

QUARTERLY INVESTMENT REVIEW

Resources UCITS Fund

Performance returns (USD)

ANNUALIZED RETURNS (QUARTER-END)	Quarter-End	YTD	1-Year	3-Year	5-Year	10-Year	Since Inception
Resources UCITS Fund (net)	0.25	-8.13	-7.13	-2.51	-	-	-0.47
Resources UCITS Fund (gross)	0.44	-7.60	-6.42	-1.77	-	-	0.28
MSCI ACWI Commodity Producers	0.63	4.83	4.81	11.81	-	-	11.65
Value Add	-0.38	-12.96	-11.94	-14.32	-	-	-12.12

MAJOR PERFORMANCE DRIVERS

The third quarter seemed to mark a turning point, or a kind of reversal, for some of the dynamics that have driven global equity markets thus far. Larger cap tech companies appeared to lose some of the steam that had been driving multiples higher. Pervasive fears that China was on the brink of collapse subsided after a significant set of stimulative measures was announced. Many commodity prices - including iron ore, copper, and aluminum - rose significantly at quarter end, in line with what was expected to be a more robust demand environment. One area where the momentum didn't translate was Clean Energy. The Wilderhill Clean Energy index, a barometer of broad Clean Energy performance, was roughly flat for the quarter, all the more surprising as the U.S. Federal Reserve began its rate cutting cycle with a bumper 50 bp cut. Against this backdrop, the Resources portfolio was about flat to the MSCI Commodity Producers index, which was up slightly.

Our Energy segment, now over 60% of the portfolio, detracted in absolute terms due largely to stock selection. Kosmos and Galp, two of the largest detractors, are also two of our fossil fuel companies with the most significant free cash flow profiles over the coming years. In addition, strong performance of Clean Energy, particularly versus broader Clean Energy benchmarks, meant the overall segment added to relative performance. Our Clean Energy companies are, in many cases, starting to move past a cyclical trough and their earnings growth trajectory is becoming clearer by the day. Sunrun, a residential solar installer, and Ameresco, a biofuel producer and clean tech integrator, were two of our strongest contributors this quarter. Across Industrial Metals, higher prices helped the diversified miners while pure-play copper miners rose again. We used weakness in copper prices at the start of the quarter to add to Ivanhoe and other names, positioning that paid off. Gold and aluminum producers had a strong quarter and fall out of our investable universe, the exclusion hurting versus benchmark. Within Agriculture, our seed company Corteva, had a strong quarter and remains one of our highest conviction Ag positions given its globally diversified business and attractive valuation.

The long-term supply/demand dynamics in natural resource markets favor high and rising prices. But the deeply discounted valuations still available in some parts of this sector mean that investors don't need commodity prices to rise in order to expect strong returns. Flat commodity prices could still lead to a healthy return from a resource equity portfolio. In addition, valuations within the Clean Energy sector remain attractive, especially relative to expected earnings growth.

Portfolio weights, as a percent of equity, for the positions mentioned were: Kosmos (4.6%), Ivanhoe (5.2%), SunRun (2.8%), Ameresco (2.2%), Corteva (1.2%).

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PRODUCT OVERVIEW

The GMO Resources UCITS Fund seeks to generate total return by investing in equities in the natural resources sector.

GMO's Focused Equity team believes that the increasing demand for natural resources, driven primarily by population growth in and industrialization of emerging markets, coupled with the limited supply of these resources, favors an upward trend in resource prices over time. The Fund seeks to invest in the securities of companies that we believe will benefit from this expected long-term rise in natural resource prices.

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