

investment architecture

Kes Strategic Fund

# TCFD Product Level Report

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### **Report Information**

This product report has been produced in compliance with the Task Force on Climate-related Financial Disclosures (TCFD) requirements and in accordance with the Financial Conduct Authority's (FCA) ESG Sourcebook regarding the disclosure of climate-related financial information consistent with TCFD Recommendations and Recommended Disclosures.

These disclosures are intended to help meet the information needs of market participants in relation to the climate-related impact and risks for TCFD in-scope business.

The table set out in the metric section presents the climate metrics for this Fund when compared to the benchmark\* along with a brief description of the metrics and how these should be used and interpreted.

The table sets out how much of the portfolio and the benchmark has been estimated due to lack of verifiable data, in percentage terms.

Tutman is publishing this report in its capacity as the independent Authorised Fund Manager of the Fund. Tutman delegates investment management to specialist third party investment manager(s) who are responsible for identifying and managing the climate risks and opportunities relating to the strategy of the Fund. Tutman has responsibility for ensuring that the delegated third party investment manager(s) are managing the Fund in accordance with the objective and policy as described within the Fund's prospectus.

This TCFD report for the Fund should be read in conjunction with the entity level TCFD report for Tutman (link here). The entity level report describes Tutman's Governance, Strategy and Risk Management arrangements relating to climate related risks and opportunities.

Please note that the delegated third party investment manager(s) may separately elect to prepare and publish TCFD reporting relating to the Fund. It is important to be aware that due to different methodologies, information and systems used by companies for obtaining TCFD metrics, the results reported will likely be different.

## Methodology

Tutman use the company Impact Cubed to provide the below TCFD metrics. It should be noted that the criteria can be calculated in different ways and the methodology for producing them can differ. For that reason information that you see from other sources may vary.

The system uses public data "as reported" by companies where possible. This provides transparency and drives accountability in reporting and performance. The approach is consistent with the Global Greenhouse Gas Accounting and Reporting Standard for the Financial Industry.

The data is sourced, standardised and validated, from financial reports, environmental reports and company websites. Where it is sourced from varies depending on the factor and the region of the companies.

Not all companies currently disclose all climate factors, and some factors are reported on far less than others. For example, Scope 1 and 2 emissions are more widely disclosed than the Scope 3 emissions which can be more difficult to calculate.

Tutman use the Enterprise Value Including Cash (EVIC) to calculate emissions for each scope at a Fund level, in line with TCFD's guidance for greenhouse gas emissions metrics for asset managers. This will provide a different output to a calculation that uses the company's market capital for the calculation.

Where there are gaps in data, the figures are estimated using an industry classification system, which divides the economy into 2300 industry subsectors to categorise the products and services of each listed company. A geographic revenue model then enhances this. An average is calculated for every region. For example, a Taiwanese producer of semiconductors; based on this peer group, an estimate for a factor (such as Scopes 1 and 2 carbon intensity) is calculated using the peer group average and scaled based on revenue. Where this data is not available, the peer group is extended to look at producers of semiconductors in neighbouring countries.

The quality of the data produced is monitored through a series of algorithms that flags outlier values and values with unusual year on year changes. This identifies and eliminates simple data errors and data quality problems such as certain metrics requirement conversion, or at company-level.

#### **Metrics:**

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to track whether overa	Ill emissions are re	educing over time		
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	Gases emitted in Tonnes			
	Fund	Benchmark *	Fund	Benchmark *
Scope 1	31160	37420	11.00%	15.00%
Scope 2	7810	9000	11.00%	16.00%
Total Scope 3	435360	316540	18.00%	25.00%
Scope 3 upstream	142300	97380	91.00%	92.00%
Scope 5 upstream	142300	57500	51.0070	52.0070
Scope 3 downstream	293070	219160	92.00%	93.00%
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.\* the benchmark used is the Global All Cap Target Market Exposure - Morningstar. This benchmark has been used for emissions comparison purposes only and may differ from the performance comparators used for the fund.

.\*\* Not all companies disclose all climate factors, with some factors reported on less frequently than others, particularly in relation to Scope 3 emissions. Where a company does not disclose its performance, we flag an estimated value. The calculation of those estimates is set out in the methodology section of this report

#### **Scenario Analysis:**

Over 15 Years	Asset Value	Profit	Total Revenue	Capitalisation
High	-0.36%	-0.29%	0.00%	-0.64%
Moderate	-0.96%	-0.19%	0.00%	-0.96%
Business as Usual	-1.88%	-0.12%	-0.01%	-1.43%

Over 25 Years	Asset Value	Profit	Total Revenue	Capitalisation
High	-0.36%	-0.29%	0.00%	-0.63%
Moderate	-0.96%	-0.19%	0.00%	-0.93%
Business as Usual	-1.88%	-0.12%	-0.01%	-1.40%

Over 35 Years	Asset Value	Profit	Total Revenue	Capitalisation
High	-0.36%	-0.29%	0.00%	-0.63%
Moderate	-0.96%	-0.19%	0.00%	-0.93%
Business as Usual	-1.88%	-0.12%	-0.01%	-1.43%

The climate scenario analysis is based on 3 scenarios, based over 3 different time periods:

**High**: This is a high ambition scenario, often referred to as an "Orderly Transition". This scenario assumes coordinated global action beginning in 202, with rapid decarbonisation aligned to limiting warming to below 2 degrees Celsius.

**Moderate**: This is the intermediate path scenario. It assumes delayed and fragmented policy action, leading to eventual temperature stabilisation around 2.5 - 2.8 degrees Celsius. Technology adoption increases but lags behind an orderly transition.

**Business as Usual:** This scenario assumes a continuation of current policies with minimal additional climate action and ongoing reliance on fossil fuels.

There are 5 metrics calculated under each scenario. These are performed at constituent level, and aggregated using market capitalisation weights.

**Asset Value:** This is a calculation of the projected impact of physical risks on companies' asset values. The impact is calculated by scaling the portion of a company's assets exposed to at least one physical risk, using the percentage of economic value at risk.

**Profit:** The projected impact of carbon pricing on company margins. Profit, or margin impacts, are calculated based on Carbon price exposure and Scope 1 and Scope 2 emission data.

**Total Revenue:** The projected impact of transition risks on company revenue growth. Revenue growth impacts are derived based on a combination of asset value impacts, margin impacts, aggregated physical risk, carbon price exposure, and carbon emissions data.

**Capitalisation:** Projected impact on company's market capitalisation, combining effects from physical risks, transition risks, and carbon pricing.

#### Disclaimer

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