Bellevue Entrepreneur Swiss Small & Mid^(LUX)

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Factsheet

Bellevue Funds (Lux) | Share class I2 CHF

Investment Company with Variable Capital (SICAV) according to Luxembourg Laws – UCITS Marketing document - For professional investors: AT, CH, DE, ES, LU, HK

Investment focus

The fund's aim is to achieve capital growth in the long term, is actively managed and invests in listed owner-managed companies in Switzerland where an entrepreneur or a founder family holds at least a 20% of a company's voting rights. The qualities of these companies - a focused business model, fast decision-making processes and a strong corporate culture - go hand in hand with efficient innovation, high product quality and strong customer loyalty. The corresponding impact on the share price is demonstrably positive. The fund's Management Team offers a wealth of experience in this investment segment and has built up an extensive network with executives throughout the sector. It pursues a fundamental, bottom-up approach in identifying the most attractive founder-controlled companies with a small and mid market capitalization while maintaining an investment portfolio of 35 to 45 stocks diversified by sub-sector and style (Value, GARP, Growth). The fund takes ESG factors into consideration while implementing the aforementioned investment objectives.

Fund facts

NAV	147.09
Volume	CHF 66.6 mn
NAV-calculation	Daily "Forward Pricing"
Cut off time	15:00 CET
Distribution policy	Accumulating
Investment manager	Bellevue Asset Management AG

Custodian	CACEIS BAI	CEIS BANK, LUXEMBOURG BRANCH				
Launch date		30.11.2017				
Fiscal year end		30.06				
Benchmark		SPI Extra TR*				
ISIN code		LU1725388356				
Valor		39331687				
Bloomberg		BBESI2C LX				
WKN		A2H8LR				
Management fe	e	0.70%				
Performance fe	е	none				
Subscription fe	e	up to 5%				
Min. investmen	t	CHF 5.0 mn				
Legal entity		Luxembourg UCITS V SICAV				
Countries of		AT, CH, DE, ES, HK, LU				
EU SFDR 2019/2	2088	Article 8				

Key figures

Beta 1.00 0.95 Correlation Volatility 16.1% Tracking Error 5.05 Active Share 45.80 Sharpe Ratio -0.55 Information Ratio -0.74 Jensen's Alpha -3.54

Indexed performance since launch



Cumulative & annualised performance

Cumulative

Annualised

	1M	YTD	1Y	ЗY	5Y	10Y	ITD	1Y	ЗY	5Y	10Y	ITD
I2 CHF	-1.1%	1.3%	1.3%	-23.2%	16.3%	n.a.	17.7%	1.3%	-8.4%	3.1%	n.a.	2.3%
BM	-0.8%	3.8%	3.8%	-16.0%	11.0%	n.a.	21.6%	3.8%	-5.6%	2.1%	n.a.	2.8%

Annual performance

	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	YTD
I2 CHF	27.0%	20.6%	25.5%	-28.5%	6.1%	1.3%
BM	30.4%	8.1%	22.2%	-24.0%	6.5%	3.8%

Rolling 12-month-performance



Source: Bellevue Asset Management, 31.12.2024; all figures in CHF %, total return / BVI-methodology **Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future results and can be misleading. As the fund is denominated in a currency that may differ than an investor's base currency, changes in the rate of exchange may have an adverse effect on prices and incomes. Performance is shown net of fees and expenses for the relevant share class over the reference period. All performance figures reflect the reinvestment of dividends and do not take into account the commissions and costs incurred on the issue and redemption of shares, if any. Individual costs are not taken into account and would have a negative impact on the performance. With an investment amount of CHF 1,000 over an investment period of five years, the investment result in the first year would be reduced by the front-end load of up to CHF 50 (5%) as well as by additional individual custody charges. In subsequent years, the investment result would also be reduced by the individual custody account costs incurred. The reference benchmark of this class is used for performance comparison purposes only (dividend reinvested). The funds is actively managed. No benchmark is directly identical to a fund, thus the performance of a benchmark is not a reliable indicator of future performance of the fund to which it is compared. There can be no assurance that a return will be achieved or that a substantial loss of capital will not be incurred.**

*SPI Extra since 30.11.17, SPI until 30.11.17

Top 10 positions

Sandoz	4.6%
Swissquote	3.7%
Burckhardt Compression	3.7%
Sulzer	3.6%
Schindler	3.5%
VZ Holding	3.4%
Straumann	3.4%
Kardex	3.4%
Belimo	3.3%
SFS Group	3.2%
Total top 10 positions	35.8%
Total positions	41

Sector breakdown

Industrials		40.7%
Financials		15.1%
Healthcare		14.9%
Consumer Staples		10.0%
IT		8.9%
Materials		5.9%
Consumer Discretion.		2.3%
Cash	1	2.3%

Market cap breakdown

0 - 1 bn	6.0%
1 - 2 bn	10.2%
2 - 5 bn	27.7%
5 - 15 bn	28.0%
15 - 20 bn	10.9%
>20 bn	14.9%
Others	2.3%

Market review

Swiss small and mid caps, as measured by the SPIEX Index, declined by 0.8% in December (SPI -1.3%), closing 2024 up 3.8%. The SNB cut interest rate by 50bps, its biggest reduction in almost 10 years, responding to weaker than expected inflation in Switzerland and growing uncertainty about the global economy. Meanwhile, both European and US central banks cut interest rates as expected by 25bps, but the more hawkish tone triggered a sell-off across asset classes. US LT rates rebounded sharply, pulling European rates in their wake. In France, the government under M. Barnier collapsed, widening bond spreads to levels last seen in 2012. Eurozone inflation rose to 2.2% year-on-year, up from 2% in the previous month, but the core inflation remained at 2.7%, marking a five-month low. The Eurozone's flash PMI for December came in at 49.5, up from 48.3, with services returning to expansionary territory (51.4 vs. 49.5), while manufacturing remained weak (45.2). In Switzerland the manufacturing PMI stood slightly lower in December at 48.4 from 48.5 in the previous month, with services up to 53.2, above the growth threshold for the 3rd consecutive month. In terms of sector performances, consumer discretionary (+5.3%), real estate (+1.9%) and financials (+0.2%) performed best, while communication services (-5.5%), healthcare (-2.6%) and consumer staples (-2.5%) lagged the most.

Against this backdrop, the fund declined -1.2% in the month, 29 bps below its benchmark. This brings the annual 2024 performance to 0.3%, 352 bps below its benchmark.

Main detractors in the month were SoftwareOne (-21.4%), Bachem (-11.5%) and Barry Callebaut (-10.4%). SoftwareOne announced the acquisition of its Norwegian peer Crayon for a total consideration of ca. CHF 1bn, paid in cash and shares. While negative from a timing perspective, this combination, rumoured in the past, should improve SoftwareOne fundamentals and generate high synergies of CHF 80-100m, leading to a strong EPS accretion of 25% as soon as 2026 – 40% excluding implementation costs. Bachem suffered from the negative reception of Novo's (-17.6%) Phase III Cagrisema study. The peptide CDMO strongly capitalizes on GLP-1 specialists to fill its new-build large capacity and reach its reiterated 2026 revenue target of CHF 1 bn. Barry Callebaut suffered from cocoa price surging back to new highs, likely to lead to negative volumes weakness in end markets, to be partially offset by market share gains.

Main contributors in the month were Gurit (+33.8%), Compagnie Financiere Tradition (+14.2%) and Galderma (+11.5%). Gurit provided an update of its strategic realignment and right sizing measures, which leads the company to close plants in wind in Turkey, Denmark and temporarily in India, while the company reinforces its footprint in key markets in marine and industrials. While not very precise financially and initially negative on revenues, we understand that this plan should be positive at the adjusted EBIT level, suggesting upside to the consensus. The interdealer broker Tradition staged a year-end rally after posting strong revenue growth of 16.2% in its Q3 update, published early November. Galderma announced the FDA approval of Nemluvio for atopic dermatitis. This second approval helps de-risk the future growth of the company, which reiterated guidance for USD >2 bn Nemluvio peak sales achievable beyond 2027. Nemluvio is core to the investment case, as the product will contribute ca. 50% to Galderma's growth in the period 2025-30.

Positioning & outlook

Apparently in psychology before you move forward you need to regress. 2024 was a disappointing year for Swiss (and European) small and mid caps to say the least. Less than 4% annualized total return, makes out for a sub-par year in a sub-par period since 2021. Yes, economic growth has been pedestrian and industrial PMIs under 50 since 2023. Yes, the relative OW of US equities is the highest in 24 years an international equities have been left for dead by many US investors. As stock pickers we like to be contrarian and pick up promising companies at an attractive valuation and this has been a perilous exercise in a year in which price momentum has been the main driver of performance. We feel there is maximum pessimism on many counts, which could make out for a better 2025. On behalf of the Bellevue and the Entrepreneur Team, we thank you for your trust and wish you good investing in 2025.

Source: Bellevue Asset Management, 31.12.2024; For illustrative purposes only. Holdings and allocations are subject to change. Any reference to a specific company or security does not constitute a recommendation to buy, sell, hold or directly invest in the company or securities. Where the fund is denominated in a currency other than an investor's base currency, changes in the rate of exchange may have an adverse effect on price and income.

Risk and return profile acc. to SRI

The Fund's investment objective is to generate attractive and competitive capital growth in the long term. It is therefore particularly suited to investors with an investment horizon of at least 5 years who want to enhance their portfolio diversification with investments in Swiss founder-controlled companies. The Fund displays the typical risks associated with equity investments.

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We have classified this product as risk class 4 on a scale of 1 to 7, where 4 corresponds to a medium risk class. The risk of potential losses from future performance is classified as medium. In the event of very adverse market conditions, it is possible that the ability to execute your redemption request may be impaired. The calculation of the risk and earnings profile is based on simulated/historical data, which cannot be used as a reliable indication of the future risk profile. The classification of the fund may change in future and does not constitute a guarantee. Even a fund classed in category 1 does not constitute a completely risk-free investment. There can be no guarantee that a return will be achieved or that a substantial loss of capital will not be incurred. The overall risk exposure may have a strong impact on any return achieved by the fund or subfund. For further information please refer to the fund prospectus or PRIIP-KID.

Liquidity risk

The fund may invest some of its assets in financial instruments that may in certain circumstances reach a relatively low level of liquidity, which can have an impact on the fund's liquidity.

Risk arising from the use of derivatives

The fund may conclude derivatives transactions. This increases opportunities, but also involves an increased risk of loss.

Currency risks

The fund may invest in assets denominated in a foreign currency. Changes in the rate of exchange may have an adverse effect on prices and incomes.

Operational risks and custody risks

The fund is subject to risks due to operational or human errors, which can arise at the investment company, the custodian bank, a custodian or other third parties.

Benefits

- Above-average top line growth driven by high innovation and strong pricing power.
- Higher operating margins on the back of high market share ("Champion in the niche") combined with good cost discipline.
- More conservatively financed, lower debt exposure and a higher risk capacity compared to non-family businesses.
- Multi-award-winning management team with a long and successful track record investing in owner-run firms.
- Entrepreneurs for entrepreneurs the Bellevue Group is itself an owner-run company with the majority of shares held by employees.

Inherent risks

- The fund actively invests in equities. Equities are subject to price fluctuations and so are also exposed to the risk of price losses.
- Shares in smaller businesses are generally traded in lower volumes and are subject to bigger price fluctuations than larger enterprises.
- The fund may invest a proportion of its assets in financial instruments that might under certain circumstances have a relatively low level of liquidity, which can in turn affect the fund's liquidity.
- Succession planning poses an additional risk for owner-run companies.
- The fund may engage in derivatives transactions. The increased opportunities gained come with an increased risk of losses.

You can find a detailed presentation of the risks faced by this fund in the "Special Investment Risks" section of the sales prospectus.

Laurent Picard, SEAF

since 2018

Portfolio Manager of the fund

Management Team



Lead Portfolio Manager since inception of the fund

Sustainability Profile - ESG

EU SFDR 2019/2088 product category: Article 8

Exclusions:		ESG Risk Analysis:		Stewardship:	
Compliance UNGC, HR, ILO	\oslash	ESG-Integration	\bigcirc	Engagement	\bigcirc
Norms-based exclusions	\bigotimes			Proxy Voting	\bigotimes
Controversial weapons	\bigotimes				
Key Figures:					

CO_2 -intensity (t CO_2 /mn USD sales):	17.0 (Low)	Coverage:	98%
MSCI ESG Rating (AAA - CCC):	Α	Coverage:	94%

Based on portfolio data as per 31.12.2024; – ESG data base on MSCI ESG Research and are for information purposes only; compliance with global norms according to the principles of UN Global Compact (UNGC), UN Guiding Principles for Business and Human Rights (HR) and standards of International Labor Organisation (ILO); no involvement in controversial weapons; norms-based exclusions based on annual revenue thresholds; ESG Integration: Sustainability risks are considered while performing stock research and portfolio construction; Stewardship: Engagement in an active and constructive dialogue with company representatives on ESG aspects as well as exercising voting rights at general meetings of shareholders.MSCI ESG Rating ranges from "leaders" (AA-AA), "average" (A, BBB, BB) to "laggards" (B, CCC). The CO₂-intensity expresses MSCI ESG Research's estimate of GHG emissions measured in tons of CO₂ per USD 1 million sales. The decision to invest in the promoted fund as described in the prospectus. For further information c.f. www.bellevue.ch/sustainability-at-portfolio-level.

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