

# Eastspring Investments – Global Low Volatility Equity Fund

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## Key information

Fund class	Equity
Fund launch date	01-Oct-15
Fund size (mil)	402.3
Fund base currency	USD
Benchmark (BM)	

MSCI ACWI Minimum Volatility Index<sup>^</sup>

Domicile Luxembourg

Fund type UCITS

SFDR Classification\* Article 8 fund

Portfolio manager

Quantitative Strategies Team

Investment manager

Eastspring Investments (Singapore) Limited

Summary risk indicator (SRI)<sup>^</sup>

(Class As)

Lower risk

Higher risk



## Key measures

	Fund	BM
Number of securities	246	376
3 year tracking error (%)	2.8 <sup>#</sup>	–
3 year sharpe ratio (%)	0.3 <sup>#</sup>	0.4
3 year standard deviation (%)	7.4 <sup>#</sup>	8.7
Alpha	0.0	–
Beta	0.8	–
Information Ratio	-0.7	–

■ The risk indicator assumes you keep the product for 5 years. The actual risk can vary significantly if you cash in at an early stage and you may get back less. The summary risk indicator is a guide to the level of risk of this product compared to other products. It shows how likely it is that the product will lose money because of movements in the markets or because we are not able to pay you. We have classified this product as 3 out of 7, which is a medium-low risk class. This rates the potential losses from future performance at a medium-low level, and poor market conditions are unlikely to impact the capacity to pay you. **Be aware of currency risk.** You will receive payments in a different currency, so the final return you will get depend on the exchange rate between the two currencies. This risk is not considered in the indicator shown above. There are other risks materially relevant to the PRIIP which are not included in the summary risk indicator. For more information, please refer to the prospectus. This product does not include any protection from future market performance so you could lose some or all of your investment.

## Strategy overview

The Fund seeks to generate income and long-term capital growth with a lower volatility than the market by investing primarily in securities of companies, which are incorporated, listed in or have their area of primary activity in developed and emerging markets throughout the world. The team employs a systematic and quantitative approach to portfolio construction which aims to achieve low volatility at the portfolio level, rather than to simply own the lowest volatility stocks.

## Performance

### Returns (%)

Class	1 m	3 m	YTD	1 y	3 y (p.a.)	5 y (p.a.)	10 y (p.a.)	Since inception (p.a.) <sup>†</sup>
Class As	2.3	8.5	6.2	13.2	3.7	4.9	–	6.1
Benchmark (BM)	2.1	6.9	4.8	13.0	5.6	5.4	–	6.6
Relative	0.2	1.6	1.4	0.2	-1.9	-0.5	–	-0.5

### Calendar year returns (%)

Year	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
Class As	4.9	-11.4	13.8	3.1	17.9	-1.9	8.6	8.4	–	–
Benchmark (BM)	6.0	-10.8	16.2	0.9	19.4	0.4	9.1	7.8	–	–
Relative	-1.1	-0.6	-2.4	2.2	-1.5	-2.3	-0.5	0.6	–	–

### Performance Disclosure:

(p.a.): per annum. Source: Eastspring Investments (Singapore) Limited. Returns are based in share class currency and computed on NAV-NAV basis with net income reinvested, if any. Since inception returns for periods less than a year are not annualised. The benchmark for the hedged share classes, if any, is also calculated on a hedged basis. Benchmark is for information purposes only unless specifically referenced in the Investment Objective. Wef July 2018, the monthly fund and benchmark returns calculated are aligned to the last NAV date of the fund for the month. Returns may increase or decrease as a result of currency fluctuations. **Past performances is not a guide to future performance and should not be the sole factor of consideration when selecting a product.**

**Benchmark:** This Sub-Fund aims to outperform the return of MSCI ACWI Minimum Volatility Index ("Benchmark"). The Sub-Fund is actively managed. The Benchmark has been selected because it is representative of the investment universe of the Sub-Fund and it is therefore an appropriate performance comparator. The majority of the Sub-Fund's equity securities will not necessarily be components of, or have weightings derived from the Benchmark. The Investment Manager will use its discretion to overweight or underweight certain components of the Benchmark and may invest in companies or sectors not included in the Benchmark in order to take advantage of specific investment opportunities. It is thus expected that the performance of the Sub-Fund will moderately deviate from the Benchmark.

<sup>†</sup>Class As Inception date: 24-Jun-16

## Top 10 holdings (%)

1.	MERCK & CO INC	2.4
2.	PROCTER & GAMBLE CO	1.8
3.	COLGATE-PALMOLIVE CO	1.7
4.	WASTE MANAGEMENT INC	1.7
5.	REPUBLIC SERVICES INC	1.6
6.	WALMART INC	1.6
7.	VERTEX PHARMACEUTICALS INCORPORATED	1.6
8.	ABBVIE INC	1.5
9.	JOHNSON & JOHNSON	1.5
10.	CISCO SYSTEMS INC	1.5

<sup>^</sup>The MSCI Index is calculated with dividends reinvested. <sup>\*</sup>Regulation (EU) 2019/2088 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 27 November 2019 on sustainability - related disclosures in the financial services.

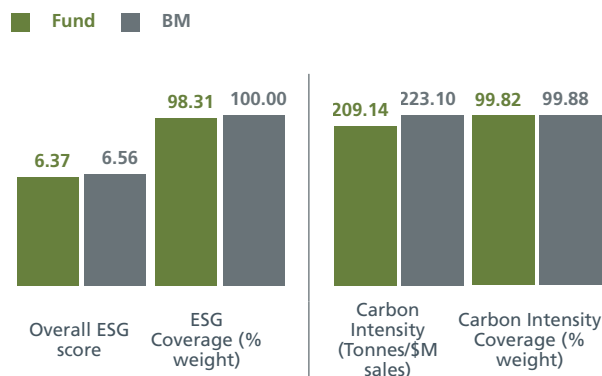
<sup>#</sup>Source: Morningstar

**Sector allocation (%)<sup>1</sup>**

	Fund
Health care	18.6
Information technology	17.2
Consumer staples	13.3
Financials	12.2
Communication services	10.2
Industrials	9.2
Utilities	7.2
Consumer discretionary	6.2
Others	5.5
Cash and cash equivalents	0.4

**Market allocation (%)<sup>1</sup>**

	Fund
United States	57.2
Japan	10.2
China	7.9
India	7.3
Taiwan (Republic of China)	6.5
Hong Kong	2.0
Saudi Arabia	1.8
Thailand	1.8
Others	4.9
Cash and cash equivalents	0.4

**Sustainability Characteristics<sup>2</sup>****Share class details<sup>3</sup>**

Class	Currency	Bloomberg ticker	ISIN	Inception date	Annual management fee% (Current)	Distribution frequency	Ex-date	Dividend per share	Annual dividend yield %
Class A	USD	ESGLVAU LX	LU1585245621	27-Mar-17	1.000	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
Class A <sub>s</sub>	SGD	ESGLASS LX	LU1430594728	24-Jun-16	1.000	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
Class C	USD	EATGBLC LX	LU2569857134	16-Jan-23	0.500	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.

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<sup>1</sup>Due to rounding, the allocation table may not add up to 100%.

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