

# UBS (Lux) European Small and Mid Cap Equity Long Short Fund UB EUR



## Fund information

Equity

210'091'639

Fund total net assets in EUR

Share class TNA, EUR <b>2'815'001</b>	Share class NAV, EUR <b>1'244.96</b>	Management fee p.a. <sup>1</sup> <b>1.30%</b>
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MTD (net) return <b>2.42%</b>	QTD (net) return <b>3.00%</b>	YTD (net) return <b>-0.57%</b>
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## Fund details

Investment Manager	Felix Meier
Fund launch date	26.07.2010
Share class launch date	23.01.2015
Share class	UB
Share class currency	EUR
Distribution policy	Accumulating
Fund domicile	Luxembourg
ISIN	LU1144418560
Benchmark	No benchmark

## Investment Policy

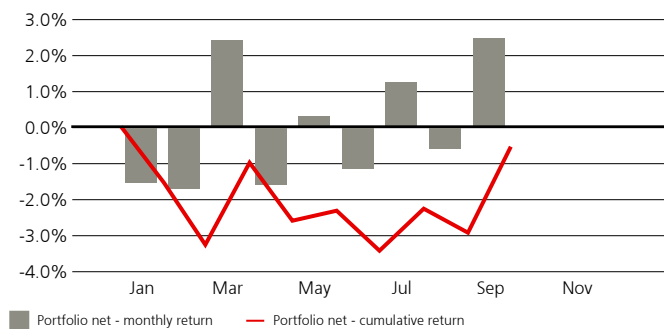
The UBS (Lux) European Small and Mid Cap Equity Long Short Fund aims to generate absolute positive returns by exploiting the inefficiencies of the small and mid-cap markets in Europe with a focus on German speaking countries. The portfolio managers buy the equities they think will perform best, while at the same time selling stocks in companies that, in their views, will underperform the market. The objective is to create a portfolio that has lower volatility, less correlation with the equity markets and a better risk-adjusted performance than a long-only fund.



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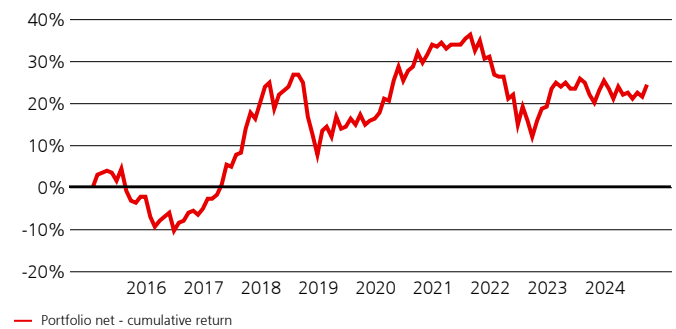
## Performance overview - monthly & cumulative

since 01.01.2024



## Performance overview - cumulative

since 01.02.2015



Reference index change on 05.07.2024 – old: CS AllHedge Index Long/Short Equity index, new: No benchmark.

## Performance overview - monthly & YTD

since 01.01.2024, in %

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
Portfolio net	-1.57	-1.74	2.37	-1.62	0.27	-1.16	1.21	-0.64	2.42				-0.57

## Performance overview - yearly

since 01.02.2015, in %

	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Portfolio net	-2.23	-2.92	26.45	-10.22	8.01	15.11	-2.08	-9.22	5.14	-0.57

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## Performance overview

since 01.02.2015, in %

	Rolling Returns		Annualized Returns			
	1 months	3 months	1 year	3 years	5 years	ITD
Portfolio net	2.42	3.00	2.04	-2.07	1.26	2.29

## Risk overview - ex post

since 01.02.2015, in %

	Annualized risk, in %			
	1 year	3 years	5 years	ITD
Portfolio volatility	6.04	7.98	7.27	8.32

## Potential Risks

The Fund's risk and reward profile does not reflect the risk inherent in future circumstances that differ from what the Fund has experienced in the recent past. This includes the following events which are rare but can have a large impact.

- **Credit risk:** Issuers of assets held by the Fund may not pay income or repay capital when due. The Fund's investments have low credit risk.
- **Liquidity risk:** Assets cannot necessarily be sold at limited cost in an adequately short timeframe. The Fund's investments may be prone to limited liquidity. The Fund will endeavor to mitigate this risk by various measures. Please find the details about redemption frequency in Key facts section.
- **Counterparty risk:** Bankruptcy or insolvency of the Fund's derivative counterparties may lead to payment or delivery default. The Subfund will endeavor to mitigate this risk by the receipt of financial collateral given as guarantees.
- **Operational risk:** Deficient processes, technical failures or catastrophic events may cause losses.
- **Political and Legal risks:** Investments are exposed to changes of rules and standards applied by a specific country. This includes restrictions on currency convertibility, the imposing of taxes or controls on transactions, the limitations of property rights or other legal risks.
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## Fund exposure

Long exposure	91.21%
Short exposure	-48.59%
Net exposure	42.62%
Total gross exposure	139.80%

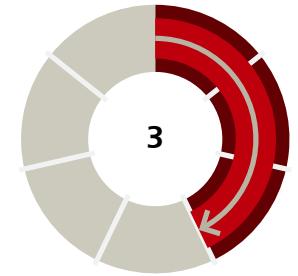
Number of long positions	68
Number of short positions	37

## Asset breakdown by Sector

In %	Long	Short	Net	Net
Energy	2.11	-0.24	1.87	
Information Technology	5.29	-4.91	0.39	
Consumer Staples	10.15	-2.45	7.70	
Industrials	23.95	-12.58	11.36	
Communication	12.91	-3.36	9.56	
Consumer Discretionary	6.48	-7.93	-1.45	
Financials	3.26	-7.88	-4.62	
Health Care	11.92	-3.04	8.87	
Materials	6.60	-3.24	3.37	
Real Estate	5.64	-1.43	4.20	
Utilities	2.88	-1.52	1.36	

## Risk profile<sup>2</sup>

PRIIP SRI



Larger values (up to 7) indicate higher risk while lower values (up to 1) indicate lower risk.

## Asset breakdown by Market capitalisation<sup>3</sup>

In % of total economic exposure

	Long	Short
Small Cap	8.78	-3.50
Mid Cap	74.95	-23.95
Large Cap	7.48	-21.13

<sup>2</sup> The risk indicator assumes you keep the Product for 5 years. The actual risk can vary significantly if you redeem at an early stage and you may get back less. The Summary Risk Indicator is a guide to the level of risk of this Product compared to other products. It shows how likely it is that the Product will lose money because of movements in the markets. Be aware of currency risk if your reference currency differs from the currency of the Product. You may receive payments in a different currency, so the final return you will get depends on the exchange rate between the two currencies. Investors shall note that the Product may be exposed to further risks such as operational, counterparty, political, sustainability and legal risks that are not included in the Summary Risk Indicator. This Product does not include any protection from future market performance so you could lose some or all of your investment.

<sup>3</sup> Classification: Small Cap up to EUR 1.5 bn market cap, Mid Cap between EUR 1.5bn and EUR 15bn and the above EUR 15bn Large Cap.

## Asset breakdown by country

In %	Long	Short	Net	Net
Germany	57.38	-28.91	28.48	
Switzerland	2.87	-4.03	-1.15	
Austria	0.00	-0.02	-0.02	
Belgium	0.00	-0.30	-0.30	
China	0.00	0.00	0.00	
Colombia	0.00	0.00	0.00	
Cyprus	0.00	0.00	0.00	
Denmark	1.91	-0.86	1.05	
Faroe Islands	1.26	0.00	1.26	
Finland	1.70	-0.59	1.11	
France	0.75	-2.68	-1.93	
Ireland	0.00	-0.05	-0.05	
Italy	11.99	-3.05	8.94	
Jersey, Channel Islands	0.00	0.00	0.00	
Liechtenstein	0.00	0.00	0.00	
Luxembourg	1.26	-0.11	1.15	
Netherlands	7.69	-1.83	5.86	
Norway	0.00	-0.04	-0.04	
Poland	0.00	-0.02	-0.02	
Portugal	0.57	-0.01	0.55	
South Africa	0.00	-0.03	-0.03	
Spain	1.13	-1.25	-0.12	
Sweden	1.31	-1.25	0.06	
United Kingdom	1.39	-3.55	-2.16	

## Fund Statistics - ex post

	1 year Portfolio	3 years Portfolio	5 years Portfolio
Maximum drawdown, in %	-3.47	-16.95	-17.67

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## Market commentary

The month of September was characterised by two important events. The first one was the Fed's announcement of an outsized interest rate cut of 0.50%, signalling that the club of major Western central banks including the Fed, the ECB, the Bank of England and the Swiss National Bank have entered an easing cycle which will shape a much looser monetary policy environment than what we had seen in the last couple of years. The second one was a huge stimulus programme announced by the Chinese authorities that includes billions of dollars from the central bank to support the stock market, policy rate cuts, measures to boost bank liquidity and efforts to stabilise China's prolonged property crisis, including a 50-basis-point interest rate cut for mortgage holders. On top of these emergency measures, the government has also cleared the way to intensify fiscal spending to support growth. European small and mid caps reacted positively, outperformed its larger cap peers and recovered lost ground at the of the month after the Chinese announcements. Especially stocks with an outsized Chinese exposure performed well. The MSCI Small Cap Europe Index was up by 0.46%.

The fund was up by 2.39% mainly due to stock picking and a net long position that was slightly higher than the long-term average. In our long book, event ticketing broker CTS Eventim and specialist lubricant manufacturer Fuchs Petrolub were our best contributors. CTS continues to perform well as consumers' willingness to spend time and money for leisure events of all kinds continues unabated. Fuchs Petrolub performed strongly into the end of the month as the Chinese stimulus programme provided relief for cyclical stocks, especially for smaller cap specialists like Fuchs, which has a diversified industrial footprint and good exposure to European and Asian end markets. Medical glass vials producer Gerresheimer and semiconductor manufacturer STMicro were our worst long contributors. Gerresheimer issued a profit warning mainly due to still weak trends observed in its glass packaging division, which still suffers from destocking trends. STMicro was down due to a profit warning related to weak demand for chips related to the automotive and industrial sector. In our short book, our best contributors were information technology provider Kainos and auto OEM Stellantis. Both companies issued a profit warning. Kainos warned that revenues are expected to fall short of expectations with mounting competitive tensions around the services business. The Fiat and Peugeot maker surprised markets with a heavily downbeat update with regard to weak end-market demand, heavy margin contraction and negative free cash flow production only 6 months after the stock staged an all-time high, helped by pricing power that proved to be extremely short-lived. Our worst short contributors were aircraft operator IAG and home appliance producer Group SEB. We are short on IAG mainly for its structurally extremely capital-intensive business with extreme high pricing competition that virtually impedes those companies from producing sustained earnings over the cycle. But good travel demand and current pricing trends have supported the stock recently. On Group SEB, the stock was up thanks to its outsized exposure to the Chinese consumer, which helped the stock to rebound in the wake of the recent Chinese macro policy announcements.

The policy environment has changed dramatically in the last couple of weeks with monetary policy easing around the world, coupled with still important government spending programmes that have been complemented by the Chinese actions recently. As inflation figures start to level off in a digestible range of 2-3%, the odds of a soft landing and subsequent pick-up in economic growth expectations thanks to lower interest rates has increased. Volatility risks around the US election aside, a potential economic recovery in China could help to further sustain global growth expectations. In such an environment, European small and mid caps are expected to fare well due to their sensitivity to global growth in general and to the improving sentiment around the Chinese economy in particular. This also explains our net exposure being slightly higher than the long-term average at the end of the month.

Source: for all data – Bloomberg data as per end of September 2024

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## Key identifiers

Instrument Name	UBS (Lux) European Small and Mid Cap Equity Long Short Fund UB EUR
ISIN	LU1144418560
Bloomberg ticker	CSSMUBE LX
Valor no.	26378827
Benchmark	No benchmark

## Key facts

Fund management company	UBS Asset Management (Europe) S.A.
UCITS	Yes
SFDR Classification <sup>4</sup>	Article 8
Accounting year end	31. May
Securities lending	Yes
Ongoing charges <sup>5</sup>	1.59%
Performance fee	20.00%
Subscription frequency	combined <sup>6</sup>
Subscription settlement period	T + 2
Redemption frequency	combined <sup>6</sup>
Redemption settlement period	T + 2
Cut-off time	15:00 CET
Swinging single pricing (SSP*)	partial swing NAV

## ESG Approach

This fund promotes environmental, social and governance (ESG) characteristics (within the meaning of Art. 8 of Regulation (EU) 2019/2088 on sustainability-related disclosures in the financial services sector). It applies the CSAM Sustainable Investing Policy ([www.credit-suisse.com/esg](http://www.credit-suisse.com/esg)), including norms-based, values-based and business conduct exclusions, to combine ESG factors with traditional financial analysis to make an ESG adjusted risk-return assessment, which serves as the basis for the portfolio construction. For further information about the ESG investment criteria and the sustainability-related aspects of the fund please consider the legal and regulatory documents of the fund (such as, e.g., the prospectus) and visit [www.credit-suisse.com/esg](http://www.credit-suisse.com/esg). In addition to sustainability-related aspects, the decision to invest in the fund should take into account all objectives and characteristics of the fund as described in its prospectus, or in the information which is to be disclosed to investors in accordance with applicable regulations.

There is no clear global market consensus or regulatory guidance on how short positions should be treated when aggregating the ESG attributes of long-short portfolios. For this reason, no quantitative ESG data are reported at this stage. For details about the fund's ESG decision-making process, please refer to the fund's prospectus.

## ESG Characteristics

ESG Benchmark	Exclusion Criteria	ESG Integration	Active Ownership <sup>7</sup>	Sustainable Investment Objective
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## Glossary

Accumulating	Indicates a regular reinvestment of the dividends received in the portfolio itself
Annualized return	A measure of how much an investment has increased on average each year during a specific period.
Annualized risk	Annualized risk is a statistic, which is used to measure the risk of a fund by describing the range of returns, which were achieved in the observation period are most likely to be achieved. Greater volatility implies greater risk.
ESG aware	This product undertakes investments that explicitly assess and integrate the sustainability characteristics of companies in the investment process.
ESG benchmark	A ticked 'ESG benchmark' box reflects that the ESG section in this document compares the ESG performance of the portfolio with an ESG index. In case the box is not ticked, this means that the ESG section in this document compares the ESG performance of the portfolio with a non-ESG index or that no comparison is performed due to a lack of a recognized benchmark. The investor shall read the legal documentation of the Fund to understand how the benchmark is used. In any case, a ticked 'ESG benchmark' box does not mean that the ESG benchmark is used to attain the ESG strategy of the fund.
Ex post	Refers to metrics based on historical data
GICS	Global Industry Classification Standard
ITD	Inception-to-date
NAV	Net Asset Value
Maximum drawdown	Represents the worst possible result (in percentage terms) that occurred during the period being analyzed.
MTD	Month-to-date
Ongoing Charges	The calculation of the ongoing charge is based on the Committee of European Securities Regulators/10-674 Directive. For a maximum of 12 months from fund fiscal year end and since inception, the ongoing charges figure is based on estimated expenses. After that, the ongoing charges correspond to the TER of the last annual report. It excludes performance fees and portfolio transaction costs, except in the case of an entry/exit charge paid by the fund when buying or selling shares/units in another collective investment undertaking.
QTD	Quarter-to-date
Sharpe ratio	The Sharpe ratio gives the excess return per unit of risk (in terms of standard deviation). The higher the ratio, the better the risk-return profile of the fund.
Sustainable Finance Disclosure Regulation (SFDR)	Regulation (EU) 2019/2088 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 27 November 2019 on sustainability-related disclosures in the financial services sector
Sustainable investment objective	Where the 'sustainable investment objective' box is ticked, this means that the product implements our investment strategies that allocate capital into companies that offer solutions to society's challenges and meet a sustainable investment objective. The sustainable investment objective is achieved through a dedicated investment process focusing on investments in themes and sectors whose economic activities address specific ESG challenges. An unticked box reflects that the product does not aim to meet a sustainable investment objective.
Swing Pricing	A method used to calculate the net asset values of investment funds. Which allows transaction costs arising funds from subscriptions made by incoming investors and redemptions made by outgoing investors to be borne by the incoming and outgoing investors, rather than existing investors.
TNA	Total Net Assets
UCITS Hedge Award	Detailed descriptions of the approach and criteria used in evaluating and endorsing investment strategies can be found here: <a href="https://thehedgefundjournal.com/2022-ucits-hedge-awards/">https://thehedgefundjournal.com/2022-ucits-hedge-awards/</a>
YTD	Year-to-date

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