# RUSSELL INVESTMENTS SUSTAINABLE GLOBAL SHARES FUND



CORE GLOBAL EQUITY SOLUTION THAT MOVES BEYOND DECARBONISATION.





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# Low-cost global equity fund targeting lower carbon emissions and improved ESG profile

The Russell Investments Sustainable Global Shares Fund provides investors with a highly diversified, core global equity solution that supports the management of climate change risk and the transition to a low carbon economy. The fund tilts towards firms who score highly on ESG issues that are financially material to their business, while using portfolio constraints to minimise active share and maintain global equity returns.

Available via a tax efficient PIE structure in unhedged and fully NZD hedged versions, the fund offers both developed and emerging market exposure with an expected tracking error of 0.5% against the MSCI All Country World Index (ACWI) index.

#### **Fund information**

Inception Date	Benchmark	Portfolio Manager	Expected Tracking Error
14-Dec-2021	MSCI ACWI NR NZD / MSCI ACWI NR - NZDH	Andrew Zenonos	0.50%

Legal Structure	Management Fee	Estimated Other Charges (incl GST)	Estimated Total Annual Fund Charges (incl GST)
NZ PIE	0.25% Unhedged /	0.05% Unhedged /	0.30% Unhedged /
	0.25% NZD Hedged	0.04% NZD Hedged	0.29% NZD Hedged

Other Charges and and Total Annual Fund Charges are estimated

# We bring a carefully-considered, integrated approach to responsible investing



#### **FULLY INTEGRATED**

We believe responsible investing is intelligent investing. As a result, we have embedded responsible investing practices and ESG beliefs into our firm-wide practices and processes, including portfolio management. In addition, our responsible investing and ESG experts are integrated throughout business units, spanning functions and regions.



### SEARCHING BEYOND THE STANDARD

Our investment approach goes beyond standard exclusions to identify asset characteristics that are most relevant to individual investment and the overall portfolio. The focus is on exposures that are sustainable as well as material to your organisation's investment goals.

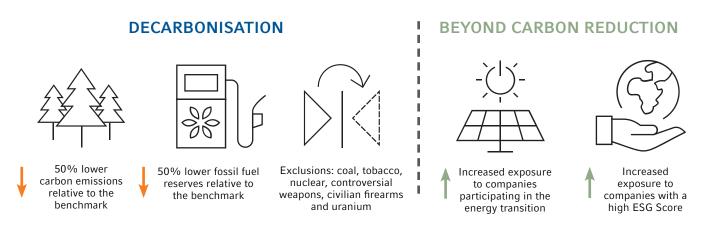


#### **ACTIVELY LOOKING TO THE FUTURE**

As the focus of sustainability best practice shifts over time, we stay committed to adapting our funds to suit the changing global landscape. You can be sure your capital remains invested in the latest sustainability strategies, without continually changing funds.

The Fund goes beyond carbon reduction alone, aiming to provide an increased exposure to renewable energy, an improved aggregate ESG profile and a targeted reduction in coal exposure. The fund targets firms that are positively exposed to renewable power generation alongside maintaining or improving ESG score.

# Our proprietary decarbonisation strategy delivers the following characteristics:



Source: Russell Investments, for illustrative purpose only. Benchmark: MSCI ACWI NR NZD / MSCI ACWI NR - NZDH

## Monitoring the sustainability agenda

Sustainability will continue to be a key determinant of risk and opportunity for companies globally and will likely evolve over time. Our active sustainability research agenda will ensure that the Fund's strategy will adapt to reflect the changing market conditions, within a risk controlled framework. This means investors in the Fund can continue to benefit from Russell Investments' Innovative sustainability practice over time.

The investment team uses a systematic portfolio construction approach beginning with the MSCI All Country World Index (ACWI). The ACWI is MSCI's flagship global equity benchmark and is a highly diversified index capturing approximately 85% of the global market capitalisation across 23 developed markets and 27 emerging markets. The Fund applies stock, sector, industry and country constraints and minimises active share to effectively deliver low tracking error.

Russell Investments are rated at the highest-level (A+) by the United Nations-supported Principles for Responsible Investment (PRI) as well as being part of Climate Action 100+.

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Global ESG specialists<sup>1</sup> 2009

Became a UN PRI signatory

98,267

Proxy votes made at 9,747 meetings in 2023<sup>2</sup>

COMMITTED TO RESPONSIBLE INVESTMENT











## **Portfolio Manager**



ANDREW ZENONOS Portfolio Manager

Andrew Zenonos is a Portfolio Manager on the Customised Portfolio Solutions team, specialising in equity strategies. The Customised Portfolio Solutions team partners with global investment teams to drive greater portfolio control, manage exposures and risks, and enhance returns across a suite of services including transition management, overlay services, completion portfolios, and ESG solutions.

In his role, Andrew is responsible for managing single factor and multi-factor portfolios, ESG strategies, ETFs, and Enhanced Portfolio Implementation for equity funds. He is a member of the Global Equity Strategy group and is a voting member of the Global Active Ownership committee.



"The Fund significantly reduces exposure to carbon risk, while maintaining global equity returns."

### **Russell Investments PIE funds**

The Russell Investments PIE range provides core portfolio solutions covering major asset classes. Fund range is managed by 19 subadvisors, and includes both large institutional and boutique underlying managers and strategies that are not readily accessible for NZ investors.

Fund	Investment strategy	Inception Date	Benchmark	Estimated Total Annual Fund Charges (incl GST)
Russell Investments New Zealand Shares Fund	Active multi-manager equity	Feb-12	S&P/NZX 50 Index (Gross) with Imputation Credits	0.79%
Russell Investments Global Shares Fund	Active multi-manager equity	Nov-12	MSCI ACWI Index (NR) / MSCI ACWI Index (NR) - NZDH	0.86% / 0.88% NZDH
Russell Investments Sustainable Global Shares Fund	Index-orientated equity	Dec-21	MSCI ACWI Index (NR) / MSCI ACWI Index (NR) - NZDH	0.30% / 0.29% NZDH
Russell Investments New Zealand Fixed Interest	Model-driven fixed interest	Feb-12	Bloomberg NZ Bond Composite 0+ Index (TR)	0.50%
Russell Investments Global Fixed Interest Fund	Active multi-manager fixed interest	Dec-11	Bloomberg Barclays Global Aggregate Bond Index - NZDH (TR)	0.58%
Russell Investments Hedged Global Listed Infrastructure Fund	Active multi-manager	Mar-22	S&P Global Infrastructure Index (NR) - NZDH	0.97%
Russell Investments Hedged Global Listed Real Estate Fund	Active multi-manager	Dec-23	FSTE EPRA/NAREIT Developed Real Estate Index NZDH (NR)	1.04%



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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Russell Investments' 2023 Investment Stewardship Report.