

# NT WORLD GREEN TRANSITION INDEX FUND

The NT World Green Transition Index Fund seeks to closely match the risk and return profile of the MSCI World Custom ESG Climate Series A Index. The Index combines Northern Trust's long-standing Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) approach which seeks to exclude companies with significant exposure to tobacco, conventional weapons & controversial weapons, and incorporates climate-centred-metrics to construct a climate-aware, passive solution.

The fund offers a combination of negative exclusions allowing the strategy to be fully free of exposure to companies with fossil fuel reserves and significantly decarbonised from a carbon emissions intensity perspective and tilts towards companies benefiting from the energy transition and helps to mitigate against climate change risks.

## 1 CLIMATE ACTION

Tilt towards companies which are capitalising on the transition to a low carbon economy. Aims for a 100% reduction in potential carbon emissions used for energy applications and a significant reduction in carbon emissions intensity compared to the parent index.<sup>1</sup>

## 2 TARGET ETHICAL COMPANIES

Invests in companies which comply with the UN's Global Compact Ten Principles and those that do not have significant exposure to tobacco, conventional weapons, controversial weapons, civilian firearms, or thermal coal for coal fired generators.

## 3 ACTIVELY ENGAGING COMPANIES

Northern Trust is engaging with companies through Hermes EOS and directly to advocate change on environmental, social and governance themes. The fund incorporates engagement and proxy voting.

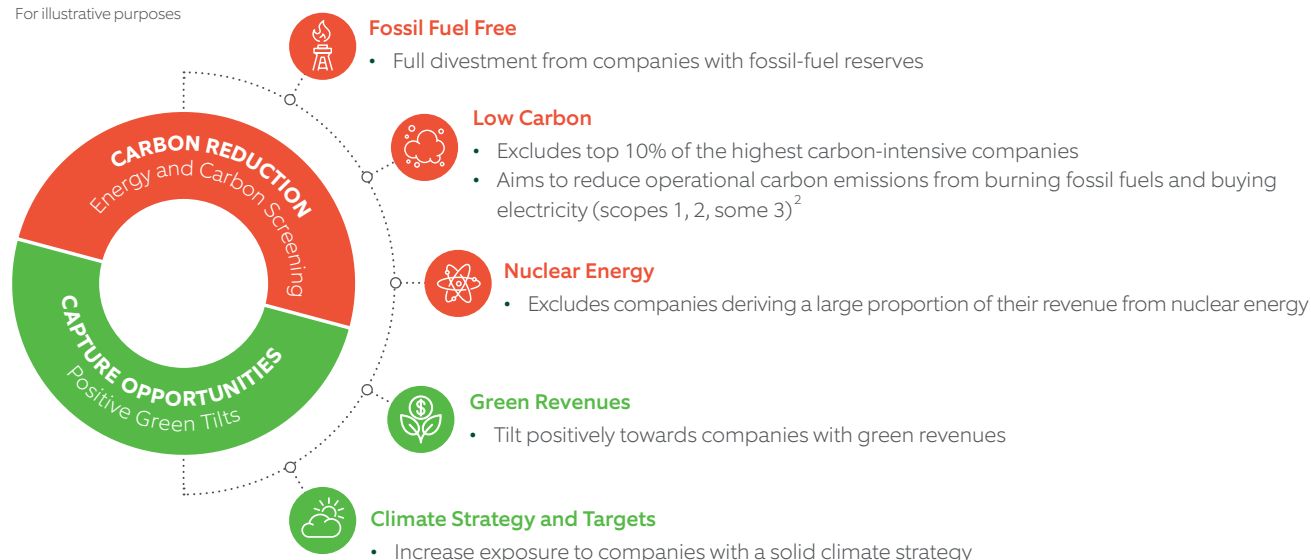


<sup>1</sup>Parent Index refers to the MSCI World Index

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## CLIMATE-CENTERED ENERGY SCREENS & POSITIVE GREEN TILTS

For illustrative purposes



## FUND CHARACTERISTICS

<b>Benchmark</b>	MSCI World Custom ESG Climate Series A	<b>Fund Base Currency</b>	AUD
<b>Inception Date</b>	29 October 2020	<b>Regulatory Structure</b>	Trust
<b>Investment Style</b>	Passive	<b>Proxy Voting</b>	Yes
<b>Dealing Frequency</b>	Daily	<b>Engagement</b>	Yes

# SUSTAINABILITY AND LOWER CARBON FOOTPRINT

With a focus on sustainability, the custom index is calculated and screened by MSCI based on ESG criteria selected by Northern Trust, and is expected to have a tracking error range of less than 125 bps compared to the MSCI World Index.

## EXCLUSIONS COMPARED TO PARENT INDEX

Number of securities excluded in the custom index compared to the parent index.

ESG Screen	No of Securities	% of Market Cap
Weapons	26	2.0
Tobacco	12	0.9
Carbon Intensity	159	7.4
Fossil Fuels	87	4.9
Nuclear Power	21	1.6
UNCG & Other Severe Controversies	23	2.0
<b>Combined Basket</b>	<b>328</b>	<b>18.8</b>

## CARBON DATA METRICS

Hypothetical carbon footprint of the custom index versus the parent index

■ MSCI World Custom ESG Climate Series A ■ MSCI World Index Change (%)

Potential carbon emissions<sup>1</sup> **17** **-99.0**

Tons of CO<sub>2</sub>/\$M invested **1430**

Weighted average **50**

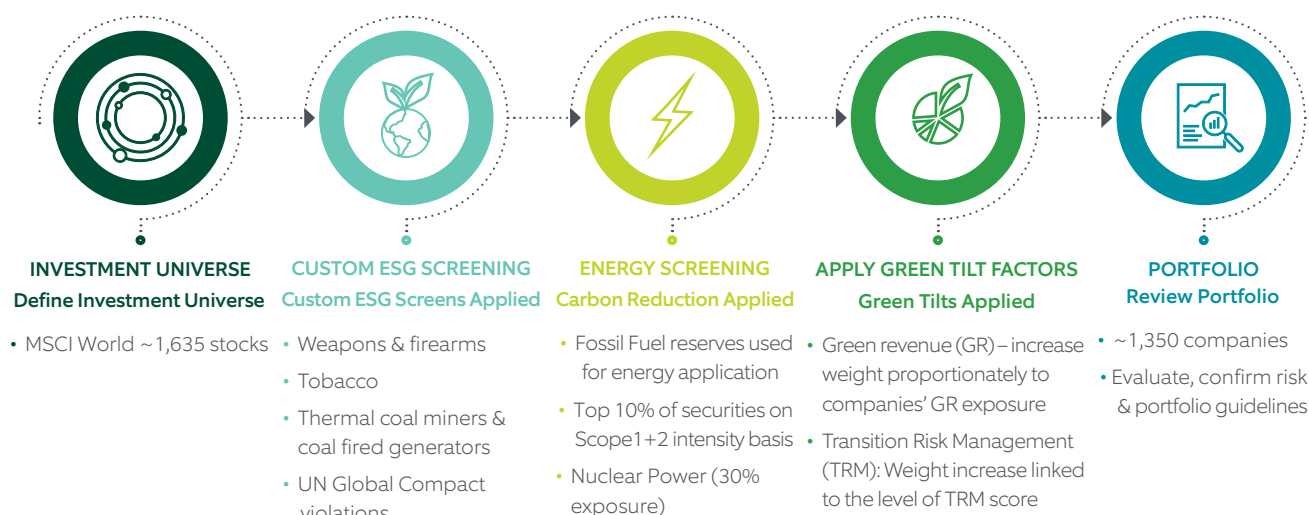
Carbon intensity,<sup>2</sup> tons of CO<sub>2</sub>/\$M sales **141** **-65.0**

1. Potential carbon emissions is a company's total future CO<sub>2</sub> output from fossil fuels and thermal coal reserves owned by a company.

2. Carbon intensity is the sum of a company's Scope 1 and Scope 2 CO<sub>2</sub> emissions, normalised by total sales.

# INDEX METHODOLOGY

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All data as of 30 November, 2020 unless otherwise noted.

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<sup>2</sup> Scope 1, 2 and 3 definitions can be found on the MSCI website: <https://www.msci.com/index-carbon-footprint-metrics>

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