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Mindful Money Ethical and Impact Investment awards 2022 Devon Global Sustainability Fund wins top accolade

The 2022 Mindful Money Ethical and Impact Investment awards were held yesterday afternoon. At the awards, Devon's Global Sustainability Fund was named as the winner of the Best New Ethical Fund category.

The judges were pleased to see this new global equity fund launched into the New Zealand market, with a strong track record of ethical practice. The judges noted a number of welcome features to the fund, such as the inclusion of emerging market investments, strong stewardship systems, and alignment to EU reporting standards.

Devon Funds Head of Retail, Greg Smith, commented, "It was great to attend the Mindful Money 2022 awards yesterday, with the event showcasing the strong momentum behind responsible investing in New Zealand. We are so proud that the Devon Global Sustainability Fund was crowned this year's Best New Ethical Fund. The calibre of the nominees (which also included the Devon Global Impact Bond Fund) was extremely high, and a vindication of the quality of our new global funds, which strengthen Devon's sustainability offerings. The Koru award has pride of place in our reception area".

Best New Ethical Fund



Photo: Greg Smith, Devon Funds, pictured with Mark Longbottom from category sponsor, Mercer.

Barry Coates, Founder and CEO of Mindful Money commented, “The awards have set a new benchmark for high standards across the ethical investment and impact sectors. We have been thrilled at the quality of the entries, the expertise of the judges, and the support from our sponsors”.

“These awards show innovation and leadership on ethical and impact investing. Amidst public concern over misleading claims and greenwashing, these funds are walking the talk. Standards have risen over the past year and there are now more choices for investors, and real benefits for the climate, environment and society”.

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