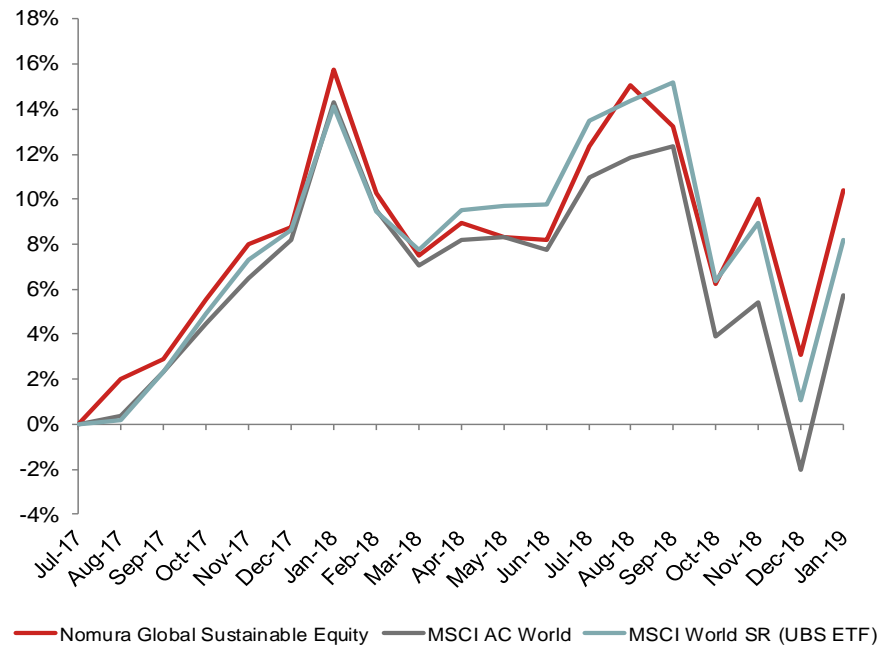


Nomura's Global Sustainable Equity Strategy

January 2019

Cumulative Performance in USD (%)



	1 mth	3 mth	1 yr	SI p.a
Nomura Global Sustainable Equity	7.05	3.87	-4.66	6.79
MSCI AC World	7.90	1.76	-7.48	3.78
MSCI World SR (UBS ETF)	7.02	1.72	-5.19	5.36

*Since Inception: August 2017

Strategy Overview

Global investment in businesses exhibiting high sustainable value creation, at discount valuation

Philosophy

- Sustainable Value Creation:** high total value generation, fair value sharing among all stakeholders, good corporate governance and ethical management decision making are all characteristics of companies that have a highly positive impact on society. Through achieving a sustainable balance of value creation for all stakeholders these businesses can often generate attractive financial returns and considerable benefit to society as a whole over the very long term
- Discount Valuation:** buying below intrinsic value and we believe the behavioural biases of other investors give us opportunities to do this

Monthly Commentary

The Nomura Global Sustainable Equity strategy returned +7.05% in January underperforming the MSCI ACWI index by -0.85% and outperforming the MSCI World Socially Responsible ETF (UBS) by +0.03%. Underperformance relative to the MSCI ACWI index was driven predominantly by allocation as the defensive positioning of the strategy impacted our ability to keep up with a very strong rebound in global equity markets. Over the month we did however take steps to mitigate the defensive positioning taken in 4Q18 through putting cash to work selectively across the portfolio.

Celgene (+38.0%) and Waters (+22.6%) were the greatest contributors to outperformance with the former jumping on the announcement of a takeover bid by Bristol Myers whilst Waters' full year results supported our thesis that the market underestimates organic revenue growth potential.

Jain Irrigation (-14.2%) and HDFC (-4.1%) were the primary detractors. There was very little fundamental news flow over the month, however, the Indian market itself did not rebound with global equity markets having held up well in the December sell-off and rebounding oil markets contributed towards a weakening Indian Rupee.

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Portfolio Holdings

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Holdings as at 31/01/2019	Portfolio Weight (%)	Reason for holding this stock
Novo Nordisk A/S Class B	5.2%	Best in class diabetes treatment has a crucial role to play in combating the impact of an ever growing global epidemic
Microsoft Corporation	5.2%	Has shown an industry leading commitment to sustainability and corporate social responsibility
Alphabet Inc. Class A	4.9%	World leader in technology. Global inequality can be tackled through equal access to information & data
MasterCard Inc. Class A	4.6%	Replacing cash with card payments adds substantial value to society, reducing inefficiency and friction in the banking system
Waters Corp	4.5%	Analytical laboratory instrument product range used to ensure drug, water and food quality & purity
Eversource Energy	4.4%	High quality, low emitting utility. Significant proportion of future investment will support a transition to lower carbon intensity
Apple Inc.	4.4%	Pioneer of the smart phone: mobile digitalisation has supported economic growth and reduced inequality globally
PayPal Holdings Inc	4.3%	Enables global access to 'banking' type services, notably across developing markets in which access is otherwise limited
AIA Group Limited	4.0%	Life insurance provider to APAC clients with sustainable management practices
Johnson Controls	3.9%	JCI's HVAC technology has improved building energy efficiency by 40% over the last decade
Safaricom Limited	3.7%	Mobile money services assist financial inclusion in Kenya, reducing friction in the economy and supporting growth
Johnson & Johnson	3.7%	Industry leader with regards to sustainability and ethical practices
NextEra Energy, Inc.	3.4%	Global leader in renewables investment and renewable generator operation
Pentair	3.4%	Water filtration & flow control products support increased water purity and quality
Orange	3.0%	Decent quality telecom with robust practices; we believe telcos add value through enabling global communication
Allianz SE	3.0%	Very strong sustainability and responsible investment practices
SAP SE	2.9%	Products & services facilitate the streamlining of customer's operations reducing friction and supporting economic growth
Celgene Corp	2.9%	Best-in-class therapies for Multiple Myeloma. Price point is high, but on balance we do not find it to be overly excessive vs. peers
Swedbank	2.8%	Responsible, well governed banks add considerable to society through facilitating economic growth
Compass Group	2.6%	Outsourced catering services to both the private & public sectors have been shown to increase efficiency and reduce waste output
Adecco	2.5%	Largest temp staffing firm globally; facilitating increased access to employment, most notably across blue collar roles
Housing Devp. Finance.	2.5%	India's largest private mortgage lender; supports increased accessibility of housing and business expansion
eBay, Inc.	2.4%	Online auction platform lowers the barriers to entry for small businesses supporting financial mobility and innovation
Gilead Sciences, Inc.	2.3%	World leader in HIV treatment. Donated patents for production in low income regions (11m sufferers receive this low cost treatment)
Signify NV	2.1%	Over 75% of revenue derived from sustainable products & services (LED lighting that dramatically reduces energy usage)
Cigna Corporation	2.0%	Succeeds by making healthcare more affordable than competitors, supporting healthcare cost depression for customers
National Grid Plc	2.0%	Huge investment in electricity transmission is supporting the shift from fossil fuel generation to renewables
Axa SA	1.8%	Industry leader with regards to responsibility - formally integrates ESG into insurance underwriting practices
Becton, Dickinson and Co.	1.7%	World leading producer of medical devices and instruments
CVS Health Corp	1.5%	Pharmacy Benefit Manager business acts a powerful deflationary force against rapidly rising healthcare costs in the United States
Jain Irrigation Systems Ltd	1.5%	India's #1 player in micro irrigation; supports water usage reduction & higher crop yields in a nation that is plagued by drought
Cash	1.1%	N/A
Total	100.0%	

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