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# Fund Fact Sheet 31/01/2024

#### Asset Class

Global Equities, SRI

#### **Fund Characteristics**

AUM € 110,9 mn Launch date 06/03/1997 SRI since 01/01/2008 LU0093570173 Oldest share class (B) Turnover (2023)1 44% **EUR** Reference currency SICAV, UCITS Legal structure Domicile Luxemboura European passport Yes AT, BE, CH, DE, DK, ES,

Countries of registration AT, BE, CH, DE, DK, ES, FI, FR, GB, IT, LU, NL, NO, SE, SG, PT

### **Fund Manager**

Annick Drui joined the SRI team of BLI - Banque de Luxembourg Investments in March 2020. She holds an MSc in Finance from HEC Lausanne with a specialisation in asset and risk management. In June 2020, Annick obtained the ESG Analyst certification, CESGA issued by EFFAS. Since January 2022, Annick has been lead manager of the SRI fund BL Sustainable Horizon.

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### **Dealing & Administrator Details**

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> min (purchases, sales) / average of net assets

### Investment objective

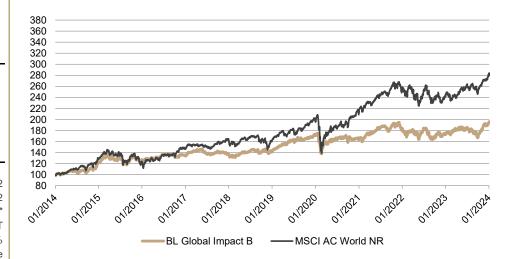
The fund's objective is to generate long-term capital gains by investing in high-quality companies listed on equity markets anywhere in the world that have a solid sustainable competitive advantage. In addition to financial criteria, the selection process integrates environmental (E), social (S) and governance (G) factors. The investment strategy combines several sustainable dimensions (exclusion of controversial activities, quantitative screening and a thematic segment geared to the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)). The fund aims to generate higher risk-adjusted returns than its benchmark universe over a full market cycle. A minimum of 75% of the fund's assets will be invested in sustainable assets.

Targets have been set in terms of the portfolio's environmental, social and governance performance and are regularly monitored.

The fund manager implements an active, long-term strategy based on solid convictions.

### Highlights

- An active, conviction-based and purely bottom-up approach, oriented towards the long term;
- A selection of quality companies that have a sustainable competitive advantage and a solid ESG profile;
- A multi-faceted ESG approach: exclusion criteria, quantitative ESG screening and a thematic pocket based on the SDGs;
- Defined and quantifiable impact indicators on environmental, social, governance and human rights aspects;
- Non-benchmarked management resulting in significant deviations from the initial investment universe;
- Low turnover.



Performance	YTD	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
Fund (B shares)	0,6%	14,2%	-13,2%	17,6%	-1,4%	19,6%
MSCI AC World NR	2,3%	18,1%	-13,0%	27,5%	6,7%	28,9%
Performance	3 months	6 months	1 year	3 years	5 years	since 01/01/2008
Fund (B shares)	14,9%	4,5%	11,8%	19,1%	36,1%	131,7%
MSCI AC World NR	12,0%	5,6%	14,7%	33,6%	71,4%	236,3%
Volatility	3 months	6 months	1 year	3 years	5 years	since 01/01/2008
Fund (B shares)	9,2%	11,7%	9,6%	11,0%	11,7%	10,9%
MSCI AC World NR	7,8%	9,6%	10,0%	13,2%	16,2%	16,1%

The index (MSCI World) is shown in the performance chart as well as in the performance tables above for performance measurement purposes only and it should under no circumstances be considered as an indication of a specific investment style or strategy.

Investors are also invited to consult the performance chart disclosed in the key investor document of the subfund.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Luxembourg banking business day

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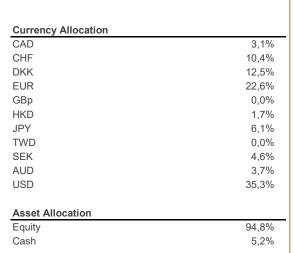
Current Portfolio 31/01/2024

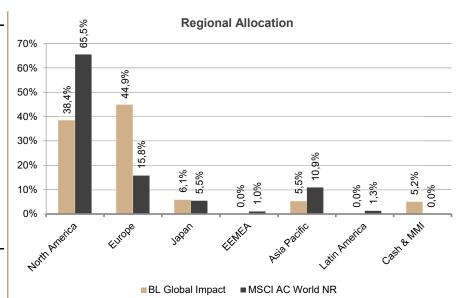
Top Holdings Equity Portfolio	
Novo Nordisk	5,2%
Schneider Electric	4,5%
Novozymes	4,4%
ANSYS	4,4%
Air Liquide	4,3%
Advanced Drainage Systems	3,8%
Waters	3,8%
CSL	3,7%
Sonova Holding	3,5%
Wolters Kluwer	3,5%
Cash	5,2%
Weight of Top 10	41,1%
Number of holdings	33

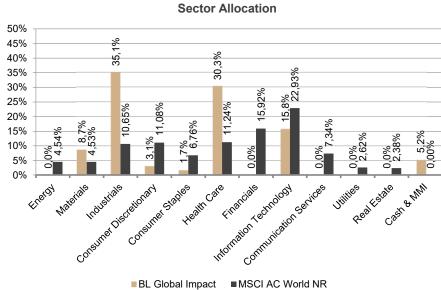
New Investments in January no transactions

Investments sold in January

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Investor Type	Clean Share	Eligibility Restrictions	Share Class	Currency	Income	Mgmt Fees	On-going Charges	SRI	ISIN	Bloomberg Ticker
Retail	No	No	Α	EUR	Dis	1,25%	1,59%	4	LU0439764860	BLEQHAD LX
Retail	No	No	В	EUR	Cap	1,25%	1,54%	4	LU0093570173	BLE4723 LX
Retail	Yes	Yes	AM	EUR	Dis	0,85%	1,19%	4	LU1484140840	BLEQHAM LX
Retail	Yes	Yes	BM	EUR	Cap	0,85%	1,17%	4	LU1484140923	BLEQHBM LX
Institutional	No	Yes	BI	EUR	Cap	0,60%	0,85%	4	LU0495657552	BLEQHBI LX

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## **ESG**

	BL Global Impact	MSCI ACWI		
Rating	AA	А		
Environmental	6,4	6,0		
Carbon Emissions Intensity Scope 1+2 (t/USDmn sales)	89,2 (98%)	121,3 (100%)		
# Holdings Aligned with Paris Agreement <sup>1</sup>	18 of 33	,		
Social	6,1	5,1		
Severe Human Resources Controversies	<b>0,0%</b> (96%)	<b>19,6%</b> (100%)		
Governance	6,6	5,7		
Percent of Independent Board Members	<b>81,8%</b> (98%)	<b>78,7%</b> (100%)		
Percent of Female Board Members	<b>37%</b> (98%)	<b>33%</b> (100%)		
Global Norms				
UN Global Compact Signatories	23 of 33			

0,0%

(98%)

0,0%

Rating AAA-CCC (best to worst) (%): data coverage of the fund and universe respectively

Source: Science based targets (SBT) database

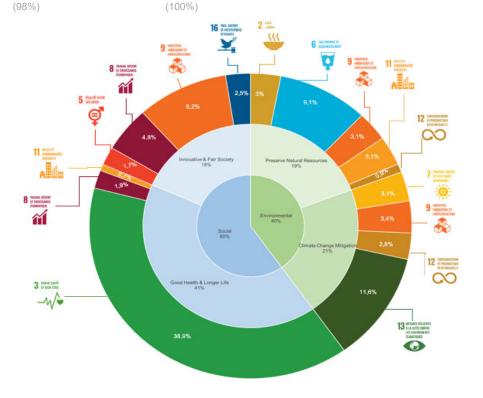
# **Impact Report**

UN Global Compact Fail

**UN Global Compact Watchlist** 

73,6% of revenues generated by companies

in the portfolio are aligned with the SDGs



15,4%

0,5%

The graph represents the split between individual sustainability themes and respective SDGs. It is based on the weighted average revenue alignment across all SDGs – taking into account the primary SDG; secondary impacts on other SDGs are possible. Data as of end of January

# Management Report

In January, the MSCI All Country World Index Net Total Return expressed in euros added 2.3% while BL Global Impact (B share) gained 0.6%. We did not conduct any major fund management operations during the month. In terms of the fund's positions, eurozone industrial small and mid caps saw their performance deteriorate this month, notably Belimo, Sweco and Nibe. Presenting its results, Belimo announced a slowdown in sales growth momentum despite positive trends such as energy efficiency and retrofitting.

On the other hand, a number of technology stocks, such as the Japanese company Advantest and SAP, have seen their share prices rise considerably, buoyed by the development of AI and the cloud respectively. The market is still awaiting news following the announcement that Synopsys is to acquire Ansys, a portfolio stock whose share price rose sharply on the back of this news. The merger of Novozymes and Chr. Hansen (both held in the portfolio) was completed at the end of the month to form an absolute powerhouse, Novonesis, in the manufacture of enzymes, food ingredients and other biosolutions.

At the end of the month, the invested portion of the fund had a weighted average of revenues aligned to the SDGs of 73.6%. The majority of companies contribute to social goals, especially good health and well-being (SDG 3) and innovation (SDG 9). In terms of environmental objectives, the fund's exposure includes the theme of protection of natural resources, and it is significantly exposed to the issue of efficient and safe buildings and infrastructure (SDG 7, SDG 11, SDG 13, SDG 16).

 <sup>\*</sup> Scores /10

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The Paris Agreement's long-term temperature goal is to keep the increase in global average temperature to well below 2 °C above pre- industrial levels; and to pursue efforts to limit the increase to 1.5 °C.

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## **Investment Method**

BL Sustainable Horizon is managed using a bottom-up, conviction-based, long-term strategy aimed at investing in high-quality companies with a strong and tangible competitive advantage, solid growth prospects, an above-market-average ESG profile, and attractive valuations.

The fund's management approach integrates extra-financial analysis (ESG) and financial analysis across a multi-dimensional investment process.

#### Extra-financial dimension:

#### 1. Exclusions:

Companies involved in the production of controversial weapons and companies generating more than 5% of their revenues in highly controversial activities (tobacco, GMOs, weapons, alcohol, nuclear and fossil fuels, and gambling) are excluded from the portfolio.

#### 2. Quantitative extra-financial analysis:

Quantitative E/S/G screening (MSCI ratings): only companies whose average rating is greater than or equal to 5 out of 10 and have no individual rating below 4 out of 10 are selected as eligible for investment.

### 3. Qualitative extra-financial analysis - themed segment:

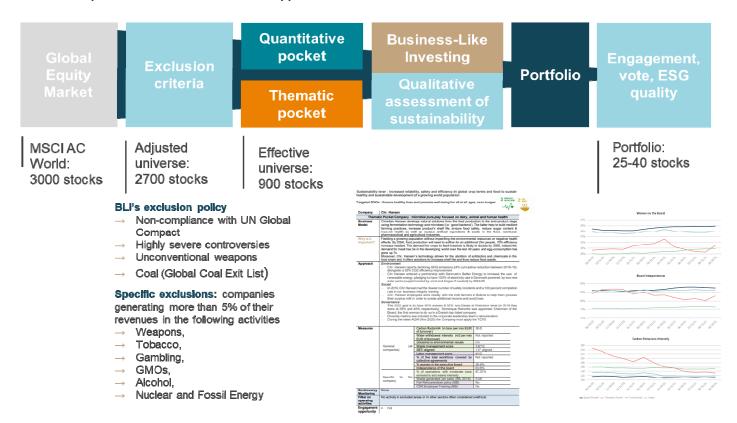
Selection of companies whose products or services contribute to reducing social and environmental imbalances. The UN's Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) represent the core principle of this themed approach.

### Financial dimension - Business-Like Investing:

Companies considered for inclusion in the portfolio must meet the following criteria:

- 1. The company's business model must be based on a strong and sustainable competitive advantage.
- 2. There is strong visibility on the company's capacity to generate free cash flow.
- 3. Capital is allocated in the best interest of shareholders and other stakeholders.
- 4. The valuation must not be excessive in relation to the company's estimated intrinsic value.

### Schematic representation of the investment approach



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