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Candriam Absolute Return Equity Market Neutral

Share Class: C (EUR)

MORNINGSTAR RATING OVERALL™: ★★★★★
11.2024

Risk indicator



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- The SRI assumes you keep the product for 3 years.
- The actual risk can vary significantly if you cash in at an early stage and you may get less back.
- This product does not include any protection from future market performance. Please refer to the "Risk" section of the prospectus for more details





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*Years of experience



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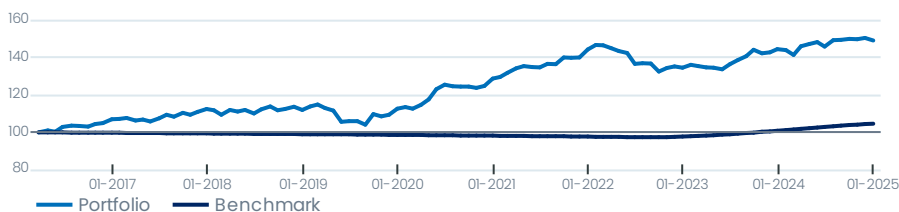
Investment strategy

The aim of Candriam Absolute Return Equity Market Neutral (hereafter "the fund"), a sub-fund of the Candriam Absolute Return sicav, is to use quantitative and qualitative discretionary management to benefit from the performance of the global equities market with an "equity market neutral" management style, and to outperform the benchmark. This sub-fund may be appropriate for investors who wish to achieve this objective over a medium investment holding period and who are aware of, understand and are able to bear the specific risks of the sub-fund as set out below and defined in the section entitled Risk factors in the Prospectus. The investment horizon is 3 years. The fund is managed actively, with reference to the index mentioned on the section characteristics. For further information about this index and its use, please consult the fund's key information document (KID).

Performance

Past Performances does not predict future returns. See important disclosures on performance under the section 'warning' in the 'Important Information' on page 4. NAVs are net of fees and are provided by the accounting department and the reference index by official providers.

| | 1M | 3M | YTD | 1Y | 3Y | 5Y | 10Y | SI |
|-------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|----------------|---------------|
| Fund | -0.8% | -0.5% | 3.3% | 3.3% | 3.5% | 32.6% | - | 47.5% |
| Benchmark | 0.3% | 0.8% | 3.8% | 3.8% | 7.2% | 6.2% | - | - |
| | -1.1% | -1.4% | -0.5% | -0.5% | -3.7% | 26.4% | - | - |
| | 2023 | 2022 | 2021 | 2020 | 3Y annualized | 5Y annualized | 10Y annualized | SI annualized |
| Fund | 7.4% | -6.7% | 12.1% | 14.3% | 1.1% | 5.8% | - | 4.5% |
| Benchmark | 3.3% | -0.0% | -0.5% | -7.9% | 2.3% | 1.2% | - | - |
| | 4.1% | -6.7% | 12.6% | 22.2% | -1.2% | 4.6% | - | - |



*Material change occurred over the period - cfr page 4 for more details

This graph represents the synthetic net asset value of the fund. It is provided for information and illustrative purposes only. The synthetic net asset value is obtained by a recalculation of the values of the fund's assets by leveling out the effect of securities transactions (split, coupon, dividend distribution...) in order to reflect the real performance of the fund share or unit. Data may be rounded for convenience. Data expressed in a currency other than that of the investor's country of residence is subject to exchange rate fluctuations, with a positive or negative impact. Gross performance may be impacted by commissions, fees and other expenses.

Fund characteristics

| | |
|-----------------------------|--|
| Inception Date | 18/01/2019 |
| Fund Domicile | Luxembourg |
| Fund Legal Form | SICAV |
| Benchmark | €STR (Euro Short Term Rate) Capitalized |
| SFDR Category | Article 6 |
| Total net assets (M EUR) | 414.20 |
| NAV per share cap.(EUR) (C) | 221.25 |
| Fund Reference Currency | EUR |
| NAV Calculation | Daily |
| Morningstar™ Category | |
| ISIN Code (C) | LUI819523264 |
| Ticker Bloomberg (C) | CDARMEC LX Equity |
| Latest Dividend Distributed | - |
| Dealing Cut Off | D-1<12:00 |
| Antidilution Mechanisms | Yes |
| Custodian Bank | CACEIS Bank, Luxembourg Branch |
| Management Company | CANDRIAM |

Statistics

based on weekly data over 3 years (1 year if too little history)

| | Dec-24 | Nov-24 |
|---------------------------|----------------|--------|
| Volatility | 5.72% | 5.56% |
| Value At Risk | 0.80% | 0.72% |
| Sharpe Ratio | -0.19 | -0.02 |
| Number of Positions | 251 | 266 |
| Gross Equity Exposure (%) | 225.75 | 210.20 |
| Long Equity Exposure (%) | 120.24 | 113.09 |
| Short Equity Exposure (%) | -105.51 | -97.12 |
| Net Equity Exposure (%) | 14.72 | 15.97 |

ESG Assessment

| | | | |
|-----------|------------|----------|-------------|
| Exclusion | Norm based | Positive | Integration |
|-----------|------------|----------|-------------|

Costs*

| | | |
|--------------|--------------|---------------------|
| 1.50% | 1.78% | 20.00% |
| | | of perf > Objective |

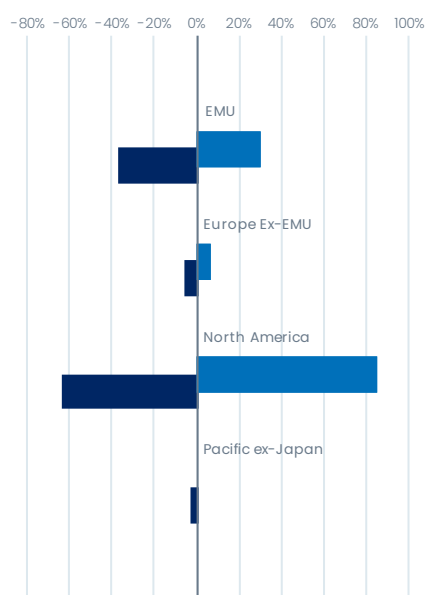
Real Management Fee Ongoing costs Performance Fees

* The fees are expressed as an annual percentage of the average net asset value of the share class and are payable at the end of each month. This list of fees and charges is not exhaustive, the sub-fund incurs other expenses, further information on fees and charges is available in the KID/Prospectus to allow investors to understand the overall impact of costs on the amount of their investment and on the expected returns.

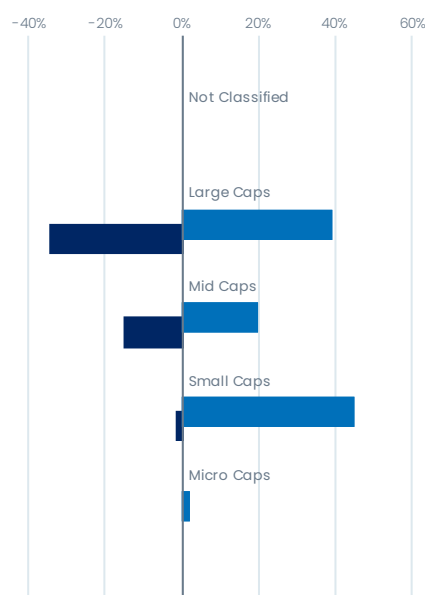
Top 10 Exposure

| | Issuers | % Gross Exposure | Sector | Country |
|----|-------------------------|------------------|------------------------|---------------|
| 1 | ALPHABET INC | 3.70 | Communication Services | United States |
| 2 | META PLATFORMS INC | 3.68 | Communication Services | United States |
| 3 | MASTERCARD INC | 3.31 | Financials | United States |
| 4 | KEURIG DR PEPPER INC | 3.23 | Consumer Staples | United States |
| 5 | SHIFT4 PAYMENTS INC | 2.61 | Financials | United States |
| 6 | MARATHON PETROLEUM CORP | 2.53 | Energy | United States |
| 7 | AXON ENTERPRISE INC | 2.49 | Industrials | United States |
| 8 | COCA-COLA CO/THE | 2.44 | Consumer Staples | United States |
| 9 | FLEX LTD | 2.41 | Information Technology | Singapore |
| 10 | SHELL PLC | 2.38 | Energy | United States |

Geographical Allocation



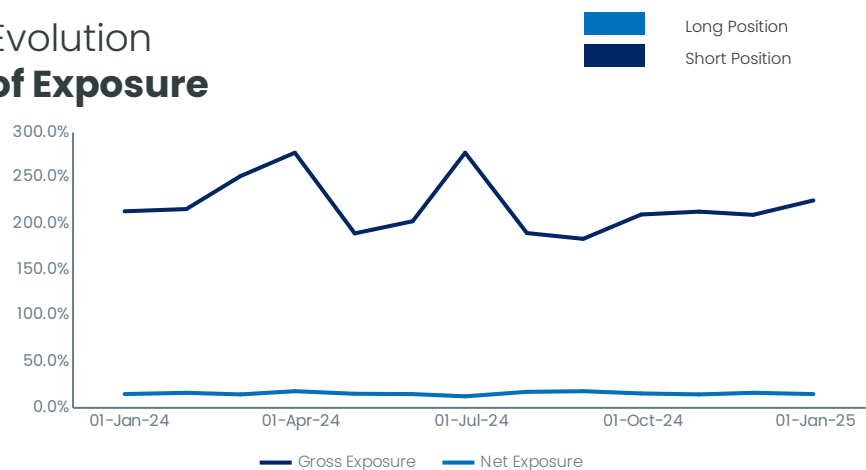
Market Capitalisation



Portfolio Allocation

| | Gross Exposure | Net Exposure |
|-------------------|----------------|--------------|
| Index Rebalancing | 113.83% | 1.39% |
| Relative Value | 114.46% | 13.33% |

Evolution of Exposure



SCR

Solvency Capital Requirement

| | |
|---------------------|---------------------|
| -10.46% | - |
| SCR Equities Type 1 | SCR Equities Type 2 |
| -1.28% | -0.80% |
| SCR Concentration | SCR Currency |
| -10.83% | |
| Market SCR | |

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Material Change

* As of 01/01/2022, the index used as a benchmark, Eonia Capi 7d, has been replaced by €STR (Euro Short Term Rate) Capitalized.

Glossary

EXPOSURE

The Exposure of a fund is expressed as a percentage of total portfolio holdings, taking into account the leverage of derivative instruments. It represents the amount an investor can lose from the risks unique to a particular investment.

LONG EXPOSURE

The Long Exposure is the sum of exposures to a fund's long positions, including derivatives.

SHORT EXPOSURE

The Short Exposure is the sum of exposures to a fund's short positions through derivatives.

(TOTAL) NET EXPOSURE

The Net Exposure is the percentage difference between a fund's long and short exposures. Net exposure is a measure of the extent to which a fund is exposed to market fluctuations.

(TOTAL) GROSS EXPOSURE

The Gross Exposure refers to the absolute level of a fund's investments expressed as a percentage of the fund's total assets. It takes both a fund's long positions and short positions into account. Gross exposure is a measure that indicates a fund's total exposure to financial markets.

VOLATILITY*

The Volatility is the statistical measure of dispersion of returns for a fund around the mean. A higher volatility means that a fund's value can potentially be spread out over a larger range of values and makes the fund a riskier investment.

SHARPE RATIO*

The Sharpe Ratio measures the level of compensation an investment in the fund offered for the risk taken. It is calculated by subtracting the risk-free rate from the return of the fund and dividing that result by the volatility. The higher the Sharpe ratio the better, a negative ratio has no significance other than that the fund underperformed the risk-free rate.

SCR (Solvency Capital Requirement)

Market SCR represents an estimate of the capital charge for market risk, broken down into risk sub-modules (Interest rate, Spread, Equity..), which is applicable to insurers under Solvency 2 Directive. Candriam calculations are based on the standard formula as provided by the regulation

NUMBER OF ISSUES

The Number of Issues represents the total number of instruments in position.

VAR 99% 1 DAY

The Value at Risk (VaR) 99% 1 Day is a statistic that measures and quantifies with a high level of confidence, the level of financial risk within the fund over a one day period.

REAL MANAGEMENT FEES

The Real Management Fee is the actual percentage charge deducted from the fund's average net assets.

OCG

Ongoing charges represent all operating and management costs invoiced to the UCI net of retrocessions.

PERFORMANCE FEE

The Performance Fee refers to a charge on any returns that the Fund achieves above the reference index. Please refer to the Prospectus for further information.

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ESG ASSESSMENT – EXCLUSION

The Exclusion filter refers to the exclusion of companies involved in harmful or controversial activities. Involvement is assessed using activity-specific revenue-based threshold levels.

ESG ASSESSMENT – NORMS-BASED

The Norms-Based analysis excludes companies which are in violation of the 10 principles of the United Nations Global Compact (UNGC). These principles cover 4 main categories: Human Rights, Labour Rights, Environment and Anti-Corruption.

ESG ASSESSMENT – POSITIVE SELECTION

The Positive selection analysis is inclusive, not exclusive. It includes only the companies with the best ESG score, obtained by evaluating their ability to manage the sustainable development issues based on a combination of specific factors material to each sector.

ESG ASSESSMENT – INTEGRATION

The Integration of ESG factors into investment decisions consists of integrating specific extra-financial factors into the financial valuation or credit assessment of securities. The factors used are selected based on their materiality in the given asset class.

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