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## UCITS: A Cost-Effective Savings Vehicle Benefitting Investors Worldwide

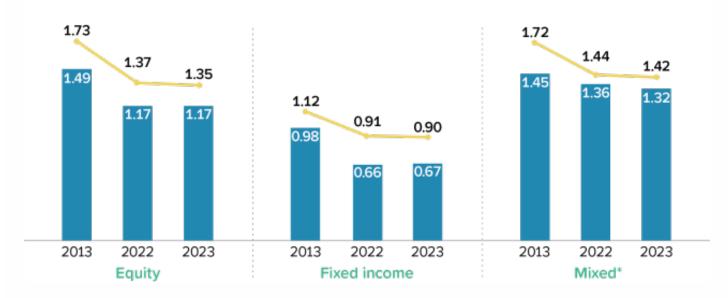
Washington, DC, December 19, 2024—UCITS remain a global success story, serving as a cost-effective savings tool for investors worldwide since their adoption in 1985. An updated report from the Investment Company Institute (ICI), *Ongoing Charges for UCITS in the European Union, 2023*, shows the average ongoing charge for equity UCITS remained unchanged in 2023, and the average ongoing charge for fixed-income UCITS increased by one basis point. While these average ongoing charges remained generally flat in that one-year period, the report also highlights that the 10-year trends for both equity and fixed income UCITS were *down* 21 percent and 32 percent, respectively.

These findings show that UCITS continue to offer enduring value, providing investors with a high-quality and cost-efficient solution for achieving long-term savings and investment goals.

**Investors in UCITS Pay Below-Average Ongoing Charges** 

Percent

Simple average ongoing charge
 Asset-weighted average ongoing charge



Note: Data exclude UCITS ETFs.

Source: Investment Company Institute calculations of Morningstar Direct data

"UCITS have proven to be an attractive product for retail investors saving for the long term because they provide low-cost, diversified access to global markets, professional management, and a sound regulatory framework," said James Duvall, ICI's assistant director for industry and financial analysis.

To read more from the ICI report, click here.

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