# **Strategy Description**

Meranti Millennium Equity Fund 'MME' seeks long-term high growth of the portfolio by investing opportunistically across global equity markets, while looking to mitigate risks during significant downturns. Instead of investing in flavour of the day concepts, the strategy focuses on key performance drivers that make sense and are backed by empirical research.

# **Key Features**

## **Dynamic Risk Mitigation**

Financial crises are infrequent but inevitable. By managing risks in significant downturns, the strategy is designed to help investors endure systemic market shocks and continue to invest with confidence.

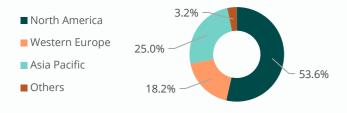
### **High Return Potential**

Capture ongoing opportunities by taking advantage of market volatility to invest into attractive equity markets with high expected returns.

### **Active Strategy**

Markets exhibit trends and cycles that create ongoing opportunities to invest in. Using Fundamental, Valuation, and Technical principles; we aim to invest into differentiated markets with favourable risk/reward that can deliver long-term outperformance.

# **Geographical Breakdown**



# **Top 5 Fund Holdings**

Fund Name	Weight
Amundi Funds European Equity Value	16.9%
SPDR S&P 600 Small Cap Value ETF	15.5%
Granahan US SMID Select Fund	15.2%
BGF World Healthscience Fund	12.9%
Vaneck Biotech ETF	12.6%

## **Global Equities**

Invest into attractive equity opportunities globally

**Dynamic Risk Mitigation**Risk management to mitigate risk of negative compounding



### Market Breakdown

(Learn more about our market views here)



# **Composite Portfolio Statistics\***

Portfolio	
3 Year Annualized	4.83%
Volatility	18.52%
Best Month	13.61%
Worst Month	-10.21%
Positive Months	57%

## **Composite Performance History \***

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Year
2018	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.21%	-0.61%	-9.87%	1.05%	-6.90%	-14.71%
2019	9.55%	2.96%	-2.03%	2.50%	-6.83%	5.99%	1.15%	-1.78%	0.09%	2.57%	2.00%	3.34%	20.27%
2020	-0.68%	-4.70%	3.90%	7.49%	0.78%	2.48%	6.42%	3.99%	-5.53%	-0.02%	13.61%	7.06%	38.78%
2021	4.87%	6.16%	-2.40%	3.50%	2.15%	0.97%	-5.70%	0.65%	-2.34%	2.62%	-5.38%	2.47%	6.96%
2022	-5.94%	-1.61%	-1.00%	-8.28%	-0.11%	-6.38%	3.45%	-2.89%	-10.21%	2.44%1	9.821	-2.70 <sup>1</sup>	-22.41%1

<sup>\*</sup>For illustrative purposes only. Calculated monthly from 1/8/2018 using a similarly managed composite portfolio fully invested net of fees. Performance since 1/4/2021 is based on actual monthly fund performance net of any management fees. Portfolio statistics may not be a good indication of actual performance and can differ meaningfully over shorter time periods. ¹Manager's estimated return net of fees. Actual return may differ and will be updated in the following month.





# **Market & Portfolio Developments**

#### **Market Review**

2022 ended on a sour note for investors as global equities saw a decline of 3.91% in December. The challenging market conditions, brought about by issues such as inflation, interest rate hikes, and concerns about a recession, led to poor performance for equities in 2022; with year-to-date returns of -17.69%. Amid such a backdrop, the traditional "60/40" equity/bond portfolio did not provide much resilience (like it once did) as both asset classes declined in lock-step.

#### Main Contributors 'What did well?'

**Emerging Markets** and **China 'A' equities** continued to contribute positively to performance as investors grow more optimistic about China's economic recovery and the end of its Covid Zero Policy. Similarly, **European equities** performed amid hopes that cooling inflation pave way for a less hawkish central bank.

### Main Detractors 'What underperformed?'

**US Small-caps** detracted from performance but remained relatively resilient throughout the year compared to their large "blue-chip" counterparts. Looking ahead, their attractive valuations are expected to help them perform better when markets recover. **Biotech equities** lagged but remain an important diversifier of return during times of uncertainty.

## **Market Outlook**

As we enter 2023, it is common to see predictions about recessions and market declines. However, predictions are at best false comfort – it is difficult to accurately (and consistently) predict what could unfold. Instead of relying on predictions, it is better to be prepared. One way is to ensure proper diversification, just like a football team needs both scoring and defending players. Today, our portfolio comprises recovery-themed positions that are expected to perform well during market recoveries and stability-themed positions that can provide downside protection amid volatility. Investing in the market is one of the best ways to grow long-term wealth, but not all will have the patience to realize them.

#### **Fund Details**

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# **Share Class Performance History**

SGD A	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
2021	-	-	-	2.30%	1.98%	0.76%	-5.35%	0.65%	-2.41%	2.58%	-5.42%	2.40%	-2.87%5
2022	-5.93%	-1.62%	-1.06%	-8.39%	-0.25%	-6.48%	3.33%	-2.93%	-10.59%	2.44%1	9.82 <sup>1</sup>	-2.70% <sup>1</sup>	-23.18% <sup>1</sup>
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2021	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.65%	-2.34%	2.62%	-5.38%	2.47%	-2.20% <sup>6</sup>
2022	-5.94%	-1.61%	-1.00%	-8.28%	-0.11%	-6.38%	3.45%	-2.89%	-10.21%	2.44%1	9.82 <sup>1</sup>	-2.70% <sup>1</sup>	-22.41% <sup>1</sup>
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2021	-	-	-	1.95%	1.62%	0.77%	-5.22%	0.80%	-2.20%	2.78%	-5.24%	2.62%	-2.51% <sup>5</sup>
2022	-5.80%	-1.46%	-0.86%	-8.14%	0.04%	-6.24%	3.62%	-2.74%	-10.07%	2.59% <sup>1</sup>	9.97 <sup>1</sup>	-2.55% <sup>1</sup>	-20.99% <sup>1</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Manager's estimated return net of fees. Actual return may differ and will be updated in the following month. <sup>5</sup>Since inception of 1 April 2021. <sup>6</sup>Since inception of 2 August 2021. <sup>7</sup>Performance based on the Lead Series Source: Finexis Asset Management. Share class performance is calculated using NAV of the share class with income reinvested and including ongoing charges, excluding any entry and exit fees.

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