

MONTHLY PERFORMANCE AS AT 28/02/2025






| Latest Unit Price | Return Since Inception | Return 1 Month | Monthly Currency Impact |
|-------------------|------------------------|----------------|--------------------------------|
| \$1.1180 | 11.80% | -1.76% | TAILWIND LOW (0-1%) |

FUND OUTLINE

Fund Manager:

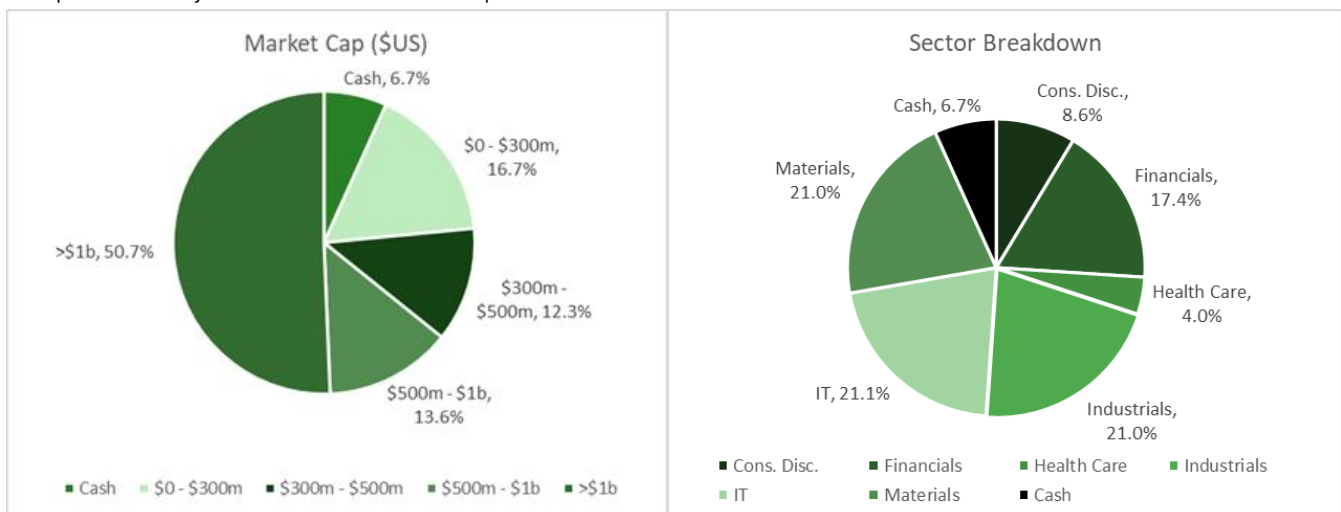
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The Value Earth Fund is a wholesale fund investing in a portfolio of undervalued global companies that meet our minimum ESG criteria. Companies are located in developed economies around the world.

| | Country Break Up | % of NAV |
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|  | Australia | 14.6% |
|  | Europe | 13.6% |
|  | Nordics | 10.5% |
|  | United States | 28.0% |
|  | UK | 15.7% |
| | Other | 10.7% |

| | Total since inception* | 6 Month | 3 Month | 1 Month |
|--------------------|------------------------|---------|---------|---------|
| VEF | 11.80% | 6.25% | 2.39% | -1.76% |
| Benchmark** | 13.55% | 7.64% | -1.75% | -3.14% |

*Inception date 1 July 2024. **MSCI World Small Cap in Australian Dollars



MARKET UPDATE AND COMMENTARY

World equity markets were volatile throughout the month as investors grappled with distinguishing between the Trump administration's tactical rhetoric on tariffs, trade deals and the substantive policy measures that will ultimately be enacted. Concerns are also mounting over the new U.S. administration's DOGE cost-cutting program and the potential economic fallout. While U.S. job growth remains at relatively healthy levels, the full impact of these cost-cutting initiatives will take months to wash through the data. In China, anticipation is building ahead of the government's annual policy-making event, the "Two Sessions," set for March 5th. The event is expected to unveil further stimulus and support measures for the slowing Chinese economy. Notably, the government is likely to revise its inflation target to around 2%, the lowest in years. However, significant stimulus measures remain unlikely, as trade negotiations with the U.S. are still ongoing. While consumption growth in China has been slowing, some level of stimulus may be necessary, which could require the government to ease its strict fiscal deficit limit of 3% of GDP. Domestically, the RBA cut rates by 25 basis points, relieving some pressures in strained household budgets.

Value Earth Fund returned -1.76% in February.

February was a busy month, with many investee companies delivering results. As always, there were some surprises, positive and negative, but we remain upbeat on the outlook for the portfolio as a whole.

In the US, NPK International, our industrial matting company, released their CY24 results. NPK is slightly cautious on the CY25 outlook, but we are positive on the long-term prospects for the business. NPK announced the sale of their Fluid Systems segment in 3Q24, which previously obscured the quality of the Industrial Solutions segment. As a pure-play matting and site access solutions company, we expect investors to take note of its solid economics and growth trajectory. The company has net cash, an undemanding valuation at 7.7x CY25 EBITDA, and sales are expected to grow c.10% a year. Only 20% of the market has moved to reusable matting with the balance still served by wood mats, implying a long runway for growth remains. We believe the setup is very attractive and note that the equipment rental space in which NPK plays has been consolidating, potentially making them an attractive target for a larger strategic player. In addition to attractive fundamentals, NPK's reusable and recyclable site access DURA-BASE mats help reduce deforestation and site contamination, contributing positively to UN SDG #9. At month end, NPKI represented c.3.5% of the Value Earth Fund.

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| Projected EPS Growth 1-year forward (on a weighted basis) | 9.5% |
| Projected EPS Growth 2-year forward (on a weighted basis) | 22.6% |

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| Number of companies | 29 |
| Top 5 Holdings % of NAV | 34.22% |
| Top 10 Holdings % of NAV | 53.12% |
| Top 20 Holdings % of NAV | 80.39% |
| Cash Position % of NAV | 6.75% |

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Application for units in the Fund is limited to investors that are wholesale or sophisticated investors within the meaning of Section 761G(7) and 761GA(7) of the Corporations Act 2001.