

NJ
Korea Reunification SDG



Monthly Risk Report

31 December 2023



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Project characteristics

Instrument UCITS Fund – Art.8 Plus SFDR

Project website <u>Link</u>

Supplement <u>Link</u>

ISIN

Class A – IE00007XSO15

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: 12,77 mln € as of 31/12/2023

Project Max AUM: 25 mln

Project Liquidability at max. AUM 90% 5 day – 97% 20 days

Project liquidity: Daily

Project # stocks Min: 100
Max: 150

Project currency hedging policy No hedging policy

Institutional and listed classes fees

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...



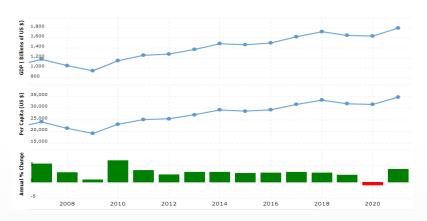
ANNUAL PERFORMANCE (%)

Year	MSCI Korea Value	MSCI Korea
2021	-6.26	-10.04
2020	28.35	42.63
2019	5.59	10.39
2018	-23.32	-22.60
2017	36.61	45.51
2016	11.79	6.98
2015	-8.41	-7.94
2014	-19.76	-12.61
2013	5.78	3.10
2012	11.55	20.16
2011	-13.39	-12.84
2010	25.44	25.29
2009	74.99	69.42
2008	-49.65	-55.87

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

BUT

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



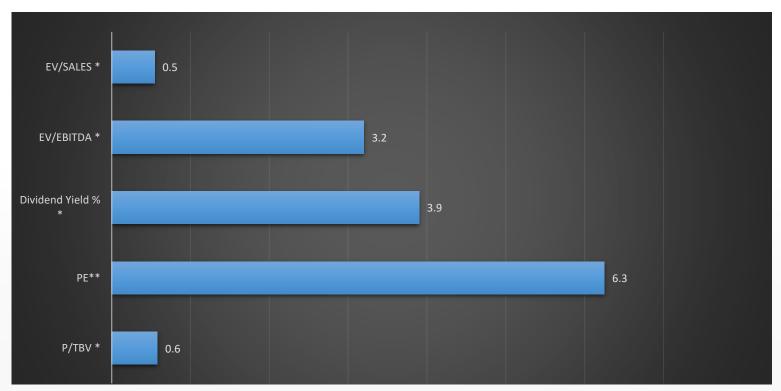
The most undervalued market worldwide INDEX PERFORMANCE - GROSS RETURNS (%) (OCT 31, 2023) **FUNDAMENTALS (OCT 31, 2023)** 13.51 P/E Fwd **MSCI World Value** -0.79 11.01 5.65 3.40 11.69 18.73 -5.70 -13.06 14.54 5.72 -0.92 12.30 7.93 -0.64 -1.72 MSCI Korea Value INDEX PERFORMANCE - NET RETURNS (%) (OCT 31, 2023) FUNDAMENTALS (OCT 31, 2023) Div Yld (%) P/BV MSCI China A -3.85 -13.09 -0.03 -13.25 -8.77 4.91 2.52 14.82 1.62 On top of this, a cheaper, safer and politically/ethically more acceptable indirect exposure to China 1.27 2.66 -3.89 -12.16 10.80 -2.14 -3.67 1.59 3.18 13.52 11.04 **MSCI Emerging Markets**

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 31 December '23)

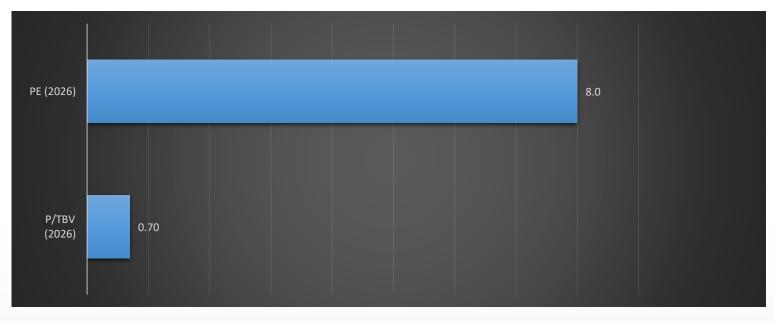


^{*} Last available

^{**} 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 '23-'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%)
25/10/2023	Mirae Asset Life	4490	59.1%	Total	4300	< +/- 5%	8x	-

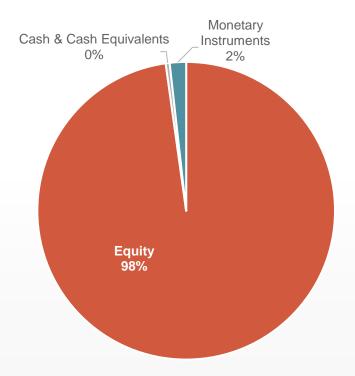
Source: NicheAM

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





Breakdown by Asset Class as of 31 December '23

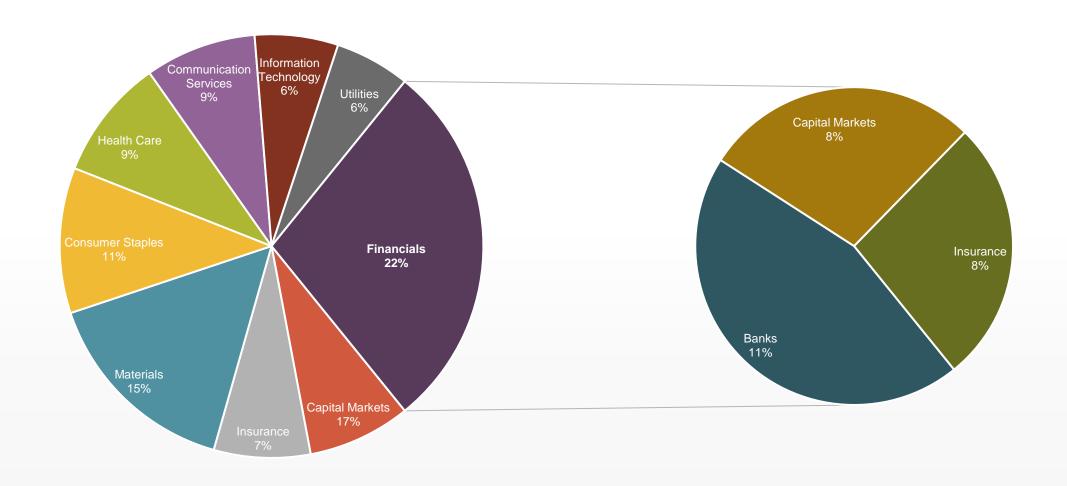


Breakdown by Currency as of 31 December '23





EQUITY PORTFOLIO: Allocation summary: Breakdown by Sector (as 31 December '23)



EQUITY PORTFOLIO: Holdings (as of 31 December '23)

Holding	Portfolio Weight	Holding	Portfolio Weight
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Indust Bk Of Korea	1.71%	Hyundai Fire Marine Insurance Co Ltd	1.02%
Soulbrain Holdings Co., Ltd.	1.64%	Daishin Securities Pref.Non.Voting	1.02%
Kt Corporation	1.63%	Lotte Rental Co Ltd	0.99%
Woori Financial Group	1.60%	Ace Bed Co Ltd	0.98%
Korea Gas Corp	1.50%	Sk Telekom	0.98%
Kb Financial Group Inc	1.50%	Lg Uplus Corp	0.96%
Hanwha Solutions Corporatio	1.46%	Sk Square Co., Ltd.	0.96%
Hana Financial Group Inc	1.43%	Hyundai Home Shopping	0.95%
Samsung Securities Co Ltd	1.42%	Kyungdong City G	0.95%
Hecto Innovation Co Ltd	1.41%	Maeil Dairies Co Ltd	0.95%
Cuckoo Electronics Co Ltd	1.32%	Shinhan Financial Group	0.93%
DI E And C - Registered Shs	1.31%	Hwacheon Machine	0.92%
Bnk Financial Group Inc	1.30%	Whan In Pharmaceutic	0.91%
Dongwon Industries Co Ltd	1.23%	Korean Air	0.91%
Kisco Corp Tentative	1.20%	Sam Jung Pulp	0.91%
Asia Paper Manufacturing Co	1.20%	Hyundai Energy Solutions	0.90%
Handsome	1.16%	Pharmgen Science Inc	0.89%
Tongyang Life	1.16%	Korean Reinsurance Co	0.88%
Daelim Industrial Pref/Non-Voting	1.15%	Daesang Corp	0.88%
Samsung Fire And Marine Insurance Pref.	1.15%	Hwa Sung Industrial	0.88%
Shinsegae Information & Comm	1.13%	Samsung Life Insurance Co Ltd	0.87%
Skchem Non-Cum Pfd	1.12%	Bookook Secs Co	0.86%
Wimco Registered	1.11%	Youngone Corp	0.83%
Dgb Financial Group Ltd	1.11%	Interlark Holding	0.81%
Gwangjushinsegae Co Ltd	1.11%	Cj Cheiljedang Corp	0.81%
Ottogi Corporation	1.10%	Hyosung Corp	0.77%
Cj Freshway Corp	1.09%	Megastudy	0.77%
Hyundai G.F. Holdings	1.06%	Hyundai Department Store Shs	0.76%
Lg Electronics Inc Pfd Shs.Non Voting	1.06%	Hyundai Engineering Construction	0.75%
Hs Ad	1.05%	Korea Electric Terminal	0.74%
Coway Co Ltd	1.04%	Tae Kwang Industrial Co Ltd	0.74%
Kuhmo Industrial Co Ltd	1.03%	Vieworks	0.74%



Equity Exposure: 98% No of holdings: 127 Average Weight: 0.77% Median Weight: 0.74%

TOP 5 : 8.08% TOP 10: 15.30% TOP 25: 34.16% TOP 50: 58.38%

EQUITY PORTFOLIO: Holdings (as of 31 December '23)

Holding	Portfolio Weight	Holding	Portfolio Weight
Yesco Shs	0.74%	Global Enterprise Co Ltd	0.46%
Seegene Inc	0.72%	Kwang Dong Pharmaceutical Co Ltd	0.45%
E-Mart	0.72%	Nong Shim Holdings Co Ltd	0.44%
Cs Holdings Co Ltd	0.72%	Sindoricom	0.40%
Multicampus	0.71%	Kt Adr	0.40%
Bgf Rg Registered Shs	0.69%	Saraminhr Co Ltd	0.40%
Imarketkorea Inc	0.67%	Gabia Inc	0.39%
Hyundai Steel Co	0.66%	Dongwon F And B	0.38%
Kyobo Securities	0.66%	Fursys Inc	0.37%
Db Financial Inv	0.66%	Shinhan Financial Group Co Ltd Repr.2Shs	0.37%
Korea Electric Power Corp	0.65%	Ssangyong Fire Marine Insurance	0.37%
Daihan Pharmaceutical Co Ltd	0.64%	Dongbu Engineering Construction	0.36%
Yuhwa Securities Co Ltd	0.61%	Kyeryong Construction Industrial Co Ltd	0.35%
Geumhwa Psc Co Ltd	0.60%	Sk Telecom Co Ltd-Spon Adr	0.33%
Woori Investment & Securities Pfd N.Vot	0.60%	Daehan Synthetic	0.33%
Value Added Technology Co Ltd	0.60%	Jls Co Ltd	0.33%
Dongkook Pharmaceutical Co Ltd	0.60%	Kpc Holdings Corp	0.31%
Shin Heung Energy And Electronics Co Ltd	0.59%	Youngone Corporation	0.30%
Woongjin Thinkbig Co	0.59%	Hyundai Livart	0.29%
Daehan Flour Mills	0.58%	Namhae Chemical Corp	0.29%
Kt Skylife	0.55%	Hyundai Green Food Co. Ltd	0.28%
Ilshin Spinning Co Ltd	0.54%	Korea Life Insurance Co Ltd	0.26%
Kpx Chemical Co Ltd	0.53%	Interflex Co Ltd	0.25%
Huons Co Ltd	0.52%	Lotte Chilsung Beverage Co Pfd Shs N.Vtg	0.25%
Suheung Capsule Co Ltd	0.52%	Korea Circuit Co Ltd-Pref	0.25%
Incheon City Gas Co Ltd	0.51%	Lg Haussys Prf Shs N.Vtg	0.24%
Gs Engineering & Construction	0.50%	Daewoo Securities - Pfd Shs Non Voting	0.24%
Cell Biotech Co Ltd	0.50%	Huons Global Co Ltd	0.22%
Lock & Lock	0.50%	Ezwel Co Ltd	0.22%
HI Mando Co. Ltd	0.48%	Digital Daesung Co Ltd	0.17%
Shinsegae Food Co Ltd	0.48%	Charm Engineering	0.16%
Megastudyedu Co Ltd	0.47%		



Source: NicheAM, Refinitiv

EQUITY PORTFOLIO: Change in holdings (30 November '23 - 31 December '23)



Holding	Trade	End Portfolio Weight	Change in Weight*	Total Return on sold positions**
Youngone Corp	BUY	0.83%	0.83%	

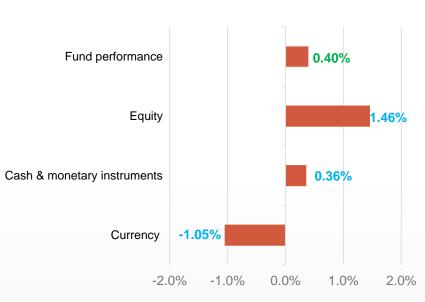
PORTFOLIO: Allocation & Performance summary







Performance by Asset Class (30 November '23 - 31 December '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: 12,77 mln € Project closure at 25 mln €

Monthly Performance contribution by asset class (30 November '23 - 31 December '23)

	1 month				
	Avg Weight (a)	Return (b)	Contribution (c = a*b)		
Contribution by asset class					
Equity*	97.2%	1.46%	1.42%		
Cash & monetary instruments	2.8%	0.36%	0.01%		
Currency		-1.05%	-1.03%		
Total Monthly performance			+0.40%		
Equity Contribution by sector					
Materials	12.0%	5.70%	0.68%		
Health Care	7.2%	3.80%	0.27%		
Information Technology	5.0%	5.47%	0.27%		
Consumer Discretionary	15.1%	1.70%	0.26%		
Consumer Staples	8.7%	1.18%	0.10%		
Financials	21.7%	0.39%	0.09%		
Industrials	16.4%	-0.47%	-0.08%		
Utilities	4.4%	-1.75%	-0.08%		
Communication Services *Faulty Performance is net of fees	6.6%	-1.56%	-0.10%		

^{*}Equity Performance is net of fees

Source: NicheAM, Refinitiv

^{*} class I





Top performers*

Bottom performers

	Avg Weight	Return	Contribution		Avg Weight	Return	Contribution
Soulbrain Holdings	1.6%	23.1%	0.37%	DL E&C	1.4%	-6.9%	-0.09%
Hanwha Solutions	1.3%	17.0%	0.22%	Korean Reinsurance	0.9%	-8.5%	-0.08%
Hecto Innovation	1.4%	9.7%	0.13%	Hyosung	0.8%	-8.4%	-0.07%
Gradiant	0.8%	18.2%	0.14%	KumhoE&C	1.1%	-5.8%	-0.06%
Hd Hyundai Energy Solutions	0.8%	15.5%	0.13%	Hyundai G F Holdings	1.1%	-5.2%	-0.06%
Coway	1.0%	13.2%	0.13%	Yesco Holdings	0.8%	-7.0%	-0.05%
Wonik Materials	1.1%	9.9%	0.11%	Maeil Dairies	1.0%	-5.5%	-0.05%
Shinhan Financial Group	0.9%	7.7%	0.07%	Sk Telecom	1.0%	-5.0%	-0.05%
Gabia	0.4%	17.5%	0.07%	Woongjin Thinkbig	0.6%	-7.6%	-0.05%
Dongkook Pharmaceutical	0.6%	10.6%	0.06%	Hwacheon Machine Tool	1.0%	-4.8%	-0.05%
Whanin Pharm	0.9%	6.4%	0.06%	Gs Engineering & Construction	0.5%	-8.3%	-0.04%
Ottogi	1.1%	4.6%	0.05%	Hs Ad	1.1%	-3.8%	-0.04%
Korean Air Lines	0.9%	5.3%	0.05%	Samsung Securities	1.5%	-2.8%	-0.04%
Hana Financial Group	1.4%	3.1%	0.04%	Gwangjushinsegae	1.1%	-3.3%	-0.04%
Shin Heung	0.5%	7.7%	0.04%	Kyungdong City Gas	1.0%	-3.8%	-0.04%

*Sorted from highest to lowest by Contribution

Source: NicheAM, Refinitiv



Liquidation time horizon

	1 day	5 days	10 days	30 days
NicheJungle Korea Reunification SDG	83%	97%	99%	100%

Source: Niche AM, Refinitiv

Assumptions in relation to 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



Ex-ante analysis: VaR 1 month 95% (as of 31/12/2023)

Portfolio VaR Sensitivity

	95% VaR	99% VaR
Historical 1D	-2.04%	-2.81%
Historical 1W	-4.55%	-6.28%
Historical 1M	-9.55%	-13.18%



VAR 1M-95% TOP 10 SECURITIES AS OF 31/12/2023



Source: MSCI Risk Metrics, Niche AM

EQUITY PORTFOLIO: Indices % price changes



Index	Price as of 31/12/2023	% 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 Korea Reunification SDG*	1028.42	-	0.40%	-	3.90%	-	0.34%	-	2.84%
MSCI ACWI Net (.dMIWD00000NUS)	388.11	4.80%	3.38%	11.03%	6.35%	22.20%	18.50%	31.63%	17.34%
MSCI Asia Pacific Value (.dMIAP0000VPUS)	158.49	4.91%	3.49%	6.37%	1.88%	11.21%	7.85%	25.98%	12.30%
MSCI Asia Pacific (.MIAP00000PUS)	169.39	4.41%	2.99%	7.67%	3.12%	8.76%	5.47%	23.61%	10.19%
Korea KOSPI (.KS11)	2655.28	4.73%	3.90%	7.72%	7.45%	18.73%	11.94%	19.62%	18.09%
Tokyo Stock Exchange (.TOPX)	2366.39	-0.36%	3.25%	1.85%	3.28%	25.09%	12.75%	25.90%	18.58%
Indonesia (.JKSE)	7272.80	2.71%	2.04%	4.80%	0.73%	6.16%	4.09%	6.47%	-4.54%
China (.HSI)	17047.39	0.03%	-1.31%	-4.28%	-8.06%	-13.82%	-16.42%	2.62%	-8.04%

^{*} class I

Source: Niche AM, Thomson Reuters

^{**} Inception date: 17/10/2022



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