### **Our Strategy**

Throughout human history, no society has enjoyed access to as vast information as we do today. While this abundance and convenience of information have their advantages, it has also brought constant anxiety to investors as they grapple with the decision to buy or sell. Not to mention the pressure they face during unexpected and potentially catastrophic events such as the 2008 Great Financial Crisis where the price of global equity markets declined sharply by -60%. **Meranti Millennium Equity strategy (MME)** is designed to set aside a fixed protection budget to help investors not only stay invested but also top up when markets are at their maximum fear, which is inevitable in the journey of any long-term equity investor.



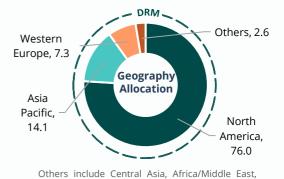


Invest Globally **No benchmark hugging** Maximize returns

Capital Appreciation compounded at 8% target return over longer term



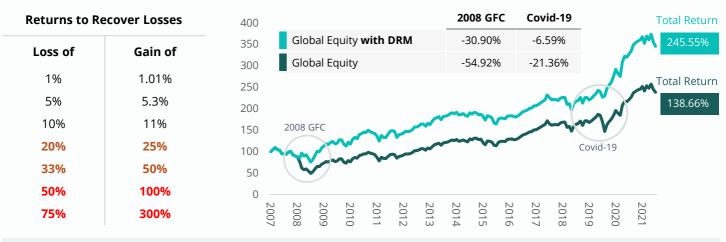
Dynamic Risk Management (DRM) Fixed budget Keep investors calm



South & Central America, and Eastern Europe.

### **Power Of Loss Aversion In Both Returns And Emotions**

Leverage on the Meranti Millennium Equity (MME) strategy to participate in the global economic growth without worrying about market crashes which can hurt investment returns significantly. The greater the loss, the harder it is for investors to recover:



In times of significant market downturns, such as the Great Financial Crisis of 2008 and the Covid-19 pandemic in 2020, an investor using Dynamic Risk Management (DRM) to invest in global equities would have experienced smaller drawdowns and ultimately achieved a higher return than an investor without such protection.

# **Historical Performance**

#### Monthly Return, %

Class	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	Мау	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Year
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	2.97	9.92	-2.78	-22.00
2023	9.37	-4.95	-0.74	-2.56	-4.00	3.88	4.82	-6.19	-5.24	-7.47	6.57	5.60	-2.71
2024	-5.09	5.03	2.67	-5.48	2.80	-1.14	1.77	2.00	1.84	-2.76	0.95	-3.04	-1.08
2025	2.67	-2.31 <sup>1</sup>											0.30 <sup>1</sup>

Performance from 1/1/2019 to 1/7/2021 is calculated using a similarly managed composite portfolio fully invested net of estimated fees. Performance since 1/7/2021 is based on actual fund performance. <sup>1</sup> Manager's estimated return net of fees. Actual returns may differ and will be updated in the following month. 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

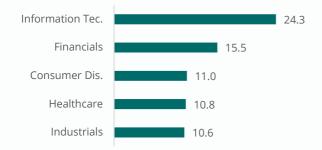




### **Strategy Characteristics**

#### **Geographical Allocation**, % Others, 16.8 **Global Equities** 51.2 **US** Equities 39.7 Japan, 2.7 China Equities 4.1 China, 6.2 Emerging Market Equities 2.7 United States, 74.3 Vietnam Equities 2.2

### **Top 5 Equity Sector Allocation, %**



#### **Top 5 Fund Holdings, %**

ISHARES MSCI ACWI ETF	29.1
ISHARES Core MSCI World	22.1
AM S&P500 II ETF	14.9
VanEck Morningstar Wide Moat	5.1
PACER US Cash Cow 100 ETF	5.0

Source: Finexis Asset Management. Others include countries in Asia Pacific, Western Europe, Africa/Middle East, and South & Central America. The top 5 market allocations and fund holdings are at the fund level. Geographical allocation and top 5 sector allocation are at the portfolio look-through level. For illustrative purposes only and does not constitute to any recommendations to invest in the above-mentioned country/sector/security.

## **Discerning The Signals From The Noise**

A three-pronged research process to identify signals that point us to sustainable trends which are underappreciated by the market, which come with good fundamentals and attractive valuation, with a higher likelihood of outperforming over the long term.





## High Level of Active Management

Many actively managed funds underperform because they have a low active share. This happens when a portfolio's holdings are very similar to the referenced benchmark, a practice commonly referred to as 'benchmark hugging'. In contrast, funds with a high level of active management may have greater potential for outperformance in the long run, as there is no way any fund can outperform the market if they are investing like the market.

By investing in areas where we have the greatest conviction and applying it to our whole portfolio, we aim to provide better returns over risk through a full market cycle.

Target active share > 80%







#### Top 5 Market Allocation, %

### **Market & Portfolio Developments**

After a steady start to the year, supported by a resilient economy and strong corporate earnings, sentiment took a sharp downturn in February, leading to global equity declines. Notably, it was the popular S&P 500 and NASDAQ markets that led the way down.

This was on the back of US president Trump's escalating tariff threats, coupled with reports which showed declining business and consumer optimism amid the uncertain backdrop.

The past month is a timely reminder of how quickly sentiment can shift in an environment dominated by changing macroeconomic narratives under Trump 2.0 and with broad equity markets facing high valuations. While these factors have undoubtedly rattled markets, they also highlight the importance of staying focused on the bigger picture and longer-term view: that the US equity bull market is likely intact (for now) with the fundamental earnings backdrop remaining supportive, and Trump's pro-growth policies expected to be progressively delivered.

Of course, we also do not ignore the building near-term risks, and we are paying close attention to each economic data point to guide our lookout and positioning going forward.

With markets expecting to remain volatile in the coming days and weeks, we are comforted that we are positioned in segments with higher quality and better valuations. Indeed, the portfolio's US Alpha basket (which has historically outperformed the S&P 500 over the long term) has been more resilient during this period of market volatility. We are also on the lookout for international opportunities that may present themselves amid the volatility, such as across select Emerging Market segments such as China and India.

### **Fund Details**

Item	Class A	Class B					
Currency	SGD,	USD					
ISIN (SGD Class)	SGXZ32206252 (Distribution)	SGXZ53567772 (Accumulation)					
ISIN (USD Class)	SGXZ35636000 (Distribution)	SGXZ56727852 (Accumulation)					
Projected Distribution <sup>2</sup>	4% p.a.	-					
Min. Subscription	SGD 500,000 USD 400,000	SGD 50,000 USD 40,000					
Account Opening Fee <sup>3</sup> (One-time)	SGD 4,000 USD 3,000	SGD 4,000 USD 3,000					
Min. Subsequent Subscription	SGD 15,000 USD 10,000	SGD 15,000 USD 10,000					
Redemption Fees							
1st Year of Investment	-	3%					
2nd Year of Investment	-	2%					
3rd Year of Investment	-	1%					
4th Year Onwards	-	0%					
Management Fee	1.78%	0%					
Performance Fee <sup>4</sup>	0%	20%					
Fund Name	Meranti Capital VCC Millennium Equity Fund						
Dealing Frequency	Monthly						
Base Currency	USD						
Inception Date	1 April 2021						
Fund Domicile	Singapore						
Investment Manager	Finexis Asset Management						
Fund Administrator	ASCENT Fund Services (Singapore)						
Custodian	Standard Chartered Bank						
Auditor	PWC LLP						
Broker	Goldman Sachs (Asia) L.L.C.						
Legal Advisors	BTPLaw LLC						

<sup>2</sup>Please note that the distributions (if any) may be declared semi-annually based on the Investment Manager's discretion. If distributions are made, such distributions are not a forecast, indication or projection of the future performance of the Fund. <sup>3</sup>Waiver of account opening fees for investors through the platforms. <sup>4</sup>Charged on high water mark basis, with zero hurdle rate.

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### **Share Class Performance History**

Monthly	<sup>°</sup> Return, %
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SGD A	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	Мау	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	-2.875
2022	-5.93	-1.62	-1.06	-8.39	-0.25	-6.48	3.33	-2.93	-10.59	2.89	9.60	-2.75	-23.04
2023	9.25	-5.00	-0.94	-2.64	-4.20	3.61	4.68	-6.42	-5.46	-7.63	6.42	5.38	-4.68
2024	-5.34	4.85	2.50	-5.62	2.64	-1.33	1.63	1.96	1.64	-3.16	0.91	-3.18	-3.10
2025	2.52	-2.48 <sup>1</sup>											-0.02 <sup>1</sup>
USD A	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	Мау	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
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	2.97	9.92	-2.78	-22.00
2023	9.37	-4.95	-0.74	-2.56	-4.00	3.88	4.82	-6.19	-5.24	-7.47	6.57	5.60	-2.71
2024	-5.09	5.03	2.67	-5.48	2.80	-1.14	1.77	2.00	1.84	-2.76	0.95	-3.04	-1.08
2025	2.67	-2.31 <sup>1</sup>											0.30 <sup>1</sup>
USD B <sup>7</sup>	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	Мау	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
2021	-	-	-	1.95	1.62	0.77	-5.22	0.80	-2.20	2.78	-5.24	2.62	-2.515
2022	-5.80	-1.46	-0.86	-8.14	0.04	-6.24	3.62	-2.74	-10.07	3.12	10.09	-2.64	-20.57
2023	9.54	-4.81	-0.59	-2.42	-3.85	4.03	4.98	-6.05	-5.09	-7.34	6.73	5.76	-0.94
2024	-4.95	5.19	2.82	-5.34	2.95	-0.99	1.92	2.15	2.00	-2.62	1.10	-2.90	0.70
2025	2.82	-2.16 <sup>1</sup>											0.60 <sup>1</sup>

<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.

About Meranti: The Meranti fund series is named after the Meranti tree, which is native to Singapore and the region. It is a canopy and emergent tree; providing shade from its place at the top layer of a rainforest where sunlight is plentiful. To reach such great heights, the trees have a strong and wide system of roots to help provide stability while also gathering more nutrients. Likewise, Meranti funds were developed around a Dynamic Risk Mitigation process so that investors can invest with confidence and harvest the full potential of capital growth through market cycles.

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