Managers



Guillaume **Dolisi** Fund manager



Laurent Pla Fund manager

The management team can be modified without notice

Risk/reward profile

Lower Risk Higher Risk Lower Expected Reward Higher Expected Reward 5

Capital at Risk.

Key facts

Equities Strategy World Geography MSCI ACWI Equal Weighted Benchmark Index (M1WDEWGT) USD Reference Ccv. Launch Date 24/03/2016

No of holdings 237

AuM (M USD)

Legal information

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Legal Form

Custodian BNY Mellon Auditor KPMG

Sub./Red. Freq.

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Available share classes

	Super Instit. (SI)	Instit. (I)	Private (P)
Min. Invest.	\$ 5m	\$ 0.2m	\$ 1,000
Entry Charge (max.)	0.50%	0.50%	0.50%
Exit Charge	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Mgmt. Fees	0.62%	0.84%	1.60%
Operat. Exp.	0.22%**	0.22%**	0.22%**
Subscript. Tax	0.01%	0.01%	0.05%
Ongo. Chgs.	0.85%	1.07%	1.87%
Perf. Fees	10.00%	10.00%	10.00%
NAV	1879.68	1865.95	1763.79

Share classes identifiers

SI LU1369532657 LU1369533036 LU1369533465 VSEWSUU LX VSEWINU LX VSEWPRU LX

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VIA Smart-Equity World (USD)

Sustainable Finance Disclosure Regulation (SFDR): Article 8

Investment objectives & strategy

VIA Smart-Equity World is a UCITS fund invested in Global Equities through a systematic approach. Its strategy consists in selecting liquid global developed and emerging markets companies with the best value creation profile from a shareholder's point of view that have at the same time high profitability, good perspectives and have relatively inexpensive valuations. In order to better account for the economic reality of the stocks, their accounting data are normalized prior to assess their fundamentals. The portfolio is reviewed monthly to ensure proper reactivity, but it is rebalanced only by fraction to limit timing dependency and slippage. The strategy is implemented mostly through the purchase of stocks, but derivatives may also be used to reduce risk and enhance performance.

Historical performance & statistics (SI USD share class)*



Ann. Return	8.3%	5.6%
Volatility	16.6%	13.7%
Sharpe Ratio	0.50	0.41
Max. Drawd.	-36.6%	-34.5%
Beta	1.03	
Track. Err.	8.8%	
Info. Ratio	0.30	

SI-USD Bench

		Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	April	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	YTD
2016	Fund	-5.81%	0.24%	5.70%	-0.52%	3.15%	-1.62%	5.05%	0.05%	0.61%	-2.78%	2.42%	2.00%	8.20%
2010	Bench.	-6.49%	0.42%	9.75%	2.28%	-1.99%	-0.11%	5.31%	0.30%	0.86%	-1.26%	-1.15%	1.40%	8.80%
2017	Fund	3.19%	3.69%	0.94%	1.56%	1.42%	0.14%	2.94%	0.50%	1.95%	2.83%	1.12%	1.32%	23.78%
2017	Bench.	3.73%	2.56%	1.62%	1.85%	2.41%	0.55%	3.08%	0.47%	1.03%	1.72%	1.35%	2.92%	25.87%
2018	Fund	4.55%	-2.98%	-2.21%	-0.63%	1.97%	-2.25%	2.01%	1.56%	-1.51%	-8.81%	0.71%	-8.44%	-15.70%
2010	Bench.	5.24%	-4.23%	-1.61%	0.93%	-1.43%	-2.92%	1.90%	-1.34%	0.17%	-8.29%	2.49%	-5.05%	-13.91%
2019	Fund	8.16%	3.50%	0.39%	3.29%	-5.81%	6.69%	-0.16%	-3.73%	1.95%	3.47%	3.01%	3.80%	26.44%
2019	Bench.	7.94%	2.99%	0.75%	1.83%	-6.15%	5.69%	-0.88%	-3.80%	2.45%	3.19%	0.97%	4.79%	20.64%
2020	Fund	-2.13%	-7.70%	-15.65%	12.14%	5.62%	4.30%	6.24%	4.53%	-3.36%	-3.12%	11.43%	5.63%	15.21%
2020	Bench.	-2.79%	-7.00%	-15.83%	9.68%	3.14%	4.16%	5.70%	4.02%	-2.77%	-1.21%	13.15%	5.22%	12.74%
2021	Fund	-0.35%	3.58%	3.88%	4.21%	2.32%	-0.13%	1.13%	1.67%	-5.38%	3.53%	-0.87%	5.55%	20.35%
2021	Bench.	-0.27%	2.34%	1.68%	3.28%	2.78%	0.05%	-1.65%	2.96%	-2.87%	1.47%	-3.25%	3.11%	9.73%
2022	Fund	-6.67%	-2.92%	0.94%	-7.34%	0.81%	-10.61%	7.97%	-4.33%	-8.96%	7.67%	8.44%	-4.00%	-19.51%
2022	Bench.	-5.13%	-0.01%	-1.26%	-7.42%	1.06%	-5.80%	2.65%	-2.70%	-10.45%	2.55%	10.71%	-1.29%	-17.27%
2023	Fund	6.58%	-1.02%	1.52%	0.16%	-1.55%	7.55%	3.77%	-1.90%					15.63%
2023	Bench.	7.52%	-3.55%	0.75%	0.56%	-3.88%	3.68%	5.19%	-5.19%					4.43%

Market performance

■ Economic value created **VIA** leap®

Economic	Net Asset	Value	variation	ner unit	(SI-USD)

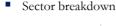
	SI-USD	I-USD	P-USD	Bench.
1 Mth	-1.9%	-1.9%	-1.9%	-5.2%
YTD	15.6%	15.8%	15.4%	4.4%
1 Y	18.0%	18.1%	17.4%	4.8%
3 Y	23.4%	23.7%	21.0%	8.4%
5 Y	35.1%	34.8%	29.7%	15.3%
Launch	88.0%	86.6%	76.4%	51.1%
31/12/2015	84.2%	82.8%	72.5%	52.0%

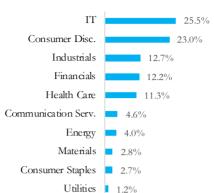
	Initial NAV	SI-USD	Bench. USD
1 Mth	\$ 1,916	+\$ 6 (+0.3%)	-\$ 6 (-0.3%)
YTD	\$ 1,632	-\$ 142 (-8.7%)	+\$ 47 (+2.9%)
1 Y	\$ 1,593	-\$ 111 (-6.9%)	+\$ 34 (+2.2%)
3 Y	\$ 1,523	+\$ 243 (+16%)	+\$ 137 (+9%)
5 Y	\$ 1,391	+\$ 323 (+23%)	+\$ 254 (+18%)
Launch	\$ 1,000	+\$ 455 (+45%)	+\$ 395 (+40%)
31/12/2015	\$ 1,020	+\$ 458 (+45%)	+\$ 416 (+41%)

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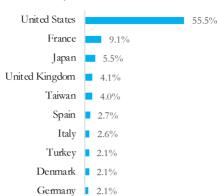
Sources: VIA AM, Bloomberg. Data range from December 31st 2015 to August 31st 2023. Performances between December 31st 2015 and March 24th 2016 are based on the VIA Smart Equity World strategy as calculated and published on Bloomberg by an independent calculation agent since December 31st 2015, net of all fees. Performance since March 24th 2016 is based on the live track of the VIA Smart Equity World fund. Past performances are not a reliable indicator of future returns. leap performances are computed using normalized data when available. When not available, accounting data are used instead for the strategy and the benchmark. The benchmark used for the economic performance computation is weighted by market capitalization.

Portfolio analysis





Country breakdown



Morningstar StyleboxTM (in %)

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18.1	18.2	28.8	Large
11.9	10.3	5.8	Mid
1.3	3.1	2.5	Small
Value	Core	Growth	_

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Sources: VIA AM, Bloomberg - asset breakdown and top holdings as of August 31st 2023

Portfolio fundamentals

	Profit	ability ³	Valu	Earnings Growth*	
	Accounting	Normalized ¹	Accounting	Normalized ¹	
Fund	22.8%	23.0%	12.9	13.3	14.0% / 6.0%
Synthetic benchmark ²	21.5%	18.9%	16.1	17.6	21.8% / 15.5%

Computation methodology change for calculating average portfolio valuation: P/E <1x are excluded to avoid outliers

- *The 1st number corresponds to the expected 12-months earnings growth, the 2nd corresponds to the expected 12-months earnings growth in 12 months.
- 1. Normalized Data aim to reflect the economic reality of corporates on a comparable basis.
- 2. The synthetic benchmark is composed of 3050 companies from developed and emerging markets making up the fund selection universe, weighted by market cap.
- 3. Accounting profitability is calculated using the RoE/RoEA, while the normalized version uses the Economic Profitability (when available).
- 4. Accounting valuation is calculated using the P/E ratio, while the normalized version uses the economic P/E (when available).

Top holdings

1	Microsoft Corp	3.35%
2	Alphabet Inc	3.00%
3	Apple Inc	2.38%
4	LVMH	1.96%
5	Gigabyte Technology Co Ltd	1.79%
6	Hermes International	1.66%
7	Industria de Diseno Textil SA	1.65%
8	Marathon Petroleum Corp	1.56%
9	Arista Networks Inc	1.54%
10	Merck & Co Inc	1.43%

Managers' update

Markets: Equity markets took a breather in August as inflation remained robust, and the prospects for significant shifts in monetary policies appeared to diminish. The MSCI World All Country Equal Weight and Market Cap indices declined by 5.2% and 2.8%, respectively, for the month. However, they have shown positive performance since the beginning of the year, with gains of +4.4% and +14.8%, respectively. In this context, the VIA Smart Equity World fund performed better, with a -1.9% decline (SI-USD share class) and a 15.6% increase in 2023.

Factors and Stock Selection (relative to the Market Cap. benchmark): Factor contributions were positive, notably due to overweighting in the Momentum factor and exposure to Turkey.

Stock selection also displayed strong performance. Notable were the impressive gains in Arista Networks (U.S. communication equipment), Migros Ticaret (Turkish Food & Drug stores), and Gigabyte Tech (electronic equipments), with respective monthly increases of 26%, 19%, and 9% expressed in USD. The first company surged 20% early in the month following better-than-expected earnings reports and consistently optimistic forecasts.

For the latest monthly selection, the fund demonstrated a high level of diversification, encompassing a range from some of the GAFAM companies to Taiwanese semiconductor firms and even including "comeback" players like IBM.

Outlook: There are very different approaches to successful long-term equity investing. In contrast to passive management that selects and weights stocks based on their sizes, we prefer a two-step approach, betting that if we can select companies capable of offering the maximum wealth creation for shareholders, then the portfolio's market value will follow suit. Despite the volatility displayed during multiple contraction/expansion phases, this "super factor" explains much of the long-term equity market performance. Moreover, when markets deviate from their economic performance, it generally presents investment or divestment opportunities. With the VIA Smart Equity World fund, we adopt a diversified, Buy & Hold approach with the goal of maximizing value creation over the long run. As such, the fund exhibits relatively satisfactory fundamentals with a 23.0% Economic Profitability for a 13.3x normalized P/E (FEV/Economic Assets/Economic Profitability), while ensuring a significant diversification with around 240 different positions.

Please find the VIA leap® monthly report, measure of the fund's real economic performance here. This reporting, unique in the world, intends to offer a measure of the wealth creation of our strategies, compared to the benchmark wealth creation and their respective Mark-to-Market performances.

Rewards



The VIA Smart Equity World Fund received a 4-star Morningstar RatingTM Overall. The rating is for the SI-USD share class only; other classes may have different performance characteristics. Rating as of August 31st 2023.











The VIA Smart Equity World Fund received a Morningstar 4-Globe Sustainability Award. Out of 7993 International Flex Cap Equity Funds as of June 30th 2023. Based on 99.8% of AuM. Data is based on long positions only.

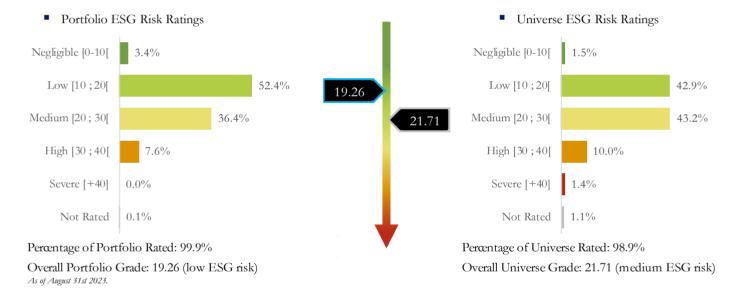


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