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Lightman European Equities Fund

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Fund factsheet 31/03/2025

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Structure

Société d'investissement à Capital Variable (SICAV)

Regulatory status UCITS

Fund launch date 14/09/2020

Benchmark None. Can use MSCI Europe as comparator

Fund size (EUR) €192m

Number of holdings 44

Dealing frequency Daily

UCITS ManCo. Altum Management Company (Lux) S.A.

Yield (projected 2025¹) 4.56%

 Yield (historic - 2024¹)

 I Acc
 €5.6154 / 3.40%

 I Inc
 €3.0931 / 2.98%

Initial charge N/A

Performance fees N/A

Ex-dividend date 31st December 2024

Fund managers





Fund aim and objectives



George Boyd-Bowman

The investment objective is to provide capital growth and to generate positive Environmental, Social and/or Governance (ESG) momentum, over the long term (in excess of 5 years). The investment manager will primarily invest the fund's assets in the shares of companies listed and domiciled in Europe, maintaining a concentrated portfolio of approximately 40-50 holdings. The investment manager seeks to invest in undervalued companies with positive operational momentum. ESG factors will also be incorporated in the analysis by adjusting standard financial metrics to reflect the impact of selected ESG factors.

Fund Commentary

European equities had one of their best ever quarters versus US equities. Since 1969 only two quarters have been better - Q1 1973 and Q3 1985. Is this the beginning of a major trend change?

Whilst these turning points tend to take time, and do not follow a straight line, we believe long-term asset allocators should be prepared for a longer-term period of outperformance for Europe versus the US.

US valuations and allocations are so high relative to Europe that there is very limited room for error. Policy mistakes or weaker economic momentum could have outsized impacts on price, given the potential weight of selling. Europe does not suffer from the same vulnerability and may benefit as some of these investor flows look for other jurisdictions.

Fundamentally speaking, the Trump administration appears to be undermining some of the key foundations of valuation, whilst Europe is taking policy steps that can support them. Property rights and the rule of law are critical components of the rating of securities. For many decades, the US has upheld these standards, and its security prices have benefitted. This is now in doubt, given recent policy signals. In contrast, Europe's decision to significantly increase defence spending can be seen as a signal of the continent's commitment to uphold property rights over the long term.

We believe a balanced European value strategy with a focus on strong balance sheets, dividends and buy-backs ought to be able to navigate this volatile scenario. The Lightman European Equities Fund has an estimated dividend yield of 4.6% in 2025 and 4.8% in 2026, with a median PE ratio of 12.7 in 2025 and 11.4 in 2026.

Sector breakdown		Top 10 countries		Top 10 holdings	
Consumer Staples	20.15%	Germany	17.34%	Shell	4.54%
Communication Services	13.73%	Netherlands	16.57%	Danone	4.40%
Financials	13.25%	France	16.03%	Roche	4.30%
Energy	12.98%	Norway	13.25%	DNB	4.19%
Consumer Discretionary	9.99%	Switzerland	9.39%	Equinor	4.17%
Industrials	7.88%	Denmark	6.64%	Volkswagen	4.08%
Health Care	7.52%	Portugal	4.02%	BMW	4.04%
Cash	7.49%	Sweden	2.99%	KPN	3.64%
Materials	7.01%	Ireland	2.35%	Unilever	3.64%
Utilities	0.00%	United States	1.84%	Orange	3.53%

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Fund share classes

Share class	OCF (capped)	SEDOL	ISIN	Bloomberg	Min. initial investment	Min. subsequent investment	Regular saving
Institutional EUR Acc	0.8%	BMF2996	LU2214500949	LIEEFIA LX	€10,000,000	None	N/A
Institutional EUR Inc	0.8%	BPBM2X6	LU2401174797	ELLEEID LX	€10,000,000	None	N/A
Institutional GBP Inc	0.8%	BRPSC45	LU2952792146	ELIEIGD LX	£10,000,000	None	N/A
Institutional USD Inc	0.8%	BRPSC67	LU2952833353	ELIEIUD LX	\$10,000,000	None	N/A

Performance



Past performance is not an indicator of future performance. Tax treatment depends on the individuals' circumstances and may be subject to change in the future. All data as at 31/03/25 in EUR; fund prices from Northern Trust, MSCI Europe from MSCI. For periods covering part of a calendar year, performance has not been annualised: *2020 performance is from fund launch on 14/09/2020 to year end.²

What are the risks specific to this fund?

- The value of investments and the income derived from them may fall as well as rise and shareholders may not recoup the original amount they invest in the Fund.
- Funds investing in overseas securities are exposed to currency risk. Exchange rate movements may cause the EUR value of investments to increase or decrease.
- The Fund may suffer a reduction in value due to dealing costs incurred when buying and selling investments and management fee charges applied to the fund. Net yields may be lower than gross yields.

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¹ Note: 2024 yields are estimated net yields based on the period Jan - Dec 2024. Net yield is after expenses and taxes. Yield % is calculated using ex-dividend unit price as on 31/12/2024. 2025/26 gross yields are approximate and calculated based on actual stock weightings and consensus dividend yields for 2025/26 as available on Bloomberg.
² Performance quoted does not consider applicable taxes on the investor. Performance calculated using EUR denominated unit prices or index values as at beginning and end of periods. Fund performance is net of fees with net income reinvested. MSCI Europe values used are net return EUR index.