# Delivering a sustainable future

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# Now: A Question

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If current rates of pollution are sustained, in how many years will the world's CO2 emissions budget for limiting warming to 1.5 degrees above pre-industrial levels be used up?

- 1. 8 years
- 2. 13 years
- 3. 18 years
- 4. 23 years

# Now: A Question

If global policy makers were to take the 1.5 degree target seriously, pricing carbon efficiently and acting in a coordinated manner, approximately how much economic growth would need to be sacrificed over the next 30 years?

- 1. Nothing
- 2. 0.1% per annum
- 3. 0.5% per annum
- 4. 1% per annum

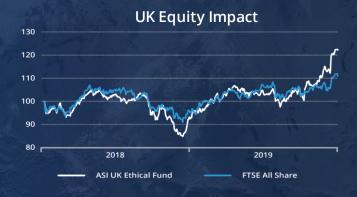




### ASI Values Led Propositions













### 2020 is a critical year for raising climate change ambition

In 2019, we saw...

- Physical impacts of climate change being felt across the globe with record temperatures, severe floods and fires
- Continuously growing energy demand and greenhouse gas emissions reaching record levels
- Public pressure to act on climate change increasing and net zero commitments in certain countries and businesses

What we commit to in 2020 and what we do in the next decade will determine life on this planet for centuries.

#### Asset managers have a critical role to play in making the low carbon transition happen:

- 1. Integrate climate risks & opportunities into decisions
- 2. Influence corporate strategy through engagement
- 3. Allocate capital to support the energy transition
- 4. Be vocal about stronger climate policies

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# Now: A Question

Following this session, will you consider increasing the importance of climate change in your investment approach?

- 1. Not at all
- 2. to a small extent
- 3. to a moderate extent
- 4. to a substantial extent





### Discrete performance



Calendar year returns (%)	1 year to 31 December 2019	1 year to 31 December 2018	1 year to 31 December 2017	1 year to 31 December 2016	1 year to 31 December 2015
ASI Europe ex UK Ethical Equity Fund	20.8	-12.6	18.0	17.0	7.3
FTSE World Europe ex UK + 2%	22.5	-7.5	19.5	21.7	7.4
Source: Lipper. Share Class I Acc. Total Return, NAV	to NAV, net of annual cha	arges, gross income reinv	vested, GBP, 31 Decem	per 2019	
Calendar year returns (%)	1 year to 31 December 2019	1 year to 31 December 2018	1 year to 31 December 2017	1 year to 31 December 2016	1 year to 31 December 2015
SLI Global Equity Impact Fund	27.6	-14.9			
MSCI AC World Index	27.3	-8.9	24.6	8.5	-1.8
Source: Lipper. Share Class D Acc. Total Return, NA	V to NAV, net of annual ch	arges, gross income reir	nvested, USD, 31 Decen	nber 2019	
Calendar year returns (%)	1 year to 31 December 2019	1 year to 31 December 2018	1 year to 31 December 2017	1 year to 31 December 2016	1 year to 31 December 2015
ASI UK Opportunities Equity Fund	41.2				
FTSE All Share + 3%	24.2	-6.5	16.1	19.7	4.0
Source: Lipper. Share Class I Acc. Total Return, NAV	to NAV, net of annual cha	arges, gross income reinv	vested, USD, 31 Decem	ber 2019	An 1991
Calendar year returns (%)	1 year to 31 December 2019	1 year to 31 December 2018	1 year to 31 December 2017	1 year to 31 December 2016	1 year to 31 December 2015
ASI UK Ethical Equity Fund	33.1	-14.4	24.6	0.1	15.9

Source: Lipper. Share Class I Acc. Total Return, NAV to NAV, net of annual charges, gross income reinvested, USD, 31 December 2019

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### ASI Europe ex UK Ethical Equity Fund



#### **Investment Objective**

To generate growth over the long term (5 years or more) by investing in European equities (company shares) which meet the ethical criteria set out in the investment manager's ethical investment policy. Performance Target: To achieve the return of the FTSE World Europe ex UK Index plus 2% per annum over rolling five year periods (before charges). The Performance Target is the level of performance that the management team hopes to achieve for the fund. There is however no certainty or promise that they will achieve the Performance Target. The ACD believes this is an appropriate target for the fund based on the investment policy of the fund and the constituents of the index.

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- The fund invests in equity and equity related securities. These are sensitive to variations in the stock markets which can be volatile and change substantially in short periods of time.

### ASI UK Opportunities Equity Fund



#### Investment Objective

To generate growth over the long term (5 years or more) by investing in UK small and mid-capitalisation equities (company shares). Performance Target: To achieve the return of the FTSE All-Share ex FTSE 100 ex Investment Trusts Index, plus 3% per annum (before charges). The Performance Target is the level of performance that the management team hopes to achieve for the fund. There is however no certainty or promise that they will achieve the Performance Target. The ACD believes this is an appropriate target for the fund based on the investment policy of the fund and the constituents of the index.

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**Investment Objective** 

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