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#### **Investment Objective & Investment Selection**

The investment objective of the VT SG UK Defined Return Assets Fund is to generate capital growth over the long term.

The Fund will seek to achieve its objective primarily via exposure (indirectly by way of a swap) to a portfolio of defined return investments, namely twelve rolling up to six year autocalls (each of which will have a potential maturity date on a different calendar month each year) which are designed to provide a defined return if the FTSE 100 is at, or above, a predefined level on a specified date. Capital is at risk and there is no guarantee that a positive return will be achieved over a 12 month, or any, period.

#### **Monthly Review**

During June, the Fund returned +0.12%, ahead of the FTSE 100 Total Return Index which returned -1.05%.

As the UK geared up for the July election, the final economic news was positive for the incumbent Prime Minister Rishi Sunak, with inflation continuing to reduce, finally falling back to the 2% target during May (reported in June).

The view of the Bank of England (BoE) is that the inflation outlook is expected to be static in the coming months, staying around the 2% level due to energy prices being lower than 12 months ago. The BoE then expects inflation to edge up slightly before falling back to target by the end of 2024. The Monetary Policy Committee has started to reduce the size of its asset purchase associated with Quantitative Easing (QE) from a peak value of £895Bn to £693Bn through a mixture of allowing bonds it holds to mature and by actively selling some to the market

The indicated Gross Redemption Yield (GRY) at the end of June 2024 has reduced slightly to 8.25%. The June observation point triggered a reset of that contract, with a 6.15% coupon replacing the previous rate of 7.30%.

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#### See overleaf for a strategy overview.

#### **Fund & FTSE 100 TR Performance**

Period from 31st January 2018 to 28th June 2024

#### 50% 40% 30% 20% 10% 0% -10% -20% FTSE 100 Total Return -30% Class A (Net Accumulation) -40% Jan 18 Jul 18 Jan 19 Jul 19 Jan 20 Jul 20 Jan 21 Jul 21 Jan 22 Jul 22 Jan 23 Jul 23 Jan 24 Jul 24

### **Fund Performance Figures**

| Date | Jan    | Feb    | Mar     | Apr    | May    | Jun    | Jul    | Aug    | Sep    | Oct    | Nov    | Dec    | YTD    |
|------|--------|--------|---------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| 2018 |        | 0.57%  | -1.25%  | 3.59%  | 0.03%  | -0.30% | 0.86%  | -0.52% | 0.53%  | -2.71% | 1.06%  | -2.30% | -0.58% |
| 2019 | 2.03%  | 2.07%  | 1.69%   | 1.58%  | -0.67% | 1.47%  | 1.81%  | -2.15% | 1.83%  | -0.10% | 0.93%  | 0.78%  | 11.78% |
| 2020 | -0.60% | -6.06% | -18.12% | 17.37% | 2.94%  | -1.76% | -0.81% | 1.15%  | -2.99% | -5.03% | 12.95% | 1.35%  | -3.98% |
| 2021 | -1.09% | 1.69%  | 2.65%   | 2.23%  | 0.96%  | 0.67%  | 0.07%  | 1.10%  | -0.78% | 1.23%  | -0.27% | 1.39%  | 10.25% |
| 2022 | 0.03%  | -0.56% | 1.12%   | -0.36% | 1.28%  | -1.74% | 0.76%  | -0.64% | -3.46% | 2.52%  | 3.18%  | 0.51%  | 2.50%  |
| 2023 | 1.50%  | 0.50%  | -0.87%  | 0.81%  | -0.94% | 0.49%  | 1.55%  | -0.64% | 0.98%  | -1.34% | 1.38%  | 2.17%  | 5.66%  |
| 2024 | 0.07%  | 0.24%  | 1.90%   | 0.80%  | 0.19%  | 0.12%  |        |        |        |        |        |        | 3.34%  |

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### **Key Facts**

| Sponsor                     | Societe Generale                                    |  |  |  |  |
|-----------------------------|---|--|--|--|--|
| NAV Per Share               | 131.6626p   |  |  |  |  |
| Launch Date                 | 31st January 2018                                   |  |  |  |  |
| Base Currency               | GBP   |  |  |  |  |
| Liquidity                   | Daily   |  |  |  |  |
| Share Type                  | Accumulation  |  |  |  |  |
| Initial Charge              | 0%  |  |  |  |  |
| Annual Management<br>Charge | £37,890 per annum (chargeable to the fund) + 0.375% |  |  |  |  |
| Minimum Subscription        | £5,000  |  |  |  |  |
| ISIN                        | GB00BDZRYK47  |  |  |  |  |
| SEDOL                       | BDZRYK4   |  |  |  |  |
| Bloomberg Code              | VTSGUAG LN  |  |  |  |  |
| IA Sector                   | Specialist  |  |  |  |  |
| Pricing                     | 12:00 noon  |  |  |  |  |
| Dealing Deadline            | 12:00 noon  |  |  |  |  |
| Dealing Line                | 01343 880344  |  |  |  |  |
| Fax                         | 01343 880267  |  |  |  |  |
| Email                       | sg@valu-trac.com                                    |  |  |  |  |

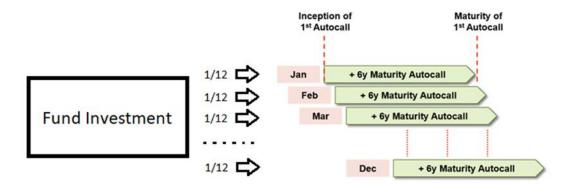


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#### The Passive Defensive Investment Strategy

#### → 12 Equal Holdings – Staggered Monthly

An investment into the Fund gives investors **equal** exposure to **12** defined return investments, namely twelve rolling up to six year autocalls (each of which will have a potential maturity date on a different calendar month each year) which are designed to provide a defined return if the FTSE 100 is at, or above, a predefined level on a specified date. Capital is at risk and there is no guarantee that a positive return will be achieved. The objective over time is to ensure investors have diversity of investment timing, investment level and potential return.



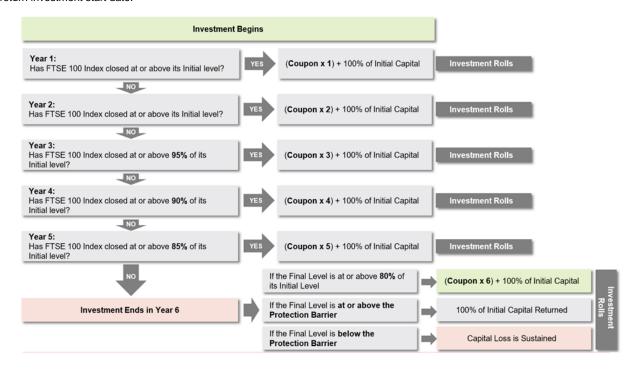
#### → Example defined return investment returns

Each defined return investment return is dependent on the performance of the FTSE 100 Index.

If, on an annual autocall date, the FTSE 100 Index closes at or above the required level the defined return investment will end and the capital and any accumulated return for each year that has elapsed since the defined return investment start date, will be automatically reinvested into a new defined return investment following the very same strategy, resetting the dates and market levels at that time.

If, however, the FTSE 100 Index closes below the required level on an annual autocall date, the defined return investment will continue to the next annual autocall date.

If, the FTSE 100 Index does not close at or above the required level over any of the six annual autocall dates, the defined return investment will mature, and a capital loss will be incurred should the FTSE level be below 60% (Protection Barrier) of the defined return investment start date.





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### **Summary of Holdings**

| Asset<br>Month Ref         | Strike<br>Level               | Coupon                  | Strike Date                      | Next<br>Autocall<br>Date         | Final<br>Valuation<br>Date       | Assumed<br>duration / time<br>to kickout -<br>years | GRY*                    | Autocall Coupons              |                               |                               |                               |                  |                |
|----------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|---|-------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------|----------------|
|                            |                               |                         |                                  |                                  |                                  |   |                         | Autocall #1                   | Autocall #2                   | Autocall #3                   | Autocall #4                   | Autocall #5      | Autocall #6    |
|                            |                               |                         |                                  |                                  |                                  |   |                         | (100% Level)                  | (100% Level)                  | (95% Level)                   | (90% Level)                   | (85% Level)      | (80% Level)    |
| January                    | 7724.94                       | 6.65%                   | 09/01/23                         | 06/01/25                         | 05/01/29                         | 0.53  | 9.79%                   | -                             | 113.30%                       | 119.95%                       | 126.60%                       | 133.25%          | 139.90%        |
| February                   | 7885.17                       | 6.20%                   | 08/02/23                         | 05/02/25                         | 05/02/29                         | 0.61  | 11.01%                  | -                             | 112.40%                       | 118.60%                       | 124.80%                       | 131.00%          | 137.20%        |
| March                      | 7929.92                       | 6.35%                   | 08/03/23                         | 05/03/25                         | 05/03/29                         | 0.68  | 10.49%                  | -                             | 112.70%                       | 119.05%                       | 125.40%                       | 131.75%          | 138.10%        |
| April                      | 7934.79                       | 6.00%                   | 09/04/24                         | 07/04/25                         | 05/04/30                         | 0.78  | 10.47%                  | 106.00%                       | 112.00%                       | 118.00%                       | 124.00%                       | 130.00%          | 136.00%        |
| May                        | 8381.35                       | 6.00%                   | 09/05/24                         | 06/05/25                         | 07/05/30                         | 2.85  | 7.15%                   | 106.00%                       | 112.00%                       | 118.00%                       | 124.00%                       | 130.00%          | 136.00%        |
| June                       | 8245.37                       | 6.15%                   | 07/06/24                         | 05/06/25                         | 05/06/30                         | 2.94  | 7.06%                   | 106.15%                       | 112.30%                       | 118.45%                       | 124.60%                       | 130.75%          | 136.90%        |
| July                       | 7256.94                       | 7.80%                   | 07/07/23                         | 05/07/24                         | 05/07/29                         | 0.02  | 4.94%                   | 107.80%                       | 115.60%                       | 123.40%                       | 131.20%                       | 139.00%          | 146.80%        |
| August                     | 7618.6                        | 6.40%                   | 10/08/23                         | 05/08/24                         | 06/08/29                         | 0.10  | 9.30%                   | 106.40%                       | 112.80%                       | 119.20%                       | 125.60%                       | 132.00%          | 138.40%        |
| September                  | 7441.72                       | 6.75%                   | 07/09/23                         | 05/09/24                         | 05/09/29                         | 0.19  | 8.49%                   | 106.75%                       | 113.50%                       | 120.25%                       | 127.00%                       | 133.75%          | 140.50%        |
| October                    | 7492.21                       | 6.95%                   | 09/10/23                         | 07/10/24                         | 05/10/29                         | 0.28  | 9.37%                   | 106.95%                       | 113.90%                       | 120.85%                       | 127.80%                       | 134.75%          | 141.70%        |
| November                   | 7401.72                       | 6.80%                   | 08/11/23                         | 05/11/24                         | 06/11/29                         | 0.36  | 9.16%                   | 106.80%                       | 113.60%                       | 120.40%                       | 127.20%                       | 134.00%          | 140.80%        |
| December                   | 7513.72                       | 6.35%                   | 07/12/23                         | 05/12/24                         | 05/12/29                         | 0.44  | 9.26%                   | 106.35%                       | 112.70%                       | 119.05%                       | 125.40%                       | 131.75%          | 138.10%        |
| September October November | 7441.72<br>7492.21<br>7401.72 | 6.75%<br>6.95%<br>6.80% | 07/09/23<br>09/10/23<br>08/11/23 | 05/09/24<br>07/10/24<br>05/11/24 | 05/09/29<br>05/10/29<br>06/11/29 | 0.19<br>0.28<br>0.36                                | 8.49%<br>9.37%<br>9.16% | 106.75%<br>106.95%<br>106.80% | 113.50%<br>113.90%<br>113.60% | 120.25%<br>120.85%<br>120.40% | 127.00%<br>127.80%<br>127.20% | 133.75<br>134.75 | 5%<br>5%<br>0% |

Bold Autocall Coupons are the current potential returns based on the level of the FTSE 100 as of the 31st May 2024.

#### **Performance Indicators**

The table below is a snapshot of the current shape of the Fund.

| Market Move                | -20%    | -10%      | 0%        | 10%    | 20%    |  |
|----------------------------|---------|-----------|-----------|--------|--------|--|
| Intrinsic Value (GBP)      | 1.27    | 1.21 1.10 |           | 1.08   | 1.08   |  |
| Avg Time to Maturity (yrs) | 4.65    | 2.65      | 2.65 0.81 |        | 0.48   |  |
| Gross Redemption Yield     | 4.58%   | 6.16%     | 8.25%     | 10.38% | 10.38% |  |
| Implied Value              | £115.47 | £109.84   | £100.00   | £98.31 | £98.31 |  |

#### → Intrinsic value

The intrinsic value is the aggregate terminal value of the Fund taking into account estimated fees over the relevant period (not accounting for additional value from future reinvestment).

#### → Average Time to Maturity

The table also shows the weighted average time to maturity of the investments held within the Fund. Currently this is 0.81 years because, at current market levels, all of the auto-callable investments are likely to call within 0 to 3 years. This number gives the investor an idea of how long it will take for them to earn the expected GRY.

If the Market (The FTSE 100) moves up by 10%, then at present many of the 12 strategies would be set to mature sooner, and thus the Average Time To Maturity decreases.

#### → Gross Redemption Yield

The table above shows the current expected yield of the Fund taking into account estimated fees for certain movements in the underlying indices. This yield is based on the Intrinsic Value and the Average Time to Maturity. For example, if markets do not move, we would expect the Fund to yield 8.25% given its current make-up.

If the Market (The FTSE 100) moves up by 10%, then the Average Time To Maturity decreases, and the Intrinsic Value (GBP) / Implied Value decreases and combined this increases the Gross Redemption Yield from 8.25% to 10.38%.

<sup>\*</sup> per annum



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#### **Platforms**

abrda Elevate platform





















































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