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This annual report covers Avantis Global Small Cap Value Active ETF as an individual entity.

The Responsible Entity of Avantis Global Small Cap Value Active ETF is Equity Trustees Limited (ABN 46 004 031 298) (AFSL 240975).

The Responsible Entity's registered office is:

Level 22, 530 Collins Street,
Melbourne, VIC 3000.

Directors' report

The directors of Equity Trustees Limited, the Responsible Entity of Avantis Global Small Cap Value Active ETF (the "Fund"), present their report together with the financial statements of the Fund for the period 15 April 2025 to 30 June 2026.

Principal activities

The Fund was constituted on 21 February 2025. On 15 April 2025, the Fund was registered with the Australian Securities and Investments Commission ("ASIC") and commenced its operations on 16 September 2025.

From 1 October 2025, the Fund was traded on the Cboe market ("Cboe") as an exchange traded fund (Cboe ticker code: AVTS AU). The Fund was dequoted from Cboe on 27 March 2026 and was subsequently quoted for trading on the Australian Securities Exchange ("ASX") (ASX ticker code: AVSV) on 1 April 2026.

The principal activity of the Fund is to achieve long term capital appreciation through exposure to an actively managed portfolio of equity and equity-related securities issued by small capitalisation companies in developed countries in accordance with the Product Disclosure Statement and the provisions of the Fund's Constitution.

The Fund seeks to achieve its investment objective by investing substantially all of its assets into the Avantis Global Small Cap Value UCITS ETF (the "Underlying Fund"), managed by the American Century Investment Management, Inc.

The Fund did not have any employees during the period.

There were no significant changes in the nature of the Fund's activities during the period.

The various service providers for the Fund are detailed below:

Service	Provider
Responsible Entity	Equity Trustees Limited
Investment Manager	American Century Investment Management, Inc.
Custodian and Administrator	State Street Australia Limited
Statutory Auditor	Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu

Directors

The following persons held office as directors of Equity Trustees Limited during or since the end of the period and up to the date of this report:

Michael J O'Brien	Chairman
Russell W Beasley	(appointed 1 July 2025)
Mary A O'Connor	(resigned 1 July 2025)
David B Warren	
Andrew P Godfrey	
Johanna E Platt	

Review and results of operations

During the period, the Fund invested its funds in accordance with the Product Disclosure Statement and the provisions of the Fund's Constitution.

The Fund's performance was 19.59% (net of fees) for the period ended 30 June 2026. The Fund's benchmark, the MSCI World Small Cap Value Index (AUD) returned 11.44% for the same period.

The Fund's performance is calculated based on the percentage change in the redemption price in the Fund over the period (including any distributions paid or reinvested during the period). Returns are disclosed after fees and expenses but before taxes.

Directors' report (continued)

Review and results of operations (continued)

The performance of the Fund, as represented by the results of its operations, was as follows:

For the period
 15 April
 2025
 to
 30 June
 2026

Profit/(loss) for the period (\$'000) 2,092

There were no distributions declared for the period 15 April 2025 to 30 June 2026.

Significant changes in the state of affairs

From 1 October 2025, the Fund was traded on the Cboe market ("Cboe") as an exchange traded fund (Cboe ticker code: AVTS AU). The Fund was dequoted from Cboe on 27 March 2026 and was subsequently quoted for trading on the Australian Securities Exchange ("ASX") (ASX ticker code: AVSV) on 1 April 2026.

In the opinion of the directors, there were no other significant changes in the state of affairs of the Fund that occurred during the period 15 April 2025 to 30 June 2026.

Matters subsequent to the end of the period

No matter or circumstance has arisen since 30 June 2026 that has significantly affected, or may have a significant effect on:

- (i) the operations of the Fund in future financial years; or
- (ii) the results of those operations in future financial years; or
- (iii) the state of affairs of the Fund in future financial years.

Likely developments and expected results of operations

The Fund will continue to be managed in accordance with the investment objectives and guidelines as set out in the Product Disclosure Statement and the provisions of the Fund's Constitution.

The results of the Fund's operations will be affected by a number of factors, including the performance of investment markets in which the Fund invests. Investment performance is not guaranteed and future returns may differ from past returns. As investment conditions change over time, past returns should not be used to predict future returns.

Indemnification and insurance of officers

No insurance premiums are paid out of the assets of the Fund in regard to insurance cover provided to the officers of Equity Trustees Limited. So long as the officers of Equity Trustees Limited act in accordance with the Fund's Constitution and the Law, the officers remain indemnified out of the assets of the Fund against losses incurred while acting on behalf of the Fund.

Indemnification of auditor

The auditor of the Fund is in no way indemnified out of the assets of the Fund.

Fees paid to and interests held in the Fund by the Responsible Entity and its associates

Fees paid to the Responsible Entity and its associates out of the Fund's property during the period are disclosed in Note 17 to the financial statements.

Directors' report (continued)

Fees paid to and interests held in the Fund by the Responsible Entity and its associates (continued)

No fees were paid out of the Fund's property to the directors of the Responsible Entity during the period.

The number of interests in the Fund held by the Responsible Entity or its associates as at the end of the period are disclosed in Note 17 to the financial statements.

Interests in the Fund

The movement in units on issue in the Fund during the period is disclosed in Note 10 to the financial statements.

The value of the Fund's assets and liabilities is disclosed in the statement of financial position and derived using the basis set out in Note 2 to the financial statements.

Environmental regulation

The operations of the Fund are not subject to any particular or significant environmental regulations under Commonwealth, State or Territory law.

Rounding of amounts to the nearest thousand dollars

Amounts in the Directors' report have been rounded to the nearest thousand dollars in accordance with *ASIC Corporations (Rounding in Financial/Directors' Reports) Instrument 2026/183*, unless otherwise indicated.

Auditor's independence declaration

A copy of the Auditor's independence declaration as required under section 307C of the *Corporations Act 2001* is set out on page 5.

This report is made in accordance with a resolution of the directors of Equity Trustees Limited through a delegated authority given by Equity Trustees Limited's Board.



Andrew P Godfrey
Director

Melbourne
17 September 2026

17 September 2026

The Board of Directors
Equity Trustees Limited
Level 22, 530 Collins Street
MELBOURNE VIC 3000

Dear Board Members

Auditor's Independence Declaration to Avantis Global Small Cap Value Active ETF

In accordance with section 307C of the *Corporations Act 2001*, I am pleased to provide the following declaration of independence to the Directors of Equity Trustees Limited, the Responsible Entity, regarding the financial report of Avantis Global Small Cap Value Active ETF (the "Fund").

As lead audit partner for the audit of the financial report of Fund for the financial period 30 June 2026, I declare that to the best of my knowledge and belief, there have been no contraventions of:

- The auditor independence requirements of the *Corporations Act 2001* in relation to the audit; and
- Any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the audit.

Yours faithfully



DELOITTE TOUCHE TOHMATSU



Mark Stretton
Partner
Chartered Accountants

Statement of comprehensive income

		For the period 15 April 2025 to 30 June 2026 \$'000
	Notes	
Income		
Interest income from financial assets at amortised cost		1
Net foreign exchange gain/(loss)		(36)
Net gains/(losses) on financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss		2,137
Management fees and costs reimbursement	17(g)	71
Total income/(loss)		<u>2,173</u>
Expenses		
Management fees and costs	17(g)	79
Transaction costs		1
Other expenses		1
Total expenses		<u>81</u>
Profit/(loss) for the period		<u>2,092</u>
Other comprehensive income		-
Total comprehensive income for the period		<u>2,092</u>

The above statement of comprehensive income should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

Statement of financial position

	Notes	As at 30 June 2026 \$'000
Assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	12	380
Receivables	14	11
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	6	<u>19,681</u>
Total assets		<u>20,072</u>
Liabilities		
Payables	15	7
Payable for units purchased		377
Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss	7	<u>1</u>
Total liabilities		<u>385</u>
Net assets attributable to unit holders - equity	10	<u>19,687</u>

The above statement of financial position should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

Statement of changes in equity

		For the period 15 April 2025 to 30 June 2026 \$'000
	Notes	
Total equity at the beginning of the financial period		-
Comprehensive income for the financial period		
Profit/(loss) for the period		2,092
Other comprehensive income		-
Total comprehensive income		<u>2,092</u>
Transactions with unit holders		
Applications	10	17,598
Redemptions	10	<u>(3)</u>
Total transactions with unit holders		<u>17,595</u>
Total equity at the end of the financial period		<u>19,687</u>

The above statement of changes in equity should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes with reference to Notes 2(c) and 10.

Statement of cash flows

		For the period 15 April 2025 to 30 June 2026 \$'000
	Notes	
Cash flows from operating activities		
Payments for purchase of financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss		(17,166)
Net foreign exchange gain/(loss)		(36)
Interest income received from financial assets at amortised cost		1
Management fees and costs reimbursement received		71
Management fees and costs paid		(72)
Other expenses paid		(13)
Net cash inflow/(outflow) from operating activities	13(a)	<u>(17,215)</u>
Cash flows from financing activities		
Proceeds from applications by unit holders		17,598
Payments for redemptions by unit holders		<u>(3)</u>
Net cash inflow/(outflow) from financing activities		<u>17,595</u>
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		380
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the period		<u>-</u>
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the period	12	<u>380</u>

The above statement of cash flows should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

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1 General information

These financial statements cover Avantis Global Small Cap Value Active ETF (the "Fund") as an individual entity. The Fund was constituted on 21 February 2025. On 15 April 2025, the Fund was registered with the Australian Securities and Investments Commission ("ASIC") and commenced its operations on 16 September 2025. The Fund will terminate in accordance with the provisions of the Fund's Constitution or by law.

The Responsible Entity of the Fund is Equity Trustees Limited (ABN 46 004 031 298) (AFSL 240975) (the "Responsible Entity"). The Responsible Entity's registered office is Level 22, 530 Collins Street, Melbourne, VIC 3000. The financial statements are presented in the Australian currency unless otherwise noted.

The investment activities of the Fund are managed by American Century Investment Management, Inc. (the "Investment Manager"). The custody and administration services of the Fund are delegated to State Street Australia Limited (the "Custodian and Administrator").

The principal activity of the Fund is to achieve long term capital appreciation through exposure to an actively managed portfolio of equity and equity-related securities issued by small capitalisation companies in developed countries, in accordance with the Product Disclosure Statement and the provisions of the Fund's Constitution.

The Fund seeks to achieve its investment objective by investing substantially all of its assets into the Avantis Global Small Cap Value UCITS ETF (the "Underlying Fund"), managed by the American Century Investment Management, Inc.

The Fund is available to investors on the Australian Securities Exchange ("ASX") as an active Exchange Traded Managed Funds (ASX Code: AVSV) and its units commenced trading on the ASX on 1 April 2026.

The financial statements were authorised for issue by the directors on the date the Directors' declaration was signed. The directors of the Responsible Entity have the power to amend and reissue the financial statements.

2 Summary of material accounting policy information

The principal accounting policies applied in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to the period presented, unless otherwise stated in the following text.

(a) Basis of preparation

These general purpose financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards and Interpretations issued by the Australian Accounting Standards Board (AASB) and the *Corporations Act 2001* in Australia. The Fund is a for-profit entity for the purpose of preparing the financial statements.

The financial statements are prepared on the basis of fair value measurement of assets and liabilities, except where otherwise stated.

The Fund manages financial assets at fair value through profit or loss based on the economic circumstances at any given point in time, as well as to meet any liquidity requirements. As such, it is expected that a portion of the portfolio will be realised within 12 months, however, an estimate of that amount cannot be determined as at reporting date.

In the case of net assets attributable to unit holders, the units are redeemable on demand at the unit holders' option. However, holders of these instruments typically retain them for the medium to long term. As such, the amount expected to be settled within 12 months cannot be reliably determined.

(i) Compliance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS)

The financial statements of the Fund also comply with IFRS as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB).

2 Summary of material accounting policy information (continued)

(a) Basis of preparation (continued)

(ii) New standards and interpretations not yet adopted

AASB 18 *Presentation and Disclosure in Financial Statements*

AASB 18 was issued in June 2024 and replaces AASB 101 *Presentation of Financial Statements*. The new standard introduces new requirements for the statement of comprehensive income, including:

- new categories for the classification of income and expenses into operating, investing and financing categories, and
- presentation of subtotals for “operating profit” and “profit before financing and income taxes”.

Additional disclosure requirements are introduced for management-defined performance measures and new principles for aggregation and disaggregation of information in the notes and the primary financial statements and the presentation of interest and dividends in the statement of cash flows. The new standard is effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2027 and will be applied retrospectively by the Fund for the financial year ending 30 June 2028.

This new standard is not expected to have an impact on the recognition and measurement of assets, liabilities, income and expenses, however there will likely be changes in how the statement of comprehensive income and statement of financial position line items are presented as well as some additional disclosures in the notes to the financial statements. Management is in the process of assessing the impact of the new standard.

AASB 2024-2 *Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards – Classification and Measurement of Financial Instruments* [AASB 7 & AASB 9] (effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2026).

In July 2024, the AASB issued amendments to AASB 7 *Financial Instruments: Disclosures* and AASB 9 *Financial Instruments*. This amendment amends requirements related to settling financial liabilities using an electronic payment system and assessing contractual cash flow characteristics of financial assets with environmental, social and corporate governance and similar features. It also amends disclosure requirements relating to investments in equity instruments designated at fair value through other comprehensive income and adds disclosure requirements for financial instruments with contingent features that do not relate directly to basic lending risks and costs. The amendments will be effective for annual reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2026.

Management is currently working to identify all the impacts of the new standards and amendments on the primary financial statements and the related notes.

Certain amendments to accounting standards have been published that are not mandatory for the 30 June 2026 reporting period and have not been early adopted by the Fund. These amendments are not expected to have a material impact on the Fund in the current or future reporting periods and on foreseeable future transactions.

(b) Financial instruments

(i) Classification

- Financial assets

The Fund classifies its financial assets in the following measurement categories:

- those to be measured at fair value through profit or loss; and
- those to be measured at amortised cost.

The Fund classifies its financial assets based on its business model for managing those financial assets and the contractual cash flow characteristics of the financial assets.

The Fund's portfolio of financial assets is managed and its performance is evaluated on a fair value basis in accordance with the Fund's documented investment strategy. The Fund's policy is for the Investment Manager to evaluate the information about these financial assets on a fair value basis together with other related financial information.

Listed unit trusts and derivatives are measured at fair value through profit or loss.

2 Summary of material accounting policy information (continued)

(b) Financial instruments (continued)

(i) Classification (continued)

For cash and cash equivalents and receivables, these assets are held in order to collect the contractual cash flows. The contractual terms of these assets give rise, on specified dates, to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding. Consequently, these are measured at amortised cost.

- Financial liabilities

For financial liabilities that are not classified and measured at fair value through profit or loss, these are classified as financial liabilities at amortised cost (payables and payable for units purchased).

(ii) Recognition and derecognition

The Fund recognises financial assets and financial liabilities on the date it becomes party to the contractual agreement (trade date) and recognises changes in the fair value of the financial assets or financial liabilities from this date.

Financial assets are derecognised when the rights to receive cash flows from the financial assets have expired or the Fund has transferred substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership. Financial liabilities are derecognised when the obligation under the liability is discharged, cancelled or expires.

(iii) Measurement

- Financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss

At initial recognition, the Fund measures a financial asset and a financial liability at its fair value. Transaction costs of financial assets carried at fair value through profit or loss are expensed in the statement of comprehensive income.

Subsequent to initial recognition, all financial assets and liabilities at fair value through profit or loss are measured at fair value. Gains and losses arising from changes in the fair value of 'financial assets or liabilities at fair value through profit or loss' category are presented in the statement of comprehensive income within 'net gains/(losses) on financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss' in the period in which they arise.

For further details on how the fair value of financial instruments is determined please see Note 5 to the financial statements.

- Financial instruments at amortised cost

For financial assets and financial liabilities at amortised cost, they are initially measured at fair value including directly attributable costs and are subsequently measured using the effective interest rate method less any allowance for expected credit losses ("ECL").

Cash and cash equivalents, receivables, payables and payable for units purchased are carried at amortised cost.

(iv) Impairment

At each reporting date, the Fund shall estimate a loss allowance on each of the financial assets carried at amortised cost (cash and cash equivalents and receivables) at an amount equal to the lifetime ECL if the credit risk has increased significantly since initial recognition. If, at the reporting date, the credit risk has not increased significantly since initial recognition, the Fund shall measure the loss allowance at an amount equal to 12-month ECL. Significant financial difficulties of the counterparty, probability that the counterparty will enter bankruptcy or financial reorganisation, and default in payments are all considered indicators that the asset is credit impaired. If the credit risk increases to the point that it is considered to be credit impaired, interest income will be calculated based on the net carrying amount adjusted for the loss allowance. A significant increase in credit risk is defined by management as any contractual payment which is more than 30 days past due. Any contractual payment which is more than 90 days past due is considered credit impaired.

The ECL approach is based on the difference between the contractual cash flows due in accordance with the contract and all the cash flows that the Fund expects to receive. The shortfall is then discounted at an approximation to the asset's original effective interest rate.

2 Summary of material accounting policy information (continued)

(b) Financial instruments (continued)

(iv) Impairment (continued)

The amount of the impairment loss is recognised in the statement of comprehensive income within other expenses. When a trade receivable for which an impairment allowance had been recognised becomes uncollectible in a subsequent period, it is written off against the allowance account. Subsequent recoveries of amounts previously written off are credited against other expenses in the statement of comprehensive income.

(v) Offsetting financial instruments

Financial assets and liabilities are offset and the net amount is reported in the statement of financial position when the Fund has a legally enforceable right to offset the recognised amounts, and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

Financial assets and liabilities that have been offset are disclosed in Note 4.

(c) Net assets attributable to unit holders

Units are redeemable at the unit holders' option, however, applications and redemptions may be suspended by the Responsible Entity if it is in the best interests of the unit holders.

The units can be put back to the Fund at any time for cash based on the redemption price, which is equal to a proportionate share of the Fund's net asset value attributable to the unit holders.

The units are carried at the redemption amount that is payable at the reporting date if the holder exercises the right to put the units back to the Fund.

The Fund's units are classified as equity as they satisfy the following criteria under AASB 132 *Financial Instruments: Presentation*:

- the puttable financial instrument entitles the holder to a pro-rata share of net assets in the event of the Fund's liquidation;
- the puttable financial instrument is in the class of instruments that is subordinate to all other classes of instruments and class features are identical;
- the puttable financial instrument does not include any contractual obligations to deliver cash or another financial asset, or to exchange financial instruments with another entity under potentially unfavourable conditions to the Fund, and is not a contract settled in the Fund's own equity instruments; and
- the total expected cash flows attributable to the puttable financial instrument over the life are based substantially on the profit or loss.

(d) Cash and cash equivalents

For the purpose of presentation in the statement of cash flows, cash and cash equivalents includes cash on hand, deposits held at call with financial institutions and other short-term, highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash and which are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value.

Payments and receipts relating to the purchase and sale of investment securities are classified as cash flows from operating activities, as trading of these securities represents the Fund's main income generating activity.

(e) Income

(i) Interest income

Interest income from financial assets at amortised cost is recognised using the effective interest method and includes interest from cash and cash equivalents.

2 Summary of material accounting policy information (continued)

(e) Income (continued)

(i) Interest income (continued)

The effective interest method is a method of calculating the amortised cost of a financial asset and of allocating the interest income over the relevant period. The effective interest rate is the rate that exactly discounts estimated future cash payments or receipts throughout the expected life of the financial instrument, or a shorter period where appropriate, to the net carrying amount of the financial asset. When calculating the effective interest rate, the Fund estimates cash flows considering all contractual terms of the financial instruments (for example, prepayment options) but does not consider future credit losses. The calculation includes all fees paid or received between the parties to the contract that are an integral part of the effective interest rate, including transaction costs and all other premiums or discounts.

(ii) Net gains/(losses) on financial instruments

Net gains/(losses) on financial instruments arising on a change in fair value are calculated as the difference between the fair value at the end of the reporting period and the fair value at the previous valuation point. Net gains/(losses) do not include interest or dividend/distribution income. Realised and unrealised gains/(losses) are shown in the notes to the financial statements.

Changes in fair value of financial instruments held at fair value through profit or loss are recorded in accordance with the policies described in Note 2(b) iii to the financial statements.

(f) Expenses

All expenses are recognised in the statement of comprehensive income on an accruals basis.

Management fees and costs cover certain ordinary expenses such as Responsible Entity fees, investment management fees, custodian fees, and administration and audit fees.

(g) Income tax

Under current legislation, the Fund is not subject to income tax provided it attributes the entirety of its taxable income to its unit holders.

The Fund currently incurs withholding taxes imposed by certain countries on investment income and capital gains. Such income or gains are recorded gross of withholding taxes in the statement of comprehensive income. Withholding taxes are included in the statement of comprehensive income as an expense.

(h) Distributions

The Fund may distribute its distributable income, in accordance with the Fund's Constitution, to unit holders by cash or reinvestment. The distributions are recognised in the statement of changes in equity.

(i) Foreign currency translation

(i) Functional and presentation currency

Balances included in the Fund's financial statements are measured using the currency of the primary economic environment in which it operates (the "functional currency"). This is the Australian dollar which reflects the currency of the economy in which the Fund competes for funds and is regulated. The Australian dollar is also the Fund's presentation currency.

2 Summary of material accounting policy information (continued)

(i) Foreign currency translation (continued)

(ii) Transactions and balances

Foreign currency transactions are translated into the functional currency using the exchange rates prevailing at the dates of the transactions. Foreign exchange gains and losses resulting from the settlement of such transactions and from the translations at period end exchange rates of monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are recognised in the profit and loss.

Non-monetary items that are measured at fair value in a foreign currency are translated using the exchange rates at the date when fair value was determined.

The Fund does not isolate that portion of unrealised gains or losses on financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss which is due to changes in foreign exchange rates. Such fluctuations are included in the net gains/(losses) on financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss.

(j) Receivable for units sold/Payable for units purchased

Amounts receivable for units sold/payable for units purchased represent receivables for securities sold and payables for securities purchased that have been contracted for but not yet delivered by the end of the period. The receivable for units sold balance is held for collection and is recognised initially at fair value and subsequently measured at amortised cost.

(k) Receivables

Receivables may include amounts for interest from cash and cash equivalents. Where applicable, interest is accrued on a daily basis. Amounts are generally received within 30 days of being recorded as receivables.

(l) Payables

Payables include liabilities and accrued expenses owed by the Fund which are unpaid as at the end of the reporting period.

(m) Applications and redemptions

Applications received for units in the Fund are recorded net of any entry fees payable prior to the issue of units in the Fund. Redemptions from the Fund are recorded gross of any exit fees payable after the cancellation of units redeemed.

(n) Goods and services tax (GST)

The GST incurred on the costs of various services provided to the Fund by third parties such as management, administration and custodian services, where applicable, have been passed on to the Fund. The Fund qualifies for Reduced Input Tax Credits (RITC) at a rate of at least 55%. Hence, fees for these services and any other expenses have been recognised in the statement of comprehensive income net of the amount of GST recoverable from the Australian Taxation Office (ATO). Amounts payable are inclusive of GST. The net amount of GST recoverable from the ATO is included in receivables in the statement of financial position. Cash flows related to GST are included in the statement of cash flows on a gross basis and the GST component of cash flows arising from investing and financing activities, which is recoverable from, or payable to, the taxation authority is classified as an operating cash flow.

(o) Use of estimates and judgements

The Fund makes estimates, assumptions and judgements that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities within the current and next financial periods. Estimates and judgements are continually evaluated and are based on historical experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimates are revised and in any future periods affected.

For more information on how fair value is calculated refer to Note 5 to the financial statements.

2 Summary of material accounting policy information (continued)

(o) Use of estimates and judgements (continued)

The Fund estimates that the resultant ECL derived from using the impairment model has not materially impacted the Fund. Please see Note 3 for more information on credit risk.

(p) Rounding of amounts

The Fund is an entity of a kind referred to in *ASIC Corporations (Rounding in Financial/Directors' Reports) Instrument 2026/183* relating to the "rounding off" of amounts in the financial statements. Amounts in the financial statements have been rounded to the nearest thousand dollars, unless otherwise indicated.

(q) Comparative period

The Fund was constituted on 21 February 2025, registered with the Australian Securities and Investments Commission ("ASIC") on 15 April 2025 and commenced operations on the 16 September 2025. The reporting period covers the period 15 April 2025 to 30 June 2026, hence there is no comparative information.

(r) Operating segments

The Fund's ETF class units are within the scope of AASB 8: *Operating Segments* as they satisfy the requirement, under AASB 8, of having debt or equity instruments traded in a public market or filing financial statements with a regulator for the purpose of issuing any class of instruments in a public market.

3 Financial risk management

The Fund invests the majority of its assets in the Underlying Fund. The nature of the Underlying Fund's investment involves risks and the Underlying Fund utilises investment techniques that may carry additional risk. The Fund is exposed to a variety of financial risks: market risk (including price risk, foreign exchange risk and cash flow and fair value interest rate risk), credit risk and liquidity risk, both directly through its own assets and liabilities and indirectly through the assets and liabilities of the Underlying Fund.

The Fund's overall risk management programme focuses on ensuring compliance with the Fund's Product Disclosure Statement and the investment guidelines of the Fund. It also seeks to maximise the returns derived for the level of risk to which the Fund is exposed and seeks to minimise potential adverse effects on the Fund's financial performance.

All investments present a risk of loss of capital. The maximum loss of capital on the listed unit trust is limited to the fair value of those positions. The maximum loss of capital on derivatives is limited to the notional contract values of those positions.

The investments of the Fund, and associated risks, are managed by a specialist Investment Manager, American Century Investment Management, Inc. under an Investment Management Agreement (the "IMA") approved by the Responsible Entity, and containing the investment strategy and guidelines of the Fund, consistent with those stated in the Product Disclosure Statement.

The Fund uses different methods to measure different types of risk to which it is exposed. These methods are explained below.

(a) Market risk

The Fund is an Australian exchange traded fund, which intends to pursue its investment objective by investing substantially all of its assets into the Underlying Fund.

3 Financial risk management (continued)

(a) Market risk (continued)

(i) Price risk

The Fund is generally exposed to price risk on its investments in the Underlying Fund. The fund is also exposed to derivatives. Price risk arises from investments held by the Fund for which prices in the future are uncertain. Where financial instruments are denominated in currencies other than the Australian dollar, the price in the future will also fluctuate because of changes in foreign exchange rates which are considered a component of price risk.

The Fund has a material concentration of risk arising from its investment in the Underlying Fund. As at 30 June 2026, the Fund's investment in the Underlying Fund represents the majority of the Fund's financial assets at fair value through profit or loss.

The price risk in the Underlying Fund is managed by the American Century Investment Management, Inc, the manager of the Underlying Fund taking into account the asset allocation of each holding of the Underlying Fund in order to minimise the risk associated with particular sectors while continuing to follow their respective investment objective.

The table at Note 3(b) summarises the sensitivities of the Fund's assets and liabilities to price risk. The analysis is based on the reasonably possible shift that the investment portfolio in which the Fund invests moves by +/-10%.

(ii) Foreign exchange risk

The Fund substantially invests in the Underlying Fund denominated in US dollar and will therefore be directly exposed to foreign exchange risk. The Fund operates internationally and holds both monetary and non-monetary assets denominated in currencies other than the Australian dollar. Foreign exchange risk arises as the value of monetary securities denominated in other currencies fluctuates due to changes in exchange rates. The foreign exchange risk relating to assets and liabilities is a component of price risk and not foreign exchange risk. However, the Investment Manager monitors the exposure of all foreign currency denominated assets and liabilities.

(iii) Cash flow and fair value interest rate risk

The Fund is exposed to cash flow interest rate risk on financial instruments with variable interest rates. Financial instruments with fixed rates expose the Fund to fair value interest rate risk.

The Fund substantially invests in the Underlying Fund denominated in US dollars which are non-interest bearing and as such the Fund is not exposed to material levels of interest rate risk.

The Fund holds cash for liquidity and transactional purposes and this cash is held at floating interest rates. As a result, the Fund is subject to a limited exposure to interest rate risks due to fluctuations in the levels of market interest rates.

There are no other material interest risk exposures.

3 Financial risk management (continued)

(b) Summarised sensitivity analysis

The following table summarises the sensitivity of the Fund's profit/(loss) and net assets attributable to unit holders to market risks. The reasonably possible movements in the risk variables have been determined based on management's best estimate, having regard to a number of factors, including historical levels of changes in foreign exchange rates, interest rates and the historical correlation of the Fund's investments with the relevant benchmark and market volatility. However, actual movements in the risk variables may be greater or less than anticipated due to a number of factors, including unusually large market movements resulting from changes in the performance of and/or correlation between the performances of the economies, markets and securities in which the Fund invests. As a result, historical variations in risk variables should not be used to predict future variances in the risk variables.

	Impact on profit/(loss)/ net assets attributable to unit holders	
	Price risk	
	+10%	-10%
	\$'000	\$'000
As at 30 June 2026	1,968	(1,968)

(c) Credit risk

The Fund is exposed to credit risk, which is the risk that a counterparty will be unable to pay its obligations in full when they fall due, causing a financial loss to the Fund.

The Fund does not have a material concentration of credit risk that arises from an exposure to a single counterparty or group of counterparties having similar characteristics. The main concentration of credit risk, to which the Fund is exposed, arises from cash and cash equivalents. None of these assets are impaired nor past their due date. The maximum exposure to credit risk is the carrying of these balances at the reporting date.

The Fund determines credit risk and measures ECL for financial assets measured at amortised cost using probability of default, exposure at default and loss given default. Management considers both historical analysis and forward looking information in determining any ECL. At 30 June 2026, all receivables, cash and short-term deposits are either callable on demand or due to be settled within 1 week. Management considers the probability of default to be close to zero as these instruments have a low risk of default and the counterparties have a strong capacity to meet their contractual obligations in the near term. As a result, no loss allowance has been recognised based on 12-month ECL as any such impairment would be wholly insignificant to the Fund.

(d) Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Fund may not be able to generate sufficient cash resources to settle its obligations in full as they fall due or can only do so on terms that are materially disadvantageous.

Exposure to liquidity risk for the Fund may arise from the requirement to meet daily unit holder redemption requests.

The Investment Manager monitors and manages the level of liquidity in the Fund.

In order to manage the Fund's overall liquidity, the Responsible Entity has the discretion to reject an application for units and to defer or adjust redemption of units if the exercise of such discretion is in the best interests of unit holders. The Responsible Entity did not reject or withhold any redemptions during the reporting period.

(i) Maturities of non-derivative financial liabilities

All non-derivative financial liabilities of the Fund in the current period have maturities of less than 1 month.

(ii) Maturities of net settled derivative financial instruments

As at 30 June 2026, the forward currency contract had maturities of less than 1 month and the market value was \$996.

4 Offsetting financial assets and financial liabilities

Financial assets and liabilities are offset and the net amount reported in the statement of financial position when there is a legally enforceable right to offset the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously. The gross and net positions of financial assets and liabilities that have been offset in the statement of financial position are disclosed in the first three columns of the tables below.

	Effects of offsetting on the statement of financial position			Related amounts not offset		
	Gross amounts of financial instruments	Gross amounts set off in the statement of financial position	Net amount of financial instruments presented in the statement of financial position	Amounts subject to master netting arrangements	Collateral received /pledged	Net amount
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
As at 30 June 2026						
Financial liabilities						
Derivative financial instruments	(1)	-	(1)	-	-	(1)
Total	(1)	-	(1)	-	-	(1)

(a) Master netting arrangement – not currently enforceable

Agreements with derivative counterparties are based on the International Swaps and Derivatives Association (ISDA) Master Agreement. Under the terms of these arrangements, only when certain credit events occur (such as default), the net position owing/receivable to a single counterparty in the same currency will be taken as owing and all the relevant arrangements terminated. As the Fund does not presently have a legally enforceable right of set-off, these amounts have not been offset in the statement of financial position but have been presented separately in the above table.

5 Fair value measurement

The Fund measures and recognises financial assets and liabilities at fair value through profit or loss on a recurring basis.

- Financial assets/liabilities at fair value through profit or loss (see Note 6 and Note 7)
- Derivative financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss (see Note 8)

The Fund has no assets or liabilities measured at fair value on a non-recurring basis in the current reporting period.

AASB 13 *Fair Value Measurement* requires disclosure of fair value measurements by level of the following fair value measurement hierarchy:

- Quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (level 1);
- Inputs other than quoted prices included within level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly (level 2); and
- Inputs for the asset or liability that are not based on observable market data (unobservable inputs) (level 3).

The Fund values its investments in accordance with the accounting policies set out in Note 2 to the financial statements.

For the majority of its investments, the Fund relies on information provided by independent pricing services for the valuation of its investments.

5 Fair value measurement (continued)

(a) Quoted prices in active markets (Level 1)

The fair value of financial instruments traded in active markets (such as publicly traded derivatives and listed equity securities) are based on quoted market prices at the close of trading at the end of the reporting period without any deduction for estimated future selling costs.

The quoted market price used for financial assets and liabilities held by the Fund is the last trade price. The quoted market price incorporates the market's assumptions with respect to changes in economic climate such as rising interest rates and inflation, as well as changes due to risk. When the Fund holds derivatives with offsetting market risks, it uses mid-market prices as a basis for establishing fair values for the offsetting risk positions and applies this bid or asking price to the net open position, as appropriate.

A financial instrument is regarded as quoted in an active market if quoted prices are readily and regularly available from an exchange, dealer, broker, industry group, pricing service, or regulatory agency, and those prices represent actual and regularly occurring market transactions on an arm's length basis.

An active market is a market in which transactions for the asset or liability take place with sufficient frequency and volume to provide pricing information on an ongoing basis.

(b) Significant observable inputs (Level 2)

The fair value of financial instruments that are not traded in an active market is determined using valuation techniques that maximise the use of observable market data and rely as little as possible on entity-specific estimates. If all material inputs required to fair value an instrument are observable, the instrument is included in level 2.

Some of the inputs to these models may not be market observable and are therefore estimated based on assumptions. The output of a model is always an estimate or approximation of a value that cannot be determined with certainty, and valuation techniques employed may not fully reflect all factors relevant to the positions the Fund holds.

Specific valuation techniques used to value financial instruments include:

- Foreign currency forwards are valued at the present value of future cash flows based on the forward exchange rates at the balance sheet date.

(c) Recognised fair value measurements

The table below presents the Fund's financial assets and liabilities measured and recognised at fair value as at 30 June 2026.

	Level 1 \$'000	Level 2 \$'000	Level 3 \$'000	Total \$'000
As at 30 June 2026				
Financial assets				
Listed unit trusts	19,681	-	-	19,681
Total financial assets	<u>19,681</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>19,681</u>
Financial liabilities				
Forward currency contracts	-	1	-	1
Total financial liabilities	<u>-</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1</u>

(d) Transfer between levels

Management's policy is to recognise transfers into and transfers out of fair value hierarchy levels as at the end of the reporting period.

There were no transfers between levels in the fair value hierarchy at the end of the reporting period.

5 Fair value measurement (continued)

(e) Financial instruments not carried at fair value

The carrying value of cash and cash equivalents, receivables, payables and payable for units purchased approximate their fair values due to their short-term nature.

6 Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss

	As at 30 June 2026 \$'000
Listed unit trusts	19,681
Total financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	19,681

An overview of the risk exposures and fair value measurements relating to financial assets at fair value through profit or loss is included in Note 3 and Note 5 to the financial statements.

7 Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss

	As at 30 June 2026 \$'000
Derivatives	1
Total financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss	1

An overview of the risk exposures and fair value measurements relating to financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss is included in Note 3 and Note 5 to the financial statements.

8 Derivative financial instruments

In the normal course of business, the Fund enters into transactions in various derivative financial instruments which have certain risks. A derivative is a financial instrument or other contract which is settled at a future date and whose value changes in response to the change in a specified interest rate, financial instrument price, commodity price, foreign exchange rate, index of prices or rates, credit rating or credit index or other variable.

Derivative financial instruments require no initial net investment or an initial net investment that is smaller than would be required for other types of contracts that would be expected to have a similar response to changes in market factors.

Derivative transactions include many different instruments such as forwards, futures and options. Derivatives are considered to be part of the investment process and the use of derivatives is an essential part of the Fund's portfolio management. Derivatives are not managed in isolation. Consequently, the use of derivatives is multifaceted and includes:

- hedging to protect an asset or liability of the Fund against a fluctuation in market values, foreign exchange risk or to reduce volatility;
- a substitution for trading of physical securities; and
- adjusting asset exposures within the parameters set in the investment strategy and adjusting the duration of fixed interest portfolios or the weighted average maturity of cash portfolios.

While derivatives are used for trading purposes, they are not used to gear (leverage) a portfolio. Gearing a portfolio would occur if the level of exposure to the markets exceeds the underlying value of the Fund.

8 Derivative financial instruments (continued)

The Fund holds the following derivatives:

(a) Forward currency contracts

Forward currency contracts are primarily used by the Fund to economically hedge against foreign currency exchange rate risks on its non-Australian dollar denominated trading securities. The Fund agrees to receive or deliver a fixed quantity of foreign currency for an agreed upon price on an agreed future date. Forward currency contracts are valued at the prevailing bid price at the end of each reporting period. The Fund recognises a gain or loss equal to the change in fair value at the end of each reporting period.

The Fund's derivative financial instruments measured at fair value at period end are detailed below:

	Contractual/ notional \$'000	Assets \$'000	Contractual/ notional \$'000	Liabilities \$'000
As at 30 June 2026				
Forward currency contracts	-	-	378	1
Total derivatives	-	-	378	1

Information about the Fund's exposure to credit risk, foreign exchange risk, interest rate risk and about the methods and assumptions used in determining fair values is provided in Note 3 and Note 5 to the financial statements. The maximum exposure to credit risk at the end of the reporting period is the carrying amount of each class of derivative financial instruments disclosed above.

9 Structured entities

A structured entity is an entity that has been designed so that voting or similar rights are not the dominant factor in deciding who controls the entity, and the relevant activities are directed by means of contractual arrangement.

The Fund considers all investments in the Underlying Fund to be structured entities. The Fund invests in the Underlying Fund for the purpose of capital appreciation and/or earning investment income.

The exposure to investments in the Underlying Fund at fair value is disclosed in the following table:

	Fair value of investment As at 30 June 2026 \$'000
Avantis Global Small Cap Value UCITS ETF	19,681
Total	19,681

The fair value of the Underlying Fund is included in financial assets at fair value through profit or loss in the statement of financial position.

The Fund's maximum exposure to loss from its interest in the Underlying Fund is equal to the fair value of its investments in the Underlying Fund as there are no off-balance sheet exposures relating to any of the Underlying Fund. Once the Fund has disposed of its units in the Underlying Fund it ceases to be exposed to any risk from the Underlying Fund.

During the period ended 30 June 2026, total gains/(losses) incurred on investments in the Underlying Fund were \$2,097,634.

10 Net assets attributable to unit holders - equity

Under AASB 132 *Financial Instruments: Presentation*, puttable financial instruments are classified as equity where certain strict criteria is met. The Fund shall classify a financial instrument as an equity instrument from the date when the instrument has all the features and meets the conditions. The Fund's units are classified as equity as they meet the definition of a financial instrument to be classified as equity.

Movements in the number of units and net assets attributable to unit holders during the period ended were as follows:

	For the period 15 April 2025 to 30 June 2026	
	Units '000	\$'000
Opening balance	-	-
Applications	1,645	17,598
Redemptions*	-	(3)
Profit/(loss) for the period	-	2,092
Closing balance	1,645	19,687

*For the period 15 April 2025 to 30 June 2026, redemptions units were 268 and rounds to zero in thousand dollars.

As stipulated within the Fund's Constitution, each unit represents a right to an individual share in the Fund and does not extend to a right in the underlying assets of the Fund.

There are no separate classes of units and each unit has the same rights attaching to it as all other units of the Fund.

Units are redeemed on demand at the unit holders' option. However, holders of these instruments typically retain them for the medium to long term. As such, the amount expected to be settled within twelve months after the end of the reporting period cannot be reliably determined.

Capital risk management

The Fund considers its net assets attributable to unit holders as capital which is classified as equity. The amount of net assets attributable to unit holders can change significantly on a daily basis as the Fund is subject to daily applications and redemptions at the discretion of unit holders.

Daily applications and redemptions are reviewed relative to the liquidity of the Fund's underlying assets on a daily basis by the Responsible Entity. Under the terms of the Fund's Constitution, the Responsible Entity has the discretion to reject an application for units and to defer or adjust redemption of units if the exercise of such discretion is in the best interests of unit holders.

11 Distributions to unit holders

There were no distributions declared for the period 15 April 2025 to 30 June 2026.

12 Cash and cash equivalents

	As at 30 June 2026 \$'000
Cash at bank	380
Total cash and cash equivalents	380

13 Reconciliation of profit/(loss) to net cash inflow/(outflow) from operating activities

	For the period 15 April 2025 to 30 June 2026 \$'000
(a) Reconciliation of profit/(loss) to net cash inflow/(outflow) from operating activities	
Profit/(loss) for the period	2,092
Payments for purchase of financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss	(17,166)
Net (gains)/losses on financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss	(2,137)
Net change in receivables	(11)
Net change in payables	7
Net cash inflow/(outflow) from operating activities	(17,215)

14 Receivables

	As at 30 June 2026 \$'000
GST receivable	11
Total receivables	11

15 Payables

	As at 30 June 2026 \$'000
Management fees and costs payable	7
Total payables	7

16 Remuneration of auditors

During the period the following fees were paid or payable for services provided by the auditors of the Fund:

For the period
15 April
2025
to
30 June
2026
\$

Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu

Audit and other assurance services

Audit and review of financial statements

21,973

Total auditor remuneration and other assurance services

21,973

Taxation services

Tax compliance services

15,375

Total remuneration for taxation services

15,375

Total remuneration of Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu

37,348

PricewaterhouseCoopers

Audit and other assurance services

Audit of compliance plan

2,448

Total auditor remuneration and other assurance services

2,448

Total remuneration of PricewaterhouseCoopers

2,448

The auditors' remuneration is borne by the Fund. Fees are stated exclusive of GST.

17 Related party transactions

The Responsible Entity of Avantis Global Small Cap Value Active ETF is Equity Trustees Limited (ABN 46 004 031 298) (AFSL 240975). Accordingly, transactions with entities related to Equity Trustees Limited are disclosed below.

The only related parties to the Fund, as defined by AASB 124 *Related Party Disclosures*, are the Responsible Entity, schemes managed by the Responsible Entity and key management personnel of the Responsible Entity.

(a) Key management personnel

(i) Directors

Key management personnel include persons who were directors of Equity Trustees Limited at any time during or since the end of the financial period and up to the date of this report.

Michael J O'Brien	Chairman
Russell W Beasley	(appointed 1 July 2025)
Mary A O'Connor	(resigned 1 July 2025)
David B Warren	
Andrew P Godfrey	
Johanna E Platt	

(ii) Responsible Entity

Other than fees paid to the Responsible Entity, there were no other transactions.

17 Related party transactions (continued)

(a) Key management personnel (continued)

(iii) Other key management personnel

There were no other key management personnel with responsibility for planning, directing and controlling activities of the Fund, directly or indirectly during the financial period.

(b) Transactions with key management personnel

There were no transactions with key management personnel during the reporting period.

(c) Key management personnel unit holdings

Key management personnel did not hold units in the Fund as at 30 June 2026.

(d) Key management personnel compensation

Key management personnel are paid by EQT Services Pty Ltd. Payments made from the Fund to Equity Trustees Limited do not include any amounts directly attributable to the compensation of key management personnel.

(e) Key management personnel loans

The Fund has not made, guaranteed or secured, directly or indirectly, any loans to key management personnel or their personally related entities at any time during the reporting period.

(f) Other transactions within the Fund

Apart from those details disclosed in this note, no key management personnel have entered into a material contract with the Fund during the financial period and there were no material contracts involving management personnel's interests existing at period end.

(g) Responsible Entity fees and other transactions

The transactions during the period and amounts payable as at period end between the Fund, the Responsible Entity and its service providers as per Note 1:

	For the period 15 April 2025 to 30 June 2026 \$
Management fees and costs for the period	79,047
Management fees and costs reimbursement for the period	70,854
Management fees and costs payable at period end	6,516

Equity Trustees Limited earned \$31,644 for Responsible Entity fees provided to the Fund paid from management fees and costs.

The Responsible Entity's establishment fee of \$25,000 was paid directly by the Investment Manager outside of the Fund.

17 Related party transactions (continued)

(g) Responsible Entity fees and other transactions (continued)

Under the terms of the Fund's Constitution and Product Disclosure Statement, management fees and costs include responsible entity fees paid to the Responsible Entity, management fees paid to the Investment Manager and other costs (such as custody fees, administration fees and audit fees) paid to other unrelated parties. Please refer to the Fund's Product Disclosure Statement for information on how management fees and costs are calculated.

Management fees reimbursed represent monies put into the Fund to ensure that the Fund's overall management costs remain within that disclosed in the Product Disclosure Statement.

(h) Related party unit holdings

Parties related to the Fund (including Equity Trustees Limited, its related parties and other schemes managed by Equity Trustees Limited) held no units in the Fund as at 30 June 2026.

(i) Investments

The Fund did not hold any investments in Equity Trustees Limited or its related parties during the period ended 30 June 2026.

18 Transactions with the Investment Manager

Management fees are paid by the Responsible Entity to the Investment Manager and are included in management fees and costs as disclosed in Note 17(g).

The Investment Manager is not entitled, under the Fund's IMA, to receive any management fees from the Fund's investment in the Master Fund.

The Investment Manager hold units in the Fund, as follows:

Unit holder	Number of units held opening	Number of units held closing	Fair value of investment \$	Interest held %	Number of units acquired	Number of units disposed	Distributions paid/payable by the Fund \$
As at 30 June 2026							
American Century Investment Management, Inc	-	449,304	5,378,897	27.32	449,304	-	-

Other than as disclosed in Note 9 of this report, the Fund did not hold any investments in other schemes managed by the Fund's Investment Manager during the reporting period.

19 Operating segments

Operating segments are reported in a manner consistent with internal reporting to the Directors of the Responsible Entity. The Fund's investments are managed on a single portfolio basis in one operating segment, being investments in derivatives, listed unit trusts and cash and cash equivalents, and performance is reviewed against the performance of the Fund's target.

20 Events occurring after the reporting period

No significant events have occurred since the end of the period which would impact on the financial position of the Fund as disclosed in the statement of financial position as at 30 June 2026 or on the results and cash flows of the Fund for the period ended on that date.

21 Contingent assets and liabilities and commitments

There were no outstanding contingent assets, liabilities or commitments as at 30 June 2026.

Directors' declaration

In the opinion of the directors of the Responsible Entity:

- (a) The financial statements and notes set out on pages 6 to 29 are in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001*, including:
 - (i) complying with Australian Accounting Standards, the *Corporations Regulations 2001* and other mandatory professional reporting requirements; and
 - (ii) giving a true and fair view of the Fund's financial position as at 30 June 2026 and of its performance for the financial period ended on that date.
- (b) There are reasonable grounds to believe that the Fund will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable; and
- (c) Note 2(a) confirms that the financial statements also comply with the International Financial Reporting Standards as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board.

This declaration is made in accordance with a resolution of the directors of Equity Trustees Limited through a delegated authority given by Equity Trustees Limited's Board.



Andrew P Godfrey
Director

Melbourne
17 September 2026

Independent Auditor's Report to the Unit Holders of Avantis Global Small Cap Value Active ETF

Opinion

We have audited the financial report of Avantis Global Small Cap Value Active ETF (the "Fund") which comprises the statement of financial position as at 30 June 2026, the statement of comprehensive income, the statement of changes in equity and the statement of cash flows for the period then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including material accounting policy information and other explanatory information, and the directors' declaration.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial report of the Fund is in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001*, including:

- Giving a true and fair view of the Fund's financial position as at 30 June 2026 and of its financial performance for the period then ended; and
- Complying with Australian Accounting Standards and the *Corporations Regulations 2001*.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report section of our report. We are independent of the Fund in accordance with the auditor independence requirements of the *Corporations Act 2001* and the ethical requirements of the APES 110 *Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (including Independence Standards)* issued by the Accounting Professional & Ethical Standards Board Limited (the Code) that are relevant to audits of the financial report of public interest entities in Australia. We have also fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code.

We confirm that the independence declaration required by the *Corporations Act 2001*, which has been given to the Directors of the Responsible Entity of the Fund (the "Directors"), would be in the same terms if given to the Directors as at the time of this auditor's report.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Key audit matters

Key audit matters are those matters that, in our professional judgement, were of most significance in our audit of the financial report for the current period. These matters were addressed in the context of our audit of the financial report as a whole, and in forming our opinion thereon, and we do not provide a separate opinion on these matters.

Key audit matter	How the scope of our audit responded to the key audit matter
Valuation of financial assets at fair value through profit or loss As disclosed in Note 5 and 6, financial assets at fair value through profit or loss are \$19.7 million as at 30 June 2026, representing 99.97% of the Net Asset Value. Financial assets represent the most significant balances in the statement of financial position and are the primary drivers of the net asset value and investment performance.	Our procedures included, but were not limited to: • Obtaining an understanding of key controls in place at the service provider in relation to valuation of financial assets; • For a sample of financial asset holdings at 30 June 2026, obtaining direct confirmation from the custodian/ relevant counterparties of the number of units held and agreeing to the Fund's records, including, where relevant, testing reconciling trades to assess that they have been recorded in the correct period; • Assessing the price used by the Fund to value listed unit trusts in the portfolio by agreeing to publicly available information; and • Assessing the adequacy of the disclosures included in Note 5 and 6 of the financial statements.

Other Information

The Directors are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the Directors' report for the period ended 30 June 2026, but does not include the financial report and our auditor's report thereon.

Our opinion on the financial report does not cover the other information and we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial report, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial report or our knowledge obtained in the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

Responsibilities of the Directors for the Financial Report

The Directors are responsible:

- For the preparation of the financial report in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001*, including giving a true and fair view of the financial position and performance of the Fund in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards; and
- For such internal control as the Directors determine is necessary to enable the preparation of the financial report in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001*, including giving a true and fair view of the financial position and performance of the Fund, and is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial report, the Directors are responsible for assessing the ability of the Fund to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the Directors either intend to liquidate the Fund or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial report as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of this financial report.

As part of an audit in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards, we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Fund's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the Directors.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of the Directors' use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Fund's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial report or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Fund to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial report, including the disclosures, and whether the financial report represents the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with the Directors regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

We also provide the Directors with a statement that we have complied with relevant ethical requirements regarding independence, and to communicate with them all relationships and other matters that may reasonably be thought to bear on our independence, and where applicable, actions taken to eliminate threats or safeguards applied.

From the matters communicated with the Directors, we determine those matters that were of most significance in the audit of the financial report of the current period and are therefore the key audit matters. We describe these matters in our auditor's report unless law or regulation precludes public disclosure about the matter or when, in extremely rare circumstances, we determine that a matter should not be communicated in our report because the adverse consequences of doing so would reasonably be expected to outweigh the public interest benefits of such communication.



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Mark Stretton
Partner
Chartered Accountants

Melbourne, 17 September 2026