# **MONTHLY** REPORTS

**Institutional Investors** 

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# MONTHLY FACTSHEETS

02-2024

MULTI-THEMATIC EQUITIES		Feb.	2024	3 years	Inception
Sycomore Francecap (I)	Performance	0.5%	0.9%	17.3%	596.9%
FR0010111724 - Equity Savings Plan (PEA) France - Inception: Oct 01	CAC All-Tradable NR	3.1%	4.5%	40.8%	268.7%
Sycomore Sélection Responsable (I)	Performance	5.3%	7.1%	22.9%	165.5%
FR0010971705 - Equity Savings Plan (PEA) European Union - Inception: Jan 11	EUROSTOXX TR	3.3%	5.3%	31.4%	138.4%
Sycomore Sélection Midcap (I)	Performance	0.5%	0.8%	6.1%	31.9%
FR0013303534 - Equity Savings Plan (PEA) European Union - Inception: Dec 03⁵	MSCI EMU Smid NR	0.9%	0.9%	8.9%	28.0%
Sycomore Sélection PME (I)	Performance	-0.4%	-3.3%	-6.1%	200.5%
FR0011707470 - Equity Savings Plan (PEA-PME) European Union - Inception: Jul 061	EUROSTOXX TMI Small TR	0.2%	-0.8%	8.2%	135.3%
THEMATIC EQUITIES		Feb.	2024	3 years	Inception
ENVIRONMENT					
Sycomore Europe Eco Solutions (I)	Performance	0.2%	-3.9%	-4.0%	57.3%
LU1183791281 - Equity Savings Plan (PEA) Europe - Inception: Aug 15	MSCI Europe NR	1.9%	3.5%	33.5%	68.7%
Sycomore Global Eco Solutions (IC)	Performance	4.6%	2.2%	-	-12.6%
LU2412098654 - World Equity Fund World - Dec 21	MSCI AC World NR	4.7%	7.1%	-	11.7%
SOCIAL/SOCIETAL					
Sycomore Europe Happy@Work (I)	Performance	5.6%	8.0%	17.7%	85.8%
LU1301026206 - Equity Savings Plan (PEA) European Union - Inception: Nov 15²	EUROSTOXX TR	3.3%	5.3%	31.4%	72.0%
Sycomore Global Happy@Work (IC)	Performance	7.5%	13.5%	-	10.7%
LU2413890901 - World Equity Fund World - Dec 21	MSCI AC World NR	4.7%	7.1%	-	12.1%
Sycomore Social Impact (I)	Performance	4.2%	8.0%	-3.1%	208.8%
FR0010117085 - Equity Savings Plan (PEA) European Union - Inception: Jun 02	EUROSTOXX TR	3.3%	5.3%	31.4%	234.2%
Sycomore Inclusive Jobs (IC)	Performance	-1.0%	-2.8%	-	-17.1%
FR0014000IE9 - Equity Solidarity Fund European Union - Inception: May 21	EUROSTOXX TR	3.3%	5.3%	-	18.5%
SUSTAINABLE TECH					
Sycomore Sustainable Tech (IC)	Performance	8.9%	16.2%	28.8%	54.4%
LU2181906269 - World Equity Fund World - Sector Technology - Sep 20	MSCI AC WId Info Tech. NR	5.0%	10.5%	58.0%	82.6%
FLEXIBLE STRATEGIES		Feb.	2024	3 years	Inception
Sycomore Partners (I)	Performance	-2.3%	-3.1%	5.3%	75.8%
FR0010601898 - Equity Savings Plan (PEA) European Union - Inception: Mar 08	50%E.STOXX NR+50%EST	1.2%	2.1%	17.6%	76.2%
Sycomore Next Generation (IC)	Performance	0.6%	1.5%	4.1%	8.4%
LU1961857478 - Balanced Fund Global Asset Allocation - Apr 19	Compounded ESTR+2.5%	0.5%	1.1%	11.4%	15.5%
Sycomore Allocation Patrimoine (I)	Performance	0.7%	1.5%	4.2%	61.3%
FR0010474015 - Balanced Fund Global Asset Allocation - Dec 093	Compounded ESTR+2.8%	0.5%	1.0%	11.0%	37.9%
Sycomore Opportunities (I)	Performance	-2.3%	-2.8%	-17.1%	79.9%
FR0010473991 - Equity Savings Plan (PEA) European Union - Inception: Oct 04	50%E.STOXX NR+50%EST	1.2%	2.1%	17.6%	119.3%
CREDIT		Feb.	2024	3 years	Inception
Sycomore Sélection Crédit (I)	Performance	-0.2%	0.2%	0.4%	33.0%
FR0011288489 - Corporate Bond Fund European Union - Inception: Sep 12 <sup>4</sup>	Barclays Eur Corp exFin.	-1.1%	-1.1%	-8.2%	16.2%
Sycomore Environ. Euro IG Corporate Bon LU2431794754 - Corporate Bond Fund Emissions in € - Inception: Oct 23	According to French regulations, we months existence at least.	e cannot mentio . For further info	n the performanc	e of a fund not hav contact our team.	ving a 12
Emissions in € - Inception: Oct 23 Sycoyield 2026 (IC) FR001400A6X2 - Corporate Bond Fund Emissions in € - Inception: Sen 22	Performance	0.3%	0.5%	-	11.0%

Emissions in € - Inception: Sep 22

1 I share was created on 27/01/14, previous data represents a simulation of performance by the fund's X share. 2 Data calculated since 6/7/15. The performance shown prior 4/11/2015 is the track record of an identical French-domiciled fund. 3 New investment strategy implemented: 29.12.09. 4 Data calculated since 05/12/12, investment start date. 5 The performances achieved before August 10,2020 were achieved according to an investment strategy different from the one currently in force.

Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future returns. Funds do not guarantee returns or performance and might entail capital loss. Before investing, please consult the Key Investor Information Document (KIID) for each fund which is available on our site www.sycomore-am.com.



## sycomore

# francecap

Isin code | FR0010111724

NAV | 696.9€

Assets | 131.4 M€

**FEBRUARY 2024** 

## SFDR 8

Sustaina	ble Investmen	its
% AUM:		≥ 50%
a/ <b>a</b>		

% Companies*:	≥ 50%
*Excluding derivatives,	cash & equivalent

## **Risk indicator**



The risk indicator assumes you keep the product for 5 years. **Warning :** the actual risk can vary significantly if you cash in at an early stage and you may get back less.

The fund does not offer any guarantee of return or performance and presents a risk of capital loss

## **Investment** Team



Cyril CHARLOT Fund Manager





Hadrien BULTE Fund Manager -Analyst





Share I

France

#### Investment strategy

#### A responsible selection of French equities based on proprietary ESG analysis

Sycomore Francecap aims to outperform its benchmark index, the CAC All-Tradable NR, over a period of five years, through a multi-thematic and socially responsible investment process drawing from our proprietary "SPICE" methodology and economic and societal contribution indicators. The fund invests without sector or market capitalisation constraints in French equities we believe to be trading at a substantial discount. Depending on the manager's forecasts, a significant portion may be allocated to mid-caps.

## Performance as of 29.02.2024



	Feb	2024	1 year	3 yrs	5 yrs	Inc.° /	Annu.	2023	2022	2021	2020
Fund %	0.5	0.9	-2.2	17.3	27.2	596.9	9.1	8.7	-10.5	23.1	-2.3
Index %	3.1	4.5	9.9	40.8	58.9	268.7	6.0	17.8	-8.4	28.3	-4.9
Statistics											
	Corr.	Beta	Alpha	Vol.	Bench.	Track	. Sharp	be	Info	Draw	Bench.
					Vol	Erro	r Rat	io R	latio	Down	DD
3 vears	1.0	0.9	-5.1%	16.1%	16.9%	5.19	% C	).3	-1.3	-25.0%	-21.9%

16.6%

## Fund commentary

0.9

0.7

4.4%

Inception

The fund Underperformed by a wide margin in February. Once again, our exposure to mid-caps weighed on returns after the sharp drops posted by Neoen, Alten, Arverne and Rexel. The fund's exposure to BNP Paribas and Société Générale also detracted. We reinitiated a position in Téléperformance after the stock's sharp decline in 2023; unfortunately, Klarna's earnings publication highlighting the very fast rise of Al in their product offering, caused the stock to tumble at the end of the month. Among the month's positive contributors, Christian Dior, Michelin, Renault, Nexans, Sopra and Bureau Veritas performed well on the back of strong earnings. Finally, Believe received a public takeover bid priced at €15, which is below the IPO price of €19.5 offered in June 2021.

21.1%

9.8%

0.5

0.3

-56.9%

-57.5%

## sycomore francecap

## Fund Information Inception date 30/10/2001

#### **ISIN** codes

Share A - FR0007065743 Share I - FR0010111724 Share ID - FR0012758720 Share R - FR0010111732

Bloomberg tickers Share A - SYCMICP FP

Share I - SYCMICI FP Share ID - SYCFRCD FP Share R - SYCMICR FP

Benchmark CAC All Tradable Net Return

Legal form Mutual fund

**Domiciliation** France

PEA eligibility Yes

Investment period 5 yrs

Minimum investment 100 EUR

UCITS V Yes

Valuation Daily

Currency EUR

Cut-Off 12pm CET Paris (BPSS)

Cash Settlement D+2

Management fees Share A - 1.50%

Share I - 1.00% Share ID - 1.00% Share R - 2.00%

Performance fees 15% > Benchmark

Transaction fees None

## Portfolio

Equity exposure Overlap with benchmark Number of holdings	97% 22% 38	Ratio P/E 2024 Croissance bénéficiaire 2024 Ratio P/BV 2024
Weight of top 20 stocks	72%	Return on Equity
Median market cap	5.1 €bn	Rendement 2024

## Sector exposure



SPICE, for Society & Suppliers, People, Investors, Clients, Environment is our tool for assessing a company's performance on sustainability criteria. This tool incorporates the analysis of economic, governance, environmental, social, and societal risks and opportunities covering both the company's daily operations and its product and service offer.

The analysis process covers 90 criteria and leads to a rating per letter. These 5 ratings are weighted based on the company's most material impacts\*.

SPICE

rating

4.2/5

3.4/5

3.1/5

3.9/5

3.1/5

3.9/5

3.6/5

3.6/5

3.4/5

3.6/5

NEC

-14%

+4%

0%

+16%

0%

+3%

-17%

0%

+0%

+4%

Weight

9.7%

6.0%

4.6%

4.2%

3.8%

3.6%

3.6%

3.3%

3.2%

3.1%

19% 10%	Dividend yield
19%	Recovery
	Growth/Visibility
52%	Assets

Fund Index

13.2x

7 1%

1.7x

12.7%

3.3%

11.1x

8.8%

1.2x

11.0%

3.4%

## Market cap breakdown

Valuation

Style breakdown



	Fund	Index
SPICE	3.7/5	3.7/5
S score	3.4/5	3.1/5
P score	3.6/5	3.6/5
l score	3.8/5	3.8/5
C score	3.8/5	3.7/5
E score	3.5/5	3.2/5

## Performance contributors

CS		Avg. weight	Contrib
-22%	Positive		
9%	Christian Dior	9.6%	0.82%
88%	Believe SA	1.9%	0.59%
32%	Saint Gobain	4.3%	0.35%
38%	Negative		
-5%	Sodexo	1.8%	-0.63%
-12%	BNP Paribas	3.3%	-0.43%
37%	Teleperform.	1.4%	-0.37%
12%			
29%			

## Portfolio changes

Top 10

Peugeot

Sanofi

Wendel

Verallia

Arverne

Alten

AXA BNP Paribas

Christian Dior

Saint Gobain

Buy	Reinforcement	Sell	Reduction
Teleperform.	Wendel	Carrefour	Christian Dior
Soitec	Sodexo		Saint-Gobain
Edenred			Engie

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## sycomore francecap

## Sustainability thematics



- Sustainable mgmt of resources
   SPICE Leadership
- Digital and communication
- Energy transition
- Nutrition and well-being
- Health & Safety
   SPICE transformation
- Access and Inclusion

ESG scores

Fund	Index
3.5/5	3.4/5
3.5/5	3.2/5
3.5/5	3.4/5
3.7/5	3.6/5
	3.5/5 3.5/5 3.5/5

## **Environmental analysis**

### Net Environmental Contribution (NEC) \*\*

Degree of alignment of the economic models with the ecological transition, integrating biodiversity and climate, on a scale running from -100% for eco-obstruction to +100% for eco-solution, where 0% equates to the average environmental impact of the global economy. The results are expressed in NEC 1.0 (nec-initiative.org) calculés par Sycomore AM sur la base de données des années 2018 à 2021. *Coverage rate : fund 99% / index 100%* 



## Temperature rising - SB2A

Induced average temperature increase by 2100 compared to pre-industrial times, according to the Science-Based 2°C Alignment methodology. *Coverage rate : fund 87%* 



**Climate alignment - SBTi** Share of companies that have validated their

greenhouse gas reduction targets with the Science-Based Targets initiative. Fund



## Carbon footprint

Annual greenhouse gas emissions (GHG Protocol) from upstream scopes 1, 2 and 3 per thousand euros invested\*\*\*. *Coverage rate : fund 96% / index 100%* 

	Fund	Index
kg. eq. CO ₂ /year/k€	189	191

## European taxonomy

Percentage of revenues derived from eligible activities to the EU taxonomy *Coverage rate : fund 82% / index 100%* Fund



#### Fossil fuel exposure

Percentage of income derived from the three fossil energies.



\*IPCC Sixth Assessment Report «Climate Change 2022: Mitigation of Climate Change». <u>https://www.ipcc.ch/assessment-report/ar6/</u>

## Societal and social analysis

## Societal contribution\*\*

Contribution of the economic activity of companies to the resolution of major societal issues, on a scale from -100% to +100%. *Coverage rate : fund 99% / index 99%* +20%



## The Good Jobs Rating - Quantity

Degree of contribution of companies to sustainable job creation - Focus on the Quantity dimension: direct, indirect and induced job creation over the last three years. *Coverage rate : fund 99% / index 100%* Fund



## Gender equality ♀/ ♂

Percentage of women in total company headcounts and executive committees. Staff cov. rate: fund 99% / index 99% ExecComm cov. rate: fund 99% / index 100%



Sources: company data, Sycomore AM, Trucost, Bloomberg, Science Based Targets, Vigeo. Methodologies and approaches may differ between issuers and providers of extra-financial data. Sycomore AM does not guarantee the accuracy, completeness, and exhaustiveness of the extra-financial reports.\*ESG-SPICE correspondence: E=E, S=(P+S+C)/3, G is a sub-part of I, which represents 40%.\*\*The fund has committed to outperforming the benchmark on these two indicators. The other indicators are shown for illustrative purposes.\*\*\*Footprint allocated prorata to enterprise value, cash included.

## sycomore francecap





This chart represents the main exposures to the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals and their 169 targets. Exposure is defined as the opportunity, for each company, to contribute positively to reaching SDGs, providing their products and services. This exercise doesn't aim to measure the companies effective contribution to SDGs, which is computed through our societal contribution (CS) and net environnemental contribution (NEC) metrics. For each invested company, activities are analysed in order to identify those which are exposed to SDGs. For a same activity, its number of targets can vary between 0 and 2. The company target exposure to one of its activities is weighted by the revenue share gained from this activity. For more details, our annual SRI report is available in our ESG documentation.

## No significant exposure : 28%

## ESG follow-up, news and dialogue

## **Dialogue and engagement**

#### Neoen

We continued to engage with Neoen on issues of forced and child labour within the company's value chain and suggested the publication of a risk mapping consistent with the recommendations of Human Resources without Borders, focusing initially on the solar and storage businesses.

#### Peugeot Invest

Discussions with the MD and Head of Sustainability, notably regarding the management of the Orpea and Signa cases. The group has strengthened its vigilance when exercising its duties as a member of the Board of Directors in investee companies, particularly on issues surrounding governance and the independence of risk control. Peugeot Invest will continue to develop its ESG roadmap to ensure these factors are better taken into account throughout the lifecycle of its investments.

## **ESG** controversies

#### No comment

## Votes

**0 / 0** voted general assembly over the month. Details on our votes are available here the day following the company's AGM <u>Here</u>.

Additional disclaimers: although the fund's performances are partly driven by the ESG indicators of portfolio holdings, these are not the sole determing factor. Marketing communication. This information has not been prepared in accordance with legal requirements designed to promote the independence of investment research. Sycomore AM is not banned from trading on these securities prior to the dissemination of this information. Before investing, please read the fund's KIID available on our website: <a href="https://www.sycomore-am.com">www.sycomore-am.com</a>.



# sycomore am

# sycomore sélection responsable

Isin code | FR0010971705 NAV | 531.1€

Assets | 586.9 M€

**FEBRUARY 2024** 

## SFDR 8

Sustainable Investments	
% AUM:	≥70%

% Companies\*:  $\geq$  70% \*Excluding derivatives, cash & equivalent

## **Risk indicator**



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## Investment Team



**Olivier CASSÉ** Fund Manager





**Giulia** CULOT

Fund Manager





## Investment strategy

Share I

## A responsible selection of Eurozone equities based on proprietary ESG analysis

Sycomore Sélection Responsable is a conviction-driven fund which aims to deliver financial returns above those of the EuroStoxx Total Return index over a minimum investment horizon of five years, by applying a multithemed socially responsible investment process (energy transition, health, nutrition, digital, etc.) in keeping with the United Nations' Sustainable Development Goals. The fund mainly invests in the capital of quality Eurozone companies, which benefit from sustainable development opportunities and whose intrinsic valuation is believed to be above their stock market value.

## Performance as of 29.02.2024



Statistics										
	Corr.	Beta	Alpha	Vol.	Bench.	Track.	Sharpe	Info	Draw	Bench.
					Vol	Error	Ratio	Ratio	Down	DD
3 years	1.0	0.9	-1.6%	16.2%	16.8%	4.0%	0.4	-0.6	-27.5%	-24.6%
Inception	1.0	0.8	1.9%	16.3%	18.8%	5.9%	0.5	0.1	-35.1%	-37.9%

## Fund commentary

Eurozone equity markets hit new highs in February, driven by the performance of cyclical growth companies, notably within the industrial, technology and consumer spending sectors. Our positioning enabled the fund to benefit from this trend thanks to thematic investments in electrification (Prysmian, Siemens, Schneider Electric), Artificial Intelligence (ASML, SAP) and the luxury sector (Brunello Cucinelli, LVMH). Furthermore, the rotation carried out within the portfolio over the past few weeks in favour of undervalued sectors and stocks, such as Michelin and Renault in the auto industry, KPN in telecoms and Smurfit Kappa in materials, also contributed positively to performance. Key movements within the fund in February included trimming our exposure to quality growth companies due to high valuations (ASML, Schneider Electric, Coloplast...) to continue repositioning the portfolio with a focus on undervalued sectors and companies.

## sycomore sélection responsable

## **Fund Information Inception date** 24/01/2011

#### **ISIN codes**

Share I - FR0010971705 Share ID - FR0012719524 Share ID2 - FR0013277175 Share RP - FR0010971721

## **Bloomberg tickers**

Share I - SYSEREI FP Share ID - SYSERED FP Share ID2 - SYSERD2 FP Share RP - SYSERER FP

Benchmark EURO STOXX Net Return

Legal form Mutual fund

Domiciliation France

**PEA** eligibility Yes

**Investment period** 5 yrs

**Minimum investment** None

**UCITS V** Yes

Valuation Daily

Currency EUR

Cut-Off 12pm CET Paris (BPSS)

**Cash Settlement** D+2

**Management fees** 

Share I - 1.00% Share ID - 1.00% Share ID2 - 1.00% Share RP - 2.00%

Performance fees 15% > Benchmark

**Transaction fees** None

## Portfolio

91%	
34%	
38	
71%	
61.1€bn	
	34% 38 71%

## Sector exposure



\*Fund weight - weight EURO STOXX Net Return

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The analysis process covers 90 criteria and leads to a rating per letter. These 5 ratings are weighted based on the company's most material impacts\*.

SPICE

rating

3.8/5

3.6/5

3.4/5

3.4/5

3.8/5

3.9/5

4.3/5

4.0/5

3.3/5

4.1/5

NEC

+28%

+26%

+20%

-13%

+5%

+6%

-2%

0%

+1%

0%

CS

24%

35%

31%

43%

-22%

20%

27%

25%

18%

18%

Weight

4.8%

4.7%

4.7%

4.6%

4.3%

4.3%

4.1%

3.8%

3.6%

3.6%

L% %	6% 10% 10% 15%	<ul><li>Netherlands</li><li>Spain</li></ul>	■ Italy ■ Othe
D	Market cap breal	cdown	
	2%	Above	€10bn

	Fund	Index
SPICE	3.7/5	3.6/5
S score	3.4/5	3.2/5
P score	3.7/5	3.5/5
l score	3.8/5	3.7/5
C score	3.8/5	3.6/5
E score	3.6/5	3.2/5

## Performance contributors

	Avg. weight	Contrib
Positive		
ASML	5.1%	0.51%
Renault	4.6%	0.45%
Prysmian	4.5%	0.43%
Negative		
Société Générale	3.4%	-0.26%
Iberdrola	2.5%	-0.16%
Infineon	0.9%	-0.08%

## **Portfolio changes**

Top 10

Prysmian

Renault

LVMH

SAP

ASMI

Michelin

Société

Générale

Air Liquide

Siemens AG

KPN

Buy	Reinforcement	Sell	Reduction
Intesa S.	Essilorlux.	Adv Micro	Asml
	Iberdrola	Engie	Schneider E.
	Roche	Autoliv	Infineon

performance. Before investing, first consult the FUND's KIID available on our www.sycomore-am.com website. \*To learn more about SPICE, see our ESG Integration and Shareholder Engagement Policy.

## Valuation

	Fund	Index	
Ratio P/E 2024	11.8x	12.7x	
Croissance bénéficiaire 2024	7.6%	7.1%	
Ratio P/BV 2024	1.4x	1.6x	
Return on Equity	11.9%	12.8%	
Rendement 2024	3.5%	3.5%	

France

Germany

€5bn to €10bn

Others

## Country breakdown



## sycomore sélection responsable

## Sustainability thematics

5% <sup>8%</sup> 9%	27%
14%	
18%	19%

- Health & Safety
   Energy transition
   Digital and communication
- SPICE Leadership
- SPICE transformation
- Sustainable mgmt of resources
- Others

	Fund	Index
ESG*	3.6/5	3.4/5
Environment	3.6/5	3.2/5
Social	3.6/5	3.4/5
Governance	3.6/5	3.5/5

## **Environmental analysis**

## Net Environmental Contribution (NEC) \*\*

Degree of alignment of the economic models with the ecological transition, integrating biodiversity and climate, on a scale running from -100% for eco-obstruction to +100% for eco-solution, where 0% equates to the average environmental impact of the global economy. The results are expressed in NEC 1.0 (nec-initiative.org) calculés par Sycomore AM sur la base de données des années 2018 à 2021. *Coverage rate : fund 100% / index 99%* 



## European taxonomy

Percentage of revenues derived from eligible activities to the EU taxonomy *Coverage rate : fund 100% / index 99%* 



## Temperature rising - SB2A

Induced average temperature increase by 2100 compared to pre-industrial times, according to the Science-Based 2°C Alignment methodology. *Coverage rate : fund 92%* 



Climate alignment - SBTi

Share of companies that have validated their greenhouse gas reduction targets with the Science-Based Targets initiative.

ESG coores



## Carbon footprint

Annual greenhouse gas emissions (GHG Protocol) from upstream scopes 1, 2 and 3 per thousand euros invested\*\*\*.

Coverage rate : Tund 99%	/ Index 99%	
	Fund	Index
kg. eq. CO ₂ /year/k€	142	168

## Fossil fuel exposure

Percentage of income derived from the three fossil energies.

Index			
Carbon	Oil	Gas	4%
	_ •	0	

## **Biodiversity footprint**

Artificialised surface area in m<sup>2</sup> MSA per k $\in$  invested\*\*\*, measured by the Corporate Biodiversity Footprint. Mean Species Abundance (MSA) is assessed in comparison with the original state of the environment.

<i>Coverage rate : fund 99% / index 98%</i>				
	Fund	Index		
m².MSA/k€	-83	-64		

\*IPCC Sixth Assessment Report «Climate Change 2022: Mitigation of Climate Change». https://www.ipcc.ch/assessment-report/ar6/

## Societal and social analysis

## Societal contribution\*\*

Contribution of the economic activity of companies to the resolution of major societal issues, on a scale from -100% to +100%. *Coverage rate : fund 100% / index 95%* +30%



## Human rights policy

Percentage of portfolio companies that have drawn up a Human Rights policy. *Coverage rate : fund 100% / index 99%* Fund



## Gender equality ♀/ ♂

Percentage of women in total company headcounts and executive committees. Staff cov. rate: fund 100% / index 99% ExecComm cov. rate: fund 100% / index 100%



in staff in ExecComm

Sources: company data, Sycomore AM, Trucost, Bloomberg, Science Based Targets, Vigeo. Methodologies and approaches may differ between issuers and providers of extra-financial data. Sycomore AM does not guarantee the accuracy, completeness, and exhaustiveness of the extra-financial reports.\*ESG-SPICE correspondence: E=E, S=(P+S+C)/3, G is a sub-part of I, which represents 40%.\*\*The fund has committed to outperforming the benchmark on these two indicators. The other indicators are shown for illustrative purposes.\*\*\*Footprint allocated prorata to enterprise value, cash included.

38%

38%

## sycomore sélection responsable





ESG follow-up, news and dialogue

## **Dialogue and engagement**

#### Intesa Sanpaolo

By the end of 2023, Italy's antitrust authority opened a probe into the way Intesa Sanpaolo had started shifting thousands of customers to its mobileonly service Isybank launched last June. It indicated to Intesa Sanpaolo that they need to have the explicit consent of customers to proceed to this shift. According to Intesa Sanpaolo, only 2,000 clients indicated that they want to remain Intesa Sanpaolo clients. Intesa Sanpaolo plans to transfer 4 millions customers to Isybank by 2025.

### **ESG** controversies

#### Santander

Santander is under investigation by the UK's Financial Conduct Authority. The Financial Times has revealed in its article that the bank had opened bank accounts for companies owned by Iran. We are in contact with Santander, which has specified that the accounts in question have now been closed.

## Votes

**3 / 3** voted general assemblies over the month. Details on our votes are available here the day following the company's AGM <u>Here</u>. This chart represents the main exposures to the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals and their 169 targets. Exposure is defined as the opportunity, for each company, to contribute positively to reaching SDGs, providing their products and services. This exercise doesn't aim to measure the companies effective contribution to SDGs, which is computed through our societal contribution (CS) and net environnemental contribution (NEC) metrics. For each invested company, activities are analysed in order to identify those which are exposed to SDGs. For a same activity, its number of targets can vary between 0 and 2. The company target exposure to one of its activities is weighted by the revenue share gained from this activity. For more details, our annual SRI report is available in our ESG documentation.

## No significant exposure : 22%

#### Michelin

Michelin is being investigated by the European Commission over a suspected plot to fix prices for new replacement tyres on cars, vans, trucks and buses sold in Europe. Continental, Bridgestone, Goodyear and Nokian are also under investigation. The Michelin group has stated it contested these allegations and complies with the antitrust rules in the countries in which it operates.

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## sycomore sélection midcap

Isin code | FR0013303534 NAV | 101.9€

Assets | 82.1 M€

**FEBRUARY 2024** 

## SFDR 8

Sustainable Investments	
% AUM:	≥ 50%

% Companies*:	≥ 50%
*Excluding derivatives, cash	& equivalent

### **Risk indicator**



The risk indicator assumes you keep the product for 5 years. **Warning :** the actual risk can vary significantly if you cash in at an early stage and you may get back less.

The fund does not offer any guarantee of return or performance and presents a risk of capital loss

## Investment Team



**Hugo MAS** Fund Manager



**Alban PRÉAUBERT** Fund Manager



Share I

France

## Investment strategy

#### A responsible selection of mid-caps

Sycomore Sélection Midcap seeks to outperform the MSCI EMU Smid Cap Net Return index (dividends reinvested) by employing a socially responsible and multi-themed investment process (energy transition, healthcare, nutrition, well-being, digital...) in keeping with the United Nations' Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). Primarily exposed to EU country equities, the fund specifically targets the mid-cap segment, with no sector constraints. Our ESG exclusion and selection methodology is fully integrated into our corporate fundamental analysis framework.

## Performance as of 29.02.2024



	Feb	2024	1 year	3 yrs	<b>*08/20</b>	Annu.	2023	2022	2021
Fund %	0.5	0.8	-0.7	6.1	31.9	8.1	10.3	-20.5	25.4
Index %	0.9	0.9	0.8	8.9	28.0	7.2	10.8	-16.0	18.9

\*The performances achieved before August 10, 2020 were achieved according to an investment strategy different from the one currently in force.

## Statistics

	Corr.	Beta	Alpha	Vol.	Bench.	Track.	Sharpe	Info	Draw	Bench.
					Vol	Error	Ratio	Ratio	Down	DD
08/20*	1.0	1.0	0.8%	17.8%	16.5%	5.4%	0.4	0.2	-30.2%	-27.9%

#### Fund commentary

We haven't heard the last from inflation, which is frustrating the market's optimistic expectations of rate cuts. Small caps underperformed again this month, impacted by rising sovereign yields in Europe. The latter have taken precedence over economic indicators suggesting the worst is now behind us in the Euro zone. Several portfolio companies published strong earnings, boosting the fund's performance. These included ALK, the leading manufacturer of anti-allergy treatments, which confirmed its strong growth trajectory for 2024 (revenue expected to grow 9-12%). The company also expects its profit margin to expand substantially by 2025. Conversely, Compugroup continued to disappoint investors with a major and unexpected restructuring plan and a rather unconvincing outlook. Companies exposed to power production (Solaria, ERG) were also under pressure as spot prices in the wholesale electricity market fell sharply at the beginning of the year.

The labels aim to guide investors in identifying sustainable and responsible investments. The composition of the management team is subject to change without notice. Before investing, first consult the Fund's KIID available on our <a href="http://www.sycomore-am.com">www.sycomore-am.com</a> website. \*Shareclass I created on 10/08/2020, past values over this date are simulated from the shareclass A.

## sycomore sélection midcap

## Fund Information

## 10/12/2003

### ISIN codes

Share A - FR0010376343 Share I - FR0013303534 Share R - FR0010376368

## **Bloomberg tickers**

Share A - SYNSMAC FP Share I - SYNSMAI FP Share R - SYNSMAR FP

Benchmark MSCI EMU Smid Net Return

Legal form Mutual fund

**Domiciliation** France

**PEA eligibility** Yes

Investment period 5 yrs

Minimum investment None

UCITS V Yes

Valuation Daily

Currency EUR

Cut-Off 12pm CET Paris (BPSS)

Cash Settlement D+2

Management fees Share A - 1.50%

Share I - 1.00% Share R - 2.00%

Performance fees 15% > Benchmark

Transaction fees None

## Portfolio

Equity exposure	96%	Ratio P/E 2024
Overlap with benchmark	8%	Croissance bé
Number of holdings	50	Ratio P/BV 20
Weight of top 20 stocks	58%	Return on Equ
Median market cap	4.0 €bn	Rendement 20

## Sector exposure



## Valuation

	Fund	Index
Ratio P/E 2024	16.5x	11.4x
Croissance bénéficiaire 2024	9.9%	4.7%
Ratio P/BV 2024	2.3x	1.2x
Return on Equity	13.8%	10.7%
Rendement 2024	2.2%	3.6%

## Country breakdown



## Market cap breakdown



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The analysis process covers 90 criteria and leads to a rating pe

letter. These 5 ratings are weighted based on the company

SPICE

rating

3.8/5

3.3/5

3.7/5

3.6/5

3.8/5

4.0/5

3.9/5

3.7/5

35/5

3.6/5

NEC

0%

0%

0%

0%

-10%

+3%

-13%

+42%

+0%

+20%

CS

18%

13%

43%

25%

37%

-15%

-5%

0%

0%

39%

Weight

4.9%

4.3%

4.3%

3.7%

3.6%

3.3%

3.1%

3.0%

28%

2.4%

	Fund	Index
SPICE	3.6/5	3.4/5
S score	3.3/5	3.1/5
P score	3.6/5	3.3/5
l score	3.7/5	3.5/5
C score	3.7/5	3.4/5
E score	3.4/5	3.2/5

## Performance contributors

	Avg. weight	Contrib
Positive		
Brunello C.	3.1%	0.65%
Sopra Steria	4.6%	0.46%
ALK-abello A/S	2.1%	0.37%
Negative		
Compu Grp. Medic.	1.1%	-0.41%
INWIT	4.0%	-0.34%
Solaria Energia	1.9%	-0.29%

## Portfolio changes

most material impacts\*.

Top 10

lpsos

Arcadis

INWIT

Virbac

Alten

Brunello C.

De Longhi

Brembo

DEME Group

Sopra Steria

Buy	Reinforcement	Sell	Reduction
Fluidra	Sopra Steria	Aperam	Dieteren
Argan	Delonghi	Verallia	Interpump
Carl Zeiss	Virbac	Husqvarna	Aixtron AG

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## sycomore sélection midcap



- Sustainable mgmt of resources
   SPICE Leadership
  - Digital and communication
  - Energy transition
  - Nutrition and well-being
  - Health & Safety
     SPICE transformation
  - Access and Inclusion

 Fund
 Index

 ESG\*
 3.5/5
 3.2/5

 Environment
 3.4/5
 3.2/5

 Social
 3.5/5
 3.2/5

 Governance
 3.5/5
 3.3/5

## **Environmental analysis**

## Net Environmental Contribution (NEC) \*\*

Degree of alignment of the economic models with the ecological transition, integrating biodiversity and climate, on a scale running from -100% for eco-obstruction to +100% for eco-solution, where 0% equates to the average environmental impact of the global economy. The results are expressed in NEC 1.0 (nec-initiative.org) calculés par Sycomore AM sur la base de données des années 2018 à 2021. *Coverage rate : fund 100% / index 90%* 



## Temperature rising - SB2A

Induced average temperature increase by 2100 compared to pre-industrial times, according to the Science-Based 2°C Alignment methodology. *Coverage rate : fund 47%* 



\*IPCC Sixth Assessment Report «Climate Change 2022: Mitigation of Climate Change», https://www.jpcc.ch/assessment-report/ar6/

## Societal and social analysis

## Societal contribution\*\*

Contribution of the economic activity of companies to the resolution of major societal issues, on a scale from -100% to +100%. *Coverage rate : fund 89% / index 71%* +23% Fund



## Climate alignment - SBTi

Share of companies that have validated their greenhouse gas reduction targets with the Science-Based Targets initiative.

**ESG** scores



## Carbon footprint

Annual greenhouse gas emissions (GHG Protocol) from upstream scopes 1, 2 and 3 per thousand euros invested\*\*\*. *Coverage rate : fund 99% / index 98%* 

	Fund	Index
kg. eq. CO ₂ /year/k€	108	279

## European taxonomy

Percentage of revenues derived from eligible activities to the EU taxonomy *Coverage rate : fund 99% / index 95%* Fund



## Fossil fuel exposure

Percentage of income derived from the three fossil energies.



## The Good Jobs Rating - Quantity

Degree of contribution of companies to sustainable job creation - Focus on the Quantity dimension: direct, indirect and induced job creation over the last three years. *Coverage rate : fund 100% / index 95%* Fund



## Gender equality % of

Percentage of women in total company headcounts and executive committees. *Staff cov. rate: fund 100% / index 97% ExecComm cov. rate: fund 99% / index 98%* 



Sources: company data, Sycomore AM, Trucost, Bloomberg, Science Based Targets, Vigeo. Methodologies and approaches may differ between issuers and providers of extra-financial data. Sycomore AM does not guarantee the accuracy, completeness, and exhaustiveness of the extra-financial reports.\*ESG-SPICE correspondence: E=E, S=(P+S+C)/3, G is a sub-part of I, which represents 40%.\*\*The fund has committed to outperforming the benchmark on these two indicators. The other indicators are shown for illustrative purposes.\*\*\*Footprint allocated prorata to enterprise value, cash included.





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## No significant exposure : 26%

## ESG follow-up, news and dialogue

## Dialogue and engagement

No comment

## **ESG** controversies

No comment

#### Votes

**2 / 2** voted general assemblies over the month. Details on our votes are available here the day following the company's AGM <u>Here</u>.

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## sycomore sélection pme

Isin code | FR0011707470 NAV | 6,196.1€

Assets | 76.5 M€

**FEBRUARY 2024** 

## SFDR 8

am

Sustainable Investments	
% AUM:	≥ 50%
% Companies*:	≥ 50%

\*Excluding derivatives, cash & equivalent

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### **Risk indicator**



The risk indicator assumes you keep the product for 5 years. **Warning :** the actual risk can vary significantly if you cash in at an early stage and you may get back less.

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## Investment Team



**Alban PRÉAUBERT** Fund Manager

Hugo MAS

Fund Manager

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#### Investment strategy

Share I

#### A responsible selection of SMEs

Sycomore Sélection PME seeks to deliver superior returns over a 5-year investment horizon by employing a socially responsible and multithemed investment process (energy transition, healthcare, nutrition, well-being, digital...) in keeping with the United Nations' Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). Primarily exposed to EU country equities, the fund specifically targets European SMEs that meet the PEA-PME scheme selection criteria, with no sector constraints. Our ESG exclusion and selection methodology is fully integrated into our corporate fundamental analysis framework.

## Performance as of 29.02.2024



	Corr.	Beta	Alpha	Vol.	Bench.	Track.	Sharpe	Info	Draw	Bench.
					Vol	Error	Ratio	Ratio	Down	DD
3 years	0.9	0.9	-4.4%	15.0%	15.8%	6.5%	-0.2	-0.7	-34.8%	-28.4%
Inception	0.8	0.5	3.7%	12.4%	19.0%	12.2%	0.5	0.1	-45.0%	-65.8%

## Fund commentary

We haven't heard the last from inflation, which is frustrating the market's optimistic expectations of rate cuts. Small caps underperformed again this month, impacted by rising sovereign yields in Europe, despite economic indicators suggesting the worst is now behind us in the Euro zone. The fund's performance was lifted by robust earnings publications, including from Harvia, the leading sauna company (organic growth resumed in Q4, excellent performance in North America, operating margin above 20%) and Inwindo, one of Europe's leading window manufacturers (stable margin in 2023 despite lower volumes and high cash flow generation allowing the company to envisage new acquisitions after the successful integration of Sidey). We initiated a position in Guerbet, which closed the year spectacularly after solving its issues in Raleigh. In contrast, Poujoulat disappointed investors (revenue guidance revised downwards due to a price effect on wood pellets and to a slower than expected recovery on the chimney flue segment), as did Delfingen (operating margin also downgraded due to a slowdown at the end of the year caused by the UAW strikes in North America).

## sycomore sélection pme

## **Fund Information Inception date** 31/07/2006

**ISIN** codes Share I - FR0011707470 Share R - FR0011707488

**Bloomberg tickers** Share I - SYCPMEI FP Share R - SYCPMER FP

Benchmark None

**Comparison index** Euro Stoxx TMI Small TR

Legal form Mutual fund

Domiciliation France

**PEA** eligibility Yes

**Investment period** 5 yrs

**Minimum investment** None

**UCITS V** Yes

Valuation Daily

Currency EUR

Cut-Off 12pm CET Paris (BPSS)

**Cash Settlement** D+2

**Management fees** Share I - 1.20% Share R - 2.40%

**Performance fees** 

15% > 7% Net Annu. perf. with HWM

**Transaction fees** None

## Portfolio

Equity exposure	98%
Overlap with benchmark	2%
Number of holdings	58
Median market cap	0.8 €bn

## Sector exposure





	Fund	Index
Ratio P/E 2024	15.2x	12.4x
Croissance bénéficiaire 2024	12.3%	4.6%
Ratio P/BV 2024	2.1x	1.4x
Return on Equity	13.7%	11.0%
Rendement 2024	2.3%	3.4%

## Country breakdown



## Market cap breakdown



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The analysis process covers 90 criteria and leads to a rating per letter. These 5 ratings are weighted based on the company's most material impacts\*.

SPICE

rating

3.9/5

3.5/5

3.8/5

3.7/5

4.0/5

4.1/5

3.5/5

0.0/5

3.8/5

3.5/5

NEC

+2%

0%

9%

+10%

+70%

0%

-19%

0%

0%

-10%

+28%

Weight

3.4%

2.7%

2.6%

2.6%

2.5%

2.5%

2.5%

2.4%

24%

2.4%

	Fund	Index
SPICE	3.7/5	3.4/5
S score	3.3/5	3.1/5
P score	3.6/5	3.3/5
l score	3.8/5	3.4/5
C score	3.8/5	3.5/5
E score	3.4/5	3.2/5

## Performance contributors

CS		Avg. weight	Contrib
39%	Positive		
33%	Harvia	2.2%	0.39%
33%	adesso	1.5%	0.31%
60%	SAF-Holland	1.7%	0.28%
10%	Negative		
35%	Delfingen	1.2%	-0.35%
69%	EnergieKontor	2.3%	-0.35%
0%	Befesa SA	2.1%	-0.23%
0%			

## **Portfolio changes**

Top 10

Esker

Nexus

Vygrs du Mnd

Séché Env.

Neurones

Harvia

Inwido

Cewe

Trigano

Rovi

Buy	Reinforcement	Sell	Reduction
Guerbet	Luve	Exel Ind.	Sii
	Steico		Cembre
	Elmos		Aixtron AG

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## sycomore sélection pme

## Sustainability thematics



- Sustainable mgmt of resources
  - SPICE Leadership
     Digital and communication
  - Energy transition
  - Nutrition and well-being
  - Health & Safety
  - SPICE transformation
  - Access and Inclusion

## ESG scores

	Fund	Index
ESG*	3.5/5	3.3/5
Environment	3.4/5	3.2/5
Social	3.5/5	3.3/5
Governance	3.6/5	3.3/5

## **Environmental analysis**

#### Net Environmental Contribution (NEC) \*\*

Degree of alignment of the economic models with the ecological transition, integrating biodiversity and climate, on a scale running from -100% for eco-obstruction to +100% for eco-solution, where 0% equates to the average environmental impact of the global economy. The results are expressed in NEC 1.0 (nec-initiative.org) calculés par Sycomore AM sur la base de données des années 2018 à 2021. *Coverage rate : fund 99% / index 78%* 



## Temperature rising - SB2A

Induced average temperature increase by 2100 compared to pre-industrial times, according to the Science-Based 2°C Alignment methodology. *Coverage rate : fund 29%* 



## Climate alignment - SBTi

Share of companies that have validated their greenhouse gas reduction targets with the Science-Based Targets initiative.



## Carbon footprint

Annual greenhouse gas emissions (GHG Protocol) from upstream scopes 1, 2 and 3 per thousand euros invested\*\*\*. *Coverage rate : fund 95% / index 97%* Fund Index kg. eq. CO ₂ /year/k€ 168 317

#### European taxonomy Percentage of revenues c

Percentage of revenues derived from eligible activities to the EU taxonomy *Coverage rate : fund 73% / index 90%* 

62%

Fund



#### Fossil fuel exposure

Percentage of income derived from the three fossil energies.



\*IPCC Sixth Assessment Report «Climate Change 2022: Mitigation of Climate Change». https://www.ipcc.ch/assessment-report/ar6/

## Societal and social analysis

## Societal contribution\*\*

Contribution of the economic activity of companies to the resolution of major societal issues, on a scale from -100% to +100%. *Coverage rate : fund 83% / index 55%* +31%



## The Good Jobs Rating - Quantity

Degree of contribution of companies to sustainable job creation - Focus on the Quantity dimension: direct, indirect and induced job creation over the last three years. *Coverage rate : fund 100% / index 88%* Fund



## Gender equality \$\ o

Percentage of women in total company headcounts and executive committees. *Staff cov. rate: fund 99% / index 93% ExecComm cov. rate: fund 94% / index 96%* 





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## sycomore sélection pme





ESG follow-up, news and dialogue

#### **Dialogue and engagement**

#### Befesa

We visited the recycling facility dedicated to hazardous waste generated by steelworks, located close to Bilbao. This is one of the group's most productive secondary zinc facilities, thanks to its continuous production process. The activity is capital and energy intensive but requires little human intervention.

#### **ESG** controversies

#### No comment

#### Votes

1 / 1 voted general assembly over the month.Details on our votes are available here the day following the company's AGM <u>Here</u>.

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## No significant exposure : 15%

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## sycomore europe éco solutions sycomore Share I am

Isin code | LU1183791281 NAV | 157.3€ **FEBRUARY 2024** 

Assets | 503.7 M€

## SFDR 9

Sustainable Investments	
% AUM:	≥ 80%
% Companies*:	100%

\*Excluding derivatives, cash & equivalent

## **Risk indicator**



The risk indicator assumes you keep the product for 5 years. Warning : the actual risk can vary significantly if you cash in at an early stage and you may get back less.

The fund does not offer any guarantee of return or performance and presents a risk of capital loss

## Investment Team



Anne-Claire ABADIE Fund Manager



Alban PRÉAUBERT Fund Manager



Belgium

Germany

## Investment strategy

## A European selection of companies supporting the environmental transition

Sycomore Europe Eco Solutions invests in listed European companies across the entire market capitalisation spectrum. The fund focuses on companies with business models that support the environmental transition according to the Net Environmental Contribution (NEC) metric, covering a wide range of areas: renewable energy, energy efficiency and electrification, mobility, natural resources, renovation and construction, circular economy, food, and ecosystem services. The fund excludes businesses that destroy biodiversity, contribute towards global warming, or display poor Environmental, Societal and Governance ratings.

## Performance as of 29.02.2024



	Corr.	Beta	Alpha	Vol.	Bench.	Track.	Sharpe	Info	Draw	Bench.
					Vol	Error	Ratio	Ratio	Down	DD
3 years	0.9	1.0	-10.7%	16.9%	14.4%	8.5%	-0.1	-1.4	-29.7%	-19.5%
Inception	0.9	0.9	-0.1%	16.8%	16.5%	7.9%	0.3	-0.1	-34.2%	-35.3%

## Fund commentary

While the economic environment remains supportive for equity markets, higher than expected inflation readings in the United States dampened any hopes of fast and substantial interest rate cuts. As a result, renewable energy producers (EDPR, Neoen, ERG, Solaria) continued to suffer from high rates and from the sharp drop of electricity prices in Europe and have retreated to their pre-Ukraine war levels after posting deeply negative absolute returns since the beginning the year. However, the other themes proved more favourable to the fund, including electrification (Schneider Electric, Prysmian, Nexans) and positive surprises within the construction industry, where expectations were rather low (Rockwool, Kingspan). Within the solar industry, Nextracker ranked among top contributors to performance, boosted by a strong order momentum for solar trackers in the US renewables market and from gaining market share over its main competitor.

## sycomore europe éco solutions

## Fund Information

31/08/2015

**ISIN codes** Share I - LU1183791281 Share R - LU1183791794

Bloomberg tickers Share I - SYCECOI LX Share R - SYCECOR LX

Benchmark MSCI Europe Net Return

Legal form SICAV compartment

Domiciliation Luxembourg

**PEA eligibility** Yes

Investment period 5 yrs

Minimum investment None

UCITS V Yes

Valuation Daily

Currency EUR

Cut-Off 11am CET Paris (BPSS LUX)

Cash Settlement D+2

Management fees Share I - 1.00% Share R - 2.00%

Performance fees 15% > Benchmark

Transaction fees None

## Portfolio

Equity exposure	99%
Overlap with benchmark	5%
Number of holdings	49
Weight of top 20 stocks	63%
Median market cap	9.2 €bn

## Sector exposure



## Valuation

	Fund	Index
Ratio P/E 2024	15.8x	13.5x
Croissance bénéficiaire 2024	7.3%	6.3%
Ratio P/BV 2024	1.9x	1.9x
Return on Equity	11.8%	13.9%
Rendement 2024	2.5%	3.5%

## Country breakdown



## Market cap breakdown



SPICE,	for	Society	& 5	Suppliers,	People,	Investors,	Clients
Enviror	imen	t is our to	ool fo		ng a com	pany's perfo	ormance
on sus	taina	bility crite	eria.	This tool	incorpora	ites the an	alysis of
econor	nic, g	governan	ce, e	nvironmer	ntal, socia	l, and socie	etal risks
and op	portu	unities co	verin	g both the	e compan	y's daily op	erations
and its	prod	uct and s	ervic	e offer.			

The analysis process covers 90 criteria and leads to a rating per letter. These 5 ratings are weighted based on the company's most material impacts\*.

Weight

5.7%

5.3%

3.9%

3.6%

3.6%

3.5%

3.4%

3.3%

3.1%

3.1%

SPICE

rating

4.2/5

3.7/5

3.9/5

3.8/5

4.0/5

3.8/5

3.8/5

3.7/5

4.0/5

4.3/5

	Fund	Index
SPICE	3.8/5	3.5/5
S score	3.5/5	3.1/5
P score	3.7/5	3.4/5
l score	3.8/5	3.7/5
C score	3.8/5	3.4/5
E score	4.1/5	3.1/5

## Performance contributors

NEC		Avg. weight	Contrib
+13%	Positive		
+52%	Schneider E.	5.3%	0.66%
+16%	Nextracker	2.0%	0.53%
+14%	Rockwool	2.3%	0.37%
+100%	Negative		
+11%	EDP Renovaveis	2.8%	-0.47%
+28%	Neoen	1.8%	-0.37%
+20%	Acciona	1.7%	-0.30%
+93%			
+16%			

## Portfolio changes

**Top 10** 

Veolia

Infineon

Arcadis

Legrand

FRG

Schneider E.

Saint Gobain

STMicroelec. Prysmian

Vestas Wind Sys.

Buy	Reinforcement	Sell	Reduction
E.On	Smurfit	Steico	Solaria
	Orsted	Sif	Schneider E.
	Kingspan		Sca

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Renewable energy
 Circular enconomy
 Green building
 Green mobility

Others

Energy efficiency & electrification

Sustainable natural resources



	Fund	Index
ESG*	3.8/5	3.3/5
Environment	4.1/5	3.1/5
Social	3.6/5	3.3/5
Governance	3.7/5	3.5/5

## **Environmental analysis**

### Net Environmental Contribution (NEC)\*\*

Degree of alignment of the economic models with the ecological transition, integrating biodiversity and climate, on a scale running from -100% for eco-obstruction to +100% for eco-solution, where 0% equates to the average environmental impact of the global economy. The results are expressed in NEC 1.0 (nec-initiative.org) scores are provided by Degree to the average to the provided economy.



#### **Temperature rising - SB2A**

Induced average temperature increase by 2100 compared to pre-industrial times, according to the Science-Based 2°C Alignment methodology. *Coverage rate : fund 79%* 



\*IPCC Sixth Assessment Report «Climate Change 2022: Mitigation of Climate Change». https://www.ipcc.ch/assessment-report/ar6/

## Climate alignment - SBTi

Share of companies that have validated their greenhouse gas reduction targets with the Science-Based Targets initiative. Fund



## **Carbon footprint**

Annual greenhouse gas emissions (GHG Protocol) from upstream scopes 1, 2 and 3 per thousand euros invested\*\*\*.

Coverage rate . Turiu 37	10 / IIIUEX 33/0	,
	Fund	Index
kg. eq. CO ₂ /year/k€	274	147

#### Greenfin Breakdown\*\*

Companies breakdown according to their revenue generated by eco and excluded activities defined by <u>the Greenfin label</u>

#### Fund

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- Type I > 50% of Revenue (Fund 61%, Index 3%)
- Type II 10 to 50% of Revenue (Fund 39%, Index 6%)
- Type III < 10% of Revenue (Fund 0%, Index 74%)</p>
  Excluded (Fund 0%, Index 16%)
- Non covered (Fund 0%, Index 1%)

## European taxonomy

Percentage of revenues derived from eligible activities to the EU taxonomy *Coverage rate : fund 99% / index 99%* Fund Index

	Fund	Index
Eligible share	80%	39%

## Fossil fuel exposure

Percentage of income derived from the three fossil energies.



## **Biodiversity footprint**

Artificialised surface area in  $m^2$  MSA per  $k {\ensuremath{\varepsilon}}$  invested\*\*\*, measured by the Corporate Biodiversity Footprint. Mean Species Abundance (MSA) is assessed in comparison with the original state of the environment.

Coverage rate : fur	nd 98% / index 99%	
	Fund	Index
m².MSA/k€	-80	-65

## Societal and social analysis

## Societal contribution

Contribution of the economic activity of companies to the resolution of major societal issues, on a scale from -100% to +100%. *Coverage rate : fund 99% / index 78%* 



## Staff growth

Cumulated growth in company headcounts over the past three financial years (data unadjusted in the event of acquisitions, excluding transformational deals).

Coverage rate : fund 97% / index 98%



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## Sustainable development goals exposure



This chart represents the main exposures to the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals and their 169 targets. Exposure is defined as the opportunity, for each company, to contribute positively to reaching SDGs, providing their products and services. This exercise doesn't aim to measure the companies effective contribution to SDGs, which is computed through our societal contribution (CS) and net environnemental contribution (NEC) metrics. For each invested company, activities are analysed in order to identify those which are exposed to SDGs. For a same activity, its number of targets can vary between 0 and 2. The company target exposure to one of its activities is weighted by the revenue share gained from this activity. For more details, our annual SRI report is available in our ESG documentation.

## No significant exposure : 10%



Note: while SDG # 13 does not feature explicitly in this classification, this SDG remains one of the key objectives of our investment strategy and a factor that is systematically integrated and assessed, both at stock picking level and in our measurement of impacts. Nevertheless, based on the wording chosen by the UN, SDG # 13 cannot apply to a corporate company.

## ESG follow-up, news and dialogue

#### **Dialogue and engagement**

#### Neoen

We continued to engage with Neoen on issues of forced and child labour within the company's value chain and suggested the publication of a risk mapping consistent with the recommendations of Human Resources without Borders, focusing initially on the solar and storage businesses.

## **ESG** controversies

### No comment

#### Votes

2 / 2 voted general assemblies over the month.Details on our votes are available here the day following the company's AGM <u>Here</u>.

#### STMicroelectronics

We discussed the company's reorganisation announced in January 2024. This is an important step as it affects reporting lines but will have no impact on most of the employees. The teams will be organised differently, but the company will not be restructured. Multiple consultations were set up after the announcement, notably via team managers, HR, unions, and town halls meetings open to all employees.

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Share IC Isin code | LU2412098654 NAV | 87.4€

**FEBRUARY 2024** 

Assets | 82.1 M€

SFDR 9

Sustainable Investments	
% AUM:	≥80%
% Companies*	100%

% Compa	mes.		100%
*Excluding	derivatives,	cash &	equivalent

## **Risk indicator**



The risk indicator assumes you keep the product for 5 years. **Warning :** the actual risk can vary significantly if you cash in at an early stage and you may get back less.

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## Investment Team



Fund Manager

Thibault RENOUX



Anne-Claire ABADIE Fund Manager



France

## Investment strategy

## A global selection of companies supporting the environmental transition

Sycomore Global Eco Solutions invests in international listed companies across the entire market market capitalization spectrum. The fund focuses on companies with business models that contribute to the environmental transition according to the Net Environmental Contribution (NEC) metric, covering a wide range of areas: renewable energy, energy efficiency and electrification, mobility, natural resources, renovation and construction, circular economy, food, and ecosystem services. The fund excludes businesses that destroy biodiversity, contribute towards global warming, or display poor Environmental, Societal and Governance ratings.

## Performance as of 29.02.2024



	Corr.	Beta	Alpha	Vol.	Bench.	Track.	Sharpe	Info	Draw	Bench.	
					Vol	Error	Ratio	Ratio	Down	DD	
Inception	0.8	1.0	-10.6%	16.5%	14.2%	9.5%	-0.5	-1.2	-27.9%	-16.3%	

## Fund commentary

While the economic environment remains supportive for equity markets, higher than expected inflation readings in the United States dashed any hopes of fast and substantial interest rate cuts. As a result, renewable energy producers (Solaria, EDPR, Boralex) continued to suffer from high rates and from the sharp drop of electricity prices in Europe, retreating to pre-Ukraine war levels. Stronger performances from waste players (Waste Connections, Republic Services, Clean Harbors) supported by their pricing power, helped to offset these losses. Within the solar industry, Nextracker was the top performer within the universe, boosted by a strong order momentum for solar trackers in the US renewables market, having gained market share over its main competitor. First Solar confirmed the execution of its growth strategy and targets 75% annual earnings growth. Quanta Services also beat expectations, thanks to high margins and robust cash flow generation in renewable energy projects. Eaton and Schneider Electric remain lifted by the electrification trend and by their respective exposure to data centers, as emphasised by Nvidia's earnings publication.

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## Fund Information

Inception date 21/12/2021

#### **ISIN** codes

Share IC - LU2412098654 Share RC - LU2412098902

Bloomberg tickers Share IC - SYGESIE LX Share RC - SYGESRE LX

Benchmark MSCI AC World Net Return

Legal form SICAV compartment

Domiciliation Luxembourg

**PEA eligibility** No

Investment period 5 yrs

Minimum investment None

UCITS V Yes

Valuation Daily

Currency EUR

Cut-Off 11am CET Paris (BPSS LUX)

Cash Settlement D+2

Management fees Share IC - 1.00% Share RC - 2.00%

Performance fees 15% > Benchmark

Transaction fees None

## Portfolio

Equity exposure	98%
Overlap with benchmark	2%
Number of holdings	43
Weight of top 20 stocks	65%
Median market cap	23.2 €bn

## Sector exposure



## Valuation

	Fund	Index
Ratio P/E 2024	19.1x	17.9x
Croissance bénéficiaire 2024	11.6%	9.4%
Ratio P/BV 2024	2.5x	2.7x
Return on Equity	13.1%	15.1%
Rendement 2024	1.7%	2.0%

## Country breakdown



## Market cap breakdown



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The analysis process covers 90 criteria and leads to a rating per letter. These 5 ratings are weighted based on the company's most material impacts\*.

Weight

5.4%

4.9%

4.8%

4.6%

4.0%

4.0%

4.0%

4.0%

4 0%

4.0%

SPICE

rating

3.7/5

3.8/5

3.4/5

3.7/5

3.9/5

3.9/5

3.6/5

3.3/5

3.9/5

3.8/5

	Fund	Index
SPICE	3.7/5	3.3/5
S score	3.4/5	2.8/5
P score	3.6/5	3.2/5
l score	3.8/5	3.6/5
C score	3.7/5	3.2/5
E score	3.9/5	3.1/5

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## Performance contributors

NEC		Avg. weight	Contrib
+11%	Positive		
+100%	Quanta Services	5.0%	1.08%
+16%	Eaton Corp.	6.2%	1.06%
+52%	Nextracker	2.5%	0.84%
+42%	Negative		
+71%	EDP Renovaveis	2.2%	-0.36%
+24%	Solaria Energia	1.4%	-0.24%
+65%	Elia Group	2.1%	-0.22%
+16%			

## Portfolio changes

Top 10

Eaton Corp.

**Quanta Services** 

Waste Connections

Kurita Water Industries

Wabtec

Veolia

Equinix

First Solar

Saint Gobain

STMicroelec.

Buy	Reinforcement	Sell	Reduction
BYD	E.On	Solaria	Eaton Corp
Befesa	Edp Renov.	Boralex	Nextracker
	Orsted	Sca	Waste Conn.

+11%

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## **Environmental thematics**

12% 17% 26% 16% 16% 9%	<ul> <li>Circular enconomy</li> <li>Eco-services</li> <li>Green mobility</li> <li>Green building</li> <li>Renewable energy</li> <li>Energy efficiency &amp; electrification</li> <li>Sustainable natural resources</li> </ul>
10%	Sustainable natural resources

SG	scores	

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	Fund	Index
ESG*	3.6/5	3.1/5
Environment	3.9/5	3.1/5
Social	3.5/5	3.0/5
Governance	3.6/5	3.3/5

## **Environmental analysis**

## Net Environmental Contribution (NEC)\*\*

Degree of alignment of the economic models with the ecological transition, integrating biodiversity and climate, on a scale running from -100% for eco-obstruction to +100% for eco-solution, where 0% equates to the average environmental impact of the global economy. The results are expressed in NEC 1.0 (<u>nec-initiative.org</u>) scores calculated by Success to Associate the basis of data collected from 2008 to 2021.



#### **Temperature rising - SB2A**

Induced average temperature increase by 2100 compared to pre-industrial times, according to the Science-Based 2°C Alignment methodology. *Coverage rate : fund 80%* 



\*IPCC Sixth Assessment Report «Climate Change 2022: Mitigation of Climate Change». https://www.ipcc.ch/assessment-report/ar6/

## **Climate alignment - SBTi** Share of companies that have validated their

greenhouse gas reduction targets with the Science-Based Targets initiative.



## **Carbon footprint**

Annual greenhouse gas emissions (GHG Protocol) from upstream scopes 1, 2 and 3 per thousand euros invested\*\*\*.

Coverage rate . Tunu 30% / Thuex 33%							
	Fund	Index					
kg. eq. CO ₂ /year/k€	210	119					

#### Greenfin Breakdown\*\*

Companies breakdown according to their revenue generated by eco and excluded activities defined by <u>the Greenfin label</u>

## Fund Index Type I > 50% of Revenue (Fund 46%, Index 2%) Type II 10 to 50% of Revenue (Fund 43%, Index 2%) Type III < 10% of Revenue (Fund 7%, Index 49%) Excluded (Fund 4%, Index 25%) Non covered (Fund 1%, Index 22%)

### European taxonomy

Percentage of revenues derived from eligible activities to the EU taxonomy Coverage rate : fund 100% / index 77% Fund Index Eligible share 87% 45%

#### Fossil fuel exposure

Percentage of income derived from the three fossil energies.



#### **Biodiversity footprint**

Artificialised surface area in  $m^2$  MSA per  $k {\ensuremath{\in}}$  invested\*\*\*, measured by the Corporate Biodiversity Footprint. Mean Species Abundance (MSA) is assessed in comparison with the original state of the environment.

<i>Coverage rate : fund 82% / index 39%</i>						
	Fund	Index				
m².MSA/k€	-44	-31				

## Societal and social analysis

## Societal contribution

Contribution of the economic activity of companies to the resolution of major societal issues, on a scale from -100% to +100%. *Coverage rate : fund 99% / index 52%* 



## Staff growth

Cumulated growth in company headcounts over the past three financial years (data unadjusted in the event of acquisitions, excluding transformational deals).

Coverage rate : fund 95% / index 77%



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## No significant exposure : 11%



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## ESG follow-up, news and dialogue

## **Dialogue and engagement**

#### Befesa

We visited the recycling facility dedicated to hazardous waste generated by steelworks, located close to Bilbao. This is one of the group's most productive secondary zinc facilities, thanks to its continuous production process. The activity is capital and energy intensive but requires little human intervention.

#### **ESG** controversies

#### No comment

#### Votes

1/1 voted general assembly over the month. Details on our votes are available here the day following the company's AGM Here.

#### **STMicroelectronics**

We discussed the company's reorganisation announced in January 2024. This is an important step as it affects reporting lines but will have no impact on most of the employees. The teams will be organised differently, but the company will not be restructured. Multiple consultations were set up after the announcement, notably via team managers, HR, unions, and town halls meetings open to all employees.

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Isin code | LU1301026206 NAV | 175.3€

Assets | 453.0 M€

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## SFDR 9

Sustainable Investments	
% AUM:	≥ 80%
% Componies*	1000/

% Companies\*: 100% \*Excluding derivatives, cash & equivalent

## **Risk indicator**



The risk indicator assumes you keep the product for 5 years. **Warning :** the actual risk can vary significantly if you cash in at an early stage and you may get back less.

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## Investment Team



**Cyril CHARLOT** Head of Portfolio Management

**Giulia** CULOT

Fund Manager





**Luca FASAN** Fund Manager



Claire MOUCHOTTE SRI analyst



### Investment strategy

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#### A responsible selection of people-driven European companies

Sycomore Europe Happy@Work invests in European companies that pay particular attention to the importance of human capital as a key performance driver. The fund seeks to contribute positively to the human capital issues highlighted in the United Nations' Sustainable Development Goals. Stocks are selected on the basis of rigorous fundamental analysis combined with in-depth ESG research, focusing on a company's ability to promote employee fulfillment and engagement, using a proprietary assessment framework. The analysis draws from the experience and knowledge of field experts, human capital managers and employees. Fund managers also carry out on-site visits. The fund seeks to outperform the Euro Stoxx TR index over 5 years.

### Performance as of 29.02.2024



Past performances do not guarantee future performances. (Source Sycomore AM, Bloomberg)

<b>Fund %</b> 5.6 8.0	44 4 47 7							
	14.4 17.7	46.6	85.8	7.4	15.1	-19.0	15.5	13.0
Index % 3.3 5.3	12.0 31.4	53.5	72.0	6.5	18.5	-12.3	22.7	0.2

Performance prior to 11/04/2015 was achieved by an identical French fund created on 07/06/2015, which was liquidated in favour or the Luxembourg sub-fund.

Statistics										
	Corr.	Beta	Alpha	Vol.	Bench.	Track.	Sharpe	Info	Draw	Bench.
					Vol	Error	Ratio	Ratio	Down	DD
3 years	0.9	0.9	-2.7%	15.6%	16.7%	5.4%	0.3	-0.7	-29.4%	-24.6%
Inception	0.9	0.7	2.3%	14.8%	18.2%	7.5%	0.5	0.1	-31.4%	-37.9%

## Fund commentary

Thanks to a supportive reporting season, European Equity indexes closed on a positive note in February. While the narrative was mostly concentrated on Technology most sectors delivered positive returns, except for utilities, energy and telecommunications. Consumer discretionary the market in Europe, helped by luxury stocks which are poised for stronger growth in 2024. Our positions in Brunello Cuccinelli and Hermès benefited from this trend and robust results. In this environment the strategy outperformed its benchmark. In terms of asset allocation, the fund benefited from our overweight on technology while in terms of stock picking, the contribution was evenly spread. Our positions in Schneider Electric and Prysmian, in the industrial sector, reacted well to strong earnings publications. In Healthcare and Technology, Novo Nordisk in pharma and ASML and Nvidia contributed positively.

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Fund Index

12.8x

1.8x

13.8%

2.9%

18.2x

9.9%

3.1x

16.9%

2.1%

## Fund Information Inception date 04/11/2015

### **ISIN codes** Share I - LU1301026206 Share R - LU1301026388

Bloomberg tickers Share I - SYCHAWI LX Share R - SYCHAWR LX

Benchmark EURO STOXX Net Return

Legal form SICAV compartment

Domiciliation Luxembourg

**PEA eligibility** Yes

Investment period 5 yrs

Minimum investment None

UCITS V Yes

Valuation Daily

Currency EUR

Cut-Off 11am CET Paris (BPSS LUX)

Cash Settlement D+2

Management fees Share I - 1.00% Share R - 2.00%

Performance fees 15% > Benchmark

Transaction fees None

## Portfolio

Equity exposure	97%	Ratio P/E 2024
Overlap with benchmark	27%	Croissance bénéficiaire 2024
Number of holdings	39	Ratio P/BV 2024
Weight of top 20 stocks	72%	Return on Equity
Median market cap	72.7 €bn	Rendement 2024

## Sector exposure



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The analysis process covers 90 criteria and leads to a rating per letter. These 5 ratings are weighted based on the company's most material impacts\*.

Weight

94%

5.3%

4.7%

4.4%

4.3%

4.2%

3.7%

3.4%

3.1%

3.1%

SPICE

rating

4.3/5

3.6/5

3.9/5

3.4/5

4.0/5

4.2/5

3.8/5

3.8/5

3.9/5

3.9/5

People

Score

4.4/5

4.0/5

4.0/5

3.9/5

4.2/5

4.4/5

4.2/5

4.1/5

36/5

4.2/5

14% 6% 10% 14% 18%	<ul> <li>France</li> <li>Germany</li> <li>Italy</li> <li>Netherlands</li> <li>United States</li> <li>Others</li> </ul>
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## Market cap breakdown

Country breakdown

Valuation



	Fund	Index
SPICE	3.9/5	3.6/5
S score	3.5/5	3.2/5
P score	4.0/5	3.5/5
l score	4.0/5	3.7/5
C score	3.9/5	3.6/5
E score	3.6/5	3.2/5

## Performance contributors

	Avg. weight	Contrib
Positive		
ASML	8.7%	0.79%
Hermès	3.0%	0.53%
NVIDIA Corporation	1.8%	0.50%
Negative		
EDP Renovaveis	1.4%	-0.25%
ERG	1.7%	-0.14%
Iberdrola	2.2%	-0.12%

## Portfolio changes

**Top 10** 

ASMI

AXA

SAP

Munich Re.

Schneider E.

Novo Nordisk

BioMérieux

Prysmian

RELX

L'Oreal

Buy	Reinforcement	Sell	Reduction
	L Oréal		Schneider E.
	Microsoft		Nvidia
	Servicenow		Hermès

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## ESG scores

	Fund	Index
ESG*	3.7/5	3.4/5
Environment	3.6/5	3.2/5
Social	3.8/5	3.4/5
Governance	3.8/5	3.5/5

## Societal and social analysis

## Training number of hours\*\*

Average number of hours of training delivered per employee per year in companies. *Coverage rate : fund 93% / index 91%* Fund 34h/yr/employee

Index

26h/yr/employee

## Societal contribution

Contribution of the economic activity of companies to the resolution of major societal issues, on a scale from -100% to +100%. *Coverage rate : fund 100% / index 95%* 



## Gender equality 🆓 🕫

Percentage of women in total company headcounts and executive committees.

Staff coverage rate : fund 100% / index 99%

Taux de couverture Comex : fund 100% / index 100%

Fund
39%
24%
Index
38%
22%
in staff in ExecComm

Environmental analysis

## Net Environmental Contribution (NEC)

Degree of alignment of the economic models with the ecological transition, integrating biodiversity and climate, on a scale running from -100% for eco-obstruction to +100% for eco-solution, where 0% equates to the average environmental impact of the global economy. The results are expressed in NEC 1.0 (nec-initiative.org) calculated by Sycomore AM based from 2018 to 2021.



## Fossil fuel exposure

Percentage of income derived from the three fossil energies.

4%

Fund	
0%	
Index	
Carbon	

Carbon Oil Gas

## Best People score

Best 5 P score in portfolio regarding to our fundamental analysis model.

	People Score
Brunello C.	4.9/5
Hermès	4.5/5
ASML	4.4/5
Schneider E.	4.4/5
Gaztransport & Tech.	4.4/5

## Staff turnover

Average employee exits and recruitments divided by the company's headcount at the start of the period.

Coverage rate : fund 74% / index 70%

Fullu	
	9%
Index	
	11%

Average turnover rates vary greatly depending on countries and sectors. As a result, while the fund naturally invests in companies displaying a lower turnover relative to their sector and region, the portfolio's sector and regional breakdown may have a bearing on its average turnover.

## Carbon footprint

gas emis	sions (GHG
am scopes 1,	2 and 3 per
ed***.	
99% / index 99	1%
Fund	Index
84	168
	99% / index 99 Fund

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## sycomore europe happy@work

## Sustainable development goals exposure



Ensure equal access for all women and men to affordable and guality technical, vocational and tertiary education, including university.

Adopt policies, especially fiscal, wage and social protection policies, and progressively achieve greater equality.

Achieve full and productive employment and decent work for all women and men, including for young people and persons with disabilities, and equal pay for work of equal value

Ensure women's full and effective participation and equal opportunities for leadership at all levels of decisionmaking in political, economic and public life.

Reduce by one third premature mortality from noncommunicable diseases through prevention and treatment and promote mental health and well-being

## ESG follow-up, news and dialogue

## **Dialogue and engagement**

#### Moncler

We had the chance to talk to the Directors of IR and HR at Moncler. It was the first time the HR Director shared the human capital vision of the group directly with an investor. Among others, Moncler has many initiatives to foster creativity and uniqueness, two key values for the group. One key strenght of the company is the autonomy and empowerment given to employees. The group remains quite small compared to other luxury groups, and decisions are taken in a collegial way.

## **ESG** controversies

#### Michelin

Michelin is being investigated by the European Commission over a suspected plot to fix prices for new replacement tyres on cars, vans, trucks and buses sold in Europe. Continental, Bridgestone, Goodyear and Nokian are also under investigation. The Michelin group has stated it contested these allegations and complies with the antitrust rules in the countries in which it operates.

### Votes

voted general assembly over the month. 1/1Details on our votes are available here the day following the company's AGM Here.

#### **STMicroelectronics**

We discussed the company's reorganisation announced in January 2024. This is an important step as it affects reporting lines but will have no impact on most of the employees. The teams will be organised differently, but the company will not be restructured. Multiple consultations were set up after the announcement, notably via team managers, HR, unions, and town halls meetings open to all employees.

14%

10%

#### Intesa Sanpaolo

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30%

26%

21%

4



## sycomore global happy@work

**FEBRUARY 2024** 

Share IC

Isin code | LU2413890901 NAV | 110.7€

Assets | 159.4 M€

## SFDR 9

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Sustainable Investments	
% AUM:	≥ 80%

% Companies*:	100%
*Excluding derivatives, cash	& equivalent

#### **Risk indicator**



The risk indicator assumes you keep the product for 5 years. **Warning :** the actual risk can vary significantly if you cash in at an early stage and you may get back less.

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## **Investment** Team





Giulia CULOT Fund Manager

Luca FASAN

Fund Manager





France

#### Investment strategy

#### A responsible selection of people-driven global companies

Sycomore Global Happy@Work invests in global companies that pay particular attention to the importance of human capital as a key performance driver. The fund seeks to contribute positively to the human capital issues highlighted in the United Nations' Sustainable Development Goals. Stocks are selected on the basis of rigorous fundamental analysis combined with in-depth ESG research focusing on a company's ability to promote employee fulfillment and engagement, using a proprietary assessment framework. The analysis draws from the experience and knowledge of field experts, human capital managers and employees. Fund managers also carry out on-site visits. The fund seeks to outperform the MSCI AC World index (NDEEWNR) over 5 years.

### Performance as of 29.02.2024



		Feb	2024	1	year	Inc.	Annu.	2	2023	2022
Fund %		7.5	13.5		28.3	10.7	4.7		22.4	-23.2
Index %		4.7	7.1		20.7	12.1	5.3		18.1	-13.0
Statistics										
	Corr.	Beta	Alpha	Vol.	Bench.	Track.	Sharpe	Info	Draw	Bench.
					Vol	Error	Ratio	Ratio	Down	DD
Inception	0.9	1.1	-0.8%	17.0%	14.3%	6.2%	0.2	-0.1	-25.0%	-16.3%

#### Fund commentary

Thanks to a supportive reporting season Global Equity Indexes closed on a positive note in February. While the narrative was mostly concentrated on Technology all sectors delivered positive returns with the exception of telecommunications. Technology and consumer discretionary led the market. In this environment the strategy outperformed its benchmark thanks to stock picking, which contributed rather evenly to performance. Our two top contributors were Nvidia in the technology space and Eli Lilly in pharma. Eaton, in industrials, ranked third. Our positions in the luxury sector Hermès, Brunello Cuccinelli and Moncle benefited from improving fundamentals and appealing valuations. On the negative side, Palo Alto suffered from a poor quarter due to a product transition that should extend over a few more quarters.

## sycomore global happy@work



Fund Index

16.7x

94%

2.8x

17.0%

2.0%

25.7x

16.7%

5.5x

21.5%

1.3%

## **Fund Information Inception date** 17/12/2021

**ISIN codes** Share IC - LU2413890901

**Bloomberg tickers** Share IC - SYGHWIE LX

Benchmark MSCI AC World Net Return

Legal form SICAV compartment

Domiciliation Luxembourg

**PEA** eligibility No

**Investment period** 5 yrs

Minimum investment None

UCITS V Yes

Valuation Daily

Currency EUR

Cut-Off 11am CET Paris (BPSS LUX)

**Cash Settlement** D+2

**Management fees** Share IC - 1.00%

**Performance fees** 15% > Benchmark

Transaction fees None

## Portfolio

Equity exposure	97%	Ratio P/E 2024
Overlap with benchmark	17%	Croissance bénéficiaire 2024
Number of holdings	50	Ratio P/BV 2024
Weight of top 20 stocks	63%	Return on Equity
Median market cap	170.4 €bn	Rendement 2024

## Sector exposure



SPICE, for Society & Suppliers, People, Investors, Clients, Environment is our tool for assessing a company's performance on sustainability criteria. This tool incorporates the analysis of economic, governance, environmental, social, and societal risks and opportunities covering both the company's daily operations

The analysis process covers 90 criteria and leads to a rating pe letter. These 5 ratings are weighted based on the company's most material impacts\*.

Weight

7.7%

5.6%

5.3%

3.6%

3.5%

3.1%

3.0%

2.9%

29%

2.8%

SPICE

rating

4.1/5

3.3/5

3.8/5

3.7/5

3.2/5

3.9/5

3.9/5

3.5/5

3.8/5

3.7/5

Country breakdown	
8%	North America
30%	Europe
02/0	Asia-Pacific

## Market cap breakdown

Valuation



	Fund	Index
SPICE	3.8/5	3.3/5
S score	3.3/5	2.8/5
P score	4.0/5	3.2/5
l score	3.9/5	3.6/5
C score	3.6/5	3.2/5
E score	3.4/5	3.1/5

## Performance contributors

People Score		Avg. weight	Contrib
4.0/5	Positive		
4.0/5	NVIDIA Corporation	5.5%	1.36%
3.6/5	Eli Lilly & Co	5.6%	0.92%
4.1/5	Eaton Corp.	3.5%	0.58%
4.1/5	Negative		
4.2/5	EDP Renovaveis	1.0%	-0.17%
3.6/5	Deere & Company	1.5%	-0.11%
4.1/5	ERG	0.9%	-0.09%
3.8/5			
3.4/5			

## **Portfolio changes**

**Progressive Corporation** 

Top 10

Microsoft Corp.

**NVIDIA** Corporation

Eli Lilly & Co

Eaton Corp.

Stryker

RFI X

Intuit Inc.

Taiwan Semi

Verisk Analytics

Buy	Reinforcement	Sell	Reduction
	Advantest		Nvidia
	L Oréal		Palo Alto
	Microsoft		Hermès

## sycomore global happy@work



## ESG scores

	Fund	Index
ESG*	3.6/5	3.1/5
Environment	3.4/5	3.1/5
Social	3.6/5	3.0/5
Governance	3.7/5	3.3/5

## Societal and social analysis

## Human rights policy 🌣

Percentage of portfolio companies that have drawn up a Human Rights policy. Coverage rate : fund 100% / index 91%

96%

Fund

Index

Fund

Index

## 81%

Societal contribution

Contribution of the economic activity of companies to the resolution of major societal issues, on a scale from -100% to +100%. *Coverage rate : fund 100% / index 52%* 



24%

in ExecComm

22%

## Best 5 P score in portfolio regarding to our fundamental analysis model.

**Best People score** 

	People Score
Brunello C.	4.9/5
Waste Connections	4.5/5
Hermès	4.5/5
ASML	4.4/5
Schneider E.	4.4/5

## **Environmental analysis**

in staff

## Net Environmental Contribution (NEC)

Taux de couverture Comex : fund 100% / index 93%

Degree of alignment of the economic models with the ecological transition, integrating biodiversity and climate, on a scale running from -100% for eco-obstruction to +100% for eco-solution, where 0% equates to the average environmental impact of the global economy. The results are expressed in NEC 1.0 (nec-initiative.org) calculated by Sycomore AM based from 2018 to 2021.



## Fossil fuel exposure

38%

37%

Percentage of income derived from the three fossil energies. Fund

3%



## Carbon footprint

ise gas	emissi	ons (GHG
tream sco	pes 1, 2	and 3 per
ested***.		
d 100% / ii	ndex 99%	%
F	Fund	Index
€	37	119
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Ensure women's full and effective participation and equal opportunities for leadership at all levels of decisionmaking in political, economic and public life.

## ESG follow-up, news and dialogue

#### **Dialogue and engagement**

#### Intuit

We initiated a dialogue with Intuit on employee mental health and wellbeing. Namely, we encouraged the company to adopt a mental health policy, formalize governance around the topic within the organisation, train managers on employee mental health, set targets and report on % managers trained on the topic.

## **ESG** controversies

#### Toyota

We reached out to Toyota to follow-up on the Daihatsu & Hino controversies, but also regarding more recent cases involving its subsidiaries, namely two delivery suspensions : 64 models by Daihastu in December 2023 following an investigation on crash test results, and ten diesel vehicle models in January 2024 due to irregularities in the certification of engines produced by Toyota Industries. Among other, we expect more information on the corrective actions implemented following these events.

## Votes

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23%

23%

21%

18%

15%

4



## sycomore social impact

FEBRUARY 2024

Isin code | FR0010117085 Share I

NAV | 463.2€

Assets | 241.3 M€

## SFDR 9

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Sustainable Investments	
% AUM:	> 80%

ACINI.	200/0
% Companies*:	100%
*Excluding derivatives, cash	n & equivalent

#### **Risk indicator**



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## Investment Team



**Giulia** CULOT Fund Manager





Luca FASAN Fund Manager



## **Fund commentary**

0.9

0.6

1.7%

13.3%

Inception

Thanks to a supportive reporting season European Equity Indexes closed positive in February. Even if the narrative was mostly concentrated on Technology and AI most sectors were positive with the exclusions of utilities, energy and telecommunications. In this environment that usually is not positive for our strategy that is structurally conservative, the fund has outperformed his index thanks to a positive stock picking. Our positions in Schneider and Prysmian, in the industrial sector, reacted well to good results. On Health care we had positive contribution from Novo in the pharma space and from Siemens Healthineers in Medtech, while in technology was our exposure to the to the semi-equipment space to help. Stock like ASML and BE semiconductor that we believe will disproportionally benefit from infrastructure investment for new AI services.

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France

#### Investment strategy

### A selection of growth securities with a positive societal impact

Sycomore Social Impact is a Eurozone equity fund that focuses on companies of any size that offer solutions to global societal challenges, and that have embedded this pursuit of positive impacts into their strategy to deliver profitable and sustainable growth. The fund aims to outperform the benchmark, the Euro Stoxx Total Return index, through a socially responsible investment process. Stock selection is based on our proprietary SPICE methodology, notably on the societal contribution of products & services indicator.

## Performance as of 29.02.2024



	Feb	2024	1 year	3 yrs	5 yrs	Inc.º A	\nnu.	2023	2022	2021	2020
Fund %	4.2	8.0	7.9	-3.1	14.3	208.8	5.3	5.3	-20.7	5.3	5.2
Index %	3.3	5.3	12.0	31.4	53.5	234.2	5.7	18.5	-12.3	22.7	0.2
Statistics											
	Corr.	Beta	Alpha	Vol.	Bench.	Track.	Shar	pe	Info	Draw	Bench.
					Vol	Error	Rat	io R	latio	Down	DD

20.8%

10.8%

0.3

0.0

-55.7%

-60.2%

## sycomore social impact



Index

12.7x 7 1%

1.6x

12.8%

3.5%

## **Fund Information** Inception date 24/06/2002

#### **ISIN codes**

Share A - FR0007073119 Share I - FR0010117085 Share ID - FR0012758704 Share R - FR0010117093

**Bloomberg tickers** Share A - SYSYCTE FP Share I - SYCMTWI FP Share ID - SYSMTWD FP Share R - SYSMTWR FP

Benchmark EURO STOXX Net Return

Legal form Mutual fund

**Domiciliation** France

**PEA** eligibility Yes

**Investment period** 5 yrs

**Minimum investment** None

**UCITS V** Yes

Valuation Daily

Currency EUR

Cut-Off 12pm CET Paris (BPSS)

**Cash Settlement** D+2

**Management fees** 

Share A - 1.50% Share I - 1.00% Share ID - 1.00% Share R - 2.00%

Performance fees 15% > Benchmark

**Transaction fees** None

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			Fund
Equity exposure	96%	Ratio P/E 2024	16.4x
Overlap with benchmark	29%	Croissance bénéficiaire 2024	7.6%
Number of holdings	43	Ratio P/BV 2024	2.4x
Weight of top 20 stocks	68%	Return on Equity	14.4%
Median market cap	61.9 €bn	Rendement 2024	2.8%

Valuation

## Sector exposure

**Top 10** 



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16% 2%	France	Germany
8%	■ Italy	Netherlands
27%	Switzerland	

## Market cap breakdown

Country breakdown



	Fund	Index
SPICE	3.7/5	3.6/5
S score	3.5/5	3.2/5
P score	3.7/5	3.5/5
l score	3.8/5	3.7/5
C score	3.8/5	3.6/5
E score	3.6/5	3.2/5

## Performance contributors

	Weight	SPICE rating	CS		Avg. weight	Contrib
ASML	8.6%	4.3/5	27%	Positive		
Siemens Healthineers	4.6%	3.6/5	87%	ASML	8.6%	0.77%
Schneider E.	4.5%	4.2/5	37%	Schneider E.	4.7%	0.66%
Merck	4.4%	3.3/5	64%	BESI	2.2%	0.41%
AXA	4.3%	3.6/5	37%	Negative		
SAP	4.0%	3.9/5	20%	Dassault Sy.	1.7%	-0.21%
Deutsche Telekom	3.6%	3.5/5	40%	ERG	2.2%	-0.18%
Siemens AG	3.6%	3.4/5	43%	Iberdrola	2.9%	-0.15%
Bureau Veritas	3.0%	3.9/5	53%			
Novo Nordisk	2.8%	3.8/5	92%			
Portfolio changes						

#### Buy Reinforcement Sell Reduction Sap Schneider E. Prysmian

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## sycomore social impact



### Sustainability thematics



### Health & Safety

Digital and communication

- Sustainable lifestyles
- Access and Inclusion

### Societal and social analysis



### Gender equality \$\ o

Percentage of women in total company headcounts and executive committees.

Staff coverage rate : fund 100% / index 99%

Taux de couverture Comex : fund 100% / index 100%



### ESG scores

	Fund	Index
ESG*	3.6/5	3.4/5
Environment	3.6/5	3.2/5
Social	3.6/5	3.4/5
Governance	3.6/5	3.5/5



### Staff growth

Cumulated growth in company headcounts over the past three financial years (data unadjusted in the event of acquisitions, excluding transformational deals).

Coverage rate : fund 100% / index 100%

### Fund



### The Good Jobs Rating

Degree to which companies contribute to the creation of sustainable and quality jobs, accessible to the greatest number, particularly in regions, countries or territories most in need. *Coverage rate : fund 100% / index 92%* 

### Fund



### **Environmental analysis**



### Fossil fuel exposure

Percentage of income derived from the three fossil energies.



### Carbon footprint

Annual	greenhouse	gas	emissions	(GHG
Protocol)	from upstrea	m sco	pes 1, 2 and	d 3 per
thousand	l euros investe	ed***.		
Coverage	e rate : fund 10	0% / ir.	1dex 99%	
		F	und Ir	ndex
kg. eq. C	O ₂ /year/k€		98	168

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### sycomore social impact



### Sustainable development goals exposure



ESG follow-up, news and dialogue

### **Dialogue and engagement**

### Intesa Sanpaolo

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### **ESG controversies**

### No comment

### Votes

2 / 2 voted general assemblies over the month.Details on our votes are available here the day following the company's AGM <u>Here</u>.

This chart represents the main exposures to the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals and their 169 targets. Exposure is defined as the opportunity, for each company, to contribute positively to reaching SDGs, providing their products and services. This exercise doesn't aim to measure the companies effective contribution to SDGs, which is computed through our societal contribution (CS) and net environnemental contribution (NEC) metrics. For each invested company, activities are analysed in order to identify those which are exposed to SDGs. For a same activity, its number of targets can vary between 0 and 2. The company target exposure to one of its activities is weighted by the revenue share gained from this activity. For more details, our annual SRI report is available in our ESG documentation.

### No significant exposure : 10%

### Michelin

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# sycomore inclusive jobs

FEBRUARY 2024

Share IC

Isin code | FR0014000IE9 NAV | 82.9€

Assets | 83.7 M€

### SFDR 9

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Sustainable Investments				
% AUM:	≥ 80%			
% Companies*:	100%			
*Excluding derivatives, cash & equivalent				

### **Risk indicator**



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### **Investment** Team



PONCHON Fund Manager

Frédéric



**Alban PRÉAUBERT** Fund Manager







### Investment strategy

A selection of listed and unlisted European companies supporting the creation of durable, inclusive employment Sycomore Inclusive Jobs is an inclusive equity fund that invests in companies creating durable, inclusive jobs, according to Sycomore AM's analysis. The fund invests 85 to 95% of its assets in listed European stocks and 5 to 10% in units of FCPR Sycomore Impact Emploi By INCO. The FCPR, managed by INCO Ventures, invests in unlisted companies and associations that are active in creating inclusive employment for people with difficult access to the job market. The main selection metric is the Good Jobs Rating, which employs three key factors to assess a company's contribution towards meeting job-related societal challenges: quantity, quality and geography. The companies in the portfolio must also operate activities aligned with the societal and environmental transitions.

### Performance as of 29.02.2024



		Feb	2024	1	year	Inc.	Annu	. :	2023	2022
Fund %		-1.0	-2.8		-6.0	-17.1	-6.4		1.4	-19.9
Index %		3.3	5.3		12.0	18.5	6.2		18.5	-12.3
Statistics										
	Corr.	Beta	Alpha	Vol.	Bench.	Track.	Sharpe	Info	Draw	Bench.
					Vol	Frror	Ratio	Ratio	Down	DD

13.3%

17.6%

6.7%

7.0%

-0.8

-0.5

-2.7

-1.8

-15.4%

-29.9%

-10.4%

-246%

11.9%

14.6%

### Fund commentary

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Inception

0.9

09

0.8

08

-15.6%

-12.1%

While the economic environment remains supportive for equity markets, higher than expected inflation readings in the United States dashed any hopes of fast and substantial interest rate cuts. As a result, the fund suffered from its overexposure to small and mid-caps, which continued to suffer from high interest rates, and to renewable energy producers (Solaria, EDPR, Neoen, ERG), impacted by the rate environment and the sharp fall of electricity prices in Europe, which have retreated to their pre-Ukraine war levels. Conversely, the fund benefited from the robust performances posted by two stocks featuring among this month's top 5: Michelin (better-than-expected earnings, with lower volumes offset by a better product mix) and Prysmian (which signed the group's largest contract in history with Amprion, for €5 billion).

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## sycomore inclusive jobs



France

Spain

### **Fund Information Inception date** 07/05/2021

#### **ISIN codes**

Share IC - FR0014000IE9 Share RC - FR0014000IG4 Share RD - FR0014000IH2

### **Bloomberg tickers**

Share IC - SYSIJIE FP Share RC - SYSIJRC FP Share RD - SYSIJRE FP

Benchmark EURO STOXX Net Return

Legal form FIVG

**Domiciliation** France

**PEA** eligibility Yes

**Investment period** 5 yrs

**Minimum investment** None

**UCITS V** No

Valuation Daily

Currency EUR

Cut-Off 12pm CET Paris (BPSS)

**Cash Settlement** D+2

### **Management fees**

Share IC - 1.00% Share RC - 2.00% Share RD - 2.00%

Performance fees 15% > Benchmark

Transaction fees None

### Portfolio

			Fund	Index
Equity exposure	86%	Ratio P/E 2024	14.8x	12.7x
Overlap with benchmark	8%	Croissance bénéficiaire 2024	1.6%	7.1%
Number of holdings	51	Ratio P/BV 2024	1.6x	1.6x
Weight of top 20 stocks	53%	Return on Equity	10.8%	12.8%
Median market cap	6.4 €bn	Rendement 2024	2.7%	3.5%
Solidarity exposure	9%			

Valuation

### Sector exposure



Market cap breakdown

Country breakdown



Italy

Germany

Netherlands Others

\*Fund weight - weight EURO STOXX Net Return

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Weight

4.9%

3.9%

3.8%

3.7%

3.2%

3.1%

2.9%

2.7%

2.6%

2.3%

SPICE

rating

4.3/5

4.0/5

3.8/5

3.7/5

3.9/5

3.2/5

4.0/5

3.6/5

3.8/5

3.9/5

	Fund	Index
SPICE	3.7/5	3.6/5
S score	3.4/5	3.2/5
P score	3.7/5	3.5/5
l score	3.8/5	3.7/5
C score	3.8/5	3.6/5
E score	3.6/5	3.2/5

### Performance contributors

TGJR		Avg. weight	Contrib
56	Positive		
52	Michelin	3.7%	0.41%
47	ASML	4.8%	0.40%
52	Prysmian	3.5%	0.32%
47	Negative		
52	Neoen	2.1%	-0.40%
47	EDP Renovaveis	1.8%	-0.31%
69	ERG	3.0%	-0.28%
51			
61			

### **Portfolio changes**

**Top 10** 

ASML

Michelin

Prysmian

**BioMérieux** 

Poste Italiane

STMicroelec.

**ID** Logistics

Veolia

FRG

INWIT

Buy	Reinforcement	Sell	Reduction
	Inwit	Nexity	Rovi
	A2A		
	Danieli		

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### ESG scores

	Fund	Index
ESG*	3.6/5	3.4/5
Environment	3.6/5	3.2/5
Social	3.6/5	3.4/5
Governance	3.6/5	3.5/5

#### Id EES Interim Bourgogne-Franche-Comté La Varappe (Optima) Provence-Alpes-Côte d Azur Ammareal Ile-de-France Moulinot Ile-de-France

Top 5 – Solidarity holdings – Unlisted shares

### Societal and social analysis

### Staff growth\*\*

Cumulated growth in company headcounts over the past three financial years (data unadjusted in the event of acquisitions, excluding transformational deals).

Coverage rate : fund 100% / index 100%

### Fund

36% Index

12% 

### Societal contribution

Contribution of the economic activity of companies to the resolution of major societal issues, on a scale from -100% to +100%.

Coverage rate : fund 98% / index 95%



FCPR Sycomore Impact Emploi by INCO	
Number of jobs in SSE enterprises financed (+11% since 2020)	15379
Number of persons on reintegration contracts (+17% since 2020)	6966
<b>Dynamic exit rate</b> Sustainable jobs, transitional jobs an positive exits as defined by the DIRECCTE	70%

### **Environmental analysis**

### Net Environmental Contribution (NEC)

Degree of alignment of the economic models with the ecological transition, integrating biodiversity and climate, on a scale running from -100% for ecoobstruction to +100% for eco-solution, where 0% equates to the average environmental impact of the global economy. The results are expressed in NEC 1.0 (nec-initiative.org) calculated by Sycomore AM based from 2018 to 2021.



### Fossil fuel exposure

Percentage of income derived from the th fossil energies.



### **Carbon footprint**

hree	Annual	greenhouse	gas	emissions	s (GHG
	Protocol)	from upstrea	m sco	pes 1, 2 a	nd 3 per
	thousand	d euros investe	d***.		
	Coverage	e rate : fund 10	0% / in	dex 99%	
			F	und	Index
	kg. eq. C	O₂/year/k€	2	206	168

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### The Good Jobs Rating\*\*

Degree to which companies contribute to the creation of sustainable and quality jobs, accessible to the greatest number, particularly in regions, countries or territories most in need. Coverage rate : fund 100% / index 92%

Auvergne-Rhône-Alpes

Fund

Archer



over the past three years.

vulnerable populations.

countries and regions with the greatest needs.





8.6

Achieving full and productive employment and guaranteeing that all men and women, including young and disabled people, are offered decent work and equal pay for work of equal value.

Considerably reduce the proportion of young people not in employment, education or training.

Fund

## sycomore inclusive jobs



### Map of companies headquarters in portfolio



### ESG follow-up, news and dialogue

### **Dialogue and engagement**

### Neoen

We discussed exposure to forced labour within the company's solar panel value chain: its Tier1 suppliers are not present in Xingjiang. However, Tier2 and 3 suppliers do present a risk, even if Neoen has made considerable efforts to address this issue. We took the opportunity to discuss the pertinence of forming a coalition with other operators that would have a stronger voice in talks with all suppliers.

### **ESG** controversies

### No comment

### Votes

**0 / 0** voted general assembly over the month. Details on our votes are available here the day following the company's AGM <u>Here</u>.

### Michelin

Michelin is being investigated by the European Commission over a suspected plot to fix prices for new replacement tyres on cars, vans, trucks and buses sold in Europe. Continental, Bridgestone, Goodyear and Nokian are also under investigation. The Michelin group has stated it contested these allegations and complies with the antitrust rules in the countries in which it operates.

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# sycomore sustainable tech

FEBRUARY 2024

Share IC Isin code | LU2181906269

59 NAV | 156.7€

Assets | 263.7 M€

### SFDR 9

Custainable	luce of the states
Sustainable	Investments

% AUM:	≥80%
% Companies*:	100%
*Excluding derivatives, c	ash & equivalent

### **Risk indicator**



The risk indicator assumes you keep the product for 5 years. **Warning :** the actual risk can vary significantly if you cash in at an early stage and you may get back less.

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### Investment Team



**David RAINVILLE** Fund Manager



Fund Manager

Luca FASAN



Marie VALLAEYS SRI analyst





BLIQUE FRANÇAISE

France France

### Investment strategy

### A selection of global responsible technology players

Sycomore Sustainable Tech invests in technology companies listed on international markets and employs an innovative SRI process. Stocks are selected with no regional or market capitalisation constraints. The ESG approach focuses on three dimensions: 1- "Tech for Good": for goods and services with positive social or environmental impacts; 2- "Good in Tech": for a responsible use of goods and services that will reduce negative externalities impacting individuals or the environment; 3-"Improvement Enablers": companies engaged in making progress in the two previous dimensions.

### Performance as of 29.02.2024



Statistics	5
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	Corr.	Beta	Alpha	Vol.	Bench.	Track.	Sharpe	Info	Draw	Bench.
					Vol	Error	Ratio	Ratio	Down	DD
1 year	0.9	1.0	3.6%	18.9%	16.6%	7.8%	2.6	1.0	-8.5%	-8.3%
Inception	0.9	1.0	-4.4%	21.7%	20.3%	7.9%	0.6	-0.7	-38.3%	-28.8%

### Fund commentary

February was another strong month for technology, driven by almost 14% returns in semis-land. Semis outperformance followed through from strong earnings reports of January from ASML and TSMC, with NVDA once again beating revenue expectations by \$2bn for its FQ4 and raising its outlook for FQ1 by another \$2bn. Nvidia's next-twelve-months revenue expectations have gone from \$26bn a year ago to \$109bn today, a truly unprecedented change in the demand picture, all driven by Al investments. We continue to be overweight both semis and software and think that (1) the upcycle for semis is just starting to turn (even ex-Al) and (2) that the spending cuts by enterprises are over, which should benefit software demand significantly in the next two years. The biggest driver of our outperformance vs. the index this month were (1) software stock picking and (2) Apple's underperformance.

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Fund Index

13.4%

26 5x

19.2%

37.2%

1.8x

8.5x

18.6%

35.1x

28.3%

33.3%

1.6x

8.9x

### Fund Information Inception date 09/09/2020

#### **ISIN codes**

Share AC - LU2331773858 Share FD - LU2211504738 Share IC - LU2181906269 Share RD - LU2181906699

### **Bloomberg tickers**

Share AC - SYSTAEA LX Share FD - SYSSTFE LX Share IC - SYSTIEC LX Share RD - SYSTRED LX

#### Benchmark

MSCI AC World Info. Tech. Net Ret.

Legal form SICAV compartment

Domiciliation Luxembourg

**PEA eligibility** No

Investment period 5 yrs

Minimum investment None

UCITS V Yes

Valuation Daily

Currency EUR

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Cash Settlement D+2

### Management fees

Share AC - 1.50% Share FD - 0.75% Share IC - 1.00% Share RD - 2.00%

Performance fees 15% > Benchmark

Transaction fees None

### Portfolio

Equity exposure	99%
Overlap with benchmark	41%
Number of holdings	39
Weight of top 20 stocks	80%
Median market cap	171.5 €bn

### Sector exposure

Top 10

NVIDIA

Corporation Microsoft Corp.

Salesforce

ASML

Intuit Inc.

Broadcom

Advanced

Micron

Buy Confluent

Micro Devices

**Portfolio changes** 

Technology MongoDB

Taiwan Semi



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SPICE

rating

3.8/5

4.1/5

3.9/5

3.8/5

4.3/5

3.9/5

3.2/5

3.6/5

3.3/5

3.6/5

Reinforcement

HashiCorp Salesforce Intuit

Weight

9.6%

9.2%

5.7%

5.5%

4.8%

4.6%

4.6%

4.4%

4.2%

3.8%

Country breakdow	United States
8%	Taiwan
	Netherlands
76%	Others
Market cap breakd	own

Valuation

Croissance CA 2026

Croissance bénéficiaire 2026

Marge opérationnelle 2026

Ratio P/E 2026

Ratio PEG 2026

EV/CA 2026



Fund	Index
	muex
3.7/5	3.6/5
3.2/5	2.8/5
3.7/5	3.5/5
3.9/5	3.9/5
3.8/5	3.5/5
3.2/5	3.3/5
	3.2/5 3.7/5 3.9/5 3.8/5

### Performance contributors

NEC	CS		Avg. weight	Contrib
0%	17%	Positive NVIDIA Corporation	10.0%	2.83%
+5% +1% +1% +6% +2% 0% +2% +2% +4%	24% 18% 27% 20% 31% 24% 35% 31%	Confluent Inc Advanced Micro Devices Negative Baidu Palo Alto Soitec	1.6% 4.4% 1.9% 0.5% 0.0	-0.24% 0.00 0.00
nent		Sell	<b>Reduction</b> Nvidia Palo Alto Servicenow	

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Index

3.3/5

3.3/5

3.2/5

3.6/5

### **Responsible Tech Dimensions**

	Tech For Good	Good in Tech	Improvement enabler	
	CS ≥ 10% or NEC > 0%	Client risk score $\ge 3/5$	SD* Management score ≥ 3/5	
Number of holdings	36	35	31	
Weight	100%	98%	84%	
*SD : Sustainable development				

**Environmental analysis** 

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### **Temperature rising - SB2A**

Induced average temperature increase by 2100 compared to pre-industrial times, according to the Science-Based 2°C Alignment methodology. Coverage rate : fund 49%



Climate alignment - SBTi

Share of companies that have validated their greenhouse gas reduction targets with the Science-Based Targets initiative.

ESG scores

Environment

ESG\*

Social Governance



### **Carbon footprint**

Annual greenhouse gas emissions (GHG Protocol) from upstream scopes 1, 2 and 3 per thousand euros invested\*\*\* Coverage rate : fund 96% / index 100%

Fund	Index
23	29

### European taxonomy

Percentage of revenues derived from eligible activities to the EU taxonomy Coverage rate : fund 100% / index 97%

Fund

3.4/5

3.2/5

3.6/5

3.6/5



### Fossil fuel exposure

Percentage of income derived from the three fossil energies.

Fund		
0%		
Index		
0%		
Carbon	Oil	Gas

PCC Sixth Assessment Report «Climate Change 2022: Mitigation of Climate Change». https://www.ipcc.

### Societal and social analysis

#### Societal contribution\*\* Human rights policy 🌣 Staff growth Contribution of the economic activity of companies to Percentage of portfolio companies that have Cumulated growth in company headcounts the resolution of major societal issues, on a scale from drawn up a Human Rights policy. over the past three financial years (data -100% to +100%. Coverage rate : fund 90% / index 99% unadjusted in the event of Coverage rate : fund 100% / index 94% excluding transformational deals). Fund +27% 94% Coverage rate : fund 92% / index 96% Fund Index Fund 78% Index -100% +100% 0% 47% Index +21%

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acquisitions,

77%



### Sustainable development goals exposure



ESG follow-up, news and dialogue

### **Dialogue and engagement**

#### Intuit

We initiated a dialogue with Intuit on employee mental health and wellbeing. Namely, we encouraged the company to adopt a mental health policy, formalize governance around the topic within the organisation, train managers on employee mental health, set targets and report on % managers trained on the topic.

### **ESG** controversies

### No comment

### Votes

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### STMicroelectronics

ESG documentation.

No significant exposure : 6%

We discussed the company's reorganisation announced in January 2024. This is an important step as it affects reporting lines but will have no impact on most of the employees. The teams will be organised differently, but the company will not be restructured. Multiple consultations were set up after the announcement, notably via team managers, HR, unions, and town halls meetings open to all employees.

This chart represents the main exposures to the United

Nations Sustainable Development Goals and their 169 targets. Exposure is defined as the opportunity, for each

company, to contribute positively to reaching SDGs,

providing their products and services. This exercise doesn't aim to measure the companies effective contribution to SDGs, which is computed through our societal contribution (CS) and net environnemental contribution (NEC) metrics.

For each invested company, activities are analysed in order to identify those which are exposed to SDGs. For a same

activity, its number of targets can vary between 0 and 2. The company target exposure to one of its activities is weighted by the revenue share gained from this activity.

For more details, our annual SRI report is available in our

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# sycomore

# partners

FEBRUARY 2024

Share I

Isin code | FR0010601898

NAV | 1.757.7€

Assets | 278.8 M€

### SFDR 8

Sustainable Investments				
% AUM:	≥ 1%			
% Companies*:	≥ 25%			
*Excluding derivatives, cash & equivalent				

### **Risk indicator**



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### Investment Team

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IMPERIALE ESG Referent

A stock picking fund with e	xposure to equities rang	ing between 0 and 100%
Sycomore Partners is a cor	ncentrated stock picking	fund whose exposure to

Investment strategy

entrated stock picking fund whose exposure to equities may range between 0 and 100%. The fund aims to achieve superior returns over a minimum investment horizon of five years by applying a thorough stock selection process based on the fundamental, in-depth analysis of European and international stocks, incorporating strict ESG criteria. In addition, the fund's exposure to stock markets is managed according to an opportunistic and discretionary approach. The fund seeks to exclude companies displaying significant ESG risks and focuses on those driven by sustainability considerations and that appear clearly committed to shifting towards more sustainable economic models.

### Performance as of 29.02.2024



	Feb	2024	1 year	3 yrs	5 yrs	Inc.	Annu.	2023	2022	2021	2020
Fund %	-2.3	-3.1	-2.5	5.3	5.1	75.8	3.6	6.8	-5.7	10.2	-3.3
Index %	1.2	2.1	7.0	17.6	26.5	76.2	3.6	9.5	-5.0	11.7	-0.3

### Chaklahlan

	Corr.	Beta	Alpha	Vol.		Track. Error	Sharpe Ratio			Bench. DD
3 years	0.8	1.0	-3.7%	9.1%	7.3%	5.2%	0.1	-0.7	-15.2%	-10.8%
Inception	0.9	1.1	0.0%	12.4%	10.0%	6.4%	0.3	0.0	-31.7%	-27.6%

### Fund commentary

The equity market rebound that had begun at the end of October continued into February, though with rather less vigour. The rise was driven by the automotive, luxury and tech sectors, while mining, utilities and telecoms lagged, against a background of rising longterm rates since the beginning of the year. Declining gas prices and their impact on the price of electricity also weighed considerably on utilities such as EDP and RWE.Investors' appetite for growth and cyclical stocks led to a rotation out of telecoms, including the positions we hold in the sector.We initiated a new position in BNP Paribas as we feel the market reacted harshly to the bank's earnings publication; we strengthened our position in Peugeot Invest as the stock is trading at an unprecedented discount relative to its revalued net assets. We also appreciate Stellantis' impressive execution capacity.

### Net equity exposure



03-23 04-23 05-23 06-23 07-23 08-23 09-23 10-23 11-23 12-23 01-24 02-24

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### **Fund Information Inception date** 31/03/2008

**ISIN** codes Share I - FR0010601898

Share IB - FR0012365013 Share P - FR0010738120

**Bloomberg tickers** Share I - SYCPRTI FP Share IB - SYCPRTB FP Share P - SYCPARP FP

Benchmark 50% STOXX 600 NR + 50% **FSTR** 

**Comparison index** STOXX 600

Legal form Mutual fund

Domiciliation France

**PEA** eligibility Yes

Investment period 5 yrs

**Minimum investment** 100 EUR

**UCITS V** Yes

Valuation Daily

Currency EUR

Cut-Off 12pm CET Paris (BPSS)

**Cash Settlement** D+2

Management fees Share I - 0.50%

Share IB - 1.00% Share P - 1.80%

**Performance fees** 15% > Benchmark with HWM

**Transaction fees** None

### Portfolio

Equity exposure	47%
Number of holdings	28
Median market cap	12.2 €bn

### Sector exposure



Valuation

	Fund	Index
Ratio P/E 2024	9.3x	13.4x
Croissance bénéficiaire 2024	10.6%	6.4%
Ratio P/BV 2024	1.0x	1.8x
Return on Equity	10.4%	13.7%
Rendement 2024	4.6%	3.5%

### Country breakdown



### Market cap breakdown



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Fund Index SPICE 3.4/5 3.6/5 3.2/5 3.2/5 S score P score 3.4/5 3.5/5 l score 3.4/5 3.7/5 3.5/5 3.6/5 C score 3.3/5 3.2/5 E score

### Performance contributors

	Weight	SPICE rating		Avg. weight	Contrib
Orange	4.9%	3.2/5	Positive		
RWE	4.5%	3.1/5	Stellantis	3.4%	0.87%
Peugeot	4.4%	3.4/5	Ferrari	2.2%	0.43%
EDP-Energias de Portugal	4.1%	3.9/5	Munich Re.	4.1%	0.37%
Bureau Veritas	4.0%	3.9/5	Negative		
Technip Energies	3.6%	2.9/5	EDP-Energias de Portugal	4.2%	-0.50%
Veolia	3.6%	3.7/5	RWE	4.5%	-0.46%
BNP Paribas	3.0%	3.4/5	E.ON	5.0%	-0.30%
Amundi	2.6%	3.4/5			
Banco Santander S.A.	2.5%	3.3/5			

### **Portfolio changes**

most material impacts\*.

Top 10

Buy	Reinforcement	Sell	Reduction
Pluxee	Bnp Paribas	Deutsche Tel.	Spie
	Peugeot Invest Sa		Banco Santander
	Proximus		Société Générale

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tainability thematics		ESG scores				
	Energy transition		Fund	Index		
10% 27%		ESG*	3.3/5	3.4/5		
	Digital and communication	Environment	3.3/5	3.2/5		
	■ Health & Safety	Social	3.4/5	3.4/5		
26%	SPICE transformation	Governance	3.5/5	3.5/5		
	Others					

### **Environmental analysis**

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### Net Environmental Contribution (NEC)

Degree of alignment of the economic models with the ecological transition, integrating biodiversity and climate, on a scale running from -100% for eco-obstruction to +100% for eco-solution, where 0% equates to the average environmental impact of the global economy. The results are expressed in NEC 1.0 (nec-initiative.org) calculated by Sycomore AM based from 2018 to 2021.



### **European taxonomy**

Percentage of revenues derived from eligible activities to the EU taxonomy

Coverage rate : fund 99% / index 99%	
Fund	
	52%
Index	
	48%

### Fossil fuel exposure

Percentage of income derived from the three fossil energies.



### Carbon footprint

Annual greenhouse	gas emissic	ons (GHG
Protocol) from upstrea	im scopes 1	, 2 and 3
per thousand euros inv	vested***.	
Coverage rate : fund 98	8% / index 9	9%
	Fund	Index
kg. eq. CO ₂ /year/k€	365	168

### Societal and social analysis

### Societal contribution

Contribution of the economic activity of companies to the resolution of major societal issues, on a scale from -100% to +100%. Coverage rate : fund 95% / index 95%



### Staff growth

Cumulated growth in company headcounts over the past three financial years (data unadjusted in the event of acquisitions, excluding transformational deals).

Coverage rate : fund 99% / index 100%

4% 12%

### Gender equality ♀/ ♂

Percentage of women in total company headcounts and executive committees. Staff cov. rate: fund 99% / index 99% ExecComm cov. rate: fund 99% / index 100%





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### ESG follow-up, news and dialogue

### **Dialogue and engagement**

### Peugeot Invest

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# sycomore

# partners

FEBRUARY 2024

Share IB

Isin code | FR0012365013

NAV | 1.725.3€

Assets | 278.8 M€

### SFDR 8

Sustainable Investmen	its
% AUM:	≥ 1%
% Companies*:	≥ 25%
*Excluding derivatives, cas	h & equivalent

### **Risk indicator**



The risk indicator assumes you keep the product for 5 years. Warning : the actual risk can vary significantly if you cash in at an early stage and you may get back less.

The fund does not offer any guarantee of return or performance and presents a risk of capital loss

### Investment Team

Fund Manager

Gilles LENOIR







Fund Manager -

Anne-Claire IMPERIALE ESG Referent

### Investment strategy

### A stock picking fund with exposure to equities ranging between 0 and 100%

Sycomore Partners is a concentrated stock picking fund whose exposure to equities may range between 0 and 100%. The fund aims to achieve superior returns over a minimum investment horizon of five years by applying a thorough stock selection process based on the fundamental, in-depth analysis of European and international stocks, incorporating strict ESG criteria. In addition, the fund's exposure to stock markets is managed according to an opportunistic and discretionary approach. The fund seeks to exclude companies displaying significant ESG risks and focuses on those driven by sustainability considerations and that appear clearly committed to shifting towards more sustainable economic models.

### Performance as of 29.02.2024



	Feb	2024	1 year	3 yrs	5 yrs	Inc.	Annu.	2023	2022	2021	2020
Fund %	-2.4	-3.1	-2.8	4.8	4.0	69.5	3.4	6.5	-5.7	9.9	-3.5
Index %	1.2	2.1	7.0	17.6	26.5	76.2	3.6	9.5	-5.0	11.7	-0.3

### Chaklahlan

	Corr.	Beta	Alpha	Vol.	Bench. Vol	_	Sharpe Ratio			Bench. DD
3 years	0.8	1.0	-3.8%	9.1%	7.3%	5.2%	0.0	-0.8	-15.1%	-10.8%
Inception	0.9	1.1	-0.3%	12.4%	10.0%	6.4%	0.2	0.0	-31.9%	-27.6%

### Fund commentary

The equity market rebound that had begun at the end of October continued into February, though with rather less vigour. The rise was driven by the automotive, luxury and tech sectors, while mining, utilities and telecoms lagged, against a background of rising longterm rates since the beginning of the year. Declining gas prices and their impact on the price of electricity also weighed considerably on utilities such as EDP and RWE.Investors' appetite for growth and cyclical stocks led to a rotation out of telecoms, including the positions we hold in the sector.We initiated a new position in BNP Paribas as we feel the market reacted harshly to the bank's earnings publication; we strengthened our position in Peugeot Invest as the stock is trading at an unprecedented discount relative to its revalued net assets. We also appreciate Stellantis' impressive execution capacity.

### Net equity exposure



03-23 04-23 05-23 06-23 07-23 08-23 09-23 10-23 11-23 12-23 01-24 02-24



### **Fund Information Inception date** 31/03/2008

**ISIN** codes Share I - FR0010601898

Share IB - FR0012365013 Share P - FR0010738120

**Bloomberg tickers** Share I - SYCPRTI FP Share IB - SYCPRTB FP Share P - SYCPARP FP

Benchmark 50% STOXX 600 NR + 50% **FSTR** 

**Comparison index** STOXX 600

Legal form Mutual fund

Domiciliation France

**PEA** eligibility Yes

Investment period 5 yrs

**Minimum investment** None

**UCITS V** Yes

Valuation Daily

Currency EUR

Cut-Off 12pm CET Paris (BPSS)

**Cash Settlement** D+2

Management fees Share I - 0.50%

Share IB - 1.00% Share P - 1.80%

**Performance fees** 15% > Benchmark with HWM

**Transaction fees** None

### Portfolio

Equity exposure	47%
Number of holdings	28
Median market cap	12.2 €bn

### Sector exposure



Valuation

#### Fund Index Ratio P/E 2024 9.3x 13.4x 64% Croissance bénéficiaire 2024 10.6% Ratio P/BV 2024 1.0x 1.8x Return on Equity 10.4% 13.7% Rendement 2024 4.6% 3.5%

### Country breakdown



### Market cap breakdown



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Fund Index SPICE 3.4/5 3.6/5 3.2/5 3.2/5 S score P score 3.4/5 3.5/5 l score 3.4/5 3.7/5 3.5/5 3.6/5 C score 3.3/5 3.2/5 E score

### Performance contributors

	Weight	SPICE rating		Avg. weight	Contrib
Orange	4.9%	3.2/5	Positive		
RWE	4.5%	3.1/5	Stellantis	3.4%	0.87%
Peugeot	4.4%	3.4/5	Ferrari	2.2%	0.43%
EDP-Energias de Portugal	4.1%	3.9/5	Munich Re.	4.1%	0.37%
Bureau Veritas	4.0%	3.9/5	Negative		
Technip Energies	3.6%	2.9/5	EDP-Energias de Portugal	4.2%	-0.50%
Veolia	3.6%	3.7/5	RWE	4.5%	-0.46%
BNP Paribas	3.0%	3.4/5	E.ON	5.0%	-0.30%
Amundi	2.6%	3.4/5			
Banco Santander S.A.	2.5%	3.3/5			

### **Portfolio changes**

most material impacts\*.

Top 10

Buy	Reinforcement	Sell	Reduction
Pluxee	Bnp Paribas	Deutsche Tel.	Spie
	Peugeot Invest Sa		Banco Santander
	Proximus		Société Générale

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stainability th	ematics	ESG scores		
	Energy transition		Fund	Index
27%		ESG*	3.3/5	3.4/5
	Digital and communication	Environment	3.3/5	3.2/5
	■ Health & Safety	Social	3.4/5	3.4/5
26%	SPICE transformation	Governance	3.5/5	3.5/5
	Others			

### **Environmental analysis**

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### Net Environmental Contribution (NEC)

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### **European taxonomy**

Percentage of revenues derived from eligible activities to the EU taxonomy

Coverage rate : fund 99% / index 99%	
Fund	
	52%
Index	
	48%

### Fossil fuel exposure

Percentage of income derived from the three fossil energies.



### Carbon footprint

Annual greenhouse	gas emissic	ons (GHG
Protocol) from upstrea	im scopes 1	, 2 and 3
per thousand euros inv	vested***.	
Coverage rate : fund 98	8% / index 9	9%
	Fund	Index
kg. eq. CO ₂ /year/k€	365	168

### Societal and social analysis

### Societal contribution

Contribution of the economic activity of companies to the resolution of major societal issues, on a scale from -100% to +100%. Coverage rate : fund 95% / index 95%



### Staff growth

Cumulated growth in company headcounts over the past three financial years (data unadjusted in the event of acquisitions, excluding transformational deals).

Coverage rate : fund 99% / index 100%

4% 12%

### Gender equality ♀/ ♂

Percentage of women in total company headcounts and executive committees. Staff cov. rate: fund 99% / index 99% ExecComm cov. rate: fund 99% / index 100%





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### ESG follow-up, news and dialogue

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### sycomore

# next generation

FEBRUARY 2024

Share IC

Isin code | LU1961857478 NAV | 108.4€

Assets | 462.3 M€

### SFDR 8

Sustainable Investments					
% AUM:	≥ 25%				
% Companies*:	≥ 50%				
*Excluding derivatives, cash & equivalent					

### **Risk indicator**

7	Higher risk
6	
5	
4	
3	
2	
1	Lower risk

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### **Investment** Team



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Label SR LAND
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France

### Investment strategy

Sycomore Next Generation is a flexible, multi-asset SRI fund that combines Sycomore's proven expertise in responsible stock and bond picking and international asset allocation, to achieve performance and diversification. The fund's investment process draws from a thorough fundamental analysis, combined with the ESG analysis of companies and countries, with an additional macroeconomic overlay. Managed actively, the fund's exposure to equities (0-50%) and fixed income (0-100%) - including corporate and sovereign debt - is designed to enhance its risk-return profile, to achieve steady capital growth. Employing a multi-themed SRI approach, the fund seeks to invest in companies addressing social, environmental, and technological challenges as highlighted by the United Nations' Sustainable Development Goals, for the generations to come.

# Performance as of 29.02.2024



Past performances do not guarantee future performances. (Source Sycomore AM, Bloomberg)

	F	eb 20	24 1	1 year	3 yrs	Inc.	Annu	2023	2022	2021	2020
Fund %		0.6	1.5	6.7	4.1	8.4	1.7	9.3	-10.6	5.3	2.8
Index %		0.5	1.1	6.1	11.4	15.5	3.0	) 5.8	2.5	1.9	2.0
Statistics											
	Corr.	Beta	Alp	ha	Vol. Sł	narpe Ratio	Info Ratio	Draw Down	Y Sensi.	ield to ' mat.	ield to worst

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02

-0.6

-04

-13.7%

-15.8%

17

5.0%

4 5%

4.4%

5.4%

### Fund commentary

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09

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02

-1.1%

-0.6%

3 years

Inception

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## sycomore next generation



113.0

63.0

### Fund Information Inception date 29/04/2019

### **ISIN codes**

Share IC - LU1961857478 Share ID - LU1973748020 Share RC - LU1961857551

### **Bloomberg tickers**

Share IC - SYCNXIE LX Share ID - SYCNXID LX Share RC - SYCNXRE LX

Benchmark ESTR + 2.5%

Legal form SICAV compartment

Domiciliation Luxembourg

**PEA eligibility** No

Investment period 3 yrs

Minimum investment None

**UCITS V** Yes

Valuation Daily

Currency EUR

Cut-Off 11am CET Paris (BPSS LUX)

Cash Settlement D+2

### Management fees

Share IC - 0.80% Share ID - 0.80% Share RC - 1.20%

Performance fees 15% > Benchmark

Transaction fees

### Equities

Number of holdings Weight of top 20 stocks

### Asset class breakdown





Number of bonds

Number of issuers

Bonds

39

15%



### Currency breakdown



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Europe

Others

North America

	Fund	Index
SPICE	3.4/5	3.6/5
S score	3.2/5	3.2/5
P score	3.4/5	3.5/5
l score	3.4/5	3.7/5
C score	3.5/5	3.6/5
E score	3.3/5	3.2/5

### Performance contributors

most material impacts\*.

Positive Stellantis ASML Renault		1	<b>ight</b> 67% .11% 75%	<b>Contrib</b> 0.11% 0.10% 0.07%	<b>Negative</b> BNP Paribas Nestlé Forvia	Avg. weight 0.56% 0.66% 0.27%	<b>Contrib</b> -0.07% -0.06% -0.06%
Direct Equities	i				Bond holdings		
	Weight	SPICE rating	NEC score	CS score	Kalu 2.0% 2020		Weight
ASML	1.1%	4.3/5	6%	27%	ltaly 2.8% 2028 Italy 3.75% 2024		1.9% 1.8%
Alphabet	1.0%	3.4/5	-4%	25%	Accor Sa 2.625% Perp		1.3%
Eni	1.0%	3.1/5	-12%	3%	Scor 3.875% perp		1.3%
AXA	1.0%	3.6/5	0%	37%	La Mondiale 5.05% Perp		1.3%
Saint Gobain	0.9%	3.9/5	16%	32%			

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## sycomore next generation



### Sustainability thematics

- - Sustainable mgmt of resources SPICE Leadership
  - Digital and communication
  - Energy transition
  - Nutrition and well-being
  - Health & Safety
  - SPICE transformation
  - Access and Inclusion

### **ESG** scores

	Fund
ESG*	3.3/5
Environment	3.3/5
Social	3.3/5
Governance	3.3/5

### **Environmental analysis**

### Net Environmental Contribution (NEC)\*\*

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### Climate alignment - SBTi

greenhouse gas reduction targets with the Science-Based Targets initiative.

Fund		
	40%	
Index		
	63%	
2°C	Well below 2°C	1.5°C

### **European taxonomy** Percentage of revenues derived from eligible activities to the EU taxonomy

Coverage rate : fund 66%

65%
Index
48%

### Fossil fuel exposure

Share of companies that have validated their Percentage of income derived from the three fossil energies.



### Carbon footprint

Annual	greenhouse	gas	emissi	ons	(GH	G
Protoco	l) from upstre	am s	copes '	1, 2	and	3
per thou	isand euros in	veste	d***.			
Coverag	ge rate : fund 6	52%				
				Fun	d	
ka. ea. (	CO ₂ /vear/k€			265	5	

### Societal and social analysis

### Societal contribution\*\*

Contribution of the economic activity of companies to the resolution of major societal issues, on a scale from -100% to +100%. Coverage rate : fund 82%/ index 95%



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### Sustainable development goals exposure



This chart represents the main exposures to the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals and their 169 targets. Exposure is defined as the opportunity, for each company, to contribute positively to reaching SDGs, providing their products and services. This exercise doesn't aim to measure the companies effective contribution to SDGs, which is computed through our societal contribution (CS) and net environnemental contribution (NEC) metrics. For each invested company, activities are analysed in order to identify those which are exposed to SDGs. For a same activity, its number of targets can vary between 0 and 2. The company target exposure to one of its activities is weighted by the revenue share gained from this activity. For more details, our annual SRI report is available in our ESG documentation.

No significant exposure : 25%

### ESG follow-up, news and dialogue

### Dialogue and engagement

No comment

### **ESG** controversies

No comment

### Votes

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# sycomore

# allocation patrimoine

Share I

Isin code | FR0010474015 NA

5 NAV | 161.4€

Assets | 212.4 M€

FEBRUARY 2024

### SFDR 8

Sustainable Investments						
% AUM:	≥ 25%					
% Companies*: ≥ 50%						
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### **Risk indicator**

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Index %	0.5	1.0	5.6	9.7	13.1	36.3	2.2	5.3	2.0	1.4	1.5

Statistics	
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	Corr.	Beta	Alpha	Vol.	Sharpe	Info	Draw	Serie Y	ield to ۱	ield to
					Ratio	Ratio	Down	Sensi.	mat.	worst
3 years	0.9	0.2	-1.0%	4.4%	0.1	-0.6	-13.5%			
Inception	0.8	0.2	1.9%	4.4%	0.7	-0.2	-16.7%	1.7	5.0%	4.5%

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## sycomore allocation patrimoine



### Fund Information Inception date 27/11/2002

ISIN codes Share I - FR0010474015

Bloomberg tickers Share I - SYCOPAI FP

Benchmark ESTR + 2.8%

Legal form Mutual fund

**Domiciliation** France

**PEA eligibility** No

Investment period 3 yrs

Minimum investment None

UCITS V Yes

Valuation Daily

Currency EUR

**Cut-Off** 9am CET Paris (BPSS)

Cash Settlement D+2

Management fees Share I - 0.80%

Performance fees 15% > Benchmark with HWM

Transaction fees None

### Equities

Number of holdings Weight of top 20 stocks

### Asset class breakdown





Number of bonds

Bonds

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### **Bond allocation**



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E score	3.3/5	3.2/5

### Performance contributors

most material impacts\*.

Equity country breakdown

Positive		Avg. we	ight	Contrib	Negative	Avg. weight	Contrib
Stellantis		0.6	67%	0.11%	BNP Paribas	0.56%	-0.07%
ASML		1	.11%	0.10%	Nestlé	0.66%	-0.06%
Renault		0.7	75%	0.07%	Forvia	0.27%	-0.06%
Direct Equities					Bond holdings		
	Weight	SPICE	NEC	CS			Weight
	Weight	rating	score	score	Italy 2.8% 2028		1.9%
ASML	1.1%	4.3/5	6%	27%	Italy 3.75% 2024		1.8%
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# sycomore allocation patrimoine



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### **European taxonomy**

Percentage of revenues derived from eligible activities to the EU taxonomy

Coverage rate : fund 66% Eund

Tunu		
		65%
Index		
	48%	

### Carbon footprint

4%

Annual greenhouse	gas emissions (GHG
Protocol) from upstrea	am scopes 1, 2 and 3
per thousand euros inv	/ested***.
Coverage rate : fund 6.	2%
	Fund
kg. eq. CO ₂ /year/k€	265

### Societal and social analysis

### Societal contribution\*\*

Contribution of the economic activity of companies to the resolution of major societal issues, on a scale from -100% to +100%. Coverage rate : fund 82%/ index 95%

Fossil fuel exposure

2%

Gas

fossil energies.

Carbon Oil

Fund

Index



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## sycomore allocation patrimoine



### Sustainable development goals exposure



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No significant exposure : 25%

### ESG follow-up, news and dialogue

### Dialogue and engagement

No comment

### **ESG** controversies

No comment

### Votes

**1 / 1** voted general assembly over the month. Details on our votes are available here the day following the company's AGM <u>Here</u>.

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# sycomore opportunities

### FEBRUARY 2024

Share I

Isin code | FR0010473991

NAV | 359.8€

Assets | 148.4 M€

### SFDR 8

Sustainable Investments	
% AUM:	≥ 1%
% Companies*:	≥ 25%

% Compa	anies*:	≥ 25%
*Excluding	derivatives, ca	ash & equivalent

### **Risk indicator**



The risk indicator assumes you keep the product for 5 years. Warning : the actual risk can vary significantly if you cash in at an early stage and you may get back less.

The fund does not offer any guarantee of return or performance and presents a risk of capital loss

### Investment Team



Gilles LENOIR Fund Manager





Hadrien BULTE Fund Manager -Analyst

Anne-Claire

IMPERIALE ESG Referent



Sycomore Opportunities is a feeder fund of Sycomore Partners (Master Fund) and invests at least 95% of its net assets in "MF" units of its Master Fund and up to 5% in cash.

Sycomore Partners, a concentrated stock picking fund whose exposure to equities may range between 0 and 100%. The fund aims to achieve superior returns over a minimum investment horizon of five years by applying a thorough stock selection process based on the fundamental, in-depth analysis of European and international stocks, incorporating strict ESG criteria. In addition, the fund's exposure to stock markets is managed according to an opportunistic and discretionary approach. The fund seeks to exclude companies displaying significant ESG risks and focuses on those driven by sustainability considerations and that appear clearly committed to shifting towards more sustainable economic models.

### Performance as of 29.02.2024



	Feb	2024	1 year	3 yrs	5 yrs	Inc.°	Annu.	2023	2022	2021	2020
Fund %	-2.3	-2.8	-2.7	-17.1	-0.8	79.9	3.1	4.6	-16.2	1.0	8.7
Index %	1.2	2.1	7.0	17.6	26.5	119.3	4.1	9.5	-5.0	11.7	-0.3

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Sta	tistics	

Statistics										
	Corr.	Beta	Alpha	Vol.	Bench.	Track.	Sharpe	Info	Draw	Bench.
					Vol	Error	Ratio	Ratio	Down	DD
3 years	0.8	0.9	-11.0%	8.8%	7.3%	5.5%	-0.8	-2.1	-23.6%	-10.8%
Inception	0.8	0.9	-0.3%	9.8%	9.2%	6.2%	0.2	-0.2	-27.0%	-32.3%

### Fund commentary

The equity market rebound that had begun at the end of October continued into February, though with rather less vigour. The rise was driven by the automotive, luxury and tech sectors, while mining, utilities and telecoms lagged, against a background of rising longterm rates since the beginning of the year.Declining gas prices and their impact on the price of electricity also weighed considerably on utilities such as EDP and RWE.Investors' appetite for growth and cyclical stocks led to a rotation out of telecoms, including the positions we hold in the sector.We initiated a new position in BNP Paribas as we feel the market reacted harshly to the bank's earnings publication; we strengthened our position in Peugeot Invest as the stock is trading at an unprecedented discount relative to its revalued net assets. We also appreciate Stellantis' impressive execution capacity.

### Net equity exposure



03-2304-2305-2306-2301-2308-2309-2310-2311-2312-2301-2402-24

# sycomore opportunities



### **Fund Information Inception date** 11/10/2004

### **ISIN** codes

Share I - FR0010473991 Share ID - FR0012758761 Share R - FR0010363366

**Bloomberg tickers** Share I - SYCOPTI FP

Share ID - SYCLSOD FP Share R - SYCOPTR FP

### Benchmark

50% STOXX 600 NR + 50% **ESTR** 

Legal form Mutual fund

Domiciliation France

**PEA** eligibility Yes

**Investment period** 5 yrs

**Minimum investment** None

UCITS V Yes

Valuation Daily

Currency EUR

Cut-Off 10am CET Paris (BPSS)

**Cash Settlement** D+2

### Management fees

Share I - 0.50% Share ID - 0.50% Share R - 1.80%

Performance fees

None - (Master fund) : 15% > benchmark

**Transaction fees** None

### Portfolio

Equity exposure	47%
Gross active exposure	53%
Number of holdings	28
Weight of top 20 stocks	46%
Median market cap	12.2 €bn

### Sector exposure



### Valuation

	Fund	Index
Ratio P/E 2024	9.3x	13.4x
Croissance bénéficiaire 2024	10.6%	6.4%
Ratio P/BV 2024	1.0x	1.8x
Return on Equity	10.4%	13.7%
Rendement 2024	4.6%	3.5%

### Country breakdown



### Market cap breakdown



SPICE, for Society & Suppliers, People, Investors, Clients, Environment is our tool for assessing a company's performance on sustainability criteria. This tool incorporates the analysis of economic, governance, environmental, social, and societal risks and opportunities covering both the company's daily operations and its product and service offer.

The analysis process covers 90 criteria and leads to a rating per

letter. These 5 ratings are weighted based on the company's

	Fund	Index
SPICE	3.4/5	3.6/5
S score	3.2/5	3.2/5
P score	3.4/5	3.5/5
l score	3.4/5	3.7/5
C score	3.5/5	3.6/5
E score	3.3/5	3.2/5

### Performance contributors

	Weight	SPICE rating		Avg. weight	Contrib
Orange	4.9%	3.2/5	Positive		
RWE	4.5%	3.1/5	Stellantis	3.4%	0.87%
Peugeot	4.4%	3.4/5	Ferrari	2.2%	0.43%
EDP-Energias de Portugal	4.1%	3.9/5	Munich Re.	4.1%	0.37%
Bureau Veritas	4.0%	3.9/5	Negative		
Technip Energies	3.6%	2.9/5	EDP-Energias de Portugal	4.2%	-0.50%
Veolia	3.6%	3.7/5	RWE	4.5%	-0.46%
BNP Paribas	3.0%	3.4/5	E.ON	5.0%	-0.30%
Amundi	2.6%	3.4/5			
Banco Santander S.A.	2.5%	3.3/5			

### **Portfolio changes**

most material impacts\*.

Top 10

Buy	Reinforcement	Sell	Reduction
Pluxee	Bnp Paribas	Deutsche Tel.	Spie
	Peugeot Invest Sa		Banco Santander
	Proximus		Société Générale

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# sycomore opportunities



### Sustainability thematics

atics	ESG scores		
Energy transition		Fund	Index
	ESG*	3.3/5	3.4/5
Digital and communication	Environment	3.3/5	3.2/5
Health & Safety	Social	3.4/5	3.4/5
SPICE transformation	Governance	3.5/5	3.5/5
Others			

### **Environmental analysis**

### Net Environmental Contribution (NEC)

Degree of alignment of the economic models with the ecological transition, integrating biodiversity and climate, on a scale running from -100% for eco-obstruction to +100% for eco-solution, where 0% equates to the average environmental impact of the global economy. The results are expressed in NEC 1.0 (nec-initiative.org) calculated by Sycomore AM based from 2018 to 2021.



### **European taxonomy**

Percentage of revenues derived from eligible activities to the EU taxonomy

Coverage rate : fund 99% / index 99%	
Fund	
	52%
Index	00/
4	8%

### Fossil fuel exposure

Percentage of income derived from the three fossil energies.



### Carbon footprint

Annual greenhouse	gas emissions	(GHG
Protocol) from upstre	am scopes 1, 2	and 3
per thousand euros in	vested***.	
Coverage rate : fund 9	98% / index 99%	
	Fund I	ndex
kg. eq. CO ₂ /year/k€	365	168

### Societal and social analysis

### Societal contribution

Contribution of the economic activity of companies to the resolution of major societal issues, on a scale from -100% to +100%. Coverage rate : fund 95% / index 95%



### Staff growth

Cumulated growth in company headcounts over the past three financial years (data unadjusted in the event of acquisitions, excluding transformational deals).

Coverage rate : fund 99% / index 100%

4% 12%

### Gender equality ♀/ ♂

Percentage of women in total company headcounts and executive committees. Staff cov. rate: fund 99% / index 99% ExecComm cov. rate: fund 99% / index 100%





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## sycomore opportunities

### ESG follow-up, news and dialogue

### **Dialogue and engagement**

### Peugeot Invest

Discussions with the MD and Head of Sustainability, notably regarding the management of the Orpea and Signa cases. The group has strengthened its vigilance when exercising its duties as a member of the Board of Directors in investee companies, particularly on issues surrounding governance and the independence of risk control. Peugeot Invest will continue to develop its ESG roadmap to ensure these factors are better taken into account throughout the lifecycle of its investments.

### **ESG** controversies

### Santander

Santander is under investigation by the UK's Financial Conduct Authority for opening a bank account for an Iranian company, despite Iran being subject to international sanctions. We are in contact with Santander, which has specified that the accounts in question have now been closed, that the company itself did not feature on a list of sanctions, and that the amounts are rather insignificant.

### Votes

**0 / 0** voted general assembly over the month.

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# sycomore sélection crédit

Isin code | FR0011288489

**FEBRUARY 2024** 

Assets | 782.1 M€

### SFDR 8

Sustainable Investments	
% AUM:	≥ 50%
% Companies*:	≥ 50%

% Companies': ≥ 50% \*Excluding derivatives, cash & equivalent

### **Risk indicator**



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### **Investment** Team



**Stanislas de BAILLIENCOURT** Fund Manager

Emmanuel de SINETY Fund Manager



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### Investment strategy

Share I

### A responsible and opportunistic selection of European bonds based on proprietary ESG analysis

Sycomore Sélection Crédit aims to deliver financial returns above those of the Barclays Capital Euro Corporate ex-Financial Bonds (reinvested coupons) over a minimum investment horizon of five years, within a modified duration range of 0 to +5, by applying a socially responsible investment process. The fund also aims to outperform its benchmark on the Net Environmental Contribution (NEC) indicator and on the 3-year headcount variation indicator, to select durable companies, particularly on environmental and/or contribution to employment criteria.

NAV | 133.0€

### Performance as of 29.02.2024



	Fe	ь 202	24 1 year	3 yrs	5 yrs	Inc. A	nnu. 2	2023	2022	2021	2020
Fund %	-0	.2 0	).2 8.1	0.4	4.2	33.0	2.6	10.0	-10.4	1.9	0.2
Index %	-	1.1 -	1.1 6.2	-8.2	-2.2	16.2	1.3	7.9	-13.9	-1.2	3.0
Statistics											
	Corr.	Beta	Alpha	Vol.	Bench.	Track.	Sharp	e	Info	Draw	Bench.
					Vol	Error	Ratio	o F	Ratio	Down	DD
3 years	0.5	0.4	1.1%	3.3%	4.9%	4.2%	-0.	3	0.7	-14.3%	-17.5%
Inception	0.5	0.5	2.0%	2.9%	3.4%	3.1%	0.	8	0.4	-14.3%	-17.5%

### Fund commentary

After rising in January, long-term yields remained on an upward trend in February. Yields on 5-year OATs gained around 40 bp during the month. The gap between Italian and German bond yields contracted further, shrinking from 175 bp at the beginning of the year to 150 bp at the end of February. ECB policy makers sent out a firm message and tended to talk down the market's expectations of rate cuts. Growth data in Germany confirmed the economic slowdown shown by the PMI surveys. Despite these weak statistics, credit spreads narrowed further: Investment Grade spreads dropped 10 bp while High-Yield spreads contracted by 40 bp, implying strong outperformance versus higher-rated credit categories. Recent issuances continued to be well absorbed by the market. Copeland, the leading compressor manufacturer, issued a BB-rated 2030 bond, bearing a 5.25% coupon. Autostrade, rated BBB-, issued an 8-year bond bearing a coupon of 4.35%.

# sycomore sélection crédit



Exposure r Number of Number of	bonds			95% 216 136	Valuati Modified Yield to v Yield to v Average	Duration maturity worst		3.( 5.29 4.69 3.5year	6
Sector b	reakdown				Country b	reakdown			
Auto	os & comp.			10%		nce			50%
Telecomm	nunications			12%	l Netherla	taly nds	11% 10%		
	Utilities		7%		Sp United Sta	oain 💻 49 ates 🔳 3%			
Oth	er services		7%		Luxembo	ourg 2%			
	Insurance		7%		United Kingo Belg				
	Media		5%		Germ	-			
Comm & n	ro services		7%		Nor	way 🔹 1%			
	nsportation		7%		Portı Denm	0			
	& beverage		5%			kico   1% and   1%			
	Real estate				lien				
			4%		Asset class				
Rating bi						s breakdo	wn		
Rating bi		Cash	A	BBB	9%	s breakdov	wn		
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The analysis process covers 90 criteria and leads to a rating per letter. These 5 ratings are weighted based on the company's most material impacts\*.

and its product and service offer.

Main issuers	Weight	Sector	SPICE rating	Sustainable theme
Renault	3.6%	Autos & Comp.	3.4/5	SPICE transformation
Veolia	3.2%	Utilities	3.7/5	Sustainable mgmt of resources
Loxam	2.9%	Comm & pro services	3.6/5	SPICE Leadership
Accor	2.2%	Consumer Serv.	3.5/5	SPICE transformation
Picard	2.2%	Food & Beverage	3.3/5	Nutrition and well-being

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ISIN codes Share I - FR0011288489 Share ID - FR0011288505 Share R - FR0011288513

Bloomberg tickers Share I - SYCSCRI FP Share ID - SYCSCRD FP Share R - SYCSCRR FP

Benchmark Barclays Capital Euro Corporate Ex-Financials TR

Legal form Mutual fund

**Domiciliation** France

**PEA eligibility** No

Investment period 5 yrs

Minimum investment 100 EUR

**UCITS V** Yes

Valuation Daily

Currency EUR

Cut-Off 12pm CET Paris (BPSS)

Cash Settlement D+3

Management fees

Share I - 0.60% Share ID - 0.60% Share R - 1.20%

Performance fees 10% > Benchmark

Transaction fees None

3.5/5

# sycomore sélection crédit



### Sustainability thematics



- Sustainable mgmt of resources
- SPICE Leadership
- Digital and communication
- Energy transition
- Nutrition and well-being
- Health & SafetySPICE transformation
- Access and Inclusion

### ESG criteria

ESG eligibility (% of eligible bonds) 36%

### **ESG** scores

	Fund	Index
ESG*	3.3/5	3.2/5
Environment	3.3/5	3.2/5
Social	3.3/5	3.2/5
Governance	3.3/5	3.3/5

### **ESG best scores**

	ESG	E	S	G
Orsted	4.1/5	4.7/5	4.0/5	3.7/5
Neoen	4.1/5	4.4/5	3.6/5	4.2/5
Nexans	4.0/5	4.1/5	3.8/5	4.2/5
Lenzing	3.9/5	4.4/5	3.6/5	4.2/5
Iberdrola	3.9/5	4.2/5	3.6/5	3.9/5

### **Environmental analysis**

Net Environmental Contribution (NEC)\*\*



4%

Percentage of income derived from the three fossil energies.

Gas

### European taxonomy

Percentage of revenues derived from eligible activities to the EU taxonomy

Coverage rate : fund 69% / index 90%

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Index

66%

53%

### Carbon footprint

Annual greenhouse gas emissions (GHG Protocol) from upstream scopes 1, 2 and 3 per thousand euros invested<sup>\*\*\*</sup>. *Coverage rate : fund 58% / index 89%* 

	Fund	Index
kg. eq. CO ₂ /year/k€	240	256

### Societal and social analysis

### Staff growth\*\*

Fossil fuel exposure

1%

Carbon 📕 Oil

Fund

Index

Cumulated growth in company headcounts over the past three financial years (data unadjusted in the event of acquisitions, excluding transformational deals).

Coverage rate : fund 88% / index 90%

Fund	25%
Index 4%	

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# sycomore sélection crédit



### Sustainable development goals exposure



ESG follow-up, news and dialogue

### Dialogue and engagement

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No comment

No significant exposure : 27%

ESG documentation.

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activity, its number of targets can vary between 0 and 2. The company target exposure to one of its activities is weighted by the revenue share gained from this activity.

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### Ayvens (ex-ALD)

We informed Ayvens that we would like the company to publish a debt repayment schedule for each year and type of debt. Investor relations indicated this is expected to feature in the annual report published in April 2024.

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# sycomore sycoyield 2026

**FEBRUARY 2024** 

Share IC

Isin code | FR001400A6X2 NA

NAV | 111.0€

Assets | 439.1 M€

### SFDR 8

Sustainable Investments				
% AUM:	≥1%			
% Companies*:	≥1%			
*Excluding derivatives, cash &	equivalent			

### **Risk indicator**



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### **Investment** Team



SINETY Fund Manager

Emmanuel de



Stanislas de BAILLIENCOURT Fund Manager

Fund Manager

Tony LEBON Credit analyst

### Investment strategy

Sycoyield 2026 is a maturity fund seeking yield opportunities in the bond markets. It invests mainly in high-yield corporate bonds issued in euros, with a maturity date mainly in 2026 and which are intended to be held until their maturity. The selection of issuers takes into account environmental, social and governance issues.

### Performance as of 29.02.2024



	Feb	2024	1 year	Inc.	Annu.	2023
Fund %	0.3	0.5	8.2	11.0	7.2	9.6
Statistics						
	Vol.		Sharpe Ratio		Draw Dow	'n
Inception	3.0%		1.4		-3.4%	

### Fund commentary

After rising in January, long-term yields remained on an upward trend in February. Yields on 5-year OATs gained around 40 bp during the month. The gap between Italian and German bond yields contracted further, shrinking from 175 bp at the beginning of the year to 150 bp at the end of February. ECB policy makers sent out a firm message and tended to talk down the market's expectations of rate cuts. Growth data in Germany confirmed the economic slowdown shown by PMI surveys. Despite these weak statistics, credit spreads narrowed further: Investment Grade spreads dropped 10 bp while High-Yield spreads contracted by 40 bp, implying strong outperformance versus higher-rated credit categories. Recent issuances continued to be well absorbed by the market.

# sycoyield 2026

**Fund Information** 

**Bloomberg tickers** 

Share IC - SYCOYLD FP

Share RC - SYCYLDR FP

**Inception date** 

01/09/2022

**ISIN codes** 

Benchmark

Legal form

Mutual fund

France

4 years

None

Yes Valuation Daily

UCITS V

Currency

Cut-Off

EUR

D+3

None

None

No

Domiciliation

**PEA** eligibility

**Investment period** 

**Minimum investment** 

12pm CET Paris (BPSS)

**Cash Settlement** 

**Management fees** Share IC - 0.50% Share ID - 0.50% Share RC - 1.00% Performance fees

**Transaction fees** 

None



#### Portfolio Valuation Exposure rate 100% Modified Duration 2.0 Number of bonds 106 Yield to maturity 4.9% Number of issuers 73 Yield to worst 4.4% Average maturity 2.3years Share IC - FR001400A6X2 Share ID - FR001400H3J1 Sector breakdown Country breakdown Share RC - FR001400A6Y0 France Autos & comp. Telecommunications 54% 12% 14% Italy 11% Comm & pro services Other services Food & beverage 6% United States 6% 6% Share ID - SYCOYLDID FP Technology 6% Spain 5% Consumer serv. Banks 4% Germany 3% 5% Transportation 6% Luxembourg Household products Software 4% 3% 3% Sweden 4% Pharmacie 3% Materials 4% Netherlands ۵% Energy Capital goods 4% United Kingdom 3% Insurance 3% Real estate 3% Ireland 3% Utilities Belgium 1% Retailing Chemical products 3% Norway 0% Retail Media 1% Packaging 0% **Rating breakdown** Asset class breakdown BBB Cash A Bonds Convertibles Cash BR B YTW YTM Main issuers Weight Sector 3.9% Masmovil Telecommunications 4.5% 4.5% Forvia 3.7% Autos & Comp. 4.6% 4.6% Loxam 3.5% Comm & pro services 4.2% 4.2% 4.5% Quadient 3.4% Technology 4.5% Picard 3.1% Food & Beverage 6.7% 1.8%

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