# Australian Ethical Emerging Companies Fund

Fund Profile - 29 February 2024

Australian Ethical is one of Australia's leading ethical fund managers. By investing responsibly in well-managed ethical companies, we deliver competitive financial performance to our clients and positive change to society and the environment. Since our inception in 1986, our Ethical Charter has guided all investment decisions and underpinned our business practices. Every year 10 per cent of our profits\* are distributed to charitable organisations and social impact initiatives through The Australian Ethical Foundation.

### Investment objective

To provide long-term growth by investing in small capitalisation companies that meet the Australian Ethical Charter. The fund aims to significantly exceed the return of the S&P/ASX Small Industrials Total Return Index after taking into account management costs over a 7 year period.

### **Price information**

Pricing frequency:	Daily
Buy/Sell spread:	0.15%/0.15%

### **Fund facts**

Fund size:	\$16.09m
Benchmark:	S&P ASX Small Industrials
Asset class:	Equity
Inception date:	30/06/2015
Minimum investment timeframe:	7 Years
Risk level:	Very high
Identifiers	
ISIN code:	AU60AUG00267
APIR code:	AUG0026AU
Distributions	
Frequency:	2
Dates:	30/06, 31/12
Fees	
Management costs - PDS:	1.69%
Performance fee:	20%
Minimum initial investment:	\$1,000 \$500 with a Regular investor plan
Additional transactional and operational costs:	0.00%

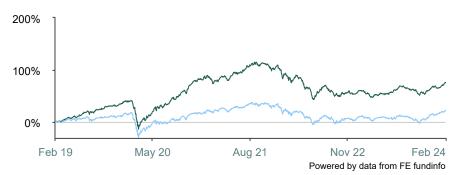
A full explanation of all the fees and costs that you may be charged for investing in the Fund is provided in the Fund's Product Disclosure Statements available from our website australianethical.com.au

\*(after tax, before bonus expense)

#### Investment strategy

The opportunity to invest in a diversified portfolio of shares in small capitalisation companies on the basis of their social, environmental and financial credentials. The Fund utilises an active stock-picking management style with stocks selected for growth rather than income. All stocks are chosen on the basis of relative value where we deem the risks are being adequately priced.

### Cumulative performance (as at 29/02/2024)



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S&P/ASX Small Indust.

### Performance (as at 29/02/2024)

	1m	3m	6m	1y	Зу	5y	10y	Since inception (ann.)
Fund	5.8%	10.7%	6.1%	12.6%	-0.9%	12.0%	-	11.9%
S&P/ASX Small Indust.	3.9%	14.9%	10.1%	12.9%	1.1%	4.3%	-	6.9%

### Calendar Performance (as at end 2023)

	CY2023	CY2022	CY2021	CY2020	CY2019
Fund	9.7%	-25.8%	14.4%	35.1%	44.7%
S&P/ASX Small Indust.	11.4%	-21.8%	13.7%	5.9%	24.5%

Source: FE fundinfo.

Total returns are calculated using the sell (exit) price, net of management fees and gross of tax as if distributions of income have been reinvested at the actual distribution reinvestment price. The actual returns received by an investor will depend on the timing, buy and exit prices of individual transactions. Return of capital and the performance of your investment in the fund are not guaranteed. Past period of less than one year have not been adjusted to show an annual total return. Figures for periods of greater than one year are on a per annum compound basis. The current benchmark may not have been the benchmark over all periods shown in the above chart and tables. The calculation of the benchmark performance links the performance of previous benchmarks and the current benchmark over the relevant time periods.



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### Top 10

GENTRACK GROUP LTD	4.2%
ANSARADA GROUP LIMITED	4.2%
NUIX LTD	4.2%
AUSSIE BROADBAND PTY LTD	4.0%
CONTACT ENERGY LTD	4.0%
MERIDIAN ENERGY LIMITED -PARTIAL PAID SHARE	3.4%
BRAVURA SOLUTIONS LTD	3.3%
MACQUARIE TECHNOLOGY GROUP LTD ORD F/PD DS	3.3%
MERCURY NZ LTD	2.8%
DOMAIN HOLDINGS AUSTRALIA LIMITED	2.7%

### **Ratings and awards**

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Certification:

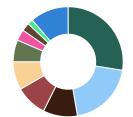


### Sector allocation

Information Technology	27.5%
Health Care	19.8%
Utilities	10.1%
Financials	9.3%
Consumer Discretionary	8.3%
Communication Services	6.4%
Industrials	3.3%
Real Estate	2.4%
Materials	1.6%
Other	11.3%

## Asset allocation

Australian & NZ Small Cap	88.7%
Cash	11.3%





### Why invest ethically?

Portfolio diversification: Diversify your portfolio by investing in companies and sectors not well covered by other fund managers and brokers. Help build a better world: Invest in the new, lowcarbon economy, fund medical and technology breakthroughs, efficient transport and more. Promote human rights: We strive to avoid any investment in companies involved in the poor treatment of asylum seekers or the exploitation of workers through poor working conditions.

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