# **Global Developed Market Equities**



# January 2025

### Equitile Resilience fund

**Top Ten Investments** 

### Intl Consolidated Airline-Di 7% Visa Inc-Class A Shares 5% Barclays Plc 5% Shopify Inc - Class A 5% Lvmh Moet Hennessy Louis Vui 5% American Express Co 5% Carnival Corp 5% Natwest Group Plc 4% Nomura Holdings Inc 4% Jpmorgan Chase & Co 4% Largest Sector Allocations Internet Services 20% **Financial Services** 18% Banks 16% Travel & Leisure 13% Luxury Goods 8% Largest Currency Allocations USD 62% GBP 22% JPY 5%

# Portfolio Characteristics \*

FUR

SEK

Number of Holdings	30			
Average Market Cap USD bn	153			
P/E ratio	26			
EPS Growth (5yr)	9%			
Sales Growth (5yr)	19%			
Equity Ratio	26%			

10%

1%

#### **GBP** Shareclass ISIN: GB00BDD1KW29

## Investment Commentary

2025 has started well for your portfolio with all but two of your thirty investments making positive contributions in the month. International Airlines Group, currently your largest holding, was also your largest contributor thanks to a 12% return in the month. However, it was your investments in the banking and financial services sectors which provided the bulk of the returns in January. Barclays, NatWest, JP Morgan, American Express and Visa have all put in strong returns, as they have done consistently for several months. We attribute the strength in financial services to the return of inflationary pressures after lockdown. Higher inflation has allowed central banks to move away from the ultra-low interest-rate regimes which persisted in the aftermath of the Global Financial Crisis and during Lockdown. In turn this has allowed banks and other financial services firms to rebuild margins, widening the spreads between what banks pay for deposits and what they charge for loans.

We were also pleased to see strong returns from your investments in the luxury retailer LVMH and Carnival Cruises. Both companies are reliant on discretionary spending suggesting the global consumer and therefor the global economy is gaining strength, albeit with considerable regional variation.

During the month we have reduced your investments in Rolls Royce and Hoya while adding to your holdings of the online retailer Mercardo Libre and the medical devices manufacturer Medtronic. Medtronic recently launched the Hugo robotic surgery system which looks well positioned to compete against the more established Da Vinci system of Intuitive Surgical.

We are barely five weeks into 2025 and it is already an important year from a macroeconomic perspective. The release of the new AI model DeepSeek, which cost just a few million dollars to develop and runs on older generation processors, risks undermining the value of the hundreds of billions already invested in Al and calls into question the necessity of the hundreds more billions committed in new investment. We suspect the Al investment boom has become a malinvestment bubble akin to the Railway Mania of the late 1800's or the Telecommunications Bubble of the 1990's. In these cases, the overinvestment in new infrastructure was ultimately hugely beneficial for the economy but nevertheless disastrous for its early investors. The fund's technology investments are in companies using new data centre capacity rather than in those providing that capacity.

President Trump's announced and quickly postponed 25% trade tariffs on Canada and Mexico together with the 10% tariff on China and threatened tariffs on the European Union could be the start of a sustained move to regional protectionism or, as many suspect, little more than a negotiating strategy aimed at nontrade goals. Either way, together with Trump's position on Greenland and Panama, America's engagement with both allies and adversaries has changed significantly. We expect these geopolitical issues to lead to heightened asset market and foreign exchange instability this year.



## \*Calculated as weighted average where applicable

Fund Details		Performance History													
Launch date: 29th February 2016		Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Last NAV	YTD
Shareclasses: USD,GBP,EUR,NOK															
Management Fee 0.7%	2025	10.7%												236.6	10.7%
OCF: 1.0%	2024	-0.7%	1.2%	5.6%	0.6%	-0.5%	-0.9%	0.0%	1.5%	-2.4%	1.6%	9.6%	-1.7%	213.7	14.1%
Subscription charge: 0%	2023	2.9%	-2.3%	0.2%	-1.3%	-2.6%	1.6%	2.1%	1.0%	1.2%	-2.0%	-0.4%	1.8%	187.3	2.1%
Redemption charge: 0%	2022	-13.9%	-2.2%	6.4%	-7.1%	-3.3%	-9.2%	14.3%	-0.8%	-5.6%	0.9%	0.6%	-3.7%	183.4	-23.6%
Domicile: UK	2021	0.1%	-0.8%	2.9%	4.9%	-1.3%	5.8%	2.0%	4.4%	-3.5%	3.9%	10.0%	-0.4%	240.0	31.0%
Fund type: UK UCITS OEIC	2020	1.6%	-10.2%	-9.5%	10.3%	5.9%	5.0%	0.8%	6.0%	0.1%	-4.2%	7.4%	2.8%	183.1	14.6%
Depository: HSBC	2019	6.6%	6.1%	3.5%	4.1%	-7.1%	7.1%	4.3%	-2.1%	-0.8%	1.4%	4.8%	2.7%	159.8	33.7%
Auditor: Azets Audit Services Limited	2018	6.8%	0.1%	-4.9%	2.3%	6.8%	-2.6%	-0.8%	6.3%	-0.4%	-11.7%	-1.4%	-7.1%	119.5	-8.0%
Fund AUM (USD m) 84	2017	2.1%	3.0%	1.4%	2.4%	2.8%	-0.4%	2.7%	-0.7%	2.9%	6.4%	3.3%	-2.4%	129.9	25.8%
Strategy AUM (USD m) 126	2016			0.6%	0.0%	-0.4%	1.0%	5.1%	-0.2%	-0.4%	-4.3%	0.9%	1.1%	103.3	3.3%
Dealing time: 11 am UK		1yr: 27.2%		3yr: 14.6%		Total Return: 136.6%					Anualised Since Inception:			10.1%	
Pricing time : 3 pm UK															

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