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World Stockmarket Forecasts

Stockmarket	One-Year	Fundamental	Technical	Monetary	Economic		l Performance		Share
	Forecast	Indicators	Indicators	Indicators	Indicators	3 mths	6 mths	12 mths	Index
Australia	53%	Bullish	Bearish	Neutral	Neutral	-2.1%	+0.8%	+3.1%	5,799.53
Austria	53%	Bullish	Bullish	Bullish	Bearish	+3.9%	+9.9%	+40.0%	3,354.12
Belgium	52%	Bullish	Bearish	Bullish	Bearish	+1.1%	+3.9%	+24.3%	3,876.33
Canada	32%	Bullish	Bearish	Bearish	Bearish	-5.5%	+0.8%	-0.6%	15,034.53
Denmark	54%	Bullish	Bearish	Bullish	Neutral	+0.0%	-1.0%	+21.2%	959.04
Finland	63%	Bullish	Neutral	Bullish	Neutral	+3.8%	+4.5%	+22.1%	9,467.12
France		Bullish	Bearish	Bullish	Bearish		+4.5%	+22.7%	4,011.82
Germany	48%	Bullish	Bearish	Bullish	Bearish		+4.4%	+19.5%	12,107.48
Ireland	44%	Bullish	Bearish	Bullish	Bearish		+3.9%	+17.3%	6,599.67
Italy	57%	Bullish	Neutral	Bullish	Bearish		+7.2%	+36.1%	24,398.70
Japan	51%	Bullish	Neutral	Bullish	Bearish		+8.7%	+14.8%	21,382.62
Netherlands		Bullish	Bearish	Bullish	Bearish		+3.9%	+21.9%	518.33
New Zealand _		Bullish	Neutral	Neutral	Bullish	+6.4%	+2.3%	+3.3%	1,675.67
Norway	56%	Bullish	Bullish	Neutral	Bearish		+9.3%	+19.7%	880.14
Spain	55%	Bullish	Bearish	Bullish	Bearish		-2.0%	+19.1%	979.10
Sweden	43%	Bullish	Bearish	Neutral	Bearish		-0.1%	+12.5%	929.13
Switzerland	46%	Bullish	Bearish	Bullish	Bearish		+0.1%	+9.6%	8,682.00
Un. Kingdom _		Bullish	Bearish	Neutral	Bullish	+0.0%	+3.1%	+8.2%	7,092.43
USA	39%	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral	Bearish		+7.3%	+13.1%	2,619.55
Argentina	46%	Bearish	Bullish	Neutral	Bearish	-2.7%	+23.7%	+20.0%	30,143.44
Brazil	65%	Bullish	Bullish	Bullish	Bearish	+11.6%	+16.4%	+15.7%	80,898.71
Czech Rep	68%	Bullish	Bullish	Neutral	Bearish		+15.5%	+40.4%	1,106.06
Chile	55%	Bearish	Bullish	Neutral	Neutral	+7.7%	+19.2%	+37.7%	28,011.21
China	32%	Bearish	Bearish	Bearish	Neutral	-3.8%	+3.2%	+6.9%	3,129.85
Greece	63%	Bearish	Bullish	Bullish	Bearish	+18.6%	+4.3%	+53.0%	828.78
Egypt Hong Kong	64%	Bullish	Bullish	Neutral	Bullish	+3.8%	+11.8%	+15.2%	14,921.29
Hong Kong	54%	Bullish	Neutral	Neutral	Bearish		+9.8%	+24.2%	29,507.42
Hungary	60%	Bearish	Neutral	Bullish	Bearish		+5.4%	+31.4%	38,320.32
India	41%	Bearish	Bullish	Bearish	Bearish	+3.4%	+8.5%	+24.6%	34,005.76
Indonesia		Neutral	Bullish	Bullish	Neutral	+7.3%	+10.6%	+18.4%	6,505.52
Israel	68%	Bullish	Neutral	Bullish	Bullish	+4.6%	+10.9%	+14.2%	1,341.83
Korea	45%	Bullish	Bearish	Neutral	Neutral	-4.0%	+7.4%	+20.4%	2,363.77
Malaysia	49%	Bullish	Bullish	Bearish	Bearish	+11.1%	+12.4%	+20.7%	1,819.82
Mexico	39%	Bullish	Bearish	Bearish	Neutral	+1.8%	-10.0%	+8.7%	47,799.09
Philippines	49%	Bearish	Neutral						8,503.69
Poland		Bearish	Neutral	Bullish	Bearish	+3.5%	+5.6%	+27.4%	61,952.62
Portugal		Bullish	Neutral	Bullish	Neutral	+3.0%	+4.9%	+33.2%	2,911.24
Russia		Bullish	Bullish	Bullish	Bearish	+2.8%	+16.0%	+1.5%	2,197.12
Singapore		Neutral	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral	+1.1%	+5.4%	+16.4%	3,377.24
Sth Africa		Bullish	Neutral	Bullish	Bullish	+11.7%	+13.5%	+18.1%	55,902.62
Taiwan		Bullish	Bearish	Bullish	Bearish	-0.5%	+4.0%	+13.3%	10,371.75
Thailand		Bullish	Bullish	Bullish	Neutral	+10.5%	+19.8%	+24.6%	1,786.45
Turkey		Bullish	Bullish	Bearish	Bearish	+5.4%	-1.7%		113,590.30
Venezuela	03%	Bearish	Bullish	Neutral	Bullish	+495.1%+	-1987.7%+	11/03.0%	3,902.38

One Year Forecasts predict the probability that a stock-market will rise over the next year. Investors should seek to invest in markets with forecasts of 60-100%, while avoiding markets with forecasts of 0-40%. Bullish = Favourable. Bearish = Unfavourable.

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Recommended International Investment Funds

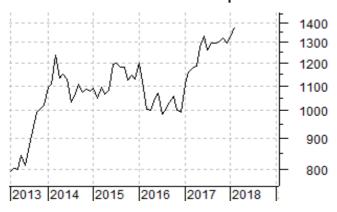
Fund Report

Aberforth Smaller Companies plc lifted net asset value 22.1% over the year to 31 December 2017. This outperformed its smaller company benchmark index which rose 19.5%. Larger company shares, as measured by the FTSE 100 Index were up only 11.9%. The total return (from the share price appreciation and dividends) was 22.6%.

The trust will pay a final dividend of 19.75 pence (bringing the total ordinary dividend to 28.8 pence, up 5.3%) plus a special dividend of 6.7 pence on 6 March (ex-dividend 8 February). With the trust shares trading at 1274 pence, this offers a Dividend Yield of 2.3% (or 2.8% including the special dividend).

According to the Manager, <u>UK smaller company shares trade on a Price/Earnings ratio of 14.3</u> - which is 6% above its long term average. The trust's portfolio shares trade on a P/E of 12.5. By comparison the FTSE All-Share index is on a P/E ratio of 21.7 or 42% above its long term average. "This P/E reflects the implicit expectation of strong profit growth helped by the translation of overseas profits at lower Sterling exchange rates".

Aberforth Smaller Companies



Aberdeen Asian Smaller Companies 3.5% Convertible Loan Stock 2019

The company issued this convertible loan stock in May 2012 and it matures in May 2019. At that time investors can choose a cash redemption at £1.00 or convert 8.3 units into one ordinary share. As the ordinary shares trade around 994 pence the conversion into ordinary shares (worth 119.75 pence per unit) will likely be our best option.

The company is now considering extending its gearing "at a lower coupon and a new/increased conversion price". No decisions have yet been made but the company is considering two options:

Firstly, the existing notes may be converted into new notes with a later maturity date and a lower interest rate.

The "nominal value" (i.e. the cash redemption option price) would, however, need to be increased to reflect the current market value of the existing notes and/or their conversion value into ordinary shares.

Secondly, the company could give the existing note holders the option to either convert to ordinary shares (under the existing terms) or roll over into the proposed new loan stock.

In either case the company may offer additional new loan stock to a maximum (including any amount rolled over) of £50 million.

At present we would expect to convert our loan stock to ordinary shares in May 2019. If the company finalises plans to restructure/extend the loan stock then we will make a decision as to our best option going forward.

The loan stock has been an attractive investment (relative to owning the ordinary shares) for three reasons:

Firstly, the cash redemption option at a price of £1.00 in May 2019 (equal to our initial cost in May 2012) removed any potential loss on this investment (e.g. if Asian stockmarkets were to decline significantly in value) while the option to convert to ordinary shares gives us good participation in the capital appreciation of the trust.

The price to convert the notes to ordinary shares was set at a 15% premium to the May 2012 market value, so we did give up some potential capital appreciation in return for this seven-year guaranteed minimum cash redeption value.

Secondly, the 3.5% interest rate is higher than the 1.2% dividend yield on the ordinary shares. So we earnt a slightly higher annual income (which over the seven years approximately equals the 15% lower capital appreciation).

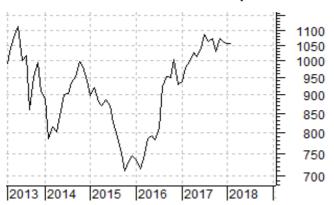
So, if the value of Asian shares fell we would have got back 100% of our initial investment plus a higher income, while if Asian shares rose strongly we would earn a 15% *lower* capital gain but receive an approximately equal amount from the higher annual income. So the convertible notes have *reduced our risk*, while producing approximately the same positive returns as owning the ordinary shares.

Thirdly - for New Zealand investors - the loan stock is not subject to the 5% "Fair Dividend Rate" tax imposed on the ordinary shares. So for NZ investors there is less income tax (i.e. based on the actual $3\frac{1}{2}\%$ interest payment, not a 5% assumed income).

Any new convertible notes *may* offer similar benefits, providing the cash redemption value and conversion price are set close to current market values. A low cash redemption price or a high conversion price could make

the new notes unattractive. The current dividend yield on the ordinary shares is 1.2%, so a lower interest rate could still be more attractive.

Aberdeen Asian Small Companies



Share Repurchases and Issues

Aberforth Smaller Companies plc made three onmarket share re-purchases over the last month, acquiring 125,000 shares for £1,644,585.

Aberdeen Asian Smaller Companies plc made two purchases totalling 27,500 shares at a cost of £290,858.

Baillie Gifford Shin Nippon plc continued to issue new shares which it sold on-market at a premium to net asset value. Over the last month it issued and sold 1,350,000 shares in eight transactions to raise £12.4 million.

			Initial Red	commen	dation	Prem/	Gain		
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Advice	Investment Fund	Code		Foreign	NZ	to Net	Bid-Offer or	NZ	Loss
					Cents	Assets	Last Sale	Cents	%
	European								
HOLD	Fidelity European Values plc	FEV	13/05/03	46.4p	129.1	-7%	220.0p	419.3	+225
BUY	JPM European Smaller Cos	JESC	15/01/02	45.3p	153.2	-9%	399.0p	760.4	+396
	United Kingdom			·					
BUY	Aberforth Smaller Cos Trt plc	ASL	15/07/03	375.5p	1042.0	-11%	1274.0p	2428.1	+133
	Asian Regional								
BUY	Aberdeen Asian Small Coys	AAS	09/09/03	89.2p	247.8	-15%	994.0p	1894.4	+664
HOLD	HSBC Asian Fund	*	10/11/98	34.4p	106.3		133.6p	254.6	+139
HOLD	Henderson Asia Pac Capital	*	08/08/00	342.2p	1122.6		1068.0p	2035.4	+81
BUY	Scot Oriental Smaller Coy	SST	11/11/03	121.9p	330.5	-13%	988.0p	1883.0	+470
	China								
BUY	Henderson China Opportunities	*	09/07/07	548.9p	1410.4		1435.0p	2734.9	+94
	India								
BUY	India Capital Growth plc	IGC	07/11/16	80.5p	137.6	-13%	102.0p	194.4	+41
HOLD	Stewart Ivory Indian Sub-Cont	*	13/12/10	209.2p	442.0		475.41p	906.1	+105
	Japan								
HOLD	Baillie Gifford Shin Nippon plc	BGS	11/01/94	156.0p	440.3	+9%	886.0p	1688.6	+284
BUY	Fidelity Japan Values plc	FJV	10/01/06	126.0p	322.7	-13%	140.5p	267.8	-17
HOLD	Invesco Perp Japan Small Coys	*	13/07/99	61.3p	182.3		129.64p	247.1	+36
	Korea								
HOLD	Baring Korea Trust	*	12/04/94	81.1p	209.4		353.7p	674.1	+222
	International								
HOLD	Aberdeen Emerging Markets	*	13/08/91	61.7p	184.0		711.51p	1356.0	+637
BUY	Herald Investment Trust	HRI	12/10/04	310.8p	820.1	-15%	1110.0p	2115.5	+158
* United	d Kingdom based Unit Trust								

The average Gains/Losses of all current investments from initial recommendation is $\pm 229.3\%$. This is equal to an average annual rate of $\pm 14.8\%$, based upon the length of time each position has been held. The average annual rate of gain of ALL recommendations (both the 16 current and 49 closed out) is $\pm 13.4\%$.

Other Shares

An alternative investment to those recommended above includes **Aberdeen Asian Smaller Companies Trust** 2019 convertible notes at 119-123 pence.

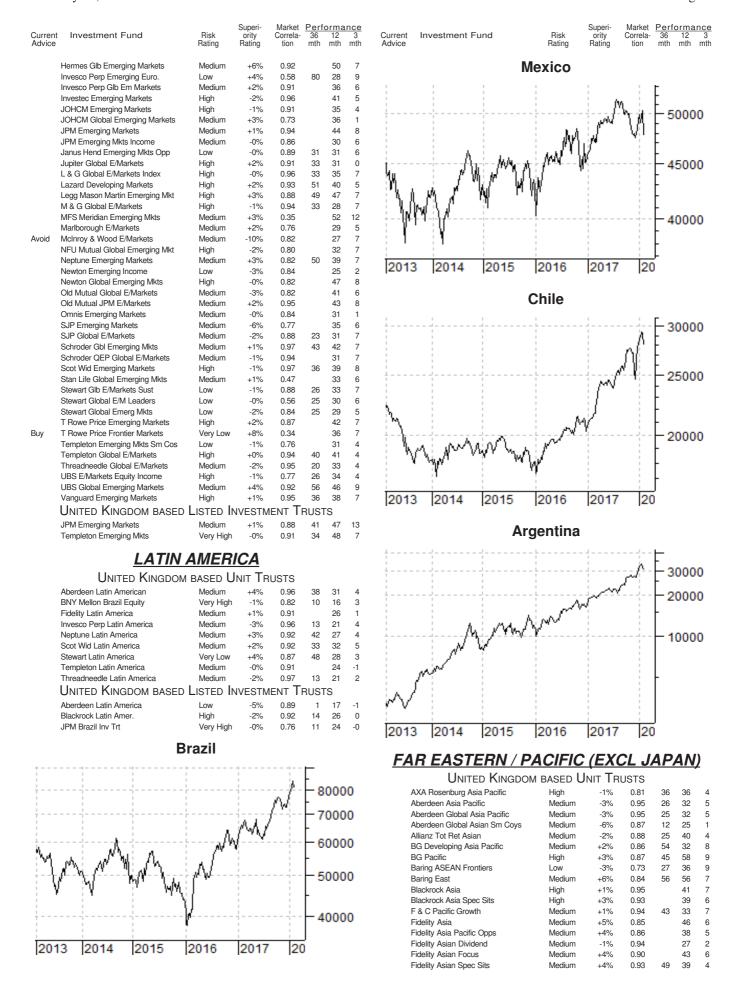
"Clean" unit prices are: HSBC Asian Fund 152.7 pence, Henderson Asia Pacific Capital 1185 pence, Henderson China Opportunities 205.3 pence, Stewart Investors Indian Sub-Continent 239.54 pence, Invesco Perpetual Japanese Smaller Companies 397.08 pence, Baring Korea 356.3 pence and Aberdeen Emerging Markets 780.93 pence.

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Investment Fund Survey

Curren	t Investment Fund	Risk	Superi- ority	Market Correla-	Perf 36	orma 12	<u>nce</u> 3	Current	Investment Fund	Risk	Superi- ority	Market Correla-	Perfo 36	orma 12	<u>nce</u> 3			
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	AMP Blue Chip Trust	Very Low	-6%	0.30	-8	8	0		First State Global Resources	Very Low	+8%	0.10		14	10			
	AMP Equity Trust	Low	-4%	0.54	5 17	11	-1 1		Guiness Global Energy	Very Low	-8%	0.00	4	7	12			
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	ANZ Equity Imputation Trt	Low	-4%	0.59	3	9	0		Investec Enhanced Nat Res Investec Global Gold	Very Low Very Low	-1% -8%	0.04 0.29	19	6	6 5			
	ANZ Equity Trust No 1	Low	-2%	0.63	11	13	2		JPM Natural Resources	Very Low	+2%	0.01	33	19	9			
	Aust Ethical Equities	Very Low	-1%	0.13	14	9	-1		MFM Junior Gold	Very Low	+1%	0.08	28	-3	10			
	BT Australia BT Smaller Companies	Very Low Very Low	-5% -3%	0.30 0.16	-2 18	7 13	2		MFM Junior Oils	Very Low	-11%	0.00	-20	-3	-2			
	BT Split Trust Growth	Very Low	+3%	0.30	24	21	3		MFS Meridian Global Energy Marlborough ETF Commodity	Very Low Very Low	-5% -9%	0.00 0.13	-3	10 10	10 3			
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Avoid	Hunter Hall Value Growth	Very Low	-8%	0.12	-3	10	4		UNITED KINGDOM BASED				RUST	S				
Avoid	MLC Aust Tr - Aust Share MLC Aust Trust - Index	Medium	-0% -9%	0.77 0.32	12 -11	11 -9	1		Blackrock Commodities	Very Low	-9%	0.01	-14	1	13			
Avoid Avoid	NAFM Inv Trust - Div Imp	Medium Very Low	-9%	0.32	-12	4	1		Blackrock World Mining	Very Low	+2%	0.01	28	23	9			
	One Path Australia Share	Low	-2%	0.67	12	13	2		City Nat Res High Yld	Very Low	-4%	0.01	20	3	11			
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	Yarra Emerging Leaders	Very Low	+2%	0.39	36	19	6		7IM Emerging Mkts Eq Value	High	-5%	0.91		26	4			
	Yarra Leaders Fund	Low	-6%	0.33	-5	7	1		AXA Framlington Emerging Mkts	Medium	-0%	0.93	36	38	7			
	New Zealand B	BASED U NI	т T RU	STS					Aberdeen Emerging Markets	Medium	-1%	0.95	27	29	5			
	(NZ\$) Fisher Australian Growth	Very Low	+3%	0.33	35	17	4		Aberdeen Global Em Mkts Sm Cos Aberdeen Global Emerging Mkts	Medium Medium	-4% -1%	0.79 0.93	16 27	24 29	2 5			
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	Argo Investments	Very Low	-3%	0.37	8	16	4		Artemis Global E/Mkts	Medium	+2%	0.93		41	8			
	Australian Foundation	Very Low	-4%	0.41	7	14	7		BG Emerging Markets	High	+4%	0.88	51	55	8			
	Diversified United Inv.	Low	+1%	0.58	23	23	6		BG Emerging Mkts Leading Cos Baring Global Emerging Mkts	High ⊎igh	+5% +3%	0.88 0.90	51 53	54 52	8 7			
	New Zealand List	_				_			Blackrock Aquila E/Mkts	High Medium	+3%	0.90	33	37	5			
	Ozzy Tortis	Medium	-4%	0.79	-2	7	-1		Blackrock Emerging Markets	High	-1%	0.96	36	42	8			
									Cap Int Emerging Markets	High	+3%	0.92	47	41	8			
									Dimensional Emerging Markets	Medium Low	+1% -1%	0.97	36 28	36 38	6 7			
									F & C Emerging Markets Fidelity Emerging E M/E & A	Low Medium	-1% -2%	0.78 0.75	28 27	38	11			
									Fidelity Emerging Markets	Medium	+1%	0.92	_,	44	6			
									Fidelity Index E/Markets	High	+1%	0.86		48	6			
									GS BRICs Portfolio	High	+3%	0.85		51	7			
								Avoid	GS N-11 Equity Portfolio	Medium	-8%	0.65		28	3			

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Current Advice	Investment Fund	Risk Rating	Superi- ority Rating	Market Correla- tion	Perf 36 mth	orma 12 mth	nce 3 mth	Current Advice		Risk Rating	Superi- ority Rating	Market Correla- tion		12	nce 3 mth
	Fidelity Emerging Asia	Medium	+2%	0.94	33	42	6		HONG KONG	CHIN	IA RE	GIO	M		
	Fidelity Index Pacific	High	-0%	0.77	00	34	3						<u>/ V</u>		
	GAM Star Asian Equity HSBC Asia Growth	Very High Medium	-2% +4%	0.83 0.84	30 57	35 40	3 6		UNITED KINGDOM				00	00	0
	HSBC Pacific Index	High	-2%	0.94	0.	29	3		Aberdeen Global Chinese Equity Allianz China Equity	Medium Medium	-1% +2%	0.85 0.78	36	36 44	8 9
	Halifax Far Eastern Hermes Asia	Medium	-0%	0.97	37	36 47	4 5	Buy	BG Greater China	Medium	+11%	0.78	82	65	8
	Invesco Perp Asian	Medium High	+6% +5%	0.86 0.95	62	47	6	Buy	Fidelity China Consumer Fidelity China Focus	Medium Medium	+5% +7%	0.87 0.77	57	54 48	7 8
	Invesco Perp Asian Equity Inc	Medium	-2%	0.95	26	29	2	Duy	First State Greater China	Low	+5%	0.68		47	8
	Invesco Perp Pacific Investec Asia	Medium High	+3% +2%	0.92 0.94	55 45	40 50	7 6		GS China Opportunity	High	+4%	0.88		57	9
	JOHCM Asia (ex Japan)	Low	+1%	0.73	-10	32	4		HSBC Chinese Equity Invesco Perp HK and China	High Medium	+3% +3%	0.85 0.85	51	54 49	9
	JOHCM Asia (ex Japan) Small	Low	-6%	0.60		18	-1	Buy	Janus Hend China Growth	High	+7%	0.91	67	59	11
	JPM Asia Janus Hend Asia Pacific Cap.	High Medium	+6% +0%	0.92 0.91	61 36	54 37	7 3		Jupiter China	High	+0%	0.84	37	43 57	6
	Janus Hend Asian Dividend	High	-6%	0.89	00	28	2	Buy	Legg Mason Martin China Matthews China	High Medium	+6% +12%	0.90 0.41	60	57 68	9 14
	Jupiter Asian	Medium Medium	-1% -6%	0.87 0.90	25	28 25	1 1	•	Neptune China	High	+2%	0.91	46	51	8
	Jupiter Asian Income L & G Asian Income	Medium	-6% -4%	0.80	-100	25 25	2		New Capital China Equity Old Mutual China	Medium High	+1% +4%	0.37 0.92		56 51	11 11
	L & G Pacific Index	Medium	-2%	0.92		28	3	Buy	Old Mutual Hend China Opps	High	+7%	0.89		58	12
	Legg Mason Martin Asian Pac. Liontrust Asia Income	Medium Low	+1% -5%	0.95 0.66	43	37 24	4 3	Buy	Pictet Greater China	High	+9%	0.81	79	57	9
	M & G Asian	High	-2%	0.93	23	24	1		Templeton China Threadneedle China Opp.	Medium Very High	+2% +3%	0.82 0.94	48	39 57	5 10
	Marlborough Far East Growth	High	+2%	0.91	45	35	5		United Kingdom based I						10
	Matthews Asia Asia Dividend Matthews Asia Pacific Tiger	Low Medium	-1% -1%	0.94 0.91		37 40	5 9	Buy	Fidelity China Spec Sit	Very High	_	0.87	78	62	12
	Matthews Asia Smaller Cos	Low	-3%	0.78		34	6	Buy	JPM Chinese	Very High	+8%	0.74	64	82	14
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	Santander Pacific Basin	Medium	+1%	0.97	41	33	5	5.8			, '/'		ŀ		
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	Scot Wid Pacific	Medium	-1%	0.97	35	35	4		h	/ [*]			- 2	UUU	U
	Smith & Williamson Far Eastern Smith & Williamson Oriental	Low Medium	+3% -3%	0.68 0.53	30	44 53	10 10	1		ı			-		
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	Threadneedle Asia Growth	Medium	+1%	0.96	43	43	7	1						400	
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	Australian ba			TO					Herald Invest	ment Trust	H	ligh	+4%	0.75	63	49	6
									International I	Biotech	V	ery High	-2%	0.68	10	22	2
	CFS Global Health Biotech	Medium	+1%	0.64	33	25	2	Buy	Polar Cap Te	chnology	V	ery High	+10%	0.74	91	51	5
	CFS Tech & Comms	Low	+5%	0.65	66	31	5		Polar Global	Healthcare	N.	1edium	-5%	0.44	13	22	3
	Platinum Int'l Technology	Very Low	-5%	0.29	10	21	1	Avoid	The Biotech (V	ery High	-7%	0.64	-5	26	-1
	United Kingdom based Unit Trusts							World Health	care Trust	H	ligh	+2%	0.66	29	36	2	
Avoid	AXA Framlington Biotech	Very High	-9%	0.74	1	26	4										
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Avoid	Fidelity Global Health Care	Medium	-7%	0.78		24	2	+	+				/		<u> </u>	700	0
Buy	Fidelity Global Technology	Very Low	+16%	0.29		36	5			-	1	1	\checkmark		ŀ		
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	L & G Global Health & Pharm.	Low	-3%	0.75	17	26	2					4			Γ		
Buy	L & G Global Technology	Low	+7%	0.44	64	39	4	÷		·	9c-5f-				\vdash	500	0
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	Pictet Digital Communications	High	+4%	0.75		38	5		/ ;						L		
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