

Assets (\$USD)	<b>\$ 216,429,565</b>	<b>31-Dec-21</b>	Currency	USD
Type:	Gold & PM		Domicile:	Germany
Structure:	Investment Trust (open ended)		Inception_Date:	<b>01-Jul-08</b>
Performance Fee	none			
Benchmark	FTSE Gold Mines Total Return Index			

Investment Philosophy and Objective

The Investment Fund concentrates on equities in precious metals, with at least 2/3 of fund volume invested in equities, funds and other transferable securities in the gold sector. In addition to equities with explorer status, other companies connected to the gold extraction value chain may also be considered, regardless of market capitalisation. Other stocks in the precious metal sector, specifically silver, platinum, palladium, etc. and other selected commodity stocks may be added.

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Georges is advisor to the Earth Gold Fund UI and the Earth Exploration Fund UI. He is a mining engineer by training and worked for four years for Anglo American in the South African gold and coal mining industry. Georges then went on to successfully manage the Old Mutual Gold Fund, the largest gold fund in South Africa.

Georges spent nine years in New York and London as a resource equity analyst, heading up HSBC Global Mining in 2002 before leaving to head up RBC Capital Market's equity research in London. His experience has also enabled him to develop a substantial network in Africa, Europe, and North America.

Start Date  
01-Jul-08

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Joachim Berlenbach is an advisor to the Earth Exploration Fund UI and the Earth Gold Fund UI. He is a geologist by training and worked for eleven years in the South African gold and platinum mining industry. Following his operational occupation in the mining industry, he worked for six years in investment banking where he was rated best South African gold analyst (2001 and 2002), in addition to being rated best international gold analyst.

Before launching the ERIG funds with Universal-Investment in 2006, Joachim co-founded the funds boutique, Craton Capital in 2003 and has since been in fund management and consulting. He has a substantial network of high level contacts in the South African and international mining and investment industries.

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Joachim is a guest lecturer in economic geology at the mining school in Freiberg/Germany and a retained speaker on mining valuations in the international CFA program.

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