

U.S. Thematic Innovation Fund



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Can you describe the make-up of the Fund and what you seek to accomplish?

Our aim is to deliver long-term capital growth that outperforms the S&P 500 Index over a full business cycle. To that end, we invest in U.S. corporations that have dominant positions in their markets or that are poised to benefit from structural changes due to technological innovations.

Describe your investment strategy and explain your edge.

We employ a thematic investment style, seeking companies across all sectors that are benefitting from technological advances or prospering in an ever-changing environment, while avoiding those that may be negatively affected.

We use a custom-built thematic investment universe consisting of more than 900 companies across four selected innovation themes: intelligent connectivity, enterprise digitization, next-generation health care, and smart energy. The four main categories lead to 40+ innovation investment sub-themes from which we carefully select securities.

We think our custom-built universe and fundamental understanding of technological changes are the key ingredients of astute stock selection, which drives value over the long term.

How is the strategy built?

Our portfolio construction is based on a barbell strategy, with exposure to both thematic innovators and dominant firms.

Everything starts with our custom-built investment universe.

We narrow the list of themes by identifying those driven by strong structural changes that will ensure future growth. We then turn to security selection to triangulate individual companies with potential for sustainable growth, business-model innovation, and/or resilience in the face of an accelerating pace of change.

We combine our security selection process with bottom-up fundamental analysis and a dynamic approach that incorporates new datapoints and market signals. In doing so, we aim to identify companies with undervalued potential for cash flow generation.

Our objective is to create a portfolio diversified across all sectors while giving investors exposure to key themes that will shape the future.

Why invest in this Fund?

Historically, technological revolution and evolution have been key drivers of excess return. We think our thematic investment style, differentiated from traditional equity strategies and focused on long-term innovation trends, will add value over a full business cycle.

Gaining exposure to U.S. companies that benefit from technological advances and firms that have durable business models, with a well-diversified strategy and a disciplined investment process, is essential to capture the opportunities at hand in the equity markets.

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