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# Working with leading investment managers from around the world

Omnis Investment's approach to investing involves identifying and selecting the world's best-in-class investment managers. We bring them to you through a range of Omnis funds, that are made available through a well-diversified portfolio.

The managers we partner with are the world's leaders in their particular field, selected through a rigorous selection process - which offers you the potential to maximise your investment returns within your chosen level of risk.

This is just one of the reasons why thousands of individuals, couples and families trust us to invest on their behalf.

This brochure showcases the range of Omnis funds and the investment management partners who mange the investment component of the funds. Not only do we offer you access to the best investment managers, our own Omnis professionals will apply on-going oversight to each of the funds as well.

Situations change all the time, and there will be instances where we will be required to change the investment managers on our funds. The Omnis model means the team can decide if they need to find a new investment manager and then manage the transition without investors having to buy and sell funds.

On the next few pages, you will see information about each fund group, the individual investment managers and why Omnis use them to manage your money.



Established in 1994, AXA Investment Managers (AXA IM) manages £746 billion\* on behalf of over 5,255 clients including pension funds, insurance companies, financial advisers and individual investors. The firm employs over 2,800 staff in 18 countries across Europe, Asia and the Americas.

\*As of 30 September 2024

#### What does AXA IM manage for Omnis?

The Omnis Short-Dated Bond Fund invests in a range of government and corporate bonds that repay the initial investment within five years. The Fund aims to preserve capital by building a well-diversified portfolio based on thorough analysis of both the global economy and each issuer.

#### Why did Omnis pick AXA IM to run this Fund?

The Omnis investment team was impressed by AXA's global approach which opened up a wide range of investment opportunities. They also recognised the manager's strong focus on risk management and capital preservation, a key objective for the Fund.

#### Investment manager profile

The Omnis Short-Dated Bond Fund is managed by Nicolas Trindade. Nicolas joined AXA IM in 2006 and is a senior portfolio manager within the Active Credit team. He is responsible for managing both global and sterling credit portfolios and provides relative value coverage of various sectors within AXA IM's credit research organisation. He was named Fund Manager of the Year in the Sterling Corporate Bond category at the Investment Week Awards 2024 after being a finalist in 2023. He was also awarded the FE Fundinfo Alpha Manager rating in 2024. In August 2017, he was amongst 25 European investment professionals named a "Rising Star of Asset Management" by the Financial News. He holds two Masters degrees, one in Diplomacy and International Strategy from the London School of Economics and one in IT Engineering from Telecom Sud Paris. He is also a CFA charterholder.

### Barings

Barings is a global asset management business, wholly owned by MassMutual, a US-based provider of financial products. The Barings business today leverages its depth and breadth of experience across public and private market to help meet our clients' evolving investment needs. They currently manage more than USD\$430 billion on behalf of investors globally.

\*As of 30 September 2024

#### What does Barings manage for Omnis?

The Omnis European Equity Opportunities Fund invests in mid-size European companies (excluding the UK) that the manager believes are undervalued by the market. By thoroughly researching the factors affecting a company and its industry, the team aims to identify a diverse set of opportunities across different sectors and geographies.

#### Why did Omnis pick Barings to run this Fund?

Barings have an established investment team that has been in place since 2005 with *Nick Williams* at the helm, and they deploy a well-established, robust, and repeatable investment process, focusing on extensive bottom-up research, supported by region and sector specialists. They have a demonstrable track record of investing within small and medium-sized companies, making the team a good fit to manage the Omnis European Equity Opportunities Fund.

#### Investment manager profiles

The Omnis European Equity Opportunities Fund is managed by four portfolio managers including:

Nick Williams – 34 years investment experience: Nick is Head of the Small and Mid-Cap Equities Team and co-manager across Barings' Small and Mid-Cap strategies. He joined Barings in 2004 and has managed the Baring Europe Select Trust since January 2005. Nick previously worked for 11 years at Singer & Friedlander, managing European All Cap and Small Cap funds. Nick graduated from Oxford University with a degree in English Language and Literature. Colin Riddles – 30 years investment experience: Colin is an Investment Manager and co-manager across our across Barings' Small and Mid-Cap strategies. He joined Barings in March 2010 from GLG, where he was responsible for their UK Small Company Fund. Previously, he worked at HSBC Halbis, Scottish Widows and General Accident. Colin has a BA (Hons) in Financial Studies & Computer Science, an MSc in Investment Analysis from Stirling University, and an MBA from Edinburgh Business School. He is a member of the CFA UK.

Rosemary Simmonds – 17 years investment experience: Rosie is an Investment Manager and co-manager across Barings' Small and Mid-Cap strategies. Rosie joined Barings in September 2010 from Baillie Gifford where she worked for three years as an Investment Analyst. Rosie graduated from Oxford University with a degree in Modern History. She was awarded the IMC certificate in 2009 and is a CFA Charterholder.

William Cuss – 10 years investment experience William is an Investment Manager and co-manager across Barings' Small and Mid-Cap strategies. He joined Barings in November 2016 from Investec, where he was an Equity Analyst focusing on the European consumer staples sector. Previously, William worked as an auditor for Ernst & Young where he qualified as a Chartered Accountant. William holds a BA (Hons) in History and Politics from the University of Warwick and is also a CFA Charterholder.



BNY Mellon Investment Management is huge in scale, looking after over \$52.1 trillion under custody and/or administration in assets across the globe. The fund is managed by one of its subsidiaries, London-based Newton Investment Management, which manages over \$107.2 billion in assets\*.

\*As of 30 June 2024

#### What does Newton manage for Omnis?

The Omnis Multi-Asset Income Fund is designed for investors seeking a sustainable income with the potential for capital growth over the medium to long-term.

#### Why did Omnis pick Newton to run this Fund?

Newton is a leading investment house with nearly 40 years of active global fund management experience. It has been a pioneer of global thematic and multiasset investing since 1978 and has managed income funds for over 22 years.

#### Investment manager profile

Paul Flood is fund manager and strategist in the multi-asset team of Newton Investment Management, a BNY Mellon Company. He provides leadership and analysis on asset allocation, derivatives and convertible bonds. Paul worked on funds worth £2bn between 2008 to 2015 and has been lead portfolio manager of its Multi-Asset Diversified Return strategy since 2011. He joined Newton in 2006, prior to which he worked at Mellon Investment Funds Europe. Paul attended St Andrews University and is a CFA charterholder.





Columbia Threadneedle Investments is one of the largest asset managers in the UK, managing nearly £507 billion for clients globally\*. It employs over 2,500 people, including approximately 650 investment specialists, spanning the world.

\*As of 30 June 2024

### What does Columbia Threadneedle manage for Omnis?

Given its scale and expertise, Columbia Threadneedle manages several funds for Omnis.

The Omnis UK Gilt Fund invests in UK government bonds, while the Omnis Sterling Corporate Bond Fund invests in UK corporate bonds. These are essential components of a multi-asset portfolio, providing the necessary diversification from equity investments.

The *Omnis Managed* fund range includes Omnis Managed Cautious Fund, Omnis Managed Balanced Fund and Omnis Managed Adventurous Fund. These funds are multi-asset funds which invest in a wide range of Columbia Threadneedle funds in an asset allocation designed to deliver the highest possible returns in line with your attitude to risk.

# Why did Omnis pick Columbia Threadneedle to run the Omnis UK Gilt and Omnis Sterling Corporate Bond Funds?

We consider Columbia Threadneedle a safe pair of hands — an attractive quality given the importance of the UK bond allocation to more cautious portfolios. It draws upon its global presence, scale and level of industry experience including a 66-strong fixed income analyst team with an average of 15 years tenure in the industry.

### Why did Omnis pick Columbia Threadneedle to run the Omnis Managed fund range?

With one of the most diverse fund ranges, Columbia Threadneedle was the easy choice to manage the range. Coupled with its tactical asset-allocation decision-making, Columbia Threadneedle has delivered market-leading returns for multi-asset funds for many decades.

#### Investment manager profiles

The Omnis UK Gilt Fund is run by Dave Chappell who joined Columbia Threadneedle when it acquired Scudder Investments in 1997. He is a Senior Portfolio Manager in the interest rate and currency team and plays a key role in US and UK rate and economic forecasting. Dave is responsible for managing a broad range of US and UK fixed income mandates for insurance companies and several global government portfolios.

The Omnis Sterling Corporate Bond Fund is managed by Alasdair Ross, head of investment grade credit portfolio management in Europe, the Middle East and Africa (EMEA), who joined Columbia Threadneedle Investments in 2003. He manages a number of investment grade institutional and wholesale funds. He is also the investment grade representative on the global fixed income asset allocation team.

The *Omnis Managed* funds range is co-managed by *Alex Lyle* and *Matthew Rees*. Alex has been Columbia Threadneedle's head of managed funds, EMEA, since 2003. He joined the company in 1994 and was appointed joint head of UK/ European equity teams in 1999. Matthew has been a portfolio manager on the multi asset team since 2017, prior to this Matthew spent seven years working in the Fixed Income team, having joined the company in 2008.



Federated Hermes, Inc (Federated Hermes) is a leading US investment manager with \$800.5bn\* in assets under management. They manage £43.7bn (\$58.6bn/€52.0bn) in assets for around 800 clients in 39 countries across equities, credit, infrastructure, private equity, private debt and real estate.

\*As of 30 June 2020

#### What does Federated Hermes manage for Omnis?

The Omnis Absolute Return Bond Fund invests in a diversified portfolio of government and corporate bonds that repay the initial investment within two and a half years. The fund typically targets larger issuers in the US and Europe but also looks for opportunities in emerging markets.

### Why did Omnis pick Federated Hermes to run this Fund?

Federated Hermes' focus on minimising volatility in the portfolio and its prudent risk management align well with the requirements for the Omnis Absolute Return Bond Fund, while the fund manager has a strong track record in managing global bond funds stretching back to 2004.

#### Investment manager profiles

The Omnis Absolute Return Bond Fund is managed by a team of 3. Nachu Chockalingam joined in March 2018 as a credit portfolio manager and is now Head of London Credit, co-managing Federated Hermes Limited's range of credit portfolios, many of which have a sustainability overlay. She joined from Ontario Teachers' Pension Plan, where she was a portfolio manager responsible for the plan's active investments in emerging markets and European credit. Nachu started her career at JP Morgan in London as a sell-side analyst where she spent 13 years covering, firstly, European high yield and investment grade and then CEEMEA credit. Nachu graduated from the London School of Economics with a degree in Economics and is a CFA charterholder.

Vincent Benguigui joined in 2013 and is a senior credit portfolio manager co-managing Federated Hermes Limited's range of credit portfolios. He also oversees risk management and the implementation of non-linear trading strategies, via the use of derivatives products such as credit options and indices. He joined from Scor Global Investments in Paris, where he was credit analyst across European high yield. Vincent holds a Master's degree in Banking and Finance with Honours from Pantheon-Assas University in Paris, as well as a Bachelor's in Management from Dauphine University in Paris.

Andrew Lennox joined in April 2018 and has 20 years' experience working in financial services, of which 15 years has been in managing structured finance as a portfolio manager. In his role, he is responsible for structured credit investments across multiasset credit portfolios. Since joining, he has built an investment process for structured credit that integrates an ESG focus in every investment decision and has worked with external parties, including rating agencies, on furthering ESG in the asset class. Prior to joining, Andrew was most recently the lead portfolio manager for European ABS at BlackRock, where he grew the business by over \$1bn to manage more than \$5bn of investment-grade and sub investment-grade assets across portfolios, including multi-asset fixed income products, for a wide range of institutional clients, including global insurance companies and pension funds. Prior to BlackRock,



Fidelity International is one of the largest asset managers in the world, having been established in 1969. It looks after total client assets of \$925.7 billion from over 2.5 million clients across Asia Pacific, Europe, the Middle East, and South America\*.

\*As of 30 September 2024

#### What does Fidelity manage for Omnis?

The Omnis Global Emerging Markets Equity Leaders Fund invests in large and mid-size companies in developing countries across Latin America, Asia, Europe and the Middle East.

The Omnis European Equity Leaders Fund invests in high quality companies that the manager believes are undervalued because the market underestimates their ability to deliver a steady stream of earnings. The fund targets mid-size companies in countries across Europe, excluding the UK.

The Omnis UK Smaller Companies Fund specialises in potentially faster-growing stocks that generally do not receive the same level of coverage as larger cap companies. Fidelity has been appointed as a second manager alongside Franklin Templeton.

### Why did Omnis pick Fidelity to run the Omnis Global Emerging Markets Equity Leaders Fund?

Fidelity makes full use of its extensive emerging market research team to conduct thorough analysis of the companies it invests in, with an emphasis on corporate governance. This results in a portfolio with a clear investment philosophy that complements our emerging market opportunities fund.

### Why did Omnis pick Fidelity to run the Omnis European Equity Leaders Fund?

Fidelity follow a clearly defined stock-picking approach that is transparent, resilient and risk-controlled. Sam Morse is the lead manager for the fund and has considerable equity investment experience. Morse is supported by a high-quality, deeply resourced analyst research team.

### Why did Omnis pick Fidelity as a second manager to run the Omnis UK Smaller Companies Fund?

Fidelity are one of the few UK smaller companies managers that have a dedicated analyst team that cover this part of the market explicitly; this helps unearth ideas across an eclectic universe of different companies.

#### Investment manager profiles

The Omnis Global Emerging Markets Equity Leaders Fund is managed by Amit Goel and Punam Sharma. Amit has extensive experience in managing Emerging Market equities, having joined Fidelity in a research capacity in 2006. His career at Fidelity spans both investment research and portfolio management at a country, regional and global level. He has had portfolio management responsibilities since 2016. Amit has been a long-standing and close affiliate of Alex Duffy and Amit is part of the Asia Portfolio Management team.

Punam's investment career spans over 20 years, traversing India, China, Latin America, Emerging Europe, Middle East and African markets. She is currently also the Director for EMEA (Europe, Middle East, Africa) and Latin American Equities at Fidelity. She has detailed knowledge of sustainability, having led the global implementation of Fidelity's proprietary sustainability ratings. Given the importance of ESG to our investors, this appointment represents another milestone in our ESG journey.

The Omnis European Equity Leaders Fund is managed by Sam Morse. Sam assumed responsibility for the management of the Fidelity European Fund in 2010 and the Fidelity European Values Fund in 2011. Prior to becoming a portfolio manager, Sam spent two years as a research analyst with Fidelity, covering a range of sectors, then six years as an equity income fund manager at Fidelity. He was also previously Head of Equities at M&G from 1997 to 2003.

The Omnis UK Smaller Companies Fund is managed by Jonathan Winton. Jonathan joined Fidelity as an analyst in 2005, and has covered pan European Support Services, Small Cap Technology and Beverages & Tobacco stocks. He was promoted to co-portfolio manager of FIF UK Smaller Companies in February 2013, and since then has been gradually increasing his responsibility for the day-to-day management of the fund.



Franklin Templeton is one the biggest names in investing, with more than 75 years of shrewdly managing investments. The firm has offices in over 80 financial centres around the world, including three in the UK – Edinburgh, London and Leeds, which is home to the team of UK equity experts.

Franklin Templeton is one of the world's largest independent investment managers with over \$1.6 trillion in assets under management\*.

\*As of 31 October 2024

#### What does Franklin Templeton manage for Omnis?

The Omnis UK All Companies Fund invests across the domestic market with a focus on attractively valued, good-quality businesses which generate cash. The Omnis UK Smaller Companies Fund specialises in potentially faster-growing stocks that generally do not receive the same level of coverage as larger cap companies.

### Why did Omnis pick Franklin Templeton to run these funds?

The team offer a genuine core approach to investing in UK equities, having also built a formidable reputation of expertise in medium and smaller company stocks; this is a real stand -out feature compared to rival managers in the UK equity sector.

#### Investment manager profile

The Omnis UK All Companies Fund is headed by Ben Russon, Co-Head, UK Equities (Large Cap) at Martin Currie. He is the lead manager on the FTF Martin Currie UK Opportunities Fund, FTF Martin Currie UK Rising Dividends Fund, FTF Martin Currie UK Equity Income Funds and co-manager on the FTF Martin Currie UK Managers Focus Fund. Ben joined the UK equity team in 2013. Prior to this he spent 13 years as a fund manager with Newton Investment Management, specialising in UK Equities. He was the lead manager on the Newton UK Opportunities Fund from 2005, alongside associated institutional mandates.

The Omnis UK Smaller Companies Fund is managed by Dan Green. Dan is a portfolio manager and equity research analyst for the Martin Currie UK Equity team, focusing on UK small and mid-cap equities. He is lead portfolio manager of the FTF Martin Currie UK Smaller Companies Fund and manages the small cap portion of the FTF Martin Currie UK Manager's Focus Fund. Dan joined the UK equity team in September 2015. He began his career with PwC working predominately with financial services clients before joining JP Morgan to work as equity derivatives analyst.



Established in 2004, Fulcrum Asset Management has £5.6 billion of assets under management\*. The firm employs 98 staff across its headquarters in London and offices in New York.

\*As of 30 September 2024

#### What does Fulcrum manage for Omnis?

The Omnis Diversified Returns Fund invests in a range of asset classes including equities, bonds, currencies and commodities with the aim of delivering returns that are not linked to the movements of mainstream markets.

#### Why did Omnis pick Fulcrum to run this Fund?

Fulcrum may not be as well known as some of the other fund managers Omnis works with, but its senior partners are highly experienced industry professionals, and their innovative use of technology to analyse the global economy caught the attention of the Omnis investment team.

#### Investment manager profile

The Omnis Diversified Returns Fund is managed by Suhail Shaikh.

Suhail is Chief Investment Officer at Fulcrum Asset Management and has been a partner since 2005. Prior to this he was at Goldman Sachs, in the Investment Strategy Group, Global Equity then Global Fixed Income & Currency Asset Management. He earned a BSc in Management from London School of Economics and has been a CFA charterholder since 2003.

Nabeel is a partner at Fulcrum Asset Management, working in multi asset strategies since 2011. Prior to this he was at Goldman Sachs working in the Investment Strategy Group. He earned a BSc in Mathematics, Operational Research, Statistics and Economics from Warwick University, and has been a CFA charterholder since 2011.



Janus Henderson Group is a leading global active asset manager dedicated to helping clients define and achieve superior financial outcomes through differentiated insights, disciplined investments, and world-class service. As of September 30, 2024, Janus Henderson had approximately £285.0 billion\* in assets under management, more than 2,000 employees, and offices in 24 cities worldwide.\*.

\*As of 30 September 2024

### What does Janus Henderson Investors manage for Omnis?

The Omnis US Smaller Companies Fund invests in a diversified portfolio of stocks from smaller companies in the US. It uses fundamental analysis to unearth companies that the manager believes have been undervalued by the markets despite having solid business plans, financial flexibility and strong leadership teams.

### Why did Omnis pick Janus Henderson Investors to run this fund?

Janus Henderson have proven expertise in identifying high-quality, smaller US companies with strong growth potential. The portfolio manager has over three decades of investment experience and is supported by a dedicated team of small and midcap analysts, with 18 years average experience. The dedicated team support provides deep, specialised fundamental research on small-mid-cap companies early in their life cycle that have the potential to grow into mid-size companies. Omnis was impressed with the team's disciplined investment process, which combines a focus on fundamental research with a strong emphasis on valuation. The team at Janus Henderson seeks companies with a competitive advantage and sustainable financial productivity, such as high return on capital and robust cash flow generation, while carefully considering the price paid relative to intrinsic value.

#### Investment manager profile

The Omnis US Smaller Companies Fund is managed by:

Jonathan Coleman, CFA, who brings more than 30 years of experience investing in small and midcap companies. Jonathan has held his position as Portfolio Manager on the US Small/Mid-Cap Growth since 2013. From 2006 to 2013, Jonathan served as chief investment officer, equities. He joined Janus in 1994. Prior to that, he was a Fulbright Fellow in Costa Rica researching economic integration in Central America. Jonathan is one of the primary architects of the 'Smart Growth' philosophy at Janus Henderson Investors.

Aaron Schaechterle, a Portfolio Manager on the US Small/Mid-Cap Growth Team and Research Analyst, focused on the Industrials & Materials and Technology sectors. Aaron previously worked with the team from 2014 until 2021. He re-joined the firm in 2022 from Glaukos Corporation, an ophthalmic medical technology and pharmaceutical company, where he was a vice president of corporate strategy & development from 2021. Prior to joining Janus in 2014, he worked at GTCR, a Chicago-based private equity firm. Before that, he served as an investment banking analyst for Barclays Capital and Lincoln International.

Scott Stutzman, a Portfolio Manager on the US Small/Mid-Cap Growth Team and Research Analyst covering the industrials & materials sector. Prior to joining Janus in 2007, Scott worked as an analyst for The Boston Company, where he researched investments for the Dreyfus Founders Mid-Cap Growth Fund, covering industrials, health care, and consumer sectors. Before that, he served as an analyst for Gulfco Ltd., analysing leveraged buyout transactions and providing strategic analysis for portfolio companies. Earlier in his career, Scott worked as a principal at GEN 3 Partners and as an associate at Booz, Allen & Hamilton.



Lazard Asset Management is a global business operating from 18 countries around the world. Lazard manages over US\$248bn\*, of which over 85% of assets are invested in actively managed equity strategies. Importantly, \$38bn is invested specifically across emerging markets, where they have over 30-years' experience and substantial resources. This includes 55+ dedicated emerging markets investment professionals from 19 different countries, speaking 20 different languages.

\*As of 30 September 2024

#### What does Lazard manage for Omnis?

The Omnis Global Emerging Markets Equity Opportunities Fund provides access to developing markets like Brazil, Russia, India and China, which can be a valuable source of return in multi-asset portfolios.

## Why did Omnis pick Lazard to run the Omnis Global Emerging Markets Equity Opportunities Fund?

Lazard have a strong pedigree in investing in emerging markets and have a clear and robust investment process which has been in place since the 1990s. Lazard's research capabilities have the breadth and depth required to invest in emerging markets. The fund is managed by a long-standing, experienced portfolio manager, James Donald, and is backed by a stable and established team as well as significant wider emerging market equity, fixed income, and macroeconomic research resources at Lazard.

#### Investment manager profile

The Omnis Global Emerging Markets Equity Opportunities Fund is managed by James Donald, who is a Managing Director and the Head of Emerging Markets and a Portfolio Manager on Lazard's Emerging Markets Equity team. Since joining Lazard in 1996, James has been instrumental in developing and coordinating the emerging markets activities at Lazard. He began working in the investment field in 1983. Prior to joining Lazard, James was a Portfolio Manager with Mercury Asset Management. He has a BA (Hons) in history from the University of Western Ontario. James is a CFA® charterholder. James is a board member of EMpower, a charity of investment professionals focused on adolescents, healthcare, and women's issues in emerging markets countries, as well as a member of the 20-20 Investments Association, an investor group that is focused on emerging markets.



Ninety One has been managing value equity strategies since 1978. They are an active, global investment manager managing £127.4 billion in assets\*. Established in South Africa, as Investec Asset Management, the firm began as a small start-up offering domestic investments in an emerging market. In 2020, as a global firm proud of their emerging market roots, they demerged to become Ninety One.

\*As of 30 September 2024

#### What does Ninety One manage for Omnis?

The *Omnis Income and Growth Fund* is a UK equity fund within our range, providing valuable diversification in what is a large proportion in multiasset portfolios.

### Why did Omnis pick Ninety One to Investors to run these funds?

Ninety One has been managing value equity strategies since 1978. The investment process has remained the same since the inception of their portfolios and has delivered strong outcomes for investors.

The fund managers are supported by a dedicated team of seven value stock analysts. The dedicated team support provides deep, specialised fundamental research on companies identified to be out-of-favour by the team's stock screening process. Having an exclusive research team focused on value investing is a differentiator in the UK space for this type of strategy.

Omnis Investments is impressed with the team's clear and rigorous investment process which aims to seek out mispriced assets with the potential to deliver longterm capital growth. The team look for irrational behaviour of investors that has potentially unfairly affected a stock's price. Ninety One believes investing in these potentially mispriced assets whilst maintaining patience for growth over the medium to long term can deliver strong value for investors.

#### Investment manager profiles

The Omnis Income & Growth Fund will be led by portfolio managers, Alessandro Dicorrado and Steve Woolley, who have over four decades of combined investment experience. They are both within the Value team at Ninety One.

Alessandro co-manages the UK Value Equity and Global Value Equity strategies. He initially joined the firm as an analyst in the Value team. Previously he worked at J.P. Morgan Chase & Co as a fixed income derivatives salesperson in London.

Steve co-manages the UK Value Equity and Global Value Equity strategies. Previously, Steve was an analyst in the Value team. He joined the firm in 2008 from the Financial Services Authority where he supervised asset managers and financial advisors.



PineBridge Investments is a private, global asset manager focused on active, high conviction investing. As of 30th September 2024, the firm managed US\$203.1 billion across global asset classes for sophisticated investors around the world. PineBridge has extensive expertise in managing Multi-Asset portfolios on behalf of a diversified range of global institutional investors, which comprises US\$18 billion in multi-asset\*, on behalf of investors including Government pension systems, insurance companies, fund houses, investment consultants and financial advisers.

\*AUM as of 30 September 2024 includes US\$99.6 billion (US\$69.6 billion equities, US\$23.2 billion fixed income, US\$6.7 billion multi-asset and US\$24.4 million alternatives) of assets managed by joint ventures or other entities not wholly owned by PineBridge Investments. Includes PineBridge Benson Elliot Real Estate AUM of US\$4.2 billion.

#### What does PineBridge manage for Omnis?

Given its specific expertise, PineBridge manages several funds for Omnis. The Omnis Multi-Manager fund range includes Omnis Multi-Manager Cautious Fund, Omnis Multi-Manager Balanced Fund, Omnis Multi-Manager Adventurous Fund and Omnis Multi-Manager Distribution Fund. These funds invest across a range of strategies across asset classes through the universe of funds available in the UK market. The asset allocation and manager selection within these funds are designed to deliver the best outcomes on a risk-adjusted return basis.

### Why did Omnis pick PineBridge to run the Omnis Multi-Manager funds?

PineBridge was chosen following an exacting selection process and having reviewed several asset managers, with PineBridge's corporate culture and style complementing Omnis. Each were judged on four core requirements: Suitability, Quality, Ability and Diversification.

Multi-asset investing sits at the heart of PineBridge's business and their highly-experience multi-asset team has a strong track record managing these strategies through various conditions.

#### Investment manager profiles

The funds are co-managed by *Michael J. Kelly*, Managing Director, Global Head of Multi-Asset and *Hani Redha*, Managing Director, Portfolio Manager Global Multi-Asset.

Michael J. Kelly joined PineBridge in 1999 and is based in New York. He is responsible for overseeing the firm's global multi-asset business. He founded the firm's, multi-asset investment process and is responsible for a regional team of investment professionals. Prior to joining PineBridge, he spent 15 years in various equity research and portfolio management roles at JP Morgan Investment Management. He holds an MBA from the Wharton Graduate School of Business. He also is a CFA Charterholder.

Hani Redha joined PineBridge in 2012 is based in London. He is responsible for leading the strategy and research function for the Global Multi-Asset team. Prior to joining the firm, Hani was an Investment Manager with the Sovereign Wealth Fund of the Kingdom of Bahrain, Mumtalakat. Prior to that he held positions as Deputy Head of Global Fixed Income and Deputy Head of Hedge Funds at NCB Capital. Hani holds a master's degree in chemical engineering, with First Class Honours, from Imperial College of Science, Technology and Medicine in London and a diploma in actuarial techniques from the Institute of Actuaries (UK). He also is a Chartered Alternative Investments Analyst (CAIA) Charterholder.

### **Schroders**

With a history going all the way back to 1804, Schroders is one of the largest companies working with Omnis. It is responsible for managing over £773.7 billion in client assets with over 6,000 staff across 38 locations globally\*.

\*As of 30 June 2024

#### What does Schroders manage for Omnis?

The *Omnis Japanese Equity Fund* invests in Japanese companies of all sizes with strong potential earnings growth and earnings visibility over the long-term and sustainable competitive advantage.

### Why did Omnis pick Schroders to run the Omnis Japanese Equity Fund?

The Omnis Japanese Equity Fund is run by highly-experienced managers with a solid track record of investing in the country. As one of the largest economies in the world, it is hugely beneficial for Omnis to have a single Fund covering Japan run by experts in their field.

#### Investment manager profiles

The Omnis Japanese Equity Fund is managed by Masaki Taketsume who started his career at Nikko Investment Trust Management. He moved to Deutsche Asset Management in 1998 before spending two years with Deutsche Securities Inc as a Japanese Equity Research Analyst covering the Industrial Electronics sector. He joined Schroders' Tokyo office in 2007 as Research Analyst covering technology stocks.



State Street Investment Management (State Street) is a major investment management company headquartered in the USA that manages more than £3 trillion in global assets. The firm is among the largest money management firms in the world and employs 2,400 employees across 28 global offices. The firm was founded in 1978 and is a wholly owned subsidiary of State Street Corporation. In the 1990s, the firm partnered with the American Stock Exchange to launch the first U.S.-listed exchange traded fund (ETF). Today, State Street manage over £2 trillion of assets\* in passive equity strategies across a team of over 100 people with an average experience of 21 years.

\*As of 31 December 2023.

#### What does State Street manage for Omnis?

The Omnis US Equity Leaders Fund invests in a diversified portfolio of stocks in larger companies in the US. The fund relies on fundamental analysis at both a company and industry level to identify what it believes are attractive investment opportunities, irrespective of whether they fall under a growth or value approach to investing. State Street manages this portfolio alongside T.Rowe Price. State Street implement their strategy through a passive investing approach, whereas T.Rowe Price implement their strategy using an active management approach.

### Why did Omnis pick State Street to run this fund?

The Omnis team was impressed by the breadth and the depth of State Streets's passive investing capabilities. State Street will be an additional manager on the fund alongside existing managers T.Rowe Price. State Street have a very experienced indexing team, consisting of over 150 investment professionals, state of the art proprietary technologies to implement their indexing strategies and a comprehensive suite of market leading global index products.

#### Investment manager profile

The passive portion of the Omnis US Equity Leaders Fund will be managed by Zehra Sayeed. Zehra is a Vice President of State Street Investment Management and a Portfolio Manager in the Systematic Equity – Beta team in London since 2017. She manages a wide range of index funds and ETFs including developed and emerging markets equities as well as ESG-screened and carbon minimising strategies. Zehra also represents State Street on the Investment Association Next Generation Investment Committee. Zehra started her career at State Street Global Markets where she worked for seven years as a Transition Manager in the Portfolio Solutions Group. Zehra has an MSc in Investment Management from Bayes Business School (formerly Cass), London, and holds the Investment Management Certificate (IMC) designation from the CFA Society UK.



Based in Baltimore in the US, T. Rowe Price has a history going back to 1937 and currently manages in excess of £1.29 trillion in client assets\*. It has offices in 18 countries across North America, Europe, the Middle East and Asia.

\*As of 31 March 2024.

#### What does T. Rowe Price manage for Omnis?

The Omnis US Equity Leaders Fund invests in a diversified portfolio of larger companies in the US. The fund relies on fundamental analysis at both a company and industry level to identify what it believes are attractive investment opportunities, irrespective of whether they fall under a growth or value approach to investing.

T.Rowe Price manages this portfolio alongside State Street Investment Management. T.Rowe Price implement their strategy using an active management approach, whereas State Street Global Advisors implement their strategy through a passive investing approach.

The Omnis Strategic Bond Fund is a global fixed income fund which has great flexibility as to where it can invest, making it an ideal core holding for portfolios. It has a mix of bonds issued by governments, those issued by companies with a minimal credit risk and "high-yield" bonds which carry slightly more risk that is compensated for by higher income.

### Why did Omnis pick T. Rowe Price to run the Omnis US Equity Leaders Fund?

T. Rowe Price's edge is its scale and the quality of the company's 161-strong team of equity analysts. It believes that investments in high-quality US companies – characterised by the most favourable combination of company fundamentals, earnings potential, and valuation – will produce superior returns over time.

### Why did Omnis pick T. Rowe Price to run the Omnis Strategic Bond Fund?

T. Rowe Price has a long-established and well-resourced fixed income business. The lead portfolio managers, Ken Orchard and Vincent Chung, have decades of experience between them and their investment approach consists of a robust process incorporating the macroeconomic outlook, whilst they can draw on the expertise of over 240 internal investment professionals. T. Rowe Price's bond strategy is designed to adapt to all market conditions and the team have built a strong track record of performance.

#### Investment manager profiles

The Omnis US Equity Leaders Fund is managed by Justin White.

Justin is a vice president of T. Rowe Price Group, Inc., and T. Rowe Price Associates, Inc. He is the portfolio manager of the All-Cap Opportunities Fund and chairman of the fund's Investment Advisory Committee. In addition, he is a vice president and an Investment Advisory Committee member of the US Structured Research Equity, US Growth Stock, US Large-Cap Core Growth Equity, US Mid-Cap Value Equity, and Communications and Technology Equity Strategies. He is a member of the Asset Allocation and Equity Steering Committees.

The Omnis Strategic Bond Fund is managed by Kenneth Orchard and Vincent Chung:

Kenneth Orchard is head of International Fixed Income. He is portfolio manager for the Global Multi-Sector Bond and Diversified Income Bond Strategies and co-portfolio manager for the International Bond and Global Aggregate Bond Strategies. Kenneth is a member of the Fixed Income Steering Committee and the European and UK Asset Allocation Committees. He is a vice president of T. Rowe Price Group, Inc., and T. Rowe Price International Ltd. Kenneth's investment experience began in 1998, and he has been with T. Rowe Price since 2010, initially as a sovereign analyst, with responsibility for the European macro-outlook, then joining the global fixed income portfolio management team in 2013.

Vincent Chung is a portfolio manager in the Fixed Income Division. He is co-portfolio manager for the Diversified Income Bond Fund and the Global Aggregate Bond Strategy. He is a vice president of T. Rowe Price Group, Inc., and T. Rowe Price International Ltd. Vincent's investment experience began in 2014, and he has been with T. Rowe Price since 2019, beginning in the Fixed Income Division. Prior to this, Vincent was employed by Observatory Capital Management LLP as an investment analyst, focusing on emerging market sovereign and corporate debt.

### Veritas — Asset Management

Based in London and with an office in Hong Kong, Veritas Asset Management LLP was founded in 2003 and specialises in Global and Asian equity strategies. It currently manages over £18.8 billion in client assets\*.

\*As of 31 July 2020

#### What does Veritas manage for Omnis?

The Omnis Asia Pacific (ex-Japan) Equity Fund invests in high yielding companies of all sizes that benefit from structural trends in developed Asian economies including Hong Kong, Singapore and Australia and emerging economies such as China and India.

#### Why did Omnis pick Veritas to run this Fund?

As a relative newcomer, Veritas may not be a household name in the UK, but its managing partners have worked at some of the most respected firms in the investment industry. Omnis was particularly impressed by the investment team's on-the-ground expertise, led by a manager with extensive experience with Asian strategies.

#### **Investment manager profiles**

The Omnis Asia Pacific (ex-Japan) Equity Fund is led by Ezra Sun who manages Asian strategies at Veritas Asset Management LLP. Before joining Veritas in 2004, he was Director of Investment Management and Asian Investment Leader at Newton Investment Management, where he was responsible for the Asia Pacific fund range including the Newton Oriental Fund and Mellon Asia Equity Fund.





Western Asset Management is one of the world's leading bond managers and has focused exclusively on bond investing since they were founded in 1971.

Western Asset Management has US\$360bn in assets under management with clients across 33 countries.\*

\*As of June 2021.

### What does Western Asset Management manage for Omnis?

The *Omnis Global Bond Fund* provides exposure to global fixed income and currency markets, providing valuable diversification opportunities in multi-asset portfolios.

### Why did Omnis pick Western Asset Management to run the Omnis Global Bond Fund?

Western Asset Management has a long history of investing in global fixed income markets. Their core philosophy is that in the shorter-term market prices deviate away from their fundamental fair value. Through disciplined and rigorous analysis, they look to identify and capitalise on such opportunities, before fundamentals reassert themselves and prices adjust to reflect key drivers such as inflation, credit quality and liquidity conditions.

#### Investment manager profiles

The fund is run by *Gordon Brown* and *Richard Booth*, both having over 25 years' investment experience.

Gordon Brown is Global Head of Portfolios at Western Asset and is a member of the Global Portfolios Team and the Global Investment Strategy Committee. He joined Western in 2011 from Baillie Gifford & Co., where he was Senior Investment Manager in Emerging Market Rates and Currencies. Gordon holds a Master of Science in Investment Analysis from the University of Stirling, a Master of Science in Business Economics from the University of Strathclyde, and a Master of Arts in Economic Science from the University of Aberdeen. He is also an Associate Member of the UK Society of Investment Professionals.

Richard Booth is a Portfolio Manager and Research Analyst and has been with Western Asset since 1999. He is a member of Western's Global Investment Strategy Committee. Before joining Western, he was a Research Analyst at Foreign & Colonial Asset Management. Richard holds a Bachelor of Social Science degree in Money Banking and Finance from Birmingham University.

### How to invest in the Omnis funds

The Omnis range of funds are only available through your financial adviser, they understand how investing for the future fits into your life, so its advisers can design solutions with the needs of clients like you in mind.

To find out more about the Omnis fund range please contact your financial adviser or visit **omnisinvestments.com** 

All information correct as at November 2024.

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Potential investors are particularly advised to read the specific risks and charges applicable to the Fund which are contained in the Key Investor Information Document (KIID).

The KIID and Supplementary Information Document (SID) are available from Omnis Investments Limited at www.omnisinvestments.com or by telephoning 0345 140 0070 during normal business hours. The full Prospectus is also available on request from Omnis Investments Limited.

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