

TrinityBridge Managed Funds

Monthly fund manager update
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MONTH IN FOCUS

Markets ended Q2 strongly with the US and emerging markets leading the way. The rally was on continuing hope that the tariff impact would not be as bad as initially announced.

Returns in June were as follows (with respective Investment Association sector peer groups in brackets):

- Conservative Managed +1.5% (+1.5%)
- Managed Income +1.6% (+1.5%)
- Balanced Managed +1.6% (+1.7%)
- Growth Managed +2.0% (+1.7%)

THOUGHTS FROM THE TEAM

While at a headline level there is much talk about tariffs, with the absence of anything more tangible, and in the run-up to various tariff deadlines imposed by President Trump, markets have done what they tend to do without any specific bad news: drift upwards.

It was a positive month for US equities, with the market producing a return of +3.2% at a broad index level, with mid- and small-caps marginally outperforming, and *growth* stocks beating *value*. Our top-performing fund in the US was once again Baillie Gifford American, with a return of +6.2% in June from a portfolio of growth stocks, and a reasonable allocation to mid-caps. Elsewhere it was exposure to mid- and small-caps in different regions that benefitted the Managed funds most. The Tellworth UK Smaller Companies fund returned +5.9% for June, while

the Chelverton European Select fund delivered +3.7% against a much more modest +0.6% for the broad Europe ex-UK index.

Within bonds, without any clear signal that the global economy is in trouble, fixed interest produced a small positive total return, despite concerns around government deficits – particularly in the US and UK. Credit spreads remain tight, but an all-in attractive yield still provides the potential for return, and the BlackRock Sustainable Strategic Bond fund (held across the Managed funds) delivered +1.8% in June.

Alternatives generally produced a positive return due to our exposure to infrastructure investment trusts (The Renewable Infrastructure Group was up +8.8%), REITs (AEW UK REIT added +7.3%) and specialist investment trusts (Seraphim Space advanced +16.6% and Chrysalis up +9.0%). These gains more than offset small negatives in absolute return funds and gold.

ACTIVITY

We made three changes in June. Firstly, we redistributed money from the takeover of BBGI Infrastructure across some of our other infrastructure holdings. We sold our allocation to RGI European and bought Guinness European Income within Managed Conservative; and Liontrust European Dynamic within Managed Balanced and Managed Growth. The reason for the change was partly performance from RGI and concerns around the future of the fund. Finally, we sold our long-standing position in Liontrust Special Situations. Performance has

not been particularly good recently and we feel the growth mandate is better being served by other areas of our portfolios. The proceeds were redistributed to other UK holdings, particularly JPM UK Equity Plus within Managed Growth.

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