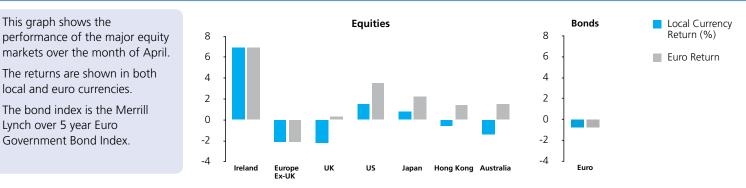
# Eagle Star Investments Monthly Review For April 2010

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## Equity and Bond % Returns



### Investment Comment

- Some profits were taken in equities during April following the large gains of the previous month. Strong first-quarter corporate earnings' results, which would normally drive equity markets higher, were somewhat countered by renewed concerns over sovereign debt default risk in Greece and other peripheral eurozone countries and the weakness of the euro currency.
  Pressure on Greece built up over the month as the proposed EU/IMF rescue package became linked to the introduction of austerity measures. Markets are likely to remain volatile until the euro stabilises, although the longer-term view remains positive with the authorities in the developed world keeping their feet on the stimulus pedal until economic recovery becomes sustainable.
- World equities (in euro terms) rose by almost 2% during the month, leaving the total return year-to-date at over 11%. This pace of growth is most unlikely to continue. Market returns were mixed during April, ranging from -8% in China to +7% in Ireland. The influential US market (+1.5%) outperformed all of the main markets, underlining the relative strengh of its economic recovery. The rise in the Irish market was almost exclusively due to the strength of CRH, which represents 33% of the ISEQ Index. Returns for the eurozone investor were enhanced by the weakness of the euro currency.
- Fears of an early rise in interest rates have subsided further in recent months. Rates will, however, rise from the current emergency low levels, with the first moves in the main economies expected in the first four months of 2011. The futures markets are currently factoring in no change in eurozone rates (at 1%) until April 2011, and for US rates to remain unchanged (at 0.25%) until January 2011. However, due to the strength of some of the Asia Pacific economies, rates have begun to rise in that area. Australia has already increased interest rates five times since October 2009, from 3% to 4.25%. India also increased interest rates by 0.25% to 3.5%. Elsewhere, commodity prices were generally stronger during the month, with the oil price up \$2 to \$84 a barrel. The price of gold rose by 6% to \$1,181 per troy ounce.
- Sectorwise, cyclicals continued to outperform defensive stocks, especially in the US, reflecting current optimism regarding the outlook for global economic recovery. Industrials, consumer discretionary stocks and energy were the strongest sectors during April, while healthcare, consumer staples and telecoms underperformed. Although the stage of the economic cycle still favours cyclicals, their valuations have become more stretched, while economic recovery is still up against considerable structural obstacles.
- Corporate earnings' news was brisk during April, as the Q1 results season got into full swing in both the US and Europe. Of the 439 companies in the US S&P 500 Index which have reported so far, 77% have beaten expectations.

The market is now looking for strong revenue and EPS growth during 2010.

• After a brief respite during March, the euro resumed its downward trajectory in April on the back of renewed concerns over peripheral European sovereign debt default risk. The euro was weak against all major currencies, except the Swiss franc. The €/\$ rate ended the month at 1.33.

## Eagle Star Funds - Asset Allocation

The funds are neutral to slightly overweight in equities and closer to neutral in bonds.

#### Equities

## Countries & Markets: Overweight & Underweight positions

The fund managers maintained a neutral to slightly overweight position in equities during April. The main regional changes were an increase in the US position and a corresponding decrease in Europe and Asia Pacific. The funds' main positions at the end of April were overweight in the US, slightly underweight in Asia Pacific, underweight in Ireland and close to neutral in the other regions.

#### Sectors: Overweight & Underweight positions

There were no significant changes to sectoral positions during the month with the exception of some profit taking in financials. Overall, the funds' main positions at the end of April were overweight in technology and industrials and underweight in utilities. Other sectoral positions were pretty balanced.

#### Bonds

Eurozone bonds lost some year-to-date gains in April. Yet again, the Greek fiscal crisis dominated the news wires. Confusion reigned as politicians around Europe struggled to communicate a coherent solution to the Greek problem. In particular, Angela Merkel has demanded strict conditions before any financial aid will be extended to Greece. After continuous market pressure, intervention from the IMF was sought. By the end of the month, rumours led the market to believe that a €110 bn package was available for Greece, with €30 bn to come from the IMF and the rest from the other eurozone members. In return, Greece will have to enforce stringent austerity measures. By this stage however, the genie was out of the bottle. Bond market vigilantes set their sights on Portugal, Ireland and Spain in particular. The underperformance of these countries at the expense of core Europe was the primary reason for the poor performance of the index. Government bond indices have begun to share the characteristics of a credit index, and index members have had a huge dispersion of performance. Economic data was largely ignored by bond markets for the month. The Merrill Lynch over 5 year Eurozone government bond index lost 0.8% for the month.

## Spotlight on Stocks

The following stocks are included (at time of going to print) in the Eagle Star funds, including the 5+5 Global Fund.

#### Health, Personal Care & Leisure Sector Carnival

Carnival is the dominant player in the global cruise industry. The industry is now effectively a duopoly since the takeover of P&O Princess by Carnival in 2003, the other player being Royal Caribbean. This has led to greater pricing power for Carnival. The industry is being impacted favourably by demographics as the baby boomers enter their 50s and 60s, Carnival's main customer segment. Thus, Carnival's volume growth should exhibit a strong increase over the next decade. Carnival's valuation is attractive, trading on 16 times forecasted EPS for 2010. Looking past 2011, there is a very compelling picture of low supply, higher free cash flow and returns on invested capital.

#### **Resources and Infrastructure Sector**

#### Anglo American plc

Anglo American plc is a diversified resources company with six main operating divisions: Platinum, Diamonds, Coal, Base Metals, Industrial Minerals and Ferrous metals. The key drivers of Anglo American performance include its low/mid cost position for these commodities, a solid unstressed balance sheet and the positive impact from its asset optimisation strategy of cost cutting and efficiency gains across the group. Anglo American offers an attractive relative valuation and is also trading at a discount to its peers.

#### Information and Communication Technology Sector *Hitachi*

Hitachi is a diversified industrial electronics conglomerate. Hitachi raised capital last year to improve the balance sheet, and this has been taken

well by investors. In addition to a cyclical recovery in their businesses (which cover a diverse range of businesses from Social Infrastructure (power generation, etc.) to Hard Disk Drives to Construction Machinery), new management plan to accelerate restructuring measures to improve profitability. Valuations are currently quite reasonable, with the stock trading at only a slight premium to book value.

## Finance and Real Estate Sector

#### **PNC Financial Services**

PNC Financial Services is one of the largest regional banks in the US. The company is benefiting from a big improvement in bad debt expenses due to the economic recovery in the US. It has one of the best prospects for loan growth due to synergies from its acquisition of its smaller rival National City last year. The stock looks attractive relative to normalised earnings power and on a sum of the parts basis given its large stake in the world's largest asset manager Blackrock.

#### **Consumer Sector**

#### Walt Disney

Walt Disney is one of the largest entertainment companies in the world. It is benefiting from the recovery in the advertising spending environment through its ownership of ABC and ESPN, and also from the improvement in travel through its theme parks and cruise line businesses. It is gaining from an improvement in fundamentals in the film business with several significant releases imminent, which would lead to strong earnings momentum with potential positive earnings surprises. The valuation is attractive with the stock relative to its earnings growth.

## Global Outlook

- Most economists expect that the global economy will grow by around 3.2% this year, following a contraction of just over 2% last year. Inflation pressures in most of the developed economies remain well behaved and, at the margin, are still being revised lower. A central issue is whether the private sector in Europe and the US is strong enough to allow some of the massive stimulus to be withdrawn. This factor, plus constrained bank lending, makes central banks still somewhat cautious on the economic outlook.
- Concerns about the long-term consequences of the credit burst, and the unintended consequences of a myriad of policy actions, are still to the fore of policymakers' minds but investors tend to have only a periodic concern for them, such as last week.
- Short rates remain at emergency levels in Europe and the US although rates have been increased in economies such as Australia, India and China. Central bankers in Europe and the US are keen to remove emergency policy settings but they do not want to do so prematurely, a message which has been tricky to communicate at times. Developments in Greece will temper the ECB's timing on any policy adjustment. It is notable that rate expectations in the US, UK and eurozone are less than 0.25% above their recent cycle lows. On balance, therefore, investors expect that low rates will persist for some time.
- Inflation data, short rates and liquidity conditions continue to support most bond markets. The key development has been the collapse in the Greek bond market and the consequent panic in the rest of the periphery. The extraordinary measures at the weekend will likely end the panic near-term. For the longer-term success of the euro project, there will need to be a more far-reaching set of proposals. In the meantime, actual or threatened ECB bond purchases, plus abundant liquidity, should keep things much calmer and help spreads to narrow significantly; as long as inflation remains under control the ECB will be able to maintain this policy and project solidarity to investors.
- Global equity markets had been behaving very well but were eventually infected by the Greek-inspired panic. The unprecedented weekend package of measures should provide significant relief and also keep policy easier for longer, especially in Europe, helping to underpin risk markets. In the background, we have had some good economic and earnings' data, which provide fundamental support for equities, plus valuations are still reasonable. Plenty of risks remain but relief will be the order of the day for the next while.

## Eagle Star Investments

Annualised Performance to 4th May 2010

|   | Year to<br>Date       | 1 Year                | Annualised<br>3 Years   | Annualised<br>5 Years | Annualised<br>10 Years | Annualised                 | Annualised<br>20 Years     | Fund Size<br>(€)             |
|---|-----------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|------------------------------|
| Cash  | Date                  |                       | 5 fears                 | 5 fears               | TO rears               | 15 Years                   | 20 fears                   | (4)                          |
| Eagle Star (Ind) Secure   | 0.1%                  | 0.5%                  | 2.4%                    | 2.4%                  | 2.8%                   | 3.9%                       | 5.2%                       | 349,740,000                  |
| Acorn Life (Ind) Pension Deposit  | 0.7%                  | 2.2%                  | 3.3%                    | 2.9%                  | 2.8%                   | 3.6%                       | 5.2%                       | 3,400,000                    |
| Ark Life (Ind) Pension Assured 2  | 0.1%                  | 0.4%                  | 2.1%                    | 1.9%                  | 2.1%                   | Not Started                | Not Started                | 27,588,804                   |
| Canada Life (Ind) Setanta Pension Money *                                   | 0.1%                  | 0.5%                  | 2.5%                    | 2.3%                  | 2.4%                   | 3.1%                       | 4.5%                       | 362,588,114                  |
| Friends (Ind) Cash<br>Hibernian L&P Pension Cash                            | 0.5%<br>0.7%          | 1.1%<br>2.7%          | 2.6%<br>3.0%            | 2.3%<br>2.7%          | 2.5%<br>Not Started    | 3.1%<br>Not Started        | 4.6%<br>Not Started        | 83,260,000<br>172,843,642    |
| Irish Life (Ind) Exempt Cash 1  | 0.7%                  | 1.9%                  | 3.1%                    | 2.7%                  | 2.6%                   | 3.3%                       | 4.6%                       | 905,875                      |
| Lifetime/BIAM (Ind) Pen Security  | 0.0%                  | 0.3%                  | 2.0%                    | 1.9%                  | 2.0%                   | 2.8%                       | 4.2%                       | 1,839,000                    |
| New Irl (Ind) Pension Cash 2 *  | 0.1%                  | 0.6%                  | 2.3%                    | 2.2%                  | 2.3%                   | 3.0%                       | 4.5%                       | 693,817,000                  |
| Royal Liver (Ind) Money   | 0.4%                  | 1.5%                  | 2.2%                    | 1.9%                  | Not Started            | Not Started                | Not Started                | 6,830,735                    |
| SL Synergy Cash   | 0.0%                  | 0.0%                  | 1.9%                    | 1.8%                  | Not Started            | Not Started                | Not Started                | 239,600,000                  |
| MoneyMate Sector Average  | 0.4%                  | 1.1%                  | 2.5%                    | 2.3%                  | 2.5%                   | 3.3%                       | 4.8%                       |                              |
| Fixed Interest  | 2.00/                 | E 20/                 | C 40/                   | 1.40/                 |                        | No. Course of              | No. Constant               | 466 433 000                  |
| Eagle Star (Ind) Active Fixed Income<br>Eagle Star (Ind) Long Bond          | 2.0%                  | 5.3%<br>6.0%          | 6.4%<br>5.5%            | 4.1%<br>3.7%          | 6.5%<br>Not Started    | Not Started<br>Not Started | Not Started<br>Not Started | 166,133,000<br>53,007,000    |
| Acorn Life (Ind) Pens Cautiously Mgd  | 3.0%                  | 14.0%                 | 6.3%                    | 4.1%                  | Not Started            | Not Started                | Not Started                | 13,400,000                   |
| Canada Life (Ind) Setanta Pen Fixed Interest *                              | 0.4%                  | 4.6%                  | 4.4%                    | 2.6%                  | 4.7%                   | 6.3%                       | 7.7%                       | 221,836,220                  |
| Friends (Ind) Fixed Interest  | 1.7%                  | 7.2%                  | 3.8%                    | 2.2%                  | 4.8%                   | 7.0%                       | 8.0%                       | 70,420,000                   |
| Aviva L&P Pen Laser Pension Bond  | 1.5%                  | 9.4%                  | 5.4%                    | 3.6%                  | 5.7%                   | 7.4%                       | 7.7%                       | 54,949,651                   |
| Irish Life (Ind) Exempt Fixed Interest 2                                    | 3.0%                  | 6.6%                  | 5.7%                    | 3.5%                  | 5.3%                   | 7.3%                       | 8.0%                       | 1,044,835                    |
| New Irl (Ind) Pension Gilt Edge 2 *   | 2.2%                  | 5.6%                  | 5.0%                    | 3.0%                  | 5.2%                   | 7.0%                       | 7.8%                       | 675,093,000                  |
| Royal Liver (Ind) Fixed Interest  | 3.9%                  | 9.4%                  | 8.2%                    | 4.8%                  | Not Started            | Not Started                | Not Started                | 23,232,975                   |
| SL Synergy Government Bond Tracker  | 1.6%                  | 4.8%                  | 4.7%                    | 2.6%                  | Not Started            | Not Started                | Not Started                | 35,400,000                   |
| MoneyMate Sector Average  | 2.3%                  | <b>7.9</b> %          | 4.8%                    | 3.1%                  | 5.3%                   | 7.1%                       | 8.0%                       |                              |
| International Equity  |                       | 25.000                |                         |                       |                        | N                          |                            | 407.070.070                  |
| Eagle Star (Ind) International Equity                                       | 9.7%                  | <b>35.0%</b>          | -4.2%                   | 5.4%                  | -0.7%                  | Not Started                | Not Started                | 197,978,000                  |
| Canada Life (Ind) Passive Equity 2<br>Friends (Ind) International           | 10.4%<br>8.8%         | 32.8%<br>37.6%        | -7.9%<br>-5.7%          | 0.4%<br>3.6%          | Not Started<br>-3.4%   | Not Started<br>5.4%        | Not Started<br>5.4%        | 5,564,211<br>178,100,000     |
| Aviva L&P Pen Laser Pension International Eq                                | 6.4%                  | 37.0%                 | -5.7%                   | 2.0%                  | -3.4%                  | 5.4%                       | 5.5%                       | 40,207,818                   |
| Irish Life (Ind) Indexed Global Equity P                                    | 9.2%                  | 37.1%                 | -9.4%                   | 2.1%                  | Not Started            | Not Started                | Not Started                | 195,167,952                  |
| New Irl (Ind) Pension International 2 *                                     | 7.3%                  | 35.4%                 | -6.9%                   | 1.0%                  | -2.3%                  | 5.6%                       | 5.8%                       | 651,516,000                  |
| Royal Liver (Ind) International Equity                                      | 12.3%                 | 41.4%                 | -7.2%                   | 2.8%                  | Not Started            | Not Started                | Not Started                | 11,912,444                   |
| SL Synergy Global Equity Tracker  | 10.0%                 | 36.5%                 | -6.1%                   | Not Started           | Not Started            | Not Started                | Not Started                | 200,000                      |
| MoneyMate Sector Average  | 9.4%                  | 38.3%                 | <b>-6.5%</b>            | 3.0%                  | -2.0%                  | 5.7%                       | 6.5%                       |                              |
| Managed Aggressive  |                       |                       |                         |                       |                        |                            |                            |                              |
| Eagle Star (Ind) Dynamic  | 6.7%                  | 31.2%                 | -6.5%                   | 4.8%                  | 1.1%                   | 8.1%                       | 10.7%                      | 930,948,000                  |
| Acorn Life (Ind) Pension Managed Growth                                     | 11.0%                 | 34.7%                 | -8.7%                   | 3.0%                  | -1.0%                  | 7.3%                       | 7.1%                       | 171,200,000                  |
| Hib Life & Pen NU (Ind) Focussed Managed I                                  | 6.8%                  | 28.3%                 | -10.2%                  | -0.1%                 | -1.2%<br>0.0%          | Not Started                | Not Started                | 6,904,196                    |
| Lifetime/BIAM (Ind) Pen Opportunity<br>Royal Liver (Ind) Managed            | 6.9%<br>9.3%          | 28.4%<br>28.8%        | -8.6%<br>-8.4%          | -0.1%<br>1.7%         | Not Started            | 6.4%<br>Not Started        | 5.7%<br>Not Started        | 6,002,000<br>47,944,362      |
| MoneyMate Sector Average  | <b>7.3%</b>           | 28.9%                 | - <b>9.3%</b>           | 1.2%                  | -0.5%                  | 7.3%                       | 8.3%                       | 17,511,502                   |
|   | 112 / 0               |                       | 212 / 0                 |                       | 010 / 0                | 110 / 0                    | 0.0 /0                     |                              |
| Managed Balanced<br>Eagle Star (Ind) Balanced                               | 6.0%                  | 25.5%                 | -4.3%                   | 4.7%                  | 2.0%                   | 8.6%                       | 10.7%                      | 1,211,422,000                |
| Eagle Star (Ind) Performance  | 6.4%                  | 28.9%                 | -6.0%                   | 4.7%                  | 1.5%                   | 8.3%                       | 10.7%                      | 827,094,000                  |
| Acorn Life (Ind) Pension Managed  | 9.9%                  | 31.2%                 | -5.9%                   | 3.1%                  | 0.5%                   | 7.4%                       | 7.9%                       | 107,300,000                  |
| Ark Life (Ind) Pension Managed 2  | 4.9%                  | 21.3%                 | -9.6%                   | 0.3%                  | -2.0%                  | Not Started                | Not Started                | -                            |
| Canada Life (Ind) Setanta Pension Managed *                                 | 7.1%                  | 25.2%                 | -3.5%                   | 3.4%                  | 1.3%                   | 7.1%                       | 7.0%                       | 1,027,369,604                |
| Friends (Ind) Managed   | 7.1%                  | 25.8%                 | -8.5%                   | 1.3%                  | -0.5%                  | 6.6%                       | 6.7%                       | 259,100,000                  |
| Aviva L&P Pen Laser Pension Managed   | 4.7%                  | 23.5%                 | -9.9%                   | -0.1%                 | -0.9%                  | 5.9%                       | 5.5%                       | 376,832,448                  |
| Irish Life (Ind) Exempt Managed 1   | 7.4%                  | 28.6%                 | -7.3%                   | 2.3%                  | 1.3%                   | 6.7%                       | 6.7%                       | 1,266,373,498                |
| Lifetime/BIAM (Ind) Pen Growth<br>New Irl (Ind) Pension Managed 3           | 6.6%<br>6.7%          | 25.5%<br>25.8%        | -8.2%<br>-7.9%          | 0.0%<br>0.2%          | 0.8%<br>0.9%           | 6.7%<br>7.3%               | 7.3%<br>7.2%               | -                            |
| SL Synergy Balanced MultiManager  | 7.7%                  | 25.8%                 | -7.9%                   | 0.2%                  | Not Started            | Not Started                | Not Started                | 1,837,486,000<br>137,100,000 |
| MoneyMate Sector Average  | 6.3%                  | 25.2%                 | -7.1%                   | 1.4%                  | 0.2%                   | 6.8%                       | 7.3%                       | 137,100,000                  |
| Irish Equity  |                       |                       |                         |                       |                        |                            |                            |                              |
| Eagle Star (Ind) Irish Equity   | 13.7%                 | 29.7%                 | -26.2%                  | -7.0%                 | Not Started            | Not Started                | Not Started                | 9,181,000                    |
| Ark Life (Ind) Pension Irish  | 13.4%                 | 28.5%                 | -25.6%                  | -8.5%                 | Not Started            | Not Started                | Not Started                | 3,178,494                    |
| Friends (Ind) Irish Equity  | 14.4%                 | 30.5%                 | -25.0%                  | -7.5%                 | -1.5%                  | 6.3%                       | 6.3%                       | 32,270,000                   |
| Hib Life & Pen NU (Ind) Irish Equity *                                      | 11.6%                 | 26.4%                 | -26.4%                  | -8.8%                 | -1.6%                  | Not Started                | Not Started                | 3,571,281                    |
| Irish Life (Ind) Irish Equity Indexed P                                     | 14.7%                 | 31.9%                 | -28.4%                  | -9.7%                 | Not Started            | Not Started                | Not Started                | 62,489,161                   |
| New Irl (Ind) Pension Irish Equity 3 *                                      | 14.6%                 | 28.6%                 | -27.0%                  | -10.1%                | -0.6%                  | 6.6%                       | Not Started                | 81,096,000                   |
| Royal Liver (Ind) Irish Equity  | 12.7%                 | 32.5%                 | -27.5%                  | -8.2%                 | Not Started            | Not Started                | Not Started                | 14,942,883                   |
| SL Synergy Irish Equity Tracker<br>MoneyMate Sector Average                 | 13.8%<br><b>13.3%</b> | 31.6%<br><b>29.6%</b> | -28.0%<br><b>-28.2%</b> | -9.1%<br><b>-9.0%</b> | Not Started<br>-2.9%   | Not Started<br>5.7%        | Not Started<br>5.4%        | 11,800,000                   |
|   | 13.370                | 23.0 /0               | -20.2 /0                | -3.0 /0               | -2.3 /0                | 3.7 /0                     | J.4 /0                     |                              |
| Euro Equity <sup>2</sup><br>Eagle Star Eurozone Equity G                    | -0.3%                 | 29.9%                 | -6.5%                   | 7.6%                  | Not Started            | Not Started                | Not Started                | 72,027,000                   |
| AlB Inv Mgr Ltd Eurozone Equity Indexmaster B                               | -4.8%                 | 21.9%                 | -12.1%                  | 2.0%                  | Not Started            | Not Started                | Not Started                | 67,630,936                   |
| Ark Life Eurozone 2 G   | 0.2%                  | 25.5%                 | -13.1%                  | -0.6%                 | Not Started            | Not Started                | Not Started                | 72,080,973                   |
| Aviva L&P Euro Equity   | -1.4%                 | 27.8%                 | -10.2%                  | 2.5%                  | Not Started            | Not Started                | Not Started                | 11,959,507                   |
| New Ireland Euroland Equity S9  | -2.8%                 | 23.7%                 | -11.9%                  | 0.6%                  | Not Started            | Not Started                | Not Started                | 5,026,000                    |
|   | 4 4 9 4               | 20.20/                | 10 50/                  | 2 60/                 | Not Ctarted            | Not Ctarted                | Not Ctarted                | 70 200 000                   |
| SL Synergy European Equity Tracker<br>MoneyMate Sector Average <sup>1</sup> | 1.1%<br><b>-2.1%</b>  | 30.2%<br><b>25.9%</b> | -10.5%<br><b>-10.0%</b> | 2.6%<br><b>1.9%</b>   | Not Started            | Not Started                | Not Started                | 70,300,000                   |

\* Note that this fund is no longer open to new business. Other similar funds which are open to new business may be available from the relevant fund manager.

### **Eagle Star Investments**

Annualised Performance to 4th May 2010

|   | Year to<br>Date | 1 Year         | Annualised<br>3 Years | Annualised<br>5 Years | Annualised<br>10 Years | Annualised<br>15 Years     | Annualised<br>20 Years     | Fund Size<br>(€)          |
|---|-----------------|----------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------|
| Fundadora Equitica?   |                 |                | 5 rears               | 5 rears               | ite rears              |                            | Loricars                   |                           |
| European Equities <sup>2</sup>  | 1.8%            | 28.7%          | -9.4%                 | 5.6%                  | Not Started            | Not Started                | Not Started                | 00 200 000                |
| Eagle Star 5 Star 5 Europe G<br>BOI Life - Unit Funds European Ex UK S2 |                 | 29.2%          | -11.3%                | 0.5%                  | Not Started            | Not Started                | Not Started                | <b>89,298,000</b>         |
|   | -0.2%           | 29.2%<br>34.1% |                       |                       | Not Started            |                            | Not Started                | 8,141,000                 |
| Canada Life /Setanta European Equity G                                  | 2.8%<br>3.5%    | 34.1%<br>30.6% | -8.9%<br>-10.4%       | 2.8%<br>3.2%          | Not Started            | Not Started<br>Not Started | Not Started<br>Not Started | 14,812,185<br>179,700,000 |
| Friends First European Equity G   |                 |                | -10.4%                |                       | Not Started            |                            |                            |                           |
| Aviva L&P European Equity<br>Irish Life Europascope 2 G                 | -2.0%<br>-5.0%  | 27.8%<br>21.5% | -8.2%<br>-11.6%       | 3.6%<br>1.2%          | Not Started            | Not Started<br>Not Started | Not Started<br>Not Started | 2,835,348<br>33,728,375   |
| New Ireland European Equity S9  | -0.3%           | 28.6%          | -11.7%                | 0.0%                  | Not Started            | Not Started                | Not Started                | 244,105,000               |
| Royal Liver European Equity G   | 10.6%           | 48.2%          | -6.5%                 | 5.3%                  | Not Started            | Not Started                | Not Started                | 8,455,976                 |
| SL Synergy European Eq MultiManager                                     | 2.0%            | 30.5%          | -11.8%                | 2.7%                  | Not Started            | Not Started                | Not Started                | 69,700,000                |
| MoneyMate Sector Average <sup>1</sup>                                   | 3.5%            | 36.1%          | -11.0 %               | 3.5%                  | NOT Started            | NOT Started                |                            | 05,700,000                |
| Moneymate Sector Average  | 3.3 /0          | 50.170         | -3.0 //               | 3.3 /0                | N/A                    | N//A                       | N/A                        |                           |
| Far East Equity <sup>2</sup>  |                 |                |                       |                       |                        |                            |                            |                           |
| Eagle Star 5 Star 5 Asia Pacific G                                      | 3.5%            | 23.7%          | -5.5%                 | 7.8%                  | Not Started            | Not Started                | Not Started                | 107,315,000               |
| AIB Inv Mgr Ltd Far East Equity G                                       | 11.6%           | 37.1%          | -2.0%                 | 6.4%                  | Not Started            | Not Started                | Not Started                | 7,314,817                 |
| BOI Life - Unit Funds Far East Equity S2                                | 11.0%           | 43.2%          | -1.4%                 | 4.9%                  | Not Started            | Not Started                | Not Started                | 1,244,000                 |
| Aviva L&P Pacific Basin Equity  | 9.6%            | 42.1%          | 0.8%                  | 9.3%                  | Not Started            | Not Started                | Not Started                | 2,791,617                 |
| Irish Life Indexed Pacific Basin 1 G                                    | 11.5%           | 53.3%          | 2.0%                  | 10.5%                 | Not Started            | Not Started                | Not Started                | 10,031,363                |
| New Ireland Pacific Basin S9  | 7.9%            | 47.7%          | 3.0%                  | 10.9%                 | Not Started            | Not Started                | Not Started                | 121,610,000               |
| SL Synergy Pacific Basin MultiManager                                   | 9.6%            | 53.0%          | 0.3%                  | 9.6%                  | Not Started            | Not Started                | Not Started                | 29,400,000                |
| MoneyMate Sector Average <sup>1</sup>                                   | <b>9.9%</b>     | <b>48.7%</b>   | 2.4%                  | 10.8%                 | N/A                    | N/A                        | N/A                        |                           |
| American Equity <sup>2</sup>  |                 |                |                       |                       |                        |                            |                            |                           |
| Eagle Star 5 Star 5 Americas G  | 13.0%           | 30.6%          | 0.1%                  | 6.7%                  | Not Started            | Not Started                | Not Started                | 45,688,000                |
| AIB Inv Mgr Ltd US Equity G   | 16.4%           | 34.9%          | -6.9%                 | 0.4%                  | Not Started            | Not Started                | Not Started                | 8,051,825                 |
| BOI Life - Unit Funds North American S2                                 | 15.6%           | 36.7%          | -2.5%                 | 1.0%                  | Not Started            | Not Started                | Not Started                | 251,014,000               |
| Aviva L&P US Equity   | 16.0%           | 41.8%          | -3.1%                 | 2.0%                  | Not Started            | Not Started                | Not Started                | 977,492                   |
| Irish Life Indexed US 1 G   | 15.1%           | 37.0%          | -4.8%                 | 1.5%                  | Not Started            | Not Started                | Not Started                | 148,984,754               |
| New Ireland North American S9   | 15.3%           | 36.1%          | -3.0%                 | 0.5%                  | Not Started            | Not Started                | Not Started                | 207,670,000               |
| SL Synergy North American Equity  | 15.6%           | 39.3%          | -3.8%                 | 1.6%                  | Not Started            | Not Started                | Not Started                | 81,800,000                |
| MoneyMate Sector Average <sup>1</sup>                                   | 14.1%           | 36.8%          | -3.8%                 | 2.6%                  | N/A                    | N/A                        | N/A                        |                           |
| Concentrated Funds <sup>3</sup>   |                 |                |                       |                       |                        |                            |                            |                           |
| Eagle Star 5 Star 5 Global G  | 8.6%            | 27.1%          | -6.2%                 | 4.2%                  | Not Started            | Not Started                | Not Started                | 225,779,000               |
| BOI Life - Smart Funds Spotlight S9                                     | 13.6%           | 37.9%          | -3.9%                 | Not Started           | Not Started            | Not Started                | Not Started                | 6,168,000                 |
| Canada Life /Setanta Focus 15 G   | 12.8%           | 48.6%          | -1.8%                 | 6.4%                  | Not Started            | Not Started                | Not Started                | 120,878,771               |
| Aviva L&P Target 20   | 8.0%            | 33.0%          | -11.7%                | -2.4%                 | Not Started            | Not Started                | Not Started                | 12,421,427                |
| Average of selected funds   | 10.7%           | <b>36.7%</b>   | <b>-5.9%</b>          | <b>2.7%</b>           | N/A                    | N/A                        | N/A                        | 12,721,727                |
|   | /-              | /-             | /-                    |                       |                        |                            |                            |                           |
| Selected Property Equity Funds <sup>3</sup>                             |                 |                |                       |                       |                        |                            |                            |                           |
| Eagle Star Australasia Property   | 10.0%           | 57.4%          | Not Started           | Not Started           | Not Started            | Not Started                | Not Started                | 5,131,000                 |
| Eagle Star European Ex UK Property                                      | 0.1%            | 35.1%          | Not Started           | Not Started           | Not Started            | Not Started                | Not Started                | 5,621,000                 |
| Eagle Star Eurozone Property G*   | -1.8%           | 33.2%          | -17.8%                | 0.4%                  | Not Started            | Not Started                | Not Started                | 32,772,000                |
| AlB Inv Mgr Ltd Euro Prop Stocks G                                      | -1.5%           | 28.8%          | -19.8%                | -2.5%                 | Not Started            | Not Started                | Not Started                | 3,228,921                 |
| Friends First Global Property Venture                                   | 0.5%            | 20.5%          | -23.3%                | Not Started           | Not Started            | Not Started                | Not Started                | 2,400,000                 |
| SL Synergy Global REIT  | 9.7%            | 59.6%          | -18.3%                | Not Started           | Not Started            | Not Started                | Not Started                | 46,100,000                |
| Average of selected funds   | 2.8%            | 39.1%          | -19.8%                | -1.0%                 | N/A                    | N/A                        | N/A                        |                           |
| Specialist Funds <sup>3</sup>   |                 |                |                       |                       |                        |                            |                            |                           |
| Eagle Star Dividend Growth G  | 10.6%           | <b>36.6%</b>   | -11.1%                | Not Started           | Not Started            | Not Started                | Not Started                | 37,522,000                |
| Aviva L&P High Yield  | 7.8%            | 38.2%          | -5.1%                 | 4.6%                  | Not Started            | Not Started                | Not Started                | 5,897,305                 |
| Canada Life CL/Set Equity Div Non Dis G                                 | 4.2%            | 31.7%          | -7.7%                 | 1.8%                  | Not Started            | Not Started                | Not Started                | 304,347,164               |
| Bloxhams High Yield 1 G   | 7.7%            | 31.9%          | -9.4%                 | 1.4%                  | Not Started            | Not Started                | Not Started                | 224,439,921               |
| Merrion SB Ltd Merrion High Yield G                                     | -1.3%           | 45.1%          | -22.3%                | Not Started           | Not Started            | Not Started                | Not Started                | 12,205,610                |
| Average of selected funds   | 5.8%            | <b>36.7%</b>   | -11.1%                | 2.6%                  | N/A                    | N/A                        | N/A                        |                           |
|   |                 |                |                       |                       |                        |                            |                            |                           |

The MoneyMate sector averages shown are the average of all funds in each of the MoneyMate sectors in the individual pensions category except where otherwise stated. The funds highlighted have been chosen to show one of each competitors' funds, and to show the performance of competitors over short, medium and long terms. Source: MoneyMate as on 04/05/2010.

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3 This is not a sector on MoneyMate but has been created to compare the performance of the Eagle Star fund to that of its closest competitors in the Irish Domestic Funds (Gross) sector. The average shown is the average of the selected funds above.

\* Note that this fund is no longer open to new business. Other similar funds which are open to new business may be available from the relevant fund manager.

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