



News release

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SVM launches Savings Scheme for Children

SVM Asset Management, the Edinburgh based independent fund management group, has launched the SVM Savings Scheme for Children to enable parents and grandparents to invest in its two flagship investment trusts, SVM Global Fund plc and SVM UK Active Fund plc, from as little as £25 a month.

Both trusts have a strong long term performance record. If you had invested £25 a month in SVM Global (launched 1991) for the last fifteen years it would now be worth £14,904, compared to just £5,069 if you had opted for a cash savings account*. A £25 monthly investment in SVM UK Active (launched 1994) over ten years would now be worth £5,027 compared to £3,167 for a savings account*.

However, it should be noted that in a savings account your capital is secure whereas the value of shares can go down as well as up and you may not recover all the money invested. Past performance should not be seen as an indication of future performance.

SVM UK Active invests in a diversified range of UK companies and could be regarded as a core long-term fund for first time investors. SVM Global offers investors access to established and growing economies around the world. The plan is completely flexible, regular payments can be stopped and re-started at any time without penalty and there is no maximum investment level.

Mark Noble, Head of Retail Sales and Marketing, SVM Asset Management says:

“By putting a small amount away each month, relatives and friends can help give a child a head start in the future, be it funding their education, helping them buy their first property or financing a gap year or wedding. Well diversified funds like SVM Global and UK Active provide exposure to a broad spread of shares and over the long term equities have the potential to deliver significantly higher returns than a bank account.”

Percentage growth year on year to 31 December

SVM Global Fund**

	2006	2005	2004	2003	2002
SVM Global Fund Share Price	18.7	42.9	24.9	34.6	-13.8
FTSE World Index (capital return)	4.2	21.7	6.0	17.8	-28.2
Performance difference	+14.5	+21.2	+18.9	+16.8	+14.4
SVM Global NAV	20.0	33.2	15.7	31.0	-14.6

SVM UK Active Fund**

	2006	2005	2004	2003	2002
SVM UK Active Fund Share Price	29.6	19.7	16.2	19.6	-23.0
FTSE All-Share Index (capital return)	13.2	18.1	9.2	16.6	-25.0
Performance difference	+16.4	+1.6	+7.0	+3.0	+2.0
SVM UK Active NAV	23.0	19.0	12.8	12.9	-20.1

**Source: SVM/Lipper Hindsight, capital return, to last quarter end 31/12/06.

For more details of the SVM Savings Scheme for Children call 0800 019 9440 or visit www.svmonline.co.uk. The scheme has no initial or annual charges but there is a withdrawal fee for partial or full withdrawal - £30 + VAT. The minimum lump sum investment is £200.

The scheme can be set up as either a designated account or bare trust depending on how much control the investor would like to retain. For more information on the different options please visit the website.

*Source: Lipper Hindsight, figures to 31 December 2006, example savings account used is Halifax Liquid Gold.

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Notes to editors

Colin McLean is Managing Director of Edinburgh-based SVM Asset Management ('SVM'), the company he founded in 1990 to provide investment management with a distinctive investment style - identifying good quality, growing businesses where the share price does not yet fully reflect the intrinsic value of the company.

SVM manages assets for both retail and institutional clients. In addition to investment trusts and pension funds, the company also manages OEICS, unit trusts and hedge funds.

SVM Global Fund plc

The Fund exploits global opportunities to provide long-term growth – providing shareholders with a diversified international portfolio and unique access to specialist funds including hedge and private equity.

SVM UK Active Fund plc

The Fund aims to achieve superior returns by actively managing a portfolio of principally UK listed companies that offer attractively priced growth.

SVM Global Risk Warning

Past performance should not be seen as an indication of future performance. Stockmarkets and currency movements may cause the value of an investment and the income from it to fall as well as rise and investors may not get back the amount originally invested. Where underlying investments are made in warrants, their potential volatility may increase the risk to the value of your investment. An Investment Trust is a public limited company, the shares of which are quoted on the London Stock Exchange. The price of the share depends on the supply of and the demand for them and therefore is not necessarily the same as the value of its underlying assets per share ("Net Asset Value" or "NAV"). It may be higher than (at a premium to) or lower than (at a discount to) the NAV. Moreover, the level of premium or discount varies in accordance with supply and demand. Investment Trusts can borrow money, which then can be used to make further investments. In a rising market, this gearing can enhance returns to shareholders. Correspondingly, if the market falls, losses may be greater. Hence, to produce a benefit to shareholders, the level of gearing needs to be carefully judged and monitored. The information in this document does not constitute or contain an offer or invitation for the sale or purchase of any shares in the Fund in any jurisdiction, is not intended to form the basis of any investment decision and does not constitute any recommendation by the Fund, its directors, agents or advisers.

SVM UK Active Fund Risk Warning

The Board has authorised the Managers to use bank borrowings, allowing increased portfolio investment, and to hedge certain exposures from time to time where the Managers believe this would offer the potential to protect shareholder value. Hedging is typically implemented through Contracts for Difference (CFDs) with UBS Warburg Securities and the total of such exposure is limited to a normal maximum of 15% of the Trust's Net Asset Value (NAV). CFDs may also be used for the active management of the portfolio (long positions) as an alternative to holding direct company equity exposure. The overall effect of such gearing (that is bank borrowings plus the gross exposure of long positions less any hedging) must not normally exceed 20% of the Trust's NAV. Additional limits have also been set on individual hedging to assist risk control. Market movements may produce occasional excursions beyond these limits while the Managers take appropriate action. Past performance should not be seen as an indication of future performance. The value of an investment, and the income from it, may fall as well as rise and investors may not get back the amount originally invested. An Investment Trust is a public limited company, the shares of which are quoted on the London Stock Exchange. In a rising market, gearing can enhance returns to shareholders but if the market falls, losses may be greater. The information in this document does not constitute or contain an offer or invitation for the sale or purchase of any shares in the Fund in any jurisdiction, is not intended to form the basis of any investment decision and does not constitute any recommendation by the Fund, its directors, agents or advisers.