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Currency USD Assets (\$USD) \$ 500,782,588 30-Apr-22

Domicile: USA Type: Gold & PM

Structure: Investment Company (open ended) Inception Date: 19-May-69

Performance Fee none

Benchmark FTSE Gold Mines Total Return Index

Investment Philosophy and Objective

The fund seeks capital appreciation by investing at least 80% of its net assets in the securities of companies around the world that mine, process or deal in gold and other precious metals such as platinum, palladium and silver. The fund has a secondary goal of current income.

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Start Date 01-Jan-00

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