

## Key investor information

This document provides you with key investor information about this fund. It is not marketing material. The information is required by law to help you understand the nature and the risks of investing in this fund. You are advised to read it so you can make an informed decision about whether to invest.



# Global Sustainable Equity Fund

A sub-fund of Ninety One Funds Series iii  
managed by Ninety One Fund Managers UK Limited

Class R Accumulation shares in sterling  
ISIN: GB00B8FLY564

### Objectives and investment policy

The Fund aims to provide capital growth (to grow the value of the investment) and income over at least 5 years.

The Fund invests primarily (at least two-thirds but typically substantially more) in the shares of companies around the world which meet the Investment Manager's sustainability framework.

The Fund takes a positive inclusion approach which means that the Investment Manager focuses on investing in companies it believes to be leaders in their industry sectors and geographies in their approach to sustainability. These companies have policies, operations and/or business models that aim to minimise their harmful effects on society and the environment, or whose products and/or services seek to benefit society and the environment. The Investment Manager believes that the effects a company has on its wider stakeholders (e.g. society, the environment, its employees) will be increasingly recognised by the financial markets.

When researching individual companies, the Investment Manager focuses on an assessment of:

- i. whether the company exhibits the characteristics of a sustainability leader within its industry sector;
- ii. company net zero transition plans: the Investment Manager will increasingly look to invest in companies that have, or are striving to have, credible net zero transition plans (i.e. plans to reduce greenhouse gas emissions), such as those companies committing to science-based targets; and
- iii. company culture using a proprietary framework (believing this to be a source of persistence as a sustainability leader).

The Fund may at times invest in a relatively small number of companies. These companies may be of any size, in any industry sector, and in any region (including developed and emerging markets), provided that they satisfy the Investment Manager's sustainability framework. The Fund's exposure to emerging markets will not exceed 40%.

The Fund may also invest in other transferable securities, money market instruments, cash or near cash, deposits, up to 10% in units or shares in other funds (which may be managed by a Ninety One group company, or a third party) and derivatives. The Investment Manager's assessment of environmental and/or social characteristics is not applied to these investments.

More information on the Investment Manager's sustainability framework can be found in the Prospectus.

Derivatives (financial contracts whose value is linked to the price of an underlying asset) may be used for investment purposes (i.e. in order to achieve the Fund's investment objectives) or for efficient portfolio management purposes e.g. with the aim of either managing the Fund risks or reducing the costs of managing the Fund.

The Fund is actively managed. This means the Investment Manager is free to select investments with the aim of achieving the Fund's objectives.

The MSCI AC World Net Return Index is used for performance comparison and risk management. The Fund does not seek to replicate the index.

The IA Global Sector (a peer group of broadly similar funds) average is an additional measure by which you can compare the Fund's performance.

Any income due from your investment is reflected in the value of your shares rather than being paid out.

You can typically buy or sell shares in the Fund on any business day.

Recommendation: this Fund may not be appropriate for investors who plan to withdraw their money within 5 years.

### Risk and reward profile

Lower risk  
Potentially lower rewards

Higher risk  
Potentially higher rewards



This indicator is based on historical data and may not be a reliable indication of the future risk profile of the Fund. The risk and reward category shown is not guaranteed to remain unchanged and may shift over time. The lowest category does not mean 'risk free'.

The value of your investment and any income from it can fall as well as rise and you are not certain of making profits; losses may be made.

Environmental, social or governance related risk events or factors, if they occur, could cause a negative impact on the value of the investments made by the Fund.

The Fund appears towards the higher end of the Risk and Reward Indicator scale. This is because the Fund invests in the shares of companies, whose values tend to fluctuate widely.

#### Risks that may not be fully captured by the Risk and Reward Indicator:

**Concentrated portfolio:** The portfolio invests in a relatively small number of individual holdings. This may mean wider fluctuations in value than more broadly invested portfolios.

**Currency exchange:** Changes in the relative values of different currencies may adversely affect the value of investments and any related income.

**Derivatives:** The use of derivatives is not intended to increase the overall level of risk. However, the use of derivatives may still lead to large changes in value and includes the potential for large financial loss. A counterparty to a derivative transaction may fail to meet its obligations which may also lead to a financial loss.

**Emerging market (inc. China):** These markets carry a higher risk of financial loss than more developed markets as they may have less developed legal, political, economic or other systems.

**Equity investment:** The value of equities (e.g. shares) and equity-related investments may vary according to company profits and future prospects as well as more general market factors. In the event of a company default (e.g. insolvency), the owners of their equity rank last in terms of any financial payment from that company.

**Sustainable Strategies:** Sustainable, impact or other sustainability-focused portfolios consider specific factors related to their strategies in assessing and selecting investments. As a result, they will exclude certain industries and companies that do not meet their criteria. This may result in their portfolios being substantially different from broader benchmarks or investment universes, which could in turn result in relative investment performance deviating significantly from the performance of the broader market.

The full list of Fund risks are contained in the appendices of the Ninety One Funds Series omnibus prospectus.

## Charges

The charges you pay are used to pay the costs of running the Fund, including the costs of marketing and distributing it. These charges reduce the potential growth of your investment.

The entry charge shown is the most you might pay, in some cases you might pay less.

You can find out actual entry charges from your financial adviser.

The ongoing charges figure shown here is an estimate of the charges. The Fund's annual report for each financial year will include detail on the exact charges made. The figure excludes any performance fee and portfolio transaction costs, except in the case of an entry or exit charge paid by the Fund when buying or selling units in another fund. Ongoing charges may vary from year to year.

For more information about charges, please see section 7 of the Ninety One Funds Series omnibus prospectus.

### One-off charges taken before or after you invest

Entry charge	None
Exit charge	None

This is the maximum that might be taken out of your money before it is invested.

### Charges taken from the fund over a year

Ongoing charge	1.14%
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### Charges taken from the fund under certain specific conditions

Performance fee	None
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## Past Performance

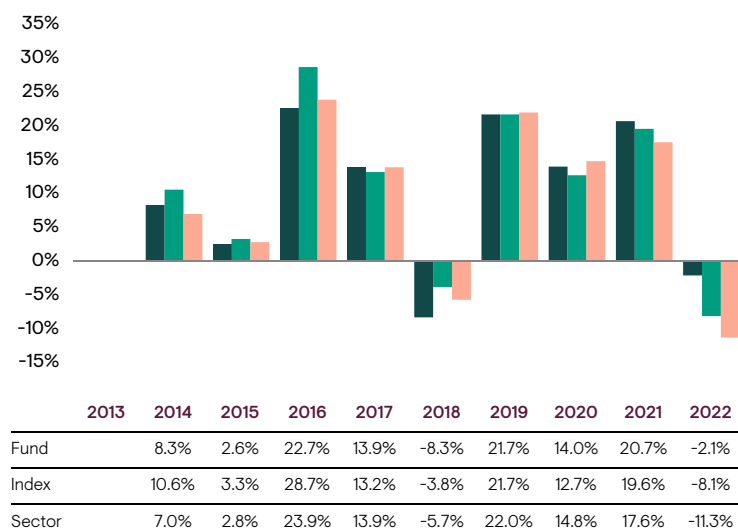
Past performance is not a guide to future performance. The value of your investment and income from it may go down as well as up and you may not get back the amount you invested.

The Fund does not track an index, any index shown is for illustrative purposes only.

The past performance shown in the chart takes account of all charges except the Fund's entry charge and the past performance is calculated in sterling.

The Fund was launched on 14 July 2000 and this share class on 2 January 2013.

- Class R Accumulation shares in sterling
- MSCI AC World Net Return (MSCI World Net Return pre 01/01/2011)
- IA Global



On 31 March 2022 the Fund changed its name from Global Equity to Global Sustainable Equity. There was also an investment objective and policy change to reflect the addition of sustainability considerations, meaning that performance shown prior to this date was achieved under different circumstances.

## Practical Information

The Fund's depositary is State Street Trustees Limited. The latest published prices for shares in the Fund are available on [www.ninetyone.com](http://www.ninetyone.com). Other share classes are available for this Fund as described in the Ninety One Funds Series omnibus prospectus. UK tax legislation may have an impact on your personal tax position.

The Fund is a sub-fund of Ninety One Funds Series iii. You may switch between other Ninety One Funds Series i, ii, iii or iv sub-funds or share classes of the same sub-fund at no extra charge (unless the other share class has a higher entry charge, in which case the difference may be payable).

Details on switching are contained in section 3 of the Ninety One Funds Series omnibus prospectus. The assets of the Fund are ring-fenced and cannot be used to pay the debts of other Ninety One sub-funds in the same Ninety One Fund Series.

Ninety One Fund Managers UK Limited may be held liable solely on the basis of any statement contained in this document that is misleading, inaccurate or inconsistent with the relevant parts of the Ninety One Funds Series omnibus prospectus.

The latest remuneration policy relating to Ninety One Fund Managers UK Limited is available free of charge on request from the address below or from: [www.ninetyone.com/remuneration](http://www.ninetyone.com/remuneration). English language copies of the Ninety One Funds Series omnibus prospectus and Ninety One Funds Series iii latest annual and semi-annual reports may be obtained free of charge from Ninety One Fund Managers UK Limited, 55 Gresham Street, London EC2V 7EL.

This Fund is authorised in the United Kingdom and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority.

This Key Investor Information Document is accurate as at 20 February 2023.