

Aberdeen Latin American Income Fund Limited

Capturing the powerful income potential of Latin American equities and bonds



The Company

Aberdeen Latin American Income Fund Limited (the "Company") is a Jersey-incorporated, closed-end investment company and its shares are traded on the London Stock Exchange ("LSE"). The Company is a member of the Association of Investment Companies.

Investment Objective

The investment objective of the Company is to provide Ordinary Shareholders with a total return, with an above average yield, primarily through investing in Latin American securities.



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Manager

The Company is managed by Aberdeen Standard Capital International Limited ("ASCIL"), which is registered with the Jersey Financial Services Commission ("JFSC") for the conduct of fund services business. The investment management of the Company has been delegated by ASCIL to Aberdeen Asset Managers Limited ("AAM").

ASCIL and AAM are both wholly-owned subsidiaries of Standard Life Aberdeen PLC ("SLA"), a publicly-quoted company on the LSE. Aberdeen Standard Investments is a brand of the investment businesses of SLA.

References throughout this document to Aberdeen Standard Investments refer to both ASCIL and AAM and their responsibilities as Manager and Investment Manager to the Company.



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Brunella Isper and Viktor Szabó, Aberdeen Asset Managers Limited

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Corporate Information

Highlights and Financial Calendar

Performance (total return, with dividends reinvested)



^A Considered to be an Alternative Performance Measure as defined on page 25. Source: Aberdeen Standard Investments, Lipper and Morningstar.



*For the six months ended 28 February 2021





Financial Calendar

Payment dates of interim dividends for the financial year to 31 August 2021	28 May 2021 30 July 2021 29 October 2021
Financial year end	31 August 2021
Expected announcement of results for the financial year to 31 August 2021	November 2021
Annual General Meeting (Jersey)	December 2021

Financial Highlights

	28 February 2021	31 August 2020	% change
Total assets (£'000)	39,226	37,855	+3.6
Equity shareholders' funds (£'000)	33,726	32,355	+4.2
Net asset value per Ordinary share	59.05p	56.65p	+4.2
Ordinary share price	54.20p	49.15p	+10.3
Discount to net asset value per Ordinary share ^A	8.2%	13.2%	
Net gearing ^A	15.3%	16.1%	
Ongoing charges ratio ^A	2.00%	2.00%	

^A Considered to be an Alternative Performance Measure as defined on pages 25 and 26.

Chairman's Statement

"Looking longer term, your Manager and I remain excited by Latin America's appeal as an investment destination, given the region's huge potential."

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Overview

After performing poorly for much of 2020, Latin American assets delivered a positive return over the six months under review, despite bouts of volatility in very challenging conditions. Markets rallied in the final quarter of 2020 on hopes that the first rollouts of Covid-19 vaccines would herald the beginning of the end for the pandemic. However, sentiment turned cautious again in the New Year as the spectre of inflation re-surfaced, eroding some of the gains.

In this environment, the fortunes of the Company's two asset classes diverged. Equities chalked up healthy returns, whereas bond prices retreated. Overall, the portfolio's composite benchmark finished up by 5.8% in sterling terms. Relatively, your Company performed better, with the net asset value (NAV) total return increasing by 7.2%. The share price rose by 13.9%, which helped to further narrow the share price discount to NAV. I was pleased to note that your Managers' choice of holdings was the chief contributor to the Company's outperformance over this period. This is a testament to the Manager's long-term approach and focus on building a high-conviction portfolio of quality stocks and bonds.

Several themes influenced the markets' direction. The ebb and flow of the battle against Covid-19 remained foremost in investors' thoughts. Worryingly, Latin America continues to struggle in bringing infections down and mitigating the mounting death toll. Both Mexico and Chile were compelled to re-impose lockdowns in December, with Mexican leader Andres Manuel Lopez Obrador himself succumbing to the virus for a while. The arrival of vaccines brought hope to the battered region, but inoculations were quickly beset by logistical challenges. In Brazil, President Bolsonaro's attitudes to Covid-19 and vaccinations caused political turmoil as infection rates soared. That said, Chile emerged as a bright spot, with the country among the world's fastest in administering vaccinations. The trajectory of the virus and speed and efficacy of these vaccination campaigns will be crucial in buttressing the economic recovery.

Beyond Covid-19, domestic politics was another source of uncertainty. In Brazil, concerns over the country's fragile fiscal position heightened after the government unveiled a new minimum income welfare scheme. In contrast, momentum for other reforms appeared to stall, with little progress on proposed changes to the tax system. Meanwhile, investors were disenchanted by a new law that overturned previous energy market reforms in Mexico in favour of state-owned providers. Political instability gripped Argentina and Peru as well. In Argentina, uncertainty over the export cap on corn after a threeday farmers' strike exposed rifts within the government. As for Peru, a flurry of leadership changes followed the impeachment of former president Martin Vizcarra for alleged corruption. Within a week, large-scale protests forced his replacement, Manuel Merino, to resign. Only after market-friendly technocrat Francisco Sagasti took the reins on an interim basis were investors appeased.

All that said, optimism over vaccines, still loose monetary policies and President Joe Biden's election victory in the US lent support to asset prices. At the same time, we saw some rotation away from growth oriented stocks that benefited from pandemic induced disruptions. Notably, the brightening economic outlook globally buoyed prices of commodities, including crude oil, copper and iron ore, which are crucial drivers of these key regional economies. In particular, this benefited the markets in Chile, Mexico and Peru, along with the mining and energy sectors.

Starkly, a notable name that missed out on the rally, Brazil's Petrobras, was victim of an enforced change in top management. This came after Brazil's President Jair Bolsonaro moved to replace CEO Roberto Castello Branco for not aligning with the government on fuel pricing. While the Company holds an underweight position in the state-owned oil giant, when compared to the benchmark, your Manager acted swiftly to further reduce the position over fears of further political interference. Your Manager continues to monitor developments and wrote to the Petrobras board to express support for the executive team. Nonetheless, this was a clear illustration of the importance of active management when investing in Latin America, where governance still warrants much scrutiny despite tangible improvements over the years.

Environmental, Social & Governance (ESG)

The Board continues to actively engage with the Manager on the assessment and integration of ESG factors in the Manager's investment process. At the Company's strategy meeting in early March 2021, the Board and Manager discussed at length the Manager's ESG practices for both the equity sleeve and fixed income elements of the portfolio. The Board has challenged the Manager to enhance its ESG reporting to the Board to allow the Board to provide more comprehensive ESG reporting to its shareholders and intends to provide more details to the Company's shareholders in the next Annual Report.

Dividends

The Board is pleased to declare a second interim dividend of 0.875 pence per Ordinary share (2020: 0.875p) in respect of the year ending 31 August 2021 payable on 28 May 2021 to Ordinary shareholders on the register at close of business on 14 May 2021 (ex-dividend date 13 May 2021).

Chairman's Statement Continued

The current level of dividend has been maintained, supplemented by revenue reserves, despite the weakening of Latin American currencies against sterling predominantly due to the impact of the Covid-19 pandemic and the continuing economic effects on the Company's equity investments, many of which have scaled back their distributions to conserve cash where possible through lockdowns. This has meant that the sterling income receipts of the Company have been reduced.

One of the great benefits of the investment trust structure allows the Company to use accumulated reserves to maintain distributions to shareholders where there is a shortfall in earnings and it is the Directors' current intention to utilise revenue reserves to maintain the interim dividend payments at the same level at least for the year ending 31 August 2021.

If the volatility experienced in the region continues and currencies remain weak, the Directors believe that it is likely that the payment of a sustainable and covered dividend may necessitate a lower dividend payment in future years. The Board, together with the Manager, continues to analyse the impact on revenues and places great emphasis on exercising prudence, particularly in these uncertain times, to ensure that the robustness of the Company's balance sheet is maintained and will continue to keep its distribution policy under close review.

Share Capital

There has been no change to the Company's share capital structure during the six months under review. The Company has not bought back any shares, or issued any shares, in light of the volatile markets. However, the Company will make selective use of buybacks, subject to prevailing market conditions and having regard to the size of the Company, where it would be in the best interests of shareholders to do so. At the time of writing, the Company's share price discount to NAV is 6.9%.

Gearing

The level of drawings under the Company's one year £6 million multi-currency revolving facility agreement with Scotiabank Europe PLC remained at £5.5 million during the period. This represents net gearing of 15.3% at the period end.

The Board will continue to monitor the level of gearing under recommendation from the Manager and in the light of market conditions. The facility is due to expire in August 2021 and the Board is considering options for renewal.

Ongoing Charges

The Board's agreement with the Manager, to ensure that the Company's ongoing charges ratio ("OCR") will not exceed 2.0% when calculated annually as at 31 August, continues. To the extent that the OCR exceeds 2.0% the Manager will rebate part of its fees in order to bring that ratio down to 2.0%.

Outlook

Several risks continue to cloud the outlook for Latin America. Most notably, the region is still struggling to contain the pandemic, with national health systems under increasing strain. Much will depend on how quickly nations and governments can overcome problems and ramp up vaccinations. Meanwhile, the recent uptick in inflation could compel the authorities to ease policy support faster than expected. A busy electoral calendar poses further question marks, with upcoming elections in Mexico, Chile and Peru. As for Brazil and Argentina, investors remain watchful on those governments' ability and willingness to follow through on pending reforms.

Nonetheless, there are certainly more reasons to be optimistic at this point. The projected rebound in global growth should prove supportive for the trade and commodity-linked economies across the region. Another point worth noting is that Latin American stocks were relative laggards across the broader emerging market asset class pick-up in 2020. Therefore, equity valuations look attractive to the Manager, especially if corporate earnings recover concurrently.

Looking longer term, your Manager and I remain excited by Latin America's appeal as an investment destination, given the region's huge potential. Pandemic-induced shifts, such as increased digitalisation, are likely to endure, alongside other structural growth drivers, including rising consumption and demand for services and infrastructure. The holdings in your Company's portfolio are plugged in to many of these trends helped by the Manager's recent purchases. Furthermore, these businesses have the qualities, in terms of well-established franchises, sound financials and experienced management, that set them apart from other rivals. All these points help to ensure that the Company is both resilient amid the present challenges and also well-positioned for a post-Covid-19 world.

Richard Prosser, Chairman 5 May 2021

Interim Board Report

Directors' Responsibility Statement

The Directors are responsible for preparing the Half Yearly Financial Report in accordance with applicable law and regulations. The Directors confirm that to the best of their knowledge:

- The condensed set of financial statements has been prepared in accordance with International Accounting Standards (IAS) 34 "Interim Financial Reporting" and gives a true and fair view of the assets, liabilities, financial position and profit or loss of the Company;
- The Interim Board Report (constituting the interim management report) includes a fair review of the information required by DTR 4.2.7R of the Disclosure Guidance and Transparency Rules, being an indication of important events that have occurred during the first six months of the financial year and their impact on the condensed set of financial statements, and a description of the principal risks and uncertainties for the remaining six months of the year; and
- The financial statements include a fair review of the information required by DTR 4.2.8R of the Disclosure Guidance and Transparency Rules, being related party transactions that have taken place in the first six months of the financial year and that have materially affected the financial position or performance of the Company during that period, and any changes in the related party transactions described in the last Annual Report that could do so.

Principal Risks and Uncertainties

The Board regularly reviews the principal risks and uncertainties faced by the Company together with the mitigating actions it has established to manage the risks. These are set out within the Strategic Report contained within the Annual Report for the year ended 31 August 2020 and comprise the following risk categories:

- Investment strategy and objectives;
- · Investment portfolio, investment management;
- Financial obligations;
- Financial and regulatory;
- · Operational; and
- · Income and dividend risk.

The Board notes that there are a number of contingent risks which continue to stem from the Covid-19 pandemic that may impact the operation of the Company. These include investment risks surrounding the companies in the portfolio such as employee absence, reduced demand, reduced turnover and supply chain breakdowns. Although the development of Covid-19 vaccines has mitigated the risks to the Company, the economic impact of Covid-19 and the various emerging strains continue to be monitored closely. The Manager will continue to review carefully the composition of the Company's portfolio and to be pro-active in taking investment decisions where necessary. Operationally, Covid-19 has the potential to affect the suppliers of services to the Company including the Manager and other key third parties. Throughout the Covid-19 pandemic, these services have continued to be supplied seamlessly and the Board will continue to monitor arrangements in the form of regular updates from the Manager.

In all other respects, the Company's principal risks and uncertainties have not changed materially since the date of the 2020 Annual Report.

Going Concern

In accordance with the FRC guidance, the Directors have undertaken a rigorous review of the Company's ability to continue as a going concern.

The Company's assets, including those of its wholly owned subsidiary, Aberdeen Latin American Income Fund LLC, consist of a diverse portfolio of listed equities, equity-related investments and fixed income investments exposed to the Latin American market which, in most circumstances, are realisable within a very short timescale.

Based on the Company's current levels of financial resources, the Directors believe that the Company is well placed to manage its business risks successfully despite uncertainties in the economic outlook.

The Directors are mindful of the principal risks and uncertainties facing the Company and review on a regular basis forecasts detailing revenue and liabilities and the Company's operational expenses. Consequently the Directors believe that the Company has adequate financial resources to continue its operational existence for the foreseeable future and at least 12 months from the date of this Half Yearly Report. Accordingly, they continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the Half Yearly Report.

For and on behalf of the Board

Richard Prosser, Chairman 5 May 2021

Investment Manager's Review

Brunella Isper and Viktor Szabó, Aberdeen Asset Managers Limited



Performance

Latin American equities rose in the six months under review. Initially, share prices fell in tandem with global markets amid concerns of a decelerating global economy. Among the litany of woes were a sell-off in tech stocks, the falling oil price, lingering US-China tensions and a surge in Covid-19 cases worldwide.

Over the period, Latin American debt markets retreated with local currency bonds posting negative returns, while Latin American currencies depreciated (in aggregate) against Sterling. Towards the calendar year end Latin American equity markets rebounded sharply as positive news about multiple successful vaccines trials and their subsequent rollout fuelled hopes that a global economic turnaround would come sooner rather than later. Better economic data lent strength to the optimism. Also bolstering market sentiment was Joe Biden's victory in the US presidential election, as well as the proposed US\$1.9 trillion stimulus package announced which supported global markets. The upbeat mood buoyed sectors that had been hit the hardest by the pandemic amid a value-rotation trade. Conversely, technology and internet growth sector stocks lagged.

The rally proved short-lived, however, with stock prices falling again in the new year. A spike in infection rates worldwide triggered another round of lockdowns. Adding to the regional benchmark's slide was Brazilian President Jair Bolsonaro's move to replace the chief executive of Petrobras, Roberto Castello Branco, with a former army general, following a double-digit increase in gasoline and diesel prices.

Rising bond yields and escalating inflation also contributed to the retreat in equity markets. However, the benchmark hung onto much of its earlier gains to close the period higher, helped in part by the sustained rise in commodity prices.

Against this really volatile backdrop, the Company outperformed its benchmark over the half year, with its net asset value rising by 7.2% in sterling total return terms, whereas the share price total return registered a gain of 13.9%. In comparison, the composite benchmark rose by 5.8%. The return of investors to emerging market local currency bond funds helped returns in November but entering 2021 we saw higher volatility in emerging market fixed income instruments amid the sell-off in US bonds, following the announcement of the US\$1.9 trillion stimulus package. The 10-year US Treasury yield reached levels last seen in January 2020. Rising oil prices helped the oil-sensitive Latin American currencies, with the price of Brent crude moving up to US\$66.13 per barrel by the end of the period. This was mainly due to the developing vaccine optimism as mentioned and the expectation of production cuts from the Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries and 10 other oil producers.

In Argentina, the government announced in November plans to seek to roll the Stand-By Arrangement (SBA) programme with the International Monetary Fund (IMF) into an Extended Fund Facility. This would allow the country to repay its debt to the IMF over 4.5-10 years (rather than 3.25-5 years under an SBA). State-owned energy company YPF also announced an exchange offer and consent solicitation in January. The company made an offer to the bondholders of its seven outstanding US dollar bonds to exchange their notes for a combination of cash and new bonds. Foreign exchange restrictions limiting the company's ability to repay its bonds maturing in March 2021 drove the announcement.

Brazil's economy benefited from the increased global stimulus in the wake of the US elections, with the central bank choosing to keep rates on hold in December, at 2%. The monetary policy meeting minutes highlighted that the central bank's inflation forecasts and market expectations are sufficiently close to the target, which led to the central bank's removal of forward guidance.

Early in the period, Banco de Mexico reduced its policy rate by 25 basis points (bps) to 4.25%. Despite subsequent market expectations of further cuts, the central bank maintained this rate until February when it was cut again by 25bps to 4.0%. The move heralded a resumption of its easing cycle, which was paused in the fourth quarter of 2020, to support weaker economic activity. Like most Latin American countries, activity generally improved in the fourth quarter, with Mexico's monthly GDP proxy falling by 2.7% year on year in December, from -4.1% in November. This brought the annual economic contraction to -4.3% in the fourth quarter of 2020, from -8.6% in the third quarter. The industrial sector led the recovery, supported by manufacturing and construction.

Portfolio

Statements

Over the period, the Company's bond portfolio returned 0.2% in Sterling terms, compared to the benchmark JPM GBI-EM Global Diversified Latin America Index's return of -2.0%. The yield on the index rose by 60bps to end the period at 5.55%. In particular, the Company's overweight exposure to **Uruguayan bonds** helped returns. Not holding Chilean bonds also helped us, as did security selection in Mexico, Colombia and Peru. Currency effects in Brazil and Colombia helped performance.

Conversely, currency effects in Mexico, Peru and Uruguay detracted from returns and the lack of exposure to the Chilean Peso proved detrimental, as it rose over the period. Security selection in Brazil, underweight positioning in Mexico, overweight exposure to Peru and a lack of holdings in the Dominican Republic also weighed on performance.

The Company's equity portfolio returned 12.2% in sterling terms over the period, compared to the benchmark MSCI EM Latin American 10/40 Index return of 10.9%. Key contributors to the Company's equity performance included **Bradespar**, **Grupo Financiero Banorte**, **Geopark**, **Mercado Libre** and **Banco Santander Chile**.

Notably, the improving commodity prices benefited Bradespar and Santander Chile. In particular, Bradespar, Vale's holding company, saw its shares boosted by better iron ore prices amid steady demand from China. Miner Vale's decision to resume dividend payments earlier than expected provided an extra fillip as well. We think the restart of these payments reflects the company's confidence in its production outlook. Meanwhile, Santander Chile was lifted by positive market sentiment arising from the country's faster vaccine rollout and robust copper prices. Similarly, Geopark's shares climbed in tandem with a recovery in the oil price, as well as on an improving outlook. Also aiding the portfolio's performance was lender Banorte, given the brightening outlook and after it had posted better guarterly profits. Meanwhile, Mercado Libre, the region's largest ecommerce retailer, not only gained from the earlier lockdowns that had forced consumers online, but also from its upgraded investment plan to ramp up its logistics capability allowing it to cater for the greater online shopping demand.

Conversely, impacting returns adversely were Grupo Mexico, Rumo, Cemex and Lojas Renner. The Company's small exposure to Grupo Mexico proved costly as the same forces lifting Bradespar and Vale also boosted its shares. Railway logistics company Rumo's shares pulled back on poor volumes. However, we believe its long-term growth prospects remain supported by its competitive advantages and the sector's high barriers to entry, coupled with vast organic growth opportunities. Not having any exposure to Cemex detracted from performance as the Mexican cement maker did well, helped by the ongoing fiscal spending on infrastructure and positive momentum in the construction segment. However, the Company does not hold Cemex because of long-held concerns over its balance sheet management, as well as the strategic direction of its business. Lastly, Lojas Renner's shares suffered given the continued challenging prospects facing the Brazilian retailer amid the pandemic.

Portfolio Activity

During the six month period under review, we initiated several Brazilian equity positions including leading learning-system provider Arco Platform, which has a large addressable market, and Omega Geracao, a leading wind farm operator with an established track record of profitable growth with room for new project expansion. Both were trading at valuations we considered to be attractive. We also subscribed in the initial public offering of Brazilian online homewares retailer Mobly, which is poised to gain market share from offline retail driven by a large number of products, lower prices and favourable demographics with young generations increasingly opting to shop online. In Mexico, we established a position in Grupo Mexico, which we view as a cheaper proxy for exposure to its subsidiary, Southern Copper, a leading global copper producer with a low-cost asset base. It benefits from a supportive outlook with limited supply and rising copper demand amid long-term electrification and green energy trends.

During the period, we sold out of several positions, including Ambev, Kimberly Clark Mexico, Odontoprev, as well as Embotelladora Andina, in part to reduce our exposure to consumer staples. In addition, we exited Linx following StoneCo's increased bid and after the acquisition received the necessary approvals.

In the fixed income portfolio, we shortened duration in Mexico, increased exposure to **Colombia** and reduced our holdings in **Peru**. Meanwhile, in emerging-market currencies, we increased our **Brazilian Real** exposure and reduced exposure to the Colombian Peso.

Investment Manager's Review Continued

Outlook

Looking ahead, we are cautiously optimistic about the outlook for Latin America. The conditions for an equity market rebound look good as valuations remain supportive, in both historic and relative terms. The continent is likely to be buoyed by a broadbased economic recovery globally, as it is well positioned to latch on to any improving external backdrop. That said, investors' rising risk appetites have engendered a rotation from growth stocks into more cyclical ones. Whether this can be sustained is of course partly contingent on how well the region is able to keep a lid on the pandemic and how well inoculation programmes are implemented. These factors will determine not only the pace of any recovery, but also whether more fiscal and monetary support will be required.

Growth momentum may accelerate into the second half of the year once significant progress has been made in rolling out the Covid-19 vaccines and governments start to lift mobility restrictions. The IMF forecast emerging-market growth at 6% this year, from an estimated contraction of 3.3% in 2020. We expect fiscal and monetary policies to remain supportive, while a more predictable US presidency should also be favourable for the Company.

There are, as ever, several key risks to consider, such as possible policy missteps, political upheaval, and idiosyncratic issues facing each Latin American nation. Key among these are worries over Brazil's high government debt and its ability to balance its fiscal discipline with the need to support an economy that is still suffering the impact of the pandemic. In Chile, much progress has been made on the inoculation front, but there are uncertainties over Constitutional reform that need to be monitored. More broadly though, as the global economy recovers, investors will start to worry about inflation and the likelihood that it could trigger a tapering of governments' policy support. Already, Brazil's central bank has raised interest rates, while Mexico approaches the end of the road to further rate cuts. Meanwhile, although the Biden administration has brought with it a greater degree of predictability, the friction in US-China relations is likely to persist.

From a portfolio perspective, investment in Latin America remains attractive due to its diverse range of high-quality companies and bonds, and structural growth drivers, including youthful demographics. We will continue to leverage on our bottom-up expertise to identify quality investments, with good fundamentals, and at reasonable valuations, to enhance the portfolio. By sticking to our disciplined approach, we expect the Company's investments to deliver sustainable returns to shareholders over the longer term.

Aberdeen Asset Managers Limited 5 May 2021

Ten Largest Investments

As at 28 February 2021



Vale ADR

Vale is a leading producer of iron ore and pellets. Vale also produces nickel, copper and coal. It operates large logistics systems, including railroads and maritime terminals which are integrated with its' mining operations.



Wal-Mart de Mexico

The largest food and general retailer in Mexico with an established presence across a number of smaller Central American markets.



B3 Brasil Bolsa Balco^B

B3 is a vertically integrated stock exchange provider of securities, commodities and futures trading services along with depository and registration for fixed income securities and clearinghouse for private assets in Brazil.



FFMSA

Pbradesco

A leading privately-owned Brazilian bank with a well recognised brand, robust loan portfolio and experienced management team.



Grupo Financiero Banorte

Banco Bradesco ADR^A

Mexico's leading privately-owned bank with a well recognised nationwide brand, sizeable pension business and proven track record in conservative lending.

Fomento Economico Mexicano ADR

FEMSA is the controlling shareholder of leading Latam Coca–Cola bottler Coca– Cola FEMSA. Through FEMSA Comercio, it owns the leading convenience store business in Mexico and Latam – i.e. OXXO, as well as leading Pharmacies, and a gas station business in Mexico. FEMSA is one of the largest shareholders of Heineken and has been diversifying into new growth avenues in the US. Portfolic



Banco Santander-Chile ADR

Leading privately-owned bank in Chile, with a well regarded controlling shareholder, and solid operating track record.



Bradespar^B

A holding company where the single underlying asset is Brazil's iron ore producer Vale. Bradespar shares trade at a discount to Vale shares.



Rumo^B

A Brazilian logistics company mainly focused on railway line logistics in Brazil. It is the largest company in Latin America in this segment, and the company also provides transportation services.

Mercadolibre

Leading e-commerce player in Latam with high market share across the region's key markets. It also has a strong FinTech business part of its digital ecosystem.

Investment Portfolio – Equities

Company	Country	Valuation £'000	Total portfolio %
Vale ADR	Brazil	2.085	5.4
Banco Bradesco ADR ^A	Brazil	1,656	4.3
Wal-Mart de Mexico	Mexico	1,247	3.2
Grupo Financiero Banorte	Mexico	1,181	3.0
B3 Brasil Bolsa Balco ^B	Brazil	1,132	2.9
Fomento Economico Mexicano ADR	Mexico	1,039	2.7
Banco Santander-Chile ADR	Chile	960	2.5
Bradespar ^B	Brazil	927	2.4
Rumo ^B	Brazil	832	2.1
Mercadolibre	Argentina	785	2.0
Top ten equity investments		11,844	30.5
Globant	Argentina	724	1.9
Arca Continental	Mexico	715	1.8
Raia Drogasil ^B	Brazil	707	1.8
Petrobras ^B	Brazil	684	1.8
Parque Arauco ^B	Chile	649	1.7
Grupo Aeroportuario Centro Norte	Mexico	609	1.6
Notredame Intermedica ^B	Brazil	606	1.5
Lojas Renner ^B	Brazil	585	1.5
Geopark	Chile	548	1.4
Itau Unibanco Holdings ADR ^A	Brazil	539	1.4
Top twenty equity investments		18,210	46.9
Localiza Rent A Car ^B	Brazil	534	1.4
Grupo Mexico SAB de CV	Mexico	527	1.4
Falabella ^B	Chile	475	1.2
TOTVS ^B	Brazil	407	1.0
Omega Geracao ^B	Brazil	395	1.0
WEG ^B	Brazil	376	1.0
Grupo Aeroportuario Sureste ADR	Mexico	370	1.0
Multiplan Empreendimentos NPB ^B	Brazil	353	0.9
Arezzo Industria e Comercio ^B	Brazil	348	0.9
Cementos Pacasmayo	Peru	327	0.8
Top thirty equity investments		22,322	57.5

			Total
Company	Country	Valuation £'000	portfolio %
Mobly ^B	Brazil	325	0.8
Arco Platform	Brazil	301	0.8
Itausa Investimentos Itau ^B	Brazil	296	0.8
ХР	Brazil	294	0.8
Infraestructura Energetica	Mexico	266	0.7
Wilson, Sons ^B	Brazil	232	0.6
BK Brasil ^B	Brazil	213	0.5
Aenza ADR	Peru	91	0.2
Hoteles City Express	Mexico	66	0.2
Fossal	Peru	1	0.0
Total equity investments		24,407	62.9

 $^{\rm A}$ Holding includes investment in ADR(held by the Company) and equity (held by the Subsidiary). $^{\rm B}$ Held in Subsidiary.

Investment Portfolio – Bonds

	· · · ·	Total
	Valuation	portfolio
Bonds	£′000	%
Colombia (Rep of) 9.85% 28/06/27	2,432	6.3
Brazil (Fed Rep of) 10% 01/01/25 ^A	2,168	5.6
Uruguay (Rep of) 4.375% 15/12/28	1,506	3.9
Mex Bonos Desarr Fix Rt 10% 20/11/36	1,346	3.5
Mex Bonos Desarr Fix Rt 8.5% 18/11/38	1,127	2.9
Petroleos Mexicanos 7.47% 12/11/26	814	2.1
Peru (Rep of) 6.95% 12/08/31	784	2.0
Uruguay (Rep of) 4.25% 05/04/27	702	1.8
Brazil (Fed Rep of) 10% 01/01/27 ^A	686	1.8
Colombia (Rep of) 7% 30/06/32	565	1.4
Top ten bond investments	12,130	31.3
Brazil (Fed Rep of) 10% 01/01/23 ^A	483	1.2
Brazil (Fed Rep of) 10% 01/01/29 ^A	408	1.1
Peru (Rep of) 6.85% 12/02/42	393	1.0
Peru (Rep of) 6.95% 12/08/31	389	1.0
Mex Bonos Desarr Fix Rt 10% 05/12/24	201	0.5
Secretaria Tesouro 10% 01/01/31 ^A	175	0.5
Petroleos Mexicanos 7.19% 12/09/24	112	0.3
Uruguay (Rep of) 9.875% 20/06/22	98	0.2
Total bond investments	14,389	37.1
Total investments	38,796	100.0

^A Held in Subsidiary.

Distribution of Investments

Country	Equities %	Bonds %	Total %
		70	
Argentina	3.9	-	3.9
Brazil	35.6	10.2	45.8
Chile	6.8	-	6.8
Colombia	-	7.7	7.7
Mexico	15.5	9.3	24.8
Peru	1.1	4.0	5.1
Uruguay	-	5.9	5.9
	62.9	37.1	100.0

Investment Case Studies



Vale

Vale is one of the world's largest mining groups, primarily focused on ferrous mineral assets. With the lowest costs in the production of iron ore amongst top miners, the company has roughly a one third share of the global seaborne market. Besides iron ore, Vale has other high quality assets, mainly in copper and nickel. This diversification gives the company attractive optionality. Over the years, Vale has almost completely divested its non-core assets and plans to exit its coal business.

The tragedy at one of the company's mines in Brumadinho in 2019 forced the company to rethink its culture and priorities. Since then, we have seen a step change in its ESG practices, with the full reparation of the Brumadinho accident at the centre of this pivot. The improvement in safety and risk management procedures should benefit the company and its stakeholders in the longer term. While the company still lags on ESG scores for historical practices, we expect Vale to continue to build on recent improvements in its ESG scoring.

The general outlook for commodities is supportive. Demand from a recovering global economy should underpin higher iron ore prices. Moreover, spare capacity is limited in areas where Vale has exposure. The company also has a solid financial position, with a net-cash balance sheet that is backed by robust cash generation from record-high metal prices. This should drive higher returns to shareholders in the form of dividends, as well as through share buybacks.

Investment Case Studies Continued

Localiza

Localiza is the largest car rental network in Brazil and in South America by number of branches. It operates in four divisions – a car rental segment, a fleet rental division, a used car sales unit, Seminovos, and a franchise business. While there are reasonably low barriers to entry to this business, Localiza has benefited from several competitive advantages, including its scale, a relatively low cost of funding, an extensive distribution network and experienced management. These factors have enabled the group to maintain a solid financial position, gain market share sustainability, and deliver good results that have supported a heathy absolute return on invested capital, as well as spreading the cost of its debt over time. The company's growth and lower financial expenses have also allowed it to cut prices, sharing some of its scale benefits with clients, which, in turn, has enlarged its addressable market as affordability improved.

During the pandemic, the company faced significant challenges that tested its business model. However, it has managed to meet these difficulties through significant cost savings, enhancing efficiency and shoring up liquidity. These have helped Localiza withstand the enforced shutdowns and emerge even stronger. At the same time, the Covid-19 outbreak has also accelerated industry consolidation. The company's pending merger with Unidas – announced in September 2020 – should result in an even more dominant position. Meanwhile, the pandemic has also given rise to new trends. Among these is an increased demand for personal mobility, resulting in a faster-than-expected recovery in used-car sales. Separately, the group should also benefit from its recently launched personal-leasing product Meoo, adding another growth avenue for the business.

On the ESG front, even though the company has above-average credentials relative to its peers, particularly in terms of carbon emissions, health & safety, corporate governance and corporate behaviour, Localiza has continued to make gradual advancements in its ESG practices. Last year, it neutralised scope 1 and 2 emissions, partnered with the Climate Commitment Programme and joined the Carbon Disclosure Project.



Condensed Statement of Comprehensive Income

			-			(unaudited)		31 Aug	ar ended ust 2020 audited)	
1	Notes	Revenue £'000	Capital £'000	Total £′000	Revenue £′000	Capital £'000	Total £′000	Revenue £'000	Capital £'000	Total £′000
Income										
Income from investments	3	881	-	881	1,215	-	1,215	1,896	-	1,896
Realised losses on financial assets held at fair value through profit or loss		-	(116)	(116)	-	(542)	(542)	-	(1,393)	(1,393)
Unrealised gains/(losses) on financial assets held at fair value through profit or loss		-	1,810	1,810	-	(3,904)	(3,904)	_	(12,579)	(12,579)
Realised currency (losses)/gains		-	(25)	(25)	-	66	66	-	85	85
Unrealised currency (losses)/gains		-	(28)	(28)	_	6	6	-	(60)	(60)
Realised gains/(losses) on forward exchange currency contracts		-	366	366	-	(51)	(51)	-	20	20
Unrealised (losses)/gains on forward currency contracts		-	(78)	(78)	_	(13)	(13)	-	84	84
		881	1,929	2,810	1,215	(4,438)	(3,223)	1,896	(13,843)	(11,947)
Expenses										
Investment management fee		(80)	(121)	(201)	(104)	(155)	(259)	(180)	(269)	(449)
Other operating expenses	4	(168)	-	(168)	(204)	-	(204)	(386)	-	(386)
Profit/(loss) before finance costs and taxation		633	1,808	2,441	907	(4,593)	(3,686)	1,330	(14,112)	(12,782)
Finance costs		(17)	(34)	(51)	(22)	(34)	(56)	(39)	(58)	(97)
Profit/(loss) before taxation		616	1,774	2,390	885	(4,627)	(3,742)	1,291	(14,170)	(12,879)
Taxation		(19)	_	(19)	(25)	_	(25)	(24)	136	112
Profit/(loss) for the period		597	1,774	2,371	860	(4,627)	(3,767)	1,267	(14,034)	(12,767)
Earnings per Ordinary share (pence)	5	1.04	3.11	4.15	1.49	(8.03)	(6.54)	2.21	(24.47)	(22.26)

The profit/(loss) for the period is also the comprehensive income for the period.

The total columns of this statement represent the Statement of Comprehensive Income, prepared in accordance with IFRS. The revenue and capital columns are supplementary to this and are prepared under guidance published by the Association of Investment Companies.

All items in the above statement derive from continuing operations.

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

Condensed Balance Sheet

Notes	As at 28 February 2021 (unaudited) £′000	As at 29 February 2020 (unaudited) £'000	As at 31 August 2020 (audited) £′000
Non-current assets			
Investments held at fair value through profit or loss	38,796	47,761	37,504
Current assets			
Cash	405	281	306
Forward foreign currency contracts	41	47	162
Other receivables	790	740	160
	1,236	1,068	628
Current liabilities			
Bank loan 8	(5,500)	(6,000)	(5,500)
Forward foreign currency contracts	(119)	(60)	(78)
Other payables	(687)	(395)	(199)
	(6,306)	(6,455)	(5,777)
Net current liabilities	(5,070)	(5,387)	(5,149)
Net assets	33,726	42,374	32,355
Equity capital and reserves			
Equity capital 9	65,936	65,936	65,936
Capital reserve	(33,769)	(26,117)	(35,543)
Revenue reserve	1,559	2,555	1,962
Equity shareholders' funds	33,726	42,374	32,355
Net asset value per Ordinary share (pence) 10	59.05	74.15	56.65

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

Condensed Statement of Changes in Equity

Six months ended 28 February 2021 (unaudited)

	Notes	Stated capital £'000	Capital reserve £'000	Revenue reserve £'000	Total £′000
Balance at 31 August 2020		65,936	(35,543)	1,962	32,355
Profit for the period		-	1,774	597	2,371
Dividends paid	6	_	-	(1,000)	(1,000)
Balance at 28 February 2021		65,936	(33,769)	1,559	33,726

Six months ended 29 February 2020 (unaudited)

	Notes	Stated capital £'000	Capital reserve £′000	Revenue reserve £'000	Total £′000
Balance at 31 August 2019		65,936	(20,885)	2,704	47,755
(Loss)/profit for the period		_	(4,627)	860	(3,767)
Dividends paid	6	_	_	(1,009)	(1,009)
Purchase of own shares for cancellation		_	(605)	_	(605)
Balance at 29 February 2020		65,936	(26,117)	2,555	42,374

Year ended 31 August 2020 (audited)

	Notes	Stated capital £'000	Capital reserve £′000	Revenue reserve £'000	Total £′000
Balance at 31 August 2019		65,936	(20,885)	2,704	47,755
(Loss)/profit for the period		_	(14,034)	1,267	(12,767)
Dividends paid	6	_	_	(2,009)	(2,009)
Purchase of own shares for cancellation		_	(624)	-	(624)
Balance at 31 August 2020		65,936	(35,543)	1,962	32,355

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

Condensed Statement of Cash Flows

	Six months ended 28 February 2021 (unaudited) £'000	Six months ended 29 February 2020 (unaudited) £'000	Year ended 31 August 2020 (audited) £′000
Operating activities			
Dividend income	134	241	367
Fixed interest income	293	340	849
Income from Subsidiary	308	514	824
Interest income	-	1	2
Investment management fee paid	(65)	(268)	(477)
Other paid expenses	(82)	(382)	(490)
Cash generated from operating activities before finance costs and taxation	588	446	1,075
Interest paid	(43)	(57)	(98)
Withholding taxes paid	(19)	(11)	(24)
Net cash inflow from operating activities	526	378	953
Cash flows from investing activities			
Purchases of investments	(2,433)	(1,714)	(5,351)
Proceeds from sales of investments	2,061	2,288	6,346
Receipts from Subsidiary	717	463	923
Net cash inflow from investing activities	345	1,037	1,918
Cash flows from financing activities			
Equity dividends paid	(1,000)	(1,009)	(2,009)
Repurchase of own shares	-	(605)	(624)
Loan repaid	_	_	(500)
Net cash outflow from financing activities	(1,000)	(1,614)	(3,133)
Net decrease in cash	(129)	(199)	(262)
Foreign exchange	228	21	109
Cash at start of period	306	459	459
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	405	281	306

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

Notes to the Financial Statements

1. **Principal activity**. The Company is a closed-end investment company incorporated in Jersey. Its Ordinary shares are traded on the London Stock Exchange and are listed in the premium segment of the Financial Conduct Authority's Official List. The Company's principal activity is investing in Latin American securities.

The principal activity of its Delaware incorporated wholly owned subsidiary, Aberdeen Latin American Income Fund LLC, is similar in all relevant respects to that of its parent.

2. Accounting policies – basis of preparation. The Half–Yearly Report has been prepared in accordance with International Accounting Standards (IAS) 34 – 'Interim Financial Reporting'. It has also been prepared using the same accounting policies applied for the year ended 31 August 2020 financial statements (which received an unqualified audit report), and which were prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards.

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis. In accordance with the Financial Reporting Council's guidance on 'Going Concern and Liquidity Risk' the Directors have undertaken a review of the Company's assets which primarily consist of a diverse portfolio of listed equity shares, equity-related investments and fixed income investments which, in most circumstances, are realisable within a very short timescale, despite the principal risks and uncertainties facing the Company.

3. Income from investments

	Six months ended 28 February 2021 £′000	Six months ended 29 February 2020 £′000	Year ended 31 August 2020 £′000
Dividend income	184	269	317
Fixed interest income	373	451	835
Income from Subsidiary	324	494	742
	881	1,214	1,894
Other Income			
Deposit interest	_	1	2
	881	1,215	1,896

4. Other operating expenses – revenue

	Six months ended 28 February 2021 £'000	Six months ended 29 February 2020 £′000	Year ended 31 August 2020 £′000
Directors' fees	50	47	87
Promotional activities	12	12	24
Secretarial and administration fees	-	17	42
Auditor's remuneration:			
- fees payable for the audit of the annual accounts	18	16	35
Legal and advisory fees	7	7	33
Custodian and overseas agents' charges	24	37	57
Broker fees	15	15	22
Stock Exchange fees	11	10	20
Registrar's fees	7	13	27
Printing	13	12	19
Other	11	18	20
	168	204	386

Notes to the Financial Statements Continued

5. Earnings per share

	Six months ended 28 February 2021 pence	Six months ended 29 February 2020 pence	Year ended 31 August 2020 pence
Ordinary share – basic			
Revenue return	1.04	1.49	2.21
Capital return	3.11	(8.03)	(24.47)
Total return	4.15	(6.54)	(22.26)

The figures above are based on the following:

	£′000	£′000	£′000
Revenue return	597	860	1,267
Capital return	1,774	(4,627)	(14,034)
Total return	2,371	(3,767)	(12,767)
Weighted average number of Ordinary shares in issue	57,113,324	57,586,978	57,349,075

6. Dividends on Ordinary shares

	Six months ended 28 February 2021 £'000	Six months ended 29 February 2020 £'000	Year ended 31 August 2020 £′000
Distributions to equity holders in the period:			
Second interim dividend for 2020 – 0.875p	-	-	500
Third interim dividend for 2020 – 0.875p	-	_	500
Fourth interim dividend for 2020 – 0.875p (2019 – 0.875p)	500	506	506
First interim dividend for 2021 – 0.875p (2020 – 0.875p)	500	503	503
	1,000	1,009	2,009

7. Transaction costs. During the period expenses incurred in acquiring or disposing of investments held at fair value though profit or loss have been expensed through the capital column of the Condensed Statement of Comprehensive Income, included within gains/(losses) on financial assets held at fair value through profit or loss. The total costs were as follows:

	Six months ended 28 February 2021 £′000		Year ended 31 August 2020 £'000
Purchases	3	4	7
Sales	5	3	5
	8	7	12

The above transaction costs are calculated in line with the AIC SORP. The transaction costs in the Company's Key Information Document are calculated on a different basis and in line with the PRIIPs regulations.

8. Bank loan. The Company has a £6 million one year revolving multi–currency facility with Scotiabank Europe PLC. At the period end, £5,500,000 (29 February 2020 – £6,000,000; 31 August 2020 – £5,500,000) had been drawn down in Sterling under the facility, fixed to 15 March 2021 at an all–in rate of 1.48325% (29 February 2020 – 1.78413%; 31 August 2020 – 1.50713%).

At the date of this Report, £5,500,000 remains drawn down, fixed to 18 May 2021 at an all-in rate of 1.3285%.

9. Stated capital

	28 Febru	uary 2021	29 Febr	uary 2020	31 Au	igust 2020
	Number	£′000	Number	£′000	Number	£′000
Issued and fully paid						
Ordinary shares in issue	57,113,324	65,936	57,143,324	65,936	57,113,324	65,936
Ordinary shares held in Treasury	6,107,500	-	6,107,500	_	6,107,500	_
		65,936		65,936		65,936

The Company's Ordinary shares have no par value.

During the period ended 28 February 2021, no Ordinary shares (29 February 2020 – 857,000; 31 August 2020 – 887,000) were bought back for cancellation at a total cost of £nil (29 February 2020 – £605,000; 31 August 2020 – £624,000) including expenses. No Ordinary shares (29 February 2020 – nil; 31 August 2020 – nil) were bought back to be held in treasury. At 28 February 2021 there were 6,107,500 (29 February 2020 – 6,107,500; 31 August 2020 – 6,107,500) Ordinary shares held in treasury, which represented 9.66% (29 February 2020 – 9.66%; 31 August 2020 – 9.66%) of the Company's total issued share capital on those dates.

There have been no further Ordinary shares bought back for either cancellation or to be held in treasury since the period end to the date of this Report.

10. Net asset value per share. The net asset value per Ordinary share and the net asset values attributable to Ordinary shareholders at the period end calculated in accordance with the Articles of Association were as follows:

Basic	As at 28 February 2021	As at 29 February 2020	As at 31 August 2020
Net assets attributable to Ordinary shareholders (£'000)	33,726	42,374	32,355
Number of Ordinary shares in issue	57,113,324	57,143,324	57,113,324
Net asset value per Ordinary share (p)	59.05	74.15	56.65

Notes to the Financial Statements Continued

11. Related party transactions and transactions with the Manager. The management fee is payable monthly in arrears based on an annual amount of 1% of the net asset value of the Company valued monthly. During the period £201,000 (29 February 2020 – £259,000; 31 August 2020 – £449,000) of management fees were payable, of which £201,000 (29 February 2020 – £83,000; 31 August 2020 – £65,000) was outstanding at the period end.

During the period fees in respect of promotional activities of £12,000 (29 February 2020 – £12,000; 31 August 2020 – £24,000) were payable with £16,000 (29 February 2020 – £4,000; 31 August 2020 – £4,000) outstanding at the period end.

The company secretarial and administration fee is based on an annual amount of £127,000 (29 February 2020 – £125,000; 31 August 2020 – £125,000), increasing annually in line with any increases in the UK Retail Price Index, payable quarterly in arrears. During the period £nil (29 February 2020 – £17,000; 31 August 2020 – £42,000) was payable after deduction of a rebate of £64,000 (29 February 2020 – £45,000; 31 August 2020 – £83,000) to bring the OCR down to 2.0%, with £42,000 (29 February 2020 – £17,000; 31 August 2020 – £83,000) to bring the OCR down to 2.0%, with £42,000 (29 February 2020 – £42,000) outstanding at the period end.

The Manager has agreed to ensure that the Company's ongoing charges ratio ("OCR") will not exceed 2.0% when calculated annually as at 31 August. Until further notice, to the extent that the OCR ever exceeds 2.0% the Manager will rebate part of its fees in order to bring that ratio down to 2.0%.

The Company owns 100% of the share capital of the Subsidiary. The Company receives income from the Subsidiary and there are no significant restrictions on the transfer of funds to or from the Subsidiary. During the period the Subsidiary transferred $\pm 1,025,000$ (29 February 2020 – $\pm 616,000$; 31 August 2020 – $\pm 923,000$) to the Company by way of income and capital returns and at 28 February 2021 the amount due to the Company by its Subsidiary was $\pm 12,201,000$ (29 February 2020 – $\pm 14,356,000$; 31 August 2020 – $\pm 13,256,000$), which is a loan to the Subsidiary and incorporated in the fair value of the investment in the Subsidiary as at the period end.

12. Half Yearly Financial Report. The financial information for the six months ended 28 February 2021 and for the six months ended 29 February 2020 has not been audited.

This Half-Yearly Financial Report was approved by the Board on 5 May 2021.

Alternative Performance Measures

Alternative performance measures are numerical measures of the Company's current, historical or future performance, financial position or cash flows, other than financial measures defined or specified in the applicable financial framework. The Company's applicable financial framework includes IFRS and the AIC SORP. The Directors assess the Company's performance against a range of criteria which are viewed as particularly relevant for closed-end investment companies.

Total return. NAV and share price total returns show how the NAV and share price have performed over a period of time in percentage terms, taking into account both capital returns and dividends paid to shareholders. NAV total return involves investing the net dividend in the NAV of the Company with debt at fair value on the date on which that dividend goes ex-dividend. Share price total return involves reinvesting the net dividend in the share price of the Company on the date on which that dividend goes ex-dividend.

The tables below provide information relating to the NAVs and share prices of the Company on the dividend reinvestment dates during the six months ended 28 February 2021 and 29 February 2020 and the total return for the period.

	Dividend		Share
2021	rate	NAV	price
31 August 2020	N/A	56.65p	49.15p
8 October 2020	0.875p	57.56p	48.60p
7 January 2021	0.875p	67.49p	60.60p
28 February 2021	N/A	59.05p	54.20p
Total return		+7.2%	+13.9%

	Dividend		Share
2020	rate	NAV	price
31 August 2019	N/A	82.34p	69.20p
26 September 2019	0.875p	82.60p	71.50p
19 December 2019	0.875p	82.61p	71.60p
29 February 2020	N/A	74.15p	62.00p
Total return		-8.0%	-8.2%

Discount to net asset value per Ordinary share. The discount is the amount by which the share price of 54.20p (31 August 2020 – 49.15p) is lower than the net asset value per Ordinary share of 59.05p (31 August 2020 – 56.65p), expressed as a percentage of the net asset value per Ordinary share.

Net gearing. Net gearing measures the total borrowings of £5,500,000 (31 August 2020 – £5,500,000) less cash and cash equivalents of £405,000 (31 August 2020 – £306,000) divided by shareholders' funds of £33,726,000 (31 August 2020 – £32,355,000), expressed as a percentage. Under AIC reporting guidance cash and cash equivalents includes net amounts due to brokers of £54,000 (31 August 2020 – £10,000) at the period end as well as cash at bank and in hand of £405,000 (31 August 2020 – £306,000).

Alternative Performance Measures Continued

Ongoing charges. The ongoing charges ratio has been calculated in accordance with guidance issued by the AIC as the total of investment management fees and administrative expenses and expressed as a percentage of the average net asset values with debt at fair value throughout the year. The ratio for 28 February 2021 is based on forecast ongoing charges for the year ending 31 August 2021.

	28 February 2021	31 August 2020
Investment management fees (£'000)	360	449
Administrative expenses (£'000)	342	386
Less: non-recurring charges (£'000)	(6)	(33)
Ongoing charges (£'000)	696	802
Average net assets (£'000)	34,812	40,107
Ongoing charges ratio	2.0%	2.0%

The ongoing charges ratio provided in the Company's Key Information Document is calculated in line with the PRIIPs regulations which amongst other things, includes the cost of borrowings and transaction costs.

Investor Information

Website

Further information on the Company can be found on its own dedicated website: **latamincome.co.uk**. This allows web users to access information on the Company's share price performance, capital structure, stock exchange announcements and monthly reports.

Investor Warning

The Board has been made aware by the Manager that some investors have received telephone calls from people purporting to work for the Manager, or third parties, who have offered to buy their investment trust shares. These may be scams which attempt to gain personal information with which to commit identity fraud or could be 'boiler room' scams where a payment from an investor is required to release the supposed payment for their shares.

These callers do not work for the Manager and any third party making such offers has no link with the Manager. The Manager never makes these types of offers and does not 'cold-call' investors in this way. If investors have any doubt over the veracity of a caller, they should not offer any personal information, end the call and contact the Manager's investor services centre using the details provided below.

Dividend Tax Allowance

The annual tax-free personal allowance on dividend income is £2,000 for the 2021/2022 tax year. Above this amount, individuals will pay tax on their dividend income at a rate dependent on their income tax bracket and personal circumstances. The Company will provide registered shareholders with a confirmation of dividends paid by the Company and this should be included with any other dividend income received when calculating and reporting to HMRC total dividend income received. It is the shareholder's responsibility to include all dividend income when calculating any tax liability.

Direct

Investors can buy and sell shares in the Company directly through a stockbroker or indirectly through a lawyer, accountant or other professional adviser. Alternatively, for retail clients, shares can be bought directly through Aberdeen Standard's Investment Plan for Children, Aberdeen Standard's Investment Trust Share Plan and Investment Trust ISA.

Aberdeen Standard Investment Plan for Children

Aberdeen Standard Investments runs an Investment Plan for Children (the "Children's Plan") which covers a number of investment companies under its management including the Company. Anyone can invest in the Children's Plan, including parents, grandparents and family friends (subject to the eligibility criteria as stated within the terms and conditions). All investments are free of dealing charges on the initial purchase of shares, although investors will suffer the bid-offer spread, which can, on some occasions, be a significant amount. Lump sum investments start at £150 per trust, while regular savers may invest from £30 per month. Investors simply pay Government Stamp Duty (currently 0.5%) on all purchases. Selling costs are £10 + VAT. There is no restriction on how long an investor need invest in the Children's Plan, and regular savers can stop or suspend participation by instructing Aberdeen Standard Investments in writing at any time. In common with other schemes of this type, all investments are held in nominee accounts. Investors have full voting and other rights of share ownership.

Aberdeen Standard Investment Trust Share Plan

Aberdeen Standard Investments runs a Share Plan (the "Plan") through which shares in the Company can be purchased. There are no dealing charges on the initial purchase of shares, although investors will suffer the bid-offer spread, which can, on some occasions, be a significant amount. Lump sum investments start at £250, while regular savers may invest from £100 per month. Investors simply pay Government Stamp Duty (currently 0.5%). Selling costs are £10 + VAT. There is no restriction on how long an investor need invest in a Plan, and regular savers can stop or suspend participation by instructing Aberdeen Standard Investments in writing at any time. In common with other schemes of this type, all investments are held in nominee accounts. Investors have full voting and other rights of share ownership.

Stocks and Shares ISA

An investment of up to £20,000 can be made in the tax year 2021/2022. The annual ISA administration charge is £24 + VAT, calculated annually and applied on 31 March (or the last business day in March) and collected soon thereafter either by direct debit or, if there is no valid direct debit mandate in place, from the available cash in the Plan prior to the distribution or reinvestment of any income, or, where there is insufficient cash in the Plan, from the sale of investments held in the Plan. Investors have full voting and other rights of share ownership. Under current legislation, investments in ISAs can grow free of capital gains tax.

ISA Transfer

You can choose to transfer previous tax year investments to us which can be invested in the Company while retaining your ISA wrapper. The minimum lump sum for an ISA transfer is £1,000, subject to a minimum per trust of £250.

Shareholder Enquiries

In the event of queries regarding their holdings of shares, lost certificates dividend payments, registered details, etc. shareholders holding their shares in the Company directly should contact the registrars, Computershare Investor Services (Jersey) Limited, 13 Castle Street, St Helier, Jersey, JE1 1ES or Tel: 0370 707 4040.

Investor Information Continued

Calls to '03' numbers cost no more than a national rate call to an '01' or '02' number and must count towards any inclusive minutes in the same way as '01' and '02' numbers. These rules apply to calls from any type of line including mobile, BT, other fixed line and payphone. Calls may be recorded and monitored randomly for security and training purposes. Changes of address must be notified to the registrars in writing.

Any general enquiries about the Company should be directed to the Company Secretary, Aberdeen Latin American Income Fund Limited, 1st Floor, Sir Walter Raleigh House, 48 – 50 Esplanade, St Helier, Jersey, JE2 3QB or by email company.secretary@aberdeenstandard.com.

If you have any questions about an investment held through the Aberdeen Standard Investment Trust Share Plan, Stocks and Shares ISA or Investment Plan for Children, please telephone the Manager's Customer Services Department on 0808 500 0040. Alternatively, internet users may email

inv.trusts@aberdeenstandard.com or write to Aberdeen Standard Investment Trusts, PO Box 11020, Chelmsford, Essex CM99 2DB.

Literature Request Service

For literature and application forms for the Company and the Aberdeen Standard range of investment trust products, please telephone: 0808 500 4000.

For information on the Aberdeen Standard Investment Plan for Children, Share Plan, ISA or ISA Transfer please contact:

Aberdeen Standard Investment Trust Administration PO Box 11020 Chelmsford Essex, CM99 2DB

Telephone: 0808 500 00 40 (free from a UK landline)

Terms and conditions for the Aberdeen Standard managed savings products can be found under the literature section of invtrusts.co.uk.

Keeping You Informed

Further information about the Company can be found on its dedicated website: **latamincome.co.uk**. This provides access to information on the Company's share price performance, capital structure, London Stock Exchange announcements, current and historic Annual and Half-Yearly Reports, and the latest factsheet on the Company issued by the Manager. Information about the Company and the Manager is also available on social media:

Twitter:

twitter.com/AberdeenTrusts

Linkedin:

linkedin.com/company/aberdeen-standard-investment-trusts

Key Information Document ("KID")

The KID relating to the Company and published by the Manager can be found on the Manager's website: invtrusts.co.uk/en/fund-centre#literature.

Online Dealing

There are a number of online dealing platforms for private investors that offer share dealing, ISAs and other means to invest in the Company. Real-time execution-only stockbroking services allow you to trade online, manage your portfolio and buy UK listed shares. These sites do not give advice. Some comparison websites also look at dealing rates and terms.

Discretionary Private Client Stockbrokers

If you have a large sum to invest, you may wish to contact a discretionary private client stockbroker. They can manage your entire portfolio of shares and will advise you on your investments. To find a private client stockbroker visit the Wealth Management Association at **pimfa.co.uk**.

Independent Financial Advisers

To find an adviser who recommends on investment trusts, visit **unbiased.co.uk**.

Regulation of Stockbrokers

Before approaching a stockbroker, always check that they are regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority:

Tel: 0800 111 6768 or at register.fca.org.uk/ or email: register@fca.org.uk

Suitable for Retail/NMPI Status

The Company's securities are intended for investors primarily in the UK (including retail investors), professional-advised private clients and institutional investors who are wanting to benefit from the growth prospects of global companies by investment in a relatively risk averse investment trust and who understand and are willing to accept the risks of exposure to equities. Investors should consider consulting a financial adviser who specialises in advising on the acquisition of shares and other securities before acquiring shares. Investors should be capable of evaluating the risks and merits of such an investment and should have sufficient resources to bear any loss that may result.

The Company currently conducts its affairs so that its securities can be recommended by a financial adviser to ordinary retail investors in accordance with the Financial Conduct Authority's (FCA) rules in relation to non-mainstream pooled investments (NMPIs) and intends to continue to do so for the foreseeable future. The Company's shares are excluded from the FCA's restrictions which apply to non-mainstream investment products because they are shares in an investment trust.

Note

Please remember that past performance is not a guide to the future. Stock market and currency movements may cause the value of shares and the income from them to fall as well as rise and investors may not get back the amount they originally invested.

As with all equity investments, the value of investment trusts purchased will immediately be reduced by the difference between the buying and selling prices of the shares, the market maker's spread.

Investors should further bear in mind that the value of any tax relief will depend on the individual circumstances of the investor and that tax rates and reliefs, as well as the tax treatment of ISAs may be changed by future legislation.

The above information has been approved for the purposes of Section 21 of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 (as amended by the Financial Services Act 2012) by Aberdeen Asset Managers Limited which is authorised and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority in the United Kingdom.

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