

# sycomore lobal éco solutions

Isin code | LU2412098654 NAV | 91.1€ Share IC

Assets | 85.5 M€

#### SFDR 9

## **Sustainable Investments**

% AUM: ≥ 80% % Companies\*: 100%

\*Excluding derivatives, cash & equivalent

Higher risk

#### Risk indicator

3

2

Lower risk

The risk indicator assumes you keep the product for 5 years. Warning: the actual risk can vary significantly if you cash in at an early stage and you may get back less.

The fund does not offer any guarantee of return or performance and presents a risk of capital loss

### **Investment Team**



Thibault RENOUX Fund Manager



Anne-Claire ABADIE Fund Manager



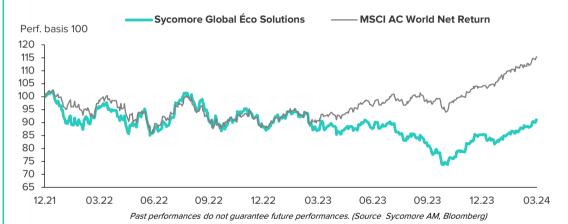
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# Investment strategy

# A global selection of companies supporting the environmental transition

Sycomore Global Eco Solutions invests in international listed companies across the entire market market capitalization spectrum. The fund focuses on companies with business models that contribute to the environmental transition according to the Net Environmental Contribution (NEC) metric, covering a wide range of areas: renewable energy, energy efficiency and electrification, mobility, natural resources, renovation and construction, circular economy, food, and ecosystem services. The fund excludes businesses that destroy biodiversity, contribute towards global warming, or display poor Environmental, Societal and Governance ratings.

#### Performance as of 28.03.2024



	Mar	2024	1 year	Inc.	Annu.	2023	2022
Fund %	4.2	6.6	0.4	-8.9	-4.0	-2.2	-13.9
Index %	3.3	10.6	23.9	15.4	6.5	18.1	-13.0

# **Statistics**

	Corr.	Beta	Alpha	Vol.	Bench.	Track.	Sharpe	Info	Draw	Bench.
					Vol	Error	Ratio	Ratio	Down	DD
Inception	0.8	0.9	-9.7%	16.3%	14.0%	9.5%	-0.4	-1.1	-27.9%	-16.3%

#### Fund commentary

In March, investor attention switched back to inflation readings and interest rate trends. We also noted that the expansion of the power grid now has pride of place in the transition agenda. EoN has announced a substantial increase in its German grid investments and aims for 10% growth in these regulated activities by 2028. Growing demand for electricity, notably from data centers, also supported NextEra Energy, which received positive news regarding the investigations in Florida. In contrast, Equinix suffered after a short-selling report unveiled questionable accounting practices, claiming the company had reported maintenance expenses as growth, a metric notably used to determine executive compensation. Within the mobility sector, cycling specialists such as Giant and Shimano are issuing encouraging signals and reporting a normalisation of their inventories. We initiated positions in two companies within the materials sector: Aurubis (copper) and Westrock (packaging).

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#### **Fund Information**

Inception date

21/12/2021

#### **ISIN** codes

Share IC - LU2412098654 Share RC - LU2412098902

#### **Bloomberg tickers**

Share IC - SYGESIE LX Share RC - SYGESRE LX

#### **Benchmark**

MSCI AC World Net Return

#### **Legal form**

SICAV compartment

#### **Domiciliation**

Luxembourg

# **PEA** eligibility

Nο

### **Investment period**

5 yrs

#### **Minimum investment**

None

#### **UCITS V**

Yes

## Valuation Daily

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# Currency EUR Cut-Off

11am CET Paris (BPSS LUX)

# Cash Settlement

D+2

### **Management fees**

Share IC - 1.00% Share RC - 2.00%

# Performance fees

15% > Benchmark

# Transaction fees

None

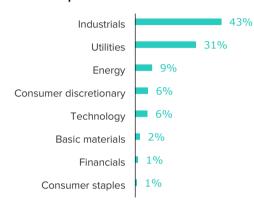
# **Portfolio**

Equity exposure	99%
Overlap with benchmark	2%
Number of holdings	46
Weight of top 20 stocks	64%
Median market cap	21.7 €bn

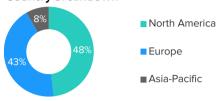
## **Valuation**

	Fund	Index
Ratio P/E 2024	17.3x	17.2x
Croissance bénéficiaire 2024	9.5%	9.5%
Ratio P/BV 2024	2.5x	2.9x
Return on Equity	14.7%	17.0%
Rendement 2024	1.7%	2.0%

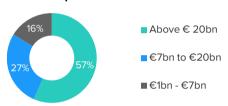
## Sector exposure



## Country breakdown



# Market cap breakdown



SPICE, for Society & Suppliers, People, Investors, Clients, Environment is our tool for assessing a company's performance on sustainability criteria. This tool incorporates the analysis of economic, governance, environmental, social, and societal risks and opportunities covering both the company's daily operations and its product and service offer.

The analysis process covers 90 criteria and leads to a rating peletter. These 5 ratings are weighted based on the company' most material impacts\*

	Fund	Index
SPICE	3.7/5	3.3/5
S score	3.4/5	2.8/5
P score	3.6/5	3.2/5
I score	3.8/5	3.6/5
C score	3.7/5	3.2/5
E score	3.9/5	3.1/5

# Top 10

#### SPICE Weight NEC rating Eaton Corp. 5.0% 3.7/5 +11% Wabtec 4.8% 3.8/5 +100% Quanta Services 4.7% 3.4/5 +16% Veolia 4.7% 3.7/5 +52% Waste Connections 3.5% 3.9/5 +42% 3.3/5 First Solar 3.5% +75% 3.5/5 NextEra Energy 3.5% +16% Saint Gobain 3.5% 3.9/5 +16% F ON 3 5% 3.1/5 +28% Owens Corning 3.5% 3.6/5 +21%

# Performance contributors

	Avg. weight	Contrib
Positive		
Eaton Corp.	5.9%	0.55%
NextEra Energy	3.2%	0.49%
Quanta Services	5.4%	0.42%
Negative		
Equinix	3.0%	-0.29%
Infineon	2.5%	-0.10%
Shoals Technologies	1.0%	-0.08%

# Portfolio changes

Buy	Reinforcement	Sell	Reduction
Aurubis	Giant Manufact.		Equinix
Westrock	BYD		Shimano
Neoen	E.On		Eaton Corp

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#### **Environmental thematics**



- Circular enconomy
- Eco-services
- Green mobility
- Green building
   Renewable energy
- ■Energy efficiency & electrification
- ■Sustainable natural resources

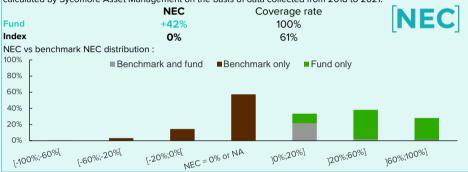
#### **ESG** scores

	Fund	Index
ESG*	3.6/5	3.1/5
Environment	3.9/5	3.1/5
Social	3.5/5	3.0/5
Governance	3.6/5	3.3/5

# **Environmental analysis**

# Net Environmental Contribution (NEC)\*\*

Degree of alignment of the economic models with the ecological transition, integrating biodiversity and climate, on a scale running from -100% for eco-obstruction to +100% for eco-solution, where 0% equates to the average environmental impact of the global economy. The results are expressed in NEC 1.0 (nec-initiative.org) scores calculated by Sycomore Asset Management on the basis of data collected from 2018 to 2021.



#### Greenfin Breakdown

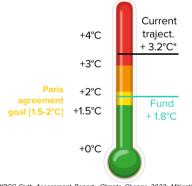
Companies breakdown according to their revenue generated by eco and excluded activities defined by the Greenfin label



# Temperature rising - SB2A

Induced average temperature increase by 2100 compared to pre-industrial times, according to the Science-Based 2°C Alignment methodology.

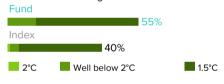
Coverage rate : fund 82%



\*IPCC Sixth Assessment Report «Climate Change 2022: Mitigation of Climate Change». https://www.ipcc.ch/assessment-report/ar6/

## Climate alignment - SBTi

Share of companies that have validated their greenhouse gas reduction targets with the Science-Based Targets initiative.



## Carbon footprint

Annual greenhouse gas emissions (GHG Protocol) from upstream scopes 1, 2 and 3 per thousand euros invested\*\*\*.

Coverage rate : fund 98% / index 99%

#### European taxonomy

Percentage of revenues derived from eligible activities to the EU taxonomy

Coverage rate : fund 100% / index 77%

Fund Index Eligible share 87% 45%

# Fossil fuel exposure

Percentage of income derived from the three fossil energies.

Index

Carbon Oil Gas

# **Biodiversity footprint**

Artificialised surface area in  $m^2$  MSA per  $k \in \text{invested}^{***}$ , measured by the Corporate Biodiversity Footprint. Mean Species Abundance (MSA) is assessed in comparison with the original state of the environment.

Coverage rate : fund 80% / index 40%

# Societal and social analysis

# Societal contribution

Contribution of the economic activity of companies to the resolution of major societal issues, on a scale from -100% to +100%.

Coverage rate: fund 99% / index 53%



# Staff growth

Cumulated growth in company headcounts over the past three financial years (data unadjusted in the event of acquisitions, excluding transformational deals).

Coverage rate: fund 95% / index 77%

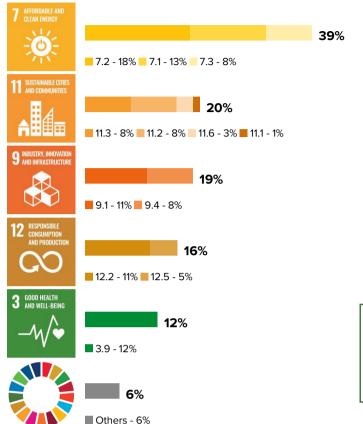


Sources: company data, Sycomore AM, Trucost, Bloomberg, Science Based Targets, Vigeo. Methodologies and approaches may differ between issuers and providers of extra-financial data. Sycomore AM does not guarantee the accuracy, completeness, and exhaustiveness of the extra-financial reports.\*ESG-SPICE correspondence: E=E, S=(P+S+C)/3, G is a sub-part of I, which represents 40%.\*\*The fund has committed to outperforming the benchmark on these two indicators. The other indicators are shown for illustrative purposes.\*\*\*Footprint allocated prorata to enterprise value, cash included.

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# Sustainable development goals exposure



This chart represents the main exposures to the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals and their 169 targets. Exposure is defined as the opportunity, for each company, to contribute positively to reaching SDGs, providing their products and services. This exercise doesn't aim to measure the companies effective contribution to SDGs, which is computed through our societal contribution (CS) and net environnemental contribution (NEC) metrics. For each invested company, activities are analysed in order to identify those which are exposed to SDGs. For a same activity, its number of targets can vary between 0 and 2. The company target exposure to one of its activities is weighted by the revenue share gained from this activity. For more details, our annual SRI report is available in our ESG documentation.

No significant exposure: 11%



Note: while SDG # 13 does not feature explicitly in this classification, this SDG remains one of the key objectives of our investment strategy and a factor that is systematically integrated and assessed, both at stock picking level and in our measurement of impacts. Nevertheless, based on the wording chosen by the UN, SDG # 13 cannot apply to a corporate company.

# ESG follow-up, news and dialogue

# Dialogue and engagement

#### Nexans

We met the Board of Directors ahead of the AGM and made several recommendations. These include: to submit a Say on Climate to the shareholders' vote; to expand on how the 30% recycled copper target for 2030 will be achieved; to set a new gender diversity target above the 25% goal already achieved and ensure that gender diversity applies to all levels within the company hierarchy. Nexans is working on these points for its next ESG roadmap.

# **ESG** controversies

#### **Equinix**

Hindenburg Research unveiled a short position on the data center company Equinix, which operates as a real estate investment trust, alleging that it overstated a profitability metric in a race with major cloud companies.

## Votes

2 / 3 voted general assemblies over the month.

Details on our votes are available here the day following the company's AGM  $\underline{\mathsf{Here}}$ .

#### NextEra Energy

NEE was notified by the Federal Election Commission that it would close the case against NEE for alleged violations of campaign funding rules. This ends a two-year period of uncertainties.

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