

# Canaccord Genuity Global Equity Fund

## Supplement dated 1 April 2022 to the Prospectus dated 1 April 2022

This Supplement contains specific information in relation to Canaccord Genuity Global Equity Fund (the Fund), a sub-fund of Canaccord Genuity Investment Funds plc (the Company), an open-ended umbrella limited liability investment company, with variable capital and segregated liability between sub-funds, which is incorporated in Ireland and authorised under the European Communities (Undertakings for Collective Investment in Transferable Securities) Regulations, 2011 as amended, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time including any condition that may from time to time be imposed thereunder by the Central Bank (the EU UCITS Regulations).

This Supplement forms part of the Prospectus dated 1 April 2022 (the Prospectus) and should be read in the context of and together with the Prospectus. Unless otherwise set out herein, capitalised terms shall have the meaning given to them in the Prospectus.

As the Fund may have exposure to emerging markets, an investment in the Fund should not constitute a substantial proportion of an investor's portfolio and may not be appropriate for all investors.

### Investment Objective

The investment objective of the Fund is to generate long-term capital growth for investors.

### Investment Policy

The Fund seeks to achieve this objective by investing in a diversified portfolio of equities from around the globe. At least 80% of the Fund's net assets are invested in equities which are listed on the permitted stock exchanges and markets (Permitted Markets) listed in Appendix IV of the Prospectus.

While the Fund aims to invest directly in equities, it may, to the extent permitted by the Fund's investment restrictions, also periodically hold cash and invest in other types of investments such as other transferable securities, money market instruments, deposits or other investment funds where, for example, such investment might give access to an asset class or management team that is otherwise hard to find in a regular listed company. Examples of such other investments would be bonds, UK investment trusts, preferred securities and securities issued pursuant to Rule 144A in the US.

Such types of investments would be bought by the Fund to either protect, diversify or enhance returns but follow the same investment strategy as described in more detail below. Where the Fund invests in other funds, such funds would typically be regulated and domiciled in western markets, where there is a greater sense of security, customer protection and liquidity such as the UK or in established fund domiciles such as Ireland,

Luxembourg and the Channel Islands. The limit on the extent of such investment in other funds would be 20% of net assets of the Fund.

The Fund may also access some markets by investing in global depository receipts (GDR), and American depository receipts (ADR), which are certificates issued by a depository bank or investment bank, representing shares held by the bank, usually by a branch or in the country of issue of the shares, which trade independently from the shares, as an alternative to directly purchasing the underlying securities in jurisdictions where it would not be possible, practical (for example, due to local market restrictions), cost-effective or otherwise more beneficial for the Fund to hold the underlying securities directly and to gain exposure to such underlying securities included without directly investing in those securities.

In selecting suitable investment opportunities for the Fund, the Investment Manager will adopt a bottom up stock picking strategy and the risk and volatility of the Fund will reflect this investment strategy. The Investment Manager will use a quantitative evaluation tool in order to reduce the universe of equities from which to select investments. This quantitative process will evaluate such factors as companies' cash flow returns, its key value drivers and capital allocation decisions. The Investment Manager will also carry out in-depth qualitative analysis of proposed investments to determine which investments to include within the Fund. This will be done through analysing a wide range of information including meeting with representatives of potential equity investments, reviewing company documentation and using third party research. This qualitative research is used to formulate an investment case, intrinsic value and research note which is considered by the Investment Manager prior to investment and monitored over the period the investment is held within the portfolio to ensure that the analysis is kept up to date with market and company-specific events.

The Fund will normally have exposure at any one time to at least 3 of the following 5 major geographical regions: Americas, Europe ex-UK, UK, Middle East/North Africa, and Asia and the Fund may, therefore, have some emerging markets exposure. The Fund will only invest in companies with a free float market capitalisation of USD 500 million or above at the time of investment. The geography of an equity is determined by the country in which the company's primary listing is based. For ADRs and GDRs, the geographical exposure is determined not by the country in which the ADR or GDR is listed but by the country of the company for which the ADR or GDR is issued.

The Fund will also normally have exposure at any one time to at least 5 of the following 10 broad industries: oil and gas, basic materials, industrials, consumer goods, healthcare, consumer services, telecommunications, utilities, financials, and technology as determined by a recognised global index or by the Investment Manager's analysis in the unusual instance of a company not being covered by a global index.

The Fund's Base Currency is US Dollars, however, the Fund will invest in equities and other investments denominated in other currencies and these non-US Dollar investments will not be hedged within the investment portfolio of the Fund. The Fund's investment portfolio will, therefore, have exposure to other currencies and currency movement in comparison with the US Dollar.

The Fund may hold up to a maximum of 20% of its net assets in cash at any one time to ensure that the Fund will always be able to facilitate repurchase requests in accordance with the terms of its Prospectus or due to having received subscriptions that are awaiting investment or because the Investment Manager is unable to identify sufficient suitable investment opportunities.

## Financial Derivative Instruments (FDIs)

The Fund will use FDIs, consisting of currency forwards, as described below;

- to hedge foreign currency exposure at a share class level, only in relation to those share classes which are denominated in a currency other than the Base Currency of the Fund (share class hedging).

All currency forwards will be over the counter and all counterparties to such transactions will have a Standard & Poor's or Moody's credit rating of at least A. The share class hedging process may, from time to time result in a small residual currency exposure for hedged share classes, due to market movements.

**The use of financial derivatives will be fully supported by an in-depth risk management process conducted by the Investment Manager, on a real time basis, to ensure that the use of such financial derivative instruments continues to be commensurate with the overall investment objective of the Fund. The Fund will use the commitment approach to calculate its global exposure, which will not exceed 100% of the Net Asset Value of the Fund.**

## Profile of a Typical Investor

Investment in the Fund is suitable for investors seeking capital growth and who are prepared to accept a moderate to high level of volatility.

## Investment Manager and Sub-Investment Manager

The Investment Manager to the Fund is Canaccord Genuity Wealth (International) Limited, further details of which are contained in the Prospectus. The Investment Manager has appointed Hargreave Hale Limited, an investment management company incorporated under the laws of England and Wales having its registered office at 41 Lothbury, London, England, EC2R 7AE, to act as Sub-Investment Manager of the Fund.

## Share Class Details

The following Share Classes are available for subscription:

| Share Class name            | Currency | Distribution Policy | Investment Management Fee | Subscription Charge | Redemption Charge | Minimum Investment         | Minimum Subsequent Investment |
|-----------------------------|----------|---------------------|---------------------------|---------------------|-------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------------|
| A USD (Accumulation)        | USD      | Accumulation        | 1.5%                      | Up to 4%            | Nil               | USD 5,000                  | USD 1,000                     |
| A SGD Hedged (Accumulation) | SGD      | Accumulation        | 1.5%                      | Up to 4%            | Nil               | USD 5,000 <sup>1</sup>     | USD 1,000 <sup>1</sup>        |
| R USD (Accumulation)        | USD      | Accumulation        | 0.8%                      | Up to 4%            | Nil               | USD 5,000                  | USD 1,000                     |
| R USD (Distribution)        | USD      | Distribution        | 0.8%                      | Up to 4%            | Nil               | USD 5,000                  | USD 1,000                     |
| R GBP Hedged (Accumulation) | GBP      | Accumulation        | 0.8%                      | Up to 4%            | Nil               | USD 5,000 <sup>1</sup>     | USD 1,000 <sup>1</sup>        |
| R GBP Hedged (Distribution) | GBP      | Distribution        | 0.8%                      | Up to 4%            | Nil               | USD 5,000 <sup>1</sup>     | USD 1,000 <sup>1</sup>        |
| H USD (Accumulation)        | USD      | Accumulation        | 0.4%                      | Up to 4%            | Nil               | USD 5,000,000 <sup>1</sup> | USD 1,000,000 <sup>1</sup>    |
| H USD (Distribution)        | USD      | Distribution        | 0.4%                      | Up to 4%            | Nil               | USD 5,000,000 <sup>1</sup> | USD 1,000,000 <sup>1</sup>    |

<sup>1</sup>Equivalent value in relevant currency of the Share Class. These minimum amounts may be reduced at the discretion of the Directors.

## Investment Restrictions

The investment restrictions and limitations are those included in the Central Bank (Supervision and Enforcement) Act 2013 (Section 48(1)) (Undertakings for Collective Investment in Transferable Securities) Regulations 2015 as may be amended, supplemented or modified from time to time, as well as any guidance issued by the Central Bank in relation thereto (the **Central Bank UCITS Regulations**) and the EU UCITS Regulations and which are set out in Appendix I to the Prospectus. The principal restrictions and limitations for this Fund are as follows:

- the Fund may invest a maximum of 20% of its net assets in another UCITS collective investment scheme;
- the Fund may hold a maximum of 10% of its net assets in transferable securities or money market instruments issued by the same body provided that the total value of transferable securities and money market instruments held in the issuing bodies in each of which invests more than 5% is less than 40% of its net assets;
- the Fund may not invest in another single structure open ended collective investment scheme or a sub-fund of an umbrella open ended collective investment scheme which itself invests more than 10% of its net assets in underlying collective investment schemes;
- the Fund may not invest more than 10% of its net assets in transferable securities which are not listed or traded on Permitted Markets;
- where the Fund invests in the units of other collective investment schemes that are managed, directly or by delegation, by the Investment Manager or by any other company with which the Investment Manager is linked by common management or control, or by a substantial direct or indirect holding, the Investment Manager or other company may not charge subscription, conversion or redemption fees on account of the Fund's investment in the units of such other collective investment schemes;
- where a commission (included a rebated commission) is received by the Investment Manager by virtue of an investment in the shares of another collective investment scheme, this commission must be paid into the property of the Fund;
- the limit of 10% (in item 2 above) is raised to 35% if the transferable securities or money market instruments are issued or guaranteed by an EU Member State or its local authorities or by a non-EU Member State or public international body of which one or more EU Member States are members; and
- the Fund may not invest more than 20% of net assets in deposits made with the same credit institution.

| Share Class name            | Currency | Distribution Policy | Investment Management Fee | Subscription Charge | Redemption Charge | Minimum Investment     | Minimum Subsequent Investment |
|-----------------------------|----------|---------------------|---------------------------|---------------------|-------------------|------------------------|-------------------------------|
| T USD (Accumulation)        | USD      | Accumulation        | 1.5%                      | 4%                  | Nil               | USD 5,000              | USD 1,000                     |
| T GBP Hedged (Accumulation) | GBP      | Accumulation        | 1.5%                      | 4%                  | Nil               | USD 5,000 <sup>1</sup> | USD 1,000 <sup>1</sup>        |
| T EUR Hedged (Accumulation) | EUR      | Accumulation        | 1.5%                      | 4%                  | Nil               | USD 5,000 <sup>1</sup> | USD 1,000 <sup>1</sup>        |
| T SGD Hedged (Accumulation) | SGD      | Accumulation        | 1.5%                      | 4%                  | Nil               | USD 5,000 <sup>1</sup> | USD 1,000 <sup>1</sup>        |

A reference to a **Share, Shares, Share Class** or **Share Classes** is a reference to one or all of the Share Classes set out in the table above.

Each Share may be offered in the Base Currency of the Fund or may be denominated in another currency and such currency denomination will be specified in the Share name (as set out in the table above). Shares which are hedged are called 'Hedged' (**Hedged Shares**).

Subscriptions should be made using the currency of the relevant Share Class.

## Eligibility Requirements

H USD (Accumulation) and H USD (Distribution) Shares (the **H Shares**) may only be acquired by strategic distribution partners of Canaccord group entities.

## Offer Periods

Details of the Offer Periods for Share Classes are set out below. Such periods may be opened or closed at such earlier or later time or date as the Directors may decide and notify to the Central Bank:

| Share Class                 | Offer Period (Irish Time)    |                         |
|-----------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------|
|                             | Commencement                 | Conclusion              |
| A SGD Hedged (Accumulation) | 9.00 am<br>18 January 2019   | 2.00 pm<br>23 June 2022 |
| T EUR Hedged (Accumulation) | 9.00 am<br>18 January 2019   | 2.00 pm<br>23 June 2022 |
| T SGD Hedged (Accumulation) | 9.00 am<br>18 January 2019   | 2.00 pm<br>23 June 2022 |
| H USD (Distribution)        | 9.00 am<br>23 September 2021 | 2.00 pm<br>23 June 2022 |

During each Offer Period referred to above, Shares in the relevant Share Class will be issued at an Offer Price of USD100/EUR100/GBP100/SGD100 per Share. Following the closing of the relevant Offer Period, Shares in the relevant Share Class will be issued at the prevailing Net Asset Value per Share.

## Share Class Currency Hedging

The Fund aims to provide currency hedges through a number of Hedged Shares. While not the intention, over- hedged and under-hedged positions may arise due to factors outside the control of the Fund. To the extent that these hedging strategies are successful the performance of Hedged Shares are likely to move in line with the performance of the underlying assets. The adoption of these strategies may substantially limit holders of Hedged Shares from benefitting if the currency of that class falls against the Base Currency and/or the currency in which the assets of the Fund are denominated, but it is also designed to substantially protect holders of Hedged Shares if the currency of the relevant class rises against the Base Currency. All costs and gains or losses of such hedging transactions will be borne by the relevant Hedged Shares, shall not form part of the assets of the Fund as a whole and should not constitute a general liability of the Fund.

Any over-hedging is not permitted to exceed 105% of the net assets of the relevant class of shares on any Dealing Day and any under-hedged position will be kept under review to ensure that it is not carried forward from month to month. Any under-hedging is not permitted to fall short of 95% of the net assets of the relevant class of shares on any Dealing Day and any under-hedged position will be kept under review to ensure that it is not carried forward from month to month. It is the intention that hedged positions will be kept under review to ensure that they do not exceed the levels permitted. This review will incorporate a procedure to ensure that positions materially in excess of 100% will not be carried forward from month to month.

Investors in Hedged Shares should be aware that hedging transactions will be attributable to that specific class, therefore any currency exposures of different currency classes may not be combined or offset and currency exposures of assets of the Fund may not be allocated to separate Share Classes.

## Base Currency

The Base Currency of the Fund is US Dollars but investments and Shares may be denominated in other currencies.

## Business Day

A day on which banks are open for business in Dublin, London and New York or such other day as the Directors, following consultation with the Manager and approval of the Depositary, determine.

## Dealing Day

The Dealing Day for the Fund is every Business Day.

## Dealing Deadline

The Dealing Deadline is 2.00 pm (Irish time) on the Business Day prior to the relevant Dealing Day.

## Settlement Requirements

Settlement of the purchase and redemption of Shares will be made by telegraphic transfer at the expense of the applicant. Payment should normally be made in the currency of the relevant Share Class, unless otherwise requested within 3 Business Days of the relevant Dealing Day. The Company has the right to cancel any purchase contract which is not settled in full within 3 Business Days of the relevant Dealing Day. The applicant remains liable for any loss incurred by the Company in the case of non-settlement.

## Valuation Point

The Valuation Point is 11.59 pm (Irish time) on the Business Day prior to the relevant Dealing Day.

<sup>1</sup>Equivalent value in relevant currency of the Share Class. These minimum amounts may be reduced at the discretion of the Directors.

## Listing

The status of approval of an application to list and the admission to listing and trading on the regulated market of Euronext Dublin (**Euronext Dublin**) of the various Share Classes is set out below:

| Share Class name            | Approved | Admitted                      |
|-----------------------------|----------|-------------------------------|
| A USD (Accumulation)        | ✓        | 11 October 2016               |
| R USD (Accumulation)        | ✓        | 30 June 2016                  |
| R USD (Distribution)        | ✓        | 30 June 2016                  |
| R GBP Hedged (Accumulation) | ✓        | 30 June 2016                  |
| R GBP Hedged (Distribution) | ✓        | 30 June 2016                  |
| A SGD Hedged (Accumulation) | ✓        | On conclusion of Offer Period |
| T USD (Accumulation)        | ✓        | 24 June 2019                  |
| T GBP Hedged (Accumulation) | ✓        | 14 May 2019                   |
| T EUR Hedged (Accumulation) | ✓        | On conclusion of Offer Period |
| T SGD Hedged (Accumulation) | ✓        | On conclusion of Offer Period |
| H USD (Accumulation)        | ✓        | 7 October 2021                |
| H USD (Distribution)        | ✓        | On conclusion of Offer Period |

Application has been made for all Shares to be admitted to listing and trading on the regulated market of Euronext Dublin.

## Distribution Policy

### Accumulation Shares

Shares called ('Accumulation') are accumulation Shares and therefore no dividend will be paid on these Shares.

### Distribution Shares

For Shares called ('Distribution') it is the intention of the Directors to distribute any income on a quarterly basis. Any dividends payable will be declared on or about the second Business Day following the end of the relevant calendar quarter in each year. Dividends will be paid gross (without the deduction of tax) within one month of the end of the relevant calendar quarter.

It is the intention of the Directors to apply for reporting fund status for all Share Classes, in accordance with the requirement to report rather than distribute income.

Please see the UK taxation section in the Company's Prospectus for further details.

## Anti-Money Laundering

Measures aimed at the prevention of money laundering may require an applicant for Shares to verify their identity to the Administrator. The Administrator will notify applicants if proof of identity is required.

## Charges and Expenses

The following sections on fees should be read in conjunction with the section headed **Charges and Expenses** in the Prospectus.

### • Management Company Fee

The fees of the Management Company are up to 0.01% per annum of the Net Asset Value of the Fund. The fees are accrued daily and paid monthly in arrears. The Management Company is entitled to be repaid all of its reasonable agreed upon transaction and other charges (which will be at normal commercial rates) and other out-of-pocket expenses out of the assets of the Fund (plus VAT thereon, if any).

### • Investment Management Fee

The investment management fee payable to the Investment Manager is set out above under 'Share Class Details'.

Such fee accrues daily and is paid monthly in arrears. The Investment Manager is entitled to be reimbursed out of the assets of the Fund for its reasonable out-of-pocket costs and expenses incurred by the Investment Manager in the performance of its duties (plus VAT thereon, if any).

The fee and expenses of the Sub-Investment Manager will be paid by the Investment Manager.

### • Distribution Fee

The fees of the Distributors are 0.08% per annum of the Net Asset Value of the Fund.

Such fees accrue daily and are paid monthly in arrears. The Distributors are entitled to be reimbursed out of the assets of the Fund for reasonable out-of-pocket costs and expenses incurred by the Distributors in the performance of their duties (plus VAT thereon, if any).

### • Administration Fee

The fees of the Administrator are on a sliding scale from 0.06% per annum of the Net Asset Value of the Fund subject also to specific charges for reporting and an overall minimum for the Company. The fees are accrued daily and paid monthly in arrears. The Administrator is entitled to be repaid all of its reasonable agreed upon transaction and other charges (which will be at normal commercial rates) and other out-of-pocket expenses out of the assets of the Fund (plus VAT thereon, if any).

### • Depositary Fee

The fees of the Depositary are on a sliding scale from 0.02% per annum on the Net Asset Value of the Fund subject also to transaction charges and an overall minimum for the Company. The fees are accrued daily and are payable monthly in arrears. The Depositary is entitled to sub-depositary's fees which will be charged at normal commercial rates) as well as agreed upon transaction charges (which will be at normal commercial rates) and other out-of-pocket expenses out of the assets of the Fund plus VAT thereon, if any).

### • Establishment Costs

The preliminary expenses incurred in connection with the establishment and initial issue of Shares in the Fund were amortised over the first five financial years of the Fund.

## Risk Factors

The general risk factors under the heading Risk Factors of the Prospectus apply to this Fund. In addition, the following risk factors are also relevant:

### Investment Risk

Investment in a Fund is not in the nature of a deposit in a bank account and is not protected by any government, government agency or other guarantee scheme which may be available to protect the holder of a bank deposit account.

### Equity Risk

Equity securities represent ownership interests in a company or corporation, and include common stock, preferred stock and warrants and other rights to acquire such instruments. Investments in equity securities in general are subject to a number of factors which may include political, geographic or economic events that may cause their prices to fluctuate over time. The value of convertible equity securities is also affected by prevailing interest rates, the credit quality of the issuer and any call provisions. Fluctuations in the value of equity securities comprised in any index, the performance of which is replicated, would cause the Net Asset Value of the Fund to fluctuate.

### Currency Risk

The Base Currency of the Fund is US Dollars and because no currency hedging will take place within the investment portfolio of the Fund, the Fund's investment portfolio will have exposure to other currencies and currency movement in comparison with the US Dollar. There is, therefore, the risk that the Fund's Net Asset Value could move down due to a fall in the value of non-US Dollar currencies against the US Dollar.

### FDI Risk

Any OTC currency forwards entered into will be in accordance with the requirements of the Central Bank UCITS Regulations. Any counterparty to an OTC currency forward contract will have a Standard & Poor's or Moody's credit rating of at least A. A default by or insolvency by a counterparty to an OTC currency forward may result in the loss of any accrued profit or loss to the Net Asset Value of the Fund.

### Investing in Other Funds

Investing in other funds involves substantially the same risks as investing directly in the underlying instruments, but may involve additional expenses at the level of the other fund, such as portfolio management fees and operating expenses. The Fund and/or the Sub-Investment Manager will not have control over the activities of any fund or collective investment scheme invested in by the Fund. Administrators of collective investment schemes and funds in which the Fund may invest may manage the collective investment schemes or be managed in a manner not anticipated by the Fund or the Sub-Investment Manager.

### Emerging Markets Risk

As the Fund may invest in the securities of companies located in emerging markets, it may face a number of additional risks, including:

- **Currency Fluctuations:** Currency fluctuations can be severe in developing countries that have both floating or fixed exchange rate regimes. The latter can undergo sharp one-time devaluations.
- **Potential Market Volatility:** Many emerging markets are relatively small, have low trading volumes, suffer periods of illiquidity, and are characterised by significant price volatility. Regulation and oversight of trading activity may not be up to the standards of developed countries.

- **Political Risks:** Political instability and government interference in the private sector. This varies country by country, and may evolve to the detriment of Fund holdings. In particular, some developing countries have no legal tradition of protecting shareholder rights.
- **Financial Disclosure and Accounting Standards:** Potential investments may be difficult to evaluate given lack of information as well as the use in developing countries of accounting, auditing and financial reporting standards that differ from country to country and from those of developed countries.
- **Settlement:** The trading and settlement practices of some of the stock exchanges or markets on which a Fund may invest may not be the same as those in more developed markets, which may increase settlement risk and/or result in delays in realising investments made by the Fund.
- **Custodial Risk:** Local custody services remain underdeveloped in many emerging market countries and there is a transaction and custody risk involved in dealing in such markets. In certain circumstances the Fund may not be able to recover, or may encounter delays in the recovery of, some of its assets. Such circumstances may include uncertainty relating to, or the retroactive application of, legislation, the imposition of exchange controls or improper registration of title. In some emerging market countries evidence of title to shares is maintained in book-entry form by an independent registrar who may not be subject to effective government supervision, which increases the risk of the registration of the Fund's holdings of shares in such markets being lost through fraud, negligence or mere oversight on the part of such independent registrars. The costs borne by the Fund in investing and holding investments in such markets will generally be higher than in organised securities markets.

## Material Contracts

The Investment Management Agreement dated 30 July 2008 as amended and novated to date between the Company and the Investment Manager as novated and amended by way of a novation and amendment agreement dated 31 March 2022 and as may be novated, amended, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time.

The Sub-Investment Management Agreement dated 5 February 2021 between the Investment Manager and the Sub-Investment Manager.

## Miscellaneous

There are five other Funds of the Company currently in existence, namely:

- Canaccord Genuity Cautious Fund;
- Canaccord Genuity Growth Fund;
- Canaccord Genuity Balanced Fund;
- Canaccord Genuity Opportunity Fund; and
- Canaccord Genuity Bond Fund.