

# European Responsible Equity Fund - Euro I Class Accumulation Units

# 31 December 2023

# Investment advisor

Principal Global Investors, LLC ("PGI")

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# **Fund managers**

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# Investment objective

The Fund aims to provide capital growth over the medium to long term predominantly through investment in European equities that we believe are mispriced by the market and have potential for significant growth.

### Index

MSCI Europe NTR Index\*

# **Fund facts**

Fund size	€137.9m
Base currency	USE
Fund domicile	IRELAND
UCITS qualifying	Yes
Dealing	10:00 AM GMT
Dealing	Daily

# SFDR Categorisation Unit class facts

Launch date	19 Feb 2010
Currency	EUR
Minimum investment	US\$ 2,000,000
Management fee(s)	0.75% pa
Income distribution	Accumulating

# **Fund grading**

4 Star Overall Morningstar Rating<sup>™</sup> as of 31 December 2023



# Performance (%)

	1M	3M	YTD	1YR	3YR	5YR	10YR
Fund Cumulative Net	4.37	6.94	14.80	14.80	18.74	64.53	106.43
Index Cumulative	3.71	6.44	15.83	15.83	31.18	59.86	86.92
Fund Annualised Net	4.37	6.94	14.80	14.80	5.89	10.47	7.51
Index Annualised	3.71	6.44	15.83	15.83	9.47	9.83	6.45

# 12-month rolling return (%)

ı	Jan 19 -	Jan 20 -	Jan 21 -	Jan 22 -	Jan 23 -
ı	Dec 19	Dec 20	Dec 21	Dec 22	Dec 23
	29.13	7.31	28.83	-19.71	14.80

# Risk analysis

	3YR	5YR
Information Ratio	-0.8	0.1
Alpha	-4.3	1.0
Tracking Error	4.6	5.0
Standard Deviation	15.5	16.0
Beta	1.1	1.0

# Cumulative performance since inception (%)



Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future performance.

Source: Fund Administrator: BNY Mellon Fund Services (Ireland) DAC since February 2011, performance data prior to this date is sourced from PGI and/or its affiliates; and the Index.

Data: From December 2018, the performance data shown is based upon the Fund's Net Asset Value (NAV) prices of the last Irish business day of the month. For Funds not open for dealing on this day this will be an indicative NAV. The performance data shown is net of fees and other charges but excludes any potential entry/exit charges- as such the return an investor receives may be lower. Prior to December 2018, the performance data shown is based upon the Fund's monthend market close prices. (See performance note for further details.)

# **Fund analysis**

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	Fund	Index
Active Share	64.8	-
Price/Earnings	17.5	16.7
Price/Book	4.1	2.8
Div Yield Wtd Avg	2.5	3.1
Mkt Cap Wtd Avg USDm	122,847.9	108,908.2
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Any yields quoted on the fact sheet are calculated at portfolio level gross of tax and expenses.

# Top 10 holdings (%)

	Fund
Novo Nordisk A/S	5.5
ASML Holding NV	4.1
AstraZeneca PLC	3.7
Royal Dutch Shell Plc	3.3
LVMH Moet Hennessy Louis Vuitton SE	3.3
Schneider Electric SE	2.8
Roche Holding Ltd	2.8
Iberdrola SA	2.4
3i Group plc	2.3
L'Oreal S.A.	2.3
Total	32.5
No. of holdings	80

# Top 5 stock overweights/underweights (%)

	Difference
Overweight	
Novo Nordisk A/S	2.3
3i Group plc	2.1
Schneider Electric SE	1.8
AstraZeneca PLC	1.7
Iberdrola SA	1.6
Underweight	
Siemens Aktiengesellschaft	-1.3
TotalEnergies SE	-1.5
HSBC Holdings Plc	-1.5
SAP SE	-1.5
Novartis AG	-2.0

# Sector allocation (%)

	Fund	Difference
Industrials	18.2	2.2
Health Care	18.0	2.7
Financials	17.3	-0.7
Consumer Discretionary	13.4	2.8
Information Technology	8.9	1.6
Consumer Staples	8.6	-2.9
Energy	5.7	-0.1
Materials	4.7	-2.5
Utilities	3.4	-0.9
Communication Services	1.3	-1.8
Other	0.0	-0.9
Cash	0.5	0.5

# Geographic allocation (%)

	Fund	Difference
United Kingdom	25.9	3.4
France	23.9	5.5
Denmark	8.8	3.7
Switzerland	7.9	-7.3
Netherlands	7.6	0.5
Sweden	7.3	2.4
Germany	4.8	-8.3
Spain	3.7	-0.3
Ireland	2.3	1.5
Italy	2.0	-2.0
Greece	1.9	1.9
Norway	1.5	0.5
Austria	0.7	0.4
Other	1.1	-2.3
Cash	0.5	0.5

### **Fund codes**

PIFEQIA ID Bloomberg ISIN IE00B60S0X89 68042440 Lipper SEDOL B60S0X8 11492508 Valoren WKN A1XCJ6

# Registration

Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Guernsey, Ireland, Italy, Jersey, Macau, Netherlands, Norway, Singapore, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland and UK

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- Equity markets are subject to many factors, including economic conditions, government regulations, market sentiment, local and international political events, and
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  There may be corporate governance and investor protection issues associated with Russian investments.

  The ability to trade REITS in the secondary market can be more limited than other stocks.
- The Fund's investments may be in currencies other than US Dollars. The value of an investment may fluctuate due to changes in exchange rates between currencies or the possible imposition of exchange control regulations.

  This unit class is unhedged. Unhedged unit classes are exposed to greater risk and volatility.

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Where the Fund offers hedged unit classes, returns of such unit classes may diverge from that of unit classes denominated in the base currency of the Fund and the hedged

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