

NJ Korea Reunification SDG



Bi-Weekly Risk Report

14 October 2023

Please refer to the UCITS fund prospectus and KIID before making any final investment decision



Summary

- Project characteristics
- Portfolio: Valuation
- Portfolio: Holdings
- Portfolio: Allocation & performance
- Ex-ante analysis: VaR 1 month 95%

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Instrument UCITS Fund – Art.8 Plus SFDR

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Project website <u>Link</u>

Supplement <u>Link</u>

Class A – IE00007XSO15

Project characteristics

ISIN Class I – IE0004F6ARY1

Class Q (listed class) - IE000ROCQO77

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

Project Inception date: 17/10/2022

Project AUM: 12,37 mln € as of 14/10/2023

Project Max AUM: 25 mln

Project Liquidability at max. AUM 89% 5 day – 97% 20 days

Project liquidity: Daily

Institutional and listed classes fees

Project # stocks Min: 100

Max: 150

Project currency hedging policy No hedging policy

0% management fees

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

Project Investment Manager: Niche Asset Management Ltd – <u>www.nicheam.com</u>



The project invests in south Korean companies that are significantly exposed to the domestic market and are operating in infrastructure and consumption businesses. These are the areas that could benefit the most from a reconciliation between South Korea and North Korea. Korean domestic stocks are the most attractive worldwide from a valuation standpoint and the likely imminent inclusion of South Korea among MSCI developed markets could be the catalyst for a significative repricing. The event of reconciliation provides the project portfolio with a further powerful free option to which today Mr Market assigns zero probability. However, as we are used to learn, geopolitical events can hardly be anticipated...

Korean equity: a significant opportunity...



Korean equity market (value and blended index) - 25%/-21% (USD) since 2007

BUT

Korean GDP +54% (USD) since 2007!!!



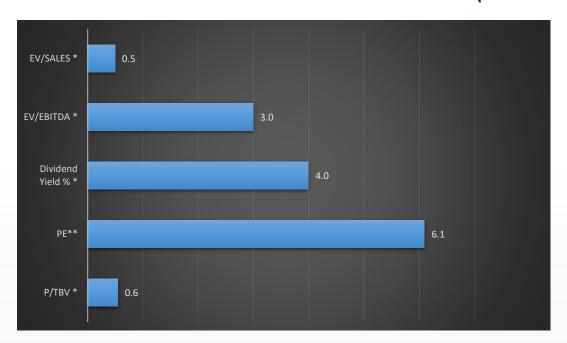


Source: NicheAM, WorldBank, MSCI

...an even better opportunity if played through domestic exposed companies, those you cannot buy through funds or ETFs



PROJECT NJ KR EQUITY PORTFOLIO Valuation (as of 14 October'23)

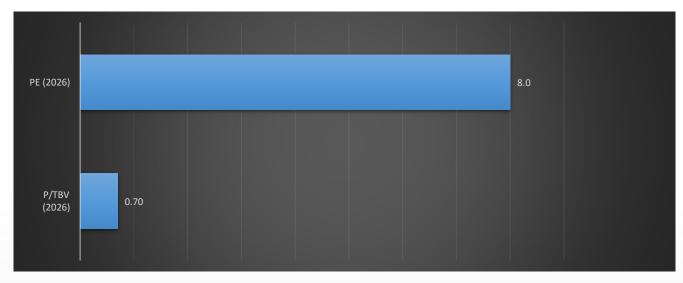


^{*} Last available

^{**} Forward estimate, if available, otherwise the latest data Source: NicheAM. Refinitiv



PROJECT NJ KR Portfolio Valuation at exit (as for valuation gap report) after rerating of 90% on cautious assumptions



Source: NicheAM

90% potential rerating on following assumptions:

Exit 2026

No reunification/reconciliation (rapprochement)

No inclusion of SKorea in the MSCI Developed Countries

Nominal EPS growth '22-'26E of just 8%

Modest market rerating of 20% (still >30% upside to MSCI World Value despite better growth outlook)

+ FREE OPTION

In case of reconciliation (rapprochement) between North and South Korea the upside could be above 150% for the portfolio (see presentation for further details). In fact it is composed by companies that would benefit from the massive investments in infrastructure and the increase in consumptions related to the North Korea opening of the economy (as it was the case decades ago for countries like China and Vietnam)

Kospi general Index vs NJ Korea Reunification portfolio

- The Kospi general index, the most popular and inclusive index of South Korea equity, includes in weight less than 10% of the stocks that are part of NJ Korea Reunification portfolio
- 100% of the companies included in the portfolio of NJ Korea Reunification project record more than 30% of total sales in the domestic market, and more than 85% in weight of the companies included in the portfolio of NJ Korea Reunification project record more than 50% of sales in the domestic market
- Less than 25% in weight of the companies included in the Kospi have more than 50% of sales in the South Korean market
- The portfolio of NJ Korea Reunification suffers more than the Kospi from a weakening of the Korean currency, and viceversa, as its investee companies are more domestic oriented
- The portfolio of the Kospi benefits more than the NJ Korea Reunification from the global economic expansion and viceversa
- The portfolio of NJ Korea Reunification benefits more than the portfolio of Kospi from the Korean economic expansion and viceversa
- The portfolio of NJ Korea Reunification will benefit more than the portfolio of Kospi from the inclusion of South Korea in the MSCI Developed Countries Index
- The portfolio of NJ Korea reunification will benefit extremely more than the portfolio of Kospi from a rapprochement between North Korea and South Korea

Investee companies divested so far

Closed trades

Date	<u>Stock</u>	Selling price (KRW)	Performance*	Take Profit (Partial/Total)	Valuation Target (KRW)	Further upsideat at exit, according to valuation gap report	P/E Adj. at exit **	Notes (if sold before reaching the target)
07/11/2022	Manho Rope & Wire Ltd	44922	+59,3%	Total	45000	< +/- 5%	8,0x	-
14/12/2022	Sebang	27539	+78,8%	Total	27200	< +/- 5%	10,0x	-
20/02/2023	Osstem Implant Co Ltd	188518	+62,4%	Total	190000	< +/- 5%	12,0x	-
19/04/2023	Rifa Industrial	25850	+68.4%	Total	30500	+18%	N.s.	The company doesn't want to engage with the IM
27/04/2023	KISCO Holdings	20123	+61.6%	Total	36620	+82%	3,5x	Switch with the operating company, Kisco, that presents better upside (>120%) and liquidity
15/05/2023	Oyang Corp	8180	+7,9%	Total	14150	+73%	10x	The company doesn't want to engage with the IM on sustainability
01/06/2023	Hyundai Elevator	40532	+74.0%	Total	39600	<+/-5%	12x	-
05/06/2023	SK RENT A CAR	9466	+47.9%	Total	9100	<+/-5%	12x	-
03/07/2023	Hd Hyundai Electric	66102	+73.1%	Total	68000	<+/-5%	12x	-
10/07/2023	Eugene Investment & Sec	4153	+63.5%	Total	4900	+18%	P/TBV 0,5x	The company doesn't want to engage with the IM
24/07/2023	Posco Holdings	566000	+122.0%	Total	547220	<+/-5%	P/TBV 1,0x	-
04/08/2023	LX Hausys	52711	+63.9%	Total	53700	<+/-5%	7,0x	-
08/08/2023	Chinyang Holdings	3275	+9.6%	Total	4770	+46%	P/TBV 0,7x	The company doesn't want to engage with the IM
06/09/2023	KC Tech Co	22041	+36.7%	Total	27500	+25%	12x	The company doesn't want to engage with the IM
15/09/2023	Asia Holding	168462	+28.7%	Total	237000	+41%	N.s.	Switch with one of its main operating company, Asia Paper, that presents a more compelling risk/reward profile (upside>130%)

Source: NicheAM

^{*} Local currency ** PE Adjusted for net cash

EQUITY PORTFOLIO: Holdings (as of 14 October'23)

Source: NicheAM, Refinitiv

Holding	Portfolio Weight	Holding	Portfolio Weight
Indust Bk Of Korea	1.76%	Wimco Registered	0.99%
Kb Financial Group Inc	1.63%	Lotte Rental Co Ltd	0.99%
Woori Financial Group	1.60%	Ace Bed Co Ltd	0.96%
Kt Corporation	1.60%	Hyundai Home Shopping	0.95%
Hana Financial Group Inc	1.49%	Samsung Life Insurance Co Ltd	0.95%
Korea Gas Corp	1.49%	Pharmgen Science Inc	0.95%
Samsung Securities Co Ltd	1.44%	Sam Jung Pulp	0.93%
Cuckoo Electronics Co Ltd	1.43%	Korean Reinsurance Co	0.92%
Hecto Innovation Co Ltd	1.40%	Daelim Industrial Pref/Non-Voting	0.90%
Bnk Financial Group Inc	1.35%	Mirae Asset Life	0.88%
Tongyang Life	1.30%	Hwa Sung Industrial	0.87%
Kisco Corp Tentative	1.21%	Bookook Secs Co	0.86%
Gwangjushinsegae Co Ltd	1.17%	Vieworks	0.86%
Handsome	1.17%	Shinhan Financial Group	0.85%
Samsung Fire And Marine Insurance Pref.	1.17%	Whan In Pharmaceutic	0.85%
Shinsegae Information & Comm	1.16%	Daesang Corp	0.84%
Hyundai Fire Marine Insurance Co Ltd	1.15%	Sk Square Co., Ltd.	0.84%
DI E And C - Registered Shs	1.15%	Hyundai Department Store Shs	0.84%
Asia Paper Manufacturing Co	1.15%	Cj Cheiljedang Corp	0.82%
Skchem Non-Cum Pfd	1.13%	Hyundai Engineering Construction	0.80%
Lg Electronics Inc Pfd Shs.Non Voting	1.13%	Korean Air	0.79%
Soulbrain Holdings Co., Ltd.	1.12%	Coway Co Ltd	0.79%
Dgb Financial Group Ltd	1.11%	Megastudy	0.79%
Hs Ad	1.09%	Yesco Shs	0.76%
Daishin Securities Pref.Non.Voting	1.05%	Cj Freshway Corp	0.75%
Ottogi Corporation	1.05%	Hyosung Corp	0.74%
Maeil Dairies Co Ltd	1.04%	Tae Kwang Industrial Co Ltd	0.74%
Kyungdong City G	1.04%	Hanwha Solutions Corporatio	0.73%
Hyundai G.F. Holdings	1.03%	Dongwon Industries Co Ltd	0.72%
Kuhmo Industrial Co Ltd	1.02%	Multicampus	0.71%
Sk Telekom	1.00%	Cs Holdings Co Ltd	0.70%
Hwacheon Machine	1.00%	E-Mart	0.69%
Lg Uplus Corp	0.99%	Db Financial Inv	0.69%



Equity Exposure: 94% No of holdings: 125 Average Weight: 0.75% Median Weight: 0.71%

TOP 5 : 8.08% TOP 10: 15.19% TOP 25: 33.50% TOP 50: 56.85%

EQUITY PORTFOLIO: Holdings (as of 14 October'23)

Holding	Portfolio Weight	Holding	Portfolio Weight
Kyobo Securities	0.69%	Nong Shim Holdings Co Ltd	0.44%
Imarketkorea Inc	0.67%	Global Enterprise Co Ltd	0.42%
Seegene Inc	0.67%	Ssangyong Fire Marine Insurance	0.41%
Daihan Pharmaceutical Co Ltd	0.66%	Sindoricom	0.40%
Bgf Rg Registered Shs	0.64%	Kt Adr	0.39%
Geumhwa Psc Co Ltd	0.63%	Dongbu Engineering Construction	0.37%
Hyundai Steel Co	0.63%	Fursys Inc	0.37%
Dongkook Pharmaceutical Co Ltd	0.63%	Dongwon F And B	0.36%
Woori Investment & Securities Pfd N.Vot	0.63%	Gabia Inc	0.36%
Korea Electric Power Corp	0.62%	Jls Co Ltd	0.35%
Value Added Technology Co Ltd	0.60%	Sk Telecom Co Ltd-Spon Adr	0.34%
Kt Skylife	0.59%	Shinhan Financial Group Co Ltd Repr.2Shs	0.34%
Korea Electric Terminal	0.59%	Hyundai Livart	0.33%
Daehan Flour Mills	0.59%	Kyeryong Construction Industrial Co Ltd	0.33%
Woongjin Thinkbig Co	0.58%	Daehan Synthetic	0.32%
Huons Co Ltd	0.58%	Youngone Corporation	0.31%
Lock & Lock	0.57%	Kpc Holdings Corp	0.31%
Yuhwa Securities Co Ltd	0.56%	Namhae Chemical Corp	0.30%
Shin Heung Energy And Electronics Co Ltd	0.56%	Hyundai Green Food Co. Ltd	0.29%
Cpx Chemical Co Ltd	0.55%	Korea Life Insurance Co Ltd	0.28%
llshin Spinning Co Ltd	0.55%	Lotte Chilsung Beverage Co Pfd Shs N.Vtg	0.26%
ncheon City Gas Co Ltd	0.54%	Interflex Co Ltd	0.24%
Suheung Capsule Co Ltd	0.54%	Lg Haussys Prf Shs N.Vtg	0.24%
Cell Biotech Co Ltd	0.52%	Ezwel Co Ltd	0.24%
nterlark Holding	0.47%	Daewoo Securities - Pfd Shs Non Voting	0.23%
Shinsegae Food Co Ltd	0.47%	Korea Circuit Co Ltd-Pref	0.23%
Kwang Dong Pharmaceutical Co Ltd	0.47%	Huons Global Co Ltd	0.21%
Saraminhr Co Ltd	0.47%	Digital Daesung Co Ltd	0.17%
Megastudyedu Co Ltd	0.45%	Charm Engineering	0.17%
Gs Engineering & Construction	0.45%		

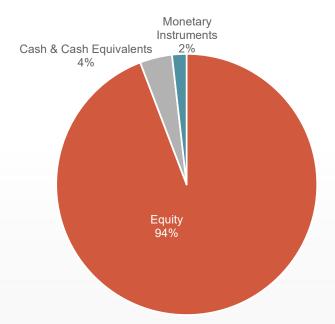
Source: NicheAM, Refinitiv



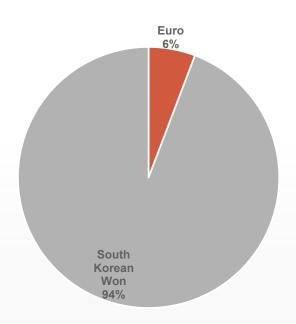


PORTFOLIO: Allocation summary

Breakdown by Asset Class as of 14 October'23



Breakdown by Currency as of 14 October'23

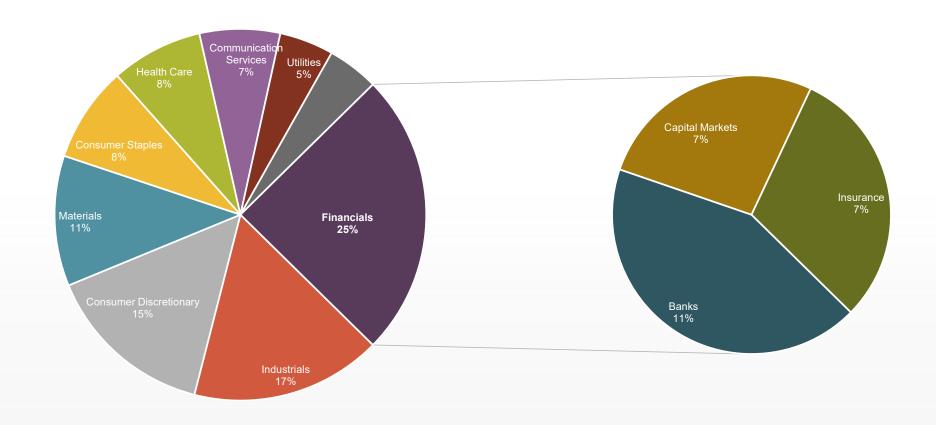


Source: Niche AM, Thomson Reuters

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EQUITY PORTFOLIO: Allocation summary: Breakdown by Sector as 14 October'23





EQUITY PORTFOLIO: Change in holdings (30 September'23 - 14 October'23)



Holding	Trade	End Portfolio Weight	Change in Weight*	Total Return on sold positions
Lg Electronics Pref Shs	BUY	1.13%	1.13%	
DL 1P Pref Shs	ADD	0.90%	0.10%	

*Not adjusted for subscriptions/redemptions and changes in market value

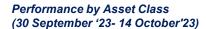
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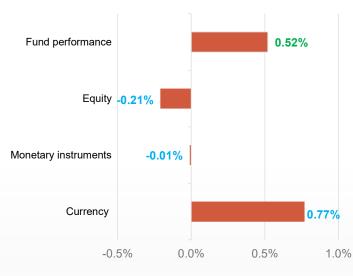
PORTFOLIO: Allocation & Performance summary











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: 12,37 mln € Project closure at 25 mln €

Performance contribution by Asset Class and Sector (30 September '23- 14 October'23)

		2 weeks	
	Avg Weight (a)	Return (b)	Contribution (c = a*b)
Contribution by asset class			
Equity*	93.9%	-0.21%	-0.20%
Cash & monetary instruments	6.1%	-0.01%	0.00%
Currency		0.77%	0.72%
Total performance			+0.52%
Equity Contribution by sector			
Financials	23.1%	2.38%	0.55%
Utilities	4.4%	0.49%	0.02%
Information Technology	4.2%	-0.20%	-0.01%
Health Care	7.6%	-0.23%	-0.02%
Materials	10.6%	-0.64%	-0.07%
Consumer Staples	7.9%	-1.12%	-0.09%
Consumer Discretionary	13.5%	-0.75%	-0.10%
Communication Services	6.7%	-2.20%	-0.15%
Industrials	15.8%	-2.16%	-0.34%

*Equity Performance is net of fees

Source: NicheAM, Refinitiv

EQUITY PORTFOLIO: Performance (30 September '23 - 14 October'23)



Top performers*

Bottom performers

	Avg Weight	Return	Contribution		Avg Weight	Return	Contribution
Kwangdong Pharmaceutical	0.4%	27.0%	0.10%	Hyundai Department Store	0.9%	-12.2%	-0.11%
Industrial Bank Of Korea	1.7%	5.6%	0.10%	Hyundai Steel	0.7%	-10.9%	-0.08%
Dongkook Pharmaceutical	0.6%	11.9%	0.07%	Korean Air Lines	0.8%	-6.6%	-0.06%
Korea Electric Terminal	0.5%	12.8%	0.07%	Sk Telecom	1.0%	-4.8%	-0.05%
Bnk Financial Group	1.3%	5.2%	0.07%	Cuckoo Holdings	1.5%	-3.3%	-0.05%
Tong Yang Life Insurance	1.3%	5.1%	0.07%	PharmGen Science	1.0%	-4.2%	-0.04%
DGB Financial Group	1.1%	5.5%	0.06%	CJ Freshway	0.8%	-5.4%	-0.04%
Korean Reinsurance	0.9%	6.0%	0.06%	Imarketkorea	0.7%	-5.7%	-0.04%
KB Financial Group	1.6%	3.1%	0.05%	Saramin	0.5%	-6.7%	-0.03%
Samsung Securities	1.4%	3.5%	0.05%	Hyosung	0.8%	-4.1%	-0.03%
SK Square	0.8%	6.0%	0.05%	Seegene	0.7%	-4.2%	-0.03%
Woori Financial Group	1.6%	3.1%	0.05%	Kyeryong Construction Industrial	0.3%	-7.7%	-0.03%
Lg Electronics Pref Shs	0.7%	7.1%	0.05%	Gs Engineering & Construction	0.5%	-5.4%	-0.03%
Hana Financial Group	1.5%	3.3%	0.05%	Huons	0.6%	-4.0%	-0.02%
Kyungdong City Gas	1.0%	4.7%	0.05%	Dongwon Industries	0.7%	-3.0%	-0.02%

^{*}Sorted from highest to lowest by Contribution

Source: NicheAM, Refinitiv





Portfolio VaR Sensitivity

	95% VaR	99% VaR
Historical 1D	-2,04%	-2,72%
Historical 1W	-4,57%	-6,07%
Historical 1M	-9,59%	-12,74%



VAR 1M-95% TOP 10 SECURITIES AS OF 14/10/2023



Source: MSCI Risk Metrics, Niche AM 16

EQUITY PORTFOLIO: Indices % price changes



Index	Price as of 14/10/2023	% Price Change 2 weeks (local currency)	% Price Change 2 weeks (€)	% Price Change Year to Date (local currency)	% Price Change Year to Date (€)	% Price Change Since inception ** (local currency)	% Price Change Since inception ** (€)
NicheJungle Korea Reunification SDG*	994.95	-	0.52%	-	-2.92%	-	-0.51%
MSCI ACWI Net (.dMIWD0000NUS)	350.58	0.30%	0.88%	10.39%	12.41%	18.90%	11.31%
MSCI Asia Pacific Value (.dMIAP0000VPUS)	147.72	-0.85%	-0.28%	3.66%	5.56%	17.42%	9.92%
MSCI Asia Pacific (.MIAP00000PUS)	157.10	-0.15%	0.43%	0.87%	2.73%	14.64%	7.32%
Korea KOSPI (.KS11)	2456.15	-0.36%	-0.28%	9.83%	3.89%	10.65%	9.60%
Tokyo Stock Exchange (.TOPX)	2308.75	-0.63%	-0.19%	22.05%	8.96%	22.83%	14.59%
Indonesia (.JKSE)	6926.78	-0.19%	-1.08%	1.11%	2.21%	1.40%	-6.25%
China (.HSI)	17813.45	0.02%	0.68%	-9.95%	-8.47%	7.23%	0.71%

^{*} class I

Source: Niche AM, Thomson Reuters

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