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IFSL Blackfinch NextGen Infrastructure

May 2025 Fund Factsheet

Investment Objective

The aim of the Fund is to increase the value of an investment over a minimum of 5 years. The Fund will do this through a combination of capital growth, which is profit on investments held, and income received by the Fund, which is money paid out of investments, such as dividends and interest.

Portfolio Information

Class A: Accumulation Share ISIN

GB00BQ2MXR31

Class A Management Fee	Class A Underlying fund charges
0.75%	**0.77%**

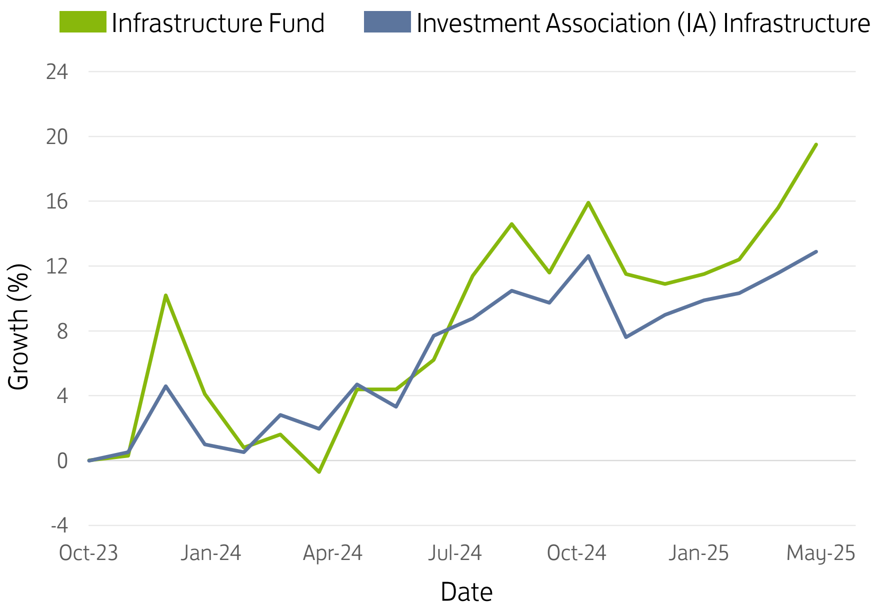
Class B: Accumulation Share ISIN

GB00BQ2MXY08

Class B Management Fee	Class B Underlying fund charges
0.65%	**0.67%**

Estimated Annual Income Yield (Class B)	Number of holdings
2.40%	**43**

Performance Since Launch

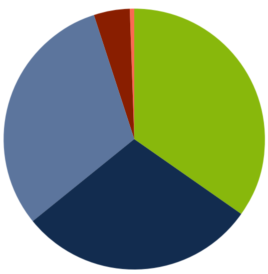


Cumulative Performance (%)

	1 Year	3 Year	5 Year	10 Year
Fund	**14.5%**	-	-	-
Sector	**7.8%**	-	-	-

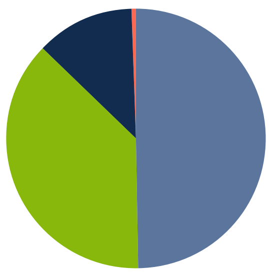
Discrete Performance (%) - to last month end

	May 24/25	May 24/25	May 24/25	May 24/25	May 24/25
Fund	**14.5%**	-	-	-	-



Thematic Allocation
(as at 31/05/2025)

Energy Transition	**34.94%**
Sustainable Urbanisation	**29.29%**
Digitalisation	**30.88%**
Multi-Thematic	**4.48%**
Cash & Equivalent	**0.42%**



Regional Allocation[1]
(as at 31/05/2025)

North America	**49.88%**
Europe	**37.34%**
Asia Pacific	**12.35%**
Cash & Equivalent	**0.42%**

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Date of inception: 24/11/2023.

[1]Based on the country of domicile.
IFSL Blackfinch OEIC Sub-Funds performance figures are quoted net of AMC and fund OCFs.

Investment Fund Services Limited (IFSL) acts as the Fund's Authorised Corporate Director (ACD). The Key Investor Information Documents and the Prospectuses forall funds are available, in English, free of charge and can be obtained directly using the contact details in the Sales Contact section. They can also be downloaded from www.ifslfunds.com.

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George Nikolaou, Lead Fund Manager and Dr Dan Appleby, CIO and Support Fund Manager are responsible for managing the IFSL Blackfinch NextGen Infrastructure Fund. They bring expertise in the research of listed property, infrastructure and equity investment products, managing client portfolios and working closely with financial advisers and other professional clients. Each is a CFA® charterholder.

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02 - Investment Commentary

In May, the IFSL Blackfinch NextGen Infrastructure Fund (B Accumulation share class) returned +3.37% after all fees and expenses. This compares to the IA Infrastructure Sector average return of +1.18%. Since inception, the Fund has returned +19.50% compared to the IA Infrastructure Sector average return of +12.88%. The investment team employs a multi-thematic growth-driven approach, therefore Fund returns will frequently diverge against peers, as evidenced by the wide disparity in relative performance since launch.

Global infrastructure stocks rose in May, but trailed the broader stock market as the near-term risk of tariff disputes abated, perhaps temporarily. Broader equity indices rallied sharply as tensions between the US and China cooled following an announcement to temporarily reduce tariffs on 12 May. The yield on the 10-year US Treasury rose to 4.39% at the end of May after closing April at 4.15%, which contributed to the underperformance of infrastructure stocks compared to equity indices.

The Fund outperformed broader infrastructure indices with its net asset value (NAV) reaching an all-time high with reference to the B Accumulation units. Gains were broadly balanced geographically, with the Energy Transition theme significantly adding to returns. Continued energy deregulation initiatives by the Trump administration helped US power producers rally, while European peers also had a strong month. Data centres continued their recent positive trajectory, nearly erasing losses posted earlier in the year. Interest-rate sensitive assets – such as communication infrastructure towers and healthcare properties – as well as perceived defensive sectors such as waste management lagged during a 'risk-on' environment. Fund performance was once again negatively impacted by adverse currency moves.

As at 31 May, the Fund held 42 individual holdings and was well-diversified across underlying themes, sectors and geographies. All underlying themes contributed positively to performance (estimated gross total returns: Digitalisation +1.2%, Sustainable Urbanisation +1.5%, Energy Transition +6.7% and Multi-Thematic +5.8%). The top three contributors were Grenergy Renovables, Vistra Corp and Enviri Corp. The top three detractors were Ventas Inc., Cellnex Telecom SA, and American Tower Corp.

We continue to believe investors should focus their exposure on listed infrastructure aligned with the next-generation (NextGen) themes shaping the future of the global infrastructure markets: Digitalisation, Energy Transition and Sustainable Urbanisation. Overall, the outlook for NextGen Infrastructure assets remains optimistic. Strong operational performance, growing earnings and healthy balance sheets mean these companies have the potential to continue delivering long-term capital appreciation plus growing income for investors. Despite global macroeconomic headwinds, we believe current valuations offer a potentially attractive entry point to this asset class within the context of a multi-asset allocation.

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We invest with a **core focus** on the UN Global Compact Principles

Extensive due diligence across multiple factors to identify sound business fundamentals, accounting for the 10 UNGC principles, where possible

We take a forward-looking approach to investment selection using positive screening

We encourage 'engagement' with both 'leaders' and 'improvers' for positive outcomes

We're committed to transparency on our multi-factor screening process and reflect this in our investment approach

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Towards the end of May, US President Donald Trump's "big, beautiful" tax bill passed the House of Representatives and moved to the US Senate for approval or changes. Despite the 'phasing-out' of incentives for renewable energy assets within the original bill, the latest Senate text is much friendlier to geothermal, nuclear, energy storage and hydropower. At the time of writing, key beneficiaries of the bill include the recently-added Vistra Corp (c. 3.0% portfolio weighting) with its high exposure to nuclear power and Ormat Technologies Inc. (c. 2.0% portfolio weighting) due to its dominant geothermal US market share. Notably, Vistra's shares advanced c.+23% during May.

The bidding race for UK specialist healthcare property investor Assura intensified, as Assura's board recommended an increased £1.7bn takeover offer from private equity groups KKR and Stonepeak, and rejected a rival proposal from Primary Health Properties (c. 2.1% portfolio weighting). While there they are counter-arguments for each proposal, as investors in Primary Health Properties, we would consider any combination between Assura and Primary Health Properties as a high-risk proposition based on the latest terms. The combined entity would be exposed to significantly higher leverage with the prospect of a credit downgrade and a dividend cut, alongside the execution and timing risk to sell Assura's non-core assets. This may also attract scrutiny from the UK's Competition and Markets Authority.

We took profits in Iberian renewable energy asset developer Grenergy Renovables after its shares rose c. +130% year-on-year in May. We topped up our positions in Ormat, Vistra, US Data Centre REITS and UK Battery Storage Trusts on conviction grounds.

Top 10 Portfolio Holdings
(as at 31/05/2025)

GFL Environmental Inc	**4.75%**
Equinix Inc	**4.62%**
Digital Realty Trust Inc	**3.76%**
Cellnex Telecom SA	**3.71%**
Clearway Energy Inc	**3.40%**
Vistra Corp	**3.04%**
American Tower Corp	**3.00%**
Gresham House Energy Storage Fund	**2.97%**
Elia Group SA/NV	**2.87%**
American Healthcare REIT Inc	**2.85%**

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KEY INFORMATION

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