# BlueBox Funds- BlueBox Global Technology Fund

**Direct Connection** 

# Global Technology Fund

## **Fund Objective**

The Fund's main objective is to seek long term capital growth by investing mainly in shares of companies having their principle business in the technology sector or profiting from it. The fund invests globally and is not benchmark constrained.

# Investment Theme – Direct Connection

The Direct Connection of computers to the real world has enabled the technology revolution of the past 15 years, driving an acceleration in tech adoption simultaneously across all industry verticals. With every other industry investing its excess returns in technology, we expect the IT sector to continue to outperform the broader market as it steals the growth from the rest of the economy. The Fund focuses on the companies enabling Direct Connection, giving it exposure to the most exciting developments in the sector without needing to chase over-hyped themes or invest in over-valued stocks.

#### **Portfolio Managers**

Lead Portfolio Manager William de Gale, FCA, CFA

Co-Portfolio Manager Rupert de Borchgrave, CFA



### BlueBox Global Technology Fund Performance\*



%	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD	Since Launch
2020	1.15												1.15	26.68
2019	10.44	5.12	2.95	7.55	-9.42	8.44	1.62	-3.82	2.47	2.29	5.34	4.03	41.74	25.23
2018				-0.10	4.55	-0.89	1.32	2.70	-2.49	-10.90	1.93	-7.36	-11.65	-11.65

\* Performance based on Share Class S since launch on 29 March 2018

Top 10 Holdings		Top Countries		Market Capitalisation		Sector Allocation				
Microsoft Corp	7.2%	United States	68.3%	Mega cap	20.1%					
Adobe Inc	5.5%	Japan	4.9%	(>\$250bn)		Information Technology		77.5%		
Taiwan Semiconductor	4.9%	Taiwan	4.9%	Large cap – upper	17.5%					
Activision Blizzard	4.8%	Argentina	4.5%	(\$100bn - \$250bn)		Communication Services	7.8%			
Mercadolibre	4.5%	Netherlands	4.3%	Large cap – lower (\$10bn - \$100bn)	58.7%	Consumers	6.9%			
ASML Holding	4.3%	Sweden	3.2%	(1 )		Discretionary	0.978			
Texas Instruments	3.5%	Switzerland	3.1%	Mid cap (\$1bn - \$10bn)	2.4%	Industrial	6.6%			
Tyler Technologies	3.5%	China	3.1%			_	_			
Ansys	3.5%	South Korea	2.6%	Small cap (<\$1bn)	0.0%	Cash	1.2%			
LAM Research Corp	3.4%	Cash	1.2%							
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Top 10 Holdings, Top Countries, Sector Allocation & Market Capitalisation as of 31.12.2019

45.0%

Total

#### William de Gale's Monthly Comment

2020 started strongly, with technology stocks continuing 2019's long rally and reaching new highs as reporting season got going. In general, most company results so far have been quite good, but this has been overshadowed by increasing alarm over the spread of the new coronavirus in China, so the final week of January saw considerable volatility, with stocks giving back most of the month's gains. The fund ended January up 1.2%.

There was a clear division in performance by segment. Positive contributions were led by software, service and e-commerce stocks: ServiceNow (+20%), MercadoLibre (+16%), Verisk Analytics (+9%), Amazon.com (+9%), Microsoft (+8%), Tyler Technologies (8%) and EPAM (+8%). The biggest negatives were all semiconductor names: Silicon Laboratories (-15%), Xilinx (-14%), VAT Group (-8%) and Analog Devices (-8%).

Company results for last quarter that have been released so far suggest that the technology industry ended 2019 fairly strongly, albeit with some delays in 5G wireless deployment reported by companies such as Xilinx. This strength was probably already reflected in valuations, given such a vigorous market recovery last year, but the industry appears to have come to terms with the US/China trade dispute and started to move forward again. The risk now is that a prolonged lock-down in China to slow the spread of the virus not only hits Chinese economic growth, but also begins to starve the global technology supply chain of the products and components manufactured there. Businesses will have built up inventories ahead of the Chinese New Year holiday, and alternative sources of supply exist for most items, but after a few weeks an extended manufacturing hiatus would begin to have a serious impact on production across the board. However, when the draconian restrictions currently in force in many Chinese cities are relaxed (either because new infections have levelled off or once the government concludes that the restrictions are ineffective and not worth the economic cost) production is likely to recover rapidly and we may experience a sharp market bounce. We are therefore not inclined to become more defensive at this point – the underlying condition of the technology sector is healthy, and this may turn out to have been the point of maximum pessimism over the epidemic.

The Information Technology sector remains the principal beneficiary of the greatest technological change of our times, the Direct Connection of computers to the real world. Replacing human beings as input and output devices enables countless new applications for technology, greatly accelerating technology adoption simultaneously across all industry verticals. With every other industry investing its excess returns in technology, we expect the IT sector to continue to outperform the broader market, as it steals the growth from the rest of the economy. We therefore continue to maintain a "neutral" stance towards the sector, and we are inclined to see a period of significant weak ness as a buying opportunity.

Portfolio Construction	Key Facts				
Asset Class: Equity	Share Class:	S Acc. (USD)	F-1 Acc. (USD)	F-2 Acc. (USD)	A Acc. (USD)
Number of Securities: ~30-40	ISIN: Minimal Initial Investment:	LU1793347128 \$10'000	LU1793345775 \$1'000'000	LU1793346237 \$10'000	LU1793345262 \$10'000
Weight: 10% maximum	Annual Management	1.0% AuM<\$100m	1.0% AuM<\$150m.	1.50% AuM<\$150m	1.50%
Turnover: Low	Fee:	0.50% AuM> \$100 m. 0.00% AuM>\$150 m.	0.75% AuM>\$150m. 0.50% AuM>\$200m.	1.25% AuM> \$150m 1.00% AuM>\$200m.	
Market cap: Mainly targeting companies between \$10b - \$250b	Bloomberg Ticker:	BLBGTSU LX	BLBGTF1 LX	BLBGTF2 LX	
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Geographic Allocation: Global	Fund Base Currency:	USD			
Cash: Minimal cash, generally below 10%	Liquidity:	Daily			
Benchmark Elsvible, not her shrout eviented	Fund Type:	RAIF			
Benchmark: Flexible, not benchmark oriented	Legal Status:	SICAV			
	Domicile:	Luxembourg			
	Auditor:	PWC			
	Custodian:	RBC			

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