

## CLIMATE CHANGE

## OVERVIEW

The GMO Climate Change Strategy seeks to deliver high total return by investing primarily in equities of companies GMO believes are positioned to benefit, directly or indirectly, from efforts to curb or mitigate the long-term effects of global climate change, to address the environmental challenges presented by global climate change, or to help the world adapt to climate change through improved efficiency of resource consumption. The Strategy invests globally across the capitalization spectrum, which allows GMO to pursue attractive investment opportunities wherever they may be.

The Focused Equity team believes exceptional opportunities for long-term investors abound in a world mobilizing to address climate change, and profitability associated with efforts to mitigate and adapt to climate change is largely independent of the global economy. Climate change investors can benefit from this unique, diversifying source of return, historically available at attractive valuations given the secular tailwinds of change.

## CUMULATIVE TOTAL RETURNS (USD, NET OF FEES, %)

	<i>MTD</i>	<i>QTD</i>	<i>YTD</i>	<i>2023</i>	<i>2022</i>	<i>2021</i>	<i>2020</i>	<i>2019</i>
Composite	-8.62	-8.62	-14.38	-6.77	-10.43	11.73	42.31	26.55
Index	-2.24	-2.24	16.00	22.20	-18.36	18.54	16.25	26.60

## ANNUALIZED TOTAL RETURNS (USD, NET OF FEES, %)

	<i>1 Year</i>	<i>3 Years</i>	<i>5 Years</i>	<i>10 Years</i>	<i>ITD</i>
Composite	3.88	-13.32	4.75	-	5.27
Index	32.79	5.51	11.08	-	10.31

## FACTS

Strategy Inception	05-Apr-17
Composite Inception	30-Apr-17
Total Assets	\$1.8bn USD
Index	MSCI ACWI

## RISK PROFILE (5-YEAR TRAILING)

Alpha (Jensen's)	-10.16
Beta	1.44
R Squared	0.71
Sharpe Ratio	0.08
Standard Deviation	29.55

## PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT



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Joined GMO in 2006  
BA, Duke University



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**Risks:** Risks associated with investing in the Strategy may include: (1) Focused Investment Risk: The Fund invests its assets in the securities of a limited number of issuers, and a decline in the market price of a particular security held by the Fund may affect the Fund's performance more than if the Fund invested in the securities of a larger number of issuers. (2) Market Risk - Equities: The market price of equities may decline due to factors affecting the issuer, its industries, or the economy and equity markets generally. Declines in stock market prices generally are likely to reduce the net asset value of the Fund's shares. (3) Management and Operational Risk: The risk that GMO's investment techniques will fail to produce desired results, including annualized returns and annualized volatility. For a more complete discussion of these risks and others, please consult the Fund's offering documents. This is not a complete list of risks associated with investing in the Strategy. Please contact GMO for more information. **Performance Returns:** Returns shown for periods greater than one year are on an annualized basis. To obtain performance information to the most recent month-end, visit [www.gmo.com](http://www.gmo.com). **Performance data quoted represents past performance and is not predictive of future performance.** Net returns are presented after the deduction of a model advisory fee and incentive fee if applicable. These returns include transaction costs, commissions and withholding taxes on foreign income and capital gains and include the reinvestment of dividends and other income, as applicable. Fees paid by accounts within the composite may be higher or lower than the model fees used. **GMO LLC claims compliance with the Global Investment Performance Standards (GIPS®). A Global Investment Performance Standards (GIPS®) Composite Report is available on GMO.com by clicking the GIPS® Composite Report link in the documents section of the strategy page. GIPS® is a registered trademark owned by CFA Institute. CFA Institute does not endorse or promote this organization, nor does it warrant the accuracy or quality of the content contained herein. Actual fees are disclosed in Part 2 of GMO's Form ADV and are also available in each strategy's Composite Report. The portfolio is not managed relative to a benchmark. References to an index are for informational purposes only.**

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## CHARACTERISTICS

	<i>Portfolio</i>	<i>Index</i>
Price/Earnings - Forecast 1 Yr Wtd Mdn	15.5x	21.6x
Price/Book - Hist 1 Yr Wtd Avg	1.5x	3.1x
Price/Cash Flow - Hist 1 Yr Wtd Mdn	11.8x	20.1x
Dividend Yield - Hist 1 Yr Wtd Avg	1.5%	1.8%
Market Cap - Wtd Mdn Bil	6.3 USD	115.8 USD
Number of Equity Holdings	97	2580

## TOP COUNTRIES (%)

<i>Country</i>	<i>Portfolio</i>	<i>Index</i>
United States	50.0	65.2
France	9.9	2.4
Canada	7.3	2.7
South Korea	7.3	1.0
Germany	3.1	2.0
Japan	3.0	4.9
Spain	2.8	0.6
Finland	2.6	0.2
Mexico	2.6	0.2
Chile	2.5	0.0

## EXPOSURE BY SEGMENT (%)

<i>Segment</i>	<i>Exposure</i>
<b>Clean Energy</b>	<b>50.7</b>
Solar	15.1
Biofuels	15.7
Other Clean Energy	4.7
Power Generation	2.3
Batteries & Storage	12.9
<b>Electric Grid</b>	<b>8.1</b>
<b>Copper</b>	<b>8.7</b>
<b>Energy Efficiency</b>	<b>18.8</b>
Transportation	5.7
Buildings	4.1
Diversified Efficiency	2.9
Technology	6.1
<b>Agriculture</b>	<b>4.7</b>
<b>Timber</b>	<b>1.3</b>
<b>Water</b>	<b>6.2</b>
<b>[Cash]</b>	<b>1.5</b>

## SECTORS (%)

<i>Sector</i>	<i>Portfolio</i>	<i>Index</i>
Communication Services	0.0	7.9
Consumer Discretionary	3.9	10.5
Consumer Staples	6.4	6.2
Energy	8.0	4.1
Financials	0.0	16.6
Health Care	0.0	10.6
Industrials	33.9	10.6
Information Technology	14.2	24.8
Materials	23.2	3.9
Real Estate	0.3	2.2
Utilities	10.1	2.7

## TOP HOLDINGS

<i>Company</i>	<i>Country</i>	<i>Segment</i>	<i>%</i>
Sunrun Inc	United States	Solar	5.4
LG Chem Ltd	Korea	Batteries & Storage	4.9
Darling Ingredients Inc	United States	Biofuels	4.6
Ameresco Inc	United States	Biofuels	4.3
Ivanhoe Mines Ltd	Canada	Copper	4.3
Nexans SA	France	Electric Grid	3.6
SolarEdge Technologies Inc	United States	Solar	2.7
Sociedad Quimica y Minera de Chile SA	Chile	Batteries & Storage	2.6
Veolia Environnement SA	France	Water	2.4
Valeo SE	France	Transportation	2.4
<b>Total</b>			<b>37.2</b>

## REGIONS (%)

<i>Region</i>	<i>Portfolio</i>	<i>Index</i>
United States	50.0	65.2
Europe ex UK (Developed)	22.9	11.1
Emerging	14.3	10.4
Other International	7.5	5.3
Japan	3.0	4.9
Cash Equivalents	1.5	0.0
United Kingdom	0.8	3.2

## MARKET CAP BAND EXPOSURES (\$B)

	<i>Portfolio</i>	<i>Index</i>
Small (5.5 & Below)	43.8	3.1
Small - Medium (5.5 To 16.4)	33.1	9.5
Medium (16.4 To 43.4)	16.9	15.6
Medium - Large (43.4 To 119.4)	5.8	23.0
Large (119.4 & Above)	0.4	48.8

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## IMPORTANT INFORMATION

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The above information is based on a representative account in the Strategy selected because it has the fewest restrictions and best represents the implementation of the Strategy.

## GLOSSARY

**Risk Statistics:** Risk profile data is net of fees. Alpha is a measure of risk-adjusted return. Beta is a measure of a portfolio's sensitivity to the market. R-Squared is a measure of how well a portfolio tracks the market. Sharpe Ratio is the return over the risk free rate per unit of risk. Std Deviation is a measure of the volatility of a portfolio.

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