LAZARD FRÈRES GESTION	LAZARD ALPHA EUROPE 03 / 2019 Unit A/International equities					
Total net assets NAV	75.32M€ 504.69 €	Inception date (unit) ISIN Code Bloomberg Code	Mar 19, 1990 FR0000294613 OBJVALE			
Country of registration	The management	POLICY	a performance greater than the s	Stoxx 600 index.		

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## FUND MANAGERS COMMENT

March was marked by the very dovish speeches of the European Central Bank followed by the Fed. In-between their respective statements, a number of disappointing confidence indicators, particularly in Europe, convinced investors that rates would remain very low for a very long time. The TBond yield fell from 2,75% to 2,40% over the month, while the German 10-year yield fell below the 0% mark on March 21st and remained negative until the end of the month. Against this backdrop, risk aversion in the equity markets went back on the rise and while the Stoxx 600 fluctuated only slightly (+2,06%), this actually masked a very high sector and thematic rotation in favour of the stocks least sensitive to the economic situation. The fund, with a decline of 0,61% (A share) over the month, was hard hit by this situation, negatively impacted by commodities and automotive in particular, with the declines of Imerys, Aperam and ArcelorMittal, as well as Autoliv and Air France, which was hurt by the Dutch State's acquisition of a stake in its capital. Carrefour, Rexel and Spectris also made a negative contribution to performance. Conversely, the fund benefited from strong stock picks in chemicals, technology, healthcare and insurance, with rises by Merck KGaA and Ingenico, as well as Anheuser-Busch InBev and Novo Nordisk. The fund also benefited from the absence of Bayer



#### Recommended investment period of 5 years

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#### STOXX EUROPE 600 Net Return EUR

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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	3/19/90
Date of share's first NAV calculation	3/19/90
Management company	Lazard Frères Gestion SAS
Custodian	Lazard Frères Banque
Fund administration	CACEIS Fund Admin
Frequency of NAV calculation	Daily
Order execution	On next NAV for orders placed before 11:00 a.m
Subscritption 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	1% max
Management fees	1.10%
Performance fees	15% of the performance over the benchmark

#### **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 rough guide and may be modified without advance notice. risk-free investment. This indicator may change over time.

1.45%

#### **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	-0.61%	10.74%	-10.87%	6.69%	4.17%	2.18%	0.82%	
Benchmark index	2.06%	13.02%	5.22%	22.19%	30.12%	6.91%	5.41%	
Difference	-2.67%	-2.28%	-16.09%	-15.50%	-25.95%	-4.73%	-4.59%	

#### CALENDAR PERFORMANCES

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CALENDARTERFORMANCES							
	Fund	Benchmark index					
2018	-23.09%	-10.77%					
2017	14.48%	10.58%					
2016	2.93%	1.73%					
2015	3.59%	9.60%					
2014	3.73%	7.20%					
TRAILING PERFORMANCES							
2019 03 31	-10.87%	5.22%					
2018 03 31	0.10%	-0.15%					
2017 03 31	19.59%	16.30%					
2016 03 31	-18.33%	-12.78%					

19.55%

22.08%

#### **RISK RATIOS\*\***

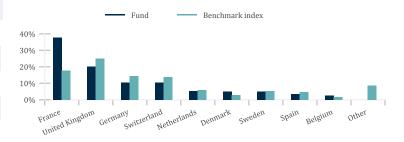
	1 Year	3 Years	
Volatility			
Fund	14.11%	13.87%	
Benchmark index	11.69%	11.97%	
Tracking Error	5.52%	5.23%	
Information ratio	-2.93	-0.87	
Sharpe ratio	-0.75	0.21	
Alpha	-15.67	-4.58	
Beta	1.12	1.08	
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\*\*Ratios calculated on a weekly basis

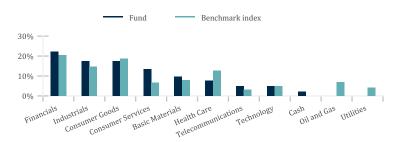
#### MAIN HOLDINGS

Holdings	Country Sector		Weight		
			Fund	Index	
SAINT-GOBAIN (CIE DE)	France	Construction & Materials	2.6%	0.2%	
ANHEUSER-BUSCH INBEV	Belgium	Food & Beverage	2.6%	0.8%	
NOVO-NORDISK A/S -B-	Denmark	Health Care	2.6%	1.0%	
DAIMLER AG	Germany	Automobiles & Parts	2.6%	0.6%	
KINGFISHER P.L.C.	United Kingdom	Retail	2.6%	0.1%	
ALLIANZ SE (NOMINATIVE)	Germany	Insurance	2.6%	1.0%	
NESTLE SA (NOMINATIVE)	Switzerland	Food & Beverage	2.5%	3.2%	
CARREFOUR	France	Retail	2.5%	0.1%	
UNILEVER NV (CERT. OF SHS)	Netherlands	Food & Beverage	2.5%	1.7%	
ADECCO GROUP SA (NOMINATIVE)	Switzerland	Industrial Goods & Services	2.5%	0.1%	
		Total	25.7%	8.7%	

#### **GEOGRAPHICAL BREAKDOWN**



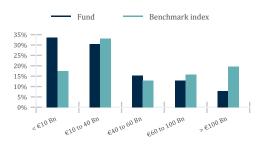
## SECTOR BREAKDOWN



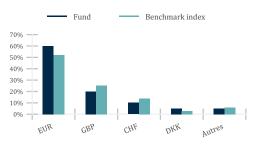
#### MAIN TRANSACTIONS

New positions	<b>Positions sold</b>
ORANGE	PEUGEOT SA

## **CAPITALIZATION BREAKDOWN**







## **OVER- AND UNDEREXPOSURE TO THE BENCHMARK INDEX**

## **RELATIVE CONTRIBUTORS TO PERFORMANCE**

			First positive contributors			First negative contributors			
Overexposures Underexposures			Absolute	Relative		Absolute	Relative		
KINGFISHER P.L.C.	2.5%	NOVARTIS SA	-2.7%		perf.	contribution (bp)		perf.	contribution (bp)
	2.5%	(NOMINATIVE)		MERCK KGAA	12.0%	22	IMERYS	-11.1%	-33
IMERYS	2.3%	HSBC HOLDINGS PLC	-1.8%	RECKITT BENCKISER GROUP PLC	9.6%	14	APERAM SA	-10.5%	-32
WEIR GROUP P.L.C. (THE)	2.4%	BP PLC	-1.6%	INGENICO GROUP SA	7.8%	14	ARCELORMITTAL SA	-10.6%	-31
ADECCO GROUP SA (NOMINATIVE)	2.4%	TOTAL	-1.6%		Total	50		Total	-96

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