

**INVESTMENT IDEA** 

**INSTITUTIONAL CLASS: KARIX** 

RETAIL CLASS: KARRX

# The Growing Opportunity In Renewable Energy

### TOP 3 REASONS TO INVEST RENEWABLE ENERGY INFRASTRUCTURE



#### RENEWABLE ENERGY—THE NEW INVESTMENT FRONTIER

Renewable energy is a worldwide focus, driven by the heightened awareness of climate change and the desire for viable alternatives to fossil fuel. As a result, renewable energy infrastructure has rapidly become the new frontier for innovative, forward-looking energy companies. The global

of global new power capacity is invested in renewable energy.\*

pandemic has only accelerated the interest in this transformative secular trend. From smaller, faster-growing solar, wind, and hydropower companies to larger utility companies rapidly pivoting to a renewable energy focus, the investable opportunities are abundant.

# PLUMMETING COSTS—MAKE A COMPELLING CASE

Not only have we reached the global tipping point for interest in renewable energy, but production costs have declined rapidly over the past several years due to a variety of technological innovations. Renewable energy is often cheaper to produce than fossil fuel-generated energy. Solar costs have declined by 90%, while wind costs have dropped by 70%. Renewable energy is the preferred energy

90% **Drop In Solar Costs\*\*** 

choice as the world moves forward and has rapidly become the least expensive energy source. We expect this trend to continue and believe it provides an attractive opportunity for investors.



## **ENERGY PIONEERS—UNDERSTAND THE OPPORTUNITIES**

As pioneers in the energy sector, our team of investment professionals scours the globe for the most compelling renewable energy infrastructure opportunities. Early on, we understood the game-changing seismic shift occurring in the energy sector and began investing in the renewable energy infrastructure arena in 2013.

pioneering the energy frontier and now focused on renewable energy

As a result, the Kayne Anderson Renewable Infrastructure Fund is well-positioned to provide investors with high-quality exposure to the rapidly growing renewable energy space and the overall transition to a lower-carbon economy.



The Fund is classified as AA which is a "Leader" per MSCI. This ESG Rating measures the resiliency of portfolios to long term risks and opportunities arising from environmental, social, and governance factors (based on holdings as of 6/30/24).

#### WHY INVEST?

- ✓ Early innings of potentially massive investment cycle in global clean energy
- Capture opportunity through hard asset/infrastructure players
- Attractive yield and growth
- Investing in the transition to a lower carbon economy

#### PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT TEAM







Justin Campeau, Harrison Little, and Jim Baker are the portfolio managers responsible for the management of the Fund. They have 17, 13, and 27 years of experience, respectively, in the energy industry with specific expertise in renewable energy infrastructure.

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# **KAYNE ANDERSON** » ENERGY INFRASTRUCTURE

# Kayne Anderson Renewable Infrastructure Fund

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#### **Kayne Anderson**

#### Leading the Way in Energy Infrastructure for 24 Years, and Renewable Infrastructure Strategies for the Last Decade.

Kayne Anderson, founded in 1984, is a leading alternative investment management firm focused on real estate, credit, infrastructure, and energy. With a team defined by an entrepreneurial and resilient culture, Kayne Anderson's investment philosophy is to pursue cash floworiented niche strategies where knowledge and sourcing advantages enable us to deliver above average, risk-adjusted investment returns.

As responsible stewards of capital, Kayne Anderson's philosophy extends to promoting responsible investment practices and sustainable business practices to create long-term value for our investors. Kayne manages over \$36 billion in assets (as of 8/31/2024) for institutional investors, family offices, high net worth and retail clients and employs 340 professionals.

#### DISCLOSURE

\*Source: Bloomberg New Energy Finance

The Fund's investment objectives, risks, charges and expenses must be considered carefully before investing. The prospectus and summary prospectus contains this and other important information about the Fund, and may be obtained by calling 844-95-KAYNE or visiting kaynefunds.com/karix. Read it carefully before investing.

Mutual fund investing involves risk. Principal loss is possible. An investment in the Fund could suffer loss. The Fund is non-diversified, meaning it may concentrate its assets in fewer individual holdings than a diversified fund. Therefore, the Fund is more exposed to individual stock volatility than a diversified fund. Because the Fund invests in Renewable Infrastructure Companies, the value of the Fund shares may be affected by events that adversely affect companies in that industry. The Fund has investments in non-U.S. issuers or U.S. issuers with significant non-U.S. operations, which may be subject to additional political, social, regulatory, and economic risks. As a result, the Fund may be exposed to risks that the exchange rate of the U.S. dollar relative to other currencies may change in a manner that could have an adverse effect on the gain and loss generated from the Fund's investments denominated in currencies other than the U.S. dollar. Market risk is the potential for changes in the fair value of financial instruments from market changes, including fluctuations in market price. Market risk is directly affected by the volatility and liquidity in markets in which the related underlying assets are traded.

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The MSCI ESG Fund Ratings is designed to assess the resilience of a fund's aggregate holdings to long term ESG risks. Highly rated funds consist of issuers with leading or improving management of key ESG risks.

- AAA, AA: Leader- The companies that the fund invests in tend to show strong and/or improving management of financially relevant environmental, social and governance issues. These companies may be more resilient to disruptions arising from ESG events.
- A, BB, BB: Average- The fund invests in companies that tend to show average management of ESG issues, or in a mix of companies with both aboveaverage and below-average ESG risk management.
- B, CCC: Laggard- The fund is exposed to companies that do not demonstrate adequate management of the ESG risks that they face or show worsening management of these issues. These companies may be more vulnerable to disruptions arising from ESG events.

The Fund ESG Rating is calculated as a direct mapping of "Fund ESG Quality Score" to letter rating categories.

- 8.6-10: AAA
- 7.1- 8.6: AA
- 5.7- 7.1: A
- 4.3- 5.7: BBB
- 2.9- 4.3: BB
- 1.4- 2.9: B
- 0.0- 1.4: CCC

The "Fund ESG Quality Score" assesses the resilience of a fund's aggregate holdings to long term ESG risks. Highly rated funds consist of issuers with leading or improving management of key ESG risks, based on a granular breakdown of each issuer's business: its core product or business segments, the locations of its assets or revenues, and other relevant measures such as outsourced production. The "Fund ESG Quality Score" is provided on a 0-10 score, with 0 and 10 being the respective lowest and highest possible fund scores.

The "Fund ESG Quality Score" is assessed using the underlying holding's "Overall ESG Scores", "Overall ESG Ratings", and "Overall ESG Rating Trends". It is calculated in a series of 3 steps.

Step 1: Calculate the "Fund Weighted Average ESG Score" of the underlying holding's "Overall ESG Scores." The Overall ESG Scores represent either the ESG Ratings Final Industry-Adjusted Score or Government Adjusted ESG Score of the issuer. Methodology for the issuer level scores are available in the MSCI ESG Ratings Methodology document.

Step 2: Calculate adjustment % based on fund exposure to "Fund ESG Laggards ()," "Fund ESG Trend Negative ()," and "Fund ESG Trend Positive (%)." Step 3: Multiply the "Fund Weighted Average ESG Score" by (1 + Adjustment %).

For more information please visit https://www.msci.com/esg-fund-ratings

ESG means environmental, social, and governance factors are considered.

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<sup>\*\*</sup>Source: Lazard Levelized Cost of Energy Analysis - Version 14.0 (October 2020)