

**March 2026**

**VT PEF Global Multi-Asset Fund**  
(VT PEF GMAF)

**Key Facts**

Fund launch date:	25/09/17
Fund type:	UCITS
Fund managers:	Andrew Craig & Roderick Collins
Fund size	£11.1m
IA sector:	IA Flexible Investment
Base currency:	GBP
Valuation point: (Daily dealing)	12:00 midday London time
Accounting dates:	Final – 31/12 Interim – 30/06
UCITS:	Yes
SIPP & ISA eligible:	Yes
7-day Fund liquidity:	100%
Minimum Investment:	A Class – £100

**Performance Analysis Since 25/09/17**

Annualised rate of return	1.9%
Best month	4.5% (Feb '26)
Worst month	-6.0% (Mar '26)
Average month	0.2%
% Positive months	52%

**Monthly Performance (% return)**

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
2017	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-0.5*	1.6	-0.8	0.4	0.7
2018	1.2	-1.5	-1.9	0.4	0.1	-0.7	0.2	-0.4	-0.5	-1.8	-0.4	-1.3	-6.4
2019	0.9	-1.1	1.2	0.8	0.2	3.6	3.0	-1.3	-0.2	-2.2	0.2	-0.6	4.4
2020	-1.3	-3.2	-1.9	0.3	0.3	0.7	0.1	0.4	0.3	-1.1	3.1	1.3	-1.2
2021	-1.0	-0.6	1.3	2.2	0.5	1.7	-0.3	1.5	-0.4	-0.3	-0.4	0.9	5.2
2022	-1.7	-0.2	1.6	0.5	-1.0	-1.5	0.6	0.2	-1.4	-0.1	0.5	-0.2	-2.9
2023	0.9	-2.0	1.0	0.1	-0.9	-0.6	0.2	-0.7	0.8	-0.1	0.5	2.1	1.2
2024	-1.1	1.0	2.9	-0.3	-0.2	1.3	0.5	-0.2	1.3	-0.2	1.4	-1.0	5.5
2025	2.9	-0.6	-2.1	-0.8	1.6	1.3	2.3	0.4	2.2	3.7	-0.6	-0.1	10.2
2026	2.7	4.5	-6.0										0.8

\*September 2017 was only a partial month, as the fund was launched on the 25th September 2017. Past performance is not necessarily a guide to future performance. Source: Valu-Trac Investment Management Limited

**Notes**

- (1) A class accumulation shares, net of fees priced at midday UK time, net dividends reinvested. Source: Valu-Trac Investment Management Ltd.
- (2) IA Global, IA Sector Average Performance, source Morningstar
- (3) IA UK Gilts, IA Sector Average Performance, source Morningstar
- (4) IA Standard Money Market, IA Sector Average Performance, source Morningstar
- (5) A (retail) class AMC 0.9% / I (institutional) class AMC 0.7%. (I-class for sums over £1m or at manager's discretion).
- (6) This figure will reduce if the fund increases in size: £30,000 of fixed costs over £10m = 0.30% but only 0.03% over £100m, for example.
- (7) The fund normally only buys and sells positions once a month to keep trading costs as low as possible.

The investment objective of the Fund is to provide capital growth over the medium to long term. The Fund will aim to meet its objectives by employing two primary investment techniques:

1. True diversification which may include exposure to equities, fixed income, commodities, real estate and infrastructure in different jurisdictions throughout the world, primarily using Exchange Traded Funds.
2. Formula-based trend following.

**Performance (% return)**

	Mar 2026	2026 YTD	*Since incep.	Q4/24 - Q3/25	Q4/23 - Q3/24	Q4/22 - Q3/23	Q4/21 - Q3/22	Q4/20 - Q3/21
VT PEF GMAF <sup>(1)</sup>	-6.0	0.8	17.9	7.3	7.9	4.1	-2.8	8.4
IA Global <sup>(2)</sup>	-6.6	-2.7	99.6	11.7	16.5	7.7	-9.2	23.1
IA UK Gilts <sup>(3)</sup>	-3.8	-1.9	-11.7	-1.2	7.9	-14.2	-14.3	-7.0
IA Standard Money Market <sup>(4)</sup>	0.2	0.8	19.4	4.6	5.4	4.1	0.4	0.0

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**Charges**

Entry & exit charges:	0.00%
Performance charges:	0.00%
Annual Management Charge (AMC):	0.9/0.7% <sup>(5)</sup>
Ongoing Charges Figure (OCF):	1.47/1.27% <sup>(6)</sup>
Estimated trading costs:	0.012% <sup>(7)</sup>

**Codes**

ISIN:	GB00BDZZSM84
SEDOL:	BDZZSM8
MEXID:	WLJKH
CITICODE:	O42K
Bloomberg Ticker:	VTGMAAG
Lipper:	LP68439582

## Monthly Commentary (March 2026)

The outbreak of full-blown armed conflict between the US and Iran dominated headlines and drove significant volatility across financial markets. Of greatest concern was the effective closure of the Strait of Hormuz. Brent oil rose 63% in the month, the largest increase in decades. Grain and fertiliser prices also spiked.

Higher energy prices fuelled inflation concerns, with central banks shifting abruptly from pricing in rate cuts to flagging the possibility of rate hikes. Stocks and bonds sold off globally as a result. The US dollar rallied as a perceived "safe haven". Gold and emerging market equities were hit particularly hard. Although gold is often seen as a hedge against just this kind of geopolitical uncertainty, it is a non-yielding asset which makes it less attractive when markets expect interest rates to rise. Its nominal dollar price also tends to fall when the dollar rises, more or less obviously. Furthermore, it was one place that traders could take profits and source liquidity in the month given how strong it has been and suffered from the unwinding of leveraged bets too. Similarly, emerging market equities are usually hardest hit at times like these. Set against that, unsurprisingly, our commodities basket had a very strong month.

With the fund fully invested, those big falls across several markets impacted performance in the month with the fund falling 6.0%. This was our weakest month since launch. The fact that this came on the back of our strongest month since launch in February is indicative of just how much volatility Mr Trump's

### Buy Position Trades

+ [None]

### Sell Position Trades

- [None]

actions are injecting. Happily, the fund has also recovered c.3.4% so far in the first half of April.

The primary job of the fund is to seek to preserve capital through market dislocations. Months such as March are unwelcome but unsurprising at such times. The key is to zoom out and keep a cool head. There is real uncertainty around how the conflict will evolve from here, and how the inflation and growth picture will play out as a result. There are strong incentives for de-escalation but we cannot count on that. As ever, broad diversification across a wide range of assets combined with our trend following overlay will remain our best defence.

### Platform Availability

7IM	Barclays		Hargreaves Lansdown	Pershing	Wealthtime
Abrdn - Wrap and Elevate	Benchmark Capital	Eqi	Interactive Investor	Scottish Widows	
Aegon	Bestinvest	FNZ	iWeb	Standard Life	
AJ Bell	Canada Life	Halifax	M&G	Stocktrade	
Aviva	Charles Stanley Direct		Nucleus	Transact	

### Key Risks

- Counterparty risk: The Fund can conclude various transactions with contractual partners. If a contractual partner becomes insolvent, it can no longer or can only partly settle unpaid debts owed to the Fund. a wide selection of Exchange Traded Funds which themselves own many hundreds of underlying assets.
- Market Risk: External factors can cause an entire asset class to decline in value which would result in a decrease in the value of investments. The Fund aims to mitigate this risk by investing in all major asset classes in many geographic regions and owning assets which are often negatively correlated. Liquidity Risk: adverse market conditions may affect the ability to sell certain assets when necessary. The Fund invests nearly exclusively in large, liquid ETFs so liquidity risk should be significantly lower than in a more conventional actively managed fund investing in single assets.
- Concentration Risk: The Fund seeks to minimise concentration risk by owning

For full details of the Fund's risks, please see the [prospectus](#) which may be obtained from the Fund's [website](#).

### Links and further reading

[Application Form](#)

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### Important Information

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