

Premier Smaller Companies Fund

Premier Growth Funds ICVC



| Fund Strategy |

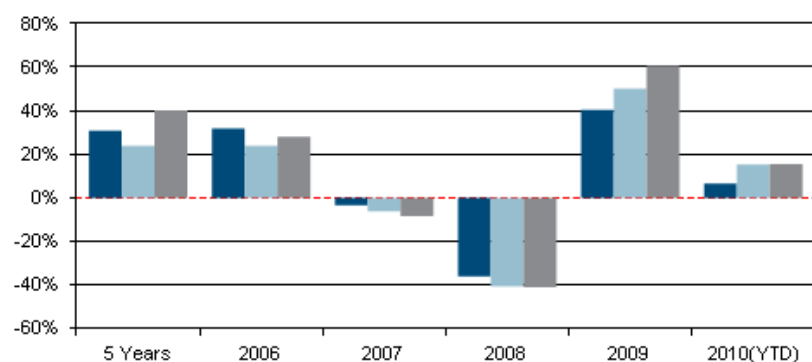
- Looks to deliver attractive returns through investing in a balanced portfolio of smaller capitalised companies.
- Due to the lower liquidity in smaller company shares, a sizeable proportion of the Fund is held in companies towards the top end of the Hoare Govett Smaller Companies Index.
- The stocks are selected, based on a number of valuation metrics which we believe highlight, where possible, inefficiencies in market pricing.
- Stocks are bought on at least a 12 month time horizon, although from time to time, share prices, or a changed economic environment, necessitate earlier action.

| Fund Objectives |

To achieve long-term capital growth.

IMPORTANT NOTE: Subject to shareholder approval, we are proposing to change the objective and policy of the Premier Smaller Companies Fund and, at the same time, change the Fund's name to the Premier Environmental Power and Water Fund. The proposal centres around a change of investment focus from UK smaller companies to that of environmentally focussed power and water companies, with the aim of generating long term capital growth. If you have any questions on this proposal, please contact our Client Services Team on 01483 400 480

Performance Record



■ Premier Smaller Companies TR
 ■ IMA UK Smaller Companies TR
 ■ RBS HGSC EX. Investment Companies TR

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Previously known as the Aberdeen Smaller Companies Fund. Premier Fund Managers Ltd took on the investment management of this Fund on 01/08/09 and Premier Portfolio Managers Ltd assumed responsibility as Authorised Corporate Director on 05/12/2009. Performance data is for the R share class.

Discrete Annual Performance (%)

Share Type	2010(YTD)	2009	2008	2007	2006
Income	6.7	40.4	-36.0	-3.2	31.8

Discrete Annual Performance to Quarter End 30 September 2010 (%)

Share Type	30/09/2009	30/09/2008	30/09/2007	30/09/2006	30/09/2005
Income	10.9	8.1	-21.9	13.3	23.4

Cumulative Performance to 30 September 2010 (%)

Share Type	3 Months	6 Months	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years
Income	16.2	4.4	10.9	-6.3	31.0
Official Sector	14.3	11.0	16.1	-5.8	24.0
Benchmark	14.1	6.5	16.0	3.3	40.2

Quoted on a bid to bid, total return, UK Sterling basis. Past performance is not a guide to future returns. The price of units and shares and the income from them may go down as well as up and you may get back less than you invested.

Source: Financial Express. 06/10/2010

| Key Fund Facts |

Fund Size:	£21.57m
Launch Date:	27 July 1987
Benchmark:	Hoare Govett Smaller Companies ex IT
Sector:	IMA UK Smaller Companies

| Top 10 Holdings |

	%
Settled Cash GBPCapital Ac-CAPGBP -	8.68
WEIR GROUP ORD GBP0.125	4.61
ITE GROUP ORD GBP0.01	3.90
BABCOCK INTERNATIONAL GROUP ORD GBP	3.80
SPIRENT COMMUNICATIONS ORD GBP3.333	3.64
MCBRIDE ORD GBP0.1	3.57
PARAGON GROUP OF COMPANIES ORD GBP1	3.45
MELROSE ORD GBP0.002	3.40
DANA PETROLEUM ORD GBP0.15 (ASSD KN	3.34
RSM TENON GRP ORD GBP0.1	3.00
TOTAL	41.39

| Asset Allocation |

	%
Industrials	33.08
Financials	14.46
Consumer Goods	9.90
Technology	9.77
Cash	8.81
Oil & Gas	7.92
Consumer Service	6.09
Health Care	5.57
Basic Materials	2.71
Telecommunications	1.68

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Fund developments and comments



**Premier Smaller Companies Fund,
Investment Manager: Simon King**

September proved to be a very strong month for equities on a global basis and meant that the third quarter ended in firmly positive territory. Given that macro data across the globe was at best mixed, this strength appears to suggest that investors are becoming more comfortable with the various macro outcomes and are starting to focus on the underlying cheapness of equities and the continuing flow of positive news from the corporate sector. Certainly there appears to be a growing sentiment that equities are attractive

under both of the growth scenarios i.e. if growth is good then equities will be the key beneficiaries and if it is bad then all of the major economies will benefit from a new round of quantitative easing. Whilst the former is a lot more desirable, as long as markets accept that the latter merely defers the pain and does not eradicate it, then both provide a backdrop for equities to make progress.

From a UK perspective, inflation continues to be a worry, particularly against a background of sluggish economic growth. But with highly volatile commodity prices and a weak currency this is likely to remain a problem and there appears little in the way of alternative strategies. In the mean time the market awaits the October spending review with baited breath. We continue to caution that the level of clarity and granularity that the market is expecting is likely to disappoint and that it will not be until mid-2011 that we have precise details on where cuts are going to occur.

The Fund enjoyed a strong month posting gains of 12%. This was due to a number of holdings reacting well to positive announcements. Cape, the specialist industrial services company, reacted well to its announcement of a return to the dividend list and a likely move from the Alternative Investment Market (AIM) to a Full Listing in early 2011. McBride continued its recovery from a profits warning earlier in the year by reporting that it was having some success recovering raw material price increases from its customers. Micro Focus International recovered some of the losses from the previous month as investors realised recent downgrades did not mean the company has gone completely ex-growth. Weir continued to rise as forecasts were nudged upwards, reflecting a generally better outlook for capital goods companies.

Whilst it is important that investors do not lose sight of the problems we are likely to encounter in 2011, particularly in the UK when tax rises and spending cuts really start to bite, September was a good illustration of how equity markets can make progress against a difficult economic background. Equities remain cheap both against their own history and other asset classes. Like any other area of value they can stay cheap for long periods. However with the market yield for 2011 forecast to be close to 4% and the benefit of continuing share buybacks by many companies, investors are being paid handsomely for their patience. Unless there is a true double dip then company earnings will grow in 2011, maybe not as much as the 13% currently forecast, but certainly in the 5-10% range. Hence, unless equities are to be further de-rated then expected annual total returns of 10% from equities are not unreasonable.

Despite our reluctance to take exposure to any stock with a high level of UK based turnover, there is a good chance that the run up to Christmas will be a positive one. This could be particularly true for UK retailers which could benefit from a reasonably buoyant consumer looking to beat January's VAT rise. The trick will be for investors not to be lured into domestically focussed stocks when the outlook for 2011 is so challenging.

Fund Information

Annual Management Charge	1.50%
Initial Charge	4.25%
Accounting Dates	31 Aug, 28/29 Feb
Payment Dates	30 Apr, 31 Oct
Valuation Point	12 noon, daily
Sedol	3163988
Share Class	Income
Published Price	The Financial Times
ISA eligible	Yes, stocks & shares
Min. Investment	£1,000, £50pm (ISAs £100pm)

Investment Team

I Premier Asset Management Limited I

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I Simon King, Senior Investment Manager I

Before joining Premier in April 2010, Simon was previously with Gartmore Investment Management (1996-2009) where he managed and co-managed a series of successful multi-cap long/short and long only high performance portfolios. Prior to this, Simon was a member of the highly successful UK smaller companies team at NatWest Investment Management (1994-1996). His considerable multi-cap UK equities experience is highly regarded.

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