

# **HSBC OpenFunds**

# Global Sustainable Multi-Asset **Balanced Portfolio**

Monthly report 31 May 2024 | Share class Acc C



## Investment objective

The Fund aims to provide growth in line with its risk profile in the long term, which is a period of five years or more. The Fund's risk profile is rated as 3 where 1 is a lower level of risk and 5 is a higher level of risk. The Fund invests in a range of sustainable investment strategies which aim to consider financial returns alongside environmental, social and governance factors. Please see the Prospectus for an explanation of the HSBC risk levels and sustainable investment strategies.



# Investment strategy

This is one of a range of actively managed Global Sustainable Multi-Asset Portfolios offered at different risk levels. The asset allocation of each fund in the range reflects the risk level. The Fund is managed with the aim of maximising returns in line with its agreed long term risk profile therefore any potential returns are likely to be limited by the risk profile of the Fund. The exposure to each asset class may be achieved by investing in collective investment schemes, investing directly in asset classes and investing in derivatives. The focus on sustainable investment strategies is taken into consideration when deciding which asset classes the Fund will invest in and how the Fund achieves exposure to those asset classes. The Fund is not managed with reference to a henchmark



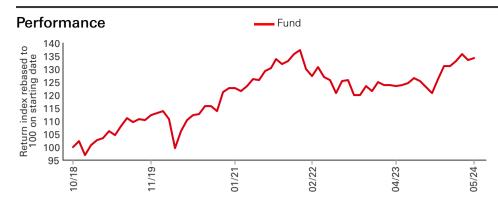
## Main risks

- The value of investments and any income from them can go down as well as up and you may not get back the amount originally invested.
- Where overseas investments are held the rate of currency exchange may cause the value of such investments to go down as well as up.
- The Fund invests in bonds whose value generally falls when interest rates rise. This risk is generally greater the longer the maturity of a bond investment and the higher its credit quality. The issuers of certain bonds, could become unwilling or unable to make payments on their bonds and default. Bonds that are in default may become hard to sell or worthless. The value of investible securities can change over time due to a wide variety of factors, including but not limited to: political and economic news, government policy, changes in demographics, cultures and populations, natural or human-caused disasters etc.

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Key metrics	
NAV per share	GBP 1.35
Performance 1 month	0.63%
Sharpe ratio 3 years	-0.10
Fund facts	
UCITS V compliant	No
UK reporting fund status (UKRS)	No
ISA eligible	Yes
Dividend treatment	Accumulating
Dealing frequency	Daily
Valuation time	12:00 United Kingdom
Share class base currency	GBP
Domicile	United Kingdom
Inception date	24 October 2018
Fund size	GBP 718,058,250
Managers	Camilla Searle Justin Turner
Fees and expenses	
Minimum initial	GBP 1,000,000
investment <sup>1</sup>	
Ongoing charge figure <sup>2</sup>	0.590%
Codes	
ISIN	GB00BF1H4F75
Bloomberg ticker	HSGSBCA LN
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<sup>1</sup>Please note that initial minimum subscription may vary across different distributors <sup>2</sup>Ongoing Charges Figure is an estimate due to a change of fee structure.



									Since inception
Performance (%)	YTD	1 month	3 months	6 months	1 year	3 years ann	5 years ann	10 years ann	ann
Acc C	2.30	0.63	1.10	6.62	8.47	2.22	5.11		5.44

Rolling performance									31/05/15-	
<u>(%)</u>						31/05/19	31/05/18	31/05/17	31/05/16	31/05/15
Acc C	8.47	-1.67	0.15	13.99	5.36					

		Broad market
Carbon footprint	Fund	index
Carbon intensity emissions	134.82	205.85

Carbon Intensity measures the quantity of carbon emission of a company (tonnes CO<sup>2</sup>e/USD million revenue) Source: S&P Global Trucost

**Currency Allocation (%)** 

Other Currencies

MSCI ESG Score	ESG score	E	S	G
Fund	7.3	6.7	6.1	6.4
Broad market index	6.5	6.4	5.6	6.0

Pound Sterling		44.00
Found Sterling		41.93
US Dollar		34.96
Euro	4.83	
Japanese Yen	3.28	
Mexican Peso	1.76	
Hong Kong Dollar	1.47	
Norwegian Krone	1.40	
Swiss Franc	1.08	
New Taiwan Dollar	0.96	
Indian rupee	0.96	

7.37

Sustainable investment style (%)	Fund
Equities - Positive Screening	38.61
Equities - Sustainable Thematic	15.14
Bonds - Positive Screening	34.84
Bonds - Sustainable Thematic	4.09
Alternatives - ESG Integration	2.25
Cash	1.66
Alternatives - Sustainable Thematic	3.41

Top 10 holdings	Weight (%)
HSBC GFI-GSGB UCS ETF-ZQHUSD	21.45
HSBC RIF SRI Global Equity JC	13.14
HSBC USA Sustainable Equity ETF	8.03
HSBC-GLOBAL ESG CORP-ZQ1USDI	6.27
HSBC Developed World Sustainable Eq ETF	6.12
HSBC GIF Global Eq Climate Change ZQ1	4.80
HSBC GIF-GL LW CAR EQ-ZQ1	4.71
HSBC GIF GEM ESG Local Debt ZQ1USD	3.52
HSBC Emerging Market Sustainable Eq ETF	3.47
HSBC FTSE EPRA DEV CPA USD A	3.41

Fund

The MSCI ESG Key Issue Score is the numerical, weighted average of MSCI's E, S, and G pillar scores. A higher number indicates a more favourable ESG profile in the view of MSCI.

The weighted averages of the Key Issue Scores are aggregated and companies' scores are normalized by their industries. After any

overrides are factored in, each company's Final Industry-Adjusted Score corresponds to a rating.

For more information, see MSCI ESG Ratings Methodology @ https://www.msci.com/esg-and-climate-methodologies

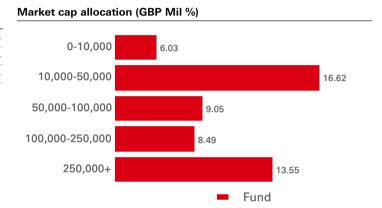
Past performance does not predict future returns. The figures are calculated in the share class base currency, dividend reinvested, net of fees.

The data displayed in above sections is shown on a look-through basis. This means that the fund may not directly hold these securities and the investment in these securities may be via other funds. For details of the broad market index, please refer to the prospectus.

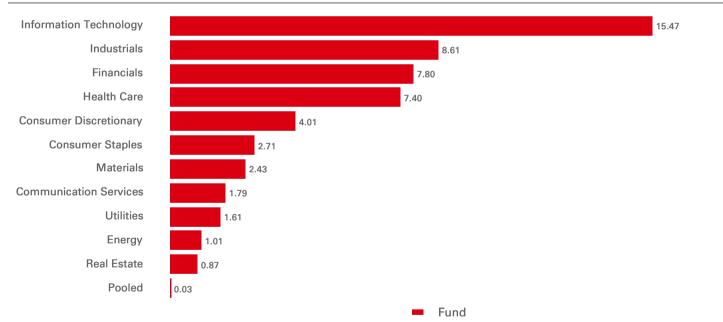
Source: HSBC Asset Management, data as at 31 May 2024

Equity top 10 holdings	Location	Sector	Weight (%)
Microsoft Corp	United States	Information Technology	3.16
NVIDIA Corp	United States	Information Technology	2.06
Apple Inc	United States	Information Technology	1.51
Visa Inc	United States	Financials	1.10
Johnson & Johnson	United States	Health Care	1.03
Cisco Systems Inc	United States	Information Technology	0.75
Taiwan Semiconductor Co Ltd	Taiwan	Information Technology	0.65
Trane Technologies PLC	United States	Industrials	0.65
Novo Nordisk A/S	Denmark	Health Care	0.53
Home Depot Inc/The	United States	Consumer Discretionary	0.51

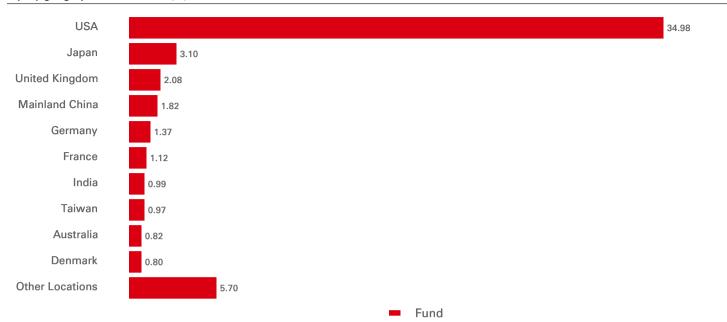
Equity characteristics	Fund	Reference Benchmark
Average market cap (GBP Mil)	395,110	
Price/earning ratio	17.94	
Portfolio yield	1.94%	



#### Equity sector allocation (%)



## Equity geographical allocation (%)



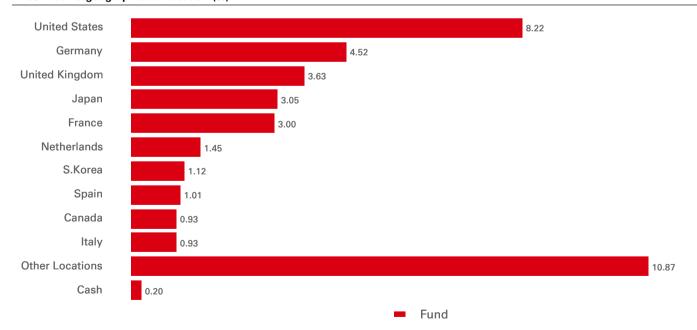
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Fixed Income Characteristics	Fund	Reference Benchmark	Relative
Yield to worst	5.51%		
Yield to maturity	5.56%		
Option adjusted duration	6.79		
Rating average	A+/A		

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Credit rating (%)	Fund	Benchmark	Relative		
AAA	8.07				
AA	11.59				
A	8.44				
BBB	7.55				
BB	2.15				
В	0.70				
CCC	0.14				
CC	0.02				
D	0.06				
NR	0.01				
Cash	0.20				

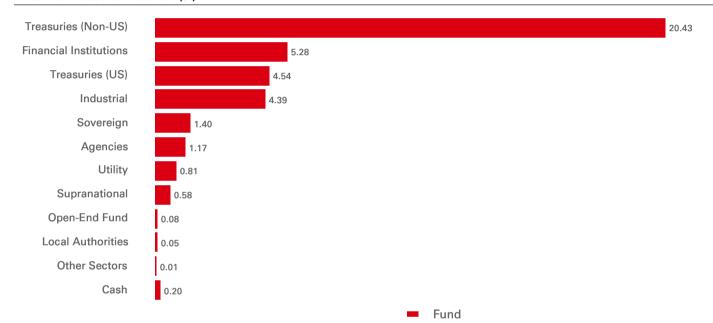
Fixed income top 10 holdings	Location	Instrument type	Weight (%)
UNITED KINGDOM GILT 0.375 22/10/2026 GBP	United Kingdom	Government Bond	0.20
US TREASURY N/B 4.250 31/01/2026 USD	United States	Treasury Note	0.20
UNITED KINGDOM GILT 4.625 31/01/2034 GBP	United Kingdom	Government Bond	0.17
TITULOS DE TESORERIA 7.000 26/03/2031 COP	Colombia	Government Bond	0.15
United Kingdom Gilt 0.875% 22/10/2029 GBP 0.01	United Kingdom	Government Bond	0.14
BUNDESSCHATZANWEISUNGEN 2.500 19/03/2026 EUR	Germany	Government Bond	0.14
THAILAND GOVERNMENT BOND 1.585 17/12/2035 THB	Thailand	Government Bond	0.14
NOTA DO TESOURO NACIONAL 10.000 01/01/2033 BRL	Brazil	Government Bond	0.13
BUNDESREPUB. DEUTSCHLAND 0.250 15/02/2027 EUR	Germany	Government Bond	0.13
REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA 9.000 31/01/2040 ZAR	South Africa	Government Bond	0.13

## Fixed income geographical allocation (%)



Geographical allocation (Option adjusted duration)	Fund	Reference Benchmark	Relative
United States	1.39		
Germany	0.80		
Japan	0.71		
United Kingdom	0.68		
France	0.49		
S.Korea	0.27		
Netherlands	0.25		
Italy	0.15		
Spain	0.13		
Canada	0.13		
Other Locations	1.78		
Cash	0.00		

#### Fixed income sector allocation (%)



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	3 year total return (%)	1000 invested	3 Year Volatility (%)
Global Sustainable Multi-Asset Balanced Portfolio Accumulation C	2.22	1,068.20	8.24
Peer Group Average - EAA Fund GBP Moderate Allocation	2.11	1,064.49	7.30
Lowest Returning Fund in Peer Group	-2.62	923.47	5.00
Highest Returning Fund in Peer Group	6.21	1,198.10	12.81
Cash	2.85	1,088.03	0.63

HSBC OpenFunds offer a choice of five different risk levels, to be selected by investors depending on factors like their financial goals, time horizon and capacity for loss. Typically, the more risk investors take, the more return they would expect to see. At HSBC Asset Management, we measure risk by volatility – how sharply a Portfolio's share price moves in any given time period (up or down). The higher the volatility, the higher the risk.

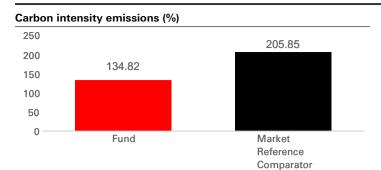
The table above shows the Portfolio's return (for the primary share class or hedged currency share class) per year over the last three years (known as annualised) and the level of volatility over the same period. This can be compared against other funds in the peer

group, as defined by an independent research company\*.

An example of a good outcome would be that the HSBC Portfolio return is higher than the peer group's average return and the volatility (risk taken) is lower. However investors should consider their own priorities when it comes to returns and the risk taken to achieve

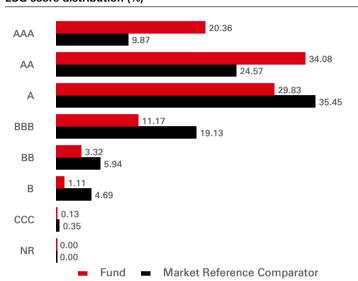
\*Morningstar Categories are used to define the peer group compromising funds they deem similar based on fund objectives and holdings. The average is a median.

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Over the month, the average carbon intensity of the market benchmark was measured at 199.9 tCO2e. Our investment approach resulted in a reduction of 34%, meaning the carbon intensity of the portfolio was measured at 131.6 tCO2e.

#### ESG score distribution (%)



84% of the underlying issuers held by the fund are rated AAA-A, compared to 70% of those in the reference benchmark. The average ESG score for the underlying issuers held by the fund is 7.3, while that of the reference benchmark securities was 6.45.

## Fund vs reference comparator (%)

		00	Carbon intensity		<b>187</b> * 1 *	500	Carbon intensity
Fund	vveignt E	SG score	emissions	Index	vveignt	ESG score	emissions
Developed Equity	50.28%	4.07	25.28	MSCI World	53.69%	3.82	55.65
Global Government Bond	21.45%	1.48	48.11	Bloomberg Global Agg Treasuries	21.45%	1.29	65.91
Global Corporate Bond	10.38%	0.80	4.72	Bloomberg Barclays Global Agg	10.36%	0.71	13.04
				Corporates			
Global Property	5.66%	0.37	5.86	JPM GBI-EM Global Diversified	3.52%	0.16	27.64
GEM Debt - Local Currency	3.52%	0.20	18.88	MSCI Emerging Markets	3.47%	0.20	15.56
Emerging Market Equity	3.47%	0.22	14.51	JPM EMBI Global Diversified	2.29%	0.09	16.74
GEM Debt - Hard Currency	2.29%	0.10	13.15	FTSE EPRA NAREIT	2.25%	0.14	2.13
Global High Yield	1.26%	0.08	1.12	BoAML Global High Yield BB-B	1.31%	0.06	3.20

To demonstrate the performance of the fund against its sustainable investment aim the ESG and carbon intensity scores of the fund are shown compared to the scores of a reference comparator. The reference comparator represents the ESG and carbon intensity scores the fund might have achieved if it did not have a sustainable investment aim.

The reference comparator is a combination of market indices that represent the asset classes held by the fund and in the same proportions (weighting) as the fund, as shown in the table above. The composition of the reference comparator varies over time in line with the asset classes and proportions held by the fund.

The table above shows that the various asset classes contribute differently to the ESG and carbon intensity scores although it is important to consider

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#### Stewardship

Stewardship in Action – Collaborative engagement with multinational commodity trading & mining company Background

The company's emission targets are misaligned with 1.5 degrees and require urgent actions to reduce emissions.

Desired Action from the company

Environmental - Strengthen short term targets such as ending greenfield Valeria project; Improve disclosure around capex plans that are Paris-aligned. Environmental & Social - Establish and disclose a Just transition strategy for impacted assets and communities.

Social and Governance - Set specific targets linked to remuneration that shall lead to absolute emission reduction.

Engagement process

We engaged with the CEO to voice our concerns over assumptions used in Paris aligned scenario analysis. We co-filed a shareholder proposal asking for improved disclosure on 1.5-degree alignment in December 2022.

Outcome & Next Steps

The company decided to withdraw applications for approval for the new greenfield Valeria coal mine in Australia and to commit to a just transition plan. They enhanced medium term target from 40% to 50% GHG emissions by 2035, which will come primarily from the reduction of coal assets. They stated their intention to exit the World Coal Association in the progress report.

## Risk disclosures

- Investing in other funds involves certain risks an investor would not face if investing in markets directly. Governance of underlying assets can be the responsibility of third-party managers.
- The Fund may invest in Emerging Markets, these markets are less established, and often more volatile, than developed markets and involve higher risks, particularly market, liquidity and currency risks.
- Derivatives may be used by the Fund, and these can behave unexpectedly. The pricing and volatility of many derivatives may diverge from strictly reflecting the pricing or volatility of their underlying reference(s), instrument or asset.
- Investment Leverage occurs when the economic exposure is greater than the amount invested, such as when derivatives are used. A Fund that employs leverage may experience greater gains and/or losses due to the amplification effect from a movement in the price of the reference source.
- Liquidity is a measure of how easily the Fund's holdings can be quickly converted to cash. The value of the Fund's holdings may be significantly impacted by liquidity risk during adverse market conditions.

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