



Fund Data

Investment Policy

The objective of the investment policy is to achieve a sustainable increase in value compared to the benchmark (MSCI AC World Index). In order to achieve this, the Fund invests mainly in equities of domestic and foreign issuers that are active along the entire value chain of the water sector. This includes the sectors water supply, water infrastructure, water technology and water resource management. The fund is actively managed.

Fund Management's Comment

The S&P 500 ended the month in mid single digit negative territory. The new administration has created much uncertainty around PFAS (Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances) and continued regulation and funding around this. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Administrator Lee Zeldin announced the agency will undertake a list of 31 historic actions in the greatest and most consequential day of deregulation in U.S. history, to advance President Trump's Day One executive orders and Power the Great American Comeback. Interestingly enough, this list did not involve or have any deregulatory actions so far around PFAS. While this could suggest PFAS is lower on the administrations agenda to repeal as federal dollars allocated toward this are on the smaller side, there is no guarantee that this will remain safe on the federal funding side. Tariff uncertainty is likely to be the main market driver over the next few weeks, and we expect global (and US) growth has the potential to slow considerably from 2024 levels.

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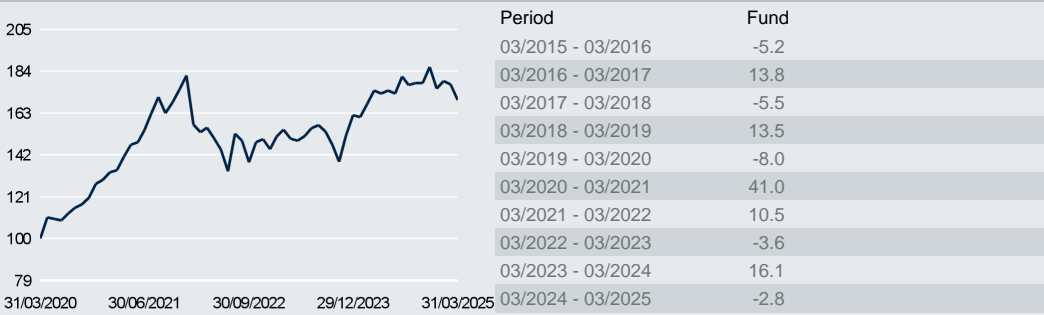
Morningstar Category™

Sector Equity Water

Ratings (As at: 28/02/2025)
Morningstar Overall Rating™:
Lipper Leaders:

Performance

Performance (in %) - Share Class LD



Past performance is no indication of current or future performance, and the performance data do not take account of the commissions and costs incurred on the issue and redemption of units.

Cumulative performance (in %) - share class LD

	1 m	1 y	3 y	5 y	s. Inception	YTD	3 y avg	5 y avg	2021	2022	2023	2024
EUR	-4.5	-2.8	8.8	69.5	51.4	-3.4	2.8	11.1	40.6	-20.4	11.8	8.3

Further Characteristics (3 years) / VAR (1 year) - share class LD

Volatility	16.10%	Maximum Drawdown	-14.14%	VAR (99%/10 days)	7.81%
Sharpe Ratio	0.02	Information Ratio	--	Correlation Coefficient	--
Alpha	--	Beta	--	Tracking Error	--

Portfolio Analysis

Breakdown by Sector (Equities) (in % of fund volume)	Principal Holdings (Equities) (in % of fund volume)
Portfolio Breakdown according to MSCI	American Water Works Co Inc (Water Utilities) 7.7
Water Utilities 29.5	Xylem Inc/NY (Industrial Machinery) 7.5
Industrial Machinery 28.9	Veolia Environnement SA (Multi Utilities) 6.9
Building Products 8.1	Pentair PLC (Industrial Machinery) 6.6
Construction & Engineering 7.0	Essential Utilities Inc (Water Utilities) 5.6
Multi Utilities 6.9	Ecolab Inc (Speciality Chemicals) 4.7
Speciality Chemicals 4.7	Badger Meter Inc (Electronic Equipment & Instrum 4.4
Electronic Equipment & Instru 4.4	Geberit AG (Building Products) 4.2
Trading Companies & Distribu 3.8	United Utilities Group PLC (Water Utilities) 3.9
Research & Consulting Serv 2.6	Advanced Drainage Systems Inc (Building Product 3.9
Semiconductors 1.0	Total 55.4
Gross weighting, not adjusted for derivative positions.	Gross weighting, not adjusted for derivative positions.

Breakdown by Country (Equities) (in % of fund volume)	Asset Allocation (in % of fund volume)
USA 60.2	Equities 96.8
Great Britain 8.1	Money market funds 1.9
France 6.9	Cash and other assets 1.3
Switzerland 6.5	
Brazil 3.8	
Japan 3.7	
Netherlands 3.6	
Canada 3.2	
Taiwan 1.0	

Gross weighting, not adjusted for derivative positions.



Portfolio Analysis			
Breakdown by Currency		(in % of fund volume)	
United States dollar	<div></div>	59.8	
Euro	<div></div>	12.8	
Pound sterling	<div></div>	10.1	
Swiss franc	<div></div>	6.5	
Brasilian real	<div></div>	3.8	
Japanese yen	<div></div>	3.8	
Canadian dollar	<div></div>	3.3	
Incl. forward exchange transactions, negative and positive figures reflect expected currency developments.			
Market Capitalization		(in % of fund volume)	
> 10 Bn.	<div></div>	47.5	
> 5 Bn. < 10 Bn.	<div></div>	34.4	
> 1 Bn. < 5 Bn.	<div></div>	14.4	
< 1 Bn.	<div></div>	0.5	
Gross weighting, not adjusted for derivative positions. The calculation is based on Euro.			

Key Figures regarding the Fund's Assets												
Number of Shares			31	Dividend Yield (in %)			2.1	Ø Market Cap			24,793.3 Mio. EUR	
Cumulative performance (in %)												
	1 m	1 y	3 y	5 y	s. Inception	YTD	3 y avg	5 y avg	2021	2022	2023	2024
FC	-4.4	-2.1	11.1	75.5	90.1	-3.2	3.6	11.9	41.6	-19.8	12.6	9.1
LD	-4.5	-2.8	8.8	69.5	51.4	-3.4	2.8	11.1	40.6	-20.4	11.8	8.3



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Portfolio Manager	Nektarios Kessidis	Assets	77.6 Mio. EUR
Portfolio Manager since	21/10/2013	Fund Currency	EUR
Portfolio Management Company	DWS Investment GmbH	Launch Date	28/02/2007
Portfolio Management Location	Germany	Fiscal Year End	30/09/2025
Management Company	DWS Investment GmbH	Investor profile	Risk-tolerant
Legal Structure	Fund	Fund Domicile	Germany
Custodian	State Street Bank International GmbH		

Share Classes

Share Class	Cur.	ISIN Code	Swiss Sec. No.	Earnings	Front-end Load	Issue Price	Redemption Price	All-in-Fee p.a.	Running costs / TER p.a.	plus performance-related fee p.a.	Minimum Investment Amount
FC	EUR	DE000DWS2GG7	33180018	Accumulation	0.00%	187.94	187.94	0.750%	0.77% (1)	--	2,000,000
LD	EUR	DE000DWS0DT1	2970393	Distribution	5.00%	74.83	71.27	1.450%	1.47% (1)	--	--

(1) The Total Expense Ratio (TER) generally includes all expense items charged to the Fund apart from transaction costs and performance fees. If the Fund invests portions of its assets in target funds, the costs of the respective target funds will also be taken into account. The Fund incurred the total expenses listed here in its last financial year, which ended on 30/09/2024. They are subject to change from year to year.

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Note

Because of its composition or the techniques used by its managers, the fund features a high level of volatility. In other words, unit prices may fluctuate significantly in either direction within short periods of time.

The rankings and ratings relating to German market.

Opportunities

In accordance with the investment policy.

Risks

- The fund invests its assets in selected regions or sectors. This increases the risk that the fund may be negatively influenced by the economic and political conditions in the respective regions or sectors.
- The fund invests in equities. Equities are subject to strong price fluctuations and thus also to the risk of price decreases.
- Due to its composition/the techniques used by the Fund management, the investment fund has significantly elevated volatility, i.e. the share price may be subject to significant fluctuations up or down within short periods of time. The share value may fall below the purchase price at which the customer acquired the share at any time.

Investor profile: Risk-tolerant

The Fund is intended for the risk-tolerant investor who, in seeking investments that offer targeted opportunities to maximize returns, can tolerate the unavoidable, and occasionally substantial, fluctuations in the values of speculative investments. The high risks from volatility, as well as high credit risks, make it probable that the fund will lose value from time to time, and expectations of high returns and tolerance of risk are offset by the possibility of incurring significant losses of capital invested.

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Morningstar Overall Rating™

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First digit = Total Return; second digit = Consistent Return; third digit = Preservation; fourth digit = Expense

General information

When the custodian sets the price on the last trading day of the month there can be a difference of up to ten hours between the times at which the fund price and the benchmark are calculated. In the event of strong market movements during this period, this may result in the over- or understatement of the Fund's performance relative to the benchmark at the end of the month (this is referred to as the "pricing effect").

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General Risk Warnings

Any investment in units of a collective investment scheme entails or is associated with equity market, bond market, exchange rate, interest rate, credit, volatility and political risks. Each of these risks may appear in connection with other risks. A brief description of some of these risk factors is provided below.

Prospective investors should have previous experience with the financial instruments that are in use in the specified investment policy. Investors should fully understand the risks associated with investments in fund units and only make investment decisions after consulting with their legal, tax, financial or other advisors in regards to (i) the suitability of an investment in units in view of their personal tax and financial position and/or other circumstances; (ii) the information contained in this prospectus; (iii) the investment policy of the collective investment scheme; and (iv) the risks associated with the investment under the planned investment policy presented by the collective investment scheme .

Please note that investments in collective investment schemes entail both opportunities on the upside and risks on the downside. Units of collective investment schemes are securities and as such their value fluctuates with the rise and fall in the value of the underlying assets. The value of the units may accordingly rise above or fall below the purchase price. No guarantee therefore is given that the objectives of the investment policy will be achieved.

Alpha

A measure of the difference between the risk-adjusted return on an investment and a benchmark. The alpha measures the part of the performance that cannot be explained by market movements or market risk, but rather is derived from the selection of securities within the market. Alpha is a way of measuring the active contribution to performance made by the portfolio manager. It is also a good yardstick to use when comparing several funds. The figure is calculated on a 3-yearly basis.

Average dividend yield

Measures the average dividend amount, based on the current share price. This figure is calculated based on the shares (including ADRs/GDRs - > Depositary receipts) and REITs contained in a fund.

Average market capitalization

Measures the average market capitalization of the shares, REITs and ADRs/GDRs (depositary receipts) contained in a fund. The market capitalization represents the total market value of a company as determined by multiplying the number of shares issued by the current share price.

Beta factor

A measure of sensitivity - given as the average percentage change in the price of a fund when the market (benchmark) rises or falls by 1%. A value over (under) 1 means that on average the fund exhibits more (less) volatility than the benchmark. The figure is calculated on a 3-yearly basis.

Correlation coefficient

Describes the degree to which two values (fund versus benchmark) move in the same direction. The value of the correlation coefficient is between -1 and +1. A correlation of +1 means that the fund generally moves in the same direction as the benchmark, while -1 indicates that the fund generally moves in the opposite direction. A correlation of 0 means that there is no relation between the price movements of the fund and the benchmark. The figure is calculated on a 3-yearly basis.

Coupon

The coupon is the portfolio's average weighted coupon.

Duration (in years/in months)

A measure of the sensitivity of an investment to changes in interest rates. Duration, which was developed by Frederick Macaulay, is the average period for which invested capital is committed. Because of the interest payable over time on the invested capital, duration is shorter than -> maturity. This version of duration is used in DWS Top Reporting and refers to invested assets (without "Cash and other holdings").

Information ratio

The information ratio measures the difference between the annualized average return of the fund and that of the benchmark, divided by the Tracking error. The higher this value is, the more the investor compensated for the risk in the fund. The figure is calculated on a 3-yearly basis.

Maximum drawdown

The maximum drawdown is the largest percentage drop in value in a given period of time. It measures the amount the fund falls from its highest point to its lowest point in the selected timeframe. The figure is calculated on a 3-yearly basis.

Modified duration (in years/in months)

Serves as a measure of interest-rate sensitivity. Modified duration indicates the percentage change in price of a bond (in a portfolio) when the market interest rate changes by 1%. In order to calculate the percentage change in the bond price, the modified duration of the bond is multiplied by the percentage change in the interest rate. This figure helps investors assess the risks and opportunities of a bond at a glance.

Sharpe ratio

A measure of risk developed by William F. Sharpe, defined as the excess return on an investment over that of a risk-free investment in relation to the risk of the investment. The higher the Sharpe ratio, the higher the return the investor receives for the risk the investment carries (expressed in volatility). The Sharpe ratio can be used to compare multiple funds. The figure is calculated on a 3-yearly basis.

Tracking error

The tracking error is the standard deviation of the yield differential between a fund and its benchmark. This makes it a measure of how well the fund manager tracks the benchmark. The figure is calculated on a 3-yearly basis.

VaR (Value at Risk)

A measure of risk that indicates the maximum fund losses with a given probability for a given period of time (holding period). VaR is calculated on the basis of the daily prices of the individual securities contained in the portfolio for a year.

Weighted Average Life

The weighted average life of the times of the principal repayments of a liability, i.e. a bond. Refers to invested fund assets (without "Cash and other holdings").

Yield

The yield is the annual return on a capital investment, measured as the actual interest earned (effective yield) on the capital invested. It is based on the fund's income (e.g., interest, dividends, realized capital gains) and change in the price of the assets held in the fund. The yield of a fund is

derived from the invested assets (without "Cash and other holdings") and is presented as a "gross" figure, i.e., before the deduction of total expenses/fee.

Volatility

Volatility expresses the degree to which the yield on an investment (the price performance of a fund, for example) varies from a mean value in a specific period of time. This makes it a measure of fund risk. The greater the variation from the mean, the higher the volatility. Knowing the volatility allows investors to assess how uncertain the return potential of an investment is. The figure is calculated on a 3-yearly basis.