





# THREADNEEDLE (LUX) GLOBAL SMALLER COMPANIES

A small cap global equity fund with a strong quality growth bias that invests in companies with the pricing power to generate strong and sustainable returns.

## **Key facts**

Portfolio manager Scott Woods

Fund inception date 3 March 2011

**Benchmark index**MSCI World Small Cap

**Typical number of holdings** 70-90

Fund size\* €659 million The global smaller companies universe provides active investors with an enormous opportunity set from which they have the potential to generate strong long-term returns.

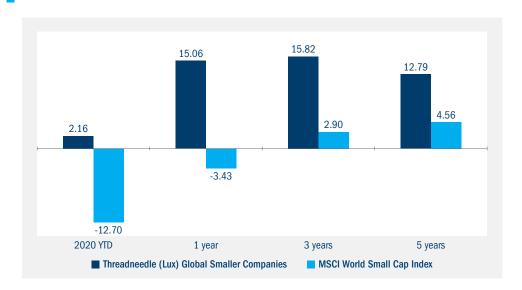
By focusing on companies with truly sustainable, competitive advantages and exposures to long-term growth trends, our strategy can capitalise on the power of compounding.

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 $\hbox{*Source: Columbia Thread needle Investments, as at $30.06.2020.}$ 

## Performance versus benchmark since inception (gross)\*



## Tools for identifying a company's edge

#### **Economic Moats**

Identifying sustainable competitive advantages



### **Porter's Five Forces**

Identifying risks to sustainability



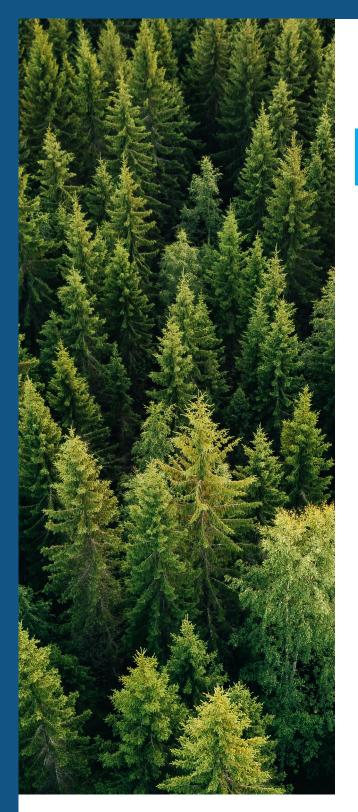
## Calendar year performance versus peers (net)\*\*

	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Threadneedle (Lux) Global Smaller Companies	14.2%	5.8%	18.4%	-2.7%	39.4%
GIFS Offshore – Global Small Cap Equity	12.2%	10.7%	8.9%	-12.6%	26.8%

<sup>\*</sup>Source: Columbia Threadneedle Investments, FactSet, all data as at 30 June 2020, gross of fees and in EUR. Fund gross returns are calculated in FactSet using daily official Global Close valuations and daily cash flows. Prior to 31.12.2012 fund gross performance is based on official Global Close prices. All returns include gross reinvested income and fund returns are gross of TER. Past performance is not a guide to future returns. Benchmark is the MSCI World Small Cap Index. Strategy inception is 30 November 2013.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Source: Columbia Threadneedle Investments/Morningstar Direct all data as at 31 December 2019 and in EUR. Past performance is not a guide to future returns. Fund returns based on official NAV performance and net of fees of the ZE EUR share class (LU0957820193) and include reinvested unadjusted income.





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## Identifying 'hidden gems'

The global small cap marketplace of over 4,000 companies provides a rich hunting ground for active managers



## **Targets consistent returns**

Global small caps have outperformed their large cap peers over the long term, offering better absolute and risk adjusted returns



### **Clear and consistent approach**

Bottom-up portfolio construction creates a good balance between diversification and conviction



# **Building on successful regional** strategies

The portfolio manager draws on insights from our team of regional small cap equity managers and analysts





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