

# Stewart Investors Worldwide Leaders Sustainability Fund Class B GBP

# a subfund of First Sentier Investors ICVC (the Company) — Fund Factsheet

### 31 October 2024

#### Investment objective and policy

The Fund aims to achieve capital growth over the long term (at least five years).

The Fund mainly invests in shares of large and mid-sized companies around the world and that are listed on exchanges worldwide. These companies generally have a total stock market value of at least US\$5 billion. The Fund may invest in both developed and emerging market countries. Emerging markets are countries that are progressing toward becoming advanced, usually shown by some development in financial markets, the existence of some form of stock exchange and a regulatory body. The Fund may invest in any industry. The Fund invests in shares of high quality companies which are positioned to contribute to, and benefit from, sustainable development.

Investment decisions around high quality companies are based on three key points: (i) Quality of management. (ii) Quality of the company including its social usefulness, their environmental impacts and efficiency and responsible business practices. (iii) Quality of the company's finances and their

Sustainability is a key part of the approach. The Fund may invest up to 10% in other funds. The Fund will only use derivatives to reduce risk or to manage the Fund more efficiently in limited cases.

#### Fund information

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Fund launch date	30 July 1999
Share class launch date	05 November 2001
Fund size (£m)	44.8
UK's investment association sector	Global
Benchmark	MSCI AC World Net Index*
Number of holdings	36
Fund manager(s)	Sashi Reddy/David Gait
Minimum investment	£1,000/£50 per month
Initial charge	0%<
Ongoing charges †	0.55%
Share type	Accumulation
Sedol	3097872
ISIN	GB0030978729
Research rating ‡	Morningstar®:Silver
Fund yield	0.7%

The benchmark changed from MSCI World Index to MSCI All Countries World Index Free on 27/01/2014. The benchmark and IA sector for this Fund have been identified as a means by which investors can compare the performance of the Fund and have been chosen because their constituents most closely represent the scope of the investable assets. The benchmark and sector are not used to limit or constrain how the portfolio is constructed nor are they part of a target set for Fund performance.

### Annual performance (% in GBP) to 31 October 2024

Period	12 mths to 31/10/24	12 mths to 31/10/23	12 mths to 31/10/22	12 mths to 31/10/21	12 mths to 31/10/20
Fund return	23.5	2.4	-7.4	25.4	10.1
Benchmark return	25.3	4.8	-4.7	29.5	5.0
Sector return	21.9	2.1	-10.6	28.7	7.9
Quartile rank	2	3	2	3	2

## Cumulative performance (% in GBP) to 31 October 2024

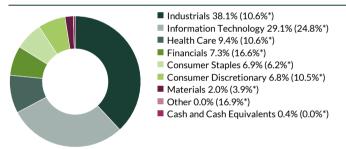
Period	3 mths	6 mths	1 yr	3 yrs	5 yrs	10 vrs	Since inception
Fund return	1.7	5.5	23.5	17.1	61.7	175.6	742.7
Benchmark return	2.5	8.0	25.3	25.2	70.2	196.3	511.0
Sector return	1.2	4.2	21.9	12.1	56.7	165.5	517.4
Quartile rank	2	2	2	2	2	2	1

These figures refer to the past. Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future results. For investors based in countries with currencies other than GBP, the return may increase or decrease as a result of currency fluctuations.

#### Ten largest holdings

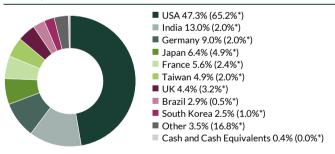
Stock name	%	Stock name	%
Mahindra & Mahindra	6.8	HDFC Bank	4.7
Watsco, Inc.	6.3	Arista Networks, Inc.	4.2
Fortinet, Inc.	6.3	Costco Wholesale Corporation	4.1
bioMerieux SA	5.6	Deutsche Post AG	3.8
Taiwan Semiconductor (TSMC)	4.9	Weg S.A.	2.9

#### Sector breakdown



\*Index weight

#### Country breakdown



\*Index weight

Sector and country classifications provided by FactSet and Stewart Investors.

Cash equivalents may include T-Bills.

Sector returns calculated by Lipper and denote the arithmetic mean performance of funds in the relevant UK's Investment Association Sector. Quartile Ranking by Lipper methodology

which ranks funds within a category according to performance: quartile 1 represents the top 25% and quartile 4 the bottom 25%.
All performance data for the Stewart Investors Worldwide Leaders Sustainability Fund Class B (Accumulation) GBP as at 31 October 2024. Source for fund - Lipper IM / Stewart Investors. Performance data is calculated on a net basis by deducting fees incurred at fund level (e.g. the management fee and other fund expenses), save that it does not take account of initial charges or switching fees (if any). Income reinvested is included on a net of tax basis. Source for benchmark - MSCI, income reinvested net of tax. Since inception performance figures have been calculated from 05 November 2001.

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The value of investments and any income from them may go down as well as up and is not guaranteed. Investors may get back significantly less than the original amount invested.

#### The Fund may experience the following risks:

**Emerging market risk:** Emerging markets tend to be more sensitive to economic and political conditions than developed markets. Other factors include greater liquidity risk, restrictions on investment or transfer of assets, failed/delayed settlement and difficulties valuing securities.

**Currency risk:** The Fund invests in assets which are denominated in other currencies; changes in exchange rates will affect the value of the Fund and could create losses. Currency control decisions made by governments could affect the value of the Fund's investments and could cause the Fund to defer or suspend redemptions of its shares.

**Concentration risk:** The Fund invests in a relatively small number of companies which may be riskier than a Fund that invests in a large number of companies.

For further information on risks, please refer to the Risk Factors section in the Company prospectus.

Investment should be made on the basis of the Prospectus and Key Investor Information Document. If you are in any doubt as to the suitability of any of our funds for your investment needs, please seek independent financial advice.





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