







#### SECTORS & WEIGHTINGS (%)\*

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY	46.00%
COMMUNICATION SERVICES	22.69%
CONSUMER DISCRETIONARY	20.04%
PRIVATE DEBT	8.46%
FINANCIALS	2.81%

#### **GEOGRAPHICAL BREAKDOWN (%)\***

UNITED STATES	65.27%
EUROPE	21.55%
CHINA	7.27%
TAIWAN	2.24%
SOUTH KOREA	2.08%
INDIA	1.59%

#### TECHNOLOGY HOLDINGS HELD BY FAANG+



























### **FAANG+ Fund Objective**



The investment objective of the Sub-Fund is to generate capital growth mainly through exposure to the development, advancement and use of technology. The Sub-Fund will be invested predominantly in global technology equities some of which are familiarised by the acronym "FAANG" defining the most well-known technology equities, Apart from the FAANG equities, the Sub-Fund will also invest in other large technology stocks. The Sub-Fund may at any point in time deviate from allocating assets to the FAANG equities if this is deemed feasible in order to achieve the investment objective of the Sub-Fund.

### Why invest in FAANG+ UCITS



### Growth Story

FAANG+ offers exposure to companies that dominate the technology sector and have a history of strong growth over the long-term.



#### Market Leaders in Different Sectors

UCITS diversified portfolio of the leading technology stocks in the S&P 500 Index and MSCI World Index. Exposure to some of the largest tech companies in the US, China, Taiwan, India, Korea & Europe.



### Inflows from Passive Investors

The S&P 500 is a market capitalisation weighted Index. The market cap of the FAANG+ stocks and Microsoft represent approximately 25% of the S&P 500 Index. This means that for every \$100 invested into the S&P 500 Index, approximately \$25 is invested into FAANG stocks and Microsoft.



### **Broad Exposure to Global Technology Companies**

FAANG+ holds names diversified across the Information Technology, Communication Services, Financial and Consumer Discretionary sectors, spread throughout four global geographic locations.

### What's Ahead for the Tech Sector in 2025 FTI Delta



# Artificial Intelligence spending continued to drive growth in the tech sector

Generative AI is reshaping industries by automating workflows, facilitating creativity and enabling intelligent decision-making. Generative AI is not just a trend — it's a paradigm shift that redefines how businesses operate, innovate and compete. Unlike previous technological advancements that primarily enhanced efficiency, generative AI enables entirely new capabilities: automating decision-making, generating human-like content and continuously learning from data in real-time. This shift moves beyond simple automation to true intelligence, making AI an active participant in business strategy and execution rather than just an optimization tool.



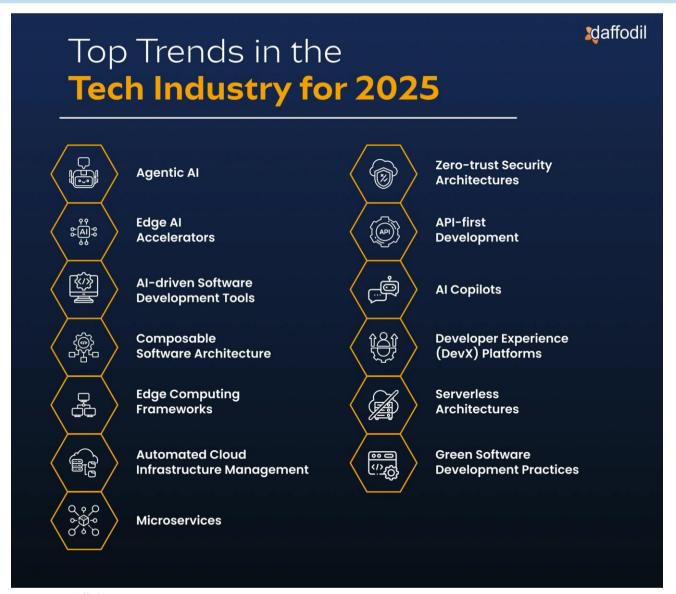
Source: Bloomberg Intelligence's forecasts

### 13 Top Trends in the Tech Industry for 2025



## FAANG has exposure to the top technology trends of 2025

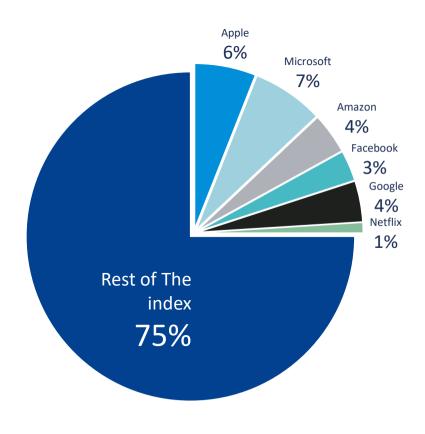
The tech industry is on the cusp of breakthroughs that will reshape how we do business. From Al advancements to the growing importance of data security & immersive technologies, the landscape is rapidly evolving. These are the leading trends of 2025.



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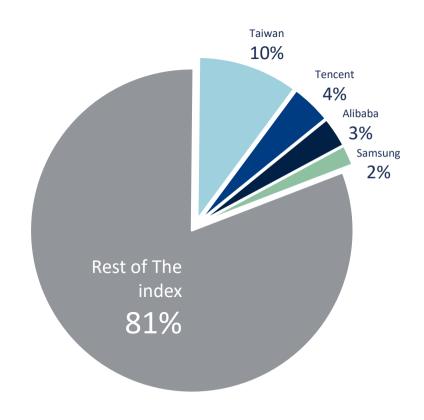


### FAANG Stocks + Microsoft represents 25% of the S&P 500 Index (as of 30/06/2025)\*



**S&P 500 index\*** 

### FAANG+ Stocks represent 19% of the MSCI EM Index (as of 30/06/2025)\*\*



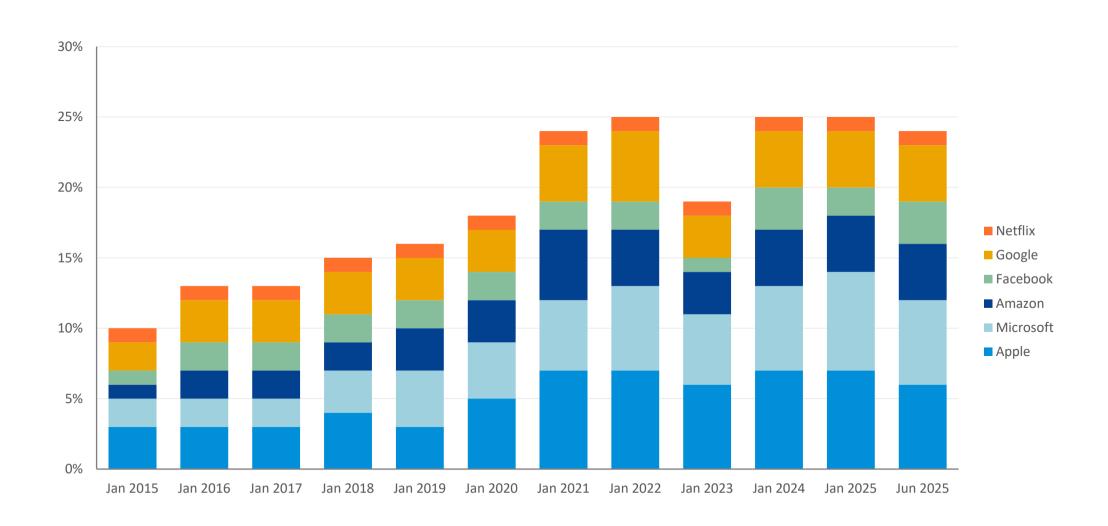
MSCI EM Index\*\*

<sup>\*</sup>Data from Bloomberg, charts by Castlestone Management LLC.

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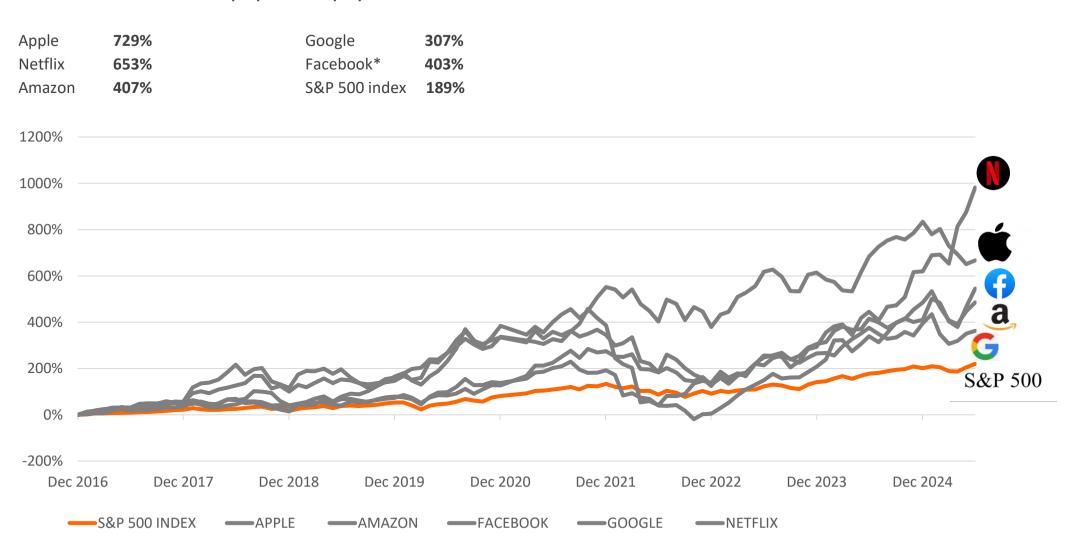
### FAANG+ Stocks as a % of the S&P 500 index





### FAANG Stocks VS The S&P 500 index (since 2017)

#### Total Return for the Period 30/12/2016 - 30/06/2025

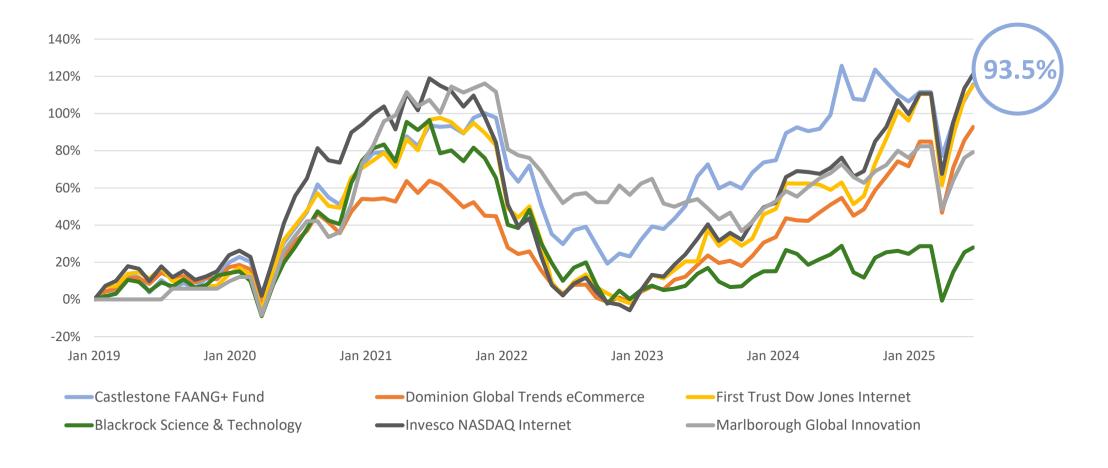


### **FAANG+ Price**



Prices % change for the Period 09/01/2019 – 30/06/2025

Castlestone FAANG+ UCITS Fund 115.71% First Trust Dow Jones Internet 115.00% Invesco NASDAQ Internet 121.23% Dominion Global Trends eCommerce 92.78% Blackrock Science & Technology 27.97% Marlborough Global Innovation 79.32%



### **Fund Overview**



#### **AQA UCITS Fund SICAV plc**

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#### **Investment Objective**

The Fund will focus on US and global tech companies. The Fund will have no leverage and predominantly hold exchange traded equities diversified under 5/10/40 rules of UCITS. The fund will also have the ability to use an option strategy targeting premium income from selling covered call options against the underlying holdings.

#### What is FAANG?

Facebook, Apple, Amazon, Netflix, Google. Each of the FAANG stocks is included in the S&P 500 Index. Since the S&P 500 is a broad representation of the market, the movement of the market mirrors the movement of the index. Together, the FAANGs make up approximately 19% of the S&P, which has a total of 500 of the largest companies trading on the NYSE and NASDAQ. Adding Microsoft to the FAANGs represents approximately 25% of the S&P 500 Index.

#### **Holdings Concentration**

We aim to maintain weightings for the top 5 holdings (FAANG) as close to 8% as possible. These 5 stocks cannot be over 40% of the portfolio. This helps clients who become concerned on soaring selected firm valuations skewing the portfolio concentration.

#### Why Own FAANG+ Stocks?

FAANG+ stocks are some of the most popular and attractive stocks to own and should be considered in a portfolio due to their high growth potential.

Approximately 24% of all money going into tracker funds of the S&P 500 Index and ETFs related to them both are allocated to FAANG+ stocks.

#### What is "+" ?

The equivalent? major tech names in Emerging Markets that have the largest market capitalizations and so weightings in the index (MSCI Emerging Markets). We have also included the next major tech names in developed markets to give the portfolio diversification across more stocks.



### **Fund Information**

**Transparent:** Transparency of the holdings of the Fund.

**No leverage:** The Fund does not employ leverage which can distort returns (positively or negatively)

Diversified portfolio: Holdings across global technology and communication sectors. Available in USD, EUR, GBP.

**Daily liquidity:** - The Sub-Fund may at any point in time deviate from allocating assets to the FAANG equities if this is deemed feasible in order to achieve the investment objective of the Sub-Fund

CLASS ID	ISIN NUMBER	BLOOMBERG TICKER	TYPE OF SHARE CLASS	CURRENCY	MIN INVESTMENT / HOLDING	MIN SUBSEQUENT INVESTMENT	SUBSCRIPTION FEE	CDSC	MANAGEMENT FEE	ONGOING SALES CHARGE
А	MT7000024030	CASFAUA MV	RDR / Clean	\$ USD	\$ 10,000	\$ 1,000	-	-	1.75%	-
AA	MT7000024048	CASFUAA MV	RDR / Clean	€EUR	€ 10,000	€ 1,000	-	-	1.75%	-
AAA	MT7000024055	CASFAAA MV	RDR / Clean	£ GBP	£ 10,000	£ 1,000	-	-	1.75%	-
В	MT7000024063	CASFAUB MV	CDSC	\$ USD	\$ 10,000	\$ 1,000	-	Up to 6%	1.75%	1.00%
ВВ	MT7000029005	CASFABB MV	CDSC	€EUR	€ 10,000	€ 1,000	-	Up to 6%	1.75%	1.00%
BBB	MT7000024071	CASFBBB MV	CDSC	£ GBP	£ 10,000	£ 1,000	-	Up to 6%	1.75%	1.00%
С	MT7000024089	CASFAUC MV	Sub fee	\$ USD	\$ 10,000	\$ 1,000	Up to 6%	-	1.75%	1.00%
CCC	MT7000024097	CASFCCC MV	Sub fee	£ GBP	£ 10,000	£ 1,000	Up to 6%	-	1.75%	1.00%
D	MT7000024543	CASFAUD MV	CDSC	\$ USD	\$ 5,000	\$ 500	-	Up to 4%	1.75%	1.00%
DDD	MT7000024550	CASFDDD MV	CDSC	£ GBP	£ 5,000	£ 500	-	Up to 4%	1.75%	1.00%
E	MT7000024568	CASFAUE MV	Sub fee	\$ USD	\$ 5,000	\$ 500	Up to 4%	-	1.75%	1.00%
EEE	MT7000024576	CASFEEE MV	Sub fee	£ GBP	£ 5,000	£ 500	Up to 4%	-	1.75%	1.00%

### **Key Facts**



#### **QUICK FACTS**

Asset Class	Equity-Global
Regulatory Structure	UCITS
Domicile	Malta
Launch Date	02/01/2019
Sub Fund Base Currency	USD
Share Class Currencies	USD/GBP/EUR
Share Class Available	Entry/Exit/Clean
Minimum Initial Investment	10,000/5,000/1,000
Dealing frequency	Daily
SICAV Size	*€257.49m
SICAV	AQA UCITS SICAV PLC

#### COUNTERPARTIES

Advisor	Castlestone Management LLC
Fund Manager	AQA Capital Ltd
Custodian	Swissquote Financial Services (Malta) Ltd
Administrator	Calamatta Cuschieri Fund Services Ltd
Auditor	Deloitte Audit Ltd Malta
Regulator	Malta Financial Services Authority

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