## INNOVATION FUND

## "Transforming Innovation into Investment Opportunities"

### August 31, 2024

### **PERFORMANCE**

|                                 | MTD   | YTD    | 1 year | 2 year | 3 year | Incept.* |  |  |  |
|---------------------------------|-------|--------|--------|--------|--------|----------|--|--|--|
| Innovation Fund                 | 1.82% | 11.21% | 12.67% | 30.56% | 6.06%  | 67.88%   |  |  |  |
| EFW Efficiency Index            | 2.25% | 8.02%  | 11.49% | 30.49% | 4.27%  | 94.16%   |  |  |  |
| Sharpe R. Volatility Max. Draw. |       |        |        |        |        |          |  |  |  |

|                      | Sharpe R. | Volatility | Max. Draw. |
|----------------------|-----------|------------|------------|
|                      | 1 year    | 1 year     | 1 year     |
| Innovation Fund      | 0.68      | 13.30%     | -10.54%    |
| EFW Efficiency Index | 0.63      | 12.93%     | -12.11%    |

| Global Trends Innovation Fund vs. EFW Efficiency Index |       |          |      |      |       |                        |       |       |       |     |     |     |     |      |
|--|-------|----------|------|------|-------|------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-----|-----|-----|-----|------|
|  |       | nance in |      |      |       | r = r r = moremey maex |       |       |       |     |     |     |     |      |
|  |       | Jan      | Feb  | Mar  | Apr   | May                    | Jun   | Jul   | Aug   | Sep | Oct | Nov | Dec | 2024 |
|  |       |          |      |      |       |                        |       |       |       |     |     |     |     |      |
|  | Fund* | -0.94    | 4.21 | 1.78 | -2.25 | 2.59                   | 0.66  | 2.98  | 1.82  |     |     |     |     |      |
|  | Index | -2.22    | 2.46 | 1.32 | -2.30 | 3.30                   | -1.26 | 4.43  | 2.25  |     |     |     |     |      |
|  |       | 1.28     | 1.75 | 0.46 | 0.05  | -0.71                  | 1.92  | -1.45 | -0.43 | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0    |
|  |       |          |      |      |       |                        |       |       |       |     |     |     |     |      |

<sup>\*</sup> Global Innovation Fund after all costs and fees

Source: Novum. PRIME Fund Solutions

\*Note: The Global Trends Innovation Fund was launched on October 3, 2016. EFW (launched on January I, 2014) performance calculated starting October 3, 2016.

#### SCHNEIDER ELECTRIC CONSTITUENT:



## **FUND FACTS**

#### Thematic/Global Strategy/Focus Global Trends Innovation Fund Entity Novum Asset Management AG Asset Manager

EFW Capital Advisors AG Licensor Liechtensteinische Landesbank AG Custodian Bank

PRIME Fund Solutions AG Administrator

Auditor Deloitte (Liechtenstein) AG

Inception Date 03.10.2016 Fund Type UCITS V (unit trust)

Account Currency US-Dollar (USD)

**Benchmark EFW Efficiency Index** 

**Trading** weekly

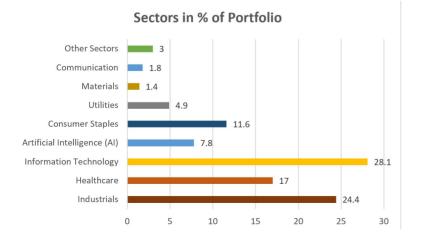
USD, CHF Available currencies USD 8.8 Mio.

#### TOP TEN HOLDINGS

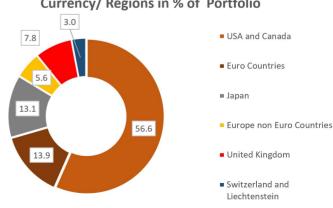
Fund Volume (Global Trends)

- I. Legrand SA, FR (2.7%)
- 2. Zoetis Inc., US (2.6%)
- 3. Arista Networks, US (2.4%)
- 4. Experian PLC, UK (2.4%)
- 5. McCormick, US (2.3%)
- 6. Nextera Energy, US (2.3%)
- 7. Benchmark El. US (2.1%)
- 8. Anritsu Corp. JP (2.0)%
- Pennon Group UK, (2.0%)
- 10. GSK Plc, UK, (1.9%)

#### **ASSET ALLOCATION**



#### Currency/ Regions in % of Portfolio



Quellen: LLB, Novum



## **INNOVATION FUND**

#### **METHODOLOGY**

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

| Q2 2024                        | Energy    | Water     | R&D/  | EBITDA |  |
|--------------------------------|-----------|-----------|-------|--------|--|
|                                | Intensity | Intensity | Sales | Margin |  |
|                                |           |           |       |        |  |
| <b>EFW Efficiency Index</b>    | 2'084     | 290       | 9.60% | 23.70% |  |
| <b>EFW Efficiency Universe</b> | 13'996    | 519       | 9.80% | 22.60% |  |
| Reduction                      | 85.11%    | 44.05%    |       |        |  |
|                                |           |           |       |        |  |

Source: EFW Capital Advisors

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.

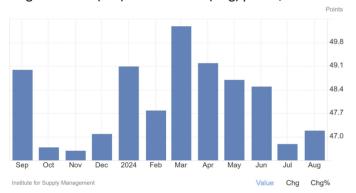
# Retail Shares (Distributing)

USD-R LI0332891717 CHF-R\* LI0339233483

Management Fee: 1.00 % p.a. Dividend Distribution: yearly

#### MARKETS / OUTLOOK

**August 24:** Expectations were high. In the end, the US Markets delivered another round of net gains, despite some market turbulences in between. The main reason being the FED, announcing their first interest rate cut in September, since inflation is easing, and the job market seems to show robust resilience. Inflation slowed for a fourth consecutive month to CPI 2.9% (YoY) and PPI 2.2% (YoY) in July 2024, respectively. However, the somewhat easing consumption is still accompanied by declining savings rates and rising consumer debt, whilst unemployment rates rose to 4.3 %. Business Confidence is further retreating from 48.5 (Jun) down to 46.8 (Aug) points, whereas consumer confidence levels rose.





The war in Ukraine and Russia, Israel and Hamas and the ongoing disputes in the South China Sea continue to fill the news headlines. Therefore, the biggest risk for the financial markets at the moment is geopolitics, and has been for almost two and a half years. Others believe this is already priced in. And then there is the presidential election in the USA, a political spectacle that should ensure geopolitical calm at least until the end of the elections in November. The Show must go on. Therefore, innovation might not prevent the markets from correcting, but it will ensure that innovative companies remain healthy and competitive even in apolitical turmoil eventually leading to an economic downturn. At the moment, the FED is playing the "soft landing" card.

#### **IMPORTANT NOTES**

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<sup>\*</sup> CHF share classes are hedged.