# Ethna-DYNAMISCH R.C.S. Luxembourg K818

Annual report including audited financial statements as at 31 December 2023

Investment Fund under Luxembourg Law

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Luxembourg registered company B 155427





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Unit subscriptions are valid only if they are made on the basis of the most recent version of the Sales Prospectus (including its annexes) in conjunction with the latest available annual report and any subsequent semi-annual report.

Unit classes (R-A) and (R-T) are intended exclusively for distribution in Italy, France and Spain.

The information and figures contained in this report relate to past performance only and give no indication of future performance.

# **Fund Management Report**

The fund management report on behalf of the management company:

All's well that ends well? The further out we get from 2023, the more the memory of the capital market year in 2023 will coalesce into a few key figures. In another five or so years, most investors will only look back at the annual performance figures of the most relevant indices or investment products, which were predominantly positive to very positive. This means 2023 will go down in history as a good year for the capital markets. Although developments in the coming years will still play a key role in the final assessment, most of the work has been done. An important narrative will be that the positive development will be seen as a countermovement to the pronounced capital losses of the previous year. The end of the cycle of interest rate hikes by the major central banks will also play an important role. And finally, the start of the age of Artificial Intelligence (AI) should not be forgotten. All of these are legitimate points underpinning the positive impression.

However, the fact that we are talking about the very recent past allows us to take a more nuanced look at the past year and its particularities. The ultimately positive development was by no means a given for a long time. But first things first.

The start of 2023 was overshadowed by the negative developments of the previous year, in which Russia's war of aggression in Ukraine put Europe's energy supply to the test and further fuelled the already problematic inflationary dynamics caused by the pandemic. Many market participants expected a recession in Europe and the US as a result of the sharp interest rate hikes introduced to combat inflation. One of the few glimmers of hope seemed to be the gradual reopening of the Chinese economy after protracted pandemic-related restrictions. However, this hope was quickly dashed as the property crisis in China continued to worsen. Chinese stock indices reached their highs for the year at the beginning of February and ended the year close to their lows for the year with almost double-digit price losses. Even in 2023, the bears had their day.

Conversely, the bulls lived largely off a small number of rising stocks – the so-called Magnificent Seven. This refers to the major US technology stocks Alphabet (Google), Amazon, Apple, Meta (Facebook), Microsoft, Nvidia and Tesla, whose share prices skyrocketed in 2023 and which dominated the annual performance of capital-weighted indices such as the S&P 500 and the MSCI World due to their enormous size. Up until the end of October, the rest of the market tended to follow the mixed market performance of the Chinese indices and did not really make much headway. Rising interest rates and bond yields had a dampening effect, though not always as dramatic as in March, when a number of US banks failed. Economically, while a major crash was avoided, growth outside the US was lukewarm at best. And even in the US, growth came only at the costly price of a ballooning government deficit.

The big shift towards a positive year-end did not materialise until November and December. The unexpectedly sharp drop in inflation has potentially opened up space for central banks to cut interest rates in 2024 and led to a significant fall in bond yields, which in turn reduced the pressure on companies and valuations. Simultaneously, the expectation that the interest rate hiking cycle could end this time without a pronounced recession became a realistically plausible scenario. Against this backdrop, the year-end rally in the stock markets in 2023 was significantly more robust than usual. Moreover, the price increase was also felt across the board for the first time thanks to the stocks that had previously been laggards, which ultimately resulted in a conciliatory review of the year as a whole.

The performance of Ethna-DYNAMISCH more or less followed this pattern in 2023. That the annual result wasn't even better is primarily due to the absence of six of the Magnificent Seven stocks in the portfolio, with Alphabet being the lone exception. We had initially simply underestimated the dynamics of the newly emerging AI topic and we subsequently felt that it was too late to jump on the bandwagon. Many other stocks seemed too attractive in comparison. This increasing attractiveness prompted us to steadily increase the investment ratio in the second half of the year, which paid off doubly towards the end of the year.

Apart from the equity markets, the movements in the fund allocation were limited. In currencies, as in the past, we pursued a rather cautious, generally contrarian approach, significantly mitigating the losses of a typical global equity portfolio in 2023. In bonds, we did not include any credit risks in the fund and largely enjoyed the attractive interest rates at the short end. It was only at the peak of the yield movement in October that we were no longer able to resist the attraction of long-dated US government bonds and began to build up a corresponding position. This paid off much faster and more clearly than expected and made a significant contribution to the fund's performance when the price gains were realised in mid-December.

All in all, the capital market year 2023 once again showed that market developments are not always straightforward, yet there are almost always attractive opportunities to seize opportunities and avoid risks.

We hold the same expectations for 2024. Although the extremes of possible scenarios seem less pronounced than a year ago, many alternative developments remain conceivable moving forward. The Ethna-DYNAMISCH philosophy is built on the foundation of flexibility and adaptability, key outcomes of active management. These principles guide our focused, quality-oriented equity portfolio.

At the core of our broader considerations for 2024 is the moderation and normalisation of many key framework conditions. The distortions on the energy and commodity markets caused by the Russian-Ukrainian war are now behind us, inflation is only moderately above central bank targets, the interest rate environment is normalising and growth remains subdued but satisfactory, coupled with fair to slightly undervalued equity markets. This approach may not enable significant immediate advancements at the index level, but it offers a promising starting point. Beyond the renowned Magnificent Seven, there exists a wealth of untapped potential within the valuations of numerous stocks, all of which continue to exhibit an intriguing growth profile. Accordingly, 2024 could provide the positive framework for 2023, turning the question mark of the opening sentence "All's well that ends well?" into an exclamation mark by the end of the year!

Munsbach, January 2024

The Fund Management on behalf of the Board of Directors of the Management Company

The Company is entitled to form unit classes with different rights with respect to the units. Currently the following unit classes exist with these structural features:

	Unit class	Unit class	Unit class	Unit class
	(A)	(T)	(SIA-A)	(SIA-T)
Security identification no.:	A0YBKY	A0YBKZ	A1W66S	A1W66T
ISIN code:	LU0455734433	LU0455735596	LU0985193357	LU0985193431
Subscription fee:	up to 5.00%	up to 5.00%	up to 5.00%	up to 5.00%
Redemption fee:	none	none	none	none
Management fee:	up to 1.75% p.a.	up to 1.75% p.a.	up to 1.05% p.a.	up to 1.05% p.a.
Minimum subsequent investment:	none	none	none	none
Dividend policy:	distributed	reinvested	distributed	reinvested
Currency:	EUR	EUR	EUR	EUR
	Unit class	Unit class	Unit class	Unit class
	(SIA CHF-T)	(CHF-T)	(USD-T)	(R-A)*
Security identification no.:	A2PB18	A2PB17	A2PB19	A12EJA
ISIN code:	LU1939236318	LU1939236409	LU1939236748	LU1134152310
Subscription fee:	up to 5.00%	up to 5.00%	up to 5.00%	up to 1.00%
Redemption fee:	none	none	none	none
Management fee:	up to 1.05% p.a.	up to 1.75% p.a.	up to 1.75% p.a.	up to 2.15% p.a.
Minimum subsequent investment:	none	none	none	none
Dividend policy:	reinvested	reinvested	reinvested	distributed
Currency:	CHF	CHF	USD	EUR

Unit class

(R-T)\*

Security identification no.: A12EJB ISIN code: LU1134174397 Subscription fee: up to 1.00%Redemption fee: none Management fee: up to 2.15% p.a. Minimum subsequent investment: none Dividend policy: reinvested Currency: **EUR** 

<sup>\*</sup> Unit classes (R-A) and (R-T) are intended exclusively for distribution in Italy, France and Spain.

# Geographical breakdown of Ethna-DYNAMISCH

Geographical breakdown by country 1)	
United States of America	42.62%
Germany	16.32%
Supranational institutions	7.31%
United Kingdom	5.35%
Denmark	3.01%
Spain	2.78%
Netherlands	2.74%
South Korea	2.73%
Switzerland	2.68%
Ireland	2.12%
Sweden	1.79%
Austria	0.83%
Securities holdings	90.28%
Cash at banks <sup>2)</sup>	8.49%
Other receivables and payables (net)	1.23%
	100.00%

 $<sup>^{1)}</sup>$  Due to rounding differences in the individual items, the total amounts may deviate from the actual value.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2)</sup> See notes to the Report.

# Breakdown by economic sector of Ethna-DYNAMISCH

Breakdown by economic sector 1)	
Banks	12.47%
Diversified financial services	10.85%
Human health activities: Equipment & services	9.79%
Wholesale & retail trade	7.91%
Capital goods	6.88%
Software & services	6.65%
Pharmaceuticals, biotechnologies & biosciences	5.94%
Hardware & Equipment	5.77%
Other information	5.60%
Consumer services	2.71%
Media & Entertainment	2.59%
Commercial services & supplies	2.57%
Insurance	2.57%
Household goods & personal care products	2.25%
Food, beverages & tobacco	2.20%
Real Estate Management & Development	1.87%
Raw materials & supplies	1.66%
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# Change over the last 3 financial years

# Unit class (A)

Date	Net fund assets In EUR millions	Outstanding units	Net inflows In EUR thousands	Unit value EUR
31/12/2021	35.74	387,348	-2,219.43	92.27
31/12/2022	28.80	355,044	-2,764.04	81.13
31/12/2023	26.81	305,206	-4,128.61	87.84

# Unit class (T)

Date	Net fund assets	Outstanding	Net inflows	Unit value
	In EUR millions	units	In EUR thousands	EUR
31/12/2021	73.52	764,439	-82,948.75	96.17
31/12/2022	54.03	638,171	-10,977.86	84.66
31/12/2023	50.38	549,007	-7,726.35	91.77

# Unit class (SIA-A)

Date	Net fund assets In EUR millions	Outstanding units	Net inflows In EUR thousands	Unit value EUR
31/12/2021	27.25	39,833	6,063.61	684.02
31/12/2022	9.96	16,431	-14,674.07	606.45
31/12/2023	2.80	4,233	-7,616.01	662.10

# Unit class (SIA-T)

Date	Net fund assets In EUR millions	Outstanding units	Net inflows In EUR thousands	Unit value EUR
31/12/2021	6.37	9,181	322.29	693.66
31/12/2022	5.09	8,276	-564.26	615.42
31/12/2023	4.10	6,091	-1,393.69	672.44

# Unit class (SIA CHF-T)

Date	Net fund assets In EUR millions	Outstanding units	Net inflows In EUR thousands	Unit value EUR	Unit value CHF
31/12/2021	0.00	1	0.00	577.91	598.95 <sup>1)</sup>
31/12/2022	0.00	1	0.00	538.59	530.35 <sup>2)</sup>
31/12/2023	0.01	13	6.72	612.65	568.78 <sup>3)</sup>

# Unit class (CHF-T)

Date	Net fund assets In EUR millions	Outstanding units	Net inflows In EUR thousands	Unit value EUR	Unit value CHF
31/12/2021	0.98	9,122	209.50	106.95	110.84 1)
31/12/2022	0.93	9,408	30.33	98.85	97.34 <sup>2)</sup>
31/12/2023	1.09	9,745	34.25	111.54	103.55 <sup>3)</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1)</sup> Converted at the foreign exchange rate into EUR as at 31 December 2021: 1 EUR = 1.0364 CHF.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2)</sup> Converted at the foreign exchange rate into EUR as at 31 December 2022: 1 EUR = 0.9847 CHF.

 $<sup>^{3)}</sup>$  Converted at the foreign exchange rate into EUR as at 31 December 2023: 1 EUR = 0.9284 CHF.

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# Unit class (USD-T)

Date	Net fund assets	Outstanding	Net inflows	Unit value	Unit value
	In EUR millions	units	In EUR thousands	EUR	USD
31/12/2021	2.37	21,490	394.62	110.44	125.34 1)
31/12/2022	1.83	17,390	-477.17	105.43	112.44 2)
31/12/2023	1.84	16,390	-108.11	111.98	124.34 3)

# Unit class (R-A\*)

Date	Net fund assets In EUR millions	Outstanding units	Net inflows In EUR thousands	Unit value EUR
31/12/2021	0.09	789	3.66	117.44
31/12/2022	0.06	576	-22.91	102.88
31/12/2023	0.00	32	-56.49	110.99

# Unit class (R-T\*)

Date	Net fund assets	Outstanding	Net inflows	Unit value
	In EUR millions	units	In EUR thousands	EUR
31/12/2021	2.06	17,768	-324.36	116.02
31/12/2022	1.00	9,801	-859.15	101.59
31/12/2023	0.75	6,813	-305.08	109.68

Converted at the foreign exchange rate into EUR as at 31 December 2021: 1 EUR = 1.1349 USD. Converted at the foreign exchange rate into EUR as at 31 December 2022: 1 EUR = 1.0665 USD. Converted at the foreign exchange rate into EUR as at 31 December 2023: 1 EUR = 1.1104 USD.

<sup>\*</sup> Unit classes (R-A) and (R-T) are intended exclusively for distribution in Italy, France and Spain.

# Composition of net fund assets of Ethna-DYNAMISCH

## Composition of net fund assets

as at 31 December 2023

	EUR
Securities holdings	79,251,274.83
(Securities purchase costs: EUR 66,771,766.69)	
Cash at banks 1)	7,449,866.96
Unrealised gains on forward foreign exchange contracts	540,316.04
Interest receivable	96,882.27
Dividends receivable	27,142.35
Receivables from unit sales	2,724.70
Receivables from securities transactions	748,134.14
	88,116,341.29
Unit redemptions payable	-182,817.14
Other liabilities and equity <sup>2)</sup>	-162,651.46
	-345,468.60
Net fund assets	87,770,872.69

<sup>1)</sup> See notes to the Report.

<sup>2)</sup> This item mainly comprises management fees and audit expenses.

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Allocation among unit classes Unit class (A)	
Pro rata net fund assets	26,808,311.21 EUR
Outstanding units	305,206.227
Unit value	87.84 EUR
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Unit class (T)	
Pro rata net fund assets	50,382,935.49 EUR
Outstanding units	549,006.513
Unit value	91.77 EUR
Unit class (SIA-A)	
Pro rata net fund assets	2,802,717.42 EUR
Outstanding units	4,233.089
Unit value	662.10 EUR
Unit class (SIA-T)	
Pro rata net fund assets	4,095,832.45 EUR
Outstanding units	6,090.960
Unit value	672.44 EUR
Unit class (SIA CHF-T)	
Pro rata net fund assets	7,964.48 EUR
Outstanding units	13.000
Unit value	612.65 EUR
Unit value	568.78 CHF <sup>1)</sup>
Unit class (CHF-T)	
Pro rata net fund assets	1,086,901.73 EUR
Outstanding units	9,744.676
Unit value	111.54 EUR
Unit value	103.55 CHF <sup>1)</sup>
Unit class (USD-T)	
Pro rata net fund assets	1,835,381.39 EUR
Outstanding units	16,390.000
Unit value	111.98 EUR
Unit value	124.34 USD <sup>2)</sup>

# Unit class (R-A)\*

Pro rata net fund assets
Outstanding units
Unit value
3,594.99 EUR
32.391
110.99 EUR

# Unit class (R-T)\*

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2)</sup> Converted at the foreign exchange rate into EUR as at 31 December 2023: 1 EUR = 1.1104 USD.

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# Change to net asset value

in the period under review from 1 January 2023 to 31 December 2023

	Total	Unit class (A) EUR	Unit class (T) EUR	Unit class (SIA-A) EUR
Total net fund assets at the beginning of the period under review		28,804,944.21	54,028,566.11	9,964,791.65
Ordinary net expenditure	-167,658.20	-65,762.49	-123,457.37	14,150.41
Income and expense equalisation	-6,821.27	-7,356.12	-12,813.43	11,757.98
Inflow of funds from sale of units	5,407,705.43	842,488.77	2,772,603.46	1,377,132.84
Outflow of funds from redemption of units	-26,701,063.96	-4,971,094.25	-10,498,948.52	-8,993,147.60
Realised gains	9,227,012.90	2,710,384.64	4,991,824.90	539,340.50
Realised losses	-13,074,048.21	-3,932,143.80	-7,254,852.93	-575,550.72
Net change in unrealised gains	2,231,432.91	682,946.83	1,290,429.42	47,627.36
Net change in unrealised losses	9,185,519.61	2,778,785.56	5,189,583.85	423,363.12
Distribution	-41,674.83	-34,882.14	0.00	-6,748.12
Total net fund assets at the end of the period under review	87,770,872.69	26,808,311.21	50,382,935.49	2,802,717.42

	Unit class	Unit class	Unit class	Unit class
	(SIA-T)	(SIA CHF-T)	(CHF-T)	(USD-T)
	EUR	EUR	EUR	EUR
Total net fund assets at the beginning of the period under review	5,093,268.66	538.59	929,970.43	1,833,468.96
Ordinary net expenditure	20,690.83	41.13	-3,106.12	-5,541.02
Income and expense equalisation	3,391.36	-41.04	58.07	-386.39
Inflow of funds from sale of units	86,571.12	6,717.79	34,254.95	127,871.22
Outflow of funds from redemption of units	-1,480,256.35	0.00	0.00	-235,977.76
Realised gains	541,735.66	1,447.33	129,628.96	217,494.68
Realised losses	-726,589.49	-1,398.16	-148,051.75	-303,073.68
Net change in unrealised gains	106,643.91	414.48	46,853.33	43,781.24
Net change in unrealised losses	450,376.75	244.36	97,293.86	157,744.14
Distribution	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total net fund assets at the end of the period under review	4.095.832.45	7.964.48	1.086.901.73	1.835.381.39

	Unit class (R-A)* EUR	Unit class (R-T)* EUR
Total net fund assets at the beginning of the period under review	59,263.83	995,655.87
Ordinary net expenditure	-22.30	-4,651.27
Income and expense equalisation	-166.20	-1,265.50
Inflow of funds from sale of units	17.58	160,047.70
Outflow of funds from redemption of units	-56,512.29	-465,127.19
Realised gains	3,385.85	91,770.38
Realised losses	-3,437.78	-128,949.90
Net change in unrealised gains	-817.36	13,553.70
Net change in unrealised losses	1,928.23	86,199.74
Distribution	-44.57	0.00
Total net fund assets at the end of the period under review	3,594.99	747,233.53

<sup>\*</sup> Unit classes (R-A) and (R-T) are intended exclusively for distribution in Italy, France and Spain.

# Statement of operations

in the period under review from 1 January 2023 to 31 December 2023

	Total	Unit class (A)	Unit class (T)	Unit class (SIA-A)
	EUR	EUR	EUR	EUR
Income Dividends	014 274 10	269 602 50	504 209 97	60 575 60
	914,274.10	268,603.59 46,193.65	504,398.87 86,863.03	60,575.60 8,291.62
Interest on bonds Income from refund of withholding tax	155,192.55 271,065.68	82,775.25	156,860.37	6,733.84
Bank interest				20,121.83
	377,553.50	112,477.60	211,309.17	
Other income	4,010.56	1,214.18	2,295.36	138.72
Income equalisation	-193,871.71	-44,271.62	-84,295.02	-47,232.64
Total income	1,528,224.68	466,992.65	877,431.78	48,628.97
Expense				
Interest expense	-10,843.15	-3,162.37	-5,942.72	-773.61
Management fee	-1,556,989.50	-484,940.44	-911,144.63	-49,617.09
Taxe d'abonnement	-45,102.55	-13,389.27	-25,162.29	-2,537.33
Publication and audit expenses	-59,168.70	-17,523.30	-32,923.20	-3,447.74
Typesetting, printing and postage and packaging for the annual and semi-annual reports	-7,929.02	-2,315.66	-4,341.16	-572.62
Registrar and transfer agent fee	-1,521.00	-451.89	-849.05	-84.27
Government fees	-14,572.93	-4,289.33	-8,054.78	-941.91
Other expenses 1)	-200,449.01	-58,310.62	-109,579.77	-11,978.65
Expense equalisation	200,692.98	51,627.74	97,108.45	35,474.66
Total expense	-1,695,882.88	-532,755.14	-1,000,889.15	-34,478.56
Ordinary net expenditure	-167,658.20	-65,762.49	-123,457.37	14,150.41
Total transaction costs in the financial year <sup>2)</sup>	30,667.11			
Total expense ratio in percent <sup>2)</sup>		2.10	2.10	1.33
Ongoing charges in percent <sup>2)</sup>		2.12	2.12	1.35
Swiss total expense ratio in percent before performance fee <sup>2)</sup>		2.10	2.10	1.33
(for the period from 1 January 2023 to 31 December 2023)				
Swiss total expense ratio in percent including performance fee 2)		2.10	2.10	1.33
(for the period from 1 January 2023 to 31 December 2023)				
Swiss performance fee in percent <sup>2)</sup>		-	-	-
(for the period from 1 January 2023 to 31 December 2023)				

<sup>1)</sup> This item mainly comprises general management costs and custody fees.

<sup>2)</sup> See notes to the Report.

# Statement of operations

in the period under review from 1 January 2023 to 31 December 2023

	Unit class (SIA-T)	Unit class (SIA CHF-T)	Unit class (CHF-T)	Unit class (USD-T)
Income	EUR	EUR	EUR	EUR
Dividends	44,504.59	8.52	9,334.94	17,212.17
Interest on bonds	7,597.34	2.40	1,647.75	3,061.57
Income from refund of withholding tax	13,279.94	1.76	3,125.76	5,841.24
Bank interest	18,450.12	3.93	3,971.13	7,436.54
Other income	196.59	0.02	45.66	82.67
Income equalisation	-12,975.84	107.04	187.96	-1,053.43
Total income	71,052.74	123.67	18,313.20	32,580.76
Expense				
Interest expense	-536.51	-0.12	-108.45	-208.19
Management fee	-43,443.90	-11.10	-16,638.24	-31,074.13
Taxe d'abonnement	-2,205.21	-0.40	-473.44	-883.04
Publication and audit expenses	-2,904.15	-0.65	-613.91	-1,152.00
Typesetting, printing and postage and packaging for the annual and semi-annual reports	-387.97	-0.05	-79.31	-146.81
Registrar and transfer agent fee	-74.59	-0.01	-15.98	-29.98
Government fees	-711.89	-0.12	-147.16	-277.82
Other expenses 1)	-9,682.17	-4.09	-3,096.80	-5,789.63
Expense equalisation	9,584.48	-66.00	-246.03	1,439.82
Total expense	-50,361.91	-82.54	-21,419.32	-38,121.78
Ordinary net expenditure	20,690.83	41.13	-3,106.12	-5,541.02
Total expense ratio in percent <sup>2)</sup>	1.30	1.25	2.15	2.15
Ongoing charges in percent <sup>2)</sup>	1.32	1.28	2.17	2.17
Swiss total expense ratio in percent before performance fee <sup>2)</sup> (for the period from 1 January 2023 to 31 December 2023)	1.30	1.25	2.15	2.15
Swiss total expense ratio in percent including performance fee <sup>2)</sup> (for the period from 1 January 2023 to 31 December 2023)	1.30	1.25	2.15	2.15
Swiss performance fee in percent <sup>2)</sup> (for the period from 1 January 2023 to 31 December 2023)	-	-	-	-

<sup>1)</sup> This item mainly comprises general management costs and custody fees.

<sup>2)</sup> See notes to the Report.

# Statement of operations

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in the period under review from 1 January 2023 to 31 December 2023

	Unit class	Unit class
	(R-A)* EUR	(R-T)* EUR
Income	2011	201
Dividends	341.22	9,294.60
Interest on bonds	40.34	1,494.85
Income from refund of withholding tax	10.58	2,436.94
Bank interest	101.05	3,682.13
Other income	0.45	36.91
Income equalisation	-431.24	-3,906.92
Total income	62.40	13,038.51
Expense		
Interest expense	-4.53	-106.65
Management fee	-572.72	-19,547.25
Taxe d'abonnement	-12.56	-439.0
Publication and audit expenses	-19.13	-584.62
Typesetting, printing and postage and packaging for the annual and semi-annual reports	-3.20	-82.24
Registrar and transfer agent fee	-0.44	-14.79
Government fees	-5.08	-144.84
Other expenses 1)	-64.48	-1,942.80
Expense equalisation	597.44	5,172.42
Total expense	-84.70	-17,689.78
Ordinary net expenditure	-22.30	-4,651.27
Total expense ratio in percent <sup>2)</sup>	2.57	2.51
Ongoing charges in percent <sup>2)</sup>	2.59	2.53
Swiss total expense ratio in percent before performance fee <sup>2)</sup> (for the period from 1 January 2023 to 31 December 2023)	2.57	2.5
Swiss total expense ratio in percent including performance fee <sup>2)</sup> (for the period from 1 January 2023 to 31 December 2023)	2.57	2.5
Swiss performance fee in percent 2)	-	
(for the period from 1 January 2023 to 31 December 2023)		

<sup>1)</sup> This item mainly comprises general management costs and custody fees.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2)</sup> See notes to the Report.

<sup>\*</sup> Unit classes (R-A) and (R-T) are intended exclusively for distribution in Italy, France and Spain.

# Performance in percent \*

As of 31 December 2023

Fund	ISIN WKN	Unit class currency	6 months	1 year	3 years	10 years
Ethna-DYNAMISCH (A)	LU0455734433	EUR	7.68%	8.40%	2.42%	32.41%
since 10/11/2009	A0YBKY					
Ethna-DYNAMISCH (CHF-T)	LU1939236409	CHF	6.46%	6.38%	-0.13%	
since 15/01/2020	A2PB17					
Ethna-DYNAMISCH (R-A)	LU1134152310	EUR	7.49%	7.99%	1.25%	
since 07/05/2015	A12EJA					
Ethna-DYNAMISCH (R-T)	LU1134174397	EUR	7.47%	7.97%	1.14%	
since 20/04/2015	A12EJB					
Ethna-DYNAMISCH (SIA-A)	LU0985193357	EUR	8.11%	9.26%	4.73%	
since 02/04/2014	A1W66S					
Ethna-DYNAMISCH (SIA CHF-T)	LU1939236318	CHF	6.87%	7.25%	2.52%	
since 17/04/2019	A2PB18					
Ethna-DYNAMISCH (SIA-T)	LU0985193431	EUR	8.11%	9.27%	4.75%	
since 19/06/2014	A1W66T					
Ethna-DYNAMISCH (T)	LU0455735596	EUR	7.68%	8.40%	2.46%	32.30%
since 10/11/2009	A0YBKZ					
Ethna-DYNAMISCH (USD-T)	LU1939236748	USD	8.81%	10.58%	7.08%	
since 04/03/2019	A2PB19					

<sup>\*</sup> On the basis of published unit values (BVI method and AMAS Guidelines on the Calculation and Publication of Performance of Collective Investment Schemes of 16 May 2008 (version of 5 August 2021)).

Past performance is no indicator of current or future performance. The performance data do not include commissions and charges incurred in the issue and redemption of units.

# Change in number of units in circulation

	Unit class (A) Number	Unit class (T) Number	Unit class (SIA-A) Number	Unit class (SIA-T) Number
Units in circulation at start of period under review	355,043.915	638,171.474	16,431.363	8,276.137
Units issued	10,196.601	31,992.082	2,247.800	137.845
Units redeemed	-60,034.289	-121,157.043	-14,446.074	-2,323.022
Units in circulation at end of period under review	305,206.227	549,006.513	4,233.089	6,090.960

	Unit class (SIA CHF-T) Number	Unit class (CHF-T) Number	Unit class (USD-T) Number	Unit class (R-A)* Number
Units in circulation at start of period under review	1.000	9,407.772	17,390.000	576.075
Units issued	12.000	336.904	1,200.000	0.169
Units redeemed	0.000	0.000	-2,200.000	-543.853
Units in circulation at end of period under review	13.000	9,744.676	16,390.000	32.391

Units in circulation at end of period under review	6,812.845
Units redeemed	-4,534.933
Units issued	1,546.741
Units in circulation at start of period under review	9,801.037
	(R-T)* Number
	Unit class

<sup>\*</sup> Unit classes (R-A) and (R-T) are intended exclusively for distribution in Italy, France and Spain.

# Statement of net assets of Ethna-DYNAMISCH as at 31 December 2023

#### Statement of net assets as at 31 December 2023

ISIN	Securities		Acquisitions in the period under review	Disposals in the period under review	Holdings	Price	Price EUR	% share of NAV <sup>1)</sup>
Equities, rights	and profit participation certi	ficates						
Listed securities	es							
Denmark								
DK0060448595	Coloplast AS	DKK	3,000	0	9,000	773.6000	934,098.96	1.06
DK0060738599	Demant AS	DKK	0	13,000	43,000	296.0000	1,707,631.21	1.95
							2,641,730.17	3.01
Germany								
DE000BASF111	BASF SE	EUR	0	10,000	30,000	48.5800	1,457,400.00	1.66
DE000A288904	CompuGroup Medical SE &	EUR	0	14,000	26,000	37.6200	978,120.00	1.11
	Co.KgaA							
DE0007164600	SAP SE	EUR	0	7,000	11,000	139.6400	1,536,040.00	1.75
DE000A1ML7J1	Vonovia SE	EUR	2,842	0	56,842	28.8500	1,639,891.70	1.87
							5,611,451.70	6.39
Ireland								
IE00BTN1Y115	Medtronic Plc.	USD	0	5,000	25,000	82.7300	1,862,617.07	2.12
				.,	-,	02.7500	1,862,617.07	2.12
							,,.	
Netherlands								
NL0013654783	Prosus NV	EUR	90,000	0	90,000 26.	26.7500	2,407,500.00	2.74
							2,407,500.00	2.74
Austria								
AT0000652011	Erste Group Bank AG	EUR	0	0	20,000	36.5300	730,600.00	0.83
	Liste Group Bunk 11G		Ü		,		730,600.00	0.83
							,	
Sweden								
SE0007100581	Assa-Abloy AB	SEK	60,000	0	60,000	289.2000	1,570,743.19	1.79
							1,570,743.19	1.79
Switzerland								
CH0012032048	Roche Holding AG participation	CHF	6,000	3,000	9,000	242.4500	2,350,333.91	2.68
011001202010	certificates	0111	0,000	2,000	,,,,,,	2.2	2,000,000,01	2.00
							2,350,333.91	2.68
•								
<b>Spain</b> ES0148396007	Industria de Diseño Textil S.A.	EUR	0	62,000	62,000	20 2000	2,441,560.00	2.78
E3014039000/	mausula de Diseno Textil S.A.	EUR	0	63,000	62,000	39.3800		
							2,441,560.00	2.78

<sup>1)</sup> NAV = net asset value. Due to rounding differences in the individual items, the total amounts may deviate from the actual value.

## Statement of net assets as at 31 December 2023

ISIN	Securitie	es		Acquisitions in the period under review	Disposals in the period under review	Holdings	Price	Price EUR	% share of NAV <sup>1)</sup>
South Korea									
KR7005931001	Samsung -VZ-	g Electronics Co. Ltd.	KRW	0	0	55,000	62,300.0000	2,396,384.94	2.73
								2,396,384.94	2.73
United States of	f Americ	a							
US02079K3059	Alphabet	t Inc.	USD	0	0	18,000	140.2300	2,273,180.84	2.59
US0311621009	Amgen I	nc.	USD	0	1,000	11,000	288.4600	2,857,582.85	3.26
US0846707026	_	e Hathaway Inc.	USD	0	2,000	7,000	357.5700	2,254,133.65	2.57
US09247X1019	Blackroc	k Inc.	USD	0	0	1,400	814.4100	1,026,813.76	1.17
US8085131055	Charles S	Schwab Corporation	USD	10,000	0	31,500	69.5500	1,973,005.22	2.25
US2681501092	Dynatrac	ee Inc.	USD	0	0	24,000	55.3700	1,196,757.93	1.36
US3703341046	-	Mills Inc.	USD	6,000	3,000	33,000	64.9700	1,930,844.74	2.20
US5962781010	Middleb	y Corporation, The	USD	0	0	13,000	148.8400	1,742,543.23	1.99
US6177001095	Morning	, <u>,</u> ,	USD		2,500	7,500	288.2700	1,947,068.62	2.22
US70438V1061	_	Holding Corporation	USD		0	15,000	167.2300	2,259,050.79	2.57
US70450Y1038		Holdings Inc.	USD	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	0	35,000	63.0800	1,988,292.51	2.27
US72703H1014	•	tness Inc.	USD		0	36,000	73.5000	2,382,925.07	2.71
US7611521078	ResMed		USD	-,	0	20,000	173.0000	3,115,994.24	3.55
US79466L3024	Salesford	ce Inc.	USD	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	3,500	13,000	265.5800	3,109,275.94	3.54
US8725401090		npanies Inc.	USD		15,000	25,000	93.2400	2,099,243.52	2.39
US92826C8394	VISA Inc	•	USD		2,000	11,000	260.4000	2,579,610.95	2.94
US9288811014		Corporation	USD		45,000	85,000	34.8300	2,666,201.37	3.04
05)200011011	Volitier	corporation	CSD	Ü	13,000	02,000	31.0300	37,402,525.23	42.62
United Kingdom									
GB00B0744B38		c	GBP	9,000	30,000	74,000	31.9800	2,722,015.18	3.10
GB00B0744B38 GB00B10RZP78			EUR	- ,	5,000	45,000	43.8500	1,973,250.00	2.25
GB00B10KZ1 /8	Officeer	Tic.	LUK	U	3,000	45,000	43.8300		
								4,695,265.18	5.35
Listed securities								64,110,711.39	73.04
Equities, rights	and pro	fit participation certific	cates					64,110,711.39	73.04
Bonds Listed securities	s								
XS1575991358	0.250%	European Investment Ba Reg.S. v.17(2024)	nnk (EIB)	1,500,000	0	1,500,000	97.7810	1,466,715.00	1.67
XS1881014374	0.200%	European Investment Ba Reg.S. v.18(2024)	ank (EIB)	1,000,000	0	1,000,000	98.2890	982,890.00	1.12
XS0290050524	4.125%	European Investment Ba v.07(2024)	ank (EIB)	1,100,000	0	1,500,000	100.1220	1,501,830.00	1.71
XS1023039545	2.125%	European Investment Bav.14(2024)	ınk (EIB)	0	0	1,500,000	99.9390	1,499,085.00	1.71
DE000A2LQSP7	0.000%	Kreditanstalt für Wieder EMTN Reg.S. v.19(2024)		1,500,000	0	1,500,000	99.0850	1,486,275.00	1.69
DE000A2TSTS8	0.000%	Kreditanstalt für Wieder EMTN Reg.S. v.19(2024)	aufbau	0	0	1,500,000	98.2050	1,473,075.00	1.68
DE000A254PM6	0.000%	Kreditanstalt für Wieder EMTN Reg.S. v.20(202)	aufbau	0	0	1,500,000	96.6840	1,450,260.00	1.65
DE000A2LQH28	0.050%	Kreditanstalt für Wieder EMTN v.18(2024)		400,000	0	1,500,000	99.4290	1,491,435.00	1.70
DE000A1R0709	1.500%	Kreditanstalt für Wieder v.14(2024)	aufbau	0	0	1,500,000	99.0330	1,485,495.00	1.69

<sup>1)</sup> NAV = net asset value. Due to rounding differences in the individual items, the total amounts may deviate from the actual value.

The notes are an integral part of this annual report.

# Statement of net assets as at 31 December 2023

ISIN	Securitie	es	Acquisitions in the period under review	Disposals in the period under review	Holdings	Price	Price EUR	% share of NAV 1)
<b>USD</b> US500769JM70	0.250%	Kreditanstalt für Wiederaufbau v.21(2024)	0	500,000	1,500,000	99.0620	1,338,193.44	1.52
							1,338,193.44	1.52
Listed securities	es						14,175,253.44	16.14
Securities adm EUR XS2120068403	0.000%	er included on organised mark  European Investment Bank (EIB) v.20(2025)		0	1,000,000	96.5310	965,310.00	1.10
							965,310.00	1.10
Securities adm	itted to o	r included on organised mark	ets				965,310.00	1.10
Bonds							15,140,563.44	17.24
Securities hold	lings						79,251,274.83	90.28
Cash at banks	- Current	account 2)					7,449,866.96	8.49
Other receivab	les and p	payables (net)					1,069,730.90	1.23
Net fund assets	s in EUR						87,770,872.69	100.00

<sup>1)</sup> NAV = net asset value. Due to rounding differences in the individual items, the total amounts may deviate from the actual value.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2)</sup> See notes to the Report.

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# **Currency forwards**

The following forward foreign exchange contracts were open as at 31 December 2023:

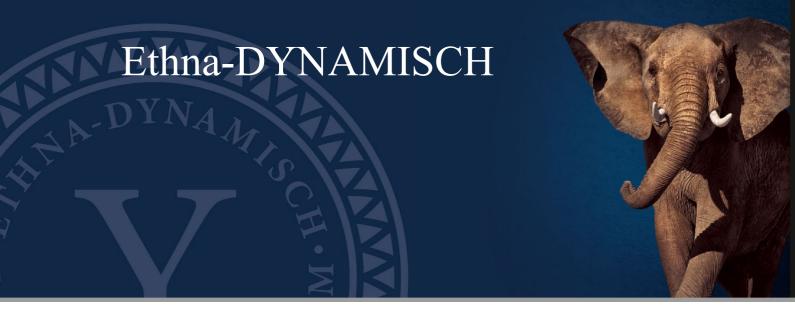
Currency	Counterparty		Currency amount	Price EUR	% share of NAV <sup>1)</sup>
CHF/EUR	DZ PRIVATBANK S.A.	Currency purchases	1,019,014.00	1,108,946.22	1.26
USD/EUR	DZ PRIVATBANK S.A.	Currency purchases	2,041,000.00	1,824,949.68	2.08
EUR/CHF	DZ PRIVATBANK S.A.	Currency sales	5,037.00	5,481.54	0.01
EUR/USD	DZ PRIVATBANK S.A.	Currency sales	10,000.00	8,941.45	0.01
EUR/USD	Morgan Stanley Europe SE	Currency sales	20,000,000.00	17,977,673.53	20.48

<sup>1)</sup> NAV = net asset value. Due to rounding differences in the individual items, the total amounts may deviate from the actual value.

# **Exchange rates**

For the valuation of assets in a foreign currency, the following exchange rate for 31 December 2023 was used for conversion into euro.

Australian Dollar	AUD	1	1.6182
Pound Sterling	GBP	1	0.8694
Danish Krone	DKK	1	7.4536
Norwegian Krone	NOK	1	11.2588
Swedish Krona	SEK	1	11.0470
Swiss Franc	CHF	1	0.9284
South Korean Won	KRW	1	1,429.8621
US Dollar	USD	1	1.1104



# Notes to the Annual Report as at 31 December 2023

# 1.) General

The Ethna-DYNAMISCH investment fund is managed by ETHENEA Independent Investors S.A. pursuant to the fund's management regulations. The Management Regulations first came into force on 10 November 2009.

They were filed with the Luxembourg Trade and Companies Register with a reference to this filing published in the Mémorial, Recueil des Sociétés et Associations, Official Gazette of the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg ("Mémorial"), on 30 November 2009. The Mémorial was replaced by the new information platform Recueil électronique des sociétés et associations ("RESA") of the Trade and Companies Register in Luxembourg as of 1 June 2016. The Management Regulations were last amended on 1 January 2020 and published in the Recueil électronique des sociétés et associations ("RESA").

Ethna-DYNAMISCH is a Luxembourg investment fund (Fonds Commun de Placement) set up in the form of a mono fund for an indefinite period in accordance with Part I of the Luxembourg Law of 17 December 2010 on undertakings for collective investment, as amended (the "Law of 17 December 2010").

The management company of the fund is ETHENEA Independent Investors S.A. ("management company"), a public limited company incorporated under the laws of the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg with its registered office at 16, rue Gabriel Lippmann, L-5365 Munsbach. It was established on 10 September 2010 for an indefinite period. Its Articles of Association were published on 15 September 2010 in the Mémorial. Amendments to the management company's Articles of Association entered into force on 1 January 2015 and were published in the Mémorial on 13 February 2015. The management company is registered with the Luxembourg Trade and Companies Register under the registration number R.C.S. Luxembourg B-155427

Unit classes (R-A) and (R-T) are intended exclusively for distribution in Italy, France and Spain.

## 2.) Main accounting and valuation principles; unit value calculation

Responsibility for preparing this annual report in accordance with the applicable Luxembourg statutory provisions and regulations relating to the preparation and presentation of annual reports lies with the Board of Directors of the management company.

- 1. The fund's net assets are stated in euros (EUR) ("reference currency").
- 2. The value of a fund unit ("unit value") is stated in the currency ("fund currency") as specified in the annex to the Sales Prospectus, unless a currency other than the fund currency is specified for any other unit classes in the annex to the Sales Prospectus ("unit class currency").
- 3. The unit value is calculated by the management company or its delegate under the supervision of the depositary on each day that is a bank working day in Luxembourg, with the exception of 24 and 31 December of each year ("valuation day"), and rounded to two decimal places. The management company may stipulate a different arrangement for the fund, taking into account that the unit value must be calculated at least twice a month.

However, the management company may decide to determine the unit value on 24 and 31 December of any given year, without this constituting a calculation of the unit value on a valuation day as specified in sentence 1 above of this point 3. Consequently, investors may not request the issue, redemption and/or conversion of units on the basis of a unit value determined on 24 December and/or 31 December of any year.

- 4. To calculate the unit value, the value of the assets in the fund less any fund liabilities ("net fund assets") is calculated on each valuation day, divided by the number of fund units in circulation on the valuation day.
- 5. To the extent that information regarding the position of the fund assets as a whole needs to be provided in annual reports, semi-annual reports or other financial statistics in accordance with legal requirements or the rules in the fund management regulations, the fund assets are translated into the reference currency. The net fund assets are calculated on the basis of the following principles:
  - a) Securities, money market instruments, derivative financial instruments (derivatives) and other assets which are officially listed on a stock exchange are valued at the last available price of the trading day preceding the valuation day which ensures a reliable valuation.

The management company may determine for the fund that securities, money market instruments, derivative financial instruments (derivatives) and other assets which are officially listed on a stock exchange are valued at the last available closing price of the trading day which ensures a reliable valuation. This is mentioned in the annex to the fund's Sales Prospectus.

Where securities, money market instruments, derivatives and other assets are officially listed on several stock exchanges, the exchange with the highest liquidity is used.

- b) Securities, money market instruments, derivatives and other assets not officially listed on a stock exchange (or whose exchange prices are not considered representative because of a lack of liquidity, for example) but which are traded on a regulated market are valued at a price that may be no lower than the bid price and no higher than the offer price of the trading day preceding the valuation day and that the management company considers in good faith to be the best possible price at which the securities, money market instruments, derivatives and other assets may be sold.
  - The management company can determine for the fund that securities, money market instruments, derivatives and other assets not officially listed on a stock exchange (or whose exchange prices are not considered representative because of a lack of liquidity, for example) but which are traded on a regulated market are valued at a price that may be no lower than the bid price and no higher than the offer price of the trading day preceding the valuation day and that the management company considers in good faith to be the best possible price at which the securities, money market instruments, derivatives and other assets may be sold. This is mentioned in the annex to the fund's Sales Prospectus.
- c) OTC derivatives are valued on a daily basis using a verifiable method to be specified by the management company.
- d) Units of UCITS or UCIs shall be valued at the last redemption price determined before the valuation day, or at the last available price which ensures a reliable valuation. If redemption has been suspended for investment fund units or a redemption price has not been specified, these units are valued in the same way as all other assets at the relevant market value as determined by the management company in good faith using generally accepted and verifiable valuation rules.
- e) If the applicable prices are not in line with the market, if the financial instruments referred to in b) are not traded on a regulated market and if no prices have been determined for financial instruments other than those referred to in letters a) to d), these financial instruments shall be valued in the same way as the other legally permissible assets at the applicable market value as determined by the management company in good faith and in accordance with generally recognised and verifiable valuation rules (e.g. suitable valuation models taking into account current market conditions).
- f) Cash and cash equivalents are valued at their nominal value plus interest.
- g) Receivables, such as deferred interest and liabilities, are generally valued at their nominal value.
- h) The market value of securities, money market instruments, derivative financial instruments (derivatives) and other assets that are denominated in a currency other than the fund currency is converted into the relevant fund currency on the basis of the exchange rate determined at the WM/Reuters fixing at 5:00 p.m. (4:00 p.m. London time) on the trading day preceding the valuation day. Profits and losses from foreign exchange transactions are added or deducted as appropriate.

The management company can determine for the fund that securities, money market instruments, derivatives and other assets denominated in a currency other than the fund currency are converted into the relevant fund currency on the basis of the exchange rate determined on the valuation day. Profits and losses from foreign exchange transactions are added or deducted as appropriate. This is mentioned in the annex to the fund's Sales Prospectus.

Net fund assets are reduced by any distributions paid to investors in the fund.

6. The unit value is calculated in accordance with the aforementioned criteria. However, if unit classes have been created within the fund, the unit value is calculated in accordance with the aforementioned criteria separately for each unit class.

For accounting reasons, the tables published in this report may contain rounding discrepancies of  $\pm$  one unit (currency, percent, etc.).

#### 3.) Taxation

## Taxation of the fund

From a Luxembourg tax perspective, as an investment fund the fund does not have any legal personality and is tax transparent.

The fund is not liable to tax on its income or profits in the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg. The fund assets are only subject to the taxe d'abonnement in the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg at the current rate of 0.05% p.a. A reduced taxe d'abonnement at the rate of 0.01% p.a. is applicable to (i) unit classes, the units of which are issued exclusively to institutional investors pursuant to Article 174 of the Law of 17 December 2010, (ii) funds, the exclusive purpose of which is to invest in money market instruments, term deposits at credit institutions, or both. The taxe d'abonnement is payable quarterly on the net fund assets as reported at the end of each quarter. The rate of the taxe d'abonnement for the fund or unit classes is mentioned in the annex to the Sales Prospectus. An exemption from the taxe d'abonnement is applicable, inter alia, if the fund assets are invested in other Luxembourg investment funds that are already subject to the taxe d'abonnement.

Income earned by the fund (in particular interest and dividends) may be subject to withholding tax or other taxes in the countries in which the fund assets are invested. The fund may also be liable to tax on realised or unrealised capital gains on its investments in the source country.

Distributions by the fund and profits from liquidations or disposals are not subject to withholding tax in the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg. Neither the depositary nor the management company is required to collect tax certificates.

#### Taxation on income from investment fund units for the investor

Investors that are or were not tax resident in the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg, and do not have a permanent establishment or permanent representative there, are not subject to any Luxembourg income tax in relation to their income from or gains from disposals of their fund units.

Natural persons who are tax residents in the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg are subject to Luxembourg's progressive income tax.

Companies that are tax resident in the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg are liable to pay corporation tax on income from fund units.

It is recommended that investors and prospective investors ensure they are informed about laws and regulations applicable to the taxation of fund assets and to the subscription, purchase, ownership, redemption or transfer of units and obtain advice from an independent third party, in particular from a tax advisor.

## 4.) Appropriation of income

The income of unit classes (A), (SIA-A) and (R-A) is distributed. The income of unit classes (T), (SIA-T), (SIA CHF-T), (CHF-T), (USD-T) and (R-T) is reinvested. Distribution takes place at the intervals determined from time to time by the management company.

Further details on the appropriation of income are provided in the Sales Prospectus.

# 5.) Information relating to charges and expenditure

Information on management and depositary fees and charges may be found in the current Sales Prospectus.

# 6.) Transaction costs

Transaction costs include all costs which were accounted for and/or settled separately on account of the fund in the financial year and are directly connected with a purchase or sale of securities, money market instruments, derivatives or other assets. These costs essentially include commissions, settlement fees and taxes.

## 7.) Total Expense Ratio (TER)

In calculating the total expense ratio (TER), the following BVI calculation method was applied:

Total cost in fund currency

Average fund volume (basis: NAV calculated daily \*)

#### \* NAV = net asset value

The TER indicates the level of expenses charged to the fund assets. In addition to management and depositary fees and the taxe d'abonnement, all other costs are included, with the exception of transaction costs incurred by the fund. It shows the total amount of these costs as a percentage of the average fund volume in a financial year. (Any performance fees are shown separately in direct relation to the TER.)

# 8.) Ongoing charges

Ongoing charges is a figure calculated pursuant to Article 10(2)(b) of Commission Regulation (EU) No 583/2010 of 1 July 2010 implementing Directive 2009/65/EC of the European Parliament.

The ongoing charges indicate the level of expenses charged to the fund assets in the past financial year. In addition to management and depositary fees and the taxe d'abonnement, all other costs are included, with the exception of applicable performance fees. The figure shows the total amount of these charges as a percentage of the average fund volume in the financial year. In the case of investment funds which invest more than 20% of their assets in other fund products / target funds, the charges for the target funds are also included – any retrocession receipts (trailer fees) for these products are offset against the charges.

# 9.) Income and expense equalisation

An income equalisation amount and expense equalisation amount are set against ordinary income and expense. This covers net income arising during the period under review which the purchaser of units pays for as part of the issue price and the seller of units receives as part of the redemption price.

## 10.) Fund current accounts (cash at banks and/or liabilities to banks)

All of the fund's current accounts (including those in different currencies) that actually and legally form only part of a single current account are designated as a single current account in connection with net fund assets.

Current accounts in foreign currencies, if applicable, are converted into the currency of the fund. Interest is calculated on the basis of the terms of the relevant individual account.

# 11.) Statement of changes in the securities portfolio

A statement detailing all purchases and disposals made during the financial year is available free of charge on request at the registered office of the management company.

#### 12.) Risk management (unaudited)

The management company applies a risk management procedure which enables it to monitor and measure at all times the risk contained in the investment positions and their contribution to the overall risk profile of the investment portfolio of the funds managed by the management company. In accordance with the Law of 17 December 2010 and the applicable regulatory requirements of the Commission de Surveillance du Secteur Financier (CSSF), the management company reports regularly to the CSSF on the risk management process adopted. The management company shall ensure, as part of the risk management process, using appropriate and reasonable methods, that the total risk associated with derivatives of the funds under management does not exceed the total net value of their portfolios. The management company uses the following methods for this purpose:

#### Commitment approach:

Under the Commitment Approach, positions in derivative financial instruments are converted into their underlying equivalent using the delta method. This takes account of netting and hedging effects between derivative financial instruments and their underlyings. Equivalent to underlyings, their total value must not exceed the total net value of the fund portfolio.

#### VaR approach:

The Value-at-Risk (VaR) figure is a statistical concept and is used as a standard measure of risk in the financial sector. The VaR indicates the potential loss on a portfolio during a given period (the holding period) which has a given probability (the confidence level) of not being exceeded.

#### Relative VaR approach:

In the relative VaR approach, the VaR for the fund must not exceed the VaR for a reference portfolio by a factor contingent on the level of the fund's risk profile. The maximum factor permitted by the supervisory authorities is 200%. The benchmark portfolio provides a correct representation of the fund's investment policy.

#### Absolute VaR approach:

In the absolute VaR approach, the VaR for the fund (99% confidence level, 20-day holding period) must not exceed a portion of the fund's assets contingent on the level of the fund's risk profile. The maximum limited permitted by the supervisory authorities is 20% of the fund's assets.

For funds which use the VaR approaches to ascertain the total risk, the Management Company estimates the expected degree of leverage effect. The extent of this leverage effect may deviate from the actual value depending on prevailing market conditions, falling below or exceeding it. Investor attention is drawn to the fact that no conclusions can be drawn from this information with respect to the risk entailed in the Fund. Furthermore, the expected leverage published is explicitly not to be understood as an investment limit. The method used to determine the overall risk and, if applicable the publication of the reference portfolio and the expected degree of leverage, as well as the calculation method, are stated in the fund-specific appendix.

In accordance with the Prospectus valid at the end of the financial year, Ethna-DYNAMISCH is subject to the following risk management procedure:

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#### Risk management procedure applied

Ethna-DYNAMISCH

Commitment Approach

# 13.) Portfolio turnover rate (TOR)

Asset managers are required to disclose certain information on the basis of Shareholder Rights Directive II (SRD II). This document contains the portfolio turnover ratios (TORs) for the same period as the annual reports of the listed funds as part of specific fund disclosures.

The turnover figures are calculated using the following method adopted by the CSSF:

Turnover =  $((Total\ 1 - Total\ 2)\ /\ M)*100$  Where: Total 1 = Total of all securities transactions (purchases and sales) made during the period; Total 2 = Total of all new investments and redemptions made during the period; M = Average net assets of the fund.

The TOR for the Ethna-DYNAMISCH fund for the period from 1 January 2023 to 31 December 2023 is 25.64%.

# 14.) Performance fee

The Management Company receives a performance fee of 20% of the performance in excess of 5% (hurdle rate), which can be withdrawn from the fund at the expense of the unit class concerned at the end of the financial year. The increase in value in each case is calculated using the so-called net capital appreciation method, i.e. the calculation is made for the fund on the basis of the net asset value per unit valid at the end of the previous financial year in respect of which a profit participation was last paid out. In the year of the initial issue of units, the calculation is based on the initial issue price.

If the net unit value at the end of the past financial year shows an increase in value compared to the net asset value at the end of the previous financial year, but the hurdle rate was not exceeded, this last net unit value of the past financial year is the high watermark for the next financial year.

If net impairments have to be reported in a financial year, they are carried forward with regard to the calculation of the performance fee of the following financial years and then taken into account, with the result that no performance fee is paid out as long as the unit value is below the level which last gave rise to the payment of a performance fee.

This compensation is subject to VAT.

For the financial year ended 31 December 2023, the actual performance fee accrued and the corresponding performance fee percentage (calculated on the basis of the respective average unit class assets) for the respective unit classes are as follows:

Currency	Fund name	ISIN	Performan	ce fee
			in EUR	in %
EUR	Ethna-DYNAMISCH (A)	LU0455734433	0.00	0.00
EUR	Ethna-DYNAMISCH (CHF-T)	LU1939236409	0.00	0.00
EUR	Ethna-DYNAMISCH (R-A)	LU1134152310	0.00	0.00
EUR	Ethna-DYNAMISCH (R-T)	LU1134174397	0.00	0.00
EUR	Ethna-DYNAMISCH (SIA CHF-T)	LU1939236318	0.00	0.00
EUR	Ethna-DYNAMISCH (SIA-A)	LU0985193357	0.00	0.00
EUR	Ethna-DYNAMISCH (SIA-T)	LU0985193431	0.00	0.00
EUR	Ethna-DYNAMISCH (T)	LU0455735596	0.00	0.00
EUR	Ethna-DYNAMISCH (USD-T)	LU1939236748	0.00	0.00

## 15.) Significant events during the period under review

The Sales Prospectus was updated with effect from 1 January 2023. The following amendments entered into force:

- Implementation of the requirements of Level 2 of the Sustainable Finance Disclosure Regulation 2019/2088 (SFDR);
- Deletion of Tageblatt as an additional publication medium for unit prices;
- Alignments to template and editorial adjustments.

The sales prospectus was revised with effect from 1 October 2023. The following amendments entered into force:

Adjustment to the current template of the RTS Annex in accordance with the requirements of Delegated Regulation (EU) 2023/363

• Alignments to template and editorial adjustments, in particular the passage concerning liquid assets.

#### Russia/Ukraine conflict

European exchanges in particular recorded significant price losses as a result of the measures adopted worldwide in response to the invasion of Ukraine by Russian troops at the end of February 2022. The financial markets and the global economy are facing a medium-term future that will be primarily defined by uncertainty.

It is impossible to anticipate the impact on the Fund's assets resulting from the ongoing conflict in Ukraine.

At the time this report was drawn up, the management company was of the opinion that there were no indications that would suggest that the Fund could not continue as a going concern, nor were there any valuation or liquidity problems for the Fund.

There were no other noteworthy changes or significant events in the period under review.

## 16.) Significant events after the period under review

The Sales Prospectus was updated with effect from 1 January 2024. The following amendments were made:

- Deletion of ETHENEA Independent Investors (Schweiz) AG for possible fund management support services
- Editorial changes

There were no other noteworthy changes or significant events after the period under review.

# Report of the Réviseur d'Entreprises agréé

To the unitholders of **Ethna-DYNAMISCH** 16, rue Gabriel Lippmann L-5365 Munsbach

#### **Audit opinion**

We have audited the annual financial statements of Ethna-DYNAMISCH (the "Fund"), consisting of the composition of net fund assets as at 31 December 2023, changes in net fund assets as well as the statement of operations for the financial year ending on that date; and notes, along with a summary of key accounting methods.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements give a true and fair view of the financial position of the Fund as at 31 December 2023, and of its financial performance and its changes in net assets for the year ended on that date in accordance with Luxembourg legal and regulatory requirements relating to the preparation and presentation of the financial statements.

# Basis for the audit opinion

We have carried out our audit in accordance with the Law concerning the audit profession (the "Law of 23 July 2016") and international standards on auditing ("ISAs") accepted for Luxembourg by the Commission de Surveillance du Secteur Financier ("CSSF"). Our responsibility under the Law of 23 July 2016 and the ISA Standards is further described in the section "Responsibility of the Réviseur d'entreprises agréé for the audit of the financial statements". We are independent of the Fund in accordance with the International Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (including International Independence Standards) issued by the International Ethics Standards Board for Accountants (the "IESBA Code") accepted for Luxembourg by the CSSF, together with professional conduct requirements to be upheld within the framework of the audit of the annual financial statements and have fulfilled all other professional obligations in accordance with these conduct requirements. We are of the opinion that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to serve as a basis for our audit opinion.

#### **Additional information**

The Management Company's Board of Directors is responsible for the additional information. The additional information includes the information contained in the Annual Report, but not the financial statements or our report as Réviseur d'entreprises agréé on these financial statements.

Our audit results for the financial statements do not cover the additional information, and we make no guarantee whatsoever regarding this information.

In auditing the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the additional information and to assess whether there is a significant discrepancy between it and the financial statements or the findings obtained from the audit, or whether the additional information appears otherwise misrepresented. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that any other information contains a material misstatement, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

#### Responsibility of the Board of Directors for the annual financial statements

The Board of Directors of the Management Company is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the annual financial statements in accordance with the legal provisions and regulations applying in Luxembourg to the preparation and presentation of annual financial statements, and for the internal controls which the Board of Directors of the Management Company deems necessary in order to ensure that annual financial statements are prepared which are free of material misstatement – whether due to error or fraud.

In preparing the financial statements, the Board of Directors of the management company is responsible for assessing the ability of the Fund to continue as a going concern and, as applicable, to disclose matters related to the going concern assumption as a matter of accounting policy unless the Board of Directors of the management company intends to liquidate the Fund, to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

# Responsibility of the Réviseur d'entreprises agréé for the audit of the annual financial statements

The aim of our audit is to obtain reasonable assurance that the annual financial statements as a whole are free of material misstatement – whether due to error or fraud – and prepare a Report of the Réviseur d'entreprises agréé containing our audit opinion. Reasonable assurance corresponds to a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with the Law of 23 July 2016 and with the ISAs adopted for Luxembourg by the CSSF will always identify a material misstatement, if any. Misstatements can arise from error or fraud and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

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In accordance with the Law of 23 July 2016 and the ISAs as adopted for Luxembourg by the CSSF, we have carried out our audit in accordance with our professional judgement and have maintained a critical perspective. Furthermore:

- We identify and assess the risk of material misstatements in the annual financial statements due to fraud or error, plan and carry out audit procedures in response to these risks and obtain sufficient and appropriate audit evidence to provide a basis for our audit opinion. The risk that material misstatements will not be identified is higher for fraud than for errors, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misleading statements or the override of internal controls.
- We obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Fund's internal control.
- We evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the Board of Directors of the management company.
- We reach a conclusion on the appropriateness of the application of the going concern accounting principle by the Board of Directors of the management company, as well as on the basis of the audit evidence obtained as to whether a material uncertainty exists in connection with events or circumstances that could create serious doubt about the Fund's ability to continue with its activities. If we conclude that there is material uncertainty, we are required to draw attention in the report of the Réviseur d'entreprises agréé to the related notes to the financial statements or, if the disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. These conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of the report of the Réviseur d'entreprises agréé. Future or events or circumstances may result in the Fund no longer being able to continue with its business activities.
- We assess the overall presentation, structure and contents of the annual financial statements, including the notes, and assess whether this gives a reasonable presentation of underlying transactions and events.

Among other things, we communicate with the persons responsible for monitoring the planned audit scope and period as well as key audit findings, including material weaknesses in the internal control system, which we identify during the audit.

Luxembourg, 15 March 2024

Ernst & Young Société anonyme Cabinet de révision agréé

Nadia Faber

# **ADDITIONAL NOTES (UNAUDITED)**

# 1.) SFDR Regulation (EU 2019/2088) Classification

Article 8 of Regulation (EU) 2019/2088 and Article 6 of Regulation (EU) 2020/852 (EU Taxonomy) apply to this Fund.

For more information in relation to the promotion of environmental and/or social characteristics and, where applicable, the sustainable investment objectives of the Fund Manager in accordance with Article 8 of Regulation (EU) 2019/2088 and Article 6 of Regulation (EU) 2020/852 (EU Taxonomy) for these sub-funds, please refer to the respective Annex below (Annex in accordance with Disclosure and Taxonomy Regulation).

## 2.) Remuneration policy

The Management Company of ETHENEA Independent Investors S.A. applies a remuneration policy that complies with the legal requirements. The remuneration system is designed to be compatible with sound and effective risk management, neither encouraging the assumption of risks that are inconsistent with the risk profiles, management regulations or articles of association of the undertakings for collective investment in transferable securities (hereinafter "UCITS") under management, nor preventing ETHENEA Independent Investors S.A. from duly acting in the best interests of the UCITS.

Employee remuneration consists of an appropriate fixed annual salary and variable performance and results-based remuneration.

As of 31 December 2022, the total remuneration of the 20 employees of ETHENEA Independent Investors S.A. for the year was EUR 2,744,615.30. The aforementioned remuneration pertains to all of the UCITS managed by ETHENEA Independent Investors S.A. All employees are involved in total management activities for all funds; therefore, distribution based on fund is not possible.

The total remuneration is broken down into:

Total amount of employee remuneration paid in the past financial year as at 31 December 2022: 2,744,615.30 EUR

Of which fixed remuneration: 2,352,815.30 EUR

Of which variable remuneration: 391,800.00 EUR

Remuneration paid directly from the Fund: 0.00 EUR

Headcount of the outsourcing company: 20

More detailed information on the current remuneration policy can be obtained free of charge on the website of the Management Company, www.ethenea.com, in the legal notices section. A hard-copy version will be provided to investors free of charge upon request.

## 3.) Transparency of securities financing transactions and their reuse

By definition, ETHENEA Independent Investors S.A., as a management company of undertakings for collective investment in transferable securities (UCITS), comes within the scope of Regulation (EU) 2015/2365 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 November 2015 on transparency of securities financing transactions and of reuse and amending Regulation (EU) No 648/2012 ("SFTR").

No securities financing transactions or total return swaps within the meaning of this Regulation were used in the financial year of the investment fund. Thus, no disclosures pursuant to Article 13 of this Regulation are to be made to investors in the Annual Report.

More detailed information on the fund's investment strategy and the financial instruments it uses can be found in the current prospectus, and can be obtained free of charge from the website of the management company at www.ethenea.com.

# 4.) Information for Swiss investors

#### a) General

The Sales Prospectus, including the Key Information Document and the annual and semi-annual reports, as well as the statement of the fund's additions and disposals during the reporting period, are available free of charge by post or e-mail from the representative in Switzerland.

#### b) Securities numbers:

Ethna-DYNAMISCH unit class (A) securities no. 10724364

Ethna-DYNAMISCH unit class (T) securities no. 10724365

Ethna-DYNAMISCH unit class (SIA-A) securities no. 22830636

Ethna-DYNAMISCH unit class (SIA-T) securities no. 22830638

Ethna-DYNAMISCH unit class (CHF-T) securities no. 46028816

Ethna-DYNAMISCH unit class (USD-T) securities no. 46028820

Ethna-DYNAMISCH unit class (SIA CHF-T) securities no. 46028814

# c) Total Expense Ratio (TER) in accordance with the guidelines of the Asset Management Association Switzerland dated 16 May 2008 (version dated 5 August 2021):

Commissions and costs incurred in the management of the collective investment scheme must be disclosed using the internationally recognised measure known as the "Total Expense Ratio (TER)". This figure expresses the total of those commissions and costs which are incurred by the assets of the collective investment scheme on an ongoing basis (operating expense) retrospectively as a percentage of net assets and is to be calculated using the following formula:

Total operating expense in UA\*

TER = ------x 100

Average net assets in UA\*

For newly established funds, the TER is to be calculated for the first time using the statement of operations published in the first annual or semi-annual report. Operating expense may be converted to a 12-month period. The median of monthend values over the period under review is used to calculate the average value for fund assets.

Operating expense in n months

Annualised operating expense in UA\* = .....x 12

In accordance with the guidelines of the Asset Management Association dated 16 May 2008 (version dated 16 August 2021), the following TER was calculated as a percentage for the period from 1 January 2023 to 31 December 2023:

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#### Swiss TER in %

	Without performance fee	With performance fee
Unit class (A)	2.10	2.10
Unit class (T)	2.10	2.10
Unit class (SIA-A)	1.33	1.33
Unit class (SIA-T)	1.30	1.30
Unit class (SIA CHF)	1.25	1.25
Unit class (CHF-T)	2.15	2.15
Unit class (USD-T)	2.15	2.15

#### d) Information for investors

Payments may be made from the fund management fee to distributors and asset managers in return for distribution of the investment fund (trailer fees). Reimbursements may be granted from the management fee to institutional investors which hold the fund units for third-party beneficial owners.

## e) Amendments to the Prospectus in the financial year

Published amendments to the Prospectus in the financial year are made available for download at www.swissfunddata.ch.

<sup>\*</sup>UA = Units in the currency of account of the collective investment scheme

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Periodic disclosure for the financial products referred to in Article 8, paragraphs 1, 2 and 2a, of Regulation (EU) 2019/2088 and Article 6, first paragraph, of Regulation (EU) 2020/852

Sustainable investment means an investment in an economic activity that contributes to an environmental or social objective, provided that the investment does not significantly harm any environmental or social objective and that the investee companies follow

good governance practices.

The EU Taxonomy is a classification system laid down in Regulation (EU) 2020/852, establishing a list of environmentally sustainable economic activities. That Regulation does not lay down a list of socially sustainable economic activities. Sustainable investments with an environmental objective might be aligned with the Taxonomy or not.

Product name: Ethna-DYNAMISCH

Legal entity identifier: 5299009YF07LKR4ADA63

## **Environmental and/or social characteristics**

#### Did this financial product have a sustainable investment objective? X Yes No Sustainable investments with an It promoted environmental objective were Environmental/Social (E/S) made: characteristics and while it does not have as its objective a sustainable investment, it had in economic activities that qualify as 0.00% of sustainable investments environmentally sustainable under the EU Taxonomy with an environmental objective in in economic activities that do not economic activities that qualify as qualify as environmentally sustainable environmentally sustainable under under the EU Taxonomy the EU Taxonomy with an environmental objective in economic activities that do not qualify as environmentally sustainable under the EU Taxonomy with a social objective Sustainable investments with a It promoted E/S characteristics, but social objective were made: did not make any sustainable investments.



# To what extent were the environmental and/or social characteristics promoted by the financial product fulfilled?

In its bond and equity investments, the Fund favours companies that already have low exposure to material ESG risks or that actively manage and so reduce the ESG risks inevitably associated with their business activities.

The analyses of the external rating agency Sustainalytics are used to assess the ESG risks that are relevant for the individual companies and to evaluate the active management of ESG risks within the companies. The ESG Risk Score calculated by Sustainalytics assesses three factors that are crucial for a risk assessment:

- Governance
- Material ESG risks at sector level and the individual measures taken by the company to counter them
- Idiosyncratic risks (controversies that companies are involved in)

The corporate governance assessment is an important feature for assessing the financial and ESG risks associated with an investment. The analysis of the environmental and social characteristics focuses on material risks for the sector. Besides social factors, resource consumption is always a risk factor in the manufacturing sector. Consequently, the analysis incorporates ecological features, for example:

- · Greenhouse gas emissions and greenhouse gas intensity,
- · Protection of natural resources, especially water,
- Limiting of soil sealing,
- · Protection of biodiversity.

Service companies have a much lower environmental impact due to their activities, and so they focus on social characteristics, which include, for example:

- Fair working conditions and adequate pay,
- Health and safety at work.
- Prevention of corruption.
- Prevention of fraud,
- · Control of product quality.

As such, the Fund focuses on taking into account relevant environmental and social risks, which may vary from company to company. The Fund seeks not only to avoid environmental risks by investing in companies whose environmental risks are already low based on the company's activities, but also to consider companies that use appropriate management policies to limit and reduce the environmental risks associated with their business model.

There are also comprehensive exclusions that prohibit the Fund from making a large number of investments that are generally regarded as critical. Specifically, investments in companies with a core activity in the areas of armaments, tobacco, pornography, staple food speculation and/or the production/distribution of coal are prohibited. Additionally, investments in companies are prohibited when serious violations of the principles of the UN Global Compact have been identified and there is no compelling prospect that the violations will be remedied. For sovereign issuers, investments in bonds of countries declared "unfree" in the annual analysis by Freedom House (www.freedomhouse.org) are prohibited.

Sustainability indicators measure how the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product are attained.

#### How did the sustainability indicators perform?

The analyses of the external rating agency Sustainalytics are used to assess the ESG risks that are relevant for the individual companies and to evaluate the active management of ESG risks within the companies.

Sustainalytics summarises the results of its analyses in an ESG risk score ranging from 0 to 100, where the risk assumptions are assessed as follows:

less than 10: minor risks

from 10 to 19.99: low risks

from 20 to 29.99: medium risks

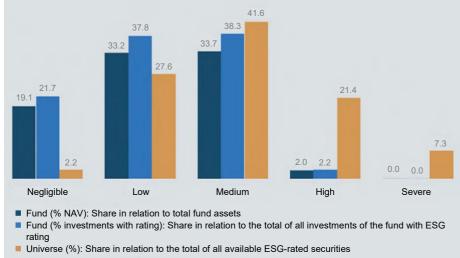
from 30 to 39.99: high risks

greater than 40: serious risks.

Measured against this ESG risk score, the Fund is expected to achieve on average at least a solid medium ESG risk profile (ESG risk score less than 25). This objective was achieved. During the reporting period, the fund's ESG risk score was consistently below 25. The average ESG risk score for the reporting period was 16.7. As of 31 December 2023, the ESG risk score was 17.4.

Individual securities with serious risks (ESG risk score greater than 40) will only be considered for inclusion as an investment in the Fund in justified exceptional cases and should be accompanied by an active engagement process to improve the ESG risk profile of the investment. There were no investments in the fund with a correspondingly high ESG risk score during the reporting period.





The fund excludes investments in companies or products issued by companies that violate the UN conventions on cluster munitions, chemical weapons and other outlawed weapons of mass destruction or that finance such companies/products. Additional product-related exclusions apply if the turnover of a company from the production and/or distribution of certain goods exceeds the revenue volumes listed below: coal (25%), armaments (10%), small arms (10%), adult entertainment (10%), tobacco (5%).

Additionally, investments in companies are prohibited when serious violations of the principles of the UN Global Compact have been identified and there is no compelling prospect that the violations will be remedied.

For sovereign issuers, investments in bonds of countries declared "unfree" in the annual analysis by Freedom House (www.freedomhouse.org) are prohibited.

All listed exclusion criteria were met during the reporting period.

The development of the sustainability indicators was calculated and made available by the outsourced fund management or by the investment advisor used.

#### ... and in comparison with previous periods?

The average ESG risk score for 2022 was 17.3. This was slightly lower than the average for the current reporting period (16.7). In both years, however, the averages were well below the target of 25.

As of 31 December 2022, the ESG risk score was 17.1. This was therefore marginally higher than the figure at the end of the current reporting period (17.4). In both years, however, the figures were well below the target of 25

All listed exclusion criteria were also met during the previous year (2022).

#### What were the objectives of the sustainable investments that the financial product partially intended to make and how does the sustainable investment contribute to such objectives?

E/S characteristics are promoted with the financial product, but no sustainable investments will be made.

Principal adverse impacts are the most significant negative impacts of investment decisions on sustainability factors relating to environmental, social and employee matters, respect for human rights, anticorruption and antibribery matters.

How have the sustainable investments, which were in part made with the financial product, not caused significant harm to any environmental or social sustainable investment objective?

E/S characteristics are promoted with the financial product, but no sustainable investments will be made.

----- How were the indicators for adverse impacts on sustainability factors taken into account?

E/S characteristics are promoted with the financial product, but no sustainable investments will be made.

----- Were sustainable investments aligned with the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises and the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights? Details:

E/S characteristics are promoted with the financial product, but no sustainable investments will be made.

The EU Taxonomy sets out a "do no significant harm" principle by which Taxonomy-aligned investments should not significantly harm EU Taxonomy objectives and is accompanied by specific Union criteria.

The "do no significant harm" principle applies only to those investments underlying the financial product that take into account the EU criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities. The investments underlying the remaining portion of this financial product do not take into account the EU criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities.

Any other sustainable investments must also not significantly harm any environmental or social objectives.



# How did this financial product consider principal adverse impacts on sustainability factors?

Within the Fund, the principal adverse impacts of investment decisions on sustainability factors from the following groups of issues from Annex 1 of Table I of Regulation (EU) 2022/1288 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 6 April 2022 are taken into consideration: greenhouse gas emissions, biodiversity, water, waste, and social and employment issues.

The portfolio managers draw on the external analyses of ESG agencies, public documents of the companies and notes from direct dialogues with company leaders to identify, measure and assess adverse sustainability impacts. The adverse sustainability impacts can then be subjected to comprehensive analysis and taken into account in investment decisions.

Different sustainability aspects are weighted in the sustainability assessment of investments depending on their relevance for the respective business model. For example, greenhouse gas emissions are significantly more relevant in particularly CO2-intensive sectors than in less CO2-intensive sectors.

Regular reporting of the sustainability factors is based on the raw data provided by the Sustainalytics rating agency.



### What are the main investments of this financial product?

Average of four reporting dates (31/03/2023; 30/06/2023; 30/09/2023 and 31/12/2023):

The list includes the investments constituting the greatest proportion of investments of the financial product during the reference period which is: 01/01/2023 - 31/12/2023

Largest investments	Sector	% assets	Country
Salesforce Inc.	INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION	3.07	United States of America
Vontier Corporation	MANUFACTURING	3.00	United States of America
Bunzl Plc.	PROVISION OF PROFESSIONAL, SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL SERVICES	2.95	UK
Amgen Inc.	PROVISION OF PROFESSIONAL, SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL SERVICES	2.94	United States of America
Industria de Diseño Textil S.A.	TRADE, MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR OF MOTOR VEHICLES AND MOTORCYCLES	2.87	Spain
VISA Inc.	FINANCIAL AND INSURANCE ACTIVITIES	2.77	United States of America
Berkshire Hathaway Inc.	FINANCIAL AND INSURANCE ACTIVITIES	2.66	United States of America
TJX Companies Inc.	TRADE, MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR OF MOTOR VEHICLES AND MOTORCYCLES	2.49	United States of America
Samsung Electronics Co. Ltd. -VZ-	MANUFACTURING	2.47	South Korea
Unilever Plc.	PROVISION OF PROFESSIONAL, SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL SERVICES	2.37	UK
Alphabet Inc.	PROVISION OF PROFESSIONAL, SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL SERVICES	2.28	United States of America
General Mills Inc.	MANUFACTURING	2.25	United States of America
Planet Fitness Inc.	ARTS, ENTERTAINMENT AND RECREATION	2.20	United States of America
Medtronic Plc.	HUMAN HEALTH AND SOCIAL WORK ACTIVITIES	2.18	Ireland
SAP SE	INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION	2.01	Germany

### What was the share of sustainability-related investments?

#### **Asset allocation**

describes the share of investments in specific assets.

#### What were the asset allocations?



- **#1** Aligned with E/S characteristics includes the investments of the financial product used to attain the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product. The share of these investments amounts to 88% as at the reporting date.
- **#2** Other includes the remaining investments of the financial product which are neither aligned with the environmental or social characteristics, nor are qualified as sustainable investments. The share of these investments amounts to 12% as at the reporting date.

Category #1 Aligned with environmental or social characteristics includes the following sub-categories:

- The sub-category **#1A Sustainable** covers environmentally and socially sustainable investments. The share of these investments amounts to 0.00% as at the reporting date.
- The sub-category **#1B Other E/S characteristics** covers investments aligned with the environmental or social characteristics that do not qualify as sustainable investments. The share of these investments amounts to 88% as at the reporting date.

### In which economic sectors were the investments made?

Sector

Average of four reporting dates (31/03/2023; 30/06/2023; 30/09/2023 and 31/12/2023):

FINANCIAL AND INSURANCE ACTIVITIES	Equity investments	6.35
FINANCIAL AND INSURANCE ACTIVITIES	Other monetary intermediation	20.38
FINANCIAL AND INSURANCE ACTIVITIES	Other financial service activities (other not specified)	2.64
FINANCIAL AND INSURANCE ACTIVITIES	Other activities auxiliary to financial services, except insurance and pension funding	5.11
PROVISION OF PROFESSIONAL, SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL SERVICES	Research and development in biotechnology	0.11
PROVISION OF PROFESSIONAL, SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL SERVICES	Research and development on natural sciences, engineering, agricultural sciences and medicine	2.94
PROVISION OF PROFESSIONAL, SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL SERVICES	Other research and development on natural sciences, engineering, agricultural sciences and medicine	0.15
PROVISION OF PROFESSIONAL, SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL SERVICES	Business and other management consultancy activities	17.64
HUMAN HEALTH AND SOCIAL WORK ACTIVITIES	Healthcare (other not specified)	2.18
TRADE, MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR OF MOTOR VEHICLES AND MOTORCYCLES	Retail sale of clothing	2.49
TRADE, MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR OF MOTOR VEHICLES AND MOTORCYCLES	Clothing and footwear wholesale trade	2.87
TRADE, MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR OF MOTOR VEHICLES AND MOTORCYCLES	Mail order and internet retail trade	0.03
INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION	Computer programming, consultancy and related activities	3.07

Sub-sector

% assets

INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION	Computer programming activities	4.03
INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION	Telecommunication	0.07
INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION	Publishing of video games	1.17
INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION	Web portals	0.03
ARTS, ENTERTAINMENT AND RECREATION	Fitness centres	2.20
MANUFACTURING	Manufacture of irradiation, electromedical and electrotherapeutic equipment	1.61
MANUFACTURING	Manufacture of machinery for food, beverage and tobacco processing	1.89
MANUFACTURING	Manufacture of instruments and appliances for measuring, testing and navigation; manufacture of watches and clocks	3.00
MANUFACTURING	Manufacture of medical and dental instruments and supplies	0.77
MANUFACTURING	Manufacture of pharmaceutical preparations	0.81
MANUFACTURING	Manufacture of other chemical products (other not specified)	1.77
MANUFACTURING	Manufacture of other electrical equipment (other not specified)	2.47
MANUFACTURING	Manufacture of grain mill products, starches and starch products	2.25
MANUFACTURING	Manufacture of basic metals	0.06
MANUFACTURING	Dairy processing	0.30
		-0.22

Enabling activities directly enable other activities to make a substantial contribution to an environmental objective.

Transitional activities are economic activities for which low-carbon alternatives are not yet available and that have greenhouse gas emission levels corresponding to the best performance.



# To what extent were sustainable investments with an environmental objective aligned with the EU Taxonomy?

E/S characteristics are promoted with the financial product, but no sustainable investments will be made. We are not seeking conformity with the EU Taxonomy.

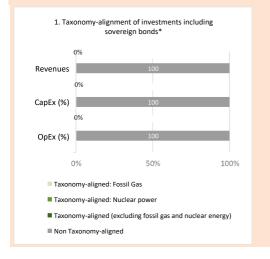
Did the	Did the financial product invest in EU Taxonomy-aligned fossil gas and/or nuclear energy activities <sup>1</sup> ?				
	Yes:				
	in fossil gas	in nuclear energy			
X	No				

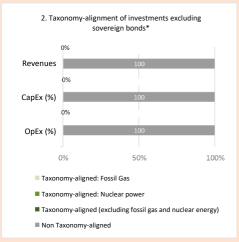
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Fossil gas and/or nuclear energy activities are only EU Taxonomy-aligned if they contribute to climate change mitigation and do not significantly affect any EU Taxonomy objective - see explanation in the left margin. The detailed criteria for EU Taxonomy-aligned economic activities in the sector of fossil gas and nuclear energy are set out in Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2022/1214.

Taxonomy-aligned activities are expressed as a share of:

- turnover reflecting the current "environmental friendliness" of investee companies
- capital expenditure
   (CapEx) showing the
   relevant green
   investments made by
   investee companies for
   a transition to a green
   economy
- operational expenditure (OpEx) reflecting green operational activities of investee companies

The following charts present the minimum percentage of EU Taxonomy-aligned investments in green. As there is no appropriate methodology to determine the Taxonomy-alignment of sovereign bonds\*, the first graph shows the Taxonomy alignment in relation to all the investments of the financial product including sovereign bonds, while the second graph shows the Taxonomy-alignment only in relation to the investments of the financial product other than sovereign bonds.





This chart reflects 100.00% of the total investment.

- \* For the purpose of these graphs, 'sovereign bonds' excludes sovereign exposures.
- What is the share of investments made in transitional and enabling activities?

Enabling activities: 0%

Transitional activities: 0%

How has the share of investments brought into line with the EU Taxonomy evolved compared to previous reference periods?

E/S characteristics are promoted with the financial product, but no sustainable investments will be made. We are not seeking conformity with the EU Taxonomy.



What was the share of non-EU- Taxonomy-compliant sustainable investments with an environmental objective?

E/S characteristics are promoted with the financial product, but no sustainable investments will be made.



### What was the share of socially sustainable investments?

E/S characteristics are promoted with the financial product, but no sustainable investments will be made.

are sustainable investments with an

environmental objective that **do not take into account the criteria** for

environmentally sustainable economic activities under Regulation

(EU) 2020/852.



# What investments were included under "other", what was their purpose and were there any minimum environmental or social safeguards?

This includes hedging instruments, investments used for diversification purposes (for example commodities and other investment funds), investments for which no data is available, and cash.

"#2 Other investments" in particular is used for diversification of the Fund and for liquidity management in order to achieve the investment objectives described in the investment policy.

The sustainability indicators used to measure the achievement of the individual environmental or social characteristics in "#1 Investments focused on environmental or social characteristics" do not apply systematically in "#2 Other investments". There is no minimum protection for "#2 Other investments".



## What measures were taken during the reference period to fulfil the environmental and/or social characteristics?

A key measure was the consideration of the comprehensive exclusions that permanently prohibit the fund from making a large number of investments that are generally regarded as critical. Specifically, investments in companies or products issued by companies that violate the UN conventions on cluster munitions, chemical weapons and other outlawed weapons of mass destruction or that finance such companies/products were excluded during the reporting period. Additional product-related exclusions apply if the turnover of a company from the production and/or distribution of certain goods exceeded the revenue volumes listed below: coal (25%), armaments (10%), small arms (10%), adult entertainment (10%), tobacco (5%). Additionally, investments in companies were prohibited when serious violations of the principles of the UN Global Compact have been identified and there was no compelling prospect that the violations will be remedied. For sovereign issuers, investments in bonds of countries declared "unfree" in the annual analysis by Freedom House (www.freedomhouse.org) were prohibited.

Another significant measure was the fundamental approach in the selection of bond and equity investments for the fund. Here, the focus continued to be on companies that already had low exposure to material ESG risks or that actively managed and consequently reduced the ESG risks inevitably associated with their business activities.

The analyses of the external rating agency Sustainalytics were used to assess the ESG risks that are relevant for the individual companies and to evaluate the active management of ESG risks within the companies.

The ESG Risk Score calculated by Sustainalytics assesses three factors that are crucial for a risk assessment: corporate governance, sector-level material ESG risks, as well as individual company countermeasures and idiosyncratic risks (controversies involving companies).

The corporate governance assessment is an important feature for assessing the financial and ESG risks associated with an investment.

The analysis of the environmental and social characteristics focuses on material risks for the sector. Besides social factors, resource consumption is always a risk factor in the manufacturing sector. Consequently, the analysis incorporates environmental characteristics, such as greenhouse gas emissions and intensity, the protection of natural resources, especially water, the limiting of soil sealing and the protection of species diversity (biodiversity). Service companies have a much lower environmental impact due to their activities, and so they focus on social characteristics, which include, for example: fair working conditions and adequate remuneration, health and safety at work, prevention of corruption, prevention of fraud and control of product quality.

As such, the fund focused on taking into account relevant environmental and social risks, which may vary from company to company. The Fund was seeking not only to avoid environmental risks by investing in companies whose environmental risks are already low based on the company's activities, but also to consider companies that use appropriate management policies to limited and reduced the environmental risks associated with their business model.

Another measure was engagement with the fund's investee companies. This entailed corresponding communication with company representatives on how to improve certain aspects of good corporate governance and the potential consequences of controversies, for example. In addition, voting rights at general meetings in particular were used as an important communication channel. While dialogues are opportunities to discuss positions, they are not usually formally binding. In contrast, exercising voting rights at a general meeting has just such characteristics. This makes it a powerful tool for influencing the direction of companies. Further details on the implementation of this measure can be found in both the voting policy and the voting report on the website of the management company of the fund (https://www.ethenea.com/dokumente-zu-esg/).



Reference benchmarks are indexes to measure whether the financial product attains the environmental or social characteristics that they promote.

## How did this financial product perform compared to the specific reference benchmark?

No benchmark was defined within the framework of the sustainability strategy.

How does the reference benchmark differ from a broad market index?

No index is designated as a reference benchmark to determine whether this Fund is aligned with the environmental and/or social characteristics that it promotes.

How did this financial product perform with regard to the sustainability indicators to determine the alignment of the reference benchmark with the environmental or social characteristics promoted?

No benchmark was defined within the framework of the sustainability strategy.

How did this financial product perform compared with the reference benchmark?

No benchmark was defined within the framework of the sustainability strategy.

How did this financial product perform compared to the broad market index?

No benchmark was defined within the framework of the sustainability strategy.

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