

## **ECHIQUIER ENTREPRENEURS A**

**JANUARY 2024** (data as of 01/31/2024)



Echiquier Entrepreneurs is a stock-picking fund which invests, with no sectorial constraints, in small and medium cap European stocks. Please pay attention to the new fund subscription conditions.





339 M€ Net assets



236.36 € ΝΔ\/

### Characteristics

10/18/2013 Inception date ISIN FR0011558246 ECHENTR FP Bloomberg code

Base currency FUR

Income allocation Accumulation

MSCI EUROPE EX UK SMALL CAP Ref. Indic. NR FUR

SFDR classification Article 8

#### **Financial information**

Subscription/ 8% max. / None redemption fee

Yearly management

fees

2.392% incl. taxes

Performance fee No Valorisation frequency Daily Settlement D+2

Fund administrator Société Générale Custodian **BNP Paribas SA** 

#### Risk and reward profile (%)

(based on weekly figures)

	lyear 3	Years 5	Years
Fund volatility	15.6	16.3	17.1
Ref. indicator volatility	15.6	16.8	19.4
Sharpe ratio	Neg	Neg	0.3
Beta	0.9	0.9	0.8
Correlation	0.9	0.9	0.9
Information ratio	-0.1	-1.0	-0.7
Tracking error	8.2	8.2	8.5
Max. drawdown of the fund	-21.3	-43.2	-43.2
Max. drawdown of the benchmark	-15.1	-32.0	-40.4
Time to recovery (business days)	44.0	-	-



This indicator represents the risk profile shown in the KID. The risk indicator is based on the assumption that you hold units for 5

Warning: the real risk can be very different if you opt for an exit before this period, and you could get less in return.

Recommended investment horizon



#### **Fund Manager comments**

Echiquier Entrepreneurs A turned in a negative monthly performance of -1.19%.

Stock markets took a breather in January after two months of rebound at the end of 2023. Central bankers adopted a more cautious tone regarding the timing of the first rate cut, which the markets had been anticipating since March. Small caps underperformed large caps by around 2 points in January. The discount between small and mid caps and large caps reached an almost twenty-year high of 4%, compared with an average premium of 20% over the period 2006-2024. The fund was mainly affected by profit-taking on our high-multiple stocks (NEOEN -51bp; BOOZT -34bp). The outperformance of the growth theme, with a sharp rise in the tech sector, and the good performance of our defensive stocks limited the decline (BIOTAGE +16bp; BONESUPPORT +16bp). The fund benefited from the announcement of a takeover bid for BYGGFAKTA (+67bp) by the private equity funds that had introduced it at the end of 2021. This month, we also initiated a position in PUUILO, a Finnish chain of discount shops. The company has solid fundamentals, with sustained growth and some of the highest margins in the sector.

Fund Managers: Stéphanie Bobtcheff, José Berros, Philbert Veissiere

#### Evolution of the performance of the fund and its reference indicator since inception (base 100)



# **Cumulative performance (%)**

Ref. Indic.: source Bloomberg

	Fund	Ref. Indic.
1 month	-1.2	-1
3 Years	-14.8	+8.
5 Years	+20.7	+51.
10 years	+114.0	+108.
Since inception	+136.4	+133.

### Annualised performance (%)

	Fund	Ref. Indic.
1 year	+3.4	+3.7
3 Years	-5.2	+2.7
5 Years	+3.8	+8.6
10 years	+7.9	+7.6
Since inception	+8.7	+8.6

## Performance history (%)

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	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Fund	Ref. Indic.
2015	+3.0	+5.9	+5.6	+1.1	+5.8	-2.8	+7.0	-4.3	-2.2	+3.5	+3.2	+1.9	+28.4	+20.0
2016	-5.8	-0.5	+3.1	+0.8	+5.9	-5.4	+5.2	+1.5	+4.9	-2.1	+0.8	+5.5	+13.8	+6.5
2017	+2.9	+4.1	+2.1	+4.7	+5.8	-1.7	+1.5	-1.1	+4.5	+0.3	-1.7	+0.6	+24.0	+16.4
2018	+3.8	-3.7	-0.9	+2.1	+2.6	-1.9	+0.2	+0.6	+0.8	-6.7	-1.9	-8.4	-13.3	-13.4
2019	+8.7	+1.6	+2.0	+4.9	-3.2	+2.1	+0.0	-0.3	+2.0	+1.0	+4.8	+2.1	+28.3	+22.4
2020	+0.2	-5.3	-14.2	+13.1	+5.7	+3.0	+3.1	+8.4	-1.5	-3.7	+8.7	+6.0	+22.4	+18.7
2021	-1.8	+1.4	+2.3	+5.6	+2.5	-1.3	+2.9	+2.8	-4.5	+1.5	-3.1	+3.7	+12.1	+25.7
2022	-11.6	-4.1	-2.7	-4.4	+0.1	-9.6	+10.8	-6.9	-12.5	+6.2	+2.9	+1.4	-28.5	-20.6
2023	+1.0	+1.5	-2.9	-1.0	+1.8	-1.6	+0.5	-4.2	-5.2	-4.3	+12.1	+9.4	+5.6	+12.9
2024	-1.2												-1.2	-1.1

#### For more information

The fund is invested on financial markets. It presents a risk of capital loss

Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future performance and is not constant over time

Performance of the fund and the benchmark are calculated net of income

This commercial document aims to inform you in a simple way on the fund's characteristics.

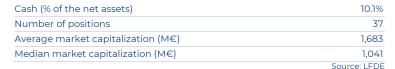
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4 stars in Morningstar category Europe Small-Cap Equity as at 31/12/2023.

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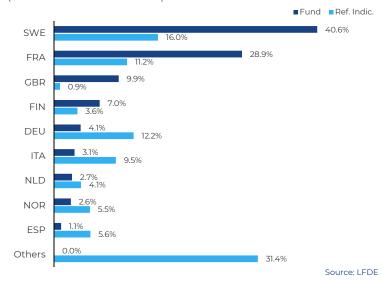
## **Fund profile**

EV/Sales 2024	3.4
PER 2024	25.4
Yield	1.4%
Active share	97.3%



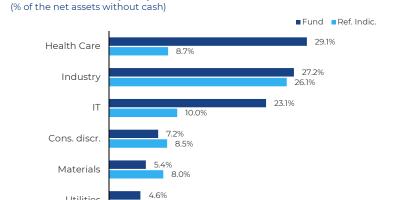
### Geographic breakdown

(% of the net assets without cash)



#### Sector breakdown (GICS)

Utilities

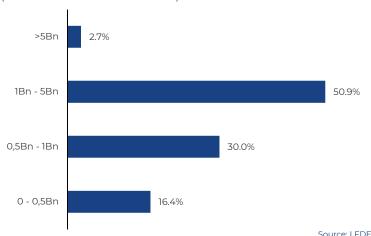


Others 31.4% Source: Bloombera

3.4%

### Capitalization breakdown (€)

(% of the net assets without cash)



#### **Top holdings**

Consumer staples

Holdings	Country	Sector	% of the net assets
Raysearch Lab.	SWE	Health Care	4.8
Virbac	FRA	Health Care	4.7
Neoen	FRA	Utilities	4.2
Nexus	DEU	Health Care	3.7
Vaisala	FIN	IT	3.4
Byggfakta	SWE	IT	3.4
Munters	SWE	Industry	3.2
Esker	FRA	IT	3.2
Fagerhult	SWE	Industry	3.1
Cloetta	SWE	Consumer s	3.0
Total weight	of the top 10	holdings: <b>36.7</b> %	

Source: LFDE

### Performance analysis (monthly)

Top 3 contributors					
Holdings	Performance	Contribution			
Byggfakta	25.3	0.7			
Porvair	8.9	0.2			
OVH Groupe	15.4	0.2			
Weight of the 3 contributors: 7.3%					

Flop 3 contributors					
Holdings	Performance	Contribution			
Neoen	-11.0	-0.5			
Virbac	-7.1	-0.4			
Boozt	-10.7	-0.3			
\	Weight of the 3 contributors: 12.6%				
		Course: LEDE			

Intensity of induced emissions	
(in tons of $CO_2$ equivalent per million euro of enterprise value)	
Fund	100.9
Ref. Indic.	287.4
	Source: Carbon4 Finance

ESG Data				
Coverage rates for ESG analysis*	Fu 91		Jniverse 31%	
Weighted average scores	Е	S	G	ESG
Fund	5.9	5.8	6.9	6.5
Universe	5.5	4.9	6.6	6.0

<sup>\*</sup>Percentage of net assets covered by ESG analysis. Source: LFDE, MSCI ESG Research

The Governance score accounts for around 60% of the ESG rating. The coverage rates for ESG analysis vary from fund to fund and may change over time.

For further information related to the methodologies used to calculate ESG indicators, please refer to our transparency code available on <a href="www.lfde.com/en/responsible-investment/to-find-">www.lfde.com/en/responsible-investment/to-find-</a> out-more/