

# Royal London Emerging Markets ESG Leaders Equity Tracker Fund

Z Acc GBP  
31 May 2024

## Fund objective

The Fund's investment objective is to deliver over the long term (at least 7 years), the capital growth and income of the MSCI Emerging Markets ESG Leaders Net Return Index (expressed in GBP) (the "Index"). This is carried out principally by matching the performance of the Index, which is made up of companies that have the highest environmental, social and governance (ESG) performance in each sector of the wider MSCI Emerging Markets Net Return Index. In addition to the Index, which the Fund aims largely to replicate, the IA Global Emerging Markets sector is considered an appropriate benchmark for performance comparison.

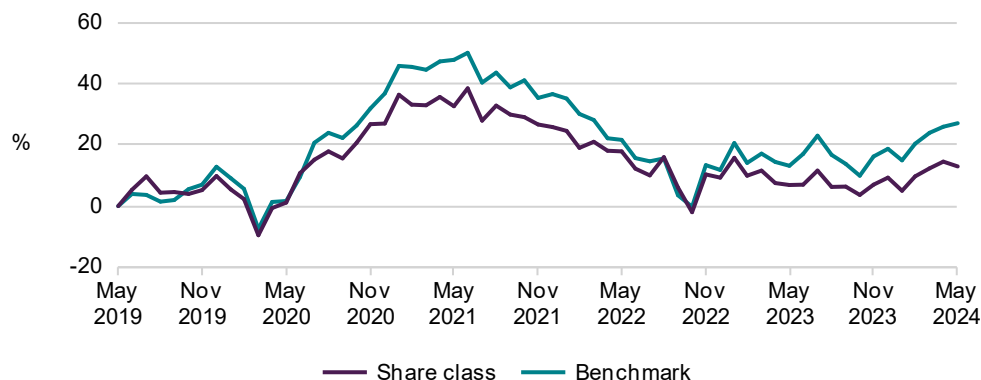
## Cumulative performance %

	Cumulative performance %					Annualised %	
	3M	6M	1Y	3Y	5Y	3Y	5Y
Share class	2.97	5.59	5.70	(14.81)	13.04	(5.20)	2.48
Fund end of day	3.64	6.41	7.10	(13.32)	14.55	(4.65)	2.75
Benchmark	3.66	6.75	7.41	(14.04)	13.93	(4.91)	2.64
IA Sector	2.60	7.14	9.42	(8.53)	15.92	(2.93)	3.00
Quartile Rank	2	3	4	3	3	3	3

## Year on year performance % (12 months to 31 May)

	31/05/2023 - 31/05/2024	31/05/2022 - 31/05/2023	31/05/2021 - 31/05/2022	31/05/2020 - 31/05/2021	31/05/2019 - 31/05/2020
Share class	5.70	(9.27)	(11.16)	31.14	1.18

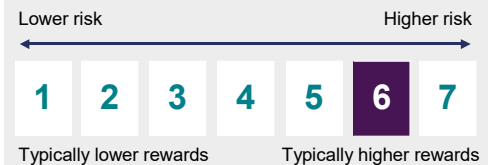
## Rolling performance



Past performance is not a guide to future performance. The value of investments and the income from them is not guaranteed and may go down as well as up and investors may not get back the amount originally invested. Fund performance is shown on a mid to mid price basis, net of fees and gross of taxes, with gross income reinvested unless otherwise stated. Benchmark performance is shown gross of fees and taxes. The impact of commissions, fees and other charges can be material on the performance of your investment.

Fund launch date	12 June 2017
Fund size	£5,139.36m
Fund type	ICVC
Fund domicile	GB
Fund managers	JoJo Chen Michael Sprot
ISA eligible	Yes
Fund base currency	GBP
Share class currency	GBP
Share class launch date	5 March 2018
Benchmark	MSCI EM (Emerging Markets) ESG Leaders Net Total Return Index GBP
SFDR classification	N/A
IA sector	Global Emerging Markets
Fund management fee	0.250%
Minimum investment	£3,000,000
Mid price	107.60p
ISIN	GB00BZ8FWL65
Sedol	BZ8FWL6

## Risk measurement



The indicator is based on historical data and may not be a reliable indication of the future risk profile. The category shown may change over time. The lowest category does not mean 'risk free'.

## ESG characteristics

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	Yes	No
ESG integration	✓	
Promotes environmental or social characteristics		✓
Sustainable fund objective		✓
Additional exclusions		✓

## Climate metrics

	Fund	Benchmark	Difference %
Financed emissions (tCO <sub>2</sub> e)	614,628.32	n/a	n/a
Financed emissions coverage	99.82%	n/a	n/a
Carbon footprint (tCO <sub>2</sub> e/\$M invested)	96.58	93.04	3.81
Carbon footprint coverage	99.82%	99.90%	(0.08)
Weighted average carbon intensity (tCO <sub>2</sub> e/\$M sales)	287.34	247.65	16.03
Weighted average carbon intensity coverage	99.85%	99.90%	(0.05)

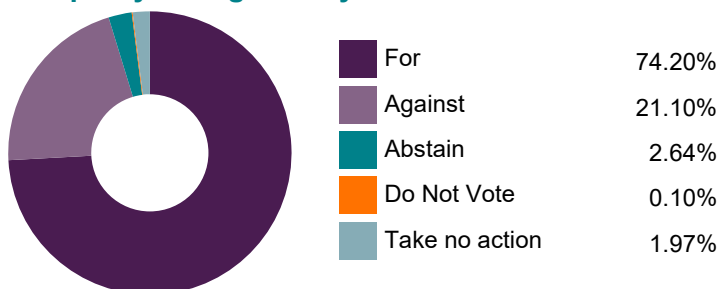
All climate metrics presented above are for Scope 1-2 emissions. Unless specified in the objective, the data is for information only and should not be taken to mean they are being managed to/controlled.

## Engagements

Engagement activity	Fund 3 months	Fund 12 months
Number of entities engaged	2	8
Number of engagements	4	17

This is an estimate. Some engagements at the issuer level may not have been attributed to the specific bond held in the fund, resulting in a lower number of engagement activities.

## Total proxy voting activity



## ESG characteristics rationale

The Fund aims largely to replicate the composition of the MSCI Emerging Markets ESG Leaders Net Return Index, which is made up of companies that have the highest environmental, social and governance (ESG) performance in each sector of the wider MSCI Emerging Markets Net Return Index.

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## Key concepts to understand

**Carbon footprint:** Exposure to high emitters in the portfolio, expressed in tCO<sub>2</sub>e/\$M invested. Financed emissions (explained above) are divided by the portfolio value, the same approach for listed companies and private issuers is applied in this metric.

**Efficient Portfolio Management (EPM) techniques:** The Fund may engage in EPM techniques including holdings of derivative instruments. The use of these instruments may expose the Fund to volatile investment returns and increase the volatility of the net asset value of the Fund. EPM techniques may involve the Fund entering into transactions with counterparties where there may be a risk of counterparty default. The Fund's ability to use EPM strategies may be limited by market conditions, regulatory limits and tax considerations.

**Financed emissions:** The emissions from activities in the real economy that are financed through lending and investment portfolios, expressed in tCO<sub>2</sub>e. Emissions are attributed to a portfolio based on the portion of the company's value the portfolio holds, and using different accounting values for public and private corporates. We provide financed emissions for scope 1 and 2 emissions.

**Performance (supplementary end of day):** Official performance at share class level is shown on a mid-to-mid price basis, net of fees and taxes, with gross income reinvested unless otherwise stated. Supplementary end of day performance at Fund level has also been provided in order to show a comparison vs the benchmark which is also priced at end of day, gross of fees and taxes.

**Weighted Average Carbon Intensity (WACI):** Portfolio's exposure to carbon-intensive companies, expressed in tCO<sub>2</sub>e / \$M revenue. Scope 1 and scope 2 GHG emissions are divided by companies revenues, then multiplied based on portfolio weights (the current value of the investment relative to the current portfolio value). The WACI is calculated as a weighted average sum of the holdings with carbon intensity coverage.

## Fund risks

**Counterparty risk:** The insolvency of any institutions providing services such as safekeeping of assets or acting as counterparty to derivatives or other instruments, may expose the Fund to financial loss.

**EPM techniques risk:** The Fund may engage in EPM techniques including holdings of derivative instruments. Whilst intended to reduce risk, the use of these instruments may expose the Fund to increased price volatility.

**Emerging markets risk:** Investing in Emerging Markets may provide the potential for greater rewards but carries greater risk due to the possibility of high volatility, low liquidity, currency fluctuations, the adverse effect of social, political and economic instability, weak supervisory structures and accounting standards.

**Exchange rate risk:** Changes in currency exchange rates may affect the value of your investment.

**Investment risk:** The value of investments and any income from them may go down as well as up and is not guaranteed. Investors may not get back the amount invested.

**Liquidity risk:** In difficult market conditions the value of certain fund investments may be difficult to value and harder to sell, or sell at a fair price, resulting in unpredictable falls in the value of your holding.

**Responsible investment risk:** The Fund can only invest in holdings that demonstrate compliance with certain sustainable indicators or ESG characteristics. This reduces the number securities in which the Fund can invest and there may as a result be occasions where it forgoes more strongly performing investment opportunities, potentially underperforming non-sustainable funds.

## Share class fees and charges

Share class	ISIN	Fee	Minimum investment
Z Acc GBP	GB00BZ8FWL65	0.250%	£3,000,000

## Further information



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