

KEY FACTS

Investment Objective

The Strategy invests in securities listed on Western or Emerging European exchanges with the aim of achieving long term capital growth. It is a high conviction strategy focused on cash generative growth stocks with sound balance sheets. As part of its investment process, the Investment Manager integrates environmental, social and governance ("ESG") factors into its routine analysis. Its objective is to increase the value of your investment over the long term.

Strategy Information

STRATEGY INCEPTION	31st March 2008
STRATEGY CURRENCY	EUR
STRATEGY SIZE	€23.1m
INDEX	MSCI AC Europe Net TR (EUR)
MANAGER	Sharon Bentley-Hamlyn

MANAGER'S COMMENTARY

The Strategy in August returned -0.4% vs +1.6% for the benchmark MSCI AC Europe Index (\pounds). Year to date it has returned +0.6% vs +12.5% for the benchmark, over 12 months +10.2% vs +17.5%, over 3 years -25.1% vs +20.1%, over 5 years +37.3% vs +51.7% and since inception +212.0% vs +150.4% (31st March 2008).

August is typically a quiet month. The European benchmark made minor gains with healthcare, consumer stocks and financials the strongest sectors, where the Strategy has minimal exposure. Technology was the weakest sector overall, though the picture was mixed with some of the Strategy's stocks in positive territory, and just a couple accounting for the slight contraction in the strategy's NAV during the month. The stock market event of the month was the eagerly awaited Q2 reporting from US AI chipmaker, Nvidia, and although the results were very strong, they were not good enough to satisfy the highest expectations. The stock came back somewhat, affecting the wider sector.

The global 'chip war' appears to be heating up with the US pressurising Japanese and European governments to impose further restrictions on the sale of advanced chipmaking tools, and their servicing in China. China has threatened retaliation through the reduction of rare earth minerals essential for their production. The portfolio's holding in Dutch producer, ASML, may be affected if the government fails to renew its licenses to service and provide spare parts, particularly for their deep ultraviolet lithography machines. China has never been able to buy ASML's most advanced lithography machines, which use extreme ultraviolet (EUV) technology.

Since the month end we have seen takeover interest from Rupert Murdoch's REA group on the strategy's holding, Rightmove, sending the stock up 27%, underscoring our contention that the mid-cap area in Europe is extremely cheap. We highlighted the stock in a recent article, see <u>here</u>.

We believe that as interest rates continue to fall, the mid-cap area will receive more attention again. With the Federal Reserve widely expected to reduce interest rates this month, it seems anomalous that this has not already begun, perhaps just reflective of longer-term macro concerns about lower economic growth and structurally higher inflation than we have been used to as the world becomes increasingly protectionist.

NET PERFORMANCE

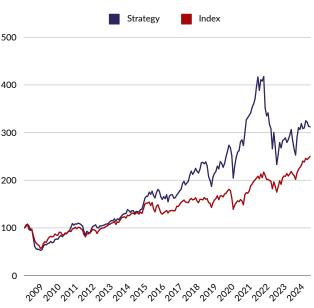
CUMULATIVE %	1M	3M	YTD	1Y	ЗY	5Y	10 Y	INCEPTION
Strategy Return	-0.4	-3.9	0.6	10.2	-25.1	37.3	131.8	212.0
Index Return	1.6	1.8	12.5	17.5	20.1	51.7	90.6	150.4

CALENDAR YEAR %	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
Strategy Return	15.8	-35.8	27.8	19.5	46.1	-13.7	28.5	-4.6	27.0	7.3
Index Return	16.2	-11.8	24.8	-3.8	26.6	-10.5	10.0	3.4	7.8	5.7

Source: Aubrey Capital Management & MSCI

All figures are presented net of fees in EUR. MSCI AC Europe Index is used for comparative purposes only. Investment returns may increase or decrease as a result of currency fluctuations. Past performance is no guarantee of future results.

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Aubrey European Conviction Strategy



PORTFOLIO BREAKDOWN

Sector Allocation

Top 10 Positions

Company	% of Holding
Wartsila	5.1
SAP	4.8
ASM International	4.5
VAT Group	4.4
Burckhardt Compression	4.3
Munters	4.0
LPP	4.0
ASML	3.9
Technogym	3.6
Holcim	3.5
Number of Holdings	33

The securities identified and described do not represent all of the securities purchases, sold or recommended for client accounts. The reader should not assume that an investment in the securities identified was or will be profitable.

Sector miseation

•	Capital Goods	22.4	•	Switzerland
•	Semiconductors & Equipment	21.7	•	United King
•	Consumer Durables & Apparel	12.3	•	Germany
•	Software & Services	9.4	•	Netherland
	Materials	8.6		Sweden
	Diversified Financials	8.2	•	Finland
	Commercial & Professional Services	8.1		Italy
•	Media & Entertainment	3.0	•	France
•	Banks	2.9	•	Denmark
•	Automobiles & Components	2.0	•	Poland
	Cash	1.4	•	Norway
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Geographic Allocation



2.4	•	Switzerland	17.5
1.7	•	United Kingdom	16.4
2.3	•	Germany	14.6
9.4	•	Netherlands	11.3
8.6		Sweden	8.4
3.2		Finland	6.6
8.1		Italy	6.3
8.0	•	France	6.0
2.9	•	Denmark	4.3
2.0	•	Poland	4.0
.4	•	Norway	3.2
		Cash	1.4

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