

Metzler Eastern Europe / Class A

Monthly report

Calculation date: 29/4/2022

Fund Basics

Fund category / Equity funds / Euro

Currency

Benchmark MSCI EM Eastern Europe Custom

Fund launch 4.10.2000
Fiscal year 1.10. - 30.9.
Dividend type Distributing

NAV / Fund volume 68.83 EUR / 14.6 m EUR ISIN code / WKN IE0000111876 / 577999

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Investment Policy

The fund invests into equities in the Eastern European region which is a heterogeneous economic area with idiosyncratic drivers at the country level. The fund aims to focus on companies which are set to benefit from structural growth opportunities in their respective markets and are capable of sustainably enhancing the company's value thanks to strong corporate governance. Investments into small and medium-sized companies is an important pillar of the portfolio strategy and provide additional alpha potential. The objective of the fund is long-term capital growth.

Awards

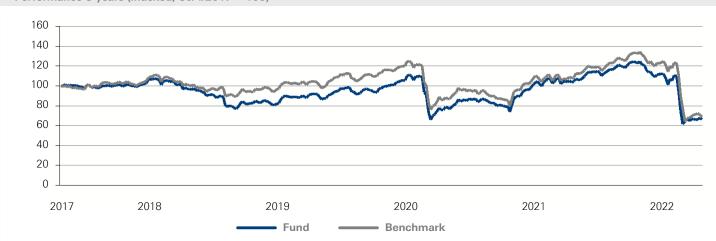






Performance 5 years (indexed, 30/4/2017 = 100)

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Performance in %

	Fund	Benchmark
1 month	0.12	-0.96
YTD	-40.63	-43.97
1 year	-36.63	-36.72
3 years p.a.	-10.06	-12.65
5 years p.a.	-7.88	-7.22
10 years p.a.	-3.60	-3.09
Since fund launch p.a.	1.68	2.10

Key figures

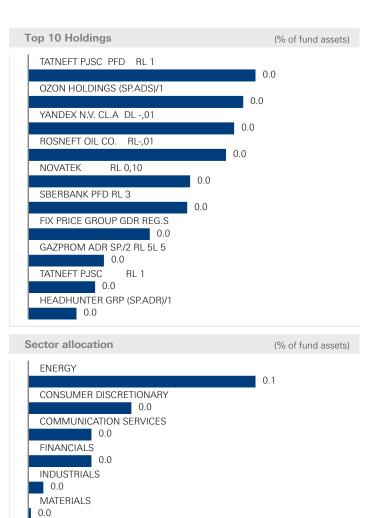
	3 years	5 years
Tracking Error	10.54	
Alpha p.a.	2.75	-0.73
Beta	0.97	0.96
Sharpe Ratio	-0.31	-0.29
Information Ratio	0.33	-0.03
Volatility	30.81	25.62



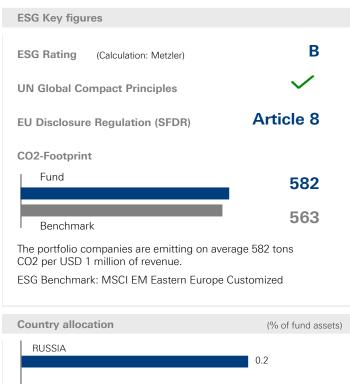
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Fund Manager and Fund Comments





Fund manager: Christian Geier, Adnan Bilgin

The first quarter of 2022 was overshadowed by the Russian invasion of Ukraine. This had serious consequences for the entire investment region. The European Union, the USA and other countries imposed far-reaching sanctions against Russia. As a result, the Russian ruble depreciated significantly and the government imposed capital controls. After about three weeks, the Moscow Stock Exchange reopened. However, foreigners were prohibited from selling local Russian shares. Not only was trading suspended on the Russian stock exchange but shares could also no longer be traded in London or New York. In view of the rising geopolitical risks, we had built up a significant cash position of around 12% in the portfolio before the outbreak of war. In addition, the proportion of defensive stocks in Central Eastern Europe (including Orange Polska, PZU, Moneta Money Bank) and in Greece (including Jumbo, Mytilineos) was increased in the portfolio.

The central banks of Eastern Europe - except for the Turkish central bank - had raised key interest rates significantly since the summer of 2021 in order to contain the rise in consumer prices. In terms of credible monetary policy, the central banks of the Central Eastern European countries set an example by responding very early to inflationary pressures. By contrast, the Turkish central bank continued to adhere to its loose monetary policy. Inflation continued to gain momentum in Turkey, also driven by rising global energy and food prices. In March, consumer prices increased by 61.6% year-on-year, whereas the key interest rate remained unchanged at 14%. The Turkish government bought itself time by introducing currency-hedged deposit accounts in lira but did not address the structural problems of Turkey's unorthodox monetary policy. We therefore remained defensively positioned, favoring exportoriented companies that are protected against further currency depreciation.

As of March 31, 2022

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