

Ennismore European Smaller Companies Fund

Investor Newsletter for the month of January 2026

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Fund Details

Daily dealing UCITS and Irish Central Bank regulated open-ended investment company with Financial Conduct Authority recognition and registered in Ireland, Germany, Italy, Spain, Sweden and Austria. The Fund size was GBP 241m as at 30th January 2026. Total assets under management by Ennismore Fund Management were GBP 413m. The Fund continues to limit capacity by capping the maximum number of units in issue. There is currently a small amount of capacity available due to the natural rate of investor turnover. If you would like to invest, please contact Margot Webb on +44 (0) 20 7368 4250 or email clients@ennismorefunds.com. The Fund is managed as an absolute return fund with the objective of generating positive returns irrespective of market conditions rather than performing relative to any benchmark index.

Performance as at 30th January 2026

	Share Class ¹				
	GBP A £	GBP A €	GBP B	EUR A	EUR B
NAV per Share ²	173.91	200.61	29.39	28.73	28.90
	% Change				
January 26	1.3	2.0	1.3	1.9	1.9
2026 to date	1.3	2.0	1.3	1.9	1.9
Annualised return ³	11.2	10.3	7.4	7.3	7.3
Since launch ³	1671.9	1324.5	193.9	187.3	189.0
Note: All performance figures net of fees. Past performance is not a guide to future returns.					

Comments below on performance attribution refer to GBP NAV per share unless otherwise stated, exclude cash returns and are prior to expenses.

¹Source: Administrator, Net Asset Value, net income reinvested. ²Source: Administrator, Net Asset Value. ³Since inception of GBP A share class on 27/01/99 to date, GBP B share class on 19/01/11 to date, EUR A and EUR B share classes on 31/01/11 to date.

In January, the Fund was up 1.3%, with the long and short books contributing 1.7% and 0.1% respectively. The most significant contributor to performance was Kitwave Group Plc, returning 0.4%, which received a takeover bid from private equity at a premium of more than 30%.

Top Five Contributors and Detractors for January 2026

Contributors	bps	Detractors	bps
Kitwave Group Plc	40	Lectra SA	-27
Genus Plc	30	Hypoport SE	-26
Secure Trust Bank Plc	29	Poland based e-commerce enabler	-24
BioNTech SE	25	Paradox Interactive AB	-19
SAF Holland SE	24	Sika AG	-14

Top Five Long Holdings as at 30th January 2026

Company	Country	Sector	% of NAV
EVS Broadcast Equipment SA	Belgium	Information Technology	3.1
SAF Holland SE	Germany	Consumer Discretionary	2.6
STO SE & Co KGaA	Germany	Materials	2.4
Deutsche Wohnen SE	Germany	Real Estate	2.4
Trigano SA	France	Consumer Discretionary	2.4
			12.8

Exposures as at 30th January 2026

Longs%	Shorts%	Gross Exposure%	Net Exposure%
87.8 (85.4)	33.1 (34.5)	120.9 (120.0)	54.7 (50.9)

Figures in brackets refer to previous month end. All exposures are calculated on a delta adjusted basis. All calculations are subject to the impact of rounding.

Exposures by Country, Market Cap & Sector as % NAV and Positions as at 30th January 2026

Country	Gross%	Net%	Market Cap	Gross%	Net%	Sector	Gross%	Net%
United Kingdom	26.9	23.1	>£5bn	18.9	7.0	Communication Services	8.7	5.7
Germany	23.8	20.8	£1bn-£5bn	33.8	8.0	Consumer Discretionary	19.7	6.2
France	14.4	11.0	£250m-£1bn	52.7	26.8	Consumer Staples	9.4	0.5
United States	7.4	-5.4	<£250m	15.5	12.8	Financials	11.9	9.9
Sweden	7.0	0.5				Health Care	8.0	4.8
Italy	6.2	0.7				Industrials	28.4	12.9
Belgium	4.7	4.0				Information Technology	18.8	5.1
Austria	4.3	2.6				Materials	10.5	6.2
Switzerland	3.3	-1.1				Real Estate	5.1	3.7
Luxembourg	2.9	-1.1				Utilities	0.4	-0.4
Netherlands	2.6	1.0						
Spain	2.3	0.2						
Finland	1.8	-0.5						
Denmark	1.7	-1.7						
Norway	1.7	-0.8						
Australia	1.5	-1.5						
Japan	1.3	1.3						
Poland	1.1	-1.1						
Cayman Islands	1.0	-0.5						
Other	4.9	3.2						

Geographic analysis relates to country of incorporation or listing. This may not represent the underlying economic exposure of the operating business.

Catella AB – Swedish property investment manager (1.2% of NAV)

Catella AB (“Catella”) is a SEK 2.4 billion market capitalisation Swedish property investment manager that has undergone a radical transformation to emerge as a high-quality, streamlined asset management business. Over the past decade, the group has simplified its structure by divesting non-core operations – including banking, wealth management, and mutual fund businesses – to focus on its core engine: Property Investment Management (PIM). Today, Catella is defined by three divisions: PIM, Corporate Finance, and Principal Investments, with the PIM segment driving the majority of group value.

The PIM division manages SEK 160 billion (EUR 15 billion), primarily in core residential real estate via a dual-product strategy. Assets are split 70/30 between long-term pooled property funds generating 0.75% management fees and 1.5% transaction fees, and asset management for institutions and family offices generating a 0.2% fee. This platform is supported by a resilient capital base, governed by twelve-month withdrawal notice periods and tapered exit fees, and has grown organically at an impressive 15% per year since 2015. The quality of the platform is underscored by performance: Catella’s two longest-standing funds currently rank first and second among European property funds according to Citywire, despite leverage capped at 30% loan-to-value. While operating margin is currently around 16%, management is actively consolidating funds to target the margin-dilutive tail by imposing a minimum assets under management (AUM) threshold of EUR 500 million. As European property transaction volumes recover from current severely depressed levels, we think an operating margin in the mid-20s is highly achievable and would still be well below the 30-40% margins seen at scaled peers – implying that this segment could generate over SEK 400 million in operating profit by 2029 with double-digit growth potential thereafter.

Catella’s Corporate Finance segment is an industry leader in the Nordics, holding a 10% market share in Sweden and Finland. This segment has also been rationalised, with the closure of unprofitable German and Baltic units clearing the path for SEK 100 to 150 million in annual operating profit as transaction volumes recover. Similarly, the Principal Investments portfolio has been significantly de-risked following the sale of the Kaktus Tower for SEK 2.1 billion. The remaining SEK 1.1 billion in equity will likely serve as seed capital for new PIM products instead of funding higher-risk, large-scale developments.

This strategic pivot is being overseen by a refreshed leadership team. Formerly of Patrizia, CEO Rikke Lykke is focused on institutionalising the platform and imposing stricter capital discipline, with the recently appointed CFO Gustav Jansson, formerly of Visa, rounding out the team. Their mandate is clear: scale the existing funds, strengthen direct institutional relationships, and simplify the investment narrative for a market that has yet to recognise Catella's underlying value.

Catella trades at less than three times enterprise value to our estimate of normalised operating profits; a valuation that ignores the quality of its recurring revenue base and growth potential. We believe a trade acquirer could purchase the company, liquidate the non-core assets, and divest the corporate finance arm to effectively retain the entire PIM platform for free. The balance sheet is robust, with around SEK 1.6 billion in cash, SEK 1.3 billion in debt, and SEK 1.4 billion in non-core investments - providing ample capacity for the highly accretive share buybacks we anticipate, driven by an engaged investor base.

While property fund outflows remain a risk, strong performance and steadily improving monthly trends in net asset value suggest flows will return as investor confidence recovers. In the interim, fund outflows are offset by the asset management business, where AUM rose 22% in Q3 2025. We also see positive signs of European transaction volume recovery, with 15% year-on-year growth in Q3. As volumes recover, we expect mid-single-digit growth in AUM, significant margin expansion, and a rebound in the Corporate Finance segment. Our PIM revenue assumptions remain conservative, with performance fees modelled at 5% of total revenue, half our through-cycle expectation. Valuing the business at twelve times enterprise value to net operating profit after tax offers 150% upside by 2029, an annualised return of over 30%.

Historical Monthly Percentage Return for the GBP A Shares

Year	Jan (%)	Feb (%)	Mar (%)	Apr (%)	May (%)	Jun (%)	Jul (%)	Aug (%)	Sep (%)	Oct (%)	Nov (%)	Dec (%)	Annual
2026	1.3												1.3
2025	-1.7	2.5	4.6	1.9	-0.6	1.2	2.1	-0.6	0.4	1.3	-1.0	0.3	10.7
2024	1.9	-2.4	1.2	2.1	-0.7	0.9	0.2	0.7	-3.6	-1.5	-3.8	-1.4	-6.5
2023	-2.8	-0.1	-0.4	2.9	-3.0	-2.6	-1.6	3.1	3.0	1.1	1.1	1.7	2.1
2022	1.1	-2.6	0.2	1.4	-0.9	0.7	-3.1	1.9	-1.2	2.2	3.0	1.0	3.7
2021	-5.2	1.7	4.5	4.7	3.4	1.0	2.8	0.7	-0.1	-1.8	1.8	1.5	15.8
2020	-2.4	-2.8	-5.7	-0.8	-1.6	4.0	-3.8	-2.5	0.8	-3.1	9.6	4.5	-4.8
2019	1.4	-0.2	1.5	0.7	2.2	-0.7	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.2	-1.4	1.2	6.9
2018	-2.0	-0.8	0.0	0.7	0.9	2.0	0.3	1.1	0.3	-1.0	2.3	0.2	4.0
2017	1.2	-0.2	0.9	1.0	2.2	-0.6	2.7	1.5	-1.2	-1.2	0.4	2.6	9.6
2016	2.2	2.8	0.9	0.4	-1.2	2.3	1.3	2.3	1.6	1.9	-2.7	1.9	14.5
2015	-0.7	-3.1	0.0	2.2	2.2	0.8	1.9	0.8	0.5	0.5	0.7	3.8	9.7
2014	1.1	0.5	2.9	1.5	-1.4	-2.0	0.2	1.1	-0.2	0.8	2.0	-0.2	6.4
2013	6.5	2.7	1.5	-0.9	1.8	-0.9	2.8	1.2	1.6	4.2	1.2	2.3	26.6
2012	0.5	2.8	0.0	-1.4	-1.9	1.6	-2.0	2.5	-0.1	2.9	2.6	0.7	8.4
2011	2.9	0.5	5.3	0.5	-0.2	4.4	-0.7	-0.2	-0.2	2.9	-4.0	-1.4	9.8
2010	0.9	3.0	2.0	1.0	-1.6	-0.3	2.4	-1.5	3.4	2.3	-0.4	6.0	18.4
2009	-3.7	-1.6	-2.1	-6.5	4.0	-2.5	0.3	4.5	7.0	-1.1	2.0	-0.9	-1.6
2008	-1.4	3.4	0.1	1.8	-0.5	-2.9	-0.2	1.5	-8.5	-7.6	2.1	7.5	-5.7
2007	-2.2	1.3	2.4	2.9	0.5	1.5	0.5	-1.5	1.4	-0.3	-0.9	3.4	9.1
2006	4.0	2.3	4.8	4.2	-3.9	-4.0	-0.7	-1.4	-0.8	1.4	1.0	1.7	8.4
2005	3.2	4.2	0.4	-2.4	2.1	4.7	6.6	3.2	3.3	-5.2	2.5	4.9	30.4
2004	2.8	2.7	-0.5	2.1	-1.5	4.6	-0.9	1.5	1.7	1.9	2.8	4.4	23.5
2003	-1.5	2.8	1.4	4.9	4.7	0.0	3.3	1.5	2.2	0.9	2.1	3.8	29.3
2002	1.3	2.2	3.2	1.5	2.7	-1.0	-5.3	0.6	-4.1	3.3	2.5	-0.5	6.2
2001	2.4	0.7	-7.8	2.2	1.4	-0.7	0.4	1.8	-4.6	0.9	2.7	2.8	1.5
2000	11.8	20.7	-0.3	-4.6	2.5	1.8	1.0	0.1	-2.5	-3.0	2.6	3.2	35.7
1999	-0.3	1.0	0.8	6.6	1.4	3.3	4.6	1.4	-1.8	2.6	8.6	13.4	49.0

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