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Focus on companies providing solutions to water scarcity



EUR 3.4 billion assets under management



Experienced team of specialized thematic investment professionals

The RobecoSAM Sustainable Water Equities strategy invests globally in companies offering products and services that address the challenges related to the quantity, quality and allocation of water.

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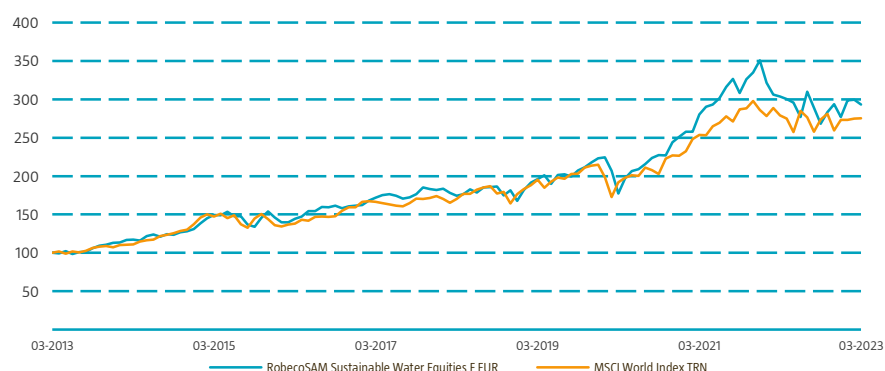
## STRATEGY

- **Pure access to sustainability theme**  
Addresses the sustainability challenge of rising water stress and supply deficits worldwide.
- **Sustainability** Integration of ESG criteria throughout the investment process.
- **High conviction** Seeks to optimize returns and exposure to water-theme via a portfolio diversified across regions and sectors.
- **Sustainable Development Goals** Invests in companies that advance the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

## WHY INVEST IN THIS FUND?

- ① **Forward-looking concept** Population growth, urbanization and water-intensive dietary changes add to rising water demand. Implementing solutions to these challenges is critical to survival and a pre-requisite for further economic growth. This is one of the major growth opportunities of our times.
- ② **Focus areas** Invests in structural winners along the water value chain such as wastewater treatment, water analytics and infrastructure.
- ③ **A reliable partner** As pioneers in sustainable investing, clients benefit from seasoned expertise in thematic research, investment analysis, and product development.

### Performance at 31/03/2023



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### Water – the essence of life

Water is a precious resource in short supply. Long-term megatrends such as population growth, increasing per capita water consumption and pollution are major drivers of water scarcity, which is exacerbated by aging and inefficient water infrastructure. Further, as demand for water continues to rise and the global water supply is limited by the natural water cycle, climate change induces more frequent and longer periods of drought. Increased urbanization, population migration to water-scarce areas as well as improved living standards and water-intensive dietary changes in developing countries are leading to massive increases in water consumption. As global demand for water already exceeds global water supply, the water deficit will become even more acute in the future. This means that access to clean and safe water supplies in sufficient quantities as well as higher efficiency in water treatment and infrastructure are key to support both economic and population growth. Untreated wastewater – estimated at around 80% of all wastewater globally – is also an important source of GHG emissions and, therefore, improved wastewater treatment can contribute to climate change mitigation.

Addressing the global water scarcity challenge will require substantial investments and capital expenditures, not only to replace and renew outdated infrastructure but also for R&D in order to develop innovative technologies to source, deliver, conserve and reuse water resources.



Dieter Küffer CFA, Jindapa (Amy)  
Wanner-Thavornsuk CFA

'Water is a precious, yet finite resource essential for life, with no adequate substitute. Supplying and allocating water of adequate quality and in sufficient quantity is one of the major challenges facing society today. Such challenges are creating a giant market for water solutions.'

## FUND FACTS

<b>Name of fund</b>	RobecoSAM Sustainable Water Equities F EUR
<b>Fund manager(s)</b>	Dieter Küffer CFA, Jindapa (Amy) Wanner-Thavornsuk CFA
<b>Index</b>	MSCI World Index TRN
<b>First quotation date</b>	29-Oct-2020
<b>Ongoing charges</b>	0.96%
<b>Tradable</b>	Daily
<b>Management fee</b>	0.75%
<b>Service fee</b>	0.16%
<b>ISIN</b>	LU2146191569

### Performance at 31/03/2023

	Returns		
	Fund	Index	Excess
March	-2.08%	0.63%	-2.70%
Last quarter	5.82%	5.83%	-0.01%
1-Year	-3.42%	-4.78%	1.36%
3-Year (ann.)	18.24%	16.78%	1.45%
5-Year (ann.)	10.94%	10.72%	0.22%
Since inception (ann.)	11.87%	11.03%	0.85%

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