# EVENLODE ICAV (the "ICAV")

an umbrella fund with segregated liability between sub-funds authorised pursuant to the European Communities (Undertakings for Collective Investment in Transferable Securities) Regulations, 2019 as amended from time to time

Evenlode Global Dividend Fund (the "Fund")

#### SUPPLEMENT TO PROSPECTUS

2 January 2024

Shareholders should note that the fees and expenses payable by the Fund will be charged to the capital of the Fund. Thus, on redemptions of holdings, Shareholders may not receive back the full amount invested due to capital reduction.

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#### **DEFINITIONS**

The following definitions apply throughout this Supplement unless the context requires otherwise:

"Business Day" means each business day that banks are open and/or

are working days in Dublin and London;

"Class" or "Classes" means, collectively, the Class I Shares, the Class R

Shares and the Class X Shares;

"Class I Shares" means, collectively, the Class I Accumulation Shares

(EUR), the Class I Income Shares (EUR), the Class I Accumulation Shares (GBP), the Class I Income Shares (GBP), the Class I Accumulation Shares (USD),

and the Class I Income Shares (USD);

"Class R Shares" means, collectively, the Class R Accumulation Shares

(EUR), the Class R Income Shares (EUR), the Class R Accumulation Shares (GBP), the Class R Income Shares (GBP), the Class R Accumulation Shares

(USD), and the Class R Income Shares (USD);

"Class X Shares" means, collectively, the Class X Accumulation Shares

(EUR), the Class X Income Shares (EUR), the Class X Accumulation Shares (GBP), the Class X Income Shares (GBP), the Class X Accumulation Shares

(USD), and the Class X Income Shares (USD);

"Class I Accumulation Shares (EUR)" means a Class of accumulating Shares available in the

Fund which does not pay a dividend. The Class I Accumulation Euro Shares are denominated in Euro and are available to investors as described further in

this Supplement;

"Class I Income Shares (EUR)" means a Class of distributing Shares available in the

Fund which pays a dividend. The Class I Income Euro Shares are denominated in Euro and are available to investors as described further in this Supplement;

"Class I Accumulation Shares (GBP)" means a Class of accumulating Shares available in the

Fund which does not pay a dividend. The Class I Accumulation Sterling Shares are denominated in Sterling and are available to investors as described

further in this Supplement;

"Class I Income Shares (GBP)" means a Class of distributing Shares available in the

Fund which pays a dividend. The Class I Income Sterling Shares are denominated in Sterling and are available to investors as described further in this

Supplement;

"Class I Accumulation Shares (USD)" means a Class of accumulating Shares available in the

Fund which does not pay a dividend. The Class I Accumulation US Dollar Shares are denominated in

US Dollars and are available to investors as described further in this Supplement;

"Class I Income Shares (USD)"

means a Class of distributing Shares available in the Fund which pays a dividend. The Class I Income US Dollar Shares are denominated in US Dollars and are available to investors as described further in this Supplement;

"Class R Accumulation Shares (EUR)"

means a Class of accumulating Shares available in the Fund which does not pay a dividend. The Class R Accumulation Euro Shares are denominated in Euro and are available to investors as described further in this Supplement;

"Class R Income Shares (EUR)"

means a Class of distributing Shares available in the Fund which pays a dividend. The Class R Income Euro Shares are denominated in Euro and are available to investors as described further in this Supplement;

"Class R Accumulation Shares (GBP)"

means a Class of accumulating Shares available in the Fund which does not pay a dividend. The Class R Accumulation Sterling Shares are denominated in Sterling and are available to investors as described further in this Supplement;

"Class R Income Shares (GBP)"

means a Class of distributing Shares available in the Fund which pays a dividend. The Class R Income Sterling Shares are denominated in Sterling and are available to investors as described further in this Supplement;

"Class R Accumulation Shares (USD)"

means a Class of accumulating Shares available in the Fund which does not pay a dividend. The Class X Accumulation US Dollar Shares are denominated in US Dollars and are available to investors as described further in this Supplement;

"Class R Income Shares (USD)"

means a Class of distributing Shares available in the Fund which pays a dividend. The Class X Income US Dollar Shares are denominated in US Dollars and are available to investors as described further in this Supplement;

"Class X Accumulation Shares (EUR)"

means a Class of accumulating Shares available in the Fund which does not pay a dividend. The Class X Accumulation Euro Shares are denominated in Euro and are available to investors as described further in this Supplement;

"Class X Income Shares (EUR)"

means a Class of distributing Shares available in the Fund which pays a dividend. The Class X Income Euro Shares are denominated in Euro and are available to investors as described further in this Supplement;

"Class X Accumulation Shares (GBP)"

means a Class of accumulating Shares available in the Fund which does not pay a dividend. The Class X Accumulation Sterling Shares are denominated in Sterling and are available to investors as described further in this Supplement;

"Class X Income Shares (GBP)"

means a Class of distributing Shares available in the Fund which pays a dividend. The Class X Income Sterling Shares are denominated in Sterling and are available to investors as described further in this Supplement;

"Class X Accumulation Shares (USD)"

means a Class of accumulating Shares available in the Fund which does not pay a dividend. The Class X Accumulation US Dollar Shares are denominated in US Dollars and are available to investors as described further in this Supplement;

"Class X Income Shares (USD)"

means a Class of distributing Shares available in the Fund which pays a dividend. The Class X Income US Dollar Shares are denominated in US Dollars and are available to investors as described further in this Supplement;

"Initial Offer Price"

means the initial offer price of each Share of the Fund during the initial offer period;

"MiFID II"

means, collectively, the Markets in Financial Instruments Directive 2014/65/EU, Commission Delegated Directive (EU) 2017/593 and Regulation (EU) No. 600/2014;

"Minimum Holding"

means \$1,000 (or currency equivalent) for Class R Shares, \$1,000,000 (or currency equivalent) for Class I Shares, and \$10,000,000 (or currency equivalent) for Class X Shares, or such other amount as the Directors may in their absolute discretion determine;

"Minimum Initial Subscription"

means \$1,000 (or currency equivalent) for Class R Shares, \$1,000,000 (or currency equivalent) for Class I Shares, and \$10,000,000 (or currency equivalent) for Class X Shares, or such other amount as the Directors may in their absolute discretion determine;

"Minimum Subsequent Subscription"

means \$500 in respect of the Class R Shares. There is no Minimum Subsequent Subscription in respect of the Class I and the Class X Shares;

"MSCI World Net Total Return Index (USD)"

means a free float-adjusted market capitalisation weighted index that is designed to measure the equity market performance of developed markets;

"Prospectus"

means the prospectus of the ICAV dated 23 June 2023 and all relevant supplements and revisions thereto;

"Redemption Date"

means every Business Day or such other dealing days as the Directors may determine provided that there is at least one per fortnight and all Shareholders will be notified in advance;

"Redemption Dealing Deadline"

means 9.30 a.m. (Irish time) on the Valuation Date;

"Share or Shares"

means the Participating Shares of no par value in the Fund issued subject to, and in accordance with the Act, the Regulations and the Instrument of Incorporation of the ICAV;

"Subscription Date"

means every Business Day or such other dealing days as the Directors may determine provided that there is at least one per fortnight and all Shareholders will be notified in advance;

"Subscription Dealing Deadline"

means 9.30 a.m. (Irish time) on the Valuation Date;

"Supplement"

means this supplement;

"Valuation Date"

means each Subscription Date and Redemption Date; and

"Valuation Point"

means 12.00 p.m. Irish time on the Valuation Date, unless otherwise determined by the Directors, provided that the Valuation Point shall always occur after the relevant Subscription Dealing Deadline and the Redemption Dealing Deadline.

#### INTRODUCTION

The Directors of the ICAV, whose names appear in the Prospectus, accept responsibility for the information contained in this Supplement. To the best of the knowledge and belief of the Directors (who have taken all reasonable care to ensure that such is the case) the information contained in this Supplement is in accordance with the facts and does not omit anything likely to affect the import of such information.

Unless otherwise stated, all capitalised terms shall have the same meaning herein as in the Prospectus.

Evenlode Global Dividend Fund is a sub-fund of Evenlode ICAV, an umbrella-type open-ended Irish Collective Asset-management Vehicle with segregated liability between Funds authorised by the Central Bank pursuant to the Regulations and the Act. A description of Evenlode ICAV is contained in the Prospectus. This Supplement forms part of and should be read in the context of and in conjunction with the Prospectus.

There is currently one other sub-fund of the ICAV, the Evenlode Global Opportunities Fund.

The Fund proposes to offer the following 18 Share Classes to investors:

- 1. **Class R Accumulation Shares (GBP) -** shall be available to all investors meeting the relevant Minimum Initial Subscription.
- 2. **Class R Income Shares (GBP) -** shall be available to all investors meeting the relevant Minimum Initial Subscription.
- 3. **Class R Accumulation Shares (EUR) -** shall be available to all investors meeting the relevant Minimum Initial Subscription.
- 4. **Class R Income Shares (EUR) -** shall be available to all investors meeting the relevant Minimum Initial Subscription.
- 5. **Class R Accumulation Shares (USD) -** shall be available to all investors meeting the relevant Minimum Initial Subscription.
- 6. **Class R Income Shares (USD) -** shall be available to all investors meeting the relevant Minimum Initial Subscription.
- 7. **Class I Accumulation Shares (GBP) -** shall be available to all investors meeting the relevant Minimum Initial Subscription.
- 8. **Class I Income Shares (GBP) -** shall be available to all investors meeting the relevant Minimum Initial Subscription.
- 9. **Class I Accumulation Shares (EUR) -** shall be available to all investors meeting the relevant Minimum Initial Subscription.
- 10. **Class I Income Shares (EUR) -** shall be available to all investors meeting the relevant Minimum Initial Subscription.
- 11. **Class I Accumulation Shares (USD) -** shall be available to all investors meeting the relevant Minimum Initial Subscription.
- 12. **Class I Income Shares (USD) -** shall be available to all investors meeting the relevant Minimum Initial Subscription.

- 13. **Class X Accumulation Shares (GBP) -** shall be available to all investors meeting the relevant Minimum Initial Subscription.
- 14. **Class X Income Shares (GBP) -** shall be available to all investors meeting the relevant Minimum Initial Subscription.
- 15. **Class X Accumulation Shares (EUR) -** shall be available to all investors meeting the relevant Minimum Initial Subscription.
- 16. **Class X Income Shares (EUR) -** shall be available to all investors meeting the relevant Minimum Initial Subscription.
- 17. **Class X Accumulation Shares (USD) -** shall be available to all investors meeting the relevant Minimum Initial Subscription.
- 18. **Class X Income Shares (USD) -** shall be available to all investors meeting the relevant Minimum Initial Subscription.

The Base Currency of the Fund will be US Dollars.

# Profile of a Typical Investor

A typical investor in the Fund may be an investor with a medium risk tolerance and with an investment horizon of 5 years or longer who considers investment in the Fund as a convenient way of seeking to generate returns through an exposure to global equities that generate income.

#### THE FUND

# **Investment Objective**

The investment objective of the Fund is to provide long-term total returns with an emphasis on income. There can be no assurance that the Fund will achieve its investment objective.

# **Investment Policy**

The Fund will invest predominantly (at least 80% of its Net Asset Value) in equity securities of companies listed on exchanges in Recognised Markets, with the balance invested in cash (or near cash securities, including highly liquid securities consisting of certificates of deposits, and government and public securities with a maturity of less than one year), up to 10% in Collective Investment Schemes that are established as UCITS and eligible under the Regulations, and in derivatives for the purpose of efficient portfolio management from time to time. The Fund's proposed investments will not target any specific industry.

The Fund aims to invest in a focused portfolio of shares (generally between 30 and 50 stocks) offering a combination of high and growing cash-flows (to deliver both capital growth and dividend growth for the Fund) and low business risk.

Having undertaken a quantitative screening on the UK, US and European markets (which together constitute the Fund's primary investible universe), the Investment Manager will undertake fundamental analysis to identify shares in companies that offer a combination of high returns on capital and strong free cash flow. Such fundamental analysis evaluates a company's ability to deliver; (i) high profits relative to capital employed in rational, mature sectors; and (ii) sustainable profits as a result of its low capital intensity, in order to identify financially strong businesses where profitability can be achieved without leverage, in sectors that are not subject to price regulation. The Fund seeks to invest in a diverse range of companies that draw their cash flows from differing sources in varied geographies.

The Fund may invest in deposits with credit institutions. An investment in the Fund is not in the nature of a deposit in a bank account and is not protected by any government, government agency or other guarantee scheme which may be available to the holder of a bank deposit account. The value of Shares may go down or up and investors may not get back the amount invested. The assets of the Fund will be invested in accordance with the restrictions and limits set out in the Prospectus and such additional investment restrictions, if any, as may be adopted by the Directors in relation to the Fund.

The Fund will prepare its accounts in US Dollars but will have Shares denominated in Euro, Sterling and US Dollars. Investors investing in non-US Dollar Shares are subject to the risk that the US Dollar will decline against those currencies. This could lead to a disparity in the value between the Fund's Share Classes as a result of the currency exposure of non-US Dollar denominated Shares vis-à-vis the US Dollar. The Fund will engage in hedging against the currency exposure from each Class of non-US Dollar denominated Shares against the US Dollar through a combination of forward foreign currency exchange contracts and foreign exchange spot transactions.

A forward contract is a customized contract between two parties to buy or sell an asset at a specified price on a future date. A forward contract settlement can occur on a cash or delivery basis. Forward contracts do not trade on a centralized exchange and are therefore regarded as over-the-counter (OTC) instruments. While their OTC nature makes it easier to customize terms, the lack of a centralized clearinghouse also gives rise to a higher degree of default risk. Forward contracts will be used exclusively for hedging by the Fund.

# **Hedging Policy**

Each Share Class hedging transaction will be clearly attributable to the relevant Class and gains/losses of the hedging transactions will accrue solely to the relevant Class for the purposes of calculating Net Asset Value per Share and dividends and other entitlements of Shareholders. Currency exposures of different Classes will not be combined or offset. To the extent that such hedging transactions are successful, the performance of the relevant hedged Class is likely to move in line with the performance of the Fund's investments representing the USD Shares in base currency.

Hedging transactions, as outlined above, are subject to the Regulations and interpretations promulgated by the Central Bank from time to time, which at the date of this Supplement is that in no case will currency exposure exceed 100% of the Net Asset Value of the relevant hedged Class, nor will currency exposure fall short of 95% of the Net Asset Value of the relevant Class which is to be hedged. The Investment Manager has procedures in place to monitor hedged positions and to ensure that overhedged positions do not exceed 100% of the Net Asset Value of the relevant hedged Class, and that under-hedged positions do not fall short of 95% of the Net Asset Value of the relevant Class which is to be hedged. As part of this procedure, the Investment Manager will review hedged positions in excess of 100% of the Net Asset Value of the relevant hedged Class on at least a monthly basis to ensure they are not carried forward from month to month.

## Global Exposure

The global exposure of the Fund through the use of financial derivative instruments will be measured using the commitment approach in accordance with the Regulations. The commitment approach is a measure of the aggregate mark to market value of the financial instruments underlying the Fund's derivative positions.

# Environmental, Social and Governance Considerations ("ESG")

SFDR Categorisation

The Fund is categorised as an Article 8 product for the purposes of SFDR, meaning it promotes environmental and/or social characteristics. Further information is set out in the SFDR disclosures at Annex I.

Principal Adverse Impacts

The Investment Manager does not currently consider the principal adverse impacts of its investment decisions on sustainability factors within the meaning of Article 4, SFDR. However, as set out in Annex I, the principal adverse impact indicators as relevant to the Fund's investment strategy are considered at Fund Level.

The investments underlying this Fund do not take into account the EU criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities within the meaning of Regulation (EU) 2020/852 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 June 2020 on the establishment of a framework to facilitate sustainable investment, and amending Regulation (EU) 2019/2088.

#### Leverage

The Fund's ability to leverage under the UCITS guidelines is through eligible short term borrowing for temporary purposes and will not exceed 10% of the Fund's Net Asset Value. The Fund uses the commitment approach to measure its exposure. For the avoidance of doubt, although leverage may be

used for efficient portfolio management purposes or to manage risk, the Fund shall not use leverage for investment purposes.

# **Investment and Borrowing Restrictions**

The Fund is subject to the overall investment and borrowing restrictions set out in the Regulations, the Prospectus and the Central Bank of Ireland requirements.

## **Dividend Policy**

The Directors may, in their absolute discretion, declare dividends in respect of the Class R Income Shares (EUR), the Class R Income Shares (GBP), the Class R Income Shares (USD), the Class I Income Shares (EUR), the Class I Income Shares (GBP), the Class I Income Shares (USD), the Class X Income Shares (EUR), Class X Income Shares (GBP), and the Class X Income Shares (USD). The amount of such distributions will be at the discretion of the Directors, together with the Manager, and will only be paid out of the Fund's investment income return. For the avoidance of doubt the Fund's accrued expenses for the accounting period will be settled through its capital account only and such expenses will not impact the distribution amount to be paid. The ex-dividend dates in relation to these dividends will be 1 March, 1 June, 1 September and 1 December, and payments in respect of such distributions will be made on the last Business Day of the following month, being April, July, October and January respectively.

Distributions will be applied in cash. Cash payments for Shareholders will be paid in the currency of the relevant Shares on the relevant payment date by bank transfer to the Shareholders on the share register on the relevant ex-dividend date, to the account specified by Shareholders on the Application Form and provided the original Application Form has been received from the Shareholder and all documentation required by the Administrator in the required format including any documents in connection with anti-money laundering and anti-terrorist financing procedures have been received and anti-money laundering and anti-terrorist financing checks have been completed.

Any dividend unclaimed after six years from the date when it first became payable shall be forfeited automatically and will revert to the Sub-fund without the necessity for any declaration or other action by the ICAV.

# MiFID II

With effect from 3 January 2018, the package of European Union market infrastructure reforms known as "MiFID II" has had a significant impact on the European capital markets. MiFID II has increased regulation of trading platforms and firms providing investment services, including the Investment Manager.

Among its many reforms, MiFID II has brought in significant changes to pre- and post-trade transparency obligations in respect of financial instruments admitted to trading on EU trading venues, including a new transparency regime for non-equity financial instruments; an obligation to execute transactions in shares and derivatives on a regulated trading venue; and a new focus on regulation of algorithmic and high frequency trading. These reforms may lead to a reduction in liquidity in certain financial instruments, as some of the sources of liquidity exit European markets, and an increase in transaction costs, and, as a consequence, may have an adverse impact on the ability of the Investment Manager to execute the investment program effectively.

The new rules requiring unbundling the costs of research and other services from dealing commission and further restrictions on the Investment Manager's ability to receive certain types of goods and services from brokers may result in an increase in the investment-related expenditure of the ICAV and/or negatively impact the Investment Manager's ability to access investment research.

# **Benchmark Regulation**

The Fund uses the MSCI World Net Total Return Index (USD) for comparison purposes in reporting performance to Shareholders. As at the date of this Supplement, MSCI Limited is included in the register of administrators and benchmarks established and maintained by the European Securities and Markets Authority pursuant to Article 36 of the Benchmark Regulation (Regulation (EU) 2016/1011) (the "Benchmark Regulation").

The Fund is actively managed which means that the Investment Manager has discretion over the composition of the Fund's portfolio, subject to the Fund's investment objective and policy.

## **Payments for Research**

The Investment Manager may utilise investment research services offered by brokers and independent service providers in executing the investment program of the ICAV. These research services may include published research notes or reports, other material or services suggesting or recommending an investment strategy or trade ideas (including in the form of software tools, programs or other technology), macroeconomic analysis, and access to research analysts or industry experts (including expert networks). The Investment Manager considers that access to research services and materials is integral to its ability to execute the investment program and that such services and materials will inform, and add value to, the Investment Manager's investment decisions made on behalf of the ICAV.

The Investment Manager shall bear the cost of all research themselves, with no cost being passed on to the Fund.

#### **Risk Factors**

Investment in the Fund carries with it a degree of risk including, but not limited to, the risks described in the "Risk Factors" section of the Prospectus. These investment risks are not purported to be exhaustive and potential investors should review the Prospectus and this Supplement carefully and consult with their professional advisers before making an application for Shares.

The following specific risk factors apply to the Fund:

Markets in which the Fund may invest are subject to fluctuations, and the market value of any particular investment may be subject to substantial variation

Market risk is a general risk which may affect all types of investments to the effect that the value of a particular investment could change in a way that is detrimental to the Fund's interests. Changes in policy with regard to taxation, fiscal and monetary policies, repatriation of profits, changes in economic conditions including, for example, interest rates, rates of inflation, industry conditions, competition, regulation, political and diplomatic events and other factors could substantially and adversely affect the Fund's prospects, the value of the Fund's investments and in particular the Fund's ability to acquire and dispose of investments.

Notwithstanding the existence of a public market for particular financial instruments, such instruments may be thinly traded or may cease to be traded after an investment is made in them. In addition to being relatively illiquid, such instruments may be issued by unstable or unseasoned issuers or may be highly speculative. No assurance can be given that the Fund's investments will appreciate in value.

Equity Investment Risk

The Fund may invest in equity securities listed or traded on a Recognised Market. Investing in equity shares means you are taking a stake in the performance of that company, participating in the profits it generates by way of dividends and any increase in its value by way of a rise in its share price. If the company fails, however, all your investment may be lost with it. The share price does not reflect a company's actual value, rather it is the stock market's view of a company's future earnings and growth

potential, coupled with the level of demand for it, that drives the share price higher or lower as the case may be. Demand is a function of the market's assessment of which countries, industry sectors and individual companies offer the best prospects for growth. That assessment is influenced by economic and political considerations.

Risks associated with investments in Derivatives market

The Fund may utilise forward foreign currency exchange contracts for Share Class hedging purposes. The primary risks associated with the use of such derivatives are (i) failure to predict accurately the direction of the market movements; and (ii) market risks, for example, lack of liquidity or lack of correlation between the change in the value of the underlying asset and that of the value of the Fund's derivatives. These techniques may not always be possible or effective in enhancing returns or mitigating risk.

Liquidity risk may involve the lack of appropriate levels of market liquidity leading towards an inability to liquidate or liquidation at unfavourable terms.

Although counterparty credit risk is mostly applicable to OTC transactions, the Fund may be exposed to the risk of failure of the exchange or clearing houses in question, especially for transactions through emerging market or frontier exchanges as the possibility of deficient government supervision and/or regulation in less developed countries may expose the Fund to a higher risk of financial irregularities and/or lack of appropriate risk monitoring and controls. There is a possibility that loss may be sustained by the portfolio as a result of the failure of another party to comply with the terms of the derivatives contract.

Settlement risk is the risk that one party fails to deliver the terms of a contract with another party at the time of settlement either due to default at settlement or any timing differences in settlement between the two parties. OTC and exchange-traded legal agreements mitigate the risk of settlement failure and incorporate mechanisms to resolve failed trades.

The use of cross-currency hedging in order to hedge foreign currency exposure of the underlying assets of the Fund into the Base Currency of the Fund may adversely affect the Net Asset Value of the Fund.

The risks associated with the use of derivatives are different from or possibly greater than, the risks associated with investing directly in securities and other traditional investments.

The use of derivatives for any purpose by the Fund exposes it to the risk of loss due to the unexpected application of a law or regulation or because contracts are not legally enforceable or documented correctly.

Price movements of derivative contracts in which the Fund's assets may be invested are influenced by among other things, interest rates, changing supply and demand relationships, trade, fiscal, monetary and exchange control programs and policies of governments, and national and international political and economic events and policies. In addition, governments from time to time intervene, directly and by regulation, in certain markets. Such intervention often is intended directly to influence prices and may, together with other factors, cause all of such markets to move rapidly in the same direction because of, among other things, interest rate fluctuations. Moreover, since there is generally less government supervision and regulation of emerging market stock exchanges and clearing houses than in more developed markets, a Fund may also be subject to the risk of the failure of the exchanges on which its positions trade or of their clearing houses, and there may be a higher risk of financial irregularities and/or lack of appropriate risk monitoring and controls.

Share Class Hedging Risk

While not the intention, in respect of share class hedging transactions, over-hedged or under-hedged positions may arise due to factors outside the control of the Fund. In each instance, the ability to

implement and maintain any hedging transaction will depend upon numerous factors, including, but not limited to: (i) the willingness of the hedging counterparty or broker to the Fund to accept or maintain hedging transactions; (ii) the Fund's ability to satisfy any margin or settlement payments on hedging transactions; and (iii) the potential bankruptcy of the hedging counterparty or broker for hedging transactions. Potential investors should note that this strategy will substantially limit a holder of hedged Shares from benefiting if that particular Class currency falls against the US Dollar and/or the currency in which the assets of the Fund are denominated.

#### Currency Exposure

The Fund's base currency is US Dollars whereas the Share Classes are denominated in Euro, GBP and US Dollars respectively. The Investment Manager may arrange for the Fund to enter into certain currency related transactions, in order to seek to neutralise, fully or partially, the impact of fluctuations in the Euro/US Dollar and the GBP Sterling/US Dollar exchange rates. Notwithstanding that Share Class currency hedging transactions may be entered into, prospective investors whose assets and liabilities are predominately in other currencies should take into account the potential risk of loss arising from fluctuations in value between the Euro, Sterling and the US Dollar, as the case may be, and such other currencies.

The Fund may invest in assets that are denominated in currencies other than its base currency, being US Dollars. Accordingly, the value of the Fund and such assets may be affected favourably or unfavourably by fluctuations in currency rates. The Investment Manager, in its capacity as investment manager to the Fund, is not obliged to but may enter into certain currency related transactions in order to seek to neutralise, fully or partially, the foreign exchange exposure of the Fund.

The Fund may be subject to delays and other inefficiencies in clearing and settlement procedures

Different markets may have different clearing and settlement procedures. Delays in settlement may result in a portion of the assets of a Fund remaining temporarily un-invested and no return is earned thereon. The inability of the Investment Manager to make intended security purchases due to settlement problems could cause a Fund to miss attractive investment opportunities. The inability to dispose of portfolio securities due to settlement problems could result either in losses to the Fund due to subsequent declines in value of the portfolio security or, if a Fund has entered into a contract to sell the security, could result in possible liability to the purchaser.

# Liquidity Risk

Not all securities or instruments invested in by the Fund will be listed or rated and consequently liquidity may be low. Moreover, the accumulation and disposal of holdings in some investments may be time consuming and may need to be conducted at unfavourable prices. The Fund may also encounter difficulties in disposing of assets at their fair price due to adverse market conditions leading to limited liquidity.

# SUBSCRIPTIONS, REDEMPTIONS, TRANSFERS AND CONVERSIONS

# Subscriptions

During the initial offer period, the initial offer price for the following Shares is as follows:

Shares	Currency	Offer Price
Class R Accumulation Shares	GBP	£1
Class R Income Shares	GBP	£1
Class R Accumulation Shares	USD	\$1
Class R Income Shares	USD	\$1
Class R Accumulation Shares	EUR	€1
Class R Income Shares	EUR	€1
Class I Accumulation Shares	GBP	£1
Class I Income Shares	GBP	£1
Class I Accumulation Shares	EUR	€1
Class I Income Shares	EUR	€1
Class X Accumulation Shares	GBP	£1
Class X Accumulation Shares	USD	\$1
Class X Accumulation Shares	EUR	€1

Subject to acceptance by the Fund of applications for Shares, Shares will be issued for the first time on the first Business Day after the expiration of the initial offer period. Following the initial offer period, Shares will be offered on each Subscription Date at an issue price per Share equal to the Net Asset Value per Share at the Valuation Point, together with any duties and charges. Where the amount subscribed for Shares is not equivalent to an exact number of Shares, fractions of Shares may be issued and will be rounded to the fourth decimal place.

Monies subscribed for each Share Class should be in the denominated currency of the relevant Share Class. Foreign currency subscribed will be converted to the denominated currency of the relevant Share Class at the prevailing market rate.

Investors, in the case of an initial subscription into the Fund, must subscribe for at least the Minimum Initial Subscription amount. In the case of any further subscriptions, Shareholders must subscribe for at least the Minimum Subsequent Subscription amount.

The procedure for subscribing for Shares is set out in the Prospectus.

The initial offer period in respect of the Class I Accumulation Shares (GBP) and the Class I Income Shares (GBP) shall end at 11:30 a.m. (Irish time) on 1 July 2024.

The initial offer period for the Class I Income Shares (USD), the Class I Accumulation Shares (USD), Class X Income Shares (GBP), Class X Income Shares (USD) and the Class X Income Shares (EUR) has now closed.

# Redemptions

The procedure for redeeming Shares is set out in the Prospectus.

#### **Transfers**

The procedure for transferring Shares is set out in the Prospectus.

#### Conversions

The procedure for converting Shares is set out in the Prospectus.

# **Anti-dilution Levy**

An anti-dilution levy may be imposed during any period of net subscriptions or net redemptions at the level of the Fund only, as more fully set out in the Fund prospectus.

The Fund deals on a forward pricing basis. A forward price is the price calculated at the next Valuation Date of the Fund property after the purchase, redemption, conversion or switch of Shares is agreed (such date being the Subscription Dealing Deadline or the Redemption Dealing Deadline as appropriate). Shares in the Company are "single priced". This means that subject to the dilution adjustment referred to in the Prospectus, the price of a Share for both subscription and redemption purposes will be the same and determined by reference to a particular Valuation Point.

Subject to the more detailed requirements of Schedule 1 (Valuation of Sub-Funds), in summary the price of a Share will be calculated at the Valuation Point as stipulated (to at least four significant figures) by:

• taking the value of the property attributable to the respective Sub-Fund (i.e., all Shares (of the relevant classes) in issue (on the basis of the units of entitlement in the property of the Fund attributable to that class at the most recent valuation of the Sub-Fund)); and

• dividing the result by the number of shares of the relevant classes in issue immediately before the valuation concerned.

# **Publication of Share Price**

Except where the determination of the Net Asset Value has been suspended, in the circumstances described in the Prospectus, the Net Asset Value per Share as calculated as at each Valuation Point will be available daily via the Manager's website <a href="www.equitytrustees.com">www.equitytrustees.com</a> and will be kept up-to-date.

# FEES, COSTS AND EXPENSES

Further information on all fees and expenses payable out of the assets of the Fund are as set out in the section headed "FEES, COSTS AND EXPENSES" in the Prospectus and below

#### Administration Fee

The Administrator, a delegate of the Manager, shall be entitled to receive out of the assets of the Fund, an annual fee (plus VAT, if any) which as detailed in the table below, accrued and calculated at each Valuation Point and payable monthly in arrears, subject to a minimum annual fee of €20,400.

NAV of the Fund	Administration Fee per annum
From EUR 0 to EUR 200 million	0.025%
From EUR 200 million to EUR 1 billion	0.015%

The Administrator shall also be compensated out of the assets of the Fund for other services, including *inter alia* transfer agency services, account maintenance, facilities, preparation of financial statements of the ICAV, registration and transaction fees, each of which shall be at normal commercial rates together with VAT, if any, thereon.

The Administrator shall also be entitled to reimbursement of all reasonable and vouched out- of-pocket expenses (plus any applicable taxes) it incurs out of the assets of the Fund.

# **Depositary Fee**

The Depositary shall be entitled to receive out of the assets of the Fund, an annual fee (plus VAT, if any) as detailed in the table below, accrued and calculated on each Valuation Point and payable monthly in arrears, subject to a minimum annual fee of  $\in 15,000$ .

NAV of the Fund	Depositary Fee per annum
From EUR 0 to EUR 100 million	0.03%
From EUR 100 million to EUR 300 million	0.02%
From and above EUR 300 million	0.03%

The Depositary shall also be entitled to be repaid out of the assets of the Fund for all of its reasonable disbursements incurred on behalf of the Fund, including the safe-keeping fees and expenses of any sub-custodian (which shall be at normal commercial rates) and transaction charges (which shall also be at normal commercial rates) levied by the Depositary or any sub-custodian and any applicable taxes it incurs on behalf of the Fund. Such custody fees shall accrue and be payable monthly in arrears.

# **Management Fee**

The Manager shall be entitled to receive out of the assets of the Fund the annual Management Fees, together with any VAT, if applicable, in respect of each Class of up to 0.07% of the Net Asset Value of the Fund, subject to an overall annual minimum fee of up to €60,000. The Management Fee payable to the Manager will be accrued and calculated at each Valuation Point and payable monthly in arrears as follows:

The Manager is entitled to increase its Management Fees up to a maximum of 0.085% *per annum* of the Net Asset Value attributable to each Class. Shareholders will be notified in writing in advance of any proposed increase of such fees up to such maximum.

The Manager shall be entitled to be reimbursed by the ICAV for reasonable out of pocket expenses

incurred by it and any VAT on all fees and expenses payable to or by it.

# **Investment Management Fee**

The Investment Manager shall be entitled to receive out of the assets of the Fund an annual fee in respect of the following Classes and not exceeding the rates shown below:

Share Class	Investment Management Fee
Class X Shares	0.6%
Class I Shares	0.8%
Class R Shares	1.35%

A discount shall apply to the investment management fee charged in respect of each Share Class based on the Net Asset Value of the Fund as at each Valuation Point. The level of such discount being as follows:

Net Asset Value of the Fund	Applicable Discount
\$0 - \$1.5 billion	No discount
\$1.5 billion - \$3 billion	0.02%
\$3 billion - \$4.5 billion	0.04%
\$4.5 billion - \$6 billion	0.06%
\$6 billion - \$7.5 billion	0.08%
Above \$7.5 billion	0.10%

The fee payable to the Investment Manager will be accrued and calculated at each Valuation Point based on the previous Business Day's Net Asset Value and will be payable monthly in arrears.

Shareholders will be notified in writing in advance of any proposed increase of such fees up to such maximum.

The Investment Manager may rebate all or part of its Management Fee to any Shareholder, it being acknowledged that such rebate, if any, may differ between Shareholders and that the Investment Manager will have ultimate discretion in this matter. A non-exhaustive list of criteria for the consideration of such rebates may be initial offer period subscriptions, size of investment and prior relationship with the Shareholder.

## **Other Fees**

The Manager shall also arrange disbursement of the below eligible charges and those permitted in the Prospectus on behalf of the Fund;

- (a) fees of the Directors
- (b) fees of the Administrator;
- (c) fees of the Paying Agent;
- (d) fees incurred in producing and dispatching any payments made;
- (e) fees incurred in producing or dispatching yearly and half-yearly reports of the ICAV;
- (f) fees of the Central Bank of Ireland, together with any corresponding periodic fees of any regulatory authority in a country or territory outside the Republic of Ireland in which Shares are or may be marketed;
- (g) fees of the Auditor; and

(h) any fees, expenses or disbursements of any legal or other professional adviser.

# **Ongoing Costs and Fees Cap**

Notwithstanding the fees disclosed above, the Manager shall ensure that the annual aggregate fees charged to each Class shall not exceed the rates shown below:

Share Class	Max. Aggregate Fee Rate
Class X Shares	0.75% of NAV
Class I Shares	0.95% of NAV
Class R Shares	1.5% of NAV

#### **Annex I SFDR Disclosure**

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# **Environmental and/or social characteristics**

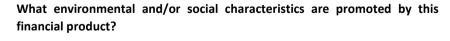
# Sustainable investment

investment means an investment in an economic activity that contributes to an environmental or social objective, provided that the investment does not significantly any environmental or social objective and that the investee companies follow good governance practices.

The EU Taxonomy is a classification system laid down in Regulation (EU) 2020/852, establishing a list of environmentally sustainable economic activities.

That Regulation does not lay down a list of socially sustainable economic activities. Sustainable investments with an environmental objective might be aligned with the Taxonomy or not.

### Does this financial product have a sustainable investment objective? Yes No It will make a minimum of It promotes Environmental/Social (E/S) sustainable investments characteristics and while it with an environmental does not have as its objective a objective: sustainable investment, it will have a minimum proportion of in economic 10% of sustainable investments activities that qualify as environmentally sustainable under with an environmental the EU Taxonomy objective in economic activities that qualify as environmentally in economic activities sustainable under the EU that do not qualify as Taxonomy environmentally sustainable under the with an environmental **EU Taxonomy** objective in economic activities that do not qualify as environmentally sustainable under the EU Taxonomy with a social objective It will make a minimum of It promotes E/S characteristics, but will not sustainable investments with a social objective: make any sustainable



investments

The investment objective of the Fund is to provide long-term total returns with an emphasis on income, predominantly through investments in equity securities of companies listed on exchanges in Recognised Markets. Further information on the other permitted investments and financial-related information of the investment strategy is set out in the "Investment Policy" of this supplement.



The Investment Manager has committed the Fund to reach net zero greenhouse gas emissions across 100% of its portfolio of Material Investee Companies, by 2050, or sooner, to support providing long-term risk-adjusted returns. **Material Investee Companies** are defined by the Investment Manager as equity securities in NACE categories A-H & J-L, as outlined in the Net Zero Investment Framework (NZIF), that are listed on exchanges in Recognised Markets. The interim targets pursed by the Investment Manager to achieve the net zero greenhouse gas emissions target include:

- By the end of 2022: 100% of the Material Investee Companies held in the Fund's portfolio must be:
  - o achieving net zero greenhouse emissions;
  - aligned with the emissions target of net zero greenhouse gases by 2050; or
  - under direct or collective engagement on the emissions target of net zero greenhouse gases by 2050.
- By 2025: 50% of the Material Investee Companies must be:
  - o achieving net zero greenhouse gas emissions; or
  - aligned or aligning with the emissions target of net zero greenhouse gases by 2050,

with the other 50% of Material Investee Companies under direct or collective engagement on the emissions target of net zero greenhouse gases by 2050.

- By 2030: 100% of the Material Investee Companies must be:
  - o achieving net zero greenhouse gas emissions; or
  - aligned or aligning with the emissions target of net zero greenhouse gases by 2050,

with direct or collective engagement on the emissions target of net zero greenhouse gases with Material Investee Companies carried out on a needs-based basis.

There must also be a 51.6% reduction in greenhouse gas emissions per €10,000 across Scopes 1, 2 and 3 greenhouse gas emissions by 2030.

- By 2040: 100% of the Material Investee Companies must be:
  - o achieving net zero greenhouse gas emissions; or
  - aligned with the emissions target of net zero greenhouse gases by 2050.

**Aligning** means science-based targets have been set to achieve net zero greenhouse gas by 2050, in line with the Paris Agreement (i.e. limiting

global warming to a 1.5% increase in global temperatures compared to pre-industrial level), and a plan relating to how the company will achieve these targets but these targets are not yet being met.

**Aligned** means greenhouse gas emissions performance is meeting science-based targets which have been set to achieve net zero greenhouse gas emissions by 2050 in line with the Paris Agreement (i.e. limiting global warming to a 1.5% increase in global temperatures compared to pre-industrial levels).

A proportion of the Material Investee Companies will be deemed to be sustainable investments with an environmental sustainable investment objective of a contribution to climate change mitigation by aligning to or being aligned to net zero greenhouse gas emissions status by 2050.

Other Investee Companies are also invested in and are equity securities of companies listed on exchanges in Recognised Markets that are not Material Investee Companies. Other Investee Companies are assessed to follow good governance practices and follow elements of the ESG-related investment strategy as minimum environmental and social safeguards but do not contribute to the environmental characteristic promoted by the Fund.

The Fund does not have a reference benchmark designated for the purpose of attaining the environmental characteristic promoted, and instead measures the attainment of the environmental characteristic promoted by the sustainability indicators below.

Sustainability
indicators measure
how the
environmental or
social characteristics
promoted by the
financial product are
attained.

# What sustainability indicators are used to measure the attainment of each of the environmental or social characteristics promoted by this financial product?

The Fund has the following sustainability indicators in relation to the reduction of greenhouse gases in its Material Investee Companies. The Investment Manager considers there to be no single definitive metric to measure the attainment and therefore uses multiple metrics to consider the various dimensions of attainment of progress towards the net zero greenhouse gas emissions of the Fund's portfolio of Material Investee Companies by 2050:

- % of Material Investee Companies with a net zero greenhouse gas emissions transition plan to be achieved by 2050
- Number of direct and collective engagements with Material Investee Companies on greenhouse emissions and other ESG-related matters

Notwithstanding that the Other Investee Companies do not contribute to the attainment of the environmental characteristic promoted by the Fund, the Investment Manager monitors all investee companies held in the portfolio, inclusive of Material Investee Companies and Other Investee Companies against the following:

- Scope 1, 2 and 3 emissions, subject to data availability
- Comparison of the carbon footprint of the Fund's portfolio against the MSCI World Index's carbon footprint, with the aim for it to be lower
- UN Sustainable Development Goal alignment
- Alignment to sustainability related-metrics in remuneration policies
- What are the objectives of the sustainable investments that the financial product partially intends to make and how does the sustainable investment contribute to such objectives?

The environmental sustainable investment objective of the Fund is to contribute to climate change mitigation through the Fund's portfolio of Material Investee Companies that are aligning or aligned to net zero greenhouse gas emissions status by 2050. Over time the proportion of Material Investee Companies considered to be sustainable investments is likely to increase as more Material Investee Companies are aligning or aligned to a net zero status.

How do the sustainable investments that the financial product partially intends to make, not cause significant harm to any environmental or social sustainable investment objective?

In addition to the monitoring of principal adverse impacts, as set out below, the Investment Manager has a proprietary ESG risk assessment and scoring matrix for Material Investee Companies, including those which are sustainable investments, covering a broad variety of ESG-related topics from an environmental as well as social perspective. The topics include, but are not limited to, greenhouse gas emission intensity, board-level governance of climate-related risks, ESG-related metrics in remuneration policies, controversies in the supply chain and board structure. The areas assessed and scored are likely to be added to and evolve over time. The scores initially found in the ESG risk score matrix, which are scored from A – E, are then researched further by the Investment Manager's stewardship team, with consideration to the nature of the business and which particular ESG-related risks are more material for the specific Material Investee Company and its sector. Material Investee Companies are also checked for their alignment to the UN Sustainable Development Goals.

If a Material Investee Company scores an E on ESG risk because there are severe ESG concerns and therefore it will be likely, or already is, causing significant harm to an environmental or social sustainable investment objective it will be excluded from the Fund's investment universe and therefore could not be a sustainable investment held in the Fund's portfolio. Where a Material Investee Company does not meet minimum ESG standards and consequently scores a D, this leads to active engagement on the identified issues that, if necessary, is escalated from direct engagement with the Material Investee Company to collective engagement through one of the investor initiatives we are members of. For clarification, in the Investment Manager's opinion the score of a D does not necessarily result in significant harm to any environmental or social sustainable investment objective. Providing the other requirements for a sustainable investment are met and there is no significant harm found as a result of the assessment and scoring, the Material Investee Company that scored a D could be held in the portfolio as a sustainable investment.

The sole formal sector exclusion for the Fund is that all investee companies (inclusive of Material Investee Companies and Other Investee Companies) deriving any revenue from controversial weapons, as defined within the Investment Manager's Controversion Weeapons Policy, are excluded.

Overall, the assessment, scoring and exclusion for Material Investee Companies across environmental and social considerations, contributes to the prevention of significant harm to environmental and social sustainable investment objectives by any of the Material Investee Companies which are sustainable investments.

How have the indicators for adverse impacts on sustainability factors been taken into account?

All indicators as applicable to investee companies in Table 1 of Annex I are taken into account in relation to the sustainable investments. The Investment Manager monitors the impacts on sustainability factors for each of the Material Investee Companies that are sustainable investments and this supports informing the engagement required with the Material Investee Companies on sustainability-related issues, in order to reduce or mitigate their impact, as required.

How are the sustainable investments aligned with the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises and the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights?

The Investment Manager, utilising data provided from a thirdparty, assesses the impacts of an investee company's goods, services, operations and supply chain, including alignment with

Principal adverse impacts are the most significant negative impacts of investment decisions on sustainability factors relating to environmental, social and employee matters, respect for human rights, anticorruption and antibribery matters.

the United Nations' Sustainable Development Goals, OECD guidelines for Multinational Enterprise on Responsible Business Conduct and UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights in its risk assessments and, where required, includes any required improvements in its engagement plan for an investee company.

The EU Taxonomy sets out a "do not significant harm" principle by which Taxonomy-aligned investments should not significantly harm EU Taxonomy objectives and is accompanied by specific EU criteria.

The "do no significant harm" principle applies only to those investments underlying the financial product that take into account the EU criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities. The investments underlying the remaining portion of this financial product do not take into account the EU criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities.

Any other sustainable investments must also not significantly harm any environmental or social objectives.



# Does this financial product consider principal adverse impacts on sustainability factors?



Yes \_\_\_\_\_

The Investment Manager is responsible for identifying principal adverse impacts on sustainability factors for the Fund, which are considered for both Material Investee Companies and Other Investee Companies. The principal adverse impact indicators monitored are all those applicable to investee companies as set out ion Table 1, Annex I of SFDR Level 2.

Through engagement with investee companies the Investment Manager intends to reduce or mitigate the impact of the principal adverse impact indicators, where required:

Climate and other environment-related indicators:

• Table 1: PAI 1 GHG emissions

• Table 1: PAI 2 Carbon footprint

• Table 1: PAI 3 GHG intensity of investee companies

 Table 1: PAI 7 Activities negatively affecting biodiversity-sensitive areas

Social and Employee Matters

• Table 1: PAI 12 Unadjusted gender pay

Table 1: PAI 13 Board gender diversity

 Table 1: PAI 14 Exposure to controversial weapons (anti-personnel mines, cluster munitions, chemical weapons and biological weapons)

Table 3: PAI 8 Excessive CEO pay ratio

The monitoring and actions taken in relation to the principal adverse impact indicators is subject to data availability and data quality, which is likely to evolve and improve over time.

Further information on the principal adverse impacts on sustainability factors will be made available in the Fund's annual report.

No

## What investment strategy does this financial product follow?

The investment objective is to provide long-term total returns with an emphasis on income, predominantly through investments in equity securities of companies listed on exchanges in Recognised Markets. Further information on the other permitted investments and how this is intended to be achieved from a financial perspective is set out in the "Investment Policy" of this supplement.

For the sustainability-related investment strategy of the Fund, the Investment Manager pursues the following:



The investment strategy guides investment decisions based on factors such as investment objectives and risk tolerance.

ESG risk assessment, scoring and exclusions: The Investment Manager has a proprietary ESG risk score matrix composed of ESG-related questions about an investee company, inclusive of both Material Investee Companies and Other Investee Companies. There are a broad variety of ESG-related topics from an environmental as well as social perspective. The topics include but are not limited to greenhouse gas emission intensity, board-level governance of climate-related risks, ESGrelated metrics in remuneration policies, controversies in the supply chain and board structure. The areas assessed and scored are likely to be added to and evolve over time. The scores initially found in the ESG risk score matrix, which are scored from A - E, are then researched further by the Investment Manager's stewardship team, with consideration to the nature of the business and which particular ESG-related risks are more material for the specific investee company and its sector. The overall results of the assessments are also compared to the UN Sustainable Development Goals to establish the investee company's alignment. Where any investee company scores an E for ESG risk, that leads to exclusion from the investment universe of the Fund, as the risk is deemed to be significant and presenting a risk to long-term financial returns too. Where the investee company is a Material Investee Company and has scored B to D, the findings of the risk assessment and scoring will support the development and direction of an engagement plan applicable to that Material Investee Company, if, in the Investment Manager's opinion, an area requires improvement.

The sole formal sector exclusion for the Fund is that all investee companies (inclusive of Material Investee Companies and Other Investee Companies) deriving any revenue from controversial weapons are excluded.

# • Engagement:

The Investment Manager has engagement as a core promoting the environmental component of characteristic of the Fund and achieving the environmental sustainable objective for its sustainable investments. For all investee companies, inclusive of both Material Investee Companies and Other Investee Companies, the Investment Manager gathers a broad range of information on ESG-related matters, as described in the ESG risk assessment and scoring above. Where the investee company is a Material Investee Company and has scored B to D, the findings of the risk assessment and scoring will support the development and direction of an engagement plan applicable to that Material Investee Company, if, in the Investment Manager's opinion, an area requires improvement. The engagement plan will encourage more sustainable practices and transparency through enhanced reporting, target setting and linking of long-term incentivisation packages to meet those targets set.

- The Investment Manager also actively engages with Material Investee Companies that report on less than 90% of greenhouse gas emissions, including estimates, and escalates this to collective engagement where the Investment Manager does not receive a satisfactory response.
- In addition, if a Material Investee Company's lack of alignment to net zero presents a severe, unmanaged risk, engagement may be escalated, as appropriate, to include collective engagement and/or the exercising of voting rights to effect change at board level and if engagement should not prove effective there may be a reduction in maximum position size or in some cases, divestment.
- Engagement is monitored within a proprietary research management system alongside the other investee company analysis.
- Carbon emissions reporting: the Investment Manager analyses, estimates and reports on the carbon footprint of all investee companies, inclusive of both Material Investee Companies and Other Investee Companies across scopes 1, 2 and 3 (subject to data availability), and aims to achieve a lower carbon footprint than the MSCI World Index. The analysis facilitates the Investment Manager's understanding of the carbon impact of investments and further provides the Investment Manager with information that is the basis for risk-based targeting of Material Investee Company engagements.
- Paris Agreement alignment: The UNFCCC Paris Agreement targets limiting global warming to no more than 2°C above preindustrial levels (and preferably to no more than 1.5°C), requiring global greenhouse gases to be reduced to net zero by 2050. The Investment Manager assesses Material Investee Companies' alignment with the Paris Agreement (net zero by 2050) by analysing their climate targets, decarbonisation strategies, emission disclosure and progress on emission reduction. The process starts with checking for adequate disclosure and whether a company has set a Paris-aligned science-based target. For high impact sectors as categorised by the Institutional Investors Group on Climate Change, there is an additional assessment of a Material Investee Company's

decarbonisation strategy and their future capex strategy. This includes checking for an internal carbon price. This assessment is reviewed on an annual basis. The Material Investee Companies that the Investment Manager assesses as not being sufficiently ambitious in their alignment to net zero are also the subject of further engagement.

- **Proxy voting:** The Investment Manager independently analyses and votes on all resolutions at every general meeting of an investee company, inclusive of both Material Investee Companies and Other Investee Companies. The voting of resolutions followed by active engagement is the formal mechanism by which the Investment Manager believes they can effect change and express opinion on corporate matters. The Investment Manager can and does vote against the recommendations of management where there is a considered reason for doing so, in relation to the environmental characteristic promoted, such as if remuneration policies did not assess management on managing climate-related risks and/or reduction of greenhouse gas emissions in their operations or supply chain. When the Investment Manager votes against a management recommendation it writes to the investee company explaining why they have done so and builds it into an engagement plan, as appropriate.
- What are the binding elements of the investment strategy used to select the investments to attain each of the environmental or social characteristics promoted by this financial product?

All elements set out in the investment strategy are applied on an ongoing basis in relation to the Material Investee Companies to attain the environmental characteristic promoted by the Fund.

What is the committed minimum rate to reduce the scope of the investments considered prior to the application of that investment strategy?

There is no committed minimum rate to reduce the scope of investments considered prior to the application of this investment strategy.

What is the policy to assess good governance practices of the investee companies?

Good governance practices include sound management structures, employee relations, remuneration of staff and tax compliance.



The Investment Manager assesses for all investee companies, inclusive of Material Investee Companies and Other Investee Companies, good governance practices including sound management structures, employee relations, remuneration of staff inclusive of pay equity, and board gender diversity in its risk assessments and, where required, includes any required improvements in these areas of good governance in its engagement plan for an investee company. The Investment Manager seeks for sustainability-related targets to be embedded into an investee company's business plans and executive compensation packages and assesses whether supervisory boards and board committees have true independence to facilitate appropriate challenge within that Investee Company.

**Asset** allocation describes the share of investments in specific assets.

# What is the asset allocation planned for this financial product?

The Fund intends to make investments predominantly in equity securities of companies listed on exchanges in Recognised Markets. The minimum proportion of Material Investee Companies that are invested in and promote the environmental characteristic of reducing greenhouse gas emissions to net zero by 2050, in accordance with the binding elements of the investment strategy, is 60%.

A minimum proportion of 10% of the Material Investee Companies are to be sustainable investments with an environmental and social sustainable objective to contribute to climate change mitigation through aligning or being aligned to the net zero target of 2050 for greenhouse gas emissions. Over time the proportion of Material Investee Companies considered to be sustainable investments is likely to increase as more Material Investee Companies are aligning or aligned to a net zero status. There are no confirmed Taxonomy-aligned investments at this time.

A proportion of the investments, around 35%, are held in Other Investee Companies that do not contribute to the attainment of the environmental characteristic promoted by the Fund, but do follow good governance practices and follow some ESG-related elements of the investment strategy, including assessment, scoring and exclusion, as minimum safeguards.

The remaining proportion of investments is cash held with no minimum environmental or social safeguards applied.



**#1 Aligned with E/S characteristics** includes the investments of the financial product used to attain the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product.

**#2Other** includes the remaining investments of the financial product which are neither aligned with the environmental or social characteristics, nor are qualified as sustainable investments.

The category **#1 Aligned with E/S characteristics** covers:

- The sub-category #1A Sustainable covers sustainable investments with environmental or social objectives.
- The sub-category **#1B Other E/S characteristics** covers investments aligned with the environmental or social characteristics that do not qualify as sustainable investments.

# How does the use of derivatives attain the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product?

The Fund may use derivatives only for hedging or risk management purposes, not for the attainment of the Fund's environmental characteristic. However, at the present time the Fund does not use derivatives.



# To what minimum extent are sustainable investments with an environmental objective aligned with the EU Taxonomy?

There is no minimum extent to which the sustainable investments with an environmental objective are aligned with the EU Taxonomy. The Investment Manager does not currently have reliable data to assess whether Taxonomy-aligned investments are being made and so does not currently commit to a minimum share of such investments.

# What is the minimum share of investments in transitional and enabling activities

Not applicable – the Fund does not currently commit to make Taxonomy-aligned investments.

To comply with the EU Taxonomy, the criteria for fossil gas include limitations on emissions and switching to fully renewable power or low-carbon fuels by the end of 2035. For nuclear energy, the criteria include comprehensive safety and waste management rules.

Does the financial product invest in fossil gas and/or nuclear energy related activities that comply with the EU Taxonomy¹?

Yes:

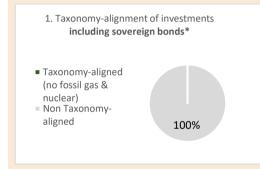
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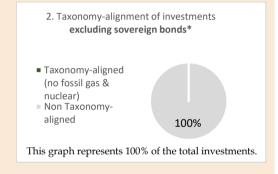
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No

The two graphs below show in green the minimum percentage of investments that are aligned with the EU Taxonomy. As there is no appropriate methodology to determine the Taxonomy-alignment of sovereign bonds\*, the first graph shows the Taxonomy alignment in relation to all the investments of the financial product including sovereign bonds, while the second graph shows the Taxonomy alignment only in relation to the investments of the financial product other than sovereign bonds.





\* For the purpose of these graphs, 'sovereign bonds' consist of all sovereign exposures

are sustainable investments with an environmental objective that do not take into account the criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities under the EU Taxonomy.



What is the minimum share of sustainable investments with an environmental objective that are not aligned with the EU Taxonomy?

A minimum proportion of 10% of investments are to be environmentally sustainable investments, as defined under SFDR, with the objective to contribute to climate change mitigation through Material Investee Companies alignment to reducing greenhouse gas emissions to net zero by 2050.

Fossil gas and/or nuclear related activities will only comply with the EU Taxonomy where they contribute to limiting climate change ("climate change mitigation") and do not significantly harm any EU Taxonomy objective - see explanatory note in the left hand margin. The full criteria for fossil gas and nuclear energy economic activities that comply with the EU Taxonomy are laid down in Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2022/1214.



# What is the minimum share of socially sustainable investments?

There is no commitment to making socially sustainable investments.



What investments are included under "#2 Other", what is their purpose and are there any minimum environmental or social safeguards?

The remaining proportion of investments is split between:

- Other Investee Companies, at around 35%, which are not invested in to support the attainment of the environmental characteristic promoted by the Fund but are nevertheless assessed to ensure they follow good governance practices and follow some ESG-related elements of the investment strategy, including assessment, scoring and exclusion, as minimum safeguards; and
- cash held, with no environmental or social safeguards applied.



Is a specific index designated as a reference benchmark to determine whether this financial product is aligned with the environmental and/or social characteristics that it promotes?

There is no specific index designated as a reference benchmark as the Investment Manager considered the sustainability indicators to be a more appropriate measurement of the attainment of the environmental characteristic promoted.



# Where can I find more product specific information online?

More product-specific information can be found on the website: <a href="https://evenlodeinvestment.com/funds/evenlode-global-dividend-fund">https://evenlodeinvestment.com/funds/evenlode-global-dividend-fund</a>