

Global Thematic Share Fund Profile

The Zurich Investments Global Thematic Share Fund uses a distinctive thematic approach that identifies emerging trends in the global economy and invests in stocks poised to benefit as a result.



Fund objectives

The fund aims to:

- provide investors with long-term capital growth
- achieve risk-adjusted returns above the benchmark* over a period of seven years or more
- provide global diversification

Investment strategy

The investment team analyses the major changes taking place around the world and identifies themes which represent a distinct investment opportunity. All themes are methodically researched and tested in order to establish their validity and the portfolio typically includes 8-12 themes at any time.

About the manager

Zurich Investments provides exclusive access to specialist managers recognised as being amongst the best in their area of expertise. The Zurich Investments Global Thematic Share Fund is managed by our strategic investment partner, Lazard Asset Management Pacific Co. (Lazard). Lazard is part of the global investment bank, Lazard Ltd, whose origins date back to 1848. Lazard is one of the world's pre-eminent asset management firms with a network of offices in 11 countries.

Why invest in the fund?

Features

Benefits

Thematic investment style

This investment process provides diversification across both themes and stocks which may reduce overall volatility and provide attractive risk/reward outcomes over the long-term. You also benefit from an innovative approach which blends well with other investment styles.

Low portfolio turnover

Due to its long-term focus the fund's portfolio turnover is typically 20-40%, which means lower capital gains tax and transaction costs.

Three currency options

Choose the currency management to suit your individual objectives:

- actively hedged (this fund),
- fully hedged,
- unhedged.

Established and experienced team

The team at Lazard pioneered the thematic approach. The current team of co-portfolio managers has an average of over 20 years' experience.

*MSCI World (ex Australia) Accumulation Index in \$A (net dividends reinvested).

How the fund works



Who is it suitable for?

The fund is suited to investors seeking:

- a diversified portfolio of international shares
- a medium to long-term investment of seven or more years

At a glance

Fund name	Zurich Investments Global Thematic Share Fund
APIR code	ZUR0061AU ZUR0517AU (fully hedged) ZUR0518AU (unhedged)
ARSN	089 663 543 112 366 506 (fully hedged) 108 486 193 (unhedged)
Responsible entity	Zurich Investment Management Limited
Strategic investment partner	Lazard Asset Management Pacific Co
Investment style	Thematic
Target return	Risk-adjusted returns above the benchmark over a period of seven years or more
Tracking error	Not targeted, but typically between 5-8% p.a.
Suggested investment timeframe	7 years +
Minimum investment amount	\$5,000 Master trusts & wrap accounts – subject to provider
Management costs	1.03% p.a.
Benchmark	MSCI World (ex-Australia) Accumulation Index in \$A (net dividends reinvested)
Investment universe	Stocks listed on international sharemarkets
Number of stocks held	Typically around 100
Access to money	Available daily
Risk profile	Very high
Distribution frequency	Half yearly
Fund inception date	July 1997

Current investment performance, fund size and asset allocation, together with fund manager videos can be found at www.zurich.com.au/globalthematic

More information

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