



OVERVIEW

The CT UK Sustainable Equity Fund has twin objectives of investing in companies that deliver positive sustainable outcomes, while generating long-term financial returns above those of the FTSE All-Share index.

The fund is a core offering from our experienced UK equities team and is managed by specialist sustainable equity experts in close co-operation with our dedicated Responsible Investment team.

Since the strategy's launch in 2015, the investment philosophy has been to invest in companies with focused competitive advantages, strong sustainability credentials and robust corporate governance, all underpinned by the Columbia Threadneedle approach to active management: bottom-up research and deep engagement with companies.

Our philosophy - finding the 'sweet spot'



- > The Fund looks for businesses that derive revenue or growth from sustainable outcomes
- Companies with strong ESG credentials, or an openness to improve, are preferred
- > Complemented by a focus on long-term returns, with rigorous financial analysis undertaken for every holding
- Underpinned by the exclusion of practices misaligned with sustainable outcomes

A CLEAR SUSTAINABLE OBJECTIVE

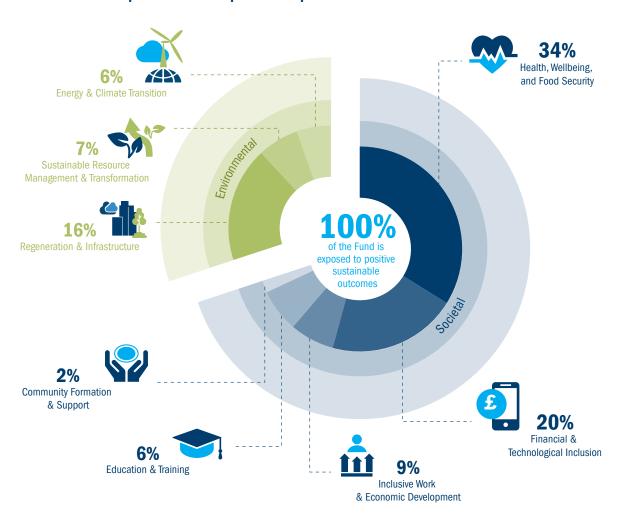
Using the UN Sustainable Development Goals as a guide, we focus on eight sustainable themes that we deem the most relevant to investments.

When assessing a company's exposure to our themes we identify both current revenue exposure as well as strategy and innovation supporting delivery of sustainable outcomes. Importantly, we do not just consider positive exposure, but net exposure (positive less negative) across all products and services as they relate to the themes.

As a minimum, all invested companies must be neutrally exposed or transitioning towards positive exposure to these themes (eg, a food and beverages company repositioning its portfolio towards healthier food).

As an all-cap fund we are well positioned to take advantage of the exposure to global markets that large cap companies offer, as well as the innovation and growth potential of small-to-medium cap companies.

100% of the portfolio is exposed to positive sustainable outcomes









































A DIFFERENTIATED QUALITY APPROACH

There is a significant investment opportunity in quality companies, which can help deliver solutions to the world's sustainability challenges. We focus on understanding the source and sustainability of

a company's competitive edge; this gives us the confidence that it can maintain its market position and continue to deliver high returns and stable growth over the long run.

Identifying sustainable competitive advantages

Identifying competitive advantages



Identifying risks to sustainability



SUSTAINABLE AND FINANCIAL METRICS

Financial returns

The CT UK Sustainable Equity Fund has generated solid investment returns over the long term, outperforming its FTSE All-Share benchmark over 3 and 5 years and since inception.*

Calendar year performance (%)

	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
Fund	12.9	0.2	22.3	-6.4	14.8	8.3
Benchmark	18.3	-9.8	20.5	-9.2	12.4	12.3
Relative	-4.6	+11.1	+1.5	+3.1	+2.1	-3.5

^{*} Source: Columbia Threadneedle Investments; data as at 31 March 2022 unless otherwise specified. Gross fund returns are shown versus the FTSE-All Share Index. Past performance is not a guide to future returns.

by the fund's

investments

Sustainable impact

The fund has greater exposure to companies with positive sustainable outcomes, better ESG risk management and a smaller carbon footprint than its benchmark.



4.9 million tonnes waste recycled or recovered

Key sustainable outcomes achieved



children vaccinated

21 million

Over **7** million tonnes of CO2 saved through energy-saving products



100+ developing countries provided with scientific resources





100% market share of cable protection services into European offshore wind

REASONS TO INVEST



Clear sustainable objective

100% invested in companies aligned with our sustainable themes and the UN SDGs.



Research intensity

combines fundamental, ESG and sustainability research from our highly regarded UK Equities and Responsible Investment analysts.



Differentiated quality approach

clear, consistent focus on companies with sustainable competitive advantages.



Proven track record in UK equity investing

the fund is a core offering from our UK Equities team that manages £20 billion in assets.

KFY FACTS

INVESTMENT TEAM

BENCHMARK

FUND INCEPTION DATE

NUMBER OF HOLDINGS

FUND SIZE

Sonal Sagar (Lead PM) James Thorne (Deputy PM) Michael Hamblett (Equities Analyst) FTSE All-Share

30 October 2015

40-60

£161 million (as at 31/3/2022)

KEY RISKS

Past performance is not a guide to future returns and the fund may not achieve its investment objective.

Your capital is at risk. The Fund has shown a medium to high level of volatility (how much the value of the Fund goes up and down). The value of investments can fall as well as rise and investors might not get back the sum originally invested. The Fund may invest in derivatives with the aim of reducing risk or minimising the cost of transactions. The Fund aims to invest in companies which deliver sustainable outcomes and in doing so adheres to a set of Sustainable Investment Guidelines. The Guidelines will affect the Fund's exposure to certain sectors, which may impact the performance of the Fund positively or negatively relative to

a benchmark or other funds without such restrictions. Such derivative transactions may benefit or negatively affect the performance of the Fund. The Manager does not intend that such use of derivatives will affect the overall risk profile of the Fund. The risks currently identified as applying to the Fund are set out in the "Risk Factors" section of the prospectus.

Please read the Key Investor Information Document and the Fund Prospectus if considering investing.

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