Key Investor Information

This document provides you with key investor information about this fund. It is not marketing material. The information is required by law to help you understand the nature and the risks of investing in this fund. You are advised to read it so you can make an informed decision about whether to invest.

ES AllianceBernstein Europe (Ex UK) Equity Fund ("the Fund")

I Accumulation (GBP), ISIN: GB00BJMHLK84
A sub-fund of the ES AllianceBernstein UK OEIC, an open-ended Investment Company
Equity Trustees Fund Services Ltd is the Authorised Corporate Director of the Fund

Objectives and investment policy

Investment Objective:

To achieve an increase in the value of its investment over a rolling 5 year period after the deduction of all fees through an actively managed, diversified portfolio of shares in European (excluding UK) companies.

Investment policy:

The Sub-Fund seeks to meet its investment objective by investing at least 80% of the Sub-Fund's total value in shares of European (excluding UK) companies. A "European company" means any company that is organized in or has substantial business activities in Europe. Investment can be direct or indirectly in equity related securities. Indirect exposure may be achieved by investing up to 10% of the Sub-Fund's value in Collective Investment Schemes, which may include other funds managed by the Investment Manager or its affiliates.

The Sub-Fund is actively managed meaning the Investment Manager uses their expertise to select investments to achieve the Sub-Fund's objectives.

The Sub-Fund will be diversified (investing in at least 30 companies) and the Investment Manager's investment decisions are not restricted to any specific industry sector or company size,

When selecting which companies to invest in and how much, the Investment Manager uses a combination of in-depth research (to develop a view on the ability of a company to meet return targets), an assessment of the downside risks (to estimate a company's potential to decline in value if market conditions change) and the company's contribution to the portfolio's overall risk exposures.

The Investment Manager will include, as part of its overall investment process, Environmental, Social, and Governance ("ESG") factors when considering whether or not to invest in or sell particular shares. The Investment Manager is not restricted by the investment policy from holding a particular company, unless the company is identified in accordance with the Sub-Fund's Exclusion Policy as stated in the prospectus.

The Investment Manager engages with companies as part of their fundamental research process and to take an active stewardship role by voting in relation to shares held by the Sub-Fund once it has invested

Although the Sub-Fund name states '(Ex UK)', and in-line with the Sub-Fund's Investment policy, the Sub-Fund may invest in shares of UK companies to achieve its Investment objective. At all times the Sub-Fund's investment into UK companies will not exceed 5% of the Sub-Fund's net assets.

The Sub-Fund may also invest up to 20% of its value in money market instruments, deposits, cash and near cash.

The Sub-Fund may also use derivatives for investment, efficient portfolio management or hedging purposes. Use of derivatives for investment purposes are limited to currency forwards used to gain exposure to European (ex UK) currencies.

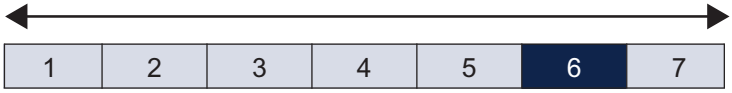
Any investment in derivatives for efficient portfolio management and investment purposes, is not intended to increase the Sub-Fund's risk profile.

Please refer to the prospectus for the full investment policy and objective.

Risk and reward profile

The Risk and Reward Indicator table demonstrates where the Fund ranks in terms of its potential risk and reward. The higher the rank the greater the potential reward but the greater the risk of losing money. It is based on past data, may change over time and may not be a reliable indication of the future risk profile of the Fund. The shaded area in the table below shows the Fund's ranking on the Risk and Reward Indicator.

Typically lower rewards, Lower risk — **Typically higher rewards, Higher risk**



- This Fund is ranked at 6 because Funds of this type have experienced medium to high rises and falls in value in the past. The risk and reward score is based on past performance and calculated in accordance with European legislation. It may not be a reliable indication of the future risk profile. The risk and reward score is not guaranteed and may change over time. The lowest category does not mean risk free. While the risk indicator takes into account the broader risk profile, the following risks are considered most relevant to this Fund:
- **Equity Securities:** Equities can lose value rapidly, and typically involve higher market risks than bonds, money market instruments or other debt instruments. Fluctuation in value may occur in response to activities of individual companies, the general market, economic conditions, or changes in currency exchange rates.
- **Concentration:** In certain conditions the Sub-Fund may invest in a relatively small number of securities, which may result in portfolio concentration in sectors, countries, or other groupings. These potential concentrations mean that a loss arising in a single investment may cause a proportionately greater loss in the Sub-Fund than if a larger number of investments were made.
- **Liquidity:** There is a risk that adverse market conditions may affect the Fund's ability to sell assets at the price the Fund would like, or the Fund may have to sell them at a loss.
- **Currency:** To the extent that a Sub-Fund holds assets that are denominated in currencies other than the base currency, any changes in currency exchange rates could reduce investment gains or income, or increase investment losses.
- **Country:** In certain countries, there are risks associated with custody and counterparties that are higher than in developed countries.
- **ESG Investing:** The Fund may use certain ESG criteria in their investment strategies. This may limit the types and number of investment opportunities available and, as a result, the Fund may underperform in relation to other funds that do not have an ESG focus.
- For further risk information please see the Prospectus and the Fund Supplement.

Charges

The charges you pay are used to pay the costs of running the Fund, including the costs of marketing and distributing it. These charges reduce the potential growth of your investment.

One-off charges taken before or after you invest	
Entry charge	0.00%
Exit charge	0.00%

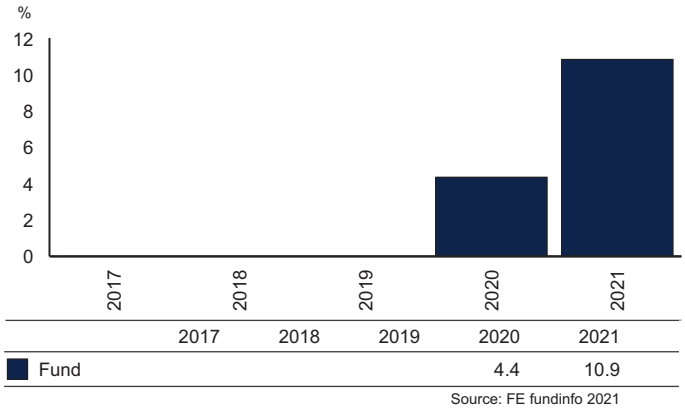
These are the maximum charges that we might take out of your money before it is invested and before we pay out the sale proceeds of your investment. In some cases, you might pay less and you should speak to your financial adviser about this.

Charges taken from the fund over a year	
Ongoing charge	0.80%

Charges taken from the fund under certain specific conditions	
Performance fee	NONE

- For the ongoing charge, the figure is at 31/08/2021.
- For more information about charges please refer to the Fund's Prospectus which is available from the ACD at www.equitytrustees.com.

Past Performance



	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Fund				4.4	10.9

Source: FE fundinfo 2021

- You should be aware that past performance is not a guide to future performance.
- Fund launch date: 29/03/2019.
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- Historical performance data does not exist for this Sub-Fund
- The Sub-Fund is not managed to target or exceed the performance of any specific benchmark, nor are the Investment Manager's investment decisions constrained by any benchmark. However, the ACD welcomes investors to compare the Sub-Fund's performance by comparison to the MSCI Europe Ex UK

Practical information

- Further Information: Detailed information on this Fund, including how to buy, sell and switch shares and other share classes available can be found within the Principal Prospectus and the annual and semi-annual reports which are available free of charge. These documents are only available in English and can be downloaded from our website (www.equitytrustees.com). Daily prices are also available from our website.
- The remuneration policy of Equity Trustees Fund Services Ltd the ACD is available at www.equitytrustees.com. A paper copy will be made available upon request.
- Other practical information, including current share prices for the Fund, may be obtained from our website or by contacting us.
- Depositary: State Street Trustees Limited is the depositary for this Fund.
- Tax Legislation: The tax laws of the UK, in addition to the tax laws of your country of residence, may impact how your investment in the Fund is taxed. You are advised to seek professional tax advice.
- Liability Statement: Equity Trustees Fund Services Ltd may be held liable solely on the basis of any statement contained in this document that is misleading, inaccurate or inconsistent with the relevant parts of the prospectus for the fund.
- Your investment will fall and rise in value and you could get back less than you invest.

This Fund is authorised in the United Kingdom and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority.

This Key Investor Information is accurate as at 1 March 2022.