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JANUARY 2024

Share AC

Isin code | LU2331773858

NAV | 114.2€

Assets | 231.4 M€

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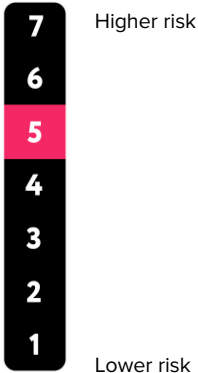
Sustainable Investments

% AUM: ≥ 80%

% Companies*: 100%

*Excluding derivatives, cash & equivalent

Risk indicator



The risk indicator assumes you keep the product for 5 years.

Warning : the actual risk can vary significantly if you cash in at an early stage and you may get back less.

The fund does not offer any guarantee of return or performance and presents a risk of capital loss

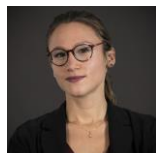
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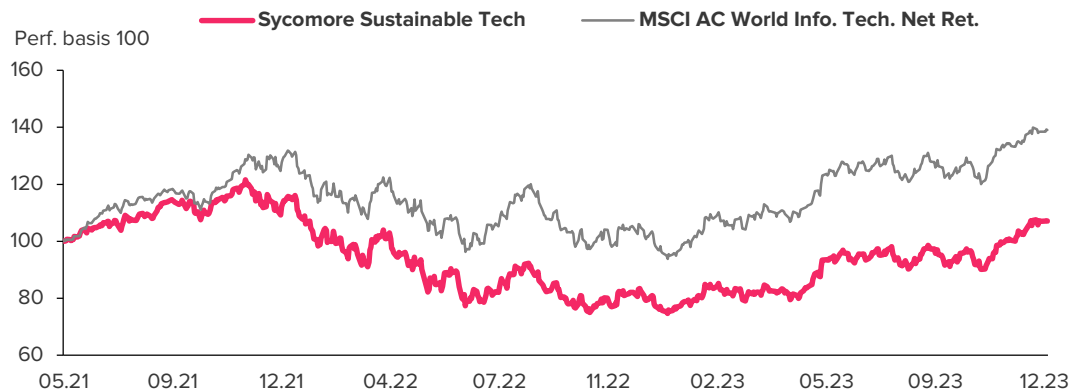
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Investment strategy

A selection of global responsible technology players

Sycomore Sustainable Tech invests in technology companies listed on international markets and employs an innovative SRI process. Stocks are selected with no regional or market capitalisation constraints. The ESG approach focuses on three dimensions: 1- "Tech for Good": for goods and services with positive social or environmental impacts; 2- "Good in Tech": for a responsible use of goods and services that will reduce negative externalities impacting individuals or the environment; 3-"Improvement Enablers": companies engaged in making progress in the two previous dimensions.

Performance as of 31.01.2024



Past performances do not guarantee future performances. (Source: Sycomore AM, Bloomberg)

	Jan	2024	1 year	Inc.	Annu.	2023	2022
Fund %	6.7	6.7	41.2	14.2	5.1	42.0	-34.2
Index %	5.3	5.3	41.7	46.4	15.2	46.5	-26.8

Statistics

	Corr.	Beta	Alpha	Vol.	Bench. Vol	Track. Error	Sharpe Ratio	Info Ratio	Draw Down	Bench. DD
1 year	0.9	1.0	-0.1%	18.5%	16.7%	7.7%	2.0	-0.1	-8.6%	-8.3%
Inception	0.9	1.0	-9.0%	22.6%	20.9%	8.4%	0.2	-1.2	-38.6%	-28.8%

Fund commentary

In January, the tech sector was buoyed by semiconductors returning 12%, specifically driven by strength in logic and memory stocks (following TSMC guidance). Our overweight on the sector (at the highest levels since the inception of the fund) combined with strong stock picking (AMD, ASML, NVDA, TSM, for example) drove most of our outperformance in the first month of the year. The software sector lagged the rest of technology and our stock picking compounded this on the downside as well (MDB, HCP, DUOL, for example). We remain broadly upbeat on tech and would use any digestion of this strong run as buying opportunities in the sector. Thinking about the rest of the year, we continue to believe that the sector can perform well from here despite higher-than-average multiples in the technology sector as we come out of a steep negative earnings revision cycle in tech.



Fund Information

Inception date

09/09/2020

ISIN codes

Share AC - LU2331773858
Share FD - LU2211504738
Share IC - LU2181906269
Share RD - LU2181906699

Bloomberg tickers

Share AC - SYSTAEA LX
Share FD - SYSSTFE LX
Share IC - SYSTIEC LX
Share RD - SYSTRED LX

Benchmark

MSCI AC World Info. Tech. Net Ret.

Legal form

SICAV compartment

Domiciliation

Luxembourg

PEA eligibility

No

Investment period

5 yrs

Minimum investment

None

UCITS V

Yes

Valuation

Daily

Currency

EUR

Cut-Off

11am CET Paris (BPSS LUX)

Cash Settlement

D+2

Management fees

Share AC - 1.50%
Share FD - 0.75%
Share IC - 1.00%
Share RD - 2.00%

Performance fees

15% > Benchmark

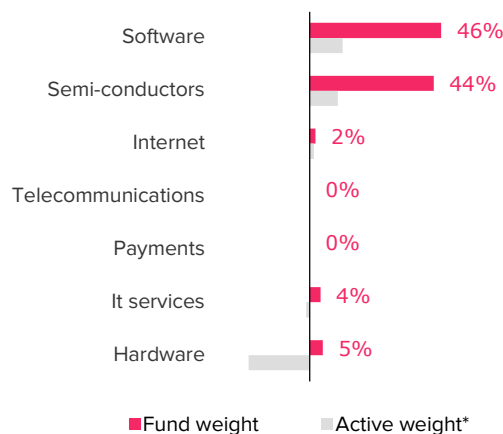
Transaction fees

None

Portfolio

Equity exposure	98%
Overlap with benchmark	41%
Number of holdings	39
Weight of top 20 stocks	77%
Median market cap	162.8 €bn

Sector exposure

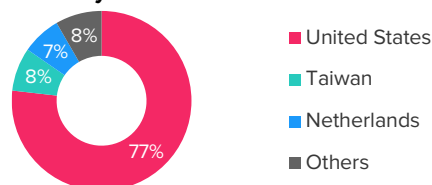


*Fund weight - weight MSCI AC World Info. Tech. Net Ret.

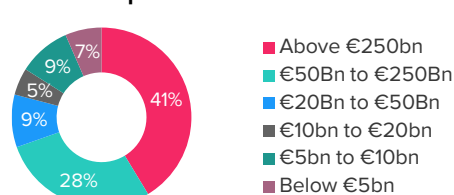
Valuation

Croissance CA 2026	17.6%	12.1%
Ratio P/E 2026	34.5x	25.3x
Croissance bénéficiaire 2026	29.3%	18.5%
Marge opérationnelle 2026	33.7%	36.5%
Ratio PEG 2026	1.5x	1.8x
EV/CA 2026	8.2x	7.8x

Country breakdown



Market cap breakdown



SPICE, for Society & Suppliers, People, Investors, Clients, Environment is our tool for assessing a company's performance on sustainability criteria. This tool incorporates the analysis of economic, governance, environmental, social, and societal risks and opportunities covering both the company's daily operations and its product and service offer.

The analysis process covers 90 criteria and leads to a rating per letter. These 5 ratings are weighted based on the company's most material impacts*.

	Fund	Index
SPICE	3.7/5	3.6/5
S score	3.2/5	2.7/5
P score	3.7/5	3.5/5
I score	3.9/5	3.9/5
C score	3.8/5	3.5/5
E score	3.2/5	3.3/5

Top 10

	Weight	SPICE rating	NEC	CS
Microsoft Corp.	9.4%	4.1/5	+5%	24%
NVIDIA Corporation	9.3%	3.8/5	0%	17%
Salesforce	5.2%	3.9/5	+1%	16%
Taiwan Semi.	5.2%	3.8/5	+1%	19%
Broadcom	4.9%	3.3/5	0%	31%
Intuit Inc.	4.8%	3.9/5	+2%	20%
ASML	4.7%	4.3/5	+6%	27%
Advanced Micro Devices	4.5%	3.6/5	+2%	24%
Micron Technology	3.5%	3.2/5	0%	35%
MongoDB	2.8%	3.6/5	+8%	31%

Performance contributors

	Avg. weight	Contrib
Positive		
NVIDIA Corporation	9.7%	2.72%
Microsoft Corp.	9.8%	1.05%
Advanced Micro Devices	4.5%	0.91%
Negative		
ON Semiconductor Corp.	-1.7%	-0.23%
Duolingo	1.8%	-0.21%
STMicroelec.	1.1%	-0.21%

Portfolio changes

Buy	Reinforcement	Sell	Reduction
Confluent	HashiCorp		Nvidia
	Salesforce		Palo Alto
	Intuit		Servicenow



Responsible Tech Dimensions

	Tech For Good CS ≥ 10% or NEC > 0%	Good in Tech Client risk score ≥ 3/5	Improvement enabler SD* Management score ≥ 3/5
Number of holdings	36	35	32
Weight	100%	98%	90%

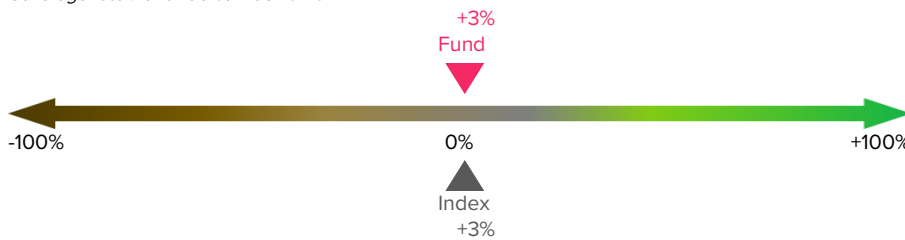
*SD : Sustainable development

Environmental analysis

Net Environmental Contribution (NEC)

Degree of alignment of the economic models with the ecological transition, integrating biodiversity and climate, on a scale running from -100% for eco-obstruction to +100% for eco-solution, where 0% equates to the average environmental impact of the global economy. The results are expressed in NEC 1.0 (nec-initiative.org) calculés par Sycomore AM sur la base de données des années 2018 à 2021.

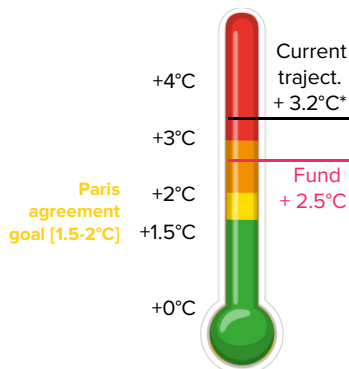
Coverage rate : fund 100% / index 92%



Temperature rising - SB2A

Induced average temperature increase by 2100 compared to pre-industrial times, according to the Science-Based 2°C Alignment methodology.

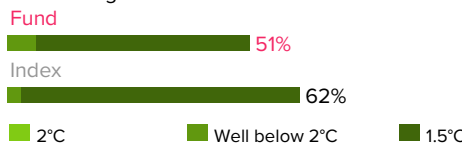
Coverage rate : fund 49%



*IPCC Sixth Assessment Report «Climate Change 2022: Mitigation of Climate Change». <https://www.ipcc.ch/assessment-report/ar6/>

Climate alignment - SBTi

Share of companies that have validated their greenhouse gas reduction targets with the Science-Based Targets initiative.



Carbon footprint

Annual greenhouse gas emissions (GHG Protocol) from upstream scopes 1, 2 and 3 per thousand euros invested***.

Coverage rate : fund 97% / index 100%



European taxonomy

Percentage of revenues derived from eligible activities to the EU taxonomy

Coverage rate : fund 100% / index 97%



Fossil fuel exposure

Percentage of income derived from the three fossil energies.

Fund

0%

Index

0%

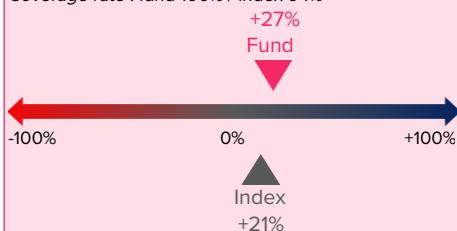
Carbon Oil Gas

Societal and social analysis

Societal contribution**

Contribution of the economic activity of companies to the resolution of major societal issues, on a scale from -100% to +100%.

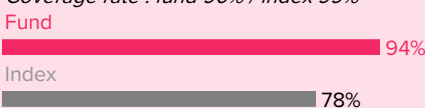
Coverage rate : fund 100% / index 94%



Human rights policy **

Percentage of portfolio companies that have drawn up a Human Rights policy.

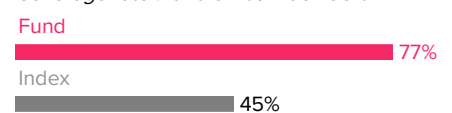
Coverage rate : fund 90% / index 99%



Staff growth

Cumulated growth in company headcounts over the past three financial years (data unadjusted in the event of acquisitions, excluding transformational deals).

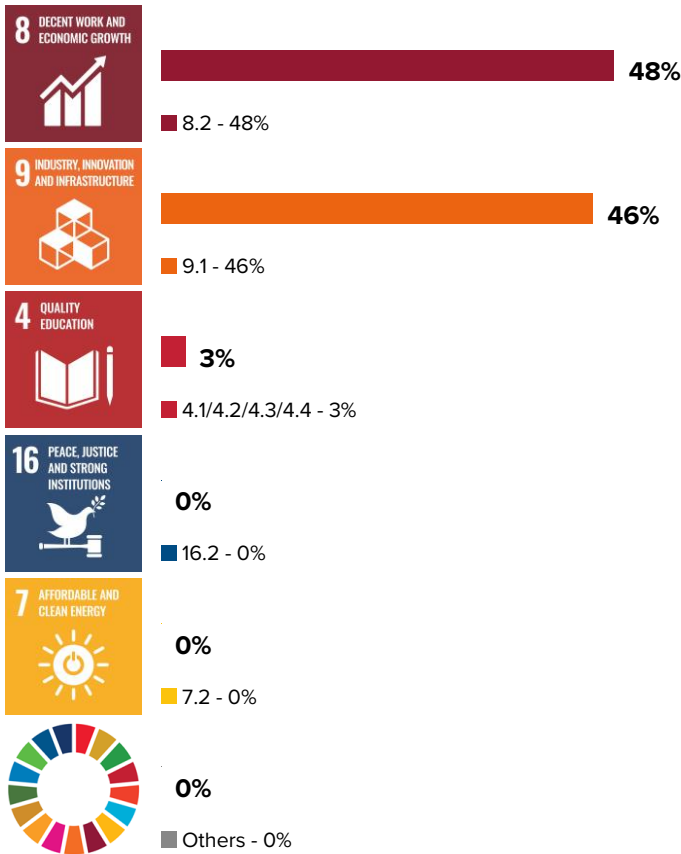
Coverage rate : fund 92% / index 96%



Sources: company data, Sycomore AM, Trucost, Bloomberg, Science Based Targets, Vigeo. Methodologies and approaches may differ between issuers and providers of extra-financial data. Sycomore AM does not guarantee the accuracy, completeness, and exhaustiveness of the extra-financial reports.*ESG-SPICE correspondence: E=E, S=(P+S+C)/3, G is a sub-part of I, which represents 40%.**The fund has committed to outperforming the benchmark on these two indicators. The other indicators are shown for illustrative purposes.***Footprint allocated prorata to enterprise value, cash included.



Sustainable development goals exposure



This chart represents the main exposures to the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals and their 169 targets. Exposure is defined as the opportunity, for each company, to contribute positively to reaching SDGs, providing their products and services. This exercise doesn't aim to measure the companies effective contribution to SDGs, which is computed through our societal contribution (CS) and net environmental contribution (NEC) metrics. For each invested company, activities are analysed in order to identify those which are exposed to SDGs. For a same activity, its number of targets can vary between 0 and 2. The company target exposure to one of its activities is weighted by the revenue share gained from this activity. For more details, our annual SRI report is available in our ESG documentation.

No significant exposure : 6%

ESG follow-up, news and dialogue

Dialogue and engagement

STMicroelectronics

We asked STMicroelectronics to provide more transparent information on weightings, trigger points, targets and achievements on its criteria relating to short and long-term executive remuneration. We notably encouraged the company to assemble information on the annual ESG criteria achievement ratios within the proxy.

Esker

We engaged the company on five points: 1) to achieve a 30% female ratio within the executive committee, including mid and short-term targets, 2) for more independence, to change the incumbent statutory auditor after 24 years of tenure, 3) to appoint an independent director within the Audit Committee to ensure 3 members are 66% independent, 4) to put the CEO's remuneration to a shareholder vote at the AGM, 5) to introduce carbon footprint reduction targets.

ESG controversies

Salesforce.com

Lawsuit in the United States alleging the company aided human trafficking via the classified ads website Backpage.

SAP

SAP has agreed to pay \$230 million to settle a bribery case that took place in South Africa in 2018. This agreement enables SAP to avoid prosecution on the condition that the group does not commit a similar offence over the next three years. The company had already provisioned over \$170 million for this dispute, cooperated with the authorities, and taken satisfactory remedial measures – including strengthening the teams dedicated to compliance issues.

Votes

2 / 2 voted general assemblies over the month.

Details on our votes are available here the day following the company's AGM [Here](#).

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