

As demand for ESG and sustainable funds increases, so has the quantity and diversity of available investment products.

Too often, funds with a genuine commitment to being climate-conscious get lost in the crowd. To make matters worse, money managers have limited options for investments that directly regenerate the biosphere and thereby differentiate their products.

The **Global Returns Portfolio** is the first selection of diverse, effective and scalable not-for-profits directly regenerating the biosphere. Our world-class climate scientists have helped develop a proprietary methodology for curating the Portfolio like an investment fund.

We've made it easy to contribute to the Portfolio as a management company or from an investment fund's fee structure. With a small contribution, fund managers can finally differentiate themselves while regenerating the biosphere on which all investments depend.



### BEYOND SUSTAINABLE INVESTING ALONE

Sustainable funds are vital. But delivering clear environmental benefits remains a challenge even for the most conscientious fund managers.

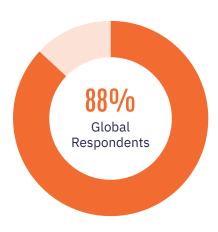
Sustainable funds also face fundamental limitations in their ability to regenerate the biosphere.

Even the best impact investing cannot sue polluters, protect rainforests or defend precious marine ecosystems. It cannot deliver systemic solutions like advocacy and policy work.

True regenerators – like the not-for-profits in the Global Returns Portfolio – do not have these limitations. By regenerating the biosphere *beyond* sustainable investing, they offer a real opportunity to catch clients' attention.

#### "WHEN COMPARING FOCUS ON ESG FACTORS, ENVIRONMENT IS THE PRIORITY MOST IN FOCUS TODAY."

2020 Global Sustainable Investing Survey, BlackRock



# THE GLOBAL RETURNS PORTFOLIO

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Our experts apply a rigorous fund management approach to the evaluation of not-for-profit organisations. Like fund managers, the Global Returns Project rigorously evaluates our Portfolio and expects real, identifiable returns.

But this is not an investment fund. Not-for-profit organisations do not generate wealth —they help to protect it by directly regenerating the planet. Instead of delivering financial returns, they deliver 'Global Returns'. That's our term for the direct regeneration of the biosphere.

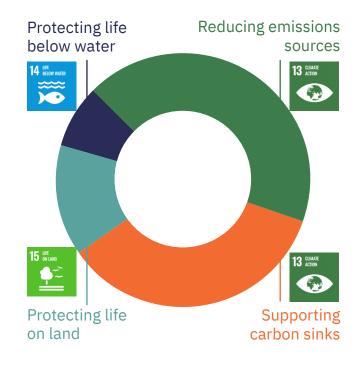
Contributing to the Global Returns Portfolio delivers reliable and well-reported results. Institutions and individuals who contribute receive detailed six-monthly impact reports.

The Portfolio addresses three of the four fundamental UN Sustainable Development Goals.



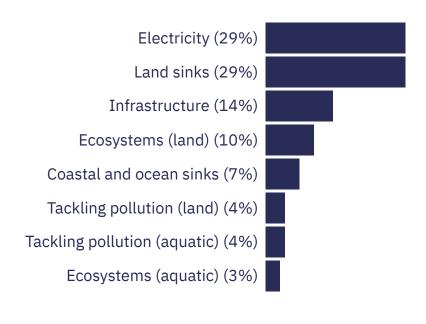
#### PORTFOLIO DIVERSITY BREAKDOWN

(As of May 2022)



#### BREAKDOWN BY CATEGORY (%)

(As of May 2022)





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### HOW IT WORKS

The Global Returns Project (UK registered charity no. 1186683) runs the Portfolio. We direct 100% of contributions to the not-for-profits comprising the Portfolio, with no deductions.

Our Trustees and a number of charitable trusts, foundations and individual donors fund our operating costs.

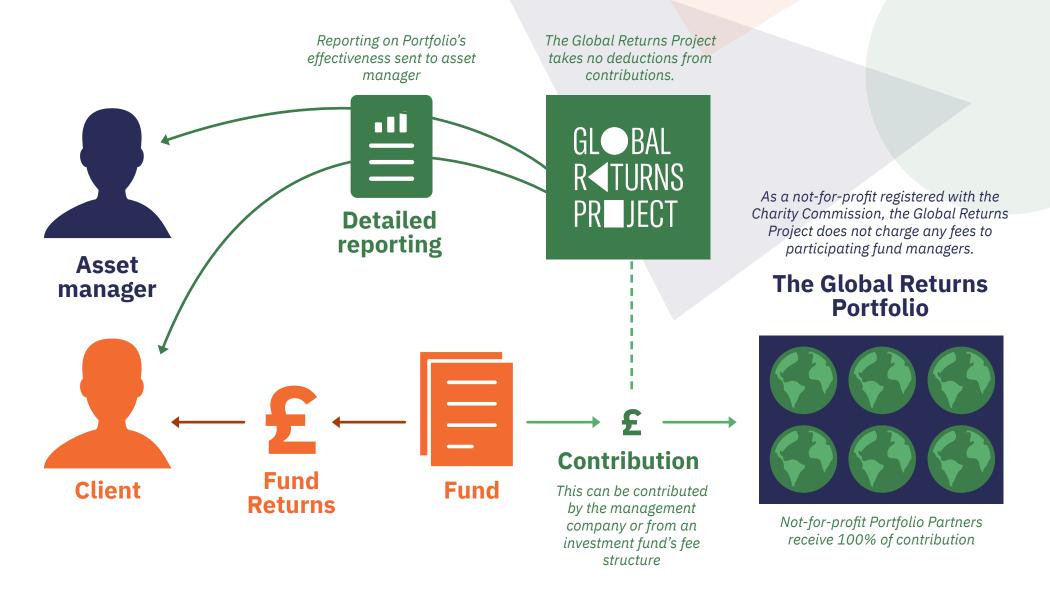
Calculating the proportion to contribute to the Portfolio – either from a management company or a particular product's fee structure – is entirely up to you.

Participating asset managers receive detailed sixmonthly impact reports.

Depending on how the arrangement is set up and the tax residency of the management company, the contribution may also be tax deductible in the management company.



#### **HOW IT WORKS**



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# PARTNER WITHUS TODAY

"The Global Returns Portfolio was established precisely to cater for individuals and businesses like [ours] who want to support regenerative projects that work to reverse the impact we have had on the environment. It appeals to us as investors, that the Global Returns Portfolio is managed with a portfoliolike framework and selects projects after thorough due diligence."

Investment Fund Manager contributing to the Global Returns Portfolio

Arrange an introductory call to learn more about contributing to the Global Returns Portfolio – as a management company or within the fee structure of a fund: info@globalreturnsproject.earth



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