

T. ROWE PRICE FUNDS OEIC

US Large Cap Growth Equity Fund – ESG Report

Providing transparency on Environment, Social and Governance aspects of the Fund

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ESG INTEGRATION APPROACH

- The US Large Cap Growth Equity Fund uses ESG integration as part of its investment process. This means incorporating environmental, social, and governance factors to enhance investment decisions. Our philosophy is that ESG factors are a component of the investment decision—meaning that they are not the sole driver of an investment decision, nor are they considered separately from more traditional analysis.
- The process of ESG integration takes place on two levels: first, with our research analysts as they incorporate ESG factors into company valuations and ratings, and second, with the portfolio manager as he balances these ESG factor exposures at the portfolio level. Both the analysts and the portfolio manager are able to leverage dedicated, in-house resources to assist in analyzing ESG criteria.
- Our ESG specialist teams provide investment research on ESG issues at the company level and on thematic topics. Additionally, they have built tools to help proactively and systematically analyze the environmental, social, and governance factors that could impact our investments. The foundation of the analysis is a proprietary flagging tool called the Responsible Investing Indicator Model (RIIM). It covers over 15,000 companies and pulls from data sets that are not in the wheelhouse of traditional financial analysis. These data sets include:
 - ESG performance data (e.g., number of accidents, carbon emissions, strength of whistle-blower programs, etc.);
 - ESG targets (e.g., plans to reduce carbon emissions, increase diversity, etc.)
 - ESG incidents and controversies (e.g., environmental fines paid, local community controversies/protests against a company, etc.)
- The fund is constructed on the basis of identifying high-quality large-cap growth companies that we believe can generate real, double-digit earnings growth for a minimum of three years. As such, our primary emphasis is on company fundamentals, which include the consideration of environmental, social, and governance factors. We find that this process tends to yield an ESG-friendly set of companies. However, we also screen the portfolio using T. Rowe Price's proprietary RIIM analysis at regular intervals. This helps us understand the ESG characteristics of the portfolio and makes us aware of any elevated exposures to specific ESG factors.

RECENT COMPANY ENGAGEMENTS

We maintain a regular dialogue with the management teams of companies represented across the portfolio. Our investment-driven engagement program frequently identifies targets through our proprietary RIIM analysis, governance screening and analysts' fundamental research. While we engage with companies in a variety of different contexts, ESG engagement focuses on learning about, encouraging or exchanging perspectives on the environmental practices, corporate governance or social issues affecting their business.

While most of the meetings we hold with company managements will include some discussion of ESG topics, we differentiate meetings held with a heavy focus on ESG, meaning ESG issues were the sole items on the agenda or made up a meaningful part of the meeting. Agenda items are classified as "meaningful" when they take up a significant portion of the meeting or are a significant factor in the investment case.

The following are selected examples of recent engagements with companies held in or considered for the portfolio. The examples are not meant to be representative of every engagement held, but to illustrate the types of ESG engagements we are having with the managements of our investment companies.

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Amazon (1st Quarter 2024 Engagement)

Focus	Environment, Social
Company Description	Amazon is a multinational technology company engaged in e-commerce, cloud computing, online advertising, digital streaming, and artificial intelligence (AI).
Engagement Objective	We engaged with Amazon on a range of ESG matters, including worker treatment, greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions, and AI.
Participants	<p>From Amazon: Investor Relations ESG Representatives; Associate General Counsel of Labor and Employee Relations, Senior Counsel</p> <p>From T. Rowe Price Associates, Inc: Director of Research, Responsible Investing, Responsible Investing Analyst</p>
Engagement Outcome	<p>We engaged with Amazon on a range of ESG matters, with a particular focus on environmental and social concerns related to Artificial Intelligence (AI).</p> <p><u>AI:</u> We discussed the emerging regulation regarding AI. Amazon did not comment on the EU AI Act due to its nascence but mentioned its approach to regulation and tax on the company's policy positions page. Amazon Web Services (AWS) has announced collaborations with governments on AI safety, including a paper on best practices for responsible AI. Amazon's strategy to improve the carbon intensity of AI training and inference includes its custom silicon and emphasis on using renewable or carbon-free energy. The company does not have plans to disclose the emissions associated with AI processing or the amount of renewable power being used as a percentage for AI operations. There are currently no sustainability targets related to AI operations.</p> <p><u>Facial Recognition Technology:</u> Recognition, a facial recognition technology that can be used within AWS databases for facial analysis, was previously criticized for potential bias and negative impact on people of color. The technology has since improved, but Amazon has maintained an indefinite moratorium on the use of the technology by enforcement agencies until federal legislation on facial recognition technology was implemented.</p> <p><u>GHG Emissions Reporting:</u> We have had several engagements with Amazon regarding its GHG emissions – specifically, we have requested that it disclose its scope 3¹ emissions in alignment with the GHG Protocol categories. We reiterated this request and felt the company was receptive to our feedback to report scope 3 GHG emissions in line with industry standards. In July 2024, the company released its sustainability report which showed a substantial improvement in its scope 3 reporting.</p> <p><u>Net Zero Targets:</u> Amazon is one of many companies that has had to remove the net zero targets it submitted to the Science Based Targets initiative (SBTi) for validation. The issue the company faces is that the transportation and logistics methodology is still in development. In the absence of industry-specific guidance, Amazon would need to use an absolute reduction plan, which we think is not feasible for a fast-growing company. We also discussed the consideration of third-party sellers in net zero targets. The company helps third-party sellers account for their carbon emissions, but because Amazon is not the seller of record, those emissions will not be included in Amazon's net zero target.</p> <p><u>Employee Safety & Treatment:</u> The company provided updates on its incident rates and wage changes. Its recordable injury rate has decreased by 30% in 2019 and 8% year over year. Amazon has spent USD 750mn on safety initiatives in 2023. Amazon has also increased its wages for U.S. and UK employees.</p> <p>The engagement allowed us to impart our views on best practices around GHG emissions reporting and net zero targets as well as the topics of AI and employee safety & treatment. We were pleased to see that the company's 2023 sustainability report released in July 2024 showed improvement in the area of GHG emissions disclosure as well as continued reduction in its GHG emissions intensity.</p>

¹ Scope 1: direct emissions from owned or controlled sources; scope 2: indirect emissions from the generation of purchased electricity, steam, or cooling; scope 3: all other indirect emissions.

MercadoLibre (1st Quarter 2024 Engagement)

Focus	Environment
Company Description	MercadoLibre is a large online trading platform in Latin America and a leader in e-commerce.
Engagement Objective	We engaged with MercadoLibre on its climate strategy.
Participants	From MercadoLibre: Investor Relations (ESG Engagement) Representative From T. Rowe Price Associates, Inc: Responsible Investing Analyst
Engagement Outcome	<p>We engaged with MercadoLibre on its climate strategy, including its net zero aspirations.</p> <p>The company's climate risk management plan includes stress tests and climate scenarios linked to possible impacts on its logistics operations. It currently has no climate-related policy, but discussions are ongoing. While there is no available incremental disclosure related to projects that enhance climate resilience, there are other initiatives underway, such as purchasing renewable energy in Brazil and Mexico (which comprise 50% of logistical operations). There are a few obstacles in the transition to electric vehicles (EVs), however. The company is not sure if it will be able to get to 100% electric transportation. Securing supply of EVs and installing their own charging networks with their own capital expenditure are the main obstacles. At present, MercadoLibre is looking at using biofuels for larger trucks.</p> <p>While the company has not set public net zero targets, it has been collaborating with the Science Based Targets initiative (SBTi) for a little over a year. The methodology for e-commerce logistics does not yet exist, which is a similar rationale that leading rivals provide for not establishing science-based targets. MercadoLibre has set internal targets for business units that it may disclose.</p> <p>The company provided the latest updates of its sustainability strategy and was receptive to our feedback to provide more disclosure related to its climate strategy, EV adoption, and progress in setting emissions reduction targets.</p>

The specific securities identified and described do not represent all of the securities purchased, sold, or recommended for the OEIC sub-fund, and no assumption should be made that the securities identified and discussed were or will be profitable.

ESG RIIM PROFILE

The T. Rowe Price Responsible Investing Indicator Model (RIIM) rates companies, governments and securitized assets in a traffic light system measuring their environmental, social, and governance profile and flagging issuers with elevated risks. For certain types of investments, including, but not limited to, cash, currency positions, and particular types of derivatives, an ESG analysis may not be relevant or possible due to a lack of data. Where ESG considerations are integrated into the investment research process, we may conclude that other attributes of an investment outweigh ESG considerations when making investment decisions.

	Portfolio		Benchmark	
	No. of securities	% weight	No. of securities	% weight
● Green	48	83.6	370	83.3
● Orange	6	15.9	68	16.7
● Red	0	0.0	1	0.0
● Not in scope / not covered	0	0.0	1	0.0
● Reserves	1	0.5	0	0.0
Total	55	100.0	440	100.0

● No/few Flags ● Medium Flags ● High Flags

The comparator benchmark of the Fund is the Russell 1000 Growth Net 15% Index. The manager is not constrained by the fund's benchmark, which is used for performance comparison purposes only.

RISKS - The following risks are materially relevant to the fund (refer to prospectus for further details): Currency - Currency exchange rate movements could reduce investment gains or increase investment losses. Equity - Equities can lose value rapidly for a variety of reasons and can remain at low prices indefinitely. ESG - ESG integration as well as events may result in a material negative impact on the value of an investment and performance of the fund. Geographic concentration - Geographic concentration risk may result in performance being more strongly affected by any social, political, economic, environmental or market conditions affecting those countries or regions in which the fund's assets are concentrated.

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