

A DIVERSE PORTFOLIO BY GEOGRAPHY AND SECTOR

Focused on discovering compelling investments

APRIL 2024

Closed-end investment company, traded on the London Stock Exchange

OBJECTIVE

UIL Limited ("UIL") seeks to maximise shareholder returns by identifying and investing in compelling long-term investments worldwide, where the underlying value is not fully recognised.

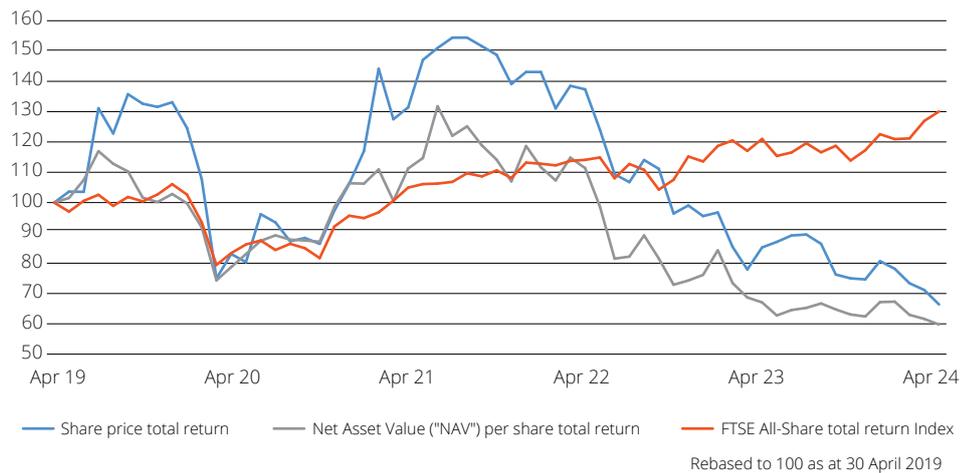
INVESTMENT APPROACH

To seek to invest in undervalued investments. This perceived undervaluation may arise from any number of factors, including technological change, market motivation, prospective financial engineering opportunities, competition, management underperformance or shareholder apathy. UIL has the flexibility to make investments in a wide range of sectors and markets.

KEY DATES

Launch date*	August 2003
Year end	30 June
AGM date	November
Ex-dividend dates	September, December, March & June
Dividend paid dates	September, December, March & June
2024 ZDP shares expiry	31 October 2024
2026 ZDP Shares Expiry	31 October 2026
2028 ZDP Shares Expiry	31 October 2028

*Utilico Investment Trust plc – UIL's predecessor

PERFORMANCE

PERFORMANCE (Total return including dividends)

	1 month	3 months	1 year	3 years	5 years	Inception
Share Price	(6.7%)	(15.0%)	(22.1%)	(49.5%)	(33.6%)	248.1%
NAV per share	(3.0%)	(11.2%)	(10.9%)	(46.3%)	(40.3%)	309.8%
FTSE All-Share Index	2.5%	7.5%	7.5%	23.9%	30.1%	346.6%

ROLLING 12 MONTH PERFORMANCE (Total return including dividends)

12 Months to	Apr 24	Apr 23	Apr 22	Apr 21	Apr 20
Share Price	(22.1%)	(38.0%)	4.5%	58.3%	(17.0%)
NAV per share	(10.9%)	(39.8%)	0.1%	41.4%	(21.3%)
FTSE All-Share Index	7.5%	6.0%	8.7%	25.9%	(16.7%)

FUND DETAILS
ORDINARY SHARES

Ticker: UTL.L

NAV per share at launch of UIT*	99.47p
NAV per share (cum income)	180.65p
Share price	104.50p
Discount to NAV	(42.2%)
Annual average compound return (including dividends)	7.0%
Historic dividend per share	8.00p
Historic dividend yield	5.7%
Ongoing charges figure excluding performance fees	2.8%
Shares in issue	83,842,918

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CAPITAL STRUCTURE

Gross Assets less Current Liabilities	£265.3m
Bank and other Debt	£11.1m
ZDP shares 2024	£40.4m
ZDP shares 2026 ⁽¹⁾	£33.4m
ZDP shares 2028 ⁽²⁾	£28.9m
Shareholders' Funds (Ordinary Shares)	£151.5m
	£265.3m
Gearing (based on AIC definition)	73.1%

⁽¹⁾ includes 2.3m 2026 ZDP shares held by UIL

⁽²⁾ includes 0.6m 2028 ZDP shares held by UIL

Gearing AIC – standardised gearing calculation as recommended by the AIC is based on net assets

PERFORMANCE FEE

15% of the outperformance over benchmark subject to minimum hurdle of 5% and high watermark, capped at 2.5% of adjusted equity funds.

INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT FEE

0.5% of gross assets plus Company Secretarial Fee.

INVESTMENT MANAGERS

UIL is managed by ICM Limited and ICM Investment Management Limited, which is authorised and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority.

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ZDP SHARES

	2024	2026	2028
Accrued Capital Entitlement	135.13p	134.09p	118.42p
Share Price	132.00p	116.50p	95.50p
Premium/(discount) to NAV	(2.3%)	(13.1%)	(19.4%)
ZDP Cover [†]	5.05x	2.93x	2.06x
Yield to Redemption [†]	9.8%	11.1%	10.9%
ZDP Redemption Value	138.35p	151.50p	152.29p
Shares in issue	30.0m	25.0m	25.0m
Ticker	UTL.G.L	UTL.H.L	UTL.L.L

[†]based on final redemption values



PERFORMANCE

UIL's NAV total return declined by 3.0% in April, which underperformed the FTSE All Share total return Index which increased by 2.5% over the month.

Markets in April were mixed with the US market battling against the stronger than expected March inflationary data reported and the US Consumer Price Index increasing by 0.4% pushing annual inflation up to 3.5% compared to 3.2% reported in February. Resilience of the US economy was also evidenced via stronger reported nonfarm payrolls data as well as better than expected retail sales, indicating that inflationary pressures remain and subsequently dampening market expectations of a cut in interest rates in June to potentially only one or two cuts later this year. As a result, the S&P Index was down by 4.2% in April.

The UK and European markets experienced a different story with lower than expected inflationary numbers reported for March, resulting in the Bank of England and the European Central Bank expected to now cut rates sooner than the US Federal Reserve. The FTSE 100 was up by 2.4% for April with European markets mimicking the direction of the US and the Eurostoxx Index down by 3.2% in the month. Sterling was mixed versus major currencies, being up 0.1% against the Euro but down 0.9% against the US Dollar and down 0.4% against the Australian Dollar.

Emerging markets were also mixed. China witnessed a better performance with the Hong Kong Hang Seng Index and Chinese Shanghai Index increasing by 7.4% and 2.1% respectively, helped by the better than expected 1Q24 GDP result of 5.3%, indicating that growth is on track to meet this year's government target of 5.0%. Chinese GDP growth was boosted by manufacturing and infrastructure investment, despite the property sector continuing to be a drag. The Indian Sensex Index continued on its upward trajectory, up by 1.1% for the month, as the country's general election started. The Vietnam Ho Chi Minh Index in April was disappointingly down by 5.8%, as the expectation of "higher for longer" US interest rates continues to put pressure on the Vietnamese currency. The Brazilian Bovespa Index was down by 1.7%, also affected by the delay in US rate cuts and by the perceived increase in fiscal risk caused by the government's decision to revise its 2025-26 fiscal targets.

In the commodities market, industrial metals were strong during the month, with copper up by 13.9% and nickel up 15.1%, fuelled by supply risks, as well as improving demand. Precious metals were also up with gold up by 2.5% for the month and silver up 5.3%. Brent oil crept up marginally by 0.4% as geopolitical tensions in the Middle East remain.

PORTFOLIO

There was one change to the top ten constituents of UIL's portfolio in April, with Orbital Corporation being replaced by Novareum Blockchain Asset Fund, on relative performance.

Novareum is an open-ended mutual fund that invests in a diversified portfolio of blockchain assets, such as cryptocurrencies, platform protocols and application tokens. In April 2024, Novareum's valuation increased by 83.8% due to a large increase in the value of its crypto portfolio holdings.

UEM's share price was up by 2.3% with its discount to NAV narrowing to 17.5% from 19.3% despite UEM's NAV total return decreasing marginally by 0.1% in April, underperforming the MSCI Emerging Markets total return Index which was up by 1.4% in Sterling terms in the month.

Somers, UIL's largest investment, saw its valuation decrease by 1.4%, mainly driven by Resimac whose share price was down 5.7% in the month on the back of the expectation that interest rates will stay higher for longer.

Zeta's share price fell by 7.7% over the month, although its Net Tangible Assets ("NTA") increased by 0.5% and its discount to NTA widening to 22.1%. In April, the share price of Horizon Gold continued to firm, increasing by 4.2% whilst Alliance Nickel decreased by 10.8%.

The Market Limited's share price increased by 16.1% over the month, while Allectus Capital was down by 16.3%.

Portfolio purchases amounted to £0.2m and there were no realisations during the month.

DEBT

Bank and other debt increased to £11.1m from £10.8m over the month, drawn in Sterling.

ZDP SHARES

In April, the share prices of the 2024, 2026 and 2028 ZDP shares appreciated by 0.4%, 0.9% and 1.6% respectively.

PORTFOLIO SUMMARY

TOP TEN HOLDINGS		% of Group investments
1	Somers Limited	45.3%
2	Zeta Resources Limited	15.0%
3	Utilico Emerging Markets Trust plc	8.0%
4	Resimac Group Limited	7.0%
5	Allectus Capital Limited	5.6%
6	Allectus Quantum Holdings Limited	5.6%
7	The Market Limited	2.7%
8	West Hamilton Holdings Limited	2.6%
9	Novareum Blockchain Asset Fund Limited	1.7%
10	Carebook Technologies Inc	1.6%
Total Top Ten		95.1%

SECTOR SPLIT OF INVESTMENTS

Financial Services	51.6%
Technology	21.3%
Resources	11.0%
Other	4.9%
Gold Mining	4.0%
Ports	2.0%
Electricity	1.5%
Water	1.0%
Renewables	0.9%
Airports	0.6%
Oil and Gas	0.4%
Telecommunications	0.4%
Infrastructure Investments	0.4%

GEOGRAPHICAL SPLIT OF INVESTMENTS

Australia	41.1%
UK	21.3%
Middle East/Africa	9.5%
Europe (excluding UK)	6.7%
Asia	6.1%
Bermuda	5.5%
USA	4.0%
Latin America	2.8%
Canada	2.1%
New Zealand	0.9%

OTHER

UIL's ordinary share price decreased by 6.7% to 104.50p in April while the discount to NAV widened to 42.2% from 39.9%.

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