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# **DPAM INVEST B EQUITIES EUROLAND - V**

### Monthly Institutional Factsheet | 31 January 2017

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#### **MANAGER COMMENT**

#### Market comment

After 2016 ended on a strong note, investors adopted a more cautious stance at the start of the new year. Macro-economic news (Eurozone manufacturing Purchasing Managers' Index reaching 55.2) and corporate results were supportive. The new mergers and acquisitions year got off to a flying start with sizeable deals announced in the US (Johnson & Johnson acquiring Actelion) and Europe (mergers between Luxottica and Essilor, acquisition of Zodiac by Safran). Nevertheless, European equities ended the month slightly lower. There was some 'buy on the rumor, sell on the news' type of action, as better economic and corporate momentum was already expected.

#### Performance

In January, the B class of the fund returned 0.45%, while the benchmark dropped 1.00%.

Relative performance was positive across most sectors, largely thanks to stock selection. Stock-picking was most beneficial in financials and information technology.

In Italian banks, our underweight in Intesa Sanpaolo and overweight in Mediobanca (shareholder of insurer Generali) were very helpful. Intesa confirmed that it is mulling a take-over of Generali. We also overweigh wealth manager Banca Generali, which is majority controlled by insurer Generali.

Within technology, both ASML and SAP added to performance, as they reported good results. ASML provided positive commentary on its Extreme Ultraviolet product, which is supportive of long-term targets. Meanwhile, SAP upped its long-term guidance and announced some big contract wins.

Slightly offsetting this outperformance was the negative contribution of telecom services. Both KPN and Cellnex trailed the sector in the absence of any substantial news-flow.

#### Last month's strategy

We continued to gradually reduce the overweight in banks by trimming holdings in Natixis and ING. Upside surprises in earnings are not a given, while valuations have steadily risen since the end of September 2016. Proceeds were re-invested in a new position in NN Group. Through a combination of acquisitions and returns to shareholders, the Dutch insurer is putting to use its excess capital in a way that will deliver value to shareholders.

In utilities, we used recent weakness in Rubis to reinforce the position. We believe the stock suffered as it was mistakenly perceived as a bond proxy. Given its exposure to fast-growing emerging markets and its ability to do additional acquisitions, this was unwarranted.

#### **Outlook & strategy going forward**

On January 20, Donald J. Trump was inaugurated as the 45th President of the United States. Since his election, markets have welcomed the prospects of an actual reflation scenario. Economic indicators have risen, equities have rallied and implied volatility sits at 2-year lows. However, with Purchasing Managers' Indices approaching the upper end of historic ranges and given the first signs of Chinese monetary restraint, some profit-taking is to be expected.

Since taking office, Trump has shown he means business and has started to deliver on some of his promises. Inflation expectations have continued to trend higher, but real rates have disappointed so far.

We think investors will want to see more policy details and smooth execution before they re-rate equities further. We have therefore taken a more balanced approach towards the banking sector and reinforced holdings in companies that can grow independently of the economic cycle.

The sum of the sector overweights currently stands at 16.85%, the ex-ante tracking-error is 2.95% and the active share of the fund is 74.39%.

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#### OVERVIEW

Asset Class		Equities	
Category		EMU	
Strategy	Active	Strategy	
Fund Of	DPAM Invest B		
Legal Structure	SICAV		
Domicile	Belgium		
Reference Currency	EUR		
Liquidity		Daily	
Sub-fund launch	05	.02.1998	
First NAV date	16	.08.2013	
Countries notified for public sale			
	C	H, GB, NL	
ISIN	BE624	6056327	
Entry Fee	Maxir	num 2 %	
Exit Fee		0.00%	
Management Fee		0.75%	
TER (31.12.2016)	1.07%		
Minimum investment	1 share		
NAV (Distribution)	136.30		
Last gross dividend (06.04.2016)	EUR 3.00		
Assets (all classes)	mn EUR 755.23		
Number of positions		60	
	Fund	Index	
PERFORMANCES (%)			
1 month	0.52	-1.00	
YTD	0.52	-1.00	
1 year	12.48	10.32	
3 years annualised	6.99	6.58	
5 years annualised	-	-	
10 years annualised	-	-	
	Fund	Index	
PORTFOLIO CHARACTERISTICS			
Gross dividend yield (%)	2.84	3.28	

#### **INVESTMENT UNIVERSE**

The fund mainly invests (without any sectorial restrictions) in shares and/or other equity securities of companies which have their registered office and/or a significant part of their assets, activities, profit centres or decision-making centres in a eurozone EU Member State.

#### INDEX

MSCI EMU Net Return

#### **BREAKDOWNS (%)**

Sectors	Fund	Index
Financials	21.3	19.7
Information Technology	13.2	7.5
Industrials	12.9	15.1
Consumer Discretionary	12.4	14.1
Consumer Staples	10.7	10.5
Health Care	7.4	7.9
Telecommunication Services	5.7	4.6
Energy	5.6	5.6
Materials	4.2	8.8
Utilities	4.0	4.4
Real Estate	1.9	1.8
Cash	0.8	0.0
Тор 10		
SAP AG		4.5
Banco Santander SA		3.7
Allianz		3.3
ASML Holding		3.2
Deutsche Telekom		3.1
Royal Dutch Shell		3.0
Ing Group		2.9
KBC Group		2.9
Infineon Technologies		2.9
Heineken		2.6

Countries	Fund	Index
France	29.8	32.5
Germany	22.8	30.6
Netherlands	11.2	10.8
Italy	9.4	6.4
Spain	8.9	10.2
Belgium	8.7	3.8
Ireland	4.3	1.5
United Kingdom	3.0	0.0
Portugal	1.1	0.5
Other	0.0	3.7
Cash	0.8	0.0
Currencies	Fund	Index
Euro	100.0	98.9
Other	0.0	1.1

#### **TOP 5 OVERWEIGHTS & UNDERWEIGHTS**

Top 5 Overweights	Active weight	Top 5 Underweights	Active weight
Royal Dutch Shell	+2.98	Siemens	-2.51
KBC Group	+2.48	Sanofi	-2.44
Infineon Technologies	+2.33	Bayer	-2.39
Mediobanca	+2.24	BASF	-2.31
Ryanair Holdings	+2.22	Anheuser Busch Inbev	-2.07

#### **TOP 5 BEST CONTRIBUTORS & WORST CONTRIBUTORS**

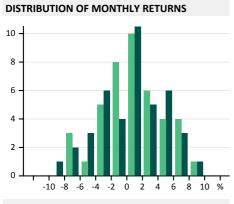
Top 5 Best Contributors	Contribution	Top 5 Worst Contributors	Contribution
ASML Holding	+0.10	Royal Dutch Shell	-0.15
Anheuser Busch Inbev	+0.09	Thales Sa	-0.10
JC Decaux	+0.09	Autogrill SpA	-0.09
Intesa Sanpaolo (ord)	+0.09	Telenet Group Hldg	-0.07
Eni	+0.09	Bayer	-0.07

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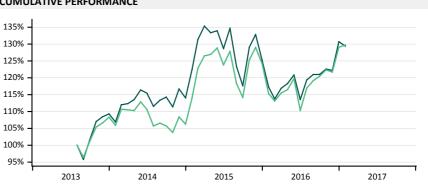
Reference Currency EUR | Since Inception (16.08.2013)



STATISTICS			
		Fund	Index
Volatility	%	13.95	14.44
Sharpe Ratio		0.56	0.54
Downside Deviation	%	8.66	8.87
Sortino Ratio		0.91	0.88
Positive Months	%	59.52	61.90
Maximum Drawdown	%	-14.49	-16.09
Risk-Free Rate -0.06%			

FUND VERSUS INDEX		
Correlation		0.974
R <sup>2</sup>		0.948
Alpha	%	0.04
Beta		0.941
Treynor Ratio	%	8.34
Tracking Error	%	3.29
Information Ratio		-0.015
Index: MSCI EMU Net Return		

#### CUMULATIVE PERFORMANCE



Fund

Index

### 12-MONTH ROLLING RETURNS





#### **MONTHLY RETURNS IN %**

	2013		2014		20	2015		)16	20	2017	
	Fund	Index	Fund	Index	Fund	Index	Fund	Index	Fund	Index	
January			-2.21	-2.22	7.28	7.39	-7.14	-6.33	0.52	-1.00	
February			4.49	4.80	7.77	7.28	-1.92	-3.03			
March			-0.16	0.31	2.95	3.01	2.08	2.76			
April			-0.20	1.06	0.35	-1.45	0.87	1.20			
May			2.35	2.52	1.48	0.43	2.82	2.15			
June			-1.98	-0.83	-3.88	-3.94	-7.88	-6.02			
July			-4.44	-3.38	3.24	4.69	6.00	5.11			
August	-3.58	-4.21	0.80	1.62	-7.46	-8.43	1.90	1.35			
September	4.88	6.00	-0.79	0.83	-3.48	-4.63	1.09	0.01			
October	4.24	5.42	-1.81	-2.54	9.72	9.70	1.56	1.32			
November	1.14	1.30	4.41	4.77	2.98	2.94	-0.51	-0.31			
December	1.60	0.81	-1.96	-2.28	-3.73	-5.73	6.04	6.95			
Year	8.32	9.31	-1.88	4.33	16.87	9.82	3.91	4.37	0.52	-1.00	

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