



# Meranti Millennium Equity (SGD)

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## 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.



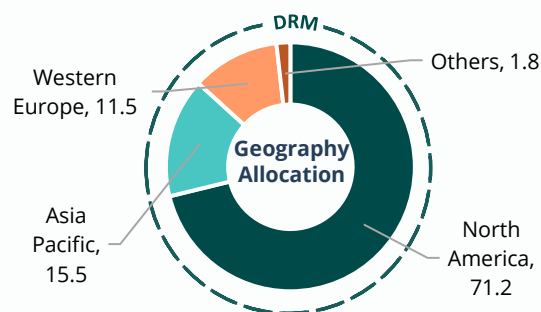
Invest Globally  
**No benchmark hugging**  
Maximize returns



Capital Appreciation  
**compounded at 8%**  
**target return** over  
longer term



Dynamic Risk Management  
(DRM)  
Fixed budget  
Keep investors calm



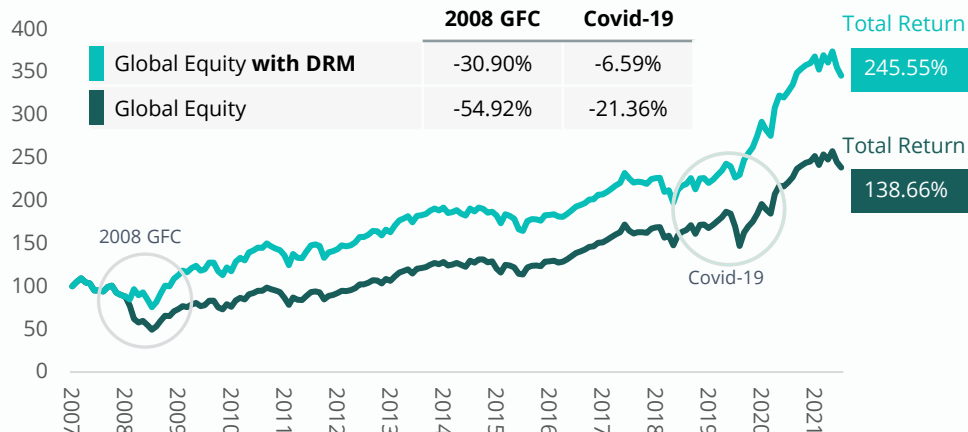
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## Power Of Loss Aversion In Both Returns And Emotions

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:

### Returns to Recover Losses

Loss of	Gain of
1%	1.01%
5%	5.3%
10%	11%
20%	25%
33%	50%
50%	100%
75%	300%



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	May	Jun	Jul	Aug <sup>1</sup>	YTD <sup>1</sup>
A SGD	2.52	-2.47	-4.41	-0.75	5.49	3.72	1.94	0.37	6.19

Since January 2025, MME has enhanced its investment approach to better capture short- to medium-term trends, while maintaining a focus on long-term growth. With tighter risk management and stronger alignment to upward market movements, the strategy is now positioned to respond more effectively to market conditions and deliver more consistent, predictable returns going forward.

<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

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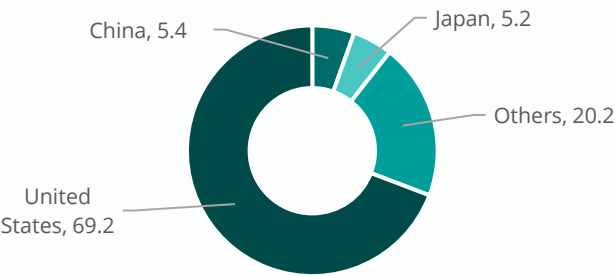


Finexis Asset  
Management

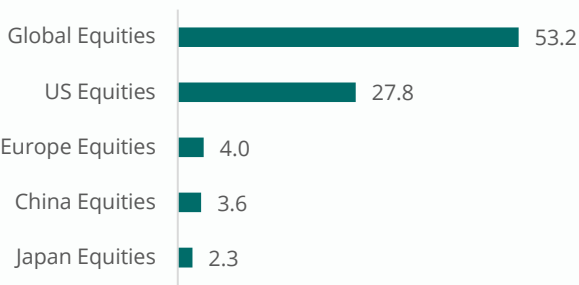
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Strategy Characteristics

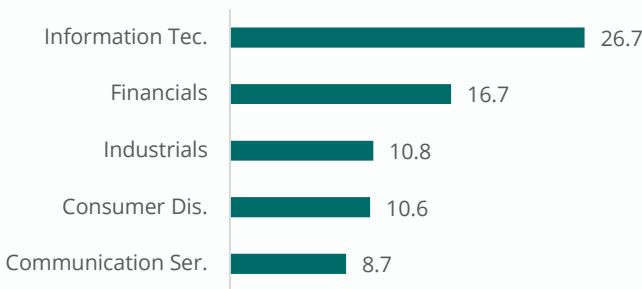
Geographical Allocation, %



Top 5 Market Allocation, %



Top 5 Equity Sector Allocation, %



Top 5 Fund Holdings, %



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.



Fundamental

Study financial and economic data (e.g. GDP, unemployment rate, and inflation rate etc. ) that may drive market movement to find opportunities with **good fundamentals** that are underappreciated.



Valuation

Picking the right valuation metrics (e.g. price-to-earnings, price-to-book, EV/EBITDA etc.) to spot **undervalued opportunities** and avoid overpaying for any investment with only good stories.



Trend

Seek inflection points in **sustainable trends** to capture overlooked opportunities and avoid less recognised risks (such as the end of a bond supercycle).

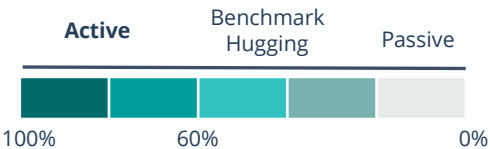
High Level of Active Management

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%



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## Market & Portfolio Developments

August 2025 was marked by competing narratives that swung sentiment from risk-off to recovery. The month started off with fresh tariffs imposed after the August 1 deadline, compounded by a disappointing US jobs report that stoked slowdown fears. Specifically, weak July jobs data, including hefty downward revisions of -258k for prior months, triggered a sharp sell-off.

However, markets recovered quickly, with the S&P 500 notching new highs amid a dovish shift from Fed Chair Powell at Jackson Hole, fueling expectations for a September rate cut. **Against this backdrop, MME delivered returns of 0.37% in August.**

### Staying Balanced in a Shifting Market

Our baseline view remains that the short-term risk-reward is less supportive – odds of a brief consolidation are higher in the near term. The growth-inflation picture remains uncertain, and the US labour market continues to soften. That said, continued earnings resilience, coupled with the prospect of interest rate cuts, provides support for markets.

In this environment, we've taken steps to improve the portfolio's resilience and flexibility, such as by maintaining a well-balanced approach across geographies and sectors to help navigate multiple potential outcomes. Within the US allocation, we've refined our Alpha basket by focusing on opportunities where we have higher conviction in their long-term outperformance potential.

We remain cautiously optimistic, recognizing both the strength of recent market momentum and the potential for short-term volatility. Our focus continues to be on maintaining a measured approach while remaining on high alert on economic indicators to guide us on upcoming risks and opportunities.

## Fund Details

Item	Class A
Currency	SGD
ISIN (SGD Class)	SGXZ32206252
Min. Subscription	SGD 500,000
Min. Subsequent Subscription	SGD 15,000
Management Fee	1.78%
Fund Name	Meranti Capital VCC Millennium Equity Fund
Dealing Frequency	Monthly
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

**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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