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Article 8 fund: North American Equity Indexed Fund



The North American Equity Indexed Fund is classified as a Light Green or Article 8 fund. Article 8 funds or Light Green Funds are defined as funds which promote environmental or social characteristics (although not exclusively) and which invest in companies that follow good governance practices.

Pursuant to the EU Sustainable Finance Disclosure Regulation (**"SFDR"**), we set out below information relating to the North American Equity Indexed Fund (**the "Portfolio"**).

The term **"Sustainability Risk"**, as used herein, is defined in SFDR as an environmental, social or governance event or condition that, if it occurs, could cause an actual or potential material negative impact on the value of investments.

Description of environmental or social characteristics

The North American Equity Indexed Fund invests in the State Street US ESG Screened Index Equity Fund. The State Street US ESG Screened Index Equity Fund is an index fund tracking the performance of the MSCI USA ex UNGC and CW Index.

The index represents the performance of the broad market of the U.S. while excluding companies that are associated with Controversial Weapons or fail to comply with United Nations Global Compact principles.

Further information

For information on the methodologies used in the construction of the Index and further information on the exclusion criteria and data sources, please refer to MSCI's index methodology description which can be found at the following link:

msci.com/index-methodology (index code 731082).

Please refer to the Prospectus and Relevant Supplement for more information.

For more information on the North American Equity Indexed Fund: Talk to an advisor available in your local Bank of Ireland branch

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Warning: The value of your investment can go down as well as up. Warning: This fund may be affected by changes in currency exchange rates. Warning: Past performance is not a reliable guide to future performance. Warning: If you invest in this fund you may lose some or all of the money you invest.

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