

Allianz Technology Trust PLC

Technology investing from the heart of the industry



Aim

The Trust's objective is to achieve long-term capital growth by investing principally in the equity securities of quoted technology companies on a worldwide basis.

Trust Benefits

The award-winning Allianz Technology Trust PLC offers investors access to the fast moving world of technology with the reassurance that investment decisions are made by Walter Price who has over 45 years of experience of investing in technology. He is Co-Head of the AllianzGI Global Technology Team which currently manages \$11bn in assets under management.

At the Heart of the Industry

Allianz Technology Trust is managed by the highly experienced AllianzGI Global Technology team based in San Francisco. The team benefits from its close proximity to Silicon Valley where many of the world's key technology companies are headquartered.

Awards & Ratings



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Total Assets £1,420.8m **Shares in Issue** 428,756,680 (Ordinary 2.5p) **Market Cap** £1,335.6m

Share Price

311.5p

NAV per Share

333.1p

Premium/-Discount

-6.5%

Share Price is the price of a single ordinary share, as determined by the stock market. The price shown above is the mid-market price.

Net Asset Value (NAV) per Share is calculated as available shareholders' funds divided by the number of shares in issue, with shareholders' funds taken to be the net value of all the company's assets after deducting liabilities. An undiluted, cum-income NAV is shown.

Premium/Discount. Since investment company shares are traded on a stock market, the share price that you get may be higher or lower than the NAV. The difference is known as a discount or premium.

Fund Manager's Review

Portfolio Overview

The Allianz Technology Trust's NAV returned 6.4% in August, outperforming the Dow Jones World Technology Index return of 5.3%. During the month, stock selection contributed and industry allocation detracted from relative performance.

Our position in cloud security company Zscaler was a top relative contributor during the period. As noted last month, the company's most recent quarterly financial results were outstanding with revenue growth of 60%, far ahead of consensus estimates. Billings grew 71% and exceeded expectations by a wide margin as it is clear that demand for cloud security is hitting another gear of growth. We continue to view Zscaler as a company which is a first mover in cloud security that has essentially created a new market in the cyber security world. The cloud journey is still in the early innings, and Zscaler should therefore see a significant expansion in its addressable market.

Paycom Software was also a top relative contributor. The company reported strong quarterly financial results that beat expectations driven by revenue growth of 33% year-over-year, and management raised guidance. Paycom continues to move upmarket and is now targeting customers with up to 10,000 employees. The company has also seen strong initial adoption of its new employee self-service offering, Beti. Paycom provides cloud-based payroll and human capital management software in a software-as-a-service (SaaS) format to small and medium businesses in the US. The company's software typically replaces multiple systems and helps manage complex compliance requirements with

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associated ease of implementation, and high customer satisfaction. The company is a cloud asset modernising the payroll market.

Other top active contributors included not owning Alibaba and overweight positions in ZoomInfo and Datadog.

Our position in fibre laser provider IPG Photonics was the top relative detractor during the period after reporting quarterly financial results that missed expectations driven by slowing in the China cutting market. Management lowered guidance due to ongoing supply chain challenges and potential impacts related to COVID-19 global demand uncertainty. On the positive side, cutting demand improved in the US and Europe, revenues grew 25% year-over-year, and gross margin came in at 49%. IPG has the potential to diversify beyond the high-power cutting and welding markets into other materials processing and micro-electronics applications in defence, solar, and medical.

Our underweight position in Microsoft, one of the benchmark's largest positions, was also a top detractor once again. As reported last month, Microsoft recently reported a strong end to its fiscal year, beating expectations for revenue and earnings. Total revenue growth of 17% and commercial cloud revenue growth of 31% were both impressive for a business of this scale. The company saw solid long-term commitments to its cloud platform, with significant growth in the number of \$10 million-



Walter Price CFA, Portfolio Manager

Allianz Technology Trust PLC is managed by Walter Price who is a Managing Director and Co-Head of the AllianzGI Technology Team in San Francisco, having joined in 1974. Walter is a current Director and past president of the M.I.T. Club of Northern California. He also heads the Educational Council for M.I.T. in the Bay Area and is a past Chairman of the AIMR Committee on Corporate Reporting for the computer and electronics industries.

plus Azure and Microsoft 365 contracts. Strength in Microsoft 365 has been driven by the higher tier upsells due to strong demand for security, compliance, and voice capabilities. In security alone, Microsoft reported a 70% increase year over year in small and midsize business customers. Microsoft continues to build success in newer product areas, such as security, compliance, and collaboration. Longer term, the urgency of digital transformation has increased due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The stock remains a top holding in the portfolio, though we maintain an underweight position relative to the benchmark's large weight.

Other top active detractors included overweight positions in Micron, Mastercard, and Expedia.

Market Outlook

In our view, the technology sector continues to benefit from strong tailwinds which, we believe, should continue to drive attractive long-term appreciation. There is no question in our minds that the COVID-19 crisis will spur the use of technology and change how we live and work in the future. Additionally, many businesses are struggling to find workers to meet customer demand and need technology solutions to improve productivity of limited staffs. As companies need to reduce costs and improve productivity, we expect to see accelerating demand for innovative and more productive solutions such as cloud, software-as-a-service, artificial intelligence, cyber security, etc. We are in a period of rapid change, where the importance of technology is key to the prosperity of most industries. We believe that this environment is likely to provide attractive growth opportunities in many technology stocks over the next several years.

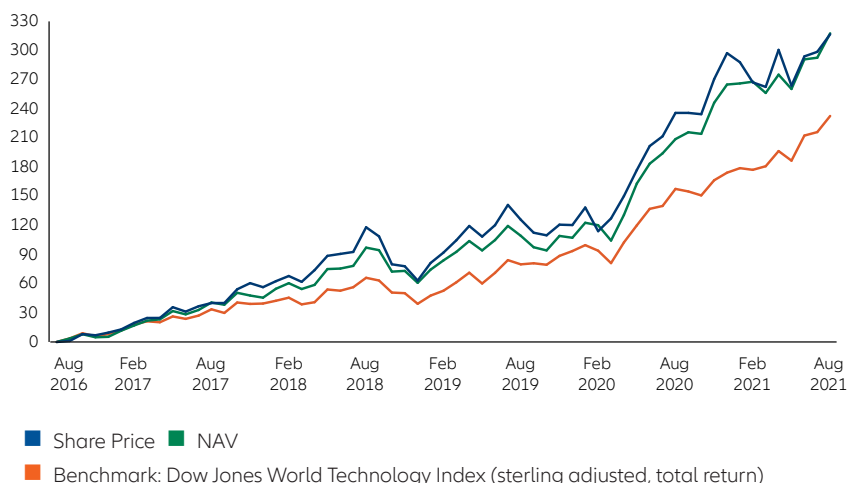
We continue to believe the technology sector can provide some of the best absolute and relative return opportunities in the equity markets – especially for bottom-up stock pickers.

Walter Price
21 September 2021

This is no recommendation or solicitation to buy or sell any particular security. Any security mentioned above will not necessarily be comprised in the portfolio by the time this document is disclosed or at any other subsequent date.

Performance Track Record

Five Year Performance (%)



Risk & Features

Investment trusts are quoted companies listed on the London Stock Exchange. Their share prices are determined by factors including the balance of supply and demand in the market.

Competition among technology companies may result in aggressive pricing of their products and services, which may affect the profitability of the companies in which the Trust invests. In addition, because of the rapid pace of technological development, products or services developed by these companies may become rapidly obsolete or have relatively short product cycles. This may have the effect of making the Trust's returns more volatile than the returns of a fund that does not invest in similarly related companies.

Derivatives can be used to manage the Trust efficiently.

Cumulative Returns (%)

	3M	6M	1Y	3Y	5Y
Share Price	14.5	13.5	24.1	91.1	316.7
NAV	15.9	13.5	35.2	111.9	317.7
Benchmark	16.0	20.0	29.2	100.3	232.6

Discrete 12 Month Returns to 31 August (%)

	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017
Share Price	24.1	48.7	3.6	55.7	40.1
NAV	35.2	47.6	6.2	40.2	40.6
Benchmark	29.2	43.2	8.3	24.3	33.6

Source: Thomson Reuters DataStream, percentage growth, mid to mid, total return to 31.08.21. Copyright 2021 © DataStream, a Thomson Reuters company. All rights reserved. DataStream shall not be liable for any errors or delays in the content, or for any actions taken in reliance thereon.

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Portfolio Breakdown

Sector Breakdown (%)

Information Technology	80.7	<div style="width: 80.7%;"></div>
Consumer Discretionary	8.2	<div style="width: 8.2%;"></div>
Industrials	5.7	<div style="width: 5.7%;"></div>
Health Care	0.8	<div style="width: 0.8%;"></div>
Real Estate	0.4	<div style="width: 0.4%;"></div>
Cash	4.3	<div style="width: 4.3%;"></div>

Top Ten Holdings (%)

Alphabet - A shares	6.7
Microsoft	5.9
Amazon	3.8
CrowdStrike	3.6
Zscaler	3.3
Nvidia	2.8
Apple	2.6
EPAM Systems	2.3
Seagate Technology	2.3
Samsung SDI	2.2

Total number of holdings 71

Geographic Breakdown (%)

North America	86.0	<div style="width: 86.0%;"></div>
Europe ex UK	5.4	<div style="width: 5.4%;"></div>
Far East & Pacific	2.8	<div style="width: 2.8%;"></div>
UK	1.6	<div style="width: 1.6%;"></div>
Cash	4.3	<div style="width: 4.3%;"></div>

Market Cap Breakdown (%)

Over US \$100bn	37.6	<div style="width: 37.6%;"></div>
US \$10bn to 100bn	50.0	<div style="width: 50.0%;"></div>
US \$1bn to 10bn	7.5	<div style="width: 7.5%;"></div>
Under US \$1bn	0.6	<div style="width: 0.6%;"></div>
Cash	4.3	<div style="width: 4.3%;"></div>

The data shown is not constant over time and the allocation may change in the future. Totals may not sum to 100.0% due to rounding. This is no recommendation or solicitation to buy or sell any particular security.

Key Information

Launch Date	December 1995
AllianzGI Appointment	April 2007
Continuation Vote	2021 AGM
AIC Sector	Specialist Sector: Technology, Media & Telecoms
Benchmark	Dow Jones World Technology Index (sterling adjusted, total return)
Annual Management Fee	0.8% p.a. on market capitalisation up to £400 million, 0.6% p.a. on any market capitalisation between £400 million and £1 billion, and 0.5% p.a. on any market capitalisation over £1 billion. In addition there is an admin fee of £55,000 p.a.
Performance Fee ¹	Yes
Ongoing Charges ²	0.80%
Year End	31 December
Annual Financial Report	Final published in March, Half-yearly published in August
AGM	April
NAV Frequency	Daily
Price Information	Financial Times, The Daily Telegraph, www.allianztechnologytrust.com
Company Secretary	Eleanor Emuss
Investment Manager	Walter Price
Codes	RIC: ATT.L SEDOL: BNG2M15

1. Calculated as 12.5% of the outperformance of the NAV compared to the indexed NAV over the performance period. The fee is capped at a maximum of 2.25% of the Trust's NAV at the year-end.

2. Source: AIC, as at the Trust's Financial Year End (31.12.2020). Ongoing Charges (previously Total Expense Ratios) are published annually to show operational expenses, which include the annual management fee, incurred in the running of the company but excluding financing costs.

Board of Directors

Robert Jeens (Chairman)
Humphrey van der Klugt (Chairman of the Audit & Risk Committee and Senior Independent Director)
Neeta Patel
Elisabeth Scott

How to invest

You can buy shares in the Trust through:

- A third party provider - see 'How to Invest' on our website, where you will find links to a range of these platforms, many of which allow you to hold the shares within an ISA, Junior ISA, SIPP and/or savings scheme.
- A stockbroker.
- A financial adviser.

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