



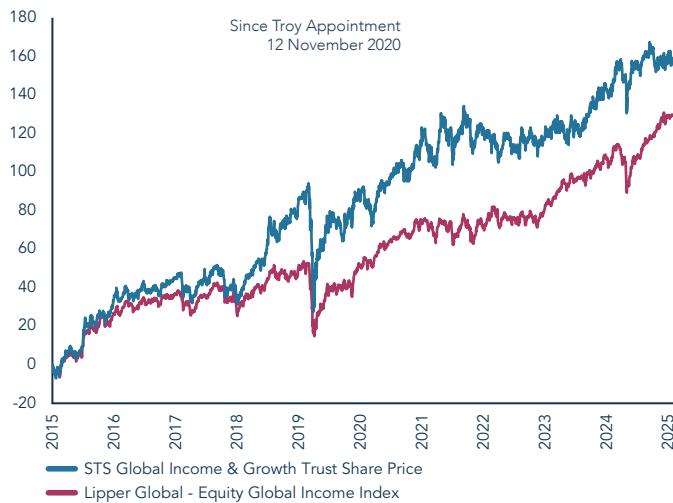
**THE TRUST AIMS TO:**

- Steadily grow your investment over time
- Target a growing income – yield 4.0%\*
- Seeks to defend value in an uncertain world

The investment objective of the Trust is to achieve rising income and long-term capital growth through investment in a balanced portfolio constructed from global equities.

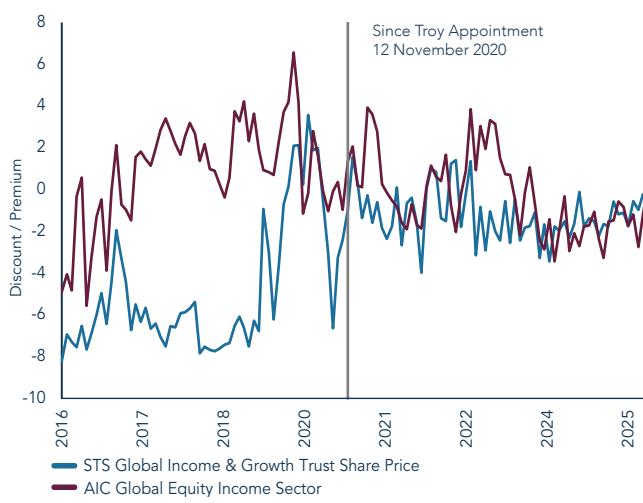
PRICE	NAV (EX INC)	PREMIUM/ DISCOUNT	HISTORIC YIELD	TOTAL NET/ GROSS ASSETS
237.00p	237.61p	-0.5%	4.0%	£277m/292m

**PERCENTAGE GROWTH 31/12/2015 - 31/12/2025**



Source: Lipper

**SHARE PRICE DISCOUNT/PREMIUM TO NAV**



Source: LSEG Workspace

Total Return to 31 December 2025	Since Troy Troy Appointment#	31/12/20 5 years	31/12/22 3 years	31/12/24 1 year	30/06/25 6 months
STS Global Income & Growth Trust Share Price	+38.9%	+33.6%	+16.2%	+6.7%	+0.9%
STS Global Income & Growth Trust NAV	+36.4%	+36.2%	+18.3%	+5.7%	+0.2%
Lipper Global – Equity Global Income Index	+54.6%	+52.3%	+32.7%	+12.6%	+9.7%

Discrete Annual Total Returns	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
STS Global Income & Growth Trust Share Price	+0.8%	-5.4%	+35.8%	+6.8%	-7.9%	+39.3%	+3.1%	+15.4%	-0.4%	-0.7%	+9.7%	+6.7%
STS Global Income & Growth Trust NAV	+4.1%	+0.2%	+28.5%	+11.9%	-8.2%	+27.4%	+3.7%	+17.6%	-2.1%	+2.4%	+9.2%	+5.7%

\*The dividend policy set out in the Annual Accounts does not target a yield, this reflects the historic yield. This is not guaranteed.

#Since Troy appointment 12 November 2020

Source: Lipper

**Past performance is not a guide to future performance.**

## December Commentary

The Trust produced a Net Asset Value total return of -0.9% during the month and a price total return of -1.2%, compared to a return of +0.1% for the Lipper Global – Equity Global Income Index.

December ended with more of a whimper than a bang but did cap off an extraordinary year. Following the tariff-related swoon in April global equity markets rose virtually uninterrupted for the rest of the year. One can argue that the effect of tariffs is yet to be felt and that valuations in the US have reached greater historical extremes but, so far at least, this has not mattered. Market returns have been decent.

Also notable has been the dominance of the Artificial Intelligence theme. The vast sums being deployed to build out the infrastructure needed for this new technology has created a capital expenditure boom which has benefitted a relatively narrow group of companies disproportionately. Again, one can argue that the returns on capital of this spending are currently unknown as is the timing of those returns. Further the circularity of the expenditure boosting the economy, the stock market and consumption via the wealth effect<sup>1</sup> lends a fragility to the current advance that may reverse should the expenditure be moderated. But again, this is all in the future.

What has happened is that there has been material divergence of performance that has thrown up some excellent global income opportunities. At Troy we seek to invest for the long term and interrupt compounding reluctantly. This tends to impart low turnover to our portfolios. Equally when companies in our universe go on sale, we will take advantage as appropriate.

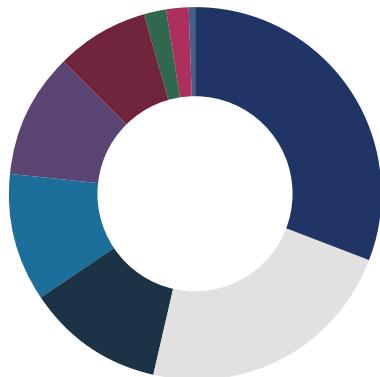
We have established new investments in Siemens (world's largest industrial software company undergoing a corporate streamlining), Nike (world's pre-eminent sports apparel company), Sysco (dominant US food distribution company), IG Group (the UK's leading spread-betting franchise under impressive new management) and Coloplast (superior medical technology company producing loyalty-inducing intimate products with structurally growing end markets). These were funded by sales of Cisco, Medtronic, Johnson & Johnson, Hershey and Magnum Ice Cream (spun out of Unilever) as well as material reductions in Philip Morris and Nintendo. A busy year indeed.

<sup>1</sup> The wealth effect is the idea that an increase in an individual's wealth will lead to an increase in their consumption (spending).  
Source: Troy Asset Management Limited, Lipper & Bloomberg.



# STS Global Income & Growth Trust

## ASSET ALLOCATION BY SECTOR



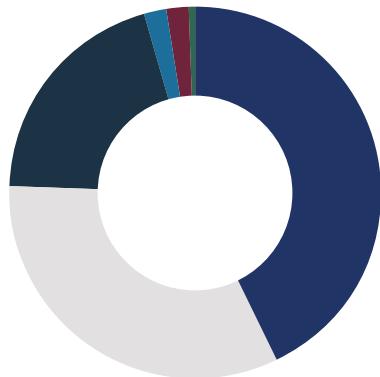
- Consumer Staples 31%
- Industrials 23%
- Consumer Discretionary 12%
- Financials 11%
- Information Technology 11%
- Health Care 8%
- Real Estate 2%
- Communication Services 2%
- Cash <1%

## TOP 10 HOLDINGS

British American Tobacco	6.9%
CME Group	5.4%
Siemens	4.6%
Microsoft	4.5%
CNR	4.4%
Reckitt Benckiser	4.3%
Amadeus IT	4.3%
Rentokil Initial	4.2%
Paychex	4.2%
Admiral	3.6%
<b>Total Top 10</b>	<b>46.6%</b>
22 Other Equity holdings	53.0%
Cash	0.4%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

Source: Factset. Holdings subject to change.

## ASSET ALLOCATION BY REGION



- North America 43%
- United Kingdom 33%
- Europe ex UK 20%
- Asia/Pacific ex Japan 2%
- Japan 2%
- Cash <1%

## FUND MANAGER AWARDS



Source: Factset. Asset allocation is subject to change.

## TRUST INFORMATION

<b>Structure</b>	London Listed Investment Trust	<b>Capital Structure</b>	Shares with voting rights 116,148,415	<b>Historic Dividend Yield</b>	(trailing 12 months) 3.96%
<b>Board</b>		Shares held in treasury	59,039,770	25 Final	3.61p
Independent Director – Chair	Sarah Harvey	Net Assets	£277m	25 Interim	1.59p
Senior Independent Director	Alexandra Innes	Gross Assets	£292m	25 Interim	1.59p
Non-Executive Director	Gillian Elcock	<b>Ongoing Charges</b>	0.80%	25 Interim	1.59p
Non-Executive Director	Bridget Guerin	Ordinary shares: (31.03.2025)	0.80%		
Non-Executive Director	Brigid Sutcliffe	<b>Management Fee</b>	0.55% on first £250m 0.50% above £250m	<b>Dividend Payments</b>	January, April, July, October
<b>Investment Manager</b>	Troy Asset Management Limited	<b>Allocation of Expense and Interest</b>	Capital 65% Revenue 35%	<b>Market Makers:</b>	JPMORGAN, NUMIS, WINTERFLOOD, INVESTEC, PANMURE, PEEL HUNT
	33 Davies Street	<b>Mandate Established</b>	2005	<b>Bloomberg/Epic/</b>	
	London W1K 4BP	<b>Year End</b>	31 March	Reuters Code	STS
	Tel: 020 7499 4030	<b>Premium (Discount)</b>	-0.5%	<b>ISIN</b>	GB00B09G3N23
	Email: info@taml.co.uk	<b>Gearing</b>	4%	<b>SEDOL</b>	B09G3N2
<b>Co-Manager</b>	James Harries	<b>Currency</b>	£ Sterling	<b>AIFM</b>	Juniper Partners Limited
<b>Co-Manager</b>	Tomasz Boniek			<b>Pricing</b>	Share price is listed daily in the FT
<b>Benchmark</b>	Lipper Global Equity Global Income Index			<b>Auditor</b>	Ernst & Young LLP



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