

# Candriam Sustainable Global Equity Fund

Fact sheet

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## Investment Objective

To achieve returns (before fees and taxes) in excess of the benchmark over the medium to long term. There is no guarantee that this objective will be achieved.

## Key features of the strategy

- The Fund provides exposure to an actively managed portfolio predominantly made up of best listed global sustainable equities as selected by Candriam in accordance with its investment process.
- Candriam's investment rationale combines company level research with top down sectoral analysis to select stocks showing the best Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) characteristics according to Candriam's ESG framework.

## Controversial Activity Exclusions

Candriam has been appointed by Ausbil Investment Management Limited (ABN 26 076 316 473 AFSL 229722) to manage the investments of the Candriam Sustainable Global Equity Fund (ARSN 111 733 898) (Fund). As part of the comprehensive in-house SRI analysis, Candriam's controversial activity screening process aims to assess a company's involvement in controversial activities in order to determine the eligibility for inclusion of a company in the Fund. This Policy covers Candriam's approach towards the armaments industry, adult content media, alcohol, gambling, genetic modifications, nuclear power, animal testing, activities exercised in oppressive regimes, tobacco, thermal coal, electricity generation and conventional & unconventional oil & gas extraction. Our [Controversial Activity Exclusion Policy document](#) sets out each controversial activity's exclusion threshold/approach, ie the level at which a company is excluded from the Fund's investible universe and therefore the Fund cannot invest in that company.

## Key benefits of the strategy

- Exposure to the best global sustainable companies: access to international listed companies that individual investors may not be able to invest in directly on their own.
- Diversification: the potential to diversify an investment portfolio.
- Experienced team: access to a highly experienced investment management team who specialise in global ESG portfolios.
- Disciplined risk management: access to Candriam's disciplined risk management process that manages risk relative to anticipated investment returns.
- Expertise: access to investment expertise and knowledge of Candriam's investment management and ESG professionals, who combine their indepth fundamental analysis and using the output of proprietary quantitative models, apply their strongest investment convictions with regard to portfolio construction.

## Performance

Returns<sup>1</sup> as at 31 December 2023

| Period                                    | Fund Return % Net | Bench-mark <sup>2</sup> % | Out/Under performance % Net |
|---|-------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 3 months                                  | 5.62              | 5.38                      | 0.24                        |
| 6 months                                  | 3.33              | 4.93                      | -1.59                       |
| 1 year                                    | 21.90             | 23.03                     | -1.13                       |
| 2 years pa                                | 1.49              | 3.91                      | -2.42                       |
| 3 years pa                                | 11.01             | 11.76                     | -0.75                       |
| 5 years pa                                | 13.36             | 13.51                     | -0.15                       |
| 7 years pa                                | 10.70             | 11.67                     | -0.97                       |
| 10 years pa                               | 10.65             | 11.58                     | -0.94                       |
| 15 years pa                               | 10.29             | 10.86                     | -0.57                       |
| 20 years pa                               | 7.41              | 8.32                      | -0.91                       |
| Since inception pa<br>Date: December 2002 | 6.81              | 7.57                      | -0.76                       |

## Product features

| Characteristic                  | Comments  |
|---------------------------------|---|
| APIR                            | AAP0001AU   |
| Benchmark                       | MSCI World Index (Net Dividends Reinvested)<br>\$A – unhedged |
| Minimum Investment <sup>3</sup> | \$20,000  |
| Pricing Frequency               | Each business day   |
| Distribution Timetable          | Annual; end June  |
| Number of Stock Holdings        | 193   |
| Management Fee                  | 0.75% pa  |

## About Candriam

Candriam stands for "Conviction AND Responsibility In Asset Management" and is a global multi-specialist asset manager. A pioneer and leader in sustainable investments since 1996, Candriam manages around EUR 144 billion of assets under management<sup>4</sup> with a team of more than 600 professionals. It operates management offices in Luxembourg, Brussels, Paris, and London, and has client representatives in more than 20 countries throughout continental Europe, the United Kingdom, the United States, and the Middle East. Candriam offers investment solutions<sup>5</sup> in several key areas: bonds, equities, absolute performance strategies, and asset allocation, with a broad and innovative range of ESG strategies covering all its asset classes. Candriam is a New York Life Investments Company<sup>6</sup>. New York Life Investments ranks among the world's largest asset managers<sup>7</sup>. For more information see: [www.candriam.com](http://www.candriam.com)

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| Research House | Rating      |
|----------------|-------------|
| Lonsec         | Recommended |
| SQM Research   | Superior    |
| Zenith         | Approved    |

## Platform Availability

- Asgard
- BT Panorama
- Hub24
- IOOF/Expand
- Macquarie Wrap
- MLC Wrap
- Navigator
- MyNorth
- Netwealth
- Powerwrap
- Praemium
- Wealth 02/uXchange
- Wholesale Direct

1. Fund returns are net of fees but before taxes.
2. MSCI World (net dividends reinvested).
3. Ausbil has the discretion to waive these minimums.
4. As of 30/06/2023, Candriam changed the Assets Under Management (AUM) calculation methodology, and AUM now includes certain assets, such as non-discretionary AUM, external fund selection, overlay services, including ESG screening services, advisory consulting services, white labelling services, and model portfolio delivery services that do not qualify as Regulatory Assets Under Management, as defined in the SEC's Form ADV. AUM is reported in EUR.
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7. Source: New York Life Investments ranked 25th among the world's largest money managers within Pensions & Investments, June 2023. Rankings are based on total worldwide institutional assets under management for the year-end 2022. New York Life Investments assets include assets of affiliated investment advisors.

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