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Marketing Communication

Baillie Gifford Worldwide Responsible Global Dividend Growth Fund 30 June 2024

About Baillie Gifford

Philosophy

Long-term investment horizon
A growth bias
Bottom-up portfolio construction
High active share

Partnership

100% owned by 58 partners with average 20 years' service
Ownership aligns our interests with those of our clients
Enables us to take a thoughtful, long-term view in all that we do
Stability, quality and consistency

Investment Proposition

The Fund invests in an actively managed and well-diversified portfolio of stocks from around the world. It generally contains 50–80 stocks, and positions at initiation are typically 1–3 per cent of the portfolio. We seek to ensure a high degree of diversification of both income and capital, with no stock representing more than 5 per cent of the portfolio's income stream or capital at the time of purchase.

Fund Facts

Fund Launch Date	18 June 2021
Fund Size	\$536.3m / €500.4m
Index	MSCI ACWI Index
Active Share	86%
Current Annual Turnover	7%
Current number of stocks	51
Fund SFDR Classification	Article 8*
Stocks (guideline range)	50-80
Fiscal year end	30 September
Structure	Irish UCITS
Base currency	USD

^{*}The Fund is subject to enhanced sustainability-related disclosures on the environmental and/or social characteristics that it promotes.

Awards and Ratings - As at 31 May 2024

2024.

Morningstar Medalist Rating™



Analyst-Driven % 100 Data Coverage %

100

Name	Years' Experience
James Dow*	20
Ross Mathison	16

^{*}Partner



Based on the Class B USD Acc share class.

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Periodic performance

	1 Month*	3 Months*	YTD*	1 Year*	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years	Since inception
US dollar								
Class B USD Acc (%)	2.0	2.4	5.6	12.9	5.0	N/A	N/A	5.5
Class B USD Inc (%)	2.5	2.4	5.5	12.9	5.1	N/A	N/A	5.6
Index (%)	2.3	3.0	11.6	19.9	5.9	N/A	N/A	6.6
euro								
Class B EUR Acc (%)	3.3	3.1	9.0	14.3	8.8	N/A	N/A	9.3
Class B EUR Inc (%)	3.7	3.1	9.0	14.3	8.9	N/A	N/A	9.4
Index (%)	3.6	3.8	15.0	22.1	9.6	N/A	N/A	10.2
sterling								
Class B GBP Inc (%)	3.0	2.0	6.1	12.7	8.3	N/A	N/A	8.9
Class B GBP Acc (%)	2.6	2.1	6.2	12.7	8.2	N/A	N/A	8.8
Index (%)	3.0	2.9	12.5	20.6	9.1	N/A	N/A	9.7

	Inception date
US dollar	
Class B USD Acc	18 June 2021
Class B USD Inc	18 June 2021
euro	
Class B EUR Acc	18 June 2021
Class B EUR Inc	18 June 2021
sterling	
Class B GBP Inc	18 June 2021
Class B GBP Acc	18 June 2021

Calendar year performance

	December 2019	December 2020	December 2021	December 2022	December 2023
US dollar					
Class B USD Acc (%)	N/A	N/A	N/A	-16.8	21.9
Class B USD Inc (%)	N/A	N/A	N/A	-16.8	21.9
Index (%)	N/A	N/A	N/A	-18.0	22.8
euro					
Class B EUR Acc (%)	N/A	N/A	N/A	-11.6	17.5
Class B EUR Inc (%)	N/A	N/A	N/A	-11.6	17.5
Index (%)	N/A	N/A	N/A	-12.6	18.6
sterling					
Class B GBP Inc (%)	N/A	N/A	N/A	-6.6	15.4
Class B GBP Acc (%)	N/A	N/A	N/A	-6.6	15.4
Index (%)	N/A	N/A	N/A	-7.6	15.9

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Discrete performance

	30/06/19-30/06/20	30/06/20-30/06/21	30/06/21-30/06/22	30/06/22-30/06/23	30/06/23-30/06/24
US dollar					
Class B USD Acc (%)	N/A	N/A	-13.9	19.2	12.9
Class B USD Inc (%)	N/A	N/A	-13.9	18.9	12.9
Index (%)	N/A	N/A	-15.4	17.1	19.9
euro					
Class B EUR Acc (%)	N/A	N/A	-2.0	14.8	14.3
Class B EUR Inc (%)	N/A	N/A	-2.0	14.7	14.3
Index (%)	N/A	N/A	-4.0	12.2	22.1
sterling					
Class B GBP Inc (%)	N/A	N/A	-1.9	14.6	12.7
Class B GBP Acc (%)	N/A	N/A	-1.9	14.7	12.7
Index (%)	N/A	N/A	-3.7	11.9	20.6

Source: Revolution, MSCI. As at 30 June 2024. Net of fees. 10am prices. Index: MSCI ACWI Index, calculated using close to close. *Not annualised. Hedged share classes shown against the index in the base currency.

Baillie Gifford operates a single swinging price for the Fund and, therefore, may apply a dilution adjustment to the price to protect long-term investors from the costs associated with buying and selling underlying investments that result from other investors joining or leaving the Fund. This adjustment will affect relative performance, either positively or negatively.

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Stock Level Attribution

Top and Bottom Ten Contributors to Relative Performance, Quarter to 30 June 2024

Top Ten Contributors

Bottom Ten Contributors

Asset Name	Contribution (%)	Asset Name	Contribution (%)
TSMC	0.6	NVIDIA	-1.0
Novo Nordisk	0.4	Fastenal	-0.9
Analog Devices	0.3	Alphabet	-0.4
Hargreaves Lansdown	0.3	Albemarle	-0.4
Atlas Copco	0.3	Edenred	-0.4
Watsco	0.2	B3	-0.3
Schneider Electric	0.2	Partners Group	-0.3
Experian	0.1	Sonic Healthcare	-0.2
Roche	0.1	UPS	-0.2
United Overseas Bank	0.1	PepsiCo	-0.2

Source: Revolution, MSCI. Baillie Gifford Worldwide Responsible Global Dividend Growth Fund relative to MSCI ACWI Index. Some stocks may only have been held for part of the period.

All attribution is shown relative to the index therefore not all stocks shown are held in the portfolio. See the List of Holdings section of this report for the stocks held.

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Market environment

"In charge". The letters, in gold, were on Christine Lagarde's necklace when she hosted the European Central Bank's press conference in June. The European Central Bank (ECB) was the first major Western Central Bank to cut its interest rates and Madame Lagarde wanted the world to know.

Global economic activity over the past three months has extended the pattern seen in the first quarter: a resilient US economy, some improvement from a low base in Europe and the Chinese economy stabilizing. Importantly, inflation has been coming down almost everywhere, if not in a straight line. That gives Central Banks room to cut rates, and the ECB was the first one to act.

The year was already rich in elections, but President Macron must have felt that France was being left out. After his party suffered a heavy defeat in the European elections, the French president unexpectedly called a national election.

History shows, however, that elections come and go and rarely exert a lasting influence on economies. Of course, there are some exceptions, but over the past few decades, the impact of politics on companies and markets has been rather subdued.

Performance

In the second quarter, the fund delivered positive returns but slightly lagged global equity markets. We need to talk about NVIDIA. The simple fact of not holding it explains ~60% of the relative underperformance. NVIDIA is like the tour de France cyclist gone on an *échappée solitaire*, leaving everyone behind.

Do we fear missing out? No, because at this stage in the Artificial Intelligence (AI) hype cycle, sentiment takes over, making rational decisions difficult. We have exposure to AI through other companies. Microsoft for example, has a strategic partnership with OpenAI, offers AI infrastructure in his Cloud services and is one of the first companies able to monetize AI through their software tools. Intuit, the US software company, is putting to use the large amount of proprietary data they hold to design better solution and services for their customers.

Taiwanese company TSMC is another example, who tops the list of contributors to performance in the quarter. It manufactures the precious NVIDIA chips, which is no small feat: the Blackwell GPU holds 208 billion transistors on an area as "large" as a mobile

phone screen. TSMC is today the dominant supplier of leading-edge semiconductors as a result of a decades-long, relentless drive to innovate alongside customers and invest in research and development.

Other contributors to performance include French power equipment company Schneider Electric and Swedish industrial company Atlas Copco, who both benefit from Al-related investment. Schneider is a world-leading supplier of power equipment to datacentres and is seeing strong acceleration in that business. Atlas Copco is a major supplier of highly technical vacuum technology, a critical piece of equipment in chip manufacturing facilities.

Once again, Novo Nordisk is amongst the top contributors to performance and the approval in June of its flagship anti-obesity drug in China provided further momentum to the share price.

Beyond the impact of NVIDIA, some holdings weighed on returns. US distributor Fastenal saw its share price retreat after reaching an all-time high in April. It is one of very few companies which publish monthly sales figures, feeding the financial market's appetite for trade-inducing noise. Zoom out to the five-year period, however, and Fastenal is a top contributor to performance.

Other names weighing on performance were the lithium producer Albemarle on lingering concerns about a slowdown in the electric vehicles market and the Brazilian stock-exchange B3 as investors worry about short-term political tensions.

Stewardship

Over the past quarter, we have delved into the performance of the fund's Consumer Packaged Goods companies' performance across various environmental matters and efforts on improving the nutritional profiles of their products. Which was timely, given the emerging debate on ultra-processed foods (UPF), an area characterised by nascent science but growing consumer concern. We engaged with Nestlé to understand their approach to UPF. Nestlé's 'Good For You' health strategy emphasises education and transparency, but our discussions revealed a reliance on traditional metrics like the Health Star Rating (HSR), which does not account for UPF issues.

We take some encouragement from Nestlé's aim to increase nutritious sales by 50% by 2030. Their 'Good For You' strategy indicates an understanding of health trends, though there remains room for more proactive steps regarding UPF. We also probed how

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the company reviews marketing promotions, in relation to health claims. There is a centralised function that monitors these, and the company has adopted general guidance to not to use the terms 'healthy' or 'nutritious', but only to use in conjunction with 'as part of a healthy lifestyle'. This remains an area of focus for our engagement with the company.

Notable transactions

Dolby Laboratories makes software for audio and vision applications. Over the past decade, results have been solid but our analysis is that the company faces an ongoing headwind from pricing, with limited ability to raise its own prices due to intense competition among electronic device makers.

Meanwhile, highly technical engineers' pay keeps rising, so although Dolby Laboratories has come up with innovations, it has struggled to grow its profits at an attractive rate. We do not see this fundamentally changing, so we have divested from the holding.

Luxury group Kering, owner of brands such as Gucci and YSL, recorded several years of strong growth in profits after a turnaround at Gucci in 2015. However, the company appears to have gone off track over the past few months. We are not convinced by new strategy whilst there has been a great deal of churn in management. The company is now quite leveraged and we are concerned that a prolonged period of weak sales may potentially lead to financial difficulties, so we divested from the holding.

Market Outlook

Global equity markets have delivered strong returns over the last 12 months, supported by decelerating inflation, resilient global economic activity and AI excitement. Interest rate cuts by Central Banks are expected in the coming months, but likely priced in by financial markets already.

Geopolitical tensions are high and new trade barriers are being erected, but global equity markets' volatility has been unusually low since Q4 2023. Whatever the reasons, it would be unwise to assume that we have just entered a new era of low volatility. We believe that it is thus critical to maintain the diversification and the quality growth characteristic of the fund that gives it resilience in more volatile environments.

Transactions from 01 April 2024 to 30 June 2024.

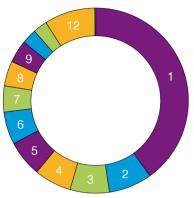
There were no new purchases during the period.

Complete Sales

Stock Name	Transaction Rationale
Dolby Laboratories	Dolby makes software for audio applications, such as the sound encoded in broadcast TV. It has been a holding in our funds since 2018, and although the company's results have been solid, we have been underwhelmed by the pace of revenue and profit growth. Our analysis is that structurally, the company faces an ongoing headwind from pricing, with limited ability to raise its own prices due to intense competition among electronic device makers. Meanwhile the cost of salaries for its technical staff continues to rise. The result is that even though Dolby has come up with innovations such as spatial audio, and has branched into video as well as sound, it has struggled to grow its profits at an attractive rate. We do not see this fundamentally changing. The valuation of the shares suggests the market is quite optimistic about future profit growth. We see better opportunities for capital growth elsewhere, so divested from the holding.
Kering	This luxury goods manufacturer, owner of brands such as Yves Saint Laurent, has been a successful investment since we purchased the holding in 2018. The successful turnaround in the fortunes of its flagship brand, Gucci, under a new creative director subsequently drove several years of tremendous growth in the profits of the company. However, in the past 18 months, the company appears to have gone off track. The creative director has left and there has been a great deal of churn in the management team. The company has adopted a new strategy for Gucci which we do not believe is very likely to succeed. The company is now quite leveraged, both operationally and financially, and we are concerned that it will see a prolonged period of weak sales and potentially even financial difficulties going forward. With its prospects looking unattractive, we divested from the holding.

Portfolio Positioning 08

Geographic Exposure



		%
1	United States	40.1
2	Switzerland	7.6
3	France	6.8
4	Denmark	6.5
5	UK	6.3
6	Taiwan	5.7
7	Australia	4.6
8	Sweden	4.4
9	Germany	3.9
10	China	2.6
11	Netherlands	2.5
12	Others	8.9
13	Cash	0.2

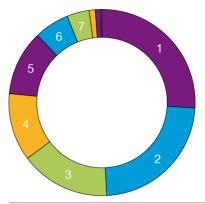
Portfolio Characteristics

	Fund	Index
Market Cap (weighted average)	\$420.9bn	\$659.4bn
Price/Book	5.7	3.1
Price/Earnings (12 months forward)	22.0	17.4
Earnings Growth (5 year historic)	5.9%	6.9%
Return on Equity	25.7%	17.8%
Predicted Beta (12 months)	0.8	N/A
Standard Deviation (trailing 3 years)	16.1	16.5
R-Squared	1.0	N/A
Delivered Tracking Error (12 months)	2.5	N/A
Sharpe Ratio	0.5	1.1
Information Ratio	-3.3	N/A
		Fund
Number of geographical locations		19
Number of sectors		9
Number of industries		31

Source: FactSet, MSCI.

We have provided these characteristics for information purposes only. In particular, we do not think index relative metrics are suitable measures of risk. Fund and benchmark figures are calculated excluding negative earnings.

Sector Exposure



		%
1	Industrials	25.9
2	Information Technology	23.3
3	Financials	15.6
4	Health Care	11.8
5	Consumer Staples	11.3
6	Consumer Discretionary	6.1
7	Communication Services	3.9
8	Utilities	1.1
9	Materials	1.0
10	Cash	0.2

As well as cash in the bank, the cash balance includes unsettled cash flows arising from both shareholder flows and outstanding trades. Therefore, a negative balance may arise from timing differences between shareholder flows and security trading and does not necessarily represent a bank overdraft.

Top Ten Holdings

	Holdings	% of Total Assets
1	Novo Nordisk	5.3
2	Microsoft	5.1
3	TSMC	5.0
4	Watsco	4.6
5	Schneider Electric	3.9
6	Fastenal	3.8
7	Procter & Gamble	3.6
8	Apple	3.4
9	Atlas Copco	3.3
10	Analog Devices	3.1

Voting Activity

Votes Cast in Favour	Votes Cast Against		Votes Abstained/Withheld	
Companies 3	Companies	16	Companies	7
Resolutions 56	2 Resolutions	42	Resolutions	7

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Company Engagement

Engagement Type	Company
Environmental	Albemarle Corporation, PepsiCo, Inc., Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Company Limited, United Parcel Service, Inc.
Social	Albemarle Corporation, Nestle S.A., TCI Co., Ltd., Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Company Limited
Governance	Albemarle Corporation, Arthur J. Gallagher & Co., Cognex Corporation, Edenred SE, Epiroc AB (publ), Fastenal Company, Hargreaves Lansdown plc, Nestle S.A., Partners Group Holding AG, PepsiCo, Inc., TCl Co., Ltd., Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Company Limited, Texas Instruments Incorporated, The Home Depot, Inc., United Parcel Service, Inc.
Strategy	TCI Co., Ltd.

List of Holdings 10

Asset Name	Fund %
Novo Nordisk	5.3
Microsoft	5.1
TSMC	5.0
Watsco	4.6
Schneider Electric	3.9
Fastenal	3.8
Procter & Gamble	3.6
Apple	3.4
Atlas Copco	3.3
Analog Devices	3.1
PepsiCo	2.7
CAR Group	2.6
Partners	2.6
Deutsche Börse	2.5
Wolters Kluwer	2.5
Experian	2.4
United Parcel Service	2.1
Intuit	2.1
AJ Gallagher	2.0
Roche	2.0
Admiral Group	1.9
Sonic Healthcare	1.9
Nestlé	1.8
L'Oréal	1.6
United Overseas Bank	1.4
SAP	1.4
Edenred	1.4
Midea	1.4
NetEase	1.2
Kuehne & Nagel	1.2
Coloplast AS	1.2
Cisco Systems	1.2
Anta Sports Products	1.1
Texas Instruments	1.1
Greencoat UK Wind	1.1
Epiroc	1.1
B3	1.0
Amadeus IT Group	1.0
Valmet	1.0
Albemarle	1.0
Starbucks Corp	1.0
AVI	1.0
Cognex Corp	0.9

Asset Name	Fund %
Hargreaves Lansdown	0.9
T. Rowe Price Group, Inc.	0.9
USS	0.8
Hong Kong Exchanges & Clearing	0.8
Medtronic	0.8
TCI Co	0.7
Home Depot	0.7
Eurofins	0.6
Cash	0.2
Total	100.0
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Total may not sum due to rounding.

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Active Share Classes 11

	Inception date	ISIN	Bloomberg	SEDOL	WKN	Valoren	Ongoing charge figure (%)	Annual management fee (%)
US dollar								
Class A USD Acc	07 November 2022	IE00BNTJ9J01	BAGEIAU	BNTJ9J0	A3CNMA	111906849	1.65	1.50
euro								
Class A EUR Acc	28 November 2022	IE00BNTJ9H86	BAGEIAE	BNTJ9H8	A3CNL9	111906852	1.65	1.50
US dollar								
Class B USD Acc	18 June 2021	IE00BNTJ9M30	BAGEIBU	BNTJ9M3	A3CNMD	111903225	0.40	0.25
Class B USD Inc	18 June 2021	IE000B5ZP5Z1	BAGEIBB	0B5ZP5Z	A3CPH2	112223828	0.39	0.25
euro								
Class B EUR Acc	18 June 2021	IE00BNTJ9L23	BAGEIBE	BNTJ9L2	A3CNMC	111903237	0.39	0.25
Class B EUR Inc	18 June 2021	IE00044Y5V41	BAGEIBR	044Y5V4	A3CPH3	112223842	0.39	0.25
sterling								
Class B GBP Inc	18 June 2021	IE000TCFRGS6	BAGEIBG	0TCFRGS	A3CQ3H	112201622	0.39	0.25
Class B GBP Acc	18 June 2021	IE000WUM70S2	BAGEBGA	0WUM70S	A3CQ3G	112203379	0.40	0.25

Our Worldwide funds allow us to offer multi-currency share classes. Share classes can be created on request. Please note that the management fee of the B Acc and Inc share classes is at a reduced rate as specified in the Prospectus, for a limited period of time. Please refer to the Prospectus and Key Information Document for further details. Until the expiry of this offer, the ongoing charges are also reduced. Charges will reduce the value of your investment. Costs may increase or decrease as a result of currency and exchange rate fluctuations.

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By investing in the Fund you own shares in the Fund. You do not have ownership or control of the underlying assets such as the stocks and shares of the companies that make up the portfolio as these are owned by the Fund.

The ongoing charges figure is based on actual expenses for the latest financial period. Where the share class has been launched during the financial period and / or expenses during the period are not representative, an estimate of expenses may have been used instead. It may vary from year to year. It excludes the costs of buying and selling assets for the Fund although custodian transaction costs are included. Where a share class has not been seeded an estimate of expenses has been used

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The specific risks associated with the Fund include:

Custody of assets, particularly in emerging markets, involves a risk of loss if a custodian becomes insolvent or breaches duties of care.

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Target Market

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