# **SEB Asset Selection Fund**

Fact sheet as of 7 May, 2024



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The fund is actively managed and aims to deliver an average annual return over time, corresponding to the risk-free interest rate, plus five percent. The fund is using a quantitative strategy that forecasts price evolution across various asset classes, determines long/short positions, and manages overall risk from an absolute return perspective. The fund has exposure to one or more asset classes, such as bonds, equities, currencies, and commodities, either through direct investment or derivatives. The fund's managers can choose to invest through long positions (meaning they rise in value when the underlying asset rises or falls in value when the asset falls), or short positions (meaning they fall in value when the underlying asset rises or increases in value when the asset declines), in all asset classes. The fund does not have a benchmark index but uses the 3-Month Treasury Bill Return Index to calculate performance fees.

### **INVESTMENT TEAM**

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The fund is managed by our Quantitative Strategies and Liquid Alternatives team with Otto Francke and Mikael Nilsson as the lead portfolio managers. The team, based in Stockholm, has extensive experience of systematic strategies.

## Performance (EUR)



Accumulated since	Fund	Benchmark
1 day	1.02	-
1 month	1.55	-
6 months	6.30	-
1 year	9.09	-
2 years	4.06	-
3 years	18.96	-
5 years	26.54	-
Year to date	13.10	-
Average annual grow	rth .	
3 years	5.96	-
5 years	4.82	-

Share %

-42.8

30.8

-27.4

-22.4

21.9

19.1

-18.0

17.2

11.5

11.0

When calculating the returns the inflation is not taken into account

#### Largest positions<sup>1</sup>

EURO-SCHATZ FUT Jun24 JPN 10Y BOND(OSE) Jun24 3 MONTH SOFR FUT Mar25 US 2YR NOTE (CBT) Jun24 EURO STOXX 50 Jun24 S&P500 EMINI FUT Jun24 US 10YR NOTE (CBT)Jun24 Euro-BTP Future Jun24 NIKKEI 225 (OSE) Jun24 German Treasury Bill 240619 <sup>1</sup> Last updated 3/28/2024. Source: SEB

#### risk measures 1

Standard Deviation (Fund)	13.1
Standard Deviation (Index)	-
Tracking error	-
Sharpe Ratio	0.50
Information Ratio	-
Alpha	-
Beta	-
<sup>1</sup> 24 months rolling. Last updated 31 March, 2024	

#### Other information

As of 2 November 2016, the fund 's Management company is SEB Investment Management AB. SEB works actively with sustainability and follows the UN Principles for Responsible Investments. Read more at <u>www.sebgroup.com</u>

# SEB

#### Investment comment

Texts as of April 2024

- Continued high US inflationary pressures and tense geopolitical situation
- Falling stock markets negative for performance but were offset by stronger USD and higher interest rates
- Stronger signals for long USD and net short interest rates

#### **Market Update**

The world's stock markets saw mixed developments during the period, but broad world indices developed negatively, and bond yields generally rose. The U.S. economy continued to show strength, the manufacturing sector surprised on the upside and the labor market remained strong. Inflationary pressures remained high and at levels clearly higher than desired. Expectations of interest rate cuts from the American centralbank Fed decreased and have now been postponed until the latter part of the autumn. This drove interest rates higher, the US dollar stronger on a broad front and contributed to declining risk appetite in the stock markets. The reporting period kicked off during the month and expectations were high, not least for AI-related tech companies that the stock market has favored in the past. The effects in the market on weaker reports from some of these companies were temporarily large. In Europe, the economies continued to show low activity, with weak manufacturing and inflation figures unchanged to declining. Expectations of an interest rate cut by the European centralbank ECB during the summer were unchanged. The intensification of the war in the Middle East increased geopolitical risks.

#### Fund update

During the month, the fund was up about 0.3% with positive contributions from both currency and fixed income, while long equity positions were costly. Last month's winners, long positions in the EuroSTOXX50 and S&P500 were this month's largest negative contributors. The single largest positive contribution came from our short JPY position followed by short exposure to US Treasuries.

#### Strategy going forward

Trend signals for long stocks have been relatively stable during the month with only slightly smaller net position. The signal for a long USD has strengthened and we now also have a stronger signal for net short positions on the fixed income side. However, here we have a more nuanced picture and the signals have fluctuated more, and we are, for example, now short JGB but long some specific European government bonds.

#### **Key Facts**

Year of launch	2006	
Value at launch (EUR)	10.00	
Fund Management Company	SEB Investment Management AB	
SRI scale 1-7	61	
ISIN	LU0256624742	
Base Currency	EUR	
Share Class	C(EUR)	
Legal Structure	UCITS	
Morningstar rating	***	
Turnover Ratio	2.30 2	
Use of derivatives	Yes 3	
<sup>1</sup> The value of the fund may vary substantially because of its composition and the portfolio management methods applied by the management company.		

<sup>2</sup> From 1/31/2015

<sup>3</sup> In pursuit of excess return the fund manager takes derivatives positions (mainly in futures and forwards) on indices or single instruments within the equity, bond, currency and commodity markets.

#### Dividend

Non-distributing share class

#### **Fund costs**

Information on the fund's fees and expenses is available in the fund's key information document (KID) or the fund's prospectus



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