

NJ Japanese Orphan Companies SDG



Bi-Weekly Risk Report

14 January 2024



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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: 18.15 mln € as of 14/01/2024

Project Max AUM: 20 mln

Project Liquidability at max. AUM 87% 5 day – 98% 20 days

Project liquidity: Daily

Institutional and listed classes fees

Min: 150
Project # stocks

Max: 200

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

0% management fees

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

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

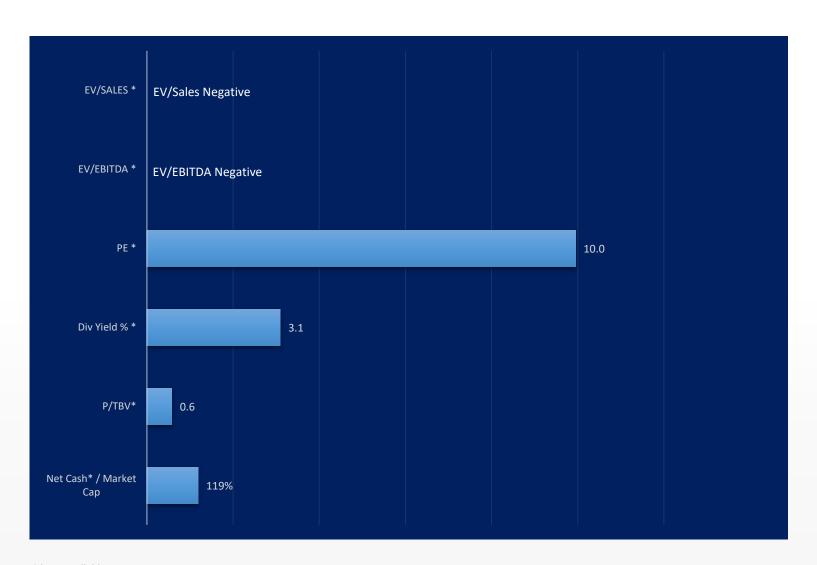


"Orphan Companies" means companies that, at the time of purchase of securities issued by them, fulfil each of the following criteria:

- 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.

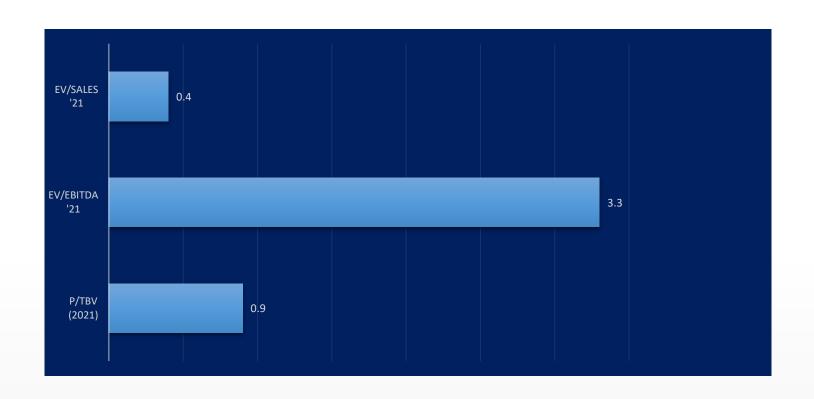
PROJECT EQUITY PORTFOLIO Valuation (as of 14 January '24)





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

^{*} Net Debt adjusted for liquid financial investments, receivable/payable imbalance, customer advances and pension fund deficit Source: NicheAM

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.

Investee companies divested so far

Closed trades

| Date | <u>Stock</u> | Selling price (JPY) | Performance | Take Profit (Partial/Total) | Valuation Target (JPY) | Further upsideat 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 | -2,5% | Total | 5900 | 74% | 10x | The company doesn't want to engage with the IM on sustainability |
| 03/07/23 | Tokyo Tekko | 3293 | +118,0% | Partial (37% position) | 4000 | 21% | 6x | Tactical reduction as we are getting closer to our target |
| 03/07/23 | TV TOKYO Holdings | 3343 | +63,5% | Partial (34% position) | 4500 | 35% | 10x | Tactical reduction as we are getting closer to our target |
| 03/07/23 | Sansha Electric Manufacturing | 1446 | +50,1% | Total | 1420 | < +/- 5% | 10x | - |
| 27/07/23 | Toyo Seikan Group Holdings | 2240 | +17,4% | Total | 2230 | < +/- 5% | 12X | - |
| 15/08/23 | Miyoshi Oil & Fat Co | 1095 | +11,6% | Total | 1930 | 65% | 10x | The company doesn't want to engage with the IM on sustainability |
| 16/08/23 | Musashino Bank | 2447 | +42,4% | Total | 2560 | < +/- 5% | 8x | - |
| 11/09/23 | Toyo Sugar Refining | 2133 | +147,7% | Total | 2200 | < +/- 5% | 8x | - |
| 28/11/23 | Yachiyo Industry | 1390 | +113.5% | Total | 1450 | < +/- 5% | 9x | - |
| 10/01/24 | Taisei Oncho | 5143 | +154.8% | Total | 5200 | <+/-5% | 8x | - |

^{*} Local currency

Source: NicheAM

EQUITY PORTFOLIO: Holdings (as of 14 January '24)

| Holding | Portfolio Weight | Holding | Portfolio Weight |
|-----------------------------------|------------------|----------------------------|------------------|
| Endo Manufacturing Co Ltd | 1.39% | Ehime Bank | 0.78% |
| Zenitaka | 1.37% | Torigoe Co Ltd | 0.77% |
| Techno Ryowa Ltd | 1.18% | Nakayamafuku Co Ltd | 0.76% |
| Koike Sanso Kogyo Co Ltd. | 1.13% | Kyowakogyosyo Co Ltd | 0.76% |
| Motionbeat Inc | 1.10% | Kobelco Wire Co Ltd | 0.75% |
| Nishikawa Rubber - Registered Shs | 1.06% | Furukawa Co Ltd | 0.75% |
| Tyk - Registered | 1.04% | Aoi Electronics Co Ltd | 0.75% |
| Komaihaltec | 1.01% | Takada Kiko Co Ltd | 0.74% |
| Trinity Industrial Corp | 0.97% | Arata Corp | 0.74% |
| Chuo Spring Co Ltd | 0.95% | Tigers Polymer Corp | 0.73% |
| Nittetsu Mining Co Ltd | 0.94% | Sakai Chemical Industry Co | 0.73% |
| Digital Holdings - Registered Shs | 0.93% | Echo Trading Co | 0.71% |
| Kyokuto Kaihatsu Kogyo Co Ltd | 0.93% | Zett Corp - Reg Shs | 0.71% |
| Bank Of Nagoya | 0.92% | Origin Co Ltd | 0.71% |
| Heian Ceremony Service Co Ltd | 0.92% | Akita Bank | 0.71% |
| Daihatsu Diedel Mfg Co Ltd | 0.92% | Harima B.Stem Corp | 0.68% |
| Human Holdings Co Ltd | 0.89% | Nitta Corp | 0.67% |
| Sanyo Engineering Construction | 0.89% | Showa Paxxs Corp | 0.67% |
| Kikukawa Enterprise Inc | 0.87% | Faith Inc | 0.67% |
| Yamanashi Chuo Bank Ltd | 0.85% | Muro Corp | 0.66% |
| Tochigi Bank Ltd | 0.85% | Kawagishi Bridge Wk | 0.66% |
| Sun A.Kaken Co Ltd | 0.85% | Teikoku Sen-I | 0.66% |
| Shikoku Bank | 0.84% | Daiichi Kensetsu | 0.65% |
| Sintokogio | 0.84% | Nkk Switches | 0.63% |
| Nihon Kagaku Sangyoregistered Shs | 0.83% | Iwabuchi Corp | 0.62% |
| Japan Wool Textile | 0.82% | Daisue Construction Co Ltd | 0.62% |
| Noritake Co Ltd | 0.82% | Aichi Tokei Denki Co Ltd | 0.61% |
| Kawada Technologies | 0.80% | Dynapack Co Ltd | 0.61% |
| Tokyo Energy & Systems Inc | 0.79% | Artnature Inc | 0.61% |



Equity Exposure: 90% No of holdings: 167 Average Weight: 0.54% Median Weight: 0.48%

TOP 5 : 6.17% TOP 10: 11.20% TOP 25: 25.29% TOP 50: 43.47%

Source: NicheAM, Refinitiv

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|---------------------------------|------------------|------------------------------------|-------------------|
| Holding | Portfolio Weight | Holding | Portfolio Weight |
| Chubu Suisan Co Ltd | 0.60% | Mk Seiko | 0.46% |
| Hibiya Engineering Ltd | 0.60% | Hokuriku El Constr | 0.46% |
| Mitsumura Printing Co Ltd | 0.59% | Dainichiseika Colour Chemicals Mfg | 0.46% |
| Bank Of Iwate Ltd | 0.59% | Ueki Corporation | 0.46% |
| Nippon Gear | 0.58% | Denkyo Group Holdings Co., Ltd | 0.46% |
| okyo Kisen - Reg Shs | 0.58% | Soda Nikka Co Ltd | 0.46% |
| Pacific Metals Co Limited | 0.58% | Nippon Chemic.Ind. | 0.46% |
| Aigan Co Ltd | 0.58% | Shiga Bank Ltd | 0.46% |
| Chugai Ro Co Ltd | 0.57% | Katakura Industries | 0.44% |
| uido Kiko Kaisha Ltd | 0.56% | Nippon Rietec | 0.44% |
| łyakujushi Bank | 0.56% | Aiphone Co | 0.43% |
| onkyu Co Ltd | 0.54% | Bank Of Saga | 0.43% |
| li-Lex | 0.54% | Hachijuni Bank | 0.43% |
| omoe Corp | 0.54% | Ohmoto Gumi Co Ltd | 0.43% |
| lanshin Diesel Works Ltd | 0.54% | Inoue Kinzoku | 0.42% |
| Caken Pharmaceutical Co Ltd | 0.53% | Nisshin Fusodan | 0.42% |
| v Tokyo Holdings Corp | 0.53% | Iyogin Hldgs Shs | 0.41% |
| Asahi Diamond Industrial Co Ltd | 0.52% | Sumitomo Densetsu | 0.41% |
| Dkayama Paper Industries Co Ltd | 0.52% | Hodogaya Chemical Co Ltd | 0.41% |
| (yoritsu Air Tech | 0.51% | Kato Sangyo | 0.40% |
| uper Tool Co Ltd | 0.51% | Nagaoka Intl | 0.39% |
| ekken Corp | 0.51% | Takamatsu Machinery Co Ltd | 0.39% |
| Chugin Fin Gr | 0.50% | Toba | 0.39% |
| ec Carbon Ltd | 0.49% | Meiji Electric Industries Co | 0.39% |
| Nutoh Holdings | 0.49% | Fujii Sangyo Corp | 0.39% |
| raya Industrial Co Ltd | 0.48% | Chuoh Pack Industry Co Ltd | 0.39% |
| Paiken Co Ltd | 0.48% | Tsukishima Holdings Co. Ltd. | 0.39% |
| Jakano Corp | 0.47% | Shinnihon Corp | 0.39% |
| lichireki Co Ltd | 0.46% | Ohmoriya | 0.38% |



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| Holding | Portfolio Weight | Holding | Portfolio Weight |
|-----------------------------|------------------|---------------------------------|------------------|
| Oita Bank Ltd | 0.38% | Nippon Hume | 0.30% |
| Shinko Plantech Co Ltd | 0.37% | Ckd Corp | 0.30% |
| Mori-Gumi Co Ltd | 0.37% | Nippon Computer System Co | 0.30% |
| Morito Co Ltd | 0.36% | Marubun Corp | 0.29% |
| Hisaka Works Ltd | 0.36% | Seikagaku Corp | 0.29% |
| Narasaki Sangyo Co Ltd | 0.36% | Kanaden Corp | 0.28% |
| Chubu Steel Plate | 0.36% | Tenox Corp | 0.28% |
| Nippon Kodoshi | 0.35% | Keiyo Bank | 0.27% |
| Ainavo Holdings - Reg Shs | 0.35% | Asahi Broadcasting | 0.27% |
| Nichia Steel Works | 0.34% | Sumiken Mitsui Road Co Ltd | 0.26% |
| Global Food Creators Co Ltd | 0.34% | Takamatsu Const | 0.26% |
| Yokohama Maruuo Co Ltd | 0.34% | Japan Tissue Engineering Co Ltd | 0.26% |
| Awa Bank Ltd | 0.34% | Maruzen Showa Unyu Co Ltd | 0.25% |
| Shinki Bus Co Ltd | 0.33% | Sato Foods Industries Co Ltd | 0.23% |
| Onamba Co Ltd | 0.33% | Sanko Metal Ind Co | 0.23% |
| Fuso Dentsu Co Ltd | 0.33% | Hokugin Financial Group | 0.22% |
| Hyakugo Bank | 0.33% | Okumura Corp (Gumi) | 0.22% |
| Hirano Tecseed | 0.33% | Ryoden Corporation | 0.22% |
| Toagosei Co Ltd | 0.32% | Yamagata Bank | 0.22% |

Komori Corporation

Car Mate Mfg. Co Ltd

Futaba Corp

Sekisui Jushi

Cerespo Co Ltd

Alps Trans Systems Corp

0.21%

0.21%

0.20%

0.18%

0.18%

0.15%

0.32%

0.32%

0.31%

0.31%

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Shin Nippon Air Technologies Co Ltd

Toyo Machinery & Metal Co Ltd

Kitano Construction Corp

Osaka Kohki Co Ltd

Sanyo Industries Ltd

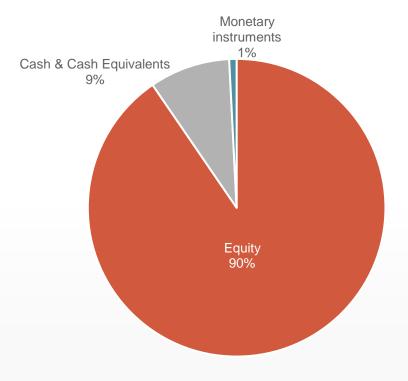
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Tsubakimoto Kogyo Co Ltd

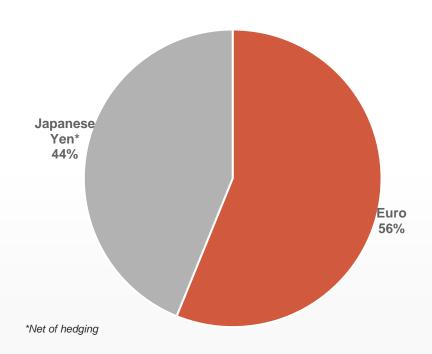
PORTFOLIO: Allocation summary



Breakdown by Asset Class as of 14 January '24



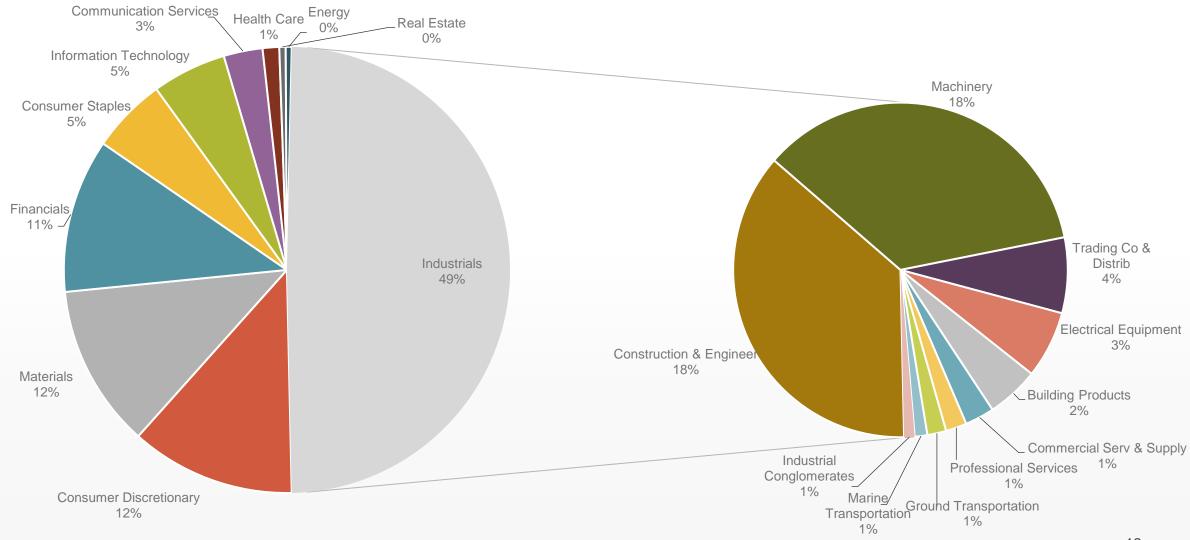
Breakdown by Currency as of 14 January '24



Source: Niche AM, Refinitiv

EQUITY PORTFOLIO: Allocation summary: Breakdown by Sector as of 14 January '24





EQUITY PORTFOLIO: Change in holdings (31 December '23- 14 January '24)



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| Holding | Holding Trade End Portfolio Weight | | Change in Weight* | Total Return on sold positions |
|--------------|------------------------------------|-------|-------------------|--------------------------------|
| Taisei Oncho | SELL | 0.00% | -0.68% | +154.78% |

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

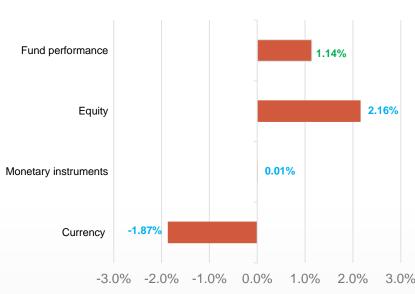
PORTFOLIO: Allocation & Performance summary



Fund* Chart (31 December '23- 14 January '24)



Performance by Asset Class (31 December '23- 14 January '24)



*class I

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: 18,15 mln € Project closure at 20 mln €

Performance contribution by Asset Class and Sector (31 December '23- 14 January '24)

| | 2 weeks | |
|-------------------|---|--|
| Avg Weight (a) | Return (b) | Contribution (c = a*b) |
| | | |
| 90.4% | 2.16% | 1.95% |
| 9.6% | 0,01% | 0.00% |
| | -1.87% | -0.82% |
| | | +1.14% |
| | | |
| 44.5% | 3.58% | 1.60% |
| 10.8% | 1.69% | 0.18% |
| 10.7% | 0.92% | 0.10% |
| 10.1% | 0.72% | 0.07% |
| 1.1% | 2.26% | 0.02% |
| 0.4% | 2.57% | 0.01% |
| 4.9% | 0.09% | 0.00% |
| 2.6% | 0.04% | 0.00% |
| 0.4% | -1.11% | 0.00% |
| 5.0% | -0.68% | -0.03% |
| | 90.4% 9.6% 44.5% 10.8% 10.7% 10.1% 1.1% 0.4% 4.9% 2.6% 0.4% | Avg Weight (a) 90.4% 2.16% 9.6% 0,01% -1.87% 44.5% 3.58% 10.8% 1.69% 10.7% 0.92% 10.1% 0.72% 1.1% 2.26% 0.4% 2.57% 4.9% 0.09% 2.6% 0.04% 0.4% -1.11% |

*Equity Performance is net of fees

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Source: NicheAM. Refinitiv

EQUITY PORTFOLIO: Performance (31 December '23- 14 January '24)



Top performers*

Bottom performers

| | Avg Weight | Return | Contribution | | Avg Weight | Return | Contribution |
|----------------------------------|------------|--------|--------------|--------------------------|------------|--------|--------------|
| Daihatsu Diesel Mfg | 0.9% | 16.8% | 0.14% | Aoi Electronics | 0.8% | -12.3% | -0.10% |
| Zenitaka | 1.3% | 8.7% | 0.11% | Echo Trading | 0.8% | -11.6% | -0.09% |
| Techno Ryowa | 1.1% | 8.6% | 0.10% | Nippon Gear | 0.6% | -9.4% | -0.06% |
| Hokuriku Electrical Construction | 0.5% | 15.3% | 0.07% | Digital Holdings | 1.0% | -4.9% | -0.05% |
| Mitsumura Printing | 0.6% | 9.6% | 0.05% | Bank Of Nagoya | 0.9% | -4.8% | -0.04% |
| NKK Switches | 0.6% | 8.9% | 0.05% | Ohmoto Gumi | 0.4% | -9.0% | -0.04% |
| Soda Nikka | 0.4% | 9.9% | 0.04% | Tochigi Bank | 0.9% | -4.1% | -0.04% |
| KAWADA TECH | 0.8% | 5.0% | 0.04% | Okayama Paper Industries | 0.5% | -6.5% | -0.03% |
| Taisei Oncho | 0.6% | 6.7% | 0.04% | Tomoe | 0.6% | -5.8% | -0.03% |
| Sec Carbon | 0.5% | 7.2% | 0.03% | Japan Wool Textile | 0.8% | -3.3% | -0.03% |
| Harima B Stem | 0.7% | 5.1% | 0.03% | Torigoe | 0.8% | -3.4% | -0.03% |
| Kawagishi Bridge Works | 0.6% | 5.2% | 0.03% | Origin Limited | 0.7% | -3.1% | -0.02% |
| Komori | 0.2% | 15.5% | 0.03% | Showa Paxxs | 0.7% | -3.3% | -0.02% |
| Trinity Industrial | 0.9% | 3.1% | 0.03% | Tokyo Energy & Systems | 0.8% | -2.6% | -0.02% |
| Suido Kiko | 0.5% | 5.3% | 0.03% | Kikukawa Entrprs | 0.9% | -2.3% | -0.02% |

^{*}Sorted from highest to lowest by Contribution

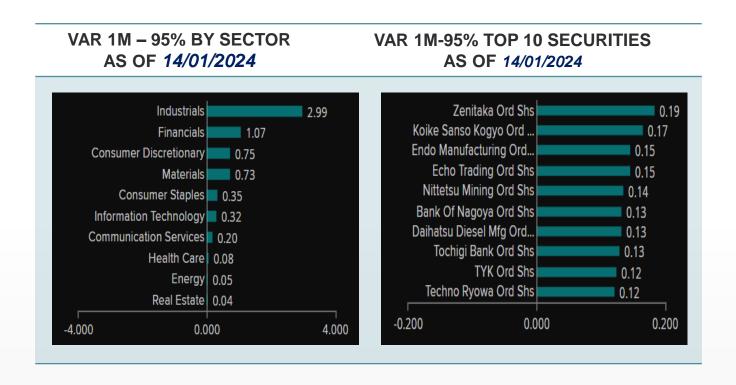
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Ex-ante analysis: VaR 1 month 95% as of 14/01/2024



Portfolio VaR Sensitivity

| | 95% VaR | 99% VaR |
|---------------|---------|---------|
| Historical 1D | -1,24% | -2,27% |
| Historical 1W | -2,77% | -5,07% |
| Historical 1M | -5,80% | -10,64% |



PORTFOLIO: FX hedging (as of 14 January '24)



Forex outright trades in place: JPY

| Currency Pair | Contract Rate | Amount sold | Amount bought | Amount as a % of total JPY hedged | Maturity |
|-----------------------|---------------|--------------------|----------------|-----------------------------------|------------|
| EUR/JPY | 160.22 | -1,210,000,000 JPY | € 7,551,974.44 | | 28/02/2024 |
| EUR/JPY | 154.15 | -137,000,000 JPY | € 888,744.73 | | 28/02/2024 |
| % JPY exposure hedged | | | | 52% | |

| | 14 January '24 |
|--------------------------|---------------------------|
| Total JPY Gross Exposure | 2,610,820,298 (90,7% AUM) |
| Total JPY hedged | 1,347,000,000 (46,8% AUM) |
| Total JPY Net Exposure | 1,263,820,298 (43,9% AUM) |

Source: NicheAM

EQUITY PORTFOLIO: Indices % price changes



| Index | Price as of 14/01/2024 | % 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 Japanese Orphan Companies SDG* | 1256.83 | - | 1.14% | - | 1.14% | - | 25.68% |
| MSCI ACWI Net (.dMIWD00000NUS) | 387.05 | -0.28% | 0.52% | -0.28% | 0.52% | 31.24% | 17.76% |
| MSCI Asia Pacific Value (.dMIAP0000VPUS) | 156.63 | -1.17% | -0.39% | -1.17% | -0.39% | 23.99% | 11.25% |
| MSCI Asia Pacific (.MIAP00000PUS) | 167.54 | -1.09% | -0.31% | -1.09% | -0.31% | 20.71% | 8.31% |
| Korea (.KS200) | 338.22 | -5.52% | -6.32% | -5.52% | -6.32% | 20.21% | 17.97% |
| Tokyo Stock Exchange (.TOPX) | 2494.23 | 5.40% | 3.42% | 5.40% | 3.42% | 35.00% | 20.82% |
| Indonesia (.JKSE) | 7241.14 | -0.44% | -0.61% | -0.44% | -0.61% | 3.30% | -8.77% |
| China (.HSI) | 16244.58 | -4.71% | -4.11% | -4.71% | -4.11% | -4.89% | -14.35% |

^{*} class I

Source: Niche AM, Thomson Reuters

^{* *}Inception date: 03/10/2022



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