

Driehaus Emerging Markets Sustainable Equity Fund

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SFDR Classification: Article 8

Portfolio Management



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ESG Summary

The investment style is a bottom-up growth equity investment approach. The strategy exploits equity market inefficiencies that materialize following inflection points, combining fundamental, behavioral, and macro analysis as well as integrating environmental, social and governance (“ESG”) criteria as part of the investment research process. The approach focuses on companies with strong or improving ESG attributes and growth opportunities tied to social and environmental solutions, and robust governance structures.

Exclusions

The Fund will seek to exclude companies that are directly involved in the following sectors as part of its investment research:

- Adult Entertainment
- Coal Production
- Gambling
- Tobacco
- Weapons Production

The Fund integrates the below ESG strategies as an intrinsic part of the investment process.



Exclusion Screening



ESG Integration



Company Engagement



PAI Consideration

MSCI ESG Rating

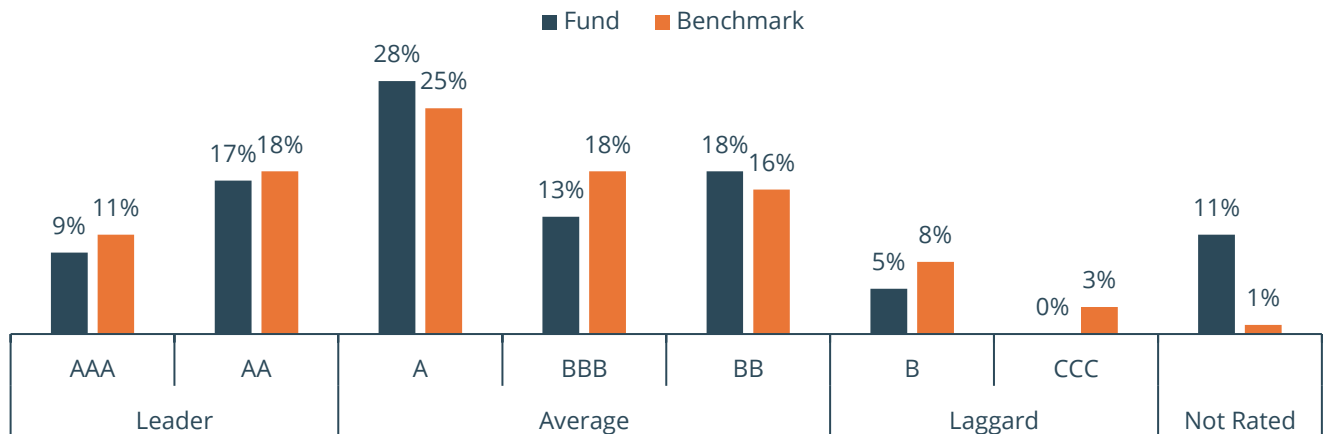
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Benchmark: MSCI EM

ESG Rating Distribution

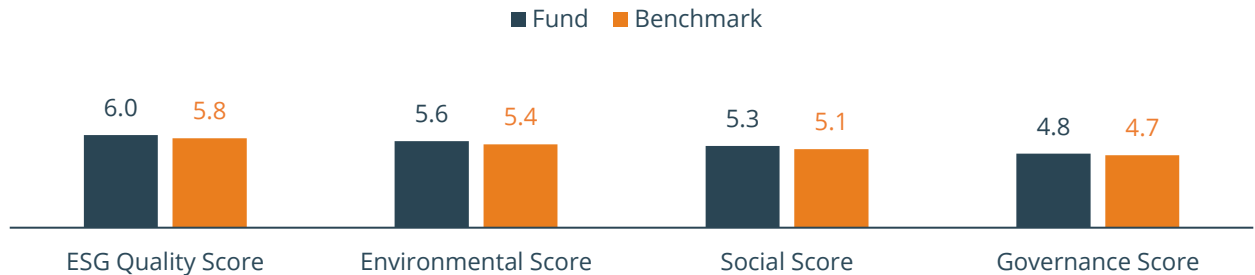


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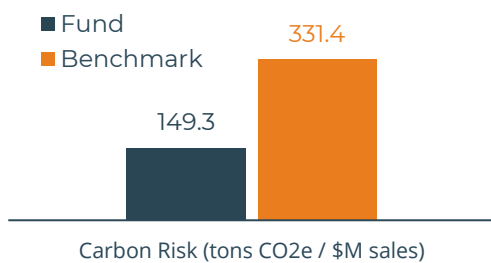
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Source: Heptagon Capital, MSCI ESG Research. ESG Ratings are on a scale of AAA to CCC. Data as of 30/09/2024.

ESG Quality Scorecard



Carbon Risk



Carbon Footprint

	Carbon Emissions Scope 1+2	Carbon Intensity Scope 1+2
Fund	30.3	83.1
Benchmark	240.4	369.4

(tons CO2e / \$M invested) (tons CO2e / \$M sales)

Top 10 Holdings

Company Name	Portfolio Weight (%)	Overall Rating	ESG Rating Momentum	Reputational Risk	Overall ESG Score
Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Co., Ltd. Sponsored ADR	9.2%	AAA	Stable	None	8.6
Tencent Holdings Ltd.	6.6%	BB	Downward	Severe	4.2
Samsung Electronics Co. Ltd.	4.8%	AA	Upward	Severe	8.3
ICICI Bank Limited	3.0%	A	Stable	Severe	6.8
Reliance Industries Limited	2.3%	A	Upward	Severe	6.8
Bharti Airtel Limited	1.8%	BBB	Downward	Severe	5.0
Mercadolibre Inc.	1.8%	A	Stable	None	6.8
Hong Kong Exchanges & Clearing Ltd.	1.7%	AA	Stable	Moderate	8.2
Itau Unibanco Holding S.A.	1.5%	A	Stable	Moderate	6.0
Credicorp Ltd.	1.5%	AA	Stable	None	7.3

Market Value Coverage

	ESG Quality	Carbon Risk	Reputational Risk	Governance Risk
Fund	89%	94%	93%	89%
Benchmark	99%	99%	100%	99%

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Source: Heptagon Capital, MSCI ESG Research. Data as of 30/09/2024. MSCI Carbon Metrics include Scope 1+2 emissions and are based on a \$1,000,000,000 portfolio allocation. ESG Ratings and Carbon Analytics cover equities held in the portfolio only, excluding cash

Methodology

ESG Quality Score measures the ability of underlying holdings to manage key medium to long-term risks and opportunities arising from environmental, social, and governance factors. It is based on MSCI ESG Ratings and is measured on a scale of 0 to 10 (worst to best). The distribution of scores is based on the universe of approximately 28,000 funds included in MSCI ESG Fund Metrics.

ESG Ratings Distribution represents the percentage of a portfolio's market value coming from holdings classified as ESG Ratings Leaders (AAA and AA), Average (A, BBB, and BB), and Laggards (B and CCC).

Carbon Risk measures exposure to carbon intensive companies. It is based on MSCI Carbon Metrics and is calculated as the portfolio weighted average of issuer carbon intensity. At the issuer level, Carbon Intensity is the ratio of annual scope 1 and 2 carbon emissions to annual revenue. Carbon Risk is categorized as Very Low (0 to <15), Low (15 to <70), Moderate (70 to <250), High (250 to <525), and Very High (>=525).

Carbon Emissions - Scope 1+2 Intensity. This figure represents the company's most recently reported or estimated Scope 1 + Scope 2 greenhouse gas emissions normalized by sales in USD (t/USD million sales), which allows for comparison between companies of different sizes.

ESG Ratings Momentum represents the percentage of a portfolio's market value coming from holdings that have had an ESG Ratings upgrade, and those with a downgrade, since their previous ESG Rating assessment.

Reputational Risk represents the percentage of a portfolio's market value coming from holdings involved in very severe controversial events. It is based on MSCI ESG Controversies. Portfolio level Reputational Risk is categorized as Very Low (0%), Low (>0% to <1%), Moderate (1% to <5%), High (5% to <10%), and Very High (>=10%).

SFDR

This Fund has been classified as an Article 8 for the purposes of the EU's Sustainable Finance Disclosure Regulation ('SFDR'). The Fund promotes environmental and/or social characteristics but does not have sustainable investment as its primary objective. It might invest partially in assets that have a sustainable objective, for instance assets that are qualified as sustainable according to EU classifications but does not place significantly higher importance on the environmental objective of each underlying investment. Please see [Prospectus](#) for further information on the Funds environmental and/or social characteristics and relevant sustainability risks and principal adverse impacts which may impact the Fund's performance.

ESG Credentials

Signatory of:



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The Fund is subject to special risk considerations including geographic concentration risk, portfolio concentration risk and operational risk. The investment return and principal value of an investment will fluctuate so that the investor's shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than their original cost. Any investor should consider the investment objectives, risks and charges and expenses of the Fund carefully before investing. Where an investment is denominated in a currency other than the investor's currency, changes in rates of exchange may have an adverse effect on the value, price of, or income derived from the investment.

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