

# **Granahan Future Pathways UCITS**

### Investment Summary

Granahan's Future Pathways Fund invests in 40-50 equities of small and mid cap ("SMID Cap") companies, focusing on traditional fundamentals while also uncovering the intrinsic value of societal impact. The goal of the strategy is intended to be flexible and adaptable to environmental and social issues as they arise, and able to rotate where the best opportunities exist for stock appreciation in this universe. The fund looks beyond ESG ratings data, instead focusing on the external benefit of the products and services provided by the holdings. Our most recent Annual Report for Future Pathways can be found here.

### **Fund Highlights**

- As a firm focused on small- and midcap companies, we believe that smaller companies through their products and services have an
  advantage in helping larger businesses meet their sustainability objectives.
- Future Pathways' diversified portfolio is mapped to the UN SDG's and six specific objectives: Clean Energy, Energy Efficiency, Health Care Outcome & Cost, Pollution Reduction, Social Justice & Opportunity and Water & Food.
- Future Pathways is a collection of smaller companies helping larger institutions meet their tech, environmental, medical, and societal needs in a
  direct and impactful manner.



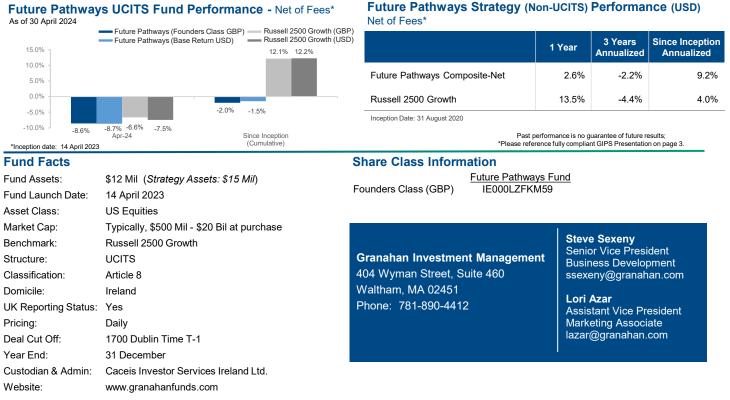
#### Portfolio Manager David Rose, CFA

**26 Yrs. Experience** David Rose is Chief Investment Officer, Senior Vice President and a Managing Director of the firm. Mr. Rose is the portfolio manager for GIM's Future Pathways, Small Cap Select, SMID-Select and MidCap Select strategies, as well as overseeing a portion of the multi-managed Small Cap and SMID-Cap portfolios. Mr. Rose joined GIM in 2015 and has over 20 years industry experience, including as a portfolio manager for several highly ranked equity funds. Prior to joining GIM, Mr. Rose was a partner with Furey Research Partners in Boston, where he conducted small cap equity research for use by the firm's

investment manager clients. Prior to his work at Furey Research, Mr. Rose spent much of his career as a portfolio manager with American Century Investments in Kansas City, MO, before moving to Pyramis Global Advisors in Smithfield, RI to manage a new mid-cap fund. David received his MS in Finance from the University of Wisconsin at Madison, and his BS in Business Administration from Washington University in St. Louis, MO.

### About Granahan Investment Management

Founded in 1985, Granahan Investment Management, LLC is an employee-owned investment boutique specializing in smaller cap equity investments for large institutions and wealthy individuals. The firm utilizes fundamental, bottom-up research to uncover and invest in fast growing companies.



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# **GICS Sector Diversification**

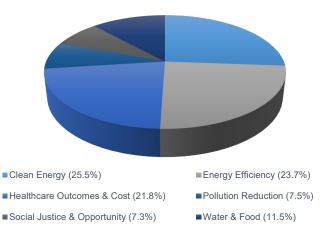
Sector	Portfolio	Russell 2500 Growth		
Communication Services	0.0%	2.0%		
Consumer Discretionary	6.7%	13.3%		
Consumer Staples	9.2%	3.7%		
Energy	0.0%	4.5%		
Financials	0.0%	7.6%		
Health Care	21.4%	19.8%		
Industrials	32.4%	19.7%		
Information Technology	28.5%	22.2%		
Materials	0.0%	3.7%		
Real Estate	0.0%	1.5%		
Utilities	0.0%	0.8%		
[Cash]	1.9%	0.0%		

## **Top 10 Positions**

Security	Objective	Percent of Portfolio	
Array Technologies Inc	Clean Energy	8.1%	
Chart Industries Inc	Clean Energy	6.9%	
First Solar Inc	Clean Energy	6.1%	
Gentherm Inc	Energy Efficiency	5.2%	
Tetra Tech Inc	Water & Food	4.7%	
Evolent Health, Inc.	Healthcare Outcomes & Cost	4.5%	
Viking Therapeutics Inc	Healthcare Outcomes & Cost	4.2%	
SunOpta Inc	Water & Food	4.0%	
Pure Storage Inc	Energy Efficiency	3.9%	
Castle Biosciences Inc	Healthcare Outcomes & Cost	3.7%	
TOTAL		51.3%	

The securities identified and described do not represent all of the securities purchased, sold or recommended for client accounts. The reader should not assume that an investment in the securities identified was or will be profitable. A complete list of holdings is available upon request.

# **Objective Exposure**



## **Characteristics**

Characteristic	Portfolio	Russell 2500 Growth		
Median Market Cap	\$5,253.0 mil	\$1,525.2 mil		
Weighted Avg. Market Cap	\$8,552.6 mil	\$7,974.6 mil		
Active Share	94.5%	-		
Est 3-5 Yr EPS Growth	15.3%	11.8%		
Forward P/E Ratio	21.0x	20.3x		
LT Debt/Capital	36.3%	39.9%		
Dividend Yield	0.1%	0.6%		
Price to Book	3.1x	4.6x		

Source: FactSet

## **Monthly Commentary**

We entered the month of April with the Federal Reserve wary of the elevated inflation numbers. This created concern that possibly there will be no cuts in interest rates in 2024, putting a damper on stocks. The Granahan Future Pathways UCITS Fund was down -8.7% (USD) versus the Russell 2500 Index down -7.5% (USD). Equally weighted HealthCare was the largest penalty to performance this month. Overweight Industrials and underweight Energy and Consumer Discretionary also suffered from poor stock selection. We are overweight Information Technology and Consumer Staples where our stock selection helped performance. Pioneers were the strength this month with Special Situations and Core Growth lagging. At month end, it was reported that the US added fewer jobs than expected in April but enough to indicate a still growing economy. For now, that could help keep a lid on inflation, prevent the Federal Reserve from needing to raise interest rates again and maybe even give them a reason to cut them later in the year.

The Russell 2500<sup>TM</sup> Growth Index measures the performance of the small to mid-cap growth segment of the US equity universe. It includes those Russell 2500 companies with relatively higher price-to-book ratios, higher *I/B/E/S* forecast medium term (2 year) growth and higher sales per share historical growth (5 years). The Russell 2500 Growth Index is constructed to provide a comprehensive and unbiased barometer of the small to midcap growth market. The index is constructed to provide a comprehensive and unbiased barometer of the small to midcap growth the represented companies continue to reflect growth characteristics.

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# **Future Pathways**

Date		Future Pathways							
As of 12/31/23	Composite Gross Return	Composite Net Return	Russell 2500 Growth Return	Composite Assets \$ Mil	Composite # Accts	Composite 3-Yr. Std. Dev.	Russell 2500 Growth 3-Yr. Std. Dev.	Composite Dispersion	Firm Assets \$ Mil
2023	7.13%	6.07%	18.93%	\$17.9	6	30.55	20.95	NA	\$3,098.9
2022	-14.34%	-15.21%	-26.21%	\$2.1	5 or fewer	NA	NA	NA	\$3,326.8
2021	11.06%	11.95%	5.04%	\$2.4	5 or fewer	NA	NA	NA	\$4,964.2
2020*	43.97%	43.60%	24.92%	\$0.8	5 or fewer	NA	NA	NA	\$4,573.1

- Dispersion information is not statistically meaningful due to an insufficient number of portfolios in the composite for the entire year; Standard deviation information has fewer than three years' data. \*Partial year performance: August 31, 2020 through December 31, 2020.

## **Composite Footnotes**

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