



## Fund Objective and Investment Process

The aim of the Fund is to achieve capital growth over five years. The Fund focuses on the opportunities created by the transition to healthy, zero carbon and sustainable economies. The investment team selects high-quality companies from nine broad themes with strong growth characteristics to create a globally diversified portfolio. We develop long-term relationships with company managements to promote the best environmental, social and economic outcomes.

### General Fund Information

Launch date: 8 June 2009  
Launch price: 100.00p  
Fund type: OEIC, UCITS  
Daily dealing valuation point:  
12 noon  
IMA sector: Global  
Minimum investment<sup>1</sup>: £1

### Indicative Characteristics

Holdings: 40-60  
Expected tracking error range  
(ex post 5 year): 4-8%  
Average holding period:  
4-7 years

### Actual Characteristics

Fund size: £754m  
Holdings: 42  
Holding period<sup>2</sup>: 6.72  
Tracking Error<sup>3</sup>: 8.88  
Active Share vs  
Benchmark<sup>4</sup>: 96.6%

## The Impact Investment Team

The impact investment team is one of the most experienced in the sector with a leading edge in the analysis and integration of positive impact and environmental, social and governance factors into stock selection and financial performance. The team is supported by George Latham, Managing Partner and Chief Risk Officer, and Jayne Sutcliffe, Non-Executive Chair.



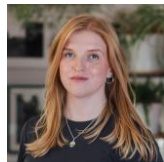
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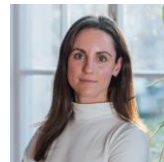
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## Significant Portfolio Changes

Stock Name	Purchase or sale	Theme	Brief description of purchase or sale rationale
None			

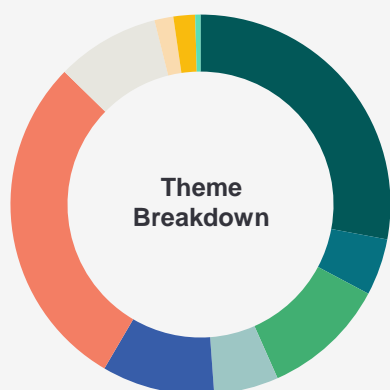
## Top 10 Holdings as of 31 March 2024

Stock	Theme	Description	Holding
Agilent Technologies	Health	A provider of bio-analytical measurement solutions to the life sciences, chemical analysis and healthcare industries. It also makes pollutant monitoring equipment for food and measures human body contamination.	4.29%
Thermo Fisher Scientific	Health	A leading provider of analytical instruments, equipment, software and services for research and diagnostics in healthcare industries.	4.02%
Ecolab	Water Management	A global provider of hygiene products to restaurants, hotels and hospitals, e.g. detergent. The products need much less water to be effective.	4.00%
Trane Technologies	Resource Efficiency	Trane is a world leader in air conditioning systems and services. It also has an offering in the heat pump space which brings a 300% efficiency gain compared with the system it would replace.	3.97%
Xylem	Water Management	Manufactures a wide range of products and provides services to the water industry. Also supplies commercial, residential markets with water and wastewater systems, and provides measurement and control solutions.	3.91%
Icon	Health	A clinical research business providing global outsourced development services to the pharmaceutical, biotechnology and medical device industries. Its aim is to accelerate the development of drugs and devices that save lives and improve quality of life.	3.90%
Ansys	Resource Efficiency	Sells simulation software for product design and optimisation. The software improves quality and safety in products like fuel efficient cars and planes, wind turbines, medical technology and consumer goods.	3.80%
Linde	Environmental Services	Supplies a variety of gases to manufacturing, petrochemical and electronics industries and also to the healthcare sector. These are used in a variety of applications to make manufacturing processes more efficient and to reduce harmful emissions.	3.79%
Keyence	Resource Efficiency	Keyence manufactures sensors and measuring instruments for factory automation. These components help achieve efficiency, energy savings, reduced wastage and quality management.	3.56%
Autodesk	Resource Efficiency	Autodesk is a global leader in 3D design and engineering software and services. They can deliver quite striking resource savings, due to their impressive capabilities and critical position in design process.	3.54%

## Alignment with UN SDGs



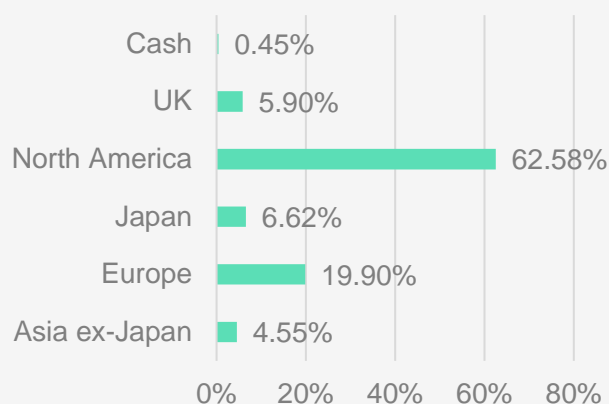
## Portfolio Analysis as at 31 March 2024<sup>5</sup>



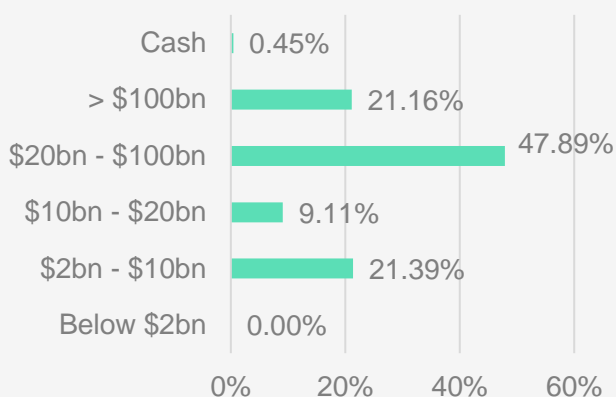
### Theme Allocation

Resource Efficiency	27.94%
Cleaner Energy	4.83%
Environmental Services	10.58%
Sustainable Transport	5.50%
Water Management	9.59%
Health	28.87%
Safety	8.79%
Wellbeing	1.61%
Education	1.84%
Cash	0.45%

### Geographic Allocation



### Market Capitalisation Allocation



### Awards and Ratings



### Biggest Movers over the month in local currency – Top 3 and Bottom 3 Performers

Stock Name	Performance in Month <sup>6</sup>	What Happened
Lonza	+16.93%	Acquired a biologics manufacturing facility from Roche which was seen as a positive deal and which increased its mid-term growth expectations.
First Solar	+9.69%	Benefited from management buying of shares and a potentially positive read-across from Moxon Solar's first patent infringement lawsuit against a Chinese panel manufacturer.
The Cooper Companies	+8.40%	Results showed good growth in both its vision and fertility businesses, as well as better-than-expected margin performance.
Infineon	-4.77%	Investors were concerned on the news that China urged electric vehicle manufacturers to buy more Chinese chips.
Steris	-3.47%	Faced headwinds as the market digested US Environmental Protection Agency proposals around the regulation of ethylene oxide, used in its sterilisation processes. We are confident that Steris will meet any revised standards.
Spirax-Sarco	-2.66%	Announced robust results in a difficult environment and the outlook for low double-digit organic profit growth was taken positively on the day. The stock had a weaker end to the month, although there was no significant news.

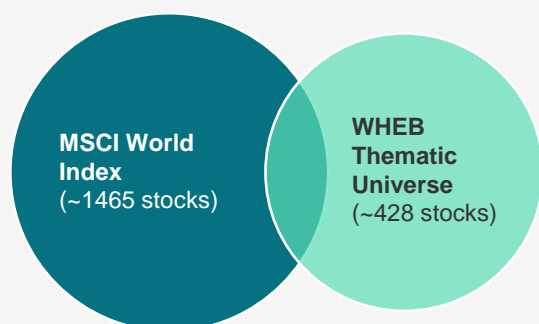
## Comparative Performance (Figures are historic and past performance does not predict future returns).

Cumulative Performance	5 years	3 years	12 months	Year to date	3 months	1 month
FP WHEB Sustainability C Acc Primary Share Class (GBP)	40.99%	5.31%	6.76%	6.59%	6.59%	2.74%
MSCI World Total Return (GBP) <sup>7</sup>	82.38%	39.90%	22.45%	9.88%	9.88%	3.35%
IA Global Sector Average Total Return <sup>8</sup>	62.70%	23.18%	16.74%	7.79%	7.79%	3.20%

Discrete Performance	Mar 2023– Mar 2024	Mar 2022– Mar 2023	Mar 2021 – Mar 2022	Mar 2020 – Mar 2021	Mar 2019 – Mar 2020
FP WHEB Sustainability C Acc Primary Share Class (GBP)	6.76%	-4.05%	2.80%	41.20%	-5.18%
MSCI World Total Return (GBP)	22.45%	-0.99%	15.39%	38.43%	-5.83%
IA Global Sector Average Total Return	16.74%	-2.65%	8.39%	40.59%	-6.04%

Performance data correct as at 31 March 2024. The value of units in FP WHEB Sustainability Fund ("Fund") may increase or decrease and you may not get back the amount originally invested, for reasons including adverse market and foreign exchange rate movements.

The FP WHEB Sustainability C Acc share class performance is calculated net of expenses fees on a midday to midday basis. This may mean that there are discrepancies between the Index and the fund performance which are due to market movements after the midday cut-off, as MSCI World index performance is reported as of end of day. See footnote 7.



**Overlap: ~202 stocks;**  
13.8% (as at 31 March 2024) of MSCI World Index

### Theme Overlap

The thematic focus of the WHEB strategy means that our investable universe overlaps with the benchmark by around 15%. This leads to significant structural biases in the fund's exposure, which may make comparison to the benchmark complex. These style biases towards growth, quality and mid-cap are all derived from the strategy's focus on solutions to sustainability challenges. It means that we tend to be absent from significant sectors of traditional indices, such as financials and energy, and have significant overweights in other parts of the market, such as health and industrials.

## Share Classes and Fund Information<sup>9</sup>

Shareclass	Currency	Price		Ongoing Charges & Fees	ISIN	SEDOL
C Accumulation	GBP	296.38	Pence	1.03%	GB00B8HPRW47	B8HPRW4
C Accumulation	CHF	125.04	Cents	1.03%	GB00BF7M1G66	BF7M1G6
C Accumulation	EUR	149.78	Cents	1.03%	GB00BF7M1771	BF7M177
C Accumulation	USD	140.39	Cents	1.03%	GB00BFXBL788	BFXBL78
C Income*	GBP	210.47	Pence	1.03%	GB00BHBFFN03	BHBFFN0
D Accumulation <sup>10</sup>	GBP	297.32	Pence	0.93%	GB00BMC2QC11	BMC2QC1
D Income*	GBP	211.08	Pence	0.93%	GB00BMC2QD28	BMC2QD2
R Accumulation	GBP	285.15	Pence	1.13%	GB00BMC2QF42	BMC2QF4
A Accumulation	GBP	281.06	Pence	1.68%	GB00B4LDCG53	B4LDCG5
A Accumulation	USD	135.51	Cents	1.68%	GB00BFXBL341	BFXBL34
B Accumulation <sup>11</sup>	GBP	223.30	Pence	0.55%	GB00B6Y2LD34	B6Y2LD3

#### \*Income Frequency:

Annual

#### Dividend Record Date:

31 December

#### Last Dividend

(for year ending 31st Dec 2023):

C Inc: 1.5647p

D Inc: 1.5660p

#### Key Dates\*

Annual report 31

December

Interim report 30 June

\*Changed from 28th February and 31st August

#### Authorised Corporate

Director (ACD):

FundRock Partners

Limited

#### Fund Administrator:

SS&C Financial Services

Europe Limited



## Footnotes and important risk warnings

The FP WHEB Sustainability Fund was originally launched on 8 Jun 2009. Effective re-launch as at 30 April 2012 after the portfolio was transitioned to a new investment process by a new investment team.

1. Minimum investment relates to R share class.
2. The average holding period is calculated by WHEB in accordance with the requirements of the UCITS V directive, and derived from fund turnover over the last 12 months as of the end of the reporting month. This calculation method can result in very long reported holding periods when most of the trading volume is explained by subscriptions and/or redemptions, and can even result in a negative portfolio turnover figure when subscriptions and redemptions exceed purchases and sales. As of 31 March 2024 the UCITS holding period based on the UCITS methodology was 6.72 years. During periods when the resulting figure is negative or more than 100 years, we will report the outcome here within the footnotes and not on the front page of this factsheet to avoid the risk of presenting a confusing figure.
3. Tracking error refers to the 5 year ex-post volatility from the average of excess returns versus the MSCI World Index.
4. Active Share refers to the % overlap between the Fund and MSCI World Index weightings. Data as at 31 March 2024 source: Factset.
5. Data for Theme Breakdown, Geographic Allocation and Market Capitalisation allocation are provided by FactSet. Small differences in cash percentage figures may arise.
6. Top and bottom performers in local currency.
7. The MSCI World Index is quoted at month end with net dividends reinvested and without the deduction of any expenses (in contrast to the portfolio). Index data are provided by MSCI Barra via Bloomberg, calculated using GBP. The MSCI World Index is unmanaged and cannot be invested in directly. MSCI returns may increase or decrease as a result of currency fluctuations. Performance figures for the FP WHEB Sustainability Fund are calculated mid to mid.
8. IA Global refers to the fund weighted average performance of the UK Investment Association Global equity sector peer group. Source FE Analytics.
9. Effective from 2nd January 2020, we have introduced a single, fixed rate "Management Fee" which includes all of the costs and charges that were previously in the ongoing charges figure (or "OCF") of the Fund. As a result, various costs and charges associated with services to the Fund such as depository and custody, transfer agency, legal, audit and fund accounting charges are now paid out of the single, fixed rate Management Fee. For further information see: <http://www.whebgroupp.com/fp-wheb-sustainability-fund-moves-to-a-single-fee/>
10. The D Share Classes are Sponsor controlled share classes for use by intermediary and institutional managed / advised investments with a minimum holding of £25 million.
11. The B Share Class is only available to Founder Shareholders. To be eligible as a Founder Shareholder in the B Share Class, an investor must hold at least £10m across the Fund's share classes. Upon attaining the Class B Shares Investment Target £100m, the Authorised Corporate Director has ceased admitting new Founder Shareholders.

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