

NORDEN

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Total net assets

NAV

593,86M€ 187,73 €

Inception date (unit) **ISIN Code**

Bloomberg Code

2 janv. 1995 FR0000299356 **MORNINGSTAR**











Country of registration

MANAGER(S)



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

In the first part of September, markets experienced a very strong thematic and sector rotation from growth/momentum to value/cyclical stocks. This shift went along with a slight rise in European interest rates, with the Bund yield rising in the first fortnight from a staggering -0.72% to -0.45%. But the trend quickly reversed, rates started to fall again, the Fed showed some concern, oil prices jumped 10% (and then lost it all) in the wake of the attack on Saudi Arabia's facilities, and risk aversion once again overshadowed European equity markets, which still ended the month up. In this context, Nordic stock markets rose in line with the euro zone, and the fund underperformed the index. It suffered from the weakness in Demant (Hearing aids, Denmark), Leroy Seafood (Fishing industry, Norway) and SimCorp (Investment management softwares, Denmark). It benefited though from the strength in Autoliv (Automotive equipment, Sweden), Valmet (Industrial machinery, Finland) and Tele2 (Telecoms, Sweden). Over the course of the month, we have built a new position in Novozymes (Enzymes, Denmark), and we have sold our shares in Stora Enso (Forest and pulp and paper industries, Finland).

RISK SCALE*



Recommended investment period of 5 years

BENCHMARK INDEX

FEATURES

Legal Form SICAV Legal Domicile France LICITS Yes

International equities AMF Classification

Eligibility to PEA (personal equity savings plan)

EURO Currency

Subscribers concerned No restriction Inception date 02/01/1995 02/01/1995 Date of share's first NAV calculation

Lazard Frères Gestion SAS Management company Lazard Frères Banque Custodian

Fund administration **CACEIS Fund Admin**

Frequency of NAV calculation Daily

On next NAV for orders placed Order execution before 11:00 a.m

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D (NAV date) + 2 business day Settlement of redemptions Share decimalisation Yes Minimum investment 1 share Subscription fees 4% max 0% Redemption fees Management fees 1.98% Performance fees Nil 2,61% Current expenses

*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.Risk 1 does not mean a risk-free investment. This indicator may change over time.

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.

HISTORICAL PERFORMANCES

Cumulative					Annualized		
	1 Month	2019	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	3 Years	5 Years
Fund	2,25%	8,58%	-6,90%	1,36%	17,09%	0,45%	3,21%
Benchmark index	3,38%	14,69%	0,03%	19,56%	26,18%	6,14%	4,76%
Difference	-1,13%	-6,11%	-6,93%	-18,20%	-9,09%	-5,68%	-1,56%

CALENDAR PERFORMANCES

	Fund	Benchmark index					
2018	-13,28%	-8,28%					
2017	5,70%	10,32%					
2016	0,14%	-1,06%					
2015	16,09%	13,04%					
2014	9,00%	7,93%					

TRAILING 1Y PERFORMANCES

2019 09 30	-6,90%	0,03%	
2018 09 30	-1,49%	2,21%	
2017 09 30	10,51%	16,94%	
2016 09 30	5,53%	2,85%	
2015 09 30	9,47%	2,61%	

RISK RATIOS**

	1 Year	3 Years	
Volatility			
Fund	15,62%	12,22%	
Benchmark index	14,95%	12,26%	
Tracking Error	4,16%	3,83%	
Information ratio	-1,83	-1,45	
Sharpe ratio	-0,42	0,09	
Alpha	-7,45	-4,88	
Beta	1,01	0,95	

^{**}Ratios calculated on a weekly basis

MAIN HOLDINGS

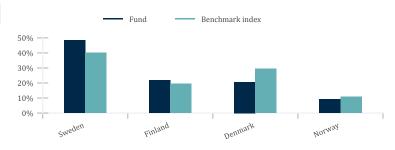
Holdings	Country	Sector	Weight	
			Fund	Index
NOVO-NORDISK A/S -B-	Denmark	Health Care	5,0%	11,1%
SECURITAS AB -B-	Sweden	Industrial Goods & Services	4,0%	0,6%
ELEKTA AB -B-	Sweden	Health Care	3,5%	
DNB ASA	Norway	Banks	3,5%	2,1%
SAMPO PLC -A-	Finland	Insurance	3,4%	2,1%
VALMET CORPORATION	Finland	Industrial Goods & Services	3,3%	
SWEDISH MATCH AB	Sweden	Consumer Products & Services	3,1%	0,9%
ERICSSON -B-	Sweden	Technology	3,0%	3,0%
ISS A/S	Denmark	Industrial Goods & Services	3,0%	0,5%
NOKIA OYJ	Finland	Technology	2,9%	3,5%
		Total	34,5%	23,7%

Positions sold

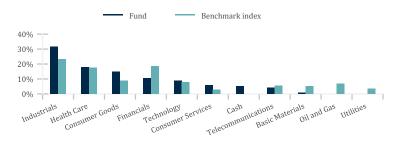
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HUHTAMAKI OYI

GEOGRAPHICAL BREAKDOWN



SECTOR BREAKDOWN



MAIN TRANSACTIONS

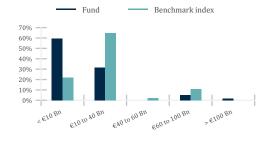
New positions

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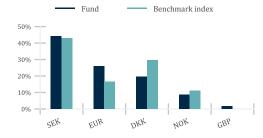
KESKO OY -B-

Positions increased	Positions reduced
HENNES & MAURITZ AB (H&M) -B-	VALMET CORPORATION
ASTRAZENECA PLC	ELECTROLUX AB -B-

CAPITALIZATION BREAKDOWN



CURRENCY BREAKDOWN



OVER- AND UNDEREXPOSURE TO THE BENCHMARK INDEX

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ELEKTA AB -B-	3,5%	NOVO-NORDISK A/S -B-	-6,1%	
SECURITAS AB -B-	3,4%	ATLAS COPCO AB -A-	-2,8%	
VALMET CORPORATION	3,3%	NORDEA BANK ABP	-2,8%	
KESKO OY -B-	2,6%	INVESTOR AB -B-	-2,7%	

RELATIVE CONTRIBUTORS TO PERFORMANCE

First positive contributors			First negative contributors		
	Absolute perf.	Relative contribution (bp)		Absolute perf.	Relative contribution (bp)
NOVO-NORDISK A/S -B-	-0,4%	23	DEMANT AS	-14,9%	-32
AUTOLIV (SWEDISH DEPOSIT.REC.)	15,0%	23	LEROY SEAFOOD GROUP ASA	-6,2%	-23
VALMET CORPORATION	8,0%	16	ISS A/S	-1,7%	-13
	Total	62		Total	-68

CONTACTS AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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