

OVERVIEW

The Sarasin Responsible Global Equity fund takes an active, thematic approach and is designed as a core global holding for the 'concerned' investor. It provides broad global equity exposure and sets a higher threshold on environmental, social and governance (ESG) issues when investing.

REASONS TO INVEST

1. A forward-looking, long-term philosophy

Our thematic philosophy has been at the heart of our process for over 15 years. At present the fund is tapping into enduring mega-themes such as digitisation, automation, climate change, ageing and evolving consumption.

2. A portfolio that sets higher standards

We seek to avoid companies out of balance with societal needs, and have concerns about the legacy companies leave for the next generation. The strategy goes beyond an exclusions approach to consider carefully a number of key policies on ESG issues.

3. A high-conviction portfolio

Our global thematic stock selection process delivers a high level of conviction at the company level. Portfolio construction is based on this conviction – it is not driven by a benchmark.

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Thematic – We look broadly and horizontally across industry sectors and geographies, combining both macro and micro factors, and adopt a global approach, searching for sustainable change.

Global – We invest in stocks with attractive risk and reward characteristics regardless of where they are listed. We typically invest in multi-national corporations with global supply chains and worldwide customers.

Experience – It takes in-depth experience and expertise to successfully navigate today's complex markets. Our 83-strong investment team stretches from global analysts to economists and risk experts, all sharing knowledge and ideas on a daily basis.

Responsibility – We are stewards of our clients' assets, and aim to own – rather than trade – well-run companies that will create long-term value for shareholders

“As long-term investors, it is critical to take a holistic view of a company and its sustainability. Its impact on the environment and society is crucial to our evaluation of its prospects.”

JEREMY THOMAS, FUND MANAGER

KEY FACTS

Launch date	1 June 2011
Fund size	£15.79m*
OCF	0.96%
(P share class)	

Data as at 30.06.2020. *Including sterling hedged fund

A COMPELLING INVESTMENT PROCESS

1. Idea generation

We identify themes that are shaping the investment landscape over the long term. Thematic insights come from our Investment Strategy Group and our team of global equity analysts and portfolio managers.

2. Stock selection

Stocks are identified through in-depth quantitative and qualitative research and selected following robust discussion and challenge within the team. Stewardship is fully integrated into the process.

3. Portfolio construction

Diversification is achieved by exposure to different themes and a spread of corporate characteristics. The fund is unconstrained by a benchmark.

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