

# Sarasin EquiSar - Socially Responsible™

### **FUND FACTS Fund Aim**

The Fund's objective is to achieve a balance of capital growth and income over the long term investing mainly in ethical company shares from around the world. It invests in companies that are expected to be the main beneficiaries of key global trends no matter where these companies are headquartered. EquiSar's pioneering global thematic investment process has been in place for 18 years delivering strong long term performance.

Price	A Acc GBP	A Inc GBP
Selling NAV	1.21 (GBP)	1.15 (GBP)
NAV plus 5% sales charge	1.27 (GBP)	1.21 (GBP)

#### **Fund Information**

Fund Structure	FCA authorised UK OEIC sub-fund
Benchmark	MSCI All Countries World Index (Net Total Return)
IMA Sector	Equity - Global
Fund Size	55.7m (GBP)
Net Yield	1.99%
Launch Date	1 June 2011

Codes	A Acc	A Inc
ISIN	GB00B43H4F86	6 GB00B4VTKQ93
SEDOL	B43H4F8	B4VTKQ9
Bloomberg Ticker	SARSRAA LN	SARSRAI LN

### ALLOCATION (%)

# **Thematic Equity Allocation**





#### **Geographic Allocation**



North America	44.0
Europe ex. UK	25.2
United Kingdom	9.2
Japan	8.0
Emerging Markets	7.6
Pacific ex. Japan	3.2
■ Liquid Assets	2.8

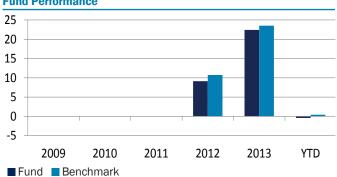
#### FUND PERFORMANCE (%) - A Acc GBP YTD 2013 2012 3 m 6 m 1yr -0.4 4.0 -0.4 22.4 5.1 9.1 Benchmark 0.4 5.4 0.4 7.6 23.5 10.7

		Cumul	ative		An	nualised	
	3 yr	5yr	Since Launch	3yr	5yr	Since Launch	Vol
Fund	-	-	20.9	-	-	6.9	-
Benchmark	-	-	29.8	-	-	9.6	-

#### Discrete Returns - 12 months ending 31 March

	0-12	12-24	24-36	36-48	48-60
Fund	5.1	17.8	-	-	-
Benchmark	7.6	17.7	-	-	-

#### **Fund Performance**



## **FUND HOLDINGS (%)**

#### Top Ten Holdings

Company	Theme	
Google	Disruption & Innovation	3.1
Hartford Financial Services	Corporate Restructuring	3.0
Amgen	Disruption & Innovation	2.8
Borgwarner	Disruption & Innovation	2.6
JPMorgan Chase	The Strong get Stronger	2.5
Pfizer	Corporate Restructuring	2.5
SES	Security of Supply	2.4
Novozymes	Disruption & Innovation	2.3
Citigroup	Corporate Restructuring	2.3
UBS	Corporate Restructuring	2.2

On the 1st October 2013, the benchmark of this fund was changed from the MSCI World to the MSCI All Countries World Index.

All data as at 31.03.14. Please remember that you should not base decisions on past performance and that the prices may fluctuate and you may not get back your original investment. The Fund's Synthetic Risk and Return Indicator is 5 (1 low to 7 high) and further details of the risks can be found in the Prospectus and Key Investor Information document available from www.sarasin.co.uk. Overseas shares and bonds may be affected by currency exchange rates. The yield quoted has been calculated using price information as at the date of publication. It is not guaranteed. To ensure accurate comparison with benchmarks and peer groups at month end, the performance in this factsheet is calculated using a close of business price rather than our midday dealing price.

#### **FUND MANAGER'S COMMENT**







Mark Whitehead
Deputy Fund Manager

The first quarter of 2014 was a particularly interesting one. Market weakness early in the period gave way to strength in March, bringing markets back to a positive level for the quarter. We outperformed in the earlier stages of the New Year, before underperforming in March. Strength was mainly seen in developed world markets, with some weakness evident in the emerging world where investor malaise arose amid unrest in a broad swathe of developing countries and some Chinese debt defaults (although authorities are unlikely to let this become persistent). Meanwhile in Europe, investors have been undeterred by low level inflation, which may lead to further stimulus.

Our Disruption and Innovation theme was the best performing theme over the period. In particular, robotic surgical system maker Intuitive Surgical has begun to recover from its weak performance last year, and AB Foods continues to benefit from Primark's expansion. Quantitative easing tapering in the US and rising rates make for a much better environment for the Strong get Stronger theme. Nissan, Valero and radiology equipment maker Varian Medical Systems were the better performers here. On the weaker side was Corporate Restructuring, still our largest theme. We continue to see under-recognised potential in Vodafone, which has been a little weak since the sale of Verizon Wireless, and have been adding to the stock since this event. Also in this theme, Citigroup's failure to pass a stress test led to weakness late in the quarter. Elsewhere, we sold toy maker Mattel from Franchise Power after particularly poor Q4 earnings, and we took the opportunity to increase our position in railway operator Kansas City Southern (Security of Supply) following disappointing regulatory newsflow.

We are hopeful that the global economy will gain speed over coming months, while overall monetary conditions (albeit a little tighter in the US) remain positive. We do, however, expect somewhat higher levels of volatility, and continuing dispersion between the markets of different countries, sectors and themes. We also anticipate that the cyclical performance which has worked so well in our Security of Supply theme in recent months to remain well supported, and we are looking to raise exposure further here.

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Investment Timeframe	Over 5 years
Available in the following jurisdictions	UK, Ireland, Jersey, Guernsey
EquiSar Strategy Assets	2.2billion (GBP)
Minimum Investment	£1,000 - lump sum
	£100 - regular savings
Annual Management Fee	1.50%
Ongoing Charges	
Ongoing Charges	1.73% (as at 31.12.2013)
Distributions	1.73% (as at 31.12.2013) Six monthly
Distributions	Six monthly
Distributions	Six monthly XD dates: 2 Jan, 1 Jul
Distributions (approx dates)	Six monthly XD dates: 2 Jan, 1 Jul Pay dates: 28 Feb, 31 Aug

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