

Investment objective

The investment objective of the Fund is to seek significant long-term capital appreciation by investing in a diversified portfolio comprising of equities and equity-related securities in both the domestic and international stock markets. The Fund is suitable for investors who are risk-seekers and having a medium- to long-term investment horizon.

Fund facts

Investment Manager: SBM Mauritius Asset Managers Ltd

Fund Administrator: SBM Fund Services Ltd

Registry and Transfer Agent: SBM Fund Services Ltd

Custody: SBM Bank (Mauritius) Ltd

Auditor: Deloitte Mauritius

Benchmark: 40% SEMTRI + 60% MSCI AC World index*

Distribution: Subject to distributable income

Investor profile: Growth / Aggressive

Inception date: 4 Feb 2016

Fund size: MUR 167.3M

Base currency: MUR

Minimum one-off investment: MUR 2,000

Minimum monthly investment plan: MUR 500

Management fee: 1.00% p.a.

Entry fee: 1.00%

Exit fee: 1% up to Y2 | 0.75% in Y3 | 0.5% in Y4 | 0.25% in Y5 | Nil after Y5

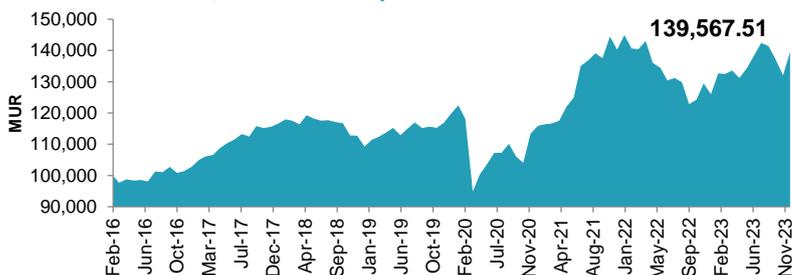
*Applicable as from Jul-2021. Previous Benchmark: 60% SEMTRI + 40% MSCI AC World Index

Performance

Period	1M	3M	YTD	1Y	3Y	5Y	Launch	Annualised	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
Fund	5.7%	-1.3%	10.8%	7.8%	23.1%	23.8%	39.6%	4.3%	6.0%	-3.5%	26.0%	-6.7%	-2.2%	5.5%
Benchmark	6.0%	-0.5%	12.0%	9.4%	32.3%	30.9%	70.4%	7.0%	7.7%	-0.4%	26.1%	-7.0%	1.3%	8.7%

Note: Fund performance is calculated on indicative NAV to NAV. The performance of the index is based on a blended benchmark consisting of 60% MSCI AC World index (MUR) and 40% SEMTRI, and rebalanced monthly. The benchmark return is computed in MUR terms. Annual returns are for the financial year of the Fund, that is, June. Past performance is not indicative of future results.

Growth of MUR 100,000 since inception



Fund statistics

Period	1Y	3Y	5Y	Launch
Correlation	0.98	0.98	0.99	0.98
Regression alpha (%)	-1.35	-2.52	-1.13	-3.55
Beta	0.97	0.95	0.95	0.96
Annualised volatility	11.1%	10.8%	13.9%	11.5%
Annualised tracking error	2.2%	2.0%	2.2%	2.2%

Relative metrics such as alpha, beta and tracking error are computed against the composite index.

Asset allocation

Asset class	% Fund	Top 5 countries	% Fund	Top currency	% Fund
International Equities	57.7%	Mauritius	38.4%	Mauritian Rupee	38.4%
Domestic Equities	38.4%	United States of America	35.8%	US Dollar	56.3%
Cash	3.9%	India	4.0%	Euro	5.3%
Total	100.0%	France	2.0%	Total	100.0%
		China	1.7%		
		Total	81.9%		

Domestic sectors	% Fund
Banking & Insurance	19.4%
Commerce	5.5%
Industry	4.3%
Investment	4.2%
Leisure & Tourism	3.2%
Property	1.8%
Total	38.4%

Top 10 international industries	% Fund
Semiconductors & Equipment	6.3%
Software & Services	5.6%
Capital Goods	4.3%
Pharmaceuticals, Biotech & Life Sciences	4.1%
Banks	4.0%
Financial Services	3.6%
Technology Hardware & Equipment	3.4%
Media & Entertainment	3.3%
Health Care Equipment & Services	3.0%
Materials	2.8%
Total	40.4%

Asset allocation (continued)

Top 10 holdings	% Fund	Top 10 international holdings *	% Fund
MCB Group Ltd	12.9%	Microsoft Corp	2.5%
Vanguard S&P 500 ETF	4.6%	Apple Inc.	2.2%
IBL Ltd	4.4%	NVIDIA Corp	1.5%
iShares MSCI ACWI ETF	4.4%	Alphabet Inc - Class A	1.1%
iShare Core MSCI World UCITS	4.2%	Amazon.com Inc	1.0%
Fidelity Asia Pacific Opportunities "A" (USD) Acc	4.1%	ASML Holding NV	0.7%
iShares MSCI World ETF	4.0%	Meta Platforms Inc - Class A	0.6%
Vanguard TOT World STK ETF	3.8%	HDFC Bank Limited	0.6%
SBM Holdings Ltd	3.8%	Eli Lilly & Co	0.5%
SBM India Fund - Class A	3.4%	Visa Inc - Class A	0.5%
Total	49.6%	Total	11.2%

* Look-through of foreign investments

Market comments

The Net Asset Value per unit (NAV) of the Fund rose from MUR 13.21 in October to MUR 13.96 in November, equivalent to a return of 5.7%, while the benchmark posted 6.0%.

Local indices posted contrasting performances in November with the SEMDEX trading mostly unchanged at 2,064.63 points while the DEMEX headed south to close at 266.14 points, equivalent to respective returns of +0.0% and -2.0%. The main leaders, that is, companies which contributed to the positive performances of the SEMDEX were CIEL, MCBG and SBMH while the main laggards were LUX, ENLG and ASCE. The top three price gainers were MCFI (+8.7%), CIEL (+4.5%) and UBP (+4.0%) while the main detractors were ASL (-7.6%), BLL (-5.3%) and LUX (-4.7%). The price-earnings ratio and dividend yield of the SEMDEX stood at 6.53x and 4.22%, respectively as at 30 November against corresponding figures of 6.54x and 4.18%, as at October 2023. The local bourse witnessed a significant drop in foreign flows during the month with foreigners being net seller to the tune of MUR14.3M (vs. net inflow of MUR148.4M in Oct-23), driven mainly by MCBG, ENLG and SBMH.

International equities notched their best monthly gain in three years, fuelled by expectations that the monetary policy inflection point is close and that the Federal Reserve will initiate rate cuts in 2024. Latest data supported the view that central banks may have reached the end of their aggressive hiking campaign. Consequently, the MSCI World index posted 9.2% MoM.

The S&P 500 index gained 8.9% in November, registering its second-best November since 1980. 10 of the major industry groups recorded positive performances, led by Information Technology, Real Estate and Consumer Discretionary. Value stocks outperformed their growth counterparts, with the S&P Value index posting 9.3% against 8.6% for the S&P Growth index. The S&P Global US Purchasing Managers' Index (PMI) edged down to 49.4 in November against 50.0 in October, signalling renewed deteriorations in operating conditions; new domestic orders contracted on account of waning demand. Cost pressures softened during the month with input prices rising at the slowest pace in over 3 years.

The Eurostoxx 50 index surged by 7.9% MoM as the latest eurozone inflation print suggested easing price pressures, thereby lifting market sentiment. The CAC 40 and FTSE MIB indices recorded respective performances of 6.2% and 7.2% while the DAX 30 index posted 9.5%. The Eurozone manufacturing output remained in contraction territory though the latest PMI reading pointed to easing contractions in new orders and output; PMI stood at 44.2 in November against 43.1 in October 2023. In the UK, the FTSE 100 index recorded 1.8%. The downturn in manufacturing activity eased significantly in November with PMI edging up to 47.2 in November against 44.8 in October. Firms remained cautious about weaker inflows of new business and scaling back of production, resulting in cutbacks in staffing.

In Japan, the Nikkei 225 index rallied by 8.5% MoM. Operating conditions for the manufacturing sector remained downbeat with PMI declining from 48.7 in October to 48.3 in November. Further contractions in output and sustained declines in new orders amid weakening demand in the international and domestic markets contributed to deteriorations in the sector's health. Cost pressures remained elevated on account of higher raw material prices and unfavourable exchange rate movements.

Emerging markets' equities trailed developed markets after the MSCI Emerging Markets index registered 7.9% in November, weighed down by China's lingering underperformance in 2023. The CSI 300 index lagged the broad market indices, posting -2.1% in local currency and 0.3% in USD. The manufacturing PMI rose from 49.5 in October to 50.7 in November, hitting a 3-month high and indicating an improvement in the operating conditions. In India, the BSE Sensex index recorded a return of 4.9% for the month. Following a deceleration in October, the manufacturing output regained momentum with the PMI increasing to 56.0 in November (October 2023: 55.5). Output growth ticked higher amid a rise in new sales and healthy demand.

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