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# Vanguard SRI European Stock Fund

**EUR Acc** 

Inception date: 29 June 2010

Total assets (million) €500 | Share class assets (million) €345 as at 31 October 2023



Minimum initial investment	ISIN	SEDOL	Bloomberg	CUSIP	Valoren	Investment structure	Index ticker	Domicile	Settlement	Trading frequency (cut-off)
1,000,000	IE00B526YN16	B526YN1	VGSESIE	G9318S588	11478035	UCITS	TAWNT06E	Ireland	T+2	Daily (11:00 Irish Time)

### Ongoing Charges Figure<sup>+</sup>

\*The Ongoing Charges Figure (OCF) covers administration, gudit, depository, legal, registration and regulatory expenses incurred in respect of the Funds.

# **Objectives and investment policy**

- The Fund employs a passive management or indexing investment approach and seeks to provide long-term capital growth by seeking to achieve the performance of the FTSE Developed Europe Index (the "Index").
- The Index is comprised of large and mid-sized company stocks in developed markets in Europe.
- The Fund promotes environmental and social characteristics by excluding companies from its portfolio based on the impact of their conduct or products on society and / or the environment. This is met by not holding stocks of companies in the Index that do not meet specific "socially responsible" criteria.
- The Fund attempts to: 1. Match the risk factor exposures of the Index by investing in a representative sample of the securities that make up the Index, excluding any securities which do not meet socially responsible investing criteria. The criteria take into consideration environmental, social and ethical factors as determined by the Index provider and exclude stocks that violate United Nations Global Compact ("UNGC") principles and stocks of companies involved in making controversial weapons and tobacco products. 2. Remain fully invested except in extraordinary market, political or similar conditions.
- The SRI screening process, which excludes Index constituents that are or have engaged in activities that result in serious violations of the UNGC, is consistent with the characteristics promoted by the Fund.
- The SRI screening process may also apply other criteria as necessary in developing the "socially responsible" screens, including avoidance of owning companies that are involved in, or are determined (by the Index provider) to derive revenues from, the production of controversial weapons such as cluster munitions, land mines, biochemical and nuclear weapons and those involved in the manufacture and distribution of tobacco products.
- The SRI screening process is a pre-determined, rules-based methodology applied objectively by the Index provider to the Index, which results in a SRI exclusion list of companies that have failed the screening process. The SRI exclusion list is then provided to the Investment Manager. The Investment Manager removes stocks of companies included in the SRI exclusion list from the list of Index stocks eligible for investment by the Fund. In the event that the Fund holds stocks of a company which is added to the SRI exclusion list, the Investment Manager aims to sell the non-eligible stocks as soon as possible, taking into account the best interests of Shareholders.
- Company product and conduct involvement is monitored on a yearly basis by the Index provider and as new data is made available to the Index provider.

# **Investment manager**

Vanguard Global Advisers, LLC Europe Equity Index Team

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#### **Performance summary**

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

Annualised performance**	1 month	Quarter	Year to date	1 year	3 years	5 years	10 years	Since inception
Fund (Net of expenses)	-3.42%	-7.58%	5.19%	8.75%	11.40%	6.65%	5.69%	7.05%
Benchmark	-3.55%	-7.42%	5.01%	8.44%	11.22%	6.21%	5.64%	7.06%

<sup>\*\*</sup>The EUR Acc share class launched on 29 June 2010, therefore performance data is not available for periods prior to this date. In this document the performance displayed for the Fund(s) and therefore relative performance to the benchmark index may be impacted by swing pricing. The NAV of a Fund swings according to subscription/redemption activity so that transaction costs caused by these cashflows are not borne by the existing holders in a Fund. The benchmark index is not affected by swing pricing and therefore you may see tracking difference between the performance of the Fund and the benchmark.

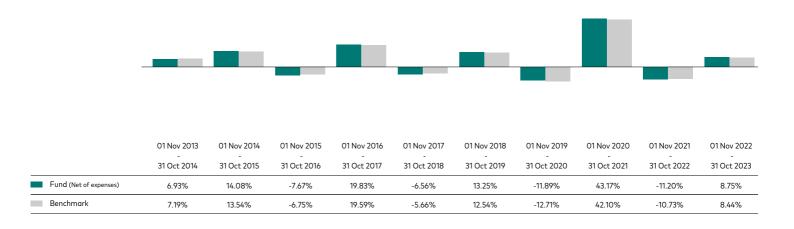
Performance and Data is calculated on closing NAV as at 31 October 2023.

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

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 is NAV to NAV. Basis of index performance is total return. All performance is calculated in EUR, net of fees.

Source: Vanguard; FTSE Developed Europe Index

# **Rolling 12-month performance**



# Key investment risks

The value of equities and equity-related securities can be affected by daily stock market movements. Other influential factors include political, economic news, company earnings and significant corporate events. Movements in currency exchange rates can adversely affect the return of your investment.

Liquidity risk. Lower liquidity means there are insufficient buyers or sellers to allow the Fund to sell or buy investments readily.

Counterparty risk. The insolvency of any institutions providing services such as safekeeping of assets or acting as counterparty to derivatives or other instruments, may expose the Fund to financial loss.

Index tracking risk. The Fund is not expected to track the performance of the Index at all times with perfect accuracy. The Fund is, however, expected to provide investment results that, before expenses, generally correspond to the price and yield performance of the Index.

Index sampling risk. As the Fund uses an index sampling technique whereby a representative sample of securities are selected to represent the Index, there is the risk that the securities selected for the Fund may not, in the aggregate, approximate the full Index.

Please also read the risk factors section in the prospectus and the Key Information Document, both of which are available on the Vanguard website.

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Data as at 31 October 2023 unless otherwise stated.

Characteristics	Fund	Benchmark
Number of stocks	533	540
Median market cap	€47.8B	€51.7B
Price/earnings ratio	11.6x	11.6x
Price/book ratio	1.8x	1.8x
Return on equity	12.7%	12.7%
Earnings growth rate	8.1%	8.0%
Turnover rate	-21%	_
Equity yield (dividend)	3.4%	3.5%

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 30 September 2023.

# **Top 10 holdings**

Novo Nordisk A/S	3.2%
Nestle SA	3.1
ASML Holding NV	2.5
Shell plc	2.4
Novartis AG	2.0
AstraZeneca plc	2.0
Roche Holding AG	2.0
LVMH Moet Hennessy Louis Vuitton SE	1.9
TotalEnergies SE	1.6
SAP SE	1.6

Top 10 approximately equals 22.3% of net assets

Data as at 31 October 2023.

#### Weighted exposure



Energy	7.0%
Basic Materials	5.3
Utilities	4.3
Telecommunications	2.7
Real Estate	1.0

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

# Volatility

	Fund
R-Squared	1.00
Beta	1.01

R-squared and beta are calculated from trailing 36-month fund returns relative to FTSE Developed Europe Index.

**Beta:** A comparison of a fund's share-price fluctuations to those of an index. The beta of an index is 1.00. The share price of a fund with a beta of 1.20 will rise or fall 12% when the index rises or falls 10%. For this report, beta is based on returns over the past 36 months. A fund's beta should be reviewed in conjunction with its R-squared. A lower R-squared means less correlation between the fund and the index, and the less reliable beta will indicate volatility.

**R-Squared:** A measure of how much of a fund's past returns can be explained by the returns from the market in general, as measured by a given index. If a fund's total returns were precisely synchronized with an index's returns, its R-squared would be 1.00. If the fund's returns bore no relationship to the index's returns, its R-squared would be 0.

# **Market allocation**



United Kingdom	24.0%
France	17.2
Switzerland	14.7
Germany	12.7
Netherlands	6.7

Denmark	4.9%
Italy	4.6
Sweden	4.6
Spain	4.2
Finland	1.8

Source: Vanguard

# **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 convenience.

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.

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 auarter's book value per share.

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 future periods.

**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).

**Equity yield characteristics** 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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#### Investment risk information

The value of investments, and the income from them, may fall or rise and investors may get back less than they invested.

Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future results.

Some funds invest in emerging markets which can be more volatile than more established markets. As a result the value of your investment may rise or fall.

Investments in smaller companies may be more volatile than investments in well-established blue chip companies.

The Funds may use derivatives in order to reduce risk or cost and/or generate extra income or growth. The use of derivatives could increase or reduce exposure to underlying assets and result in greater fluctuations of the Fund's net asset value. A derivative is a financial contract whose value is based on the value of a financial asset (such as a share, bond, or currency) or a market index.

Some funds invest in securities which are denominated in different currencies. Movements in currency exchange rates can affect the return of investments.

For further information on risks, please see the 'Risk Factors' section of the prospectus on our website at https://alobal.vanauard.com.

# Important information

For further information on the fund's investment policies and risks, please refer to the prospectus of the UCITS and to the KID before making any final investment decisions. The KID for this fund is available in local languages, alongside the prospectus via Vanguard's website https://global.vanguard.com/.

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