

# CERS Alternative Asset Fund

		Potentially Lower Returns		Potentially Higher Returns				Calendar Year Return*				
Rating		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Year	2017	2016	2015
Risk Level		Very Low Risk	Low Risk	Low to Medium Risk	Medium Risk	Medium to High Risk	High Risk	Very High Risk	Alternative Asset Fund Return	2.1%	0.8%	3.3%

\* Returns Gross of Pensions Levy & net of Annual Management Charge  
Launch date: June 2012

The Alternative Asset Fund is highly diversified across a broad range of mainstream and non-mainstream assets. The objective of the Alternative Assets Fund is to reduce volatility through diversification. The Fund currently invests with 5 underlying funds managers:

Investment Manager	Current Allocation Dec 2017	Fund Type
<b>Abbey Capital ACL</b>	21%	Fund of Hedge Funds
<b>Standard Life GARS</b>	14%	Absolute Return Fund
<b>BNY Mellon Global Real Return</b>	17%	Absolute Return Fund
<b>Irish Forestry Unit Trust</b>	16%	Forestry
<b>Irish infrastructure Fund</b>	32%	Infrastructure

The Alternative Assets Fund has exposure to mainstream and non-mainstream assets including currency, commodity, forestry, infrastructure and absolute return strategies. Absolute return funds typically aim to deliver modest absolute returns at relatively low risk and which may employ a wide range of different strategies some of which may be relatively high risk. Absolute return funds may use financial instruments (e.g. derivatives) in their investment strategies.

The Alternative Asset Fund may be expected to exhibit a level of volatility which is somewhere

between that exhibited by the Cash and Equity Funds. Similarly, the return to be expected in the longer term from the Alternative Assets Fund would normally be considered to be lower than the expected return from the Equity Fund but greater than the expected return from the Cash Fund.

The underlying funds and assets in which the Alternative Assets Fund invests are reviewed regularly by the Scheme Trustee.

The annual management charge for the CERS Alternative Asset Fund is currently 1.25% p.a.

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