

# Global Property Securities Fund - I Class Income Units

## 31 August 2021

### **Investment advisor**

Principal Global Investors, LLC ("PGI")

#### Sub investment advisor

PGI has appointed Principal Real Estate Investors, LLC ("PrinRE"), Principal Global Investors (Europe) Ltd ("PGIE"), Principal Global Investors (Australia) Ltd ("PGIA") and Principal Global Investor (Singapore) Limited ("PGIS") as the Sub-Investment Advisors. PrinRE is a specialized investment management group of Principal Global Investors which is located across various investments locations. The real estate capabilities of PrinRE span the spectrum of public and private equity and debt investment alternatives.

## **Fund managers**

Kelly D. Rush, CFA 37 Yrs Industry Exp Anthony Kenkel, CFA, FRM 24 Yrs Industry Exp Simon Hedger 43 Yrs Industry Exp

## Investment objective

To provide a return primarily from a global portfolio of public securities of companies engaged in the property industry or whose value is largely derived from property assets. This may include REITs, Non-REIT real estate companies and similar structures or equity and debt securities of companies with at least 50% of their assets, income or profits derived from property related products or services at the time of investment.

FTSE EPRA NAREIT Developed NTR Index<sup>3</sup>

## **Fund facts**

\$729.4m
USD
Ireland
Yes
Daily
10am Dublin

## Unit class facts

Launch date	10 Jun 2019
Currency	USD
Hedging	N/A
Minimum investment	US\$2,000,000
Management fee(s)	0.80% pa
Income distribution	Income
Distribution frequency:	
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## **Fund grading**

Kelly Rush and Anthony Kenkel AA rated -

CITYWIRE / AA

## Performance (%)

	1M	3M	YTD	1YR	3YR	5YR	SI
Fund Cumulative Net	1.30	6.86	19.41	28.31	-	-	19.74
Index Cumulative	1.31	6.02	21.50	33.34	-	-	17.04
Fund Annualised Net	1.30	6.86	19.41	28.31	-	-	8.41
Index Annualised	1.31	6.02	21.50	33.34	-	-	7.31

### 12-month rolling return (%)

Sep 16 -	Sep 17 -	Sep 18 -	Sep 19 -	Sep 20 -	
Aug 17	Aug 18	Aug 19	Aug 20	Aug 21	
-	-	-	-7.88	28.31	

## Risk analysis

	1YR
Information Ratio	-1.9
Alpha	-0.8
Tracking Error	2.7
Standard Deviation	13.0
Beta	0.9

### Cumulative performance since inception (%)



Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future performance

Source: Fund Administrator: BNY Mellon Fund Services (Ireland) DAC since February 2011, performance data prior to this date is sourced from PGI and/or its affiliates: and the Index.

Data: From December 2018, the performance data shown is based upon the Fund's Net Asset Value (NAV) prices of the last Irish business day of the month. For Funds not open for dealing on this day this will be an indicative NAV. The performance data shown is net of fees and other charges but excludes any potential entry/exit charges- as such the return an investor receives may be lower. Prior to December 2018, the performance data shown is based upon the Fund's monthend market close prices. (See performance note for further details.)

## **Fund analysis**

	Fund	Index
Active Share	58.9	-
Price/Cash Flow	26.7	24.3
Debt to Equity	188.2	149.1
Div Yield Wtd Avg	2.4	2.8
Mkt Cap Wtd Avg USDm	22,435.4	21,517.8
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Any yields quoted on the fact sheet are calculated at portfolio level gross of tax and expenses.

## Top 10 holdings (%)

	Fund
Prologis Incorporated	3.9
Invitation Homes, Inc.	3.4
SEGRO plc	3.1
Avalon Bay Communities, Incorporated	3.1
Vonovia SE	2.8
Essex Property Trust, Inc.	2.8
Sun Communities, Inc.	2.5
Extra Space Storage Inc.	2.5
Welltower, Inc.	2.3
Alexandria Real Estate Equities, Inc.	2.3
Total	28.8
No. of holdings	91

## Top 5 stock overweights/underweights (%)

	Difference
Overweight	
Invitation Homes, Inc.	2.2
SEGRO plc	2.0
American Tower Corporation	1.8
Rexford Industrial Realty, Inc.	1.7
American Homes 4 Rent	1.7
Underweight	
Realty Income Corporation	-1.4
Equity Residential	-1.6
Simon Property Group, Inc.	-1.9
Digital Realty Trust, Inc.	-2.4
Public Storage	-2.5

## Sector allocation (%)

	Fund	Difference
Office & Industrial	25.4	2.0
Residential	23.4	4.5
Diversified	18.1	-1.2
Healthcare	7.0	-0.2
Technology Space	6.6	1.3
Self-Storage	5.6	0.1
Net Lease	5.0	-2.1
Retail	4.2	-6.3
Lodging	2.3	-0.1
Other	1.5	1.1
Cash	1.0	1.0

## Geographic allocation (%)

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	Fund	Difference
United States	56.0	-1.5
Continental Europe / Emea	10.2	-3.0
Japan	9.1	-1.0
United Kingdom	6.7	1.8
Australia / New Zealand	4.5	1.1
Hong Kong	4.3	-0.7
Canada	4.2	1.2
Singapore	2.2	-0.5
Emerging Asia	1.4	1.4
Mexico	0.3	0.3
Cash	1.0	1.0

#### **Fund codes**

PIFGPIU ID Bloomberg ISIN IE00BD5DGY05 68557442 Lipper SEDOL BD5DGY0 CUSIP G72456513 44098211 Valoren WKN A2PL8R

### Registration

Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Guernsey, Ireland, Italy, Jersey, Luxembourg, Macau, Netherlands, Norway, Singapore, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland and UK

Not all unit classes are registered in the listed countries, please contact your sales representative for more details. In Italy, the Fund is registered for Qualified Investors only and in Singapore, the Fund is registered as a Restricted Scheme for institutional investors and relevant persons defined in the SFA.

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## **Fund management commentary**

#### Market Review

 $Global\ equity\ markets\ (MSCl\ World, +2.5\%)\ continued\ to\ grind\ higher\ despite\ ongoing\ concerns\ over\ the\ impact\ of\ the\ delta\ variant\ on\ growth\ as\ well\ as\ the\ China\ economic\ properties of\ the\ delta\ variant\ on\ growth\ as\ well\ as\ the\ China\ economic\ properties\ on\ pro$ slowdown and its regulatory clampdown. Markets got an added lift from Jerome Powell's dovish commentary, which helped allay fears over a disruptive tapering. REITs (FTSE EPRA/NAREIT Developed NTR, +1.3%) lagged broader equities but outperformed global bonds (Global Barclays Aggregate, -0.4%), as bond yields rose and the U.S. yield curve started to steepen again

Europe was the best performing region. The Americas lagged. Asia ended in the red.

#### **Fund Review**

Outperformance was mainly attributed to stock selection with no significant contributors or detractors. Underweight to Hong Kong modestly contributed, due to pressure from China concerns and the delayed border reopening. Overweight to a Canadian industrial REIT contributed. Underweight to traditional U.S. office REITs that lagged as companies pushed back their return to office plans contributed. Overweight to Canadian office stocks detracted. Within U.S. malls, underweight to a company which benefitted from a good earnings report detracted. Stock selection within U.S. industrial names detracted due to underweight to stocks with strong second quarter operating results and increased interest from generalist investors.

#### Market Outlook

As we cycle into the second half of the year, the narrative has shifted from cyclical recovery to peaking growth. Part of this is to be expected given the more challenging year on year comps, but it also remains to be seen if delta outbreaks will force governments to reimpose lockdowns, crimping growth. With many parts of Asia and emerging markets still afflicted, global growth forecasts may need to be taken down a notch. Markets are pricing this in with the pullback in bond yields and the rotation out of value and cyclicals, back into defensive growth.

We are cautiously constructive but will continue to evaluate relative valuations as volatility is likely here to stay. We believe stocks with attractive earnings prospects and favorable structural demand drivers are best positioned to outperform in the intermediate to longer-term future. We selectively look for cyclical themes to add into the recent weakness

#### Risk warnings

- Equity markets are subject to many factors, including economic conditions, government regulations, market sentiment, local and international political events, and environmental and technological issues that may impact return and volatility. There is a risk that an investment will decline in value.
- . There are specific risks associated with investing in the securities of companies in the real estate industry such as declines in the value of real estate, risks related to general and local economic conditions, increases in property taxes and operating expenses, variations in rental income, the appeal of properties to tenants and increases in interest rates etc.
- The ability to trade REITS in the secondary market can be more limited than other stocks.
- The Fund's investments may be in currencies other than US Dollars. The value of an investment may fluctuate due to changes in exchange rates between currencies or the possible imposition of exchange control regulations.
- This unit class is unhedged. Unhedged unit classes are exposed to greater risk and volatility. Please note the fund does have hedged unit classes available

## Performance note

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This document presents the performance of this particular unit class of the Fund from the date of inception of the unit class in its unit class currency, as specified on the front page. Performance since inception date of the Fund, which precedes the inception date of the unit class, is available upon request.

Prior to 31st December 2018, the data performance calculations reflect the month-end market close prices of the Fund's assets. After 1 January 2019, the performance data shown is based upon the Fund's Net Asset Value (NAV) prices of the last Irish business day of the month. For Funds not open for dealing on this day this will be an indicative NAV. As a result, it is possible that the stated performance and the actual investment returns available to investors will differ.

For income unit classes, returns are measured on a total return basis i.e. net investment income plus capital gain or loss from investment.

The performance data shown is net of fees and other charges but excludes any potential entry/exit charges – as such the returns an investor receives may be lower.

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NTR stands for net total return. An NTR Index is net of withholding taxes

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