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## Ausbil launches the Ausbil Active Sustainable Equity Fund (ASX: ASUS) as an Active ETF

Ausbil Investment Management Limited (**Ausbil**) today announced the launch of the Ausbil Active Sustainable Equity Fund (**Fund**) as an exchange-traded fund (**ETF**), expanding investor access to Ausbil's established sustainable investment capability through the convenience and liquidity of the ASX.

ASUS provides exposure to an actively managed portfolio of predominantly Australian-listed equities, selected primarily from the S&P/ASX 200 Index, that meet Ausbil's sustainability approach. ASUS aims to deliver consistent, risk-controlled outperformance of its benchmark over the long term. It generally holds between 30-45 Australian-listed companies and seeks to identify opportunities across market cycles and conditions.

Måns Carlsson OAM, Head of ESG and Co-Portfolio manager, said the launch reflects the growing demand for sustainable investment solutions that go beyond exclusion screens.

"ASUS brings our active, research-driven approach to sustainability to the ASX AQUA market, giving investors easier access to a portfolio built around companies which Ausbil believe have a relatively good sustainability profiles and are ranked highly by Ausbil on ESG and positioned for long term growth. We believe ESG factors can be a powerful driver of long-term performance, and ASUS is designed to capture that opportunity."

Nicholas Condoleon, Portfolio Manager and Deputy Head of Equities, Long Only, highlighted the potential benefits of the active ETF structure for a broader range of investors.

"Quoting the Fund as an Active ETF allows investors to tap into Ausbil's sustainable investment expertise with the convenience of trading on the exchange. Our process focuses on identifying quality businesses with strong fundamentals and sustainable competitive advantages, and we're excited to offer this strategy in a format that enhances accessibility and transparency."

Ausbil's sustainability approach applies the Fund's Controversial Activity Exclusion Policy and integrates proprietary environmental, social and corporate governance research. Companies are assessed on both what they do and how they manage ESG factors, resulting in a sustainability profile and score. Only those determined by Ausbil to have good sustainability profiles are considered for inclusion in the Portfolio.

"We are extremely pleased to launch ASUS as an active ETF, our fifth to be listed on the ASX," said Mark Knight, Chief Executive Officer of Ausbil. "This expands access to Ausbil's investment capability, enabling a broader range of investors, including retail and advised clients, to invest in a sustainable strategy with a strong track record."

Since inception (31 January 2018), the Fund has generated a net return of 9.22% pa, compared to the S&P/ASX 200 Accumulation Index return of 8.36% pa, delivering an outperformance of +0.86% pa to 31 March 2026. The Fund has been rated 'Highly Recommended' and 'Recommended' by Lonsec and Zenith, respectively. The Fund was launched in 2018 and has A\$394 million of funds under management as of 31 March 2026.

### About Ausbil Investment Management

Ausbil is a leading Australian based investment manager. Established in April 1997, Ausbil's core business is the management of Australian and global equities for major superannuation funds, institutional investors, master trust and retail clients.

Ausbil is owned by its employees and New York Life Investment Management Holdings LLC, a wholly owned subsidiary of New York Life Insurance Company.

As of 31 March 2026, Ausbil has over \$AUD19.5 billion in funds under management. For more information, visit [www.ausbil.com.au](http://www.ausbil.com.au).

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