

Avaron Emerging Europe Smaller Companies Fund

June 2024

Investment Objectives & Approach

The Fund invests in public small and mid-cap companies in Emerging Europe ex-Russia region with an objective to deliver positive alpha over the period of five years. As stock exchanges in these markets are dominated by banking sector companies and stateowned enterprises, the Fund aims to limit investing into these segments, and focus on stock-picking mainly among attractively valued, privately owned, well-managed and fast growing smaller companies. The Fund is benchmark agnostic, portfolio is built fully bottom up, and the Fund has very low position overlap to regional indices. The Fund is run by seasoned investment managers Valdur Jaht and Peter Priisalm who are supported by Avaron's research team. The Fund is to complement investors' Emerging Markets

Fund Manager's Comment, June 2024

Country allocation

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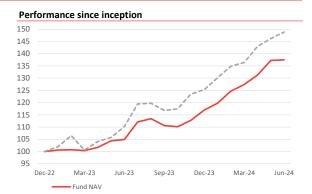
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Emerging Europe equities delivered a solid +1.8% return in € in June, lagging Emerging Markets index on mixed performance across regional markets. Avaron Emerging Europe Smaller Companies Fund gained only 0.2% in June. Geographically our Romanian and Slovenian stock-picks delivered while we saw clear profit taking among smaller companies in Estonia, Greece, Bulgaria and Poland, especially in stocks that had delivered strong gains earlier this year. The largest positive contributor was the Slovenian bank NLB Group (+0.89pp) that together with the dividend delivered 12.9% return. Strong momentum in NLB's share price continued to be driven by the attractive valuation combined with strong fundamentals and the May announcement of a potential sizable regional acquisition. The largest negative contributor was Shelly Group AD (-0.49%pp) as the founders and management sold 2.7% stake in the company to increase free float with the aim to get into SDAX index. The stock has run up 48.7% in the first five months this year and fell 5.9% in June.

Year-to-date the Fund NAV is up 17.5% vs. 18.8% of the index. Taking into account that Turkey accounts for over 20% of the index and with 32% gain was by far the best market in the region and we have stayed out of Turkey for macro reasons, we consider the YTD return a fairly good one.

Emerging Europe economies excluding Turkey are expected to grow 2.3% this year as the gradual rebound continues. Fall in inflation, sharp rise in real wages and pickup in private consumption, combined with selective interest rate cuts, are supporting the ongoing economic rebound. Private consumption is likely to be the key driver of the growth this year. Additionally we expect the opening of the European Union funding to Poland to boost local economy. Thus, 23% of the Fund is invested in consumer discretionary names and 20% to the IT sector. Geographically our main bets are in Poland, Greece and Romania.

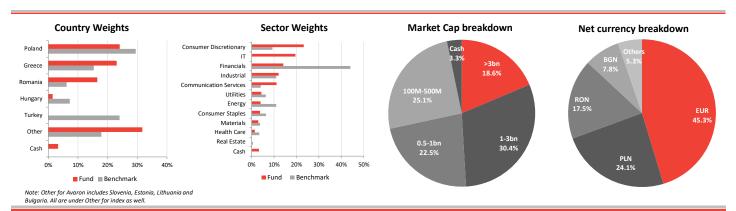


-- Benchmark Index (MSCI EFM EUROPE + CIS (E+C) ex Russia) Past performance is not a quarantee or indicative of future results.



Perf	A Share	Index	Excess
overview	return	return*	return
1 month	0.2%	1.8%	-1.6%
3 months	7.9%	9.1%	-1.2%
6 months	17.5%	18.8%	-1.3%
YTD	17.5%	18.8%	-1.3%
1 year	31.1%	35.1%	-4.0%
Since launch	37.5%	54.1%	-16.6%

^{*} MSCI EFM EUROPE + CIS (E+C) ex Russia



Contribution analysis

1.3%

3.3%

6.2%

4.1%

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YTD

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	Jun-24	1 mo	3 mo	6 mo	12 mo	1	1
Poland	24.0%	-0.7%	-1.4%	2.2%	-1.9%	-	C
Greece	23.2%	-0.6%	5.6%	6.5%	5.5%	-	C
Romania	16.6%	0.9%	2.6%	3.1%	4.8%		1
Slovenia	8.3%	0.6%	0.5%	0.3%	0.6%		1
Estonia	8.2%	-0.7%	-1.2%	-0.5%	-1.0%	-	C
Bulgaria	7.8%	-0.5%	-0.4%	1.6%	4.4%	-	C
Lithuania	7.3%	-0.8%	-1.6%	1.0%	1.2%		C
Hungary	1.5%	0.1%	-0.1%	-0.2%	-1.5%		(
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Cons. Discr.	23.3%	0.1%	-0.1%	4.6%	5.2%		C
IT	19.4%	-0.8%	-0.3%	2.1%	5.1%	-	C
Financials	14.2%	0.5%	-0.1%	6.2%	6.5%		C
Industrial	12.0%	-0.9%	5.1%	3.0%	0.1%	-	·C

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ndustrial	12.0%	-0.9%	5.1%	3.0%	0.1%
ommunication	11.1%	-0.3%	0.3%	-0.3%	1.6%
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nergy	4.1%	0.3%	0.2%	0.5%	-1.7%
onsumer Staples	3.8%	0.1%	0.0%	0.1%	-0.1%
/laterials	3.0%	0.1%	0.2%	0.1%	-1.4%
ealth care	1.5%	0.1%	-0.1%	-0.2%	-1.5%

Fund statistics	
Number of positions	27
Top10	54.6%
Top20	62.3%
Gross exposure	96.7%
Net exposure	96.7%
Concentration coefficient	23
Median market cap MEUR	985
Average market cap MEUR	2157
Share of cyclical companies	78.9%
Share of non-cyclicals	17.8%

Turnover (adjusted for fund flows)			
FY 2023	7.0%		
Liquidity analysis*	30%		

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3 days	100.0%
2 weeks	100.0%
4 weeks	100.0%
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trading volume accounting for 30% of trading volume



Fund orders: https://avaron.com/investor-assistance/

Fund Facts - Avaron Emerging Europe Smaller Companies Fund					
Investment Manager	AS Avaron Asset Management	Cut-off	10am CET		
Fund type	UCITS	Shares issued eve	ery business day		
Launch date	December 09, 2022	Shares redeemed	l once a month		
Domicile	Estonia				
Currency	EUR	NAV frequency	Daily		
Dividends	reinvested	Supervised by	Estonian FSA		
Fund size, MEUR	0.68	Custodian	Swedbank AS		
Total AUM, MEUR	240+	Transfer agent	Swedbank AS		
		NAV calculation	Swedbank AS		
		External auditor	KPMG		

Internal auditor PWC

 NAV
 30-Jun-2024
 ISIN code

 A share
 13.7489 EUR
 EE3600001772

 B share
 13.7517 EUR
 EE3600001780

Fund documents &

prospectus

A share

B share

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Bloomberg ticker

AVASMCA

AVASMCB

Share class	A Share	B Share
Min. initial	_	_
investment		
Front-end		
load	<u>-</u>	
Management	0.85%	1.15%
fee		
Performance fee (share based)	15% over MSCI EFM EUROPE + CIS (E+C) ex Russia Index	-
Back-end load	-	-

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