

GuardCap Global Equity Fund

30 June 2021 EUR I CLASS

Fund Information

	GuardCap Global Equity	
Fund Name	Fund	
Fund Manager	GuardCap Asset	
	Management Limited	
Fund Inception	10 December 2014	
Share Class Inception	29 October 2015	
Share Class	Euro I Class	
	Growth / Quality	
Style	Large-Mid Cap.	
1 101 1	Bottom-Up Fundamental	
Legal Status	UCITS	
Bloomberg	GCGLEIE	
ISIN	IE00BZ036616	
WKN	A140FA	
Number of Holdings	20-25	
Liquidity	Daily at NAV	
Annual Management Fee	0.80%	
Minimum Investment	\$500,000	
Benchmark	MSCI World Index (Net) €	
Number of Stocks	25	
Net Exposure	98.4%	
Fund Size	\$3.11 billion	
Strategy Size	\$12.23 billion*	
Active Share	92.4%	
*Based on estimates and is not official		

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Investment Objective

The investment objective of the Fund is to seek longterm growth of capital with lower than market volatility by investing primarily in equity and similar securities issued by high quality companies listed on Recognised Markets in countries which are members of the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development ("OECD").

Investment Process

- Investment philosophy: Growth drives returns; quality protects against downside; valuation matters
- Focused "total immersion" bottom-up analysis of selected "high confidence pool" of stocks
- Concentrated global equity long-only strategy with 20-25 high quality growth companies
- Benchmark agnostic, unconstrained portfolio construction; high active share

Performance Analysis

	Fund %	Benchmark %	Relative Return %
1 Month	4.46	4.74	-0.28
3 Months	7.31	6.84	0.47
YTD	13.79	16.63	-2.84
1 Year	23.65	31.93	-8.28
Annualised 3 Year	15.48	14.42	1.06
Annualised 5 Year	16.64	13.28	3.36
Annualised Since Inception*	14.34	11.19	3.15

^{*}Inception date 29/10/15. Past performance results are no indication of future results.

Calendar Year Performance

	Fund %	Benchmark %	Relative Return %
2016	9.85	10.63	-0.78
2017	16.00	7.42	8.58
2018	5.97	-3.97	9.94
2019	31.44	30.02	1.42
2020	8.29	6.33	1.96

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Risk Analysis

Since Inception*	Fund	Benchmark
Tracking Error	4.99	
Standard Deviation	12.80	14.47
Information Ratio	0.93	
Sharpe Ratio**	1.17	0.71
Upside Market Capture	100.42	100.00
Downside Market Capture	75.49	100.00
Batting Average	0.65	

^{*}USD I Class

Fund Ratings*

Morningstar Analyst Rating™

Overall Morningstar Rating™

Morningstar Sustainability Rating™

Morningstar Law Carbon Resignation

Morningstar Low Carbon Designation™

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Quantalys Rating™



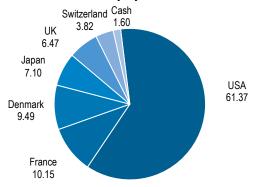
^{**}Sharpe ratio calculated using Bloomberg US Generic Govt. 3 Month Yield



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Geographic Allocation (%)



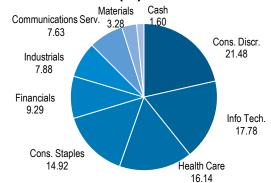
Top 5 Holdings

	Portfolio Weight
Alphabet	7.63%
CME Group	7.00%
EssilorLuxottica	6.63%
Mastercard	5.81%
Booking Holdings	5.63%

Investment Team

Michael Boyd Giles Warren Bojana Bidovec Orlaith O'Connor

Sector Allocation (%)



Monthly Contributors / Detractors

		Contribution to Portfolio Return
+	Illumina	0.91%
+	Nike	0.68%
+	EssilorLuxottica	0.61%
-	Booking Holdings	-0.28%
-	UnitedHealth	0.02%
-	CME Group	0.05%

YTD Contributors / Detractors

		Contribution to Portfolio Return
+	Alphabet	3.08%
+	CME Group	1.52%
+	Illumina	1.47%
-	MarketAxess	-0.43%
-	Keyence	-0.39%
-	Colgate-Palmolive	-0.03%

Manager Commentary

The top contributors to performance year to date were Alphabet, Illumina and CME Group.

Alphabet reported exceptionally strong Q1 results. Organic revenue grew 32% and operating margin expanded by more than 10 percentage points. Highlights included a reacceleration of retail momentum in search, a rebound in brand advertising and the success of Direct Response advertising at YouTube. As the owner of ten digital platforms with over one billion users each, the business should continue to benefit from broad-based digitisation. Illumina is the leader in genome sequencing technology, ahead of competition in terms of cost and accuracy. Adoption of genetic sequencing has been accelerating due to demand elasticity and an increasingly favourable regulatory environment, with an additional boost from infectious disease (Covid-19) research, diagnostics, screening and surveillance. In Q1, core markets bounced back, with most customers exceeding pre-pandemic utilisation. CME Group is the world's leading derivatives marketplace, a business with a pervasive network effect where liquidity attracts market participants. The end of the pandemic should bring a reduction in Central Bank intervention, higher interest rates and a more normal level of risk management using derivatives.

The top detractors year to date were **Keyence**, **MarketAxess** and **Colgate-Palmolive**.

Keyence is a Japanese business that develops, manufactures and sells a broad range of solutions for automation and inspection. Recent results exhibited a year on year recovery in Japanese and overseas sales growth, with expected continued improvement as the global economy rebounds. The company is well positioned for increasing adoption of factory automation, a trend accelerated by Covid-19. MarketAxess is strongly positioned to benefit from increasing electronification of bond trading driven by market participants' search for efficiency and best execution. After very strong share price performance in 2020, the stock has underperformed despite reporting 16% revenue growth in Q1 and continued market share gains across core credit products. Colgate-Palmolive is a leader in the global oral care market, with a strong position in petcare. The company reported 5% organic growth in Q1, driven by strong pricing and continued acceleration in e-commerce. The stock price has been under pressure year to date, in a rising bond yield environment and a rotation away from defensive companies.

*Returns expressed in U.S. Dollars



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