# **EVENLODE GLOBAL OPPORTUNITIES**

MONTHLY FACTSHEET all data as at 30 April 2023 unless otherwise indicated



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#### MANAGER COMMENTARY

The Evenlode Global Opportunities Fund rose in April, materially ahead of its comparator benchmark, the MSCI World Index. We believe the primary driver for this was a strong preference for 'quality' in a disordered stock market – since the beginning of March, the MSCI World Index is up 5% but the MSCI World Quality Index is up 9% (source: FE, Total Return, USD terms). The Fund is somewhat ahead of the MSCI World Quality Index in the same period.

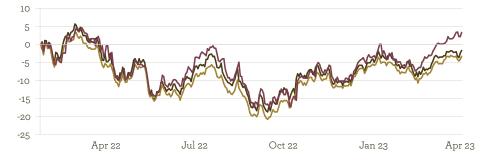
During April the team were busy with the seasonal ritual of first-quarter earnings reports, an important rite in the fund manager's liturgical calendar. While the season is still underway, we have been struck so far by the continued smooth delivery of organic revenue growth and margin protection by the broad universe of listed companies. This is against a backdrop of continuing high inflation in developed markets, broadly running ahead of wage growth, and a rapid rates cycle, particularly in the US. There are legitimate questions out there about the durability of consumer purchasing power and equity market strength given the major inversion of the yield curve and the decelerating credit impulse in the US.

In these times, we go back to the fundamentals which Evenlode was built on to check our alignment with these tenets. We have deliberately built a portfolio over years which is concentrated in companies whose costs are disproportionately fixed and which are essential cogs in non-discretionary everyday processes. These characteristics drive recurring, relatively small-ticket revenues, and attractive margins and returns on capital. A company like Verisk is a typical example, critical to the unglamorous task of underwriting new property and casualty insurance policies and assessing claims in the US, a business line which held up well in 2008-2009. Companies with variable cost bases we like sell everyday low-ticket items, for instance Nestlé and Heineken. Those which sell larger-ticket items have extraordinary pricing power based on tight control of inventory and the channel, such as LVMH and Hermès.

In short, we have a portfolio that is designed to protect and grow capital in a wide range of scenarios. We cannot say how the rest of 2023 will play out, but we know that whatever the weather, our portfolio companies will continue to invest in their businesses to make their products better for their customers. For ourselves, we will continue to look out for new investment ideas and continue our research on our existing investment universe.

As ever, we would like to thank all our investors for their trust and backing, and we continue to focus our efforts on preserving and growing your capital.

## PERFORMANCE SINCE LAUNCH (%)<sup>1</sup>



#### CUMULATIVE PERFORMANCE

	1 Mth	3 Mths	6 Mths	1 Yr	3 Yrs	Launch <sup>1</sup>
■ Fund (%)²	4.7	7.4	20.1	3.7	-	3.3
■ Benchmark (%)³	1.8	2.4	12.3	3.2	-	-1.8
Sector (%)	1.2	1.3	13.3	1.3	-	-4.1
Rank in sector	20/1933	23/1909	128/1862	356/1744	-/-	40/1700
Quartile	1	1	1	1	-	1

#### CALENDAR YEAR PERFORMANCE (%)

	YTD	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
Fund <sup>2</sup>	14.1	-	-	-	-	-
Benchmark <sup>3</sup>	9.6	-	-	-	-	-
Sector	8.1	-	-	-	-	-

#### 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 the long term
- 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	EAA Fund Large-Cap Blend Equity
Benchmark	MSCI World Index
Strategy launch date	15 July 2020
Fund launch date	10 May 2021
Strategy size <sup>4</sup>	US\$257 million
Fund size	US\$2 million
No. of Holdings	33
Active share⁵	87.4%
Valuation point	12 noon daily
Div ex dates	1 Mar
Div pay dates	end Apr
Fund domicile	Ireland
Countries of registration	See Fund Availability table on page 4
SFDR category	Article 8

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

1. From launch date 22 February 2022 (Share Class).

2. Evenlode Global Opportunities I Acc USD shares.

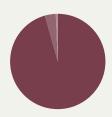
3. Benchmark is the MSCI World Index (with net dividends reinvested) in USD.

 Strategy size refers to the combined fund value of TB Evenlode Global Equity and Evenlode Global Opportunities, in USD terms.
 Active share is calculated against the fund's Comparator Benchmark, the MSCI World Index.



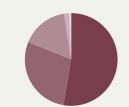
## PORTFOLIO

#### Sector allocation (%) Financials 23.8 **Consumer Staples** 22.3 Industrials 21.5 Information Technology 15.6 **Communication Services** 7.2 Consumer Discretionary 4.8 Health Care 4.2 Cash 0.7



## Size allocation (%)

■ Large Cap (> £10 bn)	95.6
■ Mid Cap (£2 bn - £10 bn)	3.7
■ Cash	0.7



## Geographical allocation (%)

<ul> <li>North America</li> </ul>	52.7
Europe	28.4
<ul> <li>United Kingdom</li> </ul>	16.4
Asia	1.8
Cash	0.7

## Top 20 holdings (%)

Microsoft	7.3
Mastercard	6.9
Wolters Kluwer	5.5
Alphabet	5.4
Nestlé	4.8
RELX	4.7
Heineken	4.6
Medtronic	4.2
Experian	3.6
Accenture	3.6
Diageo	3.6
Amadeus IT	3.4
Intercontinental Exchange	3.0
Verisk Analytics	2.6
L'Oréal	2.6
Jack Henry	2.6
Pernod Ricard	2.5
London Stock Exchange Group	2.4
S&P Global	2.3
Estée Lauder	2.2
Total	77.8

Investors will own shares in Evenlode Global Opportunities, not in the underlying holdings; these are the underlying assets owned by the fund.



## **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 Fund Manager

Chris is a fund manager on the Evenlode Global Equity strategy, which launched in 2020, and

on the Evenlode Global Income strategy, which launched in 2017. Chris is a fully qualified Chartered Financial Analyst and has a degree from the University of Cambridge in Mathematics and Economics. Prior to Evenlode, Chris worked as a senior software engineer.

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#### JAMES KNOEDLER

Fund Manager James is a fund manager on the Evenlode Global Equity strategy, which launched in

2020. He previously worked as an Equities Analyst at Independent Franchise Partners (IFP) and before that worked as an Investment Analyst at Arisaig Partners and Newlands Investment Management. James graduated from Oxford University with a first-class degree in English and holds a Masters degree in Finance from the London Business School.



CHRIS MOORE Head of Research Chris joined Evenlode Investment Management in

February 2018 having previously been an equity research analyst at Investec Bank and Berenberg. Chris is a fully qualified Chartered Accountant and Chartered Financial Analyst, and studied Accounting and Finance at Warwick University.

## ENVIRONMENTAL, SOCIAL AND GOVERNANCE (ESG)

## Integration into the investment process



SAWAN KUMAR Head of Stewardship



REBEKAH NASH Governance Analyst



BETHAN ROSE Sustainable Investment Analyst



ZIKRI JAAFAR Stewardship Analyst

We believe that being an active owner and engaging with investee companies is not only a responsible approach to investment management, but also a highly effective way to generate long-term returns for minority shareholders. By actively engaging with the management of investee companies, we can gain a deeper understanding of their climate strategy, material risks within their supply chain and management culture, and identify potential risks and opportunities that might not be immediately apparent. Moreover, by advocating for good corporate governance practices and encouraging companies to prioritise shareholder interests, we can help to ensure that our investments are managed in a responsible and sustainable manner. This can lead to improved transparency, greater accountability, and better alignment of interests between management and shareholders, all of which can help to enhance shareholder value over the long term.

#### Our ongoing commitment

Signatory of:



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.

Investment & Stewardship Policy

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Direct - Listed Equity Active fundamental -Voting

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Morningstar Sustainability Rating™

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## SHARE CLASS DETAILS

	USD shares		GBP shares	
Share class	I ACC	X ACC	X ACC	
SEDOL codes	BLR7572	BLR75D8	BLR7583	
Share price	\$1.03	\$1.08	109.00p	
Minimum lump sum	\$1 million	\$10 million	£25 million	
Periodic charge <sup>1</sup>	0.95%	0.75%	0.75%	
Ex ante transaction cost	0.32%	0.32%	0.32%	

1. Equivalent to OCF. For full information on the periodic charge, please refer to the Fees, Costs and Expenses section of the Evenlode Global Opportunities Fund Supplement to the Evenlode ICAV Prospectus.

The share classes listed above have launched and are available for investment. Other share classes are listed in the Evenlode ICAV Global Opportunities Fund prospectus supplement. Class R shares have a minimum investment of \$/e/£1,000, and an OCF of 1.50%. For full information on the share classes, please refer to the Key Information Documents.

### 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 term
- Accept the risk associated with the volatile nature of equity investments
- Plan to hold their investment for at least 5 years

## FUND AVAILABILITY



\*The Fund has appointed as Swiss Representative Waystone Fund Services (Switzerland) SA, Av. Villamont 17, 1005 Lausanne, Switzerland, Tel: +41 21 311 17 77, switzerland@waystone.com. The Fund's Swiss paying agent is Banque Cantonale de Genève. In respect of the Shares distributed in or from Switzerland, the place of performance and jurisdiction is at the registered office of the Swiss Representative.

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