

# Eurizon Fund - Absolute Green Bonds The palmarès



**Eurizon Fund – Absolute Green Bonds was set up in 2018 and it was the first instrument managed by an Italian asset manager** specialising in international bond markets, which makes it possible to finance projects related to the environment. The fund – which qualifies under **Article 9 of Regulation (EU) 2019/2088** – has met with a great deal of interest from investors, reaching assets of around €4 billion at the end of 2021.



Eurizon is among the companies recognised at the **ESG Champions 2022, awarded by MainStreet Partners**, winning the **“Best Green Bond Fund” award for the Eurizon Fund – Absolute Green Bonds sub-fund**.

**MainStreet Partners** is a specialist in ESG Advisory and Portfolio Analytics that takes a holistic approach based on three pillars according to which it evaluates: the management company as a whole and the specific team of portfolio managers; the strategy of the fund, including the investment process and its “mission”; and, finally, the individual holdings in the portfolio.

**Eurizon Fund - Absolute Green Bonds has been named Best ESG Investment Fund: Climate/Green Bonds at the ESG Investing Awards 2022.**

ESG Investing is a division of Global Markets Media, a UK-based financial media company bringing research, conferences and training to trading and investment professionals across the globe. The ESG Investing Awards categories are assessed by a panel of independent judges comprising financial market professionals, academics and independent experts. The funds categories are initially assessed by looking at the overall depth and quality of the entry and supporting documents. The firm’s/fund’s commitment to ESG and the transparency of the fund’s criteria are then considered. The judges also look at factors such as greenwashing, the research contribution to the fund, the ambition of the fund and its real ESG impact, as well as the fund’s performance.

*“// We are very proud of these awards, which recognise the consistency and transparency of our management approach. The investment process, which is constantly evolving, combines qualitative and quantitative analysis, with the aim of identifying potential greenwashing and the companies with the best environmental trade-offs. Each year we publish the Green Bonds Impact Report, which describes the climate/environmental impact of the projects financed by the green investments in our portfolio //”*

**Matteo Merlin, Head of Green and Sustainable Finance**