

# LO Funds TargetNetZero Global Equity Newsletter

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## MARKET REVIEW

The global economic landscape was significantly influenced by the US presidential election. Markets are anticipating that the incoming Trump administration will introduce pro-growth measures, including tax cuts, deregulation, and potential tariffs, which could result in more persistent inflation. This expectation has led to a positive market response, particularly in US equities. While the global economy continues to face slowing growth and low inflation, recent developments have raised the probability of an economic soft landing.

The Fund ended November with a positive absolute performance, underperforming its benchmark, the MSCI World ND index.

## PERFORMANCE COMMENT

The key driver of the market's performance included the Consumer discretionary sector that showed the largest performance (9.33%), followed by Financials (7.96%) while Materials was negative (-0.91%).

The Fund's performance ended November below its benchmark which can be fully explained by the implementation of its climate strategy, that we breakdown into three components:

- Net Zero Target: The primary objective of aligning with net zero targets resulted in a negative contribution of -0.04% to excess returns.

- Carbon Reduction vs. Benchmark: Efforts to reduce the carbon footprint relative to the benchmark contributed negatively to the excess return by -0.07%.

- Exclusions: The exclusions from LOIM Sustainability Investment Policy was neutral to the excess return.

When comparing sector allocation to stock selection contribution, this month's negative excess return was driven both by the stock selection and sector allocation.

In terms of sector allocation, the overweight of Utilities and Materials was negative while the slight underweight of Health Care helped to offset part of effect.

After several months of strong stock selection, the momentum slowed down in November. We ended the month with a negative contribution mainly due to our positioning within Utilities and Consumer Staples. However, being selective in Industrials based on their decarbonization potential has been beneficial again this month, notably thanks to the overweight of Howmet Aerospace that all operating in carbon-intensive industries but demonstrating strong and credible decarbonization potential.

The fund continues to generate positive excess return year to date, benefiting from our positioning in transitioning companies within carbon intensive but key sectors of the economy.

# **CLIMATE OUTLOOK**

Momentum in Climate Transition: A Promising Yet Complex Path

Last month, significant developments highlighted the momentum and complexities in the global transition to net zero. At the COP29 climate summit, negotiators achieved a breakthrough by agreeing on rules for a United Nations-administered global carbon market. This market, governed by the newly established Article 6.4, aims to set the gold standard for emissions trading, potentially unlocking billions in finance for emissions mitigation projects in developing countries. The agreement marks a critical step forward, despite ongoing debates about the integrity and verification of emissions reductions. The establishment of a robust global carbon market could significantly lower the costs of implementing nationally determined contributions (NDCs), thereby accelerating global climate goals. However, challenges remain, particularly around transparency and governance, as highlighted by climate groups.

Simultaneously, optimism is growing in China, where experts believe the nation may peak carbon emissions years ahead of its 2030 target. This shift is driven by a surge in clean energy projects and reduced output in energy-intensive industries like cement and steel. Nevertheless, China's rapid energy consumption growth poses a challenge, necessitating either an accelerated deployment of renewables or a shift towards less energy-intensive economic development.

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#### PERFORMANCE

30.11.2024	INCEPTION	AUM	MONTH- TO-DATE	YEAR- TO-DATE	INCEPTION-TO- DATE
LO Funds – TargetNetZero Global Equity PA [1]	26.04.2021	USD 390 mn	4.40%	21.66%	32.26%
LO Funds – TargetNetZero Global Equity NA [2]			4.43%	22.05%	33.93%
Benchmark [3]			4.59%	21.85%	36.21%

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[2] Dividend accumulated institutional client share class, net performance in USD.

[2] Dividend accumulated [3] MSCI World ND USD

# **RISK AND REWARD PROFILE**

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Lower Risk						Higher Risk

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## **KEY METRICS**

	LO Funds - TargetNetZero Global Equity	MSCI World
Temperature (°C)	2.0	2.5
Carbon footprint reduction vs benchmark [1]	-33%	0%
Self carbon reduction in 2050 [1]	-33%	-20%
ESG rating	69.9	69.0
Tracking error [2]	0.76%	
Style bias contribution to total risk	6.25%	
Number of stocks	815	1'402

Scope 1, 2 and 3 carbon emissions per unit of enterprise value.
Tracking error ex-ante.
Source: LOIM

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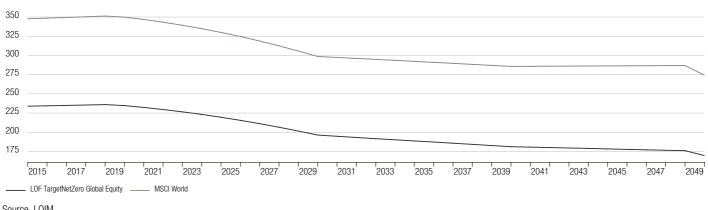
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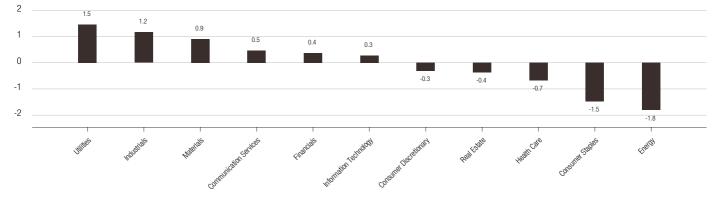
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# **Carbon trajectory**



Source. LOIM

## Sector active weight



Source: LOIM

# STRATEGY PHILOSOPHY

The TargetNetZero Fund is a core equity strategy that leverages the LOIM net-zero transition process.

The strategy aims to capture opportunities and reduce risks by increasing exposure to companies with CO2 trajectories declining towards 2050 net-zero targets, while reducing exposure to companies with high CO2 emissions that cannot achieve this. Key features include:

- Targeting a lower temperature scenario and enabling capital flows to companies aligned with the Paris Agreement Reducing carbon footprint relative to benchmarks by at least 30% ٠
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- Controlled factor/style, sector and country bias
- ٠ Enhanced passive approach with target ex-ante tracking error of 0.5-1%

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