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COMGEST GROWTH JAPAN EUR X H ACC - IE00BDZQRF72

NAV per share: €14.41

30 April 2023

KEY DIFFERENTIATORS

- Quality comes first, we seek growth that can endure
- Team-based approach, rather than star-manager fund, which we believe leads to greater consistency
- ESG integrated into the investment process leveraging proprietary ESG research
- Culture matters. Comgest's broad partnership structure incentivises long-term thinking, an ESG mindset, teamwork and low employee turnover.

INVESTMENT TEAM



Chantana Ward, Richard Kaye, Makoto Egami
Team may include advisors from affiliates within the Comgest Group.

RISK PROFILE

Lower risk — Higher risk

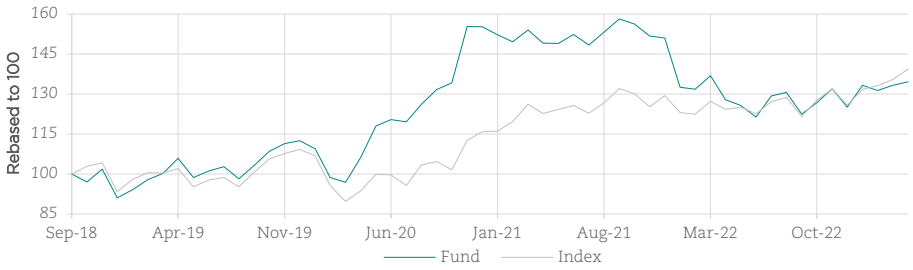
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The indicator represents the risk profile presented in the PRIIPs Key Information Document. The indicator assumes you keep the product for 5 years otherwise the actual risk can vary significantly. UK investors should refer to the UCITS KIID which is available on the fund pages at www.comgest.com.

INVESTMENT POLICY

The objective of the Sub-Fund ("the Fund") is to increase the value of the Fund (capital appreciation) over the long term. The Fund intends to achieve this objective through investment in a portfolio of high-quality, long-term growth companies. The Fund will invest at least two-thirds of its assets in securities issued by companies listed or traded on regulated markets that have their headquarters in, or principally carry out their activities in Japan or in securities issued or guaranteed by the Japanese government.
This share class will use currency hedging with the aim of limiting the effect of changes in foreign exchange rates between the share class currency and the base currency of the Fund.
The Fund is actively managed. The index is provided for comparative purposes only.
The Fund is aimed at investors with a long-term investment horizon (typically 5 years or more).

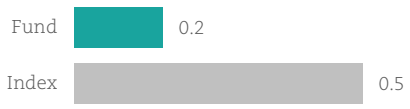
CUMULATIVE PAST PERFORMANCE (REBASED TO 100)



SFDR CLASSIFICATION: Article 8

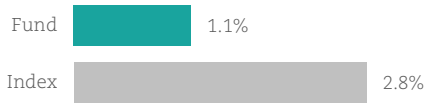
The Fund promotes environmental and/or social characteristics.

CARBON FOOTPRINT[1]



Source: MSCI as at 31/03/2023, tCO_2e per JPY m invested.

ENVIRONMENTAL FOOTPRINT[1]



Source: Trucost as at 31/03/2023, estimation of the environmental costs per JPY m invested.

ROLLING PERFORMANCE (%)

					Annualised			
	1 Month	QTD	YTD	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years	Since Incep.
Fund	1.0	1.0	7.5	5.3	8.3	--	--	6.8
Index	2.9	2.9	10.8	12.2	14.2	--	--	7.6
Fund Volatility	--	--	--	19.1	18.2	--	--	19.8
Index Volatility	--	--	--	14.2	15.3	--	--	19.1

CALENDAR YEAR PAST PERFORMANCE (%)

	2019	2020	2021	2022
Fund	23.5	38.0	-2.6	-17.2
Index	17.0	6.1	11.6	-2.7

ANNUAL PERFORMANCE (%) AS AT QUARTER END

	1Q19 -1Q20	1Q20 -1Q21	1Q21 -1Q22	1Q22 -1Q23
Fund	-3.4	59.0	-11.1	-2.7
Index	-10.6	40.7	0.8	6.5

Performance data expressed in EUR. Returns may increase or decrease as a result of exchange rate fluctuations. Index: Topix Hedged to EUR - Net Return.The index is used for comparative purposes only and the Fund does not seek to replicate the index.
Past performance does not predict future returns.
Performance figures are calculated net of administrative fees and all other fees with the exception of investment management fees. If taken into account, these fees would have a negative impact on performance.
The cumulative graph and "Since Inception" data may refer to the last relaunch date of the share class which may differ from its actual inception date. Calendar year past performance is only shown for years for which a full calendar year of past performance is available.

Please see risks and other important information on following pages

[1] Calculation methodology and scope on page 3.

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FUND COMMENTARY

In April, portfolio returns were below where we think they should be given the strength of earnings shown by our investee companies. The Bank of Japan's new Governor, Mr. Ueda, reiterated hints that he would not change policy soon, which ordinarily should challenge the thesis that has driven the share prices of financial stocks and sucked capital away from sustainable growth companies in which we typically invest. Warren Buffett was in Japan to look for undervalued companies, which we hope will be a forestate for renewed foreign investor interest in the many opportunities of our market.

Fast Retailing reported very strong results, with both Japan and China recovering from the Covid depression and the company's Uniqlo brand once again capturing the imagination of Asian consumers. In Japan, Fast Retailing has seen growth in the teens for same-store sales in recent months and China, a major profit geography, is also rebounding.

Orix is benefitting from post-Covid normalisation as well. The company's 5,000 hotel rooms, soon to be 6,000, its share of the Kansai Airport operation concession and its major exposure to aircraft leasing are all well placed to capture the normalisation. Japan formally announced the approval of its first integrated resort, a casino and entertainment facility in the city of Osaka, in which Orix will be a major participant.

Hoya published its Task Force on Climate-Related Financial Disclosures report, part of its focus on investor dialog in this area, but also on how it perceives its own environmental role as its technology in semiconductor innovation places it well in many energy-saving devices.

The opportunity of Japanese equities to invest in global leaders at unprecedently low valuations remains very significant, and our portfolio continues to exploit that.

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PORTFOLIO CHARACTERISTICS

Total Net Assets (all classes, m)	€2,486.3
Number of holdings	45
Average weighted market cap (bn)	€25.2
Weight of top 10 stocks	33.2%
Active share	80.5%

Holdings exclude cash and cash equivalents

TOP 5 HOLDINGS (%)

	Fund
Sony Group	4.1
DAIKIN INDUSTRIES	3.6
Oriental Land	3.6
Shin-Etsu Chemical	3.4
FAST RETAILING	3.4

Above holdings are provided for information only, are subject to change and are not a recommendation to buy or sell

SECTOR BREAKDOWN (%)

	Fund	Index
Consumer Discretionary	22.6	18.3
Industrials	18.9	23.9
Information Technology	13.9	13.1
Consumer Staples	10.7	7.7
Health Care	10.2	8.8
Communication Services	7.2	7.9
Financials	6.8	10.7
Materials	6.6	5.7
[Cash]	2.4	--
Utilities	0.8	1.3
Real Estate	--	1.9
Energy	--	0.8

Source: Comgest / GICS sector classification

COUNTRY BREAKDOWN (%)

	Fund	Index
Japan	97.6	100.0
[Cash]	2.4	--

Source: Comgest / MSCI country classification

RISKS

This Fund has the following core inherent risks (non-exhaustive list):

- Investing involves risk including possible loss of principal.
- The value of all investments and the income derived therefrom can decrease as well as increase.
- There is no assurance that the investment objective of the Fund will be achieved.
- To the extent that the Fund is invested in or denominated in a currency other than yours, the cost and return in your currency may increase or decrease due to exchange rate fluctuations.
- A more detailed description of the risk factors that apply to the Fund is set out in the Prospectus.

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FUND DETAILS

ISIN: IE00BDZQRF72

SEDOL: BDZQRF7

Bloomberg: CGJEXHA ID

Domicile: Ireland

Dividend Policy: Accumulation

Fund Base Currency: JPY

Share Class Currency: EUR

Inception Date: 25/10/2018

Index (used for comparative purposes only): Topix Hedged to EUR - Net Return

Ongoing Charges: 0.05% p.a of the NAV

Investment Manager's Fees (part of ongoing charges): 0% p.a of the NAV
Investment into this share class is subject to the prior signature of an Investor Fee Agreement with the Investment Manager at its sole discretion

Maximum Sales Charge: None

Exit Charge: None

Minimum Initial Investment: EUR 10

Minimum Holding: None

Contact for Subscriptions and Redemptions: RBC Investor Services Ireland Limited
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Dealing Frequency: Any business day (D) when banks in Dublin and the primary trading exchanges in Japan are open for business

Cut Off: 5:00 pm Irish time on day D-1
An earlier deadline for receipt of application or redemption requests may apply if your request is sent through a third party. Please enquire with your local representative, distributor or other third party

NAV: Calculated using closing prices of D

NAV Known: D+1

Settlement: D+3

Legal Structure: Comgest Growth Japan, a sub-fund of Comgest Growth plc (an open-ended investment company with variable capital authorised by the Central Bank of Ireland), is an Undertaking for Collective Investment in Transferable Securities (UCITS)

Management Company: None as Comgest Growth plc is self-managed

Investment Manager: Comgest Asset Management International Limited (CAMIL)
Regulated by the Central Bank of Ireland and registered as an investment adviser with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission
SEC registration does not imply a certain level of skill or training

Sub-Investment Manager: Comgest S.A. (CSA)
Regulated by the Autorité des Marchés Financiers - GP 90023

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

This is a marketing communication. Please refer to the fund prospectus and to the PRIIPS KID before making any final investment decisions. UK investors should refer to the UCITS KIID. Tax applicable to an investment depends on individual circumstances. Depending on where you live, the Fund may not be available to you for subscription. In particular this Fund cannot be offered or sold publicly in the United States. Consult your financial or professional adviser for more information on investing and taxation.
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Further information or reporting may be available from the Investment Manager upon request.
Complaints handling policies are available in English, French, German, Dutch and Italian on our website at www.comgest.com in the regulatory information section. Comgest Growth Plc may decide to terminate at any time the arrangements made for the marketing of its UCITS.

Carbon Footprint: estimates the apportioned Scope 1 and 2 greenhouse gases emissions of the portfolio holdings.
Environmental Footprint: estimates the apportioned ratio of annual costs linked to greenhouse gases, water abstraction, waste generation, air, land & water pollutants, and natural resource use associated with the portfolio holdings per JPY m invested.
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Glossary

Active Share: The percentage of fund holdings that is different from the reference index holdings. A fund that has no holdings in common with the reference index will have an active share of 100%, and a fund that has exactly the same holdings as the reference index considered will have an active share of 0%.

ADR - American Depositary Receipt: A negotiable security that represents securities of a foreign company and allows that company's shares to trade in the financial markets of the United States.

Annualised: A figure converted into an annual rate. Figures covering a period of more than one year are averaged to present a figure for a 12-month period

Bp(s) - Basis point(s): One basis point is equal to one hundredth of 1% (i.e. 0.01%).

BV - Book Value: The value of the company assets minus its liabilities.

CAGR - Compound Annual Growth Rate: The rate of return that would be required for an investment to grow from its beginning balance to its ending balance, assuming the profits were reinvested at the end of each year of the investment's lifespan.

CapEx - Capital Expenditure: The money invested by a company to acquire or upgrade fixed, physical, non-consumable assets such as property, plants, buildings, technology, or equipment.

Cash Flow: The net amount of cash and cash equivalents being transferred in and out of a company. Cash received signifies inflows, and cash spent signifies outflows.

CPI - Consumer Price Index: An index that measures the overall change in consumer prices based on a representative basket of goods and services over time. It is the metric often used to measure inflation.

DY - Dividend Yield: A ratio that shows how much a company pays out in dividends each year relative to its share price.

EBITDA - Earnings Before Interest, Taxes, Depreciation and Amortisation: Used to measure a company's core profitability and is calculated by adding interest, tax, depreciation and amortisation expenses to net income.

EBIT - Earnings Before Interest and Taxes: Used to measure a company's core profitability and is calculated by adding interest and tax expenses to net income.

EPS - Earnings Per Share: The profits of a company attributed to each share, calculated by dividing profits after tax by the number of shares. EPS serves as an indicator of a company's profitability.

FCF - Free Cash Flow: The cash generated by a company from its normal business operations after subtracting any money spent on capital expenditures.

GDP - Gross Domestic Product: The total market value of all the finished goods and services produced within in a country's border in a specific time period.

GDR - Global Depositary Receipt: A certificate issued by a bank that represents shares in a foreign stock on two or more global markets. A GDR is similar to an American depositary receipt (ADR), except an ADR only lists shares of a foreign country in the markets of the United States.

LTM - Last 12 Months: LTM multiples are backward-looking and are based on historical performance.

Market Cap(italisation): A measure of a company's size, calculated by multiplying the total number of shares in issue by the current share price. Companies are commonly grouped according to size, such as small cap, mid cap, large cap or all cap. There is no consensus on the definition of these groupings and they may vary from portfolio to portfolio depending on the country of investment.

NAV - Net Asset Value: The current market value of the portfolio's assets minus the portfolio's liabilities.

NTM - Next 12 Months: NTM multiples are forward-looking and are based on projected performance.

Ongoing Charges: A fund's operational costs over a year. Ongoing Charges are calculated as a percentage of the average fund size over the year and include, for example, investment manager's fees, administration fees and custody costs.

Operating Margin: Measures how much profit a company makes on a dollar (or relevant currency) of sales after paying for variable costs of production, such as wages and raw materials, but before paying interest or tax.

Operating Profit: A company's gross income less operating expenses and other business-related expenses, such as wages, cost of goods sold (COGS) and depreciation.

Organic Growth: Growth a company achieves by increasing output and enhancing sales through the business' own operations and internal processes. This does not include profits or growth attributable to mergers, acquisitions, divestitures and foreign exchange but rather an increase in sales and expansion through the company's own resources.

Organic Sales: Sales generated from within a company that are a direct result of the company's existing operations and internal processes. Organic sales do not include the impacts of mergers, acquisitions, divestitures and foreign exchange.

P/B or P/BV - Price-to-Book Value Ratio: Measures the market's valuation of a company relative to its book value. P/B or P/BV is calculated by dividing the company's stock price per share by its book value per share.

P/E - Price-to-Earnings Ratio: A ratio used to value a company's shares. It is calculated by dividing the current market price by the earnings per share.

P/S - Price-to-Sales Ratio: A valuation ratio that compares a company's stock price to its revenues. It is an indicator of the value that financial markets have placed on each dollar of a company's sales or revenues.

PEG - Price/Earnings-To-Growth Ratio: A stock's price-to-earnings (P/E) ratio divided by the growth rate of its earnings for a specified time period. The PEG ratio is used to determine a stock's value while also factoring in the company's expected earnings growth.

PMI - Purchasing Managers' Index: An index of the prevailing direction of economic trends in the manufacturing and service sectors.

Reference Index: Index against which a fund's performance is compared.

ROE - Return On Equity: Measures financial performance and is calculated by dividing net income by shareholders' equity. ROE is a gauge of a company's profitability and how efficiently it generates those profits.

ROIC - Return On Invested Capital: Calculation used to assess a company's efficiency at allocating the capital under its control to profitable investments.

SME - Small- Or Medium-Sized Enterprise: A company, or companies considered as a group, that are neither very small nor very large and which employ fewer than a given number of employees. This number varies across countries.

Volatility: Measures the movements of an asset up and down over time. Volatility is generally considered to be a measure of risk.