

Comment January 2025

The ALPORA Innovation Europe Fund performed well at the start of the year. However, the comparable MSCI Europe ETF performed better in advance due to its heavy weight in the financial sector.

The Finnish **Qt Group** offers innovative software solutions that enable developers to design applications and intelligent devices across platforms. For example, their solutions are used in the digital cockpits of modern vehicles, where they enable intuitive user interfaces for displaying real-time data and multimedia content. The tools promote efficient collaboration between developers and designers and significantly optimize the development process. The company is particularly strong in the field of embedded devices, which are used primarily in industrial IoT and automotive applications. With "Qt Accelerate", the company also provides a low-code platform that accelerates product innovation.

By collaborating with industry leaders such as LG and Qualcomm, the Qt Group strengthens its market position and enables its customers to develop high-performance products even in demanding environments.

Innovation assessment by the Serafin Innovation Hub

The investment process in the ALPORA Innovation Europe Fund to identify high-quality innovators consists of a four-step procedure. In the first step, we calculate an "Efficient Frontier of Innovation" by considering defined input and output metrics of the innovation process, using a mathematical optimization procedure. The optimization model allows multiple quantitative parameters on both the input and output sides to be dynamically calculated based on the investment universe. This provides an objective performance comparison of the companies. Each company is assigned an innovation score, measured within the context of the investment universe (Western Europe). In addition to our Innovation Factor model, the quality of the companies is measured using the long-established ARTICO model. Based on the Innovation Factor and the Quality Factors model, a combined Quality Innovation Score (including innovation, growth, profitability, balance sheet strength, valuation, and ESG) is calculated in the second step, with the Innovation Factor being the primary factor. In the third step, the investment team conducts a qualitative analysis of the innovators regarding their future viability and coverage of relevant market and technology trends. In the fourth and final step, portfolio construction takes place. Here, the Quality Innovation Scores of the companies are maximized using an optimization approach, while undesired risks are mitigated through relative weight constraints. The target portfolio size is 45 stocks. Valuation metrics are secondary in this selection, allowing companies in early growth stages to be included in the portfolio composition.

Key figures as of 31 January 2025

Net Asset Value Tranche EUR A	EUR 2'654.96
Number of shares	9'803
Total Net Asset Value	EUR 49.5m

Performance Tranche EUR A

Duration	Fund	MSCI Europe ETF
1 month	4.4%	7.2%
3 months	2.5%	7.1%
12 months	-1.4%	14.2%
3 years p.a.	-3.1%	8.0%
5 years p.a.	5.1%	8.5%
since inception (01.10.2014) p.a.	10.1%	7.3%
Year		
2025	4.4%	7.2%
2024	-8.0%	8.1%
2023	8.6%	15.7%
2022	-23.3%	-9.1%
2021	31.4%	24.9%
since inception (01.10.2014)	169.3%	106.8%

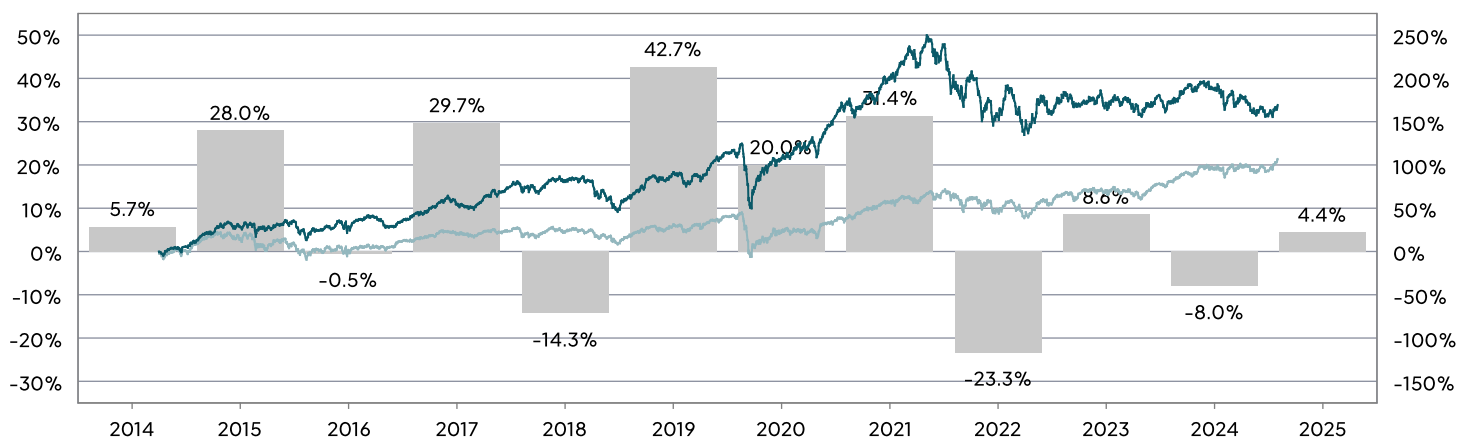
Risk ratios (rolling over the last 3 years)

Volatility (p.a.)	16.7%
Sharpe ratio (2.39% Risk free rate)	n/a
Beta (vs. MSCI Europe ETF)	1.00

Top 5 positions

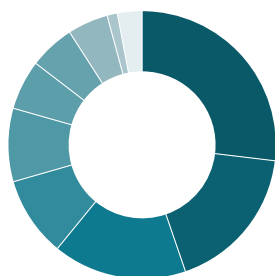
AstraZeneca	4.5%
Deutsche Telekom	3.5%
Novo Nordisk	3.4%
L'Oreal	3.3%
Shell	3.3%

Performance since launch Tranche EUR A



■ ALPORA Innovation Europe ■ MSCI Europe ETF ■ Performance p.a. (left scale)

Breakdown by sectors



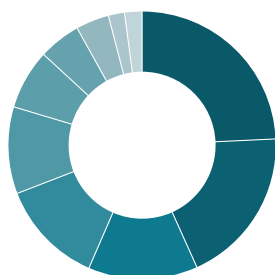
Industrials	26.9%	Consumer Discr.	5.5%
Health Care	17.8%	Communication Serv.	4.9%
IT	16.2%	Real Estate	1.2%
Energy	9.7%	Financials	0.0%
Materials	8.8%	Utilities	0.0%
Consumer Staples	6.0%	Cash	3.0%

Breakdown by currencies



EUR	42.7%	GBP	9.5%
CHF	20.3%	NOK	9.0%
DKK	18.4%		

Breakdown by countries



Switzerland	23.5%	France	7.0%
United Kingdom	18.5%	Finland	4.9%
Denmark	12.8%	Norway	3.9%
Germany	12.3%	Italy	1.9%
Netherlands	10.2%	Others	2.0%

Sustainability

Applied ESG characteristics

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Exclusion Criteria	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reporting
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Integration	<input type="checkbox"/> Benchmark

This is a financial product within the meaning of Art. 8 of the Disclosure Regulation (EU) 2019/2088.

Fund facts

Domicile of fund	Switzerland
Legal form	Contractual investment fund
Investment universe	Europe
Investment manager	Serafin Asset Management Ltd, Zug
Management company	LLB Swiss Investment Ltd, Zurich
Custodian bank	Bank J. Safra Sarasin Ltd, Basel
Launch date	01.10.2014
Recommended investment horizon	5 years
Reference currency	EUR
ISIN / Bloomberg-Ticker (respective share class)	EUR A: CH0248877885 / ALPIEUR SW EUR B: CH0436491234 / ALPIEUB SW CHF-hedged: CH0302271066 / ALPICHF SW
Distributions	accumulating
Subscription and redemption	daily (cut-off 09.00 CET)
Tax transparency	CH, AT
Tax status Germany	Equity fund pursuant to InvStG with partial exemption
UK Tax Reporting Status	Tranche EUR A
Registered for public distribution	CH, DE; SGP (accr. investors only)

Fee structure

Subscription and redemption fee	none
Management fee p.a.	Tranche EUR A: 1.00% Tranche EUR B: 1.50% Tranche CHF-hedged: 1.00%
MiFID fee for third party research p.a.	0.04%
Total expense ratio p.a. (per 30.06.2024; TER)	Tranche EUR A: 1.28% Tranche EUR B: 1.28% Tranche CHF-hedged: 1.78%

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