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NAV (inc Income): 591.4p DISCOUNT: 11.4%

Alliance Trust is a self-managed

# Objective

**PRICE:** 524.0p

investment company with investment trust status. Our objective is to be a core investment for investors seeking increasing value over the long term. We have no fixed asset allocation benchmark and we invest in a wide range of asset classes throughout the world to achieve our objective. Our focus is to generate a real return for

shareholders over the medium to long term by a combination of capital growth and a rising dividend.

# Alliance Trust PLC Monthly Factsheet 30 June 2016

# Market & Portfolio Commentary

## Performance and Portfolio Update

## Performance in June was adversely impacted by the UK's unexpected vote to leave the European Union (EU) following the referendum on the 23 June. Both total shareholder

return and NAV performance were behind the trust's benchmark, the MSCI All Country World Index (MSCI ACWI). This was a result of our favoured sectors underperforming the sharp month-end rally in telecoms, energy and utilities. Despite lagging the index, the NAV performance remains ahead of the global investment trust sector over the past year to 30 June. The market volatility adversely impacted the whole sector and discounts moved wider in general. The Trust's discount widened over the month to 11.4% compared to 9.1% at the end of May. Gearing is 10.3% compared to 10% at the previous month end. In terms of holdings within the portfolio, we added US gaming company Activision Blizzar, Norway's largest financial services group DNB and First Republic Bank of San Francisco.

We have sold our holding in the Italian bank Intesa Sanpaolo. Two hedging positions one for sterling and the other for the UK equity market - were implemented ahead of the EU referendum vote, which were intended to protect the portfolio from volatility. The net result of these positions was a slight negative over the month. Market Commentary The initial sell off in equities following the EU referendum vote was quickly reversed as

highs. Sterling fell to a 30 year low against the dollar and UK government bonds yields fell to new lows. The MSCI ACWI was up 8.3% in June, but market volatility remains a key feature. Economic and political uncertainties remain a concern, with market confidence fragile, particularly in the UK. All global sectors delivered a positive return in June, in Sterling terms, with the best performers being utilities (+14.6%), energy (+13.6%) and consumer staples (+12.7%). The worst performers were financials (+4.0%), consumer discretionary (+5.5%) and

the market got a boost from the lower pound and the US market hitting new all time

information technology (+7.0%). Outlook Political and economic uncertainty looks set to continue for some time. The UK economy is of particular concern as the practicalities and subsequent implications of leaving the EU

are worked through. In the short term this may undermine market confidence, but over the long term it will not be the key driver of investor returns. These drivers are likely to be stock specific, and our bottom-up investment process allows us to identify companies that can deliver above market returns through a combination of capital growth and a rising dividend. We believe that it is these companies that give us the opportunity to generate superior returns over the long term for our shareholders. Buybacks There were no buy backs in June.

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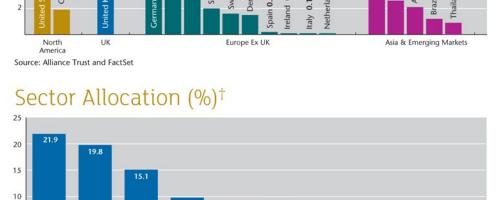
Regional Allocation & Revenue (%)†



· Analysis excludes segmental non-specific income such as "Rest of the World" (15.1%) as the definition varies from company to company.

40

- Regional Allocation Breakdown (%)†



1.1

4.7

5.6

8.3

† Weightings are calculated on a look-through basis whereby the Trust's exposure is combined with that of its holdings in Alliance

**Key Information** 

Market Capital:

**Total Assets:** 

**Net Assets:** 

9% .1%		
.1%		
31 December		
888		
ine, iber		
801		

£2,698.5m

£3,365.1m

£3,065.1m

Net Equity Exposure

Fixed Income

Private Equity	4.1
Operating Subsidiaries	2.4
Property	-
Cash & Other Net Assets	1.3
Gross Assets	110.2
Gearing	(10.3)
Net Assets Inc Income	100.0
Source: Alliance Trust	
Key Trades	

# Intesa Sanpaolo,

Largest new holdings Activision Blizzar, DNB, First Republic Bank San Francisco No Longer Held Source: Alliance Trust

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54.2

32.4

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## 40 30 20

Equity portfolio gross return\*

MSCI ACWI Total Return (£)

Source: FactSet and Morningstar

20

15

10

Performance

Total Shareholder Return

Equity portfolio gross return\*

MSCI ACWI Total Return (£)

**NAV Total Return** 

60

Cumulative Performance (%)

10 0 -10

	1 Month	6 Months	1	Year	3 Years	5 1	rears .
	Total Shareholder Return	NAV Total R	eturn				
	Equity Portfolio Return	MSCI All Co	untry World Inde	x Total Return (£)			
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12 N	lonths to June		2016	2015	2014	2013	2012
Total	Shareholder Return		10.9	11.7	6.9	24.3	-6.3
NAV	Total Return		11.3	8.8	5.9	19.2	-3.8

16.0

10.1

Jun 2014

5.4

9.6

N/A

21.2

Jun 2015

N/A

-3.7

Jun 2016

14.6

13.9

\* The equity portfolio was restructured in December 2011 and equity portfolio returns prior to December 2012 are not comparable.

10.9

11.3

14.6

13.9

2.6

6.6

9.5

12.0

Jun 2013 Jun 2011 Source: Factset and Morningsta

Alliance Trust Discount



Equity portfolio (%) MSCI ACWI (£) (%)

Average

Weight

12.75

10.42

21.04

12.38

10.26

14.33

Total

22.54

17.60

2.12

19.32

24.36

23.76

14.61

Average

Weight

8.70

8.24

4.95

24.06

17.77

19.11

100.00

6.70

Sector

Staples

Energy

**Financials** 

Health Care

Industrials

Information

Technology

Unassigned

Source: Factset and Morningstar

**Total** 

Consumer

Discretionary

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Important Information

investment trust company, operating from

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of your investment, and any income from it, may fall as well as increase. For security and compliance monitoring

purposes, telephone calls may be recorded.

Exchange rate changes may cause the value of overseas investments to go down as well as up.

get back the amount you invest. The value

Investment trusts may borrow to finance further investment (gearing). The use of gearing is likely to lead to volatility in the Net of a trust's assets will result in a magnified movement, in the same direction, of that

PLC currently conducts its affairs so that its shares can be recommended by IFAs to ordinary retail investors in accordance with the FCA's rules in relation to nonmainstream investment products and intends to continue to do so for the foreseeable future. The shares are excluded from the FCA's restrictions which apply to non-mainstream investment products because they are shares in an investment trust. The shares in the

before acquiring shares. should have sufficient resources to bear any loss that may result.

# 12 month equity portfolio performance attribution

Sector

-0.34

0.09

-0.31

-0.06

-0.11

0.20

-0.13

-0.49

Allocation

Stock

Effect

-0.16

-0.61

0.30

0.13

1.00

0.43

0.68

1.10

Total

Effect

-0.04

-0.95

0.39

-0.18

0.94

0.32

0.88

-0.13

0.61

Selection

Index

Total

Return

10.62

32.72

10.86

1.79

12.79

16.99

19.38

51.18

13.92

### Materials 4.24 9.40 4.67 6.69 0.02 0.13 0.15 Telecom 2.73 3.46 3.85 21.49 0.00 -0.44-0.45Services 3.26 -0.30 -0.27 Utilities 3.50 23.45 33.02 0.03

0.42

100.00

Rank	Name	Sector	£m	(%) of Quoted Equities
1	Visa	Information Technology	95.2	3.0
2	Pfizer	Health Care	93.8	3.0
3	Accenture	Information Technology	89.6	2.9
4	Reckitt Benckiser	Consumer Staples	77.4	2.5
5	CVS Caremark	Consumer Staples	75.9	2.4
6	Amgen	Health Care	75.8	2.4
7	TJX Cos	Consumer Discretionary	72.9	2.3
8	National Grid	Utilities	72.3	2.:
9	American Tower	Financials	72.1	2.3
10	Equinix	Financials	70.9	2.3
11	Macquarie Infrastructure	Industrials	66.9	2.1
12	CSL	Health Care	66.5	2.1
13	Daikin Industries	Industrials	64.9	2.
14	Blackstone	Financials	62.2	2.0
15	Roche	Health Care	61.2	2.0
16	Tencent	Information Technology	61.0	2.0
17	Danaher	Industrials	60.2	1.9
18	Toronto-Dominion Bank	Financials	57.7	1.8
19	Prudential	Financials	55.7	1.8
20	Wells Fargo	Financials	55.4	1.8

## Asset Value (NAV) meaning that a relatively small movement, down or up, in the value

Share Investment

Alliance Trust invests primarily in equities

and aims to generate capital growth and a progressively rising dividend from its portfolio of investments. Alliance Trust

nothing at all.

NAV. This may mean that you could get back

Trust may also be suitable for institutional investors who seek a combination of capital and income return. Private investors should consider consulting an independent financial adviser who specialises in advising on the acquisition of shares and other securities Investors should be capable of evaluating the risks and merits of such an investment and

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