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# ZKB MeinIndex Sustainable Water

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## In brief

■ Fresh water is essential to all forms of life on our planet.

The world's population is growing at a rate of 78m annually. Population growth increases water consumption and requires the expansion of water infrastructures.

■ Fresh water is becoming an increasingly scarce resource and therefore an economic good.

• Existing water infrastructures are in many cases obsolete and in need of replacement.

■ Global warming is also having an increasingly negative effect on scarce supplies of fresh water.

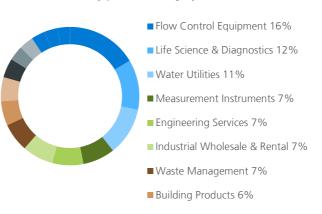


## Performance figures ZKB MeinIndex Sustainable Water

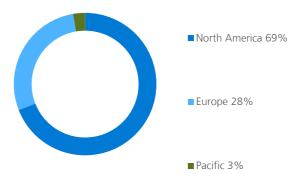
Absolute		Annualized
1m	-0.3%	
3mths	3.9%	
1y	6.0%	
Зу	42.4%	14.1%
5у	72.1%	14.4%
since launch	278.0%	20.0%

Annual performance -1.3% 2015 15.2% 2016 17.8% 2017 2018 -13.5% 2019 38.1% 2020 12.8% 39.6% 2021 -18.2% 2022 2023 YTD 9.0%

# Distribution by portfolio category as of 31.08.2023







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#### A precious commodity

Fresh water is becoming an increasingly precious commodity on our planet, and therefore an ever-more important economic factor. Of the world's 6.2 bn population, around 0.8 bn currently have no access to clean water and 2.4 bn live without anvadequate sewerage system.

Water is more than just a liquid: it is essential to all forms of life on the planet. Besides a steady rise in usage and the attendant pollution of globally scarce supplies of drinking water, global warming is also having an increasingly adverse effect on this precious commodity. To ensure that all the planet's inhabitants have an adequate water supply in the future, the economy needs to deal with this resource in a much more sustainable manner. Sustainable water-sector corporations are therefore enjoying increasingly strong demand, providing attractive opportunities for investors.

Four key trends will drive the water sector's growth over the next

#### few years:

- The world's population is growing at an annual rate of around 78m, and there are likely to be more than 8 bn people by 2025. Population growth increases water

consumption and necessitates appropriate infrastructures. - Existing water infrastructures are in many cases obsolete and in need of replacement. There is a tremendous need for investment.

- The demands on water quality standards – particularly in the industrialized countries – are rising.

- According to the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC), climate change means declining drinking water resources.

### Water supply

This includes firms that have significant activities in the water / wastewater sector. These companies are characterized by their sustainable corporate leadership/strategy – meaning they take ecological and social as well as financial factors into account in their corporate strategy.

#### Water technology

The companies represented in the water technology category are specialized in areas such as water/wastewater piping, sanitary installations and water measurement. They also include

companies with water-efficient products and processes. Water/wastewater treatment Due to continued pollution of water – especially in the residential, industrial and agricultural sectors – demand for water purification

and wastewater treatment technologies is growing globally. Clean water plays an extremely important role in terms of combating disease and epidemics.

## Key data ZKB MeinIndex Sustainable

Water	
CH Sec No.	10 687 112
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## Open End ZKB Tracker Certificates

CH Sec No.	ISIN	Symbol	Tranche
10 716 407	CH0107164078	TRWASO	Retail

#### Water services

The water services category consists of companies that are involved in the measurement and assessment of water quality or with the planning of installations, for instance for water treatment and soil decontamination.

#### Hydroelectricity

Corporations which focus on renewable energy production fromhydroelectricity and are managed on a sustainable basis.

Information on ZKB MeinIndex

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## ZKB MeinIndex Sustainable Water Components as of 31.08.2023

Underlying	Currency	Portfolio category	Weight as of 31.08.2023
Advanced Drainage Systems Inc	USD	Building Materials	4.47%
Agilent Technologies Inc	USD	Life Science & Diagnostics	2.61%
Alfa Laval AB	SEK	Diversified Industrials	3.03%
American Water Works Co Inc	USD	Water Utilities	2.91%
Arcadis NV	EUR	Engineering Services	3.66%
Badger Meter Inc	USD	Measurement Instruments	3.71%
Brenntag SE	EUR	Chemicals Distribution	3.34%
California Water Service Group	USD	Water Utilities	2.73%
Core & Main Inc	USD	Industrial Wholesale & Rental	3.58%
Danaher Corp	USD	Life Science & Diagnostics	3.25%
Ecolab Inc	USD	Specialty Chemicals	3.42%
Essential Utilities Inc	USD	Water Utilities	2.74%
Eurofins Scientific SE	EUR	Other Commercial Support Svcs	2.89%
Ferguson PLC	GBp	Industrial Wholesale & Rental	3.62%
Geberit AG	CHF	Building Products	2.98%
Georg Fischer AG	CHF	Flow Control Equipment	2.50%
Hera SpA	EUR	Gas Utilities	3.27%
IDEX Corp	USD	Flow Control Equipment	3.13%
Itron Inc	USD	Measurement Instruments	3.75%
Lixil Corp	JPY	Building Products	2.70%
Reliance Worldwide Corp Ltd	AUD	Fabricated Metal & Hardware	2.98%
Republic Services Inc	USD	Waste Management	3.50%
Severn Trent PLC	GBp	Water Utilities	2.72%
Stantec Inc	CAD	Engineering Services	3.55%
Thermo Fisher Scientific Inc	USD	Life Science & Diagnostics	2.89%
Valmont Industries Inc	USD	Fabricated Metal & Hardware	2.60%
Waste Management Inc	USD	Waste Management	3.14%
Waters Corp	USD	Life Science & Diagnostics	2.89%
Watts Water Technologies Inc	USD	Flow Control Equipment	3.54%
Xylem Inc/NY	USD	Flow Control Equipment	2.89%
Zurn Elkay Water Solutions Cor	USD	Flow Control Equipment	4.31%

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