

# Sustainable Model Portfolio Service

In partnership with LGT Wealth Management

August 2023

# **EPIM Sustainable Growth**

# Asset allocation Fixed interest 18% UK equity 2% Overseas equity 74% Alternatives 4% Cash 2%

# **Top 10 holdings**

Lazard Global Sustainable Equity Fund	8.20%
AB Sustainable US Thematic Equity	8.20%
Janus Henderson Global Sustainable Equity	8.00%
Morgan Stanley Global Sustain	7.50%
Schroder Global Sustainable Value	6.40%
Stewart Investors Worldwide Sustainable	6.30%
Stewart Investors Asia Pacific Leaders	5.60%
Ninety One Global Environment	5.20%
Sparinvest Ethical Global Value	5.10%
Brown Advisory Global Sustainable Total	4.60%

## Portfolio information

Launch date	1 June 2020
Minimum cash holding	2%
Annual management charge	0.3%
Total Cost of Investment	0.77%

#### Portfolio description

The primary objective of this portfolio is to achieve above average capital growth. The portfolio is diversified across a range of asset classes, with a medium-to-high allocation to funds investing in equities (expected to be no greater than 85%) and other risk assets. Target Volatility: 8%-13%

## Sustainable philosophy

The ultimate goal of the portfolio is to support more inclusive social and economic development and more sustainable environmental and business practices, whilst generating strong and consistent investment returns. The portfolio will aim to achieve this by investing in a diversified range of funds which include themes such as renewable energy, financial inclusion, education, social housing, climate change action, sustainable waste management and renewable material production.



# Monthly investment update

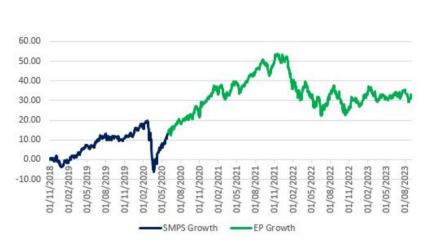
In August, increased market volatility stemmed from concerns about the Chinese property market, weak Chinese economic data, and rising sovereign bond yields. As a result, global stocks, as were down for the month, with developed markets performing better than emerging markets. Fixed income investments did not provide a safe haven due to rising sovereign yields.

In the US, despite a credit rating downgrade by Fitch, economic data pointed to a strong labour market and robust retail sales. Inflation concerns persisted, prompting the Federal Reserve to maintain a data-dependent approach and consider potential rate hikes. The UK saw a Bank of England rate hike and outperformed economic expectations in Q2. Inflation eased, but strong labour market data suggested more rate hikes may be on the horizon. China faced economic challenges, deflationary risks and property market difficulties. The People's Bank of China reduced interest rates, but credit demand remained weak. Japan's economy expanded and inflation in the region showed signs of improvement.

Given these developments, diversification with a focus on quality remains prudent for investors.



#### **Performance**



Source: Morningstar

As at end of August 2023
-1.73%
1.06%
0.50%
0.26%
9.81%
Target
8 to 13%
6 to 8%
-19%
Yield
1.19%
80%
20%

As at end of August 2023

Where targets are given, these are for indication purposes only; the actual figures achieved could be more or less than the ranges given. Source: Morningstar. Net of underlying fund costs, gross of all other charges. Source: Figaro. Fixed income considered saving income, all other asset classes (bar cash) considered dividend income.

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