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LOW-COST ACTIVE EQUITIES

Global Equity Income fund in a nutshell

The fund seeks to provide an annual level of income (gross of fees) greater than that of the FTSE Developed Index (the "Index") together with an increase in the value of investments over the long term (more than 5 years).

The fund is managed by two investment firms. Wellington Management seeks to find the best dividend-paying companies with strong balance sheets and competitive positions. Vanguard Quantitative Equity Group aims to identify the best dividend payers across a variety of sectors and geographies.



Active difference. The fund seeks diversity of thought in combining two very different management teams. One focused on fundamental bottom-up stock selection and the other with a quantitative rules-based approach.



Income without concentration. The fund aims to offer an income portfolio diversified across a range of countries and sectors. The quantitative element provides exposure to sectors such as technology, helping reduce the reliance on traditional income producing sectors such as oil and gas.



Focus on client returns. Low fees help to ensure that as much as possible of the income generated in the fund goes to investors.

About the managers

Wellington Management Company

Wellington Management traces their roots back to 1928, when Walter Morgan, a Philadelphia based accountant, established the first balanced mutual fund in the United States. Despite the great market crash of 1929, Mr Morgan established Wellington Management as an innovator and leader in investment management.

Today, Wellington Management has a significant presence and long-term track record in nearly all sectors of the global securities markets. Still, their history is perhaps best defined not by the number of years they've been in existence, but rather by their focus on stability and growth to help meet the evolving needs of their clients.

Vanguard's relationship with Wellington is inextricably linked and traces its roots back to Vanguard's inception in 1975.

Vanguard Quantitative Equity Group

Vanguard Quantitative Equity Group (QEG) is based in Malvern, USA.

Key attributes



Low cost 0.48% versus a peer group average of 1.08%¹.

Diversification



Allocations across a range of countries and sectors.



Investment talent

Managed by Wellington Management and Vanguard Quantitative Equity Group.

 Source: Morningstar. Peer group average OCF for IA Sector = Global Equity Income as at 4 October 2022.
Please read the risk factors section in the prospectus, available on our website.

About Vanguard

Vanguard has been helping investors reach their goals since 1975, growing into one of the world's largest fund managers along the way. What sets us apart?

- **Client focus:** Vanguard in the US is ultimately owned by its investors. This unique mutual structure aligns our interests with those of our clients.
- Low-cost investing: Providing low-cost investments isn't a pricing strategy for us. It's how we do business.
- Stability and experience: Our clients benefit from the expertise we've gained over more than 45 years.

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QEG's philosophy emphasises a rigorous and systematically consistent portfolio construction process, driven by in-depth analysis, to achieve highly risk-controlled and cost-effective results.

Vanguard's philosophy has endured through bull and bear markets, and such tumultuous events as the internet bubble and the global financial crisis.

Vanguard low-cost active

Active managers aim to deliver excess returns relative to their benchmarks that outweigh the fund's charges. We've made it easier for this equation to work by pricing our active funds competitively.

We leverage our scale and deep capabilities to identify and access investment talent globally that might otherwise be out of reach to the average UK investor – all at low cost and with the added benefit of Vanguard's robust oversight and due diligence. The group works with a team-based approach, avoiding a star manager system. Each investment manager of the team is cross-trained and can carry out any of the investment management responsibilities.

This approach ensures fund management continuity and consistency over the long term.

Our active range is founded on three core principles:

- **1.** An ongoing commitment to driving down costs.
- **2.** Unique access to a vast talent pool.
- 3. Designed for the long term with clients in mind.

Vanguard has a deep history of active management, having managed active funds since our beginning in 1975. Today, Vanguard is one of the largest active managers in the world and we stand for value to investors.

Investment risk information

The value of investments, and the income from them, may fall or rise and investors may get back less than they invested.

Some funds invest in emerging markets which can be more volatile than more established markets. As a result the value of your investment may rise or fall.

Investments in smaller companies may be more volatile than investments in well-established blue chip companies.

The Funds may use derivatives in order to reduce risk or cost and/or generate extra income or growth. The use of derivatives could increase or reduce exposure to underlying assets and result in greater fluctuations of the Fund's net asset value. A derivative is a financial contract whose value is based on the value of a financial asset (such as a share, bond, or currency) or a market index.

Some funds invest in securities which are denominated in different currencies. Movements in currency exchange rates can affect the return of investments.

For Vanguard Global Equity Income Fund - Charges are deducted from capital (not income). Whilst this may increase the level of income paid, it will result in capital erosion and will constrain growth.

For further information on risks please see the "Risk Factors" section of the prospectus on our website at https://global.vanguard.com.

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