# SPDR<sup>®</sup> S&P<sup>®</sup> 500 ESG Leaders UCITS ETF (Acc)

Fact Sheet Environmental, Social & Governance

# 30 June 2022

#### **Fund Objective**

The investment objective of the Fund is to track the U.S. equity market performance of large cap equity securities.

The Fund is classified as an Article 8 fund under SFDR.

## Environmental, Social & Governance (ESG) Characteristics

The Fund promotes environmental and social characteristics but does not have as its objective sustainable investment. The Fund is categorized under Article 8 of Regulation (EU) 2019/2088 on sustainability-related disclosures in the financial services sector ("SFDR").

At least 90% of the Fund's assets are invested in securities that are constituents of the Index, while the index provider applies ESG Ratings on all of the Index constituents. The index excludes at least 20% of the least well-rated securities compared to the Standard Index universe. The Environmental, Social and Governance factors are simultaneously taken into account in the investment process.

Main methodological limits: There may be potential inconsistencies, inaccuracy or lack of availability of the ESG data, particularly when issued by external data providers. Details about the limits are described in the Prospectus. More information about the type of ESG characteristics, ESG strategy, investment process and type of approach is available in the Prospectus.

# **Index Description**

The S&P 500 ESG Leaders Index is a best-in-class ESG index that is designed to measure the performance of securities from S&P 500 index universe with stronger than average ESG characteristics while excluding controversial business activities with negative social or environmental impacts.

#### **Tax Status**

As standard, SSGA aims to meet all applicable tax reporting requirements for all of the SPDR ETFs in the following countries. Applications are made throughout the year depending on the time scale required by each local tax authority: UK, Germany, Austria, Switzerland.

#### **Countries of Registration**

United Kingdom, Switzerland, Sweden, Spain, Norway, Netherlands, Luxembourg, Italy, Ireland, Germany, France, Finland, Denmark, Austria

Fund Information		
ISIN	IE00BH4GPZ28	
Index Name	S&P 500 ESG Leaders Index	
Index Ticker	SPXESLUN	
Index Type	Net Total Return	
Number of Constituents	481	

#### Kev Facts

Key Facts	
Inception Date	02-Dec-2019
Share Class Currency	USD
Fund — Base Currency	USD
TER	0.10%
Income Treatment	Accumulation
Replication Method	Replicated
UCITS Compliant	Yes
Domicile	Ireland
Investment Manager	State Street Global Advisors Europe Limited
Sub-Investment Manager(s)	State Street Global Advisors Trust Company
Fund Umbrella	SSGA SPDR ETFs Europe I plc
Share Class Assets (millions)	US\$594.94
Total Fund Assets (millions)	US\$594.94
ISA Eligible	Yes
SIPP Eligible	Yes
PEA Eligible	No

Previous to 12 May 2022, the Fund was known as SPDR S&P 500 ESG Screened UCITS ETF, tracking the S&P 500 ESG Exclusions II Index.

# Listings

Listings						
Exchange	Exchange Ticker	Trading Currency	iNAV Ticker	Bloomberg Code	Reuters Code	SEDOL Code
Deutsche Börse*	SPPY	EUR	INSPPYE	SPPY GY	SPPY.DE	BKRSQ86
Borsa Italiana	500X	EUR	INSPPYE	500X IM	500X.MI	BKRSQB9
Euronext Amsterdam	500X	EUR	INSPPYE	500X NA	500X.AS	BKRSQ75
SIX Swiss Exchange	500X	USD	INSPPY	500X SE	500X.S	BH4GPZ2

#### \*Denotes Primary Listing

Performance

	Index	Fund Gross	Difference	Fund Net	Difference	
Annualised Returns (%)						
1 Year	-11.13	-10.91	0.22	-11.00	0.13	
3 Year	-	-	-	-		
5 Year	-	-	-	-		
10 Year	-	-	-	-		
Since Inception	9.63	9.88	0.24	9.77	0.13	
Cumulativ	e Performa	nce (%)				
1 Month	-7.94	-7.91	0.02	-7.92	0.02	
3 Month	-16.34	-16.27	0.06	-16.29	0.04	
1 Year	-11.13	-10.91	0.22	-11.00	0.13	
2 Year	24.76	25.30	0.54	25.05	0.29	
3 Year	-	-	-	-		
5 Year	-	-	-	-		
10 Year	-	-	-	-	-	
Since Inception	26.73	27.46	0.73	27.14	0.40	
Calendar F	Performanc	e (%)		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		
2022	-20.48	-20.36	0.12	-20.40	0.08	
2021	28.45	28.71	0.26	28.58	0.13	
2020	19.29	19.53	0.24	19.41	0.12	
2019	4.02	4.03	0.02	4.02	0.01	

	Fund (%)
Standard Deviation (3 Years)	-
Annualised Tracking Error (3 Years)	_

Past performance is not an indicator of future performance. The Gross of fees do not reflect and net of fees do reflect commissions and costs incurred on the issue and redemption, or purchases and sale, of units. If the performance is calculated on the basis of Gross/net asset values that are not denominated in the accounting currency of the collective investment scheme, its value may rise or fall as a result of currency fluctuations.

When the Fund is closed according to its official Net Asset Value (NAV) calendar but, nonetheless, a significant portion of the underlying security prices can be determined, a Technical NAV is calculated. Past Performance indicated herein has therefore been calculated using a Technical NAV when required, as well as the official NAV of the Fund as at each other business day for the relevant period. Calendar year inception performance returns will be partial for the year where the inception date for either the Fund in question or the historic performance-linked Fund (whichever is the earliest) falls within that period.

Characteristics	
Number of Holdings	211
<sup>†</sup> Distribution Yield	-
Price/Earnings Ratio FY1	16.85
Average Price/Book	3.64
Average Market Cap (M)	US\$563,051.38
Index Dividend Yield	1.66%

 $^{\rm +}$  This measures the 12 month historical dividend pay-out per share divided by the NAV.

Source: SSGA Characteristics, holdings, country allocations and sectors shown are as of date indicated at the top of this factsheet and are subject to change. Any reference to a specific company or security does not constitute a recommendation to buy, sell, hold or invest directly in such company or securities.

Top 10 Holdings	Weight (%)
APPLE INC	9.37
MICROSOFT CORP	8.82
AMAZON.COM INC	4.20
ALPHABET INC-CL A	3.04
ALPHABET INC-CL C	2.80
NVIDIA CORP	2.76
UNITEDHEALTH GROUP INC	2.57
JPMORGAN CHASE & CO	1.96
EXXON MOBIL CORP	1.94
Visa Inc	1.89

Sector Breakdown	Weight (%)
Information Technology	30.90
Health Care	13.57
Financials	11.09
Communication Services	10.47
Consumer Discretionary	9.49
Consumer Staples	7.85
Industrials	7.28
Energy	3.73
Materials	2.40
Real Estate	2.34
Utilities	0.89

Top Country Weights	Weight (%)
United States	100.00

Capital Risk: Investing involves risk including the risk of loss of capital. Past performance is not a guarantee of future results.

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#### **Risk Factors**

The Fund has a Risk and Reward profile of category 6 as its return has experienced medium rises and falls historically. The following are material risks relevant to the Fund which are not adequately captured by the risk category. **Concentration Risk Index Tracking Risk Liquidity Risk & ETF Liquidity Risk Soreening Risk SFDR - Fund Classification Risk Please read the Prospectus and KIIDs for more information about the risks.** 

#### Glossary

Price/Earnings Ratio FY1 The average of the price of each underlying security divided by the mean EPS estimate of the security for the next unreported fiscal year, as of the report date. Average Price/Book The average of the price of each underlying security divided by the Book value per share of the security, as of the report date.

Index Dividend Yield The average of the Annual dividends per share (DPS) of each underlying security in the index as of the report date divided by the price of the security as of the report date.

**TER** Total Expense Ratio is a fee charged to the fund, as a percentage of the Net Asset Value, to cover costs associated with operation and management of the portfolio of assets.

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# **R-Factor™ Summary**

R-Factor<sup>™</sup> is built off a transparent scoring methodology that leverages the Sustainability Accounting Standards Board (SASB) Materiality Map, corporate governance codes, and inputs from four best-in-class ESG data providers. R-Factor supports the development of sustainable capital markets by giving investors the ability to invest in solutions that integrate financially material ESG data while incentivizing companies to improve their ESG practices and disclosure in areas that matter.

Data included in the ESG sections of this Fact Sheet are the latest available and has a one-month lag against the reporting date.

# Source: Factset/SSGA. Holdings as of 30 Jun 2022, R-Factor data as of 31 May 2022.

# R-Factor

R-Factor Summary	Fund
R-Factor	73

Source: Factset/SSGA as of 31 May 2022.

Fund Coverage	Count	Percent of Total Securities (%)	Percent of Total Market Value (%)
R-Factor Securities Coverage	211	100.00	100.00
Total Number of Securities in Fund	211		

Source: Factset/SSGA as of 31 May 2022.

Top 10 Positions	Fund Weight (%)	<b>R-Factor Rating</b>
Apple Inc.	9.37	93
Microsoft Corporation	8.82	78
Amazon.com Inc.	4.20	64
Alphabet Inc. Class A	3.04	72
Alphabet Inc. Class C	2.80	72
NVIDIA Corporation	2.76	78
UnitedHealth Group Incorporated	2.57	52
JPMorgan Chase & Co.	1.96	78
Exxon Mobil Corporation	1.94	63
Visa Inc. Class A	1.89	72
Top 5 R-Factor Ratings		
HP Inc.	0.19	100
Cisco Systems Inc.	1.07	100
Apple Inc.	9.37	93
Adobe Incorporated	1.05	89
Colgate-Palmolive Company	0.36	87
Bottom 5 R-Factor Ratings		
Globe Life Inc.	0.05	36
Take-Two Interactive Software Inc.	0.12	36
Generac Holdings Inc.	0.09	40
Moderna Inc.	0.33	41
Roper Technologies Inc.	0.24	45

Source: Factset/SSGA as of 31 May 2022.

The R-Factor summary reflects certain ESG characteristics only, and does not reflect the fund's performance. Please see Important Information section for more information and definitions of the ESG Metrics presented.

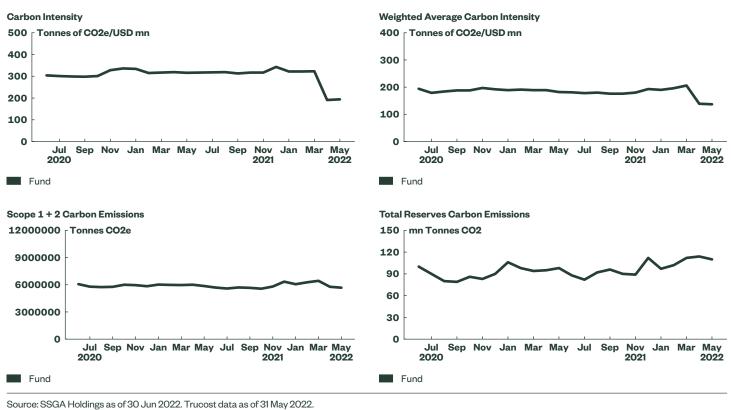
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**Fund R-Factor Profile** 

Not Available	0.00%
Laggard	4.95%
Underperformer	0.59%
Average Performer	6.45%
Outperformer	23.72%
Leader	69.24%

Source: Factset/SSGA as of 31 May 2022.

### **Climate Profile**



## Stewardship Profile Q1 2022

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Number of Meetings Voted	488
Number of Countries	3
Management Proposals	428
Votes "For"	92.76%
Votes "Against"	7.24%
Shareholder Proposals	27
With Management	62.96%
Against Management	37.04%

Figures are based on State Street Global Advisors' general approach to voting at the companies held by the Fund at quarter end. This information is not a substitute for a proxy voting report, which can be requested through your relationship manager. State Street Global Advisors' (SSGA) asset stewardship program is aimed at engaging with our fund companies on issues that impact long-term value creation across environmental, social and governance (ESG) considerations. In the recent past, SSGA has issued extensive guidance on key governance matters such as effective, independent board leadership. SSGA's current focus is on helping boards think about the possible impacts of environmental and social issues and incorporating a sustainability lens into boards' oversight of long-term strategy as a

Gender Diversity	
Women on Board	Number of Securities
0	0
1	1
2	23
3	64
4	75
5	35
6	10
7	3
8	0
9	0
10	0
10+	0
Not Available	0
Total	211

Source: Factset/SSGA as of 31 May 2022.

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R-Factor™ R-Factor™ is an ESG scoring system that leverages commonly accepted transparent materiality frameworks that are supported by a large group of companies and investors to generate a unique ESG score for listed companies. The score is powered by ESG data from four different providers (Sustainalytics, ISS-Oekom, Vigeo-EIRIS, and ISS-Governance), in order to improve overall coverage and remove biases inherent in existing scoring methodologies. R-Factor™ is designed to put companies in the driver's seat to help create sustainable markets.

R-Factor<sup>™</sup> Scores are comparable across industries. The ESG and Corporate Governance (CorpGov) scores are designed to be based on issues that are material to a company's industry and regulatory region. A uniform grading scale allows for interpretation of the final company level score to allow for comparison across companies.

The R-Factor<sup>™</sup> scoring process comprises two underlying components. The first component is based on the framework published by the Sustainability Accounting Standards Board ("SASB"), which is used for all ESG aspects of the score other than those relating to corporate governance issues. The SASB framework attempts to identify ESG risks that are financially material to the issuer-based on its industry classification. This component of the R-Factor<sup>™</sup> score is determined using only those metrics from the ESG data providers that specifically address ESG risks identified by the SASB framework as being financially material to the issuer-based on its industry classification. The second component of the score, the CorpGov score, is generated using regionspecific corporate governance codes developed by investors or regulators. The governance codes describe minimum corporate governance

expectations of a particular region and typically address topics such as shareholder rights, board independence and executive compensation. This component of the R-Factor<sup>™</sup> uses data provided by ISS Governance to assign a governance score to issuers according to these governance codes. R-Factor™ Profile Within each industry group, issuers are classified into five distinct ESG performance groups based on which percentile their R-Factor<sup>TM</sup> scores fall into. A company is classified in one of the five ESG performance classes (Laggard - 10% of universe, Underperformer - 20% of universe, Average Performer - 40% of universe, Outperformer 20% of universe or Leader - 10% of universe) by comparing the company's R-Factor<sup>™</sup> score against a band. R-Factor<sup>™</sup> scores are normally distributed using normalized ratings on a 0-100 rating scale.

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Carbon Intensity Measured in Metric tons CO2e/USD millions revenues. The aggregation of operational and first-tier supply chain carbon footprints of index constituents per USD (equal weighted).

#### Weighted Average Carbon

Intensity Measured in Metric tons CO2e/USD millions revenues. The weighted average of individual company intensities (operational and first-tier supply chain emissions over revenues), weighted by the proportion of each constituent in the index.

Scope 1+2 Carbon Emissions Measured in Metric tons of CO2e.The GHG emissions from operations that are owned or controlled by the company, as well as GHG emissions from consumption of purchased electricity, heat or steam, by the company.

Total Reserves CO2 Emissions Measured in

Metric tons of CO2. The carbon footprint that could be generated if the proven and probable fossil fuel reserves owned by index constituents were burned per USD million invested. Unlike carbon intensity and carbon emissions. the S&P Trucost Total Reserves Emissions metric is a very specific indicator that is only applicable to a very selected number of companies in extractive and carbon-intensive industries. Those companies are assigned Total Reserves Emissions numerical results by Trucost, whereas the rest of the holdings in other industries do not have numerical scores and are instead displaying "null", blank values. In order to present a more comprehensive overview of a portfolio's overall weighted average fossil fuel reserves, State Street Global Advisors replaces blank results with "zeros". While that might slightly underestimate the final weighted average volume, it provides a more realistic result, given that most companies in global indices have no ownership of fossil fuel reserves.

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