

COMGEST GROWTH EUROPE SMALLER COMPANIES EUR ACC - IE0004766014

NAV per share: €33.27

30 September 2023

KEY DIFFERENTIATORS

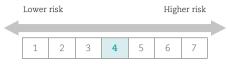
- Quality comes first, we seek growth that can endure
- Team-based approach, rather than starmanager fund, which we believe leads to greater consistency
- ESG integrated into the investment process leveraging proprietary ESG research
- Culture matters. Comgest's broad partnership structure incentivises long-term thinking, an ESG mindset, teamwork and low employee turnover

INVESTMENT TEAM



Eva Fornadi, Denis Callioni Team may include advisors from affiliates within the Comgest Group.

RISK PROFILE



The indicator represents the risk profile presented in the PRIIPs Key Information Document. The indicator assumes you keep the product for 5 years otherwise the actual risk can vary significantly. UK investors should refer to the UCITS KIID which is available on the fund pages at www.compest.com.

INVESTMENT POLICY

The objective of the Sub-Fund ("the Fund") is to increase the value of the Fund (capital appreciation) over the long term. The Fund intends to achieve this objective primarily through investment in a portfolio of high-quality, long-term growth mid and small-cap companies headquartered or carrying out their predominant activities in European Union member states or in the UK.

The Fund is actively managed. The index is provided for comparative purposes only.

The Fund is aimed at investors with a long-term investment horizon (typically 5 years or more).

CUMULATIVE PAST PERFORMANCE (REBASED TO 100)



ROLLING PERFORMANCE (%)

| | | | | Annualised | | | | |
|------------------|---------|-------|-----|------------|---------|---------|----------|-----------------|
| | 1 Month | QTD | YTD | 1 Year | 3 Years | 5 Years | 10 Years | Since Incep. |
| Fund | -5.8 | -10.2 | 1.6 | 10.6 | -7.5 | -0.3 | 7.4 | 5.3 |
| Index | -2.9 | -1.5 | 5.7 | 17.2 | 5.7 | 3.5 | 6.5 | 4.2 |
| Fund Volatility | | | | 18.7 | 20.2 | 21.4 | 17.9 | 16.4 |
| Index Volatility | | | | 16.1 | 16.6 | 20.0 | 17.3 | 18.7 |

CALENDAR YEAR PAST PERFORMANCE (%)

| | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 |
|-------|------|------|------|------|------|-------|------|------|------|-------|
| Fund | 23.5 | 7.4 | 31.0 | -4.3 | 26.5 | -5.9 | 38.3 | 19.8 | 19.3 | -38.1 |
| Index | 24.2 | 8.8 | 15.1 | 0.8 | 14.4 | -13.2 | 30.0 | 4.2 | 21.6 | -19.3 |

ANNUAL PERFORMANCE (%) AS AT QUARTER END

| | | | | | | | | | | 3Q22 -3Q23 |
|-------|------|------|-----|------|------|-----|------|------|-------|---------------|
| Fund | 2.6 | 26.9 | 8.3 | 15.4 | 27.2 | 1.7 | 22.4 | 20.0 | -40.3 | 10.6 |
| Index | 10.7 | 12.4 | 3 9 | 17 1 | 3.8 | 17 | -O 8 | 30.4 | -22 R | 17 2 |

Performance data expressed in EUR. Returns may increase or decrease as a result of exchange rate fluctuations. Index: MSCI Europe Mid Cap - Net Return. The index is used for comparative purposes only and the Fund does not seek to replicate the index.

Past performance does not predict future returns.

Performance figures are calculated net of investment management fees, administrative fees and all other fees with the exception of sales charges. If taken into account, sales charges would have a negative impact on performance.

The cumulative graph and "Since Inception" data may refer to the last relaunch date of the share class which may differ from its actual inception date. Calendar year past performance is only shown for years for which a full calendar year of past performance is available.

RATINGS (AS AT 31/08/2023)



Morningstar Category: EAA Fund Europe Mid-Cap Equity (Number of funds in Category: 356)

SFDR CLASSIFICATION: Article 8

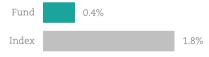
The Fund promotes environmental and/or social characteristics.

CARBON FOOTPRINT¹



Source: MSCI as at 30/06/2023, tCO₂e per EUR m invested.

ENVIRONMENTAL FOOTPRINT¹



Source: Trucost as at 30/06/2023, estimation of the environmental costs per EUR m invested.

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FUND COMMENTARY

After rallying in the early part of the year, the MSCI Europe Mid Cap index started retreating at the beginning of August. Core inflation is easing, but not as fast as some had hoped leading the European Central Bank (ECB) to continue tightening. The European Deposit Rate has been raised six times this year and now sits at 4%, with President Lagarde hoping no further increases will be necessary. Growth in the meantime is slowing with the ECB now expecting GDP to increase a mere 0.7% in the eurozone this year, and barely more next year. China appears to be slowing too, as witnessed by numerous consumer companies in recent months. Consensus expectations are coming down accordingly, with market earnings now forecast to hardly grow this year. Your portfolio meanwhile continues to enjoy above-average growth. From a performance standpoint, the portfolio fell in the quarter as the above-mentioned macro factors prompted a significant style rotation from growth to value.

In aggregate, the portfolio companies have delivered positive double-digit organic growth so far in 2023 despite the difficult environment.

Scout 24 delivered a solid set of first half results in which both sales and earnings rose strongly. The increase in profitability was driven by a favourable product mix and tight cost control. In light of these strong results, the company upgraded its EBITDA growth expectation for 2023 to 18-19% versus 13% previously, of which 1% is attributable to the Sprengnetter acquisition, with the remaining lift reflecting efficiency measures and positive product mix in H2.

Kingspan performed well, as it reported better-than-expected first half results and gave an encouraging outlook for the second half. While construction markets are under pressure globally, Kingspan continues to benefit from structural investments in areas such as data centres and electric vehicle (EV) battery factories. Bechtle's shares rose sharply on the back of better-than-expected profits in Q2 and encouraging commentary of improving order intake. The company reiterated its FY'23 outlook of 5-10% sales growth and stable margins. SOL also reported better-than-expected H1'23 results, with organic sales growth of the group reaching +7.8% and net profits up by +23%.

Among the detractors this quarter was Amplifon. In July the company released solid H1'23 results, with organic growth at +7%, market share gains and positive commentary around its July trading. However, the shares subsequently declined on the news of Italian competition authorities looking into the Italian hearing aid market.

MIPS reported its Q2 figures which showed another quarter of bike-helmet destocking weighing on growth. Reseller inventory levels are coming down and the company expects that the inventory situation will be fully normalised in Q3'23. The company reiterated its long-term growth and margin expectations despite the challenges this year, reaching SEK 2bn sales organically and higher than 50% EBIT margin by 2027.

Wizz Air's share price was weak this quarter despite obtaining better-than-expected net profit in Q1. The company had to lower its H2 capacity expectations by 10% due to the Pratt & Whitney engine issues and the uncertainty about the phasing of supplementary maintenance and quality control inspections for some of the engines in its newer planes.

Alfen remained weak due to client inventory digestion impacting sales and profits this year after the extraordinary growth achieved last year in EV charging stations. The company however reiterated the medium-term outlook provided at its Capital Markets Day in May of EUR 1bn sales (+23% per annum growth between 2022-26), and adjusted EBITDA margin of 15-20%. The guidance should reassure on the long-term growth trajectory and the company's profitability.

During the quarter we took profits in Jeronimo Martins and Moncler. Netcompany was also reduced. We added to CTS Eventim, Carl Zeiss Meditec, Genus and Halma on share price weakness. We also continued to build our position in SOL. We sold Abcam and SimCorp and significantly reduced our position in Dechra as these companies have received takeover offers or interest from Danaher Deutsche Börse and EQT, respectively.

Inflation and interest rate expectations continue to dominate markets, while growth forecasts in Europe are once again being downgraded. As such, the Inflation and interest rate expectations continue to dominate markets, while growth forecasts in Europe are once again being downgraded. As such, the current environment remains relatively challenging for companies to navigate, with some continuing to face post-Covid destocking. Moreover, some of the ambitious high-growth companies which continue to invest in future growth in a weaker environment are seeing operating margins temporarily decline this year for the above reasons, we expect these names to continue to deliver attractive and profitable long-term growth. For this reason, we have added to a selection of the portfolio's weak performers YTD as we expect that the normalisation of their growth and margins will lead to attractive growth next year and over the longer term.

We believe that the portfolio will deliver double-digit earnings growth over the next twelve months, while trading now at very attractive valuations, after the strong correction during the style rotation in Q3.

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RISKS

This Fund has the following core inherent risks (non-exhaustive list):

- Investing involves risk including possible loss of principal.

 The value of all investments and the income derived therefrom can decrease as well as increase.
- There is no assurance that the investment objective of the Fund will be achieved.

 To the extent that the Fund is invested in or denominated in a currency other than yours, the cost and return in your currency may increase or decrease due to exchange rate fluctuations.
- A more detailed description of the risk factors that apply to the Fund is set out in the Prospectus.

Please see important information on following pages.

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PORTFOLIO CHARACTERISTICS

| Total Net Assets (all classes, m) | €490.5 |
|--|--------|
| , , | |
| Number of holdings | 36 |
| Average weighted market cap (bn) | €6.7 |
| Weight of top 10 stocks | 41.3% |
| Active share | 93.4% |
| Holdings exclude cash and cash equivalents | |

SECTOR BREAKDOWN (%)

| | Fund | Index |
|--|------|-------|
| Health Care | 25.2 | 5.7 |
| Information Technology | 18.7 | 4.7 |
| Industrials | 15.3 | 24.3 |
| Consumer Staples | 11.7 | 5.2 |
| Consumer Discretionary | 10.2 | 11.9 |
| Communication Services | 9.1 | 6.5 |
| Financials | 5.2 | 18.3 |
| [Cash] | 3.1 | |
| Materials | 1.5 | 12.8 |
| Utilities | | 4.1 |
| Real Estate | | 3.7 |
| Energy | | 2.8 |
| Source: Comgest / GICS sector classification | | |

CURRENCY BREAKDOWN (%)

| | Fund | Index |
|-----|------|-------|
| EUR | 55.9 | 52.5 |
| GBP | 20.7 | 23.8 |
| CHF | 9.7 | 9.4 |
| SEK | 4.4 | 7.5 |
| NOK | 3.7 | 2.7 |

TOP 5 HOLDINGS (%)

| | Fund |
|---|-------------------|
| Edenred | 5.2 |
| Davide Campari-Milano | 5.1 |
| Moncler | 4.7 |
| Nemetschek | 4.5 |
| Scout24 | 4.2 |
| Above holdings are provided for information only, are subject to charge | nge and are not a |

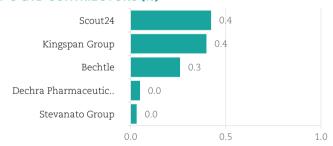
TOP 10 COUNTRY WEIGHTS (%)

| | Fund | Index |
|---|------|-------|
| United Kingdom | 20.7 | 23.8 |
| Germany | 18.3 | 12.0 |
| Italy | 16.6 | 6.6 |
| France | 9.7 | 13.0 |
| Switzerland | 9.7 | 9.4 |
| Ireland | 5.6 | 2.4 |
| Sweden | 4.4 | 7.5 |
| Norway | 3.7 | 2.7 |
| Denmark | 3.2 | 3.4 |
| [Cash] | 3.1 | |
| Portugal | 2.9 | 0.9 |
| Source: Comgest / MSCI country classification | | |

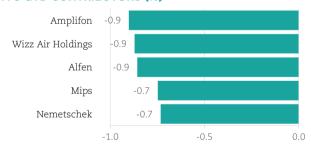
CURRENCY BREAKDOWN (%) - CONT.

| | Fund | Index |
|---|------|-------|
| DKK | 3.2 | 3.4 |
| USD | 2.5 | 0.7 |
| Breakdown based on currencies in which holdings are price | d. | |

TOP 5 QTD CONTRIBUTORS (%)



BOTTOM 5 QTD CONTRIBUTORS (%)





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RESPONSIBLE INVESTMENT APPROACH

We believe a responsible approach to environmental, social and governance issues has a positive impact on a company's long-term sustainable growth. ESG is part of our fundamental analysis and we have developed and implemented a three-pronged responsible investment strategy: Integrate / Engage / Promote.

MAIN EXCLUSIONS*

Coal Exit Policy: Coal-exposed electricity producers & thermal coal mines

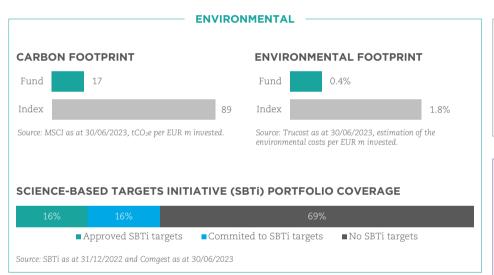
Tobacco: Producers & distributors

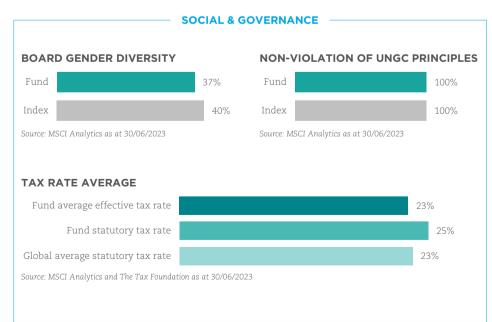
Weapons: Conventional & controversial

UN Global Compact: Severe violations without prospect for improvement **Controversial Jurisdictions:** High-risk jurisdictions & sanctions regime



* Further information on the exclusion policies and applicable revenue thresholds may be found in the Prospectus and the Investment Manager's Responsible Investment Policy on the Comgest website at www.comgest.com/en/our-business/esg





ALIGNMENT WITH SUSTAINABILITY PREFERENCES

Sustainable investments (SFDR):

- Fund exposure: 36.3% of the NAV
- Minimum commitment: 10.0% of the NAV Consideration of Principal Adverse Impact Indicators: Yes

Source: Comgest as at 30/09/2023



Please see methodologies and glossary on following pages. The information above is based on available data and data may not be available for all portfolio holdings.



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FUND DETAILS

ISIN: IE0004766014 Bloomberg: COMGMCA ID Domicile: Ireland

Dividend Policy: Accumulation Fund Base Currency: EUR Share Class Currency: EUR **Inception Date: 17/05/2000**

Index (used for comparative purposes only): MSCI Europe Mid Cap - Net Return Ongoing Charges: 1.55% p.a of the NAV Investment Manager's Fees (part of ongoing

charges): 1.50% p.a of the NAV Maximum Sales Charge: 4.00%

Exit Charge: None

Minimum Initial Investment: EUR 50

Minimum Holding: None

Contact for Subscriptions and Redemptions:

CACEIS Investor Services Ireland Limited Dublin_TA_Customer_Support@caceis.com Tel: +353 1 440 6555 / Fax: +353 1 613 0401

Dealing Frequency: Any business day (D) when banks in Dublin are open for business

Cut Off: 12:00 pm Irish time on day D An earlier deadline for receipt of application or redemption requests may apply if your request is sent through a third party. Please enquire with your local representative, distributor or other

NAV: Calculated using closing prices of D

NAV Known: D+1 Settlement: D+3

third party

Legal Structure: Comgest Growth Europe Smaller Companies, a sub-fund of Comgest Growth plc (an open-ended investment company with variable capital authorised by the Central Bank of Ireland), is an Undertaking for Collective Investment in Transferable Securities (UCITS)

Management Company: None as Comgest Growth plc is self-managed

Investment Manager: Comgest Asset Management International Limited (CAMIL) Regulated by the Central Bank of Ireland and registered as an investment adviser with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission SEC registration does not imply a certain level of skill or training

Sub-Investment Manager: Comgest S.A. (CSA) Regulated by the Autorité des Marchés Financiers - GP 90023

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- Comgest Growth plc is 1294. Switzerland: BNP Paribas, Paris, Zurich Branch, Selnaustrasse 16, 8002 Zürich.

Further information or reporting may be available from the Investment Manager upon request.

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Carbon Footprint: estimates the apportioned Scope 1 and 2 greenhouse gases emissions of the portfolio holdings.

Environmental Footprint: estimates the apportioned ratio of annual costs linked to greenhouse gases, water abstraction, waste generation, air, land & water pollutants, and natural resource use associated with the portfolio holdings per EUR m invested

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Science Based Targets Initiative Portfolio Coverage: calculates the % of the Fund's AUM invested in companies with SBTi approved targets or which have committed to set

Board Gender Diversity: this indicator represents the weighted average ratio of female board members to total board members in investee companies, expressed as a percentage of all board members

Non-Violation of UNGC Principles: this indicator represents the percentage of investee companies that have not been involved in violations of the United Nations Global Compact (UNGC) principles

Effective Tax Rate: an indicator of corporate responsibility and impact. Using MSCI data, Comgest calculates the average effective tax rate and average statutory tax rate

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For more detailed information on ESG integration please consult our website: www.comgest.com/en/our-business/esg



Glossary

Active Share: The percentage of fund holdings that is different from the reference index holdings. A fund that has no holdings in common with the reference index will have an active share of 100%, and a fund that has exactly the same holdings as the reference index considered will have an active share of 0%.

ADR - American Depositary Receipt: A negotiable security that represents securities of a foreign company and allows that company's shares to trade in the financial markets of the United States.

Annualised: A figure converted into an annual rate. Figures covering a period of more than one year are averaged to present a figure for a 12-month period

Bp(s) - Basis point(s): One basis point is equal to one hundredth of 1% (i.e. 0.01%).

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BV - Book Value: The value of the company assets minus its liabilities.

CAGR - Compound Annual Growth Rate: The rate of return that would be required for an investment to grow from its beginning balance to its ending balance, assuming the profits were reinvested at the end of each year of the investment's lifespan.

CapEx - Capital Expenditure: The money invested by a company to acquire or upgrade fixed, physical, non-consumable assets such as property, plants, buildings, technology, or equipment.

Cash Flow: The net amount of cash and cash equivalents being transferred in and out of a company. Cash received signifies inflows, and cash spent signifies outflows.

CPI - Consumer Price Index: An index that measures the overall change in consumer prices based on a representative basket of goods and services over time. It is the metric often used to measure inflation.

DY - Dividend Yield: A ratio that shows how much a company pays out in dividends each year relative to its share price.

EBITDA - Earnings Before Interest, Taxes, Depreciation and Amortisation: Used to measure a company's core profitability and is calculated by adding interest, tax, depreciation and amortisation expenses to net income.

EBIT - Earnings Before Interest and Taxes: Used to measure a company's core profitability and is calculated by adding interest and tax expenses to net income.

EPS - Earnings Per Share: The profits of a company attributed to each share, calculated by dividing profits after tax by the number of shares. EPS serves as an indicator of a company's profitability.

FCF - Free Cash Flow: The cash generated by a company from its normal business operations after subtracting any money spent on capital expenditures.

GDP - **Gross Domestic Product:** The total market value of all the finished goods and services produced within in a country's border in a specific time period.

GDR - Global Depositary Receipt: A certificate issued by a bank that represents shares in a foreign stock on two or more global markets. A GDR is similar to an American depositary receipt (ADR), except an ADR only lists shares of a foreign country in the markets of the United States.

LTM - Last 12 Months: LTM multiples are backward-looking and are based on historical performance.

Market Cap(italisation): A measure of a company's size, calculated by multiplying the total number of shares in issue by the current share price. Companies are commonly grouped according to size, such as small cap, mid cap, large cap or all cap. There is no consensus on the definition of these groupings and they may vary from portfolio to portfolio depending on the country of investment.

NAV - Net Asset Value: The current market value of the portfolio's assets minus the portfolio's liabilities.

NTM - Next 12 Months: NTM multiples are forward-looking and are based on projected performance.

Ongoing Charges: A fund's operational costs over a year. Ongoing Charges are calculated as a percentage of the average fund size over the year and include, for example, investment manager's fees, administration fees and custody costs.

Operating Margin: Measures how much profit a company makes on a dollar (or relevant currency) of sales after paying for variable costs of production, such as wages and raw materials, but before paying interest or tax.

Operating Profit: A company's gross income less operating expenses and other business-related expenses, such as wages, cost of goods sold (COGS) and depreciation.

Organic Growth: Growth a company achieves by increasing output and enhancing sales through the business' own operations and internal processes. This does not include profits or growth attributable to mergers, acquisitions, divestitures and foreign exchange but rather an increase in sales and expansion through the company's own resources.

Organic Sales: Sales generated from within a company that are a direct result of the company's existing operations and internal processes. Organic sales do not include the impacts of mergers, acquisitions, divestitures and foreign exchange.

P/B or P/BV - Price-to-Book Value Ratio: Measures the market's valuation of a company relative to its book value. P/B or P/BV is calculated by dividing the company's stock price per share by its book value per share.

P/E - Price-to-Earnings Ratio: A ratio used to value a company's shares. It is calculated by dividing the current market price by the earnings per share.

P/S - Price-to-Sales Ratio: A valuation ratio that compares a company's stock price to its revenues. It is an indicator of the value that financial markets have placed on each dollar of a company's sales or revenues.

PEG - Price/Earnings-To-Growth Ratio: A stock's price-to-earnings (P/E) ratio divided by the growth rate of its earnings for a specified time period. The PEG ratio is used to determine a stock's value while also factoring in the company's expected earnings growth.

PMI - Purchasing Managers' Index: An index of the prevailing direction of economic trends in the manufacturing and service sectors.

Reference Index: Index against which a fund's performance is compared.

ROE - Return On Equity: Measures financial performance and is calculated by dividing net income by shareholders' equity. ROE is a gauge of a company's profitability and how efficiently it generates those profits.

ROIC - Return On Invested Capital: Calculation

ROIC - Return On Invested Capital: Calculation used to assess a company's efficiency at allocating the capital under its control to profitable investments.

SME - Small- Or Medium-Sized Enterprise: A company, or companies considered as a group, that are neither very small nor very large and which employ fewer than a given number of employees. This number varies across countries.

Volatility: Measures the movements of an asset up and down over time. Volatility is generally considered to be a measure of risk.

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ESG Glossary

Engagement: Proactive, targeted dialogue with companies or other industry stakeholders (e.g. policymakers, industry bodies) in order to make known areas of concern and to incite tangible, positive change to improve outcomes for stakeholders.

Environmental Factors: Issues related to pollution, climate change, energy efficiency, natural resource use, waste management, biodiversity and other environmental challenges and opportunities.

ESG - Environmental, Social and Governance: The three key factors when measuring the sustainability and ethical impact of an investment in a business or company.

GHG - Greenhouse Gases: Gases that trap heat in the atmosphere and warm the planet. The best known greenhouse gases are carbon dioxide, methane, nitrous oxide and fluorinated gases.

Governance Factors: Governance refers to a set of rules or principles defining rights, responsibilities and expectations between different stakeholders in the governance of corporations. Governance factors include a company's leadership, executive pay, audits, internal controls and shareholder rights.

Net Zero: Achieving a balance between emitting carbon and absorbing carbon from the atmosphere. This balance, or net zero, will be achieved when the amount of carbon added to the atmosphere is no more than the amount removed

atmosphere is no more than the amount removed PAI - Principal Adverse Impact: A list of sustainability factors that firms need to take into account for their investment policies and decisions. These indicators relate to environmental and social topics.

Proxy Voting: A form of voting whereby a shareholder delegates their vote to another who votes on their behalf at company meetings. This allows the shareholder to exercise their right to vote without being physically present.

RI - Responsible Investment: The integration of environmental, social and governance factors (ESG) into the selection and management of investments.

Scope 1 Emissions: Emissions directly generated by a company, such as an airline emitting exhaust fumes.

Scope 2 Emissions: Emissions indirectly generated by a company, such as emissions from the electricity or energy used to heat and cool a company's office.

Scope 3 Emissions: All other indirect emissions that occur in the value chain of a company and are not already included within scope 2. These emissions are a consequence of the company's business activities but occur from sources the company does not own or control. For example, emissions from a company's employees commuting to work. Scope 3 emissions are often difficult to measure.

SFDR Classification: SFDR product classifications fall under three categories and aim to make the sustainability profiles of funds more comparable and easier to understand by investors.

SFDR - EU Sustainable Finance Disclosure

SFDR - EU Sustainable Finance Disclosure Regulation: An EU regulation which aims to make the sustainability profile of funds more comparable and better understood by endinvestors. The regulation requires firms to advise whether principal adverse impacts on sustainability factors are considered in their investment decision making process.

Social Factors: Factors that examine how a

Social Factors: Factors that examine how a company communicates with employees, suppliers, customers, governments, regulators and the communities where it operates.

and the communities where it operates.

tCO2e: Tonnes (t) of carbon dioxide (CO2)
equivalent. Carbon dioxide equivalent is a
standard unit for counting greenhouse gas
emissions regardless of whether they are from
carbon dioxide or another gas, such as methane.

UNGC - **UN Global Compact**: A voluntary pact of the United Nations (UN) to encourage businesses and firms worldwide to adopt sustainable and socially responsible policies, and to report on their implementation.

UN Global Compact (UNGC) Principles: Ten principles defined as part of the UNGC framework to promote responsible investment. Companies, investors and other participants are called upon to align their strategies and operations with the principles in the areas of human rights, labor, the environment and anti-corruption.

Voting: A mechanism for active owners to influence companies, usually done with the aim of influencing a company's governance or operations. Public equity investors typically have the right to vote on company and shareholder resolutions at annual and extraordinary general meetings (AGMs and EGMs).

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