

Chairman's Statement

As Chairman of the board of directors (the "Board") of Alquity Investment Management Limited ("AIML" or the "Company"), and on behalf of my fellow Board members, I would like to introduce the Value Assessment Report for the year to 31 December 2022.

This is our first Value Assessment report, and although this is only one aspect of our ongoing product governance process, it is our opportunity as a Board to communicate to investors how we continue to ensure that we act in your best interests and help you to meet your investment needs.

We have strived to make improvements to our fund range over the last 12 months, however, these changes are overshadowed by world events. We have described these in our fund manager reviews and how they have impacted our strategies and sub fund performance. In this report we set out how each Sub-fund has performed over the last 12 months, where we have seen opportunities for improvement, or where it has been necessary to make changes.

The Board takes the Value Assessment very seriously, and the rigorous process that we have implemented will continue to drive improvements where they are necessary.

I would like to thank you for entrusting Alquity with your investment and taking the time to read this report.

An introduction to Value Assessments

As Authorised Fund Manager ('AFM') of the Sub-funds, the following sets out our approach to the assessment, and the range of factors considered by the board of directors ('the Board') to determine if value is being provided to investors, and whether costs and charges are justified.

This exercise is conducted on an annual basis, alongside our regular fund reviews.

These reviews encompass thorough evaluations of the service and performance of each Sub-fund, and appropriate measures are taken throughout the year as needed. If the outcome of the value assessment reveals that the charges paid by investors are not deemed justified given the level of service we offer, suitable actions will be implemented.

1. Quality of service

We evaluate the range, nature, extent, and quality of services provided to sub-fund investors or carried out on their behalf. This assessment encompasses the services rendered by Alquity Investment Management, taking into account its reputation, expertise, resources, and relative capabilities. The key factors considered are as follows:

- The excellence of the investment process, including research, portfolio construction, risk management, compliance, execution and operational procedures. Additionally, we assess the integration of environmental, social, and governance (ESG) factors into our investment process.
- The quality of administrative and investor services offered, along with the analysis of complaints and data related to operational accuracy. This evaluation helps us determine the position of the Alquity SICAV investors and its products and services over time, in comparison to similar asset managers.
- The calibre and promptness of clear communications and the relevance of information provided to investors. Our aim is to provide them with the necessary details to make well-informed decisions.

2. Performance

We evaluate whether the performance of each Sub-fund, taking into account expenses, falls within a reasonable range relative to the Sub-fund's objective, policy, and strategy over appropriate time periods. The specific time frame considered for performance assessment is indicated in the individual Sub-fund's investment objective or policy. However, we also review performance over one, three, five years and since inception.

In addition to absolute performance, we compare the Sub-fund's performance to its peer group and assess whether it operated within its defined risk limits and investment restrictions. Performance evaluations, in alignment with the objectives, are conducted during regular governance meetings and contribute to the conclusions of the value assessment.

If the performance is deemed unsatisfactory, we may consider the following:

- Explanations provided by the portfolio manager regarding any underperformance, as part of our governance model.
- Appropriate actions, such as reviewing and potentially modifying the investment objective, policy, strategy, or investment personnel, to enhance performance.
- Liquidating or merging the Sub-fund in question.

Further details regarding the performance of individual Sub-funds during the relevant period are provided in the Fund Manager Report section of the Value Assessment.

3. Authorised Fund Manager (AFM) costs & charges

We assess the reasonableness of our charges by considering the underlying costs incurred for the services we provide, as well as the performance objectives of each Sub-fund. The underlying fees, costs and expenses covered are detailed in the Alquity SICAV Prospectus, but in summary it covers the following payments:

- the fees and expenses of the Company as AFM
- the fees and expenses of the Investment Manager
- the fees and expenses of the Depositary
- the fees and expenses of the Custodian
- the fees and expenses of the Fund Administrator
- the fees and expenses of the Auditor
- the permitted costs in connection with periodic statements and accounts
- Regulatory fees

To facilitate the value assessment process, we use a costs and charges model to evaluate the expenses associated with each of the Sub-funds. This model is updated once a year and provides a comprehensive analysis of all cost components attributed to each Sub-fund. It aids us in determining the fairness of the costs allocated to each Sub-fund, considering the expenses related to the services provided for the corresponding unit class, while appropriately accounting for the income generated by the Company from these activities.

4. Economies of scale

We examine if economies of scale have been attained concerning the costs and operational expenses of each unit class, and the extent to which investors should benefit from resulting financial savings. Currently, our sub-funds lack this scale, and we have been working towards increasing the size in our

assets under management. We also consider the degree to which competitors offer similar products and whether they are invested to the same ESG and sustainability standards.

The assessment of underlying service costs for running the Sub-fund, as well as the appropriate level of fees charged, occurs annually. Any changes in underlying costs are taken into account in this analysis and may lead to adjustments in the overall charges.

When considering whether investors have appropriately benefited from savings or advantages in fund management, we recognize the broader, though intangible, benefits to investors, such as Alquity's brand.

5. Comparable market rates

We consider whether fees paid for each unit class are reasonable compared to similar Sub-funds and unit classes in the market by benchmarking each fund against a suitable peer group. This data used for comparison is provided by an independent data provider.

Direct comparisons of the individual fees may be difficult because information is not generally publicly available and is affected by numerous factors. As noted, the underlying expenses paid by the Sub-funds are routinely reviewed and this component is focused on the overall fee for a unit class in comparison to a suitable peer group.

Where the total charges are meaningfully greater than the average cost of equivalent peer group funds, we will review the fees and consider whether an adjustment can be made to our fee.

6. Comparable service

The purpose of this pillar is to highlight if we manage segregated accounts or other pools of money at different rates. Currently, we do not manage any segregated account for any of our Sub-funds.

7. Classes of units

We evaluate whether investors have holdings in the most suitable unit class, considering factors such as the services provided, entry criteria, and applicable fees.

As part of our regular procedures, we routinely assess whether investors have their investments allocated to the most appropriate unit class.

8. Other factors

The Board may take into account additional factors to reach a conclusion for the value assessment, based on their discretion. If such factors are considered, the value assessment report for the corresponding Sub-fund will include the relevant details (if any).

Alquity Future World Fund

Overall assessment

In compliance with the obligation to conduct a value assessment, the Board has determined that all aspects of the assessment have been taken into account, and the charges for each unit class are deemed reasonable considering the overall value provided to investors.

The following is a summary of the conclusions we have reached after considering the various factors outlined in the 'Value Assessment Approach.' These conclusions apply to all unit classes within the Sub-fund.

Quality of service

We have thoroughly evaluated the overall quality of services provided to investors and have reached the conclusion that investors have received clear communications and relevant information in a timely manner. This has enabled them to make well-informed decisions, and the services delivered have been both timely and of suitable quality.

Performance

	1 year	3 years	Since inception (26/07/2016)
Alquity Future World GBP Y	-11.5%	-8.4%	0.5%
EM Index	-10.0%	1.5%	39.3%

	1 year	3 years	Since inception (12/11/2019)
Alquity Future World GBP I	-11.2%	-7.1%	-6.3%
EM Index	-10.0%	1.5%	4.1%

Source: Alquity, Bloomberg, as of 30th December 2022.

AFM costs

We have assessed the reasonableness of the fees paid for AFM services by considering the underlying costs associated with the services provided and the performance objectives set for the Sub-fund.

Economies of scale

There have been no significant changes in the size of the Scheme or Sub-fund in the past 12 months, and therefore no additional savings have been identified.

Comparable market rates

We consider them to be competitive in comparison to fees charged by similar ESG and/or sustainable funds within the regulated funds market in the UK.

Comparable service

We do not manage any segregated account for the Sub-fund.

Classes of units

The pricing of each unit class offered in the UK within the Sub-fund is regarded as reasonable, taking into account the different eligibility criteria and target investors for each class. All investors hold units in the appropriate class they are eligible for at the time of the assessment.

Fund manager report – Alquity Future World

Performance

Over the twelve months ended 31 December 2022, the Sub-fund returned -11.3% (net of fees). The Sub-fund's benchmark, the relevant EM Index (GBP), returned -10.0% over the same period.

Portfolio review

The objective of the sub-fund is to invest in the highest quality ESG securities within the applicable investment universe, with appropriate portfolio construction and risk management, as determined by our investment process. The investment process is designed and managed by our investment team and overseen by our risk reviews, which are chaired by our CEO. For further information on our investment process, please see our website: <https://alquity.com>.

Over the past 12 months, the sub-fund has navigated a highly volatile market environment in Global Emerging Markets (GEM) punctuated by excessive inflation, rising short-term interest rates, higher commodity price volatility and heightened global economic and political uncertainty. Russia's invasion of Ukraine, China's post-COVID economic challenges, intensifying US/China trade tensions, China/Taiwan relations, US regional bank failures and the recent US debt ceiling negotiations and slowing global GDP growth are all key examples of these risk factors.

The sub-fund has navigated the aforementioned risks reasonably well by maintaining a balanced approach to country and sector allocations while focussing most strongly on high quality security selection of stocks with demonstrably high ESG standards.

Over this period, our weighting to China, India and Indonesia were the primary drivers of performance. Indonesia was by far the largest positive contributor and China was the largest negative contributor. In particular, our low exposure to Chinese state-owned enterprises (SOE) negatively impacted performance.

Alquity Asia Fund

Overall assessment

In compliance with the obligation to conduct a value assessment, the Board has determined that all aspects of the assessment have been taken into account, and the charges for each unit class are deemed reasonable considering the overall value provided to investors.

The following summarizes the conclusions we have reached after considering the various factors outlined in the 'Value Assessment Approach.' These conclusions apply to all unit classes within the Sub-fund.

Quality of service

We have thoroughly evaluated the overall quality of services provided to investors and have reached the conclusion that investors have received clear communications and relevant information in a timely manner. This has enabled them to make well-informed decisions, and the services delivered have been both timely and of suitable quality.

Performance

	1 year	3 years	Since inception (23/01/2015)
Alquity Asia GBP Y	-12.2%	4.1%	33.6%
Asia ex Japan Index	-9.6%	5.4%	57.6%

	1 year	3 years	Since inception (12/11/2019)
Alquity Asia GBP I	-11.6%	6.0%	3.3%
Asia ex Japan Index	-9.6%	5.4%	7.2%

Source: Alquity, Bloomberg, as of 30th December 2022

AFM costs

We have assessed the reasonableness of the fees paid for AFM services by considering the underlying costs associated with the services provided and the performance objectives set for the Sub-fund.

Economies of scale

There have been no significant changes in the size of the Scheme or Sub-fund in the past 12 months, and therefore no additional savings have been identified.

Comparable market rates

We consider them to be competitive in comparison to fees charged by similar funds within the regulated funds market in the UK.

Comparable service

We do not manage any segregated account for the Sub-fund.

Classes of units

The pricing of each unit class offered in the UK within the Sub-fund is regarded as reasonable, taking into account the different eligibility criteria and target investors for each class. All investors hold units in the appropriate class they are eligible for at the time of the assessment.

Fund manager report – Alquity Asia

Over the twelve months ended 31 December 2022, the Sub-fund returned 3.3% (net of fees). The Sub-fund's benchmark, the relevant Asia ex Japan Index (GBP), returned 7.2% over the same period.

The objective of the sub-fund is to invest in the highest quality ESG securities within the applicable investment universe, with appropriate portfolio construction and risk management, as determined by our investment process. The investment process is designed and managed by our investment team and overseen by our risk reviews, which are chaired by our CEO. For further information on our investment process, please see our website: <https://alquity.com>.

Over the past 12 months, the sub-fund has navigated a highly volatile market environment in Asian Markets punctuated by rising inflation, higher short-term interest rates, greater commodity price volatility and heightened global economic and political uncertainty. Russia's invasion of Ukraine, China's post-COVID economic challenges, intensifying US/China trade tensions, China/Taiwan relations and slowing global GDP growth are all key examples of these risk factors.

The sub-fund has navigated the aforementioned risks reasonably well by maintaining a balanced approach to country and sector allocations while focussing most strongly on high quality security selection of stocks with demonstrably high ESG standards.

Over this period, our weighting to China, India and Indonesia were the primary drivers of performance. Indonesia was by far the largest positive contributor and China was the largest negative contributor. In particular, our low exposure to Chinese state-owned enterprises (SOE) negatively impacted performance.

Alquity Indian Subcontinent Fund

Overall assessment

In compliance with the obligation to conduct a value assessment, the Board has determined that all aspects of the assessment have been taken into account, and the charges for each unit class are deemed reasonable considering the overall value provided to investors.

The following summarizes the conclusions we have reached after considering the various factors outlined in the 'Value Assessment Approach.' These conclusions apply to all unit classes within the Sub-fund.

Quality of service

We have thoroughly evaluated the overall quality of services provided to investors and have reached the conclusion that investors have received clear communications and relevant information in a timely manner. This has enabled them to make well-informed decisions, and the services delivered have been both timely and of suitable quality.

Performance

	1 year	3 years	Since inception (12/11/2019)
Alquity Indian SC GBP I	1.2%	63.6%	52.7%
India Index	3.0%	47.2%	46.2%

	1 year	3 years	Since inception (05/05/2015)
Alquity Indian SC GBP Y	0.6%	60.8%	131.4%
India Index	3.0%	47.2%	114.2%

Source: Alquity, Bloomberg, as of 30th December 2022.

AFM costs

We have assessed the reasonableness of the fees paid for AFM services by considering the underlying costs associated with the services provided and the performance objectives set for the Sub-fund.

Economies of scale

There have been no significant changes in the size of the Scheme or Sub-fund in the past 12 months, and therefore no additional savings have been identified.

Comparable market rates

We consider them to be competitive in comparison to fees charged by similar funds within the regulated funds market in the UK.

Comparable service

We do not manage any segregated account for the Sub-fund.

Classes of units

The pricing of each unit class offered in the UK within the Sub-fund is regarded as reasonable, taking into account the different eligibility criteria and target investors for each class. All investors hold units in the appropriate class they are eligible for at the time of the assessment.

Fund manager report – Alquity Indian Subcontinent

Over the twelve months ended 31 December 2022, the Sub-fund returned 1.2% (net of fees). The Sub-fund's benchmark, the relevant India Index (GBP), returned 3.0% over the same period.

The objective of the sub-fund is to invest in the highest quality ESG securities within the applicable investment universe, with appropriate portfolio construction and risk management, as determined by our investment process. The investment process is designed and managed by our investment team and overseen by our risk reviews, which are chaired by our CEO. For further information on our investment process, please see our website: <https://alquity.com>.

Over the past 12 months, the sub-fund has navigated a highly volatile market environment in Indian and Pakistani markets punctuated by rising inflation, higher short-term interest rates, greater commodity price volatility and heightened global economic and political uncertainty. Russia's invasion of Ukraine, China's post-COVID economic challenges, intensifying US/China trade tensions, China/Taiwan relations and slowing global GDP growth are all key examples of these risk factors. While India has navigated the majority of these external challenges relatively well, there are a number of knock-on effects which have affected corporate profitability and GDP growth.

The sub-fund has navigated the aforementioned risks reasonably well by maintaining a balanced approach to country and sector allocations while focussing most strongly on high quality security selection of stocks with demonstrably high ESG standards.

Over this period, our weighting to smaller capitalisation companies in India has been the largest driver of performance. As India relies less on external demand and is more sensitive to domestic demand factors, this has benefitted overall returns for the portfolio as well as the wider market.

Alquity Africa Fund

Overall assessment

In compliance with the obligation to conduct a value assessment, the Board has determined that all aspects of the assessment have been taken into account, and the charges for each unit class are deemed reasonable considering the overall value provided to investors.

The following summarizes the conclusions we have reached after considering the various factors outlined in the 'Value Assessment Approach.' These conclusions apply to all unit classes within the Sub-fund.

Quality of service

We have thoroughly evaluated the overall quality of services provided to investors and have reached the conclusion that investors have received clear communications and relevant information in a timely manner. This has enabled them to make well-informed decisions, and the services delivered have been both timely and of suitable quality.

Performance

	1 year	3 years	Since inception (30/12/2010)
Alquity Africa GBP I	-14.6%	-9.9%	-30.3%
Index	0.5%	-7.4%	-5.3%

	1 year	3 years	Since inception (24/05/2012)
Alquity Africa GBP Y	-14.3%	-9.1%	-11.9%
Index	0.5%	-7.4%	15.3%

Source: Alquity, Bloomberg, as of 30th December 2022.

AFM costs

We have assessed the reasonableness of the fees paid for AFM services by considering the underlying costs associated with the services provided and the performance objectives set for the Sub-fund.

Economies of scale

There have been no significant changes in the size of the Scheme or Sub-fund in the past 12 months, and therefore no additional savings have been identified.

Comparable market rates

In consideration of the lack of scale and associated elevated costs for clients, we are actively engaged in the process of assessing the liquidation or merger of the sub-fund.

Comparable service

We do not manage any segregated account for the Sub-fund.

Classes of units

The pricing of each unit class offered in the UK within the Sub-fund is regarded as reasonable, taking into account the different eligibility criteria and target investors for each class. All investors hold units in the appropriate class they are eligible for at the time of the assessment.

Fund manager report – Alquity Africa

Over the twelve months ended 31 December 2022, the Sub-fund returned -14.3% (net of fees). The Sub-fund's benchmark, the a 50/50 blend of the South African index and the EFM Africa ex South Africa index (in GBP), returned 0.5% over the same period.

The objective of the sub-fund is to invest in the highest quality ESG securities within the applicable investment universe, with appropriate portfolio construction and risk management, as determined by our investment process. The investment process is designed and managed by our investment team and overseen by our risk reviews, which are chaired by our CEO. For further information on our investment process, please see our website: <https://alquity.com>.

Over the past 12 months, the sub-fund has navigated a highly volatile market environment in African markets punctuated by rising inflation, higher short-term interest rates, greater commodity price volatility and heightened global economic and political uncertainty. Russia's invasion of Ukraine, China's post-COVID economic challenges, intensifying US/China trade tensions, China/Taiwan relations, US regional bank failures and the recent US debt ceiling negotiations and slowing global GDP growth are all key examples of these risk factors. African stocks have been particularly affected by commodity price risk and slowing domestic demand.

The sub-fund has navigated the aforementioned risks reasonably well by maintaining a balanced approach to country and sector allocations while focussing most strongly on high quality security selection of stocks with better than average ESG standards.

Alquity Global Impact Fund

Overall assessment

In compliance with the obligation to conduct a value assessment, the Board has determined that all aspects of the assessment have been taken into account, and the charges for each unit class are deemed reasonable considering the overall value provided to investors.

The following summarizes the conclusions we have reached after considering the various factors outlined in the 'Value Assessment Approach.' These conclusions apply to all unit classes within the Sub-fund.

Quality of service

We have thoroughly evaluated the overall quality of services provided to investors and have reached the conclusion that investors have received clear communications and relevant information in a timely manner. This has enabled them to make well-informed decisions, and the services delivered have been both timely and of suitable quality.

Performance

	1 year	Since inception (16/03/2021)
Alquity GIF GBP I	-9.6%	3.6%
ACWI Index	-8.1%	6.3%

	1 year	Since inception (29/01/2021)
Alquity GIF GBP Y	-10.0%	0.5%
ACWI Index	-8.1%	11.0%

Source: Alquity, Bloomberg, as of 30th December 2022.

AFM costs

We have assessed the reasonableness of the fees paid for AFM services by considering the underlying costs associated with the services provided and the performance objectives set for the Sub-fund.

Economies of scale

There have been no significant changes in the size of the Scheme or Sub-fund in the past 12 months, and therefore no additional savings have been identified.

Comparable market rates

We consider them to be competitive in comparison to fees charged by similar funds within the regulated funds market in the UK.

Comparable service

We do not manage any segregated account for the Sub-fund.

Classes of units

The pricing of each unit class offered in the UK within the Sub-fund is regarded as reasonable, taking into account the different eligibility criteria and target investors for each class. All investors hold units in the appropriate class they are eligible for at the time of the assessment.

Fund manager report – Alquity Global Impact

Over the twelve months ended 31 December 2022, the Sub-fund returned -9.6% (net of fees). The Sub-fund's benchmark, the ACWI index (GBP) returned -8.1% over the same period.

The objective of the sub-fund is to invest in the highest quality ESG and sustainable securities within the applicable investment universe, with appropriate portfolio construction and risk management, as determined by our investment process. The investment process is designed and managed by our investment team and overseen by our risk reviews, which are chaired by our CEO. For further information on our investment process, please see our website: <https://alquity.com>.

Over the past 12 months, the sub-fund has navigated a highly volatile market environment in global equities punctuated by excessive inflation, rising short-term interest rates, higher commodity price volatility and heightened global economic and political uncertainty. Russia's invasion of Ukraine, China's post-COVID economic challenges, intensifying US/China trade tensions, China/Taiwan relations, US regional bank failures and the recent US debt ceiling negotiations combined with slowing global GDP growth are all key examples of these risk factors.

The sub-fund has navigated the aforementioned risks reasonably well by maintaining a balanced approach to country and sector allocations while focussing most strongly on high quality security selection of stocks with the highest ESG and sustainability standards.

Over this period, our exposure to the Technology and Banking sectors in the US and Europe had a significant impact on performance. Because of the very strict ESG and sustainability criteria we apply for this strategy, our exclusion of a number of very large-capitalisation global stocks had an outsize impact on performance. Despite this, the sub-fund maintained significantly lower tracking error than its closest peers.