

#### In 2019. Montanaro Asset Management Limited became a certified B Corporation on our watchlist: FundCalibre.com

# WS Montanaro Better World Fund

## For Professional and Institutional investors only

This is a marketing communication. This is not a contractually binding document. Please refer to the Prospectus of the UCITS and to the KIID and KID and do not base any final investment decision on this communication alone.

#### **Investment Objective and Policy**

To achieve capital growth over any five year period, after all costs and charges have been taken, by investing in companies which make a positive impact on society or the environment. To invest at least 60% of the Fund in the shares of small and medium sized companies in Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hong Kong, Iceland, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Malta, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Singapore, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, United Kingdom and United States, including Real Estate Investment Trusts (REITs); that have a market capitalisation (the total value of the company) which is less than the largest company by value in the MSCI World SMID (Small and Medium) Cap Index. The Fund may also invest up to 40% in larger sized companies. The Investment Manager will invest in companies which, in its opinion, make a positive impact on society or the environment, deriving at least 50% of their revenue from themes which the Investment Manager considers contribute to these impacts, such as (but not limited to) environmental protection, low carbon economy, health care, nutrition, innovative technologies and well-being.

**ELITE RADAR** 

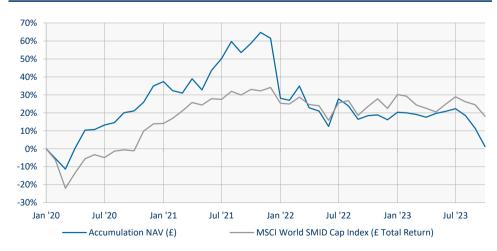
#### Performance

| Rolling Returns           |        |       |        |        |        |        |     |     |        |
|---------------------------|--------|-------|--------|--------|--------|--------|-----|-----|--------|
|                           | YTD    | 1M    | 3M     | 6M     | 12M    | 3Y     | 5Y  | 10Y | Launch |
| Accumulation<br>(£)       | -12.8% | -9.1% | -17.2% | -13.9% | -14.5% | -16.4% | N/A | N/A | 1.2%   |
| MSCI World<br>SMID (£ TR) | -3.5%  | -5.1% | -8.4%  | -3.6%  | -4.4%  | 19.5%  | N/A | N/A | 18.1%  |

#### **Calendar Year Returns**

|                           | 2022   | 2021  |
|---------------------------|--------|-------|
| Accumulation<br>(£)       | -28.1% | 19.6% |
| MSCI World<br>SMID (£ TR) | -8.7%  | 17.8% |

#### **Cumulative Performance Since Inception**



Source: Montanaro, Bloomberg. NAV to NAV.



## 31 October 2023

### **Open-Ended Investment Company**

| Key Information                        |   |  |  |  |  |
|--|---|--|--|--|--|
| Fund Launch<br>ACD                     | January 2020<br>Waystone Management<br>(UK) Limited |  |  |  |  |
| Depositary                             | BNY Mellon  |  |  |  |  |
| Transfer Agent                         | Waystone Management<br>(UK) Limited                 |  |  |  |  |
| Legal Status                           | OEIC  |  |  |  |  |
| Domicile                               | UK  |  |  |  |  |
| Valuation Time<br>Dealing Cut-Off Time | Daily 12pm (London)<br>Daily 11.59am (London)       |  |  |  |  |
| Fund Facts                             |   |  |  |  |  |
| Fund Manager                           | Mark Rogers   |  |  |  |  |
| Back up Fund Manager                   | Charles Montanaro                                   |  |  |  |  |
| Fund Specialist                        | Ed Heaven   |  |  |  |  |
| Comparator Benchmark                   | MSCI World SMID Cap                                 |  |  |  |  |
| Fund Size                              | £86.6 million                                       |  |  |  |  |
| No.of Holdings                         | 50  |  |  |  |  |
| Median Mkt Cap                         | £3,776 million                                      |  |  |  |  |
|  |   |  |  |  |  |
| Cash                                   | 2.0%  |  |  |  |  |

| ESG              |  |
|------------------|--|
| Carbon Intensity | 26.5                                       |
| Water Intensity  | 1,053,826.5                                |
| Waste Intensity  | 10.4                                       |
| Fund ESG Score*  | 6.68                                       |
| *The Fund ESG Sc | ore is the weighted average of Montanaro's |

proprietary company ESG Checklist scores (0-10; 10 is best).

## **Risk & Reward Profile**

| Lo  | wer risk |   |   |   | Higher ris |   |   |  |
|---|----------|---|---|---|------------|---|---|--|
| Potentially lower reward Potentially higher re- |          |   |   |   |            |   |   |  |
|   | 1        | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5          | 6 | 7 |  |

Accumulation Class

•This indicator shows how much a fund has risen and fallen in the past, and therefore how much a fund's returns have varied. It is a measure of a fund's volatility. As the fund has less than 5 years price history, this calculation incorporates the volatility of an appropriate benchmark index. The higher a fund's past volatility the higher the number on the scale and the greater the risk that investors in that fund may have made losses as well as aains.

•The fund has been classed as 6 because its volatility has been measured as above average to high.

•This indicator is based on historical data and may not be a reliable indication of the future risk profile of this fund.

•The risk and reward profile shown is not guaranteed to remain the same and may shift over time. Number 1 on the scale does not mean that a fund is risk free.

#### **Important Information**

Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future results. All ments are subject to risk and the value of shares and the income from them can fall as well as rise due to stock market and currency movements. You may not get back as much as you originally invested.

For further information please see the Prospectus and Key Investor Information Document (KIID) available on the Link

| Transfer Agent – Contact Waystone Management (UK) Limited<br>Tel: 0345 922 0044 Email: investorservices@linkgroup.co.uk |                         |  |                           |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|---|-------------------------|--|---------------------------|--|--|--|--|--|--|
|   | Montanaro Asset Managem | ent Limited, 53 Threadneedle Street, Lon | don, EC2R 8AR             |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Tel: 020 7448 8600  | Fax: 020 7448 8601      | www.montanaro.co.uk                      | enquiries@montanaro.co.uk |  |  |  |  |  |  |

## WS Montanaro Better World Fund

## 31 October 2023

| Тор | 10 | Но | ldin | gs* |
|-----|----|----|------|-----|
|-----|----|----|------|-----|

| TOP TO HOIGINgs          |       |
|--------------------------|-------|
| American Water Works     | 3.4%  |
| Veeva                    | 3.3%  |
| Bruker                   | 3.2%  |
| Icon                     | 3.2%  |
| MSCI                     | 3.1%  |
| Christian Hansen         | 2.9%  |
| Ansys Inc                | 2.9%  |
| Spirax-Sarco Engineering | 2.8%  |
| Halma                    | 2.8%  |
| Balchem                  | 2.8%  |
|                          | 30.5% |

| Portfolio Analysis*  |       |
|----------------------|-------|
| Price / Earnings 24F | 23.4  |
| EPS Growth 24F       | 13.3% |
| Dividend Growth 24F  | 9.5%  |
| Return on Equity 24F | 14.4% |
| EV/EBITDA 24F        | 18.5  |
| EBIT Margin 24F      | 27.1% |
| Net Debt/Equity 24F  | -2.3% |
|                      |       |
|                      |       |

\*Source: Montanaro, Factset as at 31/10/23

10% 20% 30% 40% 50%

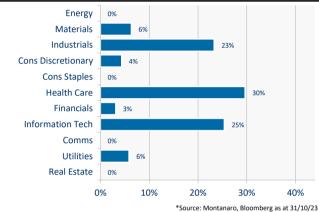
30%

25%

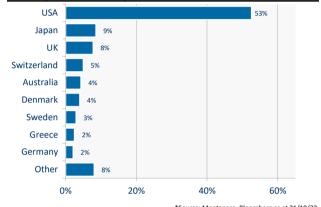
21%

\*Source: Montanaro, Bloomberg as at 31/10/23

## Sector Allocation\*



Country Allocation (Top 10)\*



0%

Market Capitalisation Allocation\*

1%

6%

14%

£0 - £250m 2%

£250 - £500m

£500 - £1bn

£1bn - £2.5bn

£2.5bn - £5bn

£5bn - £10bn

£10bn and over

\*Source: Montanaro, Bloomberg as at 31/10/23

#### **Share Class Information**

|                       | Ticker     | ISIN         | SEDOL   | Launch     | NAV     | Ongoing<br>Charge | Annual<br>AMC | Perf<br>Fee | High Water<br>Mark | Initial<br>Charge | Minimum<br>Investment | SRRI |
|-----------------------|------------|--------------|---------|------------|---------|-------------------|---------------|-------------|--------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|------|
| GBP A<br>Accumulation | LFMBWAS LN | GB00BJRCFP12 | BJRCFP1 | 31/01/2020 | 101.24p | 1.00%             | 0.85%         | Nil         | N/A                | N/A               | £1,000                | 6    |
| GBP B Income          | LFMBWBG LN | GB00BMW2NP33 | BMW2NP3 | 27/08/2020 | 87.61p  | 0.80%             | 0.65%         | Nil         | N/A                | N/A               | £50m                  | 6    |

#### Our Impact Team



Charles Montanaro Co Fund Manager

Platforms



Mark Rogers Co Fund Manager



**Ed Heaven** Head of Sustainable Investment



Kate Hewitt ESG & Impact Analyst



Manroop Bal Analyst



Harriet Topham ESG & Impact Analyst

7IM ♦ AJ Bell ♦ Aviva ♦ FNZ Wealth ♦ Novia ♦ Pershing Nexus ♦ Transact ♦ Zurich ♦ Embark ♦ Ascentric ♦ Hargreaves Lansdown ♦ Allfunds ♦ Fidelity ♦ Nucleus ♦ Old Mutual ♦ James Hay ♦ Raymond James

#### Important Information

This material is issued monthly by Montanaro Asset Management Limited ("MAM"), the Fund Manager. MAM is authorised and regula ted by the Financial Conduct Authority ("FCA") FRN: 183211. Company registration number 03246931. Registered office 53 Threadneedle Street, London, EC2R 8AR. It may not be copied or distributed or otherwise made available t o any recipient without the express written consent of MAM.

This material constitutes a financial promotion for the purposes of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 (the "Act"). The material included in this report has been prepared by MAM and is intended for informational purposes only. It does not constitute an invitation or offer to subscribe for or purchase shares in the Fund. Such investments can only be made by completing the application forms that accompany the Fund's Prospectus. This material is for Professional and Institutional Investors only; MAM is not authorised to market directly to retail investors. Retail investors should seek inde pendent financial advice before making any investment decisions.

Information and opinions presented in this material have been obtained or derived from sources believed by MAM to be reliable . MAM makes no representation as to their accuracy or completeness.

It is the responsibility of all users of this information to be informed and observe all applicable laws and regulations of a ny relevant jurisdictions where they reside.

