

# Thematics Meta Fund

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**Benefitting from the rapidly growing and diversified market for thematic investing**

## Fund Highlights

- Combines all theme strategies managed within our thematic franchise in one single fund.
- Invests directly in equity of companies, not a fund of fund structure.
- An unconstrained portfolio with a high active share relative to any major global equity index.
- Identifies companies with an attractive risk/return profile driven by secular trends.
- Includes Environmental, Social and Governance considerations for both the selection and the capital allocation processes.

## Why choose this fund?

Thematic investing provides investors with access to a collection of markets that have the potential to grow at a rate superior to that of the broader global economy, due to the long term secular growth drivers that underpin them. AI & Robotics, Safety and Water are all 'themes' that are rapidly becoming more prevalent in every aspect of our daily lives. These themes benefit from long term global trends in demographic, environmental, technological or lifestyle factors that will be captured in the Meta fund. This represents a potentially attractive and differentiated investment opportunity.

### Strong experience in thematic investing

The fund's managers have a proven experience of investing in thematic strategies. In the management of this fund, each team focuses on a subset of the market, its own theme, in which the managers have deep knowledge and an industry network.

### Unconstrained by design

The fund is managed through a thematic lens and is therefore unconstrained by typical limitations in terms of sectors, geographies, styles and market capitalizations. Doing so allows the managers to access attractively priced long term investment opportunities wherever they find them.

### Gain equal exposure to every theme

The fund managers invest in each single thematic strategy at equal weight and rebalance the portfolio at the beginning of each month. The fund benefits from substantial diversification across different sectors and geographies, but also across different themes that offer multiple growth drivers. This allows the fund managers to construct a balanced and diverse portfolio based on their strongest convictions.

## Portfolio Management Team



**Arnaud Bisschop**  
Began investment career in 2005



**Frédéric Dupraz, CFA®**  
Began investment career in 2005



**Simon Gottelier**  
Began investment career in 1999



**Karen Kharmandarian**  
Began investment career in 1994



**Nolan Hoffmeyer, CFA®**  
Began investment career in 2013



**Matthieu Rolin, CFA®**  
Began investment career in 2004



## FUND FACTS

### Investment Objective

Achieve long term growth of capital

### Investment Horizon

5 Years

### Investment Universe

International equities

### Reference Index

MSCI AC World NR USD

### Inception Date

12/20/2018

### Currencies Available

USD, CHF, EUR, GBP, SGD

*Reference currency in bold*

### Share Classes & Types Available

I – Institutional

R – Retail

### ISIN

I/A (USD) – LU1923622457

R/A (USD) – LU1923622614

*For reference purposes only and not exhaustive, please consult with your sales representative for further information*

### Minimum Initial Investment

I – \$ 100,000

R – \$ 1,000

*This may vary depending on the share class and currency*

### Maximum Sales Charge, %

4.00%

*Not paid to the fund*

### Ongoing Charges/TER, %

I – 1.20%

R – 2.00%

*The ongoing charges figure is based on expenses for the year ending December 31 2020. It excludes the portfolio transaction costs, except in the case of an entry/exit charge paid by the SICAV when buying or selling units in another collective investment undertaking*

### Management Company

Natixis Investment Managers S.A.

### Investment Manager

Thematics Asset Management

### Legal Structure and Domicile

Sub-fund of the Natixis IF Lux I SICAV domiciled in Luxembourg and authorized by the financial regulator, the CSSF as a UCITS

## Investment Process

The Meta fund has a relatively simple strategy consisting of equally-weighting all thematic strategies. Managers of single thematic funds use a bottom-up-based investment process that follows 6 steps, with ESG considerations included at different stages.

Define		Select		Act	
Global listed equities		250 - 300 universe opportunities		40-60 portfolio holdings	
Engagement whenever deemed appropriate					
Theme boundaries	Investable universe	Idea generation	Stock picking	Position sizing	Active ownership

**1 - Theme boundaries:** Portfolio managers (PM) define the thematic boundaries of the investable universe and identify companies for inclusion based on all global equities. ESG-based exclusions at this point focus on 'controversial issues', such as providers of cluster munitions, landmines and tobacco.

**2 - Investable universe:** PMs further define the investable universe by identifying companies with material exposure to its theme, or companies with demonstrable, relevant market leadership.

**3 - Idea generation:** Macroeconomic considerations, market and product specific insights, as well as additional ESG research, all supplement the PMs' financial metrics scorecard, which sorts stocks by quintile for ideas.

**4 - Stock picking:** PMs assess management capability, execution risk, the company's competitive position, trading risks and a range of additional financial, non-financial and ESG considerations to value the business and set a risk-adjusted target price.

**5 - Position sizing:** Positions are sized based on an assessment of the attractiveness of the business model, the quality of the management team, trading and ESG risks, as well as the potential upside to the price target.

**6 - Active ownership:** As active owners, a proxy voting policy has been put in place and engagement with the company's management is carried out as needed.



Thematics Asset Management is a dedicated equity investor in innovative thematic strategies, which include Water Safety, Artificial Intelligence & Robotics and the Subscription Economy. It invests in a collection of markets that have the potential to grow at a rate superior to that of the broader global economy due to the long-term secular growth drivers that underpin them. It integrates ESG principles in its portfolio construction process.



Label  
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### SRI Label

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**FUND RISKS:** The Fund invests primarily in global company shares (stocks). Equity investments may experience large price fluctuations. **The Fund is subject to specific risks, including :** **Stock Connect risk:** The Fund may invest in China "A" shares via the Shanghai-Hong Kong Stock Connect and/or Shenzhen-Hong Kong Stock Connect programs which are subject to additional clearing and settlement constraints, potential regulatory changes as well as operational and counterparty risks. **Geographic concentration risk:** Funds that concentrate investments in certain geographic regions may suffer losses, particularly when the economies of those regions experience difficulties or when investing in those regions become less attractive. Moreover, the markets in which the funds invest may be significantly affected by adverse political, economic or regulatory developments. **Smaller Capitalization risk:** Funds investing in companies with small capitalizations may be particularly sensitive to wider price fluctuations, certain market movements and less able to sell securities quickly and easily. **All investing involves risk, including the risk of loss. The fund is subject to additional material risks, please see the full prospectus for a comprehensive list of risks.**

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