



# Ecofin Global Water ESG Fund (EBLU)



Ecofin Global Water ESG Fund (EBLU) received a Four Star Overall Morningstar Rating™ among 108 Natural Resources funds (based on a weighted average of the fund's three-, five- and ten-year risk-adjusted return measure, if applicable) as of 12/31/2023.

The Ecofin Global Water ESG Fund uses a passive management approach and seeks to track the net total return performance of the Ecofin Global Water ESG Index<sup>SM</sup>.



Represents the aggregate ranking of the Fund's holdings as of 12/31/2023. Certain information ©2023 MSCI ESG Research LLC. Reproduced by permission; no further distribution.

## About the index

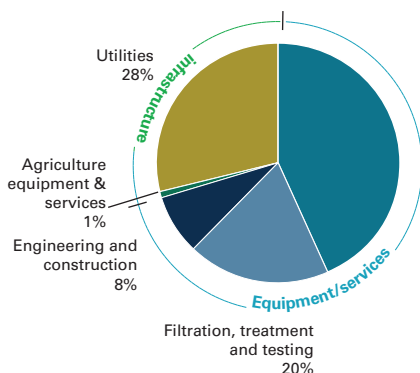
We believe that the Ecofin Global Water ESG Index<sup>SM</sup> represents the current global water landscape. It is comprised of companies that make conscientious efforts to positively impact the world environmentally, socially and with solid governance, and are poised to participate in and benefit from growth in the water industry. The index is a proprietary, rules-based, modified capitalization-weighted, float-adjusted index comprised of companies that are materially engaged in the water infrastructure or water equipment/services industries. Water infrastructure companies are those whose principal business is providing public water distribution or supporting/enhancing water distribution infrastructure via engineering, construction and/or consulting. Water equipment/services companies are those engaged in the business of producing water equipment, such as pipes, valves and pumps, or providing water services, such as filtration, treatment and testing.

## A differentiated strategy

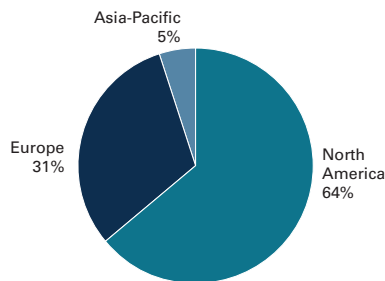
Purity	Sustainability	Investibility
Minimum 50% water exposure	Environmental, social and governance (ESG) screen	Liquidity
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Companies must (i) derive at least 50% of their revenues from water industry related activities, or (ii) derive at least 40% of their revenues from the water industry, be ranked in the top five companies by total revenue derived from any one water sub-industry, and whose principal source of revenue comes from the water industry</li> <li><b>Water infrastructure</b>, principal business is providing public water distribution or supporting/enhancing water distribution infrastructure</li> <li><b>Water equipment/services</b>, principal business is producing water equipment such as pipes, pumps, valves and water efficiency products, or water services, such as filtration, treatment and testing of water</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>ESG Risk Rating less than 30 required for inclusion, provided by Sustainalytics*</li> <li>At least 80% of the market cap of the index must meet the required ESG Risk Rating criteria</li> <li>Any existing constituent whose ESG Risk Rating is between 30 and 39.99 for three consecutive quarters will be removed. Any constituent whose ESG Risk Rating increases to 40 or above will be removed at the next rebalance</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Minimum liquidity turnover of 0.15 for two consecutive quarters to enter the index</li> <li>Market capitalization of \$400 million for two consecutive quarters at time of index inclusion</li> <li>Including a liquidity threshold that is proportional to market cap results in an index that represents a universe that is actually potentially investible</li> </ul>
	*The largest pure-play investment research and ratings firm dedicated to responsible investment and ESG research	

## Portfolio allocation as of 12/31/2023

### By sector<sup>1</sup>



### By geographic exposure



<sup>1</sup>Equipment/services includes pipes, pumps and valves and filtration, treatment and testing. Water infrastructure includes utilities and engineering and construction. <sup>2</sup>Tax characterization of 2023 distributions will be determined after the completion of EBLU's fiscal year. For more details, see EBLU's complete distribution and tax information at [www.ecofininvest.com](http://www.ecofininvest.com). <sup>3</sup>Percent of investments and cash equivalents. Due to rounding, totals may not equal 100%.

## Fund at a glance as of 12/31/2023 (unaudited)

Total assets	\$50.4 million
Ticker	EBLU
Cusip	56167N753
Listing exchange	NYSE Arca
Market price	\$43.82
52 week range	\$36.12 - \$44.12
NAV	\$43.82
Total number of holdings	39
Shares outstanding	1,150,000
Management fee	0.40%
Total expenses	0.40%

## Distribution information as of 12/31/2023

Semiannual amount per share <sup>2</sup>	\$0.264543
Payable date	1/2/2024

## Top 10 holdings as of 12/31/2023

Name	Index weight
Ferguson Plc	7.9%
Xylem Inc	7.7%
Ecolab Inc.	7.4%
American Water Works Co Inc.	7.1%
Geberit Ag-Reg	6.4%
Veolia Environnement	5.7%
Pentair Plc	4.2%
Ilex Corp.	4.0%
Smith (A.O.) Corp	4.0%
Advanced Drainage Systems	3.8%
<b>Top 10 holdings as a percent of investment securities<sup>3</sup></b>	<b>58.1%</b>

## Index characteristics as of 12/31/2023

Ticker (price)	TGWESG
Ticker (total return)	TGWESGT
Ticker (net total return)	TGWESGNT
Yield**	1.92%

\*\*Fund yield would be lower due to fees and expenses. Effective 6/15/2018, the fund's investment objective changed to track the net total return performance of the Ecofin Global Water ESG Index<sup>SM</sup>. Prior to 6/15/2018, the fund's investment objective was to track the total return performance of the Tortoise Water Index<sup>®</sup>.

**Performance** as of 12/31/2023

	4Q 2023	Calendar YTD	1 year	3 year	5 year	Since inception*
EBLU market price	15.90%	20.97%	20.97%	4.89%	13.13%	10.23%
EBLU NAV	16.06%	20.15%	20.15%	5.31%	12.99%	10.23%
Underlying index	16.12%	20.47%	20.47%	5.49%	13.27%	10.57%

\*The fund commenced operations on 2/14/2017.

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**Past performance is no guarantee of future results. Current performance may be lower or higher than the performance data quoted. Investment return and principal value will fluctuate so that an investor's shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than original cost. Returns less than one year are not annualized. NAV prices are used to calculate market price performance prior to the date when the fund first traded. Market performance is determined using the bid/ask midpoint at 4:00pm Eastern time, when the NAV is typically calculated. Market performance does not represent the returns you would receive if you traded shares at other times. For the fund's most recent month end performance, please call (844) TR-INDEX or (844) 874-6339.**

**As stated in the Prospectus, the total annual operating expenses are 0.40%. The adviser has agreed to pay all expenses incurred by the fund except for the advisory fee, interest, taxes, brokerage expenses and other fees, charges, taxes, levies or expenses (such as stamp taxes) incurred in connection with the execution of portfolio transactions or in connection with creation and redemption transactions.**

**Index returns are for illustrative purposes only. Unlike the fund return, index return is pre-expenses and taxes. Index performance returns do not reflect any management fees, transaction costs or expenses.**

### About the Ecofin Brand

Ecofin focuses on sustainable investments and is dedicated to uniting ecology and finance. Our mission is to generate strong risk-adjusted returns while optimizing investors' impact on society. We are socially-minded, ESG-attentive investors, harnessing years of expertise investing in sustainable infrastructure, energy transition, clean water & environment and social impact. Our strategies are accessible through a variety of investment solutions and seek to achieve positive impacts that align with UN Sustainable Development Goals by addressing pressing global issues surrounding climate action, clean energy, water, education, healthcare and sustainable communities.

This strategy seeks to achieve positive impacts that align with the following UN Sustainable Development Goals<sup>1</sup>

#### Primary:



#### Secondary:



<sup>1</sup>In 2015, the UN announced the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) as a call to action for countries, governments, funders, and investors to unite to accomplish 17 global goals. These goals recognize that ending poverty and other deprivations must go hand-in-hand with strategies that improve health and education, reduce inequality, and spur economic growth – all while tackling climate change and working to preserve our oceans and forests. The UN has provided a framework of specific indicators to measure progress and a timeframe to achieve them by 2030, both of which reinforce the urgency and crucial nature of this work.

### Disclosures

TIS Advisors is the adviser to the Ecofin Global Water ESG Fund and is a registered investment advisor providing research-driven indices that can be used as a realistic basis for exchange-traded products and thought leadership in the universe of essential assets. Its indices are intended to fill a void in the market and provide benchmarks and investable asset class universes for use by investment professionals, research analysts and industry executives to analyze relative performance as well as to provide a basis for passively managed exchange-traded products. Exchange Traded Products, LLC serves as sub-adviser to the Fund.

**The fund's investment objective, risks, charges and expenses must be considered carefully before investing. The summary and statutory prospectus contains this and other important information about the fund and may be obtained by calling 844-TR-INDEX (844-874-6339) or visiting [www.tortoiseadvisors.com](http://www.tortoiseadvisors.com). Read it carefully before investing.**

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Investing involves risk. Principal loss is possible. Investment in the water infrastructure and management industry may significantly affect the value of the shares of the fund. Companies in the water industry are subject to environmental considerations, taxes, government regulation, price and supply fluctuations, competition and water conservation influences. Investments in

**non-U.S. companies (including Canadian issuers) involve risk not ordinarily associated with investments in securities and instruments of U.S. issuers, including risks related to political, social and economic developments abroad, differences between U.S. and foreign regulatory and accounting requirements, tax risk and market practices, as well as fluctuations in foreign currencies. The fund invests in small and mid-cap companies, which involve additional risks such as limited liquidity and greater volatility than larger companies. The fund is not actively managed, and therefore the fund generally will not sell a security due to current or projected underperformance of a security, industry or sector, unless that security is removed from the index or the selling of the security is otherwise required upon a rebalancing of the index. There is no guarantee that the fund will achieve a high degree of correlation to the index and therefore achieve its investment objective. The fund has elected to be, and intends to qualify each year for treatment as, a regulated investment company (RIC). To maintain the fund's qualification for federal income tax treatment as a RIC, the fund must meet certain source of-income, asset diversification and annual distribution requirements. If for any taxable year the fund fails to qualify for the special federal income tax treatment afforded to RICs, all of the fund's taxable income will be subject to federal income tax at regular corporate rates (without any deduction for distributions to its shareholders) and its income available for distribution will be reduced. Derivatives involve risks different from, and in certain cases, greater than the risks presented by more traditional investments. The fund is non-diversified, meaning it may concentrate its assets in fewer individual holdings than a diversified fund. Therefore, the fund is more exposed to individual stock volatility than a diversified fund.**

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The MSCI ESG Fund Ratings is designed to assess the resilience of a fund's aggregate holdings to long term ESG risks. Highly rated funds consist of issuers with leading or improving management of key ESG risks.

- AAA, AA: Leader- The companies that the fund invests in tend to show strong and/or improving management of financially relevant environmental, social and governance issues. These companies may be more resilient to disruptions arising from ESG events.
- A, BB, BB: Average- The fund invests in companies that tend to show average management of ESG issues, or in a mix of companies with both above-average and below-average ESG risk management.
- B, CCC: Laggard- The fund is exposed to companies that do not demonstrate adequate management of the ESG risks that they face or show worsening management of these issues. These companies may be more vulnerable to disruptions arising from ESG events.

The Fund ESG Rating is calculated as a direct mapping of "Fund ESG Quality Score" to letter rating categories.

- 8.6- 10: AAA
- 7.1- 8.6: AA
- 5.7- 7.1: A
- 4.3- 5.7: BBB
- 2.9- 4.3: BB
- 1.4- 2.9: B
- 0.0- 1.4: CCC

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The "Fund ESG Quality Score" is assessed using the underlying holding's "Overall ESG Scores", "Overall ESG Ratings", and "Overall ESG Rating Trends". The "Fund ESG Quality Score" is equal to the "Fund Weighted Average ESG Score". MSCI calculates 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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