

Ecofin Sustainable Global Water UCITS Fund (Lux Fund)

Q2 2022 QUARTERLY COMMENTARY

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Fund overview

The Ecofin Sustainable Global Water Fund invests in companies across the globe and throughout the water value chain that we believe are in a position to benefit from the pursuit to solve the water supply/demand imbalance.

The fund continued to lag in the second quarter, falling approximately 8.9% during the period. The strategy outperformed the S&P Global Water Index for the quarter which returned -10.8% and global equities which fell 10.7% (measured by MSCI ACWI) in the second quarter.

Lux Fund's returns as of 30 June 2022

(All total returns in EUR)	Quarter to date %	Year to date %	1 year %	Since inception* %
Fund NAV	-8.9	-18.7	-1.1	11.3
S&P Global Water Index	-10.8	-20.7	-2.1	11.9
S&P Global Infrastructure Index	-1.7	7.8	19.8	6.5

*6 August, 2019.

All performance data for periods longer than one year is annualised (% per annum). NAV performance in EUR for the Founder share class.

2022 Performance Commentary

Equity markets continued to be extremely weak during the second quarter as many of the same market headwinds we discussed at the end of the first quarter continued into the second quarter. Those included persistently high inflation, tighter global monetary policies, higher interest rates and increasing global geopolitical tensions. However, increasing global and U.S. recession risk was added to the list of headwinds during quarter as the outlook for economic growth began to slow significantly. In our view, recession risk increased materially as a result of even more hawkish monetary policy from global central banks, punishingly high energy prices and weakening consumer health and sentiment. The shift from concerns around high inflation to recession risk put further downward pressure on broad equity markets and the water sector during the quarter. The drawdown in the water sector continues to be frustrating as the fundamental outlook remains generally constructive despite the economic headwinds. As a result, our earnings expectations for the portfolio for 2022 and 2023 have remained largely unchanged since the beginning of the year and the negative equity performance year-to-date is purely a multiple de-rating in the sector.

From a water value chain standpoint, both the infrastructure and equipment & services sub-sectors performed poorly during the quarter as nearly every security in the portfolio was in negative territory. The same broad equity market headwinds mentioned above weighed on the water sector despite constructive first quarter earnings and outlooks for the remainder of the year.

In the infrastructure sub-sector, U.S. water utilities held in relatively well for the period. The largely defensive business models, strong earnings outlooks and generally constructive regulatory environment helped support the equities on a relative basis, although they still had negative returns in the quarter. International water utilities, underperformed significantly during the quarter. Specifically, surging energy prices and Covid lockdowns were significant headwinds on European and Chinese water utilities, respectively. We continue to believe U.S. water utilities will relatively outperform for the remainder of the year as the companies continue to exhibit strong growth profiles underpinned by regulated capital expenditure programs that we believe will remain robust over the long-term. In the volatile equity market and economic backdrop, the defensive growth profile should support the equities.

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The equipment & services sub-sector continued to be a large drag on portfolio performance during the quarter. As we indicated in our first quarter commentary, the significant move in interest rates and increasing concerns around economic growth resulted in a significant de-rating for many securities in the sub-sector. Unfortunately, those negative headwinds intensified in the second quarter as increasing recession risk furthered investor concerns regarding top line growth and margins. Despite the poor performance of the companies in the equity market, we continue to expect above market growth for many companies in the equipment & services sub-sector over the medium-to-long term as the secular tailwinds remain strong. However, in the near-term, the equities will have to get through this period of economic and market uncertainty to be rewarded for that growth outlook.

In summary, global water equities continued to experience a significant drawdown in the second quarter as a multitude of risk factors (inflation, monetary policy, interest rates, geopolitical tensions and rising recession risk) weighed on risk-assets. As experienced in the first quarter, the drawdown in the sector continued to be purely a de-rating from a multiple perspective, as the weighted average earnings outlook for the portfolio remains essentially unchanged from the end of 2021. Our current expectation is for the portfolio's earnings to grow low-double digits in 2022.

ACE22 Spotlight

The Ecofin water team attended the American Water Works Association's Annual Conference and Exposition (ACE22) water trade show in June. ACE is a clean-water focused trade show highlighting various equipment and technology for use in drinking water, storm water and water reuse systems. The team spent two days meeting with management teams and viewing the latest equipment and technology during booth tours. The discussions centered around a broad range of technologies such as smart meters with two-way communication, software-as-a service offerings, integrated water quality sensors and data management and analytics for utility and industrial customers. In our view, the conference confirmed our belief that technology adoption in the water sector is accelerating and will be imperative in solving global water quality and scarcity issues.

One emerging technology specifically caught our attention. Sensors that are integrated into smart meters are an emerging technology that will ultimately improve water quality over time as more customers adopt the technology. These sensors are able to detect a range of parameters, including pressure, temperature, turbidity, chlorine, etc. at various points along the water network. The water quality data is monitored in real-time and analysis can be done to identify any changes in water quality that is potentially harmful to end users. One interesting development in the water quality sensor space is the potential development of a sensor that can detect per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) contamination. With the increasing regulation of PFAS contamination around the world, the development of PFAS detection sensors would be very valuable to the company that successfully commercializes the technology.

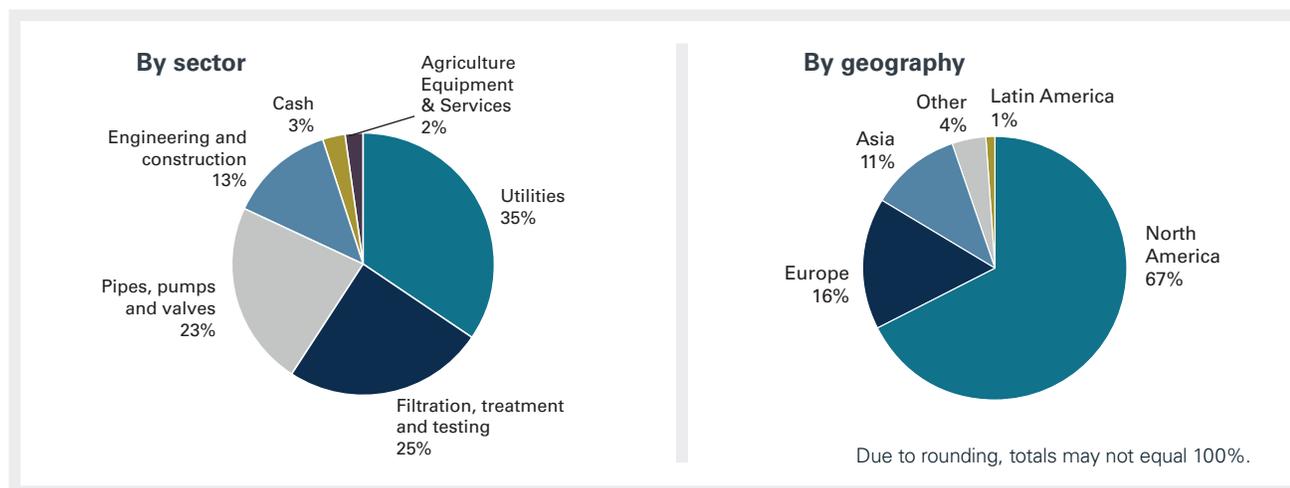
Market Outlook

Reiterating our water market outlook from first quarter, we remain confident the secular tailwinds in the water sector will continue to provide momentum for strong risk-adjusted equity performance over the medium-to-long term. Many of those tailwinds, including increased infrastructure spending and technology adoption and corporate sustainability initiatives, are in the very early innings of playing out, which furthers our confidence in the sector. We do acknowledge, the near-term set-up from an equity standpoint will likely remain volatile, as global central banks attempt to dampen inflation, geopolitical tensions remain high and recession risk increases, all of which have negative implications for global economic growth and equity market sentiment.

However, we remain focused on positioning the portfolio in companies with exposure to end-markets with healthy momentum that we believe should execute through continued commodity inflation and economic growth headwinds to provide relatively strong earnings growth. In our view, companies that can exhibit top and bottom line growth over the next 12 – 18 months should be rewarded in equity markets as we believe negative earnings revisions are a likely negative catalyst for equities broadly. Additionally, we believe water utilities with strong growth profiles in constructive regulatory jurisdictions should perform relatively well for the remainder of 2022 and into 2023, and have adjusted the portfolio accordingly. Lastly, we do see potential for project activity in the U.S. to begin to pick up later in the year as funding from the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) is released and projects move into the execution phase. This will support many companies in the portfolio from engineering & construction (E&C) firms helping with design and implementation to pumps, pipes & valves companies supplying key materials for those projects.

Portfolio exposure (% of NAV)

As of 30 June 2022



Key quarterly performance drivers

- Pumps, pipes & valves and filtration, treatment & test sub-sectors were the largest positive attribution drivers in the second quarter.
- Utilities were a slight drag on attribution for the quarter.

Top five contributors	Sector	Bottom five contributors	Sector
Diversey Holdings Ltd	Filtration, treatment and test	Veolia Environmental	Water utility
Grupo Rotoplas SAB de CV	Pipes, pumps & valves	Advanced Drainage Systems Inc	Pipes, pumps & valves
Masco Corporation	Pipes, pumps & valves	Evoqua Water Technologies Corp	Filtration, treatment and test
The York Water Co	Water utility	Zurn Elkay Water Solutions Corp	Pipes, pumps & valves
Kurita Water Industries Ltd	Filtration, treatment and test	Danaher Corporation	Pipes, pumps & valves

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| • 5.7- 7.1: A | • 4.3- 5.7: BBB |
| • 2.9- 4.3: BB | • 1.4- 2.9: B |
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Step 1: Calculate the "Fund Weighted Average ESG Score" of the underlying holding's "Overall ESG Scores". The Overall ESG Scores represent either the ESG Ratings Final Industry-Adjusted Score or Government Adjusted ESG Score of the issuer. Methodology for the issuer level scores are available in the MSCI ESG Ratings Methodology document.

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