

Factsheet: DWS Invest II ESG European Top Dividend

Equity Funds - Europe



February 2026

As at 27/02/2026

Fund Data

Investment Policy

The objective of the investment policy is to achieve sustained capital appreciation. In order to achieve this, the fund invests mainly in equities of European issuers from which an above-average dividend yield is expected. A major criterion when selecting the equities is the level of the dividend yield. However, the dividend yields do not necessarily have to be above the market average. The investment universe is among others defined by environmental and social aspects and principles of good corporate governance. The fund is actively managed.

Fund Management's Comment

You can find the Fund management's detailed commentary in DWS Flagship Fund Reporting and on the individual pages of the factsheets.

Morningstar Style-Box™



Morningstar Category™

Europe Equity Income

Ratings

(As at: 30/01/2026)

Morningstar Overall Rating™:

Lipper Leaders:

Performance

Performance (in %) - Share Class LC(EUR)



Period	Fund
02/2016 - 02/2017	13.4
02/2017 - 02/2018	2.6
02/2018 - 02/2019	-0.1
02/2019 - 02/2020	0.1
02/2020 - 02/2021	8.5
02/2021 - 02/2022	6.5
02/2022 - 02/2023	2.8
02/2023 - 02/2024	3.3
02/2024 - 02/2025	14.1
02/2025 - 02/2026	12.9

Fund

Calculation of performance is based on the time-weighted return and excludes front-end fees. Individual costs such as fees, commissions and other charges have not been included in this presentation and would have an adverse impact on returns if they were included. Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future returns.

Cumulative performance (in %) - share class LC(EUR)

	1 m	1 y	3 y	5 y	s. Inception	YTD	3 y avg	5 y avg	2022	2023	2024	2025
EUR	5.2	12.9	33.1	45.7	151.8	4.8	10.0	7.8	-9.2	8.0	5.7	17.6

Further Characteristics (3 years) / VAR (1 year) - share class LC(EUR)

Volatility	8.38%	Maximum Drawdown	-7.19%	VAR (99%/10 days)	10.01%
Sharpe Ratio	0.78	Information Ratio	--	Correlation Coefficient	--
Alpha	--	Beta	--	Tracking Error	--

Portfolio Analysis

Breakdown by Sector (Equities) (in % of fund volume)	Principal Holdings (Equities) (in % of fund volume)
Portfolio Breakdown according to MSCI	
Financials 28.3	AXA SA (Financials) 4.3
Health Care 16.5	Novartis AG (Health Care) 3.2
Industrials 12.0	Roche Holding AG (Health Care) 3.2
Consumer Staples 11.3	Sanofi (Health Care) 3.0
Consumer Discretionary 9.5	Allianz SE (Financials) 3.0
Utilities 5.9	Fresnillo PLC (Materials) 2.6
Communication Services 4.6	Talanx AG (Financials) 2.5
Materials 3.9	Danone SA (Consumer Staples) 2.4
Information Technology 2.8	SCOR SE (Financials) 2.2
	Compass Group PLC (Consumer Discretionary) 2.1
	Total 28.5
Gross weighting, not adjusted for derivative positions.	Gross weighting, not adjusted for derivative positions.

Breakdown by Country (Equities) (in % of fund volume)	Asset Allocation (in % of fund volume)
France 28.0	Equities 94.9
Great Britain 18.4	Cash and other assets 5.1
Germany 13.9	
Switzerland 13.6	
Netherlands 7.7	
Italy 5.1	
Spain 2.6	
Denmark 2.6	
Sweden 1.9	
Norway 1.0	

Gross weighting, not adjusted for derivative positions.

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Breakdown by Currency	(in % of fund volume)
Euro	61.7
Pound sterling	17.4
Swiss franc	14.1
Danish krone	3.3
Swedish krona	1.9
Norwegian krone	1.7

Incl. forward exchange transactions, negative and positive figures reflect expected currency developments.

Market Capitalization	(in % of fund volume)
> 10 Bn.	88.1
> 5 Bn. < 10 Bn.	5.3
> 1 Bn. < 5 Bn.	1.5

Gross weighting, not adjusted for derivative positions. The calculation is based on Euro.

Key Figures regarding the Fund's Assets

Number of Shares	55	Dividend Yield (in %)	3.3	Ø Market Cap	97,037.1 Mio. EUR
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Cumulative performance (in %)

	1 m	1 y	3 y	5 y	s. Inception	YTD	3 y avg	5 y avg	2022	2023	2024	2025
CHF LDH (P)(CHF)	5.1	10.7	23.1	33.9	56.6	4.0	7.2	6.0	-7.9	5.5	2.6	15.5
FC(EUR)	5.2	13.8	36.2	51.3	72.3	4.9	10.8	8.6	-8.5	8.8	6.5	18.5
FD(EUR)	5.2	13.8	36.2	51.3	72.4	4.9	10.8	8.6	-8.5	8.8	6.5	18.5
IC(EUR)	5.2	14.2	--	--	24.2	5.0	--	--	--	--	--	18.9
LC(EUR)	5.2	12.9	33.1	45.7	151.8	4.8	10.0	7.8	-9.2	8.0	5.7	17.6
LD(EUR)	5.2	12.9	33.1	45.7	151.7	4.8	10.0	7.8	-9.2	8.0	5.7	17.6
LDH (P)(EUR)	5.2	13.1	31.9	44.4	73.2	4.4	9.7	7.6	-7.7	7.7	5.3	18.0
NC(EUR)	5.1	12.2	30.4	40.7	128.4	4.7	9.2	7.1	-9.9	7.3	5.0	16.8
ND(EUR)	5.1	12.2	30.4	40.7	128.3	4.7	9.3	7.1	-9.9	7.3	5.0	16.9
TFC(EUR)	5.2	13.8	36.2	51.3	59.9	4.9	10.8	8.6	-8.5	8.8	6.5	18.5
TFD(EUR)	5.2	13.8	36.2	51.3	59.5	4.9	10.8	8.6	-8.5	8.8	6.5	18.5
XC(EUR)	5.3	14.3	38.0	54.7	195.4	5.0	11.3	9.1	-8.1	9.3	7.0	19.1
XD(EUR)	5.3	14.3	38.1	54.9	116.3	5.0	11.4	9.1	-8.1	9.3	7.0	19.1

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Portfolio Manager	Marc Althaus	Assets	484.1 Mio. EUR
Portfolio Manager since	01/10/2022	Fund Currency	EUR
Portfolio Management Company	DWS Investment GmbH	Launch Date	02/07/2012
Portfolio Management Location	Germany	Fiscal Year End	31/12/2026
Management Company	DWS Investment S.A.	Investor profile	Growth-oriented
Legal Structure	SICAV		
Custodian	State Street Bank International GmbH, Zweign. Luxe		

Share Classes

Share Class	Cur.	ISIN Code	German Sec. Code	Earnings	Front-end Load ¹ up to	Issue Price	Redemption Price	Management Fee p.a.	Running costs / TER p.a.	plus performance-related fee p.a.	Minimum Investment Amount
CHF LDH (P)	CHF	LU1322113702	DWS 2E1	Distribution	5.00%	120.22	114.21	1.500%	1.64% (1)	--	--
FC	EUR	LU1241941308	DWS 2AU	Accumulation	0.00%	172.27	172.27	0.750%	0.85% (1)	--	2,000,000
FD	EUR	LU1242509609	DWS 2AV	Distribution	0.00%	125.56	125.56	0.750%	0.86% (1)	--	2,000,000
IC	EUR	LU2922764944	DWS 3NH	Accumulation	0.00%	124.15	124.15	0.500%	0.53% (1)	--	10,000,000
LC	EUR	LU0781237614	DWS 1D8	Accumulation	5.00%	265.05	251.80	1.500%	1.61% (1)	--	--
LD	EUR	LU0781237705	DWS 1D9	Distribution	5.00%	176.42	167.60	1.500%	1.61% (1)	--	--
LDH (P)	EUR	LU1322113884	DWS 2E2	Distribution	5.00%	133.27	126.60	1.500%	1.63% (1)	--	--
NC	EUR	LU0781237887	DWS 1EA	Accumulation	3.00%	235.42	228.35	2.000%	2.31% (1)	--	--
ND	EUR	LU0781237960	DWS 1EB	Distribution	3.00%	159.68	154.89	2.000%	2.29% (1)	--	--
TFC	EUR	LU1663960000	DWS 2R2	Accumulation	0.00%	159.90	159.90	0.750%	0.86% (1)	--	--
TFD	EUR	LU1663960182	DWS 2R3	Distribution	0.00%	123.92	123.92	0.750%	0.85% (1)	--	--
XC	EUR	LU0781238000	DWS 1EC	Accumulation	0.00%	295.35	295.35	0.300%	0.39% (1)	--	2,000,000
XD	EUR	LU0781238182	DWS 1ED	Distribution	0.00%	154.10	154.10	0.300%	0.38% (1)	--	2,000,000

(1) The Total Expense Ratio (TER) generally includes all expense items charged to the Fund apart from transaction costs and performance fees. If the Fund invests portions of its assets in target funds, the costs of the respective target funds will also be taken into account. The Fund incurred the total expenses listed here in its last financial year, which ended on 31/12/2025. They are subject to change from year to year.

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Note

¹ Based on the gross investment.

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Fund Management's Comment: DWS Invest II ESG European Top Dividend Equity Funds - Europe



Data in relation to the fund or the leading unit class.

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Performance Review

February was an extraordinarily strong month for equities. European equities were up 7.1% with strongest relative and absolute performance in Norway being up 18.9% followed by The Netherlands and Sweden being up 14.7% and 10.2%. Weakest country has been Denmark being down 12.0%, followed by Germany being up only 3.7% and Italy being up 4.9%.

The EURO was slightly weaker versus the USD, being down 0.33% over the recent month, while the oil price (Brent) was strong again this month, rising 2.6%. From a sector perspective Consumer Discretionary (-6.6%), Financials (+1.8%) and Healthcare (+6.2%) underperformed, while Utilities (+16.8%), Energy (+15.5%) and Technology (+12.6%) were up and outperformed relatively.

During February DWS Invest II ESG European Top Dividend was up 5.16%.

Performance Attribution

The sector with the highest absolute contribution was Consumer Staples, followed by Financials and Industrials whereas Information Technology had a negative contribution.

From a single stock perspective, key positive contributors have been Novartis, Euronext and Fresnillo, while Novo Nordisk, Cap Gemini, EssilorLuxottica and Wolters Kluwer had the most negative contribution.

Current Positioning

We increased our relative weights in Consumer Discretionary, Consumer Staples, Healthcare and Communication Services, while we reduced our exposure to Financials and Materials. Throughout the month we reduced the cash level to around 1%.

Outlook

After several years of subdued corporate investment in the U.S., capital expenditures – particularly in AI and reshoring – as well as manufacturing activity are expected to pick up, supporting an improvement in GDP growth. Consumers are also likely to benefit from tax incentives. In Europe, fiscal support – especially in Germany – is expected to be a key theme for markets in 2026.

From a monetary policy perspective, we anticipate continued easing in the U.S., with further interest rate cuts likely. In contrast, European central bank policy is expected to remain unchanged in the coming months. A key risk for investors to monitor is inflation, which could arise from stronger economic activity combined with accommodative monetary policy.

For equity markets, we expect mid-single-digit earnings growth in Europe and low-double-digit growth in the U.S. AI is likely to remain a dominant theme, presenting both opportunities and risks. However, we expect earnings growth to broaden beyond AI-driven sectors, with traditional industries also contributing.

Globally, valuations across markets and sectors remain elevated relative to historical levels, implying lower medium-term returns. We remain focused on valuation discipline in stock selection, prioritizing companies with strong balance sheets, robust free cash flow, and sustainable dividends.

Opportunities

In accordance with the investment policy.

Risks

- The fund invests its assets in selected regions or sectors. This increases the risk that the fund may be negatively influenced by the economic and political conditions in the respective regions or sectors.
- The fund invests in equities. Equities are subject to strong price fluctuations and thus also to the risk of price decreases.
- The fund seeks to generate income from dividends, i.e. from expected distributions per equity. If a company distributes a smaller dividend than expected or no dividend at all, this can have a negative impact on the value of equities or derivatives.
- Due to its composition/the techniques used by the Fund management, the investment fund has elevated volatility, i.e. the share price may be subject to significant fluctuations up or down within short periods of time. The share value may fall below the purchase price at which the customer acquired the share at any time.

Important note on the investor profile:

Investor profile: Growth-oriented

The sub-fund is designed for growth-oriented investors who wish to achieve capital appreciation primarily through equity gains and exchange rate movements. Expected earnings are offset by high equity, interest rate and currency risks as well as creditworthiness risks and the possibility of heavy losses of the invested capital, up to the total amount invested. The investor is willing and able to bear such a financial loss, and does not prioritize capital preservation.

The Company provides additional information relating to the profile of the typical investor or target customer group for this financial product to distribution agents and distribution partners. If the investor is advised on the acquisition of units by the Company's distribution agents or distribution partners, or if they act as brokers in the purchase of units, they may also provide the investor additional information that also relates to the profile of the typical investor.

Supplementary information on the target market and product costs resulting from the implementation of the MiFID2 Directive and made available to distribution agents by the capital management company can be obtained in electronic form from the Company's website at www.dws.com.

Please note that the information from Morningstar and Lipper Leaders relates to the previous month.

Morningstar Overall Rating™

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First digit = Total Return; second digit = Consistent Return; third digit = Preservation; fourth digit = Expense

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When the custodian sets the price on the last trading day of the month there can be a difference of up to ten hours between the times at which the fund price and the benchmark are calculated. In the event of strong market movements during this period, this may result in the over- or understatement of the Fund's performance relative to the benchmark at the end of the month (this is referred to as the "pricing effect").

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DWS Investment GmbH, 2026

Alpha

A measure of the difference between the risk-adjusted return on an investment and a benchmark. The alpha measures the part of the performance that cannot be explained by market movements or market risk, but rather is derived from the selection of securities within the market. Alpha is a way of measuring the active contribution to performance made by the portfolio manager. It is also a good yardstick to use when comparing several funds. The figure is calculated on a 3-yearly basis.

Average dividend yield

Measures the average dividend amount, based on the current share price. This figure is calculated based on the shares (including ADRs/GDRs - > Depositary receipts) and REITs contained in a fund.

Average market capitalization

Measures the average market capitalization of the shares, REITs and ADRs/GDRs (depository receipts) contained in a fund. The market capitalization represents the total market value of a company as determined by multiplying the number of shares issued by the current share price.

Beta factor

A measure of sensitivity - given as the average percentage change in the price of a fund when the market (benchmark) rises or falls by 1%. A value over (under) 1 means that on average the fund exhibits more (less) volatility than the benchmark. The figure is calculated on a 3-yearly basis.

Correlation coefficient

Describes the degree to which two values (fund versus benchmark) move in the same direction. The value of the correlation coefficient is between -1 and +1. A correlation of +1 means that the fund generally moves in the same direction as the benchmark, while -1 indicates that the fund generally moves in the opposite direction. A correlation of 0 means that there is no relation between the price movements of the fund and the benchmark. The figure is calculated on a 3-yearly basis.

Coupon

The coupon is the portfolio's average weighted coupon.

Duration (in years/in months)

A measure of the sensitivity of an investment to changes in interest rates. Duration, which was developed by Frederick Macaulay, is the average period for which invested capital is committed. Because of the interest payable over time on the invested capital, duration is shorter than -> maturity. This version of duration is used in DWS Top Reporting and refers to invested assets (without "Cash and other holdings").

Information ratio

The information ratio measures the difference between the annualized average return of the fund and that of the benchmark, divided by the Tracking error. The higher this value is, the more the investor compensated for the risk in the fund. The figure is calculated on a 3-yearly basis.

Maximum drawdown

The maximum drawdown is the largest percentage drop in value in a given period of time. It measures the amount the fund falls from its highest point to its lowest point in the selected timeframe. The figure is calculated on a 3-yearly basis.

Modified duration (in years/in months)

Serves as a measure of interest-rate sensitivity. Modified duration indicates the percentage change in price of a bond (in a portfolio) when the market interest rate changes by 1%. In order to calculate the percentage change in the bond price, the modified duration of the bond is multiplied by the percentage change in the interest rate. This figure helps investors assess the risks and opportunities of a bond at a glance.

Sharpe ratio

A measure of risk developed by William F. Sharpe, defined as the excess return on an investment over that of a risk-free investment in relation to the risk of the investment. The higher the Sharpe ratio, the higher the return the investor receives for the risk the investment carries (expressed in volatility). The Sharpe ratio can be used to compare multiple funds. The figure is calculated on a 3-yearly basis.

Tracking error

The tracking error is the standard deviation of the yield differential between a fund and its benchmark. This makes it a measure of how well the fund manager tracks the benchmark. The figure is calculated on a 3-yearly basis.

VaR (Value at Risk)

A measure of risk that indicates the maximum fund losses with a given probability for a given period of time (holding period). VaR is calculated on the basis of the daily prices of the individual securities contained in the portfolio for a year.

Weighted Average Life

The weighted average life of the times of the principal repayments of a liability, i.e. a bond. Refers to invested fund assets (without "Cash and other holdings").

Yield

The yield is the annual return on a capital investment, measured as the actual interest earned (effective yield) on the capital invested. It is based on the fund's income (e.g., interest, dividends, realized capital gains) and change in the price of the assets held in the fund. The yield of a fund is

derived from the invested assets (without "Cash and other holdings") and is presented as a "gross" figure, i.e., before the deduction of total expenses/fee.

Volatility
Volatility expresses the degree to which the yield on an investment (the price performance of a fund, for example) varies from a mean value in a specific period of time. This makes it a measure of fund risk. The greater the variation from the mean, the higher the volatility. Knowing the volatility allows investors to assess how uncertain the return potential of an investment is. The figure is calculated on a 3-yearly basis.