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Market Review

Welcome to the Interim Report for the HSBC Private Investment Funds Open-Ended Investment Company (OEIC). The report covers the period 1 September 2020 to 28 February 2021.

Please do take the time to look through the report and if you have any questions, contact our Customer Services on 0800 358 3011*.

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Economic and Market Overview

The six-month period to the end of February 2021 was positive for global equity investors, as markets continued to rise in aggregate. The successful development and rollout of several Covid-19 vaccines was the key factor driving markets higher. These vaccines were quickly approved and gradually administered in many countries, bringing renewed hope that the disruption caused by the coronavirus could be soon overcome, and that pre-pandemic business and social normality could be restored. Joe Biden's election as US president, although (initially) legally challenged by Donald Trump, and the last-minute agreement between the UK and the EU on a post-Brexit trade deal were further factors that lifted investors' moods.

The period had begun with concerns over a renewed rise in Covid-19 cases, primarily in the US and then, increasingly, in Europe. Restrictions that had been eased through the summer months were re-imposed and gradually tightened. Many countries went into a full lockdown late in 2020 and early 2021, including the UK.

Global central banks continued to provide ample liquidity and ultra-loose conditions. Meanwhile, national governments remained active in providing large fiscal spending to support their economies. The US government introduced a \$900 billion package of measures late in the year and, following Joe Biden's victory in the US presidential election, subsequently proposed an even larger coronavirus relief bill amounting to \$1.9 trillion.

Economic data generally showed steady improvement. US GDP grew by 33.4% in the third quarter of 2020, after a record fall of 31.4% in the previous quarter. The UK's GDP climbed by 16.1% in the third quarter, following a 19.0% drop in the second quarter, and then by 1.0% in the fourth quarter. The UK was also impacted by the uncertainties surrounding the state of its future relationship with the EU. However, against the odds, the UK and EU agreed a trade deal just a few days before the end of the transition period, at the turn of the year. Mainland China's economy was one of the very few to recover to pre-pandemic levels by the end of the year. Growth was at 2.3% over 2020, the weakest rate since 1976, as the economy recovered after the decline in the first half of the year.

Unemployment levels dropped in some countries. US unemployment, having peaked at 14.8% in April, fell back to 6.3% in January. In the eurozone, it fell to 8.1% in January from a peak of 8.7% in August. In the UK, unemployment rose but only very gradually, owing to the UK chancellor's furlough scheme, which, at least temporarily, staved off steeply rising job losses. Unemployment was up to 5.1% in the three months to December, the highest level in over four years.

Equities fell in the final days of the period as worries about rising long-term inflation, resulting from recovering economic growth and the impact of record levels of fiscal stimulus, drove bond yields to levels not seen, in some cases, for 12 months or more. The 10-year US Treasury yield climbed to 1.6%, having begun the year at 0.9%. Bond markets weakened over the period.

UK Equities

Having been a notable laggard through most of 2020, the UK market recovered over the period, outperforming other world markets in aggregate. UK equities rallied strongly in the final two months of the year, recovering some of the ground lost to global equity markets over 2020. This rally continued into the first two weeks of 2021, despite the renewed rise in coronavirus cases and deaths, and the re-imposition of a nationwide lockdown in early January. Towards the end of 2020, the announcement of three new vaccines in quick succession – including the Oxford/AstraZeneca vaccine, which was manufactured in the UK – boosted investor sentiment. The UK became the first country to administer a Covid-19 vaccine in December. Further good news came with the announcement just before Christmas of a UK/EU trade deal, which removed a large amount of the uncertainty that had hindered the UK market.

In economic terms, the UK enjoyed a decent rebound of 16.1% in the third quarter of 2020, followed by a flattening in the fourth quarter, with just 1.0% growth achieved. For 2020 as a whole, GDP fell 9.9%, the worst figure ever recorded. The economic impact of Covid-19 on the UK appeared to be worse than that of any other major industrialised nation. Regarding unemployment, expectations of a large rise grew, as the scope of the chancellor's furlough scheme was reduced in the autumn. By December, unemployment had risen to 5.1%. UK inflation remained subdued, although it recovered from a recent a low of 0.2% in August to 0.7% in January.

The Bank of England (BoE) maintained its easy monetary stance. In November, the BoE announced that it was raising the monthly budget for its bond-purchasing programme by £150 billion, to £895 billion. The central bank also continued to gather feedback from commercial banks and other financial institutions about the impact of a potential move to negative interest rates. However, by the end of the period, this move appeared less likely as long-term inflation expectations rose, along with UK government bond yields.

Outlook

The successful development of three Covid-related vaccines means that the outlook for the global economy, certainly in the latter half of 2021, is much improved. Vaccination will take time and there are challenging logistical challenges, not least in third-world countries. While investor sentiment has rightly been boosted by the rollout of vaccines and the expectations of a gradual return to normality, markets are already trading at relatively extended levels, on nearly all criteria. While we do expect markets to make headway as economic statistics and earnings growth improve, we recognise that a lot of good news is already reflected in prevailing valuations. A key signpost this year will be long-term inflation expectations, which are rising. Recent volatility in both equity and bond markets is a reminder that higher inflation could be a significant headwind to markets in the medium to long term. The extreme fiscal and monetary expansion seen last year, on top of pretty generous levels in the preceding several years, dating back to the global financial crisis, cannot go on forever. There will need to be some consolidation and gradual withdrawal of this support.

Please note that the above information refers to the past and that past performance is not a reliable indication of future returns. Information provided by HSBC Global Asset Management (UK) Limited, 28 February 2021.

Changes to our investment approach

During the period we made some changes to the way we manage the UK Focus Fund with the aim of improving the outcome for investors. The fund manager responsible for the UK Focus Fund also changed as a result of the change in approach. We are making greater use of technology to investigate a wider range of potential companies that the Fund may invest in. Additionally, by obtaining a wider set of information on potential companies we can consider a larger number of factors that may indicate how a company will perform in future. The fund manager is using this improved level of information to select assets and construct the UK Focus Fund's portfolio to meet its investment objective.

Separately, in March 2021 we notified shareholders of a proposal to merge the UK Focus Fund into the UK Growth & Income Fund. Shareholders in the UK Focus Fund voted in favour of the merger at an Extraordinary General Meeting held on 16 April 2021. The merger is therefore scheduled to take place on 30 April 2021.

UK Focus Fund

Investment Objective

The Fund aims to provide growth in the long term, which is a period of five years or more. The Fund intends to provide higher returns (before charges and tax are deducted from the Fund) than the FTSE All-Share Index, over five-year periods.

Investment Policy and Strategy*

To achieve its objective, the Fund will invest at least of 80% of its value in the shares (equities) of UK companies, including preference shares. UK companies are those that are based in the UK or earn at least 80% of their revenue from the UK.

The Fund may invest up to 20% of its value in other assets, such as shares of non-UK companies and cash.

The Fund may invest up to 10% of its value in other funds, which may be managed by the HSBC Group.

Typically the Fund will invest in the shares of 25 to 45 companies.

Use of Benchmarks

The Fund is actively managed and is managed with reference to the FTSE All-Share Index.

The fund manager aims to generate returns in excess of the FTSE All-Share Index over five-year periods before charges and tax are deducted from the Fund, based on our current view of returns the Fund may potentially achieve, which may change.

The level of risk the Fund may take is considered relative to the FTSE All-Share Index as part of the portfolio construction process. This means the Fund returns are more likely to be closer to the returns of the FTSE All-Share Index than if there were no limits on the level of risk the Fund may take.

The FTSE All-Share Index is also considered as part of our investment risk monitoring process, to check that the overall level of risk taken by the fund manager is not inconsistent with the UK equities market. The performance of the Fund is therefore shown against the performance of the FTSE All-Share Index.

Use of Derivatives

The Fund may invest in different types of derivatives for efficient portfolio management purposes, including hedging. The Fund does not currently use derivatives to reduce the risk of movements in the rate of exchange between sterling and other currencies in which the Fund's assets may be held. The use of derivatives will be consistent with the risk profile of the Fund.

*For details of the full Investment Policy and Strategy please refer to the HSBC Private Investment Funds prospectus. We have also published a Glossary of key terms used which you may wish to refer to. Both documents can be found at https://www.assetmanagement.hsbc.co.uk/en/individual-investor/fund-centre.

Portfolio Activity

The FTSE All-Share saw a sharp rebound over the period, gaining 12%. The Materials and Energy sector were the best performers whilst Healthcare and Consumer Staples lagged. Over the same time, the Fund outperformed the index.

Net allocation effects were flat as contribution from an underweight exposure to Healthcare and overweight exposure to Financials was fully offset by an underweight exposure to Materials and overweight Utilities.

At the stock level, the main contributors included Antofagasta, which saw a strong rebound from March lows as analysts reported that the copper market is heading into a multi-year period of supply deficits, thus leading to higher prices. Additionally, International Consolidated Airlines gained on positive vaccine news and optimism for a relaxation of travel restrictions.

Detractors included DCC, which fell after a spate of downgrades linked to uncertainty surrounding its oil products distribution unit given consumers' increased focus on green energy. Furthermore, Rentokil Initial saw a consolidation during the period following prolonged outperformance during the lockdown months as demand for its products and services spiked.

During the period, major purchases included Aggreko, International Consolidated Airlines and Moneysupermarket.com, whilst sales included BHP, BP, GlaxoSmithKline, Royal Dutch Shell and Unilever.

Your portfolio aims to deliver diversified exposure to UK equities, by investing in companies with an attractive combination of profitability and valuation. These quality companies typically have sustainable business models, strong balance sheets and good management. We believe this disciplined approach should help investors navigate short-term uncertainties.

Investment Performance

During the period under review, the value of the shares in the Fund increased by 14.64%, whilst the value of the FTSE All-Share Index rose by 12.00%.

(Source: Morningstar Direct, GBP, UK net of tax, income reinvested for the Retail Accumulation share class. Returns based on the NAV, which is a single price.)

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Fund Particulars

as at 1 March 2021 (unaudited)

	Retail	Retail	Institutional	Institutional Accumulation	Institutional A
	Income	Accumulation	Income	Accumulation	Accumulation
Price	139.1p xd	195.6p	139.3p xd	229.5p	201.3p
Distribution payable (on 30 April 2021)	0.430000p	0.570000p	0.720000p	1.260000p	0.570000p
per share net					
Current net estimated yield	1.74%	1.37%	2.45%	2.24%	1.36%
Annual ACD charge	0.80%	0.80%	0.00%	0.00%	0.80%

Portfolio Statement

as at 28 February 2021 (unaudited)

Security	Holding	Bid value £'000	Total net assets %
Oil & Gas - 9.88% (9.29%)			,,
BP	54,136	158	4.63
Royal Dutch Shell B	12,871	179	5.25
Royal Dutch Shell B Rights	12,987	-	-
Total Oil & Gas		337	9.88
Basic Materials - 11.14% (8.94%)			
Antofagasta	6,506	116	3.40
BHP Group	8,315	189	5.54
Rio Tinto	1,212	75	2.20
Total Basic Materials	, 	380	11.14
Industrials - 12.78% (13.46%)			
Aggreko	5,886	47	1.38
BAE Systems	11,015	53	1.55
Bunzl	1,690	38	1.11
DCC (London listed)	952	55	1.61
Ferguson	856	72	2.11
Hays	27,550	42	1.23
QinetiQ	26,070	78	2.29
Rentokil Initial	11,015	51	1.50
Total Industrials		436	12.78
Consumer Goods - 16.11% (17.19%)			
Associated British Foods	2,724	64	1.88
Barratt Developments	6,841	45	1.32
Diageo	3,898	110	3.23
Imperial Brands	6,842	91	2.67
Persimmon	1,800	47	1.38
SSP Group	18,678	64	1.88
Unilever	3,422	128	3.75
Total Consumer Goods		549	16.11
Healthcare - 7.24% (9.98%)			
AstraZeneca	1,425	99	2.90
GlaxoSmithKline	12,442	148	4.34
Total Healthcare	·	247	7.24
Consumer Services - 15.42% (13.44%)			
Compass Group	4,282	62	1.82
International Consolidated Airlines	53,601	103	3.02
Moneysupermarket.com	14,453	42	1.23
Next	1,538	116	3.40
Tesco	36,356	82	2.40
WHSmith	2,611	50	1.47
WPP	8,283	71	2.08
Total Consumer Services	-,	526	15.42

Portfolio Statement

as at 28 February 2021 (unaudited)

Security	Holding	Bid value £′000	Total net assets %
Telecommunications - 0.97% (1.03%)			
Vodafone Group	27,424	33	0.97
Total Telecommunications		33	0.97
Financials - 19.78% (19.41%)			
Barclays	87,084	139	4.08
Great Portland REIT	6,219	42	1.23
Hiscox	5,032	48	1.41
+HSBC Holdings (London listed)	27,762	118	3.46
IG Group	9,992	78	2.29
NatWest Group	51,587	95	2.79
Prudential	10,930	154	4.52
Total Financials		674	19.78
Utilities - 4.57% (5.20%)			
National Grid	10,209	82	2.40
SSE	5,602	74	2.17
Total Utilities		156	4.57
Technology - 0.73% (1.10%)			
Sage Group	4,493	25	0.73
Total Technology		25	0.73
Futures - 0.00% (0.00%)			
ICF FTSE 250 Index Future March 2021	1	(1)	(0.00)
Total Futures		(1)	(0.00)
Portfolio of investments		3,362	98.62
Net other assets		47	1.38
Net assets		3,409	100.00
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⁺related party

Figures in brackets denote comparative percentage holdings as at 31 August 2020.

Unless otherwise stated, all investments are listed equities.

The counterparty for the Futures is HSBC.

Total purchases for the period, including transaction charges, were £278,950.

Total sales for the period, net of transaction charges, were £1,628,578.

Comparative Tables

Retail Income Change in net assets per share	28.2.21	31.8.20	31.8.19	31.8.18
Opening net asset value per share	121.00p	151.40p	155.30p	161.20p
Return before operating charges*	18.22p	(25.92p)	2.65p	0.65p
Operating charges**	(1.05p)	(1.67p)	(1.55p)	(1.62p)
Return after operating charges*	17.17p	(27.59p)	1.10p	(0.97p)
Distributions on income shares	(0.97p)	(2.81p)	(5.00p)	(4.93p)
Closing net asset value per share	137.20p	121.00p	151.40p	155.30p
*after direct transaction costs of:***	0.03p	0.42p	0.23p	0.32p
Performance				
Return after charges	14.19%	(18.22%)	0.71%	(0.60%)
Other information				
Closing net asset value	£363,846	£541,403	£1,628,995	£1,512,459
Closing number of shares	265,122	447,551	1,076,131	973,797
Operating charges - OCF	0.94%†	1.15%	1.03%	1.02%
Direct transaction costs	0.02%	0.29%	0.16%	0.20%
Prices				
Highest share price	141.40p	164.30p	160.10p	166.10p
Lowest share price	109.30p	100.40p	137.20p	146.10p

Retail Accumulation Change in net assets per share	28.2.21	31.8.20	31.8.19	31.8.18
Opening net asset value per share	168.90p	208.10p	206.50p	207.80p
Return before operating charges*	25.60p	(36.94p)	3.69p	0.81p
Operating charges**	(1.50p)	(2.26p)	(2.09p)	(2.11p)
Return after operating charges*	24.10p	(39.20p)	1.60p	(1.30p)
Distributions on accumulation shares	(1.32p)	(3.24p)	(6.72p)	(6.43p)
Retained distributions on accumulation shares	1.32p	3.24p	6.72p	6.43p
Closing net asset value per share	193.00p	168.90p	208.10p	206.50p
*after direct transaction costs of:***	0.04p	0.56p	0.32p	0.42p
Performance				
Return after charges	14.27%	(18.84%)	0.77%	(0.63%)
Other information				
Closing net asset value	£500,917	£623,305	£794,818	£947,964
Closing number of shares	259,537	368,949	381,960	458,996
Operating charges - OCF	0.94%†	1.17%	1.03%	1.02%
Direct transaction costs	0.02%	0.29%	0.16%	0.20%
Prices				
Highest share price	198.30p	227.40p	218.30p	216.50p
Lowest share price	152.60p	139.70p	183.50p	190.40p

[†]Estimated value following a change to the charging structure on 1 October 2020.

^{**}The operating charges include all costs borne by the Fund, except for direct transaction costs.

***The direct transaction costs are made up of fees and commissions paid to agents, advisers, brokers and dealers, levies by regulatory agencies and securities exchanges as well as transfer taxes and duties.

Comparative Tables

Institutional Income Change in net assets per share	28.2.21	31.8.20	31.8.19	31.8.18
Opening net asset value per share	121.20p	151.70p	155.60p	161.50p
Return before operating charges*	18.35p	(26.26p)	2.66p	0.67p
Operating charges**	(0.53p)	(0.20p)	(0.04p)	(0.03p)
Return after operating charges*	17.82p	(26.46p)	2.62p	0.64p
Distributions on income shares	(1.52p)	(4.04p)	(6.52p)	(6.54p)
Closing net asset value per share	137.50p	121.20p	151.70p	155.60p
*after direct transaction costs of:***	0.03p	0.43p	0.24p	0.32p
Performance				
Return after charges	14.70%	(17.44%)	1.68%	0.40%
Other information				
Closing net asset value	£1,793,190	£2,172,847	£35,676,129	£103,511,436
Closing number of shares	1,304,470	1,793,103	23,525,348	66,511,403
Operating charges - OCF	0.37%	0.14%	0.03%	0.02%
Direct transaction costs	0.02%	0.29%	0.16%	0.20%
Prices				
Highest share price	142.00p	164.80p	160.70p	166.80p
Lowest share price	109.60p	100.60p	137.50p	146.50p

Institutional Accumulation Change in net assets per share	28.2.21	31.8.20	31.8.19	31.8.18
Opening net asset value per share	197.50p	240.80p	236.90p	237.20p
Return before operating charges*	29.90p	(42.92p)	3.97p	(0.23p)
Operating charges**	(0.90p)	(0.38p)	(0.07p)	(0.07p)
Return after operating charges*	29.00p	(43.30p)	3.90p	(0.30p)
Distributions on accumulation shares	(2.57p)	(6.00p)	(10.08p)	(9.70p)
Retained distributions on accumulation shares	2.57p	6.00p	10.08p	9.70p
Closing net asset value per share	226.50p	197.50p	240.80p	236.90p
*after direct transaction costs of:***	0.05p	0.65p	0.37p	0.48p
Performance				
Return after charges	14.68%	(17.98%)	1.65%	(0.13%)
Other information				
Closing net asset value	£55,557	£128,430	£188,876	£283,236
Closing number of shares	24,525	65,030	78,433	119,562
Operating charges - OCF	0.37%	0.17%	0.03%	0.03%
Direct transaction costs	0.02%	0.29%	0.16%	0.20%
Prices				
Highest share price	232.70p	264.10p	252.40p	247.60p
Lowest share price	178.60p	162.50p	211.20p	217.50p

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Comparative Tables

Institutional A Accumulation Change in net assets per share	28.2.21	31.8.20	31.8.19	31.8.18
Opening net asset value per share	173.80p	214.10p	212.50p	213.80p
Return before operating charges*	26.29p	(37.98p)	3.75p	0.87p
Operating charges**	(1.49p)	(2.32p)	(2.15p)	(2.17p)
Return after operating charges*	24.80p	(40.30p)	1.60p	(1.30p)
Distributions on accumulation shares	(1.35p)	(3.33p)	(6.91p)	(6.61p)
Retained distributions on accumulation shares	1.35p	3.33p	6.91p	6.61p
Closing net asset value per share	198.60p	173.80p	214.10p	212.50p
*after direct transaction costs of:***	0.04p	0.58p	0.33p	0.43p
Performance				
Return after charges	14.27%	(18.82%)	0.75%	(0.61%)
Other information				
Closing net asset value	£695,231	£820,326	£1,010,353	£1,188,707
Closing number of shares	350,000	471,877	471,877	559,377
Operating charges - OCF	0.94%†	1.17%	1.03%	1.02%
Direct transaction costs	0.02%	0.29%	0.16%	0.20%
Prices				
Highest share price	204.10p	234.00p	224.70p	222.80p
Lowest share price	157.00p	143.70p	188.80p	195.90p

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Statement of Total Return

for the six months ended 28 February 2021 (unaudited)

	28.	28.2.21		.2.20
	£′000	£′000	£'000	£'000
Income				
Net capital gains/(losses)		489		(555)
Revenue	58		261	
Expenses	(22)		(23)	
Net revenue before taxation	36		238	
Taxation	-		-	
Net revenue after taxation		36		238
Total return/(deficit) before distributions		525		(317)
Distributions		(36)		(238)
Change in net assets attributable				
to shareholders from investment activities		489		(555)

Statement of Change in Net Assets Attributable to Shareholders

for the six months ended 28 February 2021 (unaudited)

28.	2.21	28.2.20	
£′000	£'000	£'000	£'000
	4,286		39,299
2		25	
(1,379)		(26,600)	
	(1,377)		(26,575)
	1		32
	489		(555)
	10		20
	3,409		12,221
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Balance Sheet

as at 28 February 2021 (unaudited)

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Group 2 0.430000	0.000000	0.430000	0.300000
Retail Accumulation			
Group 1 0.570000	_	0.570000	0.420000
Group 2 0.570000	0.000000	0.570000	0.420000
Institutional Income			
Group 1 0.720000	_	0.720000	0.700000
Group 2 0.690000		0.720000	0.700000
Institutional Accumulation			
Group 1 1.260000	-	1.260000	1.130000
Group 2 1.260000	0.000000	1.260000	1.130000
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Distribution Tables (pence per share)

	Net income	Equalisation	Distribution paid 31.1.21	Distribution paid 31.1.20
Retail Income				
Group 1	0.540000	_	0.540000	1.06000
Group 2	0.540000	0.000000	0.540000	1.06000
Retail Accumulation				
Group 1	0.750000	-	0.750000	1.46000
Group 2	0.630000	0.120000	0.750000	1.46000
Institutional Income				
Group 1	0.800000	_	0.800000	1.45000
Group 2	0.720000	0.080000	0.800000	1.45000
Institutional Accumulation				
Group 1	1.310000	-	1.310000	2.30000
Group 2	1.180000	0.130000	1.310000	2.30000
Institutional A Accumulation				
Group 1	0.780000	-	0.780000	1.50000
Group 2	0.780000	0.000000	0.780000	1.50000

General Information

How to Buy, Sell or Switch Your Investment

- Call our Dealers on 0800 358 3011*
 or
- Write to our Administration Office at: HSBC Global Asset Management (UK) Ltd, Sunderland, SR43 4BF (w.e.f 6/4/21).

Switching Your Investment

- Some discounts are available for switching between our OEIC Funds.
- Switching from one OEIC Fund to another may create a capital gains tax liability.

No subscription can be received on the basis of financial reports. Subscriptions are only valid if made on the basis of the current KIID (in conjunction with the Supplementary Information Document (SID)) and Prospectus accompanied by the latest Annual Report and the most recent Interim Report, if published thereafter. Further details of our switching discounts may be obtained by:-

• Telephoning our Customer Services, on 0800 358 3011*

Minimum Additional Subscription

 The minimum additional subscription is £500 for the retail share class, £1,000 for the institutional A share class and £1,000,000 for the institutional share class.

Selling your Investment

You can sell or make a withdrawal at any time.

- You must take at least £100 each time.
- We reserve the right to request that you leave the minimum investment of £1,000 or close the investment.
- Settlement is normally made within 3 business days from the receipt of your instructions.

When We Will Buy or Sell Your Investment

Share prices are calculated at 12 noon each business day. The price at which shares are bought or sold depends on when we receive your instructions.

- Before 12 noon. That day's share prices will be used.
- After 12 noon. The following business day's prices will be used.

We will send you a contract note within 24 hours of the transaction. This confirms the transaction was made.

Cancellation Rights

- In certain circumstances we will send you a cancellation notice. If so this will be sent within 7 days of making your investment.
- Return this notice to us within 30 days if you do not wish to proceed with your investment.
- It is possible to receive back less than your original investment, if the value of your shares has fallen.

Publication of Prices

The prices of shares are updated daily on the following website: www.assetmanagement.hsbc.com/uk Alternatively you can call our Investments Helpline on 0800 358 3011*.

Prospectus

The Prospectus provides further details on our OEICs. For a copy of the latest Prospectus (available free of charge):-

- Telephone our Customer Services on 0800 358 3011*
- Write to our Administration Office.

Income

Income is distributed or accumulated in the following way:-

- If you hold income shares, income will be distributed to you on the payment dates shown for each of the Funds in the table on page 24.
- If you hold accumulation shares, income will be retained within the Fund. No additional shares will be bought.
 The price of shares will reflect the net income received.

We must disclose details of such distributions to HM Revenue and Customs (HMRC). The distribution also needs to be disclosed on your tax return.

Income Tax

A tax voucher is sent to all shareholders when distributions are paid or accumulated which will aid completion of tax returns.

Interest Distributions:

Income that is distributed from our funds as interest is paid or accumulated gross of tax to all shareholders.

A Personal Savings Allowance currently applies for UK individual taxpayers. This means that no tax is payable on savings income, which includes interest distributions, of up to £1,000 for basic rate taxpayers and up to £500 for higher rate taxpayers. This allowance is not available for additional rate taxpayers. UK taxpayers, including basic rate taxpayers, are liable to pay UK tax on savings income above the allowance, subject to the starting rate of tax for savings.

For UK corporate shareholders, interest distributions will be paid without the deduction of tax. Such shareholders will be subject to corporation tax on the gross amount of the distribution or accumulation.

For non-UK resident shareholders, interest distributions will be paid without the deduction of tax. Tax may or may not be payable depending on the shareholder's tax position and the provisions of any relevant double tax treaty with the UK.

Dividend Distributions:

A dividend allowance applies for UK resident individual shareholders which charges the first £2,000 of dividends received in the tax year at 0%. A UK resident individual shareholder will have to pay income tax at the applicable basic, higher or additional rate (depending on the shareholder's individual tax position) on dividend income in excess of the £2,000 allowance. Note that dividend income within the £2,000 allowance will still count towards basic, higher and additional rate bands and may therefore affect the rate of income tax that a shareholder pays on dividends they receive in excess of the £2,000 allowance.

Where a corporate shareholder receives a dividend distribution from a Fund, such a shareholder should apportion the amount of the distribution (by way of a formula) between that part representing the Fund's income subject to corporation tax and that part representing the Fund's other income. Only that part which represents the income subject to corporation tax in the Fund will be liable to corporation tax (in the hands of the corporate shareholder) and will be treated as an annual payment received after deduction of income tax at the basic rate. That deemed income tax will be available to offset against the corporation tax liability of the shareholder or may be repaid subject to certain restrictions.

For non-UK resident shareholders, tax may or may not be payable depending on the shareholder's tax position and the provisions of any relevant double tax treaty with the UK.

This information is based on our understanding of current UK law and HM Revenue & Customs practice which may be subject to retrospective change. The future basis and rates of taxation may change without warning. Shareholders are recommended to consult their professional advisers if they are in any doubt as to their individual tax position.

Capital Gains Tax

You will not need to pay capital gains tax unless your net gains from all sources exceed the annual exemption limit. The limit for the 2021/2022 tax year is £12,300.

Assessment of Value

The Authorised Fund Manager is required to perform a detailed assessment on whether funds are 'providing value to investors'. The resulting findings are published in a consolidated report on our website.

*To help us continually improve our service, and in the interests of security, we may monitor and/or record your communications with us.

Lines are open Monday to Friday from 9am to 5pm (excluding public holidays).

Important Notes

The Interim Report covers the period 1 September 2020 to 28 February 2021.

Investments in stocks and shares can go down as well as up and investors may not get back the amount they originally invested. This can affect the price of shares within open-ended investment companies and the income from them.

Past performance should not be seen as an indication of future returns.

Your holding in an open-ended investment company must be regarded as a medium to long-term investment; this means for at least five years.

Where overseas securities are held the prices and income may also be affected by changes in currency exchange rates. It is possible that the value of an investment may fall below its original level.

Investments in emerging markets are by their nature higher risk and potentially more volatile than those inherent in some established markets. These risks include the possibility of failed or delayed settlement, registration and custody of securities and the level of investor protection offered.

Where a Fund holds gilts or other fixed interest securities, the value of the underlying assets is strongly affected by interest rate fluctuations and by changes in the credit ratings of the underlying issuer of the assets. There is a risk that both the relative yield and the capital value of these may be reduced if interest rates go up.

Please note any reference to "Fund" or "Funds" means a sub fund of the Company.

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There are risks involved in investing in HSBC Private Investment Funds. Please refer to the Prospectus, Key Investor Information Document (KIID) and Supplementary Information Document (SID) for further details.

The information in this report is based on our understanding of current law and HM Revenue and Customs practice as at 28 February 2021. Both law and practice may of course change.

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The Company is authorised and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority and is structured as an umbrella company, in that the Company proposes to issue shares linked to different Funds which have been established. The Company is a UCITS scheme.

Shareholders are not liable for the debts of the Company. A shareholder is not liable to make any further payment to the Company after the purchase price of the shares has been paid for.

Accounting Policies

The interim financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis, as modified by the revaluation of investments, in compliance with FRS 102 and in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice for Authorised Funds (SORP) issued by The Investment Association in May 2014.

S. White

Director

T.J. Palmer

Director

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For and on behalf of HSBC Global Asset Management (UK) Limited ACD

21 April 2021

Important Changes to the Company and/or Fund Documentation

The following changes to the Company have resulted in the ACD (Authorised Corporate Director) making changes to the Company's Instrument of Incorporation and its Prospectus.

Amendments to the Instrument

The Instrument was updated with effect from 1 October 2020 to allow a deferral of any redemptions at a valuation point to the next valuation point and to allow a deferral of an exchange of shares between classes issued in respect of different sub-funds at a valuation point to the next valuation point.

The Ash Fund has been removed from the Instrument following the closure of this fund with effect from 18 November 2020.

The Instrument was updated on 7 January 2021 to reflect the changes due to Brexit or the departure of the United Kingdom from the EU.

Amendments to the Company Prospectus

The Company Prospectus was updated on 1 October 2020 to reflect updates to the dealing in shares section and the significant activities not connected to the ACD for directors, updates to the OCF and fund administration fee.

The Company Prospectus was updated on 18 November 2020 to reflect the removal of the Ash Fund as it is no longer available for investment.

The Company Prospectus was updated on 7 January 2021 to reflect the changes due to Brexit or the departure of the United Kingdom from the EU and addition of European Benchmark Regulation disclosure and an update to eligible securities markets and eligible derivatives markets.

The Company Prospectus was updated on 10 March 2021 to reflect the change in fund administration fee and inserting a new section 'integration of sustainability risks into investment decisions' as required under SFDR.

Other Information

Equalisation

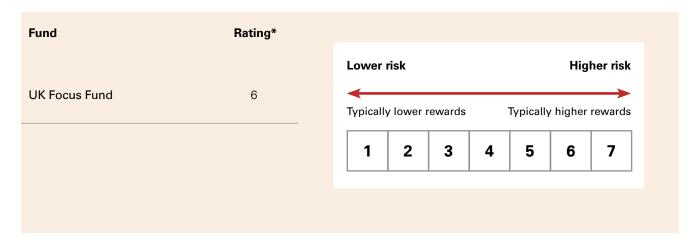
Revenue received by the Fund during the distribution period is reflected in the price of shares until the revenue is distributed. The cost of Group 2 shares bought during a distribution period will therefore include an element of revenue.

Equalisation represents the average amount of accrued revenue included in the purchase price of all Group 2 shares sold in the year, which is refunded as part of a shareholder's first distribution. This amount is treated as a capital repayment for tax purposes. It is not liable to income or corporation tax and is deducted from the original cost of the shares for capital gains tax purposes.

Corporate Shareholders

All Funds in this OEIC have a 100% franked distribution shown on their annual consolidated tax voucher.

Risk and Reward Profile



*More About this Rating

The rating is based on price volatility over the last five years, and is an indicator of absolute risk. Historical data may not be a reliable indication for the future. The rating is not guaranteed to remain unchanged and the categorisation may shift over time. The lowest rating does not mean a risk-free investment.

For further information on the specific risks applicable to each Fund please visit www.assetmanagement.hsbc.com/uk.

Directory

The Company

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Investment Manager

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Depositary

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Website

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Quick Reference Guide to HSBC Private Investment Funds

Name of OEIC Fund	UK Focus Fund
Number of distributions per year	4
Distribution dates	31 Jan 30 Apr 31 Jul 31 Oct
Lump sum minimum investment level	£1,000
Authorised Corporate Director charge % †	1.00
Available as an ISA	No
In ISA can income be paid	No
Income shares available	Yes
Accumulation shares available	Yes

[†]The above information relates only to retail share classes. Other share classes may differ.

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