

Goodbody Asset Management

Goodbody Dividend Income 4 Fund - **GDI 4**

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- Overall - 2021 was an excellent year for the Fund

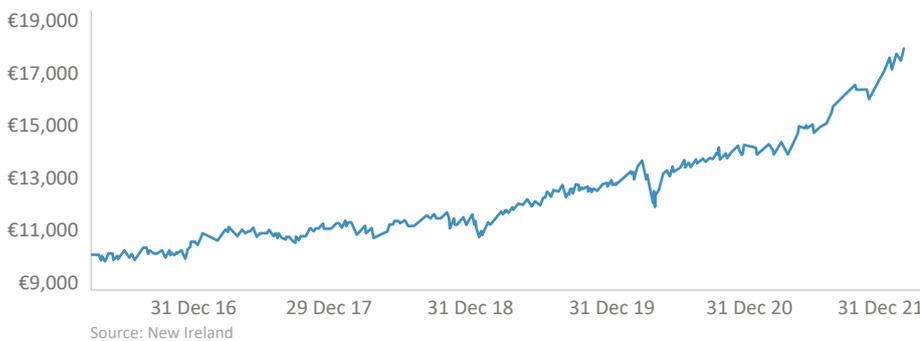
Via New Ireland



Fund performance

The Fund delivered very strong performance in December, benefiting primarily from the outperformance of its global dividend equity holdings. Top performing equities included global consulting firm Accenture (+15%) and US human resource and payroll outsourcing services company Paychex (+13%) – both of which posted better than expected results during the period. Gold rose 1.5% over the month while the Fund’s government bond exposure was a marginal headwind to performance given the backdrop of rising yields. The downside risk management strategy (index put options) was also a headwind to performance given broader global equity market strength. Overall, 2021 was an excellent year for the Fund.

Value of €10,000 invested



	1 MTH	3 MTH	1 YR	3 YR P.A.	Since inception
Fund	3.6%	11.6%	25.0%	17.5%	77.8%

Source: New Ireland

Performance of Goodbody Dividend Income 4 (Series 6 R)

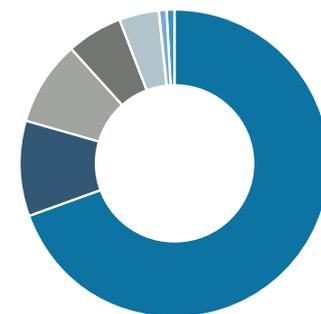
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The **Goodbody Dividend Income 4 Fund** is a risk managed multi-asset fund which invests in high quality dividend paying stocks as well as income generating Bonds, REITS, Alternatives and Cash.

Key information

Fund launch date	3 March 2016
Base currency	€
Pricing/Dealing	Daily
Month end unit price (€)	1.71
*Bond duration (years)	3.8

Asset Split as at 31 December 2021



Equity	70%
Cash	10%
Corporate Bonds*	9%
Government Bonds*	6%
Property	4%
Gold	1%
Put Options	0.6%

Source: Goodbody

Why consider the Goodbody Dividend Income 4 Fund?

1. Income Oriented Multi Asset Exposure

The Fund invests in high quality dividend paying equities which act as the engine of real returns for investors. Other assets, such as cash, fixed income and exchange traded funds are used to provide diversification and reduce volatility.

2. Active asset allocation

The Investment Team employs an asset allocation framework to tactically adjust exposure to equities throughout the investment cycle.

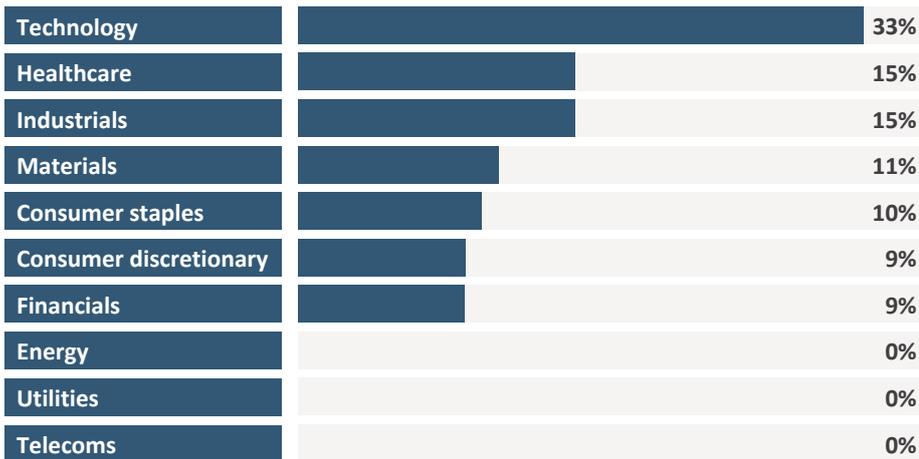
3. Risk management strategy

This strategy helps to reduce volatility and smooth the returns journey for investors.

**Warning: Past performance is not a reliable guide to future performance.**

Performance is shown gross of taxation and gross of fund management fees.

## Equity sector split as at 31 December 2021



Source: Goodbody

## Market commentary

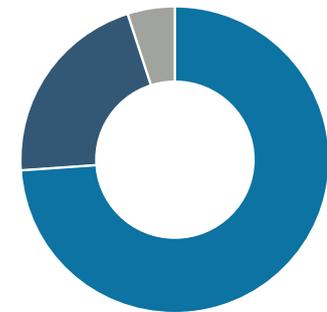
Global equities rose by a further 3.2% in December in Euro terms, meaning the asset class ended the year 31.1% higher. Meanwhile, the US 10-year yield rose above 1.5%, rounding off a difficult year for government bonds. Optimism regarding the severity of the Omicron variant led bond yields to rise in the latter half of the month. Inflation data remains elevated globally, with supply constraints and the rebound in demand pushing prices higher. CPI in the US and Europe reached multiyear highs, rising to 6.8% and 4.9% respectively. This combined with the improvement in the employment outlook led the major central banks to adopt a more hawkish stance. The Fed announced it will accelerate the taper, reducing asset purchases by \$30bn a month compared to the previous \$15bn. The median Fed member now forecasts three interest rate hikes in 2022. The Bank of England raised its interest rates by 0.15% to 0.25%. The ECB confirmed its schedule for the reduction of asset purchases, with the Pandemic Emergency Purchase Program ending in March 2022.

## Top 10 equity holdings as at 31 December 2021

Apple	4.9%
Microsoft	4.3%
Republic Services	3.5%
Accenture	3.4%
Costco	3.2%
Amphenol	3.2%
Fastenal	3.2%
Analog Devices	3.1%
Motorola Solutions	3.0%
Home Depot	3.0%

Source: Goodbody

## Geographic equity mix as at 31 December 2021



North America	74%
Europe (ex. UK)	21%
Asia Pacific (ex. Japan)	5%
Japan	0%
UK	0%

Source: Goodbody

**Warning: Dividend Income is not guaranteed and may rise or fall in value.**

**Warning: The value of your investment may go down as well as up.**

**Warning: This fund may be affected by changes in currency exchange rates.**

**Warning: If you invest in this fund you may lose some or all of the money you invest.**

The Fund is a unit linked fund of the life company. The value of your life assurance policy is linked to the performance of the Fund. Please contact your financial adviser or New Ireland to make additional premiums. Please refer to your policy documentation for information on fees, charges and risks that apply to your investment.

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