# MONTHLY REPORTS

**Institutional Investors** 





### MONTHLY FACTSHEETS

07-2023

MULTI-THEMATIC EQUITIES		July	2023	3 years	Inception
	Performance	1.4%	12.6%	41.8%	615.5%
Sycomore Francecap (I) FR0010111724 - Equity Savings Plan (PEA)	CAC All-Tradable NR	1.470	17.2%	60.7%	250.9%
France - Inception: Oct 01  Sycomore Sélection Responsable (I)	Performance	2.1%	16.4%	24.7%	141.5%
FR0010971705 - Equity Savings Plan (PEA)	EUROSTOXX TR	2.0%	17.2%	44.2%	123.8%
European Union - Inception: Jan 11 Sycomore Sélection Midcap (I)	Performance	1.2%	7.9%	28.0%	28.0%
FR0013303534 - Equity Savings Plan (PEA) European Union - Inception: Dec 03 <sup>s</sup>	MSCI EMU Smid NR	3.3%	10.6%	26.6%	26.6%
Sycomore Sélection PME (I)	Performance	1.3%	6.1%	18.2%	206.8%
FR0011707470 - Equity Savings Plan (PEA-PME) European Union - Inception: Jul 061	EUROSTOXX TMI Small TR	2.3%	10.7%	35.3%	134.3%
THEMATIC EQUITIES		July	2023	3 years	Inception
ENVIRONMENT					
Sycomore Europe Eco Solutions (I)	Performance	0.1%	3.4%	31.2%	66.6%
LU1183791281 - Equity Savings Plan (PEA) Europe - Inception: Aug 15	MSCI Europe NR	2.0%	13.3%	44.3%	59.4%
Sycomore Global Eco Solutions (IC)	Performance	-0.8%	2.5%	-	-10.5%
LU2412098654 - World Equity Fund World - Dec 21	MSCI AC World NR	2.6%	14.3%	-	1.0%
SOCIAL/SOCIETAL					
Sycomore Europe Happy@Work (I)	Performance	0.8%	12.5%	22.2%	68.0%
LU1301026206 - Equity Savings Plan (PEA) European Union - Inception: Nov 15 <sup>2</sup>	EUROSTOXX TR	2.0%	17.2%	44.2%	61.5%
Sycomore Global Happy@Work (IC)	Performance	0.7%	16.0%	-	-7.5%
LU2413890901 - World Equity Fund World - Dec 21	MSCI AC World NR	2.6%	14.3%	-	1.3%
Sycomore Social Impact (I)	Performance	0.9%	8.2%	-3.9%	193.8%
FR0010117085 - Equity Savings Plan (PEA) European Union - Inception: Jun 02	EUROSTOXX TR	2.0%	17.2%	44.2%	213.7%
Sycomore Global Education (IC)	Performance	3.1%	9.9%	-	-13.5%
LU2309821630 - World Equity Fund World - Mar 21	MSCI AC World NR	2.6%	14.3%	-	16.8%
Sycomore Inclusive Jobs (IC)	Performance	0.7%	2.4%	-	-13.8%
FR0014000IE9 - Equity Solidarity Fund European Union - Inception: May 21	EUROSTOXX TR	2.0%	17.2%	-	11.2%
Sycomore Sustainable Tech (IC)	Performance	2.3%	30.0%	-	21.0%
LU2181906269 - World Equity Fund World - Sector Technology - Sep 20	MSCI AC WId Info Tech. NR	1.8%	36.7%	-	54.2%
FLEXIBLE STRATEGIES		July	2023	3 years	Inception
Sycomore Partners (I)	Performance	1.8%	6.4%	21.9%	80.8%
FR0010601898 - Equity Savings Plan (PEA) European Union - Inception: Mar 08	50%E.STOXX NR+50%EST	1.2%	9.3%	22.0%	58.9%
Sycomore Next Generation (IC)	Performance	1.0%	6.1%	6.5%	3.8%
LU1961857478 - Balanced Fund Global Asset Allocation - Apr 19	Compounded ESTR+2.5%	0.5%	3.1%	8.6%	11.4%
Sycomore Allocation Patrimoine (I)	Performance	1.0%	6.1%	7.5%	54.4%
FR0010474015 - Balanced Fund Global Asset Allocation - Dec 09 <sup>3</sup>	Compounded ESTR+2.8%	0.5%	2.8%	7.0%	31.8%
Sycomore Opportunities (I)	Performance	1.7%	4.4%	0.4%	84.9%
FR0010473991 - Equity Savings Plan (PEA) European Union - Inception: Oct 04	50%E.STOXX NR+50%EST	1.2%	9.3%	22.0%	104.9%
CREDIT		July	2023	3 years	Inception
Sycomore Sélection Crédit (I)	Performance	0.9%	4.7%	-0.7%	26.4%
FR0011288489 - Corporate Bond Fund European Union - Inception: Sep 12 <sup>4</sup>	Barclays Eur Corp exFin.	0.8%	3.1%	-10.1%	12.2%
Sycoyield 2026 (IC) FR001400A6X2 - Corporate Bond Fund	According to French regulations, we				ving a 12
European Union - Inception: Aug 22	months existence at least.	ror turther info	ormation, please o	ontact our team.	

<sup>1</sup> 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.

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# sycomore francecap

Share I Isin code | FR0010111724 NAV | 715.5€

Assets | 216.5 M€

#### SFDR8

Sustain	able	Inves	tment	S
% AUM:				

% Companies\*: ≥ 50%

≥ 50%

\*Excluding derivatives, cash & equivalent

#### Risk indicator

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Higher risk

3 2

Lower risk

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



Alban PRÉAUBERT Fund Manager



Anne-Claire **IMPERIALE** SRI Referent



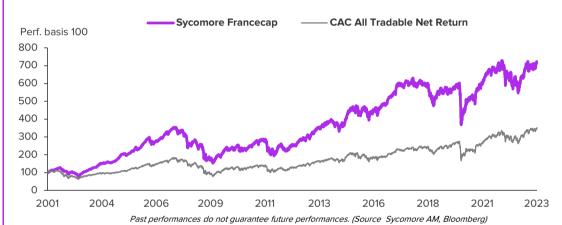
France

#### 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 31.07.2023



	Jul	2023	1 year	3 yrs	5 yrs	Inc.º	Annu.	2022	2021	2020	2019
Fund %	1.4	12.6	14.0	41.8	18.7	615.5	9.5	-10.5	23.1	-2.3	20.1
Index %	1.5	17.2	16.9	60.7	43.1	250.9	5.9	-8.4	28.3	-4.9	27.8

#### **Statistics**

	Corr.	Beta	Alpha	Vol.	Bench.	Track.	Sharpe	Info	Draw	Bench.
					Vol	Error	Ratio	Ratio	Down	DD
3 years	1.0	0.9	-2.1%	16.5%	18.2%	5.1%	0.7	-0.9	-25.0%	-21.9%
Inception	0.9	0.7	4.8%	16.7%	21.3%	9.8%	0.5	0.4	-56.9%	-57.5%

#### **Fund commentary**

The H1 earnings season got off to a rather strong start with many companies confirming - and sometimes upgrading - their annual targets. These companies included Saint-Gobain, despite a challenging environment for the new-build sector in Europe, but also Burelle, Verallia, Sopra, Michelin, Worldline and Elis, which featured among top contributors to performance in July. Téléperformance, which had consistently upgraded its targets every year, has now made a second downgrade in 2023. The stock fell sharply and ranked among leading detractors in July. Boiron surged by almost 30% during the month after the family chose to delist the company. We believe the price offered is too low (EV/EBIT multiple around 10x) and may not tender our shares.

# 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

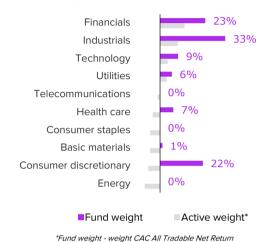
#### **Portfolio**

Equity exposure	96%
Overlap with benchmark	26%
Number of holdings	35
Weight of top 20 stocks	71%
Median market cap	7.8 €bn

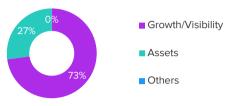
#### Valuation

	Fund	Index
2023 PER	9.4x	12.6x
2023 EPS growth	7.2%	11.4%
2023 P/BV ratio	1.2x	1.7x
Return on Equity	12.5%	13.7%
2023 Dividend Yield	4.1%	3.2%

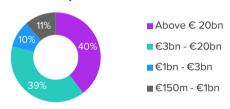
#### Sector exposure



#### Style 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 most material impacts\*.

	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
I score	3.8/5	3.8/5
C score	3.8/5	3.8/5
E score	3.5/5	3.3/5

#### **Top 10**

#### SPICE Weight NEC CS rating Christian Dior 9.6% 4.2/5 -14% -22% Peugeot 6.2% 3.3/5 +4% 16% Saint Gobain 6.0% 3.9/5 +14% 32% Sanofi 5.2% 3.2/5 0% 88% Nexans 4.8% 4.0/5 +15% 0% Schneider E. 3.7% 4.2/5 +13% 37% Société 3.1% 3.1/5 0% 18% Générale AI D 3.6/5 +9% 16% 3.1% Neurones 3.0% 4.0/5 0% 10% AXA 2.8% 3.6/5 0% 35%

#### Performance contributors

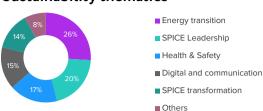
	Avg. weight	Contrib
Positive		
Saint Gobain	5.8%	0.59%
Peugeot	5.7%	0.319
Verallia	2.0%	0.309
Negative		
Teleperformance	2.7%	-0.329
Christian Dior	9.6%	-0.219
Sanofi	5.2%	-0.219

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Buy	Reinforcement	Sell	Reduction
Sodexo	Worldline	Atos	Sanofi
		Carrefour	Arkema
		Nanobiotix	Saint-Gobain

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#### Sustainability thematics



#### **ESG** scores

	Fund	Index
ESG*	3.6/5	3.4/5
Environment	3.5/5	3.3/5
Social	3.6/5	3.5/5
Governance	3.8/5	3.6/5

#### **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 100% +5% Fund



#### **European taxonomy**

Percentage of revenues derived from eligible activities to the EU taxonomy

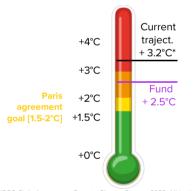
Coverage rate : fund 85% / index 100%



#### Temperature rising - SB2A

Induced average temperature increase by 2100 compared to pre-industrial times, according to the Science-Based 2°C Alignment methodology.

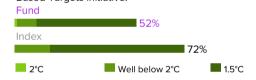
Coverage rate: fund 77%



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

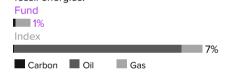
#### Climate alignment - SBTi

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



#### Fossil fuel exposure

Percentage of income derived from the three fossil energies.



#### Carbon footprint

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

Coverage rate: fund 100% / index 100%

Fund Index kg. eq. CO 2 /year/k€ 188 185

#### 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 98% +21% Fund -100% +100% 0% Index +12%

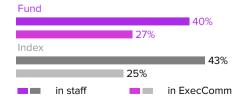
#### The Good Jobs Rating - Quantity

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 100%



#### Gender equality ♀/ ♂

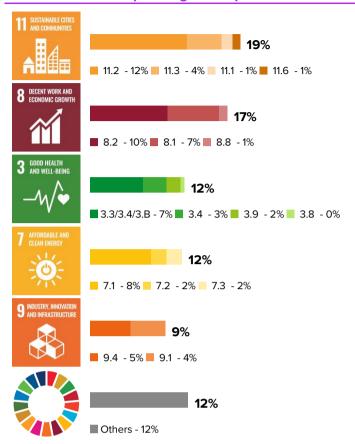
Percentage of women in total company headcounts and executive committees. Staff cov. rate: fund 100% / index 99% ExecComm cov. rate: fund 100% / index 100%



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

#### 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: 28%

#### ESG follow-up, news and dialogue

#### Dialogue and engagement

#### Soitec

We held discussions with Soitec ahead of the company's AGM. Consistent with our engagement initiative, Soitec increased the weight of ESG criteria when determining the annual bonus, 10% of which is based on internal ESG criteria and 15% on an external rating by MSCI. The company has also created an ESG Committee responsible for setting more ambitious objectives. Following the governance crisis, the company appointed a lead director whose mission will be to manage any potential conflicts of interest, though relations are now much improved.

#### **ESG** controversies

#### Arkema

While it seems inevitable that regulation around 'forever chemicals' (PFAS) will become stricter at European level, our initial discussions with Arkema highlighted a lack of clarity on this major issue for the chemicals industry. We were not able to determine the company's direct exposure to potentially banned pollutants, though one site does appear to be at risk, and the company has not made any provisions in relation to current or past releases. The position was trimmed.

#### Votes

1/1 voted general assembly over the month.

Details on our votes are available here the day following the company's AGM  $\underline{\text{Here}}$ .

#### Axa

Amundi and Axa are alleged to be indirectly funding the military repression in Myanmar according to the investigation led by NGOs Justice for Myanmar, Info Birmanie and Le Monde, published on July 6th. Based on analysis carried out by the Dutch research group Profundo, some of the investments are directed towards Indian and Chinese companies that have sold arms and military equipment to the Myanmar junta in recent months. This controversy emphasizes the duty of care applicable to French companies.

#### **ESG** commentary

Atos held its AGM on June 28th. We spoke at the end of the session to present the resolutions we had submitted. These resolutions concerned removing the Chair of the Board and two other non-independent directors from office and appointing a new independent director, Léo Apotheker. The two resolutions were supported by 32.6% and 34.7% of shareholders, demonstrating the pertinence of our engagement initiative designed to restore trust in the company's governance.



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# sélection responsable

Share I

Isin code | FR0010971705

NAV | 483.1€

Assets | 583.5 M€

#### SFDR8

#### **Sustainable Investments**

%	AUM:	≥ /0%
%	Companies*:	≥ 70%

#### \*Excluding derivatives, cash & equivalent

#### Risk indicator

Higher risk

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Lower risk

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#### **Investment Team**



Olivier CASSÉ Fund Manager



Bertille KNUCKEY Fund Manager



Giulia CULOT Fund Manager







Austria



Germany

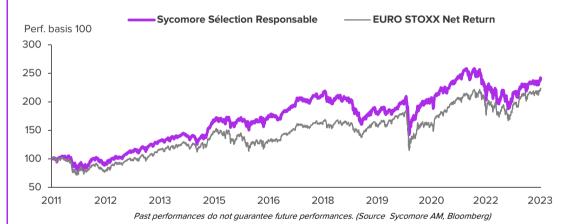
France Belgium

Investment strategy

#### 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 31.07.2023



	Jul	2023	1 year	3 yrs	5 yrs	Inc.	Annu.	2022	2021	2020	2019
Fund %	2.1	16.4	10.9	24.7	17.0	141.5	7.3	-18.5	16.2	11.1	20.1
Index %	2.0	17.2	17.6	44.2	34.7	123.8	6.6	-12.3	22.7	0.2	26.1

#### **Statistics**

	Corr.	Beta	Alpha	Vol.	Bench.	Track.	Sharpe	Info	Draw	Bench.
					Vol	Error	Ratio	Ratio	Down	DD
3 years	1.0	0.9	-3.7%	16.9%	17.8%	4.8%	0.4	-1.1	-27.5%	-24.6%
Inception	1.0	0.8	1.6%	16.5%	19.1%	6.0%	0.4	0.1	-35.1%	-37.9%

#### **Fund commentary**

In July Eurozone equity markets posted modest positive returns, influenced by the publication of macroeconomic indicators and the ECB's meetings. At portfolio level, strong H1 earnings publications drove returns for this month's top contributors. These included Autoliv, Saint-Gobain and Michelin, which rose after reporting better-thanexpected earnings and positive guidance for the remainder of the year. Furthermore, Smurfit Kappa stocks which are trading at compelling valuations - more than offset the decline recorded in June, which had been driven by fears of inventory reductions. As far as detractors are concerned, Compass fell after reporting a rather more modest than expected improvement in its margins, while Prysmian was negatively impacted by the read across from Nexans earnings. Among the many fund movements in July, we trimmed our exposure to Nexans ahead of the company's weak earnings publication and strengthened our position in SAP.

# 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

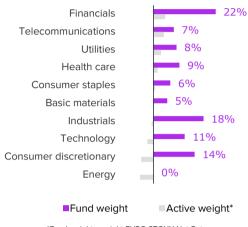
#### **Portfolio**

Equity exposure	95%
Overlap with benchmark	34%
Number of holdings	46
Weight of top 20 stocks	66%
Median market cap	47.2 €bn

#### Valuation

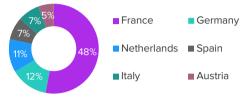
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2023 PER	8.8x	12.9x
2023 EPS growth	7.5%	8.7%
2023 P/BV ratio	1.3x	1.5x
Return on Equity	14.9%	11.9%
2023 Dividend Yield	3.6%	3.4%

#### Sector exposure



\*Fund weight - weight EURO STOXX Net Return

#### 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\*.

	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
I score	3.8/5	3.7/5
C score	3.8/5	3.6/5
E score	3.6/5	3.2/5

#### **Top 10**

	Weight	SPICE rating	NEC	cs
Banco Santander S.A.	5.2%	3.3/5	0%	28%
KPN	4.3%	3.5/5	0%	60%
ASML	4.1%	4.3/5	+4%	27%
AXA	4.0%	3.6/5	0%	35%
LVMH	3.9%	3.8/5	-10%	-22%
KBC Group	3.9%	3.8/5	0%	26%
Air Liquide	3.7%	4.1/5	+1%	10%
SAP	3.5%	4.0/5	+4%	20%
Michelin	3.4%	4.0/5	+5%	25%
Sanofi	3.3%	3.2/5	0%	88%

#### Performance contributors

	Avg. weight	Contrib
Positive		
Smurfit Kappa	3.1%	0.55%
Banco Santander S.A.	5.0%	0.45%
Michelin	2.7%	0.33%
Negative		
Sanofi	3.3%	-0.12%
Prysmian	1.9%	-0.11%
Orsted	1.2%	-0.11%

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Buy	Reinforcement	Sell	Reduction
	Michelin	Hermès	Asml
	Société Générale	Nemetschek	Nexans
	Intesa S.		Asm International

# sycomore sélection responsable



#### Sustainability thematics



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

#### **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	3.7/5	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) calculés par Sycomore AM sur la base de données des années 2018 à 2021. Coverage rate: fund 100% / index 98%



#### **European taxonomy**

Percentage of revenues derived from eligible activities to the EU taxonomy

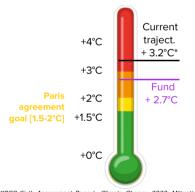
Coverage rate: fund 100% / index 99%



#### Temperature rising - SB2A

Induced average temperature increase by 2100 compared to pre-industrial times, according to the Science-Based 2°C Alignment methodology.

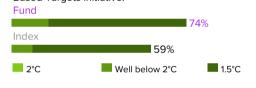
Coverage rate: fund 79%



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#### 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 99% / index 98%

	Fund	maex
kg. eq. CO ₂ /year/k€	151	193

#### Fossil fuel exposure

Percentage of income derived from the three fossil energies.



#### **Biodiversity footprint**

Artificialised surface area in  $m^2$  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

Coverage rate: fund 99% / index 97%

	Fund	Index
m².MSA/k€	-85	-71

#### 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 94% +30% Fund -100% +100% 0% Index +17%

#### Human rights policy

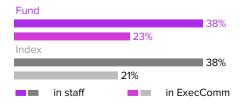
Percentage of portfolio companies that have drawn up a Human Rights policy. Coverage rate: fund 100% / index 99%



#### 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%

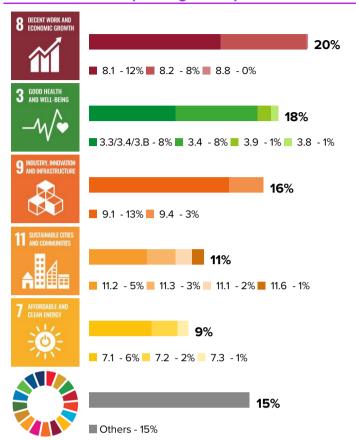


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# sycomore sélection responsable



#### 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: 21%

#### ESG follow-up, news and dialogue

#### Dialogue and engagement

#### Iberdrola

We engaged with Iberdrola to discuss the company's involvement in the Belo Monte Dam project in Brazil, via its subsidiary NeoEnergia SA. Talks also focused on the quality of its interactions with the local population and indigenous communities.

#### **ESG** controversies

#### Axa

Amundi and Axa are alleged to be indirectly funding the military repression in Myanmar according to the investigation led by NGOs Justice for Myanmar, Info Birmanie and Le Monde, published on July 6th. Based on analysis carried out by the Dutch research group Profundo, some of the investments are directed towards Indian and Chinese companies that have sold arms and military equipment to the Myanmar junta in recent months. This controversy emphasizes the duty of care applicable to French companies.

#### Votes

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

#### **Symrise**

We held further talks with Symrise after earlier discussions which included requests to strengthen the company's internal control and reporting systems, notably due to the incidents that occurred in recent years (fire on a production facility in the US, human resource management, health & safety, on-going investigation for antitrust practices, erroneous financial disclosures on organic growth components...).

#### **ESG** commentary

On July 22nd, 2023, the French Parliament – which met to review the law on Green Industry - adopted an amendment that had been drafted earlier with members of the AMF's Climate and Sustainable Finance Commission and the Forum for Sustainable Investment, to support the development of Say on Climate votes. The amendment aims for shareholders to cast advisory votes at company AGMs on climate strategies and sustainability every 3 years, and on implementation reports every year.

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# sycomore sélection midcap

Isin code | FR0013303534 NAV | 98.9€ Share I

Assets | 60.5 M€

#### SFDR8

#### **Sustainable Investments**

% AUM: % Companies\*: ≥ 50%

\*Excluding derivatives, cash & equivalent

#### Risk indicator

Higher risk

3 2

Lower risk

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



PRÉAUBERT Fund Manager



Cyril CHARLOT Fund Manager



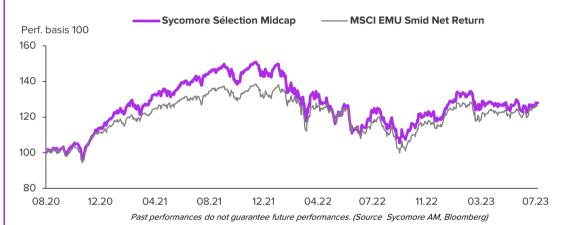
France

#### 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 31.07.2023



	Jul	2023	1 year	≎08/20	Annu.	2022	2021
Fund %	1.2	7.9	3.3	28.0	8.7	-20.5	25.4
Index %	3.3	10.6	7.8	26.6	8.3	-16.0	18.9

<sup>\*</sup>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	0.3%	18.5%	17.2%	5.5%	0.5	0.1	-30.2%	-27.9%

#### **Fund commentary**

Markets enjoyed a strong rise in July, lifted by easing inflation, the ECB's softer policy on future interest rate hikes, and the first set of earnings publications - which are proving more resilient than expected. The fund underperformed during the period, impacted by its low exposure to financial and real estate stocks - which are driving index returns, and from disappointing performances posted by several portfolio positions. Ariston was impacted by a new subsidies policy in Italy which is weighing on demand, fears of over-capacity on heat pumps, and customers increasingly reluctant to invest in renewing their equipment. We chose to trim our position ahead of the company's earnings publication. Sesa continued to decline despite reporting earnings in line with expectations, including a 25% increase in its Ebitda margin. The downside was the company's cashflow generation, which was impacted by major M&A activity during the year.

# sycomore sélection midcap



#### **Fund Information**

Inception date

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 vrs

#### **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

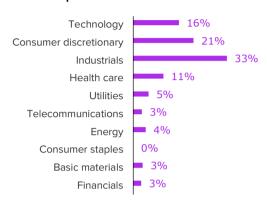
#### **Portfolio**

Equity exposure	98%	
Overlap with benchmark	8%	
Number of holdings	46	
Weight of top 20 stocks	54%	
Median market cap	4.0 €bn	

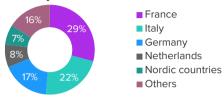
#### Valuation

	Fund	Index
2023 PER	14.6x	12.2x
2023 EPS growth	10.4%	5.3%
2023 P/BV ratio	2.1x	1.1x
Return on Equity	14.1%	8.8%
2023 Dividend Yield	2.7%	3.4%

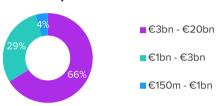
#### Sector exposure



#### 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 most material impacts\*.

	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
I score	3.8/5	3.5/5
C score	3.7/5	3.5/5
E score	3.5/5	3.2/5

#### Top 10

#### Performance contributors

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	Weight	SPICE rating	NEC	cs		Avg. weight	Contrib
SPIE	4.0%	3.8/5	+14%	38%	Positive		
ERG	3.4%	4.1/5	+93%	51%	Tokmanni	2.6%	0.39%
Sopra Steria	3.2%	3.8/5	0%	18%	Gaztransport & Tech.	2.0%	0.38%
INWIT	3.0%	3.6/5	0%	50%	Aixtron	1.6%	0.35%
Aalberts	2.9%	3.6/5	+1%	14%	Negative		
Nexans	2.9%	4.0/5	+15%	0%	Ariston Holding	2.4%	-0.32%
SeSa	2.9%	3.9/5	0%	10%	SPIE	4.2%	-0.29%
Corticeira Amorim	2.8%	3.6/5	+18%	-4%	Barco NV	2.3%	-0.24%
ASR Nederland	2.8%	3.7/5	0%	34%			
Alten	2.5%	4.0/5	+3%	-5%			

Buy	Reinforcement	Sell	Reduction
Aixtron AG	Nemetschek	Alstom	Rexel
Delonghi	Verbio	Soitec	Jungheinrich
Husqvarna	Amplifon	Signify	Aurubis

# sycomore sélection midcap



#### Sustainability thematics

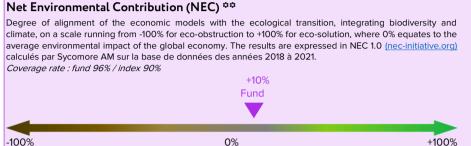


- Sustainable mgmt of resources
- SPICE Leadership
- Digital and communication
- Health & Safety
- Energy transition
- SPICE transformation Nutrition and well-being
- Access and Inclusion

#### **ESG** scores

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

#### **Environmental analysis**



Index +5%

#### **European taxonomy**

Percentage of revenues derived from eligible activities to the EU taxonomy

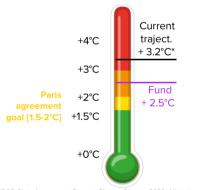
Coverage rate: fund 98% / index 95%



#### Temperature rising - SB2A

Induced average temperature increase by 2100 compared to pre-industrial times, according to the Science-Based 2°C Alignment methodology.

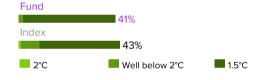
Coverage rate: fund 41%



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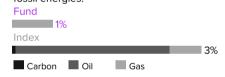
#### Climate alignment - SBTi

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



#### Fossil fuel exposure

Percentage of income derived from the three fossil energies.



#### Carbon footprint

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

Coverage rate: fund 98% / index 97%

Fund Index kg. eq. CO 2 /year/k€ 165 303

#### 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 94% / index 70% +26% Fund -100% +100% Index +21%

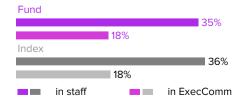
#### The Good Jobs Rating - Quantity

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 96% / index 91%



#### Gender equality ♀/ ♂

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

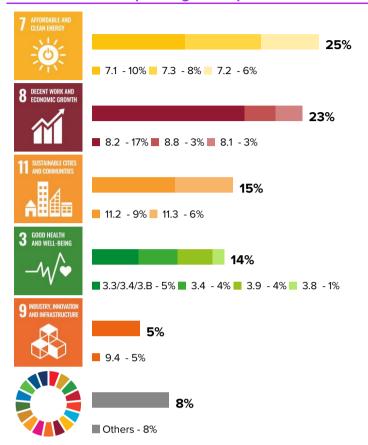


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# sycomore sélection midcap



#### Sustainable development goals exposure



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No significant exposure: 21%

#### ESG follow-up, news and dialogue

#### Dialogue and engagement

#### Soited

We held discussions with Soitec ahead of the company's AGM. Consistent with our engagement initiative, Soitec increased the weight of ESG criteria when determining the annual bonus, 10% of which is based on internal ESG criteria and 15% on an external rating by MSCI. The company has also created an ESG Committee responsible for setting more ambitious objectives. Following the governance crisis, the company appointed a lead director whose mission will be to manage any potential conflicts of interest, though relations are now much improved.

#### **ESG** controversies

No comment

#### Votes

#### Arkema

While it seems inevitable that regulation around 'forever chemicals' (PFAS) will become stricter at European level, our initial discussions with Arkema highlighted a lack of clarity on this major issue for the chemicals industry. We were not able to determine the company's direct exposure to potentially banned pollutants, though one site does appear to be at risk, and the company has not made any provisions in relation to current or past releases.



Share I Isin code | FR0011707470 NAV | 6,326.8€

Assets | 73.0 M€

#### SFDR 8

#### **Sustainable Investments**

% AUM: ≥ 50% % Companies\*: ≥ 50%

#### \*Excluding derivatives, cash & equivalent

Higher risk

#### Risk indicator

7 6 5

4

2

Lower risk

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#### **Investment Team**



**Alban PRÉAUBERT**Fund Manager



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France

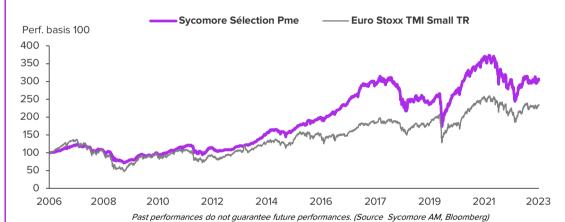
France

#### Investment strategy

#### 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 31.07.2023



	Jul	2023	1 year	3 yrs	5 yrs	Inc.	Annu.	2022	2021	2020	2019
Fund %	1.3	6.1	2.7	18.2	5.1	206.8	6.8	-21.9	20.6	19.2	13.9
Index %	2.3	10.7	6.1	35.3	23.9	134.3	5.1	-16.7	22.7	4.3	29.5

#### **Statistics**

	Corr.	Beta	Alpha	Vol.	Bench.	Track.	Sharpe	Info	Draw	Bench.
					Vol	Error	Ratio	Ratio	Down	DD
3 years	0.9	0.8	-2.5%	14.9%	16.2%	7.5%	0.4	-0.6	-34.8%	-28.4%
Inception	0.8	0.5	3.9%	12.4%	19.2%	12.3%	0.5	0.1	-45.0%	-65.8%

#### **Fund commentary**

Markets enjoyed a strong rise in July, supported by easing inflation, the ECB's softer stance on future interest rate hikes, and the first set of earnings publications - which are proving more resilient than expected. The fund failed to keep up with its benchmark due to the absence of real estate stocks in the portfolio − which drove returns in July, and to our unfavorable technology overweight. Furthermore, the fund's positioning focuses on smaller capitalizations (below €1 billion), which once again, lagged their mid-sized counterparts. Disappointments included Stratec, which stumbled after issuing a profit warning as customers scaled down their planned orders for H2, while Sanlorenzo was impacted by weaker dynamics in its yacht reservations.



#### **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

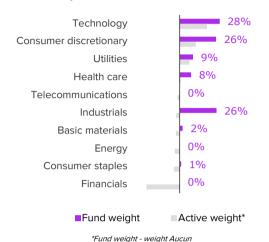
#### **Portfolio**

Equity exposure	98%
Overlap with benchmark	3%
Number of holdings	62
Median market cap	0.9 €bn

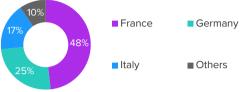
#### Valuation

	Fund	Index
2023 PER	13.8x	5.0x
2023 EPS growth	11.6%	5.5%
2023 P/BV ratio	2.0x	0.5x
Return on Equity	14.8%	9.7%
2023 Dividend Yield	2.4%	3.3%

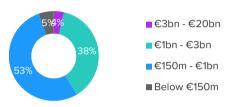
#### Sector exposure



#### 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\*.

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

#### **Top 10**

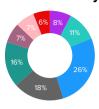
#### Performance contributors

	Weight	SPICE rating	NEC	cs		Avg. weight	Contrib
Vygrs du Mnd	2.8%	3.8/5	+10%	33%	Positive		
SII	2.6%	4.1/5	0%	6%	Aixtron	2.0%	0.29%
Elmos	2.6%	3.7/5	+3%	0%	Soitec	2.0%	0.29%
Mersen	2.5%	3.6/5	+18%	6%	Inwido	1.6%	0.27%
Equasens	2.5%	4.0/5	0%	39%	Negative		
Delfingen	2.4%	3.4/5	0%	13%	STRATEC	1.2%	-0.28%
Zignago	2.4%	4.0/5	-12%	0%	Sanlorenzo	1.9%	-0.23%
SAF-HOLLAND	2.4%	3.3/5	-7%	0%	adesso	1.2%	-0.20%
Trigano	2.3%	3.5/5	-10%	9%	446330	1.270	0.2070
Aixtron	2.3%	3.6/5	0%	0%			

Buy	Reinforcement	Sell	Reduction
Boiron	Inwido	Cropenergies	Soitec
	Poujoulat		Exel Ind.
	Marr		Manitou Group



#### Sustainability thematics



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

#### **ESG** scores

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

#### **Environmental analysis**



Index +4%

#### European taxonomy

Percentage of revenues derived from eligible activities to the EU taxonomy

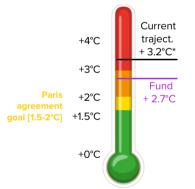
Coverage rate : fund 66% / index 92%



#### 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 25%



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

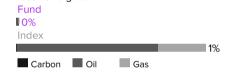
#### Climate alignment - SBTi

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



#### Fossil fuel exposure

Percentage of income derived from the three fossil energies.



#### Carbon footprint

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

Coverage rate : fund 95% / index 94%

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189	329

#### 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 54% +29% Fund -100% 0% +100%

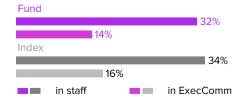
#### The Good Jobs Rating - Quantity

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 94% / index 85%



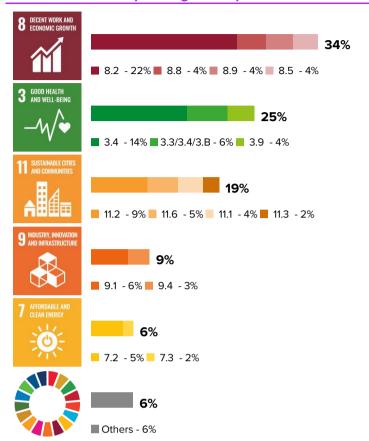
#### Gender equality ♀/ ♂

Percentage of women in total company headcounts and executive committees. Staff cov. rate: fund 99% / index 94% ExecComm cov. rate: fund 94% / index 97%



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#### Sustainable development goals exposure



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No significant exposure: 17%

#### ESG follow-up, news and dialogue

#### Dialogue and engagement

#### Soitec

We held discussions with Soitec ahead of the company's AGM. Consistent with our engagement initiative, Soitec increased the weight of ESG criteria when determining the annual bonus, 10% of which is based on internal ESG criteria and 15% on an external rating by MSCI. The company has also created an ESG Committee responsible for setting more ambitious objectives. Following the governance crisis, the company appointed a lead director whose mission will be to manage any potential conflicts of interest, though relations are now much improved.

#### **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.



## sycomore

# europe éco solutions

Share I

Isin code | LU1183791281

NAV | 166.6€

Assets | 675.1 M€

#### SFDR9

#### **Sustainable Investments**

% AUM:	≥80%
% Companies*:	100%
*Excluding derivatives, cas	sh & equivalent

#### Risk indicator

7 6 5 Higher risk

**4** 3

2

Lower risk

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





France





France

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 31.07.2023



	Jul	2023	1 year	3 yrs	5 yrs	Inc.	Annu.	2022	2021	2020	2019
Fund %	0.1	3.4	-3.8	31.2	28.4	66.6	6.7	-15.9	17.6	28.3	25.1
Index %	2.0	13.3	10.6	44.3	36.3	59.4	6.1	-9.5	25.1	-3.3	26.0

#### **Statistics**

	Corr.	Beta	Alpha	Vol.	Bench.	Track.	Sharpe	Info	Draw	Bench.
					Vol	Error	Ratio	Ratio	Down	DD
3 years	0.9	0.9	-1.9%	16.8%	15.3%	8.4%	0.5	-0.4	-23.9%	-19.5%
Inception	0.9	0.9	1.3%	16.9%	16.9%	7.7%	0.4	0.1	-34.2%	-35.3%

#### **Fund commentary**

The slowdown in inflation observed in the US and in Europe strengthened the likelihood of a soft landing for the economy and prompted investors to reposition their portfolios in equity markets. The first earnings publications either met or beat expectations, but these were followed by modest positive reactions on the stock market. Construction industry players such as Saint-Gobain reported record-high margins, thanks to their ability to increase the price/cost spread and the rising frequency of extreme weather events, which is boosting roofing renovation in the US. Kingspan also benefited from robust end-markets and announced it has bought a 50% stake in Steico, also held within the portfolio. ST Micro – a recent addition to the portfolio – delivered positive returns, driven once more by the resilience of its auto business. Investors took profits on several industrial stocks considered to be trading at rich valuations, repositioning their portfolios on 'value' plays which have built up a substantial lag versus the market.

# sycomore europe éco solutions



#### **Fund Information**

Inception date

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

res

#### **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

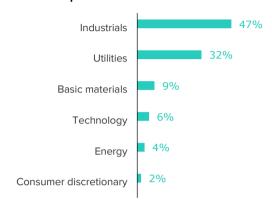
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#### Portfolio

Equity exposure	97%	20
Overlap with benchmark	4%	20
Number of holdings	52	20
Weight of top 20 stocks	53%	Re
Median market cap	8.2 €bn	20

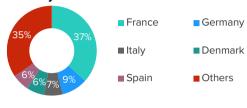
	Fund	Index
2023 PER	15.8x	1.3x
2023 EPS growth	4.6%	6.5%
2023 P/BV ratio	2.0x	0.4x
Return on Equity	12.8%	31.0%
2023 Dividend Yield	2.1%	3.5%

#### Sector exposure

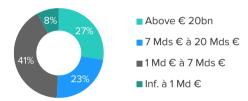


#### Country breakdown

Valuation



#### Market cap breakdown



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	Fund	Index
SPICE	3.8/5	3.5/5
S score	3.5/5	3.1/5
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E score	4.1/5	3.1/5

#### **Top 10**

#### SPICE Weight NEC rating Veolia 4.5% 3.7/5 +46% Schneider E. 4.3% 4.2/5 +13% Infineon 3.1% 3.8/5 +14% Saint Gobain 2.9% 3.9/5 +14% Nexans 2.9% 4.0/5 +15% 3.7/5 Alstom 2.7% +100% 4.1/5 Orsted 2.7% +82% STMicroelec. 2.6% 3.8/5 +11% SPIF 2 5% 3.8/5 +14% Prysmian 2.5% 3.8/5 +22%

#### Performance contributors

	Avg. weight	Contrib
Positive		
Kingspan Group	1.5%	0.29%
Saint Gobain	2.7%	0.27%
STMicroelec.	2.0%	0.16%
Negative		
Bravida Holding	1.5%	-0.25%
Orsted	2.7%	-0.22%
Ariston Holding	1.7%	-0.22%

Buy	Reinforcement	Sell	Reduction
Smurfit	Stmicroelec.	Signify	Alfen Nv
	Upm	Cropenergies	Sig Group Ag
	Verbund		Grn Séché

## sycomore europe éco solutions



#### **Environmental thematics**



■Renewable energy
■Energy efficiency & electrification
■ Circular enconomy
■ Green mobility
■Green building
■Sustainable natural resources

#### **ESG** scores

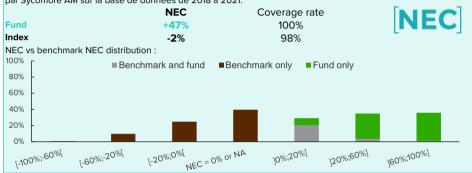
	Fund	Index
ESG*	3.7/5	3.3/5
Environment	4.1/5	3.1/5
Social	3.6/5	3.3/5
Governance	3.7/5	3.5/5

#### **Environmental analysis**

#### Net Environmental Contribution (NEC)

Others

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 de 2018 à 2021.



#### Greenfin Breakdown

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Induced average temperature increase by 2100 compared to pre-industrial times, according to the Science-Based 2°C Alignment methodology.

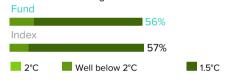
Coverage rate : fund 74%



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#### 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 93% / index 98%

kg. eq. CO  $_2$  /year/k€ Fund Index 168

#### European taxonomy

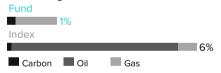
Percentage of revenues derived from eligible activities to the EU taxonomy

Coverage rate : fund 98% / index 99%

Fund Index Eligible share 77% 38%

#### Fossil fuel exposure

Percentage of income derived from the three fossil energies.



#### **Biodiversity footprint**

Artificialised surface area in  $m^2$  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.

Coverage rate: fund 96% / index 98%

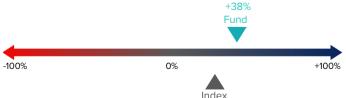
3	Fund	Index
m <sup>2</sup> .MSA/k€	-97	-71

#### 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 98% / index 76%

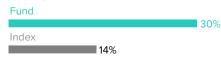


+26%

#### 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 98% / index 98%

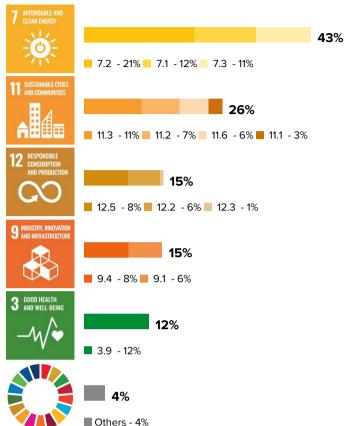


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## sycomore europe éco solutions



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No significant exposure: 10%



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#### ESG follow-up, news and dialogue

#### Dialogue and engagement

#### SIG Group

We visited the SIG Group's various manufacturing and research facilities in China to better understand the production processes, the synergies developed with Scholle IPN, and how the group can achieve its extra-financial commitments across its global operations. The visit strengthened our belief in the group's ability to create value over the long-term while incorporating high environmental standards.

#### **ESG** controversies

#### No comment

#### Votes

4 / 4 voted general assemblies over the month.

Details on our votes are available here the day following the company's AGM Here.

#### **ERG**

We had asked ERG to examine and publish its European taxonomyaligned income and capex. The company estimated its aligned income and aligned capex at 62% and 96%, respectively, at end 2022. Following the confirmed sale of its remaining CCGT (gas) capacities, ERG's aligned income and capex will mechanically reach 100%.



# global éco solutions

Share IC Isin code | LU2412098654 NAV | 89.5€

Assets | 70.9 M€

#### SFDR 9

#### **Sustainable Investments**

% AUM: ≥ 80% % Companies\*: 100%

\*Excluding derivatives, cash & equivalent

#### Risk indicator

6 5

Higher risk

**4** 3

2

Lower risk

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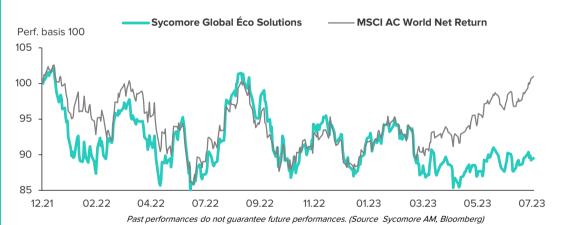
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#### Investment strategy

#### A global selection of companies supporting the environmental transition

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#### Performance as of 31.07.2023



	Jul	2023	1 year	Inc.	Annu.	2022
Fund %	-0.8	2.5	-8.4	-10.5	-6.6	-13.9
Index %	2.6	14.3	4.4	1.0	0.6	-13.0

#### **Statistics**

	Corr.	Beta	Alpha	Vol.	Bench.	Track.	Sharpe	Info	Draw	Bench.
					Vol	Error	Ratio	Ratio	Down	DD
Inception	0.8	0.9	-7.1%	17.5%	15.5%	9.8%	-0.4	-0.7	-16.8%	-16.3%

#### **Fund commentary**

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# sycomore global éco solutions



#### **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

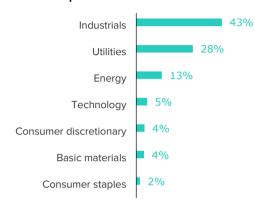
#### **Portfolio**

Equity exposure	98%
Overlap with benchmark	1%
Number of holdings	46
Weight of top 20 stocks	63%
Median market cap	18.5 €bn

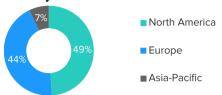
#### Valuation

	Fund	Index
2023 PER	18.8x	6.0x
2023 EPS growth	11.4%	6.6%
2023 P/BV ratio	2.8x	1.4x
Return on Equity	14.7%	23.8%
2023 Dividend Yield	1.6%	2.1%

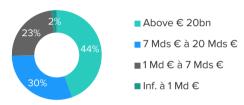
#### Sector exposure



#### Country breakdown



#### Market cap breakdown



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P score	3.6/5	3.2/5
I score	3.8/5	3.6/5
C score	3.7/5	3.2/5
E score	3.9/5	3.1/5

#### **Top 10**

	Weight	SPICE rating	NEC
Eaton Corp.	5.1%	3.7/5	+10%
Quanta Services	4.3%	3.4/5	+16%
Shoals Technologies Group	4.2%	3.4/5	+62%
Waste Connections	3.8%	3.9/5	+42%
Wabtec	3.5%	3.6/5	+100%
Xylem	3.5%	4.1/5	+18%
NextEra Energy	3.5%	3.5/5	+16%
Veolia	3.5%	3.7/5	+46%
Infineon	3.5%	3.8/5	+14%
Clean Harbors	3.5%	3.7/5	+53%

#### Performance contributors

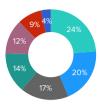
	Avg. weight	Contrib
Positive		
Saint Gobain	3.5%	0.36%
Wabtec	4.3%	0.29%
Owens Corning	2.9%	0.21%
Negative		
SolarEdge Tech.	3.8%	-0.50%
Shimano	2.8%	-0.27%
Orsted	3.4%	-0.26%

Buy	Reinforcement	Sell	Reduction
Smurfit	Shoals Tec.		Schneider E.
Upm	Verbund		Saint-Gobain
	Stmicroelec.		Alfen Nv

# sycomore global éco solutions



#### **Environmental thematics**



Renewable energy
■Energy efficiency & electrification
■ Green mobility
■ Circular enconomy
■Sustainable natural resources
Green building

#### **ESG** scores

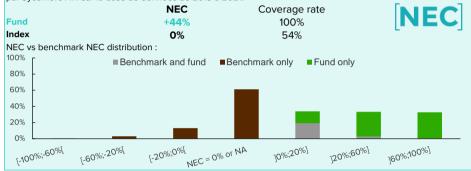
	Fund	Index
ESG*	3.6/5	3.1/5
Environment	3.9/5	3.1/5
Social	3.5/5	3.0/5
Governance	3.6/5	3.3/5

#### **Environmental analysis**

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

Others

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 de 2018 à 2021.



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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 79%



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#### Climate alignment - SBTi

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#### Carbon footprint

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

Coverage rate: fund 96% / index 92%

kg. eq. CO ₂ /year/k€ Fund Index 127

#### European taxonomy

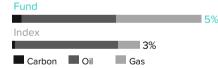
Percentage of revenues derived from eligible activities to the EU taxonomy

Coverage rate: fund 100% / index 75%

Fund Index Eligible share 83% 44%

#### Fossil fuel exposure

Percentage of income derived from the three fossil energies.



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Coverage rate: fund 85% / index 36%

	Fund	Index
m².MSA/k€	-78	-39

#### 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 43%



#### Staff growth

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Coverage rate : fund 98% / index 75%

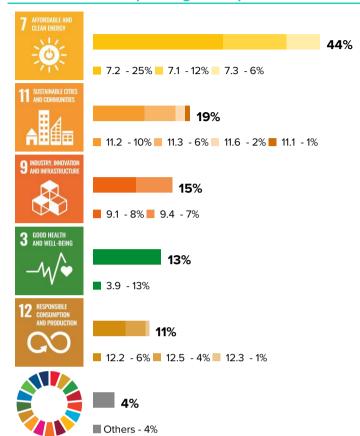


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No significant exposure: 15%



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#### ESG follow-up, news and dialogue

#### Dialogue and engagement

We visited the SIG Group's various manufacturing and research facilities in China to better understand the production processes, the synergies developed with Scholle IPN, and how the group can achieve its extrafinancial commitments across its global operations. The visit strengthened our belief in the group's ability to create value over the long-term while incorporating high environmental standards.

#### **ESG** controversies

No comment

#### Votes

voted general assemblies over the month.

Details on our votes are available here the day following the company's AGM Here.



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# europe happy@work

Share I

Isin code | LU1301026206

NAV | 158.5€

Assets | 463.5 M€

#### SFDR 9

#### **Sustainable Investments**

% AUM: ≥ 80% % Companies\*: 100%

\*Excluding derivatives, cash & equivalent

#### Risk indicator

7 6 5 Higher risk

3 2

Lower risk

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** Fund Manager



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Claire MOUCHOTTE SRI analyst







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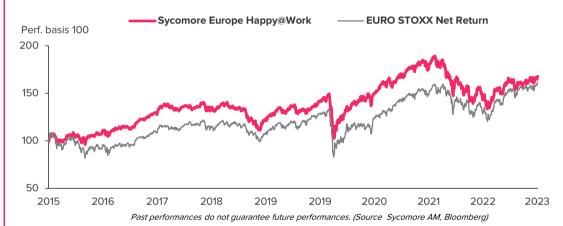
Germany

#### Investment strategy

#### 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 31.07.2023



	Jul	2023	1 year	3 yrs	5 yrs	Inc.	Annu.	2022	2021	2020	2019
Fund %	8.0	12.5	8.8	22.2	25.3	68.0	6.6	-19.0	15.5	13.0	23.8
Index %	2.0	17.2	17.6	44.2	34.7	61.5	6.1	-12.3	22.7	0.2	26.1

#### **Statistics**

	Corr.	Beta	Alpha	Vol.	Bench.	Track.	Sharpe	Info	Draw	Bench.
					Vol	Error	Ratio	Ratio	Down	DD
3 years	0.9	8.0	-3.6%	16.0%	<i>17.7%</i>	6.3%	0.4	-1.0	-29.4%	-24.6%
Inception	0.9	0.7	1.9%	15.1%	18.6%	7.7%	0.4	0.1	-31.4%	-37.9%

#### Fund commentary

July was marked by a busy earnings season and a rotation from winners to laggards. Investors took profits on winners, such as Prysmian and Brunello Cucinelli, despite their beat-and-raise quarter. In healthcare, encouraging results from Novartis was offset by profit-taking of Novo Nordisk and the temporarily setback of Dato Phase 3 at AstraZeneca. In consumer, Puma rose significantly after posting a strong quarter, while luxury stocks suffered due to the weak Chinese macroeconomic situation. We proactively trimmed Hermès, Christian Dior and L'Oréal that have approached our target prices, and we initiated new positions in KBC (financial) and Danone (consumer staples) to further diversify the portfolio. We believe the recent market moves are short-term and not fundamentally driven, especially as many companies haven't yet reported results. We remained disciplined to take advantage of the volatilities to buy/add Happy@Work stocks that are set to outperform in the long run.

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#### **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

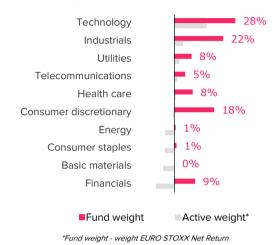
#### Portfolio

Equity exposure	99%	202
Overlap with benchmark	22%	202
Number of holdings	46	202
Weight of top 20 stocks	67%	Retu
Median market cap	63.3 €bn	202

#### Valuation

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2023 PER	5.3x	12.9x
2023 EPS growth	10.4%	8.7%
2023 P/BV ratio	1.5x	1.5x
Return on Equity	28.1%	11.9%
2023 Dividend Yield	2.2%	3.0%

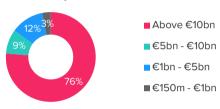
#### Sector exposure



#### Country breakdown



#### Market cap breakdown



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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\*.

	Fund	Index
SPICE	3.9/5	3.6/5
S score	3.5/5	3.2/5
P score	4.1/5	3.5/5
I score	4.0/5	3.7/5
C score	3.9/5	3.6/5
E score	3.7/5	3.2/5

#### Top 10

·	Weight	SPICE rating	People Score
ASML	5.7%	4.3/5	4.4/5
Saint Gobain	5.1%	3.9/5	4.1/5
Deutsche Telekom	4.9%	3.5/5	3.6/5
SAP	4.5%	4.0/5	4.3/5
Schneider E.	4.4%	4.2/5	4.4/5
Christian Dior	3.5%	4.2/5	3.9/5
AXA	3.1%	3.6/5	4.0/5
L'Oreal	3.1%	4.1/5	4.2/5
EDP Renovaveis	3.1%	4.0/5	4.2/5
Prysmian	3.1%	3.8/5	4.2/5

#### Performance contributors

	Avg. weight	Contrib
Positive		
Saint Gobain	3.9%	0.39%
Intesa Sanpaolo	2.4%	0.21%
Michelin	1.9%	0.18%
Negative		
Prysmian	2.8%	-0.16%
EDP Renovaveis	2.5%	-0.14%
Schneider E.	4.0%	-0.12%

Buy	Reinforcement	Sell	Reduction
Kbc Holdings	Saint-Gobain	Nanobiotix	Hermès
Danone	Asml	<b>Transition Warrant</b>	Sesa
	Novo Nordisk		I Oréal

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#### **ESG** scores

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

#### Societal and social analysis

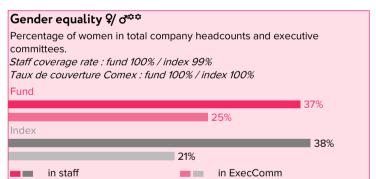


#### Societal contribution

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

Coverage rate: fund 100% / index 94%





#### **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 68%



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.

#### 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.

Coverage rate : fund 100% / index 98%



#### Fossil fuel exposure

Percentage of income derived from the three fossil energies.



#### Carbon footprint

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

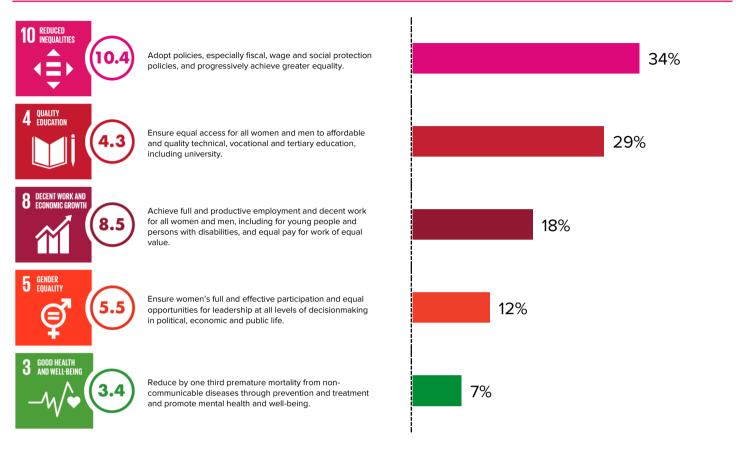
Coverage rate: fund 100% / index 98%

Fund Index kg. eq. CO 2 /year/k€ 193

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#### Sustainable development goals exposure



#### ESG follow-up, news and dialogue

#### Dialogue and engagement

#### SESA

We recently met management and we talked about the actions undertaken to improve the working conditions of their employees (4,750 at the end of last FY). Over the 2012-2023 period, the number of employees CAGR is 15%. it should be similar in 2023. Sesa recently launched new programs, of which a new welfare plan for the 4,750 employees, for the year 2023-2024, with a renewed focus on parenting, education, sustainability and well-being and initiatives dedicated to under 30 (over 1,100 employees).

#### **ESG** controversies

#### L'Oréal

We received new information on the hair relaxer controversy identified in October 2022. According to the document filed by the defendants on July 6th, the litigation now includes 241 cases, whereas it began with 23 lawsuits filed in January, and was at around 60 cases when it has been grouped in an Multidistric litigation action in February. We are closely monitoring the evolution of this case, currently evaluated by Sycomore at 2, based on a scale of 0 (lowe risk) to -3 (high risk).

#### Votes

1/1 voted general assembly over the month.

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#### Hermès

We engaged with Hermès on gender diversity via the 30%Club. Hermès believes it is already well positioned and transparent on core indicators, but recognizes they could improve in formalizing and disclosing of what is being implemented within the group. For example, the company is working on gathering more specific data on gender pay gap to potentially set quantitative objectives in the future.



Share IC

Isin code | LU2413890901 NAV | 92.5€

Assets | 8.0 M€

#### SFDR 9

#### **Sustainable Investments**

% AUM: ≥ 80% % Companies\*: 100%

\*Excluding derivatives, cash & equivalent

#### Risk indicator

6 5 Higher risk

4

2

Lower risk

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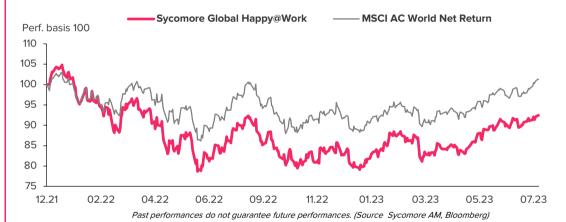
France

#### 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 31.07.2023



	Jul	2023	1 year	Inc.	Annu.	2022
Fund %	0.7	16.0	3.6	-7.5	-4.7	-23.2
Index %	2.6	14.3	4.4	1.3	0.8	-13.0

#### **Statistics**

	Corr.	Beta	Alpha	Vol.	Bench.	Track.	Sharpe	Info Draw		Bench.
					Vol	Error	Ratio	Ratio	Down	DD
Inception	0.9	1.1	-5.5%	18.6%	15.5%	6.7%	-0.3	-0.8	-25.0%	-16.3%

#### **Fund commentary**

July was marked by a busy earnings season and a rotation from winners to laggards. For example, investors took profits on MedTech winners like Intuitive Surgical and rotated into Thermo Fisher which is a laggard. In tech, TSMC retreated as the consumer demand recovery is delayed to 2024, which is a timing issue that doesn't impact the company's long-term fundamentals. In consumer, Puma rose significantly after posting a strong quarter, while luxury stocks suffered due to the weak China macroeconomic situation. We proactively trimmed Hermes, LVMH and L'Oreal that have approached our target prices, and we initiated new positions in Progressive and KBC (financial) to further diversify the portfolio. We believe the recent market moves are short-term and not fundamentally driven, especially as many companies haven't yet reported results. We remained disciplined and agile to take advantage of the volatility to buy/add Happy@Work stocks that are set to outperform in the long run.



#### **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

#### **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

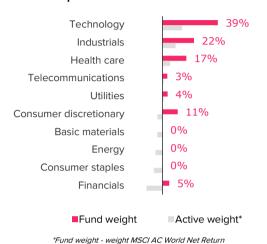
#### **Portfolio**

Equity exposure	98%
Overlap with benchmark	14%
Number of holdings	51
Weight of top 20 stocks	63%
Median market cap	108.0 €bn

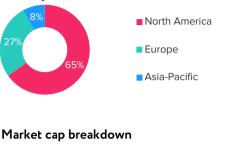
#### Valuation

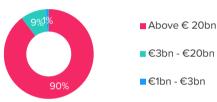
	Fund	Index
2023 PER	6.1x	6.0x
2023 EPS growth	12.1%	6.6%
2023 P/BV ratio	2.1x	1.4x
Return on Equity	34.2%	23.8%
2023 Dividend Yield	1.2%	2.1%

#### Sector exposure



#### Country 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\*.

	Fund	Index
SPICE	3.8/5	3.3/5
S score	3.3/5	2.7/5
P score	4.0/5	3.2/5
I score	3.9/5	3.6/5
C score	3.6/5	3.2/5
E score	3.4/5	3.1/5

#### **Top 10**

	Weight	SPICE rating	People Score
Microsoft Corp.	7.3%	4.1/5	4.1/5
<b>NVIDIA</b> Corporation	4.5%	3.8/5	3.6/5
ServiceNow	4.2%	3.9/5	4.2/5
Salesforce	4.1%	3.9/5	4.0/5
Eli Lilly & Co	4.0%	3.5/5	4.0/5
Eaton Corp.	3.6%	3.7/5	4.1/5
Palo Alto	3.3%	3.6/5	4.2/5
Thermo Fisher	3.1%	3.7/5	4.1/5
Puma	2.8%	3.5/5	4.1/5
RELX	2.8%	3.7/5	3.6/5

#### Performance contributors

	Avg. weight	Contrib
Positive		
<b>NVIDIA</b> Corporation	4.4%	0.40%
Puma	1.9%	0.22%
Saint Gobain	2.0%	0.22%
Negative		
Palo Alto	3.8%	-0.19%
Eli Lilly & Co	4.0%	-0.14%
Microsoft Corp.	7.5%	-0.13%

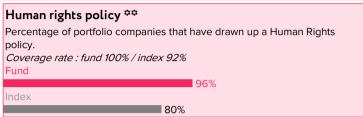
Buy	Reinforcement	Sell	Reduction
Progressive Us	Salesforce	American Water Works	Hermès
Kbc Holdings	Saint-Gobain	Edwards Lifesciences	Mastercard
Advantest	Puma	Z Holdings	Palo Alto



#### **ESG** scores

	Fund	Index
ESG*	3.5/5	3.1/5
Environment	3.4/5	3.1/5
Social	3.6/5	3.0/5
Governance	3.6/5	3.3/5

#### Societal and social analysis

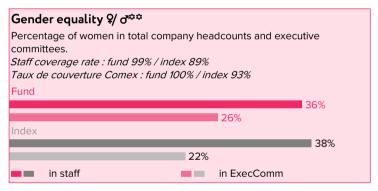


#### Societal contribution

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

Coverage rate: fund 84% / index 43%





#### **Best People score**

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

	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**

#### Net Environmental Contribution (NEC)

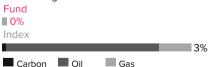
Degree of alignment of the economic models with the ecological transition, integrating biodiversity and climate, on a scale running from -100% for ecoobstruction to +100% for eco-solution, where 0% equates to the average environmental impact of the global economy. The results are expressed in NEC 1.0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

Coverage rate : fund 88% / index 54%



#### Fossil fuel exposure

Percentage of income derived from the three fossil energies.



#### Carbon footprint

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

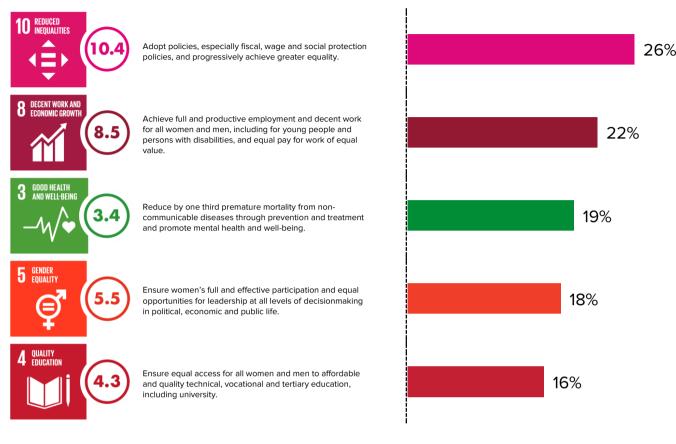
Coverage rate: fund 100% / index 92%

	Fund	Index
kg. eq. CO ₂ /year/k€	38	127

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.



#### Sustainable development goals exposure



#### ESG follow-up, news and dialogue

#### Dialogue and engagement

#### Worley

We discussed human capital with the Investor Relations team and the Head of Sustainability at Worley. The company is looking to increase female in leadership roles and is actively re-skilling people to bring them in the transition. They seemed willing to work on improving transparency on social KPIs, such as: the % of employees by types of jobs, the ratio of employees vs contractors/contingent workers, or the average number of working hours per employee.

#### **ESG** controversies

#### No comment

#### Votes

0 / 0 voted general assembly over the month.
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#### Hermès

We engaged with Hermès on gender diversity via the 30%Club. Hermès believes it is already well positioned and transparent on core indicators, but recognizes they could improve in formalizing and disclosing of what is being implemented within the group. For example, the company is working on gathering more specific data on gender pay gap to potentially set quantitative objectives in the future.

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# sycomore social impact

Share I

Isin code | FR0010117085

NAV | 440.8€

Assets | 254.9 M€

#### SFDR 9

#### **Sustainable Investments**

%	AUM:	≥ 80%
%	Companies*:	100%

#### \*Excluding derivatives, cash & equivalent

#### Risk indicator

7 6 5 Higher risk

4

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Lower risk

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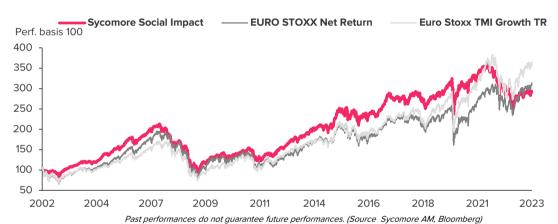
Germany

#### 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 31.07.2023



	Jul	2023	1 year	3 yrs	5 yrs	Inc.®	Annu.	2022	2021	2020	2019
Fund %	0.9	8.2	-1.2	-3.9	1.4	193.8	5.2	-20.7	5.3	5.2	21.2
Index %	2.0	17.2	17.6	44.2	34.7	213.7	5.6	-12.3	22.7	0.2	26.1

#### Statistics

	Corr.	Beta	Alpha	Vol.	Bench.	Track.	Sharpe	Info	Draw	Bench.
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3 years	0.9	0.6	-9.0%	12.5%	17.8%	8.8%	-0.1	-1.6	-30.8%	-24.6%
Inception	0.9	0.6	1.7%	13.3%	21.0%	10.9%	0.3	0.0	-55.7%	-60.2%

#### **Fund commentary**

Equity markets proved indecisive in July. The month ended on a positive note with a modest easing in risk aversion. This enabled small and mid-caps - such as Shop Apotheke, Esker, Gerresheimer, Salmar, Compugroup and Nexus - to perform better in relative terms. Sartorius Stedim rebounded sharply in July having reported encouraging data on inventory reductions in its Q2 earnings publication. Merck KGaA, whose Life Sciences business is the largest contributor to the company's valuation, also benefited from the prospect of improved momentum, combined with much more favourable base effects in the second half of the year. In contrast, despite reporting rather robust earnings, large pharma companies such as Astra Zeneca, Roche, Sanofi, and Novartis underperformed sharply. In another 'laggard' defensive sector, Orange and KPN also weighed on the fund's relative performance.

# sycomore social impact



#### **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

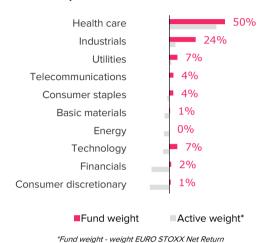
#### **Portfolio**

Equity exposure	94%
Overlap with benchmark	14%
Number of holdings	51
Weight of top 20 stocks	64%
Median market cap	13.3 €bn

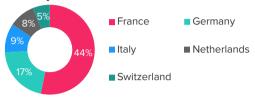
#### Valuation

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2023 PER	17.1x	12.9x
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Return on Equity	10.6%	11.9%
2023 Dividend Yield	2.3%	3.4%

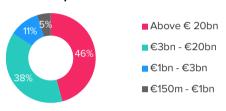
#### Sector exposure



#### Country breakdown



#### Market cap breakdown



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	Fund	Index
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P score	3.5/5	3.5/5
I score	3.6/5	3.7/5
C score	3.7/5	3.6/5
E score	3.6/5	3.2/5

#### **Top 10**

# Performance contributors

	Weight	SPICE rating	CS		Avg. weight	Contrib
Sanofi	8.1%	3.2/5	88%	Positive		
Qiagen	5.8%	3.3/5	75%	Merck	4.8%	0.26%
Merck	5.0%	3.3/5	64%	Almirall	1.6%	0.23%
Veolia	4.0%	3.7/5	43%	Nexi	2.3%	0.21%
Siemens Healthineers	3.4%	3.6/5	75%	Negative		
Elis	3.4%	3.7/5	15%	STRATEC	1.1%	-0.24%
ASML	3.3%	4.3/5	27%	SPIE	2.4%	-0.20%
AstraZeneca	3.3%	3.6/5	87%	Sanofi	8.2%	-0.10%
Nexans	2.8%	4.0/5	0%			
Alstom	2.7%	3.7/5	85%			

#### Portfolio changes

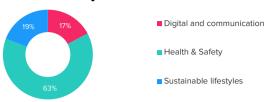
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Buy	Reinforcement	Sell	Reduction
	Astra Zeneca	Amplifon	
	Sartorius Sb		

Caribos

## sycomore social impact



## Sustainability thematics



## **ESG** scores

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

## Societal and social analysis

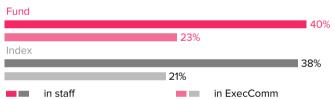


## Gender equality ♀/ ♂

Percentage of women in total company headcounts and executive committees.

Staff coverage rate: fund 100% / index 99%

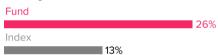
Taux de couverture Comex : fund 100% / index 100%



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## **Environmental analysis**

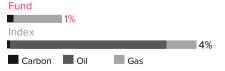
# Degree of alignment of the economic models with the ecological transition, integrating biodiversity and climate, on a scale running from -100% for eco-obstruction to +100% for eco-solution, where 0% equates to the average environmental impact of the global economy. The results are expressed in NEC 1.0 (nec-initiative.org) calculated by Sycomore AM based from 2018 to 2021. Coverage rate: fund 100% / index 98% +10% Fund -100% 0% +100%

Index -1%

Net Environmental Contribution (NEC) \*\*

## Fossil fuel exposure

Percentage of income derived from the three fossil energies.



## Carbon footprint

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

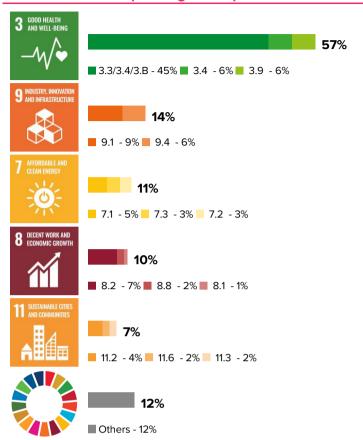
Coverage rate: fund 96% / index 98%

| Fund | Index | kg. eq. CO 2 /year/k€ | 110 | 193

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## Sustainable development goals exposure



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No significant exposure: 5%

## ESG follow-up, news and dialogue

## Dialogue and engagement

We held particularly constructive discussions during our meeting with management on the issue of gender pay gap indicators: SAP has an internal pay gap indicator, but the results are not published. Employees have access to the salary range applicable to their role. We discussed the issue of disclosing the gender pay gap index and the company was very attentive to our request.

## **ESG** controversies

## No comment

## Votes

voted general assemblies over the month.

Details on our votes are available here the day following the company's AGM Here.

## **ESG** commentary

Sanofi and Astra Zeneca announced that the FDA has authorised their Beyfortus vaccine, which protects newborns and infants from infections caused by RSV (known as bronchiolitis), which is the first cause of paediatric hospitalisations for infants under 12 months in the US. Beyfortus will be available on the American market before the start of the next viral season (2023-2024). The vaccine had already been approved in October 2022 in Europe, in November 2022 in Great-Britain, and in April 2023 in Canada



## global education

Share IC

Isin code | LU2309821630 NAV | 86.5€

Assets | 123.1 M€

## SFDR 8

## Sustainable Investments % AUM:

% Companies\*: ≥ 70%

\*Excluding derivatives, cash & equivalent

Higher risk

## Risk indicator

7 6 5

4

2

Lower risk

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**



**Luca FASAN** Fund Manager



Frédéric PONCHON Fund Manager



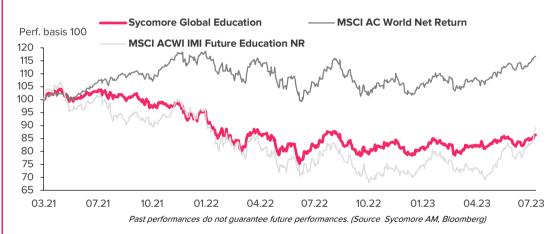
France

## Investment strategy

## An international selection of companies supporting lifelong quality education

The objective of the Sycomore Global Education fund is to outperform the MSCI AC World Net Return index by investing in three types of listed companies that contribute to education and/or vocational training: i/ companies providing education products and services, ii/ companies creating favourable learning conditions by providing products and services addressing student needs, iii/ companies that are leveraging education to deliver shared value with their stakeholders, creating positive economic and societal impact. The fund has no constraints in terms of the sectors or education fields it covers. Stock selection relies on the SPICE rating and societal contribution, on the theme of education, in keeping with the United Nations' Sustainable Development Goals and in particular SDG 4.

## Performance as of 31.07.2023



	Jul	2023	1 year	Inc.	Annu.	2022
Fund %	3.1	9.9	0.1	-13.5	-6.0	-17.4
Index %	2.6	14.3	4.4	16.8	6.8	-13.0

## **Statistics**

	Corr.	Beta	Alpha	Vol.	Bench.	Track.	Sharpe	Info	Draw	Bench.
					Vol	Error	Ratio	Ratio	Down	DD
1 year	0.8	8.0	-3.7%	13.3%	13.4%	8.1%	-0.1	-0.5	-10.8%	-12.6%
Inception	0.8	0.9	-11.9%	14.7%	14.0%	8.0%	-0.4	-1.6	-27.7%	-16.3%

## **Fund commentary**

In the month of July, the fund has slightly overperformed the MSCI ACWI World. After 2 difficult months for the education thematic we have seen a rebound in July, driven by positive expectation for the reporting season that will start with the beginning of August. The positive contribution to performance has been driven by our exposure to EdTech; where Blackbaud, Instructure, Duolingo all outperform. During the month Goldman Sachs Asset Management with other co-investors has made an all cash offer for Kahoot, a Norwegian company that runs a platform for digital education. Kahoot has been one of the core holding of the Sycomore Global Education from the launch of the strategy. At the closure of the deal the stock will be up over 70% ytd. The deal confirms that valuation in the education thematic are appealing for private investors: this should have a positive impact on the all EdTech sector.

## sycomore global education



## **Fund Information**

## Inception date

29/03/2021

### **ISIN** codes

Share IC - LU2309821630 Share RC - LU2309821804

## **Bloomberg tickers**

Share IC - SYSGEIE LX Share RC - SYSGERE 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

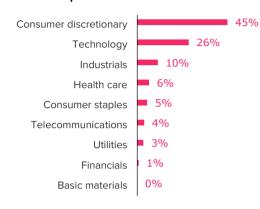
## **Portfolio**

Equity exposure	99%
Overlap with benchmark	7%
Number of holdings	42
Weight of top 20 stocks	74%
Median market cap	13.6 €bn

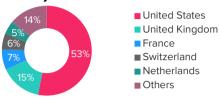
## Valuation

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2023 PER	1.2x	6.0x
2023 EPS growth	10.8%	6.6%
2023 P/BV ratio	0.2x	1.4x
Return on Equity	16.6%	23.8%
2023 Dividend Yield	1.5%	2.1%

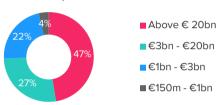
## Sector exposure



## Country breakdown



## Market cap breakdown



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E score	3.3/5	3.1/5

## **Top 10**

	Weight	SPICE rating	CS
Microsoft Corp.	8.0%	4.1/5	24%
RELX	5.4%	3.7/5	35%
Blackbaud	5.2%	3.5/5	34%
Instructure	5.1%	3.4/5	65%
Stride	4.9%	3.4/5	56%
Pearson	4.9%	3.1/5	33%
Novartis	4.7%	3.7/5	0%
Unilever	3.9%	3.9/5	6%
Coursera	3.9%	3.5/5	60%
ASML	3.2%	4.3/5	27%

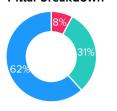
## Performance contributors

	Avg. weight	Contrib
Positive		
Coursera	3.3%	0.54%
Kahoot	2.3%	0.51%
Pearson	4.8%	0.28%
Negative		
Sodexo	3.4%	-0.27%
Microsoft Corp.	8.2%	-0.15%
EDP Renovaveis	1.3%	-0.06%

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## Pillar breakdown

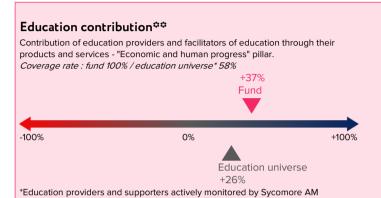


- Education supporter
- Lifelong education sponsor
- Education provider

## **ESG** scores

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

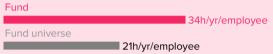
## Societal and social analysis



## Training number of hours

Average number of training hours provided per employee and per year within lifelong education sponsor companies.

Coverage rate : fund 100% / fund universe 54%

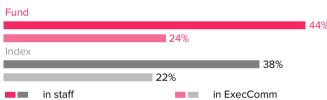


## Gender equality ♀/ ♂

Percentage of women in total company headcounts and executive committees.

Staff coverage rate: fund 91% / index 89%

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



## Human rights policy \*\*

Percentage of portfolio companies that have drawn up a Human Rights

Coverage rate: fund 100% / index 92%



## **Environmental analysis**

## Net Environmental Contribution (NEC)

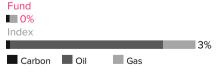
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Coverage rate: fund 91% / index 54%



## Fossil fuel exposure

Percentage of income derived from the three fossil energies.



## Carbon footprint

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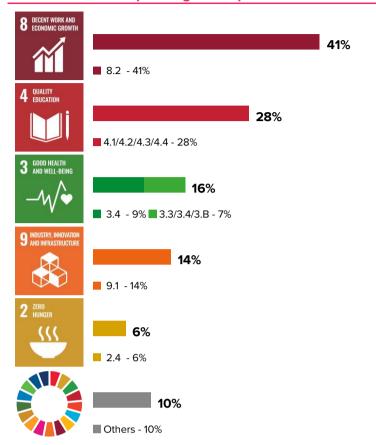
Fund Index kg. eq. CO 2 /year/k€ 38 127

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: 14%

## ESG follow-up, news and dialogue

## Dialogue and engagement

## Udemy

During our discussion with management in June, we raised the issue of the 3 directors who had left the Board since August 2022. We were told at the time that these departures were in connection with the shareholder structure and that the recruitment of 2 directors was under way. On July 13th, Udemy announced the appointment of Sohaib Abbasi as an Independent Director. S. Abbasi has 30 years' experience within the software industry either in management roles or as a board member.

## **ESG** controversies

No comment

## Votes

1/1 voted general assembly over the month.
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Share IC Isin code | FR0014000IE9

NAV | 86.2€

Assets | 88.3 M€

## SFDR 9

## **Sustainable Investments**

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

## Risk indicator

7 6 5 Higher risk

4 3 2

Lower risk

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## **Investment Team**



Frédéric PONCHON Fund Manager



Alban PRÉAUBERT Fund Manager



Catherine ROLLAND SRI analyst





France

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## 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 31.07.2023



	Jul	2023	1 year	Inc.	Annu.	2022
Fund %	0.7	2.4	-4.4	-13.8	-6.4	-19.9
Index %	2.0	17.2	17.6	11.2	4.9	-12.3

## **Statistics**

	Corr.	Beta	Alpha	Vol.	Bench.	Track.	Sharpe	Info	Draw	Bench.
					Vol	Error	Ratio	Ratio	Down	DD
1 year	0.9	8.0	-19.6%	15.2%	17.1%	6.1%	-0.4	-3.6	-16.9%	-14.3%
Inception	0.9	0.8	-11.2%	15.4%	19.0%	7.0%	-0.5	-1.6	-28.9%	-24.6%

## Fund commentary

Market volatility was particularly high in July, but the month ended on a positive note. Among portfolio companies, Stedim Sartorius rebounded sharply as investors anticipated the end of customer inventory reductions during the second half of 2023. Merck KGaA, which will only publish its earnings early August, also enjoyed a strong run as the market anticipated an improved momentum in H2. Michelin – one of the fund's main convictions – rose as investors expected robust H1 earnings and the upward revision of its full year targets. Conversely, Nexity was impacted by a challenging environment for the housing industry, combined with soaring construction costs, while Carbios' stock price fell heavily on the back of the company's capital increase.

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## **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

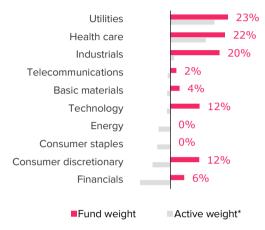
## **Portfolio**

Equity exposure	82%
Overlap with benchmark	6%
Number of holdings	57
Weight of top 20 stocks	47%
Median market cap	7.3 €bn
Solidarity exposure	9%

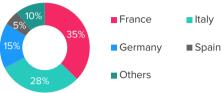
## **Valuation**

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2023 PER	16.0x	12.9x
2023 EPS growth	6.1%	8.7%
2023 P/BV ratio	1.6x	1.5x
Return on Equity	10.3%	11.9%
2023 Dividend Yield	2.5%	3.4%

## Sector exposure



## Country breakdown



## Market cap breakdown



\*Fund weight - weight EURO STOXX Net Return

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## **Top 10**

## Performance contributors

	Weight	SPICE rating	TGJR		Avg. weight	Contrib
Prysmian	3.4%	3.8/5	45	Positive		
Michelin	3.2%	4.0/5	51	Michelin	3.0%	0.31%
Veolia	3.1%	3.7/5	50	Tokmanni	1.8%	0.27%
Merck	2.9%	3.3/5	45	Puma	1.8%	0.20%
ERG	2.9%	4.1/5	57	Negative		
Poste Italiane	2.8%	3.2/5	46	STRATEC	1.2%	-0.28%
BioMérieux	2.7%	4.0/5	55	Prysmian	3.5%	-0.21%
ASML	2.5%	4.3/5	56	Carbios	0.6%	-0.16%
Neoen	2.4%	4.0/5	58			
Alstom	2.3%	3.7/5	52			

## Portfolio changes

Buy	Reinforcement	Sell	Reduction
	Carbios		

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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

## Top 5 - Solidarity holdings - Unlisted shares

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

## 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).

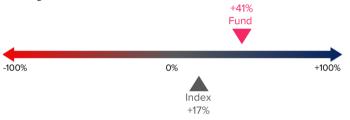
Coverage rate: fund 100% / index 99%

Fund Index 13%

## 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 94%

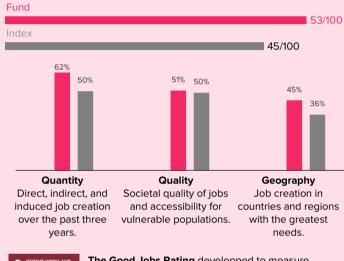




## The Good Jobs Rating \*\*

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 90%





The Good Jobs Rating developped to measure companies alignment with SDG 8 - Promote sustained, inclusive and sustainable economic growth, full and productive employment and decent

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.

8.6

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

## **Environmental analysis**

## Net Environmental Contribution (NEC)

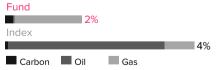
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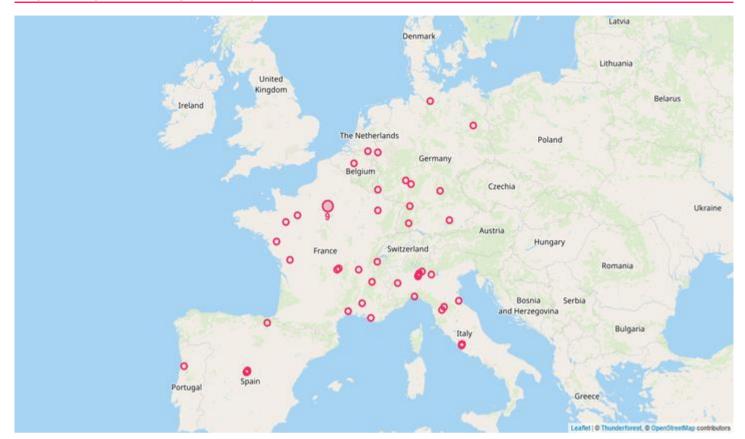
Coverage rate: fund 97% / index 98%

Fund Index kg. eq. CO 2 /year/k€ 169 193

## sycomore inclusive jobs



## Map of companies headquarters in portfolio



## ESG follow-up, news and dialogue

## Dialogue and engagement

## SESA

We recently met management and we talked about the actions undertaken to improve the working conditions of their employees (4,750 at the end of last FY). Over the 2012-2023 period, the number of employees CAGR is 15%. it should be similar in 2023. Sesa recently launched new programs, of which a new welfare plan for the 4,750 employees, for the year 2023-2024, with a renewed focus on parenting, education, sustainability and well-being and initiatives dedicated to under 30 (over 1,100 employees).

## **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 Here.



Share IC Isin code | LU2181906269 NAV | 121.0€

Assets | 193.8 M€

### SFDR 9

## **Sustainable Investments**

% AUM: ≥ 80% % Companies\*: 100%

## \*Excluding derivatives, cash & equivalent

## Risk indicator

7 6

Higher risk

5

3

2

Lower risk

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## **Investment Team**



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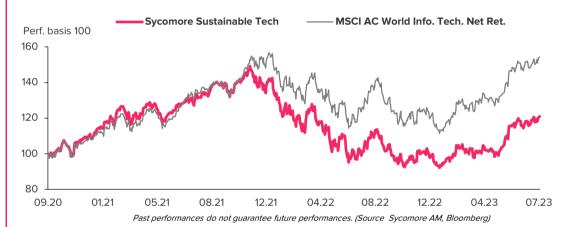
France

## 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 31.07.2023



	Jul	2023	1 year	Inc.	Annu.	2022	2021
Fund %	2.3	30.0	10.9	21.0	6.8	-33.9	22.1
Index %	1.8	36.7	14.1	54.2	16.2	-26.8	36.8

## **Statistics**

	Corr.	Beta	Alpha	Vol.	Bench.	Track.	Sharpe	Info	Draw	Bench.
					Vol	Error	Ratio	Ratio	Down	DD
1 year	0.9	0.9	-1.8%	20.4%	20.4%	7.6%	0.4	-0.4	-18.9%	-21.9%
Inception	0.9	1.0	-7.9%	22.1%	21.0%	7.8%	0.3	-1.2	-38.3%	-28.8%

## **Fund commentary**

Tech had a positive July despite the underperformance of Apple and Microsoft. Tech returns are broadening out with Nasdaq Equal Weight outperforming the Nasdaq by >1% in July. We are constructive on a broader catch for the sector. Our top performers were Intuit, Nvidia and Salesforce. Palo Alto contributed negatively the most, but we had taken profits as the stock hit new highs. We will be buyers if this continues into earnings. On fundamentals, Microsoft results highlighted the strength in Al demand for cloud infra - we expect more than \$1.3bn of annualized revenue in Al for Azure in FQ1. We continue to believe that the 'picks and shovels' of Al (semis, infra software, and hardware) are best positioned to benefit in the near-term. In the longer-term, we're excited about the potential upside from Microsoft's Co-pilot, Salesforce's GPT clouds and ServiceNow's NowAssist products.



## **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

## Cut-Off

11am CET Paris (BPSS LUX)

## **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

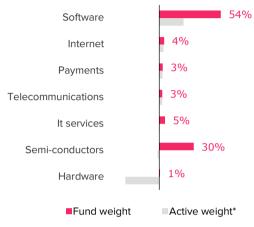
## **Portfolio**

Equity exposure	99%
Overlap with benchmark	36%
Number of holdings	37
Weight of top 20 stocks	81%
Median market cap	145.5 €bn

## Valuation

	runa	maex
2023 PER	33.2x	3.2x
2023 EPS growth	12.8%	-2.6%
2023 P/BV ratio	6.7x	2.9x
Return on Equity	20.2%	88.9%
2023 Dividend Yield	0.5%	1.0%

## Sector exposure



\*Fund weight - weight MSCI AC World Info. Tech. Net Ret.

## Country breakdown



## Market cap breakdown



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	Fund	Index
SPICE	3.8/5	3.6/5
S score	3.2/5	2.7/5
P score	3.8/5	3.4/5
I score	4.0/5	3.9/5
C score	3.7/5	3.4/5
E score	3.3/5	3.3/5

## **Top 10**

	Weight	SPICE rating	NEC	cs
NVIDIA Corporation	9.9%	3.8/5	0%	9%
Microsoft Corp.	9.5%	4.1/5	+5%	24%
Salesforce	6.7%	3.9/5	+1%	21%
ServiceNow	5.9%	3.9/5	0%	13%
Intuit Inc.	4.9%	3.9/5	+2%	23%
Taiwan Semi.	4.7%	3.9/5	+1%	21%
Oracle Corp.	4.4%	3.5/5	+1%	38%
ASML	3.8%	4.3/5	+4%	27%
Palo Alto	3.7%	3.6/5	0%	35%
Advanced Micro Devices	3.3%	3.6/5	+2%	24%

## Performance contributors

0.90% 0.49%
0.49%
0.42%
-0.26%
-0.20%
-0.12%
9.5% 5.1% 1.8%

## Portfolio changes

Buy	Reinforcement	Sell	Reduction
Micron Trech.	Servicenow	Gitlab	MongoDB
Advantest	Intuit	Veeva	Crowdstrike
	Amdocs		Amat



## **Responsible Tech Dimensions**

	Tech For Good	Good in Tech	Improvement enabler
	CS ≥ 10% or NEC > 0%	Client risk score ≥ 3/5	SD* Management score ≥ 3/5
Number of holdings	0	0	0
Weight	0%	0%	0%

\*SD: Sustainable development

### **ESG** scores

	Fund	Index
ESG*	3.5/5	3.2/5
Environment	3.3/5	3.3/5
Social	3.6/5	3.1/5
Governance	3.6/5	3.6/5

## Environmental analysis

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+3%

Coverage rate : fund 100% / index 83%



## European taxonomy

Percentage of revenues derived from eligible activities to the EU taxonomy

Coverage rate: fund 97% / index 95%

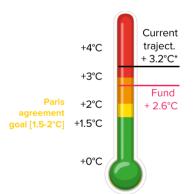


## Temperature rising - SB2A

Induced average temperature increase by 2100 compared to pre-industrial times, according to the Science-Based 2°C Alignment methodology.

Coverage rate: fund 27%

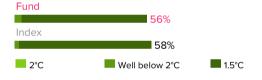
-100%



"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 : fund 100% / index 100%

	Fund	Index
kg. eq. CO ₂ /year/k€	12	34

## Fossil fuel exposure

Percentage of income derived from the three fossil energies.



## Societal and social analysis

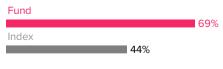
# Societal contribution contribution contribution of the economic activity of companies to the resolution of major societal issues, on a scale from -100% to +100%. Coverage rate: fund 100% / index 85% +27% Fund -100% 0% +100%

## Human rights policy \*\*\* Percentage of portfolio companies that have drawn up a Human Rights policy. Coverage rate: fund 98% / index 99% Fund 86% Index

## Staff growth

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

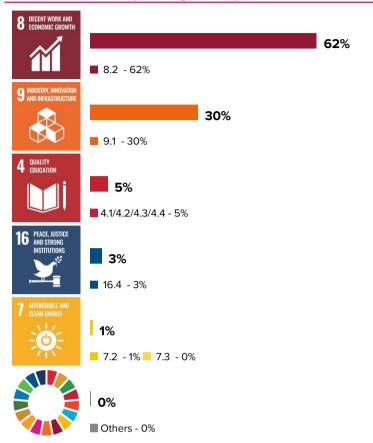
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Sources: company data, Sycomore AM, Trucost, Bloomberg, Science Based Targets, Vigeo. Methodologies and approaches may differ between issuers and providers of extra-financial data. Sycomore AM does not guarantee the accuracy, completeness, and exhaustiveness 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.



## 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: 8%

## ESG follow-up, news and dialogue

## Dialogue and engagement

## Soited

We held discussions with Soitec ahead of the company's AGM. Consistent with our engagement initiative, Soitec increased the weight of ESG criteria when determining the annual bonus, 10% of which is based on internal ESG criteria and 15% on an external rating by MSCI. The company has also created an ESG Committee responsible for setting more ambitious objectives. Following the governance crisis, the company appointed a lead director whose mission will be to manage any potential conflicts of interest, though relations are now much improved.

## **ESG** controversies

## Microsoft

The EU announced it has opened an antitrust investigation into Microsoft's Teams business following the complaint filed by Slack (a rival messaging service) for unfair competition. The latter claims that the Teams app is automatically bundled with its Office 365 suite, with no deletion options, while concealing the true cost associated with using the service.

## Votes

1/1 voted general assembly over the month.
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## SAP

We held particularly constructive discussions during our meeting with management on the issue of gender pay gap indicators: SAP has an internal pay gap indicator, but the results are not published. Employees have access to the salary range applicable to their role. We discussed the issue of disclosing the gender pay gap index and the company was very attentive to our request.



## sycomore

## partners

Isin code | FR0010601898 Share I

NAV | 1,807.7€

Assets | 325.7 M€

## SFDR8

Sustainable	investments
% AUM:	

≥ 1% % Companies\*: ≥ 25%

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## Risk indicator

Higher risk

Lower risk

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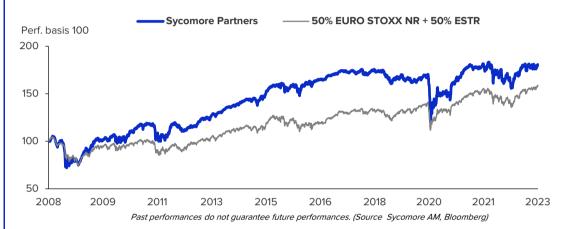
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## Performance as of 31.07.2023



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Fund %	1.8	6.4	6.7	21.9	3.8	80.8	3.9	-5.7	10.2	-3.3	4.1
Index %	1.2	9.3	9.8	22.0	19.0	58.9	3.1	-5.8	10.7	1.0	12.3

## **Statistics**

	Corr.	Beta	Alpha	Vol.	Bench.	Track.	Sharpe	Info	Draw	Bench.
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3 years	0.9	0.9	0.5%	9.6%	8.9%	5.0%	0.7	0.0	-15.2%	-12.9%
Inception	0.9	1.0	1.2%	12.6%	11.2%	6.5%	0.3	0.1	-31.7%	-29.7%

## Fund commentary

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## Net equity exposure





## **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% EURO STOXX NR + 50% FSTR

### **Comparison index**

Euro Stoxx TR

## **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

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## Performance fees

15% > Benchmark with HWM

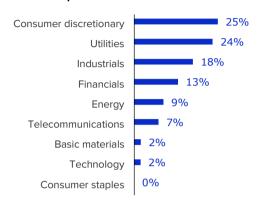
## Transaction fees

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## **Portfolio**

Equity exposure	55%
Number of holdings	26
Median market cap	26.2 €bn

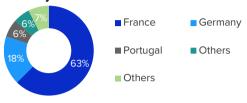
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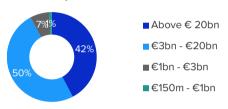
## Valuation

	runa	maex
2023 PER	3.2x	12.9x
2023 EPS growth	7.0%	8.7%
2023 P/BV ratio	0.4x	1.5x
Return on Equity	13.4%	11.9%
2023 Dividend Yield	4.6%	3.4%

## Country breakdown



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I score	3.6/5	3.7/5
C score	3.4/5	3.6/5
E score	3.3/5	3.2/5

## **Top 10**

	Weight	SPICE rating
RWE	6.4%	3.1/5
Worldline	6.0%	3.9/5
ALD	5.1%	3.6/5
Deutsche Telekom	4.6%	3.5/5
Vivendi	4.2%	3.5/5
EDP-Energias de Portugal	4.0%	3.9/5
Gaztransport & Tech.	3.4%	4.3/5
Saint Gobain	3.2%	3.9/5
Euronext	3.1%	3.7/5
Verbund	2.3%	3.6/5

## Performance contributors

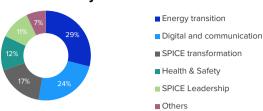
	Avg. weight	Contrib
Positive		
Gaztransport & Tech.	2.1%	0.53%
Worldline	5.6%	0.42%
Euronext	2.8%	0.32%
Negative		
Teleperformance	2.3%	-0.26%
Imerys	1.5%	-0.21%
EDP-Energias de Portugal	4.0%	-0.21%

## Portfolio changes

Buy	Reinforcement	Sell	Reduction
Deutsche Tel.	Worldline	Amundi	WPP
Gtt	Vivendi	Galp Energia	Veolia
Banco Santander	Société Générale		Publicis Groupe



## Sustainability thematics



## **ESG** scores

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

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## European taxonomy

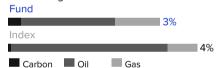
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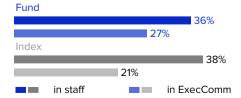
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Coverage rate : fund 100% / index 99%



## 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%





## ESG follow-up, news and dialogue

## Dialogue and engagement

### **Deutsche Telekom**

We contacted Deutsche Telekom to check the lead exposure risk from the copper cables used in its landline telephone network. The company explained that the use of copper cabling was historical and that these cables had not been installed for the past 50 years. Less than 10% of the copper landline infrastructure, which is ISO-certified and complies with European regulation, could still contain some lead. None is to be found above-ground or in the water systems.

## **ESG** controversies

No comment

## Votes

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### Worldline

Meeting held with Worldline on the company's ESG strategy. On the environmental front, the company has conducted a lifecycle analysis on payment solutions; the results will help Worldline identify the priorities for decarbonizing the value chain of its products. On the social front, our discussion was an opportunity to review the One Culture Program launched in 2021. Together with the company, we shall monitor any changes in governance relating to the Chair succession plan.



## sycomore

## partners

Isin code | FR0012365013 Share IB

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## SFDR 8

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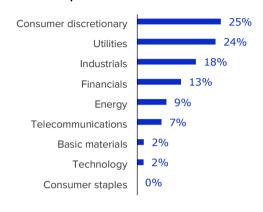
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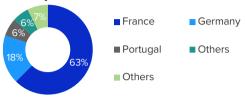
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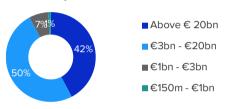
## Valuation

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2023 PER	3.2x	12.9x
2023 EPS growth	7.0%	8.7%
2023 P/BV ratio	0.4x	1.5x
Return on Equity	13.4%	11.9%
2023 Dividend Yield	4.6%	3.4%

## Country breakdown



## Market cap breakdown



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## **Top 10**

	Weight	SPICE rating
RWE	6.4%	3.1/5
Worldline	6.0%	3.9/5
ALD	5.1%	3.6/5
Deutsche Telekom	4.6%	3.5/5
Vivendi	4.2%	3.5/5
EDP-Energias de Portugal	4.0%	3.9/5
Gaztransport & Tech.	3.4%	4.3/5
Saint Gobain	3.2%	3.9/5
Euronext	3.1%	3.7/5
Verbund	2.3%	3.6/5

## Performance contributors

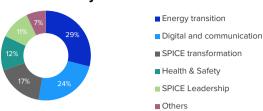
	Avg. weight	Contrib
Positive		
Gaztransport & Tech.	2.1%	0.53%
Worldline	5.6%	0.42%
Euronext	2.8%	0.32%
Negative		
Teleperformance	2.3%	-0.26%
Imerys	1.5%	-0.21%
EDP-Energias de Portugal	4.0%	-0.21%

## Portfolio changes

Buy	Reinforcement	Sell	Reduction
Deutsche Tel.	Worldline	Amundi	WPP
Gtt	Vivendi	Galp Energia	Veolia
Banco Santander	Société Générale		Publicis Groupe



## Sustainability thematics



## **ESG** scores

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



-1%

## European taxonomy

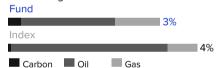
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## Fossil fuel exposure

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kg. eq. CO  $_2$  /year/k $\in$  Fund Index 193

## 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%.



## Staff growth

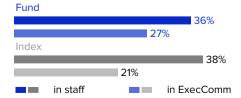
Cumulated growth in company headcounts over the past three financial years (data unadjusted in the event of acquisitions, excluding transformational deals).

Coverage rate : fund 100% / index 99%



## 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%





## ESG follow-up, news and dialogue

## Dialogue and engagement

### **Deutsche Telekom**

We contacted Deutsche Telekom to check the lead exposure risk from the copper cables used in its landline telephone network. The company explained that the use of copper cabling was historical and that these cables had not been installed for the past 50 years. Less than 10% of the copper landline infrastructure, which is ISO-certified and complies with European regulation, could still contain some lead. None is to be found above-ground or in the water systems.

## **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 Here.

### Worldline

Meeting held with Worldline on the company's ESG strategy. On the environmental front, the company has conducted a lifecycle analysis on payment solutions; the results will help Worldline identify the priorities for decarbonizing the value chain of its products. On the social front, our discussion was an opportunity to review the One Culture Program launched in 2021. Together with the company, we shall monitor any changes in governance relating to the Chair succession plan.



## sycomore

## next generation

Share IC

Isin code | LU1961857478

NAV | 103.8€

Assets | 403.8 M€

## SFDR8

Sustainable Investme	nts
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% Companies*:	≥ 50%
*Excluding derivatives, case	sh & equivalent

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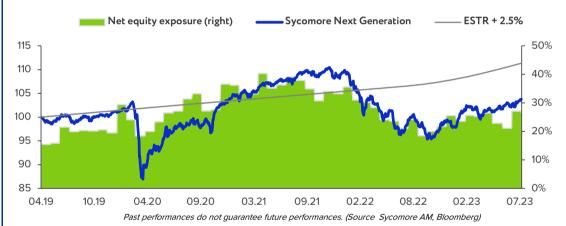


France

## Investment strategy

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## **Fund commentary**

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## sycomore next generation



## **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 - 1.60%

## Performance fees

15% > Benchmark

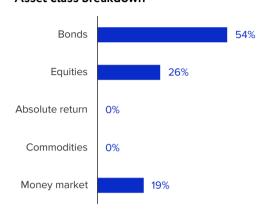
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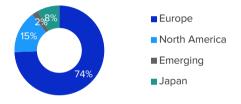
## **Equities**

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## Asset class breakdown



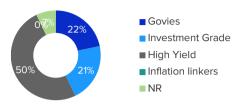
## Equity country breakdown



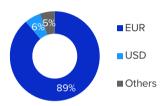
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## Bond allocation



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ALD	0.9%	3.6/5	9%	16%

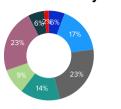
## **Bond holdings**

	Weight
Italy 2.8% 2028	2.2%
Scor 3.875% perp	1.4%
Ec Finance 3.0% 2026	1.4%
USA 2.5% 2025	1.3%
Picard 3.875% 2026	1.3%

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## Sustainability thematics



■ Sustainable mgmt of resources

SPICE Leadership

■ Digital and communication

■ Health & Safety

■ Energy transition ■ SPICE transformation

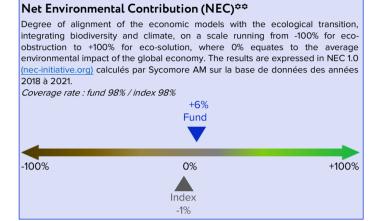
■ Nutrition and well-being

Access and Inclusion

## **ESG** scores

	Fund
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## **Environmental analysis**



1.5°C

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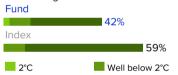
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Fund



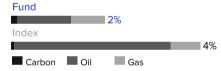
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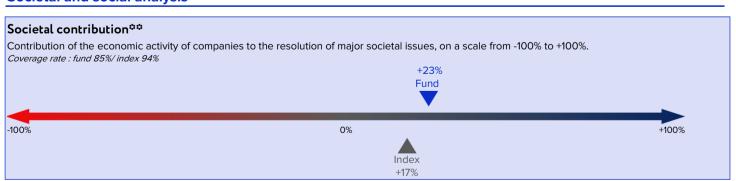
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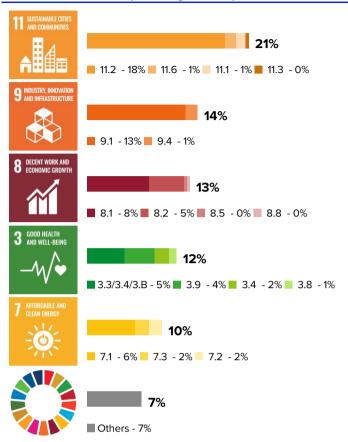
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## Dialogue and engagement

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## **ESG** controversies

## Axa

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## Votes

1/1 voted general assembly over the month.

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## SAP

We held particularly constructive discussions during our meeting with management on the issue of gender pay gap indicators: SAP has an internal pay gap indicator, but the results are not published. Employees have access to the salary range applicable to their role. We discussed the issue of disclosing the gender pay gap index and the company was very attentive to our request.

## Microsoft

The EU announced it has opened an antitrust investigation into Microsoft's Teams business following the complaint filed by Slack (a rival messaging service) for unfair competition. The latter claims that the Teams app is automatically bundled with its Office 365 suite, with no deletion options, while concealing the true cost associated with using the service.

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## sycomore

## allocation patrimoine

Share I

Isin code | FR0010474015 NAV | 154.5€

Assets | 220.0 M€

## SFDR8

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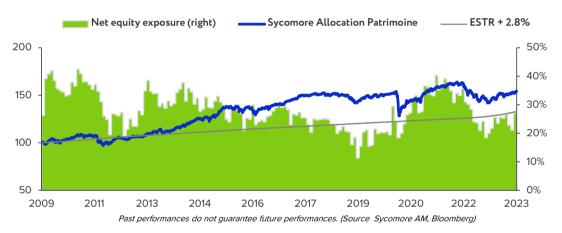


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## sycomore allocation patrimoine



## **Fund Information**

## Inception date

27/11/2002

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Share I - FR0010474015

### **Bloomberg tickers**

Share I - SYCOPAI FP

## **Benchmark**

ESTR + 2.8%

## Legal form

Mutual fund

### **Domiciliation**

France

## **PEA** eligibility

Nο

## **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**

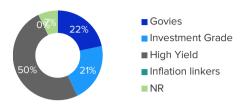
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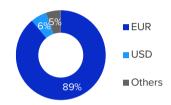
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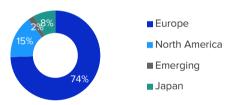
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## Bonds Equities 26% Absolute return Commodities 0%

## Equity country breakdown

Money market



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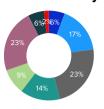
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Veight
2.2%
1.4%
1.4%
1.3%
1.3%

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## Sustainability thematics

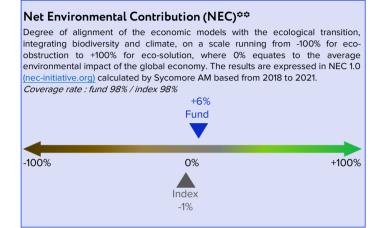


- Sustainable mgmt of resources
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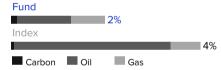
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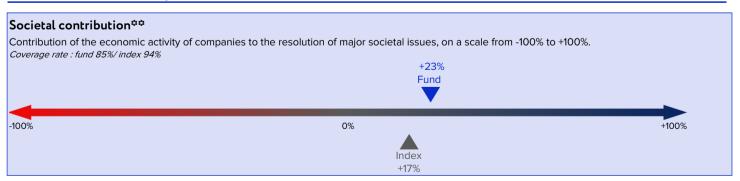
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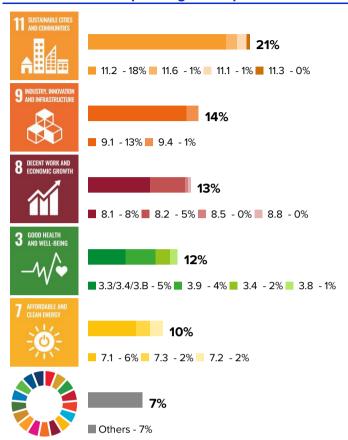
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## **ESG** controversies

## Axa

Amundi and Axa are alleged to be indirectly funding the military repression in Myanmar according to the investigation led by NGOs Justice for Myanmar, Info Birmanie and Le Monde, published on July 6th. Based on analysis carried out by the Dutch research group Profundo, some of the investments are directed towards Indian and Chinese companies that have sold arms and military equipment to the Myanmar junta in recent months. This controversy emphasizes the duty of care applicable to French companies.

## Votes

1/1 voted general assembly over the month.

Details on our votes are available here the day following the company's AGM  $\underline{\mathsf{Here}}.$ 

## SAP

We held particularly constructive discussions during our meeting with management on the issue of gender pay gap indicators: SAP has an internal pay gap indicator, but the results are not published. Employees have access to the salary range applicable to their role. We discussed the issue of disclosing the gender pay gap index and the company was very attentive to our request.

## Microsoft

The EU announced it has opened an antitrust investigation into Microsoft's Teams business following the complaint filed by Slack (a rival messaging service) for unfair competition. The latter claims that the Teams app is automatically bundled with its Office 365 suite, with no deletion options, while concealing the true cost associated with using the service.



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Share I

Isin code | FR0010473991 NAV | 369.8€

Assets | 166.4 M€

## SFDR8

## Sustainable Investments

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

## Risk indicator

Higher risk

Lower risk

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

## Investment strategy

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 31.07.2023



	Jul	2023	1 year	3 yrs	5 yrs	Inc.º	Annu.	2022	2021	2020	2019
Fund %	1.7	4.4	1.3	0.4	-4.5	84.9	3.3	-16.2	1.0	8.7	9.9
Index %	1.2	9.3	9.8	22.0	19.0	104.9	3.9	-5.8	10.7	1.0	12.3

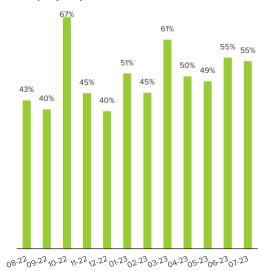
## **Statistics**

	Corr.	Beta	Alpha	Vol.	Bench.	Track.	Sharpe	Info	Draw	Bench.
					Vol	Error	Ratio	Ratio	Down	DD
3 years	0.8	8.0	-5.2%	9.2%	8.9%	5.6%	0.0	-1.2	-24.4%	-12.9%
Inception	0.8	0.8	0.4%	9.9%	10.2%	6.4%	0.3	-0.1	-27.0%	-33.4%

## Fund commentary

The market rebounded sharply in July on the back of strong H1 earnings publications and a Goldilocks scenario. The cyclical and banking sectors outperformed while defensives lagged the market. The fund performed well in July with performances driven by GTT and Worldline. In contrast, Teleperformance continued to weigh on performances, though the position was trimmed. The fund's exposure to other service industry players, including Publicis and WPP, was also reduced.

## Net equity exposure



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## **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% EURO STOXX 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

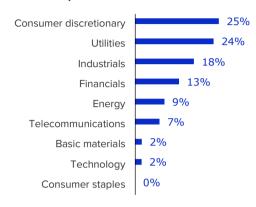
## **Portfolio**

Equity exposure	55%	2
Gross active exposure	53%	2
Number of holdings	26	2
Weight of top 20 stocks	46%	R
Median market cap	26.2 €bn	2

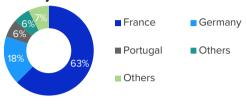
## Valuation

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2023 PER	3.2x	12.9x
2023 EPS growth	7.0%	8.7%
2023 P/BV ratio	0.4x	1.5x
Return on Equity	13.4%	11.9%
2023 Dividend Yield	4.6%	3.4%

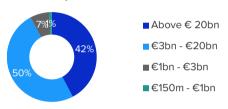
## Sector exposure



## 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\*.

	Fund	Index
SPICE	3.4/5	3.6/5
S score	3.0/5	3.2/5
P score	3.4/5	3.5/5
l score	3.6/5	3.7/5
C score	3.4/5	3.6/5
E score	3.3/5	3.2/5

## **Top 10**

	Weight	SPICE
RWE	6.4%	3.1/5
Worldline	6.0%	3.9/5
ALD	5.1%	3.6/5
Deutsche Telekom	4.6%	3.5/5
Vivendi	4.2%	3.5/5
EDP-Energias de Portugal	4.0%	3.9/5
Gaztransport & Tech.	3.4%	4.3/5
Saint Gobain	3.2%	3.9/5
Euronext	3.1%	3.7/5
Verbund	2.3%	3.6/5

## Performance contributors

	Avg. weight	Contrib
Positive		
Gaztransport & Tech.	2.1%	0.53%
Worldline	5.6%	0.42%
Euronext	2.8%	0.32%
Negative		
Teleperformance	2.3%	-0.26%
Imerys	1.5%	-0.21%
EDP-Energias de Portugal	4.0%	-0.21%

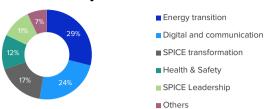
## Portfolio changes

Buy	Reinforcement	Sell	Reduction
Deutsche Tel.	Worldline	Amundi	WPP
Gtt	Vivendi	Galp Energia	Veolia
Banco Santander	Société Générale		Publicis Groupe

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## Sustainability thematics



## **ESG** scores

	Fund	Index
ESG*	3.3/5	3.4/5
Environment	3.3/5	3.2/5
Social	3.2/5	3.4/5
Governance	3.4/5	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) calculated by Sycomore AM based from 2018 to 2021.

Coverage rate: fund 100% / index 98%



## European taxonomy

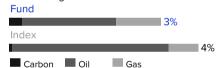
Percentage of revenues derived from eligible activities to the EU taxonomy

Coverage rate : fund 100% / index 99%



## Fossil fuel exposure

Percentage of income derived from the three fossil energies.



## Carbon footprint

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

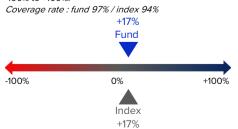
Coverage rate : fund 100% / index 98%

Fund Index kg. eq. CO ₂ /year/k€ 298 193

## 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%.



## Staff growth

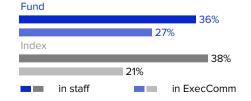
Cumulated growth in company headcounts over the past three financial years (data unadjusted in the event of acquisitions, excluding transformational deals).

Coverage rate : fund 100% / index 99%



## 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%



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## ESG follow-up, news and dialogue

## Dialogue and engagement

### **Deutsche Telekom**

We contacted Deutsche Telekom to check the lead exposure risk from the copper cables used in its landline telephone network. The company explained that the use of copper cabling was historical and that these cables had not been installed for the past 50 years. Less than 10% of the copper landline infrastructure, which is ISO-certified and complies with European regulation, could still contain some lead. None is to be found above-ground or in the water systems.

## **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 Here.

### Worldline

Meeting held with Worldline on the company's ESG strategy. On the environmental front, the company has conducted a lifecycle analysis on payment solutions; the results will help Worldline identify the priorities for decarbonizing the value chain of its products. On the social front, our discussion was an opportunity to review the One Culture Program launched in 2021. Together with the company, we shall monitor any changes in governance relating to the Chair succession plan.



## sélection crédit

Share I Isin code | FR0011288489

NAV | 126.4€

Assets | 688.8 M€

## SFDR8

Sustainable Investments	<b>;</b>
% AUM:	≥ 50%
% Companies*:	≥ 50%
*Excluding derivatives, cash	& equivalent

Higher risk

## Risk indicator

Lower risk

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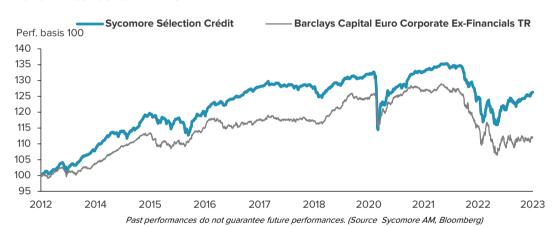
France Belgium Austria Germany

## Investment strategy

## 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.

## Performance as of 31.07.2023



	Jul	2023	1 year	3 yrs	5 yrs	Inc.	Annu.	2022	2021	2020	2019
Fund %	0.9	4.7	3.5	-0.7	-1.5	26.4	2.2	-10.4	1.9	0.2	5.5
Index %	8.0	3.1	-3.8	-10.1	-4.8	12.2	1.1	-13.9	-1.2	3.0	6.3

## **Statistics**

	Corr.	Beta	Alpha	Vol.	Bench.	Track.	Sharpe	Info	Draw	Bench.
					Vol	Error	Ratio	Ratio	Down	DD
3 years	0.5	0.3	1.0%	3.2%	4.6%	4.2%	-0.2	0.8	-14.3%	-17.5%
Inception	0.5	0.5	1.7%	2.9%	3.3%	3.1%	0.8	0.4	-14.3%	-17.5%

## **Fund commentary**

The Fed raised interest rates by 25 bp, as expected. The market is anticipating a final hike (with odds of 50%), but four or five 25 bp cuts in 2024, which we feel is an optimistic forecast. The ECB also raised its rates by 25bp. We are now seeing signs that monetary tightening is filtering through to the economy - for example, in the central bank's most recent quarterly survey on the declining demand for loans. Spreads narrowed during the month, supported by strong corporate earnings. The primary market has remained rather active on the Investment Grade segment. TDF, the telecoms infrastructure operator, issued a 5-year bond, rated BBB- by Fitch, with a 5.625% yield. DS Smith, the leading supplier of sustainable packaging, issued 4 and 7-year tranches. The longer duration bond came with a 4.60% coupon at issuance, which is an attractive yield in the current environment.

## sycomore sélection crédit



## **Fund Information**

Inception date

01/09/2012

### **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

Nο

### **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

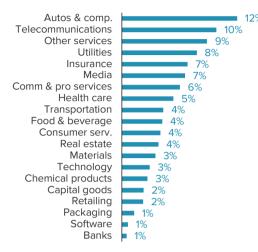
## Transaction fees

None

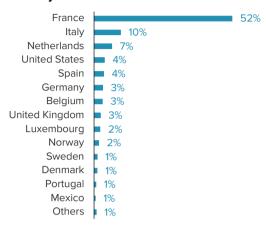
## Portfolio Valuation

Exposure rate	95%	Modified Duration	2.7
Number of bonds	201	Yield to maturity	5.9%
Number of issuers	130	Average maturity	3.3years

## Sector breakdown



## Country breakdown



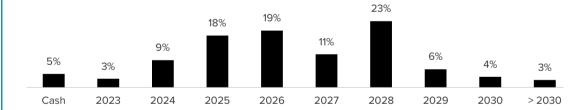
## Rating breakdown



## Asset class breakdown



## Maturity 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\*

	Fund	Index
SPICE	3.4/5	3.3/5
S score	3.2/5	3.1/5
P score	3.3/5	3.3/5
I score	3.4/5	3.5/5
C score	3.5/5	3.3/5
E score	3.3/5	3.1/5

Main issues	Weight Sector		SPICE	Sustainable theme
Main issues	weight	Sector	rating	Sustainable theme
Picard 3.875% 2026	1.6%	Consumer Staples	3.3/5	Nutrition and well-being
Jcdecaux 5.0% 2029	1.4%	Communication Services	3.2/5	Digital and communication
Solvay 4.25% Perp	1.4%	Materials	3.3/5	SPICE transformation
Forvia 3.75% 2028	1.3%	Consumer Discretionary	3.5/5	SPICE Leadership
Parts Europe 6.5%2025	1.3%	Consumer Discretionary	3.3/5	SPICE transformation

## sycomore sélection crédit



## Sustainability thematics



## ESG criteria

ESG eligibility (% of eligible bonds) 33

## **ESG** scores

	Fund	Index
ESG*	3.3/5	3.2/5
Environment	3.3/5	3.1/5
Social	3.3/5	3.2/5
Governance	3.3/5	3.3/5

## **ESG** best scores

	ESG	E	S	G
Orsted	4.2/5	4.7/5	4.0/5	3.8/5
Neoen Sa	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
Voltalia	3.9/5	4.2/5	3.9/5	3.6/5
Iberdrola	3.9/5	4.2/5	3.6/5	3.9/5

## **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 orn) calculated by Sycomore AM based from 2018 to 2021



## European taxonomy

Percentage of revenues derived from eligible activities to the EU taxonomy

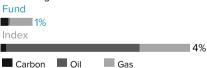
Coverage rate: fund 76% / index 89%

Fund



## Fossil fuel exposure

Percentage of income derived from the three fossil energies.



## Carbon footprint

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

Coverage rate : fund 61% / index 86%

Fund Index kg. eq. CO 2 /year/k€ 225 291

## 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).

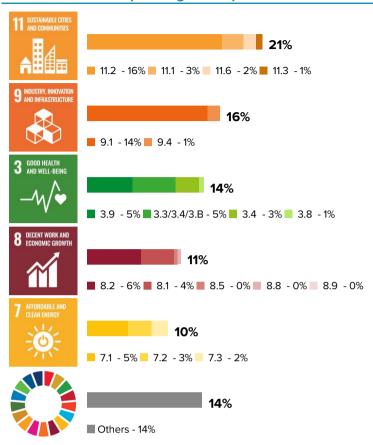
Coverage rate : fund 91% / index 90%



## sycomore sélection crédit



## 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: 27%

## ESG follow-up, news and dialogue

## Dialogue and engagement

## Iberdrola

We engaged with Iberdrola to discuss the company's involvement in the Belo Monte Dam project in Brazil, via its subsidiary NeoEnergia SA. Talks also focused on the quality of its interactions with the local population and indigenous communities.

## **ESG** controversies

No comment



## sycomore sycoyield 2026

Share IC Isin code | FR001400A6X2 NAV | 106.3€

Assets | 190.1 M€

## SFDR 8

## **Sustainable Investments**

% AUM:	≥ 1%
% Companies*:	≥ 1%

<sup>\*</sup>Excluding derivatives, cash & equivalent

## Risk indicator

Higher risk

Lower risk

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## 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 31.07.2023

According to the current legislation, we cannot disclose the performance of a fund that has a reference period of less than 12 months. For further information, please contact our team.

## **Fund commentary**

The Fed raised interest rates by 25 bp, as expected. The market is anticipating a final hike (with odds of 50%), but four or five 25 bp cuts in 2024, which we feel is an optimistic forecast. The ECB also raised its rates by 25bp bringing the cumulative increase to 425bp. We are now seeing signs that monetary tightening is filtering through to the economy - for example, in the central bank's most recent quarterly survey on the declining demand for loans. Spreads narrowed during the month on the back of robust earnings publications. The automotive sector stood out, with better-than-expected guidance issued for H2 by car manufacturers and several equipment suppliers, including Forvia and Gestamp. The primary market has remained rather active on the Investment Grade segment. DS Smith, the leading supplier of sustainable packaging, issued 4 and 7-year tranches rated BBB-. The shorter duration bond came with a 4.40% coupon at issuance, which is an attractive yield in the current environment.

## sycoyield 2026



## **Fund Information**

## Inception date

01/09/2022

### **ISIN** codes

Share IC - FR001400A6X2 Share ID - FR001400H3J1 Share RC - FR001400A6Y0

## **Bloomberg tickers**

Share IC - SYCOYLD FP Share ID - SYCOYLDID FP Share RC - SYCYLDR FP

## **Benchmark**

None

## Legal form

Mutual fund

### **Domiciliation**

France

## **PEA** eligibility

NIA

## **Investment period**

4 vears

## **Minimum investment**

None

## **UCITS V**

Yes

## Valuation

Daily

## Currency

EUR

## Cut-Off

12pm CET Paris (BPSS)

## **Cash Settlement**

D+3

## **Management fees**

Share IC - 0.50% Share ID - 0.50% Share RC - 1.00%

## Performance fees

None

## Transaction fees

None

## Portfolio

Sector breakdown

Telecommunications

Comm & pro services

Autos & comp.

Other services

Transportation

Technology

Utilities

Media Insurance

Retailing

Materials

Capital goods Software

Chemicals Energy

Banks

Consumer serv.

Food & beverage

Exposure rate	100%
Number of bonds	71
Number of issuers	63

11%

9%

9%

6%

6%

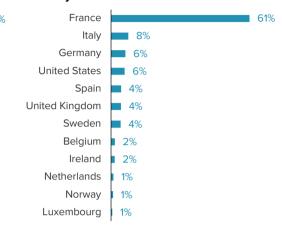
5%

3%

## Valuation

Modified Duration	2.7
Yield to maturity	5.4%
Average maturity	2.9years

## Country breakdown

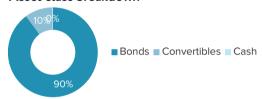


## Rating breakdown

Household products



## Asset class breakdown



Main issues	Weight	Sector	YTW	YTM
Worldline Sa 0.0% 2026	3.8%	Autres services	5.0%	5.0%
Ec Finance 3.0% 2026	3.5%	Services conso	5.3%	5.3%
Valeo 5.375% 2027	3.3%	Autos & Comp.	4.9%	4.9%
Tdf Infrastructure 2.5% 2026	3.2%	Telecommunications	4.5%	4.5%
Quadient 2.25% 2025	3.0%	Technology	5.7%	5.7%
Zf Finance 2.75% 2027	3.0%	Autos & Comp.	5.0%	5.0%
Belden 3.375% 2027	3.0%	Technology	5.3%	5.3%
Lorca Telecom Bondco 4.0% 2027	2.9%	Telecommunications	5.8%	5.8%
Picard 3.875% 2026	2.7%	Produits alimentaires	6.3%	6.3%
Fnac Darty 0.25% 2027	2.7%	Vente au détail	5.3%	5.3%