# **UCITS** Fund



# **Key Information**

**Share Class:** 

IAE1 (EUR)

**Fund Inception Date:** 

3 June 2024

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23 July 2024

**Fund Size:** 

\$787mm (as of 28 Feb. 2025)

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Luxembourg

LU2805323982

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**Share Price:** 

115.72 (as of 28 Feb. 2025)

Number of Holdings:1

1685 (789 Long, 896 Short)

Morningstar© Category:

EAA Fund Alt - Long/Short Equity -Global

**Minimum Subscription:** 

100K

Investment Management Fee:<sup>2</sup>

1.00%

**Expense Cap:** 

0.20%

Performance Fee:

15.0%

Local Lux Tax:3

0.01%

#### **Fund Overview**

## **Fund Objectives:**

The Fund seeks to deliver positive absolute returns by taking long and short positions in equity and equity-related instruments that are deemed to be relatively attractive or unattractive, respectively, based on AQR's investment models while integrating sustainability considerations. Further information about the sustainability-related aspects of the Fund is available at <a href="https://ucits.agr.com/Sustainability-Related-Disclosures.">https://ucits.agr.com/Sustainability-Related-Disclosures.</a>

## Fund Aspects:

The Fund is actively managed and employs a systematic, equity-market neutral investment strategy in a diversified, risk-managed portfolio.

The Fund invests both long and short, seeking to deliver returns that are uncorrelated to traditional asset classes.

The Fund draws on the AQR's alpha research and innovation, employing a wide range of datasets and methods, including machine learning and other optimization techniques.

#### **Umbrella Fund:**

The Fund is a sub-fund of AQR UCITS Funds II, a Luxembourg based UCITS of which the management company is FundRock Management Company S.A.

#### **Risk Management:**

Risk control is built into AQR's portfolio construction process with a focus on diversification to mitigate downside risk.

The Portfolio Management and Risk Management teams actively monitor and assess risk of the Fund.

## Risk and Reward Profile:

Calculated using historical data which may not be a reliable indicator of the Fund's future risk profile. See Key Investor Information Document (KIID) for details.

Lower Risk Potentially Lower Rewards 1 2 3 4 5 6













**Higher Risk** Potentially Higher Rewards

### Share Class Performance (Net) as of 28 Feb. 2025<sup>4</sup>

This shareclass was launched less than 12 months ago, therefore complete performance information cannot be shown at this time.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Holdings subject to change without notice.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Fees follow a step-down structure. Fees are charged on an investor's net aggregate subscription (subscription minus redemptions) vs. a blended weighted average approach.

Local Lux Tax per annum of Fund's NAV, payable quarterly.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Source: AQR, Bloomberg. Past performance does not predict future returns. Returns for periods over one year are annualised. For fees, refer to the Key Information section. Approved as a Financial Promotion for non-MiFID II regulated activities and for Institutional Investors only.

## Top 10 Country Exposures\*

	Long Exposure (% of NAV)	Short Exposure (% of NAV)
United States	170.3%	161.2%
Japan	43.3%	37.3%
United Kingdom	15.1%	10.7%
France	11.4%	8.3%
Switzerland	10.3%	9.9%
Australia	8.0%	7.8%
Canada	6.9%	6.9%
Germany	6.7%	6.5%
Italy	6.4%	4.1%
Sweden	4.5%	4.5%

282.9%

### **Sector Exposure\***

	Long Exposure (% of NAV)	Short Exposure (% of NAV)
Financials	62.9%	42.5%
Industrials	48.4%	41.1%
Consumer Discretionary	43.5%	42.2%
Health Care	43.1%	26.2%
Information Technology	39.8%	29.0%
Materials	17.6%	22.0%
Consumer Staples	16.2%	23.0%
Communication Services	15.8%	11.0%
Real Estate	6.6%	16.4%
Utilities	1.8%	15.0%
Total	295.6%	268.3%

# **Market Capitalization Exposure**

	Long Exposure (% of NAV)	Short Exposure (% of NAV)
Large Cap	158.6%	123.2%
Mid Cap	136.6%	145.3%
Small Cap	0.5%	2.3%
Micro Cap	0.0%	0.0%
Total	295.6%	270.8%

## **Individual Equities**

	Number Of Positions	Largest Position (% of NAV)
Long Position	789	2.4%
Short Position	896	1.7%

<sup>\*</sup>All Fund exposures are subject to change and should not be considered a recommendation to buy or sell securities.

257.2%

## **Principal Risks**

Total

The Fund is in Category 6 because of the high range and frequency of price movements (volatility) of the underlying investments referenced by the Fund.

The Fund may use derivatives in an attempt to reduce risk (hedging). It may be that the use of derivatives may not always be successful and cause unit prices to fluctuate which may in turn result in loss to the Fund.

The Fund is exposed to the currency markets which may be highly volatile. Large price swings can occur in such markets within very short periods and may result in your investment suffering a loss.

The Fund may enter into one or more derivatives with a counterparty. There is a risk that this party may fail to make its payments or become insolvent which may result in the fund and your investment suffering a loss.

The Fund may invest in less economically developed (known as emerging) markets which can involve greater risks than well developed economies. Amongst other issues, the level of government supervision and market regulation may be less than in more developed economies and could affect the value of your investment. Investment in emerging markets also increases the risk of settlement default.

Your investment in the Fund is not guaranteed and is at risk. You may lose some or all of your investment.

The Fund relies upon the performance of the Investment Manager of the Fund. If the Investment Manager performs poorly the value of your investment is likely to be adversely affected.

The Fund is subject to the risk that environmental, social or governance conditions or events may occur that may have a material negative impact on the value of its investments.

More information in relation to risks in general may be found in the "Risk Factors" section of the prospectus.

The decision to invest in the Fund should take into account all the characteristics or objectives of the Fund as described in its prospectus

## **Investment Approach**

# **Philosophy**

AQR's investment philosophy is the systematic implementation of fundamental investing. Across the firm, we believe that markets are mostly efficient, but inefficiencies exist. Our edge lies within innovative research, systematic implementation, and multi-faceted diversification. A constant focus on innovation is key, including the use of novel data sets and innovative methods such as machine learning and natural language processing. Our investment signals and research are grounded in economic theory. We rely on systems to implement the sound judgment of human researchers, not to replace them.

#### **Investment Process**

The Fund is a highly diversified equity market neutral strategy that seeks to provide consistent absolute returns with low-to-zero correlations to traditional asset classes. We collect data from a wide variety of traditional and non-traditional, public, and proprietary sources, encompassing items such as market pricing and investor behavior, fundamentals, textual analysis, the actions of other market participants, alternative data, and a variety of other financiallyrelevant security characteristics. Our model converts these data points into several hundred signals to generate forecasts of individual stock price movements, changes in company fundamentals, and stock price risk. We deploy insights from academic research as well as proprietary signals, which we believe are not widely known and/or are difficult to exploit using commonly deployed investment approaches and widely available tools. Signals are selected based on their economic intuition, historical efficacy in forecasting returns, statistical and economic significance, and effectiveness across equity universes and market environments. We combine these forecasts into a diversified portfolio using a wide range of methods, including machine learning and other optimization techniques. Our approach incorporates thoughtful portfolio design and disciplined risk controls and trading techniques, which we believe can lead to attractive long-term results.

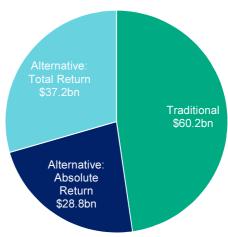
# **Company Profile**

#### At a Glance:

AQR is a global investment management firm dedicated to delivering results for our clients. At the nexus of economics, behavioral finance, data and technology, AQR's evolution over two decades has been a continuous exploration of what drives markets and how it can be applied to client portfolios. The firm is headquartered in Greenwich, Connecticut, with offices in Bangalore, Dubai, Hong Kong, London, Munich and Sydney.

## Assets Under Management<sup>5</sup>

Total Assets: \$126.2bn



## **Portfolio Managers**



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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Approximate as of 28 Feb. 2025. Includes assets managed by AQR and its advisory affiliates.

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Definition: (ESTR) Euro Short Term Rate is an effective overnight interest rate computed as a weighted average of all overnight unsecured lending transactions in the interbank market in euros.

Where the benchmark is not being used in reference to the management and/or implementation of the investment policy of the Fund, the referenced benchmark is used for the calculation of performance fees and/or as a point of comparison.

The fees and charges paid by the Fund will reduce the return on your investment. Certain costs paid by the Fund will be charged in USD and exchange rate fluctuations may cause these costs to increase or decrease when converted into your local currency.

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