VT AJ Bell Responsible Growth Q1 2023 Report



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30.4%

16.9%

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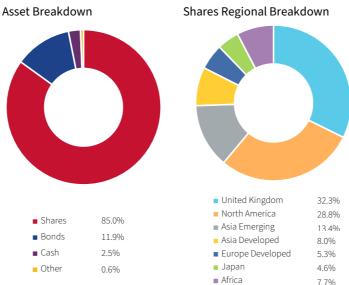
Commentary

Responsible investing had a poor year in 2022. This was largely because responsible portfolios don't invest in areas like oil and gas, that were strong during the year.

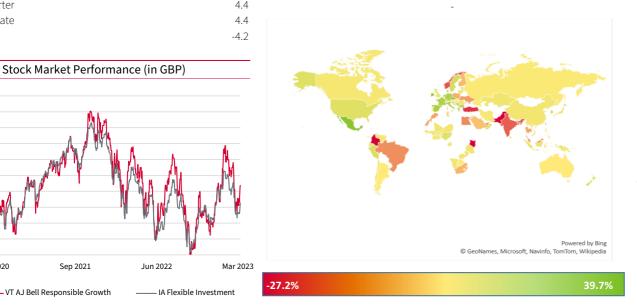
The first quarter of 2023 represented a change in fortune, however, as many of the trends in 2022 were reversed. The consequence was that the AJ Bell Responsible Growth fund had a very good first three months of the year. It rose 4.4%, well ahead of funds with similar risk profiles that don't focus on responsible investing principles.

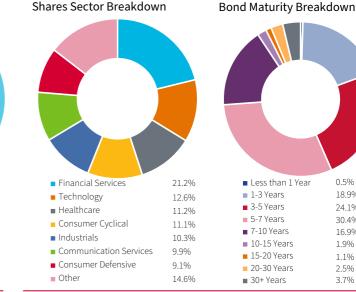
Of note during the quarter was the very strong performance in growth stocks, as well as technology and consumer services. All these areas of the stock market are relatively large components of the Responsible Growth Fund, but struggled during the bull market for energy stocks. Conversely, it was a poor period for energy stocks, where there is very little exposure in the fund.

Trailing Returns (%)	
Last quarter	4.4
Year to Date	4.4
1 Year	-4.2



Q1 2023 Stock Market Performance (in GBP)





Top 10 Holdings

	Weight (%)
Xtrackers ESG MSCI Emerging Markets ETF	19.4
Xtrackers ESG MSCI USA ETF	18.8
Amundi MSCI UK IMI SRI PAB ETF	12.5
UBS MSCI UK IMI Socially Responsible ETF	12.2
Invesco Global High Yield Corporate Bond ESG ETF	7.5
Amundi MSCI Europe SRI PAB ETF	5.1
iShares MSCI USA SRI ETF	4.9
iShares MSCI EM SRI ETF	4.5
iShares MSCI Japan SRI ETF	3.9
Amundi MSCI Pacific ex Japan SRI PAB	3.0

Fund Snapshot	
ISIN (Accumulating Class)	GB00BN0S2V92
ISIN (Distributing Class)	GB00BN0S2W00
IA Sector	Flexible Investment
Inception Date	23/11/2020
Ongoing Charge	0.45%
Fund Size (£m)	95.53
12 Month Yield (Reinvested)	0.88%

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Historic Stock Market Performance (in GBP)

20% 18% 16% 14% E 12% Total Retur 8% 6% 4% 2%

> 0% Dec 2020