



## **Barings UK Unit Trusts**

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Statements

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## Barings UK Unit Trusts

### Introduction

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These Interim Reports and Unaudited Financial Statements cover the period from 1 September 2024 to 28 February 2025 and review the performance and market outlook for four of the unit trusts managed by Baring Fund Managers Limited (“the Manager”). These comprise the Barings Europe Select Trust and the Barings German Growth Trust (“the Trusts”).

Baring Asset Management Limited is the Investment Manager for the Trusts.

The functional and presentational currency for all the Trusts is Pound Sterling (“Sterling”) except for the Barings German Growth Trust where the functional and presentational currency is Euros.

As an investor in one of the Trusts, your money is pooled with that of other investors in the same Trust and invested by the Manager in line with the Investment Objective of the particular trust.

For further information about the Trusts please visit the Barings website, [www.baring.com](http://www.baring.com).

### Trusts Available in Hong Kong

The following Trusts are authorised by the Securities and Futures Commission (“SFC”) pursuant to Section 104 of the Securities and Futures Ordinance of Hong Kong (“SFO”) and hence may be offered to the public of Hong Kong:

- Barings Europe Select Trust
- Barings German Growth Trust

The SFC’s authorisation is not a recommendation or endorsement of a scheme nor does it guarantee the commercial merits of a scheme or its performance. It does not mean the scheme is suitable for all investors nor is it an endorsement of its suitability for any particular investor or class of investors.

### Russia/Ukraine Crisis

In response to the Russian invasion of Ukraine, the EU, the U.S., the UK and other governmental entities have passed a variety of severe economic sanctions and export controls against Russia, including imposition of sanctions against Russia’s Central Bank, largest financial institutions and certain individuals. In addition, a number of businesses have curtailed or suspended activities in Russia or dealings with Russian counterparts for reputational reasons. While current sanctions may not target the Manager, the Trusts or the Portfolio Investments and their issuers and industries in which the issuers of the Portfolio Investments operate, these sanctions have had and may continue to have the effect of causing significant economic disruption and may adversely impact the global economy generally, and the Russian economy specifically by, among other things, creating instability in the energy sectors, reducing trade as a result of economic sanctions and increased volatility and uncertainty in financial markets, including Russia’s financial sector. Additionally, any new or expanded sanctions that may be imposed by the U.S., EU, UK, or other countries may materially adversely affect the Manager’s operations, including the Trusts and the Portfolio Investments.

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## Barings Europe Select Trust

### Investment Objective and Policy and Trust at a Glance

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#### Investment Objective and Policy

The investment objective of Barings Europe Select Trust (the “Trust”) is to provide a total return, including both capital growth and dividend income (after fees have been deducted), in excess of the MSCI Europe ex UK Small Cap (Total Net Return) Index over a rolling five year period by investing in equity and equity related securities in Europe excluding the United Kingdom.

The Trust will seek to achieve its investment objective by investing at least 75% of its Net Asset Value directly and indirectly in equities and equity-related securities of smaller issuers incorporated in, or exercising the predominant part of their economic activity in Europe excluding the United Kingdom, or quoted or traded on the stock exchanges in Europe excluding the United Kingdom.

Smaller European issuers can be defined as those issuers which are constituents of the bottom 30% of total market capitalisation of Europe’s listed issuers (this excludes issuers in the United Kingdom).

The Trust will invest at least 50% of the Trust’s Net Asset Value in equities of issuers that exhibit positive or improving environmental, social and governance (ESG) characteristics. Furthermore, the Trust may also invest up to 50% of its Net Asset Value in equities and equity related securities of issuers that exhibit less positive ESG characteristics. Such issuers are selected through the use of proprietary research supported with the use of third party data. This analysis is also an important driver behind the Investment Manager’s policy of active issuer engagement in which the Investment Manager seeks to influence (or identify the need to influence) ESG practices and to improve disclosure.

The Trust may invest up to 25% of its Net Asset Value directly and indirectly in equities and equity-related securities outside of Europe (including in the United Kingdom), as well as in larger issuers, and in fixed income and cash.

In order to implement the investment policy the Trust may gain indirect exposure through American depositary receipts, global depositary receipts and other equity related securities including participation notes, structured notes, equity-linked notes and debt securities convertible into equities. The Trust may also obtain indirect exposure through investments in collective investment schemes (including collective investment schemes managed by the Manager or an associate of the Manager) and other transferable securities. It may also use derivatives including futures, options, swaps, warrants and forward contracts for efficient portfolio management (including hedging). Please refer to the Prospectus for the full investment objective and policy.

#### Benchmark

The target benchmark is MSCI Europe ex UK Small Cap (Total Net Return) Index. The benchmark has been selected as it tracks the performance of small and medium sized issuers from developed European countries excluding the UK. The benchmark constituents are not required to exhibit positive/improving ESG characteristics.

The Trust is actively managed and targets outperformance of the benchmark over a five year period. There is however no guarantee that this objective will be achieved over any time period. The Trust is not constrained by the benchmark and can make investments in securities that are not included in the benchmark. Differences in the performance of the Trust compared to the benchmark may also arise as a result of application of the UK UCITS Rules prescribing portfolio concentration and liquidity limits, which are not applied to the benchmark. The Manager considers the benchmark is appropriate based on the investment policy of the Trust.

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## Barings Europe Select Trust

### Investment Objective and Policy and Trust at a Glance (continued)

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#### How the Trust is Managed

At Barings, our equity investment teams share the philosophy of quality “Growth at a Reasonable Price” or GARP. We believe that earnings growth is the principal driver of equity market performance over the medium to long term, and favour high-quality issuers for their ability to outperform the market on a risk-adjusted basis. In particular, we believe that structured fundamental research and a disciplined investment process combining quality, growth and upside disciplines can allow us to identify attractively priced, long-term growth issuers which will outperform the market. Our approach emphasises quality criteria when looking at issuers and a three- to five-year time horizon when forecasting issuer earnings. In determining upside, we use consistent and transparent methods to place emphasis on discounted earnings models. We value issuers on a long term-term basis utilizing proprietary valuation models that incorporate ESG analysis and macro considerations.

#### Risk Profile

Please see detailed below the key risks applicable to the Trust:

- Changes in exchange rates between the currency of the Trust and the currencies in which the assets of the Trust are valued can have the effect of increasing or decreasing the value of the Trust and any income generated.
- The Trust can hold smaller company shares, which can be more difficult to buy and sell as they may trade infrequently and in small volumes, so their share prices may fluctuate more than those of larger companies.
- Regional Funds have a narrower focus than those which invest broadly across markets and are therefore considered to be more risky.
- Derivative instruments can make a profit or a loss and there is no guarantee that a financial derivative contract will achieve its intended outcome. The use of derivatives can increase the amount by which the Trust’s value rises and falls and could expose the Trust to losses that are significantly greater than the cost of the derivative, as a relatively small movement may have a larger impact on derivatives than the underlying assets. Some derivative transactions may be entered into directly with an eligible person or institution (a “counterparty”). There is a risk that the counterparty may not meet its obligations or becomes insolvent, which could cause the Trust to incur a loss.
- Emerging markets or less developed countries may face more political, economic or structural challenges than developed countries. Coupled with less developed regulation, this means your money is at greater risk.
- Losses may occur if an organization through which we buy an asset (such as a bank) fails to meet its obligations.
- Liquidity risk exists when a particular security or instrument is difficult to purchase or sell. If the amount of a transaction is particularly large or if the relevant market is illiquid (as is the case with many privately negotiated derivatives, structured products, etc), it may not be possible to initiate a transaction or liquidate a position at an advantageous time or price.

Please refer to the Prospectus for the full risk profile.

## Barings Europe Select Trust

Investment Objective and Policy and Trust at a Glance (continued)

### The Trust at a Glance on 28 February 2025

Total Trust size: 28 February 2025	£462.94 million	
Total Trust size: 31 August 2024	£548.21 million	
OCF*	28/02/2025	31/08/2024
Class A GBP Inc**	1.57%	1.57%
Class A EUR Acc**	1.57%	1.57%
Class A EUR Inc**	1.57%	1.57%
Class A USD Acc	1.57%	1.57%
Class I GBP Acc	0.82%	0.82%
Class I GBP Inc	0.82%	0.82%
Class I EUR Acc	0.82%	0.82%
Class I EUR Inc	0.82%	0.82%
	Initial charge	Annual charge
Class A GBP Inc**	up to 5.00%	1.50%
Class A EUR Acc**	up to 5.00%	1.50%
Class A EUR Inc**	up to 5.00%	1.50%
Class A USD Acc	up to 5.00%	1.50%
Class I GBP Acc	Nil	0.75%
Class I GBP Inc	Nil	0.75%
Class I EUR Acc	Nil	0.75%
Class I EUR Inc	Nil	0.75%
	Minimum initial investment	Minimum subsequent investment
Class A GBP Inc**	£1,000	£500
Class A EUR Acc**	€5,000	€1,000
Class A EUR Inc**	€5,000	€1,000
Class A USD Acc	US\$5,000	US\$2,500
Class I GBP Acc	£10,000,000	£500
Class I GBP Inc	£10,000,000	£500
Class I EUR Acc	€10,000,000	€1,000
Class I EUR Inc	€10,000,000	€1,000

\* The Ongoing Charge Figure ("OCF") reflects the payments and expenses which cover aspects of operating the Trust and is deducted from the assets over the year. It includes fees paid for investment management, trustee and general charges.

\*\* Calculation based on mid-price.

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## Barings Europe Select Trust

Investment Objective and Policy and Trust at a Glance (continued)

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### The Trust at a Glance on 28 February 2025 (continued)

Price per unit	(pence/cents per unit)
Class A GBP Inc	4,680.00p
Class A EUR Acc	6,223.00c
Class A EUR Inc	5,667.00c
Class A USD Acc	6,460.00c
Class I GBP Acc	121.30p
Class I GBP Inc	4,692.00p
Class I EUR Acc	6,507.00c
Class I EUR Inc	5,755.00c

## Barings Europe Select Trust

### Trust Information

	Class A GBP Inc - Distribution units			Class A EUR Acc - Accumulation units		
	28/02/2025	31/08/2024	31/08/2023	28/02/2025	31/08/2024	31/08/2023
	(p)	(p)	(p)	(c)	(c)	(c)
<b>Change in net assets per unit</b>						
Opening net asset value per unit	4,653.61	4,335.30	4,091.89	6,074.07	5,530.58	5,159.75
Return before operating charges	58.90	405.84	353.80	192.57	634.83	456.51
Operating charges	(35.85)	(70.31)	(67.89)	(47.66)	(91.34)	(85.68)
Return after operating charges	23.05	335.53	285.91	144.91	543.49	370.83
Distributions	–	(17.22)	(42.50)	–	(21.01)	(53.31)
Retained distributions on accumulation units	–	–	–	–	21.01	53.31
Closing net asset value per unit after direct transaction costs of*	4,676.66	4,653.61	4,335.30	6,218.98	6,074.07	5,530.58
	1.66	3.40	3.59	2.21	4.42	4.53
<b>Performance</b>						
Return after charges	0.50%	7.74%	6.99%	2.39%	9.83%	7.19%
<b>Other information</b>						
Closing net asset value ('000)	£61,887	£66,933	£74,041	€9,833	€10,812	€13,015
Closing number of units	1,323,326	1,438,298	1,707,858	158,114	178,004	235,324
Operating charges	1.57%	1.57%	1.56%	1.57%	1.57%	1.56%
Direct transaction costs	0.04%	0.08%	0.08%	0.04%	0.08%	0.08%
<b>Prices**</b>						
Highest unit price	4,855.00	4,889.00	4,746.00	6,406.00	6,250.00	5,788.00
Lowest unit price	4,402.00	3,908.00	3,782.00	5,806.00	4,899.00	4,659.00

  

	Class A EUR Inc - Distribution units			Class A USD Acc - Accumulation units		
	28/02/2025	31/08/2024	31/08/2023	28/02/2025	31/08/2024	31/08/2023
	(c)	(c)	(c)	(c)	(c)	(c)
<b>Change in net assets per unit</b>						
Opening net asset value per unit	5,530.95	5,055.15	4,762.50	6,718.17	6,002.53	5,139.95
Return before operating charges	175.37	580.45	421.73	(213.00)	816.83	955.72
Operating charges	(43.40)	(83.61)	(79.15)	(49.48)	(101.19)	(93.14)
Return after operating charges	131.97	496.84	342.58	(262.48)	715.64	862.58
Distributions	–	(21.04)	(49.93)	–	(25.48)	(58.81)
Retained distributions on accumulation units	–	–	–	–	25.48	58.81
Closing net asset value per unit after direct transaction costs of*	5,662.92	5,530.95	5,055.15	6,455.69	6,718.17	6,002.53
	2.01	4.04	4.18	2.29	4.90	4.92
<b>Performance</b>						
Return after charges	2.39%	9.83%	7.19%	(3.91)%	11.92%	16.78%
<b>Other information</b>						
Closing net asset value ('000)	€40,689	€43,631	€45,902	\$12,821	\$14,906	\$16,467
Closing number of units	718,517	788,854	908,021	198,602	221,870	274,326
Operating charges	1.57%	1.57%	1.56%	1.57%	1.57%	1.56%
Direct transaction costs	0.04%	0.08%	0.08%	0.04%	0.08%	0.08%
<b>Prices**</b>						
Highest unit price	5,833.00	5,712.00	5,343.00	6,879.00	6,787.00	6,317.00
Lowest unit price	5,287.00	4,478.00	4,301.00	6,010.00	5,153.00	4,481.00

\*Direct transaction costs comprise commission and taxes, principally applicable to equity investment purchases and sales. Unitholders should note that there are other additional transaction costs such as dealing spread and underlying costs with regard to Investment Fund holdings which will also have reduced the Trust and unit class returns before operating charges.

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## Barings Europe Select Trust

### Trust Information (continued)

	Class I GBP Acc - Accumulation units			Class I GBP Inc - Distribution units		
	28/02/2025	31/08/2024	31/08/2023	28/02/2025	31/08/2024	31/08/2023
	(p)	(p)	(p)	(p)	(p)	(p)
<b>Change in net assets per unit</b>						
Opening net asset value per unit	120.11	110.65	102.65	4,648.10	4,330.22	4,087.92
Return before operating charges	1.52	10.40	8.89	59.05	407.02	353.56
Operating charges	(0.48)	(0.94)	(0.89)	(18.73)	(36.78)	(35.32)
Return after operating charges	1.04	9.46	8.00	40.32	370.24	318.24
Distributions	–	(1.36)	(1.91)	–	(52.36)	(75.94)
Retained distributions on accumulation units	–	1.36	1.91	–	–	–
Closing net asset value per unit after direct transaction costs of*	121.15	120.11	110.65	4,688.42	4,648.10	4,330.22
	0.04	0.09	0.09	1.66	3.41	3.60
<b>Performance</b>						
Return after charges	0.87%	8.55%	7.79%	0.87%	8.55%	7.78%
<b>Other information</b>						
Closing net asset value ('000)	£22,886	£19,566	£16,523	£310,651	£383,858	£449,637
Closing number of units	18,890,560	16,290,346	14,933,676	6,625,926	8,258,382	10,383,699
Operating charges	0.82%	0.82%	0.81%	0.82%	0.82%	0.81%
Direct transaction costs	0.04%	0.08%	0.08%	0.04%	0.08%	0.08%
<b>Prices**</b>						
Highest unit price	125.80	125.50	119.50	4,866.00	4,909.00	4,757.00
Lowest unit price	113.80	99.83	94.93	4,404.00	3,907.00	3,781.00

  

	Class I EUR Acc - Accumulation units			Class I EUR Inc - Distribution units		
	28/02/2025	31/08/2024	31/08/2023	28/02/2025	31/08/2024	31/08/2023
	(c)	(c)	(c)	(c)	(c)	(c)
<b>Change in net assets per unit</b>						
Opening net asset value per unit	6,327.89	5,718.74	5,296.03	5,596.41	5,114.68	4,819.17
Return before operating charges	200.89	658.67	468.61	177.76	589.21	427.02
Operating charges	(25.99)	(49.52)	(45.90)	(22.98)	(44.31)	(41.78)
Return after operating charges	174.90	609.15	422.71	154.78	544.90	385.24
Distributions	–	(71.35)	(98.64)	–	(63.17)	(89.73)
Retained distributions on accumulation units	–	71.35	98.64	–	–	–
Closing net asset value per unit after direct transaction costs of*	6,502.79	6,327.89	5,718.74	5,751.19	5,596.41	5,114.68
	2.31	4.59	4.67	2.04	4.10	4.25
<b>Performance</b>						
Return after charges	2.76%	10.65%	7.98%	2.77%	10.65%	7.99%
<b>Other information</b>						
Closing net asset value ('000)	€15,769	€21,264	€27,197	€3,156	€3,401	€3,813
Closing number of units	242,497	336,033	475,578	54,879	60,763	74,556
Operating charges	0.82%	0.82%	0.81%	0.82%	0.82%	0.81%
Direct transaction costs	0.04%	0.08%	0.08%	0.04%	0.08%	0.08%
<b>Prices**</b>						
Highest unit price	6,696.00	6,498.00	5,961.00	5,922.00	5,812.00	5,425.00
Lowest unit price	6,058.00	5,071.00	4,785.00	5,358.00	4,535.00	4,324.00

\*Direct transaction costs comprise commission and taxes, principally applicable to equity investment purchases and sales. Unitholders should note that there are other additional transaction costs such as dealing spread and underlying costs with regard to Investment Fund holdings which will also have reduced the Trust and unit class returns before operating charges.

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## Barings Europe Select Trust

Report of the Investment Manager

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### Performance

Over the six-month period to 28 February 2025, the Barings Europe Select Trust (the “Trust”) gained 0.48% on the Class A GBP Inc (net of fees) and outperformed against the target benchmark, which returned 0.40%. The table below shows the 6 months, 1 year and 5 year annualised net return for the Class A GBP Inc units against the target benchmark.

	6 months	1 year	5 years
Barings Europe Select Trust	0.48%	2.65%	3.87%
MSCI Europe ex UK Small Cap (Total Net Return) Index*	0.40%	6.31%	6.83%

*\* From 31 July 2023, MSCI Europe ex UK Small Cap (Total Net Return) (previously, EMIX Smaller European Companies Ex UK (Total Net Return) Index) is the target benchmark.*

European smaller company equities made limited gains through a volatile period for equity markets. As 2024 closed confidence in European economic growth deteriorated, however, since the new year, European equity indices have rebounded on hopes of peace in Ukraine, while political developments in France and Germany reassured investors.

Over the period stock selection contributed positively to relative performance, while country and sector allocation had limited impact. Value orientated equities outperformed companies with Growth characteristics, however, strong stock selection offset this impact.

Stock selection in Finland and Switzerland contributed positively to relative performance. Finnish industrial group, Cargotec, again performed strongly and the holding was sold as the valuation in our view reflected fully the strong track record and market share in load handling equipment. Avolta, the Swiss duty free and concession operator, also performed strongly on contract wins, improving profitability and balance sheet strength. The portfolio also benefitted from strong performance by Lottomatica Spa, the Italian consumer discretionary sector group, and, Euronext, the French listed stock exchange operator. Stock selection in Germany, however, was less positive for relative performance, as Puma, the sporting goods group, fell back given weak sales.

Purchases include French holding company, Wendel, which is progressively reducing exposure to its largest holding, Bureau Veritas, the testing, inspection and certification group. and improving profitability through restructuring and repositioning of Stahl Group, another key holding, while reinvesting in private assets investment management groups. A holding in Arcadis, the Dutch engineering consultancy, was acquired. The company continues to improve its sector-leading profitability while growing its long-term order book of projects and is well placed, as a world-leading provider of architectural and infrastructure consulting services, to benefit from rising private and public sector spending on infrastructure for electrification, environmental remediation, onshoring and urban planning. Norwegian group, Autostore was also acquired, recognising the strong market shares and long-term growth prospects of its warehouse management systems. Meanwhile a holding in Royal Unibrew, the Finnish drinks group, was added, anticipating benefits from integrating acquisitions and market share gains. Meanwhile, profits were taken in Banco Sabadell, the Spanish banking group, following a contested takeover offer. Reply, the Italian IT Services group, was also sold, following a strong performance since purchase. Pirelli & C, the Italian premium tyre maker, was sold on fears of customer downtrading and continued weak new car sales,

Over five years the Trust has underperformed relative to the benchmark performance objective but has delivered the objective of capital growth.

Despite recent more positive returns stock selection detracted from relative performance over the 5 year period. European smaller companies have been subject to periods of marked volatility over the last five years, reflecting geopolitical developments, war in Ukraine and the covid crisis. As a consequence, company-specific earnings developments and longer term quality characteristics, which we focus on in our investment decision-making process, have tended to have less impact on share price developments than country or sector allocation decisions. Furthermore, valuations of companies with longer term growth prospects have tended to decline, while Value style companies have benefited from shorter term commodity price inflation and sector consolidation trends.

## Barings Europe Select Trust

### Report of the Investment Manager (continued)

The top ten purchases and sales during the period were as follows:

Purchases	Costs £'000	Sales	Proceeds £'000
Arcadis	7,697	Banco de Sabadell	8,544
Royal Unibrew	7,188	Technip Energies	8,486
Rexel	6,996	Munters Group	7,190
Huhtamaki	6,399	Reply	6,745
Wendel	5,912	Cargotec	6,375
Amplifon	5,292	Kion Group	6,255
AutoStore	4,669	Pirelli & C	6,238
DiaSorin	4,584	Storebrand	6,040
Edenred	3,578	SEB	5,517
Almirall	2,922	Barry Callebaut	4,885

### Market Outlook

European equity markets are likely to remain volatile over the coming months. The recent rally in European smaller companies has followed rising hopes of peace, or at least ceasefire, in Ukraine, and German elections that promise a more aggressive approach to economic stimulus. Trade and tariff wars, however, with significant uncertainty over how meaningful their impact will be, threaten export prospects, while the U.S. economy's growth has slowed since the New Year and China's demand for European exports has not recovered.

European Business and Consumer confidence surveys highlight these continuing uncertainties, and the outlook for further cuts in European interest rates has been clouded by commodity price volatility, wage growth and inflation rates that have slowed less than hoped. Valuations for European smaller companies are, however, attractive relative to historic averages and in an international context, although considerable uncertainty surrounds forecasts for slow but positive economic growth in 2025.

In this context our Growth at a Reasonable Price approach remains unchanged. Our aim is to identify reasonably valued companies whose profit growth potential is improving, as a result of company-specific strategic developments.

### Baring Asset Management Limited

*Baring Asset Management Limited (the "Investment Manager") gives its portfolio managers full authority to manage their funds as they see fit, within the established guidelines set down. This includes the views that managers may take of the markets and sectors they invest in, which may differ from the views of other Barings portfolio managers.*

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## Barings Europe Select Trust

### Environmental, Social and Governance ("ESG") Integration

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#### ESG INTEGRATION PROCESS

Barings integrates environmental, social, and governance ("ESG") considerations into all company analysis and investment decisions. We achieve this through a focus on integration, forward-looking dynamics, and active engagement with management teams to unlock long-term returns and improve ESG outcomes.

##### Integration

Integrating ESG is core to our fundamental research and allows us to better assess the risks and opportunities for our investments that are not apparent in traditional fundamental analysis. This influences both our quality assessment of a company as well as its valuation, and is therefore integral to decision making.

##### Dynamic & Forward Looking

Our proprietary assessment is aimed at capturing improving or deteriorating standards to highlight and reward more sustainable business practices, rather than relying on static assessments from third parties.\*

##### Engagement

We aim to drive outcomes through direct engagement with corporate management teams, by minimizing material ESG risks and potentially unlocking value for our investors, rather than relying on blanket exclusions.

Please note, we will not directly invest in issuers that violate International Conventions on cluster munitions, anti-personnel mines, chemical and biological weapons. We will not knowingly hold issuers that are materially involved in the production, stockpiling and use of these weapons at the time of investment. Our strong preference is to engage with issuers, as opposed to applying a broad based sector exclusion approach.

For the purposes of the Sustainable Finance Disclosure Regulation, this Trust/Fund promotes environmental or social characteristics and is classified as an Article 8 product.

#### Holdings % with Positive or Improving ESG Characteristics as at 28 February 2025

	Positive or Improving	All Others
Barings Europe Select Trust	76.11%	23.89%

#### ENGAGEMENT CASE STUDY: IPSOS

##### Engagement Category: Governance

Format: One to one meeting

Contact: Deputy CFO, Investor Relations

##### Engagement Overview

We engaged with IPSOS, a French multinational market research and consulting business, following the consideration of an acquisition by the company which we believed to be inconsistent with previous guidance, and not for the benefit of minority shareholders.

##### Engagement Objective: Improve Disclosure

Our aim was to encourage the company to disclose why its previously stated strategy had changed, and if a recent change in shareholder structure has influenced this decision making.

##### Outcome

Following the release of news articles which indicated Ipsos was considering the acquisition of Kantar Media, we requested a meeting with the company. Although Ipsos ultimately decided against pursuing this deal, our concern remained that the motivation for this large-scale acquisition target was inconsistent with its previous guidance for small bolt-on acquisitions, and its traditional business model.

\*Barings cost of equity is applied to value issuers. This includes an ESG adjustment of between +2% to 1% to the cost of equity in our valuation process based on our proprietary assessment of each company's ESG profile. The best ESG rated stocks are awarded a 1% discount to the required cost of equity while the worst have a 2% premium applied to our required cost of equity.

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## Barings Europe Select Trust

### Environmental, Social and Governance (“ESG”) Integration (continued)

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Furthermore, as part of this line of questioning, we queried if a recent change in shareholder structure had influenced this decision (BPI Funds a French state-controlled entity), thus shielding management from criticism from minority shareholders.

The response from the management team was partially satisfactory. While denying that the recent entry of BPI into their shareholder base had any impact on the apparent change to their M&A criteria, there is a commitment to the rapid inclusion of a representative of BPI on Ipsos' Board of Directors. The Ipsos representative we spoke to verbally indicated that he understood communication had not been wholly satisfactory.

To follow up, we have requested a meeting with senior management post results (26th Feb 2025) and requested the company clarify its acquisition policy, ensure that this actually reflects their strategy and provide more details on ongoing changes to the composition and responsibilities of the Board of Directors.

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## Barings Europe Select Trust

### Directors' Statement

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The financial statements on pages 18 to 20 were approved by Baring Fund Managers Limited (the "Manager") and signed on its behalf by:

R. WILLIAMS                      Director

A. BEHEN                         Director

London 28 April 2025

# Barings Europe Select Trust

## Portfolio Statement

as at 28 February 2025

Holdings	Investments	Bid-Market value (£)	Percentage of total net assets (%)
	<b>Equities: 96.14% (97.73%)</b>		
	<b>Austria: 3.32% (2.89%)</b>		
87,553	BAWAG	6,982,715	1.51
318,914	Wienerberger	8,378,184	1.81
		<b>15,360,899</b>	<b>3.32</b>
	<b>Belgium: 2.12% (1.93%)</b>		
421,271	Azelis Group	6,389,206	1.38
25,969	D'ieteren	3,445,460	0.74
		<b>9,834,666</b>	<b>2.12</b>
	<b>Denmark: 4.86% (3.18%)</b>		
308,811	Ambu	4,510,663	0.98
41,341	Bavarian Nordic	772,259	0.17
144,434	Netcompany Group	4,687,828	1.01
40,935	Pandora	5,711,838	1.23
111,900	Royal Unibrew	6,794,303	1.47
		<b>22,476,891</b>	<b>4.86</b>
	<b>Finland: 4.77% (3.32%)</b>		
219,745	Huhtamaki	6,509,499	1.41
119,659	Kemira	2,096,365	0.45
773,517	Metso Outotec	6,775,813	1.46
301,364	Valmet	6,695,473	1.45
		<b>22,077,150</b>	<b>4.77</b>
	<b>France: 10.20% (11.21%)</b>		
432,976	Coface	5,844,640	1.26
134,800	Edenred	3,386,632	0.73
359,663	Elis	5,802,251	1.25
15,714	Gaztransport Et Technigaz	1,912,319	0.41
66,468	IPSOS	2,624,209	0.57
43,147	JCDecaux	516,529	0.11
317,987	Rexel	6,886,266	1.49
30,865	SEB	2,131,613	0.46
46,826	Sopra Steria	5,876,338	1.27
334,088	Vallourec	5,159,347	1.12
4,611	Virbac	1,145,876	0.25
74,615	Wendel	5,941,615	1.28
		<b>47,227,635</b>	<b>10.20</b>
	<b>Germany: 10.99% (14.45%)</b>		
91,084	CTS Eventim AG	7,933,608	1.71
174,139	Douglas	2,362,163	0.51
33,281	Elmos Semiconductor	1,862,954	0.40
259,865	Flatex	4,060,316	0.88
71,399	Fuchs	2,762,298	0.60
65,535	Gerresheimer	4,328,520	0.94
43,132	Krones	4,650,707	1.00
8,325	Rational	5,938,464	1.28
110,211	Scout24	8,589,603	1.86
48,380	Stabilus	1,162,345	0.25

## Barings Europe Select Trust

### Portfolio Statement (continued)

as at 28 February 2025

Holdings	Investments	Bid-Market value (£)	Percentage of total net assets (%)
	<b>Equities: 96.14% (97.73%) (continued)</b>		
	<b>Germany: 10.99% (14.45%) (continued)</b>		
46,893	SUESS MicroTec	1,440,214	0.31
1,003,880	TUI	5,785,133	1.25
		<b>50,876,325</b>	<b>10.99</b>
	<b>Ireland: 0.00% (0.35%)</b>		
	<b>Italy: 10.93% (11.58%)</b>		
263,773	Amplifon	5,302,803	1.15
141,718	Banca Generali	5,856,056	1.26
314,208	Brembo	2,482,592	0.54
44,554	Brunello Cucinelli	4,575,971	0.99
213,955	Credito Emiliano	2,193,917	0.47
52,181	DiaSorin	4,333,976	0.94
478,604	Ferretti	1,141,958	0.25
547,560	FinecoBank	8,098,875	1.75
2,974,124	Hera	9,168,738	1.98
131,059	Intercos	1,549,480	0.33
141,871	Interpump Group	4,263,548	0.92
352,765	RAI Way	1,633,896	0.35
		<b>50,601,810</b>	<b>10.93</b>
	<b>Luxembourg: 2.19% (1.36%)</b>		
751,578	Lottomatica Spa	<b>10,132,962</b>	<b>2.19</b>
	<b>Netherlands: 12.51% (11.46%)</b>		
223,323	Aalberts Industries	5,984,917	1.29
154,807	Arcadis	6,142,576	1.33
13,106	ASM International	5,520,606	1.19
245,712	ASR Nederland	10,317,605	2.23
246,262	CTP	3,366,928	0.73
74,887	Euronext	7,468,777	1.61
51,391	IMCD	6,063,110	1.31
17,311	Redcare Pharmacy	1,677,901	0.36
108,565	Van Lanschot Kempen	4,060,357	0.88
217,330	Vopak	7,331,523	1.58
		<b>57,934,300</b>	<b>12.51</b>
	<b>Norway: 2.64% (2.61%)</b>		
5,357,121	AutoStore	3,999,392	0.86
340,900	Borregaard	4,513,791	0.98
861,081	Elkem	1,387,576	0.30
399,875	Elopak	1,178,627	0.25
204,258	Europris	1,153,026	0.25
		<b>12,232,412</b>	<b>2.64</b>
	<b>Spain: 4.90% (5.48%)</b>		
380,953	Almirral	3,145,195	0.68
1,091,894	Bankinter	8,372,957	1.81
238,302	CIE Automotive	4,475,950	0.97
73,150	Construcciones y Auxiliar de Ferrocarriles	2,322,132	0.50



## Barings Europe Select Trust

### Portfolio Statement (continued)

as at 28 February 2025

Holdings	Investments	Bid-Market value (£)	Percentage of total net assets (%)
	<b>Equities: 96.14% (97.73%) (continued)</b>		
	<b>Spain: 4.90% (5.48%) (continued)</b>		
85,833	Viscofan	4,351,097	0.94
		<b>22,667,331</b>	<b>4.90</b>
	<b>Sweden: 13.92% (13.74%)</b>		
311,416	AAK	6,934,402	1.50
82,836	Addnode	644,609	0.14
138,315	Alimak	1,466,427	0.32
798,298	Alleima	5,566,776	1.20
353,779	Asmodee	2,610,668	0.56
585,726	Beijer Ref	6,955,884	1.50
690,343	Bravida	4,732,423	1.02
795,770	Elektro	3,463,444	0.75
650,565	Hexpol	5,086,551	1.10
106,115	Inwido	1,584,144	0.34
132,475	Karnov	866,571	0.19
108,875	Mycronic	3,687,978	0.80
386,636	Nordnet	6,913,742	1.49
283,306	Securitas	3,238,946	0.70
1,169,855	Sinch	2,082,409	0.45
2,266,599	Storskogen	2,478,372	0.54
203,626	Thule	5,207,723	1.12
311,899	Vimian	925,714	0.20
		<b>64,446,783</b>	<b>13.92</b>
	<b>Switzerland: 12.79% (14.17%)</b>		
70,180	Accelleron Industries	2,644,112	0.57
4,606,044	Aryzta	7,473,801	1.61
246,799	Avolta	8,816,585	1.91
4,244	Burckhardt Compression	2,351,435	0.51
108,809	DKSH	6,813,369	1.47
501,923	EFG International	6,153,425	1.33
36,626	Flughafen Zurich	7,099,343	1.53
7,061	Siegfried	5,942,856	1.28
45,635	Sulzer	6,333,184	1.37
18,494	Tecan	3,179,762	0.69
7,825	Ypsomed	2,391,422	0.52
		<b>59,199,294</b>	<b>12.79</b>
	<b>Portfolio of investments: 96.14% (97.73%)</b>		
	<b>(Cost: £380,291,693)</b>	<b>445,068,458</b>	<b>96.14</b>
	Net other assets	17,871,871	3.86
	<b>Net assets</b>	<b>462,940,329</b>	<b>100.00</b>

Note: Securities shown on the portfolio statement are ordinary shares admitted to official stock exchange listings or traded on a regulated market, unless otherwise stated.

Comparative figures shown in brackets relate to 31 August 2024.

## Barings Europe Select Trust

### Statement of Total Return and Statement of Change in Net Assets Attributable to Unitholders

for the period ended 28 February 2025

#### Statement of Total Return

	28/02/2025		29/02/2024	
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Income				
Net capital gains		4,918		35,856
Revenue	1,765		2,250	
Expenses	(2,431)		(2,930)	
Interest payable and other similar charges	(2)		—	
Net expense before taxation	(668)		(680)	
Taxation	(1,839)		(1,598)	
Net expense after taxation		(2,507)		(2,278)
<b>Total return before distributions</b>		<b>2,411</b>		<b>33,578</b>
Distributions		(9)		(1)
<b>Change in net assets attributable to unitholders from investment activities</b>		<b>2,402</b>		<b>33,577</b>

#### Statement of Change in Net Assets Attributable to Unitholders

	28/02/2025		29/02/2024	
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
<b>Opening net assets attributable to unitholders*</b>		<b>548,213</b>		<b>630,296</b>
Amounts receivable on issue of units	19,134		24,890	
Amounts payable on cancellation of units	(106,809)		(73,527)	
		(87,675)		(48,637)
Changes in net assets attributable to unitholders from investment activities		2,402		33,577
Unclaimed distributions		—		15
<b>Closing net assets attributable to unitholders</b>		<b>462,940</b>		<b>615,251</b>

\* The opening net assets attributable to unitholders for 28 February 2025 differs to the closing position in 29 February 2024 by the movement between the two interim periods of the Trust.

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**Barings Europe Select Trust****Balance Sheet**as at 28 February 2025

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	28/02/2025 £'000	31/08/2024 £'000
<b>Assets</b>		
Investment assets	445,068	535,748
Current assets:		
Debtors	7,181	4,399
Cash and bank balances	17,483	15,679
Total assets	469,732	555,826
<b>Liabilities</b>		
Creditors:		
Distribution payable on income units	–	(4,744)
Other creditors	(6,792)	(2,869)
Total liabilities	(6,792)	(7,613)
<b>Net assets attributable to unitholders</b>	<b>462,940</b>	<b>548,213</b>

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**Barings Europe Select Trust**  
**Notes to the Financial Statements**  
for the period ended 28 February 2025

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### **Basis of Accounting**

The interim financial statements have been prepared on the same basis as the annual audited financial statements for the year ended 31 August 2024. They are in accordance with the historical cost convention, as modified by the revaluation of investments, and in accordance with UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice and the Statement of Recommended Practice for UK Authorised Funds issued by the Investment Association ("IA") in May 2014 (the "IMA SORP 2014") and amended in June 2017. The financial statements are also in compliance with FRS 102, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland.

The financial statements have been prepared on a going-concern basis.

### **Post balance sheet events**

Subsequent to the period end, the price per unit of the A USD Accumulation class increased from 6,460.00p to 6,657.00p as at 24 April 2025. Subsequent to the period end, the price per unit of the A GBP Income class decreased from 4,680.00p to 4,567.00p, I GBP Accumulation class from 121.30p to 118.50p, I GBP Income class from 4,692.00c to 4,584.00c, A EUR Income class from 5,667.00c to 5,337.00c, A EUR Accumulation class from 6,223.00c to 5,861.00c, I EUR Income class from 5,755.00c to 5,426.00c and I EUR Accumulation from 6,507.00c to 6,135.00c as at 24 April 2025. These movements take into account routine transactions.

The Manager continues to monitor investment performance in line with investment objectives.

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## Barings Europe Select Trust

### Distribution Tables

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#### Interim Distribution

Group 1: Units purchased prior to 1 September 2024

Group 2: Units purchased between 1 September 2024 and 28 February 2025

For the current and prior period, expenses exceeded revenue, as a result no distributions were paid and allocated.

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## Barings German Growth Trust

### Investment Objective and Policy and Trust at a Glance

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#### Investment Objective and Policy

The investment objective of Barings German Growth Trust (the “Trust”) is to provide a total return, including both capital growth and dividend income (after fees have been deducted), in excess of the MSCI Germany Investable Market Index (IMI) (Net Total Return) Index over a rolling five year period by investing in equity and equity related securities in Germany.

The Trust will seek to achieve its investment objective by investing at least 75% of its Net Asset Value directly and indirectly in equities and equity related securities of issuers incorporated in, or exercising the predominant part of their economic activity in Germany, or quoted or traded on the stock exchanges in Germany.

For the remainder of its Net Asset Value, the Trust may invest directly and indirectly in equities and equity related securities outside of Germany as well as in fixed income and cash.

In order to implement the investment policy, the Trust may gain exposure through American depositary receipts, global depositary receipts and other equity related securities including participation notes, structured notes, equity-linked notes and debt securities convertible into equities. The Trust may also obtain indirect exposure through investments in collective investment schemes (including collective investment schemes which are managed by the Manager or an associate of the Manager) and other transferable securities. It may also use derivatives including futures, options, swaps, warrants and forward contracts for efficient portfolio management (including hedging).

Please refer to the Prospectus for the full investment objective and policy.

#### Benchmark

Until 31 October 2024, the target benchmark was the HDAX® (Total Return) Index. From 31 October 2024, the target benchmark is the MSCI Germany IMI (Net Total Return) Index. The benchmark has been selected as it measures the performance of the large, mid and small-cap segments of the German market.

The Trust is actively managed and targets outperformance of the benchmark over a five year period. There is however no guarantee that this objective will be achieved over any time period. The Trust is not constrained by the benchmark and can make investments in securities that are not included in the benchmark. Differences in the performance of the Trust compared to the benchmark may also arise as a result of application of the UK UCITS Rules prescribing portfolio concentration and liquidity limits, which are not applied to the benchmark. The Manager considers the benchmark is appropriate based on the investment policy of the Trust.

#### How the Trust is Managed

At Barings, our equity investment teams share the philosophy of quality “Growth at a Reasonable Price” (GARP). We believe that earnings growth is the principal driver of equity market performance over the medium to long term, and favour high-quality issuers for their ability to outperform the market on a risk-adjusted basis. In particular, we believe that structured fundamental research and a disciplined investment process combining quality, growth, upside, and Economic, Social, Governance (ESG) considerations can allow us to identify attractively priced, long-term growth issuers which will outperform the market. Our approach emphasises both growth and quality criterion when looking at issuers and a three - to five-year time horizon when forecasting issuer earnings. In determining upside, we use consistent and transparent methods to place emphasis on discounted earnings models. We value issuers on a long term-term basis utilizing proprietary valuation models that incorporate ESG analysis and macro considerations.

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## Barings German Growth Trust

### Investment Objective and Policy and Trust at a Glance (continued)

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#### Risk Profile

Please see detailed below the key risks applicable to the Trust:

- Changes in exchange rates between the currency of the Trust and the currencies in which the assets of the Trust are valued can have the effect of increasing or decreasing the value of the Trust and any income generated.
- Country-specific funds have a narrower focus than those which invest broadly across markets and are therefore considered to be more risky.
- Derivative instruments can make a profit or a loss and there is no guarantee that a financial derivative contract will achieve its intended outcome. The use of derivatives can increase the amount by which the Trust's value rises and falls and could expose the Trust to losses that are significantly greater than the cost of the derivative as a relatively small movement may have a larger impact on derivatives than the underlying assets.
- Losses may occur if an organisation through which we buy an asset (such as a bank) fails to meet its obligations.
- Liquidity risk exists when a particular security or instrument is difficult to purchase or sell. If the amount of a transaction is particularly large or if the relevant market is illiquid (as is the case with many privately negotiated derivatives, structured products, etc), it may not be possible to initiate a transaction or liquidate a position at an advantageous time or price.

Please refer to the Prospectus for the full risk profile.

## Barings German Growth Trust

Investment Objective and Policy and Trust at a Glance (continued)

### The Trust at a Glance on 28 February 2025

Total Trust size: 28 February 2025	€327.50 million	
Total Trust size: 31 August 2024	€296.95 million	
OCF*	28/02/2025	31/08/2024
Class A GBP Acc	1.57%	1.57%
Class A GBP Inc	1.57%	1.57%
Class A EUR Acc	1.57%	1.57%
Class A EUR Inc	1.57%	1.57%
Class A USD Acc	1.57%	1.57%
Class A USD Hedged Acc	1.57%	1.57%
Class A RMB Hedged Acc	1.57%	1.57%
Class I GBP Acc	0.82%	0.82%
Class I GBP Inc	0.82%	0.82%
Class I GBP Hedged Acc	0.82%	0.82%
Class I EUR Acc	0.82%	0.82%
Class I EUR Inc	0.82%	0.82%
Class I USD Acc	0.82%	0.82%
	Initial charge	Annual charge
Class A GBP Acc	up to 5.00%	1.50%
Class A GBP Inc	up to 5.00%	1.50%
Class A EUR Acc	up to 5.00%	1.50%
Class A EUR Inc	up to 5.00%	1.50%
Class A USD Acc	up to 5.00%	1.50%
Class A USD Hedged Acc	up to 5.00%	1.50%
Class A RMB Hedged Acc	up to 5.00%	1.50%
Class I GBP Acc	Nil	0.75%
Class I GBP Inc	Nil	0.75%
Class I GBP Hedged Acc	Nil	0.75%
Class I EUR Acc	Nil	0.75%
Class I EUR Inc	Nil	0.75%
Class I USD Acc	Nil	0.75%
	Minimum initial investment	Minimum subsequent investment
Class A GBP Acc	£1,000	£500
Class A GBP Inc	£1,000	£500
Class A EUR Acc	€5,000	€1,000
Class A EUR Inc	€5,000	€1,000
Class A USD Acc	US\$5,000	US\$2,500
Class A USD Hedged Acc	US\$5,000	US\$2,500
Class A RMB Hedged Acc	US\$5,000	US\$2,500
Class I GBP Acc	£10,000,000	£500
Class I GBP Inc	£10,000,000	£500
Class I GBP Hedged Acc	£10,000,000	£500



## Barings German Growth Trust

### Investment Objective and Policy and Trust at a Glance (continued)

#### The Trust at a Glance on 28 February 2025 (continued)

	Minimum initial investment	Minimum subsequent investment
Class I EUR Acc	€10,000,000	€1,000
Class I EUR Inc	€10,000,000	€1,000
Class I USD Acc	US\$10,000,000	US\$2,500

\* The Ongoing Charge Figure ("OCF") reflects the payments and expenses which cover aspects of operating the Trust and is deducted from the assets over the period. It includes fees paid for investment management, trustee and general charges.

Price per unit	(pence/cents per unit)
Class A GBP Acc	1,221.00p
Class A GBP Inc	1,076.00p
Class A EUR Acc	1,479.00c
Class A EUR Inc	1,301.00c
Class A USD Acc	1,537.00c
Class A USD Hedged Acc	1,926.00c
Class A RMB Hedged Acc	RMB126.60
Class I GBP Acc	1,335.00p
Class I GBP Inc	1,073.00p
Class I GBP Hedged Acc	1,484.00p
Class I EUR Acc	1,618.00c
Class I EUR Inc	1,274.00c
Class I USD Acc	1,674.00c

# Barings German Growth Trust

## Trust Information

	Class A GBP Acc - Accumulation units			Class A GBP Inc - Distribution units		
	28/02/2025	31/08/2024	31/08/2023	28/02/2025	31/08/2024	31/08/2023
	(p)	(p)	(p)	(p)	(p)	(p)
<b>Change in net assets per unit</b>						
Opening net asset value per unit	1,062.84	939.61	806.54	936.80	832.21	719.08
Return before operating charges	165.42	138.75	147.16	145.77	122.99	129.96
Operating charges	(8.48)	(15.52)	(14.09)	(7.44)	(13.81)	(12.45)
Return after operating charges	156.94	123.23	133.07	138.33	109.18	117.51
Distributions	–	(4.45)	(6.02)	–	(4.59)	(4.38)
Retained distributions on accumulation units	–	4.45	6.02	–	–	–
Closing net asset value per unit after direct transaction costs of*	1,219.78	1,062.84	939.61	1,075.13	936.80	832.21
	0.06	0.22	0.15	0.06	0.19	0.13
<b>Performance</b>						
Return after charges	14.77%	13.12%	16.50%	14.77%	13.12%	16.34%
<b>Other information</b>						
Closing net asset value ('000)	£49,146	£45,295	£48,894	£31	£37	£33
Closing number of units	4,029,085	4,261,725	5,203,691	2,874	3,960	3,983
Operating charges	1.57%	1.57%	1.56%	1.57%	1.57%	1.57%
Direct transaction costs	0.01%	0.02%	0.02%	0.01%	0.02%	0.02%
<b>Prices**</b>						
Highest unit price	1,240.00	1,112.00	995.80	1,093.00	984.30	887.78
Lowest unit price	1,027.00	893.70	769.40	905.20	791.50	686.10

  

	Class A EUR Acc - Accumulation units			Class A EUR Inc - Distribution units		
	28/02/2025	31/08/2024	31/08/2023	28/02/2025	31/08/2024	31/08/2023
	(c)	(c)	(c)	(c)	(c)	(c)
<b>Change in net assets per unit</b>						
Opening net asset value per unit	1,263.79	1,096.03	939.01	1,111.74	968.66	835.20
Return before operating charges	224.18	186.25	173.46	197.21	164.66	154.33
Operating charges	(10.28)	(18.49)	(16.44)	(9.05)	(16.35)	(14.62)
Return after operating charges	213.90	167.76	157.02	188.16	148.31	139.71
Distributions	–	(5.68)	(7.05)	–	(5.23)	(6.52)
Retained distributions on accumulation units	–	5.68	7.05	–	–	–
Closing net asset value per unit after direct transaction costs of*	1,477.69	1,263.79	1,096.03	1,299.90	1,111.74	968.66
	0.08	0.26	0.18	0.07	0.23	0.16
<b>Performance</b>						
Return after charges	16.93%	15.31%	16.72%	16.92%	15.31%	16.73%
<b>Other information</b>						
Closing net asset value ('000)	€157,280	€142,794	€140,054	€1,013	€883	€899
Closing number of units	10,643,634	11,298,805	12,778,343	77,945	79,451	92,772
Operating charges	1.57%	1.57%	1.56%	1.57%	1.57%	1.56%
Direct transaction costs	0.01%	0.02%	0.02%	0.01%	0.02%	0.02%
<b>Prices**</b>						
Highest unit price	1,495.00	1,300.00	1,138.00	1,315.00	1,149.00	1,012.00
Lowest unit price	1,219.00	1,025.00	875.90	1,072.00	905.60	779.10

\*Direct transaction costs comprise commission and taxes, principally applicable to equity investment purchases and sales. Unitholders should note that there are other additional transaction costs such as dealing spread and underlying costs with regard to Investment Fund holdings which will also have reduced the Trust and unit class returns before operating charges.

\*\*High/low prices included in the table above for the current accounting period are from 1 September 2024 to 28 February 2025. For previous periods, they relate to the accounting year from 1 September 2023 to 31 August 2024 and 1 September 2022 to 31 August 2023, respectively.

## Barings German Growth Trust

### Trust Information (continued)

	Class A USD Acc - Accumulation units			Class A USD Hedged Acc - Accumulation units		
	28/02/2025	31/08/2024	31/08/2023	28/02/2025	31/08/2024	31/08/2023
	(c)	(c)	(c)	(c)	(c)	(c)
<b>Change in net assets per unit</b>						
Opening net asset value per unit	1,399.55	1,191.00	936.59	1,633.17	1,394.23	1,160.05
Return before operating charges	146.96	228.95	272.29	304.79	263.35	255.28
Operating charges	(10.67)	(20.40)	(17.88)	(12.95)	(24.41)	(21.10)
Return after operating charges	136.29	208.55	254.41	291.84	238.94	234.18
Retained distributions on accumulation units	–	5.64	7.63	–	8.82	6.85
Closing net asset value per unit after direct transaction costs of*	1,535.84	1,399.55	1,191.00	1,925.01	1,633.17	1,394.23
	0.08	0.29	0.19	0.10	0.34	0.23
<b>Performance</b>						
Return after charges	9.74%	17.51%	27.16%	17.87%	17.14%	20.19%
<b>Other information</b>						
Closing net asset value ('000)	\$3,452	\$3,590	\$4,158	\$5,287	\$5,812	\$4,870
Closing number of units	224,741	256,487	349,143	274,643	355,850	349,286
Operating charges	1.57%	1.57%	1.56%	1.57%	1.57%	1.56%
Direct transaction costs	0.01%	0.02%	0.02%	0.01%	0.02%	0.02%
<b>Prices**</b>						
Highest unit price	1,567.00	1,413.00	1,264.00	1,947.00	1,673.00	1,442.00
Lowest unit price	1,325.00	1,080.00	848.70	1,575.00	1,307.00	1,086.00

  

	Class A RMB Hedged Acc - Accumulation units			Class I GBP Acc - Accumulation units		
	28/02/2025	31/08/2024	31/08/2023	28/02/2025	31/08/2024	31/08/2023
	(RMB)	(RMB)	(RMB)	(p)	(p)	(p)
<b>Change in net assets per unit</b>						
Opening net asset value per unit	108.83	94.87	81.35	1,158.26	1,016.32	866.05
Return before operating charges	102.45	177.11	164.40	180.79	150.70	158.18
Operating charges	(84.80)	(163.15)	(150.88)	(4.84)	(8.76)	(7.91)
Return after operating charges	17.65	13.96	13.52	175.95	141.94	150.27
Retained distributions on accumulation units	–	74.15	47.36	–	13.26	14.19
Closing net asset value per unit after direct transaction costs of*	126.48	108.83	94.87	1,334.21	1,158.26	1,016.32
	0.65	2.30	1.62	0.07	0.24	0.16
<b>Performance</b>						
Return after charges	16.22%	14.71%	16.62%	15.19%	13.97%	17.35%
<b>Other information</b>						
Closing net asset value ('000)	RMB737	RMB2,151	RMB835	£69,735	£63,667	£87,552
Closing number of units	5,824	19,769	8,803	5,226,742	5,496,741	8,614,620
Operating charges	1.57%	1.57%	1.56%	0.82%	0.82%	0.81%
Direct transaction costs	0.01%	0.02%	0.02%	0.01%	0.02%	0.02%
<b>Prices**</b>						
Highest unit price	128.00	112.10	98.75	1,356.00	1,209.00	1,075.00
Lowest unit price	104.80	88.65	76.00	1,120.00	967.70	826.60

\*Direct transaction costs comprise commission and taxes, principally applicable to equity investment purchases and sales. Unitholders should note that there are other additional transaction costs such as dealing spread and underlying costs with regard to Investment Fund holdings which will also have reduced the Trust and unit class returns before operating charges.

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### Trust Information (continued)

	Class I GBP Inc - Distribution units			Class I GBP Hedged Acc - Accumulation units		
	28/02/2025 (p)	31/08/2024 (p)	31/08/2023 (p)	28/02/2025 (p)	31/08/2024 (p)	31/08/2023 (p)
<b>Change in net assets per unit</b>						
Opening net asset value per unit	930.48	826.14	713.78	1,254.91	1,067.88	896.14
Return before operating charges	145.24	122.58	130.47	233.08	196.42	179.85
Operating charges	(3.89)	(7.17)	(6.51)	(5.32)	(9.39)	(8.11)
Return after operating charges	141.35	115.41	123.96	227.76	187.03	171.74
Distributions	–	(11.07)	(11.60)	–	(14.65)	(13.83)
Retained distributions on accumulation units	–	–	–	–	14.65	13.83
Closing net asset value per unit after direct transaction costs of*	1,071.83	930.48	826.14	1,482.67	1,254.91	1,067.88
	0.06	0.19	0.13	0.08	0.25	0.17
<b>Performance</b>						
Return after charges	15.19%	13.97%	17.37%	18.15%	17.51%	19.16%
<b>Other information</b>						
Closing net asset value ('000)	£8,598	£7,684	£7,667	£993	£633	£510
Closing number of units	802,213	825,859	928,016	66,948	50,462	47,768
Operating charges	0.82%	0.82%	0.81%	0.82%	0.82%	0.81%
Direct transaction costs	0.01%	0.02%	0.02%	0.01%	0.02%	0.02%
<b>Prices**</b>						
Highest unit price	1,089.00	982.30	885.60	1,500.00	1,285.00	1,104.00
Lowest unit price	899.20	786.60	681.40	1,211.00	1,002.00	836.70
	Class I EUR Acc - Accumulation units			Class I EUR Inc - Distribution units		
	28/02/2025 (c)	31/08/2024 (c)	31/08/2023 (c)	28/02/2025 (c)	31/08/2024 (c)	31/08/2023 (c)
<b>Change in net assets per unit</b>						
Opening net asset value per unit	1,377.68	1,186.13	1,008.76	1,084.89	939.64	812.09
Return before operating charges	244.98	201.88	186.61	192.95	160.47	150.70
Operating charges	(5.85)	(10.33)	(9.24)	(4.62)	(7.91)	(7.78)
Return after operating charges	239.13	191.55	177.37	188.33	152.56	142.92
Distributions	–	(15.44)	(16.81)	–	(7.31)	(15.37)
Retained distributions on accumulation units	–	15.44	16.81	–	–	–
Closing net asset value per unit after direct transaction costs of*	1,616.81	1,377.68	1,186.13	1,273.22	1,084.89	939.64
	0.09	0.28	0.19	0.07	0.21	0.16
<b>Performance</b>						
Return after charges	17.36%	16.15%	17.58%	17.36%	16.24%	17.60%
<b>Other information</b>						
Closing net asset value ('000)	€4,998	€4,996	€11,288	€62	€41	€262
Closing number of units	309,117	362,655	951,660	4,862	3,791	27,912
Operating charges	0.82%	0.82%	0.81%	0.82%	0.82%	0.81%
Direct transaction costs	0.01%	0.02%	0.02%	0.01%	0.02%	0.02%
<b>Prices**</b>						
Highest unit price	1,635.00	1,414.00	1,229.00	1,288.00	1,121.00	989.40
Lowest unit price	1,329.00	1,110.00	941.30	1,046.00	879.40	757.90

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### Trust Information (continued)

	Class I USD Acc - Accumulation units		
	28/02/2025	31/08/2024	31/08/2023
	(c)	(c)	(c)
<b>Change in net assets per unit</b>			
Opening net asset value per unit	1,520.00	1,278.82	998.34
Return before operating charges	156.06	252.24	290.40
Operating charges	(6.06)	(11.06)	(9.92)
Return after operating charges	150.00	241.18	280.48
Distributions	–	–	(17.44)
Retained distributions on accumulation units	–	–	17.44
Closing net asset value per unit	1,670.00	1,520.00	1,278.82
after direct transaction costs of*	0.09	0.30	0.21
<b>Performance</b>			
Return after charges	9.87%	18.86%	28.09%
<b>Other information</b>			
Closing net asset value ('000)	\$–	\$–	\$18,572
Closing number of units	10	10	1,452,317
Operating charges	0.82%	0.82%	0.81%
Direct transaction costs	0.01%	0.02%	0.02%
<b>Prices**</b>			
Highest unit price	1,707.00	1,526.00	1,356.00
Lowest unit price	1,438.00	1,161.00	894.40

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## Barings German Growth Trust

### Report of the Investment Manager

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#### Performance

Over the six-month period to 28 February 2025, the Barings German Growth Trust (the “Trust”) gained 16.92% on the Class A EUR Acc (net of fees) and underperformed against the target benchmark, which returned 17.59%. The table below shows the 6 months, 1 year and 5 year annualised net return for the Class A EUR Acc units against the target benchmark.

	6 months	1 year	5 years
Barings German Growth Trust	16.92%	22.03%	11.29%
MSCI Germany IMI (Net Total Return) Index*	17.59%	24.47%	12.10%

*\* From 31 October 2024, the target benchmark is the MSCI Germany IMI (Net Total Return) Index.*

The strong performance of the German market over the period was driven mainly in our opinion by hopes of political stability, after Chancellor Scholz brought forward general elections from September to February 2025, thereby raising hopes that a CDU/CSU-led coalition would put the country on a firmer economic footing with a mandate to restore growth.

The performance of the Trust was very positive in absolute terms. Over the longer term, the DAX index, which consists of the largest stocks in the German market, has been very strong when compared to the mid- and small-cap indices as represented by the MDAX and SDAX indices respectively. Therein, SAP, now the largest stock in the market, has outperformed the DAX materially. In terms of value and growth styles, value outperformed growth over the period, normally a headwind for the Trust, although good asset allocation between sectors helped the fund to remain close to its performance comparator.

The Trust’s strong performance over the six month period was driven by stocks from a variety of sectors. Principal amongst these was Rheinmetall, an industrials group with sizeable exposure to defence systems which saw strong demand from Ukraine for the company’s ammunition and equipment. Commerzbank was also a notable contributor, due in part by stakebuilding ahead of a potential takeover approach from Italian banking peer Unicredit, and also by the improving outlook for the German economy. The position in Airbus was reduced in order to adjust for the change in the stock’s weighting when the fund’s performance comparator was changed from the HDAX index to the MSCI German IMI index. The position in SAP was reduced in order to maintain the absolute weight within regulatory limits. Among the Trust’s main detractors were two stocks from the Information Technology sector. Firstly, SUESS MicroTec underperformed on concerns that growth across the sector may slow due to controls placed by the US on the export to China of certain types of semiconductor equipment. Secondly, SAP was a detractor relative to the performance comparator owing to the regulatory limit placed on the amount the Trust is allowed to hold, as this stock performed very well as the company continued to successfully move clients onto its cloud product. With regard to key transactions, these included the acquisition of Flatex, an online investment platform which has performed very well since purchase on strong customer growth data, and top-up investments in a number of stocks to increase their positions to more relevant sizes, for example RWE, a power generation utility company. Disposals included CompuGroup Medical following a takeover approach which resulted in the share price rising materially.

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Report of the Investment Manager (continued)

The purchases and top ten sales during the period were as follows:

Purchases	Costs €'000	Sales	Proceeds €'000
Flatex	3,601	Airbus	12,934
Qiagen	3,581	SAP	7,931
RWE	2,059	Allianz	4,747
Freenet	1,790	Siemens	2,574
Krones	1,211	Aurubis	2,173
Duerr	932	Hannover Reinsurance	2,093
E.ON	890	Rheinmetall	2,093
SUESS MicroTec	800	Commerzbank	1,916
Infineon Technologies	604	Muenchener Rueckversicherungs-Gesellschaftin	1,454
-	—	CompuGroup Medical	1,417

### Market Outlook

We see both headwinds and tailwinds to market performance as we look ahead through 2025 and beyond. The headwinds mainly involve the potential for global trade wars brought on by President Donald Trump's willingness to impose tariffs on many of the US's trading partners. The tailwinds revolve around the new German government and the focus on improving economic performance, specifically at the time of writing through a proposed €500bn investment package and an adjustment to the debt brake rules for defence spending. In fact, defence spending is also a key part of a broader EU-wide investment package proposed by Ursula von der Leyen, the President of the European Commission. These developments are in turn being driven by, again, President Trump, and his stance against Ukraine, including the postponement of aid and intelligence, thereby effectively forcing European NATO countries to spend more on their defence budgets. Whether this additional spending on defence proves hugely beneficial for the broader economy is debatable, but there are certainly numerous companies within the German market that will see additional demand for their products, whilst the aforementioned €500bn investment package will benefit a far broader host of sectors and companies, including in the construction and infrastructure industries. Finally, if there is a ceasefire in Ukraine, one of the eventual outcomes could be a fall in natural gas prices should sanctions on Russia be lifted, which should prove beneficial to German chemicals companies' cost bases.

### Baring Asset Management Limited

*Baring Asset Management Limited (the "Investment Manager") gives its portfolio managers full authority to manage their funds as they see fit, within the established guidelines set down. This includes the views that managers may take of the markets and sectors they invest in, which may differ from the views of other Barings portfolio managers.*

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## Barings German Growth Trust

### Directors' Statement

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The financial statements on pages 37 to 39 were approved by Baring Fund Managers Limited (the "Manager") and signed on its behalf by:

R. WILLIAMS                      Director

A. BEHEN                         Director

London 28 April 2025



# Barings German Growth Trust

## Portfolio Statement

as at 28 February 2025

Holdings	Investments	Bid-Market Value (€)	Percentage of total net assets (%)
	<b>Equities: 94.49% (97.80%)</b>		
	<b>Basic Materials: 7.56% (7.28%)</b>		
220,000	BASF	10,870,200	3.32
57,542	HeidelbergCement	8,340,713	2.55
12,500	Linde	5,533,224	1.69
		<b>24,744,137</b>	<b>7.56</b>
	<b>Consumer Discretionary: 4.71% (5.43%)</b>		
46,937	Hugo Boss	2,084,942	0.64
130,000	Mercedes-Benz	7,738,900	2.36
39,000	Puma	1,129,830	0.34
135,000	SAF-Holland	2,349,000	0.72
40,000	Stroeer	2,128,000	0.65
		<b>15,430,672</b>	<b>4.71</b>
	<b>Consumer, Cyclical: 0.39% (0.51%)</b>		
55,725	Befesa	<b>1,281,675</b>	<b>0.39</b>
	<b>Financials: 21.31% (21.48%)</b>		
83,752	Allianz	27,822,414	8.50
656,791	Commerzbank	13,536,462	4.13
267,976	Flatex	5,071,446	1.55
27,608	Hannover Reinsurance	7,042,801	2.15
26,944	Muenchener Rueckversicherungs-Gesellschaftin	14,635,981	4.47
19,000	Talanx	1,663,450	0.51
		<b>69,772,554</b>	<b>21.31</b>
	<b>Health Care: 1.70% (1.26%)</b>		
150,707	Qiagen	<b>5,566,363</b>	<b>1.70</b>
	<b>Industrials: 28.23% (29.82%)</b>		
44,227	Airbus	7,312,492	2.23
64,636	Bilfinger	3,613,153	1.10
115,000	Daimler Truck	4,789,750	1.46
258,111	Deutsche Post	9,735,947	2.97
17,154	DO & Co	3,628,071	1.11
130,863	Duerr	3,284,661	1.00
90,928	Kion Group	3,528,006	1.08
22,895	Krones	2,990,087	0.91
16,981	Rheinmetall	16,981,000	5.19
141,911	Siemens	31,234,611	9.54
148,000	Traton	5,357,600	1.64
		<b>92,455,378</b>	<b>28.23</b>
	<b>Information Technology: 17.57% (20.09%)</b>		
130,000	GFT Technologies	2,589,600	0.79
324,007	Infineon Technologies	11,489,288	3.51
96,000	Jenoptik	2,150,400	0.66
218,274	S&T	4,557,561	1.39
111,950	SAP	29,644,360	9.05
120,658	SUESS MicroTec	4,488,478	1.37

# Barings German Growth Trust

## Portfolio Statement (continued)

as at 28 February 2025

Holdings	Investments	Percentage	
		Bid-Market Value (€)	of total net assets (%)
	<b>Equities: 94.49% (97.80%) (continued)</b>		
	<b>Information Technology: 17.57% (20.09%) (continued)</b>		
72,000	Traffic Systems	2,606,400	0.80
		<b>57,526,087</b>	<b>17.57</b>
	<b>Materials: 0.00% (1.07%)</b>		
	<b>Real Estate: 1.08% (0.95%)</b>		
37,579	Scout24	3,547,458	1.08
	<b>Telecommunications: 7.46% (5.71%)</b>		
603,637	Deutsche Telekom	20,759,076	6.34
117,231	Freenet	3,683,398	1.12
		<b>24,442,474</b>	<b>7.46</b>
	<b>Utilities: 4.48% (4.20%)</b>		
608,749	E.ON	7,484,569	2.28
238,399	RWE	7,192,498	2.20
		<b>14,677,067</b>	<b>4.48</b>
	<b>Forward Currency Contracts: -0.01% (-0.02%)</b>		
EUR (917,382)	Sold EUR, bought GBP 764,597 for settlement 17/03/2025 (State Street)	8,055	—
EUR (84,786)	Sold EUR, bought USD 89,008 for settlement 17/03/2025 (State Street)	749	—
EUR (58,766)	Sold EUR, bought GBP 48,941 for settlement 17/03/2025 (State Street)	471	—
EUR (150,681)	Sold EUR, bought USD 157,267 for settlement 17/03/2025 (State Street)	449	—
EUR (29,622)	Sold EUR, bought GBP 24,695 for settlement 17/03/2025 (State Street)	268	—
EUR (62,171)	Sold EUR, bought GBP 51,520 for settlement 17/03/2025 (State Street)	187	—
EUR (21,787)	Sold EUR, bought GBP 18,150 for settlement 17/03/2025 (State Street)	181	—
EUR (14,330)	Sold EUR, bought GBP 11,963 for settlement 17/03/2025 (State Street)	150	—
EUR (23,051)	Sold EUR, bought GBP 19,133 for settlement 17/03/2025 (State Street)	107	—
EUR (12,650)	Sold EUR, bought USD 13,257 for settlement 17/03/2025 (State Street)	89	—
EUR (13,071)	Sold EUR, bought GBP 10,867 for settlement 17/03/2025 (State Street)	82	—
EUR (11,643)	Sold EUR, bought USD 12,202 for settlement 17/03/2025 (State Street)	82	—
EUR (8,999)	Sold EUR, bought USD 9,427 for settlement 17/03/2025 (State Street)	59	—
EUR (6,611)	Sold EUR, bought GBP 5,485 for settlement 17/03/2025 (State Street)	28	—
EUR (3,764)	Sold EUR, bought USD 3,945 for settlement 17/03/2025 (State Street)	26	—

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## Portfolio Statement (continued)

as at 28 February 2025

Holdings	Investments	Bid-Market Value (€)	Percentage of total net assets (%)
	<b>Forward Currency Contracts: -0.01% (-0.02%) (continued)</b>		
EUR (2,508)	Sold EUR, bought GBP 2,090 for settlement 17/03/2025 (State Street)	22	—
EUR (6,027)	Sold EUR, bought GBP 4,997 for settlement 17/03/2025 (State Street)	21	—
EUR (4,792)	Sold EUR, bought USD 5,007 for settlement 17/03/2025 (State Street)	19	—
EUR (5,653)	Sold EUR, bought GBP 4,686 for settlement 17/03/2025 (State Street)	19	—
EUR (3,490)	Sold EUR, bought CNH 26,569 for settlement 17/03/2025 (State Street)	18	—
EUR (1,307)	Sold EUR, bought GBP 1,093 for settlement 17/03/2025 (State Street)	15	—
USD (2,032)	Sold USD, bought EUR 1,966 for settlement 17/03/2025 (State Street)	13	—
EUR (15,650)	Sold EUR, bought GBP 12,929 for settlement 17/03/2025 (State Street)	10	—
EUR (2,531)	Sold EUR, bought USD 2,641 for settlement 17/03/2025 (State Street)	7	—
EUR (4,110)	Sold EUR, bought GBP 3,400 for settlement 17/03/2025 (State Street)	5	—
EUR (1,239)	Sold EUR, bought GBP 1,027 for settlement 17/03/2025 (State Street)	4	—
EUR (2,684)	Sold EUR, bought USD 2,795 for settlement 17/03/2025 (State Street)	2	—
USD (1,127)	Sold USD, bought EUR 1,085 for settlement 17/03/2025 (State Street)	2	—
EUR (90)	Sold EUR, bought GBP 75 for settlement 17/03/2025 (State Street)	1	—
EUR (421)	Sold EUR, bought CNH 3,178 for settlement 17/03/2025 (State Street)	(2)	—
EUR (1,133)	Sold EUR, bought USD 1,172 for settlement 17/03/2025 (State Street)	(7)	—
USD (1,761)	Sold USD, bought EUR 1,678 for settlement 17/03/2025 (State Street)	(14)	—
USD (1,744)	Sold USD, bought EUR 1,661 for settlement 17/03/2025 (State Street)	(15)	—
USD (6,720)	Sold USD, bought EUR 6,410 for settlement 17/03/2025 (State Street)	(47)	—
GBP (5,043)	Sold GBP, bought EUR 6,050 for settlement 17/03/2025 (State Street)	(53)	—
EUR (32,062)	Sold EUR, bought USD 33,139 for settlement 17/03/2025 (State Street)	(216)	—
EUR (93,606)	Sold EUR, bought CNH 706,347 for settlement 17/03/2025 (State Street)	(367)	—
EUR (4,737,856)	Sold EUR, bought USD 4,897,408 for settlement 17/03/2025 (State Street)	(31,570)	(0.01)
		<b>(21,150)</b>	<b>(0.01)</b>

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**Barings German Growth Trust****Portfolio Statement** (continued)as at 28 February 2025

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Holdings	Investments	Percentage	
		Bid-Market Value (€)	of total net assets (%)
	<b>Portfolio of investments: 94.48% (97.78%) (Cost: £192,988,619)</b>	<b>309,422,715</b>	<b>94.48</b>
	Net other assets	18,076,921	5.52
	<b>Net assets</b>	<b><u>327,499,636</u></b>	<b><u>100.00</u></b>

Note: Securities shown on the portfolio statement are ordinary shares admitted to official stock exchange listings or traded on a regulated market, unless otherwise stated.

Comparative figures shown in brackets relate to 31 August 2024.

## Barings German Growth Trust

### Statement of Total Return and Statement of Change in Net Assets Attributable to Unitholders

for the period ended 28 February 2025

#### Statement of Total Return

	28/02/2025		29/02/2024	
	€'000	€'000	€'000	€'000
Income				
Net capital gains		49,919		36,197
Revenue	934		1,155	
Expenses	(1,983)		(2,125)	
Net expense before taxation	(1,049)		(970)	
Taxation	(287)		(163)	
Net expense after taxation		(1,336)		(1,133)
<b>Change in net assets attributable to unitholders from investment activities</b>		<b>48,583</b>		<b>35,064</b>

#### Statement of Change in Net Assets Attributable to Unitholders

	28/02/2025		29/02/2024	
	€'000	€'000	€'000	€'000
<b>Opening net assets attributable to unitholders*</b>		<b>296,946</b>		<b>346,698</b>
Amounts receivable on issue of units	8,218		12,824	
Amounts payable on cancellation of units	(26,247)		(37,302)	
		(18,029)		(24,478)
Changes in net assets attributable to unitholders from investment activities		48,583		35,064
<b>Closing net assets attributable to unitholders</b>		<b>327,500</b>		<b>357,284</b>

\* The opening net assets attributable to unitholders for 28 February 2025 differs to the closing position in 29 February 2024 by the movement between the two interim periods of the Trust.

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**Barings German Growth Trust****Balance Sheet**as at 28 February 2025

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	<b>28/02/2025</b> <b>€'000</b>	31/08/2024 €'000
<b>Assets</b>		
Investment assets	<b>309,455</b>	290,425
Current assets:		
Debtors	<b>800</b>	278
Cash and bank balances	<b>18,092</b>	7,084
Total assets	<b>328,347</b>	297,787
<b>Liabilities</b>		
Creditors:		
Investment liabilities	<b>(32)</b>	(69)
Distribution payable on income units	<b>–</b>	(113)
Other creditors	<b>(815)</b>	(659)
Total liabilities	<b>(847)</b>	(841)
<b>Net assets attributable to unitholders</b>	<b>327,500</b>	296,946

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## Barings German Growth Trust

### Notes to the Financial Statements

for the period ended 28 February 2025

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#### Basis of Accounting

The interim financial statements have been prepared on the same basis as the annual audited financial statements for the year ended 31 August 2024. They are in accordance with the historical cost convention, as modified by the revaluation of investments, and in accordance with UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice and the Statement of Recommended Practice for UK Authorised Funds issued by the Investment Association ("IA") in May 2014 (the "IMA SORP 2014") and amended in June 201. The financial statements are also in compliance with FRS 102, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland.

The financial statements have been prepared on a going-concern basis.

#### Post balance sheet events

Subsequent to the period end, the price per unit of the A GBP Accumulation class increased from 1,221.00p to 1,264.00p, A GBP Income class from 1,076.00p to 1,114.00p, A USD Accumulation class from 1,537.00c to 1,681.00c, A USD Hedged Accumulation class from 1,926.00c to 1,934.00c, I GBP Accumulation class from 1,335.00p to 1,384.00p, I GBP Income class from 1,073.00p to 1,112.00p, I GBP Hedged Accumulation class from 1,484.00p to 1,487.00p, I EUR Accumulation class from 1,618.00c to 1,619.00c, I EUR Income class from 1,274.00c to 1,275.00c and I USD Accumulation class from 1,674.00c to 1,833.00c as at 24 April 2025. Subsequent to the period end, the price per unit of the A EUR Accumulation class decreased from 1,479.00c to 1,478.00c, A EUR Income class from 1,301.00c to 1,300.00c and A RMB Hedged Accumulation class has not changed from RMB 126.60 as at 24 April 2025. This movement takes into account routine transactions.

The Manager continues to monitor investment performance in line with investment objectives.

## Barings UK Unit Trusts

### The Risk and Reward Profile

	<b>SRRI risk category*</b> <b>28/02/2025</b>	<b>SRRI risk category*</b> <b>31/08/2024</b>
Barings Europe Select - Class A GBP Inc	6	6
Barings Europe Select - Class A EUR Acc	6	6
Barings Europe Select - Class A EUR Inc	6	6
Barings Europe Select - Class A USD Acc	6	6
Barings Europe Select - Class I GBP Acc	6	6
Barings Europe Select - Class I GBP Inc	6	6
Barings Europe Select - Class I EUR Acc	6	6
Barings Europe Select - Class I EUR Inc	6	6

	<b>SRRI risk category*</b> <b>28/02/2025</b>	<b>SRRI risk category*</b> <b>31/08/2024</b>
Barings German Growth - Class A GBP Acc	6	6
Barings German Growth - Class A GBP Inc	6	6
Barings German Growth - Class A EUR Acc	6	6
Barings German Growth - Class A EUR Inc	6	6
Barings German Growth - Class A USD Acc	6	6
Barings German Growth - Class A USD Hedged Acc	6	6
Barings German Growth - Class A RMB Hedged Acc	6	6
Barings German Growth - Class I GBP Acc	6	6
Barings German Growth - Class I GBP Inc	6	6
Barings German Growth - Class I GBP Hedged Acc	6	6
Barings German Growth - Class I EUR Acc	6	6
Barings German Growth - Class I EUR Inc	6	6
Barings German Growth - Class I USD Acc	6	6

\* The Synthetic Risk and Reward Indicator ("SRRI") is not a measure of the risk of capital loss, but a measure of the Trust's price movement over time; the higher the number, the greater the price movement both up and down. It is based on historical data and is not a reliable indication of the future risk profile of the Trust. The risk category shown is in line with the Key Information Document ("KID") at year-end, is not guaranteed, and may change over time. The risk categories are measured from 1 to 7 (1 measuring typically lower risk/rewards and 7 measuring typically higher risk/rewards). The lowest category does not mean a risk-free investment. The Trust is classified in the category indicated due to past movements in the Trust's price. There is no capital guarantee. The value of investments and the income from them may go down as well as up and investors may not get back the amount they invest. The SRRI figures shown have not changed during the period.



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## Barings UK Unit Trusts

### Important Information

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#### Constitution

The Trusts were constituted by a Trust Deed between Baring Fund Managers Limited ('the Manager') and NatWest Trustee and Depositary Services Limited.

This document has been issued by the Manager, which is authorised by the Financial Conduct Authority.

The Trusts are authorised unit trust schemes as defined in section 243 of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 and have been established as Undertakings for Collective Investments in Transferable Securities ("UCITS") schemes.

#### Performance

Past performance is no indication of current or future performance. Investment involves risk. The value of any investments and any income generated may go down as well as up and is not guaranteed. Any reference in the Investment Manager reports for any of the Trusts should not be read as recommendations to investors to buy or sell the same but are included as illustrations only.

#### Key changes during the period

Rhian Williams was appointed as a Director of the Manager effective 1 October 2024.

Richard Kent resigned as a Director of the Manager effective 31 December 2024.

The Prospectus of the Trust was updated on 31 October 2024.

The material changes to the Prospectus are outlined as follows:

- Change of benchmark for Barings German Growth Trust from HDAX (Total Return) Index to MSCI Germany IMI (Net Total Return) Index.
- Necessary ESG language updates.

There are other immaterial changes to the Prospectus that are not listed above.

There were no other key changes relating to the Trusts for the period ended 28 February 2025.

#### Market timing

Repeatedly purchasing and selling units in the Trusts in response to short-term market fluctuations – known as 'market timing' – can disrupt the Manager's investment strategy and increase the Trusts' expenses to the prejudice of all unitholders.

The Trusts are not intended for market timing or excessive trading. To deter these activities, the Manager may refuse to accept an application for units from persons that it reasonably believes are engaged in market timing or are otherwise excessive or potentially disruptive to the Trusts.

The Manager also reserves the right to redeem units which it reasonably believes have been purchased by unitholders engaged in market timing.

#### Publication of prices

The prices of units are published on the Barings website at [www.baring.com](http://www.baring.com). You can also obtain prices by telephone by calling +44 (0) 333 300 0372.

#### Dealing basis

The Manager's basis for dealing in purchases and sales of the Trusts' units is "forward". This means that the price used for any deal will be calculated at the next valuation point following receipt of the investor's instruction.

#### Fees and expenses

The Manager's periodic charge is calculated on each business day, based on the value of the property of the Trusts on the immediately preceding business day, and is paid to the Manager monthly, in arrears, on the first business day of the calendar month immediately following. The current annual management fees charged to the Trusts are shown on pages 6, and 24.

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## Barings UK Unit Trusts

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#### Revenue allocations and reports

Revenue allocations are made on 30 April (interim) and 31 October (final) of each year, where applicable, and forwarded to unitholders together with tax vouchers. The most recent annual report and audited financial statements and interim report and unaudited financial statements will be available on the Baring Asset Management Limited website at [www.baring.com](http://www.baring.com).

#### Prospectus and Manager's reports

Copies of the Prospectus, the Key Information Document(s) ("KID(s)"), and the most recent annual or interim report and financial statements are available to all persons free of charge from the Manager upon request.

PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP (the "Independent Auditor") expresses its opinion on the English version of the annual report and financial statements, and accepts no responsibility for any translations of those financial statements.

#### Value Assessment

As part of the FCA's Asset Management Market Study, Authorised Fund Managers are now required to produce an annual Value Assessment for all UK authorised funds. The Manager published its annual Value Assessment for the Barings funds as part of a broader composite report in December 2024. This is available on the Barings website at [www.baring.com](http://www.baring.com).

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## Barings UK Unit Trusts

### Disclosure for Overseas Investors

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#### **Special risks resulting from additional German tax publication requirements in Germany**

A foreign investment company such as Baring Fund Managers Limited (the "Manager") must provide documentation to the German fiscal authorities upon request, e.g. in order to verify the accuracy of the additional German published tax information. German investors will use this for their tax returns. The basis upon which such figures are calculated is open to interpretation and it cannot be guaranteed that the German fiscal authorities will accept the Manager's calculation methodology in every material respect. In addition, you should be aware that if it transpires that these publications are incorrect, any subsequent correction will, as a general rule, not have retrospective effect and will, as a general rule, only take effect during the current financial year. Consequently, the correction may positively or negatively affect the investors who receive a distribution or an attribution of deemed income distributions in the current financial period.

#### **Information for investors in Switzerland**

The Manager has appointed BNP PARIBAS, Paris, Zurich branch, Selnaustrasse 16, 8002 Zurich, Switzerland as representative and paying agent for Switzerland. Units are distributed in Switzerland by BNP PARIBAS, Paris at the above address. Investors can obtain free of charge the Prospectus, the Key Information Document(s) ("KID(s)"), the latest annual and interim reports, copies of the Trust Deed (and any amendments thereto) as well as a list of the purchases and sales made on behalf of the Barings UK Unit Trusts (the "Trusts") from the representative at the above address. Official publications for the Trusts are found on the internet at [www.fundinfo.com](http://www.fundinfo.com). Unit prices (Net Asset Value with the words "plus commissions") are published daily on the internet at [www.fundinfo.com](http://www.fundinfo.com).

#### **Important information to the performance tables on 47 to 48**

The value of an investment can fall as well as rise as a result of market fluctuations and investors may not get back the amount originally invested. Past performance is no indication of current or future performance. The performance data does not take account of the commissions and costs incurred on the issue and redemption of units, nor the effect of the Manager's preliminary charge.

In conformity with a Guideline of the Asset Management Association Switzerland ("AMAS") dated 16 May 2008, the Manager is providing the below additional information regarding performance.

#### **Total Expense Ratio ("TER")**

Following the Guideline of the Asset Management Association Switzerland ("AMAS") dated 16 May 2008, the Manager is required to publish a total expense ratio ("TER") for the Trust for the 6 month to 28 February 2025. The TER has been established by the Manager and draws upon the data contained in the "Statement of total return" (Manager's management fee, registration fees, trustee fees, safe custody charges, audit fees, Financial Conduct Authority ("FCA") and other regulatory fees and taxation fees as well as any further fees and costs listed in the "Statement of total return" account which do not form part of the aforementioned categories). It is calculated with reference to these numbers and in conformity with the above guideline.

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### Disclosure for Overseas Investors (continued)

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The TERs for each class for the period ended 28 February 2025 and year ended 31 August 2024 are as follows:

	TER 28/02/2025 %	TER 31/08/2024 %
Barings Europe Select Trust - Class A GBP Inc	1.57	1.57
Barings Europe Select Trust - Class A EUR Acc	1.57	1.57
Barings Europe Select Trust - Class A EUR Inc	1.57	1.57
Barings Europe Select Trust - Class A USD Acc	1.57	1.57
Barings Europe Select Trust - Class I GBP Acc	0.82	0.82
Barings Europe Select Trust - Class I GBP Inc	0.82	0.82
Barings Europe Select Trust - Class I EUR Acc	0.82	0.82
Barings Europe Select Trust - Class I EUR Inc	0.82	0.82

## Barings UK Unit Trusts

Disclosure for Overseas Investors (continued)

The TERs for each class for the period ended 28 February 2025 and year ended 31 August 2024 are as follows:

	TER 28/02/2025 %	TER 31/08/2024 %
Barings German Growth Trust - Class A GBP Acc	1.57	1.57
Barings German Growth Trust - Class A GBP Inc	1.57	1.57
Barings German Growth Trust - Class A EUR Acc	1.57	1.57
Barings German Growth Trust - Class A EUR Inc	1.57	1.57
Barings German Growth Trust - Class A USD Acc	1.57	1.57
Barings German Growth Trust - Class A USD Hedged Acc	1.57	1.57
Barings German Growth Trust - Class A RMB Hedged Acc	1.57	1.57
Barings German Growth Trust - Class I GBP Acc	0.82	0.82
Barings German Growth Trust - Class I GBP Inc	0.82	0.82
Barings German Growth Trust - Class I GBP Hedged Acc	0.82	0.82
Barings German Growth Trust - Class I EUR Acc	0.82	0.82
Barings German Growth Trust - Class I EUR Inc	0.82	0.82
Barings German Growth Trust - Class I USD Acc	0.82	0.82

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## Barings UK Unit Trusts

### Disclosure for Overseas Investors (continued)

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#### Trailer fees and reimbursements

Trailer fees (Bestandespflegekommissionen) may only be paid to the sales agents/partners indicated below:

- authorised sales agents (distributors) within the meaning of Article 19, Para 1, Collective Investment Schemes Act ("CISA");
- sales agents (distributors) exempted from the authorisation requirement within the meaning of Article 19, Para 4, CISA;
- sales partners who place fund units exclusively with institutional investors with professional treasury facilities; and/or;
- sales partners who place fund units with their clients exclusively on the basis of a written commission-based asset management mandate.

Reimbursements (Rückvergütungen) may only be paid to the institutional investors detailed below who from a commercial perspective are holding the fund units for third parties:

- life insurance companies (in respect of fund units held for the account of insured persons or to cover obligations towards insured persons), pension funds and other retirement provision institutions (in respect of fund units held for the account of beneficiaries);
- investment foundations (in respect of fund units held for the account of in-house funds);
- Swiss fund management companies (in respect of fund units held for the account of the funds managed); and
- foreign fund management companies and providers (in respect of fund units held for the account of managed funds and investing unitholders).

## Barings UK Unit Trusts

Disclosure for Overseas Investors (continued)

### Performance record to 28 February 2025

#### Barings Europe Select Trust

	01/09/2024 - 28/02/2025 %	01/09/2023 - 31/08/2024 %	01/09/2022 - 31/08/2023 %	01/09/2021 - 31/08/2022 %	01/09/2020 - 31/08/2021 %
Class A GBP Inc (GBP terms)	0.48	7.73	6.54	(25.09)	29.19
MSCI Europe ex UK Small Cap (Total Net Return) Index (GBP terms)**	0.40	12.16	3.91	(20.37)	36.43
Class A EUR Acc (EUR terms)	2.37	9.81	6.73	(25.07)	34.51
Class A EUR Inc (EUR terms)	2.37	9.82	6.74	(25.05)	34.49
Class A USD Acc (USD terms)	(3.93)	11.92	16.28	(36.80)	33.73
Class I GBP Acc (GBP terms)*	0.92	8.48	7.36	(24.51)	34.15
Class I GBP Inc (GBP terms)	0.87	8.53	7.35	(24.53)	29.17
Class I EUR Acc (EUR terms)	2.75	10.64	7.24	(24.49)	35.52
Class I EUR Inc (EUR terms)	2.76	10.64	7.12	(23.55)	35.52

Performance figures are shown net of fees and charges, on a published NAV per unit basis (mid-price), with gross revenue reinvested.

Source: Morningstar/Barings/Euromoney.

\* The Class I GBP Acc unit class was launched on 30 October 2020.

\*\* From 31 July 2023, the MSCI Europe ex UK Small Cap (Total Net Return) (previously, EMIX Smaller European Companies Ex UK (Total Net Return) Index) is the target benchmark.

## Barings UK Unit Trusts

Disclosure for Overseas Investors (continued)

Performance record to 28 February 2025 (continued)

### Barings German Growth Trust

	01/09/2024 - 28/02/2025 %	01/09/2023 - 31/08/2024 %	01/09/2022 - 31/08/2023 %	01/09/2021 - 31/08/2022 %	01/09/2020 - 31/08/2021 %
Class A GBP Acc (GBP terms)	14.76	13.13	15.88	(20.97)	31.48
Class A GBP Inc (GBP terms)	14.80	13.07	15.72	(20.93)	31.27
HDAX® Total Return (EUR terms)*	17.59	15.46	22.76	(20.33)	23.78
Class A EUR Acc (EUR terms)	16.92	15.21	16.20	(20.93)	36.87
Class A EUR Inc (EUR terms)	16.92	15.31	16.10	(20.92)	36.85
Class A USD Acc (USD terms)	9.71	17.44	26.58	(33.30)	36.00
Class A USD Hedged Acc (USD terms)	17.80	17.12	19.52	(19.28)	38.20
Class A RMB Hedged Acc (RMB terms)	16.25	14.68	16.00	(18.09)	41.12
Class I GBP Acc (GBP terms)	15.19	13.85	16.81	(20.34)	32.43
Class I GBP Inc (GBP terms)	15.25	13.94	16.75	(20.35)	31.27
Class I GBP Hedged Acc (GBP terms)	18.15	17.49	18.54	(19.63)	38.45
Class I EUR Acc (EUR terms)	17.33	16.08	16.93	(20.25)	37.94
Class I EUR Inc (EUR terms)	17.35	16.21	17.00	(20.36)	37.96
Class I USD Acc (USD terms)	10.35	18.52	27.36	(32.69)	37.60

Performance figures are shown net of fees and charges, on a published NAV per unit basis (mid-price), with gross revenue reinvested.

Source: Morningstar/Barings/HDAX.

\* From 18 July 2022, the HDAX® (Total Net Return) Index is the target benchmark.

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**Past performance is no indication of current or future performance. The performance data does not take account of the commissions and costs incurred on the issue and redemption of units. Please note that changes in the rates of exchange may have an adverse effect on the value, price or income of an investment.**



## Barings UK Unit Trusts

### Unit Price History - Hong Kong Registered Trusts

Barings Europe Select Trust and Barings German Growth Trust have been registered for sale in Hong Kong.

#### Barings Europe Select Trust

	A GBP Inc (p)	A EUR Acc (c)	A Eur Inc (c)	A USD Acc (c)	I GBP Acc* (p)
2025 High Low	4,855.00 4,402.00	6,406.00 5,806.00	5,833.00 5,287.00	6,879.00 6,010.00	125.80 113.80
2024 High Low	4,889.00 3,908.00	6,250.00 4,899.00	5,712.00 4,478.00	6,787.00 5,153.00	125.50 99.83
2023 High Low	4,746.00 3,782.00	5,788.00 4,659.00	5,343.00 4,301.00	6,317.00 4,481.00	119.50 94.93
2022 High Low	5,618.00 4,059.00	7,041.00 5,083.00	6,571.00 4,743.00	8,285.00 5,132.00	138.00 101.00
2021 High Low	5,581.00 4,121.00	5,942.99 4,395.82	5,571.23 4,121.36	5,945.32 4,398.08	136.70 100.00
2020 High Low	4,419.00 3,072.00	5,616.00 3,607.00	5,265.00 3,382.00	6,125.00 3,928.00	N/A N/A
2019 High Low	4,383.00 3,534.00	5,141.00 4,150.00	4,828.00 3,907.00	5,971.00 4,728.00	N/A N/A
2018 High Low	4,184.00 3,828.00	5,000.00 4,482.00	4,735.00 4,243.00	6,184.00 5,206.00	N/A N/A
2017 High Low	3,887.00 2,793.00	4,717.00 3,615.00	4,481.00 3,450.00	5,253.00 3,982.00	N/A N/A
2016 High Low	2,891.00 2,439.00	4,042.00 3,373.00	3,866.00 3,226.00	4,393.00 3,783.00	N/A N/A

\* Class I GBP Acc was launched on 30 October 2020 hence no data available from 2016 to 2020.

## Barings UK Unit Trusts

Unit Price History - Hong Kong Registered Trusts (continued)

### Barings Europe Select Trust (continued)

	I GBP Inc (p)	I EUR Acc (c)	I EUR Inc (c)
2025 High Low	4,866.00 4,404.00	6,696.00 6,058.00	5,922.00 5,358.00
2024 High Low	4,909.00 3,907.00	6,498.00 5,071.00	5,812.00 4,535.00
2023 High Low	4,757.00 3,781.00	5,961.00 4,785.00	5,425.00 4,354.00
2022 High Low	5,625.00 4,088.00	7,184.00 5,210.00	6,593.00 4,841.00
2021 High Low	5,621.00 4,128.00	6,053.75 4,450.71	5,616.74 4,133.06
2020 High Low	4,434.00 3,084.00	5,655.00 3,635.00	5,287.00 3,398.00
2019 High Low	4,424.00 3,552.00	5,152.00 4,152.00	4,886.00 3,939.00
2018 High Low	4,212.00 3,837.00	4,973.00 4,438.00	4,786.00 4,271.00
2017 High Low	3,929.00 2,803.00	4,660.00 3,550.00	4,531.00 3,450.00
2016 High Low	2,917.00 2,450.00	3,940.00 3,293.00	3,892.00 3,252.00

## Barings UK Unit Trusts

Unit Price History - Hong Kong Registered Trusts (continued)

### Barings German Growth Trust

	A GBP Inc (p)	A GBP Acc (p)	A Eur Acc (c)	A EUR Inc (c)	A USD Acc (c)
2025 High Low	1093.00 905.20	1,240.00 1,027.00	1,495.00 1,219.00	1,315.00 1,072.00	1,567.00 1,325.00
2024 High Low	984.30 791.50	1,112.00 893.70	1,300.00 1,025.00	1,149.00 905.60	1,413.00 1,080.00
2023 High Low	887.80 686.10	995.80 769.40	1,138.00 875.90	1,012.00 779.00	1,264.00 838.70
2022 High Low	941.00 703.00	1,051.00 784.90	1,247.00 922.00	1,114.00 824.00	1,421.00 928.00
2021 High Low	921.10 624.50	1,027.00 695.90	1,025.99 695.27	916.95 621.38	1,027.49 697.74
2020 High Low	778.10 479.00	866.10 533.10	1,031.00 572.50	922.30 512.30	1,126.00 615.10
2019 High Low	846.20 639.90	936.90 708.50	1,068.00 785.80	960.40 706.90	1,262.00 894.70
2018 High Low	887.30 752.00	980.20 830.70	1,117.00 956.60	1,009.00 864.00	1,378.00 1,083.00
2017 High Low	771.10 535.80	846.40 587.90	997.70 712.10	907.80 648.10	1,095.00 788.00
2016 High Low	584.30 500.90	634.80 544.20	879.20 694.60	808.40 638.70	966.60 785.20

## Barings UK Unit Trusts

Unit Price History - Hong Kong Registered Trusts (continued)

### Barings German Growth Trust (continued)

	A USD Hedged Acc (c)	A CHF Hedged Acc** (CHF)	A RMB Hedged Acc (RMB)	I GBP Acc (p)	I GBP Inc (p)
2025 High Low	1,947.00 1,575.00	N/A N/A	128.00 104.80	1,356.00 1,120.00	1,089.00 899.20
2024 High Low	1,673.00 1,307.00	N/A N/A	112.10 88.65	1,209.00 967.70	982.30 786.60
2023 High Low	1,442.00 1,086.00	N/A N/A	98.75 76.00	1,075.00 826.60	885.50 681.40
2022 High Low	1,513.00 1,134.00	N/A N/A	105.70 79.62	1,122.00 842.00	937.00 704.00
2021 High Low	1,052.21 716.18	N/A N/A	99.94 62.74	1,094.00 737.00	921.70 620.90
2020 High Low	1,223.00 679.40	N/A N/A	82.82 45.98	912.30 562.00	775.60 477.80
2019 High Low	1,208.00 904.60	N/A N/A	81.33 61.30	973.90 740.00	840.70 638.90
2018 High Low	1,253.00 1,064.00	11.35 9.74	83.87 70.80	1,017.00 857.00	885.90 747.00
2017 High Low	1,105.00 778.00	9.30 6.75	73.02 49.90	886.00 602.40	771.10 532.10
2016 High Low	954.80 755.10	9.06 7.14	59.71 47.93	649.6 556.1	584.40 500.30

\*\* Class A CHF Hedged Acc was closed in 2018 hence no data available from 2019 to 2025.

## Barings UK Unit Trusts

### Unit Price History - Hong Kong Registered Trusts (continued)

#### Barings German Growth Trust (continued)

	I GBP Hedged Acc* (p)	I EUR Acc (c)	I Eur Inc (c)	I USD Acc (c)
2025 High Low	1,500.00 1,211.00	1,635.00 1,329.00	1,288.00 1,046.00	1,707.00 1,438.00
2024 High Low	1,285.00 1,002.00	1,414.00 1,110.00	1,121.00 879.40	1,526.00 1,161.00
2023 High Low	1,104.00 836.70	1,229.00 941.30	989.40 757.90	1,356.00 894.40
2022 High Low	1,175.00 877.00	1,333.00 989.00	1,089.00 808.00	1,501.00 988.00
2021 High Low	1,122.00 715.30	1,093.81 736.46	900.64 606.30	1,085.66 729.43
2020 High Low	961.20 530.20	1,087.00 603.60	902.20 501.50	1,167.00 638.30
2019 High Low	966.30 719.30	1,111.00 821.10	969.00 688.00	1,290.00 918.80
2018 High Low	1,007.00 857.20	1,159.00 989.00	1,020.00 871.00	1,406.00 1,100.00
2017 High Low	891.00 826.20	1,030.00 730.00	919.00 652.10	1,111.00 794.00
2016 High Low	N/A N/A	895.00 710.10	807.70 641.30	930.90 788.10

\* Class I GBP Hedged Acc was only launched in 2017 hence no data available in 2016.

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## Barings UK Unit Trusts

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