Investing in Quality for the Song-Term

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.

World Stars Portfolio Performance, GBP



Share Class Summary

Share Class	NAV	AMC	OCF*	Minimum	ISIN
A1 Acc USD	1,580.62	0.90%	1.20%	1,000,000	LU1952142120
A1 Acc EUR	1,644.38	0.90%	1.20%	1,000,000	LU1979603963
A1 Acc GBP	1,477.61	0.90%	1.20%	1,000,000	LU1979604003
A1H Acc GBP	1,070.78	0.90%	1.20%	1,000,000	LU2549545601
A1 AccHF	977.99	0.90%	1.20%	1,000,000	LU1979604185
A5 Acc USD	1,599.80	0.65%	0.95%	1,000,000	LU1963577264
B1 Acc USD	1,482.17	1.20%	1.50%	5,000	LU1952142476
B1 Acc EUR	1,255.06	1.20%	1.50%	5,000	LU1979605828
B1 Acc GBP	1,509.19	1.20%	1.50%	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: US\$1bn Fund: US\$210m

Portfolio Comment

Our World Stars Global Equity fund rose strongly in December as performance continued to broaden across the portfolio. For 2023 the fund delivered strong returns in absolute and relative terms, closing the year 5% ahead of the MSCI World index. Within our top ten stocks in December, five were industrials, three in digital transformation, and one each in consumer and healthcare.

As we expected, macroeconomic data continued to moderate with falling inflation and resilient consumer spending. Markets reacted positively to the US Fed's pivot in favor of lowering rates in 2024 while leaving open the possibility of one more increase. US core PCE inflation fell to 3.2% in November, the lowest since April 2021. The Fed now forecasts CPI at below 3% through 2024-26.

Sika (+15%) was the top performer. In the new strategic plan for 2023-28 it is targeting an EBITDA margin of 20-23% (vs. 18.7% in 2022), and faster top line growth driven by market share gains and favourable mega trends in the use of construction chemicals. At the same time, it has accelerated its pathway to net zero in 2050.

Adobe (-3%) has withdrawn from its proposed acquisition of Figma due to regulatory uncertainty. Since the transaction was announced in 2022, Adobe has made substantial progress in incorporating Generative AI into its products, driving additional growth and contributing to a 77% rise in the stock price over 2023.

Looking ahead we expect good progress in earnings and cash flow from our companies, reflecting the strength of their competitive positions in industries with long-term structural growth trends.

Performance Analysis

					Cumulative					Annualised			
	Dec-23	3 M	2023 YTD	1 Yr	3 Yr	5 Yr	10 Yr	Since Inception	3 Yr	5 Yr	10 Yr	Since Inception	
Portfolio	+4.2	+8.1	+22.8	+22.8	+25.5	+80.8	+207.7	+279.5	+7.9	+12.6	+11.9	+12.6	
MSCI World	+3.8	+6.7	+17.9	+17.9	+33.9	+87.0	+211.9	+297.4	+10.2	+13.3	+12.0	+13.0	
Top 5 Holdin	igs				Strategy Perf	ormance	Analysis		Key	Facts			
Stock	Sector		% of 1	NAV	Cash % of NA	V		1.79	No.	of Stocks		29	
Nvidia	Inform	ation Tech	nology	6.9	Best Month			10.8% Jun' 10	Acti	ve Share^		86.3%	
Eaton	Industr	ials		5.4	Worst Month			-7.6% Oct' 18	Med Med	ian Market Cap)	£129bn	
Amazon	Consun	ner Discret	ionary	5.2	Average Month	1		1.1%	Divi	dend Yield		1.1%	
Alphabet	Commi	unication S	ervices	4.8	% Positive Mon	nths		58.3%	12 N	Ionth Turnove	r	6.0%	

Performance since launch on 8th November 2019 is that of the Fund's A1 GBP Share class. Prior to launch performance was that of J. Stern & Co.'s World Stars GBP Strategy, unhedged, 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.

Standard Deviation

Sharpe Ratio

Consumer Discretionary

LVMH

4.5

Max Drawdown

14.6%

0.77

-19.6%

GICS Sector Allocation

- Information Technology 23%
- Health Care 17%
- Industrials 15%
- Consumer Staples 12%
- Communication Services 12%
- Consumer Discretionary 9%
- Materials 5%
- Financials 4%
- Real Estate 2%



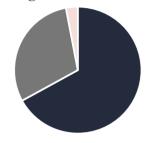
J. Stern & Co. Allocation

- Digital Transformation 39%
- Consumer 23%
- Industrials & Infrastructure 21%
- Healthcare & Life Sciences 17%



Geographic Exposure by Listing

- USA 67%
- Europe ex-UK 30%
- UK 3%



Geographic Exposure of Sales

- USA 42%
- Asia 23%
- Europe 19%
- Rest of World 15%



Monthly Performance, % Total Return, GBP

														MSCI	Excess
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD	World	return
2012	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-1.6	+4.8	-1.0	+2.0	+1.4	+0.6
2013	+5.9	+8.2	+2.5	-1.0	+1.5	-2.9	+3.4	-4.8	+1.5	+5.1	-0.2	+0.8	+20.9	+24.9	-4.0
2014	-5.0	+4.5	+0.3	+0.3	+2.6	-0.0	-3.4	+4.3	-0.8	+0.5	+4.3	-2.4	+4.7	+12.3	-7.6
2015	+3.3	+2.4	+1.2	-0.7	+2.3	-7.0	+3.5	-6.4	-2.9	+7.9	+3.5	+0.8	+7.2	+5.5	+1.7
2016	-2.1	+1.9	+4.0	-0.7	+1.4	+10.8	+3.3	+0.9	+3.2	+2.3	-4.3	+2.6	+25.1	+29.1	-4.1
2017	+3.0	+4.2	+3.1	+0.1	+4.6	-2.2	+1.0	+2.7	-2.8	+5.5	-1.6	+1.8	+20.8	+12.4	+8.4
2018	+2.9	-0.2	-2.7	+2.1	+6.3	+1.3	+3.7	+1.4	+0.8	-7.6	-0.3	-6.3	+0.4	-2.6	+3.0
2019	+2.6	+0.8	+6.9	+3.3	-1.4	+5.4	+4.9	+0.9	-1.6	-2.4	+2.2	+0.7	+24.8	+23.4	+1.4
2020	+0.7	-4.1	-5.5	+9.1	+6.5	+1.6	+0.8	+3.5	-0.3	-2.9	+5.3	+0.8	+15.6	+13.2	+2.4
2021	-2.2	-0.8	+3.8	+6.8	-1.4	+5.0	+2.8	+3.0	-3.4	+3.1	+0.7	+2.1	+21.0	+23.4	-2.4
2022	-6.1	-3.5	+4.3	-4.5	-2.2	-4.0	+8.7	-2.3	-5.9	+1.6	+2.9	-4.6	-15.5	-8.0	-7.6
2023	+6.2	-1.0	+4.1	+0.5	+1.7	+4.0	+2.1	-0.4	-4.0	-1.2	+5.0	+4.2	+22.8	+17.9	+4.9

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 th April 2019
Management Company	Waystone Management Company (Lux) SA
Administrator & Depository	CACEIS 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

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.





European Commission
SFDR







Share Class	A	В	L	A5/A6			
Eligibility	All	Retail	Institutional	Charity			
Minimum Investment*	1m	5k	25m	1m			
Management Fee	0.90%	1.20%	1.20% 0.75%				
OCF	1.20%	1.50%	1.05%	0.95%			
Acc./ Dist.	Accumulation and Distribution Classes available to all						
Currencies*	USD &, unhedged or hedged, EUR, CHF, & USD & GBP						
Alternative fee structure*	Reduced annual management fee with additional performance fee available						
Subscriptions & Redemptions	S Every business day until 3pm Luxembourg time, one busines day before the Dealing Day						

Important Information

^ Active Share is as at 1st September 2022 and AUM is latest available at time of going to print. * Minimum investment is stated in share class currency. Share classes currently available are set out on previous page; other classes can be made available in all currencies displayed and with alternative fee structures on request.

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