Trillium Asset Management



TRILLIUM GLOBAL SUSTAINABLE OPPORTUNITIES FUND - CLASS A

January 2025

FUND FACTS

Investment objective: To provide investors with long-term capital growth through investment in global companies driving the transition to a more sustainable economy. To outperform the benchmark (before fees and taxes) over a rolling 3 year period.

FUND BENEFITS

The diversified portfolio is constructed within a framework that is independent of the benchmark in terms of stock and sector weights. Added value is expected to come from the high conviction approach to stock selection.

FUND RISKS

All investments carry risk and different strategies may carry different levels of risk. The relevant product disclosure statement or offer document for a fund should be considered before deciding whether to acquire or hold units in that fund. Your financial adviser can assist you in determining whether a fund is suited to your financial needs.

Benchmark: MSCI World Net Total Return Index (\$A)

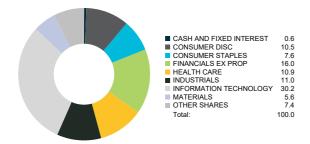
Inception Date: August 2020

Size of Portfolio: \$61.17 million as at 31 Dec 2024

APIR: PER4964AU
Management Fee: 0.99%*
Investment style: Thematic

Suggested minimum investment period: Seven years or longer

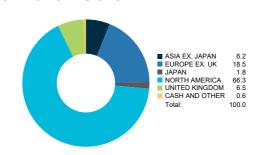
PORTFOLIO SECTORS



TOP 10 STOCK HOLDINGS

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|--|----------------|
| | % of Portfolio |
| Microsoft Corporation | 5.7% |
| NVIDIA Corporation | 4.6% |
| ServiceNow, Inc. | 4.3% |
| Mastercard Incorporated | 3.9% |
| AstraZeneca PLC | 3.5% |
| Unilever PLC | 3.1% |
| Shopify, Inc. | 3.0% |
| Roche Holding Ltd | 2.7% |
| Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Co. | 2.6% |
| Allianz SE | 2.6% |
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PORTFOLIO REGIONS



PERFORMANCE- periods ending 31 January 2025

| | Fund | Benchmark | Excess |
|-------------------|-------|-----------|--------|
| 1 month | 2.41 | 2.77 | -0.35 |
| 3 months | 5.84 | 10.74 | -4.90 |
| 1 year | 16.19 | 28.66 | -12.48 |
| 2 year p.a. | 10.04 | 26.67 | -16.63 |
| 3 year p.a. | 3.60 | 14.08 | -10.49 |
| 4 year p.a. | 5.98 | 17.16 | -11.18 |
| 5 year p.a. | - | - | - |
| 7 year p.a. | - | - | - |
| 10 year p.a. | - | - | - |
| Since incep. p.a. | 9.31 | 16.84 | -7.53 |

Past performance is not indicative of future performance. Returns may differ due to different tax treatments.

PORTFOLIO FUNDAMENTALS^

| | Portfolio | Benchmark |
|-------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Price / Earnings* | 20.3 | 19.7 |
| Dividend Yield* | 2.1% | 2.0% |
| Price / Book | 3.4 | 3.3 |
| Debt / Equity | 37.6% | 49.8% |
| Return on Equity* | 18.1% | 17.3% |

^ Portfolio Fundamentals are compiled using our methodology and provided only for the purpose of illustrating Trillium's investment style in action. These figures are forecast estimates, calculated based on consensus broker estimates where available, and should not be relied upon. Dividend Yield is a dividend forecast of underlying securities for the portfolio and does not reflect the distributions to be determined for the fund.

Information on Management Costs (including estimated indirect costs) and a full description of the Fund's performance fee is set out in the Fund's PDS.

^{*} Forward looking 12-month estimate.

MARKET COMMENTARY

January was an eventful month packed with impactful geopolitical headlines mixed with macroeconomic developments. The freshly inaugurated President Trump and his administration hit the ground running with a flurry of activity addressing myriad issues which resulted in gyrating markets. In spite of all the headlines generating uncertainty, January proved to be a strong month for global equity markets that finished mostly higher. Like last year, there was a notable difference in styles. Unlike last year, it is value leading the charge as the MSCI World Value Index outperformed its growth counterpart by roughly 200 basis points (bps) in U.S. dollar terms for the month. Global investors are all wondering what the impact of Trump 2.0 means for the globe, and maybe the style shift and broader market in January is an indicator. The growth levels of high momentum and AI related stocks became a source of controversy after the release of DeepSeek, a Chinese AI model reported to be developed at a fraction of the cost of comparable American products. The cost effectiveness claims could prove to be a deepfake but for now the long-term spending on AI-related CAPEX is up for debate.

PORTFOLIO COMMENTARY

For the month ended January 31, 2025, the Trillium Sustainable Opportunities Fund reported a return of 2.4% net of fees versus the benchmark, MSCI World Index, which reported a return of 2.8% over the same period. The Fund's largest active overweight positions included ServiceNow, Mastercard, and AstraZeneca PLC. The Fund's largest underweight positions included Apple, Amazon, and Alphabet, all of which are not currently held in the fund.

The overweight position in Nextracker contributed to relative performance (+37.0%). Shares of the company surged during the month, largely attributable to strong quarterly earnings and an increase in profit outlook. The company's innovative solar tracking technology, expanding market presence and supply chain competitive advantage have increased conviction in the company.

The overweight position in Thermo Fisher Scientific contributed to positive relative performance (+14.1%). The stock performed well during the month driven by strong earnings results and positive market sentiment. The company's innovative product launches and strategic partnerships have furthered confidence in the long-term view of the company.

The overweight position in ServiceNow detracted from relative performance (-4.7%). Shares of the company fluctuated during the period after some deviations from expectations in their earnings report. However, we believe the company's growing opportunity in the AI space remains favorable in the near and long-term.

The overweight position in HDFC Bank Limited detracted from relative performance (-5.7%). Although the bank's fourth quarter earnings report showed muted loan growth, it was in line with the street's expectations and our outlook for the company remains stable.

OUTLOOK

Markets navigated a complex macroeconomic landscape in January, shaped by robust U.S. data, shifting monetary policy expectations, and evolving geopolitical risks. The U.S. economy remains resilient with stronger-than-expected job gains and moderating wage growth, while inflation data was mixed with December CPI coming in slightly above expectation, but core CPI coming a touch lighter than consensus. Core PCE remained in line with forecasts. The Federal Reserve held rates steady as expected, with Chair Powell signaling patience, reinforcing market expectations of a delayed rate-cutting cycle. Equities responded positively, with the S&P 500 and MSCI World Index reaching record highs and small caps showing strength as well. Political and trade-related uncertainties were key market overhangs. The Trump administration's tariff threats on Mexico and Canada created uncertainty around trade policy, with potential spillover effects on inflation and supply chains. Meanwhile, the AI sector experienced heighted volatility following the emergence of China's DeepSeek, which raised concerns over a potential escalation in the U.S.-China tech war. While fears of reduced AI capex initially pressured semiconductor and infrastructure names, market sentiment improved as U.S. tech giants reaffirmed their spending plans. Despite these headwinds, markets seemed to remain broadly constructive, supported by resilient corporate earnings and expectations for eventual Fed easing later in the year. As markets look ahead, the focus remains on incoming economic data, Fed policy signals, and evolving geopolitical developments that could shape risk sentiment in the months ahead.

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