



Berenberg European Small Cap M A

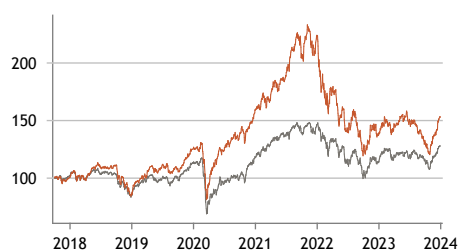
Actively managed equity fund

Investment Strategy

The investment objective of the Fund is to achieve long-term capital growth that outperforms the benchmark MSCI Europe Small Cap Index over a medium to long-term period. The main driver for this is the above-average earnings growth of the selected companies. The strategy is based on a disciplined bottom-up stock selection of attractive smaller companies (market capitalisation up to 5bn EUR) based in Europe, but generally operating globally. Investments are made in established niche companies that achieve sustainable and above-average growth over long periods with high profitability. The decisive criteria are in particular end markets with structural growth, high entry barriers and excellent management teams.

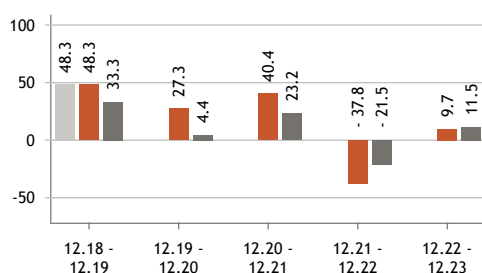
- Growth-oriented fund
- Diversified portfolio of 70-90 stocks
- Low average market capitalisation
- Long-term investment horizon and low portfolio turnover
- Active approach, i.e. index weights have no influence on individual stock selection

Indexed Performance since inception (gross, in %)



◆ Fund (gross) ◆ Fund (net) ◆ MSCI Europe Small Cap Index (Net)

12 months Performance (in %)



Accumulated Performance (gross, in %)

Period	Accumulated Performance (gross, in %)
since inception (02.10.2017 - 29.12.2023)	52.68
since inception p.a.	7.01
YTD (01.01.2023 - 29.12.2023)	11.05
1 Month (30.11.2023 - 29.12.2023)	9.74
1 Year (31.12.2022 - 29.12.2023)	11.05
3 Years (31.12.2020 - 29.12.2023)	-3.91
5 Years (31.12.2018 - 29.12.2023)	80.96

Risk Figures since inception

Max. Drawdown since inception	-48.80 %
Max. Drawdown Period (Days)	785
Volatility 3 Years	23.01 %
Information Ratio 3 Years	-0.30
Tracking Error 3 Years	10.69 %

The charts and tables on historical performance shown are based on our own calculations in accordance with the BVI method developed by German Investment Fund Association (for explanation see "Notes"). **Information on past performance is not a reliable indicator of future performance.**

Sources: Berenberg, Capital Management Company

Fund management comment

The Berenberg European Small Cap outperformed its benchmark in December due to its overweight and positive stock selection within the information technology, industrial and healthcare sectors. Myconic showed a strong performance after the company received three orders for SLX mask recorders from existing customers in December. In addition, NCAB and Aixtron benefited from the overall strong performance of the technology sector. On the negative side, shares in Atoss Software and Polypeptide were slightly weaker without any significant news. The general downturn in the energy sector led to a negative performance by Gaztransport & Technigaz. Last month, we opened an initial position in Biogaia and sold our position in Adesso in return.

Fund data

Security Codes

ISIN LU1637619393

WKN A2DVQE

Inception date

02.10.2017

Fund manager

Peter Kraus

NAV per Share (29.12.2023)

EUR 152.68

Fund size

EUR 955.70 million

Share class volume

EUR 187.05 million

Fund currency

Euro

Appropriation of income

accumulation

End of financial year

31 December

Management Company

Universal-Investment-Luxembourg S.A.

Custodian

State Street Bank International GmbH, Luxembourg Branch

Asset Manager

Joh. Berenberg, Gossler & Co. KG

Registration and Distribution

AT, CH, CL, DE, DK, ES, FI, FR, GB, IE, IT, LI, LU, NL, NO, SE

Cut-off/Settlement

daily // T+2

Cut-off time

12:00 p.m.
(Luxembourg time)

Morningstar Rating™

3 Years: ★★

5 Years: ★★★★★

Overall: ★★★★★

(As of: 29.12.2023)

Sustainability

Article 8 Funds

SFDR Classification (Sustainable Finance Disclosure Regulation)

ESG Elements

- ✓ Exclusion Criteria
- ✓ Controversies Screen
- ✓ Active Ownership Impact

Signatory of:





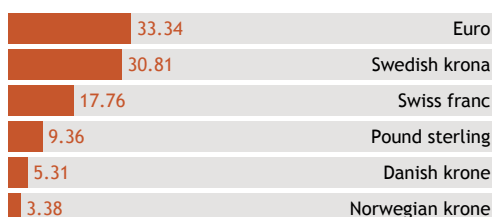
Allocation of the portfolio

(in % of fund assets)



Currency allocation

(in % of fund assets)



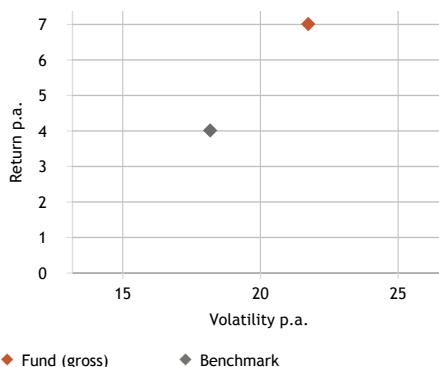
Top 10 positions

(in % of fund assets)

NAMAKT SWISSQUOTE GROUP HOLDIN	2.60
NCAB GROUP AB(PUBL) NAMN-AKTIE	2.57
COMET HOLDING	2.31
TECHNOPROBE S.P.A. AZIONI NOM.	2.00
TGS-NOPEC GEOPHYSIC	2.00
SURGICAL SCIENCE SWEDEN AB	1.90
VITEC SOFTWARE GROUP AB NAMN-A	1.90
AIXTRON SE	1.79
MYCRONIC AB SK 1	1.77
FORTNOX AB	1.69

Risk-return profile

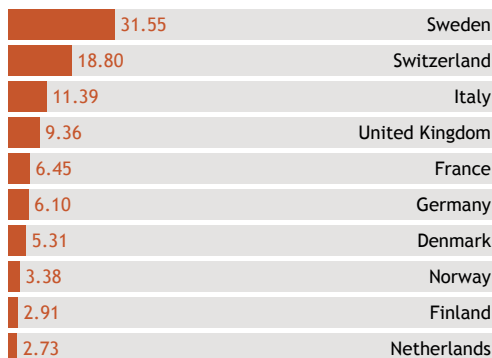
(in %, since Inception)



Shares

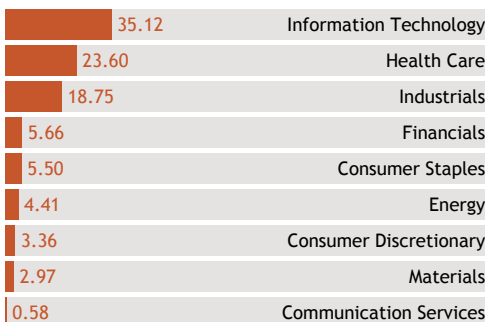
Top 10 Country allocation

(in % of share capital)



Sector allocation

(in % of share capital)



Sources: Berenberg, Capital Management Company
As of: 29.12.2023

Additional fund information

Issue Surcharge
none

Management fee
0.87 % p.a.

Custodian fee
0.10 % p.a.

Total Expense Ratio (TER)
1.01 %

Performance fee
none

Minimum investment
EUR 500,000



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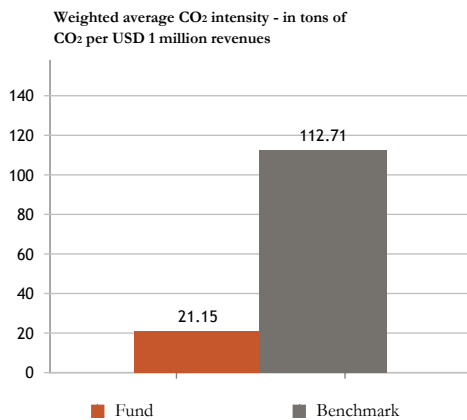
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Consideration of ESG Elements

Identifying companies and business models that will be successful in the long term is the basis for good investment decisions. Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) factors are key factors in decision making and are therefore integral components of the investment process.

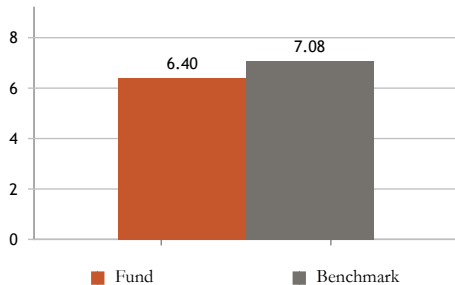
CO₂ Intensity

The fund does not actively manage its carbon footprint, however, emissions data such as CO₂ intensity are relevant parameters which can be used to assess the efficient management of a company and the extent of transition risks.



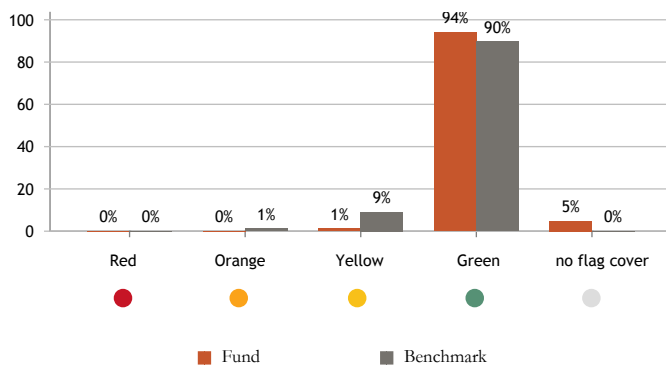
ESG Score

The data provider MSCI ESG uses an ESG score of 0 to 10 to assess the management of material ESG risks of portfolio holdings compared to competitors.



ESG Controversies Screen

Investments in the fund are monitored for ESG controversies and, with the help of MSCI ESG data, flagged according to their severity. Thereby, potential ESG risks of investments are identified. In the case of an orange flag (severe controversy), we enter into an active exchange with the company. In the case of a red flag (very severe controversy), the company is excluded.



Benchmark: MSCI Europe Small Cap

Portfolio as of 29 December 2023. Source: MSCI ESG, own calculations and presentation. Certain information © 2023 MSCI ESG Research LLC. Reproduced by permission. Data coverage for fund and benchmark: graph "CO₂-Intensity" (91.90 %/99.54 %), graph "ESG Score" (89.70 %/99.51 %).

Glossary & Methodology

Active Ownership

The term "Active Ownership" encompasses all our activities where we, as an investor, attempt to positively influence a company's management of ESG aspects. This includes Engagement, i.e. direct dialogue with companies to discuss specific ESG objectives as well as proxy voting, i.e. our voting recommendations to our fund administrator, which then exercises the voting rights at general meetings.

CO₂ Intensity

The CO₂ Intensity (Scope 1 & 2 emissions) per company is multiplied by its portfolio weight (current value of the investment by current portfolio value) and summed up. This weighted average CO₂ Intensity provides an indication of the portfolio's exposure to CO₂-emission intensive companies.

ESG Score

Using a score between 0 (lowest) and 10 (highest), MSCI ESG assesses the ability of portfolio holdings to identify and manage environmental, social and governance-related risks compared to peers. The ESG scores are assigned at the holding level and are aggregated at the portfolio level as the weighted average ESG Score.

ESG Controversies Screen

MSCI ESG analyses controversial business practices from the five areas environment, human rights, labour rights & supply management, customers and governance. The controversies are rated according to their reputational risk as well as the operational handling by a flagging system. Green indicates no or weak controversies, yellow indicates moderate controversies, orange indicates severe controversies and red indicates very severe controversies.



Opportunities

- High return potential of stocks over the long term
- Development of growth stocks occasionally above average
- Development of small cap stocks above average in certain phases
- Possible additional earnings through individual value analysis and active management

Risks

- High susceptibility of shares to fluctuation, price losses possible
- Share value may fall below the purchase price at which the customer acquired the share
- Below-average development of growth stocks possible at times
- Below-average development of small stocks possible at times
- No guarantee of success for individual value analysis and active management
- Foreign currency investments and transactions denominated in foreign currencies are subject to exchange rate risks

Further details on the opportunities and risks of this fund can be found in the sales prospectus.

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