

Aegon abrdn Global Sustainable and Responsible Investment Equity (ARC)

Fund information

Fund provider	Aegon/Scottish Equitable plc
Fund launch date	22 Apr 2014
Benchmark	MSCI AC World
Fund charge*	0.85%
Aegon fund size	£8.94m
ABI sector	ABI Global Equities
Fund type	Pension
ISIN	GB00BKX59R10
SEDOL	BKX59R1
Aegon mnemonic	ZVM
CitiCode	K8KD

*This is on top of any product or adviser charge you pay and includes a fixed management fee plus expenses that vary with the day to day costs of running the fund. Expenses can include costs paid by Aegon to third parties. The fund charges may differ for Retiready (RR) or Aegon One Retirement (AOR).

About fund performance

Investors should always consider performance in relation to the objective of the fund and over periods of at least five years. If a fund has risen in value, it doesn't mean it is meeting its objective – especially if the fund is aiming to outperform a particular benchmark or meet a risk target. The same applies if the fund has fallen in value.

Our risk rating



Above average risk funds typically invest in one single investment type or geographical region, for example regional equities (shares) or global bonds. This means that investors are completely exposed to the performance of that single investment type or region. These funds could experience lengthy periods where their value goes down depending on market conditions. However, these funds can also rise in value quite significantly and have historically provided good long-term growth. Because of their narrow investment focus, they're better suited to investors with at least five years to invest and to use in combination with other funds as part of a diversified portfolio.

Fund objective

The fund aims to grow capital over the long term (five years or more), targeting a return in line with the MSCI AC World Index, plus 3% per year over rolling three-year periods (before charges) by investing at least 70% of the portfolio in the shares of international companies around the world which adhere to abrdn's Sustainable and Responsible Investment Equity Approach. The manager chooses companies on the basis of thorough fundamental company analysis and ethical and socially responsible criteria. The fund may also use derivatives for the purpose of efficient portfolio management. The Aegon fund has higher charges than the underlying abrdn fund and will therefore be less likely to meet this target.

Fund performance

The following graph and tables show the performance of the fund over various time periods compared to the fund's benchmark (if there is one). All performance information is as at 30 Jun 2024 unless otherwise stated.

In the graph, performance is shown since launch if the fund is less than five years old.



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 ■ MSCI ACWI


	1yr	3yrs	5yrs	10yrs
Fund	12.3%	3.2%	7.6%	7.9%
Benchmark	20.1%	8.6%	10.9%	11.8%
Sector quartile	4	4	4	4

	Jun 23 to Jun 24	Jun 22 to Jun 23	Jun 21 to Jun 22	Jun 20 to Jun 21	Jun 19 to Jun 20
Fund	12.3%	13.1%	-13.5%	26.1%	4.0%
Benchmark	20.1%	11.3%	-4.2%	24.6%	5.2%
Sector quartile	4	2	4	2	2

Source: FE fundinfo. The performance information has been calculated in pounds on a bid-to-bid basis and is net of charges with gross income reinvested. Performance for periods over a year is annualised (% per year). Past performance is not a reliable guide to future performance. The value of an investment can fall as well as rise and is not guaranteed. Investors could get back less than they invested.

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Underlying fund

Fund mgmt group	abrdn Fund Managers Limited
Fund name	Global Sustainable and Responsible Investment Equity
Launch date	01 May 1999
Fund size	£152.91m as at 28 Jun 2024
Sedol code:	0683371
ISIN	GB0006833718
Crown rating	

Fund manager information

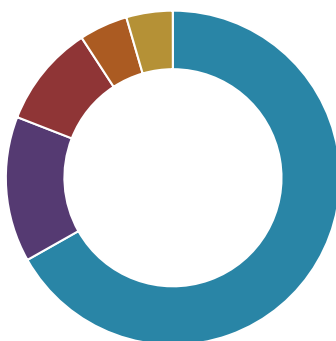
Fund manager	Ella-Kara Brown
Start date	03 Oct 2005



Fund manager	Dominic Byrne
Start date	02 Feb 2018

Dominic is Head of the Global Equities and he is co-portfolio manager of the SLI Global Equity Impact SICAV at Aberdeen Standard Investments. Dominic joined the Company in 2000 as part of our UK Equity Team. In December 2008, he joined the Global Equity Team and has managed a range of global equity strategies. In 2018, Dominic was appointed Deputy Head of Global Equity at Aberdeen Standard Investments, becoming Head in March 2020. Dominic graduated with a MEng in Engineering Science and is a CFA charterholder. CFA® and Chartered Financial Analyst® are registered trademarks owned by CFA Institute.

Asset allocation as at 28 Jun 2024



North America Equity	66.9%
Europe ex UK Equity	14.1%
Asia Pacific including Japan Equity	9.9%
Global Emerging Market Equity	4.7%
Cash	4.5%
Total	100.1%

Top holdings as at 31 May 2024

Holding	%
Microsoft Corp	6.3%
Eli Lilly & Co	4.0%
American Express Co	3.3%
L'Oreal SA	3.3%
Mastercard Inc	3.3%
Procter & Gamble Co/The	3.1%
ASML Holding NV	3.0%
TJX Cos Inc/The	3.0%
LPL Financial Holdings Inc	2.8%
Schneider Electric SE	2.8%
Total	34.9%

Total number of holdings: 41

Source of fund breakdown and holdings: Fund mgmt group

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Risks specific to this fund

There is no guarantee the fund will meet its objective. The value of an investment can fall as well as rise and investors could get back less than they originally invested. All funds carry a level of risk and the information below outlines the key risks for this fund.

Currency risk - this fund invests overseas so its value will go up and down in line with changes in currency exchange rates. This could be good for the fund or bad, particularly if exchange rates are volatile.

Third party risk - in the event that the underlying investments which the fund invests in suspend trading, Aegon may defer trading and/or payment to investors. The value ultimately payable will depend on the amount Aegon receives or expects to receive from the underlying investments.

Investment restrictions - this fund is restricted in what it can invest in either to one country e.g. UK or to a certain type of company e.g. ethical/socially responsible, smaller or technology-based, which increases the risk to the fund if market conditions don't favour that country or type of company.

Concentration risk - this fund invests in a smaller number of stocks (company shares) than most other, similar funds. This means there's a greater chance of loss if one or more of those stocks goes down in value.

Derivative risk - this fund will use derivatives in a number of ways to achieve its objectives. Holdings may add up to over 100% because derivatives offer a way to gain exposure to the returns of a specified equity or bond market without having to directly own it. These negative figures are not shown within the top holdings section. Derivatives allow a manager to buy or sell an investment at a specified future date for a specified price. However, this means the fund could be exposed to additional risks if the market moves up when the manager expected it to go down or vice versa.

