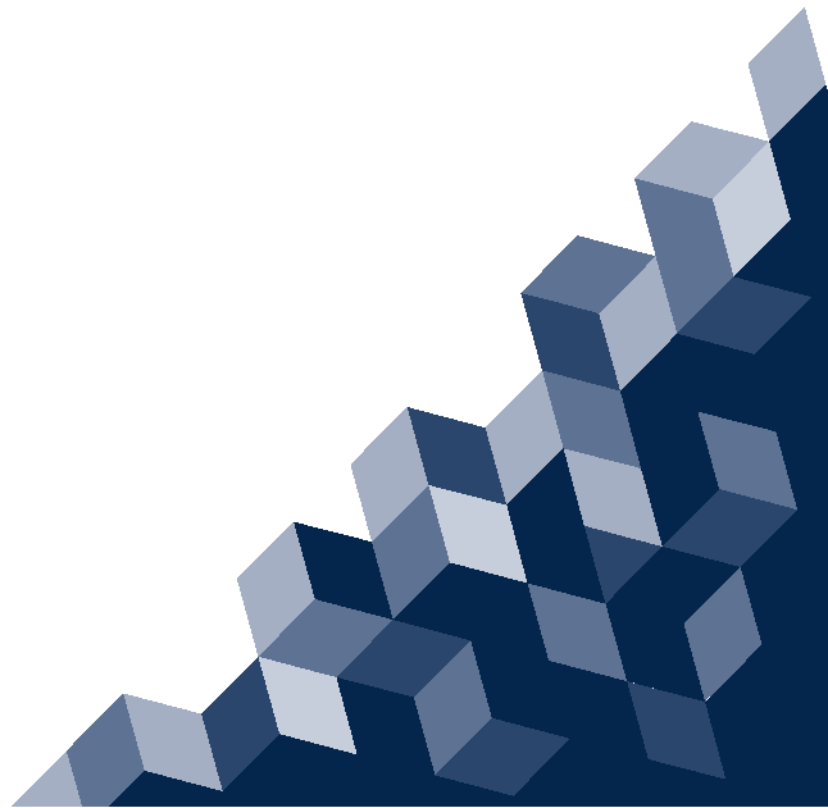


# ESG INVESTING AWARDS

CT (LUX) RESPONSIBLE GLOBAL EMERGING MARKETS  
EQUITY FUND

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When we applied Responsible Investment to Emerging Markets over 12 years ago with the launch of the Responsible Global Emerging Markets Strategy, we were considered by the wider market to be outsiders. We recognised it's not just the ability of a company to generate economic profits today that is important, but the sustainability of those profits over time. Every investment undergoes thorough ESG analysis, which is fully integrated into the investment process, with stock picking aligned to six positive sustainability themes.

Our investment philosophy is to identify high-quality, cash-generative companies, invest at reasonable valuations, and hold for the genuine long-term – 4 of the top 5 names have been held for 10+ years.

Key features:

- **Proven Emerging Market expertise** – the team boasts specialist expertise in emerging market stock picking. As 'business owners', we aim to build strong relationships with company management.
- **Disciplined approach** – we will not deviate from our investment beliefs in any market environment. We invest only in companies that satisfy our established definition of quality, thus producing lower volatility and attractive risk-return characteristics over peers.
- **Differentiated portfolio** - with a broad and often poorly researched universe, we believe in a tailored approach to stock selection. Benchmarks reflect the past while investment is for the future; indexes do not represent our opportunity set.
- **Active ownership** – engagement is integral to our investment philosophy. By encouraging better practices, we aim to reduce risk, support performance and ultimately improve shareholder value.
- **Sophisticated screening criteria** - informed by our award-winning, dedicated team of 40+ ESG specialists and overseen by an external body of sustainability experts, our Responsible Investment Advisory Council.

We view transparency as the greatest counter to greenwashing, and report in detail our fund's activity, exposures and impact. The latest ESG Profile & Impact report accompanies this submission.

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