

# ZEST ASSET MANAGEMENT SICAV

# ZEST DERIVATIVES ALLOCATION

# 31 August 2015

#### **Fund Goal and Strategy**

Zest Derivatives Allocation aims to achieve an absolute return managing dynamically the total portfolio risk. In order to reach the performance objective the Management Team searches investment opportunities mainly in the bond and equity markets by assuming strategic tactical and relative value positions. Special emphasis is dedicated to options strategies to reduce market risks.

The flexible fund management is aiming at the reduction of the fund volatility and the achievement of a performance with the maximum decorrelation through a dynamic management of market exposure.

#### Features of the Sub Fund

Unit Name	Derivatives Allocation
Strategy	Flexible
Domicile	Luxembourg
Auditor	KPMG Audit
Currency	EUR
Inception Date	19.05.2015
AUM Mio.(31.08.2015)	€ 10.84

# NAV and Fees (class R1)

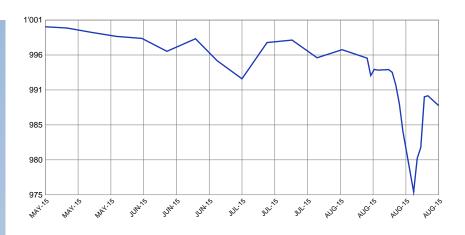
NAV (31.08.2015)	€ 988.27
Maximum Subscription Fee	up to 3.00%
Management Fee	1.20%
ISIN Code	LU1216085701
Bloomberg Code	ZDEALR1 LX
Telekurs Code	27717069
Minimal initial investment	€ 10'000
Next Subscriptions	€ 1'000

# NAV and Fees (class R2)

NAV (31.08.2015) Maximum Subscription Fee up to 3.00% Management Fee 1.60% LU1216085966 ISIN Code 7DFALR2 LX **Bloomberg Code** Telekurs Code 27717070 Minimal Initial Investment € 2'500 **Next Subscriptions** € 500

#### Performance Fees

All Classes 10% High Water Mark Yes continuous



#### MONTHLY COMMENTARY

August was a tough month for equity markets and the MSCI World Index declined 6.8%. Zest Derivatives Allocation lost 0.72% thanks to its cautious exposure and option strategy aiming at capital preservation.

Correction was deep and fueled by several factors: FED rate hike expectation, China weakness as well as low commodity prices. Nevertheless, we think market overreacted and we consider this correction and its magnitude as a good entry point to put money at work.

Volatility was on the rise with VIX spiking as result of increased uncertainty about the future and reflecting investors' fears and disappointment. We exploited this volatility to increase our gross exposure, not net exposure, in order to benefit if our expectation of normalization will materialize. We cannot rule out further market weakness and we are conscious about risk, but we cannot ignore an opportunity that we judge material. We expect next months will offer high volatility, but from our perspective, risk repricing will offer an impressive upside to our option strategies.

#### **Fund Facts**

Frequency of NAV calculation: daily Liquidity: daily

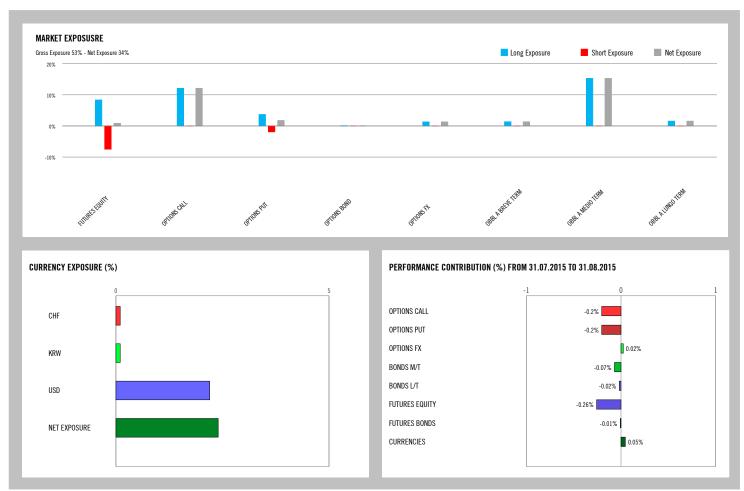
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FUND	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	ОСТ	NOV	DEC	YTD
2015					-0.07	-0.42	0.04	-0.72					-1.16



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## **TOP 10 POSITIONS**

BUONI POLIENNALI DEL TES 2.1% 15.09.21 - EUR	7.7%
CASSA DEPOSITI PRESTITI TV 1.75% 20.03.2 - EUR	6.5%
MSCI WORLD INDEX SEP15 - USD	5.1%
VOLKSWAGEN INTL FIN NV TV 2.5% 29.12.49 - EUR	1.6%
BUONI ORDINARI DEL TES ZC 0% 30.11.15 - EUR	1.4%
UNICREDIT SPA 7.8% 31.01.19 - EUR	1.1%
FTSE/MIB IDX FUT SEP15 - EUR	1.0%
EURO STOXX 50 SEP15 - EUR	0.9%
KOSPI2 INX FUT SEP15 - KRW	0.8%
XAE ENERGY DEC15 - USD	0.5%

STATISTICS	
ANNUALIZED STANDARD DEVIATION (volatility)	2.3
MONTHLY SKEWNESS	-0.3
MONTHLY EXCESS KURTOSIS	2.5
SHARPE RATIO (1 month Euribor)	-1.0
MONTHLY MAXIMUM DRAWDOWN	-0.7
MONTHLY VaR 99% ex post	1.6
MONTHLY VaR 99% ex ante	2.3
ANNUALIZED EXPECTED VOLATILITY	1.9
EXPECTED SHORTFALL	2.8

# \*VaR (Value at Risk)

VaR is a statistical measure derived from the volatility of the time series of returns of various asset classes. **Monthly VaR 99% = 5** means that the fund can only be invested in instruments with volatility and correlation such as at any time it cannot be expected statistically and under normal market conditions to underperform the target of more than 5% in the following month with a 99% probability.

Asset allocation and fx exposure are relative to the date of publishing the fact sheet and they are only spot information. Portfolio VaR is computed on the basis of the above allocation together with the statistical features of the selected investment tools.

# Before investing please read the KIID.

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### **RISK AND REWARD PROFILE**

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