

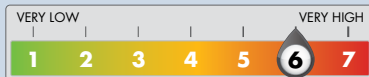


## Fund Objective

To generate long-term capital growth by investing in a range of infrastructure, technology and utility water companies.

## Fund Facts

- **Recommended Investment Time Frame:** Medium to long-term (typically 5-7 years or more)
- **Asset Mix\*:** Equities
- **Managed By:** KBI Global Investors
- **Risk Rating:** High Risk



## Fund Manager

KBI Global Investors (KBIGI) is a global investment manager, headquartered in Dublin with offices in Boston and New York

- Multi product boutique with two core areas of expertise – Global Equity strategies and Natural Resource Equities
- Majority owned by Amundi, with a minority equity stake owned by key employees of KBIGI

## The Water Fund

The water supply problems facing many regions will provide profitable projects for the companies best placed to provide solutions to these problems for years to come.

The Water Fund gives investors the opportunity to invest in companies that generate a significant portion of their revenues from exciting areas across the water cycle.

## Why Invest in the Water Industry?

Water is essential to everything we do and there is no substitute for it. There is a worrying shortage of water on the planet today – 99% of it is either in saltwater form or frozen in glaciers, leaving less than 1% freshwater available which in turn is being depleted by pollution and climate change. The global population is set to increase from 7 billion to 9 billion people by 2050 and, historically, water use has increased at twice the rate of population growth (Source: KBIGI).

Agricultural water use typically accounts for 70% of overall water supply while industrial use accounts for 20%. This far outstrips domestic water use of 10%. It is estimated that about one-third of the world's population will not have access to adequate drinking water by 2030. To provide enough water for the world's freshwater needs to be met by then, the World Health Organisation estimates that \$1 trillion per year will need to be invested to improve water conservation, water infrastructure and sanitation (Source: KBIGI).

### Key Drivers of the Water sector:

- Large investment is needed over the coming decade to upgrade aging water and wastewater infrastructures, and to tackle increased water pollution levels globally
- Increased water demand is being driven by a growing urban population as well as enormous industrialisation and agriculture consumption.

## Investment Selection

The Water Fund aims to select approximately 40-60 internationally diversified companies that are active across the entire water cycle. These companies provide a range of activities so they can produce fresh water to the end user (human, industrial, agricultural) and return it to nature in a clean form. The fund invests in companies active in all parts of the water cycle including water and wastewater treatment, water testing, infrastructure, filtration, engineering/consulting services and pumps/valves.

\*Equities in this fund may be used for the purpose of securities lending in order to earn an additional return for the fund. While securities lending increases the level of risk within the fund it provides an opportunity to increase the investment return.

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## Minimum Recommended Investment Period

Investing should always be considered over the medium to long-term (typically, 5-7 years or more) to give the underlying assets time to grow in value. However, even long-term investing involves risk as values will fluctuate over time.



## Risk Rating – High Risk

New Ireland has rated the Water Fund a high risk investment fund. Funds categorised as high risk funds have the following characteristics – the potential return from high risk investments is much higher than deposits or inflation. The focus is on maximising the potential return to investors, rather than minimising risks. Some high risk funds may consist almost entirely of one asset class or be concentrated in one geographic region or sector. Investors' capital is not secure and may fluctuate significantly. Investors may get back substantially less than they originally invested.

## Product Availability

The **Water Fund** is available to investors through the following New Ireland products:

- SmartFunds
- FutureSave
- Personal Retirement Plan
- Executive Retirement Plan
- Trustee Investment Plan
- Personal Retirement Bond
- Approved Retirement Fund (ARF)
- Approved Minimum Retirement Fund (AMRF)
- PRSA (non-standard)

## Charges

Charges vary per product type. For the Water Fund, a management charge of 0.25% p.a. applies in addition to the standard charge. For details of the charges that apply please talk to your Financial Broker or Advisor.



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