# Janus Henderson

# HORIZON GLOBAL PROPERTY EQUITIES FUND

# At a glance

### Performance\*

The Fund returned 2.83%, the Index returned 3.45% and the Sector returned 3.14%.

### Contributors/detractors

US storage exposure and Australian industrial developer Goodman added value, although this was partially offset by exposure to infrastructure REITs which lagged.

### Outlook

Listed property equities seem to have priced in rapid rate rises fairly swiftly, resulting in shares trading at wide discounts to previous asset values.

### Portfolio management







### Investment environment

- Global equities finished a strong quarter with further gains in March, supported by robust economic data and expectations of rate cuts in the coming quarters. Listed property stocks gained 3.5% over the month, marginally outperforming broader equity markets.
- North American REITs rose 1.7% during March, with wide dispersion in returns at a property sector level. Offices, storage and apartments delivered the best returns over the month, with industrial and manufactured housing REITs the only sectors ending in negative territory.
- Elsewhere, property stocks in Japan made strong gains, boosted by the Bank of Japan's well-flagged decision to scrap its yield curve control policy, a move that was more dovish than the market had expected. Australian REITs also delivered solid gains, along with property stocks in Sweden, Spain, France, and the UK.
- Hong Kong and China exposed names were particularly weak, as results came in below expectations, with several developers cutting dividends.

# Portfolio review

Marketing communication

Global industrial landlord Goodman was a large positive contributor, with US self-storage REITs also making strong

gains. US health care owner Sabra, apartment REIT AvalonBay Communities, and global cell tower landlord SBA Communications also generated alpha. This was offset by weaker performance in data centre landlord Equinix, and European cell tower owner Cellnex.

Over the month, we added a new position in global hospitality brand Wyndham Hotels & Resorts as we think the company's asset-lite, franchisee-centric business model is well positioned. In Europe we added UK logistics landlord Tritax Big-Box REIT, as we feel the company's high-quality, modern logistics portfolio can deliver solid organic rent growth, alongside a highly attractive and profitable development pipeline.

This was funded through a sale of European health care owner Aedifica and profit-taking in Montea. We also exited our position in Link REIT, as we expect weak fundamentals to persist in Hong Kong with headwinds rising for retail landlords as greater consumer wallet share returns to mainland China.

# Manager outlook

While the private commercial real estate market can dominate media headlines and has been slower to adjust reported values to reflect higher rates, the listed market had reacted already given its real-time pricing. Increased confidence that we have reached peak interest rates therefore seems likely to prove a key moment for the listed

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property sector, which continues to trade at a discount to private market values.

Importantly, public REITs have continued to offer reliable and growing income streams, supported by strong balance sheets, more exposure to high-quality properties in areas of structural growth, and astute management teams. From pricing levels that we believe reflect today's economic reality, we think these characteristics could reward investors with current income and growth over time, as they have historically.

# Performance (%)

	Cumulative				Annualised			
Returns	1 Month	3 Month	YTD	1 Year	3 Year	5 Year	10 Year	Since inception (03/01/05)
A2 USD (Net)	2.83	-1.44	-1.44	5.02	-2.73	1.27	4.04	4.81
Index	3.45	-1.30	-1.30	7.41	-1.13	-0.21	3.05	4.52
Sector	3.14	-1.82	-1.82	7.26	-2.08	-0.26	2.16	3.22
A2 USD (Gross)	—	—	—	—	—	3.37	6.09	6.83
Target		_	_	_		1.78	5.11	6.61

12 month rolling	Mar 2023- Mar 2024	Mar 2022- Mar 2023	Mar 2021- Mar 2022	Mar 2020- Mar 2021	Mar 2019- Mar 2020
A2 USD (Net)	5.02	-23.58	14.65	34.91	-14.20
Index	7.41	-21.40	14.48	34.65	-23.97
Sector	7.26	-23.15	13.90	31.74	-20.18

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Performance fees may be charged before the Fund's outperformance target is reached.

Performance fees are charged separately as a way of rewarding the investment manager for superior returns or for outperforming specified targets. A Performance Fee is accrued where the NAV outperforms the relevant Hurdle NAV (subject to a High Water Mark). For further explanation of the performance fee calculation methodology please see the relevant prospectus, available at www.janushenderson.com.

# Investment objective

The Fund aims to provide capital growth over the long term. Performance target: To outperform the FTSE EPRA Nareit Developed Index by at least 2% per annum, before the deduction of charges, over any 5 year period.

For the fund's investment policy, refer to the Additional fund information on page 4.

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# **Fund details**

Inception date	03 January 2005
Total net assets	1.27bn
Asset class	Property Equities
Domicile	Luxembourg
Structure	SICAV
Base currency	USD
Index	FTSE EPRA Nareit
	Developed Index
Morningstar sector	Property - Indirect Global
SFDR category	Article 8

In accordance with the Sustainable Finance Disclosure Regulation, the Fund is classified as Article 8 and promotes, among other characteristics, environmental and/or social characteristics, and invests in companies with good governance practices.

# Additional fund information

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#### Investment policy

The Fund invests at least 80% of its assets in a portfolio of shares (equities) and equity-related securities of real estate investment trusts (REITs) and companies, which invest in property, in any country. Securities will derive the main part of their revenue from owning, developing and managing real estate. The Fund may also invest in other assets including cash and money market instruments. The Investment Manager may use derivatives (complex financial instruments) to reduce risk or to manage the Fund more efficiently. The Fund is actively managed with reference to the FTSE EPRA Nareit Developed Index, which is broadly representative of the securities in which it may invest, as this forms the basis of the Fund's performance target and the level above which performance fees may be charged (if applicable). The Investment Manager has discretion to choose investments for the Fund with weightings different to the index or not in the index, but at times the Fund may hold investments similar to the index.

#### Investment strategy

The Investment Manager seeks to identify listed property companies and real estate investment trusts (REITs) that can deliver the highest total return over the long-term. The investment process follows a high conviction, 'bottom-up' (fundamental company-level) research approach aiming to identify the best risk-adjusted value from across the capitalisation spectrum.

### Fund specific risks

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