

# DNCA INVEST

## ARCHER MID-CAP EUROPE

EUROPEAN MID-CAP EQUITIES



### Investment objective

The Sub-Fund seeks to achieve superior long term risk adjusted returns (i.e. returns adjusted for volatility) by investing primarily in equities and equity related securities of medium sized and smaller European companies over the recommended investment term (five years). Investors' attention is drawn to the fact that the management style is discretionary and integrates environmental, social / societal and governance (ESG) criteria. The portfolio composition will not attempt to replicate the composition of a benchmark index from a geographical or sectorial perspective. Even so, MSCI EUROPE MID CAP Net Return Euro Index may be used as an ex-post benchmark indicator.

To achieve its investment objective, the investment strategy is based on active discretionary management.

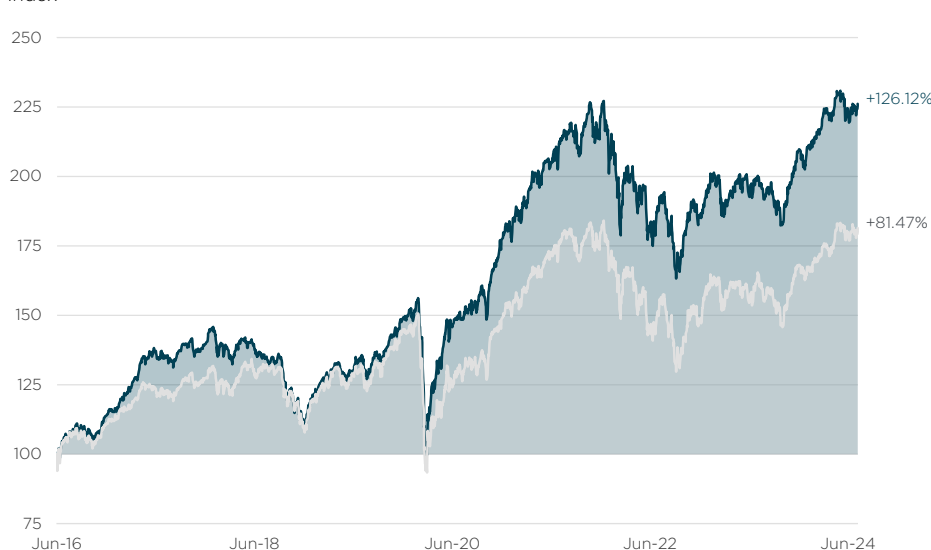
### Financial characteristics

NAV (€)	226.12
Net assets (€M)	780
Number of equities holdings	77
Average market cap. (€Bn)	6
Price to Earning Ratio 2024 <sup>e</sup>	13.6x
Price to Book 2023	1.8x
EV/EBITDA 2024 <sup>e</sup>	8.3x
ND/EBITDA 2023	2.0x
Free Cash Flow yield 2024 <sup>e</sup>	5.25%
Dividend yield 2023 <sup>e</sup>	2.77%

### Performance (from 24/06/2016 to 31/07/2024)

Past performance is not a guarantee of future performance

↗ DNCA INVEST ARCHER MID-CAP EUROPE (A Share) Cumulative performance ↗ Reference Index<sup>(1)</sup>



<sup>(1)</sup>MSCI Europe Mid Cap NR

The performances are calculated net of any fees by DNCA FINANCE.

### Annualised performances and volatilities (%)

	1 year	2 years	5 years	Since inception
A Share	+13.18	+8.31	+11.09	+10.59
Reference Index	+10.21	+7.93	+6.95	+7.63
A Share - volatility	10.58	12.60	17.54	15.25
Reference Index - volatility	11.06	14.30	18.73	16.57

### Cumulative performances (%)

	1 month	3 months	YTD	1 year	2 years	5 years
A Share	+3.10	+1.92	+7.87	+13.18	+17.39	+69.31
Reference Index	+2.58	+4.31	+8.07	+10.21	+16.57	+39.99

### Calendar year performances (%)

	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017
A Share	+13.30	-18.01	+26.20	+20.41	+31.82	-19.72	+22.58
Reference Index	+14.19	-19.27	+21.60	+4.23	+29.97	-13.16	+14.42

### Risk indicator



Lower risk

Higher risk

Synthetic risk indicator according to PRIIPS. 1 corresponds to the lowest level and 7 to the highest level.

	1 year	3 years	5 years	Since inception
Sharpe Ratio	1.31	0.13	0.63	0.69
Tracking error	4.43%	5.35%	6.35%	5.80%
Correlation coefficient	0.92	0.94	0.94	0.94
Information Ratio	0.62	0.20	0.65	0.51
Beta	0.88	0.91	0.88	0.86

**Main risks:** risk relating to discretionary management, equity risk, counterparty risk, credit risk, risk of capital loss, interest-rate risk, risk related to exchange rate, liquidity risk, risk of investing in derivative instruments as well as instruments embedding derivatives, risk related to investments in emerging markets, ESG risk, sustainability risk

### Main positions\*

	Weight
FUGRO NV (3.5)	4.56%
GAZTRANSPORT ET TECHNIGA SA (6.2)	2.95%
D'IETEREN GROUP (4.9)	2.84%
DCC PLC (5.5)	2.50%
INFORMA PLC (5.6)	2.30%
IPSOS (4.6)	2.20%
FLUTTER ENTERTAINMENT PLC-DI (4.3)	2.17%
TRYG A/S (6.1)	2.09%
MODERN TIMES GROUP-B SHS (5.6)	2.07%
ONTEX GROUP NV (4.9)	2.06%
	<b>25.73%</b>

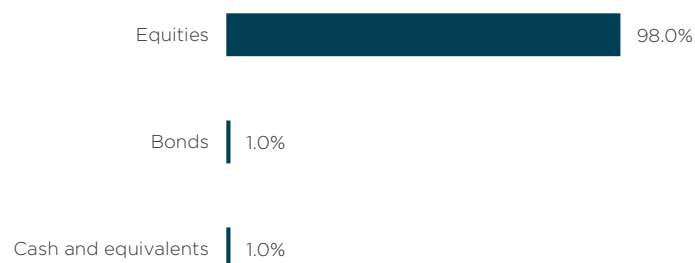
### Monthly performance contributions

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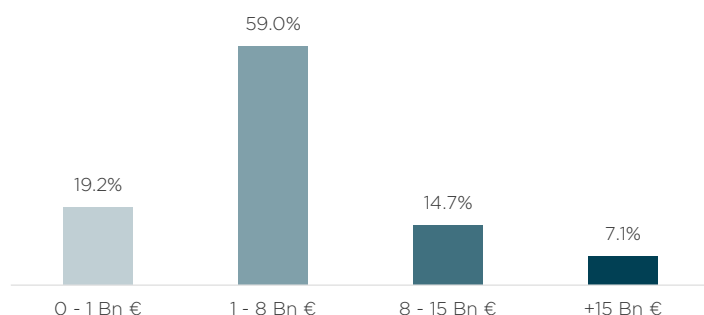
Best	Weight	Contribution
FUGRO NV	4.56%	+0.41%
GAZTRANSPORT ET TECHNIGA SA	2.95%	+0.33%
IG GROUP HOLDINGS PLC	1.93%	+0.27%
DOLE PLC	1.31%	+0.24%
RS GROUP PLC	1.41%	+0.22%

Worst	Weight	Contribution
COMPUGROUP MEDICAL SE & CO K	0.86%	-0.45%
MODERN TIMES GROUP-B SHS	2.07%	-0.13%
LECTRA	1.33%	-0.08%
IMERYS SA	0.98%	-0.08%
JUMBO SA	1.79%	-0.07%

### Asset class breakdown



### Market Cap breakdown



### Sector breakdown (ICB)

	Fund	Index
Industrial Goods and Services	14.0%	21.5%
Technology	9.6%	5.4%
Health Care	8.7%	7.5%
Media	7.6%	3.9%
Consumer Products and Services	7.4%	4.3%
Financial Services	6.5%	4.8%
Construction and Materials	5.7%	5.1%
Real Estate	5.2%	3.9%
Food, Beverage and Tobacco	4.8%	3.3%
Insurance	4.7%	7.0%
Energy	4.6%	3.2%
Retail	3.6%	1.9%
Travel and Leisure	3.5%	2.8%
Chemicals	2.9%	5.4%
Automobiles and Parts	2.8%	1.6%
Personal Care, Drug and Grocery	2.5%	1.3%
Banks	1.7%	6.5%
Utilities	1.2%	3.2%
Basic Resources	1.0%	4.1%
Cash and equivalents	1.0%	N/A

### Country breakdown

	Fund	Index
United Kingdom	18.6%	21.7%
France	16.6%	11.6%
Netherlands	11.3%	9.1%
Ireland	11.2%	2.8%
Germany	7.5%	12.9%
Sweden	6.2%	8.0%
Belgium	5.3%	2.1%
Denmark	5.0%	2.7%
Switzerland	4.8%	11.2%
Italy	3.8%	6.6%
Spain	3.5%	2.8%
Finland	1.9%	3.5%
Greece	1.8%	-
Cyprus	0.3%	-
Norway	0.2%	2.7%
Cash and equivalents	1.0%	N/A

### Changes to portfolio holdings\*

**In:** BALTIC CLASSIFIEDS GROUP, CTP NV (3.1) and UNITE GROUP PLC/THE (4.3)

**Out:** DKSH HOLDING AG (5.7)

\*The figure between brackets represents the issuer's 'responsibility' score. Please refer to the Internal Extra-financial analysis page for the analysis methodology.

### Portfolio managers comments

The fund invests in the attractive European mid-cap segment.

Our aim is to find the best value for money: in other words, to own companies with excellent fundamentals and solid prospects, while remaining rigorous in terms of valuation.

Since its inception, the fund has outperformed its benchmark 126.12% versus 81.47%.

In July, Fugro NV made the strongest contribution to the fund, positioning itself as a leading player in geotechnical engineering for the energy and infrastructure sectors. This performance was underpinned by the acceleration of the offshore wind energy market, which should boost the company's growth and profitability. In addition, Gaztransport & Technigas SA, a French engineering company specialising in containment systems for the storage and transport of liquefied natural gas (LNG), contributed to the fund by announcing a record order book, providing solid visibility for the coming quarters. In addition, IG Group Holdings Plc, a player in online trading services, closed its annual accounts in line with consensus while reassuring on the outlook for the 2025 financial year.

Dole Plc, a major Irish fruit and vegetable retailer, is standing out in the market for the quality of its operating activities, pending publication of its half-yearly accounts on 14 August. Lastly, RS Group Plc, a supplier of industrial and electronic solutions, posted solid results in terms of profitability in a market where volumes are set to increase between now and the end of the year.

The company that made the biggest negative contribution to performance was CompuGroup Medical SE & Co KGaA, a German company specialising in healthcare software. It recently adjusted its growth and profitability targets in response to weak non-recurring revenues and strategic spending on artificial intelligence. Modern Times Group, a Swedish developer of digital entertainment content, also reported results below expectations, but confirmed its annual growth targets at the lower end of the range.

Lectra SA, developer of software and automated equipment for the textile, automotive and fashion industries, has revised its growth targets due to a temporary decline in orders in the second quarter.

Imerys SA, the world leader in processing industrial minerals, is facing a slowdown in quartz sales, impacted by photovoltaic overproduction and high inventory levels, despite a solid performance in the first half of 2024. Jumbo SA, owner of hypermarkets and DIY shops, is facing temporary challenges in its supply chains and extended delivery times. The company continues to target an operating profit at the low end of its guidance.

Adjustments have been made to the portfolio to further optimise it, with the aim of achieving the best possible combination of quality, improved prospects and value.

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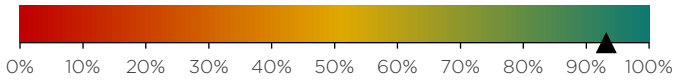
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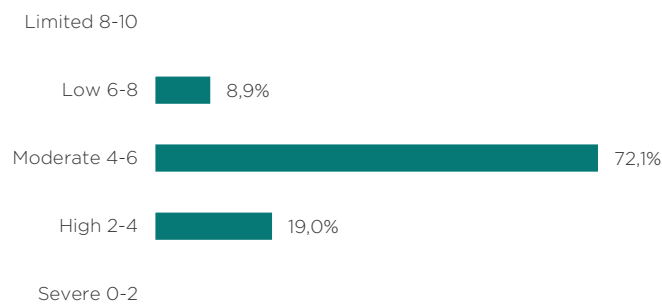
**Internal extra-financial analysis**

**ABA coverage rate<sup>+</sup> (93.2%)**



**Average Responsibility Score: 4.7/10**

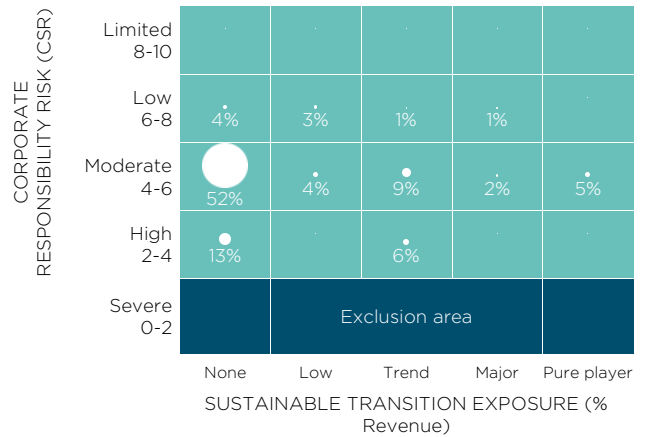
**Responsibility risk breakdown<sup>(1)</sup>**



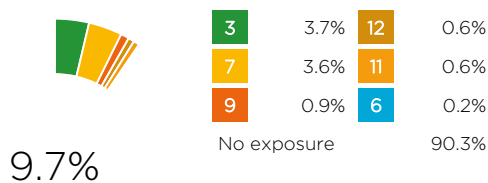
**Selectivity universe exclusion rate**



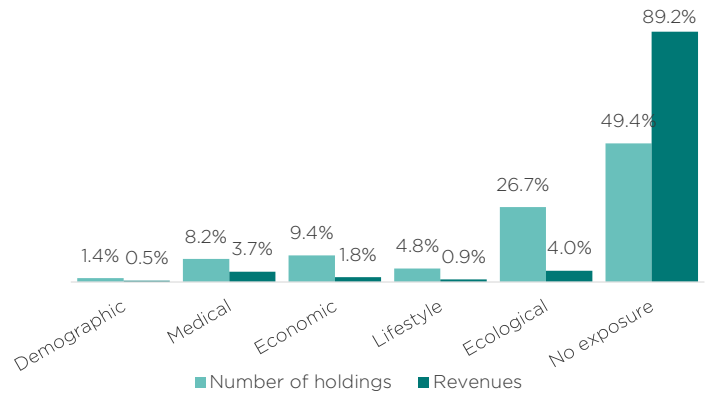
**Transition/CSR exposure<sup>(2)</sup>**



**SDG's exposure<sup>(3)</sup> (% of revenues)**



**Sustainable transitions exposure<sup>(4)</sup>**



**Analysis methodology**

We develop proprietary models based on our expertise and conviction to add tangible value in the selection of portfolio securities. DNCA's ESG analysis model, Above & Beyond Analysis (ABA), respects this principle and offers a rating that we control the entire construction. Information from companies is the main input to our rating. The methodologies for calculating ESG indicators and our responsible investor and engagement policy are available on our website [by clicking here](#).

<sup>(1)</sup> The rating out of 10 integrates 4 risks of responsibility: shareholder, environmental, social and societal. Whatever their sector of activity, 24 indicators are evaluated, such as social climate, accounting risks, suppliers, business ethics, energy policy, quality of management.

<sup>(2)</sup> The ABA Matrix combines the Responsibility Risk and the Sustainable Transition exposure of the portfolio. It allows us to map companies to be mapped using a risk/opportunity approach.

<sup>(3)</sup> 1 No poverty. 2 Zero hunger. 3 Good health and well-being. 4 Quality education. 5 Gender equality. 6 Clean water and sanitation. 7 Clean and affordable energy. 8 Decent work and economic growth. 9 Industry, innovation and infrastructure. 10 Reduced inequalities. 11 Sustainable cities and communities. 12 Sustainable consumption and production. 13 Tackling climate change. 14 Aquatic life. 15 Terrestrial life. 16 Peace, justice and effective institutions. 17 Partnerships to achieve the goals.

<sup>(4)</sup> 5 transitions based on a long-term perspective of the financing of the economy allow the identification of activities with a positive contribution to sustainable development and to measure the exposure of companies in terms of turnover as well as exposure to the UN Sustainable Development Goals.

\*The coverage rate measures the proportion of issuers (equities and corporate bonds) taken into account in the calculation of the extra-financial indicators. This measure is calculated as a % of the net assets adjusted for cash, money market instruments, derivatives and any vehicle outside the scope of "listed equities and corporate bonds".

**Principal Adverse Impacts**

PAI	Unit	Fund		Ref. Index	
		Coverage	Value	Coverage	Value
PAI Corpo 1_1 - Tier 1 GHG emissions	T CO <sub>2</sub>	88%	28,350	100%	5,210
PAI Corpo 1_2 - Tier 2 GHG emissions	T CO <sub>2</sub>	88%	7,259	100%	1,486
PAI Corpo 1_3 - Tier 3 GHG emissions	T CO <sub>2</sub>	87%	318,341	100%	63,704
PAI Corpo 1T - Total GHG emissions	T CO <sub>2</sub>	88%	356,050	100%	71,211
PAI Corpo 2 - Carbon footprint	T CO <sub>2</sub> /EUR million invested	88%	456	100%	709
PAI Corpo 3 - GHG intensity	T CO <sub>2</sub> /EUR million sales	88%	635	100%	802
PAI Corpo 4 - Share of investments in companies active in the fossil fuel sector		7%	7%	4%	4%
PAI Corpo 5 - Share of non-renewable energy consumption and production		87%	78%	98%	65%
PAI Corpo 6_TOTAL - Energy consumption intensity by sector with high climate impact NACE	GWh/EUR million sales	87%	0.3	98%	0.3
PAI Corpo 7 - Activities with a negative impact on biodiversity-sensitive areas		90%	4%	99%	11%
PAI Corpo 8 - Water discharges	T Water Emissions	0%	0	3%	731
PAI Corpo 9 - Hazardous or radioactive waste ratio	T Hazardous Waste	90%	280,696	98%	1,254,236
PAI Corpo 10 - Violations of UNGC and OECD principles		87%	0%	100%	0%
PAI Corpo 11 - Lack of UNGC and OECD compliance processes and mechanisms		90%	2%	100%	1%
PAI Corpo 12 - Unadjusted gender pay gap		64%	16%	83%	14%
PAI Corpo 13 - Gender diversity in governance bodies		86%	38%	100%	40%
PAI Corpo 14 - Exposure to controversial weapons		91%	0%	100%	0%
PAI Corpo OPT_1 - Water use	m <sup>3</sup> /EUR mln sales	1%	0	3%	0
PAI Corpo OPT_2 - Water recycling		0%	0%	3%	0%
PAI Corpo OPT_3 - Number of days lost due to injury, accident, death or illness		22%	77	22%	20

Source : MSCI

## Administrative information

**Name:** DNCA INVEST Archer Mid-Cap Europe  
**ISIN code (Share A):** LU1366712435  
**SFDR classification:** Art.8  
**Inception date:** 24/06/2016  
**Investment horizon:** Minimum 5 years  
**Currency:** Euro  
**Country of domicile:** Luxembourg  
**Legal form:** SICAV  
**Reference Index:** MSCI Europe Mid Cap NR  
**Valuation frequency:** Daily  
**Management company:** DNCA Finance

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**Minimum investment:** 2,500 EUR  
**Subscription fees:** 2% max  
**Redemption fees:** -  
**Management fees:** 1.60%  
**Ongoing charges as of 30/12/2022:** 1.74%  
**Performance fees:** 20% of the positive performance net of any fees above the index: MSCI Europe Mid Cap NR

**Custodian:** BNP Paribas - Luxembourg Branch  
**Settlement:** T+2  
**Cut off:** 12:00 Luxembourg time

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If the portfolio investment process can incorporate ESG approach, the portfolio's investment objective is not primarily to mitigate this risk. The sustainability risk management policy is available on the website of the Management Company.

The reference benchmark as defined in the Regulation 2019/2088 (article 2(22)) does not intend to be consistent with the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the fund.

## Glossary

**Beta.** Measures the average extent to which a fund moves relative to the broader market. The beta of a market is 1. A fund with a beta of more than 1 moves on average to a greater extent than the market. A fund with a beta of less than 1 moves on average to a lesser extent. If beta is a minus number, it is likely that the stock and the market move in opposite directions.

**Correlation coefficient.** The correlation coefficient is a measure of correlation. It is used to determine the relationship between two assets over a given period. A positive coefficient means that the two assets move in the same direction. Conversely, a negative coefficient means that the assets move in the opposite direction. The correlation or decorrelation can be more or less strong and varies between -1 and 1.

**Dividend yield.** Annual dividends per share / Price per share

**EV (Enterprise Value).** Market value of common stock + market value of preferred equity + market value of debt + minority interest - cash and investments.

**ND/EBITDA (Net Debt / EBITDA).** A measurement of leverage, calculated as a company's interest-bearing liabilities minus cash or cash equivalents, divided by its EBITDA. The net debt to EBITDA ratio is a debt ratio that shows how many years it would take for a company to pay back its debt if net debt and EBITDA are held constant.

**P/B.** The Price to Book Ratio is the ratio of the market value of equity (market capitalisation) to its book value. It is used to compare the market valuation of a company with its book value.

**P/CF (Share price/Cash Flow per Share).** The price-to-cash-flow ratio is an indicator of a stock's valuation.

**PER (Price Earnings Ratio).** A company's share price divided by the amount of profits it makes for each share in a 12-month period. PE ratios are normally calculated on the base of all the profit made in the period, whether or not the profit is paid out to shareholders in that period.

**ROE (Return On Equity).** The amount of net income returned as a percentage of shareholders equity. Return on equity measures a corporation's profitability by revealing how much profit a company generates with the money shareholders have invested.

**Sharpe Ratio.** A way of measuring the historical risk-adjusted return on an investment. It is the average previous return minus the risk-free return, divided by the standard deviation (a measure of risk that looks at the diversion of actual returns from expected returns).

**Sharpe Ratio.** The Sharpe ratio measures the excess return over the risk-free money rate of an asset portfolio divided by the standard deviation of that return. It is therefore a measure of the marginal return per unit of risk. It is used to measure the performance of managers with different risk policies.

**Tracking error.** Tracking Error is a measure of how closely an investment portfolio follows the index against which it is benchmarked. It is the difference in the return earned by a portfolio and the return earned by the benchmark against which the portfolio is constructed. For example, if a bond portfolio earns a return of 5.15% during a period when the portfolio's benchmark (say, for example, the Lehman Brothers Index) produces a return of 5.06%, the tracking error is .09%, or 9 basis points.

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