

Media Release

Perpetual Asset Management Australia launches Active ETFs

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Perpetual Asset Management Australia (PAMA) has today launched the first of a suite of Exchange Traded Managed Funds (ETMFs) (commonly referred to as Active ETFs). The **Perpetual Ethical SRI Fund (Managed Fund) (ASX: GIVE)** commences trading on the ASX today, providing ease of access for investors seeking an actively managed portfolio. GIVE is the first of a suite of Active ETFs Perpetual intends to launch and will be shortly followed by the launch of the **Perpetual Global Innovation Share Fund (Managed Fund) (ASX: IDEA)**.

Commenting on the launch, Amanda Gillespie, Group Executive Perpetual Asset Management Australia said, "We have been looking forward to bringing Active ETFs to market, providing contemporary investment solutions to meet the evolving needs of our clients. The launch of Active ETFs is aligned with our strategy to invest in new capabilities and offer investors an additional channel (via the ASX) to access Perpetual's proven active management expertise.

"Both GIVE and IDEA are a unit class of their respective managed fund, utilising the same investment strategy of the applicable fund. As the ETF market continues to grow, we expect investors will increasingly look towards ETFs that offer the benefits of active management when constructing their portfolios. PAMA's debut into the ETF space expands the choice for retail investors and their advisers when seeking exposures to a portfolio of actively managed Australian and global shares, backed by experienced and specialist investment teams."

GIVE – responsible investing through investment predominately in quality shares of Australian ethical and socially responsible companies

Investor interest is driving growth in sustainable investment strategies where investors are increasingly seeking to invest their savings in companies with a demonstrated commitment to environmental, social and governance (ESG) principles. Research conducted by Perpetual shows 25% of Australians try to invest in companies that are not harmful to the environment and society, and 24% of Australians are actively looking to invest in companies that are beneficial to the environment and society¹.

As a long-standing ethical fund with a 20-year history in the Australian market, the Perpetual Ethical SRI Fund, managed by Portfolio Manager Nathan Hughes, is now more accessible for investors through the launch of GIVE. The Perpetual Ethical SRI Fund aims to meet the needs of investors who seek long-term returns by investing in companies that are consistent with investors' social, environmental, and ethical preferences. The intention is to donate a portion of the performance fee from GIVE to charity, with the purpose of providing support and delivering positive impact to the community.

¹ Results taken from the 'What do you care about?' 2021 Survey, The Planet Edition - Sustainable Investing, conducted by Perpetual Limited.



IDEA – investing in innovation is investing in change

Companies are disrupting established business models across a range of sectors as technology upends a broad range of traditional business models and creates possibilities not considered possible just a few years ago.

The Perpetual Global Innovation Share Fund, managed by Portfolio Manager Thomas Rice, has a strong focus on understanding new innovations early and providing the opportunity to exploit market inefficiencies to find undervalued and underappreciated companies.

Perpetual Global Innovation Share Fund is designed to provide investors with long-term capital growth by investing in a hand-picked portfolio of shares in global companies that are benefiting from changes in technology and innovation. It is managed with the belief that the market is often inefficient at pricing companies where rapid change is occurring.

Ms Gillespie added, "We are excited by both the Perpetual Ethical SRI Fund and the Perpetual Global Innovation Share Fund's continued growth through the launch of GIVE today and IDEA in the near future. The launch of these capabilities in an ASX quoted structure provides investors the ability to benefit from Perpetual's active management approach, underpinned by deep investment research and insights, and to gain access to key themes of responsible investing and global innovation."

To learn more, please visit: www.perpetual.com.au/give; www.perpetual.com.au/idea

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Recently, research house Zenith Investment Partners named Perpetual Asset Management Australia *Fund Manager of the Year* at the 2021 Zenith Fund Awards, demonstrating our continued dedication and commitment to our clients.

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