

LLB Swiss Investment AG

Unaudited semi-annual report as of June 30, 2024

AMG Substanzwerte Schweiz

Investment fund under Swiss law

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Fund characteristics

AMG Substanzwerte Schweiz invests mainly in equities and equity-like securities of companies having their registered offices or the majority of their commercial activities within Switzerland.

Investments will be selected according to the following aspects:

- Solid Swiss companies of substance
- Long term investment horizon
- Fundamental analysis (healthy balance sheets, attractive valuations close to their carrying amounts)
- Track record of the management

A sustainable investment strategy is also pursued. In the prospectus a more comprehensive description of the ESG approaches applied can be found.

This fund is a product in accordance with Article 8 of the European Disclosure Regulation SFDR.

Key figures

	30.6.2024	31. 12. 2023	31. 12. 2022
Net fund assets in million CHF	40.20	58.70	100.46
Number of units Class A	28 300	41 879	71 426
Asset value per unit Class A in CHF	1 420.38	1 401.69	1 406.49
Performance Class A	4.24%	2.38%	-14.58%
TER Class A	1.29%	1.25%	1.22%
TER incl. Performance Fee Class A	1.29%	1.25%	1.22%
PTR1	0.26	0.88	1.39
Explicit Transaction costs in CHF ²	19 473	75 505	141 649

¹ UCITS definition: The total of transactions in shares is deducted from the total of securities transactions and then set in relation to the average fund assets. Result is shown as a factor.

Past performance is no guarantee for future results. The performance data do not take on the issue and redemption of units and costs incurred. No benchmark comparison is available for this fund.

² The investment fund bears all incidental costs for the purchase and sale of investments. The amount shown corresponds to the explicit transaction costs.

Report of the Investment Manager

The positive trend on the global equity markets continued in the first half of 2024 despite changes in market conditions.

The central banks' interest rate hikes have had an effect. Inflation was curbed, which led to a visible slowdown in early indications (Purchasing Managers' Index). Despite this slowdown, there were signs of robust corporate earnings growth, driven by ongoing technological adaptation and efficiency improvements.

The economic macro data in the first half of 2024 was mixed. Slower but sustained growth was achieved in the US and Europe, while China struggled to emerge from the crisis. Consumer sentiment in the US gradually improved compared to the previous year, as inflationary pressure eased while wages remained stable. The US labor market remained robust, with many job openings and a low unemployment rate, suggesting continued strength in the US economy.

The Swiss National Bank led the way with its interest rate cuts in March and June. Although the US Federal Reserve and the European Central Bank signaled an end to their policy of interest rate hikes, the persistently robust economic data has shifted expectations of interest rate cuts towards the second half of 2024.

The Swiss equity market benefited from its defensive orientation. However, it lagged far behind US technology stocks. In addition, shares from the small and mid-cap segment continued to struggle compared to large-cap stocks.

Review

The AMG Substanzwerte Schweiz Fund performed well in the first half of the year and outperformed the SPI Small Companies Index. Due to its defensive orientation, major setbacks were avoided.



Fig. 1: AMG Substanzwerte Schweiz Fund Performance

Source: Serafin AM, Bloomberg

TX Group, Accelleron, Cembra Money Bank and Jungfraubahn made a positive contribution to performance. Metall Zug, Groupe Minoteries, Vetropack, Meier Tobler and the SIG Group had a negative impact.

Due to the disappointing business performance, we divested our positions in Schweiter and Coltene. We added Baloise, VZ Holding, CPH Group and Klingelnberg to our portfolio. During the reporting period, the CPH Group spun off its paper business in new shares of Perlen Industrieholding as a dividend in kind.

Outlook

We expect inflation to continue to fall and key interest rates to stabilize in the second half of 2024. We expect the first possible interest rate cuts in the US and further easing in the EU towards the end of the year. Although we consider the risk of recession to be limited, geopolitical events and economic slowdowns will continue to influence market developments.

The outlook for the Swiss equity market remains generally good despite a global slowdown in economic momentum. Switzerland could continue to benefit from its strong economic foundation and stability in the financial sector. The valuation of the Swiss equity market is in line with the historical average. The market can therefore not be rated as excessively high, but also not as low.

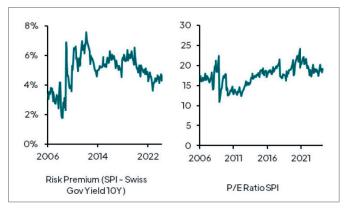


Fig.2: Valuation on the Swiss stock market

Source: Serafin AM, Bloomberg

We would like to thank our investors for the trust they have placed in us.

Your Serafin Asset Management Team

Statement of Assets

	30. 6. 2024	31. 12. 2023
	CHF	CHF
Bank Balances	143 770	778 260
Debtors	357 425	560 553
Equities	39 706 093	57 370 377
Total Fund Assets	40 207 288	58 709 190
Bank liabilities	-	-3
Liabilities	-10 272	-8 158
Net Fund Assets	40 197 016	58 701 029
Outstanding units Class A	units	units
Number of units outstanding at the beginning of the reporting period	41 879	71 426
New Issued Units	573	1 295
Redeemed Units	-14 152	-30 842
Number of units outstanding at the end of the reporting period	28 300	41 879
Net asset value per unit	Klasse A in CHF	
30. 6. 2024	1 420.38	
Change in net assets	CHF	
Net fund assets at the beginning of the reporting period	58 701 029	
Dividend income	-316 019	
Dividend capital gains	-948 057	
Balance from unit trade	-20 669 026	
Total result of the reporting period	3 429 089	
Net fund assets at the end of the reporting period	40 197 016	

Statement of Income

	1. 1. – 30. 6. 2024 CHF	1. 1. – 31. 12. 2023 CHF
Income on shares (dividends)	1 021 214	2 135 439
Equalisation income on subscriptions	5 887	16 213
Total income	1 027 101	2 151 652
less:		
Bank charges and debit interest	171	8 430
Expense from securities lending and borrowing	547	61 351
Dividends paid on shares sold short	_	283 906
Auditor fees	4 574	9 300
Management fees (1.19%)	272 107	943 548
Custodian fees (0.05%)	11 401	40 732
Other expenses	13 638	22 710
Equalisation income on redemptions	41 924	341 467
Total expenses	344 362	1 711 444
Net income	682 739	440 208
Realized capital gains and losses	-7 878 334	2 548 572
Net realized gain	-7 195 595	2 988 780
Unrealized capital gains and losses	10 624 684	-2 564 812
Total result	3 429 089	423 968

Statement of investments as of June 30, 2024

		Balance at					
Description	(in 1 Currency	1'000 resp. piece) 30. 6. 2024	Purchases	Sales	Price at 30. 6. 2024	Valuation CHF	as % of total assets
Securities							
Equities (traded on an exchange)						37 551 898	93.40
Accelleron Industries NA	CHF	50 500		64 000	35.200	1 777 600	4.42
APG SGA NA	CHF	9 200	750	5 526	196.500	1 807 800	4.50
Baloise NA	CHF	5 500	6 400	900	158.200	870 100	2.16
Barry Callebaut NA	CHF	1 170	150	380	1 464.000	1 712 880	4.26
Bell Food NA	CHF	5 632	1 032		259.000	1 458 688	3.63
BKW NA	CHF	8 250	8 250		143.300	1 182 225	2.94
Bossard Holding NA	CHF	9 500		3 700	211.500	2 009 250	5.00
Bucher Industries NA	CHF	2 900		1 700	362.000	1 049 800	2.61
Burkhalter NA	CHF	13 500	500	5 500	92.100	1 243 350	3.09
Cembra Money Bank NA	CHF	16 000		12 000	76.700	1 227 200	3.05
CPH Group NA	CHF	7 532	8 300	768	68.600	516 695	1.29
Emmi NA	CHF	1 155	50	395	888.000	1 025 640	2.55
Flughafen Zürich NA	CHF	10 150	1 100	3 200	198.700	2 016 805	5.02
Galenica NA	CHF	27 750	1 000	12 250	73.550	2 041 013	5.08
Groupe Minoteries NA	CHF	3 067		600	236.000	723 812	1.80
HIAG Immobilien NA	CHF	27 900	153	6 244	73.400	2 047 860	5.09
Jungfraubahn NA	CHF	9 000		7 704	193.800	1 744 200	4.34
Klingelnberg NA	CHF	4 312	4 312		17.750	76 538	0.19
MCH Group NA	CHF	163 129		289 580	4.100	668 829	1.66
Meier Tobler Group NA	CHF	26 831	8 284	2 000	30.900	829 078	2.06
Metall Zug -B- NA	CHF	1 350		603	1 235.000	1 667 250	4.15
PLAZZA -A- NA	CHF	6 800		3 000	302.000	2 053 600	5.11
SIG Group NA	CHF	59 000	6 000	7 000	16.450	970 550	2.41
TX Group NA	CHF	4 950		5 050	162.600	804 870	2.00
Valiant NA	CHF	8 250	9 250	1 000	101.800	839 850	2.09
Vaudoise Assurances NA	CHF	3 372		3 128	456.000	1 537 632	3.82
Vetropack RegA-	CHF	47 500	9 500	38 796	32.400	1 539 000	3.83
Villars NA	CHF	1 923		109	605.000	1 163 415	2.89
VZ Holding NA	CHF	8 215	8 215		115.200	946 368	2.35
Equities (traded on another regulated ma	arket onen to the public)				2 154 195	5.36
Cham Group NA	CHF	3 600		1 403	505.000	1 818 000	4.52
Perlen IndustriH NA	CHF	14 460	14 460	1.00	23.250	336 195	0.84
Total securities						39 706 093	98.75
Cash and other assets						501 195	1.25
Total fund assets						40 207 288	100.00
Liabilities						-10 272	-0.03
Total net assets						40 197 016	

Divergences in the totals may be attributed to rounding differences.

Breakdown

Distribution Shares by industry (net long/short)	Valuation CHF	as % of total assets
Financial services	5 421 150	13.48
Basic materials	2 670 890	6.64
Real estate	4 101 460	10.20
Industry	12 180 800	30.30
Consumer service	7 561 298	18.81
Consumer goods	6 588 270	16.39
Supplier	1 182 225	2.94
Total	39 706 093	98.75

Fair value hierarchy

The following table shows the fair value hierarchy of the investments. Fair value is the price, that would be received to sell an asset in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date.

		Valuation			
Investment type	Total amount	Valuated at prices quoted on an active market	Valuation based on observable market parameters	Valuation method not based o market data (valuation model	
Equities	39 706 093	37 551 898	2 154 195 1	_	
Bonds	_	-	_	_	
Investments in other collective investment schemes	_	-	_	_	
Derivatives	_	-	_	_	
Total	39 706 093	37 551 898	2 154 195	_	

 $^{^{\}mbox{\tiny 1}}$ The following securities belong to this category: Cham Group NA, Perlen IndustriH NA

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Transactions during the reporting period (If they no longer appear in the statement of net assets)

Currency	Description	Purchases	Sales
0			
Securities			
Equities			
CHF	ALSO NA		7 063
CHF	COLTENE NA		18 872
CHF	DKSH NA		30 000
CHF	Schweiter Technologies NA		2 480
CHF	SGS NA		16 000

Incl. merger, split, reorganisation, redemption etc. Bonds in thousand.

Supplementary information to the semi-annual report as of June 30, 2024

1. Fund Performance

No benchmark comparison is available for this fund. Past performance is no indicator for current or future results. Performance figures do not take into account any commissions charged on issue or redemption of units.

2. Soft commission agreements

For the period from January 1 to June 30, 2024 no "soft commission agreements" in the name of LLB Swiss Investment AG were applied and no soft commissions were received.

3. Principles for the valuation and the calculation of the net

The valuation is effected as per § 17 of the fund contract.

§ 17 Calculation of the Net Asset Value

- The net asset value of the investment fund is calculated in euro at the market value at the market value as at the end of the financial year and for each day on which units are issued or redeemed. The fund assets will not be calculated on days on which the exchanges / markets in the Fund's main investment countries are closed (e. g. bank and stock exchange holidays).
- 2. Securities traded on an exchange or other regulated market open to the public are to be valued at the current prices paid on the main market. Other investments or investments for which no current price is available are to be valued at the price that would probably have been obtained in a diligent sale at the time of the estimate. In such cases, the Fund Management Company will use appropriate and recognized valuation models and principles to determine the market value.
- 3. Open-ended collective investment schemes are valued at their redemption price / net asset value. If they are regularly traded on a stock exchange or another regulated market open to the public, the fund management company may value such funds in accordance with sec 2.
- 4. The value of money market instruments that are not traded on a stock exchange or another regulated market open to the public is determined as follows: the valuation price of such investments is successively adjusted in line with the redemption price, taking the net purchase price as the basis and ensuring that the investment returns calculated in this manner are kept constant. If there are significant changes in the market conditions, the valuation principles for the individual investments will be adjusted in line with the new market returns. If there is no current market price in such instances, the calculations are as a rule based on the valuation of money market instruments with the same characteristics (quality and domicile of the issuer, issuing currency, term to maturity).
- 5. Bank deposits are valued at the amount of the claim plus accrued interest. If there are significant changes in market conditions or credit rating, the valuation principles for time deposits will be adjusted in line with the new circumstances.
- 6. The net asset value of a unit is determined by the market value of the fund assets, less all the fund liabilities, divided by the number of units in circulation. It will be rounded up to 1 cent.
- 7. The percentages of the market value of the Fund's net assets (fund

assets less liabilities) attributable to the individual unit classes is determined for the first time at the initial issue of more than one class of units (if this occurs simultaneously) or the initial issue of a further unit class. The calculation is made on the basis of the assets accruing to the Fund for each unit class. The percentage is recalculated when one of the following events occurs:

- a) when units are issued and redeemed;
- b) on the relevant date for distributions, provided that (i) such distributions are only made for individual unit classes (distribution classes);
 (ii) the distributions of the various unit classes differ when expressed as a percentage of the respective net asset values; or (iii) different commission or expenses are charged on the distributions of the various unit classes when expressed as a percentage of the distribution;
- c) when the net asset value is calculated, as part of the allocation of liabilities (including due or accrued expenses and commissions) to the various unit classes, provided that the liabilities of the various unit classes are different when expressed as a percentage of the respective net asset value, especially if (i) different commission rates are applied for the various unit classes or (ii) class-specific expenses are charged;
- d) when the net asset value is calculated, as part of the allocation of income or capital gains to the various unit classes, provided the income or capital gains stem from transactions made solely in the interests of one unit class or several unit classes but disproportionately to their share of the net fund assets.

4. Performance fee calculation AMG Substanzwerte Schweiz

(from § 20 of the Fund Contract on § 20 Fees and Incidental Costs Charged to the Fund Assets)

In addition, the fund management company shall charge the investment fund a performance fee. It is calculated for each day on which units are issued or redeemed and equals 8% of any appreciation in value exceeding a minimum return of 2% (hurdle rate). The basis for calculating the performance value is the NAV of a unit (IA) on the date the investment fund was created. The IA benchmark will increase daily by the prorated amount of the minimum return. A provision will be created for the performance fee to the extent the NAV of a unit exceeds the IA benchmark. If the surplus NAV declines over the course of the accounting year, the provision will again be accordingly reversed. If at the end of the financial year a performance fee is due, it will be disbursed at that time and the NAV of a unit (prior to the charge for the performance fee) will be set as the new basis for calculating the IA benchmark. This means that the fund assets can only be charged with payment of a performance fee if the minimum return was exceeded in a given financial year and the NAV has increased in absolute terms.

Additional information for the distribution of Shares in Germany

The following information is directed at potential buyers in the Federal Republic of Germany, in that it more precisely lays out and expands the prospectus with regard to sales in the Federal Republic of Germany:

Information Office

The information office in the Federal Republic of Germany is the ODDO BHF SE
Gallusanlage 8
DE-60329 Frankfurt am Main

The Information Agent also informs investors about how subscription, payment, redemption and conversion orders are issued, payment, redemption and conversion orders can be issued and how redemption and how redemption proceeds are paid out. The Information Agent also acts as the contact for communication with and vis-à-vis the German Federal Financial Supervisory Authority (BaFin).

Redemption and Exchange Orders, Payments

Investors in Germany can submit their redemption and exchange orders at their institution maintaining the custody account in Germany. This institution will forward the orders to be handled at the custodian bank of the fund or request the redemption in its own name to be credited to the account of the investor.

Fund distributions, redemption revenues and other payments to the investor in Germany also go through the institution maintaining the custody account in Germany. It will credit the payments to the account of the investor.

Information

The information agent must be provided with the sales documents specified in section 297 (4) sentence 1 KAGB and with the documents referred to in section 298(1), section 299(1) to (3) and 3 and 4 sentences 2 to 4 and section 300 (1), (2) and (4) KAGB and information for inspection and for making copies free of charge and in German, in particular copies of the prospectus with integrated fund contract, the corresponding key information documents (PRIIP-KIDs), the annual and semi-annual reports as well as the issue and redemption prices (and, where applicable, the conversion prices). To exercise your investor rights, you can contact us by telephone at telephone number +41 58 523 96 70 at the Compliance Department of LLB Swiss Investment AG, as well as via email to investment@llbswiss.ch or by post to LLB Swiss Investment AG, Compliance, Claridenstrasse 20, 8002 Zurich (Switzerland).

In addition, you can complaints, you can also contact the ombuds—man's office at www.finos.ch or FINMA at www.finma.ch.

Price Publications and Other Notifications

The issuing and redemption prices as well as all other legally required notifications to the investor are published in the Internet at www.swissfunddata.ch.