Storebrand Emerging Markets ESG Plus Lux B GBP

Developing markets exposure for climate aware investors

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FUND INFORMATION

Strategy launch date*	01/06/2016	
Fund launch date	18/12/2023	
Strategy AuM*	£1.4bn	
No. of holdings	662	
Benchmark	MSCI Emerging Markets Index	
Morningstar Category	Global Emerging Markets Equity	
Bloomberg	STRMEGA:LX	
ISIN	LU2658247064	
UCITS	Yes	
Domicile	Luxembourg	
Management Fee	0.3%	
SFDR Categorisation	Article 8	
Portfolio Manager	Henrik Wold Nilsen	

^{*} Includes SEK, LUX and CCF funds



Henrik Wold Nilsen, Senior Portfolio Manager

- Joined Storebrand Asset Management in 2010
- Masters in theoretical high energy physics (University of Bergen, 2005)
- Doctorate in experimental high energy physics (University of Freiburg, Germany, 2009)
- Post-doctoral position in Freiburg in connection with research lab CERN, Geneva (2009-2010)

ABOUT STOREBRAND

Storebrand Asset Management (SAM) is Norway's largest private asset manager and a specialist in sustainable investing. We take a holistic and integrated approach to ESG and our main objective with sustainable investments is to contribute to real world impact and long-term value creation for clients and the companies we invested in on their behalf.

Climate change poses a growing threat to our future, including the stability of our financial system¹. Global equities, particularly in emerging markets, contain high carbon risk and fossil fuel exposures, meaning that traditional passive investments represent increasing unmanaged climate risks.

To address this problem, we have been managing sustainable index funds since 2005, successfully optimising portfolios to minimise climate risk and tracking error. Our funds' performance demonstrates that incorporating sustainability has not diminished returns.

INVESTMENT STRATEGY

The Emerging Markets Plus strategy is part of SAM's unique Plus fund range of climate-aware strategies which seek to reproduce the risk and return profile of MSCI indices whilst aligning with the transition to a low carbon economy.

The systematically managed EM Plus strategy tracks the MSCI Emerging Market Index whilst excluding fossil fuel-related and climate negative companies and replacing them with climate solution stocks and those with additional ESG criteria and sustainability focus.

Since inception over five years ago, the Swedish-domiciled fund has provided index relative returns of +0.7% with 2.1% tracking error². The strategy has achieved this by using six key components:



FOSSIL FREE

We exclude fossil fuels (>5% of sales) and companies with climate negative exposures (e.g. plastics and meat). The strategy is Parisaligned and considers climate risk across the value chain.



CLIMATE SOLUTIONS

We allocate c.15% of the portfolio to climate solutions companies³, such as renewable energy, green transport, recycling and water, and optimise the portfolio for FTSE green revenues.



CARBON INTENSITY

We optimise the fund, considering lifecycle emissions (scope 3) and avoided emissions (scope 4) to minimise carbon intensity, resulting in a portfolio with significantly lower carbon intensity than the index⁴.



TARGET SETTING

We reward companies for genuine climate mitigation efforts and target setting, considering appropriate use of engagement vs. risk-based divestment.



CLIMATE NEGATIVE LOBBYING

Companies are not passive 'takers' of climate policy. We engage with but avoid investing in those lobbying against climate action, using data from InfluenceMap and other sources.



ESG RATING

We have developed a proprietary ESG rating system to analyse companies, using qualitative and quantitative assessment of wider environmental, social and governance issues.

- ¹ Source: <u>Bank of England</u>. ² Inception date: 01/06/2016. Gross of fees and in GBP. 3-year tracking error.
- ³ Pure play climate solutions companies defined as those with >50% revenues or market cap from solutions activity. ⁴ Based on Trucost data (tons / mUSD sales).

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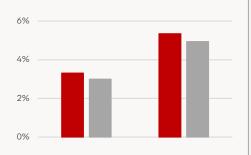


FUND PERFORMANCE

■ Storebrand EM ESG Plus Lux B GBP

■ MSCI EM Index

Absolute return (GBP)



	Q1 2024	Since Inception
Storebrand Emerging Markets ESG Plus LUX	3.31%	5.35%
MSCI World Index	3.00%	4.94%
Relative return	0.31%	0.42%

Performance figures in GBP, net of fees.

Historical returns are no guarantee for future returns. Future returns will depend, inter alia, on market developments, the fund manager's skill, the fund's risk profile and management fees. The return may become negative as a result of negative price developments. There is a risk associated with investing in the fund due to market movements, currency developments, interest rate levels, economic, sector and company-specific conditions.

INVESTMENT STRATEGY COMMENTARY¹

- The fund's moderate outperformance relative to the MSCI EM Index in Q1 is best explained
 by aggregating company contributions into three categories: companies which are
 excluded due to the fund's investment screens, companies which are overweighted in the
 portfolio due to their products and services helping to mitigate climate change and the
 main part of the fund which is invested in companies which are neither screened nor
 provide climate solutions.
- Within this latter part of the fund, the strategy overweights companies which have attractive climate properties, such as green revenues according to FTSE, a climate target approved by the Science Based Target initiative or a relatively low scope 1+2 carbon emission intensity. In Q1, this part of the fund made up 85% of the portfolio and positively contributed around 0.4% to relative returns. Only 13 individual companies had an absolute value of contribution to relative return above 0.05%, with the highest being 0.13%. This illustrates the fund's emphasis on risk management the strategy prefers to be overweight many individual companies which share the same attractive climate characteristic, thereby avoiding the stock-specific, benchmark-relative risk that comes together with large overweights in individual companies.
- The investment screen had positive contributions from all sub-components (fossil fuels, breeches of international norms and conventions, and production of screened products other than fossil fuels, including alcohol, gambling and weapons) and in sum added +0.3% on a relative basis.
- Being overweight climate solutions stocks, with a fund weight of just under 15% spread across 295 such companies, compared to 3% weight across 80 such companies for the MSCI EM Index, produced a negative contribution (-0.2%) in Q1.
- The fund's currency exposure matches that of the benchmark to within 2% for all currencies, with the exception being the Saudi riyal (SAR) given that the fund doesn't invest in that country, giving a 4% underweight in SAR. The total contribution to relative returns from the quite small deviations in currency exposure between fund and benchmark was -0.1%.

¹ Attribution figures based on the SWE fund but expected to be similar for the LUX fund

PORTFOLIO INFORMATION

Top 10 Holdings:

TOTAL	24.6%
SK HYNIX INC	0.9%
ADR PDD HOLDINGS INC	0.9%
CHINA CONSTRUCTION BANK	1.0%
INFOSYS LIMITED	1.1%
ICICI BANK	1.1%
HON HAI PRECISION	1.2%
ALIBABA GROUP HOLDING LTD	2.1%
TENCENT HLDGS LTD	3.8%
SAMSUNG ELECTRONICS	3.9%
TAIWAN SEMICON MAN	8.5%

Sector breakdown:

Information Technology	25.1%
Financials	21.4%
Consumer Discretionary	14.3%
Industrials	11.9%
Communication Services	10.1%
Consumer Staples	4.6%
Materials	3.7%
Utilities	3.7%
Health Care	2.6%
Real Estate	2.4%
Energy	0.0%

Country breakdown:

China	26.0%
Taiwan	19.7%
India	18.2%
Korea, Republic Of	13.9%
Brazil	5.3%
South Africa	3.1%
Mexico	2.6%
Indonesia	2.3%
Malaysia	2.2%
Thailand	1.6%

WHY INVEST IN STOREBRAND EMERGING MARKETS ESG PLUS?

- Broad developing markets strategy with evolving climate adjustments
- * Reduces climate risk by not investing in the fossil fuel value chain
- ❖ Increases exposure to climate solutions via 15% dedicated allocation
- Low carbon footprint
- * High ESG score
- Systematic, risk-minimising portfolio construction with low expected tracking error

RISK PROFILE

We have classified this product as 5 out of 7, which is a medium-high risk class. This rates the potential losses from future performance at a medium-high level. Other risks not included in the summary risk indicator but materially relevant: Event risk, liquidity risk, operational risk, counterparty risk, derivatives risk. Be aware of currency risk. You will receive payments in a different currency, so the final return you will get depends on the exchange rate between the two currencies. This risk is not considered in the indicator shown above. This product does not include any protection from future market performance so you could lose some or all of your investment.

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Storebrand SICAV has appointed Fund Rock Management Company S.A. to act as its designated management company. FundRock Management Company S.A.'s offices are located at: 33, rue de Gasperich, 5826 Hesperange, Grand Duchy of Luxembourg.

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