

# **NEWSLETTER**

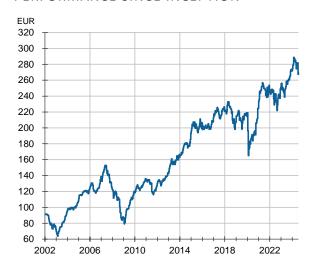
X CLASS

## **AUGUST 2024**

NAV Date
ISIN code (X)

Aug 30, 2024 LU0939062922 € 269,04 NAV -4,5% Last month -1,6% CY-to-date 192,8%
Since inception

### PERFORMANCE SINCE INCEPTION



Period	NAV (€)	Net return
Since inception		192,8%
Latest NAV as of Aug 30, 2024	269,04	-1,6%
Year to 2024Q2	276,02	0,9%
Dec 29, 2023	273,49	15,3%
Dec 30, 2022	237,11	-2,8%
Dec 31, 2021	243,96	15,2%
Dec 31, 2020	211,78	-2,9%
Dec 31, 2019	218,05	10,1%
Dec 31, 2018	198,09	-11,8%
Dec 29, 2017	224,56	8,3%
Dec 30, 2016	207,40	0,1%
Dec 31, 2015	207,17	13,9%
Dec 31, 2014	181,92	11,4%
Dec 31, 2013	163,37	16,5%
Dec 31, 2012	140,25	13,0%
Dec 30, 2011	124,11	-6,4%
Dec 31, 2010	132,62	13,6%
Dec 31, 2009	116,78	36,9%
Dec 31, 2008	85,30	-34,7%
Dec 31, 2007	130,72	0,8%
Dec 29, 2006	129,71	10,2%
Dec 30, 2005	117,70	11,9%
Dec 31, 2004	105,19	17,6%
Dec 31, 2003	89,42	19,3%
Dec 31, 2002	74,96	-18,4%

Past performance does not predict future returns. Source: UI EFA X Class inception: June 4, 2013 at an NAV of €157.03. Prior returns estimated based on P Class since inception date of Feb 11, 2002

# Summary Risk Indicator (SRI)

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Please read the **Key Information Document** for an explanation of the SRI

#### PERFORMANCE UPDATE

August began with high volatility across major financial markets. The Japanese market was the most affected, with the Japanese Nikkei 225 index down by 20% in just three trading days. The S&P 500 index and the Euro Stoxx 50 index also fell, both were down by 6% during the same period. The stock market turmoil coincided with significant currency fluctuations. Share prices have since shown a recovery, although the extent of recovery varies across markets and sectors.

Following solid performance in July, Citadel posted a negative performance of 4.5% in August, mainly due to the Fund's exposure to several Japanese holdings. While **SOL Group** (+5%) and **Continental** (+8%) made the largest contributions to the Fund's performance, **Sumco** (-23%) and **NOV** (-17%) were the biggest detractors. Since inception, Citadel has delivered a return of +156%.

## **PORTFOLIO NEWS**

The good news about market volatility is that it allows prepared investors to take advantage of buying opportunities that arise during market selloffs. When the *prices* of companies drop by 20%, it is highly unlikely that the intrinsic *value* of those listed companies would suddenly be worth 20% less than before. As consistent value investor, we consequently seized the opportunity in early August to invest a significant portion of the available cash in various companies at outright bargain valuations. With this, we strongly believe that new seeds have been sown for attractive future returns. This is supported by the discount of the Fund's NAV to the estimated intrinsic value of the portfolio, which increased to 44% at the end of August.

**Sumco**, a high-end semiconductor wafer producer, announced better than expected 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter results but provided a 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter outlook that fell short of market expectations, leading to a strong decline in its share price. We believe investors should look beyond quarterly fluctuations and recognise this company's highly attractive long-term prospects and low valuation.



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Largest contributors	
SOL Group	0,3%
Continental	0,2%
Ahold Delhaize	0,1%

Largest detractors	
Sumco	-1,2%
NOV	-0,8%
Toyota Industries	-0,4%

Top 3 positions	
SOL Group	6,7%
Signify	6,0%
Samsung Electronics -Pref-	5,6%

#### PORTFOLIO VALUATION \*)

EV/Sales	0.6
EV/EBITDA	4.4
EV/EBITA	7.2
FCF Yield	7%
Dividend Yield	4%
Discount to est. intrinsic value	44%
*) based on weighted averages at the latest NAV date	

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## FUND STATISTICS & COST STRUCTURE \*)

Volatility (since inception)	11.5%
Beta (since inception)	0.69
Management fee (per annum)	0.75%
Incentive fee (above 4% hurdle and HWM)	10%
Transaction fees	0%

<sup>\*)</sup> Please review the Key Information Document (KID) for an elaborate cost overview. Source: Citadel Value Fund, Pure Capital S.A.

## **GENERAL INFORMATION**

Legal status: SICAV, regulated by CSSF Luxembourg Depository Bank: Quintet Private Bank (Europe) S.A. Fund's stock exchange listing: Euro MTF Luxembourg

Bloomberg ticker: CITVALX LX Minimum subscription: € 1m NAV frequency: twice a month

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#### INVESTMENT STRATEGY

Since 2002, Citadel Value Fund has been dedicated to deep value investing in equities. Its objectives are:

- preserving capital
- achieve attractive long-term absolute returns

Citadel is actively managed without reference to a benchmark. The Fund employs fundamental company analysis in its investment process and acquires shares only at a significant discount to the estimated intrinsic value. It exclusively invests in companies listed in OECD countries. Citadel is also open to retail investors and is under regulatory supervision of the CSSF in Luxembourg.

# GLOSSARY \*)

<u>EV/EBITA</u>: Enterprise Value (market capitalization plus net debt) divided by earnings before interest, tax, and amortisation of intangibles.

<u>FCF Yield</u>: Free operating cash flow generated by a company divided by its enterprise value.

<u>NAV (€):</u> Net Asset Value per share, the unit price of the Fund, is the value of its assets minus liabilities, including all Fund costs, divided by the number of shares outstanding. The NAV is available on the Fund's website.

<u>SICAV</u>: An open-ended investment fund with variable capital, regulated under European law.

<u>Value investing:</u> an equity investment strategy based on (1) knowing the value of your investment; and (2) ensuring a margin of safety when making an investment.

\*) For more definitions please refer to www.citadelfund.com/glossary

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