

INDÉPENDANCE

Europe Small

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Indépendance AM Europe Small is a UCITS that primarily invests in stocks of small and medium-sized European companies with the aim of increasing the portfolio"s capital value.

The fund applies the Quality Value methodology of Indépendance AM, which involves investing in companies that grow sustainably and profitably (Quality) and are undervalued (Value). This objective is associated with an extra-financial approach that includes considering environmental, social, and governance (ESG) criteria.

Investment team









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Comments

During February, the Indépendance Europe Small fund mainly strengthened its positions in Acerinox, CAF and Dassault Aviation. The fund made three new investments: TUI in Germany, Webuild and Buzzi in Italy. Conversely, the fund reduced its investments in Mersen, Scor and Sopra Steria.













Fund

Risk / Return Profile

Lower risk, potentially lower returns; higher risk, potentially higher returns.

Key monthly figures

NAV per share class	
Share A	165.32 €
Share X	165.97 €
Share I	170.55 €
Share B	174.31 €

Portfolio snapshot		
Investment ratio	99.24%	
Nomber of stocks in portfolio 62		
Top 10 holdings weighting	35%	

Performance / risk ratios

	1Y	3Y	5Y	10Y
Performance				
Ind. Europe Small - X	12.8%	6.6%	14.3%	-
Benchmark*	8.1%	1.8%	7.1%	-
Volatility				
Ind. Europe Small - X	10.4%	12.1%	18.6%	-
Benchmark*	12.2%	17.1%	19.0%	-

Net monthly performance Ind. Europe Small - X 5.0% STOXX EUROPE SMALL EX UK NR 0.7%

Net YTD performance	
Ind. Europe Small - X	8.8%
STOXX EUROPE SMALL EX UK NR	6.3%

Trailing performance

	Europe Small	Benchmark*
YTD	8.8%	6.3%
3 months	12.7%	5.8%
6 months	8.2%	2.4%
1 year	12.8%	8.1%
3 years	21.2%	5.6%
5 years	95.1%	40.9%
Inception	122.0%	63.3%

Performance per year

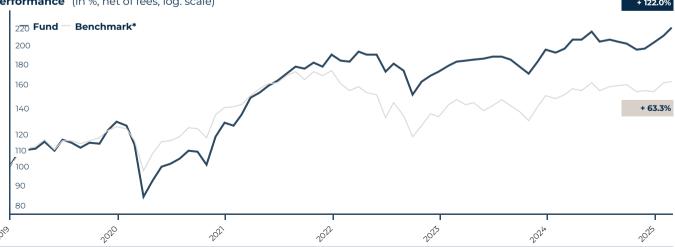
	Europe Small	Benchmark *
2019	29.7%	26.3%
2020	-0.5%	11.5%
2021	47.5%	23.1%
2022	-9.5%	-23.0%
2023	13.4%	12.8%
2024	4.4%	2.1%
YTD	8.8%	6.3%

Evolution of the fund's NAV

Tracking Error

Performance (in %, net of fees, log. scale)

7.4%



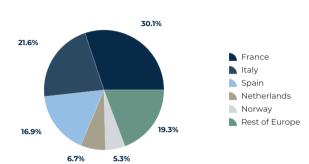
Past performance is not indicative of future performance

*The fund's benchmark index is the STOXX EUROPE SMALL EX UK Net Return

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Geographic breakdown



Fund financial ratios (year N)

-	P/B	P/E	Div. Yield
Ind. Europe - median	1.6	9.5	3.10%
Ind. Europe - weighted average	1.8	11	3.60%
Benchmark average	1.7	16	3.10%
Difference vs. weighted average	5.9%	-31.3%	50bps

Market cap breakdown



2,435 M€

<u>Average</u> capitalisation 808 M€

Median
capitalisation

Main variations over the month

<500M€ ■ 500M-1Mds€ ■ 1-10Mds€ ■ >10Mds€

Stocks	Perf	Comments
Outperformance vs the benchmark		
Rheinmetall	33.2%	European rearmament
Heijmans	25.3%	Significant improvement in results in 2024, low valuation
Theon International	25.0%	European rearmament
Danieli	18.2%	Positive outlook, low valuation
Ala	17.9%	Very good results in 2024, positive outlook
Underperformance vs the benchmark		
Tui Ag	-13.5%	Weak bookings in Q1
Sopra Steria	-15.1%	Expected decline in Q1 sales
Reach Subsea	-15.8%	Fall in net income 2024
Hoegh Autoliners	-26.1%	Market anticipates the worst
Okwind	-30.3%	Unfavourable market environment

Portfolio breakdown

Sector breakdown

Sectors	Weight
Capital Goods	17.2%
Engineering & Construct.	15.6%
B2B Services	12.0%
Defence	11.0%
Materials / building	9.5%
Financials	5.4%
Transportation	5.2%
Energy	4.6%
Consumer Goods	3.9%
Retailing	3.5%
Healthcare	2.8%
IT / ext. R&D	2.8%
Auto. & Parts	2.2%
Media	1.5%
Steel industry	1.2%
Others	1.1%
Unknown Sector	0.5%
Total	100%

Main investments

Stocks	Weight
Heijmans	5.1%
Theon International	4.3%
Dassault Aviation	4.0%
Maire	3.8%
Caf	3.2%
Technip Energies	3.2%
Danieli	3.1%
Tecnicas Reunidas	2.7%
Elopak	2.6%
Grupo Catalana Occidente	2.6%

Stocks market capitalization (in M€)

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>10Mds€	Rheinmetall
	Dassault Aviation
	Buzzi
	Technip Energies
	Grupo Catalana Occidente
	Scor
	Vallourec
	Nexans
	Indra Sistemas
	Jumbo
	Tui Ag
	Webuild
	Sopra Steria
1-10Mds€	Maire
1-10Muse	Acerinox
	Trigano
	Vicat
	Stef
	Fugro
	Elecnor
	Caf
	Hoegh Autoliners
	Tecnicas Reunidas
	Theon International
	Maurel & Prom
	Heijmans
	Danieli
	Elopak
	Derichebourg
	Viel et Compagnie
	Piraeus Port Authority
	Saf-holland
500M-1Md€	Scanfil
	Aubay
	Mondadori
	Clinica Baviera
	Sats
	Mersen
	Groupe Guillin
	Tubacex
	Next Geosolutions
	Sword Group
	Origin Enterprises
	Icop
	Ala
	Italian Exhibition Group
	Orsero
	Campine
	Reway
	Moury Construct
	Groupe Sfpi
	Fountaine Pajot
	Reach Subsea
	Catana
	Dekuple
	Indel B
	Omer
	Ringmetall
	Edil San Felice
	Poujoulat
	Okwind
	Orwing

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Fund characteristics

Characteristics	
Legal form	SICAV
Valuation	Daily
Currency	EUR
Recommended holding period	> 3 years
Subscriptions	Daily
Redemptions	Daily
Depositary bank	CACEIS Bank Luxembourg
Fund administrator	CACEIS Bank Luxembourg
Risk level	4 over 7
Eligible	PEA - PEA PME

Fees	Share A	Share X	Share I	Share B
Subscription fees	0%	0%	1% max	2%
Min. subscription amount	1 share	1 share	1 share	5M€
Redemption fees	0%	0%	0%	1%
Management fees	1.95%	1.95%	1.40	1.20%
Outperformance fees	10%	10%	10%	10%

ISIN codes	
Share A	LU1832174962
Share X	LU1832174889
Share I	LU1832175001
Share B	LU2857867464

Main risks

Equity risk

The fund is invested at least 75% in equities; the fund's value can significantly decrease if equity markets fall. Equity markets have experienced wide fluctuations in the past and are likely to do so in the future.

Investing in equities, and therefore in the fund I&E Europe, is inherently risky.

Capital loss risk

The fund has no guarantee or protection; the initially invested capital may not be returned.

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