

# NJ Japanese Orphan Companies SDG



## Monthly Risk Report

30 September 2023



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#### **NJ Japanese Orphan Companies SDG**



**Project characteristics** 

Instrument UCITS Fund – Art.8 Plus SFDR

Project website <u>Link</u>

Supplement <u>Link</u>

Class A - IE000HP8OSP6

ISIN Class I – IE000MFX2916

Class Q (listed class) - IE000Y50XF14

Project ICAV: NicheJungle ICAV <u>www.nichejungle.com</u>

Project Inception date: 03/10/2022

Project AUM: 18.48 mln € as of 30/09/2023

Project Max AUM: 20 mln

Project Liquidability at max. AUM 84% 5 day – 97% 20 days

Project liquidity: Daily

Project # stocks Min: 150

Max: 200

Project currency hedging policy Between 40% and 60% of the yen exposure is hedged

Institutional and listed classes fees 0% management fees

20% performance fees (absolute with HWM – no reset)

Project Investment Manager: Niche Asset Management Ltd – www.nicheam.com

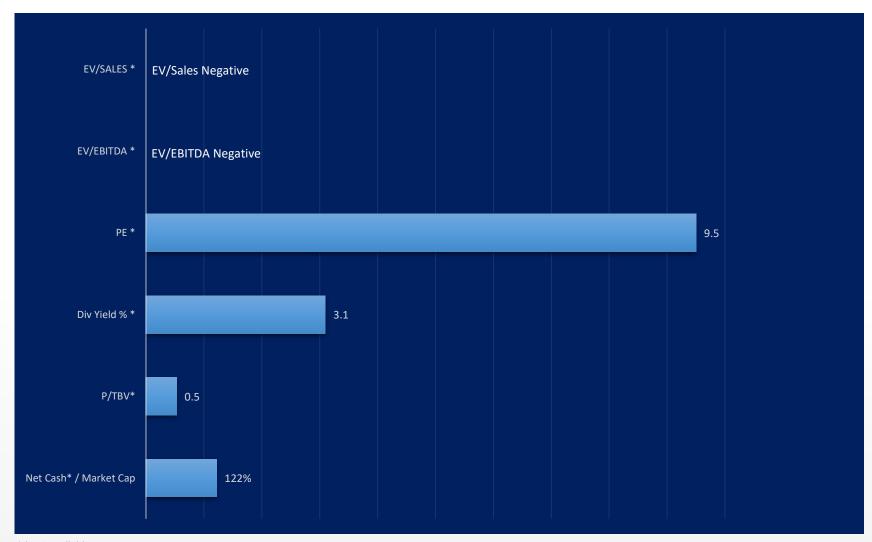


"Orphan Companies" means companies that, at the time of purchase of securities issued by them, fulfil each of the following criteria:

- The company must have been listed on a Regulated Market for at least ten years;
- A non-financial company must be free of financial debt, net of cash, financial investments and the difference between trade receivables and payables;
- The company must have a ratio price to tangible book value below 1.2 times;
- The company must have a minimum free float of at least 2 billion Yen; and
- The company must be covered by no more than 2 sell-side fundamental analysts.

### PROJECT EQUITY PORTFOLIO Valuation (as of 30 September'23)

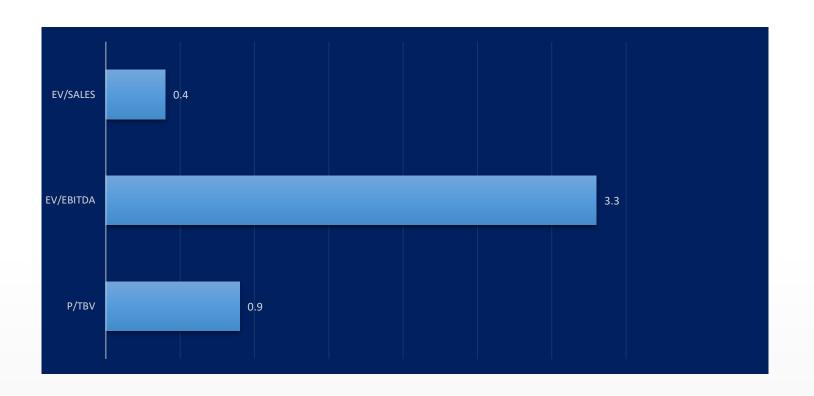




<sup>\*</sup> Last available Source: NicheAM, Refinitiv

#### PROJECT Portfolio Valuation at exit (as for valuation gap report)





#### Assumptions:

EPS growth '21-'24E = 0%

Net Debt Adj.\* = zero

3 years of net income (net of dividends) added to TBV

Source: NicheAM

<sup>\*</sup> Net Debt adjusted for liquid financial investments, receivable/payable imbalance, customer advances and pension fund deficit

## Investee companies divested so far

#### **Closed trades**

Date	<u>Stock</u>	Selling price (JPY)	Performance*	Take Profit (Partial/Total)	Valuation Target (JPY)	Further upside at exit, according to valuation gap report	P/E at exit	Notes (if sold before reaching the target)
31/01/23	Nihon Shokuhin Kako Co Ltd	3161	80%	Partial (60% position)	3455	20%	10x	Tactical reduction as we are getting closer to our target
10/05/23	Hokkaido Chuo Bus	3400	-1.2%	Total	5900	74%	10x	The company doesn't want to engage with the IM on sustainability
03/07/23	Tokyo Tekko	3293	+142.1%	Partial (37% position)	4000	21%	6x	Tactical reduction as we are getting closer to our target
03/07/23	TV TOKYO Holdings	3343	+80%	Partial (34% position)	4500	35%	10x	Tactical reduction as we are getting closer to our target
03/07/23	Sansha Electric Manufacturing	1446	+66.6%	Total	1420	< +/- 5%	10x	-
27/07/23	Toyo Seikan Group Holdings	2240	+29.4%	Total	2230	< +/- 5%	12x	-
15/08/2023	Miyoshi Oil & Fat Co	1095	+11.6%	Total	1930	65%	10x	The company doesn't want to engage with the IM on sustainability
16/08/2023	Musashino Bank	2447	42.4%	Total	2560	< +/- 5%	8x	-
11/09/23	Toyo Sugar Refining	2133	+147,7%	Total	2200	< +/- 5%	8x	-

Source: NicheAM

<sup>\*</sup> Local currency

#### Nikkei Index and Topix Index vs NJ Orphan Companies Portfolio

- The NJ Orphan Companies project has in common with the Topix Index just 0.7% of the holdings (by weight).
- The Nikkei Index has no holdings in common with the NJ Orphan Companies Portfolio.
- The portfolio of Topix benefits more than the portfolio of NJ Orphan Companies from the global economic expansion and vice versa.
- The portfolio of NJ Orphan Companies benefits more than the portfolio of Topix from the Japanese economic recovery and vice versa.

#### **EQUITY PORTFOLIO: Holdings** (as of 30 September'23)

Source: NicheAM, Refinitiv

Holding	Portfolio Weight	Holding	Portfolio Weight
Zenitaka	1.13%		0.71%
Motionbeat Inc	1.11%	Kyowakogyosyo Co Ltd	• =
	1.08%	Kawada Technologies Noritake Co Ltd	0.71% 0.70%
Endo Manufacturing Co Ltd	1.08%	Kobelco Wire Co Ltd	0.70%
Chuo Spring Co Ltd	1.08%	Takada Kiko Co Ltd	0.70%
Techno Ryowa Ltd	=		
Koike Sanso Kogyo Co Ltd.	1.00%	Faith Inc	0.70%
Trinity Industrial Corp	0.98%	Showa Paxxs Corp	0.70%
Komaihaltec	0.96%	Daihatsu Diedel Mfg Co Ltd	0.68%
Bank Of Nagoya	0.89%	Pacific Metals Co Limited	0.65%
Tochigi Bank Ltd	0.89%	Furukawa Co Ltd	0.64%
Kikukawa Enterprise Inc	0.87%	Nihon Kagaku Sangyoregistered Shs	0.64%
Shikoku Bank	0.86%	Daiichi Kensetsu	0.64%
Nittetsu Mining Co Ltd	0.86%	Daisue Construction Co Ltd	0.64%
Nishikawa Rubber - Registered Shs	0.86%	Arata Corp	0.63%
Japan Wool Textile	0.83%	Dynapack Co Ltd	0.62%
Sun A.Kaken Co Ltd	0.83%	Muro Corp	0.61%
Sintokogio	0.82%	Kawagishi Bridge Wk	0.61%
Yamanashi Chuo Bank Ltd	0.81%	Artnature Inc	0.61%
Kyokuto Kaihatsu Kogyo Co Ltd	0.81%	Bank Of Iwate Ltd	0.60%
Torigoe Co Ltd	0.80%	Hyakujushi Bank	0.60%
Tyk - Registered	0.79%	Iwabuchi Corp	0.60%
Sakai Chemical Industry Co	0.78%	Hi-Lex	0.60%
Echo Trading Co	0.77%	Tigers Polymer Corp	0.59%
Sanyo Engineering Construction	0.76%	Heian Ceremony Service Co Ltd	0.58%
Tokyo Energy & Systems Inc	0.75%	Teikoku Sen-I	0.58%
Nakayamafuku Co Ltd	0.75%	Nitta Corp	0.57%
Akita Bank	0.74%	Tokyo Kisen - Reg Shs	0.57%
Origin Co Ltd	0.73%	Chubu Suisan Co Ltd	0.57%
Human Holdings Co Ltd	0.73%	Tomoe Corp	0.55%
Ehime Bank	0.73%	Digital Holdings - Registered Shs	0.55%

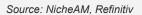


Equity Exposure: 86% No of holdings: 172 Average Weight: 0.50% Median Weight: 0.45%

TOP 5 : 5.42% TOP 10: 10.14% TOP 25: 23.09% TOP 50: 39.71%

#### EQUITY PORTFOLIO: Holdings (as of 30 September'23)

Holding	Portfolio Weight	Holding	Portfolio Weight
Hibiya Engineering Ltd	0.54%	Ohmoto Gumi Co Ltd	0.44%
Chugin Fin Gr	0.54%	Hanshin Diesel Works Ltd	0.44%
Aigan Co Ltd	0.54%	Mk Seiko	0.43%
Sec Carbon Ltd	0.54%	Nisshin Fusodan	0.43%
Aoi Electronics Co Ltd	0.54%	Aichi Tokei Denki Co Ltd	0.43%
Nkk Switches	0.53%	Ueki Corporation	0.43%
Kaken Pharmaceutical Co Ltd	0.53%	Zett Corp - Reg Shs	0.42%
Asahi Diamond Industrial Co Ltd	0.52%	Nippon Gear	0.42%
Harima B.Stem Corp	0.52%	Hirano Tecseed	0.40%
Yonkyu Co Ltd	0.52%	Takamatsu Machinery Co Ltd	0.40%
Tekken Corp	0.52%	Inoue Kinzoku	0.40%
Tokyo Tekko Co Ltd.	0.51%	Meiji Electric Industries Co	0.40%
Chugai Ro Co Ltd	0.51%	Shinnihon Corp	0.40%
Daiken Co Ltd	0.51%	Nakano Corp	0.40%
Kyoritsu Air Tech	0.51%	Sumitomo Densetsu	0.40%
Super Tool Co Ltd	0.51%	Chuoh Pack Industry Co Ltd	0.39%
Mitsumura Printing Co Ltd	0.50%	Dainichiseika Colour Chemicals Mfg	0.39%
Tv Tokyo Holdings Corp	0.50%	Nippon Kodoshi	0.39%
Suido Kiko Kaisha Ltd	0.49%	Oita Bank Ltd	0.39%
Mutoh Holdings	0.49%	Hokuriku El Constr	0.39%
Shiga Bank Ltd	0.47%	Soda Nikka Co Ltd	0.39%
Nippon Chemic.Ind.	0.46%	Okayama Paper Industries Co Ltd	0.39%
Araya Industrial Co Ltd	0.46%	Nagaoka Intl	0.38%
Bank Of Saga	0.46%	Ohmoriya	0.38%
Nippon Rietec	0.46%	Nichireki Co Ltd	0.38%
Aiphone Co	0.45%	Ainavo Holdings - Reg Shs	0.37%
lyogin Hldgs Shs	0.45%	Tsukishima Holdings Co. Ltd.	0.37%
Hachijuni Bank	0.45%	Morito Co Ltd	0.37%
Katakura Industries	0.45%	Mori-Gumi Co Ltd	0.37%
Denkyo Group Holdings Co., Ltd	0.45%	Hisaka Works Ltd	0.36%





### **EQUITY PORTFOLIO: Holdings** (as of 30 September'23)

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Holding	Portfolio Weight	Holding	Portfolio Weight
Toba	0.36%	Japan Tissue Engineering Co Ltd	0.28%
Fuso Dentsu Co Ltd	0.35%	Nippon Computer System Co	0.27%
Hodogaya Chemical Co Ltd	0.35%	Yachiyo Industry	0.26%
Shinko Plantech Co Ltd	0.34%	Keiyo Bank	0.26%
Taisei Oncho	0.34%	Sumiken Mitsui Road Co Ltd	0.25%
Kato Sangyo	0.34%	Takamatsu Const	0.24%
Global Food Creators Co Ltd	0.34%	Hokugin Financial Group	0.23%
Fujii Sangyo Corp	0.34%	Ckd Corp	0.23%
Nichia Steel Works	0.33%	Yamagata Bank	0.23%
Shinki Bus Co Ltd	0.33%	Metalart Corp	0.23%
Toagosei Co Ltd	0.32%	Maruzen Showa Unyu Co Ltd	0.23%
Osaka Kohki Co Ltd	0.32%	Kanaden Corp	0.23%
Onamba Co Ltd	0.32%	Tsubakimoto Kogyo Co Ltd	0.22%
Yokohama Maruuo Co Ltd	0.32%	Sanyo Industries Ltd	0.22%
Kitano Construction Corp	0.31%	Sato Foods Industries Co Ltd	0.22%
Awa Bank Ltd	0.31%	Car Mate Mfg. Co Ltd	0.21%
Hyakugo Bank	0.31%	Okumura Corp (Gumi)	0.20%
Tenox Corp	0.30%	Marubun Corp	0.20%
Seikagaku Corp	0.30%	Sanko Metal Ind Co	0.19%
Toyo Machinery & Metal Co Ltd	0.30%	Alps Trans Systems Corp	0.18%
Shin Nippon Air Technologies Co Ltd	0.30%	Futaba Corp	0.18%
Narasaki Sangyo Co Ltd	0.30%	Ryoden Corporation	0.18%
Chubu Steel Plate	0.30%	Sekisui Jushi	0.17%
Nippon Hume	0.29%	Komori Corporation	0.17%
Sanso Electric Co Ltd	0.29%	Cerespo Co Ltd	0.16%
Asahi Broadcasting	0.28%	Nihon Shokuhin Kako Co Ltd	0.14%

## EQUITY PORTFOLIO: Change in holdings (31 Aug '23 - 30 September '23)



Holding	Trade	End Portfolio Weight	Change in Weight*	Total Return on sold positions**
Zett	ADD	0.49%	0.49%	
MK Seiko	ADD	0.50%	0.50%	
Nakano	ADD	0.47%	0.47%	
Kobelco Wire	ADD	0.81%	0.81%	
Faith	ADD	0.82%	0.82%	
Taisei Oncho	ADD	0.39%	0.39%	
Yokohama Maruuo	ADD	0.38%	0.38%	
NKK Switches	ADD	0.62%	0.62%	
Toyo Sugar Refining	SELL	0.00%	-1.04%	+147.74%

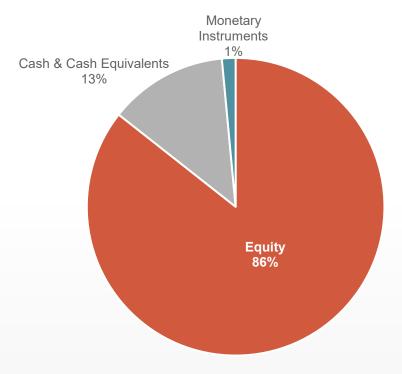
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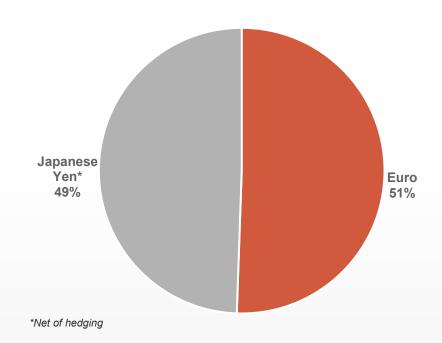
### **PORTFOLIO: Allocation summary**



Breakdown by Asset Class as of 30 September '23

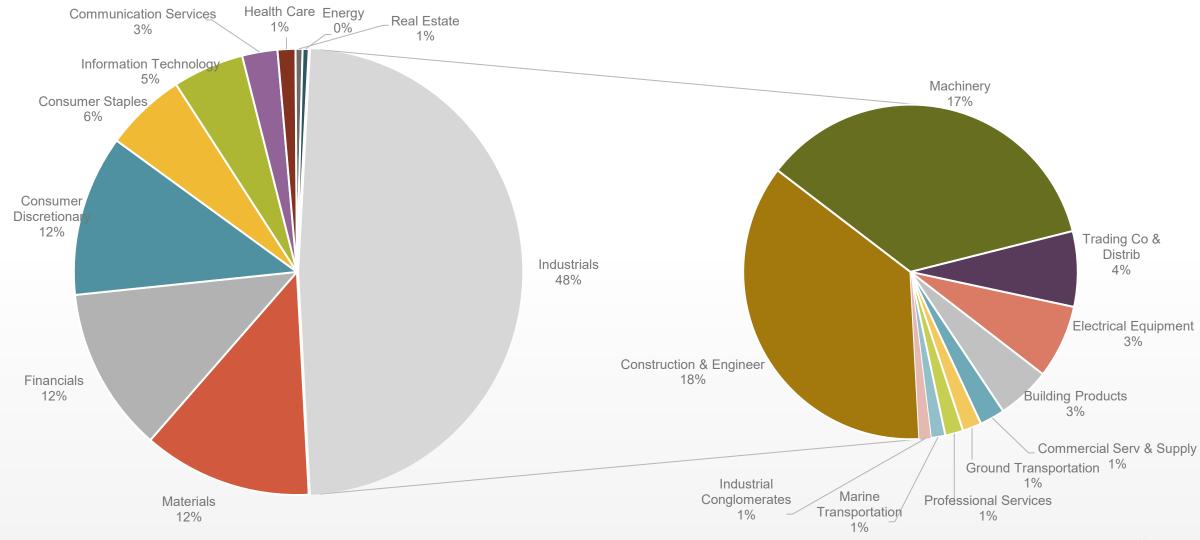


Breakdown by Currency as of 30 September '23



## **EQUITY PORTFOLIO: Allocation summary: Breakdown by Sector** as of 30 September'23





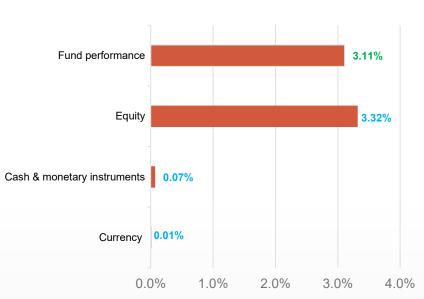












Past performance is not indicative or a guarantee of future returns. The currency component may increase or decrease returns. The investment involves taking a risk and possible loss of capital.

AUM: 18.48 mln € Project closure at 20 mln €

## Monthly Performance contribution by asset class (31 Aug '23 - 30 September '23)

1 month		
Avg Weight (a)	Return (b)	Contribution (c = a*b)
93.0%	3.32%	3.09%
7.0%	0.07%	0.01%
	0.01%	0.01%
		+3.11%
44.9%	2.6%	1.18%
11.0%	9.4%	1.03%
10.7%	4.0%	0.43%
11.5%	1.9%	0.22%
4.8%	2.6%	0.12%
5.7%	1.5%	0.08%
0.5%	4.1%	0.02%
0.4%	3.1%	0.01%
1.2%	-0.4%	0.00%
2.4%	-0.5%	-0.01%
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<sup>\*</sup>Equity Performance is net of fees

<sup>\*</sup> class I

#### EQUITY PORTFOLIO: Performance (31 Aug '23 - 30 September '23)



#### Top performers\*

#### **Bottom performers**

	Avg Weight	Return	Contribution		Avg Weight	Return	Contribution
Bank Of Nagoya	0.9%	23.3%	0.19%	Tigers Polymer	0.7%	-13.9%	-0.10%
Hi-Lex	0.6%	28.5%	0.15%	Pacific Metals	0.8%	-11.9%	-0.09%
Techno Ryowa	1.0%	13.0%	0.13%	Koike Sanso Kogyo	1.1%	-6.2%	-0.07%
Chuo Spring	1.1%	11.0%	0.13%	Zenitaka	1.3%	-4.9%	-0.06%
Sec Carbon	0.5%	25.8%	0.12%	Digital Holdings	0.6%	-6.8%	-0.04%
Nishikawa Rubber	0.9%	14.7%	0.12%	Nippon Gear	0.5%	-7.1%	-0.04%
Hyakujushi Bank	0.6%	18.8%	0.11%	Furukawa	0.7%	-5.3%	-0.04%
Shikoku Bank	0.9%	11.2%	0.10%	Hanshin Diesel Works	0.5%	-6.5%	-0.03%
Ehime Bank	0.8%	13.3%	0.10%	Hirano Tecseed	0.4%	-5.8%	-0.03%
Tochigi Bank	1.0%	10.2%	0.10%	Nippon Kodoshi	0.4%	-5.0%	-0.02%
Yamanashi Chuo Bank	0.9%	11.5%	0.10%	Onamba	0.4%	-5.7%	-0.02%
Chugin Financial Group	0.6%	16.9%	0.09%	Kanaden	0.3%	-7.0%	-0.02%
Komaihaltec	1.0%	9.6%	0.09%	Aigan	0.6%	-3.3%	-0.02%
Akita Bank	0.8%	11.3%	0.09%	TV TOKYO Holdings	0.6%	-3.1%	-0.02%
Iwabuchi	0.6%	15.7%	0.09%	Kato Sangyo	0.4%	-4.1%	-0.02%

<sup>\*</sup>Sorted from highest to lowest by Contribution

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#### Liquidation time horizon

	1 day	5 days	10 days	30 days
NicheJungle Japanese Orphan Companies SDG	65%	86%	93%	99%

Source: Niche AM, Refinitiv

Assumptions for what regards the time it takes to liquidate assets for cash on a daily basis:

- Equity: orders placed on the market at 25% of volumes; average 3 months volumes considered
- Fixed income: 0.05% amount outstanding

Internal Liquidity requirement: at least 10% can be liquidated in one week and 40% in one month



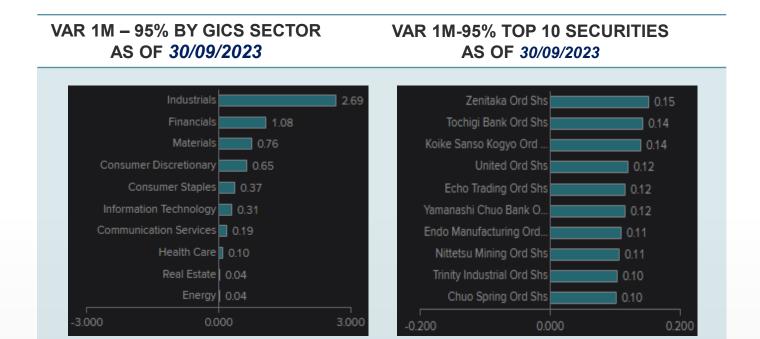
Number of days necessary to liquidate 25% of the portfolio: 1 day





Portfolio VaR Sensitivity

	95% VaR	99% VaR
Historical 1D	-1.22%	-1.95%
Historical 1W	-2.73%	-4.35%
Historical 1M	-5.73%	-9.13%



Source: MSCI Risk Metrics, Niche AM

## PORTFOLIO: FX hedging (as of 30 September '23)



#### Forex outright trades in place: JPY

Currency Pair	Contract Rate	Amount sold	Amount bought	Amount as a % of total JPY hedged	Maturity
EUR/JPY	156.34	-1,081,000,000 JPY	€ 6,914,549.98		01/12/2023
% JPY exposure hedged				43%	

	30 September '23
Total JPY Gross Exposure	2,501,278,770 (85.7% AUM)
Total JPY hedged	1,081,000,000 (37.0% AUM)
Total JPY Net Exposure	1,356,011,780 (48.7%% AUM)

Source: NicheAM





Index	Price as of 30/09/2023	% Price Change 1 month (local currency)	% Price Change 1 month (€)	% Price Change 3 months (local currency)	% Price Change 3 months (€)	% Price Change Year to Date (local currency)	% Price Change Year to Date (€)	% Price Change Since inception ** (local currency)	% Price Change Since inception ** (€)
NicheJungle Japanese Orphan Companies SDG*	1205.13	-	3.11%	-	8.35%	-	19.04%	-	20.51%
MSCI ACWI Net (.dMIWD00000NUS)	349.54	-4.14%	-1.68%	-3.40%	-0.30%	10.06%	11.43%	18.52%	10.16%
MSCI Asia Pacific Value (.dMIAP0000VPUS)	148.99	-0.74%	1.80%	-0.19%	3.02%	4.55%	5.86%	17.94%	9.62%
MSCI Asia Pacific (.MIAP00000PUS)	157.33	-2.93%	-0.44%	-3.63%	-0.53%	1.02%	2.28%	13.36%	5.36%
Korea (.KS200)	326.71	-2.40%	-1.42%	-3.33%	-2.48%	12.23%	6.07%	16.12%	15.20%
Tokyo Stock Exchange (.TOPX)	2323.39	-0.37%	-0.43%	1.52%	1.26%	22.82%	9.17%	25.75%	13.10%
Indonesia (.JKSE)	6939.89	-0.19%	0.88%	4.17%	4.79%	1.30%	3.33%	-1.00%	-8.88%
China (.HSI)	17809.66	-3.11%	-0.49%	-5.85%	-2.76%	-9.97%	-9.09%	4.28%	-2.85%

<sup>\*</sup> class I

Source: Niche AM, Thomson Reuters

<sup>\* \*</sup>Inception date: 03/10/2022



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