

# Swiss Dividend Fund

Class ZA

# zMonthly November 24

# Donald Trump back in the White House

In November, financial markets were dominated by the US presidential election. Donald Trump won the race by an unexpectedly large margin. Trump's promises to re-industrialise the country, reduce corporate taxes, cut red tape and impose sweeping import tariffs were received differently by global stock markets. US equity markets reacted euphorically, with the S&P 500 posting its biggest one-day post-election gain. On the other hand, fears of rising protectionism weighed on European equity markets in particular. As the month progressed, the new president's personnel decisions and the threat of further import tariffs influenced markets. The nomination of anti-vaccination campaigner Robert F. Kennedy Jr. as Secretary of Health and Human Services was the main source of uncertainty, while the proposal to nominate Scott Bessent as future Secretary of the Treasury managed to calm the waters. Private bank Julius Bär reported a significant acceleration in net new money in the first ten months of the year, helping to boost its share price. At the Capital Markets Day, DKSH clarified its medium-term targets for margin expansion and acquisitions. Zurich IG pleased investors with the targets for the next three years presented at the Investor Day. In contrast, Nestlé's new CEO Laurent Freixe failed to convince investors with his remodelling plans. The fund gained 0.9% in November (SPI -0.2%).

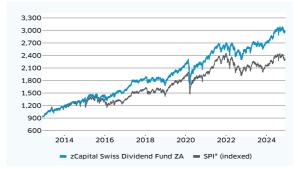
# Add to large caps

During the month we increased our positions in Novartis, Nestlé, Givaudan, Swisscom, SGS and ABB. On the other hand, profits were realised on Julius Bär, Holcim, Swiss Re and Accelleron following strong price gains.

# Swiss industry hit by weak demand

The situation in the key markets of Germany and China has deteriorated further in recent weeks, led by the European car crisis. Added to this are the uncertainties surrounding Trump's "America First" policy. No one knows what the new US administration will do with the tariffs and other measures it has threatened to impose. This will affect business investment and consumer sentiment in Europe and Asia in particular. As a result, the start to the new year will be slow for many manufacturing companies, and the almost habitual year-end rally is unlikely to materialise. On the other hand, stocks of cyclical companies with healthy balance sheets could slowly but surely find solid ground after the sharp price corrections.

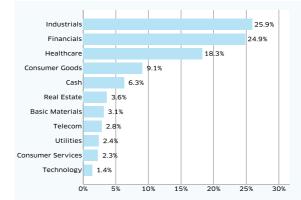
Performance since Launch (as of 29/11/2024)



#### Performance (as of 29/11/2024)

MTD (Fund / Benchmark)	0.9% /	-0.2%
YTD	10.5% /	7.6%
1 year	13.0% /	10.5%
3 years p.a.	5.3% /	0.1%
5 years p.a.	6.9% /	4.3%
10 years p.a.	8.3% /	5.7%
Since launch p.a.	10.2% /	7.9%

# Sectors (as of 29/11/2024)



#### Largest Positions (as of 29/11/2024)

1	Novartis	9.2%
2	Roche	9.0%
3	Nestle	9.0%
4	ABB	6.0%
5	Zurich Insurance Group	5.6%
6	Holcim	4.1%
7	Swiss Re	3.5%
8	Swisscom	2.8%
9	Julius Baer	2.7%
10	SGS	2.6%
11	Givaudan	2.5%
12	Baloise	2.3%
13	Accelleron	2.2%
14	Sulzer	2.2%
15	DKSH	2.2%



# **Investment Strategy**

The zCapital Swiss Dividend Fund invests in Swiss equities that pay an attractive, reliable dividend or where dividend income is expected to grow. The fund invests in 30 to 40 companies from the universe of the SPI® (Swiss Performance Index). Around half of the fund assets is invested in blue chips and the other half in second-line stocks. zCapital pursues a long-term, active investment style. The stock selection is based on a combination of fundamental company analyses with a proprietary dividend analysis tool. Key ESG aspects and macroeconomic factors are also included in the decisionmaking process.

# Portfolio Structure (as of 29/11/2024)

Net Asset Value	CHF 2,994.10 per Share ZA
Total Assets	CHF 680 m
Investment Exposure	93.7%
Number of Companies	35

### Statistics 3 Years (as of 29/11/2024)

Volatility Fund p.a.	10.9%
Beta (current)	0.8
Dividend yield of invested companies *	3.6%
Large caps in percentage of portfolio	58.8%

\* This figure includes the weighted future dividend yields from the companies invested in, as estimated by ZCapital. It does not provide any indication of the final level of dividend that will be paid out by the "ZCapital Swiss Dividend Fund". As of 29/11/2024.

# Termsheet

Fund-Name	zCapital Swiss Dividend Fund (Class ZA)
Asset Manager	zCapital AG, Zug
Swiss Security Number / ISIN	19994459 / CH0199944593
Price Publications	www.swissfunddata.ch, www.fundinfo.com
Bloomberg / Reuters	ZCADVZA SW Equity / 19994459.S
Benchmark	Swiss Performance Index SPI*
Morningstar-Rating	****
Fund Type / Distribution	Swiss Securities Fund / Authorized for public distribution in Switzerland and Germany
Fund Management Company / Custodian Bank	LLB Swiss Investment AG, Zürich / Bank Julius Bär & Co. AG, Zürich
Management Fee (incl. Fund Management and Custodian Fees)	0.75% p.a.
Issue Fee / Redemption Fee	None
Total Expense Ratio (TER) as of 31/05/2024	0.76%
Requirements	Minimum initial subscription and minimum investment amount of CHF 3 m
Subscriptions and Redemptions	On each bank working day at Net Asset Value (NAV). The investor shall always notify zCapital via an e-mail sent to info@zcapital.ch, what amount or what number of fund units it wishes to subscribe to, by means of which channel. Subscriptions and redemptions which are placed with the Custodian Bank by 3.45pm CET on a bank business day (Order Day), are processed on the next bank working day (Valuation Day) based on the Order Day's closing price.
Auditor	PricewaterhouseCoopers AG, Zurich

#### Monthly Performance (as of 29/11/2024) Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun Jul Aug Sep Oct Nov Dec Year 2012 1 3% 1 3% 2013 5.0% 4.3% 3.2% 2.2% 0.2% -2.1% 2.0% -0.3% 2.9% 3.4% 1.2% 1.7% 26.1% 1.5% 1.6% 2014 0.6% 2.8% 1.0% -0.5% 0.1% 1.6% 0.8% -0.0% 2.9% -0.1% 13.0% 2015 -3.0% 6.9% -4.1% 5.2% -4.8% -2.7% 2.3% 7.6% 2.3% 0.9% 0.6% 4.7% -0.1% -2.8% 2016 -1.5% 1.9% 1.8% 3.9% -1.1% 2.0% 1.9% 0.7% -2.0% -0.3% 3.5% 8.1% 1.4% 2017 0.8% 3.4% 3.0% 3.7% 3.3% -1.5% -1.8% 2.5% 0.9% 0.6% 0.3% 17.7% 2018 0.4% -3.0% 0.0% 3.0% -3.2% 0.9% 3.1% -0.1% -0.3% -1.3% -0.8% -5.5% -6.8% 6.2% 3.4% 1.5% -1.3% 27.4% 2019 3.8% 3.1% 0.5% 0.4% 2.1% 1.3% 2.0% 1.8% 2020 0.7% -6.8% -6.3% 5.2% 3.0% 2.3% -0.5% 2.9% 0.3% -5.0% 8.5% 2.8% 5.9% -0.2% 2.5% 2.3% 1.5% -5.4% 2021 -0.1% 6.2% 0.4% 1.3% 2 4% -0.8% 4 9% 15.6% 2022 -2.7% -1.9% 3.0% 1.3% -3.4% -6.1% 3.8% 2.1% -5.0% 4.7% 3.2% 2.0% -7.7% 2023 4.4% -0.4% 1.3% 3.5% -1.1% 0.6% 1.2% -1.7% -0.0% -3.2% 3.1% 1.8% 9.5% 2024 1.2% 1.2% 3.8% -1.4% 4.9% 0.4% 2.6% 0.7% -1.1% -2.6% 0.9% 10.5%

\* since Launch date (3 December 2012)

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