

# Equitile Investments OEIC

Annual report and Audited financial statements

For the year ended 31 December 2024





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# **General information**

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3. Registrar	HSBC Bank Plc	8 Canada Square, London E14 5HQ, United Kingdom
4. Independent Auditors	Azets Audit Services Limited	2nd Floor, Regis House, 45 King William Street. London, EC4R 9AN UK
5. Representative and Paying Agent in Switzerland	Representative ACOLIN Fund Services AG	Leutschenbachstrasse 50 CH-8050 Zurich
	Paying Agent Aquila & Co. AG	Bahnhofstrasse 28a, CH – 8001 Zurich, Switzerland



## **Equitile Investments OEIC Overview**

Equitile Investments OEIC (the "Company") is an open-ended investment company with variable share capital and segregated liability between funds of the Company ("Funds"). The Company was incorporated on 16 December 2015 and registered under the laws of England and Wales, registration number IC001053 and as an UK undertaking for collective investment in transferable securities (UK UCITS) pursuant to the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 and the Open-Ended Investment Companies Regulation 2001 (SI 2001/1228). Equitile Investments Ltd is the Authorised Corporate Director (the "ACD") of the Company appointed under the terms of the ACD Agreement and its successors.

The Company is structured as an umbrella investment company, and currently only comprises a single fund i.e., Equitile Resilience Fund (the "Fund"), and investments in accordance with the applicable investment objectives.

• Except where otherwise stated or the context requires, capitalised terms have the meaning given to them in the Prospectus of the Company dated Equitile Resilience Fund dated 11 October 2024

# Termination of the Equitile Resilience Fund (ACS)

Following communication with the FCA and investors, on the 11 October 2024 the Equitile Resilience Fund (ACS) transferred its investments to the Equitile Resilience Fund (OEIC). Any remaining assets and cash transferred to the Equitile Resilience Fund (OEIC) by 31 December 2024, the termination date of the Equitile Resilience Fund (ACS). The Equitile Resilience Fund (OEIC) had previously been the feeder fund to the Equitile Resilience Fund (ACS) but is now effectively standing alone and no longer uses the master ACS fund.

# Investment objective and policy

The Sub-Fund aims to deliver capital growth over a 5 year rolling period by investing in the global equities of resilient large cap companies (Market Capitalization greater than \$5BN), meaning those assessed as being well-managed, conservatively financed and benefiting from strong corporate governance. Additionally, the Sub-Fund may choose to invest in bonds and money market instruments as part of strategy diversification. Investors may assess the success of this strategy by considering, in combination, the average annual return of the Sub-Fund and the average annual maximum loss of the Sub-Fund where



the annual maximum loss is defined as the largest percentage loss which an investor could have incurred by investing into and subsequently redeeming from the Sub-Fund within a given year.

In normal market conditions, the Sub-Fund will be close to fully invested in equity securities (e.g. shares) of companies assessed as being well-managed, conservatively financed and benefiting from strong corporate governance.

Allocations to bonds and cash may be made periodically for the purpose of capital preservation.

Use may be made of cash holdings, hedging and other investment techniques for the purposes of efficient portfolio management as permitted by the COLL Sourcebook.

The Sub-Fund will not utilise borrowing or leverage in order to achieve the investment objective. Short term borrowing may be used for the purposes of efficient portfolio management.

The Sub-Fund may utilise derivatives for efficient portfolio construction and for hedging purposes.

#### The Fund

The Fund is a fund of the Scheme, a UK UCITS scheme under the COLL Sourcebook. The Fund was authorised by the FCA on 16 December 2015. Equitile Investment Limited is the manager of the Scheme.

Statement of Authorised Corporate Director's Responsibilities

The Open-Ended Investment Companies Regulations 2001 and the Financial Conduct Authority Collective Investment Schemes Sourcebook (COLL) require the ACD to prepare financial statements for each accounting year which give a true and fair view of the financial affairs of the Company and of its net revenue and net capital gains/losses on the property for the year.

In preparing those financial statements, the ACD is required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently.
- comply with the disclosure requirements of the Statement of Recommended Practice relating to Financial Statements of UK Authorised Funds issued by the Investment Management Association (now known as the Investment Association) in May 2014 (the "SORP"), amended in June 2017.
- comply with the Prospectus, generally accepted accounting principles and applicable accounting standards subject to any material departures which are required to be disclosed and explained in the financial statements.
- keep proper accounting records which enable it to demonstrate that the financial statements as prepared comply with the above requirements.
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent; and



• prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Company will continue in operation for the foreseeable future.

The ACD is responsible for the management of the Company in accordance with the Regulations, the Co-ownership Deed and the Prospectus.

The ACD is also responsible for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.



# ACD's Report to Shareholders

The ACD, as sole director, presents its report and the audited financial statements of the Company for the year from 01 January 2024 to 31 December 2024. The Company is a UCITS scheme which complies with the Financial Conduct Authority's Collective Investment Schemes sourcebook. The shareholders are not liable for the debts of the Company. The names and addresses of the ACD, the Depositary and the Auditors are detailed on page 2.

The Company is organised as an umbrella company for the purposes of the OEIC Regulations and may be comprised of separate funds. All funds shall have a segregated portfolio of assets and, accordingly, the assets of the funds are allocated exclusively to that fund and shall not be used or made available to discharge (directly or indirectly) the liabilities of, or claims against, any other person or body, including the Company or any other funds that may be established under the Company on a later date and shall not be available for any other purpose. As of the date of this Report, the Company has one Fund, the Equitile Resilience Fund, which invests at least 85 per cent of its Scheme Property in the Fund, a fund of the Scheme.

## **Director's Statement**

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In accordance with the requirements of the COLL, as issued and amended by the Financial Conduct Authority, the report and financial statements are approved on behalf of the Directors of Equitile Investments Ltd, the ACD.

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**30** April 2025



## Statement and Report of the Depositary

OEIC Name: Equitile Investments OEIC Accounting Period Ended: 31 December 2024

Please include the following in your Report and Accounts:

Statement of the Depositary's Responsibilities in Respect of the Scheme and Report of the Depositary to the Shareholders of the Equitile Investments Feeder OEIC ("the Company") for the Period Ended 31 December 2024

The Depositary must ensure that the Company is managed in accordance with the Financial Conduct Authority's Collective Investment Schemes Sourcebook, the Open-Ended Investment Companies Regulations 2001 (SI 2001/1228), as amended, the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000, as amended, (together "the Regulations"), the Company's Instrument of Incorporation and Prospectus (together "the Scheme documents") as detailed below.

The Depositary must in the context of its role act honestly, fairly, professionally, independently and in the interests of the Company and its investors.

The Depositary is responsible for the safekeeping of all custodial assets and maintaining a record of all other assets of the Company in accordance with the Regulations.

The Depositary must ensure that:

 the Company's cash flows are properly monitored and that cash of the Company is booked into the cash accounts in accordance with the Regulations;

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- the sale, issue, repurchase, redemption and cancellation of shares are carried out in accordance with the Regulations;
- the value of shares of the Company are calculated in accordance with the Regulations;
- any consideration relating to transactions in the Company's assets is remitted to the Company within the usual time limits;
- · the Company's income is applied in accordance with the Regulations; and
- the instructions of the Authorised Corporate Director ("the ACD"), which is the UCITS Management Company, are carried out (unless they conflict with the Regulations).

The Depositary also has a duty to take reasonable care to ensure that the Company is managed in accordance with the Regulations and Scheme documents in relation to the investment and borrowing powers applicable to the Company.

Having carried out such procedures as we consider necessary to discharge our responsibilities as depositary of the Company, it is our opinion, based on the information available to us and the explanations provided, that in all material respects the Company, acting through the ACD:

- (i) has carried out the issue, sale, redemption and cancellation, and calculation of the price of the Company's shares and the application of the Company's income in accordance with the Regulations and the Scheme documents of the Company; and
- (ii) has observed the investment and borrowing powers and restrictions applicable to the Company.

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This report is given on the basis that no breaches are subsequently advised to us before the distribution date. We therefore reserve the right to amend the report in the light of such circumstances.

Yours sincerely

Claire Sewell

Associate Director Trustee & Depositary

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# Independent auditors' report to the Unitholders of Equitile Investments OEIC

#### Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements of Equitile Investments Feeder OEIC (the "Company"):

- give a true and fair view of the financial position of the Company and its sub-fund as at 31 December 2024 and of the net revenue and the net capital gains on the scheme property of the Company and its sub-fund for the year then ended; and
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards, comprising FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland", and applicable law), the Statement of Recommended Practice for UK Authorised Funds, the Collective Investment Schemes sourcebook and the Instrument of Incorporation.

Equitile Investments Feeder OEIC is an Open Ended Investment Company ('OEIC') with a single sub-fund. The financial statements of the Company comprise the financial statements of its sub-fund. We have audited the financial statements, included within the Annual Report and Audited Financial Statements (the "Annual Report"), which comprise: the balance sheet as at 31 December 2024; the statement of total return and the statement of change in net assets attributable to shareholders for the year then ended; the distribution tables; and the notes to the financial statements, which include a description of the significant accounting policies.

#### **Basis for opinion**

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) ("ISAs (UK)") and applicable law. Our responsibilities under ISAs (UK) are further described in the Auditors' responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

We remained independent of the Company in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, which includes the FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements.

#### Conclusions relating to going concern

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the Company's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from the date on which the financial statements are authorised for issue.

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the Authorised Corporate Director's use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

However, because not all future events or conditions can be predicted, this conclusion is not a guarantee as to the Company's ability to continue as a going concern.

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the Authorised Corporate Director with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

## Reporting on other information

The other information comprises all of the information in the Annual Report other than the financial statements and our auditors' report thereon. The Authorised Corporate Director is responsible for the other information. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, accordingly, we do not express an audit opinion or, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in this report, any form of assurance thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify an apparent material inconsistency or material misstatement, we are required to perform procedures to conclude whether there is a material misstatement of the financial statements or a material misstatement of the other information. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report based on these responsibilities.

Based on our work undertaken in the course of the audit, the Collective Investment Schemes sourcebook requires us also to report certain opinions as described below.



#### **Authorised Corporate Director's Report**

In our opinion, the information given in the Authorised Corporate Director's Report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements.

#### Responsibilities for the financial statements and the audit

As explained more fully in the Authorised Corporate Director's Responsibilities Statement, the Authorised Corporate Director is responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the applicable framework and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view. The Authorised Corporate Director is also responsible for such internal control as they determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the Authorised Corporate Director is responsible for assessing the Company's and its sub-fund's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the Authorised Corporate Director either intends to wind up or terminate the Company or its sub-fund, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

#### Auditors' responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditors' report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. We design procedures in line with our responsibilities, outlined above, to detect material misstatements in respect of irregularities, including fraud. The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud, is detailed below.

Based on our understanding of the Company and its industry, we identified that the principal risks of non-compliance with laws and regulations related to breaches of the Collective Investment Schemes sourcebook, and we considered the extent to which non-compliance might have a material effect on the financial statements, in particular those parts of the sourcebook which may directly impact on the determination of amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. We evaluated management's incentives and opportunities for fraudulent manipulation of the financial statements (including the risk of override of controls), and determined that the principal risks were related to posting inappropriate journal entries to increase revenue or to increase the net asset value of the Company Audit procedures performed included:

- Discussions with the Authorised Corporate Director, including consideration of known or suspected instances of non-compliance with laws and regulation and fraud;
- Reviewing relevant meeting minutes, including those of the Authorised Corporate Director's board of directors;
- Identifying and testing journal entries, specifically any journals posted as part of the financial year end close process; and
- Designing audit procedures to incorporate unpredictability around the nature, timing or extent of our testing

There are inherent limitations in the audit procedures described above. We are less likely to become aware of instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations that are not closely related to events and transactions reflected in the financial statements. Also, the risk of not detecting a material misstatement due to fraud is higher than the risk of not detecting one resulting from error, as fraud may involve deliberate concealment by, for example, forgery or intentional misrepresentations, or through collusion.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the Financial Reporting Council's website at: www.frc.org.uk/auditors responsibilities. This description forms part of our auditors' report.

#### Use of this report

This report, including the opinions, has been prepared for and only for the Company's shareholders as a body in accordance with paragraph 4.5.12 of the Collective Investment Schemes sourcebook as required by paragraph 67(2) of the Open-Ended Investment Companies Regulations 2001 and for no other purpose. We do not, in giving these opinions, accept or assume responsibility for any other purpose or to any other person to whom this report is shown or into whose hands it may come save where expressly agreed by our prior consent in writing.

#### Opinions on other matters prescribed by the Collective Investment Schemes Sourcebook

In our opinion, we have obtained all the information and explanations we consider necessary for the purposes of the audit.



 $\label{thm:constraint} \textbf{Under the Collective Investment Schemes source book we are also required to report to you if, in our opinion:} \\$ 

- proper accounting records have not been kept; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records.

We have no exceptions to report arising from this responsibility.

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Date: 30 April 2025



#### **Fund Review**

As at 31st December 2024, the Company had 1 active fund: Fund – Equitile Resilience Fund Launch Date – 29 February 2016 Base currency - GBP

The specific investment objectives and policies for the Fund are formulated by the Directors and set out in the Company's Prospectus and other Company literature. The portfolio statements for the Fund are detailed in the Appendix (Pages 13-14) of this report. The full annual audited and unaudited interim reports for the Fund can be found at <a href="https://www.equitile.com/regulatory-legal-information">https://www.equitile.com/regulatory-legal-information</a>.

# **Investment Review**

Please note this investment review is for the period from 01 January 2024 to 31 December 2024.

#### Performance and Market Review

2024 was a year heavily influenced by geopolitical tensions. The war in Gaza resulted in an almost complete closure of the Suez Canal leading to higher transportation costs. While the war in Ukraine caused Europe to suffer elevated energy costs. In addition, the second half of the year was dominated by the anticipated consequences of the change in US administration from President Biden to President Trump.

Throughout the year the US and most other developed economies continued running large fiscal deficits while inflation generally remained above central bank's 2% target range. With the central banks indicating a patient approach to bringing inflation down, this policy combination remained supportive of economic activity and equity markets.

Throughout the year the fund continued avoiding stocks associated with the Artificial intelligence boom, due to our concerns over elevated valuations and the potential for companies getting caught in an overinvestment cycle. Through the first half of 2024 this was a drag on performance, however, by the second half this strategy began paying off.

During the year we significantly increased the fund's exposure to the banking and financial services sectors which enjoyed strong performance from mid-year assisted by, amongst other factors, widening lending margins.

By Q4 the market's focus of attention switched to anticipating an end to the active conflict in Ukraine, which was seen as a key priority by the incoming Trump administration. This in turn helped boost the value of the fund's significant exposures to the Travel and Tourism sector.

The fund's USD share class returned approximately 12.2% during the year, while the GBP share class returned 14.1%.



# Synthetic Risk and Reward Indicator (SRRI)

Lower risk Higher risk

1	2	3	4	5	6	7

Typically lower returns

Typically higher returns

The Fund is classified category 6 because the investment policy of the fund means it will typically be predominantly invested in the equity markets and will therefore be exposed to the relatively high volatility of the equity market. Please note that even the lowest ranking does not mean risk-free.

The Risk and Reward indicator demonstrates where the Fund ranks in terms of its potential risk and reward. The higher the rank the greater the potential reward but the greater the risk of losing money. It is based on past data, may change over time and may not be a reliable indication of the future risk profile of the Fund.

# Securities Financing Transaction Regulation Disclosure

The Fund does not engage in any securities financing transactions and / or any total return swaps.



# Comparable tables

The 'Return after operating charges' disclosed in the Comparative Tables is calculated as a return after operating charges per share divided by the opening net asset value per share. It differs from the Fund's performance disclosed in the ACD's report which is calculated based on the latest published price.

Portfolio transaction costs are incurred when investments are bought or sold by the Fund in order to achieve the investment objective. Direct transaction costs include broker commission and taxes. Broker commission includes the fee to a broker to execute the trades. Equitile does not buy external research.

Comparative Table Class A			
For the year ended 31 December 2024	GBP	GBP	GBP
GBP Gross Accumulation	31.12.24	31.12.23	31.12.22
Change in net assets per share			
Opening net asset value per share	187.33	183.44	239.97
Return before operating charges*	28.34	5.67	(54.58)
Operating charges	(2.09)	(1.78)	(1.95)
Return after operating charges	26.25	3.89	(56.53)
Distributions on accumulation share	(196.43)	(288.78)	(65.27)
Retained distributions on accumulation shares	196.43	288.78	65.27
Closing net asset value per share	213.58	187.33	183.44
* after direct transaction costs of:	0.11	nil	nil
Performance			
Return after charges	14.01%	2.12%	(23.56)%
Other information			
Closing net asset value (£'000)	39,394	58,545	80,130
Closing number of shares	184,444	312,531	436,816
Operating charges^	1.77%	0.96%	1.00%
Direct transaction costs	0.06%	nil	nil
Prices - GBP			
Highest share price	220.72	192.65	238.12
Lowest share price	179.75	175.98	174.12
^ Operating charges, otherwise known as the OCF is the I	ratio of the Sub-Fund's tot	al costs to the avera	age
net assets of the Sub-Fund.			



Comparative Table Class B			
For the year ended 31 December 2024	EUR	EUR	EUR
EUR Gross Hedged Accumulation	31.12.24	31.12.23	31.12.22
Change in net assets per share			
Opening net asset value per share	190.61	183.52	253.28
Return before operating charges*	39.62	9.08	(67.70)
Operating charges	(2.81)	(1.99)	(2.06)
Return after operating charges	36.81	7.09	(69.76)
Distributions on accumulation share	(146.72)	(274.03)	(54.21)
Retained distributions on accumulation shares	146.72	274.03	54.21
Closing net asset value per share	227.42	190.61	183.52
* after direct transaction costs of:	0.12	nil	nil
Performance			
Return after charges	19.31%	3.86%	(27.54)%
Other information			
Closing net asset value (EUR'000)	1,140	1,519	5,316
Closing number of shares	5,015	7,971	28,969
Operating charges^	2.04%	1.06%	1.05%
Direct transaction costs	0.06%	nil	nil
Prices - EUR			
Highest share price	235.26	198.23	252.81
Lowest share price	185.26	179.41	179.39
^ Operating charges, otherwise known as the OCF is the	ratio of the Sub-Fund's tot	al costs to the	
average net assets of the Sub-Fund.			



Comparative Table Class C			
For the year ended 31 December 2024	USD	USD	USD
USD Gross Hedged Accumulation	31.12.24	31.12.23	31.12.22
Change in net assets per share			
Opening net asset value per share	212.84	197.68	289.41
Return before operating charges*	28.20	17.19	(89.62)
Operating charges	(2.40)	(2.03)	(2.11)
Return after operating charges	25.80	15.16	(91.73)
Distributions on accumulation share	(208.33)	(327.13)	(70.27)
Retained distributions on accumulation shares	208.33	327.13	70.27
Closing net asset value per share	238.64	212.84	197.68
* after direct transaction costs of:	0.13	nil	nil
Performance			
Return after charges	12.12%	7.67%	(31.70)%
Other information			
Closing net asset value (USD'000)	24,719	35,486	40,229
Closing number of shares	103,584	166,724	203,505
Operating charges^	1.79%	0.97%	1.00%
Direct transaction costs	0.06%	nil	nil
Prices - USD			
Highest share price	251.59	214.42	287.35
Lowest share price	202.77	191.68	179.52
^ Operating charges, otherwise known as the OCF is the	ratio of the Sub-Fund's tot	al costs to the	
average net assets of the Sub-Fund.			



Comparative Table Class E			
For the year ended 31 December 2024	NOK	NOK	NOK
NOK Gross Hedged Accumulation	31.12.24	31.12.23	31.12.22
Change in net assets per share			
Opening net asset value per share	190.31	171.89	226.10
Return before operating charges*	51.13	20.46	(52.19)
Operating charges	(2.60)	(2.04)	(2.02)
Return after operating charges	48.53	18.42	(54.21)
Distributions on accumulation share	(180.36)	(270.01)	(42.53)
Retained distributions on accumulation shares	180.36	270.01	42.53
Closing net asset value per share	238.84	190.31	171.89
* after direct transaction costs of:	0.13	nil	nil
Performance			
Return after charges	25.50%	10.72%	(23.98)%
Other information			
Closing net asset value (NOK '000)	30,545	28,530	29,330
Closing number of shares	127,885	149,911	170,629
Operating charges^	1.88%	1.09%	1.10%
Direct transaction costs	0.06%	nil	nil
Prices - NOK			
Highest share price	246.02	202.46	225.09
Lowest share price	188.95	174.37	165.27
^ Operating charges, otherwise known as the OCF is the r	ratio of the Sub-Fund's tot	al costs to the	
average net assets of the Sub-Fund.			



# Financial Statements of the Fund

Statement of Total Return					
This statement of total return is prepared in accordance with	IMA SORP 2014. The	financial statement	S		
are prepared in the base currency (Sterling) of the Sub-Fund					
			Year ended		Year ended
			31.12.24		31.12.2
	Notes	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Income					
Net capital gains	1		8,329		46
Revenue	2	1,794		3,174	
Expenses	3	(892)		(1,110)	
Interest payable and similar charges		(1)		-	
Net revenue before taxation		901		2,064	
Taxation	4	(127)		(267)	
Net revenue after taxation			774		1,797
Net return before distributions			9,103		2,258
Distributions	5		(774)		(1,797
Change in net assets attributable to shareholders					
from investment activities			8,329		46
Statement of Change in Net Assets Attributable The statement of change in net assets attributable to shareho		opening and closing	g net assets		
attributable to shareholders.					
			Year ended		Year ended
			31.12.24		31.12.23
		£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Opening net assets attributable to shareholders			89,945		120,615
Movement due to issue and cancellation of shares:					
Amounts receivable on issue of shares		978		7,870	
Amounts payable on cancellation of shares		(37,593)		(40,382)	
			(36,615)		(32,512
Change in net assets attributable to shareholders					
from investment activities (see above)			8,329		46
Retained distribution on accumulation shares			557		1,38
Closing net assets attributable to shareholders			62,216		89,945



# Balance Sheet

Balance sheet			
		As at	As at
		31.12.24	31.12.23
	Note	£'000	£'000
Assets:			
Fixed assets:			
Investments		60,966	94,071
Current assets:			
Debtors	6	160	7,228
Cash and bank balances	7	1,360	456
Total assets		62,486	101,755
Liabilities:			
Creditors:			
Other creditors	8	(270)	(11,810)
Total liabilities		(270)	(11,810)
Net assets attributable to shareholders		62,216	89,945



# Notes on Financial Statements

1. Net capital gains		
	Vaarandad	Vaananda
	Year ended	Year ended
	31.12.24 £'000	31.12.23 £'000
Non derivative requiries gains		487
Non-derivative securities gains	8,353	
Currency gains/(losses)	-	(21
Transaction charges	(29) 8,329	(5 461
Net capital gains	0,329	401
2. Revenue		
	Year ended	Year ended
	31.12.24	31.12.23
	£'000	£'000
Bank interest	41	98
UK dividends	413	504
Overseas dividends	1,340	2,572
Total revenue	1,794	3,174
2 5		
3. Expenses		
	Year ended	Year ended
	31.12.24	31.12.2
	£'000	£'00
Payable to the Authorised Corporate Director or associate		
Management fee	539	801
Payable to the Truste or associate  Trustee fee	48	84
Fund accounting fee	167	177
Safe custody fee	26	10
Transfer agency & registrars fee	15	15
Total payable to the Trustee or associate	256	286
Other expenses		
Audit fee*	73	33
Professional fee	24	(10
Total other expenses	97	23
Total expenses	892	1,110



4. Taxation		
	Year ended	Year ended
	31.12.24	31.12.23
	£'000	£'000
a ) Analysis of charge in the year		
Overseas tax	127	267
Current tax for the year	127	267
b) Factors affecting the current tax charge for the year		
The tax assessed for the year is lower (2023: lower) than the	standard rate of corporati	ion tax in the
The differences are explained below:  Net revenue before taxation	901	2,064
Corporation tax at 20% (2023:20%)	180	413
Effects of:	100	413
Revenue not subject to tax	_	(615)
Current year management expenses not utilised	0	202
Overseas tax	0	267
Current tax for the year	180	267
c ) Provision for deferred tax		
There was no provision for deferred tax at the balance sheet	date (2023 - £Nil).	
d ) Factors that may affect tax charges At the year end, there is a potential deferred tax asset of £xx:	x,xxx (2023 - £1,828,000) ir	n relation to
surplus management expenses. It is unlikely the Sub-Fund wil		
futures to utilise these expenses and therefore no deferred ta (2023 - £Nil).	<del>-</del>	·



5. Distributions		
<u>5. Distributions</u>		
	Year ended	Year ended
	31.12.24	31.12.23
	£'000	£'000
Final distribution	557	1,381
Add: Revenue deducted on cancellation of shares	222	441
Less: Revenue received on issue of shares		(25)
Total Distributions	(5) 774	1,797
The differences between the net revenue after taxation and the distrib	1	η, σ.
Net revenue after taxation for the year	774	1,797
Total Distributions	774	1,797
6. Debtors	Vaarandad	Vaarandad
	Year ended 31.12.24	Year ended
	£'000	£'000
	2 000	2 000
Accrued dividends	24	-
Accrued recoverable tax	135	-
Accrued distributions	-	1,627
Accrued bank interest	1	1
Sales awaiting settlement	-	5,600
Total debtors	160	7,228
7. Cash and bank balances		
	Year ended	Year endec
	31.12.24	31.12.23
	£'000	£'000
Cash and bank balances	1,360	456
Total cash and bank balances	1,360	456
8. Other creditors		
	Year ended	Year endec
	31.12.24	31.12.23
	£'000	£'000
Amounts payable for cancellation of shares	22	11,630
Accrued expenses	113	180
Amounts payable to ACS fund for tax reclaims	135	-
Total other creditors	270	11,810



9. Reconciliation of shares				
	Class A	Class B	Class C	Class E
	GBP	EUR	USD	NOK
Opening shares in issue	312,531	7,971	166,724	149,911
Share movements in year:				
Shares issued	4,990	51		76
Shares cancelled	(133,077)	(3,007)	(63,140)	(22,102)
Closing shares at 31.12.24	184,444	5,015	103,584	127,885

ere were no contingent	assets, liabilities	or commitmen	its at the year ei	nd (2023 - £Nil).	
Related parties					

Management fees paid to Equitile Investments Ltd are shown in note 3 and details of shares issued and cancelled by the ACD are shown in the statement of change in net assets attributable to shareholders. The balance due to the ACD at the year end in respect of Management fees was £23,846 (2023 - £Nil). Any balance due from the ACD in respect of issues is shown in note 6. Any balance from the ACD in respect of cancellations is shown in note 8.



	es are set out on pages 30 to 3	33.	
Fair value of financial assets and financial liabilities			
The fair values of the Sub-Fund's assets and liabilities are	e represented by the values sho	own in the balance sheet	on page x.
There were no instances of invoking the Fair Value Pricin	g for the year (2023: nil).		
Currency exposures			
Individual share classes within the Sub-Fund's assets are	denominated in currencies oth	er than Sterling, with the	effect that
currency movements can affect the balance sheet and to		<del>-</del>	
or losses are limited to the specific share class and are c	•		
(For further details refer to 'Currency risk' under section			,
·			
Net currency asset exposure as at 31.12.24	·		
	Net other		
Currency	assets/(liabilities)	Investments	Tota
	£'000	£'000	£'000
	31.12.24	31.12.24	31.12.24
Euro	-	3,190	3,190
Japanese Yen	-	3,276	3,276
Swedish Krona	-	557	557
US Dollar	999	37,300	38,299
Sterling	251	16,643	16,894
stermig	231	10,043	10,034
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Analysis of total purchases costs		Value	Commis		Taxes and		transacti		
		£'000	£'000	%	£'000	%	£'000	%	
Equity transactions		24,547	7	0.03	28	0.11	24,582	0.14	
Corporate Action		61,775	-	-	-	-	61,775	-	
Total		86,322	7	0.03	28	0.11	86,357	0.14	
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Analysis of total sales costs		Value	Commis	ssions	Taxes and	expenses	transacti	action cost	
		£'000	£'000	%	£'000	%	£'000	%	
Equity transactions		29,343	9	0.03	-	-	29,334	0.03	
Corporate Action		101,061	-	-	-	-	101,061	-	
Total		130,404	9	0.03	-	-	130,395	0.03	
Commissions and taxes as percen	tage of avera	ge net asset val	ue:						
Commissions	0.02%								
Taxes and Expenses	0.04%								
At the balance sheet date the por and offer prices for the Sub-Fund	_	•	5% (2023 -	£Nil), beir	ng the differe	nce betweer	n the respectiv	/e bid	
							ended		
					110.00		31.12.23		
There were no transaction costs o	n investments	or derivatives	for the year	r ended 3°	1.12.23		£'000		
Total purchases							3,000		
Total sales							29,800		



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		es are represented by the values shown in		no material	
difference between the val	lue of the financial assets	and liabilities, as shown in the balance she	et, and their fair values.		
The fair value of investmen	nts has been determined u	using the following hierarchy:			
Category 1: The unadjusted	d quoted price in an activ	e market for identical assets or liabilities th	nat the entity can access at	the measurement of	late.
Category 2: Inputs other th	nan quoted prices include	d within Level 1 that are observable (i.e. de	eveloped using market data	a) for	
the asset or liability, either					
Category 3: Inputs are unc	observable (i.e for which n	narket data is unavailable) for the asset or	liability.		
An analysis of the portfolio	o's investment assets and	liabilities in accordance with the fair value	hierarchy is noted below:		
As at 31.12.24			·		
		1	2	3	Tota
Investments		£'000	£'000	£'000	£'00
Equity		60,966	-	-	60,966
Total		60,966	-	-	60,966
There were no investment	liabilities as at 31.12.24.				
An analysis of the portfolio	o's investment assets and	liabilities in accordance with the fair value	hierarchy is noted below:		
As at 31.12.23			·		
		1	2	3	Tota
Investments		£'000	£'000	£'000	£'00
Authorised Contractual Scl	hemes	-	99,671	-	99,67
Total		-	99,671	-	99,67
There were no investment	liabilities as at 31.12.23.				
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# Distribution Tables

Distribution Tables				
	Net Income	Equalisation	Distribution	Distribution paid
	TVCC IIICOTTIC	Equalisation	payable 2024	2023
Dividend distributions on accumulation shares	р	р	р	
Class A – GBP Gross Accumulation				·
Group 1 shares	196.430482	-	196.430482	288.780840
Group 2 shares (from 1 January 2024 to 31 December 2024)	106.410086	90.020396	196.430482	288.780840
	Net Income	Equalisation	Distribution	Distribution paid
			payable 2024	2023
Dividend distributions on accumulation shares	€	€	€	ŧ
Class B – EUR Gross Hedged Accumulation				
Group 1 shares	146.722096	-	146.722096	274.026727
Group 2 shares (from 1 January 2024 to 31 December 2024)	89.859351	56.862745	146.722096	274.026727
	Net Income	Equalisation	Distribution	Distribution paid
			payable 2024	2023
Dividend distributions on accumulation shares	US\$	US\$	US\$	USS
Class C – USD Gross Hedged Accumulation				
Group 1 shares	208.326838	-	208.326838	327.130697
Group 2 shares (from 1 January 2024 to 31 December 2024)	208.326838	0.000000	208.326838	327.130697
	Net Income	Equalisation	Distribution	Distribution paid
			payable 2024	2023
Dividend distributions on accumulation shares	NOK	NOK	NOK	NOI
Class E – NOK Gross Hedged Accumulation				
Group 1 shares	180.357883	-	180.357883	270.011005
Group 2 shares (from 1 January 2024 to 31 December 2024)	75.471621	104.886262	180.357883	270.011005

Equalisation applies only to shares purchased during the distribution period (Group 2 shares). It is the average amount of revenue included in the purchase price of all Group 2 shares and is refunded to holders of these shares as a return of Capital.

Being capital, it is not liable to Income Tax but must be deducted from the cost of shares for Capital Gains Tax purposes.



# Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

### **Basis of Preparation**

The Financial Statements have been prepared on a going concern basis, under the historical cost convention as modified by the revaluation of certain financial assets and liabilities measured at fair value through profit or loss. The Fund has adopted FRS 102 and the 2014 SORP.

## **Base Currency**

The base currency of the Fund is Sterling.

#### Tax Transparency

Revenue, expenses and taxation of the Fund, proportionate to the Fund's investment are recognised and reflected within the Notes to the Financial statements above on account of the Fund being a tax transparent fund.

#### Revenue Recognition

Revenue from collective investment Schemes, quoted equity and non-equity shares is recognised net of attributable tax credits when the security is quoted ex-dividend. Overseas revenue received after the deduction of withholding tax is shown gross of taxation, with the taxation consequences shown within the taxation charge.

Revenue is accrued in line with the Fund. Equalisation received from distributions or accumulations on units or shares in collective investment schemes is treated as capital and deducted from the cost of investments.

Bank interest and other revenue are recognised on an accruals basis.

### **Stock Dividends**

The ordinary element of stocks received in lieu of cash dividends is recognised as revenue of the Fund but does not form part of the distribution. Any enhancement above the cash dividend is treated as capital.

#### Special Dividends

Special dividends are recognised as either revenue or capital depending upon the nature and circumstances of the dividend.

# **Expenses**

For accounting purposes, all expenses (other than those relating to the purchase and sale of investments) are charged against revenue for the year on an accruals basis.

#### Distributions

Amounts distributable are calculated after excluding expenses borne by capital as agreed by the Manager and Depositary. Scrip dividends will not be distributed.



## **Valuations**

All investments are valued at their fair value at 3 pm on 31 December 2024, being the last business day of the financial year. The fair value of shares is bid-price. The fair value of all single priced collective investment Schemes is their single price. The details of determination of net asset value for the Fund, including for equities, can be found in the Prospectus of the Fund at <a href="https://www.equitile.com">www.equitile.com</a>.

# Foreign Currencies

Assets and liabilities in currencies other than sterling are translated into sterling at the exchange rates prevailing at 3 pm on the last working day of the accounting year. Transactions in foreign currencies are translated at the exchange rate prevailing at the transaction date. Where forward positions in currencies are held, these are translated at the appropriate forward rate.

#### **Taxation**

Provision is made for taxation at current rates on the excess investment revenue over allowable expenses, with relief for overseas taxation taken where appropriate. Deferred tax assets are recognised only to the extent that they are more likely than not that there will be taxable profits from which the future reversal of the underlying timing differences can be deducted.

Withholding tax on overseas dividends is accounted for when the security is quoted ex dividend.

# **Dilution Adjustment**

In certain circumstances the ACD may carry out a dilution adjustment. In accordance with the Financial Conduct Authority Regulations, on all subscriptions and redemptions of shares, which is pain into the Fund and included in the Statement of Change on Net Assets Attributable to Shareholders. The adjustment is intended to cover certain dealing charges not included in the mid-market value of the Fund used in calculation the share price, which could have a dilution effect on the performance of the Fund.

#### Efficient Portfolio Management

Where appropriate, certain permitted transactions such as derivatives or forward foreign currency transactions may be used for efficient portfolio management. Where such transactions are used to protect revenue, and the circumstances support this, the revenue and expenses derived there from are included in 'Revenue' or 'Expenses' in the Statement of Total Return. Where such transactions are used to protect capital, and the circumstances support this, the gains and losses derived therefrom are included in 'Net capital (losses) / gains' in the Statement of Total Return. Any positions on such transactions open at the year-end are reflected in the fund's Portfolio of Investments at their fair value.



## Internal Control and Risk Frameworks

The Company is responsible for establishing and maintaining adequate internal control and risk management systems in relation to the financial reporting process. The Company has procedures in place to ensure all relevant accounting records of the Scheme are properly maintained and are readily available, including production of annual and semi-annual financial statements. The Company has appointed HSBC Bank Plc (the "Administrator") as the Scheme's administrator consistent with the regulatory framework applicable to the Scheme. The Administrator has functional responsibility for the preparation of the Scheme's annual and semi-annual Financial Statements and the maintenance of its accounting records. On appointing the Administrator, the Board of Directors (the "Board") of the Company noted that it is regulated by the UK Financial Conduct Authority (FCA) and, in the Board's opinion, has significant experience as an Administrator. The Board also noted the independence of the Administrator from the Company. Subject to the supervision of the Board, the appointment of the Administrator is intended to manage rather than eliminate the risk of failure to achieve the Company's financial reporting objectives and can only provide reasonable and not absolute assurance against material misstatement or loss.

The annual and semi-annual financial statements of the Scheme are required to be approved by the Board and filed with the FCA within the relevant respective time periods. The statutory financial statements are required to be audited by independent auditors who report annually to the Board on their findings. The Board evaluates and discusses significant accounting and reporting issues as the need arises. The Board reviews the financial statements prior to their approval though it should be noted that such review does not include verification of information in the financial statements to underlying documents. The annual financial statements are subject to independent audit by PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP (the "Auditors") and the Board receives and considers a report from the Auditors as to the audit process.

This report includes observations as to the extent to which (i) the annual financial statements provide a true and fair view (ii) adjustments were made to the accounting records maintained by the Administrator in order to provide financial statements giving a true and fair view and (iii) potential significant control weaknesses identified by the Auditors during the audit process. The report has been presented at the board meeting where the financial statements are presented to the Board for approval.

#### Composition of the board of Directors

Unless otherwise determined by an ordinary resolution of the Company in general meeting, the number of Directors may not be less than two. Currently, the Board is composed of three Directors. The business of the Company is managed by the Directors. A Director may at any time summon a meeting of the Directors. Questions arising at any meeting of the Directors are determined by a majority of votes. The quorum necessary for the transaction of business at a meeting of the Directors is Two. The Directors who held office at the date of these financial statements are:

George Cooper, Nigel Hellewell, and Xiyang (Daniel) He.

### Directors' interests and transactions

The Directors of the ACD are also shareholders and directors of the parent company of Equitile Investments Ltd i.e., Equitile Ltd. There are no external contracts or arrangements of any significance in relation to the business of the Company in which the Directors had any interest any time during the financial year. No



Director has any interest, direct or indirect, in any assets which have been or are proposed to be acquired or disposed of by, or issued to, the Company and no Director is materially interested in any contract or arrangement subsisting at the date hereof which is unusual in its nature and conditions or significant in relation to the business of the Company. More information on Directors is available at <a href="https://www.equitile.com/about/who-we-are">https://www.equitile.com/about/who-we-are</a>

#### Transactions with connected persons

Any transaction carried out with a UK UCITS by a management company or depositary to the UK UCITS, the delegates or delegates of the management company or depositary, and any associated or group of such a management company, depositary, delegate or delegate ("connected persons") must be carried out as if negotiated at arm's length. Transactions must be in the best interests of the Unitholders. The Directors are satisfied that there are arrangements are firmly in place.

# Significant events during the financial year

During the year Daniel He, one of our founding directors, took over as CEO of the ACD - Equitile Investment's Ltd - as our long time CEO Andrew McNally stepped back from the business and retired as an Executive Director of the ACD. With Dan having been both a director of the firm since inception and a major shareholder of the ACD this transition was seamless, providing continuity of management. The transition was uneventful and communicated with key investors at the time.

During this period the OEIC is no longer part of a master feeder structure with the Assets being migrated from the Equitile Resilience fund (Master ACS) to the Equitile Resilience Fund (OEIC). The Equitile Resilience Feeder Fund was renamed the Equitile Resilience Fund. This process was conducted in accordance with the FCA rules. These changes were made to dispense with the master-feeder structure which, following Brexit, was deemed an unnecessary complication. There were no changes to the underlying investment objectives or investments as a result of these changes.

## Statement of Compliance

The financial statements have been prepared in compliance with UK Financial Reporting Standard 102 (FRS 102) and in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice for UK Authorised Funds issued by the Investment Management Association in May 2014 and amended in June 2017 (2014 SORP).

# Risk Management Frameworks

The Manager has a documented risk management framework which details the processes and procedures used to identify, measure, manage and monitor appropriately all risks to which the funds are or may be exposed. The risks covered by the framework include market risk, liquidity risk, currency risk, credit/counterparty risk, operational risk and any other risks that might be material to the funds. The risks are both investment and operational and refer to the risk of loss arising from inadequate or failed processes, people or systems including attempted fraud. The risk framework details:

- the techniques, tools and arrangements including systems and processes used;
- the content and frequency of reports; and
- the allocation of responsibilities between key staff and departments.



The main risk management processes used by the Manager are fully integrated with the daily management of the Fund's portfolio and is used to measure and monitor market risk, credit / counterparty risk and liquidity risk. A separate process is maintained to track instances of operational risk and monitor amendments to controls made, seeking to ensure that any operational errors do not re-occur. The Manager has a formal structure of which includes an Operating Committee and a Risk Management Committee who review the risk profile, including market, credit, operational and liquidity risks, of the Fund and publish and circulate this information internally on a regular basis. As part of its governance processes, the Manager reviews the performance of the risk management framework and its associated arrangements, processes, systems and techniques on at least an annual basis or after a risk event. The risk management framework is updated by the Manager following any significant change in the business or in risk exposures and at least annually. It is also reviewed by the Depositary.

#### Market Risk

Market risk is the risk of loss arising from fluctuations in the market value of investments held by the funds attributable to changes in market variables, such as equity prices, foreign exchange rates, interest rates or the credit worthiness of an issuer. The risk management framework monitors the levels of market risk to which the funds are exposed in relation to the fund investment objective and policy.

#### <u>Leverage</u>

The Fund does not use leverage as part of its investment strategy. The Fund uses the commitment method to calculate global exposure in preference to the VaR method.

#### **Liquidity Risk**

Liquidity risk exists when the sale of assets or exit of trading positions is impaired by such factors as decreased trading volume, increased price volatility, industry and government regulations, and overall position size and complexity. It may be impossible or costly for the Fund to liquidate positions rapidly particularly if there are other market participants seeking to dispose of similar assets at the same time or the relevant market is otherwise moving against a position or in the event of trading halts or daily price movement limits on the market or otherwise. Derivative transactions that are particularly large and bonds traded in the secondary market may be less liquid and it may be difficult to achieve fair value on transactions. Closing positions held in the secondary markets prematurely, for instance, to meet client redemption requests, can result in increased transaction costs which will be reflected in the investment returns.

Liquidity risk is the possibility that the fund will not be able to sell its assets without incurring losses within the timeframe required to meet investor redemptions. The asset liquidity profile of the fund is monitored on a regular basis and compared to both historical investor redemption patterns and potential redemption scenarios, with the aim of ensuring that the fund will be able to meet any actual redemptions in a timely manner. The liquidity risk management process includes an assessment of the market turnover, percentage of an issue held by the fund, credit rating of the issuer and/or the buy-sell spread of the market in the securities held where the information is available and is applicable.

Liquidity profile stress tests under both normal and exceptional conditions are conducted on a regular basis. If market liquidity is perceived to be decreasing, the ACD might seek to take any of the following



actions to improve the liquidity profile of a fund: maintain higher cash balances; maintain a greater proportion of assets in securities which are traditionally more liquid; diversify the range of issue.

## Credit Risk

Credit risk comprises both credit issuer risk and counterparty risk. Credit risk is the risk that the counterparty to a financial instrument will fail to discharge an obligation. The Fund will be exposed to a credit risk for the parties with whom it trades. Under normal market conditions the Fund remains close to fully invested in equity securities. However, allocations to bonds may be made periodically for the purpose of capital preservation. Investing in sovereign debt, any other debt guaranteed by a sovereign government, or corporate debt entails risks related to the issuer's ability and willingness to repay the principal and pay interest.

Credit risk may also arise through a default by one or several large institutions that are dependent on one another to meet their liquidity or operational needs, so that a default by one institution causes a series of defaults by the other institutions. This is sometimes referred to as a "systemic risk" and may adversely affect financial intermediaries, such as clearing agencies, clearing houses, banks, securities firms and exchanges, with which the Scheme interacts on a daily basis.

## Currency Risk

The investments of the Fund may be acquired in currencies which are different from its base currency and therefore the performance may be impacted by movements in exchange rate between the base currency and investment currency.

# Counterparty Risk

Counterparty risk arises primarily with the financial brokers through whom the funds buy and sell securities. The funds may only transact with brokers from an approved broker list maintained by the ACD. All brokers on the ACD approved list are subject to regular credit and general business checks. The funds may also be exposed to counterparty risks arising from the use of forward currency instruments, usually transacted to decrease exposure to foreign currency. These risks are monitored daily.



# **Asset Hedging**

The investments of the Fund may be acquired in currencies which are different from its base currency and therefore the performance may be impacted by movements in exchange rate between the base currency and investment currency. The assets of the Fund not denominated in its base currency are hedged using Short Dated FX Forwards (OTC Derivatives) to manage currency risks. The risk arising from investing in non-base currency assets is substantially mitigated through the use of FX Forwards.

Hedging techniques employed by the Fund could involve a variety of derivative transactions. As a result, hedging techniques involve different risks than those of underlying investments, including liquidity risk and the potential for loss in excess of the amount invested. In particular, the variable degree of correlation between price movements of hedging instruments and price movements in the position (including asset positions) being hedged creates the possibility that losses on the hedge may be greater than gains in the value of the Fund's positions.

In addition, although the contemplated use of these techniques should minimise the risk of loss due to a decline in the value of the hedged position, at the same time they may limit any potential gains resulting from an increase in the value of such positions.

There can be no assurance that hedging transactions will be successful in protecting against adverse market and/or currency movements.



# <u>Appendix</u>

# Equitile Resilience Fund (Fund)

A summary of the Fund's portfolio holdings for the year is stated below:

# Summary of Material Portfolio Changes for the Fund

The top ten purchases and sales for the year ended 31 December 2024 were as follows:

Summary of Material Portfolio Chan	ges for the S	ub-Fund	
The top ten purchases and sales for the y	vear ended 31	December 2024 were as follows:	
Purchases		Sales	
	Cost		Proceeds
	£'000		£'000
LVMH	5,303	Equitile Resilience Fund - Class A1 GBP Acc	101,061
American Express	4,201	Exxon Mobil	2,477
International Consolidated Airlines (IAG)	3,822	LVMH	2,474
Newmont Mining	3,299	Safran	2,165
Diageo	3,128	Autozone	2,102
Visa 'A' Shares	3,011	Pfizer	2,087
Barclays	2,932	Arch Capital Group	1,843
Natwest Group	2,927	Diageo	1,748
Rolls Royce	2,801	American Express	1,437
3i Group	2,718	TotalEnergies	1,405
Subtotal	34,142	Subtotal	118,799
Total purchases during the year:	86,357	Total sales during the year:	130,395

	As at
Top 10 holdings	31.12.24
International Consolidated Airlines (IAG)	7.35%
Visa 'A' Shares	5.45%
Barclays	5.37%
American Express	5.36%
Natwest Group	5.35%
Shopify	5.17%
Carnival	4.92%
Booking Holdings	4.38%
LVMH	4.06%
JPMorgan Chase	4.02%



As at 31 Decemb	er 2024		
7.5 4.5 7 2 6 6 6 1 1 1 5			
		Market value	Total value of
Holding	Investment	£'000	Sub-Fund %
	M - 19.40% (0.00%)		
Banks - 10.72% (0			
1,245,000	Barclays	3,339	5.37
828,000	Natwest Group	3,329	5.35
Beverages - 2.08			
51,000	Diageo	1,294	2.08
Diversified Manu	facturing - 3.11% (0.00%)		
340,000	Rolls Royce	1,933	3.11
Financial Services	5 – 3.49% (0.00%)		
61,000	3i Group	2,174	3.49
Total United King	dom	12,069	19.40
UNITED STATES	- 44.94% (0.00%)		
Banks - 4.02% (0.	00%)		
13,000	JPMorgan Chase	2,500	4.02
Consumer Servic	es - 7.33% (0.00%)		
2,200	Expedia	330	0.53
1,390	MercadoLibre	1,908	3.07
34,000	PayPal	2,320	3.73
Financial Services	5 - 13.63% (0.00%)		
14,000	American Express	3,332	5.36
14,750	KKR & Company	1,754	2.82
13,415	Visa 'A' Shares	3,390	5.45
Healthcare Equip	ment & Services - 3.24% (0.00%)		
19,916	Tenet Healthcare	2,015	3.24
Luxury Goods - 5	.79% (0.00%)		
6,300	Lululemon Athletica	1,922	3.09
9,100	Ralph Lauren Corporation	1,692	2.72
Mining – 2.87% (	0.00%)		
60,300	Newmont Mining	1,789	2.87
Non-Life Insuran	ce - 3.66% (0.00%)		
11,900	Progressive Corporation	2,280	3.66
Software - 4.38%	(0.00%)		
686	Booking Holdings	2,728	4.38
Total United State	es	27,960	44.94



CANADA - 5.17% (0.00%)  Software - 5.17% (0.00%)  38,000 Shopify  Total Canada  CHANNEL ISLAND - 2.09% (0.00%)  Software - 2.09% (0.00%)	3,219 3,219 1,300 1,300	5.17 5.17
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Software - 2.09% (0.00%)		
15,300   Sea		2.09
Total Channel Island		2.09
FRANCE - 4.06% (0.00%)	1,500	
Luxury Goods - 4.06% (0.00%)		
4,800 LVMH	2,526	4.06
Total France	2,526	4.06
ITALY - 1.07% (0.00%)	2,320	4.00
Diversified Manufacturing - 1.07% (0.00%)		
31,000 Leonardo	664	1.07
Total Italy	664	1.07
JAPAN - 5.26% (0.00%)	004	1.07
Diversified Manufacturing - 2.10% (0.00%)		
5	1 200	2.10
13,000 Hoya	1,308	2.10
Financial Services - 3.16% (0.00%)	1.007	2.10
415,000 Nomura	1,967	3.16
Total Japan	3,275	5.26
LUXEMBOURG - 2.83% (0.00%)		
Software - 2.83% (0.00%)	4760	
4,900 Spotify Technology	1,762	2.83
Total Luxembourg	1,762	2.83
PANAMA - 4.92% (0.00%)		
Consumer Services - 4.92% (0.00%)		
152,000   Carnival	3,060	4.92
Total Panama	3,060	4.92
SPAIN - 7.35% (0.00%)		
Consumer Services - 7.35% (0.00%)		
1,515,000 International Consolidated Airlines (IAG)	4,574	7.35
Total Spain	4,574	7.35
SWEDEN - 0.90% (0.00%)		
Industrial Metals - 0.90% (0.00%)		
175,974 SSAB 'B'	557	0.90
Total Sweden	557	0.90
Authorised Contractual Schemes - 0.00% (104.59%)		
Portfolio of investments	60,966	97.99
Net other assets	1,250	2.01
Net assets	62,216	100.00
The comparative percentage figures in brackets are at 31 December 2	2023.	
All investments are listed on recognised stock exchanges and are "app	proved securities"	
within the meaning of the FCA rules unless otherwise stated.		

# Assessment of Value



<u>FCA Assessment of Value</u>, provisions are set out in COLL 6.6.19 to 6.6.27 and includes Rules as well as Guidance. The FCA require authorised fund managers (AFMs) to carry out as assessment on value for money of each fund as per the following criterions -

- Quality of service
- Performance
- AFM costs
- Economies of scale
- Comparable market rates
- Comparable services
- Classes of units

The detailed assessment of value document for the Fund are available at www.equitile.com

#### Remuneration Disclosures

The provisions of the Undertaking in Collective Investments Schemes Directive ("UCITs V") took effect on 18 March 2016. UK UCITS Managers are required to establish and maintain remuneration policies for its staff which are consistent with and promote sound and effective risk management in line with the UCITS remuneration principles. The Board of Directors has established a remuneration policy to ensure the UCITs Remuneration Code in the UK FCA handbook is met proportionately for all UCITs Remuneration Code Staff. The policy sets out a framework for determining the level of fixed and variable remuneration of staff, including maintaining an appropriate balance between the two.

Arrangements for variable remuneration, where applicable, are calculated primarily by reference to the performance of each individual and the profitability of the relevant business unit. The policy is designed to reward long term performance and long term profitability.

All staff are employed by Equitile Investments Ltd. No performance fee was charged to the Fund for the year ending 31.12.2023 (2022 : same).

Under the UCITs V Directive, the ACD is required to disclose information relating to the remuneration paid to its staff, split into fixed and variable remuneration. The total remuneration of those individuals who are fully or partly involved in the activities of the Scheme for the ACD's financial year ending 29.02.24., is analysed in the table below:



	Number of Staff	Total remuneration
Fixed remuneration	5	754,341
Variable remuneration	0	-
Performance Fees	0	0
Code staff, of which		
Senior Management	5	754,351
Other Code staff	0	0

The staff members included in the above analysis support all the funds managed by the ACD. It is not considered feasible or useful to attempt to apportion these figures to individual funds and are based on assets under management. The Board has reviewed the general principles of the Remuneration Policy and its application in the last year which has resulted in no material changes to the Policy. The details of the Company's Remuneration Policy can be found at <a href="https://www.equitile.com">www.equitile.com</a>



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