

Total net assets 795,92M€
NAV 186,71 €

Inception date (unit) 2 janv. 1995
ISIN Code FR0000299356
Bloomberg Code VERNORD

MORNINGSTAR
OVERALL ★ ★ ★

Country of registration

MANAGER(S)



Thomas Brenier

INVESTMENT POLICY

The Norden portfolio has been managed by Lazard Frères Gestion since May 31st 2002. It was created in 1995 by the Vernes bank. Norden is the only French fund invested in companies of four Scandinavian countries: Sweden, Finland, Denmark and Norway. The portfolio doesn't have any benchmark, though over the recommended investment period the portfolio's returns are comparable with the MSCI Nordic index.

FUND MANAGERS COMMENT

Undermined by a large number of profit-warnings, especially in the automotive sector, and concerned about both the political situation in Italy and consumption in China, European equity markets fell sharply in October. In that context, Nordic stock markets underperformed the euro zone, and the fund underperformed the index. It suffered from the weakness in Saab (Aerospace-Defense, Sweden), SKF (Capital goods, Sweden) and ABB (Industry, Sweden/Switzerland). It benefited though from the strength in Kesko (Retail, Finland), Valmet (Industrial machinery, Finland) and Securitas (Guarding services, Sweden). Over the course of the month, we have built new positions in Pandora (Jewelry, Denmark), Axfood (Food retailer, Sweden) and Hexagon (Precision measuring instruments, Sweden). Furthermore, we have sold our shares in Gjensidige (Insurance, Norway).

RISK SCALE*



Recommended investment period of 5 years

BENCHMARK INDEX

MSCI NORDIC COUNTRIES Net Return EUR

CHANGE IN NET ASSET VALUE (NAV)



Past performance is not a guarantee of current or future performance and increases at the end of the recommended investment period.

FEATURES

Legal Form	SICAV
Legal Domicile	France
UCITS	Yes
AMF Classification	International equities
Eligibility to PEA (personal equity savings plan)	Yes
Currency	EURO
Subscribers concerned	No restriction
Inception date	02/01/95
Date of share's first NAV calculation	02/01/95
Management company	Lazard Frères Gestion SAS
Custodian	Lazard Frères Banque
Valuation agent	CACEIS Fund Admin
Frequency of NAV calculation	Daily
Order execution	On next NAV for orders placed before 11:00 a.m
Subscription terms	D (NAV date) + 2 business day
Settlement of redemptions	D (NAV date) + 2 business day
Share decimalisation	Yes
Minimum investment	1 share
Subscription fees	4% max
Redemption fees	0%
Management fees	1,98%
Outperformance fees	Nil
Current expenses	2,65%

*Risk scale : Derived from the historic volatility of the fund over a period of 5 years. The management company reserves the right to adjust the level of risk calculated according to the specific risk of the fund. This risk scale is supplied as a rough guide and may be modified without advance notice.

HISTORICAL PERFORMANCES

	Cumulative					Annualized	
	1 Month	2018	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	3 Years	5 Years
Fund	-7,40%	-6,35%	-9,99%	1,31%	28,11%	0,43%	5,08%
Benchmark index	-7,32%	-2,54%	-6,67%	7,94%	33,91%	2,58%	6,01%
Difference	-0,09%	-3,81%	-3,32%	-6,63%	-5,80%	-2,15%	-0,93%

ANNUAL PERFORMANCE

	Fund	Benchmark index
2017	5,70%	10,32%
2016	0,14%	-1,06%
2015	16,09%	13,04%
2014	9,00%	7,93%
2013	15,45%	19,81%

RISK RATIOS*

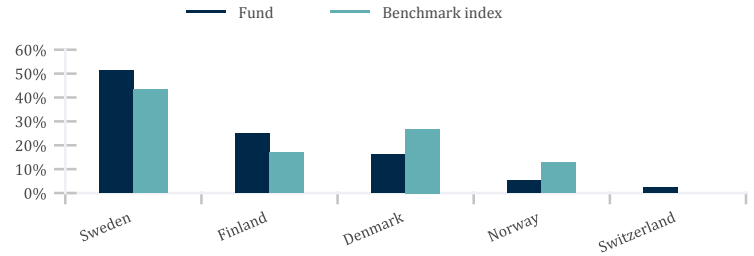
	1 Year	3 Years
Volatility		
Fund	12,90%	14,53%
Benchmark index	12,63%	14,86%
Tracking Error	3,98%	3,57%
Information ratio	-0,84	-0,55
Sharpe ratio	-0,75	0,04
Alpha	-3,70	-1,80
Beta	0,97	0,95

* Ratios calculated on a weekly basis

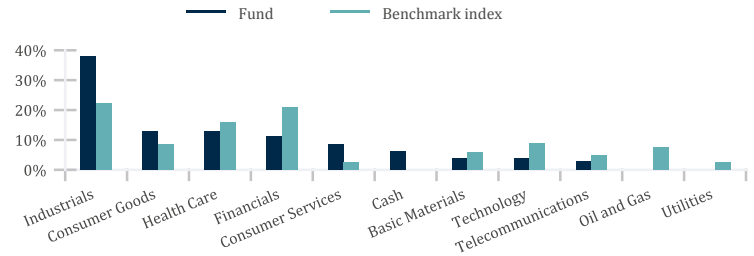
MAIN HOLDINGS

Holdings	Country	Sector	Weight	
			Fund	Index
NOVO-NORDISK A/S -B- (DIV)	Denmark	Health Care	5,0%	9,6%
AUTOLIV (SWEDISH DEPOSIT.REC.)	Sweden	Automobiles & Parts	4,2%	
SECURITAS AB -B-	Sweden	Industrial Goods & Services	3,9%	0,7%
SAMPO PLC -A-	Finland	Insurance	3,5%	2,5%
VALMET CORPORATION	Finland	Industrial Goods & Services	3,4%	
DNB ASA	Norway	Banks	3,4%	2,2%
ISS A/S	Denmark	Industrial Goods & Services	3,1%	0,7%
ESSITY AB -B-	Sweden	Personal & Household Goods	2,9%	1,7%
TRELLEBORG AB -B-	Sweden	Industrial Goods & Services	2,8%	
SANDVIK AB	Sweden	Industrial Goods & Services	2,7%	2,2%
	Total		34,7%	19,6%

GEOGRAPHICAL DISTRIBUTION



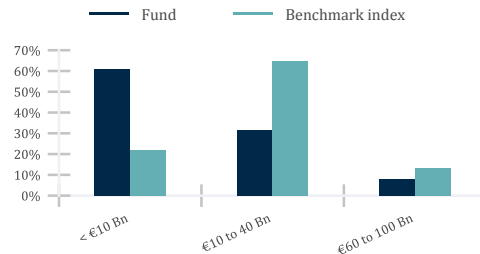
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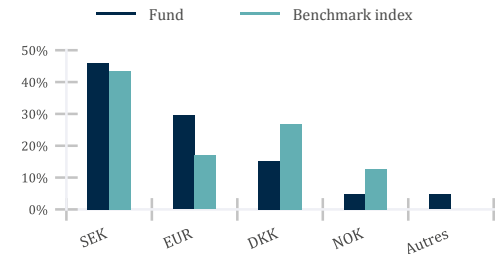
MAIN TRANSACTIONS

New positions	Positions sold
PANDORA A/S	GJENSIDIGE FORSIKRING ASA
AXFOOD AB	
HEXAGON A/B -B-	
Positions increased	Positions reduced
STORA ENSO OYJ -R-	NOKIA OYJ
AMBU A/S -B-	VOLVO AB -B-
TELE2 AB -B-	AUTOLIV (SWEDISH DEPOSIT.REC.)

BREAKDOWN BY CAPITALISATION



BREAKDOWN BY CURRENCY



OVER- AND UNDEREXPOSURE TO THE BENCHMARK INDEX

Overexposures		Underexposures	
AUTOLIV (SWEDISH DEPOSIT.REC.)	4,2%	NOVO-NORDISK A/S -B- (DIV)	-4,7%
VALMET CORPORATION	3,4%	EQUINOR ASA	-3,7%
SECURITAS AB -B-	3,2%	ERICSSON -B-	-3,3%
TRELLEBORG AB -B-	2,8%	NORDEA BANK AB	-3,2%

RELATIVE CONTRIBUTORS TO PERFORMANCE

First positive contributors			First negative contributors		
	Absolute perf.	Relative contribution (bp)		Absolute perf.	Relative contribution (bp)
KESKO OY -B-	10,3%	38	SAAB AB -B-	-19,7%	-29
VALMET CORPORATION	4,7%	36	NOKIA OYJ	2,3%	-19
SECURITAS AB -B-	1,2%	26	SKF AB -B-	-15,7%	-16
		Total			Total
		100			-64

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