

# CT (Lux) Global Technology

## At a glance

A global equity fund that invests in technology and technology-related companies with potential to generate strong and sustainable returns.

## Investment objective & policy

To provide long-term capital growth and outperform the MSCI World Information Technology 10/40 Index by investing in a concentrated portfolio of global technology and technology-related companies.

In line with its active management strategy of holding a smaller number of investments, portfolio holdings may deviate significantly from those of the index while there is also the flexibility to invest in off-benchmark companies.

### Risks

This fund is suitable for investors who can tolerate high levels of risk and volatility and have a long-term investment horizon. Investors could lose some or all their capital and should read the Prospectus for a full description of all risks.

**Investment risks:** Investment in equities, sector concentration and currencies.

"Technology sector fundamentals remain exceptionally good. We look to avoid companies that are a flash in the pan or those where the technology is not sufficiently differentiated."

#### - Paul Wick

# Key facts

Strategy inception date: 15 March 2010

Typical fund holdings: 50-75 companies

Fund size: \$730 million (as at 30.09.2023)



Paul Wick
Portfolio Manager (since March 2014)

## Key reasons to invest

# High-conviction approach: Our approach is not benchmark-

oriented; rather the portfolio manager invests in attractively valued companies with sustainable growth potential where we have a high degree of proprietary conviction and insight.

Contrarian in nature: We seek to exploit misunderstood and under-researched companies – sometimes referred to as contrarian in nature – so that we are early to a trend before the idea is fully appreciated by the marketplace.

Resourced for success: Paul Wick is the longest tenured portfolio manager in the US technology sector. He is supported by one of the largest and most experienced global technology teams in the industry, with over 20 years' average experience.

## Investment approach

The Global Technology team assesses a company's future growth and capital appreciation potential against its current valuation when constructing a concentrated and conviction-weighted portfolio. This investment approach of balancing growth with valuation awareness has allowed the strategy to meaningfully participate in rising markets, while helping to protect capital in higher risk environments.

The large and experienced team is led by the longest tenured mutual fund managers in the technology sector and has offices strategically located in Menlo Park, California (Silicon Valley) and New York City. Fundamental investment analysis focuses on free cash flow generation, competitive

advantages, current or near-term path to profitability and valuations that allows for future appreciation. Detailed analysis combined with industry knowledge seeks to exploit significant technological trends that are not yet appreciated by the marketplace; the team's investment theses are often considered contrarian in nature.

The portfolio manager will sell companies that exhibit slowing revenue or earnings growth, whose business franchises are threatened by an industry shift or technological innovation, that exhibit a deterioration in their financial position or that approach established valuation targets.

#### Straightforward, repeatable steps to guide our decision-making



#### Constant ongoing activities to uncover new investment opportunities

- Driven by Industry level coverage model; deep sector expertise
- Silicon Valley based organization; significant number of technology company management meetings each year
- Continued Sell Side interactions; research consumption; Industry and trade show attendance



#### Qualitative and quantitative assessment to determine viability and fit

- Proprietary bottom-up, product line-specific profit & loss models
- Continuous portfolio company management touches; evaluating investment thesis
- Ongoing channel checks; supplement with third party data/surveys



#### Identification of portfolio fit and position sizing

- Iterative conversations; Portfolio Manager and Analyst teams
- Detailed assessment of overall portfolio impact
- Exit discipline; checklist of potential reasons to move on



#### Ongoing review of individual positions and overall portfolio structure/risk

- Weekly price target tracker
- Proprietary position ratings; upside/downside metrics
- Weekly investment team meeting



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