

## S14 ABSOLUTE RETURN - I EUR SEPTEMBER 2024

## **FUND DESCRIPTION**

- S14 Absolute Return is a sector focused market neutral equity long short fund.
- The investment objective of the fund is to achieve an absolute performance with low correlation to the equity markets, over a recommended minimum investment horizon of three years, mainly by taking equity positions, either directly or using financial contracts.
- The fund is exposed to capital loss risk, risks linked to the use of financial contracts, counterparty risk and to a lesser extent to liquidity risk and operational risk.

#### **FUND CHARACTERISTICS**

Share I FR0014004I24

Type **UCITS** EUR Currency

20/05/2022 Inception date

Valuation frequency Daily

Central administration Caceis Bank

Prime Brokers Morgan Stanley

**Fund Auditors Grant Thornton** 

## FINANCIAL TERMS

Management fees 1.25%

Performance fees 20% of the outperformance compared to the

€STR index + 100bp

Subscription fees 5% maximum

Redemption fees none

**RISK PROFILE** 







#### **MONTHLY PERFORMANCES**

% on NAV	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
2022	-	-	-	-	-0,34%	-0,95%	0,11%	-0,65%	-1,07%	0,13%	0,95%	-0,05%	-1,88%
2023	0,16%	-0,61%	0,34%	0,82%	0,34%	-0,43%	0,73%	-0,14%	-0,47%	-0,12%	-0,21%	0,46%	0,86%
2024	0,27%	0,33%	0,03%	-0,12%	0,51%	-0,43%	0,03%	-0,15%	0,13%				0,60%

Past performances are not a reliable indicator of future performance.

#### MONTHLY COMMENTS

September was a risk on month for global markets as the Fed surprisingly cut by 50 basis points which helped fuel the narrative of a soft landing in the US and China delivered a widely unexpected economic stimulus plan. The fund posted a modestly positive month as we were cautiously positioned in hindsight as we felt the Fed would only cut rates by 25 basis points given the stabilisation in labour markets prior to the policy decision and did not anticipate the China stimulus announcement.

Travel & Leisure (+0.13%) via Airlines and Consumer Staples via Beverages (+0.12%) were positive contributing sectors, while Chemicals (-0.35%) and Construction & Materials (-0.23%) were the largest detracting sectors.

As we enter the final quarter of the year, we will look closely at the upcoming economic datas, specifically labour market and inflation datas, to try and get confidence on the speed of rate cuts by central banks. As we approaching the upcoming US election, and the potential for large volatility given the vastly differing agendas between the candidates, we will keep risk constrained and monitored.



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#### TOP POSITIONS (Single Names) LONG **SHORT** BMW AG Company 1 2,0% -2,4% **EXOR NV** Company 2 1,9% -2,3% **BUZZI SPA** Company 3 1,6% -1,4% **NOVONESIS (NOVOZ** Company 4 1,5% -1,3% **GETLINK SE** Company 5 1,4% -1,2%

#	PORTFOLIO STATISTICS	
	Gross exposure	125%
	Long	63%
	Short	-63%
	Net exposure	0%
	Number of Long positions *	126
	Number of Short positions *	124

<sup>\*</sup> positions under 0.1% of GMV are excluded

BREAKDOWN BY CO	DUNTRY
1. GERMANY	17,9%
2. FRANCE	17,5%
3. SWITZERLAND	15,4%
4. UNITED STATES	15,0%
5. BRITAIN	14,0%
6. NETHERLANDS	7,7%
7. SWEDEN	6,8%
8. DENMARK	4,7%
9 CANADA	2,2%
10. OTHERS	24,0%

BREAKDOWN BY SECTOR					
1. Consumer, Non-cyclical	32,0%				
2. Industrial	29,0%				
3. Consumer, Cyclical	28,7%				
4. Utilities	13,5%				
5. Basic Materials	15,3%				
6. Technology	2,3%				
7. Energy	1,2%				
8. Communications	0,3%				
9. Funds	0,5%				





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Capital Loss Risk: The sub-fund does not guarantee capital. Therefore, there is a risk that the initially invested capital may not be fully returned. Consequently, an investment should only be made by individuals with sufficient knowledge and mastery of financial markets and who can absorb a loss of their initial investment.

Derivatives Risk: Risk of differences between the price of these instruments and the value of the underlying asset.

Counterparty Risk: Risk of non-payment of a flow (or commitment) due from a counterparty with which positions have been exchanged and commitments signed.

Risk related to the low liquidity of certain securities: The sub-fund may invest in small issuance securities with limited liquidity, which can lead to amplification of market movements.

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