

ADVANCE EASTERN EUROPE class A

Investment Objective

The goal of the fund is to ensure high investment results in the long-term by investing in Eastern European equities in 7 regional markets.

*This is marketing material

31 March 2025



Fund Manager's Comment

The unpredictability of the new US administration pushed the Global Economic Policy Uncertainty Index to record highs, comparable only to the onset of the pandemic five years ago. US macroeconomic data continued to cool, while there were green shoots in business sentiment in Europe and China. Against this backdrop, risk assets—including global equities—came under pressure in anticipation of April 2nd, dubbed "Liberation Day" by President Trump. The MSCI World Index declined by 8.2% in euro terms, with North American equities (-9.3%) clearly underperforming their European counterparts (-4.4%). Emerging markets dropped by 3.4%, although Chinese internet stocks maintained their positive trend and leadership position amid reframed AI narrative. Against the backdrop of heightened global volatility, the regional MSCI EFM Europe + CIS Index was relatively more resilient (-0.1%), despite the significant turmoil in the Turkish market.

The Greek ASE Index rose by 4.8%, with the financial (+7.4%) and industrial (+7.5%) sectors leading the way. Strong financial results and relatively lower valuations attracted investor interest in Greek banks amid broader optimism toward the eurozone banking sector. The previously lagging Alpha Bank, a portfolio position of the fund, outperformed markedly, closing part of the gap in terms of P/B relative to its peers.

The Turkish market once again fell victim to President Erdogan. The arrest of Istanbul Mayor Ekrem Imamoglu just days before his expected presidential nomination marked a new phase of deep political repression in the country, once again undermining the fragile confidence of international investors. The BIST 100 Index plunged by 18.6% in local currency within just four days. The lira initially dropped by 11% against both the USD and the EUR, prompting heavy FX intervention by the TCMB. This led to a two-week decline in foreign reserves by USD 16.4 bn—nearly one-fifth of total reserves, excluding monetary gold. Foreign investors heavily sold off Turkish assets, resulting in a net outflow of USD 2.8 bn in bonds and USD 1.1 bn in equities.

The Romanian BET Index ended the month flat, with banking stocks up 1.1%, while energy (-0.4%) and utilities (-0.2%) saw modest declines.

Class A fund shares rose by 1.9%. Bulgarian and Greek positions in the portfolio contributed the most to returns in February, while the light weight Turkish exposure in financial was a disproportionately heavy drag. Sector-wise, industrials, IT and consumer discretionary had the highest contributions to the monthly performance.

Fund Facts

Fund type	open-end
Fund Manager	Georgi Raykov, Konstantin Prodanov
Fund size	EUR 1.81 M
NAV/share	EUR 0.8417
Launch date	04.10.2006
Benchmark*	MSCI EFM Europe&CIS
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Currency of account	Euro
Subscription fee	up to 1.50%
Management fee	1.5 % NAV p.a.
Redemption fee	none
Minimum investment	none

Fund Identifiers

ISIN	BG9000016063
Bloomberg Code	ADVEAEU.BU
Reuters Lipper	65095316
Valor	3079269
WICN-German	AOMXVY

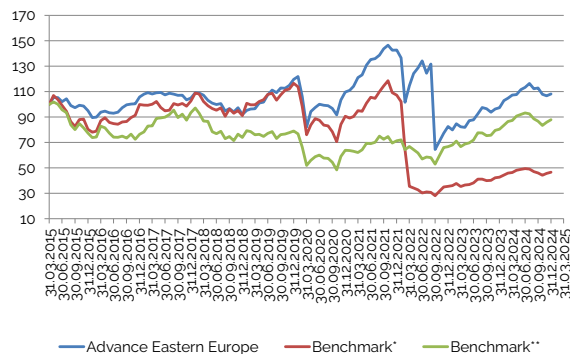
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Fund Results (31.03.2025)

	Fund	Benchmark*	Benchmark**
1 month	1.91%	-0.09%	-0.09%
1 year	6.52%	10.54%	10.54%
Year to Date	5.64%	9.87%	9.87%
Since Launch (annualized)	-0.93%	-5.81%	-1.38%

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Annual Performance

	Fund	Benchmark*	Benchmark**
2024	11.08%	9.27%	9.27%
2023	20.64%		
2022(ИНДИКАТИВНО)	-42.12%	-66.97%	-6.49%
2021	30.09%	18.34%	11.71%
2020	-8.31%	-22.29%	-19.20%
2019	29.88%	27.68%	6.91%
2018	-12.25%	-10.96%	-20.91%
2017	-0.73%	2.66%	22.39%
2016	11.90%	24.40%	-1.29%
2015	-2.29%	-8.32%	-22.13%

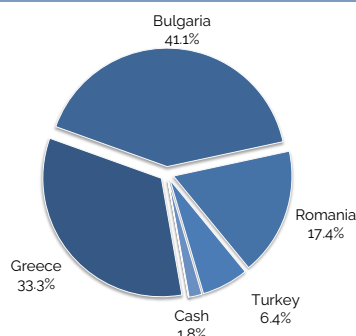
*Annual performance since 03.01.2023 when class A was started

Source: The calculated yield is based on net asset value per unit and does not include issuance and redemption costs, according to the Fund's Rules and Prospectus. *Benchmark information is based on official data from www.msci.com

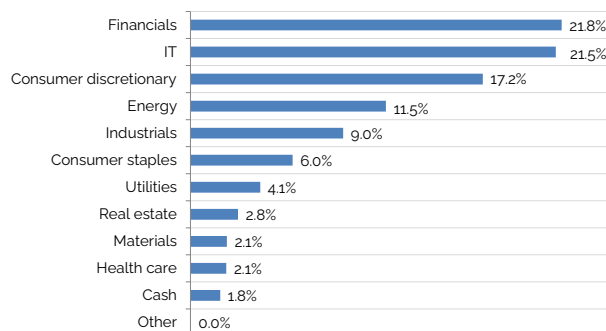
The risks of investing in shares of the contract fund are market, interest, liquidity, currency, operational, settlement risk, legislative, concentration risk, etc. More information about the risks can be found in the fund's prospectus.

Portfolio Breakdown

Market Breakdown



Sector Breakdown



TOP 5 HOLDINGS

Shelly Group, Bulgaria, IT

GREEK ORGANISATION OF FOOTBALL
PROGNOSTICS S.A., Greece,
Consumer discretionary

Sirma Group Ad, Bulgaria, IT

JUMBO SA, Greece, Consumer
discretionary

Eurobank Ergasias Services and
Holdings SA, Greece, Financials

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