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## Berenberg Absolute Return European Equities I A

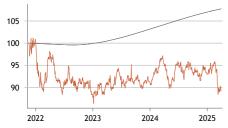
Actively managed market-neutral strategy

### **Investment Strategy**

The investment objective of Berenberg Absolute Return European Equities is to achieve long-term capital growth that outperforms the benchmark €STR TR over a medium to long-term time horizon. The main driver is the underlying above-average and sustainable earnings growth of the selected companies on a long basis, in addition the portfolio management shorts structurally vulnerable and deteriorating companies. The selected companies are headquartered in Europe, but often operate globally. The decisive criteria for the business models of the long positions are high entry barriers, end markets with structural growth and excellent management teams. The short positions are selected on the basis of structural decline, competitive environment and valuation.

- Growth-oriented long/short strategy
- Concentrated portfolio of approx. 40-50 long positions and 30-40 short positions
- All cap approach, i.e. exploiting investment opportunities across all market segments
- Active approach, i.e. index weights have no influence on individual stock selection

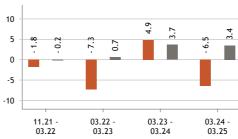
## Indexed Performance since inception (gross, in %)





Accumulated P	(gross, in %)	
since inception	(15.11.2021 - 31.03.2025)	-10.74
since inception p.a.		-3.31
YTD	(01.01.2025 - 31.03.2025)	-4.00
1 Month	(28.02.2025 - 31.03.2025)	-4.91
1 Year	(31.03.2024 - 31.03.2025)	-6.49
3 Years	(31.03.2022 - 31.03.2025)	-9.08

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### Risk Figures since inception

12 months Performance

Max. Drawdown since inception	-14.57 %
Max. Drawdown Period (Days)	1202
Volatility 3 Years	8.89 %
Information Ratio 3 Years	-0.55
Tracking Error 3 Years	8.88 %

The charts and tables on historical performance shown are based on our own calculations in accordance with the BVI method developed by German Investment Fund Association (for explanation see "Notes"). Information on past performance is not a reliable indicator of future performance.

Sources: Berenberg, Capital Management Company

### Fund management comment

Following a technical rally, the stock market recovery was slowed by economic concerns and tariff uncertainty in the US. The Berenberg Absolut Return European Equities was unable to beat its benchmark last month. Long: The continued lack of acceleration in US prescription data weighed on Novo Nordisk's shares. Concerns about a slump in US consumer spending due to the expected US tariffs weighed on Richemont in March. Short: A German perfumery chain has again reduced its targets for the current financial year, jeopardising its medium-term goals. We remain short. Weakness in the automotive sector continues and thus the outlook of the German automotive supplier for the current financial year was disappointing, which had a positive effect on our short position. Transactions: We bought a long position in Redcare Pharmacy and went short in a software company in Switzerland. We also closed out a short position in a staffing services company and Moncler to reduce our exposure to luxury goods.

### Fund data

Security Codes

ISIN LU2365443204 WKN A3CUZ9

Inception date

15.11.2021

Fund manager

Ralf Walter

NAV per Share (31.03.2025)

EUR 89.26

Fund size

EUR 7.05 million

Share class volume

EUR 2.59 million

Currency Fund / Share Class

EUR / EUR

Appropriation of income

accumulation

End of financial year

31 December

Management Company

Universal-Investment-Gesellschaft

Custodian

BNP Paribas S.A. Niederlassung Deutschland

Asset Manager

Joh. Berenberg, Gossler & Co. KG

Registration and Distribution

AT, CH, DE, FR, LU

Cut-off/Settlement

daily/T+2

Cut-off time

12:00 p.m.

(Luxembourg time)

Overall Morningstar Rating<sup>TM</sup>

not rated

Sustainability

Article 8 Funds

SFDR Classification (Sustainable Finance Disclosure Regulation)

ESG Elements

**Exclusion Criteria** 

Controversies Screen

Active Ownership Impact focused

Signatory of:





## Allocation of the portfolio

(in % of fund assets)



## Top 10 positions

(in % of fund assets)

AMUNDI SMART OVERNIGHT RETURN	4.51
2,875% COMMERZBANK	4.28
HAMBURG COMMERCIAL BANK AG SCH	3.58
SAP SE	3.10
LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE	2.72
ASTRAZENECA PLC	2.70
NEMETSCHEK SE	2.33
FINECOBANK S.P.A.	2.29
PROSUS N.V.	2.25
MUNICH REINSURANCE COMPANY	1.94

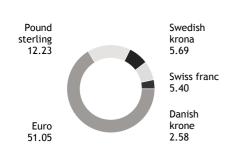
# Currency allocation

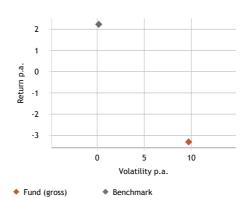
**Equities** 64.6

(in % of fund assets)

### Risk-return profile

(in %, since Inception)





Fund (gross)

### Shares

Top 10 Country allocation	(in % of share capital)
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Germany	28.69
United Kingdom	13.38
Netherlands	6.06
Sweden	5.69
Switzerland	5.40
Luxembourg	4.51
Italy	4.13
France	3.02
Denmark	2.58
Spain	1.79

## Sector allocation

(in % of share capital)

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18.54	Financials
11.50	Industrials
11.41	Information Technology
10.67	Health Care
6.13	Consumer Discretionary
2.07	Communication Services
1.50	Energy
1.43	Consumer Staples
4.51	Other

Sources: Berenberg, Capital Management Company As of: 31.03.2025

### Additional fund information

Issue Surcharge

none

Flat-rate fee

0.92 % p.a.

Total Expense Ratio (TER)

Performance fee

Up to 20% of the return generated by the fund in the settlement period above the reference value (ESTR)

Minimum investment

EUR 10,000,000



### **Opportunities**

- · High return potential of stocks over the long-term
- · Development of growth stocks occasionally above average
- Development of small cap stocks above average in certain phases
- · Possible additional earnings through individual value analysis and active management

#### Risks

- · High susceptibility of shares to fluctuation, price losses possible
- Share value may fall below the purchase price at which the customer acquired the share
- · Below-average development of growth stocks possible at times
- · Below-average development of small stocks possible at times
- · No guarantee of success for individual value analysis and active management
- · Concentration risk due to focus on investments in the Euro currency and European region
- · Foreign currency investments and transactions denominated in foreign currencies are subject to exchange rate risks

Further details on the opportunities and risks of this fund can be found in the sales prospectus.

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Benchmark: Euro Short-Term Rate (€STR): European Central Bank

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