

Fund profile

Aim	▶ Long-term capital growth	Fund size	\$12m
Investment case	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Provides pureplay exposure to global alternative energy markets ▶ We believe that over the next twenty years the alternative energy sector will benefit from the combined effects of rising energy prices, falling costs of alternative energy assets, energy security concerns and climate change and environmental issues 	AUM in strategy	\$24m
Process	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ 50% top down, 50% bottom up ▶ Value bias in bottom-up stock selection 	Benchmark	Wilderhill Clean Energy
Portfolio	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Invests in companies in the solar, wind, hydro, geothermal, biofuels, biomass and energy efficiency sectors ▶ Concentrated equally-weighted portfolio of 30 positions ▶ Majority of Fund invested in stocks over \$100m in size 	Asset class	Equity (long-only)
		Geographic focus	Global
		Fund launch date	19.12.2007
		Strategy launch date	31.03.2006
		Manager	Edward Guinness
		Analyst	Samira Rudig-Sotomayor

Risks

Guinness Alternative Energy Fund is an equity fund. Investors should be willing and able to assume the risks of equity investing. The Fund invests only in companies involved in the alternative energy sector; it is therefore susceptible to the performance of that one sector, and can be volatile. Details on the risk factors are included in the Fund's documentation, available on our website. The value of an investment and the income from it can fall as well as rise as a result of market and currency movement; you may not get back the amount originally invested.

Performance

	YTD	1 yr	Annualised			Calendar years				
			3 yr	5 yr	10 yr	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Fund (USD)	+3.8%	+20.8%	-0.6%	+4.5%	-11.2%	+70.8%	-12.1%	-12.0%	-15.4%	+20.2%
Benchmark (USD)	-1.6%	+34.7%	+1.1%	+3.1%	-13.1%	+58.5%	-16.9%	-10.4%	-22.1%	+39.8%
Fund (EUR)	+0.1%	+4.8%	-3.8%	+6.3%	-9.7%	+63.4%	+0.2%	-2.0%	-12.9%	+5.6%
Benchmark (EUR)	-4.7%	+17.0%	-2.0%	+5.0%	-11.5%	+51.7%	-5.3%	-0.2%	-19.8%	+22.7%
Fund (GBP)	-1.3%	+6.9%	+1.2%	+6.7%	-8.2%	+67.6%	-6.6%	-7.0%	+0.9%	+9.8%
Benchmark (GBP)	-6.1%	+19.3%	+3.1%	+5.5%	-10.1%	+55.4%	-11.7%	-5.2%	-7.1%	+27.6%

Source: Financial Express (inclusive of all annual management fees but excluding any initial charge or redemption fee), gross income reinvested. Performance would be lower if initial charge and/or redemption fee were included. Fund returns are for share classes with a current Total Expense Ratio (TER) of 1.99%; returns for share classes with a different TER will vary accordingly.

Past performance is not a guide to future performance.

Portfolio

Fund top 10 holdings (%)		Geographic allocation (%)		Sector analysis (%)	
Ricardo	4.0%	China	29.5%	Efficiency	37.2%
Xinyi Solar	3.9%	USA	19.5%	Wind	24.3%
Cosan	3.6%	Hong Kong	10.2%	Solar	23.9%
Schneider Electric	3.5%	Italy	6.0%	Biofuels	3.6%
Tianneng Power	3.5%	UK	5.2%	Geothermal	3.4%
Wasion	3.5%	Brazil	3.6%	Hydro	2.6%
Kingspan Group	3.5%	France	3.5%		
China Singyes Solar Tech	3.5%	Ireland	3.5%		
Ormat Technologies	3.4%	Germany	3.3%		
China Datang Renewable Power	3.4%	Sweden	3.2%		
		Other	7.4%		
% of fund in top 10	35.8%	Cash	4.9%	Cash	4.9%
Total number of holdings	30		100.0%		100.0%

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Key facts

Launch date	19.12.2007	Reporting status	Reporting Fund (UK tax)
Asset class	Equities	Pricing	Daily, forwards
Region	Global	Valuation	2300 Dublin time
IA sector	IA Global	Deal cut off	1500 Dublin time
Base currency	US Dollar	Year end	31 December
Structure	OEIC (UCITS)	Benchmark	Wilderhill Clean Energy Index
Domicile	Ireland	Custodian	JP Morgan Bank (Ireland) plc
ISA eligible	Yes	Administrator	Link Fund Administrator (Ireland) Ltd

Share classes

Class	Currency	Acc/Dist	TER	Maximum initial charge	ISIN	Bloomberg
A	USD	acc	1.49%	0%	IE00B2PGVJ29	GUINAEA ID
B	USD	acc	1.99%	5%	IE00B2PGVK34	GUINAEB ID
C	GBP	acc	1.99%	5%	IE00B3CCJ633	GUINAE C ID
C EUR Acc	EUR	acc	1.99%	5%	IE00BGHQF417	GUINECE ID
D	EUR	acc	1.49%	0%	IE00B3CCJ740	GUINAE D ID
E	USD	acc	1.24%	0%	IE00B3CCJ856	GUINAE E ID
X	GBP	acc	1.24%	0%	IE00B7LWDH14	GUINAE X ID

Other share classes at other fee structures and currencies exist. Not all share classes are registered for sale in all countries where the Fund is registered for sale.

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