

## HSBC Global Investment Funds

# GLOBAL LOWER CARBON EQUITY

Monthly report 29 February 2024 | Share class BCGBP



## Investment objective

The Fund aims to provide long term capital growth and income by investing in shares of companies that have a lower carbon intensity and higher environmental, social and governance (ESG) rating compared to its reference benchmark. Carbon intensity is calculated as a weighted average of the carbon intensities and ESG ratings of the Fund's investments. The Fund qualifies under Article 8 of SFDR.



## Investment strategy

The Fund is actively managed. In normal market conditions, the Fund will invest at least 90% of its assets in shares (or securities similar to shares) of companies of any size that are based in developed markets. The investment process identifies and ranks stocks in the Fund's investment universe. In order to lower the exposure to carbon intensive businesses and raise the Fund's ESG rating, all holdings in the portfolio are assessed for their individual carbon footprint and ESG scores. A portfolio which aims to maximize growth and income and reduces the carbon footprint is then created. The Fund will not invest in shares of companies that are considered to be non-compliant with the UN Global Compact Principles or have material exposure to specific excluded activities, such as, thermal coal fired power generation and thermal coal extraction. The Fund may invest up to 10% in other funds. See the Prospectus for a full description of the investment objectives and derivative usage.



## Main risks

- The value of investments and any income from them can go down as well as up and you may not get back the amount originally invested.
- Investing in assets denominated in a currency other than that of the investor's own currency exposes the value of the investment to exchange rate fluctuations
- The value of investible securities can change over time due to a wide variety of factors, including but not limited to: political and economic news, government policy, changes in demographics, cultures and populations, natural or human-caused disasters etc.

## Share class details

### Key metrics

NAV per share	<b>GBP 14.61</b>
Performance 1 month	<b>3.60%</b>
Volatility 3 years	<b>11.24%</b>

### Fund facts

UCITS V compliant	<b>Yes</b>
UK reporting fund status (UKRS)	<b>Yes</b>
ISA eligible	<b>Yes</b>
Dividend treatment	<b>Accumulating</b>
Dealing frequency	<b>Daily</b>
Valuation time	<b>17:00 Luxembourg</b>
Share class base currency	<b>GBP</b>
Domicile	<b>Luxembourg</b>
Inception date	<b>14 January 2020</b>
Fund size	<b>USD 356,555,877</b>
Reference benchmark	<b>100% MSCI World Net</b>
Managers	<b>HSBC Index and Systematic Equity Portfolio Management Team</b>

### Fees and expenses

Minimum initial investment <sup>1</sup>	<b>USD 5,000</b>
Ongoing charge figure <sup>2</sup>	<b>0.750%</b>

### Codes

ISIN	<b>LU1674673931</b>
Bloomberg ticker	<b>HSGEGBC LX</b>
SEDOL	<b>BF3BN05</b>

<sup>1</sup>Please note that initial minimum subscription may vary across different distributors

<sup>2</sup>Ongoing Charges Figure is based on expenses over a year. The figure includes annual management charge but not the transaction costs. Such figures may vary from time to time.

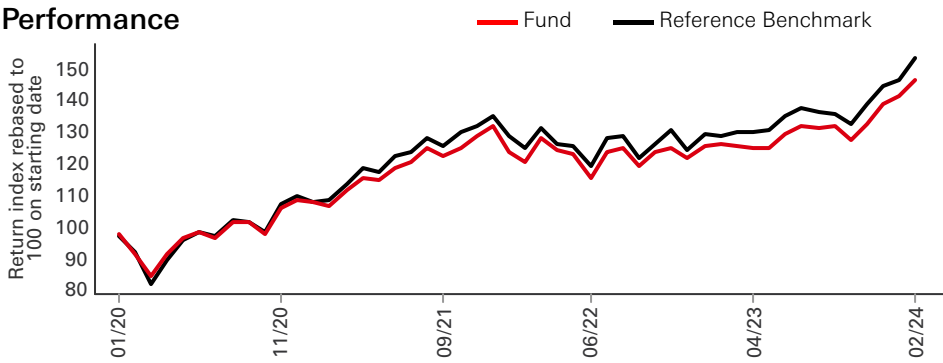
Past performance does not predict future returns. The figures are calculated in the share class base currency, dividend reinvested, net of fees.

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Performance



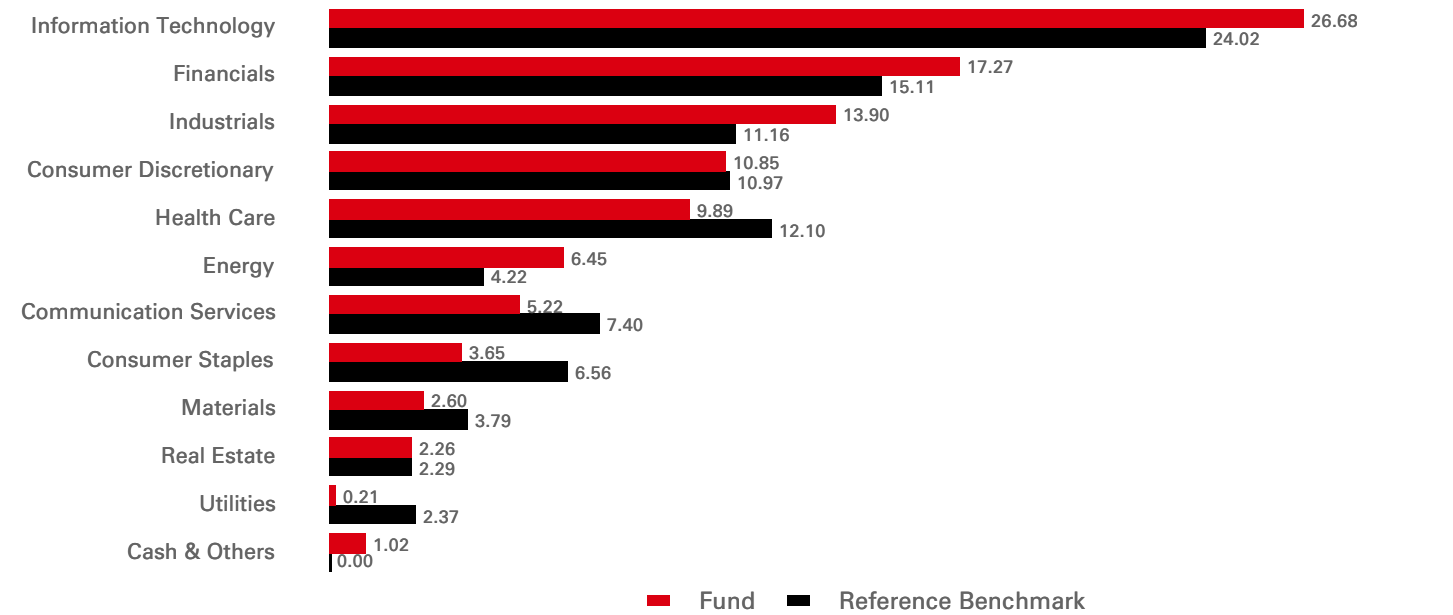
Performance (%)	YTD	1 month	3 months	6 months	1 year	3 years ann	5 years ann	Since inception ann
BCGBP	5.77	3.60	10.45	11.58	16.47	11.32	--	9.61
Reference Benchmark	6.20	4.94	10.76	12.66	19.59	12.33	--	10.89

Rolling performance (%)	28/02/23-29/02/24	28/02/22-28/02/23	28/02/21-28/02/22	29/02/20-28/02/21	28/02/19-29/02/20
BCGBP	16.47	4.60	13.24	16.52	--
Reference Benchmark	19.59	2.70	15.40	18.17	--

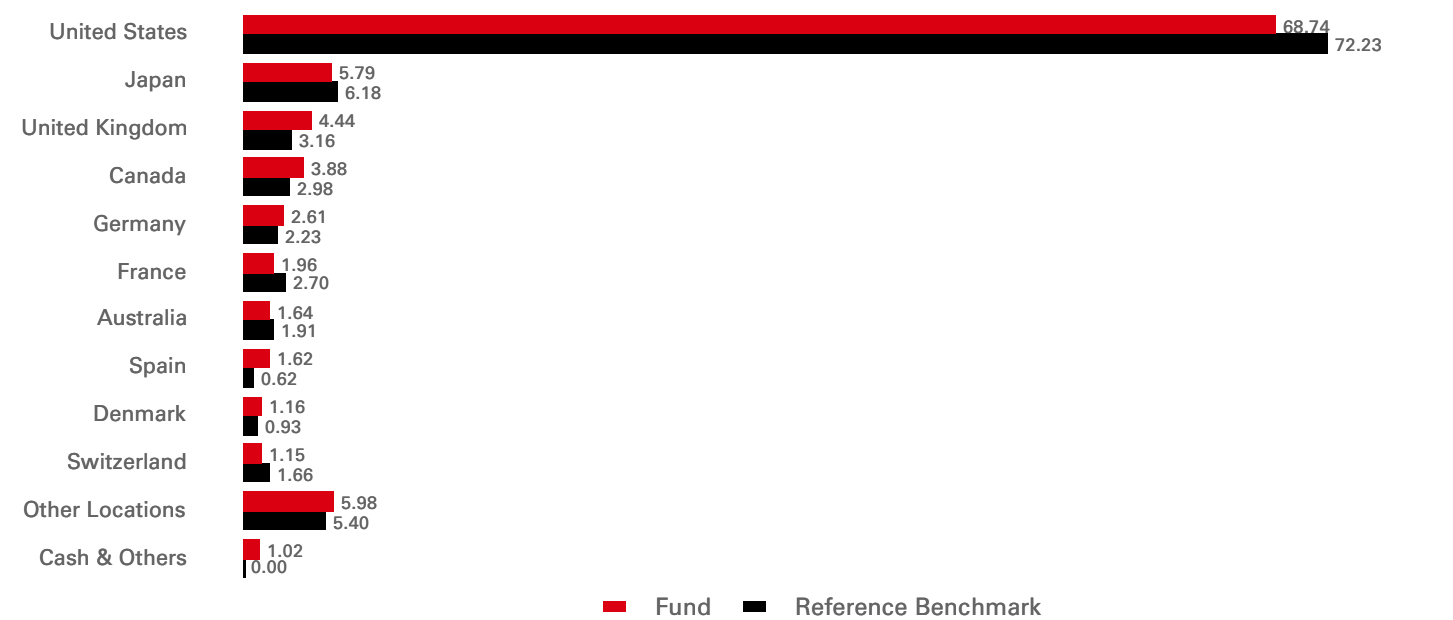
Carbon footprint	Fund	Reference benchmark	MSCI ESG Score	ESG score	E	S	G
Carbon intensity emissions	52.75	99.14	Fund	8.4	6.9	6.1	6.2
Carbon Intensity measures the quantity of carbon emission of a company (tonnes CO <sub>2</sub> e/USD million revenue) Source: S&P Global Trucost			Reference benchmark	6.9	6.8	5.2	5.7

Equity characteristics	Fund	Reference Benchmark	3-Year Risk Measures	BCGBP	Reference Benchmark
No. of holdings ex cash	281	1,486	Volatility	11.24%	11.68%
Average market cap (USD Mil)	456,138	534,119	Information ratio	-0.29	--
			Beta	0.92	--

Sector allocation (%)



Geographical allocation (%)



Top 10 holdings	Location	Sector	Weight (%)
Microsoft Corp	United States	Information Technology	5.41
Apple Inc	United States	Information Technology	3.66
NVIDIA Corp	United States	Information Technology	2.18
Amazon.com Inc	United States	Consumer Discretionary	1.69
Alphabet Inc	United States	Communication Services	1.65
UnitedHealth Group Inc	United States	Health Care	1.51
Home Depot Inc/The	United States	Consumer Discretionary	1.48
Adobe Inc	United States	Information Technology	1.30
SAP SE	Germany	Information Technology	1.20
Applied Materials Inc	United States	Information Technology	1.19

## Ten lowest carbon intensity issuers

Fund	Carbon intensity emissions (tonnes CO <sup>2</sup> e/USD million)	Reference benchmark	Carbon intensity emissions (tonnes CO <sup>2</sup> e/USD million)
3I GROUP PLC	0.09	INDUSTRIVARDEN AB-A SHS	0.01
SWISS RE AG	0.24	WHEATON PRECIOUS METALS CORP	0.03
GJENSIDIGE FORSIKRING ASA	0.29	3I GROUP PLC	0.09
TALANX AG	0.49	ST JAMES'S PLACE PLC	0.11
THE CIGNA GROUP	0.60	SAGAX AB-B	0.18
ELEVANCE HEALTH INC	0.62	HANNOVER RUECK SE	0.18
SYNCHRONY FINANCIAL	0.64	IGM FINANCIAL INC	0.22
NN GROUP NV	0.65	SWISS RE AG	0.24
ARCH CAPITAL GROUP LTD	0.70	M&G PLC	0.25
PRUDENTIAL FINANCIAL INC	0.73	DNB BANK ASA	0.26

## Ten highest carbon intensity issuers

Fund	Carbon intensity emissions (tonnes CO <sup>2</sup> e/USD million)	Reference benchmark	Carbon intensity emissions (tonnes CO <sup>2</sup> e/USD million)
BRIDGESTONE CORP	1,271.94	VISTRA CORP	6,920.55
CRH PLC	1,031.23	EVERGY INC	4,775.06
VOESTALPINE AG	894.68	SEMBICORP INDUSTRIES LTD	4,486.64
ANA HOLDINGS INC	871.92	CLP HOLDINGS LTD	3,450.76
BLUESCOPE STEEL LTD	745.90	PPL CORP	3,431.28
NIPPON YUSEN KK	678.21	AMEREN CORPORATION	3,264.38
DEUTSCHE LUFTHANSA-REG	676.24	AES CORP	3,192.36
ENAGAS SA	441.39	HEIDELBERG MATERIALS AG	3,185.96
KINROSS GOLD CORP	440.69	SOUTH32 LTD	3,152.81
MONDI PLC	434.79	ALLIANT ENERGY CORP	3,147.17

Company carbon data, can often be “partially disclosed”, i.e. partial geographic coverage, or incomplete operational data. Trucost\* undertakes analysis and research to assess company reported results. The proprietary Trucost model enables an estimate of total emissions which relies on more than just reported financial data. Where securities are not covered by Trucost, HSBC assigns a proxy value based on the average intensity score of comparable companies.\*Trucost are a division of S&P Global; they assess risks relating to climate change, natural resource constraints, and broader environmental, social, and governance factors.

Source of analytics: Trucost / HSBC

Source: HSBC Asset Management, data as at 29 February 2024

## Risk disclosures

- Derivatives may be used by the Fund, and these can behave unexpectedly. The pricing and volatility of many derivatives may diverge from strictly reflecting the pricing or volatility of their underlying reference(s), instrument or asset.
- Investment Leverage occurs when the economic exposure is greater than the amount invested, such as when derivatives are used. A Fund that employs leverage may experience greater gains and/or losses due to the amplification effect from a movement in the price of the reference source.
- Where overseas investments are held the rate of currency exchange may cause the value of such investments to go down as well as up.
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