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# Neuberger Berman US Equity Index PutWrite Fund

**USD M Accumulating Class** 

28 March 2024

## FUND OBJECTIVE

The fund seeks long-term, equity-like returns with less volatility than broader equity markets by writing put options on broadbased indexes, (e.g. S&P 500) and investing collateral in a laddered high quality, short-term fixed income portfolio.

## **MANAGEMENT TEAM**

Derek Devens Senior Portfolio Manager

## **FUND FACTS**

30 December 2016
13 February 2017
USD
USD
833.62
14.61
Ireland
UCITS
Daily
T+3
15:00 (Dublin Time)
Central Bank of Ireland
1.20%
ement fee)* 2.12%
2.00%
NBPWMUA ID
IE00BYX7LY65
G6430L475
Options Trading
A blended benchmark comprising of 50% CBOE S&P 500 PutWrite Index 50% CBOE S&P 500 OneWeek PutWrite Index



This chart shows how an investment of USD 100 in the fund on its inception date would have performed.

PERFORMANCE (%) <sup>1</sup>	1m <sup>2</sup>	3m <sup>2</sup>	YTD <sup>2</sup>	1y²	Зу³	5y³	10y³	SI <sup>3,4</sup>
Fund	1.60	4.21	4.21	13.70	4.92	6.95	-	5.46
Benchmark	1.88	5.30	5.30	12.02	5.53	5.21	-	4.13

12 MONTH PERIODS (%)									Mar22 Mar23	
Fund	-	-	-	1.59	2.15	-10.15	34.86	7.04	-5.10	13.70
Benchmark	-	-	-	0.70	2.10	-11.45	23.84	13.30	-7.39	12.02
CALENDAR (%)	2015	2016	<b>2017</b> <sup>5</sup>	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	20246
Fund	-	-	6.70	-7.87	13.43	7.35	16.79	-11.87	13.80	4.21
Benchmark	-	-	8.38	-10.11	14.68	-2.44	16.87	-10.94	11.69	5.30

The fund is actively managed, which means that the investments are selected at the discretion of the investment manager. The fund is not constrained by its benchmark, which is used for comparison purposes only.

1Performance to latest month end. YTD - Year to Date, SI - Since Inception.

2Returns for these periods are cumulative.

3Returns are annualised for periods longer than one year.

4Returns from 13 February 2017 to latest month end.

5Data shown since the share class inception date.

6Performance for the current calendar year is the year to date.

Fund performance is representative of the USD M Accumulating Class and has been calculated to account for the deduction of fees. Investors who subscribe in a currency other than the base currency of the fund should note that returns may increase or decrease as a result of currency fluctuations. Fund performance does not take account of any commission or costs incurred by investors when subscribing for or redeeming shares.

PERFORMANCE (%) <sup>1</sup>	1m²	3m²	YTD <sup>2</sup>	1y²	3y³	5y³	10y³	<b>SI</b> <sup>3,4</sup>
Reference Index	3.18	10.44	10.44	29.27	10.97	14.47	-	13.49

12 MONTH PERIODS (%)				Mar17 Mar18						
Reference Index	-	-	-	13.32	8.84	-7.53	55.56	15.16	-8.20	29.27
CALENDAR (%)	2015	2016	<b>2017</b> ⁵	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	<b>2024</b> <sup>6</sup>
Reference Index	-	-	16.26	-4.94	30.70	17.75	28.16	-18.51	25.67	10.44

The fund writes puts on the S&P 500 Index (Total Return, Net of tax, USD) and we have provided the index level return details to illustrate how this index performed during similar time periods.

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## **RISK CONSIDERATIONS**

Market Risk: The risk of a change in the value of a position as a result of underlying market factors, including among other things, the overall performance of companies and the market perception of the global economy.

Liquidity Risk: The risk that the fund may be unable to sell an investment readily at its fair market value. In extreme market conditions this can affect the fund's ability to meet redemption requests upon demand.

Derivatives Risk: The fund is permitted to use certain types of financial derivative instruments (including certain complex instruments). This may increase the fund's leverage significantly which may cause large variations in the value of your share. Investors should note that the fund may achieve its investment objective by investing principally in Financial Derivative Instruments (FDI). There are certain investment risks that apply in relation to the use of FDI. The fund's use of FDI can involve significant risks of loss.

Interest Rate Risk: The risk of interest rate movements affecting the value of fixed-rate bonds.

Counterparty Risk: The risk that a counterparty will not fulfil its payment obligation for a trade, contract or other transaction, on the due date.

Operational Risk: The risk of direct or indirect loss resulting from inadequate or failed processes, people and systems including those relating to the safekeeping of assets or from external events. Currency Risk: Investors who subscribe in a currency other than the base currency of the fund are exposed to currency risk. Fluctuations in exchange rates may affect the return on investment. Where past performance is shown it is based on the share class to which this factsheet relates. If the currency of this share class is different from your local currency, then you should be aware that due to exchange rate fluctuations the performance shown may increase or decrease if converted into your local currency.

For full information on the risks please refer to the fund prospectus and offering documents, including the KID or KIID, as applicable.

#### **OPTION STATISTICS**

Notional Percentage of Collateral (%)	99.88
Weighted Average Percentage of Moneyness (%)	99.23
Weighted Average Breakeven (%)	98.01
Weighted Average Days to Expiration	17.63
Weighted Average Delta	0.32
Number of Holdings	23

#### **PORTFOLIO CHARACTERISTICS**

Portfolio Assets (USD million)	833.62
% of Portfolio exposed to S&P 500 Index	100.00

### **COLLATERAL CHARACTERISTICS**

Weighted Duration (years)	1.34
Weighted Daration (years)	1.54
Weighted Average Yield to Maturity (%)	4.88
Number of Holdings	9
Collateral Investments	
Cash (%)	7.15
U.S. Treasury Bonds (%)	92.85
Less than 1 year (%)	23.59
1 year to 3 years (%)	69.26
Greater Than 3 years (%)	0.00

#### **RISK MEASURES**

	3 years
Alpha (%)	-0.51
Tracking Error (%)	2.96
Sharpe Ratio	0.27
Information Ratio	-0.21
Standard Deviation	10.08

#### SHARE CLASS DATA

Share Class	Currency	Inception Date (Share Class)	ISIN	Bloomberg	VALOR	CUSIP	Annual Yield	Minimum Investment
USD A Accumulating Class	USD	23-01-2017	IE00BDDWGC76	NBPWUAA ID	34907035	G6429V757		1,000
USD I Accumulating Class	USD	30-12-2016	IE00BDDWG831	NBPWUIA ID	34907032	G6429V732		1,000,000
USD I (Monthly) Distributing Class	USD	18-05-2017	IE00BD461232	NBPWIMD ID	36620913	G6430S264	7.00%	1,000,000
USD M Accumulating Class	USD	13-02-2017	IE00BYX7LY65	NBPWMUA ID	35476099	G6430L475		1,000

Some share classes listed are subject to restrictions, please refer to the fund's prospectus for further details.

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The annual yield figure quoted is the distribution yield, calculated by multiplying the dividend by pay periods, dividing by the net asset value (NAV) of the last distribution date and then multiplying by 100%. It is for reference only and is not indicative of the return of the Fund's future dividend to be received by investors.

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#### **ESG DISCLOSURES**

The sub-investment manager does not apply the ESG Policy and deems sustainability risks not to be relevant for the portfolio, as the strategy of the portfolio does not support the integration of sustainability risks.

#### **IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

Except for performance, the data shown is for the fund and is not specific to the share class, it has not been adjusted to reflect the different fees and expenses of the share class. Performance of another share class may vary from the results shown based on differences in fees and expenses, and currency.

Source: Neuberger Berman, Bloomberg and Morningstar

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Is designed to represent a proposed hypothetical short put strategy that sells a monthly at-the money (ATM) Russell 2000 Index put option. The written Russell 2000 put option is collateralised by a money market account invested in one-month Treasury bills.

#### CBOE S&P 500 PutWrite Index (PUT)

Is designed to represent a proposed hypothetical short put strategy. PUT is an award-winning benchmark index that measures the performance of a hypothetical portfolio that sells S&P 500 Index put options against collateralised cash reserves held in a money market account. The PUT strategy is designed to sell a sequence of one-month, at the-money, S&P 500 Index puts and invest cash at one and three-month Treasury Bill rates.

#### Notional Percentage of Collateral (%)

The notional value of options (strike price x contracts x multiplier) divided by total collateral Investments.

#### Russell 2000® Index

Is an unmanaged index consisting of the securities of approximately 2,000 issuers having the smallest capitalisation in the Russell 3000® Index, representing approximately 10% of Russell 3000 total market capitalisation. The smallest company's market capitalisation is roughly \$78 million. The Russell 2000® Value Index measures the performance of those Russell 2000® companies with lower price-to-book ratios and lower forecasted growth values.

#### S&P 500 Index

Is a capitalisation weighted index comprised of 500 stocks chosen for market size, liquidity, and industry group representation. The S&P 500 Index is constructed to represent a broad range of industry segments in the U.S. economy. The S&P 500 focuses on the large-cap segment of the market with over 80% coverage of US equities. Criteria for inclusion include financial stability (minimise turnover in the index), screening of common shares to eliminate closely held companies, and trading activity indicative of ample liquidity and efficient share pricing. Companies in merger, acquisition, leveragedbuy-outs, bankruptcy (Chapter 11 filing or any shareholder approval of recapitalisation which changes a company's debt-to-equity ratio), restructuring, or lack of representation in their representative industry groups are eliminated from the index.

#### Weighted Average Breakeven (%)

The average percentage decline/increase required for the underlying price level to fall/rise below the breakeven price level (strike less/plus the premium collected).

#### Weighted Average Days to Expiration

The average number of days to expiration (weighted by notional exposures).

#### Weighted Average Delta

The approximate percentage change in the Fund's price for a corresponding one percent change in price in the underlying index(s).

#### Weighted Average Percentage of Moneyness (%)

The average strike price of options as a percentage of the current underlying index/ETF price.

#### Weighted Duration (years)

The weighted average amount of time until a portfolio of debt securities reaches maturity. It is also used to measure the percent change in price for a 100 bps shift in interest rates.

#### Weighted Average Yield to Maturity (%)

The market value weighted average yield for individual securities in the portfolio. The yield to maturity for a security is the discount rate that makes the present value of future cash flows equal its current market price plus accrued interest, assuming the security is held till maturity. The calculation of YTM takes into account the current market price, par value, coupon rate and time to maturity. It is assumed that all coupons are reinvested at the YTM rate.