# Global Equity Income Strategy CANTOR FACTSHEET

March 2024

#### **Monthly Portfolio Commentary**

March was a good month for Global Equities (+3.3%) with resilient economic data offsetting delayed hopes for early interest rate cuts.

The Global Equity Income strategy returned +2.1%.

The best performers were US retail group Target (+16%) and exchange business Nasdaq (+12%), both on positive earnings and restructuring updates, while Smurfit Kappa continued its recent strong run, up 7%. The worst performers were IT consulting firm Accenture (-7%) on a disappointing outlook, which dragged rival Cap Gemini down 5%.

Over the month we purchased a new holding in Nike and on share price weakness. We sold out of US healthcare giant UnitedHealth on disappointing momentum and luxury goods company Kering on an unexpected profit warning.

#### Why choose the Global Equity Income Strategy?

Much analysis has shown that in the long term the majority of equity market returns are made up of dividends and dividend growth. Hence we believe a portfolio combining high quality companies where management are focused on growing their dividend is very much aligned with our own investment beliefs.

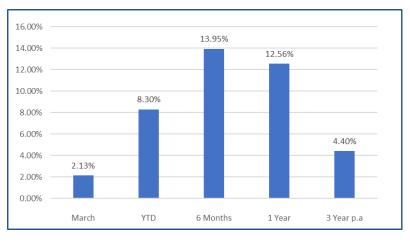
#### Conservatism

Conservatism features strongly in our investment process when allocating our clients capital. We are unashamed of this and protecting our clients from losses is at the forefront of our risk management process.

#### Experience of the team

The team was one of the first investment managers to focus on dividend paying companies as a strategy. Over the last 30 years we have experienced the peaks and troughs of the markets and have successfully navigated these events by sticking rigidly to our investment philosophy and process.

#### **Investment Returns Net of AMC\***



#### **Investment Objective**

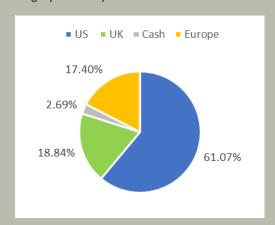
The investment objective of the Global Equity Income Fund is to invest in a diversified global portfolio of financially-strong, well-managed companies that have a proven record in paying an attractive dividend and have management commitment to consistently increase it.

We aim to improve long-term risk-adjusted total equity returns while maintaining a balanced exposure to dividend yield, quality and dividend growth. We will aim to generate a c. 5-6% return annually over the medium term.

#### **Portfolio Management Team**

Pramit Ghose, Paul Connolly & Gareth Walsh

# **Geographical Exposure\***



Calendar Year Returns*					
2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	
3.91%	-10.31%	22.7%	-7.7%	20.8%	

\*Source: Cantor Fitzgerald Ireland Ltd. Research as at 31/03/2024

\*Source: Bloomberg & Cantor Fitzgerald Ireland Ltd. Research as at 31/03/24

WARNING: Past performance is not a reliable guide to future performance. The value of your investment may go down as well as up.

WARNING: This fund may be affected by changes in currency exchange rates

Cantor Fitzgerald Ireland Ltd. is regulated by the Central Bank of Ireland and is a member firm of the Irish Stock Exchange and the London Stock Exchange.

## Top 10 Equity Holdings (42.97% of assets)\*:

Company	Sector
Wisdomtree U.S. Quality	Information Technology
Broadcom Inc	Information Technology
Microsoft Corp	Information Technology
Fidelity US Quality	Information Technology
CRH	Materials
Te Connectivity	Information Technology
Rio Tinto Plc	Materials
Analog Devices Inc	Information Technology
Johnson & Johnson	Health Care
Unilever Plc	Consumer Staples

#### Sector Weights\*:

Sector	Global Equity Income
Cash	2.69%
Information Technology	33.08%
Consumer Staples	20.18%
Materials	11.58%
Industrials	9.97%
Health Care	6.56%
Consumer Discretionary	5.72%
Financials	5.67%
Energy	2.48%
Communication Services	2.07%
Real estate	0.00%
Utilities	0.00%

<sup>\*</sup>Source: Bloomberg & Cantor Fitzgerald Ireland Ltd. Research as at 31/03/24

#### **DISCLAIMER**

This document has been prepared and distributed by Cantor Fitzgerald Ireland Ltd (CFIL) for information purposes only. It is not intended to and does not constitute personal recommendations or investment advice nor does it provide the sole basis for any evaluation of the securities that may be the subject matter of the report. CFIL recommends that specific advice should always be sought prior to investment, based on the particular circumstances of the individual investor. CFIL takes all responsibility to ensure that reasonable efforts are made to present accurate information but CFIL gives no warranty or guarantee as to, and does not accept responsibility for, the correctness, completeness, timeliness or accuracy of the information provided or its transmission. This is entirely at the risk of the recipient of the report. Nor shall CFIL, its subsidiaries, affiliates or parent company or any of their employees, directors or agents, be liable to for any losses, damages, costs, claims, demands or expenses of any kind whatsoever, whether direct or indirect, suffered or incurred in consequence of any use of, or reliance upon, the information. Any person acting on the information contained in this report does so entirely at his or her own risk. All estimates, views and opinions included in this report constitute CFIL's judgment as of the date of the report but may be subject to change without notice.

WARNING: Past performance is not a reliable guide to future performance. The value of your investment may go down as well as up.

WARNING: This fund may be affected by changes in currency exchange rates

# CANTOR Litzgerald

email: ireland@cantor.com web: www.cantorfitzgerald.ie

Twitter: @cantorIreland



# Holding Update\*\*



Rio Tinto is one of the world's largest mining and metals companies. The company operates globally with significant mining operations in Australia, North America, South America, Asia, Europe, and southern Africa.

Rio Tinto's operations are among the world's most carbon efficient and have been at the forefront of technological advancements in the industry including zero-carbon aluminium smelting, use of renewable hydrogen and autonomous trucks, trains and drilling systems. The company's focus on producing the materials required for renewable energy, EVs and data centres presents a significant opportunity to benefit from and be part of the ongoing global energy and AI transitions.

The stock is currently trading at an attractive 8.6x 2024 earnings and has a dividend yield of 6.5%.

\*\*Source: Bloomberg & Cantor Fitzgerald Ireland Ltd. Research

WARNING: This is not a stock recommendation

Cantor Fitzgerald House, 23 St. Stephen's Green, Dublin 2. Tel: +353 1 633 3633