# **EFW EFFICIENCY FUND**

# "Transforming Resource Efficiency into Investment Opportunities"

February 28, 2023

## **PERFORMANCE**

	MTD	YTD	1 year	2 year	3 year	Incept.*
EFW Efficiency Fund	-0.06%	6.73%	3.02%	4.62%	48.72%	44.04%
MSCI World (Dev.)	-2.53%	4.30%	1.99%	0.91%	33.82%	57.57%
EFW Efficiency Index	-0.77%	6.41%	1.07%	2.88%	56.30%	67.24%

	Sharpe R. 1 year		Max. Draw. s. Inception
<b>EFW Efficiency Fund</b>	-0.05	20.92%	35.05%
MSCI World Index	-0.41	20.29%	33.90%

**February 2023**: the Fund outperformed the MSCI World Index by 2.47 % (MTD) and 2.43 % ( YTD). The Fund (including all costs) is outperforming the underlying EFW Efficiency Index by 0.32% (YTD).

Source: Novum, Scarabaeus, Bloomberg

\*Note Global Trends EFW Efficiency Fund launched on launched on 03.10.2016. EFW Efficiency Index launched on 01.01.2014 Inception Performance for both Indices (EFW and MSCI World) calculated starting October 3, 2016. Performance Data for the EFW Efficiency Fund

# **FUND FACTS**

# Strategy/Focus Thematic/Global Entity Global Trends EFW Efficiency Fund

Asset Manager Novum Asset Management AG Licensor EFW Capital Advisors AG

Custodian Bank Liechtensteinische Landesbank AG
Administrator Scarabaeus Wealth Management AG

Auditor Deloitte (Liechtenstein) AG

Inception Date 03.10.2016

Fund Type UCITS V (unit trust)

Account Currency US-Dollar (USD)

Benchmark EFW Efficiency Index, MSCI World
Trading Weekly

Available currencies USD, CHF

Fund Volume (Global Trends) USD 9.2 mio.

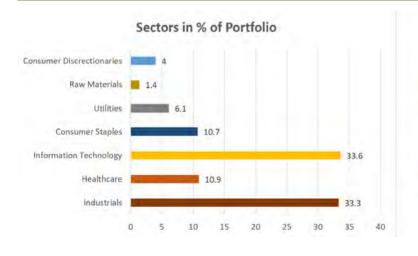
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# TOP TEN HOLDINGS

- I. Oxford Instruments, UK (2.70%)
- 2. General Mills, US (2.60%)
- 3. Sandvik AB, SWE (2.40%)
- 4. Microchip Techn., US (2.20%)
- 5. Centerpoint Energy, US (2.20%)
- 6. Burckhardt Comp., CH (2.20%)
- 7. Hillenbrand Inc., US (2.20%)
- 8. Helios Techn. Inc.; US (2.10%)
- 9. Kellogg Co., US (2.00%)
- 10. Softcat Plc, UK (1.90%)

#### **ASSET ALLOCATION**





Quellen: EFW Capital, Solactive, LLB, Novum



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### METHODOLOGY AND ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

Key objectives of the Fund are to provide investors (1) with exposure to a selection of companies best prepared to capture growth opportunities through resource efficiency and innovation and the direct impact on corporate profitability, and (2) selecting the companies with the most competitive edge in a context of increasing **resources scarcity**.

Q1 2023	Energy Intensity	Water Intensity	R&D/ Sales	EBITDA Margin	
EFW Efficiency Index	131	4'422	4.10%	22.80%	
EFW Efficiency Universe	579	26'374	9.10%	23.30%	
Reduction	77.37%	83.23%			

Please feel free to contact **EFW Capital Advisors AG** / Benjamin Ergas, directly, should you have any questions about the **underlying EFW Efficiency Index or the Methodology** www.efwcapital.ch

### **UNIT CLASS / ISIN**

# Institutional Shares (Accumulating)

USD-I LI0332891709 CHF-I\* LI0339233467

Management Fee: 0.70 %p.a.

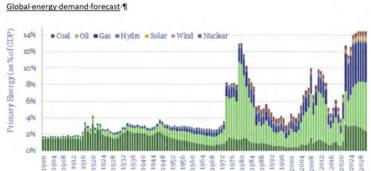
# Retail Shares (Distributing)

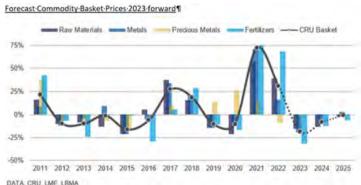
USD-R LI0332891717 CHF-R\* LI0339233483

Management Fee: I.20 % p.a. Dividend Distribution: yearly

#### MARKETS / OUTLOOK

**February 2023:** Inflation is still the major topic dominating financial markets. Different scenarios are being discussed, such as hard vs. soft vs. no landing or recession. Hard landing: the FED continues with a very hawkish stance, reducing the balance sheet and aggressively increasing interest rates. This "getting rid of it quickly scenario" would certainly be negative for stocks in the short run but accelerate the equity reentry points for investors. Soft landing: what is happening right now. Interest rates are slowly rising and a deep recession is being "massaged" away by the FED. This scenario is supporting stocks rather than bonds in the short run as it is procrastinatingly inflationary at its best. No landing: entails easing of monetary policy by the FED, cutting the fed funds rate at the targeted 2 % level. That would be a bullish for long bonds, bearish for the USD and probably short-term bullish (investor sentiment) and bearish (earnings decrease) for stocks.





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Due to record historic lows of US unemployment rates, causing further inflation on wages, the tech sector has already started to reduce their workforce. Other sectors might follow, despite the market romancing the idea to ease again. In addition, according to investment experts, earnings downgrades are expected to come no later than the 3rd quarter 2023 and with that the FED might capitulate. Timing has never been as difficult as this time. Looking at energy and commodities forecasts (see above) it is the right time to finally start looking for good values in terms of substance, earnings resiliency and especially resource efficiency, significantly affecting the bottom line; profits. Value and efficiency have become be a key component of investing.

## **IMPORTANT NOTES**

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