

First Sentier Global Listed Infrastructure Fund

Quarterly Investment Report

31 December 2020

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Portfolio Overview

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Investment objective and strategy

The Fund aims to achieve total investment return consistent with income and long term capital growth, and invests all or substantially all of its assets in the First Sentier Global Listed Infrastructure Fund ("Underlying Sub-Fund"), a sub-fund of the England and Wales domiciled umbrella fund First Sentier Investors ICVC.

The Underlying Sub-Fund invests in a diversified portfolio of securities issued by companies in the infrastructure sector that are listed, traded or dealt in on regulated markets worldwide. The infrastructure sector includes, but is not limited to, utilities (e.g. water and electricity), highways and railways, airports, marine ports and oil and gas storage and transportation.

On 22 September 2020, First State Global Infrastructure was rebranded as First Sentier Global Listed Infrastructure Fund.

Available Share Classes

Share class	Inception date	NAV price	Distribution frequency [#]	ISIN code
Class A (Dist)	03 Mar 2008	S\$1.0510	Semi-annually	SG9999005300

Fund Information

Fund Size (S\$m)	15.5
Benchmark	FTSE Global Core Infrastructure 50/50 Index*
Number Of Holdings	47

*The benchmark displayed is UBS Global Infrastructure & Utilities 50-50 Index until 31 March 2015 and FTSE Global Core Infrastructure 50/50 Index from 1 April 2015 onwards.

Performance 31 December 2020

Annualised performance in SGD (%)

	1yr	3yrs	5yrs	10yrs	Since incept.
Class A (SGD - H Dist) (Ex initial charges)	-5.8	2.6	5.9	7.2	4.1
Class A (SGD - H Dist) (Inc initial charges)	-10.5	0.8	4.8	6.6	3.6
Benchmark*	-5.0	5.3	8.0	8.8	4.7

Cumulative performance in SGD (%)

	3mths	1yr	3yrs	5yrs	Since incept.
Class A (SGD - H Dist) (Ex initial charges)	4.5	-5.8	7.9	33.1	66.4
Class A (SGD - H Dist) (Inc initial charges)	-0.7	-10.5	2.5	26.4	58.1
Benchmark*	5.2	-5.0	16.8	46.7	80.6



Source: Lipper, First Sentier Investors. Single pricing basis with net income reinvested. Except for the benchmark index, performance stated for relevant indices are quoted in the respective local currency unless otherwise specified. Investment involves risks, past performance is not a guide to future performance.

Commentary 31 December 2020

Market Review

Listed infrastructure delivered strong gains in the December quarter as news of progress in the fight against coronavirus caused financial markets to rally. The Fund returned +2.6% after fees, in line with its benchmark index. Global equities gained +7.8% over the same period.

Performance Review

Returns varied by sector, with the strongest gains coming from those with most recovery potential. Airports rose sharply as investors looked forward to a return to international travel. Toll roads and passenger rail stocks were also buoyed - albeit to a lesser extent - by the prospect of higher traffic / passenger volumes.

Pipelines gained as investors anticipated a quicker economic recovery and greater demand for fuel. The absence of an immediate "blue wave" US election result was interpreted as being likely to moderate the pace of the transition to renewable energy, lending further support to the sector.

Utilities delivered solid returns. Chinese gas utilities were amongst the strongest performers, on the view that China's plan to turn carbon neutral by 2060 could further boost an alreadyhealthy growth trajectory, with natural gas used as a transition fuel away from coal.

Towers & Data Centers proved the exception to this positive rule. Having performed well when coronavirus was worsening, these companies sold off as vaccine hopes rose. Fierce bidding at the latest US 5G spectrum auctions also raised concerns that telecom companies (the towers' customers) could be left with less capital than expected for network investment.

Fund Activity

The Fund initiated a position in Exelon, a substantial US utility which delivers electricity and natural gas to approximately 10 million customers in the Northeast and Midwest US. The company is also one of the largest US power generators, with extensive nuclear, gas, wind and hydroelectric generating capacity. Exelon recently announced it was considering the sale of its generation assets. This would reduce its exposure to competitive power markets and give the business a more predictable earnings profile, which could cause it to trade up to higher valuation multiples.

US electric utility PNM Resources and Mexican pipeline operator IEnova were divested, after both firms received takeover offers during the quarter.

Outlook

The Fund invests in a range of global listed infrastructure assets including toll roads, airports, railroads, utilities, pipelines, and wireless towers. These sectors share common characteristics, like barriers to entry and pricing power, which can provide investors with inflation-protected income and strong capital growth over the medium-term.

The outlook for the asset class is positive. Interest rates appear set to remain at low levels for a sustained period of time, which should prove supportive of defensive and interest-rate sensitive sectors such as utilities and towers.

Government attempts to improve weak economic fundamentals through infrastructure and green energy stimulus plans are also likely to benefit many global listed infrastructure firms. In particular, the ongoing repair and replacement of old energy transmission and distribution grids, along with the accelerating build-out of renewables, should represent a steady source of utility earnings growth over long time frames. A slow or uneven economic recovery would also favour structural themes – such as investment in mobile phone networks to support ever-increasing demand for mobile data - over cyclical growth opportunities.

Further, while the timing remains hard to predict, there is also scope for gradual recovery in traffic / passenger volumes for coronavirus-impacted infrastructure sectors such as toll roads, airports and passenger rail, as vaccines are delivered.

In addition, financial market pessimism towards global listed infrastructure over the past year - and optimism towards higher risk assets – has driven an increase in intrinsic value opportunities across the asset class, which bodes well for global listed infrastructure performance in 2021.

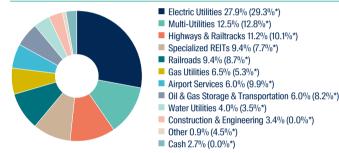
Portfolio Allocation and Stock Holdings

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Ten Largest Holdings as at 31 December 2020

Stock Name	Country	Sector	Portfolio Weight (%)	Index Weight (%)
Nextera Energy Inc	USA	Electric Utilities	6.3	5.2
Transurban	Australia	Highways & Railtracks	6.2	4.8
American Tower Corporation	USA	Specialized REITs	6.0	3.8
Dominion Energy Inc COM	USA	Multi-Utilities	4.9	2.6
Aena SA	Spain	Airport Services	3.3	2.1
Eversource Energy	USA	Electric Utilities	3.2	1.3
SBA Communications Corp Class A	USA	Specialized REITs	2.7	1.2
Emera Inc	Canada	Electric Utilities	2.6	0.5
CenterPoint Energy, Inc.	USA	Multi-Utilities	2.6	0.5
Alliant Energy Corporation	USA	Electric Utilities	2.6	0.5

Sector Breakdown



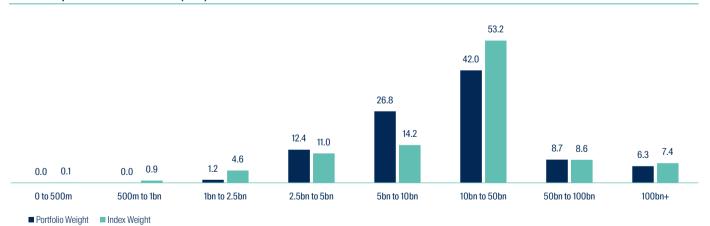
Country Breakdown



*Index Weight

Sector and Country classifications provided by Factset and First Sentier Investors. The Fund may hold multiple equity securities in the same company, which have been combined to provide the Fund's total position in that company. Index weights, if any, typically include only the main domestic-listed security. The above Fund weightings may or may not include reference to multiple securities.

*Index Weight



Market Capitalisation Breakdown (GBP)

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Stock Contribution

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Top 5 contributors to absolute performance

3 months to 31 December 2020

Stock Name	Country	Sector	Value added (bps*)
Flughafen Zurich AG	Switzerland	Airport Services	43
SSE plc	UK	Electric Utilities	42
Grupo Aeroportuario del Sureste SA de CV Class B	Mexico	Airport Services	39
China Gas Holdings Limited	China	Gas Utilities	38
Enterprise Products Partners L.P.	USA	Oil & Gas Storage & Transportation	38

12 months to 31 December 2020

Stock Name	Country	Sector	Value added (bps*)
Nextera Energy Inc	USA	Electric Utilities	(bps) 139
			72
Crown Castle International Corp	USA	Specialized REITs	15
Transurban	Australia	Highways & Railtracks	27
SSE plc	UK	Electric Utilities	24
Pembina Pipeline Corporation	Canada	Oil & Gas Storage & Transportation	19

Bottom 5 contributors to absolute performance

3 months to 31 December 2020

Stock Name	Country	Sector	Value added (bps*)
American Tower Corporation	USA	Specialized REITs	-72
Dominion Energy Inc COM	USA	Multi-Utilities	-50
SBA Communications Corp Class A	USA	Specialized REITs	-50
Xcel Energy Inc.	USA	Electric Utilities	-19
Pinnacle West Capital Corporation	USA	Electric Utilities	-18

12 months to 31 December 2020

Stock Name	Country	Sector	Value added (bps*)
East Japan Railway Co	Japan	Railroads	-70
Williams Companies, Inc.	USA	Oil & Gas Storage & Transportation	-66
CenterPoint Energy, Inc.	USA	Multi-Utilities	-61
Enterprise Products Partners L.P.	USA	Oil & Gas Storage & Transportation	-54
Atlantia S.p.A	Italy	Highways & Railtracks	-52

Stock Contributions show the impact of the individual stock's performance to the total fund performance. These stock contributions show the top 5 and bottom 5 contributors to the fund and are not representative of the performance of the fund as a whole.

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Stocks held/listed in non-index countries have economic activity > 50% from developing economies.

* A basis point is a unit of measure used in finance to describe the percentage change in value or rate of a financial instrument. One basis point is equivalent to 0.01% (1/100th of a percent) or 0.0001 in decimal form.

Data source: This information is calculated by First Sentier Investors.