

# International Sustainability Core 1 Portfolio

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## Summary Prospectus

February 28, 2016

Before you invest, you may want to review the Portfolio's Prospectus, which contains more information about the Portfolio and its risks. You can find the Portfolio's Prospectus and other information about the Portfolio, including the Statement of Additional Information (SAI) and most recent reports to shareholders, when available, online at <http://us.dimensionalfund.com/other/prospectuses>. You can also get this information at no cost by calling collect to (512) 306-7400 or by sending an e-mail request to [document\\_requests@dimensionalfund.com](mailto:document_requests@dimensionalfund.com). The Portfolio's Prospectus and SAI, both dated February 28, 2016, as may be supplemented, are incorporated by reference into this Summary Prospectus.

# Investment Objective

The investment objective of the International Sustainability Core 1 Portfolio is long-term capital appreciation.

## Fees and Expenses of the Portfolio

This table describes the fees and expenses you may pay if you buy and hold shares of the International Sustainability Core 1 Portfolio.

**Shareholder Fees (fees paid directly from your investment):** None

**Annual Fund Operating Expenses (expenses that you pay each year as a percentage of the value of your investment)\***

Management Fee	0.42%
Other Expenses	0.06%
Total Annual Fund Operating Expenses	0.48%
Fee Waiver and/or Expense Reimbursement	0.06%
Total Annual Fund Operating Expenses After Fee Waiver and/or Expense Reimbursement	0.42%

\* The "Annual Fund Operating Expenses" table reflects an amendment to the Portfolio's Fee Waiver and Expense Assumption Agreement with Dimensional Fund Advisors LP (the "Advisor"), effective as of February 28, 2016, which reduced the expense limitation amount for the Portfolio. The "Total Annual Fund Operating Expenses" of the Portfolio did not reach the previous expense limitation amount during the fiscal year ended October 31, 2015.

### EXAMPLE

This Example is meant to help you compare the cost of investing in the International Sustainability Core 1 Portfolio with the cost of investing in other mutual funds. The Example assumes that you invest \$10,000 in the Portfolio for the time periods indicated and then redeem all of your shares at the end of those periods. The Example also assumes that your investment has a 5% return each year and that the Portfolio's operating expenses remain the same. The costs for the Portfolio reflect the net expenses of the Portfolio that result from the contractual expense waiver and assumption in the first year only. Although your actual costs may be higher or lower, based on these assumptions your costs would be:

1 YEAR	3 YEARS	5 YEARS	10 YEARS
\$43	\$154	\$269	\$604

## PORTFOLIO TURNOVER

The International Sustainability Core 1 Portfolio pays transaction costs, such as commissions, when it buys and sells securities (or “turns over” its portfolio). A higher portfolio turnover may indicate higher transaction costs and may result in higher taxes when Portfolio shares are held in a taxable account. These costs, which are not reflected in Annual Fund Operating Expenses or in the Example, affect the International Sustainability Core 1 Portfolio’s performance. During the most recent fiscal year, the International Sustainability Core 1 Portfolio’s portfolio turnover rate was 8% of the average value of its investment portfolio.

## Principal Investment Strategies

The International Sustainability Core 1 Portfolio purchases a broad and diverse group of securities of non-U.S. companies in developed markets with a greater emphasis on small capitalization and value companies as compared to their representation in the International Universe, while adjusting the composition of the Portfolio based on sustainability impact considerations. For purposes of this Portfolio, the Advisor defines the International Universe as a market capitalization weighted portfolio of non-U.S. companies in developed markets that have been authorized as approved markets for investment by the Advisor’s Investment Committee. The Portfolio’s increased exposure to small capitalization and value companies may be achieved by decreasing the allocation of the International Sustainability Core 1 Portfolio’s assets to the largest growth companies relative to their weight in the International Universe, which would result in a greater weight allocation to small capitalization and value companies. An equity issuer is considered a growth company primarily because it has a low, non-negative book value in relation to its market capitalization. Securities are considered to be value stocks primarily because a company’s shares have a high book value in relation to their market value.

The International Sustainability Core 1 Portfolio intends to purchase securities of companies associated with developed market countries that the Advisor has designated as approved markets. As a non-fundamental policy, under normal circumstances, the International Sustainability Core 1 Portfolio will invest at least 80% of its net assets in equity securities. The Advisor determines company size on a country or region specific basis and based primarily on market capitalization. The percentage allocation of the assets of the International Sustainability Core 1 Portfolio to securities of the largest growth companies as defined above will generally be reduced from between 5% and 35% of their percentage weight in the International Universe. As of December 31, 2015, securities of the largest growth companies in the International Universe comprised approximately 14% of the International Universe and the Advisor allocated approximately 11% of the International Sustainability Core 1 Portfolio to securities of the largest growth companies in the International Universe. The percentage by which the Portfolio’s allocation to securities of the largest growth companies is reduced will change due to market movements, sustainability impact considerations and other factors. Additionally, the range by which the Portfolio’s percentage allocation to all

securities as compared to the International Universe may be impacted by the Portfolio's investment strategies with respect to sustainability impact considerations and the Advisor may also adjust the representation in the International Sustainability Core 1 Portfolio of an eligible company, or exclude a company, after considering other factors the Advisor determines to be appropriate, such as free float, momentum, trading strategies, liquidity management, profitability, and other factors the Advisor determines to be appropriate, given market conditions. In assessing profitability, the Advisor may consider different ratios, such as that of earnings or profits from operations relative to book value or assets.

The International Sustainability Core 1 Portfolio may gain exposure to companies associated with approved markets by purchasing equity securities in the form of depositary receipts, which may be listed or traded outside the issuer's domicile country. The International Sustainability Core 1 Portfolio also may use derivatives, such as futures contracts and options on futures contracts for foreign or U.S. equity securities and indices, to adjust market exposure based on actual or expected cash inflows to or outflows from the Portfolio. The Portfolio does not intend to use derivatives for purposes of speculation or leveraging investment returns. The above-referenced investments are not subject to, although they may incorporate, the International Sustainability Core 1 Portfolio's sustainability impact considerations.

The International Sustainability Core 1 Portfolio may lend its portfolio securities to generate additional income.

The Advisor intends to take into account the impact that companies may have on the environment and other sustainability considerations when making investment decisions for the International Sustainability Core 1 Portfolio. Relative to a portfolio without these considerations, the International Sustainability Core 1 Portfolio intends to exclude or underweight securities of companies that, according to the Portfolio's sustainability impact considerations, may be less sustainable as compared either to other companies in the Portfolio's investment universe or other companies with similar business lines. Similarly, relative to a portfolio without sustainability impact considerations, the International Sustainability Core 1 Portfolio intends to overweight securities of companies that, according to the Portfolio's sustainability impact considerations, may be more sustainable as compared either to other companies in the Portfolio's investment universe or other companies with similar business lines. In considering sustainability impact and other factors that the Advisor believes may be important to investors, the Advisor may consider carbon and other greenhouse emissions, or potential emissions, land use, cluster munitions manufacturing, biodiversity, involvement in toxic spills or releases, operational waste, water use, tobacco, child labor, and factory farming activities, among other factors. In particular, the Portfolio may exclude companies the Advisor considers to have high carbon or greenhouse gas emissions or reserves that may produce those emissions. The Advisor may engage third party service providers to provide research and/or ratings information relating to the International Sustainability Core 1 Portfolio's sustainability impact considerations with respect to securities in the portfolio, where information is available from such providers.

# Principal Risks

**Market Risk:** Even a long-term investment approach cannot guarantee a profit. Economic, political, and issuer-specific events will cause the value of securities, and the International Sustainability Core 1 Portfolio that owns them, to rise or fall. Because the value of your investment in the Portfolio will fluctuate, there is the risk that you will lose money.

**Value Investment Risk:** Value stocks may perform differently from the market as a whole and following a value-oriented investment strategy may cause the Portfolio to at times underperform equity funds that use other investment strategies.

**Small Company Risk:** Securities of small companies are often less liquid than those of large companies and this could make it difficult to sell a small company security at a desired time or price. As a result, small company stocks may fluctuate relatively more in price. In general, smaller capitalization companies are also more vulnerable than larger companies to adverse business or economic developments and they may have more limited resources.

**Foreign Securities and Currencies Risk:** Foreign securities prices may decline or fluctuate because of: (a) economic or political actions of foreign governments, and/or (b) less regulated or liquid securities markets. Investors holding these securities may also be exposed to foreign currency risk (the possibility that foreign currency will fluctuate in value against the U.S. dollar or that a foreign government will convert, or be forced to convert, its currency to another currency, changing its value against the U.S. dollar). The International Sustainability Core 1 Portfolio does not hedge foreign currency risk.

**Sustainability Impact Consideration Investment Risk:** The International Sustainability Core 1 Portfolio's sustainability impact considerations may limit the number of investment opportunities available to the Portfolio, and as a result, at times, the Portfolio may produce different results than funds that are not subject to such special investment considerations. For example, the Portfolio may decline to purchase, or underweight its investment in, certain securities due to sustainability impact considerations when other investment considerations would suggest that a more significant investment in such securities would be advantageous. In addition, the Portfolio may sell certain securities due to sustainability impact considerations when it is otherwise disadvantageous to do so. The sustainability impact considerations may cause the Portfolio's industry allocation to deviate from that of funds without these considerations and of conventional benchmarks.

**Derivatives Risk:** Derivatives are instruments, such as swaps, futures and foreign exchange forward contracts, whose value is derived from that of other assets, rates or indices. Hedging with derivatives may increase expenses, and there is no guarantee that a hedging strategy will work. While hedging can reduce or eliminate losses, it can also reduce or eliminate gains or cause losses if the market moves in a manner different from that anticipated by the Portfolio or if the cost of the derivative outweighs the benefit of the hedge. The use of derivatives for

non-hedging purposes may be considered more speculative than other types of investments. When the International Sustainability Core 1 Portfolio uses derivatives, the Portfolio will be directly exposed to the risks of that derivative. Derivative instruments are subject to a number of risks including counterparty, liquidity, interest rate, market, credit and management risks, and the risk of improper valuation. Changes in the value of a derivative may not correlate perfectly with the underlying asset, rate or index, and the Portfolio could lose more than the principal amount invested.

**Securities Lending Risk:** Securities lending involves the risk that the borrower may fail to return the securities in a timely manner or at all. As a result, the International Sustainability Core 1 Portfolio may lose money and there may be a delay in recovering the loaned securities. The International Sustainability Core 1 Portfolio could also lose money if it does not recover the securities and/or the value of the collateral falls, including the value of investments made with cash collateral. Securities lending also may have certain adverse tax consequences.

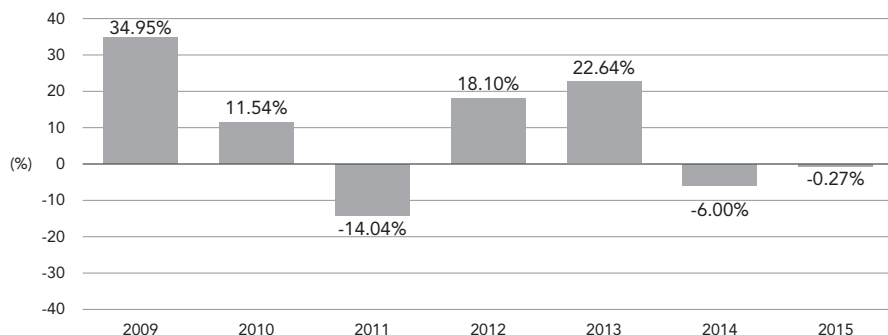
**Cyber Security Risk:** The International Sustainability Core 1 Portfolio's and its service providers' use of internet, technology and information systems may expose the Portfolio to potential risks linked to cyber security breaches of those technological or information systems. Cyber security breaches, amongst other things, could allow an unauthorized party to gain access to proprietary information, customer data, or fund assets, or cause the Portfolio and/or its service providers to suffer data corruption or lose operational functionality.

## Performance

The bar chart and table immediately following illustrate the variability of the International Sustainability Core 1 Portfolio's returns and are meant to provide some indication of the risks of investing in the Portfolio. The bar chart shows the changes in the International Sustainability Core 1 Portfolio's performance from year to year. The table illustrates how annualized one year and since inception returns, both before and after taxes, compare with those of a broad measure of market performance. The International Sustainability Core 1 Portfolio's past performance (before and after taxes) is not an indication of future results. Updated performance information for the Portfolio can be obtained by visiting <http://us.dimensional.com>.

The after-tax returns presented in the table for the International Sustainability Core 1 Portfolio are calculated using the historical highest individual federal marginal income tax rates and do not reflect the impact of state and local taxes. Actual after-tax returns depend on an investor's tax situation and may differ from those shown in the table. In addition, the after-tax returns shown are not relevant to investors who hold shares of the Portfolio through tax-deferred arrangements, such as 401(k) plans or individual retirement accounts. A negative pre-tax total return translates into a higher after-tax return because this calculation assumes that an investor received a tax deduction for the loss incurred on the sale.

## International Sustainability Core 1 Portfolio—Total Returns



### January 2009-December 2015

Highest Quarter  
28.71% (4/09–6/09)

Lowest Quarter  
-20.91% (7/11–9/11)

## Annualized Returns (%)

Periods ending December 31, 2015

	1 YEAR	5 YEARS	SINCE 3/12/08 INCEPTION
<b>International Sustainability Core 1 Portfolio</b>			
Return Before Taxes	-0.27%	3.14%	1.06%
Return After Taxes on Distributions	-0.81%	2.56%	0.59%
Return After Taxes on Distributions and Sale of Portfolio Shares	0.32%	2.47%	0.89%
<b>MSCI World ex USA Index (net dividends)</b>			
(reflects no deduction for fees, expenses, or taxes on sales)	-3.04%	2.79%	0.43%

The implementation and management of the Advisor's "Sustainability" portfolios, including without limitation, the International Sustainability Core 1 Portfolio, is protected by U.S. Patent Nos. 7,596,525 B1, 7,599,874 B1 and, 8,438,092 B2.

## Investment Advisor/Portfolio Management

Dimensional Fund Advisors LP serves as the investment advisor for the International Sustainability Core 1 Portfolio. Dimensional Fund Advisors Ltd. and DFA Australia Limited serve as the sub-advisors for the International Sustainability Core 1 Portfolio. The following individuals are responsible for coordinating the day to day management of the International Sustainability Core 1 Portfolio:

- **Joseph H. Chi**, Senior Portfolio Manager and Vice President of the Advisor, has been a portfolio manager since 2005.

- **Jed S. Fogdall**, Senior Portfolio Manager and Vice President of the Advisor, has been a portfolio manager since 2004.
- **Bhanu P. Singh**, Senior Portfolio Manager and Vice President of the Advisor, has been a portfolio manager since 2012.
- **Allen Pu**, Senior Portfolio Manager and Vice President of the Advisor, has been a portfolio manager since 2006.

## Purchase and Redemption of Fund Shares

Investors may purchase or redeem shares of the International Sustainability Core 1 Portfolio on each day that the New York Stock Exchange is scheduled to be open for business by first contacting the Portfolio's transfer agent at (888) 576-1167. Shareholders that invest in the International Sustainability Core 1 Portfolio through a financial intermediary should contact their financial intermediary regarding purchase and redemption procedures. The International Sustainability Core 1 Portfolio generally is available for investment only by institutional clients, clients of registered investment advisors, clients of financial institutions and a limited number of certain other investors as approved from time to time by the Advisor. All investments are subject to approval of the Advisor.

## Tax Information

The dividends and distributions you receive from the International Sustainability Core 1 Portfolio are taxable and generally will be taxed as ordinary income, capital gains, or some combination of both, unless you are investing through a tax-deferred arrangement, such as a 401(k) plan or an individual retirement account, in which case distributions generally will be taxed as ordinary income when withdrawn from the plan or account.



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