# **Key Investor Information**

This document provides you with key investor information about this fund. It is not marketing material. The information is required by law to help you understand the nature and the risks of investing in this fund. You are advised to read it so you can make an informed decision about whether to invest.



## ES AllianceBernstein Sustainable US Equity Fund ("the Fund")

I Accumulation (GBP), ISIN: GB00BL4SFB26 A sub-fund of the ES AllianceBernstein UK OEIC, an open-ended Investment Company Equity Trustees Fund Services Ltd is the Authorised Corporate Director of the Fund

## Objectives and investment policy

#### **Investment Objective:**

To achieve an increase in the value of its investment over a rolling 5 year period after the deduction of all fees, through an actively managed, diversified portfolio of shares in US companies positively exposed to environmentally or socially orientated investment themes derived from the UN Sustainable Development Goals.

#### Investment policy:

The Sub-Fund seeks to achieve its investment objective by investing at least 80% of the Sub-Fund's total value in shares of US companies that are positively exposed to environmentally or socially orientated investment themes derived from the UN Sustainable Development Goals ("UN SDGs"). A "US company" means any company that is organised in or has substantial business activities in the United States of America. Investment can be direct, or indirect, in shares (including common and preference shares), rights for shares, warrants, and depositary receipts (securities issued by banks that represent company shares). Indirect exposure may be achieved through investment in Collective Investment Schemes.

The Sub-Fund will be diversified (investing in at least 30 companies).

The Investment Manager employs a combination of top-down (how the overall economy and macroeconomic factors drive the markets) and bottom-up (focussing on specific characteristics of an individual company) investment processes with the goal of identifying the most attractive US companies, fitting into sustainable investment themes. The Investment Manager identifies top-down sustainable investment themes that are broadly consistent with achieving the UN SDGs. Examples of these themes include, but are not limited to, Health, Climate, and Empowerment. The themes that the Investment Manager invests into are expected to change over time based on the Investment Manager's research. The Investment Manager will also use a bottom-up analysis of individual companies.

Further information on the UN SDGs can be found at https://sustainabledevelopment.un.org/.

The Fund is actively managed meaning the Investment Manager uses their expertise to select investments to achieve the Sub-fund's objectives.

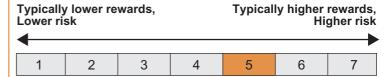
The Investment Manager will include, as part of its overall investment process, Environmental, Social, and Governance ("ESG") factors when considering whether or not to invest in or sell particular shares. The Investment Manager may not invest in a company in the Sub-Fund's Exclusion Policy. Please see Appendix 4 of the fund prospectus. The Investment Manager emphasises company-specific positive selection criteria over broad-based negative screens in assessing a company's exposure to ESG factors.

The Sub-Fund may also invest up to 20% of its value in money market instruments, deposits, cash and near cash, and up to 10% of its value in Collective Investment Schemes (including other funds managed by the Investment Manager or its affiliates).

The Sub-Fund may also use derivatives for hedging purposes.

### Risk and reward profile

The Risk and Reward Indicator table demonstrates where the Fund ranks in terms of its potential risk and reward. The higher the rank the greater the potential reward but the greater the risk of losing money. It is based on past data, may change over time and may not be a reliable indication of the future risk profile of the Fund. The shaded area in the table below shows the Fund's ranking on the Risk and Reward Indicator.



- This Fund is ranked at 5 because Funds of this type have experienced medium to high rises and falls in value in the past.
- The following risks may not be fully captured by the risk score:
- The risk and reward score is based on past performance and calculated in accordance with European legislation. It may not be a reliable indication of the future risk profile.
- The risk and reward score is not guaranteed and may change over time.
- The lowest category does not mean risk free.
- A limited number of shares may be held at certain times which could increase the volatility of the Fund.
- The Fund could hold significant cash or near cash weightings. If investment markets generally rose during this period, against the Investment Manager's expectation, then the Fund performance would be reduced.
- The Fund is actively managed and the Investment Manager will use its skill and judgement to identify companies which offer value. There is no guarantee that the Investment Manager will be successful.



## **Charges**

The charges you pay are used to pay the costs of running the Fund, including the costs of marketing and distributing it. These charges reduce the potential growth of your investment.

One-off charges taken before or after you invest				
Entry charge	0.00%			
Exit charge	0.00%			

These are the maximum charges that we might take out of your money before it is invested and before we pay out the sale proceeds of your investment. In some cases, you might pay less and you should speak to your financial adviser about this.

Charges	taken	from	the	fund	over	a year
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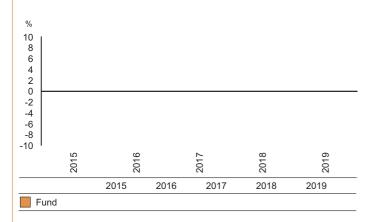
Ongoing charge 0.80%

#### Charges taken from the fund under certain specific conditions

Performance fee NONE

- The ongoing charges figure is based on an estimate of the expenses at launch. Ongoing charges may vary from year to year. The ongoing charges figure includes any portfolio transaction costs which the Fund pays to its service providers (e.g. to the Fund's custodian) and any entry/exit charges the Fund pays when buying/selling units in another fund. In general, however, the figure excludes other portfolio transaction costs.
- For more information about charges please refer to the Fund's Prospectus which is available from the ACD at www.equitytrustees.com.

#### **Past Performance**



There is insufficient data to provide a useful indication of past performance to investors.

- The Fund has not yet been launched.
- The share/unit class has not yet been launched.
- Historical performance data does not exist for this Sub-Fund
- The Sub-Fund is not managed to target or exceed the performance of any specific benchmark, nor are the Investment Manager's investment decisions constrained by any benchmark. However, the ACD welcomes investors to compare the Sub-Fund's performance by comparison to the S&P 500 Index

## Practical information

- Further information about the Fund can be found in the Prospectus and latest annual and half-yearly reports, which are available free of charge from Equity Trustees Fund Services Ltd 4th Floor Pountney Hill House, 6 Laurence Pountney Hill, London, EC4R 0BL, UK. Website: www.equitytrustees.com. Email: investorqueries@fnztaservices.com. The documents are available in English only.
- The remuneration policy of Equity Trustees Fund Services Ltd the ACD is available at www.equitytrustees.com. A paper copy will be made available upon request.
- Other practical information, including current share prices for the Fund, may be obtained from our website or by contacting us.
- The Fund's depositary is State Street Trustees Limited.
- The tax legislation of the United Kingdom may have an impact on your personal tax position.
- Equity Trustees Fund Services Ltd may be held liable solely on the basis of any statement contained in this document that is misleading, inaccurate or inconsistent with the relevant parts of the Prospectus for this Fund.
- Your investment will fall and rise in value and you could get back less than you invest.

The Fund is authorised in the United Kingdom by the Financial Conduct Authority. Equity Trustees Fund Services Ltd is authorised in the United Kingdom and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority.