

## Factsheet | 31 December 2017

# Vanguard SRI European Stock Fund

# An index-related fund

Key fund facts							
	Inception date	Minimum initial investment*	ISIN	SEDOL	Citi	MexID	Bloomberg
GBP							
Income Institutional Plus Income Accumulation Institutional Plus Accumulation	25.10.2011 02.09.2014 25.10.2011 02.09.2014	100,000 200,000,000 100,000 200,000,000	IE00B76VTR58 IE00BPT2BK80 IE00B76VTL96 IE00BPT2BL97	B76VTR5 BPT2BK8 B76VTL9 BPT2BL9	0GDS KQ5H 0GDR KQ5I	VIANDU VIAAGY VIVANG VIAAGZ	VGSESIG VGVGSEI VGSESAG VGVGSEA
Benchmark FTSE Developed Europe Index in EUR	Index ticker TAWNT06G		Trading frequenc Daily (11:00 Irish T		Settlem T+2	ent	
Domicile Ireland	Investment stru UCITS	icture	IA Sector Europe Including U	JK		on point ing Market Close	
Base currency EUR	Total assets† GBP (million) 52	3	Ex-dividend date 31 March, 30 June 30 September, 31		14 April	ution date , 14 July, ber, 14 January	
Investment manager The Vanguard Group, Inc. Europe Equity Index Team	١		Taxed distribution Gross	n	Tax sta UK Rep		

#### Objective

The Fund seeks to provide long-term growth of capital by tracking the performance of the index, a market-capitalisation-weighted index of common stocks of companies in developed countries in Europe.

## Investment strategy

The Fund employs a passive management or indexing investment strategy designed to achieve the performance of the index, by investing in all, or a representative sample of, index securities that satisfy the application of a screening process for socially responsible investing. The Fund will not hold stocks of companies in the index that do not meet specific "socially responsible" criteria. The Investment Manager will hold each, or a representative sample, of those index securities meeting socially responsible criteria in approximate proportion to its weighting in the index, optimising the Fund to match the risk factors and performance of the index.

## Performance summary\*\*

GBP-Vanguard SRI European Stock Fund

	Income	Accumulation
	shares	shares
	Net of	Net of
	expenses	expenses
December 2012 – 2013	22.43%	22.43%
December 2013 – 2014	-0.17	-0.17
December 2014 – 2015	3.09	3.09
December 2015 – 2016	17.92	17.92
December 2016 – 2017	14.81	14.81

### Management Charge

Income/Accumulation AMC/OCF***	0.30%
Institutional Plus AMC/OCF***	0.20%
Fund Charges	
Entry Charge††	_
††Assessed to compensate for Stamp Duty Reserve Tax relati	ed expenses.
Quoted historic yield	
Income	2.77%
Accumulation	2.75%

## Performance\*\*

GBP—Vanguard SRI European Stock Fund Benchmark—FTSE Developed Europe Index in EUR

		Income shares			Accumulation shares	
	Net of expenses	Gross of expenses	Benchmark	Net of expenses	Gross of expenses	Benchmark
1 month	1.49%	1.52%	1.63%	1.49%	1.52%	1.63%
3 months	1.23	1.31	1.54	1.23	1.31	1.54
Year to date	14.81	15.15	14.90	14.81	15.15	14.90
1 year	14.81	15.15	14.90	14.81	15.15	14.90
3 years	11.75	12.09	12.05	11.75	12.09	12.05
5 years	11.27	11.62	11.54	11.27	11.62	11.54
Since inception	11.00	11.35	11.21	11.00	11.36	11.21

Key investment risks - Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future results. The value of investments, and the income from them, may fall or rise and investors may get back less than they invested. SRI funds exclude certain investments that would normally form part of the benchmark. As a result, the fund is likely to experience a greater tracking error and deviation from the performance of the index. Where investments are made in assets that are denominated in multiple currencies changes in exchange rates may affect the value of the investments.

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<sup>\*</sup>The minimum initial investment of (Investor) Income and Accumulation shares or for anyone approaching Vanguard directly is £100,000.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Figures for periods of less than one year are cumulative returns. All other figures represent average annual returns. Performance figures include the reinvestment of all dividends and any capital gains distributions. The performance data does not take account of the commissions and costs incurred in the issue and redemption of shares. Basis of fund performance NAV to NAV with gross income reinvested. Basis of index performance is total return.

<sup>\*\*\*</sup>The Ongoing Charges Figure (OCF) covers administration, audit, depository, legal, registration and regulatory expenses incurred in respect of the Funds. When you invest with any fund manager, you pay a number of charges, starting with the Annual Management Charge (AMC) which covers the fund manager's costs of managing the fund. The AMC plus ongoing running costs and other operational expenses make up the fund's total 'ongoing charges figure'.

<sup>†</sup>This figure represents the total fund assets inclusive of all share classes of the fund.

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#### Characteristics

	Fund	Benchmark
Number of stocks	516	554
Median market cap	£32.0bn	£36.2bn
Price/earnings ratio	17.1x	17.4x
Price/book ratio	1.9x	1.9x
Return on equity	12.2%	12.0%
Earnings growth rate	3.2%	1.2%
Cash investments	0.2%	_
Turnover rate	-34%	_
Equity yield (dividend)	3.0%	3.1%

The PTR (Portfolio Turnover Rate) approach considers the total security purchases and sales, the total subscriptions and redemptions and the average net assets of the fund to calculate the turnover figure. Data as at 31 December 2017.

### Top 10 holdings

	Fund
Royal Dutch Shell plc	3.6%
Nestle SA	2.8
Novartis AG	2.2
Roche Holding AG	2.0
Unilever	1.7
British American Tobacco plc	1.6
Banco Santander SA	1.1
Sanofi	1.1
AstraZeneca plc	1.1
Allianz SE	1.1
Total	18.3%

## Weighted exposure

	Fund	Benchmark
Basic Materials	6.9%	7.1%
Consumer Goods	19.1	19.0
Consumer Services	6.6	6.3
Financials	22.5	22.7
Health Care	12.5	12.4
Industrials	14.3	14.1
Oil & Gas	6.7	7.2
Technology	3.8	3.9
Telecommunications	3.7	3.6
Utilities	3.9	3.7
Total	100.0%	100.0%

Sector categories are based on the Industry Classification Benchmark system ("ICB"), except for Sector categories are based on the industry classification benchmark system. ICB , except the "Other" category (if applicable), which includes securities that have not been provided a ICB classification as of the effective reporting period.

## Top country diversification

	Fund	Benchmark
United Kingdom	28.7%	29.1%
France	15.2	15.8
Germany	15.1	15.2
Switzerland	13.0	12.8
Netherlands	5.5	5.3
Spain	5.4	5.2
Sweden	4.4	4.3
Italy	4.1	4.1
Denmark	2.7	2.8
Belgium	1.8	1.8
Total	95.9%	96.4%

## Glossary for fund characteristics

The fund characteristics section above contains a number of metrics that professional investors use to value individual stocks against a market or index average. These metrics can also be used to value and compare funds to the market by taking the average of all the stocks held in the fund and comparing them to those of the fund's benchmark index. We've provided a definition of the terms used for your

Price earnings ratio (P/E ratio) of a stock is the price paid for a share divided by the annual profit earned by the firm per share. A stock with a price of £10 a share, and earnings last year of £1 a share, would have a P/E ratio of 10.

Price book ratio compares a stock's market value to its book value (the accounting value of a stock). It is calculated by dividing the current closing price of the stock by the latest quarter's book value per share

Median market cap (capitalisation) looks at all companies in a mutual fund portfolio and calculates the mid point market capitalisation. Market capitalisation represents the aggregate value of a company's stock.

Return on equity is a measure of a company's profitability that reveals how much profit a company generates with the money shareholders have invested.

Earnings growth rate is a measure of growth in a company's net income (what remains after subtracting all the costs from a company's revenues) over a specific period (often one year). Earnings growth can apply to previous periods or estimated data for

Turnover rate is the total value of sales and purchases of stocks by a fund, less any subscriptions and redemptions monies into or out of a fund, expressed as a percentage of the fund's average value, over a specified period (usually one year).

Quoted historic yield reflects distributions declared over the past twelve months as a percentage of the mid-market unit price, as at the date shown. It does not include any preliminary charge and investors may be subject to tax on their distributions.

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