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GLOBAL MARKET REVIEW

Over the month more hawkish than expected commentary from the Fed and rising concerns over the spread of the 'Delta' variant drove large swings in long term inflation expectations and interest rates, and material divergence in style and asset class performance. Growth once again strongly outperformed Value, with the respective MSCI World indices returning +4.5% and -1.3%, whilst oil continued its remarkable recoverv (WTI+10.8%), dragging on performance over the month.



IMPACT FOCUS

The strategy initiated a position in Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Company (TSMC) over the month. TSMC is the largest semiconductor foundry in the world with 54% market share globally. It is dominant in the high-end, where the company has a much higher market share compared to its overall share and it has maintained its competitiveness by having the most experience and most extensive track record. TSMC does not directly impact our goals, however we believe the 'Total Impact' to be sustainable and it has a modest indirect role to play supporting Mitigate Climate Change - smaller transistors support lower energy consumption and semiconductors are the vital components within technology driving energy efficiency. Indeed the company estimate that products will be by2030 TSMC contributing to 0.17 million GWh of conservation annually energy equivalent to more than half of the United Kingdom's annual electricity consumption.

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