

Total net assets **674.60 M€**

NAV **213.32 €**

ISIN Code **FR0013284536**

Morningstar Category **Eurozone Small-Cap Equity**

Overall Rating **★★★★**



Country of registration

## MANAGER(S)



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## RISK SCALE\*\*



Recommended investment period of 5 years

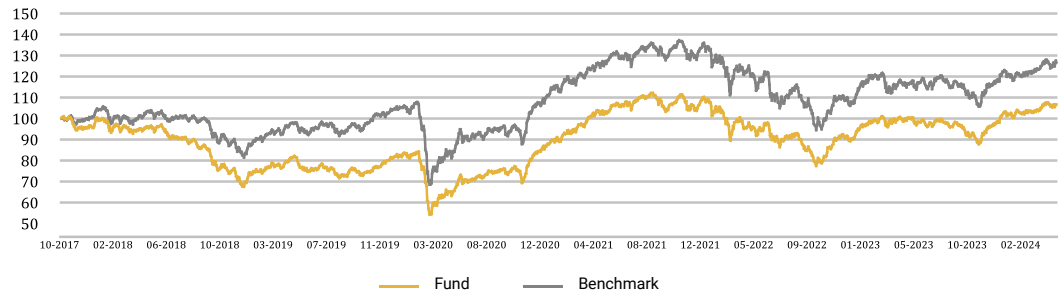
## BENCHMARK INDEX

MSCI EMU Small Cap since 03/04/23; Before EMIX SMALLER EUROLAND

## INVESTMENT POLICY

The objective of the fund is to outperform, net of fees and over the minimum recommended investment period of five years, the Eurozone small and mid cap universe as represented by the MSCI EMU Small Cap index calculated on a total return basis.

## HISTORICAL NET ASSET VALUE (10 YEARS OR SINCE INCEPTION)



Past performance is no guarantee of future performance and is assessed at the end of the recommended investment period.

## FEATURES

Legal Form	SICAV
Legal Domicile	France
UCITS	Yes
SFDR Classification	Article 8
AMF Classification	Eurozone equities
Eligibility to PEA (personal equity savings plan)	Yes
Currency	EURO
Subscribers concerned	No restriction
Inception date	31/10/2017
Date of share's first NAV calculation	31/10/2017
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
Subscription 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	Nil
Management fees (max)	1.43%
Performance fees (*)	20% of the performance over the benchmark
Current expenses	1.52%

\*\*Risk scale : For the SRI methodology, please refer to Art. 14(c) , Art. 3 and Annexes II and III PRIIPs RTS

(\*) Please refer to the Prospectus for more details about the performance fees

(3) Ratios calculated on a weekly basis

## HISTORICAL PERFORMANCE

	Cumulative						Annualized	
	1 Month	YTD	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	Inception	3 Years	5 Years
Fund	-0.25%	3.23%	6.77%	3.54%	30.58%	5.67%	1.17%	5.48%
Benchmark	-0.29%	3.37%	8.19%	0.94%	29.15%	25.71%	0.31%	5.25%
Difference	0.04%	-0.14%	-1.42%	2.60%	1.43%	-20.04%	0.85%	0.23%

## PERFORMANCE BY CALENDAR YEAR

	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
Fund	14.21%	-16.87%	24.10%	6.83%	17.71%	-27.02%
Benchmark	14.09%	-19.87%	20.94%	6.10%	25.13%	-17.18%

## TRAILING 1Y PERFORMANCE

	04 2024	04 2023	04 2022	04 2021	04 2020	04 2019
Fund	6.77%	3.92%	-6.67%	58.27%	-20.32%	-13.96%
Benchmark	8.19%	-3.55%	-3.27%	48.77%	-14.00%	-3.24%

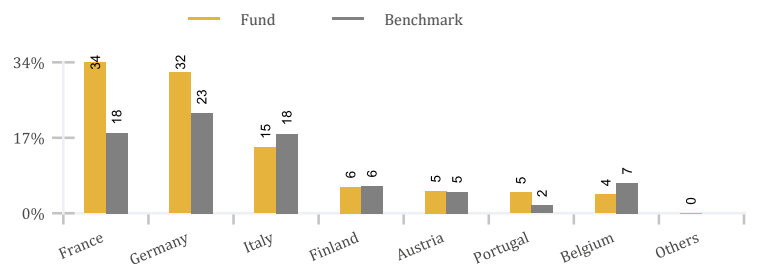
## RISK RATIOS\*\*\*

	1 Year	3 Years		1 Year	3 Years
Volatility			Sharpe ratio	0.41	-0.03
Fund	10.27%	15.67%	Alpha	0.62	0.82
Benchmark	11.69%	17.50%	Beta	0.81	0.85
Tracking Error	4.61%	5.61%	(3) Ratios calculated on a weekly basis		
Information ratio	-0.24	0.16			

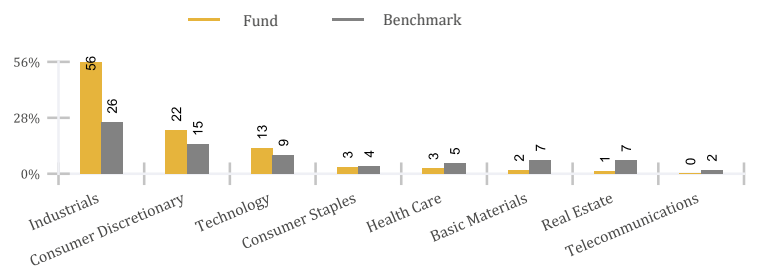
MAIN HOLDINGS

Holdings	Country	Sector	Weight	
			Fund	Index
IPSOS SA	France	Consumer Services	4.7%	0.5%
SOPRA STERIA GROUP	France	Technology	3.9%	0.7%
ALTEN	France	Technology	3.8%	0.7%
KSB PREF SHS	Germany	Industrials	3.8%	
CARGOTEC OYJ -B-	Finland	Consumer Goods	3.8%	0.6%
ALZCHEM GROUP AG	Germany	Industrials	3.4%	
STO PREF SHS	Germany	Industrials	3.3%	0.1%
CEWE STIFTUNG & CO. KGAA	Germany	Consumer Services	3.3%	0.1%
F.I.L.A. SPA	Italy	Consumer Goods	3.3%	0.1%
DE LONGHI SPA	Italy	Consumer Goods	3.2%	0.5%
Total			36.2%	3.2%

GEOGRAPHICAL BREAKDOWN (%)



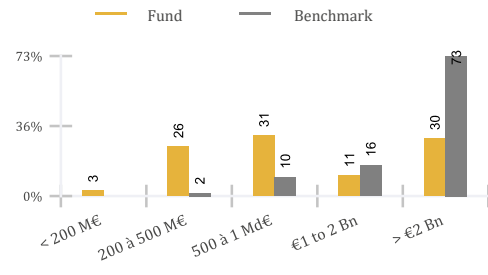
SECTOR BREAKDOWN (%)



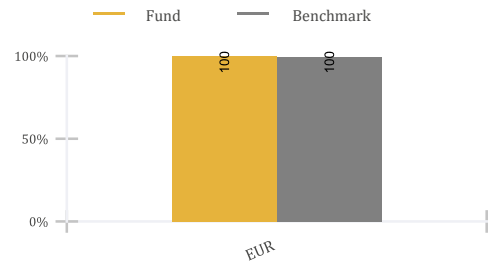
MAIN TRANSACTIONS

New positions	Positions sold
Positions increased	Positions reduced
ALTEN	
ASSYSTEM SA	
INTERPUMP GROUP SPA	

CAPITALIZATION BREAKDOWN (%)



CURRENCY BREAKDOWN (%)



RELATIVE OVER AND UNDERWEIGHTS

Overexposures		Underexposures	
IPSOS SA	4.1%	BANCO DE SABADELL SA	-2.0%
KSB PREF SHS	3.8%	CTS EVENTIM	-1.1%
ALZCHEM GROUP AG	3.4%	BANKINTER SA	-1.0%
SOPRA STERIA GROUP	3.2%	BPER BANCA S.P.A	-1.0%

RELATIVE CONTRIBUTORS TO PERFORMANCE

First positive contributors			First negative contributors		
	Absolute return	Relative contribution (bp)		Absolute return	Relative contribution (bp)
ALZCHEM GROUP AG	23.6%	68	ALTEN	-18.7%	-58
CARGOTEC OYJ -B-	14.6%	41	SOPRA STERIA GROUP	-8.2%	-27
F.I.L.A. SPA	10.7%	32	MANITOU	-9.1%	-24
Total		140	Total		-110

## FUND MANAGERS COMMENT

The Eurostoxx traded down 1.9% in April, giving some of its gains since the start of the year. Small caps proved more resilient, with both the SICAV and the MSCI EMU Small Cap index declining by a more modest 0.3% (I Unit). Alzchem provided the largest contribution to the portfolio's performance, gaining 24% as a strong Q1 publication confirmed the positive trends observed in the full year results. Cargotec (+15%) and Surteco (+17%) also published results that were above market expectations. F.I.L.A. (+11%) and Norma (+9%) also contributed to performance despite no specific news flow. Conversely, Alten's (-19%) results publication contained more muted commentary on revenue trends while confirming full year targets. Sopra (-8%), Manitou (-9%) and Thermador (-7%) also traded down following their results announcements, which in our view contained no major surprises. During the month we added to a number of positions in the portfolio, including Alten, Assystem, Thermador, Interpump and Piovan.

## CONTACTS AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

### Glossary :

Alpha represents the return of a portfolio that is attributable to the manager's investment decisions.  
Beta measures a fund's sensitivity to movements in the overall market.  
Information ratio represents the value added by the manager (excess return) divided by the tracking error.  
Sharpe ratio measures return in excess of the risk free rate for every unit of risk taken.  
Tracking error measures the volatility of the difference between a portfolio's performance and the benchmark.  
Volatility is a measure of the fund's returns in relation to its historic average.  
Yield to Maturity indicates the rate of return generated if a security is held to its maturity date.  
Coupon Yield is the annual coupon value divided by the price of the bond.  
Average Credit Spread is the credit spread of a bond over LIBOR, taking into account the value of the embedded option.

Average Rating is the weighted average credit rating of bonds held by the Fund.

Modified Duration is the percentage change in the value of a bond resulting from a 1% interest rate change.

Average Maturity is the average time to maturity of all bonds held by the Fund.

Spread Duration is the sensitivity of a bond price to a change in spreads.

Yield is the internal rate of return of a bond if held to maturity, but not accounting for conversion features of a convertible bond.

Delta represents the sensitivity of convertible bonds held by the Fund to a change in the underlying security price.

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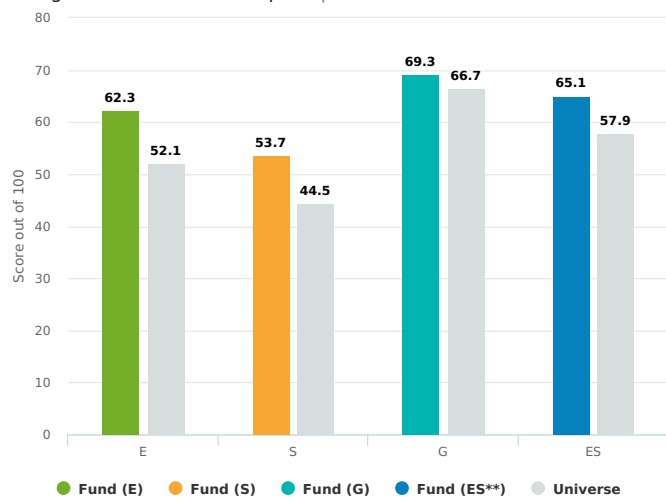
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ESG rating - Lazard Small Caps Euro SRI  
59.59

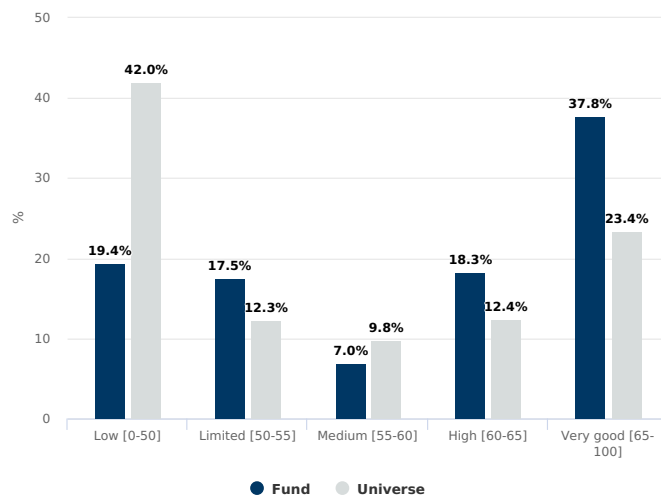
ESG rating Universe\*  
51.59

Minimum label SRI rating  
56.87

Average score on each ESG pillar | Score out of 100



ESG score distribution in %



Source: Gaïa Rating. Fund coverage rate: 99.2%. Universe coverage rate: 100.0%

\*Universe: Eurozone companies analyzed by Gaïa Rating whose capitalization is between 100 million and 2 billion euros

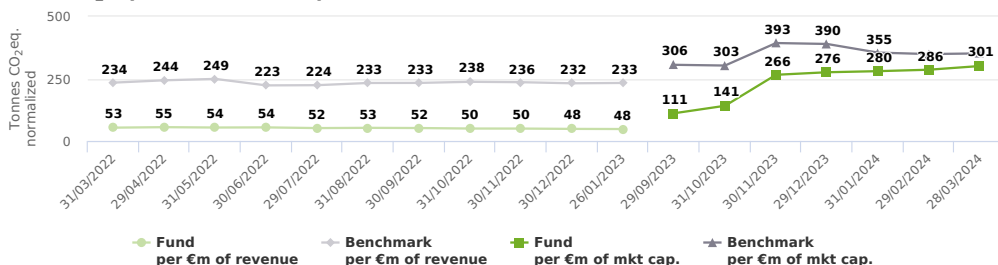
\*\* External Stakeholders.

## ESG performance indicators

### Environmental

#### Carbon footprint

Tons CO<sub>2</sub> eq./M€ of market cap.



Benchmark: MSCI EMU Small Cap net return EUR

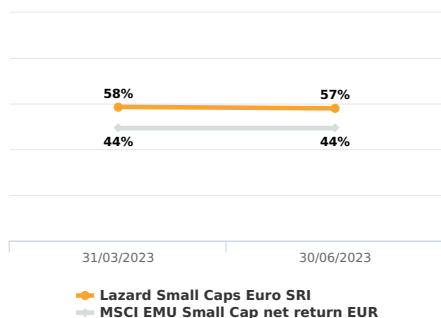
Source: Ethifinance - scopes 1 and 2. Fund coverage rate: 100.0% ; benchmark: 96.3%

#### 5 main contributions to the carbon footprint of the fund

Companies	Contributions
STO SE & CO. KGAA	63%
ALZCHEM GROUP AG	22%
MAYR-MELNHOF KARTON AG	3%
FILA HOLDINGS CORP.	2%
KSB	2%

### Human rights

% of companies signatories of United Nation Global Compact



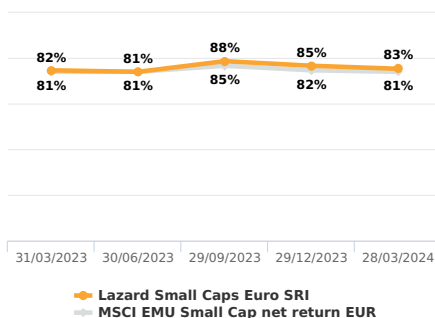
Source: Gaïa Rating

Fund coverage rate: 100.0%

Benchmark coverage rate: 96.3%

### Social

% of companies engaged in promoting social dialogue



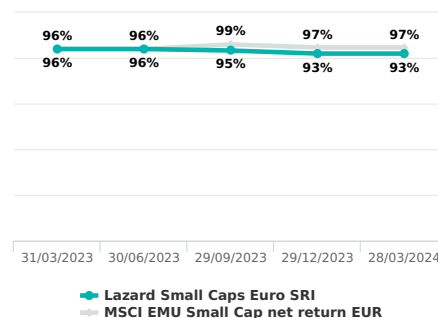
Source: Gaïa Rating

Fund coverage rate: 100.0%

Benchmark coverage rate: 96.3%

### Governance

Formalization of a business conduct and anti-corruption policy



Source: Gaïa Rating

Fund coverage rate: 100.0%

Benchmark coverage rate: 96.3%

## SRI label commitments

List of indicators for which the fund is committed to outperforming its benchmark / universe, as defined in the SRI label guidelines:

- % of companies engaged in promoting social dialogue
- Carbon footprint, Tons CO<sub>2</sub> eq./M€ of market cap.

## Carbon footprint methodology (environmental impact)

- Lazard Frères Gestion decided to establish a partnership with ETHIFINANCE, in order to receive carbon footprint data.
- Lazard Frères Gestion uses the carbon footprint indicator, which is expressed in CO equivalent tons per €m of market capitalization.
- The carbon footprint assessment takes into account scope 1 and 2 greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions:
  - Scope 1: all direct emissions related to the combustion of fossil fuels required to manufacture the product.
  - Scope 2: indirect emissions linked to the production of electricity, heat or steam consumed by the activities of the company.
- This measurements are made only on securities held directly.
- In the case of a listed company for which we do not have carbon data, its weighting is then proportionally distributed over the weight of other companies in the same sector, in order to preserve the initial sectoral weightings.
- The weight of each security in the portfolio is rebased so that the total weight is 100%
- The method used to calculate the carbon footprint of a portfolio is a weighted average of GHGs divided by the market capitalization of each position. This gives us the following formula:

$$\text{Carbon footprint of the portfolio} = \sum \left[ \left( \frac{\text{Carbon emissions (scope 1 + 2)}}{\text{Market capitalization}} \right) \text{ of each security} \times \text{security weight} \right]$$

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