



VT SG UK Defined Return Assets Fund

Monthly Report

30th September 2021

Investment Objective & Investment Selection

The investment objective of the VT SG UK Defined Return Assets Fund is to generate capital growth over the long term.

The Fund will seek to achieve its objective primarily via exposure (indirectly by way of a swap) to a portfolio of defined return investments, namely twelve rolling up to six year autocalls (each of which will have a potential maturity date on a different calendar month each year) which are designed to provide a defined return if the FTSE 100 is at, or above, a predefined level on a specified date. Capital is at risk and there is no guarantee that a positive return will be achieved over a 12 month, or any, period.

Monthly Review

The Fund declined -0.78% during September, lagging the FTSE 100 Total Return Index which dropped by a lesser amount, -0.16%.

During September, the UK economy continued to experience inflationary pressures. Panic buying of petrol and diesel fuel, stimulated by media reports focusing on the shortage of HGV drivers, caused serious disruption to the everyday supply chain. September new car sales fell to their lowest level since September 1998 as constraints persist around the manufacture of key electronic components. The increase of the price of energy such as Crude Oil and Natural Gas ensure that these inflationary pressures are unlikely to subside in the near term.

The indicated Gross Redemption Yield (GRY) at the end of September 2021 has increased to 8.44%, with all contracts remaining above the 80% barrier.

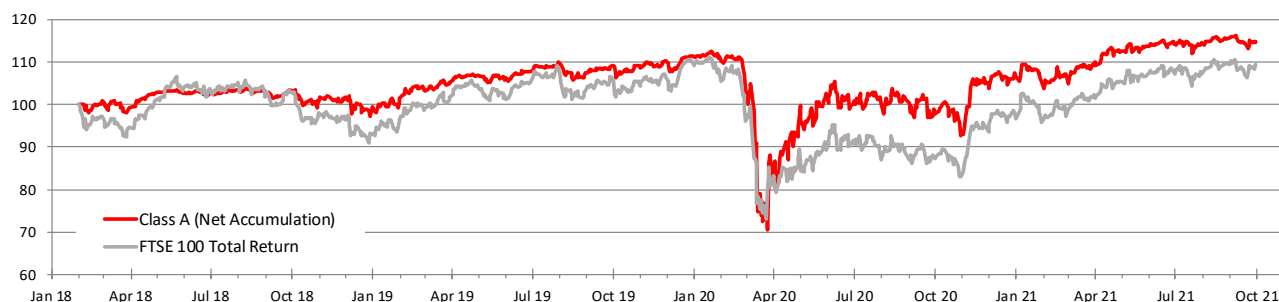
Post the month end the October leg has triggered, the second consecutive leg to do so since March earlier in the year. The replacement coupon of 4.65% has been obtained, below that of the original leg which was 7.15%.

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See Overleaf for a strategy overview.

Fund & FTSE 100 TR Performance

Period from 31st January 2018 to 30th September 2021



Fund Performance Figures

Date	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
2018		0.57%	-1.25%	3.59%	0.03%	-0.30%	0.86%	-0.52%	0.53%	-2.71%	1.06%	-2.30%	-0.58%
2019	2.03%	2.07%	1.69%	1.58%	-0.67%	1.47%	1.81%	-2.15%	1.83%	-0.10%	0.93%	0.78%	11.78%
2020	-0.60%	-6.06%	-18.12%	17.37%	2.94%	-1.76%	-0.81%	1.15%	-2.99%	-5.03%	12.95%	1.35%	-3.98%
2021	-1.09%	1.69%	2.65%	2.23%	0.96%	0.67%	0.07%	1.10%	-0.78%				7.70%

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Key Facts

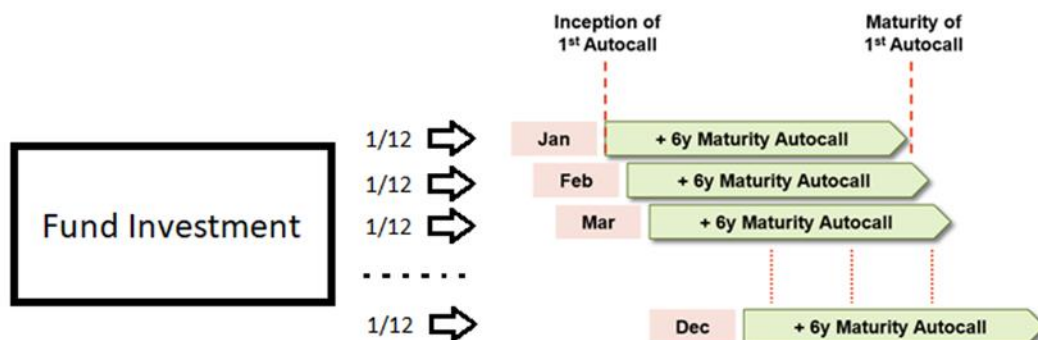
Sponsor	Societe Generale
NAV Per Share	114.9250p
Launch Date	31 st January 2018
Base Currency	GBP
Liquidity	Daily
Share Type	Accumulation
Initial Charge	0%
Annual Management Charge	£30,732 per annum (chargeable to the fund) + 0.375%
Minimum Subscription	£5,000
ISIN	GB00BDZRYK47
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Bloomberg Code	VTSGUAG LN
IA Sector	Specialist
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The Passive Defensive Investment Strategy

→ 12 Equal Holdings – Staggered Monthly

An investment into the Fund gives investors **equal** exposure to **12** defined return investments, namely twelve rolling up to six year autocalls (each of which will have a potential maturity date on a different calendar month each year) which are designed to provide a defined return if the FTSE 100 is at, or above, a predefined level on a specified date. Capital is at risk and there is no guarantee that a positive return will be achieved. The objective over time is to ensure investors have diversity of investment timing, investment level and potential return.



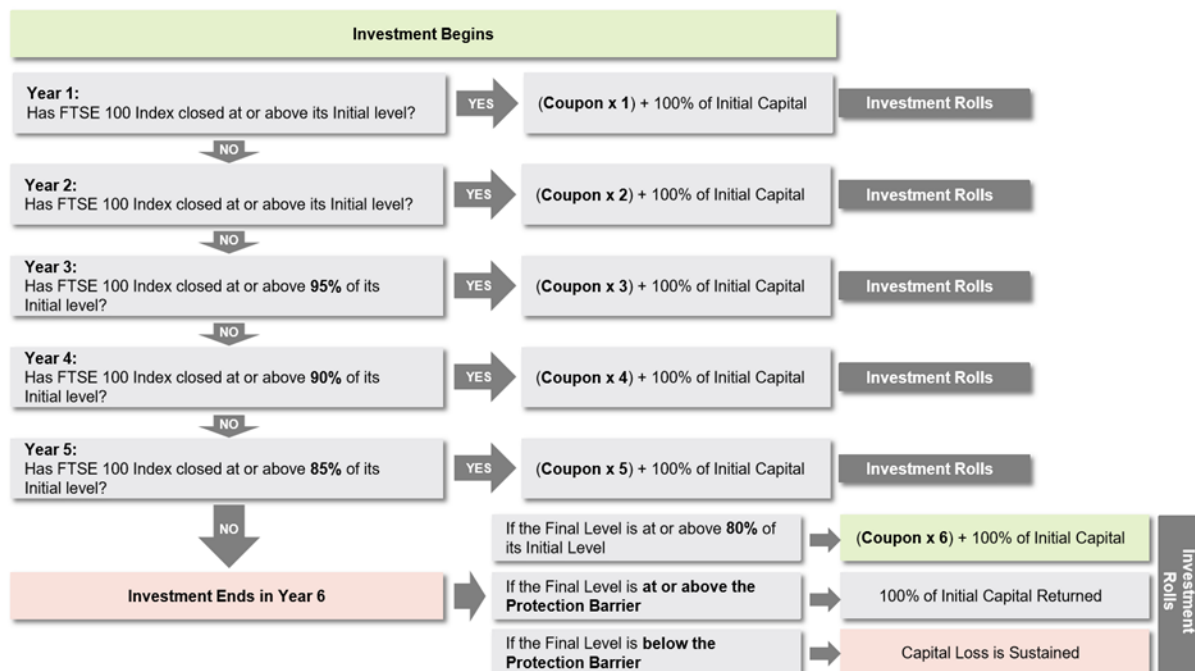
→ Example defined return investment returns

Each defined return investment return is dependent on the performance of the FTSE 100 Index.

If, on an annual autocall date, the FTSE 100 Index closes at or above the required level the defined return investment will end and the capital and any accumulated return for each year that has elapsed since the defined return investment start date, will be automatically reinvested into a new defined return investment following the very same strategy, resetting the dates and market levels at that time.

If, however, the FTSE 100 Index closes below the required level on an annual autocall date, the defined return investment will continue to the next annual autocall date.

If, the FTSE 100 Index does not close at or above the required level over any of the six annual autocall dates, the defined return investment will mature, and a capital loss will be incurred should the FTSE level be below 60% of the defined return investment start date.





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Summary of Holdings

Asset Month Ref	Strike Level	Coupon	Strike Date	Next Autocall Date	Final Valuation Date	Assumed duration / time to kickoff - years*	GRY*	Autocall Coupons					
								Autocall #1 (100%Level)	Autocall #2 (100%Level)	Autocall #3 (95%Level)	Autocall #4 (90%Level)	Autocall #5 (85%Level)	Autocall #6 (80%Level)
January	7587.85	5.80%	10/01/20	05/01/22	05/01/26	2.27	7.11%	-	111.60%	117.40%	123.20%	129.00%	134.80%
February	7499.44	5.72%	11/02/20	07/02/22	05/02/26	2.35	6.82%	-	111.44%	117.16%	122.88%	128.60%	134.32%
March	6736.96	4.60%	11/03/21	07/03/22	05/03/27	0.43	7.61%	104.60%	109.20%	113.80%	118.40%	123.00%	127.60%
April	7417.95	5.68%	11/04/19	05/04/22	07/04/25	0.51	12.36%	-	-	117.04%	122.72%	128.40%	134.08%
May	7710.98	6.00%	14/05/18	05/05/22	07/05/24	0.59	11.96%	-	-	-	124.00%	130.00%	136.00%
June	7703.81	6.45%	14/06/18	06/06/22	05/06/24	0.68	11.19%	-	-	-	125.80%	132.25%	138.70%
July	7661.87	6.61%	13/07/18	05/07/22	05/07/24	0.76	10.72%	-	-	-	126.44%	133.05%	139.66%
August	7667.01	6.05%	10/08/18	05/08/22	05/08/24	0.85	10.11%	-	-	-	124.20%	130.24%	136.30%
September	7029.20	5.06%	10/09/21	05/09/22	06/09/27	0.93	8.47%	105.06%	110.12%	115.18%	120.24%	125.30%	130.36%
October	7334.98	7.15%	05/02/18	05/10/21	05/10/23	0.01	2.61%	-	-	-	126.22%	133.37%	140.52%
November	7328.54	5.58%	11/11/19	05/11/21	05/11/25	1.10	7.49%	-	111.16%	116.74%	122.32%	127.90%	133.48%
December	7334.98	7.15%	05/02/18	06/12/21	05/12/23	0.18	11.21%	-	-	-	127.41%	134.56%	141.71%

FUND

0.89

8.44%

* per annum

Bold Autocall Coupons are the current potential returns based on the level of the FTSE 100 as of the 30th September 2021.

Non-highlighted Autocall Coupons are currently below the 80% barrier but above the 60% barrier.

Performance Indicators

The table below is a snapshot of the current shape of the Fund.

Market Move	-20%	-10%	0%	10%	20%
Intrinsic Value (GBP)	1.0305	1.3001	1.1985	1.1768	1.1768
Avg Time to Maturity (yrs)	3.56	2.81	0.89	0.47	0.47
Gross Redemption Yield	-2.19%	5.61%	8.44%	12.03%	12.03%

→ Intrinsic value

The intrinsic value is the aggregate terminal value of the Fund taking into account estimated fees over the relevant period (not accounting for additional value from future reinvestment).

→ Average Time to Maturity

The table also shows the weighted average time to maturity of the investments held within the Fund. Currently this is 0.89 years because, at current market levels, all of the autocallable investments are likely to call within 3 to 5 years. This number gives the investor an idea of how long it will take for them to earn the expected GRY.

If the Market (The FTSE 100) moves up by 10%, then at present many of the 12 strategies would be set to mature sooner, and thus the Average Time To Maturity decreases.

→ Gross Redemption Yield

The table above shows the current expected yield of the Fund taking into account estimated fees for certain movements in the underlying indices. This yield is based on the Intrinsic Value and the Average Time to Maturity. For example, if markets do not move, we would expect the Fund to yield 8.44% given its current make-up.

If the Market (The FTSE 100) moves up by 10%, then the Average Time To Maturity decreases, and the Intrinsic Value (GBP) decreases, and combined this increases the Gross Redemption Yield from 8.44% to 12.03%.



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