Spinoza Euro Assets Strategy Fund

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Investment strategy

The Fund pursues long-term capital appreciation by investing in equities, equity-related securities and derivatives, bonds and other listed securities that are primarily denominated in Euro.

The investment concept is based on Ben Graham's investment philosophy on market fluctuations as set out in 'The Intelligent Investor' adopted through a proprietary, rules based asset allocation model: equity exposure is dynamically increased when markets fall and decreased when markets rise relative to their estimated intrinsic value.

The investment concept is designed to capitalise on the long-term appreciation of equities while taking advantage of short and mid term market overreactions, in fact benefiting precisely from what investors are usually most afraid of: volatility.

The Fund aims to generate attractive risk-adjusted returns relative to major European equity indices.

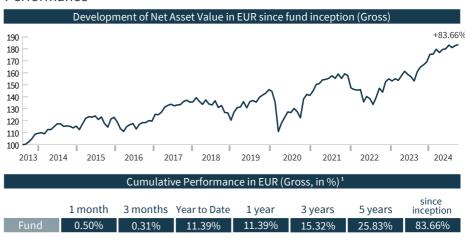
Risk and Reward profile

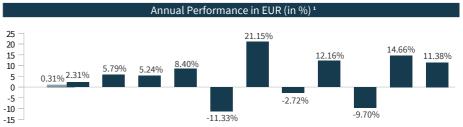
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Key information					
ISIN	LU1923608464				
WKN	A2P966				
Fund category	Balanced Fund, Europe				
Domicile	Luxembourg				
Fund currency	EUR				
Fund inception	18 July 2013				
Income type	Accumulating				
Fund type	UCITS				
Distribution	Germany, Luxembourg				
Dealing days	Daily				
Minimum investment	EUR 1'000				
Financial year end	31 December				
Minimum equity participation rate 25%					
Management Gen company	II Management Company (Luxembourg) SARL				
Investment manager	Spinoza Capital GmbH				
Administrator	CACEIS Bank, Luxembourg Branch				
Depositary	CACEIS Bank, Luxembourg Branch				
Auditor	KPMG Luxembourg				

Fees and expenses	
Subscription fee	0%
Ongoing charges which includes a Management fee of	1.22% p.a. 0.75% p.a.
Performance fee (perpetual high	up to 7.5% watermark)
Redemption fee	0%

Performance





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Fund performance (net) including maximum subscription charge of 2%

Fund performance (gross)

Gross fund performance takes into account all costs & fees incurred at fund level but excludes any subscription fees. Further costs may be charged individually at customer level (e.g. custody fees, commissions and other charges), resulting in a diminishing effect on performance. These figures refer to the past. Past performance is no reliable indicator of future performance.

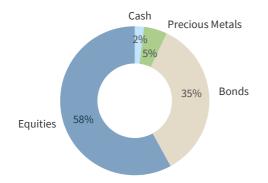
Fund manager's comment: December 2024

- Global and European equity markets delivered solid gains in 2024 (e.g. Stoxx 600 Index +8.8%). Resilient global economic growth, particularly in the US, continued advances in artificial intelligence, falling inflation and interest rate cuts by major central banks drove equities higher. The first half of 2024 saw broad-based disinflation and over the summer central banks felt confident they could start normalising policy. The European Central Bank cut interest rates from 4% to 3% over the course of 2024, and the Fed cut its key rate from 5.25% to 4.25%. However, the last mile of bringing inflation back to the 2% target proved harder than markets had anticipated and, outside of Europe, investors scaled back their expectations for future rate cuts. Interestingly, bond yields have risen in both the US and the eurozone in 2024 despite central bank rate cuts. The yield on 10-year US government bonds rose from 3.8% at the beginning of 2024 to 4.6% at the end of 2024, while the yield on 10-year German government bonds rose from 2.0% to 2.4%. Against this backdrop, the Barclays Global Aggregate Bond Index, a broad benchmark of \$68 trillion of sovereign and corporate debt, delivered a negative return of 1.7% in 2024. European bonds performed slightly better, gaining 2.6% in 2024 (Barclays Euro Aggregate Bond Index).
- The Spinoza Euro Assets Strategy Fund gained 0.50% in December as the fund's positions performed well in a mixed market environment last month (e.g. Stoxx 600 index 0.5% in December). For the full year 2024, the fund generated a return of 11.39% and closed 2024 at a new year-end high. The fund achieved its 2024 performance primarily through the disciplined implementation of its counter-cyclical investment strategy, which allowed the fund to take profits when selected markets had risen faster than their underlying intrinsic value. In addition, the fund had favoured certain markets which saw strong returns in 2024 where our models had indicated a particular undervaluation (e.g. eurozone banking sector, Spain, Turkey).
- The Spinoza Euro Assets Strategy Fund also benefited from the robust performance of its bond holdings in 2024, which returned 10.8% last year, performing very well in a difficult environment for bonds as yields rose. The fund's bond positions in the European real estate sector performed particularly well. Thanks to a catch-up effect in rents (after 2-3 years of high inflation), disciplined capital expenditure and generally improved refinancing conditions due to falling central bank rates, the outlook for selected real estate companies had improved significantly and their bonds delivered strong returns in 2024, both on the senior side and on the junior/hybrid side. At year-end, the fund was 58% invested in equities, 35% in corporate and government bonds and 5% in precious metals.
- What to expect in 2025? Goldman Sachs expects the global economy to grow by 2.7% in 2025. Further interest rate cuts the market currently expects the European Central Bank to cut interest rates from 3% to 2% and the Fed to cut from 4.25% to 4% in 2025 should be supportive for equities as long as they are not accompanied by a weakening growth outlook. Bond yields are still close to 15-year highs, offering investors attractive opportunities in the fixed income space. Given their high starting yields, bonds can offer an attractive hedge function, buffering equities in the event of negative growth shocks. That said, we expect markets to remain volatile this year due to elevated geopolitical risks, potential trade wars between the US and its major trading partners, inflation that may prove more sticky than expected and rising sovereign debt levels. We will remain true to our investment approach and will use market setbacks in a disciplined manner to increase positions in markets and assets with favourable valuations.

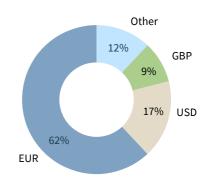


Composition of Fund Portfolio

Asset allocation



Currency breakdown



Investor Profile

The Fund is suitable for investors seeking long-term capital growth and may not be appropriate for investors who plan to withdraw their money within 5 years.

Risks

Market risk: Market fluctuations and general market or systematic risk is inherent to an entire investment market and as such, to a varying degree, in all of the Fund's investments. Price movements in an investment market can be volatile and are influenced, among other things, by changing market supply and demand, national and international political and economic events.

Concentration risk: To the extent that the Fund's investments are concentrated in a particular country, market, industry or asset class, the Fund may be susceptible to loss due to adverse occurrences affecting that country, market, industry or asset class.

Counterparty risk: There is a risk that a counterparty will not fulfil its payment obligation for a trade, contract or other transaction, on the due date. This may result in losses.

Liquidity risk: The Fund may be exposed to liquidity risk where, due to a lack of marketability, the Fund's investments cannot be bought or sold quickly enough to prevent or minimize a loss.

Derivatives risk: The Fund may use derivatives in an attempt to reduce risk (hedging) or for investment and portfolio management purposes. It may be that the use of derivatives may not always be successful and cause unit prices to fluctuate which may in turn result in loss to the Fund.

Credit risk: The risk of default that may arise if an issuer fails to make payments when due.

Operational risk: The risk of losses caused by employees, delegates, service providers and other third parties through insolvency, errors, fraud or criminal actions.

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