         137,507,400         1.77           10,000         Nidec Corp         124,750,000         1.61           57,300         Orix Corp         91,995,150         1.19           184,600         Outsourcing Inc         194,937,600         2.51           44,000         Persol Holdings Co Ltd         71,984,000         0.93           34,400         Phyz Inc         33,299,200         0.43           61,100         Raito Kogyo Co Ltd         89,389,300         1.15           35,100         Recruit Holdings Co Ltd         93,453,750         <		<b>Equity securities (continued)</b>		
54,800         Mec Co Ltd/Japan         \$8,690,800         0.76           69,800         MIRAIT Holdings Corp         112,517,600         1.45           33,400         MISUMI Group Inc         77,454,600         1.00           65,000         Mitsubishi UFJ Financial Group Inc         34,963,500         0.45           19,000         Miura Co Ltd         47,595,000         0.61           6,400         Money Forward Inc         21,600,000         0.28           10,600         Murata Manufacturing Co Ltd         137,507,400         1.77           11,000         Nidec Corp         124,750,000         1.61           57,300         Orix Corp         91,995,150         1.19           184,600         Outsourcing Inc         194,937,600         2.51           44,000         Persol Holdings Co Ltd         71,984,000         0.93           34,400         Phyz Inc         33,299,200         0.43           61,100         Raito Kogyo Co Ltd         89,389,300         1.15           35,100         Recruit Holdings Co Ltd         93,453,750         1.21           78,700         Relo Group Inc         202,495,100         2.61           42,100         Renesas Electronics Corp         21,050,000 <t< td=""><td></td><td>Japan (continued)</td><td></td><td></td></t<>		Japan (continued)		
69,800         MIRAIT Holdings Corp         112,517,600         1.45           33,400         Misubishi UFI Financial Group Inc         77,454,600         1.00           65,000         Mitsubishi UFI Financial Group Inc         34,963,500         0.45           19,000         Miura Co Ltd         47,595,000         0.61           6,400         Money Forward Inc         21,600,000         0.28           10,600         Murata Manufacturing Co Ltd         158,523,000         2.04           71,100         Niet One Systems Co Ltd         137,507,400         1.77           10,000         Nidec Corp         124,750,000         1.61           57,300         Orix Corp         91,995,150         1.19           184,600         Outsourcing Inc         194,937,600         2.51           44,000         Persol Holdings Co Ltd         71,984,000         0.93           34,400         Phyz Inc         33,299,200         0.43           61,100         Raito Kogyo Co Ltd         89,389,300         1.15           78,700         Relo Group Inc         202,495,100         2.61           42,100         Renesas Electronics Corp         21,050,000         0.27           748,800         Resona Holdings Inc         33,3	43,400	Marui Group Co Ltd	92,572,200	1.19
33,400       MISUMI Group Inc       77,454,600       1.00         65,000       Mitsubishi UFJ Financial Group Inc       34,963,500       0.45         19,000       Miura Co Ltd       47,595,000       0.61         6,400       Money Forward Inc       21,600,000       0.28         10,600       Murata Manufacturing Co Ltd       158,523,000       2.04         71,100       Net One Systems Co Ltd       137,507,400       1.77         10,000       Nidec Corp       124,750,000       1.61         57,300       Orix Corp       91,995,150       1.19         184,600       Outsourcing Inc       194,937,600       2.51         44,000       Persol Holdings Co Ltd       71,984,000       0.93         34,400       Phyz Inc       33,299,200       0.43         61,100       Raito Kogyo Co Ltd       89,389,300       1.15         78,700       Relo Group Inc       202,495,100       2.61         42,100       Renesas Electronics Corp       21,050,000       0.27         148,800       Rengo Co Ltd       129,158,400       1.67         63,000       Resona Holdings Inc       33,308,100       0.43         18,500       Royal Holdings Co Ltd       87,906,000	54,800	Mec Co Ltd/Japan	58,690,800	0.76
65,000         Mitsubishi UFJ Financial Group Inc         34,963,500         0.45           19,000         Miura Co Ltd         47,595,000         0.61           6,400         Money Forward Inc         21,600,000         0.28           10,600         Murata Manufacturing Co Ltd         158,523,000         2.04           71,100         Net One Systems Co Ltd         137,507,400         1.77           10,000         Nidec Corp         124,750,000         1.61           57,300         Orix Corp         91,995,150         1.19           184,600         Outsourcing Inc         194,937,600         2.51           44,000         Persol Holdings Co Ltd         71,984,000         0.93           34,400         Phyz Inc         33,299,200         0.43           61,100         Raito Kogyo Co Ltd         89,389,300         1.15           35,100         Recruit Holdings Co Ltd         89,389,300         1.15           78,700         Relo Group Inc         202,495,100         2.61           42,100         Renesas Electronics Corp         21,050,000         0.27           148,800         Rego Co Ltd         33,308,100         0.43           18,500         Reyn Holdings Inc         33,308,100 <td< td=""><td>69,800</td><td>MIRAIT Holdings Corp</td><td>112,517,600</td><td>1.45</td></td<>	69,800	MIRAIT Holdings Corp	112,517,600	1.45
19,000       Miura Co Ltd       47,595,000       0.61         6,400       Money Forward Inc       21,600,000       0.28         10,600       Murata Manufacturing Co Ltd       158,523,000       2.04         71,100       Net One Systems Co Ltd       137,507,400       1.77         10,000       Nidec Corp       124,750,000       1.61         57,300       Orix Corp       91,995,150       1.19         184,600       Outsourcing Inc       194,937,600       2.51         44,000       Persol Holdings Co Ltd       71,984,000       0.93         34,400       Phyz Inc       33,299,200       0.43         61,100       Raito Kogyo Co Ltd       89,389,300       1.15         78,700       Relo Group Inc       202,495,100       2.61         42,100       Renesas Electronics Corp       21,050,000       0.27         148,800       Rengo Co Ltd       129,158,400       1.67         63,000       Resona Holdings Inc       33,308,100       0.43         18,500       Royal Holdings Co Ltd       87,906,000       1.13         15,600       RPA Holdings Co Ltd       154,380,000       1.99         9,600       Seven & I Holdings Co Ltd       45,916,800       0.	33,400	MISUMI Group Inc	77,454,600	1.00
6,400         Money Forward Inc         21,600,000         0.28           10,600         Murata Manufacturing Co Ltd         158,523,000         2.04           71,100         Net One Systems Co Ltd         137,507,400         1.77           10,000         Nidec Corp         124,750,000         1.61           57,300         Orix Corp         91,995,150         1.19           184,600         Outsourcing Inc         194,937,600         2.51           44,000         Persol Holdings Co Ltd         71,984,000         0.93           34,400         Phyz Inc         33,299,200         0.43           61,100         Raito Kogyo Co Ltd         89,389,300         1.15           35,100         Recruit Holdings Co Ltd         93,453,750         1.21           78,700         Relo Group Inc         202,495,100         2.61           42,100         Renesas Electronics Corp         21,050,000         0.27           148,800         Renesa Flectronics Corp         21,050,000         0.27           148,800         Resona Holdings Inc         33,308,100         0.43           34,500         Royal Holdings Co Ltd         130,240,000         1.68           34,500         Royal Holdings Inc         48,906,000	65,000	Mitsubishi UFJ Financial Group Inc	34,963,500	0.45
10,600       Murata Manufacturing Co Ltd       158,523,000       2.04         71,100       Net One Systems Co Ltd       137,507,400       1.77         10,000       Nidec Corp       124,750,000       1.61         57,300       Orix Corp       91,995,150       1.19         184,600       Outsourcing Inc       194,937,600       2.51         44,000       Persol Holdings Co Ltd       71,984,000       0.93         34,400       Phyz Inc       33,299,200       0.43         61,100       Raito Kogyo Co Ltd       89,389,300       1.15         35,100       Recruit Holdings Co Ltd       93,453,750       1.21         78,700       Relo Group Inc       202,495,100       2.61         42,100       Renesas Electronics Corp       21,050,000       0.27         148,800       Rengo Co Ltd       129,158,400       1.67         63,000       Resona Holdings Inc       33,308,100       0.43         18,500       Rohm Co Ltd       130,240,000       1.68         34,500       Royal Holdings Co Ltd       87,906,000       1.13         15,600       RPA Holdings Inc       48,906,000       0.63         38,200       Sato Holdings Co Ltd       154,380,000       1.	19,000	Miura Co Ltd	47,595,000	0.61
71,100       Net One Systems Co Ltd       137,507,400       1.77         10,000       Nidec Corp       124,750,000       1.61         57,300       Orix Corp       91,995,150       1.19         184,600       Outsourcing Inc       194,937,600       2.51         44,000       Persol Holdings Co Ltd       71,984,000       0.93         34,400       Phyz Inc       33,299,200       0.43         61,100       Raito Kogyo Co Ltd       89,389,300       1.15         35,100       Recruit Holdings Co Ltd       93,453,750       1.21         78,700       Relo Group Inc       202,495,100       2.61         42,100       Renesas Electronics Corp       21,050,000       0.27         148,800       Rengo Co Ltd       129,158,400       1.67         63,000       Resona Holdings Inc       33,308,100       0.43         18,500       Rohm Co Ltd       130,240,000       1.68         34,500       Royal Holdings Co Ltd       87,906,000       1.13         15,600       RPA Holdings Inc       48,906,000       0.63         38,200       Sacria Co Ltd       154,380,000       1.99         9,600       Seven & I Holdings Co Ltd       45,916,800       0.59	6,400	Money Forward Inc	21,600,000	0.28
10,000       Nidec Corp       124,750,000       1.61         57,300       Orix Corp       91,995,150       1.19         184,600       Outsourcing Inc       194,937,600       2.51         44,000       Persol Holdings Co Ltd       71,984,000       0.93         34,400       Phyz Inc       33,299,200       0.43         61,100       Raito Kogyo Co Ltd       89,389,300       1.15         35,100       Recruit Holdings Co Ltd       93,453,750       1.21         78,700       Relo Group Inc       202,495,100       2.61         42,100       Renesas Electronics Corp       21,050,000       0.27         148,800       Rengo Co Ltd       129,158,400       1.67         63,000       Resona Holdings Inc       33,308,100       0.43         18,500       Rohm Co Ltd       130,240,000       1.68         34,500       Royal Holdings Co Ltd       87,906,000       1.13         15,600       RPA Holdings Inc       48,906,000       0.63         38,200       Sato Holdings Cottd       154,380,000       1.99         9,600       Seven & I Holdings Cottd       45,916,800       0.59         22,000       Ship Healthcare Holdings Inc       89,210,000       1.1	10,600	Murata Manufacturing Co Ltd	158,523,000	2.04
57,300         Orix Corp         91,995,150         1.19           184,600         Outsourcing Inc         194,937,600         2.51           44,000         Persol Holdings Co Ltd         71,984,000         0.93           34,400         Phyz Inc         33,299,200         0.43           61,100         Raito Kogyo Co Ltd         89,389,300         1.15           35,100         Recruit Holdings Co Ltd         93,453,750         1.21           78,700         Relo Group Inc         202,495,100         2.61           42,100         Renseas Electronics Corp         21,050,000         0.27           148,800         Rengo Co Ltd         129,158,400         1.67           63,000         Resona Holdings Inc         33,308,100         0.43           18,500         Rohm Co Ltd         130,240,000         1.68           34,500         Royal Holdings Co Ltd         87,906,000         1.13           15,600         RPA Holdings Inc         48,906,000         0.63           38,200         Sato Holdings Co Ltd         48,906,000         1.29           9,600         Seven & I Holdings Inc         89,210,000         1.15           37,900         Soven & Go Ltd         45,916,800         0.59     <	71,100	Net One Systems Co Ltd	137,507,400	1.77
184,600       Outsourcing Inc       194,937,600       2.51         44,000       Persol Holdings Co Ltd       71,984,000       0.93         34,400       Phyz Inc       33,299,200       0.43         61,100       Raito Kogyo Co Ltd       89,389,300       1.15         35,100       Recruit Holdings Co Ltd       93,453,750       1.21         78,700       Relo Group Inc       202,495,100       2.61         42,100       Renesas Electronics Corp       21,050,000       0.27         148,800       Rengo Co Ltd       129,158,400       1.67         63,000       Resona Holdings Inc       33,308,100       0.43         18,500       Rohm Co Ltd       130,240,000       1.68         34,500       Royal Holdings Co Ltd       87,906,000       1.13         15,600       RPA Holdings Inc       48,906,000       0.63         38,200       Sato Holdings Corp       99,702,000       1.29         41,500       Seria Co Ltd       154,380,000       1.99         9,600       Seven & I Holdings Co Ltd       45,916,800       0.59         22,000       Ship Healthcare Holdings Inc       89,210,000       1.15         37,900       Snow Peak Inc       91,607,200 <t< td=""><td>10,000</td><td>Nidec Corp</td><td>124,750,000</td><td>1.61</td></t<>	10,000	Nidec Corp	124,750,000	1.61
44,000       Persol Holdings Co Ltd       71,984,000       0.93         34,400       Phyz Inc       33,299,200       0.43         61,100       Raito Kogyo Co Ltd       89,389,300       1.15         35,100       Recruit Holdings Co Ltd       93,453,750       1.21         78,700       Relo Group Inc       202,495,100       2.61         42,100       Renesas Electronics Corp       21,050,000       0.27         148,800       Rengo Co Ltd       129,158,400       1.67         63,000       Resona Holdings Inc       33,308,100       0.43         18,500       Rohm Co Ltd       130,240,000       1.68         34,500       Royal Holdings Co Ltd       87,906,000       1.13         15,600       RPA Holdings Inc       48,906,000       0.63         38,200       Sato Holdings Corp       99,702,000       1.29         41,500       Seria Co Ltd       154,380,000       1.99         9,600       Seven & I Holdings Inc       89,210,000       1.15         37,900       Ship Healthcare Holdings Inc       89,210,000       1.15         37,900       Snow Peak Inc       91,607,200       1.18         13,700       SoU Inc       91,927,000       1.19	57,300	Orix Corp	91,995,150	1.19
34,400       Phyz Inc       33,299,200       0.43         61,100       Raito Kogyo Co Ltd       89,389,300       1.15         35,100       Recruit Holdings Co Ltd       93,453,750       1.21         78,700       Relo Group Inc       202,495,100       2.61         42,100       Renesas Electronics Corp       21,050,000       0.27         148,800       Rengo Co Ltd       129,158,400       1.67         63,000       Resona Holdings Inc       33,308,100       0.43         18,500       Rohm Co Ltd       130,240,000       1.68         34,500       Royal Holdings Co Ltd       87,906,000       1.13         15,600       RPA Holdings Inc       48,906,000       0.63         38,200       Sato Holdings Corp       99,702,000       1.29         41,500       Seria Co Ltd       154,380,000       1.99         9,600       Seven & I Holdings Inc       89,210,000       1.15         37,900       Ship Healthcare Holdings Inc       89,210,000       1.15         37,900       Snow Peak Inc       91,927,000       1.18         13,700       SOU Inc       91,927,000       1.19         50,900       SUMCO Corp       62,454,300       0.81	184,600	Outsourcing Inc	194,937,600	2.51
61,100       Raito Kogyo Co Ltd       89,389,300       1.15         35,100       Recruit Holdings Co Ltd       93,453,750       1.21         78,700       Relo Group Inc       202,495,100       2.61         42,100       Renesas Electronics Corp       21,050,000       0.27         148,800       Rengo Co Ltd       129,158,400       1.67         63,000       Resona Holdings Inc       33,308,100       0.43         18,500       Rohm Co Ltd       130,240,000       1.68         34,500       Royal Holdings Co Ltd       87,906,000       1.13         15,600       RPA Holdings Inc       48,906,000       0.63         38,200       Sato Holdings Corp       99,702,000       1.29         41,500       Seria Co Ltd       154,380,000       1.99         9,600       Seven & I Holdings Co Ltd       45,916,800       0.59         22,000       Ship Healthcare Holdings Inc       89,210,000       1.15         37,900       Snow Peak Inc       46,920,200       0.61         17,200       Sony Corp       91,607,200       1.18         13,700       SUMCO Corp       62,454,300       0.81         63,600       Sumitomo Bakelite Co Ltd       144,400,000       1	44,000	Persol Holdings Co Ltd	71,984,000	0.93
35,100       Recruit Holdings Co Ltd       93,453,750       1.21         78,700       Relo Group Inc       202,495,100       2.61         42,100       Renesas Electronics Corp       21,050,000       0.27         148,800       Rengo Co Ltd       129,158,400       1.67         63,000       Resona Holdings Inc       33,308,100       0.43         18,500       Rohm Co Ltd       130,240,000       1.68         34,500       Royal Holdings Co Ltd       87,906,000       1.13         15,600       RPA Holdings Inc       48,906,000       0.63         38,200       Sato Holdings Corp       99,702,000       1.29         41,500       Seria Co Ltd       154,380,000       1.99         9,600       Seven & I Holdings Co Ltd       45,916,800       0.59         22,000       Ship Healthcare Holdings Inc       89,210,000       1.15         37,900       Snow Peak Inc       46,920,200       0.61         17,200       Sony Corp       91,607,200       1.18         13,700       SOU Inc       91,927,000       1.19         50,900       SUMCO Corp       62,454,300       0.81         63,600       Sumitomo Bakelite Co Ltd       144,400,000       1.86	34,400	Phyz Inc	33,299,200	0.43
35,100       Recruit Holdings Co Ltd       93,453,750       1.21         78,700       Relo Group Inc       202,495,100       2.61         42,100       Renesas Electronics Corp       21,050,000       0.27         148,800       Rengo Co Ltd       129,158,400       1.67         63,000       Resona Holdings Inc       33,308,100       0.43         18,500       Rohm Co Ltd       130,240,000       1.68         34,500       Royal Holdings Co Ltd       87,906,000       1.13         15,600       RPA Holdings Inc       48,906,000       0.63         38,200       Sato Holdings Corp       99,702,000       1.29         41,500       Seria Co Ltd       154,380,000       1.99         9,600       Seven & I Holdings Co Ltd       45,916,800       0.59         22,000       Ship Healthcare Holdings Inc       89,210,000       1.15         37,900       Snow Peak Inc       46,920,200       0.61         17,200       Sony Corp       91,607,200       1.18         13,700       SOU Inc       91,927,000       1.19         50,900       SUMCO Corp       62,454,300       0.81         63,600       Sumitomo Bakelite Co Ltd       144,400,000       1.86	61,100	Raito Kogyo Co Ltd	89,389,300	1.15
78,700       Relo Group Inc       202,495,100       2.61         42,100       Renesas Electronics Corp       21,050,000       0.27         148,800       Rengo Co Ltd       129,158,400       1.67         63,000       Resona Holdings Inc       33,308,100       0.43         18,500       Rohm Co Ltd       130,240,000       1.68         34,500       Royal Holdings Co Ltd       87,906,000       1.13         15,600       RPA Holdings Inc       48,906,000       0.63         38,200       Sato Holdings Corp       99,702,000       1.29         41,500       Seria Co Ltd       154,380,000       1.99         9,600       Seven & I Holdings Co Ltd       45,916,800       0.59         22,000       Ship Healthcare Holdings Inc       89,210,000       1.15         37,900       Snow Peak Inc       46,920,200       0.61         17,200       Sony Corp       91,607,200       1.18         13,700       SOU Inc       91,927,000       1.19         50,900       SUMCO Corp       62,454,300       0.81         63,600       Sumida Corp       80,581,200       1.04         38,000       Sumitomo Bakelite Co Ltd       144,400,000       1.86		<del></del>	93,453,750	1.21
42,100       Renesas Electronics Corp       21,050,000       0.27         148,800       Rengo Co Ltd       129,158,400       1.67         63,000       Resona Holdings Inc       33,308,100       0.43         18,500       Rohm Co Ltd       130,240,000       1.68         34,500       Royal Holdings Co Ltd       87,906,000       1.13         15,600       RPA Holdings Inc       48,906,000       0.63         38,200       Sato Holdings Corp       99,702,000       1.29         41,500       Seria Co Ltd       154,380,000       1.99         9,600       Seven & I Holdings Co Ltd       45,916,800       0.59         22,000       Ship Healthcare Holdings Inc       89,210,000       1.15         37,900       Snow Peak Inc       46,920,200       0.61         17,200       Sony Corp       91,607,200       1.18         13,700       SOU Inc       91,927,000       1.19         50,900       SUMCO Corp       62,454,300       0.81         63,600       Sumida Corp       80,581,200       1.04         38,000       Sumidomo Bakelite Co Ltd       144,400,000       1.86         54,300       Sumitomo Metal Mining Co Ltd       118,194,750       1.52	78,700		202,495,100	2.61
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## E.I. Sturdza Funds Plc Schedule of Investments (unaudited) (continued) As at 31 December 2018

Holding	Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities at Fair Value through Profit or Loss	Fair Value JPY	% of Net Assets
	Transferable securities* (continued)		
	<b>Equity securities (continued)</b>		
	Japan (continued)		
37,700	Torikizoku Co Ltd	68,387,800	0.88
56,800	TOWA Corp	33,114,400	0.43
13,700	Trancom Co Ltd	77,268,000	1.00
42,000	Transcosmos Inc	96,894,000	1.25
20,500	Tri Chemical Laboratories Inc	78,822,500	1.02
55,100	Trusco Nakayama Corp	159,569,600	2.06
11,500	Ukai Co Ltd	43,125,000	0.56
21,400	UT Group Co Ltd	40,232,000	0.52
78,200	Vector Inc/Minato-Ku	112,138,800	1.45
112,100	Zigexn Co Ltd	56,834,700	0.73
		7,565,360,600	97.57
	Total Transferable securities		
	(31 December 2017: JPY 8,914,733,900 – 95.14 %)	7,565,360,600	97.57
	Derivative financial instruments at positive fair value		
	OTC Derivative financial instruments		
	Forward foreign exchange contracts**		
	Appreciation in Forward foreign exchange contracts	39,499	0.00
	Total Derivative financial instruments at positive fair Value (31 December 2017: JPY 2,131,773 - 0.02%)	39,499	0.00
	<b>Total Financial Assets at Fair Value through Profit or Loss</b>	7,565,400,099	97.57

### Schedule of Investments (unaudited) (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

Holding	Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities at Fair Value through Profit or Loss	Fair Value JPY	% of Net Assets
	Derivative financial instruments at negative fair value		
	OTC Derivative financial instruments		
	Forward foreign exchange contracts**		
	Depreciation in Forward foreign exchange contracts	(8,972,928)	(0.12)
	<b>Total Derivative Financial Instruments at negative fair value (31</b>		
	December 2017: JPY (4,736,291) - (0.05)%)	(8,972,928)	(0.12)
	Total Financial Liabilities at Fair value through Profit or Loss	(8,972,928)	(0.12)
		(-)	(**==)
	Total Financial Assets and Liabilities at Fair Value through Profit or Loss	7,556,427,171	97.45
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	Cash and cash equivalents**	214,618,477	2.77
	Other assets and liabilities	(17,243,772)	(0.22)
	Total Net Assets Attributable to Holders of Redeemable		
	Participating Shares	7,753,801,876	100.00
			% of
		Fair Value	Total
	Analysis of Total Assets	JPY	Assets
	Transferable securities	7,565,360,600	96.09
	OTC Derivative financial instruments	39,499	0.00
	Cash and cash equivalents	214,618,477	2.73
	Other assets	93,141,232	1.18
	Total Assets	7,873,159,808	100.00

<sup>\*</sup>Transferable securities admitted to official stock exchange listing or traded on another regulated market.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Cash and cash equivalents and Forward foreign exchange contracts are held with The Bank of New York Mellon (AA-) (rating from Standard and Poor's).

## Schedule of Investments (unaudited) (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

# **Strategic Bond Opportunities Fund**

Holding	Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities at Fair Value through Profit or Loss	Fair Value USD	% of Net Assets
	Transferable securities*		
	Debt securities		
	Australia		
750,000	Telstra Corp Ltd 4.80% 10/12/2021	779,510	1.31
		779,510	1.31
4 700 000	British Virgin Islands		
1,500,000	CNOOC Finance 2011 Ltd 4.25% 1/26/2021	1,522,455	2.55
500,000	Sinopec Group Overseas Development 2016 Ltd 2.75% 9/29/2026	455,100	0.76
		1,977,555	3.31
	Canada		
750,000	Toronto-Dominion Bank/The 2.13% 4/7/2021	734,120	1.23
		734,120	1.23
	Cayman Islands		
1,000,000	Alibaba Group Holding Ltd 3.40% 12/6/2027	926,255	1.55
750,000	Hutchison Whampoa International 11 Ltd 4.63% 1/13/2022	775,070	1.30
1,500,000	Tencent Holdings Ltd 2.88% 2/11/2020	1,494,106	2.50
		3,195,431	5.35
	Chile		
1,250,000	Corp Nacional del Cobre de Chile 4.50% 9/16/2025	1,268,971	2.12
		1,268,971	2.12
	Colombia		
500,000	Colombia Government International Bond 4.00% 2/26/2024	495,625	0.83
		495,625	0.83
	Czech Republic		
1,000,000	CEZ AS 3.00% 6/05/2028	1,234,826	2.07
		1,234,826	2.07
	France		
750,000	Banque Federative du Credit Mutuel SA 2.75% 10/15/2020	742,523	1.24
1,000,000	Danone SA 2.08% 11/2/2021	966,668	1.62
1,000,000	Electricite de France SA 2.35% 10/13/2020	985,762	1.65
1,000,000	Faurecia 2.63% 6/15/2025	1,083,992	1.82
650,000	Pernod Ricard SA 4.45% 1/15/2022	663,410	1.11
750,000	TOTAL SA 3.37% 10/6/2167	876,824	1.47
1,000,000	Wendel SA 2.50% 2/9/2027	1,114,028	1.86
		6,433,207	10.77

## Schedule of Investments (unaudited) (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

Holding	Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities at Fair Value through Profit or Loss	Fair Value USD	% of Net Assets
	Transferable securities* (continued)		
	Debt securities (continued) Hungary		
500,000	Hungary Government International Bond 6.38% 3/29/2021	528,438	0.89
1,000,000	MFB Magyar Fejlesztesi Bank Zrt 6.25% 10/21/2020	1,041,898	1.74
, ,		1,570,336	2.63
	India		
1,000,000	Export-Import Bank of India 4.00% 1/14/2023	998,156	1.67
500,000	Oil India Ltd 5.38% 4/17/2024	514,478	0.86
		1,512,634	2.53
	Indonesia		_
500,000	Lembaga Pembiayaan Ekspor Indonesia 3.88% 4/6/2024	475,863	0.80
1,250,000	Pertamina Persero PT 4.88% 5/3/2022	1,267,049	2.12
		1,742,912	2.92
	Kazakhstan		
1,500,000	Development Bank of Kazakhstan JSC 4.13% 12/10/2022	1,458,627	2.44
		1,458,627	2.44
	Luxembourg		
1,000,000	ArcelorMittal 6.13% 6/1/2025	1,048,081	1.76
500,000	MOL Group Finance SA 6.25% 9/26/2019	509,346	0.85
		1,557,427	2.61
	Mexico		
1,500,000	America Movil SAB de CV 5.00% 3/30/2020	1,526,750	2.56
		1,526,750	2.56
	Netherlands		
1,000,000	Enel Finance International NV 4.63% 9/14/2025	961,266	1.61
1,250,000	EXOR NV 1.75% 1/18/2028	1,356,553	2.27
700,000	Telefonica Europe BV 3.00% 12/04/2167	745,127	1.25
1,000,000	Volkswagen International Finance NV 3.88% 6/14/2167	1,031,679	1.73
		4,094,625	6.86

## Schedule of Investments (unaudited) (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

Holding	Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities at Fair Value through Profit or Loss	Fair Value USD	% of Net Assets
	Transferable securities* (continued)		
	<b>Debt securities (continued)</b>		
	Peru		
1,000,000	Corp Financiera de Desarrollo SA 4.75% 7/15/2025	996,250	1.67
		996,250	1.67
	Philippines		
1,500,000	BDO Unibank Inc 2.95% 3/6/2023	1,421,550	2.38
		1,421,550	2.38
	Republic of Korea		
1,000,000	Export-Import Bank of Korea 2.13% 1/25/2020	990,936	1.66
1,000,000	Korea Gas Corp 1.88% 7/18/2021	965,624	1.62
		1,956,560	3.28
	Singapore		
1,000,000	SingTel Group Treasury Pte Ltd 3.25% 6/30/2025	978,104	1.64
		978,104	1.64
	Spain		
1,200,000	Banco Santander SA 2.50% 3/18/2025	1,370,868	2.30
		1,370,868	2.30
	United Kingdom		
1,000,000	Fresnillo PLC 5.50% 11/13/2023	1,020,000	1.71
		1,020,000	1.71
	United States of America		
1,000,000	Ford Motor Credit Co LLC 3.61% 3/12/2019	999,304	1.67
500,000	Hyundai Capital America 2.60% 3/19/2020	493,704	0.83
1,000,000	Mondelez International Inc 1.63% 3/8/2027	1,142,769	1.91
1,000,000	Nissan Motor Acceptance Corp 3.30% 9/13/2019	997,666	1.67
2,000,000	United States of America 2.00% 11/15/2026	1,911,136	3.20
2,000,000	United States of America 2.13% 11/30/2024	1,952,832	3.27
2,500,000	United States of America 2.63% 8/31/2020	2,503,411	4.19
1,500,000	United States of America 2.75%, 9/30/2020	1,505,677	2.52
1,500,000	United States of America 2.88% 10/31/2020	1,509,362	2.53
2,000,000	United States of America 2.88% 11/15/2021	2,022,403	3.39
4,000,000	United States of America 3.00% 8/15/2048	3,989,149	6.68
2,000,000	United States of America 3.13% 11/15/2028	2,076,260	3.48
		21,103,673	35.34
	Total Transferable Securities (31 December 2017: Nil)	58,429,561	97.86

## Schedule of Investments (unaudited) (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

Holding	Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities at Fair Value through Profit or Loss	Fair Value USD	% of Net Assets
	Derivative financial instruments at positive fair value		
	Forward foreign exchange contracts**		
	Appreciation in Foreign Currency Contracts	8,441	0.01
	Total Derivative financial instruments at positive fair value	8,441	0.01
	Total Financial Assets at Fair Value at Fair Value through Profit or Loss	58,438,002	97.87
	Derivative financial instruments at negative fair value		
	OTC Derivative financial instruments		
	Forward foreign exchange contracts**		
	Depreciation in Forward foreign exchange contracts	(22,893)	(0.04)
	Total Derivative financial instruments at negative fair value	(22,893)	(0.04)
	Total Financial Liabilities at Fair value through Profit or Loss	(22,893)	(0.04)
	Total Financial Assets and Liabilities at Fair value through Profit or Loss	58,415,109	97.83
	Cash and cash equivalents**	788,830	1.32
	Other assets and liabilities	505,328	0.85
	Total Net Assets Attributable to Holders of Redeemable Participating Shares	59,709,267	100.00

## E.I. Sturdza Funds Plc Schedule of Investments (unaudited) (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

		% of
	Fair Value	Total
Analysis of Total Assets	USD	Assets
Transferable securities	58,429,561	97.73
OTC Derivative financial instruments	8,441	0.01
Cash and cash equivalents	788,830	1.32
Other assets	560,445	0.94
Total Assets	59,787,277	100.00

<sup>\*</sup>Transferable securities admitted to official stock exchange listing or traded on another regulated market.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Cash and cash equivalents and Forward foreign exchange contracts are held with The Bank of New York Mellon (AA-) (ratings from Standard & Poor's).

## Schedule of Investments (unaudited) (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

# Sturdza Family Fund

Holding	Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities at Fair Value through Profit or Loss	Fair Value USD	% of Net Assets
	Transferable securities*		
	<b>Equity securities</b>		
	Canada		
12,800	Canadian Pacific Railway Ltd	2,273,536	1.25
	·	2,273,536	1.25
	Cayman Islands		
15,800	Alibaba Group Holding Ltd	2,165,706	1.19
-,	The second secon	2,165,706	1.19
	Germany		
18,500	Deutsche Boerse AG	2,219,511	1.22
23,900	Sap SE	2,375,039	1.31
7,700	Wirecard AG	1,168,939	0.64
,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,		5,763,489	3.17
	Ireland		
15,900	Allergan Plc	2125194	1.17
25,900	Medtronic Plc	2,355,864	1.30
20,500		4,481,058	2.47
	Japan	1,101,030	2.17
58,400	Asahi Group Holdings Ltd	2,272,338	1.25
4,600	Keyence Corp	2,334,485	1.29
7,800	Kose Corp	1,227,070	0.68
18,800	Nidec Corp	2,137,629	1.18
17,600	Nitori Holdings Co Ltd	2,202,507	1.22
18,700	Shiseido Co Ltd	1,174,684	0.65
10,700	Simplified Co Eta	11,348,713	6.27
	Jersey (Channel Islands)	11,510,715	0.27
14,000	Shire Plc	2,436,560	1.34
11,000		2,436,560	1.34
	Liberia	2,120,200	1.5
23,100	Royal Caribbean Cruises Ltd	2,258,949	1.25
23,100	Royal Carloboan Craises Eta	2,258,949	1.25
	Netherlands	2,230,747	1.23
14,400	ASML Holding Nv	2,257,840	1.25
42,200	Unilever NV	2,287,585	1.26
12,200		4,545,425	2.51
	Spain		2.31
287,800	Iberdrola SA	2,308,912	1.27
207,000	Toolatoin 9/1	2,308,912	1.27
		2,300,312	1.4/

## Schedule of Investments (unaudited) (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

## **Sturdza Family Fund (continued)**

Holding	Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities at Fair Value through Profit or Loss	Fair Value USD	% of Net Assets
	Transferable securities* (continued)		
	<b>Equity securities (continued)</b>		
	United Kingdom		
7,300	Aon Plc	1,061,128	0.59
	Th.:4-1 C4-4 C A	1,061,128	0.59
2 210	United States of America	2 200 262	1 27
2,210	Alphabet Inc AO Smith Corp	2,309,362 2,352,770	1.27 1.30
55,100 14,400	Apple Inc	2,332,770	1.30
15,000	Arthur J Gallagher & Co	1,105,500	0.61
1,290	AutoZone Inc	1,081,459	0.60
22,500	Avery Dennison Corp	2,021,175	1.11
95,200	Bank of America Corp	2,345,728	1.29
10,300	Becton Dickinson and Co	2,320,796	1.28
49,700	Berry Global Group Inc	2,362,241	1.30
1,320	Booking Holdings Inc	2,273,594	1.25
9,400	Broadcom Inc	2,390,232	1.32
34,500	Celgene Corp	2,211,105	1.22
18,200	Centene Corp	2,098,460	1.16
41,500	Citigroup Inc	2,160,490	1.19
35,600	Cognizant Technology Solutions Corp	2,259,888	1.25
64,700	Comcast Corp	2,203,035	1.22
12,800	Constellation Brands Inc	2,058,496	1.14
10,700	Dollar General Corp	1,156,456	0.64
14,500	Dollar Tree Inc	1,309,640	0.72
52,900	E*Trade Financial Corp	2,321,252	1.28
16,500	Facebook Inc	2,162,985	1.19
16,800	HCA Healthcare Inc	2,090,760	1.15
30,800	Intercontinental Exchange Inc	2,320,164	1.28
19,500	Iqvia Holdings Inc	2,265,315	1.25
11,900	Mastercard Inc	2,244,935	1.24
22,600	Microsoft Corp	2,295,482	1.27
7,700	Moody'S Corp	1,078,308	0.59
35,200	Netapp Inc	2,100,384	1.16
3,200	O'Reilly Automotive Inc	1,101,856	0.61
6,700	S&P Global Inc	1,138,598	0.63
48,300	Service Corp International/Us	1,944,558	1.07
58,400	The Charles Schwab Corp	2,425,352	1.34
8,200	The Estee Lauder Cos Inc	1,066,820	0.59
6,200	The Sherwin-Williams Co	2,439,452	1.35
20,200	The Walt Disney Co	2,214,930	1.22
9,850	Thermo Fisher Scientific Inc	2,204,332	1.22

## Schedule of Investments (unaudited) (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

## **Sturdza Family Fund (continued)**

Transferable securities (continued)   Equity securities (continued)	Holding	Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities at Fair Value through Profit or Loss	Fair Value USD	% of Net Assets
United States of America (continued)   13,200		Transferable securities* (continued)		
13,200		<b>Equity securities (continued)</b>		
13,200		United States of America (continued)		
9,500	13.200		1.073.028	0.59
16,400		•		
9,000	•			
17,700	•	*		
Total Equity securities   120,594,240   66.52	•	*		
Debt Securities	,			
Debt Securities		Total Equity securities	120,594,240	66.52
United States of America 10,000,000 United States of America 2.00% 11/15/2026 10,000,000 United States of America 2.13% 11/30/2024 10,000,000 United States of America 2.63% 7/15/2021 10,003,710 5.54 5,000,000 United States of America 2.75% 11/30/2020 5,022,592 2.77 7,500,000 United States of America 2.88% 11/15/2021 7,584,011 4.18 2,500,000 United States of America 3.00% 8/15/2048 2,493,219 1.38 10,000,000 United States of America 3.13% 11/15/2028 10,381,300 5.73  Total Debt Securities  Total Transferable Securities (31 December 2017: Nil)  Derivative financial instruments  Forward foreign exchange contracts**  Appreciation in Forward foreign exchange contracts 16,912 0.01				
10,000,000				
10,000,000		United States of America		
10,000,000 United States of America 2.63% 7/15/2021 10,035,710 5.54 5,000,000 United States of America 2.75% 11/30/2020 5,022,592 2.77 7,500,000 United States of America 2.88% 11/15/2021 7,584,011 4.18 2,500,000 United States of America 3.00% 8/15/2048 2,493,219 1.38 10,000,000 United States of America 3.13% 11/15/2028 10,381,300 5.73 54,836,672 30.26  Total Debt Securities 54,836,672 30.26  Total Transferable Securities (31 December 2017: Nil) 175,430,912 96.78  Derivative financial instruments  Forward foreign exchange contracts**  Appreciation in Forward foreign exchange contracts 16,912 0.01	10,000,000	United States of America 2.00% 11/15/2026	9,555,680	5.27
5,000,000       United States of America 2.75% 11/30/2020       5,022,592       2.77         7,500,000       United States of America 2.88% 11/15/2021       7,584,011       4.18         2,500,000       United States of America 3.00% 8/15/2048       2,493,219       1.38         10,000,000       United States of America 3.13% 11/15/2028       10,381,300       5.73         Total Debt Securities         (31 December 2017: Nil)       175,430,912       96.78         Derivative financial instruments at positive fair value         OTC Derivative financial instruments         Forward foreign exchange contracts**         Appreciation in Forward foreign exchange contracts       16,912       0.01	10,000,000	United States of America 2.13% 11/30/2024	9,764,160	5.39
7,500,000       United States of America 2.88% 11/15/2021       7,584,011       4.18         2,500,000       United States of America 3.00% 8/15/2048       2,493,219       1.38         10,000,000       United States of America 3.13% 11/15/2028       10,381,300       5.73         54,836,672       30.26         Total Debt Securities         (31 December 2017: Nil)       175,430,912       96.78         Derivative financial instruments at positive fair value         OTC Derivative financial instruments         Forward foreign exchange contracts**         Appreciation in Forward foreign exchange contracts       16,912       0.01	10,000,000	United States of America 2.63% 7/15/2021	10,035,710	5.54
2,500,000       United States of America 3.00% 8/15/2048       2,493,219       1.38         10,000,000       United States of America 3.13% 11/15/2028       10,381,300       5.73         54,836,672       30.26         Total Debt Securities       54,836,672       30.26         Total Transferable Securities         (31 December 2017: Nil)       175,430,912       96.78         Derivative financial instruments at positive fair value         OTC Derivative financial instruments         Forward foreign exchange contracts**         Appreciation in Forward foreign exchange contracts       16,912       0.01	5,000,000	United States of America 2.75% 11/30/2020	5,022,592	2.77
10,000,000 United States of America 3.13% 11/15/2028  Total Debt Securities  Total Transferable Securities (31 December 2017: Nil)  Derivative financial instruments at positive fair value  OTC Derivative financial instruments  Forward foreign exchange contracts**  Appreciation in Forward foreign exchange contracts  10,381,300 5.73 54,836,672 30.26  175,430,912 96.78	7,500,000	United States of America 2.88% 11/15/2021	7,584,011	4.18
Total Debt Securities  Total Transferable Securities (31 December 2017: Nil)  Derivative financial instruments at positive fair value  OTC Derivative financial instruments  Forward foreign exchange contracts**  Appreciation in Forward foreign exchange contracts  16,912  30.26  54,836,672  30.26  175,430,912  96.78	2,500,000	United States of America 3.00% 8/15/2048	2,493,219	1.38
Total Debt Securities  Total Transferable Securities (31 December 2017: Nil)  Derivative financial instruments at positive fair value  OTC Derivative financial instruments  Forward foreign exchange contracts**  Appreciation in Forward foreign exchange contracts  16,912  30.26  54,836,672  30.26  175,430,912  96.78		United States of America 3.13% 11/15/2028		
Total Transferable Securities (31 December 2017: Nil)  Derivative financial instruments at positive fair value  OTC Derivative financial instruments  Forward foreign exchange contracts**  Appreciation in Forward foreign exchange contracts  16,912 0.01	, ,			
(31 December 2017: Nil)  Derivative financial instruments at positive fair value  OTC Derivative financial instruments  Forward foreign exchange contracts**  Appreciation in Forward foreign exchange contracts  16,912 0.01		<b>Total Debt Securities</b>	54,836,672	30.26
(31 December 2017: Nil)  Derivative financial instruments at positive fair value  OTC Derivative financial instruments  Forward foreign exchange contracts**  Appreciation in Forward foreign exchange contracts  16,912 0.01		Total Tuansferable Securities		
OTC Derivative financial instruments  Forward foreign exchange contracts**  Appreciation in Forward foreign exchange contracts 16,912 0.01			175,430,912	96.78
Forward foreign exchange contracts**  Appreciation in Forward foreign exchange contracts 16,912 0.01		Derivative financial instruments at positive fair value		
Appreciation in Forward foreign exchange contracts 16,912 0.01		OTC Derivative financial instruments		
		Forward foreign exchange contracts**		
		Appreciation in Forward foreign exchange contracts	16,912	0.01
		Total Derivative financial instruments at positive fair value	16,912	0.01

## Schedule of Investments (unaudited) (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

## **Sturdza Family Fund (continued)**

Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities at Fair Value Holding through Profit or Loss	Fair Value USD	% of Net Assets
Total Financial Assets at Fair Value through Profit or Loss	175,447,824	96.79
Derivative financial instruments at negative fair value		
OTC Derivative financial instruments		
Forward foreign exchange contracts**		
Depreciation in Forward foreign exchange contracts	(1,220)	-
Total Derivative Financial Instruments at negative fair	(1,220)	-
Total Financial Liabilities at Fair Value through Profit or Loss	(1,220)	
Total Financial Assets and Liabilities at Fair Value through Profit or Loss	175,446,604	96.79
Cash and cash equivalents** Other assets and liabilities	6,194,238 (375,557)	3.42 (0.21)
Total Net Assets Attributable to the Holders of Redeemable Participating Shares	181,265,285	100.00
Analysis of Total Assets	Fair Value USD	% of Total Assets
Transferable securities	175,430,912	96.39
OTC Derivative financial instruments  Cash and cash equivalents	16,912 6,194,238	0.01 3.40
Other assets	354,334	0.20
Total Assets	181,996,396	100.00

<sup>\*</sup>Transferable securities admitted to official stock exchange listing or traded on another regulated market.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Cash and cash equivalents and Forward foreign exchange contracts are held with The Bank of New York Mellon (AA-) (ratings from Standard & Poor's).

### Schedule of Changes in Investments (unaudited) For the year ended 31 December 2018

### Strategic China Panda Fund

	Cost
Investments	USD
Ping An Insurance Group Co-H	14,651,109
Sands China Ltd	10,995,018
Tencent Holdings Ltd (HKG)	10,522,987
Hong Kong Exchanges & Clear	10,190,667
Aia Group Ltd (HKG)	9,265,862
Anta Sports Products Ltd	8,393,977
Postal Savings Bank Of Chi-H	8,152,720
Tracker Fund Of Hong Kong	7,572,962
China Overseas Land & Invest (HKG)	7,519,188
Nine Dragons Paper Holdings	6,729,208
Sjm Holdings Ltd	6,479,255
China Merchants Bank-H	6,466,028
Agricultural Bank Of China-H	6,177,590
Guangzhou R&F Properties – H	6,119,778
Shimao Property Holdings Ltd	5,765,979
Baic Motor Corp Ltd-H	5,300,283
China Construction Bank-H (HKG)	5,214,793
Wynn Macau Ltd (HKG)	5,167,946
Times China Holdings Ltd	5,120,222
Galaxy Entertainment Group L (HKG)	4,991,276
Country Garden Holdings Co	4,950,822
Luk Fook Holdings Intl Ltd	4,707,918
Prada S.P.A.	4,672,260
Melco International Develop.	4,550,244
Yuzhou Properties Co	4,367,327
Asm Pacific Technology (HKG)	4,070,591
China Evergrande Group	4,059,597
Mgm China Holdings Ltd	3,990,966
Lee & Man Paper Manufacturin (HKG)	3,763,880
Chow Tai Fook Jewellery Grou	3,405,805
China Resources Land Ltd	3,263,190
Boc Hong Kong Holdings Ltd (HKG)	3,208,671
Minth Group Ltd (HKG)	3,023,220
Petrochina Co Ltd-H (HKG)	2,956,987
Xinyi Glass Holdings Ltd (HKG)	2,672,883
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<sup>\*</sup>The Purchases list includes acquisitions of investment securities exceeding 1% of the total value of purchases during the year. It may also include other purchases not exceeding 1%, for instances where the number of purchases exceeding 1% of the total value of purchases is less than 20. This is to ensure that at least 20 purchases, made during the year, are disclosed.

### Schedule of Changes in Investments (unaudited) (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

### **Strategic China Panda Fund (continued)**

	Proceeds
Investments	USD
Alibaba Group Holding-Sp ADR (NYS)	(16,786,783)
Tencent Holdings Ltd (HKG)	(13,892,606)
Minth Group Ltd (HKG)	(10,161,526)
Nine Dragons Paper Holdings	(9,503,626)
Sunny Optical Tech	(8,438,904)
Agricultural Bank Of China-H	(8,366,093)
Hong Kong Exchanges & Clear	(7,515,318)
Tracker Fund Of Hong Kong	(7,197,866)
Lee & Man Paper Manufacturin (HKG)	(7,048,483)
Hsbc Holdings Plc (HKG)	(6,936,937)
Galaxy Entertainment Group L (HKG)	(6,604,648)
New Oriental Educatio-Sp ADR (NYS)	(6,251,195)
Aac Technologies Holdings In (HKG)	(5,748,861)
Wynn Macau Ltd (HKG)	(5,542,953)
Brilliance China Automotive (HKG)	(5,162,711)
Guangzhou Automobile Group-H	(5,108,371)
Country Garden Holdings Co	(5,078,864)
Bchina 0 11/29/19	(4,887,000)
Guangzhou R&F Properties - H	(4,516,514)
Asm Pacific Technology (HKG)	(4,399,735)
Geely Automobile Holdings Lt	(4,230,331)
Baic Motor Corp Ltd-H	(4,043,496)
China Evergrande Group	(3,895,493)
Credit Suis Nas Cs 11/02/22	(3,528,682)
China Resources Land Ltd	(3,440,989)
Goodbaby International Holdi	(3,224,457)
Sands China Ltd	(3,072,292)
Shimao Property Holdings Ltd	(2,944,387)
Man Wah Holdings Ltd	(2,738,011)
Petrochina Co Ltd-H (HKG)	(2,653,063)
Melco International Develop.	(2,634,794)
Cspc Pharmaceutical Group Lt (HKG)	(2,562,663)
Boc Hong Kong Holdings Ltd (HKG)	(2,488,108)
Aia Group Ltd (HKG)	(2,331,378)

<sup>\*</sup>The Sales list includes disposals of investment securities exceeding 1% of the total value of sales during the year. It may also include other sales not exceeding 1%, for instances where the number of sales exceeding 1% of the total value of sales is less than 20. This is to ensure that at least 20 sales, made during the year, are disclosed.

### Schedule of Changes in Investments (unaudited) (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

### **Strategic Euro Bond Fund**

Turchases	<b>~</b>
Investments	Cost
Investments	EUR
Dbr 2.5% 04 Jan 2021	1,599,045
Dbr 3.0% 04 Jul 2020	1,588,110
Frtr 3.5% 25 Apr 2020	1,588,080
Dbr 3.25% 04 Jan 2020 09	1,566,915
Obl 0.0% 09 Apr 2021 173	1,521,390
Bko 0.0% 11 Dec 2020	1,518,270
Bko 0.0% 11 Sep 2020	1,517,340
Bko 0.0% 12 Jun 2020	1,515,960
Obl 0.0% 17 Apr 2020 171	1,514,145
Bko 0.0% 13 Mar 2020	1,513,395
Frtr 0.0% 25 Feb 2020	1,511,775
Exoim 1.75% 18 Jan 2028	1,492,890
Enelim 1.125% 16 Sep 2026 EMTN	1,486,170
Santan 2.5% 18 Mar 2025 EMTN	1,221,800
Cezcp 3.0% 05 Jun 2028 EMTN	1,116,900
Indon 3.375% 30 Jul 2025 REGS	1,091,500
Cdel 2.25% 09 Jul 2024 REGS	1,075,000
Bharti 3.375% 20 May 2021 REGS	1,057,000
Mwdp 2.5% 09 Feb 2027	1,040,710
Femsa 1.75% 20 Mar 2023	1,033,500
Romani 2.875% 26 May 2028 REGS	1,033,500
Mdlz 1.625% 08 Mar 2027	1,022,520
Eofp 2.625% 15 Jun 2025	1,016,000
Pemex 3.625% 24 Nov 2025	997,380
Bpln 0.83% 19 Sep 2024 EMTN	996,000
Ckhh 1.25% 13 Apr 2025	992,885
Gazpru 2.5% 21 Mar 2026	986,000
Vw 3.875% Perp	980,375
Cafp 0.75% 26 Apr 2024 EMTN	978,000
Dbr 0.0% 15 Aug 2026	977,230
Total 3.369% Perp EMTN	790,875
Telefo 3.0% Perp Nc5	680,500
Molhb 2.625% 28 Apr 2023	529,250
Edf 4.125% Perp EMTN	527,250
Cofp Mult 25 Jan 2023 EMTN	524,375
Engifp 0.375% 28 Feb 2023 EMTN	498,400
Mtna 0.95% 17 Jan 2023 EMTN	495,100
Cpgln 0.625% 03 Jul 2024 EMTN	491,850

<sup>\*</sup>The Purchases list includes acquisitions of investment securities exceeding 1% of the total value of purchases during the year. It may also include other purchases not exceeding 1%, for instances where the number of purchases exceeding 1% of the total value of purchases is less than 20. This is to ensure that at least 20 purchases, made during the year, are disclosed.

## Schedule of Changes in Investments (unaudited) (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

## **Strategic Euro Bond Fund (continued)**

Investments	Proceeds EUR
Temase 0.5% 01 Mar 2022 EMTN	(1,772,147)
Bmw 0.5% 21 Jan 2020 EMTN	(1,767,965)
Mmm 0.375% 15 Feb 2022 Mtn	(1,758,493)
Dbr 2.5% 04 Jan 2021	(1,597,350)
Dbr 3.0% 04 Jul 2020	(1,585,395)
Frtr 3.5% 25 Apr 2020	(1,583,295)
Renaul 2.25% 29 Mar 2021 EMTN	(1,577,560)
Tenn 2.125% 01 Nov 2020 EMTN	(1,572,498)
Enexis 1.875% 13 Nov 2020 EMTN	(1,565,783)
Dbr 3.25% 04 Jan 2020 09	(1,563,420)
Daigr 2.625% 02 Apr 2019 EMTN	(1,533,265)
Obl 0.0% 09 Apr 2021 173	(1,520,475)
Bko 0.0% 11 Dec 2020	(1,517,550)
Bko 0.0% 11 Sep 2020	(1,516,440)
Bko 0.0% 12 Jun 2020	(1,514,100)
Obl 0.0% 17 Apr 2020 171	(1,512,945)
Bko 0.0% 13 Mar 2020	(1,512,030)
Frtr 0.0% 25 Feb 2020	(1,510,215)
Total Frn 19 Mar 2020 EMTN	(1,507,020)
Ge Frn 28 May 2020	(1,506,975)
Slb 0.625% 12 Feb 2019	(1,506,715)
Ko Frn 09 Sep 2019 Hnda Frn 11 Mar 2019 EMTN	(1,504,650)
Sdbc 0.375% 16 Nov 2021 EMTN	(1,503,875)
	(1,496,388)
Carlb 0.5% 06 Sep 2023 EMTN  English 1 125% 16 Sep 2026 EMTN	(1,478,583) (1,447,845)
Enelim 1.125% 16 Sep 2026 EMTN Exoim 1.75% 18 Jan 2028	(1,447,643)
Santan 2.5% 18 Mar 2025 EMTN	(1,196,730)
Tlsau 3.5% 21 Sep 2022 EMTN	(1,114,000)
Edf 2.75% 10 Mar 2023 EMTN	(1,114,000)
Obnd 3.5% 19 Oct 2020 EMTN	(1,088,765)
Cezcp 3.0% 05 Jun 2028 EMTN	(1,075,751)
Cdel 2.25% 09 Jul 2024 REGS	(1,053,500)
Indon 3.375% 30 Jul 2025 REGS	(1,053,300)
Ibm 1.875% 06 Nov 2020	(1,041,270)
Lingr 1.75% 17 Sep 2020 EMTN	(1,039,905)
Femsa 1.75% 20 Mar 2023	(1,020,000)
Romani 2.875% 26 May 2028 REGS	(1,007,000)
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### Schedule of Changes in Investments (unaudited) (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

### **Strategic Euro Bond Fund (continued)**

#### Sales\* (continued)

	Proceeds
Investments	EUR
Bharti 3.375% 20 May 2021 REGS	(1,005,650)
Vod 0.375% 22 Nov 2021 EMTN	(1,003,110)
Engifp 0.375% 28 Feb 2023 EMTN	(997,440)
Mdlz 1.625% 08 Mar 2027	(996,280)
Ctefra 0.875% 29 Sep 2024	(988,610)
Bpln 0.83% 19 Sep 2024 EMTN	(987,560)
Gassm 0.875% 15 May 2025 EMTN	(987,340)
Dbr 0.0% 15 Aug 2026	(987,180)
Auchan 0.625% 07 Feb 2022 EMTN	(983,000)
Pemex 3.625% 24 Nov 2025	(976,500)
Ckhh 1.25% 13 Apr 2025	(974,260)
Cafp 0.75% 26 Apr 2024 EMTN	(974,000)
Mwdp 2.5% 09 Feb 2027	(971,580)
Eofp 2.625% 15 Jun 2025	(956,935)
Gazpru 2.5% 21 Mar 2026	(951,250)
Vw 3.875% Perp	(913,057)
Total 3.369% Perp EMTN	(770,639)

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### Schedule of Changes in Investments (unaudited) (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

### Nippon Growth (UCITS) Fund

Investments	Cost JPY
Investments	31.1
Itochu Corp (TYO)	155,610,000
Mitsubishi Corp (TYO)	122,038,244
Mitsubishi Ufj Financial Gro	108,189,600
Fujifilm Holdings Corp (TYO)	95,780,000
Sumitomo Mitsui Financial Gr (TYO)	90,287,000
Obayashi Corp	88,105,018
Nippon Steel & Sumitomo Meta (TYO)	82,582,097
Mizuho Financial Group Inc	80,188,770
Dmg Mori Co Ltd	77,484,549
Sumitomo Mitsui Trust Holdin	76,605,885
Nomura Holdings Inc	74,810,000
H I S Co Ltd	74,686,170
Makino Milling Machine Co	71,533,625
Penta-Ocean Construction Co (TYO)	71,076,582
Jxtg Holdings Inc	70,716,021
Nabtesco Corp	64,800,000
Tokyu Fudosan Holdings Corp (TYO)	62,097,343
Tokyo Tatemono Co Ltd	61,078,495
Fujitsu Ltd	61,050,000
Nachi-Fujikoshi Corp	58,240,000
Otsuka Corp	56,940,000
Nec Corp (TYO)	56,520,000
Inpex Corp (TYO)	55,603,666
Nidec Corp	47,221,424
Sumitomo Metal Mining Co Ltd	47,052,000
Kobe Steel Ltd (TYO)	44,880,000
Marubeni Corp	44,028,400
Sumitomo Chemical Co Ltd	43,860,000
Sumitomo Realty & Developmen	42,880,000
Tokyu Corp	40,788,000
Taisei Corp (TYO)	40,670,000
Sojitz Corp (TYO)	39,930,000
Ihi Corp (TYO)	38,300,000
Seibu Holdings Inc	35,536,000
Iino Kaiun Kaisha Ltd	32,500,000
Scsk Corp	31,740,000

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## Schedule of Changes in Investments (unaudited) (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

# Nippon Growth (UCITS) Fund (continued)

Sales	
Investments	Proceeds JPY
L 1 G (TVO)	(142 201 002)
Itochu Corp (TYO)	(143,391,002)
Fujifilm Holdings Corp (TYO)	(101,952,529)
Mizuho Financial Group Inc	(98,781,468)
Mitsubishi Corp (TYO)	(90,135,181)
Otsuka Corp	(82,518,956)
HIS Co Ltd	(82,017,047)
Sumitomo Mitsui Financial Gr (TYO)	(78,986,378)
Mitsubishi Ufj Financial Gro	(76,338,361)
NEC Corp (TYO)	(62,444,455)
Sumitomo Mitsui Trust Holdin	(59,943,855)
Sojitz Corp (TYO)	(57,447,000)
Kobe Steel Ltd (TYO)	(56,989,387)
Fujitsu Ltd	(55,624,408)
Tokyu Corp	(54,969,153)
Tokyo Tatemono Co Ltd	(52,867,471)
Makino Milling Machine Co	(49,018,746)
Sumitomo Realty & Developmen	(48,388,572)
Tokyu Fudosan Holdings Corp (TYO)	(47,730,901)
Nomura Holdings Inc	(45,562,683)
IHI Corp (TYO)	(45,455,106)
Nabtesco Corp	(41,239,531)
Jxtg Holdings Inc	(41,211,627)
Marubeni Corp	(40,833,067)
Taisei Corp (TYO)	(40,471,706)
Sumitomo Metal Mining Co Ltd	(39,660,551)
Mitsubishi Motors Corp (TYO)	(33,875,193)
Scsk Corp	(32,196,298)
Seibu Holdings Inc	(31,573,984)
Sekisui Chemical Co Ltd	(31,286,408)
Nissan Motor Co Ltd (TYO)	(31,275,871)
Sumitomo Chemical Co Ltd	(28,447,402)
Nachi-Fujikoshi Corp	(27,613,200)
Shimadzu Corp	(27,608,866)
Dmg Mori Co Ltd	(24,298,618)

### Schedule of Changes in Investments (unaudited) (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

### **Nippon Growth (UCITS) Fund (continued)**

#### Sales\* (continued)

Investments	Proceeds JPY
Yamada Denki Co Ltd	(22,700,276)
Gs Yuasa Corp (TYO)	(22,671,506)
Mitsubishi Chemical Holdings	(22,242,743)
Isuzu Motors Ltd (TYO)	(21,585,175)
Rohm Co Ltd	(21,259,800)

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### Schedule of Changes in Investments (unaudited) (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

### **Strategic Europe Value Fund**

Investments	Cost EUR
Investments	EUK
Takeda Pharmaceutical Co Ltd	36,270,087
Lloyds Banking Group Plc (LSE)	35,181,930
Glaxosmithkline Plc	33,039,947
Novo Nordisk A/S-B (CPH)	29,927,420
Worldpay Inc-Class A	28,243,505
Shire Plc (LSE)	28,133,788
Abn Amro Group Nv-Cva	24,481,812
British American Tobacco Plc (LSE)	23,664,886
Asr Nederland Nv	22,600,950
Lvmh Moet Hennessy Louis Vui (PAR)	21,839,822
Smith & Nephew Plc	21,687,002
L'Oreal (PAR)	21,667,371
Intl Flavors & Fragrances	20,370,736
Roche Holding Ag-Genusschein (SWX)	20,336,989
Bayer Ag-Reg(GER)	19,729,805
Qiagen N.V. (GER)	17,474,385
Safran Sa	17,046,691
Fresenius Medical Care Ag & (GER)	16,754,345
Admiral Group Plc	13,823,519
Unilever Plc	13,585,599
Novartis Ag-Reg	13,391,042
Philip Morris International	12,558,218
Royal Bank Of Scotland Group	10,547,702
Sbm Offshore Nv (EOE)	9,143,112
Nestle Sa-Reg (SWX)	7,835,634
Criteo Sa-Spon ADR (NSM)	7,576,648
Wirecard Ag	7,278,244
Liberty Global Plc-A	6,767,596
Sanofi	6,680,762
Reckitt Benckiser Group Plc (LSE)	6,501,944
Astrazeneca Plc (LSE)	6,292,343

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## Schedule of Changes in Investments (unaudited) (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

## **Strategic Europe Value Fund (continued)**

Investments	Proceeds EUR
	2021
Wirecard Ag	(60,816,011)
Shire Plc (LSE)	(44,824,242)
British American Tobacco Plc (LSE)	(38,586,729)
Philip Morris International	(32,989,305)
Criteo Sa-Spon ADR (NSM)	(27,299,568)
Diageo Plc (LSE)	(26,059,119)
Amadeus It Group Sa (MAD)	(26,030,335)
Nn Group Nv (EOE)	(25,760,344)
Heineken Holding Nv (EOE)	(25,461,184)
Pandora A/S	(21,716,945)
Bayer Ag-Reg (GER)	(20,875,176)
Takeda Pharmaceutical Co Ltd	(19,833,149)
Equifax Inc (NYS)	(17,536,697)
Sap Se (GER)	(17,097,974)
Astrazeneca Plc (LSE)	(15,532,227)
Liberty Global Plc-A	(15,320,621)
Orkla Asa (OSL)	(15,186,957)
Stroeer Se & Co Kgaa	(15,161,124)
Smith & Nephew Plc	(14,951,414)
Intl Flavors & Fragrances	(14,492,418)
Nestle Sa-Reg (SWX)	(13,947,741)
Sophos Group Plc (LSE)	(13,557,349)
Unilever Plc	(12,327,432)
Lloyds Banking Group Plc (LSE)	(12,232,830)
Wolters Kluwer (EOE)	(10,902,979)
Asr Nederland Nv	(9,487,176)
Intertrust Nv	(8,846,440)
Beiersdorf Ag	(8,794,926)
Fresenius Medical Care Ag & (GER)	(8,512,697)
Convatec Group Plc	(8,471,335)
Safran Sa	(8,120,474)
Akzo Nobel	(7,915,934)
Sbm Offshore Nv (EOE)	(7,809,432)

### Schedule of Changes in Investments (unaudited) (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

### **Strategic Europe Value Fund (continued)**

### **Sales\*(continued)**

Investments	Proceeds EUR
Livanova Plc	(7,794,914)
L'Oreal (PAR)	(7,762,489)
Worldpay Inc-Class A	(7,317,818)
Sage Group Plc/The	(7,218,344)

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### Schedule of Changes in Investments (unaudited) (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

### **Strategic Global Bond Fund**

	Cost
Investments	USD
T 3.0% 15 Feb 2048	1,957,461
T 2.75% 30 Sep 2020	1,499,297
T 2.875% 31 Oct 2020	1,497,950
T 3.0% 15 Aug 2048	1,406,700
T 2.625% 31 Aug 2020	997,422
Eibkor 2.125% 25 Jan 2020	985,220
Edf 2.35% 13 Oct 2020 REGS	984,900
Bnfp 2.077% 02 Nov 2021 REGS	959,620
Tlsau 4.8% 12 Oct 2021 REGS	787,540
Ckhh 4.625% 13 Jan 2022 REGS	780,300
Bfcm 2.75% 15 Oct 2020 REGS	741,173
Td 2.125% 07 Apr 2021 Mtn	730,290
Cnooc 2.625% 05 May 2020	496,700
Rifp 4.45% 15 Jan 2022 REGS	152,796
Us 5Yr Note (CBT) Jun18	18,053
Us 5Yr Note (CBT) Mar18	17,086

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## Schedule of Changes in Investments (unaudited) (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

## **Strategic Global Bond Fund (continued)**

Sales ·	Proceeds
Investments	USD
T 2.875% 15 Nov 2046	(2,386,103)
T 3.0% 15 Feb 2047	(2,367,295)
T 2.25% 15 Feb 2027	(2,356,446)
T 3.0% 15 Feb 2048	(1,937,013)
T 2.875% 31 Oct 2020	(1,502,285)
T 2.75% 30 Sep 2020	(1,499,444)
T 3.0% 15 Aug 2048	(1,455,401)
Mtna 6.125% 01 Jun 2025	(1,070,871)
Edppl 5.25% 14 Jan 2021 REGS	(1,039,000)
Rosw Frn 30 Sep 2019 REGS	(1,002,761)
Orcl 2.375% 15 Jan 2019	(999,457)
Orafp 2.75% 06 Feb 2019	(998,923)
F Frn 12 Mar 2019 1	(997,998)
T 2.625% 31 Aug 2020	(997,598)
Nsany Frn 13 Sep 2019 REGS	(995,733)
Tencnt 2.875% 11 Feb 2020 REGS	(994,650)
Eibkor 2.125% 25 Jan 2020	(988,060)
Edf 2.35% 13 Oct 2020 REGS	(982,512)
Sdbc 2.75% 16 Nov 2022 EMTN	(970,000)
Stsp 3.25% 30 Jun 2025 EMTN	(968,060)
Dis 2.35% 01 Dec 2022 Mtn	(964,500)
Bnfp 2.077% 02 Nov 2021 REGS	(958,683)
Korgas 1.875% 18 Jul 2021 REGS	(958,235)
Pep 2.375% 06 Oct 2026	(908,950)
Ckhh 4.625% 13 Jan 2022 REGS	(771,632)
Tlsau 4.8% 12 Oct 2021 REGS	(768,880)
Bfcm 2.75% 15 Oct 2020 REGS	(738,221)
Td 2.125% 07 Apr 2021 Mtn	(729,818)
Csco Frn 15 Jun 2018	(700,336)
Rifp 4.45% 15 Jan 2022 REGS	(662,319)
Mrk 5.0% 30 Jun 2019	(505,954)

### Schedule of Changes in Investments (unaudited) (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

### **Strategic Global Bond Fund (continued)**

### **Sales\*(continued)**

Investments	Proceeds USD
Ibesm 5.0% 11 Sep 2019 REGS	(505,760)
Rdsaln 1.375% 10 May 2019	(496,000)
Cnooc 2.625% 05 May 2020	(492,725)
Hynmtr 2.6% 19 Mar 2020 REGS	(491,200)

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### Schedule of Changes in Investments (unaudited) (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

#### Strategic US Momentum and Value Fund

Investments	Cost USD
Alibaba Group Holding-Sp ADR (NYS)	7,213,526
Schwab (Charles) Corp (NYS)	6,613,962
Wirecard Ag	4,305,714
Centene Corp	4,225,522
Citigroup Inc (NYS)	4,008,534
Comcast Corp-Class A	4,007,606
Bank Of America Corp (NYS)	3,994,725
E*Trade Financial Corp	3,991,412
American Express Co	3,991,140
Financial Select Sector Spdr	3,813,887
Royal Caribbean Cruises Ltd	3,602,274
Autozone Inc	3,598,009
Intercontinental Exchange In	3,406,127
Dollar Tree Inc	2,434,416
Constellation Brands Inc-A (NYS)	2,416,122
Apple Inc	2,106,849
Berry Global Group Inc	1,801,627
Service Corp International (NYS)	1,206,845
Celgene Corp	1,203,563
Ulta Beauty Inc	1,190,123
Facebook Inc-Class A	998,998
Broadcom Inc	991,147
Shire Plc-Adr (ACQ)	802,589

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## Schedule of Changes in Investments (unaudited) (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

## Strategic US Momentum and Value Fund (continued)

Financial Select Sector Spdr	Investments	Proceeds USD
Apple Inc         (9,795,631)           Shire Pk-Adr (ACQ)         (9,237,295)           Iqvia Holdings Inc         (9,027,558)           Mastercard Inc - A         (8,763,671)           Visa Inc-Class A Shares         (8,263,551)           Broadcom Inc         (8,172,410)           Thermo Fisher Scientific Inc         (7,676,396)           Booking Holdings Inc         (7,676,396)           Becton Dickinson And Co         (7,587,068)           Alphabet Inc-Cl A         (7,564,167)           Envision Healthcare Corp (ACQ)         (7,369,828)           Cognizant Tech Solutions-A         (7,067,927)           Sherwin-Williams Co/The         (6,906,018)           Union Pacific Corp         (6,294,493)           Allbaba Group Holding-Sp Adr (NYS)         (5,938,916)           Allergan Plc (NYS)         (5,973,916)           Celgene Corp         (5,791,990)           Ulta Beauty Inc         (5,791,990)           Ulta Beauty Inc         (5,791,990)           Unitedhealth Group Inc         (5,359,789)           Schwab (Charles) Corp (NYS)         (5,316,369)           Centene Corp         (5,258,727)           Comcast Corp-Class A         (4,517,375)           Casey'S General Stores Inc (NSM)         <		
Shire Plc-Adr (ACQ)         (9,237,295)           Iqvia Holdings Inc         (9,027,558)           Mastercard Inc - A         (8,763,671)           Visa Inc-Class A Shares         (8,263,551)           Broadcom Inc         (8,172,410)           Thermo Fisher Scientific Inc         (7,704,917)           Booking Holdings Inc         (7,676,396)           Becton Dickinson And Co         (7,587,068)           Alphabet Inc-Cl A         (7,564,167)           Envision Healthcare Corp (ACQ)         (7,488,722)           Dollar Tree Inc         (7,369,828)           Cognizant Tech Solutions-A         (7,067,927)           Sherwin-Williams Co/The         (6,906,018)           Union Pacific Corp         (6,294,493)           Allibaba Group Holding-Sp Adr (NYS)         (6,138,518)           Autozone Inc         (6,027,376)           Allergan Plc (NYS)         (5,973,916)           Celgene Corp         (5,973,916)           Ulita Beauty Inc         (5,714,163)           Canadian Pacific Railway Ltd         (5,427,795)           Unitedhealth Group Inc         (5,359,789)           Schwab (Charles) Corp (NYS)         (5,316,369)           Centene Corp         (5,258,727)           Comeast Corp-Class A		
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Mastercard Inc - A         (8,763,671)           Visa Inc-Class A Shares         (8,263,551)           Broadcom Inc         (8,172,410)           Thermo Fisher Scientific Inc         (7,704,917)           Booking Holdings Inc         (7,676,396)           Becton Dickinson And Co         (7,587,068)           Alphabet Inc-Cl A         (7,564,167)           Envision Healthcare Corp (ACQ)         (7,488,722)           Dollar Tree Inc         (7,369,828)           Cognizant Tech Solutions-A         (7,067,927)           Sherwin-Williams Co/The         (6,906,018)           Union Pacific Corp         (6,294,493)           Allibaba Group Holding-Sp Adr (NYS)         (6,138,518)           Autozone Inc         (6,027,376)           Allergan Plc (NYS)         (5,973,916)           Celgene Corp         (5,791,990)           Utla Beauty Inc         (5,714,163)           Canadian Pacific Railway Ltd         (5,771,995)           Unitedhealth Group Inc         (5,359,789)           Schwab (Charles) Corp (NYS)         (5,316,369)           Centene Corp         (5,258,727)           Comcast Corp-Class A         (4,517,375)           Casey'S General Stores Inc (NSM)         (4,214,615)           Constellation Brand		•
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Thermo Fisher Scientific Inc         (7,704,917)           Booking Holdings Inc         (7,676,396)           Becton Dickinson And Co         (7,587,068)           Alphabet Inc-Cl A         (7,564,167)           Envision Healthcare Corp (ACQ)         (7,488,722)           Dollar Tree Inc         (7,369,828)           Cognizant Tech Solutions-A         (7,067,927)           Sherwin-Williams Co/The         (6,906,018)           Union Pacific Corp         (6,294,493)           Alibaba Group Holding-Sp Adr (NYS)         (6,138,518)           Autozone Inc         (6,027,376)           Allergan Plc (NYS)         (5,973,916)           Celgene Corp         (5,791,990)           Ulta Beauty Inc         (5,714,163)           Canadian Pacific Railway Ltd         (5,714,163)           Canadian Pacific Railway Ltd         (5,359,789)           Schwab (Charles) Corp (NYS)         (5,316,369)           Centene Corp         (5,258,727)           Comcast Corp-Class A         (4,517,375)           Casey'S General Stores Inc (NSM)         (4,214,615)           Constellation Brands Inc-A (NYS)         (4,199,728)           Facebook Inc-Class A         (4,119,465)           Marriott International -Cl A         (3,963,639)		•
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Becton Dickinson And Co         (7,587,068)           Alphabet Inc-Cl A         (7,564,167)           Envision Healthcare Corp (ACQ)         (7,488,722)           Dollar Tree Inc         (7,369,828)           Cognizant Tech Solutions-A         (7,067,927)           Sherwin-Williams Co/The         (6,906,018)           Union Pacific Corp         (6,294,493)           Alibaba Group Holding-Sp Adr (NYS)         (6,138,518)           Autozone Inc         (6,027,376)           Allergan Plc (NYS)         (5,973,916)           Celgene Corp         (5,791,990)           Ulta Beauty Inc         (5,714,163)           Canadian Pacific Railway Ltd         (5,714,163)           Canadian Pacific Railway Ltd         (5,359,789)           Unitedhealth Group Inc         (5,359,789)           Schwab (Charles) Corp (NYS)         (5,316,369)           Centene Corp         (5,258,727)           Comcast Corp-Class A         (4,517,375)           Casey'S General Stores Inc (NSM)         (4,214,615)           Constellation Brands Inc-A (NYS)         (4,199,728)           Facebook Inc-Class A         (4,119,465)           Marriott International -Cl A         (3,963,639)           American Express Co         (3,935,079)		•
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Centene Corp       (5,258,727)         Comcast Corp-Class A       (4,517,375)         Casey'S General Stores Inc (NSM)       (4,214,615)         Constellation Brands Inc-A (NYS)       (4,199,728)         Facebook Inc-Class A       (4,119,465)         Marriott International -Cl A       (3,963,639)         American Express Co       (3,935,079)         Smith (A.O.) Corp (NYS)       (3,747,751)         Cerner Corp (NSM)       (3,586,507)         Wirecard Ag       (3,580,992)         Intercontinental Exchange In       (3,564,418)	Unitedhealth Group Inc	(5,359,789)
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Facebook Inc-Class A       (4,119,465)         Marriott International -Cl A       (3,963,639)         American Express Co       (3,935,079)         Smith (A.O.) Corp (NYS)       (3,747,751)         Cerner Corp (NSM)       (3,586,507)         Wirecard Ag       (3,580,992)         Intercontinental Exchange In       (3,564,418)	Casey'S General Stores Inc (NSM)	(4,214,615)
Marriott International -Cl A       (3,963,639)         American Express Co       (3,935,079)         Smith (A.O.) Corp (NYS)       (3,747,751)         Cerner Corp (NSM)       (3,586,507)         Wirecard Ag       (3,580,992)         Intercontinental Exchange In       (3,564,418)	Constellation Brands Inc-A (NYS)	(4,199,728)
American Express Co       (3,935,079)         Smith (A.O.) Corp (NYS)       (3,747,751)         Cerner Corp (NSM)       (3,586,507)         Wirecard Ag       (3,580,992)         Intercontinental Exchange In       (3,564,418)	Facebook Inc-Class A	(4,119,465)
Smith (A.O.) Corp (NYS)       (3,747,751)         Cerner Corp (NSM)       (3,586,507)         Wirecard Ag       (3,580,992)         Intercontinental Exchange In       (3,564,418)	Marriott International -Cl A	(3,963,639)
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Intercontinental Exchange In (3,564,418)	Cerner Corp (NSM)	(3,586,507)
	Wirecard Ag	(3,580,992)
E*Trade Financial Corp (3,351,013)	Intercontinental Exchange In	(3,564,418)
	E*Trade Financial Corp	(3,351,013)

### Schedule of Changes in Investments (unaudited) (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

### **Strategic US Momentum and Value Fund (continued)**

#### **Sales\*(continued)**

Investments	Proceeds USD
Investments	
Bank Of America Corp (NYS)	(3,233,123)
Royal Caribbean Cruises Ltd	(3,203,543)
Signature Bank	(3,091,513)
Citigroup Inc (NYS)	(3,067,763)

<sup>\*</sup>The Sales list includes disposals of investment securities exceeding 1% of the total value of sales during the year. It may also include other sales not exceeding 1%, for instances where the number of sales exceeding 1% of the total value of sales is less than 20. This is to ensure that at least 20 sales, made during the year, are disclosed.

### Schedule of Changes in Investments (unaudited) (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

### **Strategic Global Quality Fund**

Investments	Cost USD
Investments	<u> </u>
Takeda Pharmaceutical Co Ltd	3,619,666
Novo Nordisk A/S-B (CPH)	3,443,404
Shire Plc (LSE)	3,390,142
British American Tobacco Plc (LSE)	2,939,374
Danone	2,641,297
Microsoft Corp	2,555,398
Worldpay Inc-Class A	2,341,223
Shiseido Co Ltd	2,305,788
Kao Corp (TYO)	2,188,904
Electronic Arts Inc (NSM)	2,117,573
Mcdonald'S Corp (NYS)	2,079,654
Oracle Corp	2,069,016
Procter & Gamble Co/The	1,987,768
Coca-Cola Co/The	1,972,581
Fresenius Medical Care Ag & (GER)	1,851,909
Unilever Plc	1,643,722
Safran Sa	1,614,914
Intl Flavors & Fragrances	1,494,636
Sage Group Plc/The	1,483,468
Equifax Inc (NYS)	1,399,833
Lvmh Moet Hennessy Louis Vui (PAR)	1,333,355
Altria Group Inc	1,236,462
Nestle Sa-Reg (SWX)	1,115,809
Criteo Sa-Spon ADR (NSM)	789,328
Philip Morris International	776,142
Visa Inc-Class A Shares	670,174
Clorox Company (NYS)	649,992
Wirecard Ag	648,588

<sup>\*</sup>The Purchases list includes acquisitions of investment securities exceeding 1% of the total value of purchases during the year. It may also include other purchases not exceeding 1%, for instances where the number of purchases exceeding 1% of the total value of purchases is less than 20. This is to ensure that at least 20 purchases, made during the year, are disclosed.

### Schedule of Changes in Investments (unaudited) (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

### **Strategic Global Quality Fund (continued)**

•	Proceeds
Investments	USD
Wirecard Ag	(5,150,859)
Shire Plc (LSE)	(5,011,059)
British American Tobacco Plc (LSE)	(4,252,032)
Estee Lauder Companies-Cl A (NYS)	(3,190,735)
Philip Morris International	(3,116,254)
Microsoft Corp	(3,017,293)
Mastercard Inc – A	(3,005,122)
Altria Group Inc	(2,853,557)
Equifax Inc (NYS)	(2,741,241)
Alphabet Inc-Cl C	(2,259,260)
Criteo Sa-Spon ADR (NSM)	(2,249,018)
Electronic Arts Inc (NSM)	(2,088,527)
Heineken Holding Nv (EOE)	(2,066,519)
Intl Flavors & Fragrances	(2,036,639)
Diageo Plc (LSE)	(1,972,215)
Oracle Corp	(1,966,585)
Takeda Pharmaceutical Co Ltd	(1,469,320)
Wolters Kluwer (EOE)	(1,371,343)
Sage Group Plc/The	(1,328,399)
Lvmh Moet Hennessy Louis Vui (PAR)	(1,284,648)
Novo Nordisk A/S-B (CPH)	(1,234,549)
Visa Inc-Class A Shares	(1,091,595)
Colgate-Palmolive Co	(1,081,556)
Unilever Plc	(1,037,822)
Sap Se (GER)	(1,020,948)
Safran Sa	(702,537)
Clorox Company (NYS)	(575,841)

<sup>\*</sup>The Sales list includes disposals of investment securities exceeding 1% of the total value of sales during the year. It may also include other sales not exceeding 1%, for instances where the number of sales exceeding 1% of the total value of sales is less than 20. This is to ensure that at least 20 sales, made during the year, are disclosed.

### Schedule of Changes in Investments (unaudited) (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

### **Strategic European Smaller Companies Fund**

Investments	Cost EUR
Spin So	7,994,022
Spie Sa Akwel	
Somfy Sa (PAR)	7,473,204 7,052,465
•	7,052,463
Brembo Spa  Refere Sp. (CER)	
Befesa Sa (GER)	5,811,321
Valmet Oyj	5,687,452
Mersen	5,341,404
Ferronordic Machines Ab-Ord	5,095,256
Rieter Holding Ag-Reg	3,943,044
Jacquet Metal Service Sa (PAR)	3,852,049
Barco N.V.	3,687,185
Ipsos (PAR)	3,670,111
Albioma Sa (PAR)	3,624,840
Boozt Ab	3,491,479
Tarkett	2,657,682
Norma Group Se	2,200,347
Elis Sa	2,028,188
U-Blox Holding Ag (SWX)	1,840,771
Saf-Holland Sa (GER)	1,746,527
Feintool Intl Holding-Reg (Swx)	1,652,611
Takeaway.Com Nv	1,627,506
Tom Tailor Holding Se	1,529,722
Mauna Kea Technologies (PAR)	1,424,334
Ovs Spa	1,343,984
Granges Ab (STO)	1,249,583
Metall Zug Ag-Shs B-Reg	1,029,536
Alten Sa (PAR)	1,025,125

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### Schedule of Changes in Investments (unaudited) (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

### **Strategic European Smaller Companies Fund (continued)**

Investments	Proceeds EUR
Analyte An (MIC)	(5.942.204)
Andritz Ag (VIE)	(5,843,394)
Ebro Foods Sa	(5,564,982)
Norma Group Se	(5,420,087)
Unieuro Spa	(4,589,168)
Tarkett	(4,511,767)
Tom Tailor Holding Se	(4,502,366)
U-Blox Holding Ag (SWX)	(4,442,406)
Takeaway.Com Nv	(4,324,239)
Valmet Oyj	(4,145,817)
Rieter Holding Ag-Reg	(4,099,664)
Ovs Spa	(4,051,671)
Aubay (PAR)	(3,170,181)
Moncler Spa (MIL)	(2,896,502)
Spie Sa	(2,827,387)
Aalberts Industries Nv (EOE)	(2,784,144)
Jacquet Metal Service Sa (PAR)	(2,602,763)
Alten Sa (PAR)	(2,598,583)
Daetwyler Holding Ag-Br	(2,502,308)
Mersen	(2,469,031)
Va-Q-Tec Ag (GER)	(2,446,940)
Barco N.V.	(2,442,974)
Granges Ab (STO)	(2,359,702)
Brembo Spa	(2,097,674)
Komax Holding Ag-Reg	(1,947,351)
Saf-Holland Sa (GER)	(1,835,190)
Metall Zug Ag-Shs B-Reg	(1,715,626)
Boozt Ab	(1,494,057)
Lisi	(1,269,842)
Elis Sa	(1,187,223)

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### Schedule of Changes in Investments (unaudited) (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

### **Strategic Quality Emerging Bond Fund**

	Cost
Investments	USD
T 2.625% 31 Aug 2020	2,492,578
Gazpru 8.625% 28 Apr 2034 REGS	1,944,500
Lithun 7.375% 11 Feb 2020 REGS	1,627,550
Latvia 5.25% 16 Jun 2021 REGS	1,613,500
Amxlmm 5.0% 30 Mar 2020	1,526,000
Enrsis 4.0% 25 Oct 2026	1,507,000
T 2.875% 31 Oct 2020	1,501,055
Phorru 3.949% 24 Apr 2023 REGS	1,498,500
Tencnt 2.875% 11 Feb 2020 REGS	1,493,600
Bdopm 2.95% 06 Mar 2023 EMTN	1,471,850
Ocpmr 5.625% 25 Apr 2024 REGS	1,063,000
Cfelec 4.75% 23 Feb 2027 REGS	1,015,000
Cofide 4.75% 15 Jul 2025 REGS	1,002,500
Soaf 4.85% 27 Sep 2027	993,500
Indon 4.35% 11 Jan 2048	981,200
Poland 3.25% 06 Apr 2026	969,000
Chile 2.25% 30 Oct 2022	961,000
Baba 3.4% 06 Dec 2027	934,500
Ecopet 5.875% 18 Sep 2023	539,850
Rephun 6.375% 29 Mar 2021	527,487
Pgasij 5.125% 16 May 2024 REGS	521,750
Magyar 6.25% 21 Oct 2020 REGS	521,750
Romani 4.875% 22 Jan 2024 REGS	507,900
Enapcl 3.75% 05 Aug 2026 REGS	500,000
Beiaij 3.875% 06 Apr 2024 EMTN	494,600

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## Schedule of Changes in Investments (unaudited) (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

## **Strategic Quality Emerging Bond Fund (continued)**

#### Sales\*

Investments	Proceeds USD
myestments	CSD
T 2.625% 31 Aug 2020	(2,493,994)
Tencnt 2.875% 11 Feb 2020 REGS	(2,487,217)
Gazpru 8.625% 28 Apr 2034 REGS	(2,433,000)
Poland 3.25% 06 Apr 2026	(1,932,950)
Sdbc 2.75% 16 Nov 2022 EMTN	(1,692,735)
Mtna 6.125% 01 Jun 2025	(1,610,331)
Ecopet 5.875% 18 Sep 2023	(1,567,500)
Lithun 7.375% 11 Feb 2020 REGS	(1,567,500)
Latvia 5.25% 16 Jun 2021 REGS	(1,561,875)
Ttmtin 4.625% 30 Apr 2020	(1,533,750)
Pemex 6.5% 13 Mar 2027	(1,530,500)
Fresln 5.5% 13 Nov 2023 REGS	(1,528,750)
Amxlmm 5.0% 30 Mar 2020	(1,525,775)
Pertij 4.875% 03 May 2022 REGS	(1,518,030)
Cnooc 4.25% 26 Jan 2021 REGS	(1,515,347)
Cdel 4.5% 16 Sep 2025 REGS	(1,506,935)
T 2.875% 31 Oct 2020	(1,502,783)
Mex 4.15% 28 Mar 2027	(1,465,500)
Dbkaz 4.125% 10 Dec 2022 REGS	(1,463,775)
Bharti 5.35% 20 May 2024 REGS	(1,447,842)
Bdopm 2.95% 06 Mar 2023 EMTN	(1,422,215)
Npnsj 4.85% 06 Jul 2027 REGS	(1,406,250)
Enrsis 4.0% 25 Oct 2026	(1,389,300)
Phorru 3.949% 24 Apr 2023 REGS	(1,377,500)
Indon 4.35% 11 Jan 2048	(1,350,500)
Bimboa 4.875% 27 Jun 2044 REGS	(1,342,085)
Angsj 5.125% 01 Aug 2022	(1,266,250)
Eximbk 4.0% 14 Jan 2023 EMTN	(1,240,307)
Embrbz 5.696% 16 Sep 2023 REGS	(1,093,750)
Suzano 5.75% 14 Jul 2026 REGS	(1,091,500)
Fibrbz 5.25% 12 May 2024	(1,075,000)
Magyar 6.25% 21 Oct 2020 REGS	(1,041,944)
Gmknrm 6.625% 14 Oct 2022 REGS	(1,025,200)
Ocpmr 5.625% 25 Apr 2024 REGS	(1,022,775)
Romani 4.875% 22 Jan 2024 REGS	(1,015,850)
Chmfru 5.9% 17 Oct 2022 REGS	(1,008,125)
Phorru 3.95% 03 Nov 2021 REGS	(1,005,000)
Cofide 4.75% 15 Jul 2025 REGS	(997,500)

### Schedule of Changes in Investments (unaudited) (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

#### **Strategic Quality Emerging Bond Fund (continued)**

#### **Sales\*(continued)**

Investments	Proceeds USD
Cfelec 4.75% 23 Feb 2027 Regs	(976,250)
Chile 2.25% 30 Oct 2022	(957,500)
Soaf 4.85% 27 Sep 2027	(938,250)
Baba 3.4% 06 Dec 2027	(916,885)
Enapcl 3.75% 05 Aug 2026 REGS	(912,500)

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### Schedule of Changes in Investments (unaudited) (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

#### Strategic Beta Flex Fund

#### **Purchases\***

	Cost
Investments	EUR
Stoxx Europe 600 Jun18	699,072
Amundi Sf-Eu Eq Mkt Pls-Heur (LUX)	416,999
Via Smart-Equit Eur-Inst Eur (LUX)	406,001
Strategic European Smaller Companies Fund (NON)	380,001
Bnp P Stoxx Europe 600 Etf (PAR)	300,790
Amundi Etf Stoxx Europe 6 (DEL)	297,773
Oddo Bhf Generation-Ci Eur	270,705
Jpmorgan F-Euro Strat VI- (DEL)	258,000
Gs Europ Cor E Ia (LUX)	254,000
Fidelity Fds-Euro Grow-Yacc (LUX)	248,000
Ab Scv I-Eur Eq Pt-I Eur Cap (LUX)	228,000
Jpmorgan F-Euro Stra Grw-C	215,000
Strategic Europe Value Fund (NON)	213,000
Exane Equity Select Europe-A (LUX)	174,997
Stoxx Europe 600 Sep18	58,244
Stoxx Europe 600 Mar18	777

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### Schedule of Changes in Investments (unaudited) (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

#### **Strategic Beta Flex Fund (continued)**

#### Sales\*

	Proceeds
Investments	EUR
Via Smart-Equit Eur-Inst Eur (LUX)	(3,418,463)
Amundi Sf-Eu Eq Mkt Pls-Heur (LUX)	(3,393,935)
Strategic European Smaller Companies Fund (NON)	(2,959,325)
Bnp P Stoxx Europe 600 Etf (PAR)	(2,412,535)
Jpmorgan F-Euro Stra Grw-C	(2,074,729)
Gs Europ Cor E Ia (LUX)	(2,067,885)
Fidelity Fds-Euro Grow-Yacc (LUX)	(2,064,813)
Ab Scv I-Eur Eq Pt-I Eur Cap (LUX)	(2,063,172)
Oddo Bhf Generation-Ci Eur	(2,049,447)
Strategic Europe Value Fund (NON)	(1,994,013)
Exane Equity Select Europe-A (LUX)	(1,707,123)
Amundi Stoxx Europe 600	(1,614,240)
Jpmorgan F-Euro Strat Vl-C (LUX)	(1,208,963)
Amundi Etf Stoxx Europe 6 (DEL)	(793,305)
Jpmorgan F-Euro Strat VI- (DEL)	(748,000)
Stoxx Europe 600 Mar18	(248,931)

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# Schedule of Changes in Investments (unaudited) (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

# **Strategic Japan Opportunities Fund**

#### **Purchases\***

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Investments	Cost JPY
Anritsu Corp	181,688,363
M3 Inc	134,474,355
Gmo Payment Gateway Inc	132,004,382
Sumitomo Bakelite Co Ltd	129,238,227
Outsourcing Inc	126,417,891
Cosmos Pharmaceutical Corp (TYO)	125,683,603
Sony Corp (TYO)	124,616,977
Orix Corp	112,019,140
Recruit Holdings Co Ltd	110,947,894
Sumitomo Electric Industries	108,467,536
Cyberagent Inc (TYO)	101,676,007
Info Services Intl Dentsu	101,481,186
Kyowa Exeo Corp	101,025,372
Komatsu Ltd	97,731,604
Fringe81 Co Ltd	95,122,681
Mirait Holdings Corp	93,458,817
Rpa Holdings Inc	90,059,195
Sou Inc	88,716,254
Net One Systems Co Ltd	86,530,678
Marui Group Co Ltd	84,882,578
Ut Group Co Ltd (TYO)	83,422,437
Benefit One Inc (TYO)	79,295,594
Sumco Corp (TYO)	77,043,940
Kyoritsu Maintenance Co Ltd	72,972,889
Mec Co Ltd (TYO)	72,015,346
Ibiden Co Ltd (TYO)	71,811,719
Tokyo Ohka Kogyo Co Ltd	71,559,436
Nippon Yusen Kk (TYO)	69,938,668
Seven & I Holdings Co Ltd	69,925,908
Seria Co Ltd	68,537,278
Sumitomo Metal Mining Co Ltd	65,917,004
Daifuku Co Ltd (TYO)	64,491,709
Denki Kogyo Co Ltd	62,896,335
Yamaha Motor Co Ltd (TYO)	60,935,518
Miura Co Ltd	58,311,289
Gungho Online Entertainment	58,299,524
Nidec Corp	58,241,435

### Schedule of Changes in Investments (unaudited) (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

#### **Strategic Japan Opportunities Fund (continued)**

#### **Purchases\*(continued)**

Investments	Cost JPY
Crowdworks Inc	57,900,777
Katitas Co Ltd (OLD)	57,489,135
Mitsubishi Ufj Financial Gro	57,131,207
Gurunavi Inc	54,239,356
Raito Kogyo Co Ltd	53,848,775
Relo Group Inc	53,822,806
Trusco Nakayama Corp	53,190,711

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## Schedule of Changes in Investments (unaudited) (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

## **Strategic Japan Opportunities Fund (continued)**

#### Sales\*

Investments	Proceeds JPY
Sg Holdings Co Ltd	(231,264,819)
Cosmos Pharmaceutical Corp (TYO)	(202,341,200)
Seibu Holdings Inc	(151,772,633)
Marui Group Co Ltd	(146,739,480)
Tdk Corp	(141,357,363)
Istyle Inc	(132,680,652)
Daifuku Co Ltd (TYO)	(118,405,442)
Maruwa Unyu Kikan Co Ltd	(116,694,114)
Nidec Corp	(112,170,511)
Japan Investment Adviser Co	(109,359,724)
Shimamura Co Ltd	(104,586,163)
World Holdings Co Ltd	(99,425,347)
Gmo Cloud K.K.	(92,461,690)
Wacoal Holdings Corp (TYO)	(89,176,118)
Mitsui Mining & Smelting Co	(89,114,658)
Grace Technology Inc	(85,614,643)
Cmk Corp	(83,352,631)
Takara Holdings Inc	(81,051,574)
Sumitomo Metal Mining Co Ltd	(74,265,176)
Nissha Co Ltd	(72,261,447)
Raito Kogyo Co Ltd	(70,939,269)
Hito Communications Inc (TYO)	(67,561,880)
Megachips Corp (TYO)	(66,723,351)
Net One Systems Co Ltd	(64,211,451)
Lec Inc	(63,670,183)
Katitas Co Ltd	(62,138,754)
Renesas Electronics Corp	(61,091,569)
Vector Inc	(58,454,528)
Towa Corp (TYO)	(58,342,934)
Sumco Corp (TYO)	(57,708,354)
Nippon Yusen Kk (TYO)	(57,687,437)
Tsi Holdings Co Ltd	(56,159,940)
Kyudenko Corp (TYO)	(51,386,484)
Fixstars Corp (TYO)	(50,688,491)
Yamaha Motor Co Ltd (TYO)	(49,656,589)
Sho-Bond Holdings Co Ltd	(49,283,745)

### Schedule of Changes in Investments (unaudited) (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

#### **Strategic Japan Opportunities Fund (continued)**

#### **Sales\*(continued)**

Investments	Proceeds JPY
Septeni Holdings Co Ltd (TYO)	(49,021,729)
Sanken Electric Co Ltd	(47,875,205)
Crowdworks Inc	(46,074,715)
Persol Holdings Co Ltd	(45,490,413)

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## Schedule of Changes in Investments (unaudited) (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

## **Strategic Bond Opportunities Fund**

### **Purchases\***

Purchases*	C4
Investments	Cost USD
Investments	CSD
United States of America T-Bills 3% 15 Aug 2048	3,916,182
United States of America T-Bills 2.63% 31 Aug 2020	3,491,591
United States of America T-Bills 3.13% 15 Nov 2028	2,039,687
United States of America T-Bills 2.88% 15 Nov 2021	2,008,594
United States of America T-Bills 2.13% 30 Nov 2024	1,928,594
United States of America T-Bills 2% 15 Nov 2026	1,882,344
America Movil SAB de CV 5% 30 Mar 2020	1,525,775
CNOOC Finance 2011 Ltd 4.25% 26 Jan 2021	1,515,347
United States of America T-Bills 2.88% 31 Oct 2020	1,502,783
United States of America T-Bills 2.75% 30 Sep 2020	1,499,444
Tencent Holdings Ltd 2.88% 11 Feb 2020	1,491,403
Development Bank of Kazakhstan JSC 4.13% 10 Dec 2022	1,463,775
BDO Unibank Inc 2.95% 6 Mar 2023	1,422,215
Banco Santander SA 2.5% 18 Mar 2025	1,357,989
EXOR NV 1.75% 18 Jan 2028	1,343,035
Pertamina Persero PT 4.88% 3 May 2022	1,263,655
Corp Nacional del Cobre de Chile 4.5% ,16 Sep 2025	1,255,150
CEZ AS 3% 5 Jun 2028	1,220,708
Mondelez International Inc 1.63% 8 Mar 2027	1,130,528
Wendel SA 2.5% 9 Feb 2027	1,102,500
Faurecia 2.63% 15 Jun 2025	1,085,882
ArcelorMittal 6.13% 1 Jun 2025	1,052,861
MFB Magyar Fejlesztesi Bank Zrt 6.25% 21 Oct 2020	1,041,944
Volkswagen International Finance NV 3.88% 14 Jun 2167	1,036,091
OCP SA 5.63% 25 Apr 2024	1,022,775
Fresnillo PLC 5.5% 13 Nov 2023	1,021,250
Ford Motor Credit Co LLC 3.61% 12 Mar 2019	997,998
Corp Financiera de Desarrollo SA 4.75% ,15 Jul 2025	997,500
Nissan Motor Acceptance Corp 3.3% 13 Sep 2019	995,733
Export-Import Bank of India 4% 14 Jan 2023	993,282
Export-Import Bank of Korea 2.13% 25 Jan 2020	988,060
Electricite de France SA 2.35% 13 Oct 2020	982,512
SingTel Group Treasury Pte Ltd 3.25% 30 Jun 2025	968,060
Danone SA 2.08% 2 Nov 2021	958,683
Korea Gas Corp 1.88% 18 Jul 2021	958,235
Enel Finance International NV 4.63% 14 Sep 2025	958,000
Alibaba Group Holding Ltd 3.4% 6 Dec 2027	916,885
TOTAL SA 3.37% 6 Oct 2167	874,483

### Schedule of Changes in Investments (unaudited) (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

#### **Strategic Bond Opportunities Fund (continued)**

#### **Purchases\*(continued)**

Investments	Cost USD
Hutchison Whampoa International 11 Ltd 4.63% 13 Jan 2022	771,632
Telstra Corp Ltd 4.8% 12 Oct 2021	768,880
Telefonica Europe BV 3% 4 Dec 2167	743,463
Banque Federative du Credit Mutuel SA 2.75% 15 Oct 2020	738,221
Toronto-Dominion Bank/The 2.13% 7 Apr 2021	729,818
Pernod Ricard SA 4.45% 15 Jan 2022	662,319

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### Schedule of Changes in Investments (unaudited) (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

#### **Strategic Bond Opportunities Fund (continued)**

#### Sales\*

Investments	Proceeds USD
OCP SA 5.63% 25 Apr 2024 REGS	(1,022,900)
United States of America T-Bills 2.63% 31 Aug 2020	(999,121)

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## Schedule of Changes in Investments (unaudited) (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

## Sturdza Family Fund

#### **Purchases\***

Investments	Cost USD
United States of America T-Bills 3.13% 15 Nov 2028	10,184,375
United States of America T-Bills 2.88% 15 Nov 2021	10,037,305
United States of America T-Bills 2.63% 15 Jul 2021	9,979,297
United States of America T-Bills 2.13% 30 Nov 2024	9,625,781
United States of America T-Bills 2.00% 15 Nov 2026	9,389,844
United States of America T-Bills 2.75% 30 Nov 2020	4,999,219
United States of America T-Bills 3.00% 15 Aug 2048	2,514,551
Shire Plc-ADR	2,473,660
Microsoft Corp	2,472,245
Medtronic Plc	2,472,068
Sap Se (GER)	2,461,783
Apple Inc	2,461,680
Cognizant Technology Solutions Corp - A	2,459,248
Unitedhealth Group Inc	2,449,350
Becton Dickinson and Co	2,439,967
Visa Inc-Class A Shares	2,434,458
Canadian Pacific Railway Ltd	2,432,256
Broadcom Inc	2,428,020
Royal Caribbean Cruises Ltd	2,427,117
Booking Holdings Inc	2,419,652
Charles Schwab Corp (NYS)	2,419,512
Centene Corp	2,418,234
Celgene Corp	2,406,030
Allergan Plc (NYS)	2,398,674
Alibaba Group Holding Ltd -Sp ADR (NYS)	2,393,384
Facebook Inc-Class A	2,392,665
Sherwin-Williams Co	2,392,518
Union Pacific Corp	2,391,776
Intercontinental Exchange Inc	2,389,772
Ulta Beauty Inc	2,389,440
Unilever NV-Cva	2,385,221
Thermo Fisher Scientific Inc	2,378,972
Comcast Corp-Class A	2,378,372
Alphabet Inc-Cl A	2,372,523
IQVIA Holdings Inc	2,369,250
Mastercard Inc - A	2,367,624
ASML Holding NV (EOE)	2,366,436

### Schedule of Changes in Investments (unaudited) (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

### Sturdza Family Fund

#### **Purchases\*(continued)**

	Cost
Investments	USD
Berry Global Group Inc	2,365,268
Keyence Corp (TYO)	2,347,785
E*Trade Financial Corp	2,341,354
Constellation Brands Inc-A (NYS)	2,337,664
Asahi Group Holdings Ltd (TYO)	2,332,584
AO Smith Corp (NYS)	2,327,424
Bank Of America Corp (NYS)	2,322,880
Nidec Corp	2,320,358
Citigroup Inc (NYS)	2,314,455
Nitori Holdings Co Ltd (TYO)	2,298,412
Walt Disney Co	2,292,768
HCA Healthcare Inc	2,292,466
Iberdrola SA (MAD)	2,290,969
Deutsche Boerse AG (GER)	2,272,650
NetApp Inc	2,210,304
Service Corp International (NYS)	2,126,932
Avery Dennison Corp	2,045,053

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### Schedule of Changes in Investments (unaudited) (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

#### **Sturdza Family Fund (continued)**

Sales\*

Investments Proceeds USD

United States of America T-Bills 2.88% 15 Nov 2021

(2,516,895)

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## E.I. Sturdza Funds Plc Appendix I (unaudited)

#### **Exchange Rates**

The following exchange rates were used to translate the assets and liabilities of the Sub-Funds: Strategic China Panda Fund, Strategic Global Quality Fund, Strategic Bond Opportunities Fund and Sturdza Family Fund, into United States Dollar ("USD"), their functional currency, at 31 December 2018 and of the Sub-Funds: Strategic China Panda Fund, Strategic Global Bond Fund, Strategic US Momentum and Value Fund, Strategic Global Quality Fund and Strategic Quality Emerging Bond Fund, into United States Dollar ("USD"), their functional currency, at 31 December 2017:

Currency	2018	2017
DKK	0.1532	-
EUR	1.1432	1.2008
GBP	1.2736	1.3528
HKD	0.1277	0.1279
SGD	-	0.7483
JPY	0.0091	-
SEK	0.1128	-
CHF	1.0144	1.0262
CNH	-	0.1536

The following exchange rates were used to translate the assets and liabilities of the Sub-Funds: Strategic Europe Value Fund and Strategic European Smaller Companies Fund into Euro ("EUR"), their functional currency, at 31 December 2018 and of the Sub-Funds: Strategic Europe Value Fund, Strategic European Smaller Companies Fund, Strategic Euro Bond Fund and Strategic Beta Flex Fund into Euro ("EUR"), their functional currency, at 31 December 2017:

Currency	2018	2017
DKK	0.1340	-
GBP	1.1141	1.1265
SEK	0.0987	-
CHF	0.8874	0.8546
USD	0.8748	0.8328
NOK	0.1010	-
JPY	0.0080	-

The following exchange rates were used to translate the assets and liabilities of the Sub-Funds: Nippon Growth (UCITS) Fund and Strategic Japan Opportunities Fund, into Japanese Yen ("JPY"), their functional currency, at 31 December 2018 and 31 December 2017:

Currency	2018	2017
EUR	0.0080	0.0074
GBP	-	0.0066
CHF	-	0.0087
USD	0.0091	0.0089

#### Soft commission arrangements and research fees

Soft commission arrangements have been entered into by the Company with brokers in respect of which certain goods and services used to support the investment decision process were received. As at 31 December 2018, the Company had a Commission Sharing Agreement with CIMB, with respect to the Strategic China Panda Fund.

The Investment Manager has also entered into soft commission arrangements with brokers to support the investment decision process. The Investment Manager does not make direct payment for these services but does transact with the brokers on behalf of the Company and commission is paid on these transactions. The Investment Manager considers these arrangements are to the benefit of the Company and has satisfied itself that it obtains best execution on behalf of the Company and the brokerage rates are not in excess of customary institutional full service brokerage rates. As at 31 December 2018, the Investment Manager had a Commission Sharing Agreement with Investment Technology Group Limited, with respect to the Sturdza Family Fund.

Commission Sharing Agreements had previously been entered into, with respect to the Strategic US Momentum and Value Fund, with Bloomberg Tradebook Europe Limited. Commission Sharing Agreements were also previously entered into, with respect to the Strategic Europe Value Fund and Strategic Global Quality Fund, with Bloomberg Tradebook Europe Limited and JP Morgan. With effect from 1 January 2018, and in accordance with the requirements of MiFID II, soft commission arrangements were no longer permitted in respect of the Strategic Europe Value Fund and the Strategic Global Quality Fund. As such, as of 1 January 2018, Strategic Europe Value Fund and Strategic Global Quality Fund arranged for research costs to be paid to a research payment account at a rate not exceeding 5 basis points per annum of the average Net Asset Value of the respective Sub-Funds.

As at 31 December 2018, Strategic China Panda Fund held the below balance in accordance with the Commission Sharing Agreement:

CIMB HKD 144,817 (31 December 2017: HKD 107,625)

As at 31 December 2018, Sturdza Family Fund held the below balances in accordance with the Commission Sharing Agreement:

Investment Technology Group Limited USD 35,179

As at 31 December 2017, Strategic US Momentum and Value Fund held the below balances in accordance with its previous Commission Sharing Agreement:

Bloomberg Tradebook Europe Limited USD 15,584

As at 31 December 2017, the Strategic Europe Value Fund and Strategic Global Quality Fund had the following co-mingled balances held in accordance with the previous Commission Sharing Agreements:

Bloomberg Tradebook Europe Limited EUR 34,172 JP Morgan EUR 35,033

The Strategic Europe Value Fund and the Strategic Global Quality Fund recognised research fees of EUR 326,187 and USD 33,311, respectively, for the year ended 31 December 2018. Research fees are included within Other expenses in the Statement of Comprehensive Income.

## Net asset value and net asset value per share

The net asset values at 31 December 2018 are as follows:

	<u>-</u>	20	CPF 018 CSD	NGUF 2018 JPY	SEVF 2018 EUR
Net asset value					
USD Class		46,887,	146	-	1 006 107
USD Hedged Class			-	-	1,096,105
EUR Class EUR Hedged Class		16,687,	- 335 10	9,756,361	123,179,513
EUR Institutional Distributing Class		10,087,.	-	-	40,710,878
JPY A Class			- 568	3,906,627	-0,710,070
JPY B Accumulating Class				1,617,465	-
JPY D Institutional Class				3,329,525	-
EUR Super Institutional Class			-	-	210,350,463
CHF Hedged Class		767,		-	20,890,388
EUR Hedged Institutional Class		12,701,	127 210	5,933,096	<del>-</del>
EUR Institutional Class		71.011	-	-	216,581,784
USD Institutional Class		71,011,	117	-	161 022
USD Hedged Institutional Class GBP Hedged Institutional Class			-	-	161,022 10,330,440
GBP Hedged Class		694,0	- 132	-	10,550,440
USD Hedged Super Institutional Class		054,0	-	_	3,317,916
CHF Hedged Institutional Class		1,935,7	739	_	5,156,831
EUR R Class		-,,,	-	-	2,281,078
EUR Hedged R Class		352,2	267	_	-
EUR SP Class			-	-	22,884,007
<del>-</del>	SESF	SGQF	SJOF	SBOF	SFF
	2018	2018	2018	2018	2018
	EUR	USD	JPY	USD	USD
Net asset value					
USD Class	-	22,217,764	-	-	41,228,650
EUR Class	69,503,980	-	-	-	-
EUR Hedged Class	-	871,084	546,134,544	-	3,581,072
CHF Hedged Class	1,524,434	10,519,837	-	-	3,303,949
EUR X Class	15,738,413	-	-	-	20.206.204
USD Institutional Class	- 62 674 604	24,130,947	-	-	20,296,294
EUR Institutional Class EUR Hedged Institutional Class	62,674,604	1,301,390	183,297,493	-	2,693,338
USD Hedged Institutional Class	_	1,501,590	237,751,733	_	2,093,336
USD Hedged Class	_	_	640,319,604	_	_
USD Super Institutional Class	_	_	-	_	110,161,982
JPY Institutional Class	-	-	3,368,078,380	-	-
JPY Class	-	-	2,778,220,122	-	-
USD Accumulating Class	-	-	-	41,186,396	-
CHF Hedged Accumulating Class	-	-	-	1,960,500	-
EUR Hedged Accumulating Class	-	-	-	614,581	-
EUR Hedged Distributing Class	-	-	-	125,696	-
EUR Hedged Institutional Accumulating Class				2,523,194	
USD Institutional Accumulating Class	<del>-</del>	-	-	13,298,900	-
ODD Institutional Accumulating Class	-	-	_	15,270,700	_

## Net asset value and net asset value per share (continued)

The net asset values at 31 December 2017 are as follows:

	SCPF 2017 USD	20	BF 017 UR	NGUF 2017 JPY	SEVF 2017 EUR	SGBF 2017 USD
Net asset value			_		-	
USD Class	64,945,993		-	-	-	31,597,554
USD Hedged Class	-		-	-	1,239,416	_
EUR Class	-		-	-	221,797,553	_
EUR Hedged Class	26,460,813		- 86	,853,443	-	-
GBP Hedged Class	747,659		-	-	=	-
EUR Distributing Class	=	1,348,2	273	-	=	-
EUR Accumulating Class	=	21,404,5	549	-	=	-
EUR Institutional Distributing Class	-		-	-	15,227,583	-
JPY A Class	-			,999,453	-	-
JPY B Accumulating Class	-			,078,664	-	-
JPY D Institutional Class	-			,883,450	-	-
EUR Institutional Class	-	14,492,5	557	-	315,259,723	-
EUR Super Institutional Class	-		-	-	185,856,377	-
CHF Hedged Accumulating Class	-	2,719,9	935	-	-	-
CHF Hedged Class	363,545		-	-	27,192,759	-
GBP Hedged Institutional Class	-		-	-	16,181,402	-
EUR Hedged Institutional Class	7,268,781		- 334	,547,329	=	-
USD Institutional Class	92,108,042		-	-	-	-
USD Hedged Institutional Class	-		-	-	1,158,333	-
USD Hedged Super Institutional Class	-		-	-	4,102,416	-
CHF Hedged Institutional Class	-		-	-	7,090,847	-
EUR R Class	-		-	-	10,633,066	-
	SMVF	SESF	SGQF	SQBF	SBXF	SJOF
	2017	2017	2017	2017	2017	2017
	USD	EUR	USD	USD	EUR	JPY
Net asset value						
USD Class	153,603,469	=	25,763,359	10,328,994	-	-
EUR Class	-	92,564,239	-	_	9,445,998	-
EUR X Class	-	32,237,864	-	_	-	-
EUR Hedged Class	1,597,343	-	354,786	13,273,809	-	639,332,601
CHF Hedged Class	7,097,701	1,799,068	9,741,597	10,987,164	-	-
USD Institutional Class	36,833,531	-	32,947,616	4,699,913	-	-
EUR Institutional Class	-	66,683,873	-	-	11,810,850	-
EUR Hedged Institutional Class	-	-	354,857	1,417,793	-	-
USD Hedged Institutional Class	-	-	-	-	-	504,567,957
USD Hedged Class	-	-	-	-	-	732,475,655
EUR R Class	-	-	-	-	7,348,822	-
JPY Institutional Class	-	-	-	-	-	3,509,404,338
JPY Class	-	-	-	-	-	3,984,577,479

## Net asset value and net asset value per share (continued)

The net asset values at 31 December 2016 are as follows:

	SCPF 2016 USD	2016	NGUF 2016 JPY	SEVF 2016 EUR	SGBF 2016 USD
Net asset value					
USD Class	40,377,562	-	-	_	48,833
USD Hedged Class	-	-	-	1,228,751	
EUR Class	-	-	-	296,170,540	-
EUR Hedged Class	17,104,180	-	526,742,253	-	_
GBP Hedged Class	359,828	-	-	-	-
EUR Distributing Class	-	2,877,227	-	-	-
EUR Accumulating Class	-	33,336,303	-	-	-
EUR Institutional Distributing Class	-	-	-	21,646,400	-
JPY Class A	-	-	87,187,956	-	_
JPY Class B	-	-	2,544,673,217	-	_
JPY Class D Institutional	-	-	663,388,197	-	-
EUR Institutional Class	-	23,273,371	-	389,523,920	_
EUR Super Institutional Class	-	-	-	150,532,155	_
CHF Hedged Accumulating Class	-	12,867,848	-	-	_
CHF Hedged Class	-	-	-	43,039,890	_
GBP Hedged Institutional Class	-	-	-	15,687,500	-
EUR Hedged Institutional Class	2,138,787	-	373,661,452	· · · · -	_
USD Institutional Class	32,148,781	-	-	-	_
USD Hedged Institutional Class	-	-	-	2,014,039	
EUR R Class	_	-	-	8,087,869	_
RMB Hedged Class	-	-	-	-	123,591
USD Hedged Super Institutional Cla	ass -	-	-	2,180,352	-
<del>-</del>	SMVF	SESF	SGQF	SQBF	SBXF
	2016	2016	2016	2016	2016
	USD	EUR	USD	USD	EUR
Net asset value					
USD Class	170,985,523	-	16,852,874	19,563,348	_
EUR Class	-	54,493,724	_	-	5,513,253
EUR X Class	_	10,745,325	_	-	_
CHF Hedged Class	6,981,169	- -	6,780,197	9,986,467	_
EUR Hedged Class	2,180,003	-	· -	12,374,594	_
USD Institutional Class	34,115,042	-	36,031,626	6,327,945	_
EUR Hedged Institutional Class	, , , <u>-</u>	-	- -	3,163,464	-

## Net asset value and net asset value per share (continued)

The net asset values per share at 31 December 2018 are as follows:

	SCPF	NGUF	SEVF
	2018	2018	2018
	USD	JPY	EUR
Net asset value per share			
USD Class	\$ 2,794.80	-	-
USD Hedged Class	-	-	\$ 109.17
EUR Class	-	-	€206.50
EUR Hedged Class	€2,552.66	€991.27	-
EUR Institutional Distributing Class	-	-	€98.11
JPY A Class	-	JPY 94,595	-
JPY B Accumulating Class	-	JPY 79,352	-
JPY D Institutional Class	-	JPY 52,207	-
EUR Super Institutional Class	-	-	€101.53
CHF Hedged Class	CHF 757.97	-	CHF 160.67
GBP Hedged Class	£ 2,643.92	-	-
GBP Hedged Institutional Class	-	-	£ 136.57
CHF Hedged Institutional Class	CHF 791.39	-	CHF 99.68
EUR Hedged Institutional Class	€1,098.96	€1,173.87	-
EUR Institutional Class	-	-	€183.92
USD Institutional Class	\$ 1,090.05	-	-
USD Hedged Institutional Class	-	-	\$ 102.49
USD Hedged Super Institutional Class	-	-	\$ 106.16
EUR R Class	-	-	€95.69
EUR Hedged R Class	€691.02	-	-
EUR SP Class	-	-	€101.08

## Net asset value and net asset value per share (continued)

The net asset values per share at 31 December 2018 are as follows:

	SESF 2018	SGQF 2018	SJOF 2018	SBOF 2018	SFF 2018
	EUR	USD	JPY	USD	USD
Net asset value per share					
USD Class	-	\$ 121.15	-	-	\$ 972.48
EUR Class	€1,040.25	-	-	-	-
EUR Hedged Class	-	€89.98	€1,006.18	-	€969.66
EUR X Class	€984.39	-	-	-	-
CHF Hedged Class	CHF 840.18	CHF 101.88	-	-	CHF 970.50
USD Institutional Class	-	\$ 131.98	-	-	\$ 972.71
USD Super Institutional Class	-	-	-	-	\$ 972.83
EUR Institutional Class	€867.56	-	-	-	-
EUR Hedged Institutional Class	-	€91.00	€800.63	-	€969.91
USD Hedged Institutional Class	-	-	\$ 1,047.57	-	-
USD Hedged Class	-	-	\$ 1,036.73	-	-
JPY Institutional Class	-	-	JPY 50,956	-	-
JPY Class	-	-	JPY 50,547	-	-
USD Accumulating Class	-	-	-	\$ 1,004.51	-
CHF Hedged Accumulating Class	-	-	-	CHF 1,002.45	-
EUR Hedged Accumulating Class	-	_	-	€1,001.64	-
EUR Hedged Distributing Class	-	-	-	€1,001.67	-
EUR Hedged Institutional Accumulating Class	-	-	-	€1,001.85	-
USD Institutional Accumulating Class	_	-	-	\$ 1,004.71	-

## Net asset value and net asset value per share (continued)

The net asset values per share at 31 December 2017 are as follows:

	_	SCPF 2017	SEBF 2017	NGUF 2017	SEVF 2017	SGBF 2017
		USD	EUR	JPY	EUR	USD
Net asset value per share	=	CSE	<u> </u>	011	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
USD Class		\$ 3,554.41	_	_	_	\$ 1,060.86
USD Hedged Class		-	_	_	\$ 114.90	-
EUR Class		_	_	_	€221.16	_
EUR Hedged Class		€3,339.41	_	€1,257.13	-	_
GBP Hedged Class		£ 3,425.49	_	-	_	_
EUR Distributing Class		-	€1,005.48	_	_	_
EUR Accumulating Class		_	€1,127.59	_	_	_
EUR Institutional Distributing Cla	226	_	-	_	€105.21	_
JPY A Class	455	_	_	JPY 119,245		_
JPY B Accumulating Class		_	_	JPY 100,031	_	_
JPY D Institutional Class		_	_	JPY 65,486	_	_
EUR Institutional Class		_	€1,011.88	31 1 03,400	€195.36	_
EUR Super Institutional Class		_	€1,011.00	-	€193.50 €107.68	_
CHF Hedged Accumulating Class	,	_	CHF 965.34	-	C107.00	_
CHF Hedged Class	•	CHF 997.64	CIII 905.54	-	CHF 172.76	_
GBP Hedged Institutional Class		CIII 997.04	-	-	£ 144.00	-
EUR Hedged Institutional Class		€1,430.10	-	€1,486.11	£ 144.00	_
USD Institutional Class		\$ 1,379.23	-	€1,400.11	-	-
USD Hedged Institutional Class		\$ 1,379.23	-	-	\$ 106.16	-
USD Hedged Institutional Class USD Hedged Super Institutional C	Class	-	-	-	\$ 100.10	-
EUR R Class	Liass	-	-	-	\$ 110.00 €103.41	-
		-	-	-	€103.41 CHF 106.52	-
CHF Hedged Institutional Class		-	-	-	CHF 106.52	-
•	SMVF	SESF	SGQF	SQBF	SBXF	SJOF
	2017	2017	2017	2017		2017
	USD	EUR	USD	USD	EUR	JPY
Net asset value per share						
USD Class	\$ 842.56	-	\$ 130.04	\$ 1,074.45	_	_
EUR Class	-	€1,384.42	-	-	€1,020.03	_
EUR X Class	-	€1,309.95	-	-	-	-
CHF Hedged Class	CHF 558.88	CHF 1,123.45	CHF 112.93	CHF 1,030.05	_	_
EUR Hedged Class	€568.18	-	€99.85	€1,038.13		€1,278.57
USD Institutional Class	\$ 565.61	_	\$ 140.76	\$ 1,042.52	_	
EUR Institutional Class	-	€1,148.82	-	,	€1,020.11	_
EUR Hedged Institutional Class	_	,	€99.87	€1,042.23	,	_
EUR R Class	_	-	-		€1,008.23	_
USD Hedged Institutional Class	_	_	_	_	,	\$ 1,293.36
USD Hedged Class	_	_	_	_	_	\$ 1,286.05
JPY Institutional Class	_	_	_	_	_	JPY 63,990
JPY Class	_	_	_	_	_	JPY 63,766
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## Net asset value and net asset value per share (continued)

The net asset values per share at 31 December 2017 are as follows:

•	SMVF	SESF	SGQF	SQBF	SBXF	SJOF
	2017	2017	2017	2017	2017	2017
_	USD	EUR	USD	USD	EUR	JPY
Net asset value per share						
USD Class	\$ 842.56	-	\$ 130.04	\$ 1,074.45	-	-
EUR Class	-	€1,384.42	-	-	€1,020.03	-
EUR X Class	-	€1,309.95	-	-	-	-
CHF Hedged Class	CHF 558.88	CHF 1,123.45	CHF 112.93	CHF 1,030.05	-	-
EUR Hedged Class	€568.18	-	€99.85	€1,038.13	-	€1,278.57
USD Institutional Class	\$ 565.61	=	\$ 140.76	\$ 1,042.52	-	-
EUR Institutional Class	-	€1,148.82	-	-	€1,020.11	-
EUR Hedged Institutional Class	-	-	€99.87	€1,042.23	-	-
EUR R Class	-	-	-	=	€1,008.23	-
USD Hedged Institutional Class	=	=	-	-	-	\$ 1,293.36
USD Hedged Class	-	=	-	-	-	\$ 1,286.05
JPY Institutional Class	=	-	-	=	-	JPY 63,990
JPY Class	-	-	-	-	-	JPY 63,766

## Net asset value and net asset value per share (continued)

The net asset values per share at 31 December 2016 are as follows:

-	SCPF 2016 USD	SEBF 2016 EUR	NGUF 2016 JPY	SEVF 2016 EUR	SGBF 2016 USD
Net asset value per share					
USD Class	\$ 2,180.71	-	-	-	\$ 1,043.66
USD Hedged Class	-	-	-	\$ 99.95	-
EUR Class	-	-	-	€195.56	-
EUR Hedged Class	€2,086.78	-	€1,042.82	-	-
GBP Hedged Class	£ 2,122.58	-	-	-	_
EUR Distributing Class	-	€1,015.15	-	-	-
EUR Accumulating Class	-	€1,139.06	-	-	-
EUR Institutional Distributing Class	-	-	-	€93.36	-
JPY A Class	-	-	JPY 98,673	-	-
JPY B Class	-	-	JPY 82,755	-	_
JPY D Institutional Class	-	-	JPY 53,913	-	-
EUR Institutional Class	-	€1,019.13	-	€171.77	_
EUR Super Institutional Class	-	-	-	€94.62	-
CHF Hedged Accumulating Class	-	CHF 980.17	-	-	_
CHF Hedged Class	-	-	-	CHF 153.71	-
GBP Hedged Institutional Class	-	-	-	£ 125.88	_
EUR Hedged Institutional Class	€905.22	-	€1,231.20	-	_
USD Institutional Class	\$ 840.79	-	-	-	-
USD Hedged Institutional Class	-	-	-	\$ 91.74	-
EUR R Class	-	-	-	€92.11	-
RMB Hedged Class	-	-	-	-	\$ 1,004.89
USD Hedged Super Institutional Class	-	-	-	\$ 94.87	-
	SMVF 2016	SESF 2016	SGQF 2016	SQBF 2016	SBXF 2016
	USD	EUR	USD	USD	EUR
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Net asset value	¢ 740 45		¢ 100 00	¢ 1 007 11	
USD Class	\$ 748.45	- CL 107.26	\$ 100.80	\$ 1,007.11	-
EUR Class EUR X Class	-	€1,127.36 €1,066.73	-	-	€1,001.29
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CHF Hedged Class	CHF 509.51	-	CHF 89.95	CHF 991.38	-
EUR Hedged Class	€515.87	-	¢ 100 40	€994.07	-
USD Institutional Class	\$ 499.99	-	\$ 108.49	\$ 972.30	-
EUR Hedged Institutional Class	-	-	-	€997.67	-

#### 1. Total expense ratio

The total expense ratio for each share class of each Sub-Fund, as calculated in accordance with the Swiss Fund and Asset Management Association, for the years ended 31 December 2018 and 31 December 2017 is as follows:

	2018	2017
Strategic China Panda Fund		
CHF Hedged Class	1.72%	1.83%
CHF Hedged Institutional Class	1.37%	-
EUR Hedged Class	1.74%	1.99%
EUR Hedged Institutional Class	1.38%	1.70%
EUR Hedged R Class	2.46%	-
GBP Hedged Class	1.81%	1.94%
USD Class	1.77%	2.39%
USD Institutional Class	1.25%	1.80%
Strategic Euro Bond Fund**		
EUR Distributing Class	0.85%	1.15%
EUR Accumulating Class	0.85%	1.15%
EUR Institutional Class	0.55%	0.85%
CHF Hedged Accumulating Class	0.85%	1.15%
Nippon Growth (UCITS) Fund		
EUR Hedged Class	1.80%	2.01%
JPY A Class	1.80%	2.01%
JPY B Accumulating Class	1.80%	2.01%
JPY D Institutional Class	1.30%	1.51%
EUR Hedged Institutional Class	1.30%	1.52%
Strategic Europe Value Fund		
EUR Class	1.93%	1.74%
EUR Institutional Class	1.13%	1.17%
CHF Hedged Class	1.83%	1.73%
GBP Hedged Institutional Class	1.13%	1.14%
EUR Institutional Distributing Class	1.13%	1.20%
EUR R Class	2.67%	2.47%
USD Hedged Class	2.42%	1.92%
EUR Super Institutional Class	0.99%	1.11%
USD Hedged Super Institutional Class	0.99%	1.11%
USD Hedged Institutional Class	1.13%	1.19%
CHF Hedged Institutional Class	1.13%	1.26%
EUR SP Class	0.94%	-
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Strategic Global Bond Fund**	1 140/	1.30%
USD Class	1.14%	
RMB Hedged Class	<del>-</del>	1.30%
Strategic US Momentum and Value Fund**		
USD Class	1.68%	1.74%
EUR Hedged Class	1.75%	1.74%
CHF Hedged Class	1.68%	1.74%
USD Institutional Class	1.18%	1.24%
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### 1. Total expense ratio (continued)

The total expense ratio for each share class of each Sub-Fund, as calculated in accordance with the Swiss Fund and Asset Management Association, for the years ended 31 December 2018 and 31 December 2017 is as follows:

	2018	2017
Strategic Global Quality Fund		
USD Institutional Class	1.33%	1.43%
USD Class	1.96%	1.99%
CHF Hedged Class	1.87%	1.90%
EUR Hedged Class	2.11%	1.40%
EUR Hedged Institutional Class	1.33%	1.92%
Strategic European Smaller Companies		
Fund		
EUR Class	1.74%	3.37%
EUR X Class	1.77%	3.06%
CHF Hedged Class	1.75%	2.47%
EUR Institutional Class	1.24%	1.70%
Strategic Quality Emerging Bond Fund**		
CHF Hedged Class	1.22%	1.46%
EUR Hedged Class	1.22%	1.46%
EUR Hedged Institutional Class	0.72%	0.96%
USD Class	1.22%	1.46%
USD Institutional Class	0.72%	0.96%
Strategic Beta Flex Fund*		
EUR Class	1.43%	1.94%
EUR R Class	2.44%	2.88%
EUR Institutional Class	0.98%	1.46%
Strategic Japan Opportunities Fund		
USD Hedged Institutional Class	1.79%	2.53%
USD Hedged Class	2.22%	3.81%
EUR Hedged Class	2.07%	3.73%
EUR Hedged Institutional Class	1.27%	-
JPY Institutional Class	1.64%	2.80%
JPY Class	2.10%	3.34%
Strategic Bond Opportunities Fund***		
USD Accumulating Class	1.08%	-
CHF Hedged Accumulating Class	1.08%	-
EUR Hedged Accumulating Class	1.08%	-
EUR Hedged Distributing Class	1.08%	-
EUR Hedged Institutional Accumulating Class	0.68%	-
USD Institutional Accumulating Class	0.68%	-

### 1. Total expense ratio (continued)

The total expense ratio for each share class of each Sub-Fund, as calculated in accordance with the Swiss Fund and Asset Management Association, for the years ended 31 December 2018 and 31 December 2017 is as follows:

	2018	2017
Sturdza Family Fund***		
CHF Hedged Class	1.72%	-
EUR Hedged Class	1.72%	-
USD Class	1.72%	-
USD Institutional Class	1.22%	-
EUR Hedged Institutional Class	1.22%	-
USD Super Institutional Class	0.97%	_

<sup>\*</sup>The total expense ratio was for the period from 1 January 2018 to 15 August 2018 (termination of operations).

<sup>\*\*</sup>The total expense ratio was for the period from 1 January 2018 to 14 December 2018 (termination of operations).

<sup>\*\*\*</sup>The total expense ratio was for the period from 14 December 2018 (commencement of operations) to 31 December 2018.

#### 1. Total expense ratio (continued)

The total expense ratio (excluding performance-related fee paid to the Investment Manager) for each share class of each Sub-Fund, as calculated in accordance with the Swiss Fund and Asset Management Association, for the years ended 31 December 2018 and 31 December 2017 is as follows:

	2018	2017
Strategic China Panda Fund		
CHF Hedged Class	1.72%	1.83%
CHF Hedged Institutional Class	1.21%	-
EUR Hedged Class	1.72%	1.83%
EUR Hedged Institutional Class	1.21%	1.33%
EUR Hedged R Class	2.42%	- 4.0204
GBP Hedged Class	1.72%	1.83%
USD Class	1.72%	1.83%
USD Institutional Class	1.22%	1.33%
Strategic Euro Bond Fund**		
EUR Distributing Class	0.85%	1.15%
EUR Accumulating Class	0.85%	1.15%
EUR Institutional Class	0.55%	0.85%
CHF Hedged Accumulating Class	0.85%	1.15%
Nippon Growth (UCITS) Fund		
EUR Hedged Class	1.80%	2.01%
JPY A Class	1.80%	2.01%
JPY B Accumulating Class	1.80%	2.01%
JPY D Institutional	1.30%	1.51%
EUR Hedged Institutional Class	1.30%	1.52%
Strategic Europe Value Fund		
EUR Class	1.74%	1.71%
EUR Institutional Class	1.13%	1.11%
CHF Hedged Class	1.73%	1.71%
GBP Hedged Institutional Class	1.13%	1.11%
EUR Institutional Distributing Class	1.13%	1.11%
EUR R Class	2.43%	2.40%
USD Hedged Class	1.73%	1.71%
EUR Super Institutional Class	0.99%	1.11%
USD Hedged Super Institutional Class	0.99%	1.11%
USD Hedged Institutional Class	1.13%	1.11%
CHF Hedged Institutional Class EUR SP Class	1.13%	1.10%
EUR SP Class	0.94%	-
Strategic Global Bond Fund**		
USD Class	1.14%	1.30%
RMB Hedged Class	-	1.30%
Stratogic IIS Momentum and Value Fund**		
Strategic US Momentum and Value Fund** USD Class	1.68%	1.74%
EUR Hedged Class	1.68%	1.74%
CHF Hedged Class	1.68%	1.74%
USD Institutional Class	1.18%	1.74%
USD Institutoliai Class	1.10/0	1.2470

## 1. Total expense ratio (continued)

The total expense ratio (excluding performance-related fee paid to the Investment Manager) for each share class of each Sub-Fund, as calculated in accordance with the Swiss Fund and Asset Management Association, for the years ended 31 December 2018 and 31 December 2017 is as follows:

	2018	2017
Strategic Global Quality Fund		
USD Institutional Class	1.33%	1.40%
USD Class	1.83%	1.89%
CHF Hedged Class	1.83%	1.90%
EUR Hedged Class	1.83%	1.90%
EUR Hedged Institutional Class	1.33%	1.40%
Strategic European Smaller Companies		
Fund		
EUR Class	1.73%	1.72%
EUR X Class	1.73%	1.73%
CHF Hedged Class	1.73%	1.72%
EUR Institutional Class	1.23%	1.23%
Strategic Quality Emerging Bond Fund**		
CHF Hedged Class	1.22%	1.46%
EUR Hedged Class	1.22%	1.46%
EUR Hedged Institutional Class	0.72%	0.96%
USD Class	1.22%	1.46%
USD Institutional Class	0.72%	0.96%
Strategic Beta Flex Fund*		
EUR Class	1.43%	1.82%
EUR R Class	2.43%	2.81%
EUR Institutional Class	0.98%	1.36%
Strategic Japan Opportunities Fund		
USD Hedged Institutional Class	1.27%	1.41%
USD Hedged Class	1.77%	1.92%
EUR Hedged Class	1.77%	1.91%
EUR Hedged Institutional Class	1.27%	-
JPY Institutional Class	1.27%	1.41%
JPY Class	1.77%	1.91%
Strategic Bond Opportunities Fund***		
USD Accumulating Class	1.08%	-
CHF Hedged Accumulating Class	1.08%	-
EUR Hedged Accumulating Class	1.08%	-
EUR Hedged Distributing Class	1.08%	-
EUR Hedged Institutional Accumulating Class	0.68%	-
USD Institutional Accumulating Class	0.68%	-

### 1. Total expense ratio (continued)

The total expense ratio (excluding performance-related fee paid to the Investment Manager) for each share class of each Sub-Fund, as calculated in accordance with the Swiss Fund and Asset Management Association, for the years ended 31 December 2018 and 31 December 2017 is as follows:

	2018	2017
Sturdza Family Fund***		
CHF Hedged Class	1.72%	-
EUR Hedged Class	1.72%	-
USD Class	1.72%	-
USD Institutional Class	1.22%	-
EUR Hedged Institutional Class	1.22%	-
USD Super Institutional Class	0.97%	-

<sup>\*</sup>The total expense ratio was for the period from 1 January 2018 to 15 August 2018 (termination of operations).

<sup>\*\*</sup>The total expense ratio was for the period from 1 January 2018 to 14 December 2018 (termination of operations).

<sup>\*\*\*</sup>The total expense ratio was for the period from 14 December 2018 (commencement of operations) to 31 December 2018.

## 1. Total expense ratio (continued)

The total expense ratio for performance related fee paid to the Investment Manager for each share class of each Sub-Fund, as calculated in accordance with the Swiss Fund and Asset Management Association, for the years ended 31 December 2018 and 31 December 2017 is as follows:

	2018	2017
Strategic China Panda Fund		
CHF Hedged Class	-	-
CHF Hedged Institutional Class	0.16%	-
EUR Hedged Class	0.02%	0.16%
EUR Hedged Institutional Class	0.17%	0.37%
EUR Hedged R Class	0.04%	-
GBP Hedged Class	0.09%	0.11%
USD Class	0.05%	0.56%
USD Institutional Class	0.03%	0.47%
Nippon Growth (UCITS) Fund		
EUR Hedged Class	-	-
JPY Class A	-	-
JPY Class B Accumulating	-	=
JPY Class D Institutional	-	=
EUR Hedged Institutional Class	-	-
Strategic Europe Value Fund		
EUR Class	0.19%	0.03%
EUR Institutional Class	-	0.06%
CHF Hedged Class	0.10%	0.02%
GBP Hedged Institutional Class	-	0.03%
EUR Institutional Distributing Class	-	0.09%
EUR R Class	0.24%	0.07%
USD Hedged Class	0.69%	0.21%
EUR Super Institutional Class	-	=
USD Hedged Super Institutional Class	-	=
USD Hedged Institutional Class	-	0.08%
CHF Hedged Institutional Class	-	0.16%
EUR SP Class	-	-

### 1. Total expense ratio (continued)

The total expense ratio for performance related fee paid to the Investment Manager for each share class of each Sub-Fund, as calculated in accordance with the Swiss Fund and Asset Management Association, for the years ended 31 December 2018 and 31 December 2017 is as follows:

	2018	2017
Strategic US Momentum and Value Fund**		
USD Class	-	=
EUR Hedged Class	0.07%	=
CHF Hedged Class	-	=
USD Institutional Class	-	-
Strategic Global Quality Fund		
USD Institutional Class	0.00%	-
USD Class	0.13%	-
CHF Hedged Class	0.04%	-
EUR Hedged Class	0.28%	-
EUR Hedged Institutional Class	0.00%	-
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Strategic European Smaller Companies Fund EUR Class	0.01%	1.65%
EUR X Class	0.01%	1.33%
CHF Hedged Class	0.02%	0.75%
EUR Institutional Class	0.02%	0.47%
EUR IIIstitutional Class	0.01%	0.47%
Strategic Beta Flex Fund*		
EUR Class	0.00%	0.12%
EUR R Class	0.01%	0.07%
EUR Institutional Class	0.00%	0.10%
Strategic Japan Opportunities Fund		
USD Hedged Institutional Class	0.52%	1.12%
USD Hedged Class	0.45%	1.89%
EUR Hedged Class	0.30%	1.82%
EUR Hedged Institutional Class	0.00%	-
JPY Institutional Class	0.37%	1.39%
JPY Class	0.33%	1.43%

<sup>\*</sup>The total expense ratio was for the period from 1 January 2018 to 15 August 2018 (termination of operations).

<sup>\*\*</sup>The total expense ratio was for the period from 1 January 2018 to 14 December 2018 (termination of operations).

## 2. Fund performance data

The percentage total return of one share, of each share class from inception as calculated in accordance with the Swiss Fund and Asset Management Association is detailed below:

Strategic China Panda Fund   USD Class   179.48%   91.89%   255.44%   136.54%   147.04%   155.27%   179.04%   136.54%   136.54%   155.27%   189.06%   233.94%   136.54%   136.			Inception to 31 December 2018		on to per 2017
USD Class         179,48%         91,89%         255,44%         136,54%           CHF Hedged Class         (24,20)%         (17,10)%         (0.24)%         2.19%           EUR Hedged Class         155,27%         91,89%         233,94%         136,54%           GBP Hedged Class         164,39%         91,89%         242,55%         136,54%           USD Institutional Class         9,00%         38,33%         37,92%         70,51%           EUR Hedged Institutional Class         9,90%         13,62%         43,01%         40,06%           CHF Hedged Institutional Class         (20,86)%         (17,79%         -         -           EUR Hedged Class         (30,90)%         (28,08)%         -         -           FUR Hedged Class         (0,87)%         33,63%         25,71%         59,03%           JPY A Class         55,74%         101,73%         96,33%         140,08%           EUR Hedged Institutional Class         17,39%         68,93%         48,61%         101,05%           JPY D Institutional Class         17,39%         68,93%         48,61%         101,05%           JPY D Institutional Class         106,50%         88,71%         100,06%         124,59%           Strategic Europe Value Fu		Fund	Index	Fund	Index
CHF Hedged Class         (24.20)%         (17.10)%         (0.24)%         2.19%           EUR Hedged Class         155.27%         91.89%         233.94%         136.54%           GBP Hedged Class         164.39%         91.89%         242.55%         136.54%           USD Institutional Class         9.00%         38.33%         37.92%         70.51%           EUR Hedged Institutional Class         9.90%         13.62%         43.01%         40.06%           CHF Hedged Institutional Class         (20.86)%         (17.79)%         -         -           EUR Hedged Class         (0.87)%         33.63%         25.71%         59.03%           PDY A Class         55.74%         101.73%         96.33%         140.08%           EUR Hedged Institutional Class         17.39%         68.93%         48.61%         101.05%           JPY A Class         58.70%         88.71%         100.06%         124.59%           JPY D Institutional Class         17.39%         66.08%         121.16%         85.71%           EUR Class         106.50%         66.08%         121.16%         85.71%           EUR Class         106.50%         66.08%         121.16%         85.71%           EUR Hedged Class         10.65	-				
EUR Hedged Class         155.27%         91.89%         233.94%         136.54%           GBP Hedged Class         164.39%         91.89%         242.55%         136.54%           USD Institutional Class         9.00%         38.33%         37.92%         70.51%           EUR Hedged Institutional Class         (20.86)%         117.79%         -         -           EUR Hedged R Class         (30.90)%         28.08)%         2.5         -           Nippon Growth (UCITS) Fund           EUR Hedged Class         (0.87)%         33.63%         25.71%         59.03%           JPY A Class         55.74%         101.73%         96.33         140.08%           EUR Hedged Institutional Class         17.39%         68.93%         48.61%         101.05%           JPY A Class         55.74%         101.73%         96.33%         140.08%           EUR Hedged Institutional Class         17.39%         68.93%         48.61%         101.05%           JPY D Institutional Class         19.30%         88.71%         100.06%         124.59%           EUR Class         106.50%         66.08%         121.16%         85.71%           EUR Class         33.92%         36.74%         95.36%         52.90%					
GBP Hedged Class         164.39%         91.89%         242.55%         136.54%           USD Institutional Class         9.00%         38.33%         37.92%         70.51%           EUR Hedged Institutional Class         9.90%         13.62%         43.01%         40.06%           CHF Hedged Institutional Class         (20.86)%         (17.79)%         -         -           EUR Hedged Class         (30.90)%         28.08)%         -         -           Nippon Growth (UCITS) Fund           EUR Hedged Class         (0.87)%         33.63%         25.71%         59.03%           JPY A Class         55.74%         101.73%         96.33%         140.08%           EUR Hedged Institutional Class         17.39%         68.93%         48.61%         101.05%           JPY D Institutional Class         58.70%         88.71%         100.06%         124.59%           JPY D Institutional Class         106.50%         66.08%         121.16%         85.71%           EUR Class         106.50%         66.08%         121.16%         85.71%           EUR Class         106.50%         66.08%         121.16%         85.71%           EUR Class         106.50%         66.08%         121.16%         85.71%	-				
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CHF Hedged Institutional Class   (20.86)%   (17.79)%					
Nippon Growth (UCITS) Fund		9.90%	13.62%	43.01%	40.06%
Nippon Growth (UCITS) Fund           EUR Hedged Class         (0.87)%         33.63%         25.71%         59.03%           JPY A Class         55.74%         101.73%         96.33%         140.08%           EUR Hedged Institutional Class         17.39%         68.93%         48.61%         101.05%           JPY B Accumulating Class         58.70%         88.71%         100.06%         124.59%           JPY D Institutional Class         4.41%         45.11%         30.97%         72.70%           Strategic Europe Value Fund           EUR Class         106.50%         66.08%         121.16%         85.71%           EUR Institutional Class         83.92%         36.74%         95.36%         52.90%           CHF Hedged Class         60.67%         35.30%         72.76%         51.29%           GBP Hedged Institutional Class         (1.89)%         (1.80)%         72.76%         51.29%           EUR R Class         (1.89)%         (1.80)%         5.21%         9.81%           EUR super Institutional Class         (4.31)%         1.41%         3.41%         13.40%           USD Hedged Uses         1.53%         4.55%         7.68%         16.91%           USD Hedged Institutional Class </td <td>CHF Hedged Institutional Class</td> <td>(20.86)%</td> <td>(17.79)%</td> <td>-</td> <td>-</td>	CHF Hedged Institutional Class	(20.86)%	(17.79)%	-	-
EUR Hedged Class         (0.87)%         33.63%         25.71%         59.03%           JPY A Class         55.74%         101.73%         96.33%         140.08%           EUR Hedged Institutional Class         17.39%         68.93%         48.61%         101.05%           JPY B Accumulating Class         58.70%         88.71%         100.06%         124.59%           JPY D Institutional Class         4.41%         45.11%         30.97%         72.70%           Strategic Europe Value Fund           EUR Class         106.50%         66.08%         121.16%         85.71%           EUR Class         83.92%         36.74%         95.36%         52.90%           CHF Hedged Class         66.67%         35.30%         72.76%         51.29%           GBP Hedged Institutional Class         (1.89)%         (1.80)%         52.1%         9.81%           EUR R Class         (4.31)%         1.41%         3.41%         13.40%           USD Hedged Class         9.17%         7.36%         14.90%         20.05%           EUR Super Institutional Class         1.53%         4.55%         7.68%         16.91%           USD Hedged Institutional Class         0.10%         6.00%         6.52%         5.11% </td <td>EUR Hedged R Class</td> <td>(30.90)%</td> <td>(28.08)%</td> <td>-</td> <td>-</td>	EUR Hedged R Class	(30.90)%	(28.08)%	-	-
JPY A Class         55.74%         101.73%         96.33%         140.08%           EUR Hedged Institutional Class         17.39%         68.93%         48.61%         101.05%           JPY B Accumulating Class         58.70%         88.71%         100.06%         124.59%           JPY D Institutional Class         4.41%         45.11%         30.97%         72.70%           Strategic Europe Value Fund           EUR Class         106.50%         66.08%         121.16%         85.71%           EUR Class         83.92%         36.74%         95.36%         52.90%           CHF Hedged Class         60.67%         35.30%         72.76%         51.29%           GBP Hedged Institutional Class         36.57%         10.11%         44.00%         23.12%           EUR Institutional Distributing Class         (1.89)%         (1.80)%         5.21%         9.81%           EUR R Class         (4.31)%         1.41%         3.41%         13.40%           USD Hedged Class         9.17%         7.36%         14.90%         20.05%           EUR Super Institutional Class         6.16%         5.09%         10.00%         17.52%           USD Hedged Institutional Class         0.32)%         (6.00)%         6.52% </td <td>Nippon Growth (UCITS) Fund</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td>	Nippon Growth (UCITS) Fund				
EUR Hedged Institutional Class         17.39%         68.93%         48.61%         101.05%           JPY B Accumulating Class         58.70%         88.71%         100.06%         124.59%           JPY D Institutional Class         4.41%         45.11%         30.97%         72.70%           Strategic Europe Value Fund           EUR Class         106.50%         66.08%         121.16%         85.71%           EUR Institutional Class         33.92%         36.74%         95.36%         52.90%           CHF Hedged Class         60.67%         35.30%         72.76%         51.29%           GBP Hedged Institutional Class         6.067%         35.30%         72.76%         51.29%           GBP Hedged Institutional Dlass         (1.89)%         (1.80)%         5.21%         9.81%           EUR R Class         (4.31)%         1.41%         3.41%         13.40%           USD Hedged Class         9.17%         7.36%         14.90%         20.05%           EUR Super Institutional Class         1.53%         4.55%         7.68%         16.91%           USD Hedged Institutional Class         (3.86)%         6.16%         5.09%         10.00%         17.52%           USD Institutional Class         (3.66)%	EUR Hedged Class	(0.87)%	33.63%	25.71%	59.03%
JPY B Accumulating Class         58.70%         88.71%         100.06%         124.59%           JPY D Institutional Class         4.41%         45.11%         30.97%         72.70%           Strategic Europe Value Fund           EUR Class         106.50%         66.08%         121.16%         85.71%           EUR Institutional Class         83.92%         36.74%         95.36%         52.90%           CHF Hedged Class         60.67%         35.30%         72.76%         51.29%           GBP Hedged Institutional Class         36.57%         10.11%         44.00%         23.12%           EUR Institutional Distributing Class         (1.89)%         (1.80)%         5.21%         9.81%           EUR R Class         (4.31)%         1.41%         3.41%         13.40%           USD Hedged Class         9.17%         7.36%         14.90%         20.05%           EUR Super Institutional Class         1.53%         4.55%         7.68%         16.91%           USD Hedged Institutional Class         6.16%         5.09%         10.00%         17.52%           USD Hedged Institutional Class         (0.32)%         (6.00)%         6.52%         5.11%           EUR SP Class         1.08%         (23.11% <td< td=""><td>JPY A Class</td><td>55.74%</td><td>101.73%</td><td>96.33%</td><td>140.08%</td></td<>	JPY A Class	55.74%	101.73%	96.33%	140.08%
Strategic Europe Value Fund         4.41%         45.11%         30.97%         72.70%           EUR Class         106.50%         66.08%         121.16%         85.71%           EUR Institutional Class         83.92%         36.74%         95.36%         52.90%           CHF Hedged Class         60.67%         35.30%         72.76%         51.29%           GBP Hedged Institutional Class         36.57%         10.11%         44.00%         23.12%           EUR Institutional Distributing Class         (1.89)%         (1.80)%         5.21%         9.81%           EUR R Class         (4.31)%         1.41%         3.41%         13.40%           USD Hedged Class         9.17%         7.36%         14.90%         20.05%           EUR Super Institutional Class         1.53%         4.55%         7.68%         16.91%           USD Hedged Super Institutional Class         6.16%         5.09%         10.00%         17.52%           USD Hedged Institutional Class         (6.16%         5.09%         6.16%         7.50%           CHF Hedged Institutional Class         (0.32)%         (6.00)%         6.52%         5.11%           EUR SP Class         1.08%         (6.75)%         -         -           USD Insti	EUR Hedged Institutional Class	17.39%	68.93%	48.61%	101.05%
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## 2. Fund performance data (continued)

The percentage total return of one share, of each share class from inception as calculated in accordance with the Swiss Fund and Asset Management Association is detailed below:

	Inception to 31 December 2018		Inception 31 Decemb	
	Fund	Index	Fund	Index
Strategic European Smaller Companies Fund				
EUR Class	4.03%	(5.52)%	38.44%	5.88%
EUR X Class	(1.56)%	3.85%	30.99%	16.38%
CHF Hedged Class	(15.98)%	(6.30)%	12.34%	5.00%
EUR Institutional Class	(13.24)%	(6.05)%	14.88%	5.28%
Strategic Japan Opportunities Fund				
EUR Hedged Institutional Class	(19.94%)	(12.43)%	-	-
USD Hedged Institutional Class	4.76%	(0.89)%	29.34%	17.95%
USD Hedged Class	3.67%	(0.89)%	28.61%	17.95%
EUR Hedged Class	0.62%	(0.89)%	27.86%	17.95%
JPY Institutional Class	1.91%	(0.89)%	27.98%	17.95%
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Strategic Bond Opportunities Fund				
USD Accumulating Class	0.45%	0.54%	-	-
CHF Hedged Accumulating Class	0.25%	0.54%	-	-
EUR Hedged Accumulating Class	0.16%	0.54%	-	-
EUR Hedged Distributing Class	0.17%	0.54%	-	-
EUR Hedged Institutional Accumulating Class	0.19%	0.54%	-	-
USD Institutional Accumulating Class	0.47%	0.54%	-	-
Sturdza Family Fund			-	-
CHF Hedged Class	(2.95)%	0.15%	-	-
EUR Hedged Class	(3.03)%	0.15%	-	-
EUR Hedged Institutional Class	(3.01)%	0.15%	-	-
USD Institutional Class	(2.73)%	0.15%	-	-
USD Super Institutional Class	(2.72)%	0.15%	-	-
USD Class	(2.75)%	0.15%	-	-

### 2. Fund performance data (continued)

The percentage total return of one share, of each share class from inception as calculated in accordance with the Swiss Fund and Asset Management Association is detailed below:

	Inception to 14 December 2018		Inception to 31 December 2017	
	Fund	Index	Fund	Index
Strategic Euro Bond Fund				
EUR Distributing Class	(2.40)%	3.16%	0.55%	3.49%
EUR Accumulating Class	9.45%	3.16%	12.76%	3.49%
EUR Institutional Class	(1.50)%	(0.45)%	1.19%	(0.14)%
CHF Hedged Accumulating Class	(6.73)%	(0.46)%	(3.47)%	(0.15)%
Strategic US Momentum and Value Fund				
USD Class	67.83%	106.87%	68.51%	117.85%
EUR Hedged Class	10.58%	273.03%	13.64%	292.83%
CHF Hedged Class	8.02%	273.03%	11.78%	292.83%
USD Institutional Class	13.20%	239.57%	13.12%	257.59%
Strategic Global Bond Fund				
USD Class	5.43%	19.73%	6.09%	20.77%
RMB Hedged Class	-	-	8.68%	18.10%
Strategic Quality Emerging Bond Fund				
USD Institutional Class	0.97%	17.97%	4.25%	18.01%
USD Class	3.56%	15.19%	7.45%	15.22%
CHF Hedged Class	(3.57)%	15.19%	3.01%	15.22%
EUR Hedged Class	(2.46)%	15.19%	3.81%	15.22%
EUR Hedged Institutional Class	(1.60)%	15.19%	4.22%	15.22%
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Strategic Beta Flex Fund	1.040/	C 110/	0.000/	(0.27)01
EUR Class	1.04%	6.11%	2.00%	(0.37)%
EUR R Class	0.21%	6.16%	0.82%	(0.32)%
EUR Institutional Class	1.27%	6.12%	2.01%	(0.35)%

Past performance is no indication of current or future performance and the performance data does not take account of commissions and costs incurred on the issue and redemption of units.

#### 3. Publications

The Articles of Association of the Company, the Prospectus, the Supplements and Key Investor Information Documents for each Sub-Fund and the annual and semi-annual reports of the Company can be obtained, free of charge from the Swiss Representative and Paying Agent, UK Facilities Agent, French Centralising Correspondent, German Paying Agent and Information Agent, Austrian Paying Agent, Information Agent and Tax Representative, Swedish Paying Agent, Spanish Representative, Italian Paying Agent, Luxembourg Paying Agent, the Distributor and the Administrator.

### Remuneration Disclosure (unaudited) For the year ended 31 December 2018

#### Introduction

The below disclosures are made in respect of the remuneration policies of the Company. The disclosures are made in accordance with the European Union (Undertakings for Collective Investment in Transferable Securities) (Amendment) regulations 2016 – SI 143 of 2016 ("UCITS V Regulations"), effective from 18 March 2016.

The remuneration policy of the Company has been designed to promote sound and effective risk management and to not encourage risk taking that may be inconsistent with the risk profile and constitution of the Sub-Funds.

Taking the following proportionality criteria into account, namely the Company's size, internal organisation, nature, and the scope and complexity of its activities, the Board has decided to dis-apply the remuneration committee requirement. The Board is satisfied that this disapplication is reconcilable with the risk profile, risk appetite and the strategy of the Company and its Sub-Funds.

The policy adopted by the Company is subject to review on an annual basis and is assessed to determine whether the system of remuneration operates as intended and is compliant with the remuneration requirements as set out by the UCITS V Regulations.

#### **Decision making process**

The Directors of the Company are considered Identified Persons, as defined by the UCITS V Regulations, and details of the Directors' fees are outlined within the financial statements.

In addition, the 'Designated Individuals', as defined in the Remuneration Policy, appointed to the Company to assist with the UCITS management functions are considered Identified Persons, as defined by the UCITS V Regulations, and details of the Designated Individuals' fees are outlined within the financial statements.

Whilst the Company has appointed E.I. Sturdza Strategic Management Limited as investment manager (the "Investment Manager"), the decision making in relation to investment strategy and portfolio management relating to discretionary managers is made by external Investment Advisers, under a contractual relationship with the Company, the Investment Manager and the relevant Investment Adviser.

The Investment Manager, together with the Company, has also entered into a contractual relationship with external Investment Advisers who are undertaking portfolio management on a non-discretionary basis. As such, the decision making in relation to investment strategy and portfolio management is made by the Investment Manager, with advice provided by the Investment Adviser.

Where the Company delegates investment management and advisory functions in respect of any Sub-Fund of the Company, either (a) appropriate contractual arrangements are in place to ensure that any such delegates so appointed by it apply in a proportionate manner the remuneration rules as detailed in the UCITS V Regulations, or (b) such delegates are subject to regulatory requirements on remuneration that are equally as effective as those applicable under the ESMA Remuneration Guidelines.

Identified Persons of the external Investment Advisers received fixed remuneration of EUR 1.78m and variable remuneration of EUR 0.04m for the year ended 31 December 2018, attributable to the portfolio management function of the Sub-Funds of the Company. The remuneration has been calculated on a time-spent basis.

No employees of the Investment Manager are considered Identified Persons.

## Reporting requirement in respect of the Securities Financing Transactions Regulation (unaudited) For the year ended 31 December 2018

E.I. Sturdza Funds Plc (the "Company") is subject to the Securities Financing Transactions Regulation (the "SFTR") as at 31 December 2018. The SFTR introduces mandatory reporting for securities financing transactions ("SFTs") and sets minimum disclosure and consent requirements on the re-use of collateral, with the aim of reforming shadow banking and improving transparency in the SFT market. The SFTR was formally adopted by the EU on 25 November 2015 and came into force on 13 January 2017. An SFT consists of any transaction that uses assets belonging to a counterparty to generate financing means and is comprised of the following:

- repurchase transactions;
- securities or commodities lending, securities or commodities borrowing;
- any transaction having an equivalent economic effect, in particular a buy/sell-back or sell/buy-back transaction; and
- margin lending transaction.

Article 2 of the SFTR covers the following entities:

- Counterparties to an SFT that are established:
  - in the EU, including all of its branches irrespective of where they are located (i.e., non-EU branches); or
  - outside the EU if the SFT is concluded in the course of the operations of an EU branch of that counterparty.
- UCITS funds and their management companies irrespective of where they are established;
- AIFMs authorised or registered in accordance under AIFMD irrespective of where their AIFs are established; and
- in relation to the Re-use Obligation only, counterparties established outside the EU, in either of the following circumstances:
  - the re-use is effected in the course of the operations of an EU branch; or
  - the re-use concerns financial instruments provided as collateral by a counterparty established in the EU or an EU branch of a third country entity (i.e. a non-EU entity re-uses an EU entity's collateral).

On 14 August 2017, the Company on behalf of Strategic China Panda Fund, Strategic Europe Value Fund, Nippon Growth (UCITS) Fund, Strategic Global Quality Fund, Strategic US Momentum and Value Fund, Strategic European Smaller Companies Fund and Strategic Japan Opportunities Fund engaged in a securities lending program in accordance with an agreement with BNY Mellon Trust Company (Ireland) Limited (the "Depositary") and The Bank of New York Melon (the "Bank"), a related party to the Depositary, as securities lending agent. The Company is allowed to lend securities with a value of up to 15% of the net asset value of each Sub-Fund per borrower. The Company received collateral in the form of government securities, equities, certificates of deposit and cash against the loaned securities.

During the year, the securities lending agreement was amended to exclude the Strategic US Momentum and Value Fund and include the Sturdza Family Fund.

The SFTR also covers Total Return Swap ("TRS") transactions. The Company did not transact in TRSs during the year.

# Reporting requirement in respect of the Securities Financing Transactions Regulation (unaudited) (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

#### Global data

The following table reflects the amount of securities on loan as a proportion of total lendable assets (excluding cash and cash equivalents) of each Sub-Fund (presented in each of the Sub-Fund's functional currency) as at 31 December 2018:

Sub-Fund	Sub-Fund's functional currency	Total lendable assets (excluding cash and cash equivalents)	Fair value of securities on loan	Percentage of securities on loan
SCPF	USD	150,753,778	12,164,196	8.07%
NGUF	JPY	2,316,035,687	374,114,498	16.15%
SEVF	EUR	619,883,758	43,881,128	7.08%
SGQF	USD	55,841,816	7,099,074	12.71%
SESF	EUR	139,693,950	32,699,247	23.41%
SJOF	JPY	7,565,360,600	1,337,880,103	17.68%

The following table reflects the amount of assets engaged in each type of SFT, expressed as an absolute amount and as a percentage of the Sub-Funds' Net Asset Value ("NAV") (presented in each of the Sub-Fund's functional currency) as at 31 December 2018:

	Sub-Fund's		Securities on loan		
Sub-Fund	functional currency	NAV	Fair value of securities on loan	% of NAV	
SCPF	USD	151,036,092	12,164,196	8.05%	
NGUF	JPY	2,305,543,074	374,114,498	16.23%	
SEVF	EUR	656,940,425	43,881,128	6.68%	
SGQF	USD	59,041,022	7,099,074	12.02%	
SESF	EUR	149,441,431	32,699,247	21.88%	
SJOF	JPY	7,753,801,876	1,337,880,103	17.25%	

## Reporting requirement in respect of the Securities Financing Transactions Regulation (unaudited) (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

#### Data on re-use of collateral

Information on amount of collateral reused, compared with maximum amount disclosed to investors or specified in the Prospectus and the cash collateral reinvestment returns to the Sub-Funds. No non-cash collateral was reused during the year ended 31 December 2018. Cash collateral held is reinvested in overnight reverse repurchase agreements. The maturity of these transactions is limited to one day.

#### **Concentration data**

The following table reflects the 10 largest collateral issuers across all SFTs and the value (volume) of collateral received per issuer (presented in each of the Sub-Fund's functional currency) as at 31 December 2018:

Sub-Fund	Sub-Fund's functional currency	Name of collateral issuer	Amount of collateral received
SCPF	USD	United States of America Government	3,573,259
		United Kingdom Government	1,291,893
		Itochu Corp	706,623
		Central Ja	681,939
		Secom Co	680,802
		NTT Docomo Inc	672,888
		Sumitomo Mitsui Financial Group	659,865
		Mitsubishi Ufj Financial Group	640,644
		Tosoh Corp	581,932
		East Japan Railway Co	558,241
NGUF	JPY	United States Of America Government	171,915,451
		France Government	96,617,732
		United Kingdom Government	40,518,718
		Royal Dutch Shell Plc	3,479,952
		Mitsubishi Ufj Financial Group	3,329,671
		Pioneer Nat Res Co	3,273,167
		Aeon Co Ltd	3,172,551
		Red Hat Inc	2,983,534
		Itochu Corp	2,891,054
		Mitsubishi Corp	2,745,188
SEVF	EUR	United States Of America Government	14,415,836
		France Government	5,809,290
		United Kingdom Government	5,045,400
		Citigroup Inc	1,675,121
		British American Tobacco Plc	1,553,575
		Societe Generale SA	1,509,082
		BP Plc	1,431,302
		Royal Dutch Shell Plc	1,411,639
		Astrazeneca Plc	1,183,994
		ASML Holding NV	933,894

# Reporting requirement in respect of the Securities Financing Transactions Regulation (unaudited) (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

### **Concentration data (continued)**

The following table reflects the 10 largest collateral issuers across all SFTs and the value (volume) of collateral received per issuer (presented in each of the Sub-Fund's functional currency) as at 31 December 2018:

Sub-Fund	Sub-Fund's functional currency	Name of collateral issuer	Amount of collateral received
SGQF	USD	United States of America Government	1,862,954
		France Government	290,382
		Valero Ene Com	257,019
		Honeywell Intl Inc	200,778
		Apple Inc	175,963
		AT+T Inc	172,796
		Micron Technology Inc	152,676
		Citigroup Inc	149,760
		Booking Hldgs Inc	149,758
		Affiliated Managers Group	146,408
SESF	EUR	France Government	6,749,985
		United Kingdom Government	5,693,631
		United States Of America Government	5,234,262
		Scotia Capital (Usa) Inc	848,831
		Total SA	666,194
		Royal Dutch Shell Plc	661,277
		Stmicroelectronics Nv	550,024
		Kering SA	517,053
		Airbus SE	387,880
		Schneider Electric SE	386,458
SJOF	JPY	France Government	386,808,715
		United States of America Government	236,710,291
		Barclays Capital Securities Ltd.	107,327,356
		Scotia Capital (Usa) Inc	79,153,887
		Morgan Stanley & Co. Llc	55,386,875
		Fast Retailing Co Ltd	38,928,304
		Mitsubishi Corp	36,840,445
		Mitsubishi Ufj Financial Group	36,836,865
		Seven + I Holdings Co Ltd	35,238,624
		United Kingdom Government	35,105,705

# Reporting requirement in respect of the Securities Financing Transactions Regulation (unaudited) (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

### **Concentration data (continued)**

The following table reflects the top10 counterparties of each type of SFT and the value (volume) of outstanding transactions (presented in each of the Sub-Fund's functional currency) as at 31 December 2018:

	Sub-Fund's functional		
Sub-Fund	currency	Name of counterparty	Fair value of securities on loan
SCPF	USD	Macquarie Bank Limited	6,182,506
		JP Morgan Securities, Plc.	3,260,807
		Barclays Capital Securities Ltd.	221,097
		Credit Suisse Securities (Europe) Limited	2,401,617
		Merrill Lynch International	98,169
NGUF	JPY	JP Morgan Securities, Plc.	163,243,153
		Merrill Lynch International	94,472,515
		Credit Suisse Securities (Europe) Limited	50,507,830
		Macquarie Bank Limited	6,156,000
		Barclays Capital Securities Ltd.	24,820,000
		Citigroup Global Markets Limited	31,025,000
		UBS AG	3,890,000
SEVF	EUR	HSBC Bank PLC	13,985,563
		Citigroup Global Markets Limited	979,485
		JP Morgan Securities, Plc.	12,414,989
		Credit Suisse Securities (Europe) Limited	3,107,674
		J.P. Morgan Securities LLC	4,785,868
		Societe Generale	3,089,206
		Morgan Stanley & Co. International PLC	2,357,171
		Merrill Lynch International	1,190,561
		Barclays Capital Securities Ltd.	96,128
		Morgan Stanley & Co. LLC	1,874,483
SGQF	USD	JP Morgan Securities, Plc.	872,329
		UBS AG	2,047,690
		J.P. Morgan Securities LLC	11,816
		Societe Generale	2,905,101
		Barclays Bank PLC	1,262,138

# Reporting requirement in respect of the Securities Financing Transactions Regulation (unaudited) (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

### **Concentration data (continued)**

The following table reflects the top 10 counterparties of each type of SFT and the value (volume) of outstanding transactions (presented in each of the Sub-Fund's functional currency) as at 31 December 2018:

Sub-Fund	Sub-Fund's functional currency	Name of counterparty	Fair value of securities on loan
SESF	EUR	Barclays Capital Securities Ltd.	5,645,518
		Scotia Capital (USA) INC	810,015
		JP Morgan Securities, Plc.	10,124,132
		Citigroup Global Markets Limited	2,365,957
		Societe Generale	2,345,261
		Merrill Lynch International	4,628,307
		ING Bank NV	153,034
		Goldman, Sachs & Co. LLC	335,989
		UBS AG	6,291,034
SJOF	JPY	Merrill Lynch International	360,971,567
		Barclays Capital Securities Ltd.	439,014,724
		JP Morgan Securities, Plc.	271,851,700
		Morgan Stanley & Co. LLC	53,911,500
		Morgan Stanley & Co. International PLC	2,358,200
		Citigroup Global Markets Limited	62,308,412
		UBS AG	71,700,000
		Scotia Capital (USA) Inc.	75,764,000

## Reporting requirement in respect of the Securities Financing Transactions Regulation (unaudited) (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

### Safekeeping of collateral received by the Sub-Funds as part of the SFTs

The following table reflects the number and name of custodians and amount of collateral held in safekeeping by each of the custodians (presented in each of the Sub-Fund's functional currency) as at 31 December 2018:

Sub-Fund	Sub-Fund's functional currency	Number of custodians per Sub-Fund	Name of custodian	Amount of collateral in safekeeping
SCPF	USD	1	The Bank of New York Mellon	13,738,868
NGUF	JPY	1	The Bank of New York Mellon	417,014,139
SEVF	EUR	1	The Bank of New York Mellon	47,956,394
SGQF	USD	1	The Bank of New York Mellon	8,334,924
SESF	EUR	1	The Bank of New York Mellon	35,511,373
SJOF	JPY	1	The Bank of New York Mellon	1,449,630,178

No collateral was granted by the Sub-Funds during the year ended 31 December 2018.

#### Aggregate transaction data for each type of SFT

The following table reflects the maturity tenor of all collateral received for each type of SFT (presented in each of the Sub-Fund's functional currency) as at 31 December 2018:

						Maturity tenor of the Collateral
Sub-Fund	Sub-Fund's functional currency	Name of counterparty	Type of collateral received	Currency of collateral	Total amount of collateral	Open maturity tenor
SCPF	USD	Macquarie Bank Limited	Equity Indices (TriParty)	USD	6,827,042	Yes
		JP Morgan Securities, Plc.	Equity Indices (TriParty)	USD	3,675,130	Yes
		Barclays Capital Securities Ltd.	Equity Indices (TriParty)	USD	243,846	Yes
		Credit Suisse Securities (Europe) Limited	Equity Indices (TriParty)	USD	2,887,084	Yes
		Merrill Lynch International	G10 Debt (TriParty)	USD	105,766	Yes
NGUF	JPY	JP Morgan Securities, Plc.	Equity Indices (TriParty)	USD	182,829,065	Yes
		Merrill Lynch International	G10 Debt (TriParty)	USD	101,352,997	Yes
		Credit Suisse Securities (Europe) Limited	Equity Indices (TriParty)	USD	60,336,061	Yes
		Macquarie Bank Limited	Equity Indices (TriParty)	USD	6,755,061	Yes
		Barclays Capital Securities Ltd.	Equity Indices (TriParty)	USD	27,201,684	Yes
		Citigroup Global Markets Limited	Equity Indices (TriParty)	USD	34,210,668	Yes
		UBS AG	Equity Indices (TriParty)	USD	4,328,603	Yes

# Reporting requirement in respect of the Securities Financing Transactions Regulation (unaudited) (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

### Aggregate transaction data for each type of SFT (continued)

The following table reflects the maturity tenor of all collateral received for each type of SFT (presented in each of the Sub-Fund's functional currency) as at 31 December 2018:

						Maturity
						tenor of
						the
						Collateral
						Open
	Sub-Fund's			Currency	T . 1	maturity
Sub-Fund	functional currency	Name of counterparty	Type of collateral received	of collateral	Total amount of collateral	tenor
SEVF	EUR	HSBC Bank PLC	Equity Indices (TriParty)	USD	15,535,914	Yes
		Citigroup Global Markets Limited	Equity Indices (TriParty)	USD	1,075,472	Yes
			Equity Indices (TriParty), G10 Debt			
		JP Morgan Securities, Plc.	(TriParty)	USD	13,633,085	Yes
		Credit Suisse Securities (Europe) Limited	Equity Indices (TriParty)	USD	3,664,297	Yes
		J.P. Morgan Securities LLC	U.S. Government Debt (Bilateral)	USD	4,807,624	Yes
		Societe Generale	Equity Indices (TriParty)	USD	3,376,977	Yes
		Morgan Stanley & Co. International PLC	U.S. Government Debt (Bilateral)	USD	2,621,663	Yes
		Merrill Lynch International	G10 Debt (TriParty)	USD	1,258,347	Yes
		Barclays Capital Securities Ltd.	G10 Debt (TriParty)	USD	99,218	Yes
		Morgan Stanley & Co. LLC	U.S. Government Debt (Bilateral)	USD	1,883,797	Yes
			Equity Indices (TriParty), G10 Debt			
SGQF	USD	JP Morgan Securities, Plc.	(TriParty)	USD	959,092	Yes
			Equity Indices (TriParty), Govt Debt &			
		UBS AG	Supranationals (TriParty)	USD	2,276,895	Yes
		J.P. Morgan Securities LLC	U.S. Government Debt (Bilateral)	USD	11,869	Yes
			Equity Indices (TriParty),	USD		
		Societe Generale	U.S. Equity (TriParty)		3,317,216	Yes
		Barclays Bank PLC	Govt Debt & Supranationals (TriParty)	USD	1,769,852	Yes
			Cash, Equity Indices (TriParty), G10	USD		
SESF	EUR	Barclays Capital Securities Ltd.	Debt (TriParty)		5,926,942	Yes
		Scotia Capital (USA) Inc.	Cash	USD	848,831	Yes
		JP Morgan Securities, Plc.	Equity Indices (TriParty)	USD	11,307,145	Yes
		Citigroup Global Markets Limited	Cash, Equity Indices (TriParty)	USD	2,588,745	Yes
		Societe Generale	Equity Indices (TriParty)	USD	2,561,945	Yes
		Merrill Lynch International	G10 Debt (TriParty)	USD	4,948,179	Yes
		ING Bank NV	Equity Indices (TriParty)	USD	173,270	Yes
		Goldman, Sachs & Co. LLC	Cash	USD	352,960	Yes
			Equity Indices (TriParty), G10 Debt			
			(TriParty), Govt Debt & Supranationals			
		UBS AG	(TriParty)	USD	6,803,356	Yes

## Reporting requirement in respect of the Securities Financing Transactions Regulation (unaudited) (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

#### Aggregate transaction data for each type of SFT (continued)

The following table reflects the maturity tenor of all collateral received for each type of SFT (presented in each of the Sub-Fund's functional currency) as at 31 December 2018:

Sub-Fund	Sub-Fund's functional	Name of counterparty	Type of collateral received	Currency of collateral	Total amount of collateral	Maturity tenor of the Collateral Open maturity tenor
Sub-rulia	currency	Name of counterparty	**	conateral	conateral	tenor
			G10 Debt (TriParty), Govt Debt &			
SJOF	JPY	Merrill Lynch International	Supranationals (TriParty)	USD	386,578,729	Yes
		Barclays Capital Securities Ltd.	Cash, Equity Indices (TriParty)	USD	475,731,420	Yes
		JP Morgan Securities, Plc.	Cash, Equity Indices (TriParty)	USD	302,023,912	Yes
		Morgan Stanley & Co. LLC	Cash	USD	55,386,875	Yes
		Morgan Stanley & Co. International PLC	G10 Debt (TriParty)	USD	2,656,766	Yes
			Equity Indices (TriParty), G10 Debt			
		Citigroup Global Markets Limited	(TriParty)	USD	68,314,316	Yes
		UBS AG	Equity Indices (TriParty)	USD	79,784,273	Yes
		Scotia Capital (USA) Inc.	Cash	USD	79,153,887	Yes

To ensure credit quality is maintained there are restrictions in place over the collateral accepted. Sovereign Debt obligations are only accepted from USA, Canada, Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Netherlands, Norway, Sweden, Switzerland, United Kingdom, Luxembourg, Australia, Hong Kong, Japan, Singapore and New Zealand. Debt obligations are only accepted when issued by the following supranational issuers: European Bank for Reconstruction and Development; European Investment Bank; European Union; Inter-American Development Bank; International Bank for Reconstruction and Development; and the International Finance Corporation. Equity securities must be listed on one of the following exchanges: AEX 25 (Netherlands); CAC 40 (France); DAX 30 (Germany); Euro 50 (Eurozone); FTSE 100 (United Kingdom); Nikkei 225 (Japan); SMI 23 (Switzerland) or S&P 500 (USA).

# Reporting requirement in respect of the Securities Financing Transactions Regulation (unaudited) (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

### Aggregate transaction data for each type of SFT (continued)

The following table reflects the maturity tenor of SFTs (presented in each of the Sub-Fund's functional currency) as at 31 December 2018:

	Sub-Fund's functional			Total fair value of securities on	Maturity tenor of the SFTs Open maturity
Sub-Fund	currency	Name of counterparty	Counterparty domicile	loan	
SCPF	USD	Macquarie Bank Limited	Australia	6,182,506	Yes
		JP Morgan Securities, Plc.	United Kingdom	3,260,807	Yes
		Barclays Capital Securities Ltd.	United Kingdom	221,097	Yes
		Credit Suisse Securities (Europe) Limited	United Kingdom	2,401,617	Yes
		Merrill Lynch International	USA	98,169	Yes
NGUF	JPY	JP Morgan Securities, Plc.	United Kingdom	163,243,153	Yes
		Merrill Lynch International	USA	94,472,515	Yes
		Credit Suisse Securities (Europe) Limited	United Kingdom	50,507,830	Yes
		Macquarie Bank Limited	Australia	6,156,000	Yes
		Barclays Capital Securities Ltd.	United Kingdom	24,820,000	Yes
		Citigroup Global Markets Limited	United Kingdom	31,025,000	Yes
		UBS AG	Switzerland	3,890,000	Yes
SEVF	EUR	HSBC Bank PLC	United Kingdom	13,985,563	Yes
		Citigroup Global Markets Limited	United Kingdom	979,485	Yes
		JP Morgan Securities, Plc.	United Kingdom	12,414,989	Yes
		Credit Suisse Securities (Europe) Limited	United Kingdom	3,107,674	Yes
		J.P. Morgan Securities LLC	USA	4,785,868	Yes
		Societe Generale	France	3,089,206	Yes
		Morgan Stanley & Co. International PLC	United Kingdom	2,357,171	Yes
		Merrill Lynch International	USA	1,190,561	Yes
		Barclays Capital Securities Ltd.	United Kingdom	96,128	Yes
		Morgan Stanley & Co. LLC	USA	1,874,483	Yes
SGQF	USD	JP Morgan Securities, Plc.	United Kingdom	872,329	Yes
`		UBS AG	Switzerland	2,047,690	Yes
		J.P. Morgan Securities LLC	USA	11,816	Yes
		Societe Generale	France	2,905,101	Yes
		Barclays Bank PLC	United Kingdom	1,262,138	Yes

## Reporting requirement in respect of the Securities Financing Transactions Regulation (unaudited) (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

### Aggregate transaction data for each type of SFT (continued)

The following table reflects the maturity tenor of SFTs (presented in each of the Sub-Fund's functional currency) as at 31 December 2018:

					Maturity tenor of the SFTs
Sub-Fund	Sub-Fund's functional currency	Name of counterparty	Counterparty domicile	Total fair value of securities on loan	Open maturity tenor
SESF	EUR	Barclays Capital Securities Ltd.	United Kingdom	5,645,518	Yes
		Scotia Capital (USA) INC	USA	810,015	Yes
		JP Morgan Securities, Plc.	United Kingdom	10,124,132	Yes
		Citigroup Global Markets Limited	United Kingdom	2,365,957	Yes
		Societe Generale	France	2,345,261	Yes
		Merrill Lynch International	USA	4,628,307	Yes
		ING Bank NV	Netherlands	153,034	Yes
		Goldman, Sachs & Co. LLC	USA	335,989	Yes
		UBS AG	Switzerland	6,291,034	Yes
SJOF	JPY	Merrill Lynch International	USA	360,971,567	Yes
		Barclays Capital Securities Ltd.	United Kingdom	439,014,724	Yes
		JP Morgan Securities, Plc.	United Kingdom	271,851,700	Yes
		Morgan Stanley & Co. LLC	USA	53,911,500	Yes
		Morgan Stanley & Co. International PLC	United Kingdom	2,358,200	Yes
		Citigroup Global Markets Limited	United Kingdom	62,308,412	Yes
		UBS AG	Switzerland	71,700,000	Yes
		Scotia Capital (USA) Inc.	USA	75,764,000	Yes

All Sub-Funds are subject to the securities lending program entered into with the Depositary, which allows for The Bank of New York Mellon (the "Lending Agent") to utilise applicable Settlement Systems. These Settlement Systems may be any securities depository or clearing agency authorised to act as a securities depository or clearing agency. During the year, the Sub-Funds utilised tri-party and bilateral agreements where collaterals held were securities and reinvested cash collateral in overnight reverse repurchase agreements.

# Reporting requirement in respect of the Securities Financing Transactions Regulation (unaudited) (continued) For the year ended 31 December 2018

### Data on return and cost for each type of SFTs

The following table reflects the data on cost and return for each type of SFT between the Sub-Funds and the Lending Agent, in absolute terms, and as a percentage of overall returns generated by that type of SFT (presented in each of the Sub-Fund's functional currency) for the year ended 31 December 2018:

			As a % of		As a % of	
	Sub-Fund's	Earned by the	Total	Earned by the	Total	
Sub-Fund	functional currency	Sub-Funds	Return	Lending Agent**	Return**	Total Return
SCPF	USD	64,405	70%	27,603.00	30%	92,008
NGUF	JPY	903,462	70%	387,197.00	30%	1,290,659
SEVF	EUR	180,476	70%	77,347.00	30%	257,823
SMVF*	USD	16,724	70%	7,167.00	30%	23,891
SGQF	USD	7,619	70%	3,265.00	30%	10,884
SESF	EUR	175,320	70%	75,137.00	30%	250,457
SJOF	JPY	29,906,485	70%	12,817,065.00	30%	92,008

<sup>\*</sup>Effective from 14 December 2018, the Strategic US Momentum and Value Fund ceased operations.

E.I. Sturdza Strategic Management Limited and The Bank of New York Mellon act as the Investment Manager and Lending Agent, respectively, for all the Sub-Funds as at and for the year ended 31 December 2018.

<sup>\*\*</sup>The 30% fee paid to the Lending Agent is considered to be the cost of entering into securities lending transaction as per Securities Lending Agreement. The Sub-Funds recognised the securities lending income net of Lending Agent's fee.