

# **NORDEN**

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Total net assets

NAV

498,90M€

Inception date (unit) **ISIN Code** 

2 janv. 1995

191,48 €

FR0000299356

Country of registration





**VERNORD** 







# 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**

While February started on an optimistic note, buoyed by generally good earnings releases, European equity markets ended the month sharply down. The spread of Covid19 beyond China's borders and the alarming situation that began to emerge, in Italy especially, cooled the enthusiasm and triggered the start of a panic movement during the last week of the month. In this context, Nordic stock markets dropped less than the euro zone, and the fund outperformed the index. It benefited from the strength in Valmet (Industrial machinery, Finland), GN (Hearing aids, Denmark), Ambu (Medical equipment, Denmark) and Swedish Match (Smokeless tobacco products, Sweden). It suffered though from the weakness in Saab (Aerospace-Defense, Sweden), Hexpol (Polymers, Sweden) and ISS (Facility services, Denmark). Over the course of the month, we have built a new position in Handelsbanken (Retail banking, Sweden), and we have sold our shares in Electrolux (White goods, Sweden).

# RISK SCALE\*

















### BENCHMARK INDEX

MSCI NORDIC COUNTRIES Net Return FUR

# **FEATURES**

calculation

SICAV Legal Form 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

Lazard Frères Gestion SAS Management company Lazard Frères Banque Custodian

Fund administration **CACEIS Fund Admin** Daily Frequency of NAV calculation

On next NAV for orders placed Order execution

before 11:00 a.m D (NAV date) + 2 business day Subscritption terms

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	2020	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	3 Years	5 Years
Fund	-5,31%	-5,36%	0,66%	-0,62%	2,13%	-0,21%	0,42%
Benchmark index	-6,11%	-6,26%	5,39%	12,83%	11,90%	4,11%	2,27%
Difference	0,80%	0,90%	-4,73%	-13,45%	-9,76%	-4,31%	-1,85%

# **CALENDAR PERFORMANCES**

	Fund	Benchmark index
2019	17,02%	23,41%
2018	-13,28%	-8,28%
2017	5,70%	10,32%
2016	0,14%	-1,06%
2015	16,09%	13,04%

# TRAILING 1Y PERFORMANCES

2020 02 29	0,66%	5,39%
2019 02 28	-4,77%	0,09%
2018 02 28	3,68%	6,97%
2017 02 28	8,74%	10,24%
2016 02 29	-5,49%	-10,04%

# **RISK RATIOS\*\***

	1 Year	3 Years	
Volatility			
Fund	17,17%	14,17%	
Benchmark index	16,87%	14,33%	
Tracking Error	3,68%	3,99%	
Information ratio	-1,32	-1,08	
Sharpe ratio	0,04	0,01	
Alpha	-4,54	-3,92	
Beta	0,99	0,95	

<sup>\*\*</sup>Ratios calculated on a weekly basis

# **MAIN HOLDINGS**

Holdings	Country	Sector	Weight	
			Fund	Index
NOVO NORDISK B	Denmark	Health Care	4,9%	12,4%
VALMET	Finland	Industrial Goods & Services	4,2%	
SWEDISH MATCH	Sweden	Consumer Products & Services	3,4%	1,2%
KONECRANES	Finland	Industrial Goods & Services	3,3%	
SAMPO A	Finland	Insurance	3,3%	2,2%
ERICSSON LM B	Sweden	Technology	3,1%	2,9%
COLOPLAST B	Denmark	Health Care	3,0%	1,9%
ELEKTA B	Sweden	Health Care	2,9%	
HENNES & MAURITZ B	Sweden	Retail	2,9%	1,7%
TELENOR	Norway	Telecommunications	2,8%	1,4%
		Total	33,8%	23,7%

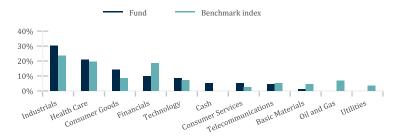
**Positions sold** 

ELECTROLUX B

# **GEOGRAPHICAL BREAKDOWN**



# **SECTOR BREAKDOWN**

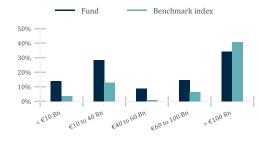


# MAIN TRANSACTIONS

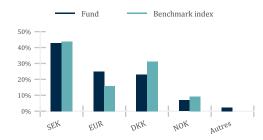
**New positions**SVENSKA HANDELSBANKEN A

Positions increased	Positions reduced
SIMCORP	KESKO
KONE B	SWEDISH MATCH
TELENOR	ERICSSON LM B

# **CAPITALIZATION BREAKDOWN**



# **CURRENCY BREAKDOWN**



# OVER- AND UNDEREXPOSURE TO THE BENCHMARK INDEX

Overexposures		Underexposures		
4,2%	NOVO NORDISK B	-7,4%		
3,3%	NORDEA BANK ABP	-3,0%		
2,9%	INVESTOR B	-2,7%		
2,4%	DSV PANALPINA	-2,5%		
	4,2% 3,3% 2,9%	4,2% NOVO NORDISK B  3,3% NORDEA BANK ABP  2,9% INVESTOR B		

# RELATIVE CONTRIBUTORS TO PERFORMANCE

First positive contributors			First negative contributors		
	Absolute perf.	Relative contribution (bp)		Absolute perf.	Relative contribution (bp)
VALMET	8,1%	57	SAAB B	-16,4%	-24
GN STORE NORD	11,7%	37	SVENSKA HANDELSBANKEN A	-12,2%	-17
AMBU 'B'	23,5%	27	HEXPOL 'B'	-17,3%	-17
	Total	121		Total	-58

# CONTACTS AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Subscription/redemption CACEIS Bank / LFB 01.57.78.14.14 Additional Information & datas: Client servicing +33 1 44 13 01 79

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