

## SYCOMORE SHARED GROWTH: OUR LATEST SRI-LABELLED FUND

- With Sycomore Shared Growth, Sycomore Asset Management has broadened its range of SRI funds and strengthened the firm's expertise in managing the societal impact of its investments;
- Sycomore Shared Growth invests in companies that have integrated societal considerations into their sustainable growth strategy.

**Paris, January 25th 2018.** Sycomore Asset Management has broadened its range of SRI funds with Sycomore Shared Growth recently being awarded the French government's SRI Label. This is a testimony to Sycomore AM's extra-financial analysis capabilities and it confirms the strength of the firm's investment process.

In a world where rising inequalities are a threat to long-term growth, Sycomore AM believes that a company can only provide sustainable performance if the value it creates is shared among all stakeholders. Encouraged by this observation, Sycomore Shared Growth's investment team - which draws on more than 15 years' experience in researching predictive indicators for profitable and sustainable growth - has identified two key factors for success: the positive societal impact of products and services, and responsible corporate citizenship.

Frédéric Ponchon, Portfolio Manager of Sycomore Shared Growth explains: *"We assess the societal impact of products and services by analysing a company's turnover, business by business; this enables us to establish its degree of commitment to the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) or to a long-term societal challenge"*.

By addressing societal challenges such as healthcare, the digitalisation of the economy, cybersecurity or food safety, companies are ensuring their own sustainable growth - itself a powerful lever for long-term economic and stock market performance.

*"Clients, employees and investors are also, and above all, citizens who expect companies to contribute to meeting major societal needs"* highlights Sara Carvalho de Oliveira, ESG Analyst. *"Our assessment of corporate citizenship is based on seven criteria such as business ethics and corporate tax responsibility, sustainability leadership, and the existence of a mission statement that serves a social purpose"*.

*"Companies that have engaged on a mission combining economic profitability and a contribution to the common good enjoy a major competitive advantage"* adds Frédéric Ponchon.

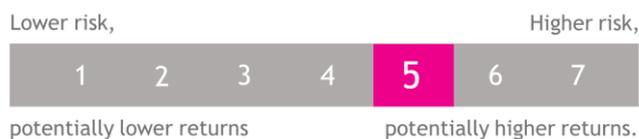
Sycomore Shared Growth now ranks alongside four other Sycomore AM funds that have been awarded the French government's SRI Label: Sycomore Sélection Responsable, Sycomore Sélection Crédit, Sycomore Happy@Work and Sycomore Eco Solutions. It is a testimony to the quality of Sycomore AM's investment capabilities and its leadership.

The Sycomore Shared Growth strategy currently manages assets just above €150 million. Sycomore AM's SRI strategies weigh almost €3 billion, accounting for 38% of the firm's overall assets under management. ESG analysis is integrated across all assets managed by the firm.

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**Key characteristics of the fund:**

<b>Fund type:</b>	French FCP (Fonds Commun de Placement)
<b>Inception date:</b>	24.06.2002
<b>ISIN Codes:</b>	Retail Share: FR0010117093 Institutional Share: FR0010117085
<b>Index:</b>	Euro Stoxx TR
<b>Fixed management fees:</b>	Retail Share: 2% Institutional Share: 1%
<b>Performance fees:</b>	Retail Share: 20% of the fund's outperformance against the Euro Stoxx TR index Institutional Share: 20% of the fund's outperformance against the Euro Stoxx TR index

**Synthetic risk and reward indicator**


*The fund offers no guaranteed yield or performance and carries a risk of capital loss. Prior to making an investment decision, investors are requested to consult the relevant KIID available on our website: [www.sycomore-am.com](http://www.sycomore-am.com).*

**About Sycomore Asset Management**

*Founded in 2001, Sycomore AM is an entrepreneurial asset management company majority-owned by its founding partners and employees and specialised in listed company investments.*

*Since its creation, Sycomore AM has been committed to delivering long-term performance by identifying the levers that sustain the creation of value at company level.*

*Sycomore AM's expertise is driven by a field-approach and a proprietary fundamental research model including financial and extra-financial criteria. The role of its team of 21 fund manager-analysts, including 7 ESG (Environment, Social and Governance) specialists, is to assess the overall performance of a given company with respect to its stakeholders: shareholders, clients, employees, suppliers, civil society and the environment.*

*In 2015, Sycomore AM broadened its range with two new strategies managed with a dual objective of performance and meaning: Sycomore Happy@Work, focused on well-being at work, and Sycomore Eco Solutions, the first fund to have received the Energy and Ecological Transition for Climate (EETC) label.*

*Sycomore AM is a leading player in the field of responsible investing and is committed to the development of social, societal and natural capital. The firm recently joined the Global Impact Investing Network (GIIN) and the Institutional Investors Group on Climate Change (IIGCC). Sycomore AM is continuing its research work on the quantification of environmental impacts in partnership with experts I Care & Consult and Quantis International.*

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