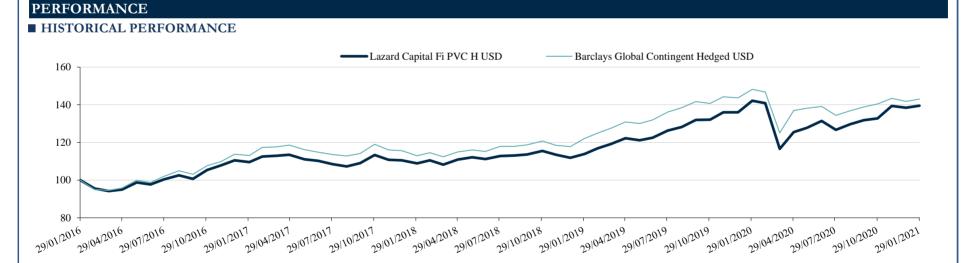


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|---|---------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------------------|--|--|--|
| January 2021  |                                 |                                   |                           | Lazard Caj                            | pital FI PVC H US                      |  |  |
| International bonds and debt securities   | Share classes<br>PVC H-USD Unit | <b>ISIN code*</b><br>FR0013072733 | <b>NAV \$</b><br>1 540,75 | Net assets (\$ million)<br>4,50       | Total net assets (€ million)<br>685,39 |  |  |
| * Not all share classes of the relevant sub-fund are registered for marketing in German and Austria   |                                 |                                   |                           |                                       |  |  |  |
| MANAGEMENT  |                                 |                                   |                           |                                       |  |  |  |
| INVESTMENT POLICY   |                                 |                                   |                           |                                       |  |  |  |
| The fund's investment objective is to outperform the Barclays Global Contingent Capital € Hedged index for units PVC EUR, PVD EUR, RVC EUR, RVD EUR, SC EUR and TVD EUR, Barclays Global Contingent Capital Hedged CHF for PVC H-CHF.<br>To attain this objective, the strategy will rely on an active management of the portfolio mainly invested in subordinated securities (this type of debt is more risky than Senior Unsecured or Securitized debts), any securities, not considered as common stocks, issued by European financial institutions. The investment process combine both a Top-down approach (strategic and geographical allocation approach whice takes into consideration the macro and sectorial environments) and a Bottom-up approach (stock-picking based on fundamental analysis of the issuer and its securities) and then integrating the regulato environment in which this asset class evolves. The modified duration will be managed in a 0 to 8 range. The fund only invests in bonds or securities issued by companies having their head office in an OEC member country and/or in issues or securities listed in a stock market of one of these countries. The FCP invests only in obligations negotiated in Euro, USD or Sterling. |                                 |                                   |                           |                                       |  |  |  |
| FUND MANAGER'S COMMENT - François<br>The net asset value of Lazard Capital Fi rose by 0,0% over the   |                                 |                                   | ngent Capital CHF Hee     | lged Index.                           |  |  |  |
| AT1s in OAS tightened by 0 bps to 370 bps according to Blo  | omberg Barclays Global Inde     | x.                                |                           |                                       |  |  |  |
| The German government bond yield curve steepened during the month, with the 10-year yield up +5 bps to -0,5%, the 5-year yield up +1 bps to -0,7%, while the 2-year yield down -2 bps to -0,7%.   |                                 |                                   |                           |                                       |  |  |  |
| For 2021, Lazard Capital Fi posted a net performance of +0,0% vs +0,1% for the Barclays Global Contingent Capital € Hedged Index.   |                                 |                                   |                           |                                       |  |  |  |
| Lazard Capital Fi has a 260-day volatility of 16,8% vs 16,2% for the Barclays Global Contingent Capital € Hedged Index.   |                                 |                                   |                           |                                       |  |  |  |
| A month of status quo for central banks, no new announcements (as expected) and a probably "cautiously optimistic" speech for both the ECB and the Fed, the two institutions have in any case indicated that was far too early to discuss any withdrawal of monetary support measures.  |                                 |                                   |                           |                                       |  |  |  |
| The ECB has finalized its guidelines on bank consolidation, possibility to count the Badwill generated on acquisition as ca   | 0                               | 1                                 | A : no automatic increa   | ase in required capital (Pillar 2) fo | r an entity that would become large    |  |  |
| The EBA has published its risk dashboard for Q3 2020, which<br>as NPL. Regarding loans guaranteed by the states, they increase  |                                 |                                   |                           | and among the 350bn of moratori       | um that expired only 2.6% are clas     |  |  |
| The political noise in Italy after Matteo Renzi's departure from the coalition and the (technical) resignation of Prime Minister Conte have so far had little impact on the markets, the probability of new election remaining very low (little appetite of the current majority and technical difficulties between the health situation and the "white semester" pre-presidential election).   |                                 |                                   |                           |                                       |  |  |  |
| Also in Italy, former UBS banker Andrea Orcel will succeed Jean-Pierre Mustier as head of Unicredit. The latter will undoubtedly be busy with the Monte dei Paschi case, in which the Italian state continue do everything possible to be able to sell its stake. The latest rumors evoke the takeover by the public entity Amco of up to 20 billion NPLs of Unicredit's balance sheet, as well as the deconsolidation of $\epsilon$ billion of legal risks linked to Monte dei Paschi through a dedicated structure, supported by a group of private investors as well as by the insurer SACE.   |                                 |                                   |                           |                                       |  |  |  |
| Moreover, Monte dei Paschi gives some elements of the "Capital Plan" which will be presented to the ECB: the bank's priority is to find a structural solution such as a merger with a short-term "leading" partner.   |                                 |                                   |                           |                                       |  |  |  |
| The first results for the Spanish banks BBVA, Bankinter, Caixabank and Bankia (the last two forming a single entity) are better than expected thanks to lower-than-expected provisions.   |                                 |                                   |                           |                                       |  |  |  |
| The primary was calm for January, we had on AT1 Standard  | Chartered, Abanca, banco BI     | PM or EFG and on Tier             | 2 Deutsche Bank (plac     | ed under a positive outlook by Fite   | ch!), BNP and La Banque Postale.       |  |  |
| The primary market, excluding covered bonds, totaled 33 bn€ represented 33 bn€ and net issuance +8 bn€.   | e in gross issuance according   | to Barclays, with net ba          | nk issuance totaling +    | 8 bn€ over the months. Since the      | beginning of the year, gross issuanc   |  |  |
| In Lazard Capital Fi, the most important contributors to the (+0,07%), Belgium (+0,05%), Germany (-0,16%). By issuer,   |                                 |                                   |                           |                                       |  |  |  |



\* Barclays Global Contingent Capital USD hedged

Past performance indications is not a guarantee of current or future performance. The return may increase or decrease as a result of currency fluctuations The tax treatment depends on the indivividual circumstances of each investor and may be subject to change in the future

### PERFORMANCE

| Annual performance*                           | 2020   | 2019   | 2018   | 2017   | 2016 |
|---|--------|--------|--------|--------|------|
| Lazard Capital Fi PVC H USD                   | 10,96% | 19,32% | -3,61% | 13,89% | -    |
| Barclays Global Contingent Capital Hedged USD | 3,63%  | 19,77% | -2,96% | 15,69% | -    |

| Cumulative performance*   | Month | YTD   | 1 year | 3 years | 5 years |
|---|-------|-------|--------|---------|---------|
| Lazard Capital Fi PVC H USD   | 0,05% | 0,05% | 7,58%  | 24,95%  | -       |
| Barclays Global Contingent Capital Hedged USD   | 0,14% | 0,14% | 5,84%  | 17,58%  | -       |
| * The performance quoted represents past performance. Past performance does not guarantee future results. |       |       |        |         |         |

The performance less than one year is given for illustrative purposes.

| Modified duration | 3,4              | Spread duration | 3,9  |
|-------------------|------------------|-----------------|------|
| Yield<br>(Without | 4,5%             |                 |      |
| Yie<br>(Without   | ld to o<br>hedgi |                 | 4,4% |
| Yield             | d to W           | vorst           | 4,0% |

| Average rating (issuer) <sup>1</sup>          | BBB+ |  |
|---|------|--|
| Average rating (issues) <sup>1</sup>          | BB-  |  |
| <sup>1</sup> Average rating for each security |      |  |
| Yield to call<br>(With hedging costs)         | 5,1% |  |
| Spread vs Govt.                               | 463  |  |

#### SCALE RISK\*\*



\*\*Risk scale calculated from the volatility of the UCITS over a period of 5 years (see detail on the back).Risk 1 does not mean a risk-free investment. This indicator may change over time.

### **RISK RATIOS**

|   |   | 1 year        | 3 years        |
|---|---|---------------|----------------|
|   | Volatility  |               |                |
|   | Lazard Capital Fi PVC H USD                             | 23,91%        | 14,24%         |
| a | clays Global Contingent Capital Hedged USD              | 22,03%        | 13,20%         |
|   | Tracking error  | 6,04%         | 3,65%          |
|   | Information ratio                                       | 0,29          | 0,12           |
| 6 | Ratios calculated on a weekly basis over 1 year and a   | monthly basi. | s over 3 years |
| 3 | Gross currency exposure:<br>75% EUR / 12% USD / 13% GBP |               |                |

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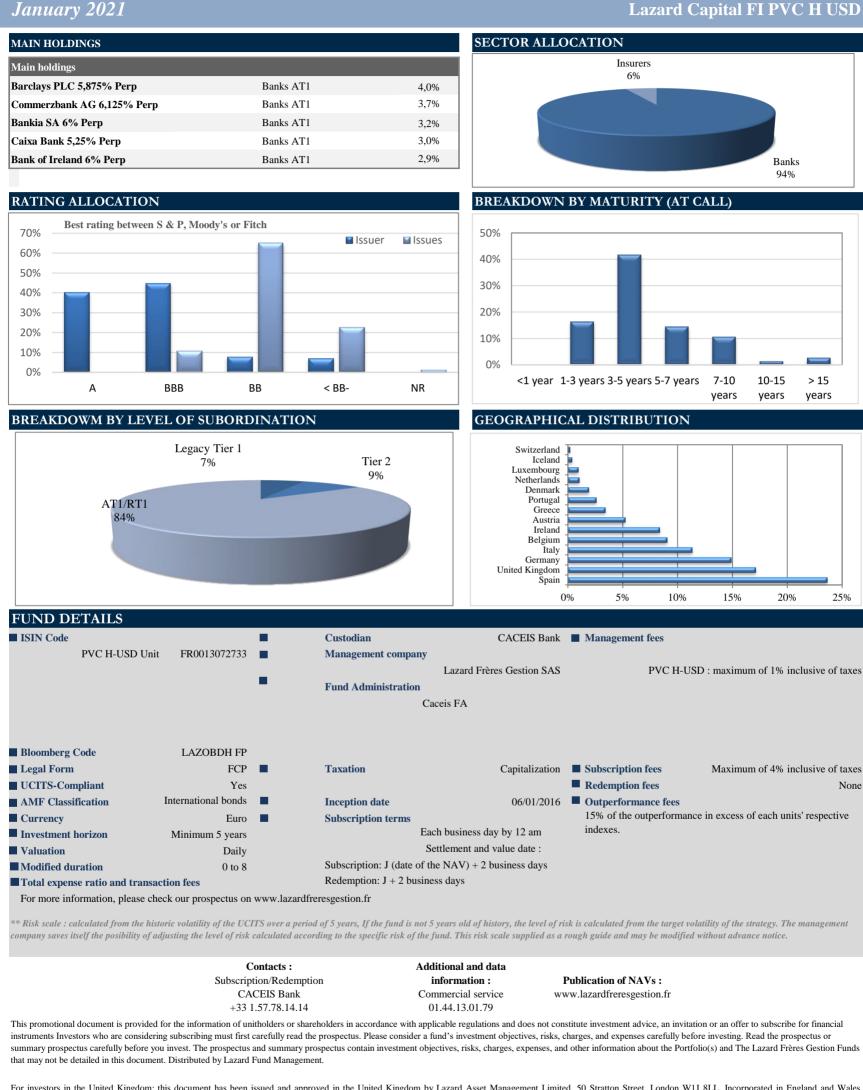
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