## WORLD STARS GLOBAL EQUITY FUND (CHF)

30 APRIL 2022

### **Investment Objective**

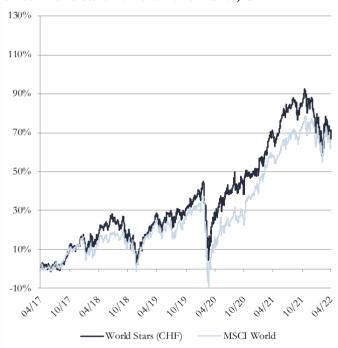
The World Stars Global Equity Fund seeks to achieve its objective by investing in a concentrated selection of shares in leading global companies with enduring competitive advantages and a long runway of growth.

We select companies based on our own fundamental research, taking a long-term horizon. We do not follow benchmarks and always seek to invest in quality and value.

Quality means companies that are global leaders, have strong competitive positions and pricing power in structurally attractive and growing markets, have management teams with strong records of value creation and have robust balance sheets.

Value means buying those companies at prices that allow for the prospect of significant capital growth over 5-10 years or more.

### 5 Year World Stars Portfolio Performance, CHF



### **Share Class Summary**

Share Class	NAV	AMC	OCF*	Minimum	ISIN
A1 Acc USD	1,356.77	0.90%	1.10%	1,000,000	LU1952142120
A1 Acc EUR	1,477.01	0.90%	1.10%	1,000,000	LU1979603963
A1 Acc GBP	1,285.67	0.90%	1.10%	1,000,000	LU1979604003
A1 Acc CHF	971.02	0.90%	1.10%	1,000,000	LU1979604185
A5 Acc USD	1,367.59	0.65%	0.89%	1,000,000	LU1963577264
B1 Acc USD	1,278.53	1.20%	1.40%	5,000	LU1952142476
B1 Acc EUR	1,132.98	1.20%	1.40%	5,000	LU1979605828
B1 Acc GBP	1,319.70	1.20%	1.40%	5,000	LU1979606040

\*OCF (Ongoing Charges Figure) includes the annual management charge and aggregate operating expenses chargeable to the Fund. For more details on fees and charges, please see the Prospectus.

## World Stars Global Equity AUM

Strategy^: USD989m

Fund^: USD184m

### Portfolio Comment

Our World Stars Global Equity fund declined in line with the global equity market. Our fund is invested in high quality stocks in longterm growth industries, but it is not immune from economic and geopolitical concerns including inflation, the current challenges for policymakers particularly in the US and China, and the need for realignment of global supply chains. These concerns have compressed multiples across global equities.

We have been encouraged by the Q1 results from the large majority of our companies. Typically, they are gaining market share in their industries, they have active plans to cover input cost inflation with price increases or cost savings, they are encountering limited price elasticity to date, and they are investing in new growth initiatives. The revenue exposure of our portfolio to Russia and Ukraine is immaterial, well below 2%.

Our consumer stocks have reported robust Q1 revenue growth led by LVMH at 23% and Pernod-Ricard at 20%. Nestlé was the top performer in the portfolio and reported 8% organic revenue growth in Q1 including price increases of 5.2%. Our payments companies delivered 45-50% growth in cross-border volumes in Q1.

Multiple compression was quite marked in our technology stocks. Some have reported slower growth against very strong comps in 2021. For example, Amazon's 9% revenue growth on flat FX lapped 41% growth in Q1 2021. But the broader picture remains one of powerful competitive positions in long-term growth markets, with high margins and powerful cash flows.

## **Performance Analysis**

				Cumulative				Annualised			
	Apr-22	3 Months	2022 YTD	1 Year	3 Year	5 Year	Since Inception	3 Year	5 Year	Since Inception	
Portfolio	-3.8	-5.6	-10.5	-2.3	+30.1	+67.3	+172.2	+9.1	+10.8	+11.0	
MSCI World	-3 3	-39	-7 1	+32	+ 30 3	+628	+175 5	+92	+10.2	+11 2	

Stock	Sector	% of NAV
Alphabet	Communication Services	7.3
Amazon	Consumer Discretionary	5.0
ThermoFisher	Health Care	4.6
Diageo	Consumer Staples	4.5
Mastercard	Information Technology	4.2

Strategy Performance Analysis			Key Facts
Cash % of NAV		3.3%	No. of Stocks
5 Year CAGR		+10.8%	Active share^
Best Month	11.0%	Oct' 15	Median market cap
Worst Month	-9.1%	Mar' 20	Dividend Yield
Average Month		0.9%	Beta
% Positive Months		64.3%	12 Month turnover
5 Year Sharpe ratio		0.66	Max Drawdown

Performance since launch on 14th June 2021 is that of the Fund's A1 CHF Share class. Prior to launch performance was that of J. Stern & Co.'s World Stars CHF Strategy, which the Fund follows, based on total return (with dividends reinvested) and net of 1% fees per annum, deducted quarterly in arrears. Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future results; the value of any investment can fall as well as rise; and returns may increase or decrease as a result of currency fluctuations. Source: SS&C Technologies, Bloomberg, J. Stern & Co.

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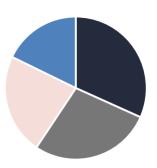
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### **GICS Sector Allocation**

- Health Care 23%
- Information Technology 23%
- Consumer Staples 14%
- Communication Services 11%
- Industrials 11%
- Consumer Discretionary 10%
- Materials 6%
- Real Estate 3%

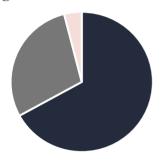
# J. Stern & Co. Allocation

- Digital Transformation 32%
- Consumer 28%
- Healthcare & Life Sciences 23%
- Industrials & Infrastructure 18%



### Geographic Exposure by Listing

- USA 67%
- Europe ex-UK 29%
- UK 4%



## Geographic Exposure of Sales

- USA 43%
- Europe 20%
- Asia 19%
- Rest of World 18%



# Monthly Performance, % Total Return, CHF

														MSCI	Excess
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD	World	return
2012	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-2.7	+3.7	-0.8	+0.1	-0.5	+0.5
2013	+2.7	+8.0	+2.2	-0.5	+1.5	-3.6	+1.5	-2.5	+3.0	+4.4	+1.5	+0.3	+19.6	+23.8	-4.2
2014	-4.0	+3.6	-0.2	+1.5	+3.5	+1.1	-2.1	+3.3	+1.0	-0.1	+2.3	+0.2	+10.2	+18.1	-7.8
2015	-7.8	+8.5	-0.4	-0.8	+2.3	-5.1	+5.6	-7.2	-3.3	+11.0	+5.2	-3.9	+2.1	+0.3	+1.8
2016	-3.5	-2.4	+2.9	+1.3	+4.4	-0.3	+1.6	+1.3	+1.0	-1.8	+0.8	+1.3	+6.6	+10.1	-3.5
2017	+1.7	+4.6	+3.5	+2.9	+1.5	-2.6	+3.3	+0.0	+1.8	+7.6	-1.2	+1.0	+26.4	+17.8	+8.5
2018	+3.1	-1.7	+0.4	+3.6	+2.0	+1.5	+2.7	-1.9	+2.1	-6.6	-1.0	-7.7	-4.1	-7.3	+3.2
2019	+6.5	+2.4	+4.2	+5.7	-5.8	+3.1	+2.6	+0.3	+0.3	+1.3	+3.9	-0.0	+26.8	+26.3	+3.5
2020	-0.2	-6.2	-9.1	+10.8	+4.3	+1.0	+2.5	+4.8	-1.6	-2.9	+7.7	+1.0	+10.9	+6.7	+3.5
2021	-1.4	+3.0	+7.1	+3.7	-0.2	+4.6	+1.1	+3.0	-3.7	+2.9	-1.9	+3.2	+24.6	+26.0	-1.4
2022	-5.2	-4.7	+3.0	-3.8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-10.5	-7.1	-3.4

See previous page for methodology. Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future results.

## **Fund Information**

Portfolio Manager	Christopher Rossbach
Deputy Portfolio Manager	Katerina Kosmopoulou, CFA
Launch Date	8 <sup>th</sup> April 2019
Management Company	Waystone Management Company (Lux) SA
Administrator & Depository	RBC Investor Services Bank SA
Auditor	Deloitte Audit S.à.r.l.
Reference Currency	US Dollar
Dealing Day	Every business day in Luxembourg & London
NAV	Available by close of business day after Dealing Day

Share Class	A	В	L	A5/A6			
Eligibility	All	Retail	Institutional	Charity			
Minimum Investment*	1m	1m					
Management Fee	0.90%	1.20%	0.75%	0.65%			
OCF	1.10% 1.40% 0.95%		0.89%				
Acc./ Dist.	Accumulation and Distribution Classes available to all						
Currencies*	USD &, unhedged or hedged, EUR, CHF, & USD & G						
Alternative fee structure*	Reduced annual management fee with additional performance for available						
Subscriptions & Redemptions	Every busine	, ,	Luxembourg time, ne Dealing Day	one business day			

## Sustainability & ESG

J. Stern & Co is a signatory to the UN PRI; a Member of the SASB Alliance; and strategically aligned to the UN's 17 Sustainable Development Goals and its ten Global Compact principles.

The World Stars Global Equity Fund is classified as an 'Article 8 Fund' under the EU's SFDR framework







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### Important Information

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