# IFSL EVENLODE GLOBAL EQUITY\*

MONTHLY FACTSHEET all data as at 31 August 2024 unless otherwise indicated

\*Prior to 9 March 2024 the name of the fund was WS Evenlode Global Equity

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Evenlode has developed a glossary to assist investors to better understand commonly used terms – please see www.evenlodeinvestment.com/funds/evenlode-global-equity-fund#Documents

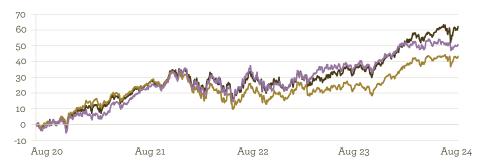
### MANAGER COMMENTARY

In August, the Evenlode Global Equity fund modestly lagged its comparator benchmark, the MSCI World Index. This narrow performance differential belies the drama of the month in which heightened volatility in equity markets drove the VIX index (a measure of market fluctuations) to 4-year highs. Major indices dropped sharply at the month's start, driven by weak US manufacturing and employment data sparking recession fears. Adding to the turbulence, an unexpected rate hike from the Bank of Japan reversed the yen carry trade<sup>[1]</sup>. The S&P 500 and MSCI World Index had both lost nearly 6% by 5 August, with Nvidia, Tesla, and Amazon each falling over 13% in the same period. The Evenlode Global Equity fund outperformed the MSCI World Index by approximately 350bps during the same period (GBP terms). This resilience is characteristic of Evenlode funds and a direct result of our disciplined approach to valuation and risk management. Throughout the rest of the month index valuations bounced back, primarily due to the strong performance of cyclical subsectors such as semiconductors, banks, and capital goods.

The final corporate earnings reports for the second calendar quarter were also announced this month. The Evenlode Global Equity portfolio companies continue to post encouraging fundamentals, with portfolio weighted organic revenues increasing 7.5% and adjusted operating margins remaining steady. There were some notable underperformers, all of which face short-term headwinds. Clarkson, the UK listed shipping broker, disappointed as revenues missed expectations that had risen alongside the ClarkSea Index (a measure of the cost of shipping). Nintendo, the Japanese games manufacturer, reported that it has entered a cyclical trough in console and game sales, as expected, before the launch of new console generation (the Switch 2). Finally Airbnb, the American vacation rental company, announced slowing growth, impacted by delays in customer bookings in the US driven by weakening consumer sentiment. Such share price declines, when driven by short-term data or cyclical trends, present a valuation opportunity – but only if our long-term investment thesis continues intact. We remain committed to deepening our understanding of the businesses and industries we invest in, aiming to deliver long-term returns for our co-investors.

[1] The yen carry trade involves investors borrowing the yen (as Japan has had low interest rates compared to other countries), then using it to buy currencies and assets offering higher yields. A recent increase in Japanese interest rates has led to the yen strengthening and investors placing trades to reduce their positions.

# PERFORMANCE SINCE LAUNCH (%)1



### **CUMULATIVE PERFORMANCE**

	1 Mth	3 Mths	6 Mths	1 Yr	3 Yrs	Launch <sup>1</sup>
■ Fund (%)²	-0.9	0.7	0.1	9.3	20.7	50.8
■ Benchmark (%)³	0.3	3.2	6.5	20.0	27.9	62.9
■ IA Sector (%)	0.1	1.8	4.0	14.5	11.7	42.9
Rank in sector	467/558	440/557	481/552	453/540	166/481	175/439
Quartile	4	4	4	4	2	2

### CALENDAR YEAR PERFORMANCE (%)

	YTD	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
Fund <sup>2</sup>	3.9	17.6	-8.7	26.0	-	-
Benchmark <sup>3</sup>	13.2	16.8	-7.8	22.9	-	-
IA Sector	8.6	12.7	-11.1	17.7	-	-

### **FUND ATTRIBUTES**

- Emphasis on sustainable real capital growth
- Actively managed, with focus on companies with high returns on capital and high cashflow conversion
- Aims to provide capital growth over rolling periods of 5 years
- Focused portfolio of 30-50 high quality larger companies with growth opportunities
- Underlying revenue streams from diverse geographies
- Low portfolio turnover, long-term holding periods

### **KEY DETAILS**

Sector	IA Global
Comparator Benchmark	MSCI World Index
Launch date	15 July 2020
Fund size	£475 million
No. of Holdings	33
Active share <sup>4</sup>	86.7%
Valuation point	12 noon daily
Div ex dates	1 Mar
Div pay dates	end Apr
Currency availability	GBP



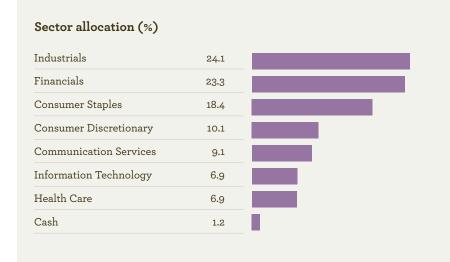
# Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future results.

All performance data used on this factsheet is total return, bid-to-bid, and sourced from Financial Express and MSCI.

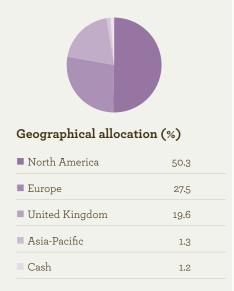
- 1. From launch date 15 July 2020.
- 2. IFSL Evenlode Global Equity B  $\ensuremath{\mathsf{Acc}}$  GBP shares.
- 3. Comparator Benchmark is the MSCI World Index (with net dividends reinvested) in GBP.
- 4. Active share is calculated against the fund's Comparator Benchmark, the MSCI World Index.



### **PORTFOLIO**



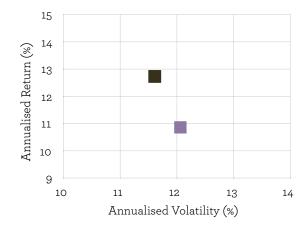




Top 20 holdings (%)	
Mastercard	6.9
Alphabet	5.1
RELX	5.0
Wolters Kluwer	4.5
Experian	4.4
Microsoft	4.3
Medtronic	3.9
Diageo	3.7
Verisk Analytics	3.5
Amadeus	3.5
Intercontinental Exchange	3.3
L'Oréal	3.2
Amazon	3.1
Broadridge Financial	3.0
Nestlé	3.0
Johnson & Johnson	2.9
London Stock Exchange Group	2.8
Informa	2.7
Heineken	2.7
SGS	2.6
Total	74.1
Investors will own shares in IFS	L

Evenlode Global Equity, not in the underlying holdings; these are the underlying assets owned by the fund.

# RISK RETURN (4 YEARS)



- IFSL Evenlode Global Equity B Accumulation GBP Shares
- MSCI World Index

# **INVESTMENT TEAM**

The Evenlode Investment Team totals 18 staff. Fund managers are supported by a team of analysts including four dedicated stewardship analysts, and the team works collegiately to challenge thinking and share ideas.



CHRIS ELLIOTT
Portfolio Manager

Chris is a Portfolio Manager on the Evenlode Global Income and Global Equity strategy teams and joined Evenlode in 2015.





JAMES KNOEDLER

### Portfolio Manager

James is a Portfolio Manager on the Evenlode Global Equity strategy team and joined Evenlode in 2020.



**CRISTINA DYER** 

### **Investment Analyst**

Cristina Dyer is an Investment Analyst on the Evenlode Global Equity strategy and joined Evenlode in 2020.



**GURINDER SAMRA** 

#### **Investment Analyst**

Gurinder Samra is an Investment Analyst on the Evenlode Global Equity strategy and joined Evenlode in 2021.

### ENVIRONMENTAL, SOCIAL AND GOVERNANCE (ESG)

We believe that delivering real, durable returns over the long term can be best achieved by integrating environmental, social and governance (ESG) factors into our risk management framework as this ensures that all long-term risks are monitored and managed on an ongoing basis. In addition to reviewing ESG factors when making investment decisions, we engage with portfolio companies on a range of ESG issues (for example greenhouse gas emission reduction). However, please note that the fund does not have a sustainability objective.



SAWAN WADHWA Head of Stewardship

### Integration into the investment process

Our investment philosophy at Evenlode is rooted in a comprehensive risk management framework designed to deliver sustainable, long-term returns for our clients. We understand the significant influence we can exert on the companies in which we invest. Our purpose statement looks to preserve and enhance the value of our clients' assets through long-term active engagement and analysis. This approach enables us to promote sustainable practices and foster positive change within the companies in which we invest.

# Our ongoing commitment



BETHAN ROSE
Sustainable
Investment Analyst



Signatory of:

Principles for Responsible Investment

Evenlode Investment Management became a signatory to the United Nations Principles for Responsible Investment (UNPRI) in 2018. By becoming signatories, we commit to implementing these principles and incorporating environmental, social and governance factors into our investment process to help enhance returns and better manage risk for our clients.

Policy Governance and Strategy



Direct - Listed Equity Active fundamental

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Confidence Building Measures

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**REBEKAH NASH** 

Governance Analyst

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### Recent publications for download

UNPRI Assessment Report

Responsible Investment Report

✓ Portfolio Emissions Report

### MSCI Rating

MSCI ESG RATINGS



Data as at 31 July 2024. Based on 100.0% of AUM. MSCI ESG Fund ratings are intended to measure the resilience of funds to long-term risks and opportunities arising from environmental, social and governance issues.

## Morningstar® Ratings











Morningstar Sustainability Rating™

Ratings as at 30 June 2024. Based on 100.0% of AUM. The Morningstar® Sustainability Rating™ is intended to measure how well the issuing companies of the securities within a fund's portfolio holdings are managing their environmental, social, and governance risks and opportunities relative to the fund's Morningstar Global Category peers.



Ratings as at 31 May 2024. Based on 98.6% of AUM. The Morningstar® Low Carbon Designation  $^{TM}$  is intended to allow investors to easily identify low-carbon funds across the global universe. The designation is an indicator that the companies held in a portfolio are in general alignment with the transition to a low-carbon economy.

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# IFSL Evenlode Global Equity



### SHARE CLASS DETAILS

	GBP share	s
Share class	B ACC	C ACC
SEDOL codes	BMFX289	BMFX1N7
Share price	150.77p	151.26p
Minimum lump sum	£1,000	£10 million
Minimum regular savings	£50 pm	N/A
Periodic charge <sup>1</sup>	0.85%	0.75%
Ex ante transaction cost	0.0%	0.0%

<sup>1.</sup> Equivalent to OCF. For full information on the periodic charge, please refer to section 7.1 of the full Prospectus.

### WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

As a focused equity portfolio of between 30 and 50 investments, the fund can involve higher risk and higher volatility. The value of an investment can fall as well as rise as a result of market and currency movement; you may not get back the amount originally invested. You should therefore regard your investment as long term. Details on the risk factors are included in the fund's prospectus, available on our website.

### INVESTOR PROFILE

The Fund may appeal to investors who:

- Desire capital growth over the long
- Accept the risk associated with the volatile nature of equity investments
- Plan to hold their investment for at least 5 years

### IMPORTANT INFORMATION

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