

First Sentier Global Listed Infrastructure Fund (Irish VCC)

Quarterly Investment Report

31 December 2023

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- **The value of investments and any income from them may go down as well as up and are not guaranteed. Investors may get back substantially less than the original amount invested.**
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Portfolio Overview

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Investment objective and policy

The Fund aims to achieve income and growth on your investment.

The Fund invests at least 70% of its assets in listed shares of companies of any size that are involved in infrastructure around the world. The infrastructure sector includes utilities (e.g. water and electricity), highways and railways, airports services, marine ports and services, oil and gas storage and transportation. The Fund may invest up to 100% in companies of any size.

The Fund may use derivatives to reduce risk or to manage the Fund more efficiently.

Available Share Classes

ISIN	Sedol	Share Class
IE00B29SXL02	B29SXL0	First Sentier Global Listed Infrastructure Fund USD Class I (Distributing)
IE00B29SXM19	B29SXM1	First Sentier Global Listed Infrastructure Fund USD Class III (Accumulation)
IE00BYSJTY39	BYSJTY3	First Sentier Global Listed Infrastructure Fund EUR Class I (Accumulation)
IE00B29SXX94	B29SXX9	First Sentier Global Listed Infrastructure Fund USD Class I (Accumulation)
IE00BYSJV039	BYSJV03	First Sentier Global Listed Infrastructure Fund EUR Class VI (Accumulation)
IE00BK8FXL82	BK8FXL8	First Sentier Global Listed Infrastructure Fund USD Class VI (Accumulation)
IE00BYSJ TZ46	BYSJ TZ4	First Sentier Global Listed Infrastructure Fund GBP Class VI (Distributing)
IE00BK8FXM99	BK8FXM9	First Sentier Global Listed Infrastructure Fund USD Class VI (Distributing)
IE00BFMC6449	BFMC644	First Sentier Global Listed Infrastructure Fund EUR Class VI Hedged (Accumulation)
IE00BFMC6555	BFMC655	First Sentier Global Listed Infrastructure Fund GBP Class VI Hedged (Distributing)
IE00BFY85J84	BFY85J8	First Sentier Global Listed Infrastructure Fund EUR Class VI (Distributing)
IE00BJSBDG44	BJSBDG4	First Sentier Global Listed Infrastructure Fund USD Class III (Distributing)
IE00BKKL4448	BKKL444	First Sentier Global Listed Infrastructure Fund CHF Class VI Hedged P (Accumulation)
IE00BFY85H60	BFY85H6	First Sentier Global Listed Infrastructure Fund EUR Class I (Distributing)
IE000JMWUCV8		First Sentier Global Listed Infrastructure Fund EUR Class I Hedged P (Accumulation)
IE0001665G17		First Sentier Global Listed Infrastructure Fund CNH Class I Hedged N (Distributing)

Fund Information

Fund Launch Date	27 June 2008
Fund Size (US\$m)	1037.7
Benchmark	FTSE Global Core Infrastructure 50/50 Net Index*
Number Of Holdings	41
Fund Manager(s)	Peter Meany/Andrew Greenup/Edmund Leung
Research Rating ^	Morningstar®:Silver

* The benchmark changed from the UBS Global Infrastructure & Utilities 50-50 Index to the above on 01/04/2015. The benchmark of the Fund changed from FTSE Global Core Infrastructure 50-50 Gross to FTSE Global Core Infrastructure 50-50 Net with effect from 1 July 2016. This change has been reflected in the calculation of the benchmark performance.

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Performance

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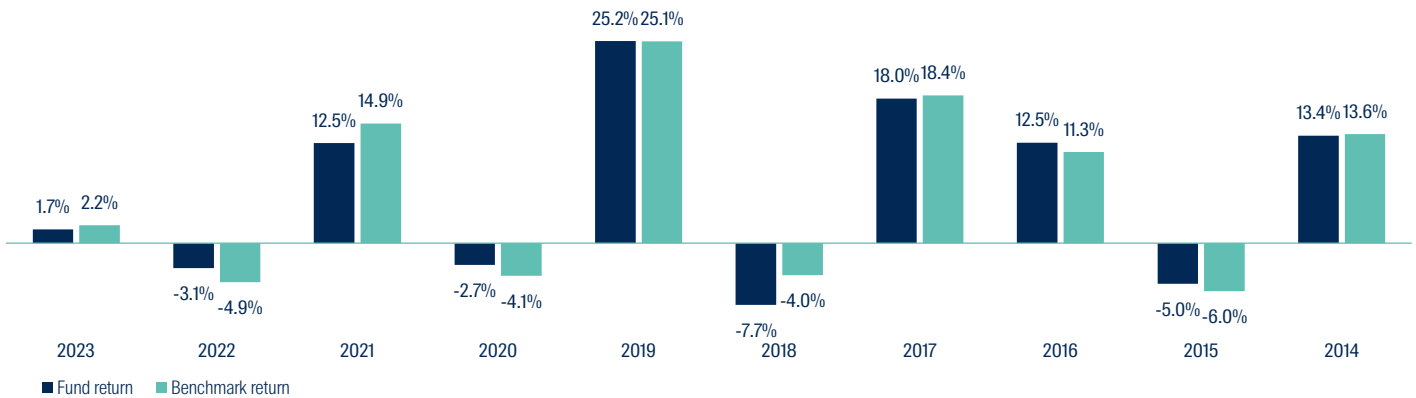
Annual Performance (% in USD) to 31 December 2023

	12 mths to 31/12/23	12 mths to 31/12/22	12 mths to 31/12/21	12 mths to 31/12/20	12 mths to 31/12/19
First Sentier Global Listed Infrastructure Fund	1.7	-3.1	12.5	-2.7	25.2
FTSE Global Core Infrastructure 50/50 Net Index	2.2	-4.9	14.9	-4.1	25.1

Cumulative Performance (% in USD) to 31 December 2023

	Since Inception	10 yrs	5 yrs	3 yrs	1 yr	YTD	6 mths	3 mths
First Sentier Global Listed Infrastructure Fund	111.5	78.0	34.9	10.8	1.7	1.7	2.2	10.6
FTSE Global Core Infrastructure 50/50 Net Index	116.6	81.2	34.1	11.7	2.2	2.2	2.0	10.8

Calendar Year Performance (% in USD) to 31 December 2023



These figures refer to the past. Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future results. For investors based in countries with currencies other than USD, the return may increase or decrease as a result of currency fluctuations. Since inception performance figures have been calculated from 11 December 2012. All performance data for the First Sentier Global Listed Infrastructure Fund Class III (Accumulation) USD as at 31 December 2023. Source for fund - Lipper IM / First Sentier Investors (UK) Funds Limited. Performance data is calculated on a net basis by deducting fees incurred at fund level (e.g. the management fee and other fund expenses), save that it does not take account of initial charges or switching fees (if any). Income reinvested is included on a net of tax basis. Source for benchmark - FTSE, income reinvested net of tax.

On 22 September 2020, First State Global Listed Infrastructure Fund was rebranded as First Sentier Global Listed Infrastructure Fund.

Commentary

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Market Review

A growing consensus that interest rate cuts were likely in 2024 drove a strong quarter for Global Listed Infrastructure, with gains for every infrastructure sector and region.

Performance Review

Mobile towers led the asset class higher, aided by falling bond yields and activist intervention for Crown Castle. North American freight railroads were supported by improving productivity metrics and indications of volume recovery, following a testing 2023. Water / waste rose on an improving regulatory outlook for UK water utilities, and robust earnings numbers from the US waste management sector. Toll roads performed well on solid traffic numbers and hopes of a soft landing for the global economy.

US infrastructure stocks performed well, reflecting robust gains for the region's tower, railroad and utility stocks. Infrastructure stocks in Japan lagged, having delivered strong returns earlier in the year on hopes of corporate reform and easing deflation.

Fund Activity

The Fund initiated a position in Eversource Energy, a regulated transmission and distribution-focused US utility with a healthy forecast Earnings Per Share growth rate of between 5% and 7% through to 2027. Uncertainty relating to the sale of its 50% stake in an offshore wind project off the south coast of Massachusetts, and concerns for higher interest rates, have weighed on its share price in recent months. We believe the stock is now trading at a substantial discount to intrinsic value.

A position in large-cap US waste management company Republic Services was divested during the quarter. Strong share price gains since the position was initiated in early 2021 reduced mispricing and moved the stock to a lower ranking within our investment process.

Outlook

The Fund invests in a range of listed infrastructure assets including toll roads, airports, railroads, utilities and renewables, energy midstream, wireless towers and data centres. These sectors share common characteristics, like barriers to entry and pricing power, which can provide investors with inflation-protected income and strong capital growth over the medium-term.

Toll roads remain the portfolio's largest sector overweight. These companies have benefited from a shift towards cars and away from public transport since the COVID-19 pandemic. To date, inflation-linked toll increases have had little impact on demand. Strong operating leverage (ie largely fixed costs as sales increase) has proved supportive of earnings growth. From here, we believe that improvements made to toll road networks in recent years provide scope for further growth in traffic volumes.

A substantial portion of the portfolio consists of utilities / renewables. Following a challenging 2023, these stocks face a more constructive outlook for 2024. Balance sheets are in better shape, customer bill pressures are declining and we could see a re-emergence of M&A activity. Capital expenditure growth should accelerate, reflecting the need for increased resiliency spend and higher electricity usage growth from data centres, industrial on-shoring and electric vehicles. However, this growth is also likely to require increased equity issuance.

The portfolio remains underweight energy midstream. Supportive oil and natural gas prices, robust LNG export levels and a disciplined approach to capital expenditure saw the sector generate strong free cash flow in 2023. This may allow energy midstream companies to increase dividend payments and carry out share buybacks, along with some M&A activity, in 2024. However, following strong share price gains in recent years, we

believe that greater mispricing can be found elsewhere within our opportunity set.

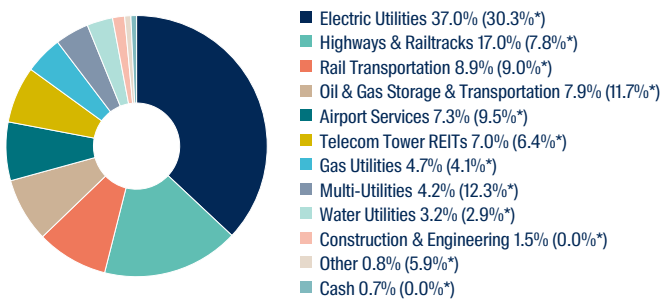
Portfolio Allocation and Stock Holdings

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Ten Largest Holdings as at 31 December 2023

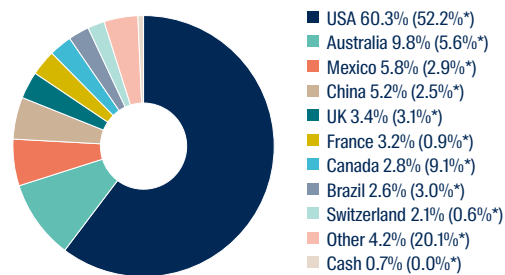
Stock Name	Country	Sector	Portfolio Weight (%)	Index Weight (%)
Transurban	Australia	Highways & Railtracks	6.7	4.5
NextEra Energy, Inc.	USA	Electric Utilities	5.6	4.3
Duke Energy Corporation	USA	Electric Utilities	4.9	2.9
American Tower Corporation	USA	Telecom Tower REITs	4.2	3.6
Southern Company	USA	Electric Utilities	4.0	2.9
Entergy Corporation	USA	Electric Utilities	3.6	0.8
Alliant Energy Corp	USA	Electric Utilities	3.5	0.5
Union Pacific Corporation	USA	Rail Transportation	3.4	2.4
Xcel Energy Inc.	USA	Electric Utilities	3.4	1.3
Cheniere Energy, Inc.	USA	Oil & Gas Storage & Transportation	3.3	1.5

Sector Breakdown



*Index Weight

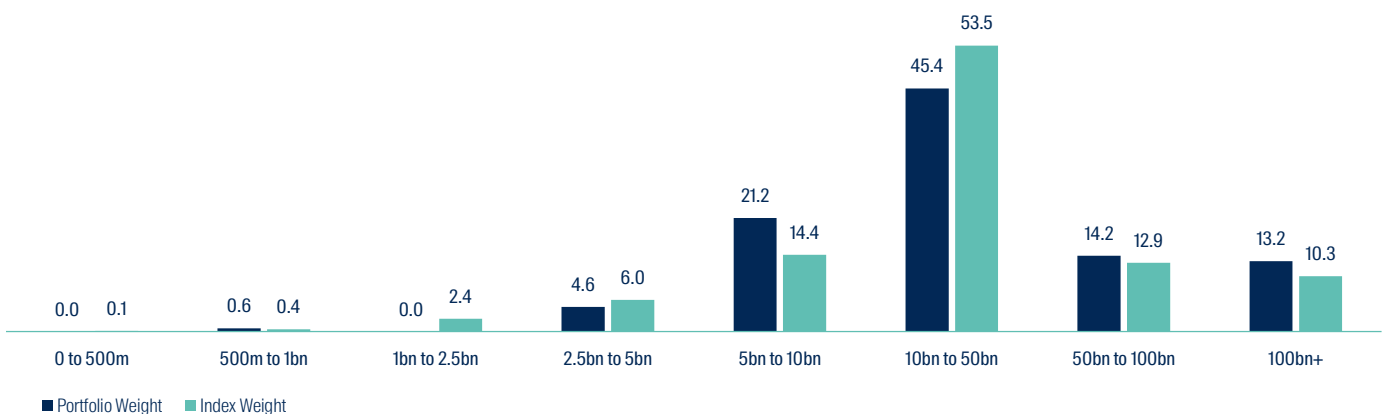
Country Breakdown



*Index Weight

Sector and Country classifications provided by Factset and First Sentier Investors. The Fund may hold multiple equity securities in the same company, which have been combined to provide the Fund's total position in that company. Index weights, if any, typically include only the main domestic-listed security. The above Fund weightings may or may not include reference to multiple securities.

Market Capitalisation Breakdown (USD)



Data source: For illustration purposes only. Portfolio weights may not add up to 100% as cash holdings are excluded and full coverage of stocks is not always available. This information is calculated by First Sentier Investors.

Stock Contribution

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Top 5 contributors to absolute performance

3 months to 31 December 2023

Stock Name	Country	Sector	Value added (bps*)
American Tower Corporation	USA	Telecom Tower REITs	137
Transurban	Australia	Highways & Railtracks	105
Union Pacific Corporation	USA	Rail Transportation	66
Grupo Aeroportuario del Sureste SAB de CV Class B	Mexico	Airport Services	62
Duke Energy Corporation	USA	Electric Utilities	54

12 months to 31 December 2023

Stock Name	Country	Sector	Value added (bps*)
Aena SME SA	Spain	Airport Services	122
CCR S.A.	Brazil	Highways & Railtracks	81
Transurban	Australia	Highways & Railtracks	74
Grupo Aeroportuario del Sureste SAB de CV Class B	Mexico	Airport Services	74
Promotora y Operadora de Infraestructura SA	Mexico	Highways & Railtracks	61

Bottom 5 contributors to absolute performance

3 months to 31 December 2023

Stock Name	Country	Sector	Value added (bps*)
Beijing Capital International Airport Co., Ltd. Class H	China	Airport Services	-32
ENN Energy Holdings Limited	China	Gas Utilities	-24
Guangdong Investment Limited	China	Water Utilities	-3
Jiangsu Expressway Co. Ltd. Class H	China	Highways & Railtracks	-1
Pinnacle West Capital Corporation	USA	Electric Utilities	0

12 months to 31 December 2023

Stock Name	Country	Sector	Value added (bps*)
ENN Energy Holdings Limited	China	Gas Utilities	-132
Crown Castle International Corp	USA	Telecom Tower REITs	-130
NextEra Energy, Inc.	USA	Electric Utilities	-103
Dominion Energy Inc	USA	Multi-Utilities	-76
Beijing Capital International Airport Co., Ltd. Class H	China	Airport Services	-70

Stock Contributions show the impact of the individual stock's performance to the total fund performance. These stock contributions show the top 5 and bottom 5 contributors to the fund and are not representative of the performance of the fund as a whole.

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Contributions are calculated at the investee company level before the deduction of any fees incurred at fund level (e.g. the management fee and other fund expenses) but after the deduction of transactional costs.

Stocks held/listed in non-index countries have economic activity > 50% from developing economies.

* A basis point is a unit of measure used in finance to describe the percentage change in value or rate of a financial instrument. One basis point is equivalent to 0.01% (1/100th of a percent) or 0.0001 in decimal form.

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Risk Analysis

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Portfolio Risk Analysis - Ex-Post 3 Years Annualised to 31 December 2023

Risk Measure	Value	Risk Description
Beta	1.02	Beta is a measure of volatility relative to the market. A beta of 1 would indicate that the fund tended to move in line with the market; a beta greater than 1 would indicate that the fund has been more volatile than the market; whereas a beta less than 1 would indicate that the fund has been less volatile than the market.
Information Ratio	0.17	The fund's excess return divided by its tracking error. It is designed to assess a portfolio's performance relative to its level of benchmark risk. The higher the fund's information ratio, the more excess return it generates for each unit of tracking error.
Portfolio Standard Deviation	16.23%	A measure of how much the returns of the fund vary relative to the arithmetical average. The higher the fund's standard deviation, the more its returns tend to deviate from the mean.
Benchmark Standard Deviation	15.71%	A measure of how much the returns of the index vary relative to the arithmetical average. The higher the index's standard deviation, the more its returns tend to deviate from the mean.
Tracking Error	2.03%	The standard deviation of the difference between the fund's returns and those of the index. The higher the fund's tracking error, the more its performance relative to the benchmark may vary.

Portfolio Risk Analysis - Ex-Ante at 31 December 2023

Risk Measure	Value	Risk Description
Dividend Yield (Fund)	3.80%	The annual dividend yield paid per share divided by the share price. This factor measures the value of company shares according to the stream of dividend income resulting from share ownership.
Dividend Yield (Index)	3.50%	The annual dividend yield paid per share divided by the share price. This factor measures the value of company shares according to the stream of dividend income resulting from share ownership.
Price to Book (Fund)	2.14	The ratio of the company's book value (the sum of shareholders' equity plus accumulated retained earnings from the P & L account) to its share price. This factor has been one of the most successful measures of the intrinsic value of company shares.
Price to Book (Index)	1.96	The ratio of the company's book value (the sum of shareholders' equity plus accumulated retained earnings from the P & L account) to its share price. This factor has been one of the most successful measures of the intrinsic value of company shares.
Price to Earnings (Fund)	17.98	Annual earnings (adjusted for amortizations of intangibles, extraordinary charges and credits) per share divided by the share price. This factor measures the worth of a company's ability to support each share with after tax earnings.
Price to Earnings (Index)	16.34	Annual earnings (adjusted for amortizations of intangibles, extraordinary charges and credits) per share divided by the share price. This factor measures the worth of a company's ability to support each share with after tax earnings.

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