

Vontobel Fund - mtX Sustainable Emerging Markets Leaders

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Issuer	Vontobel Asset Management S.A.
Fund provider	Vontobel Asset Management AG
Fund type/Asset class	Equity fund
Legal form	SICAV
Fund issue date	04/12/2017
Last Update	07.02.2024
Benchmark	MSCI Emerging Market TR net (USD)
Tranche	-

Risk Indicator (PRIIP) 6 of 7	Licensed in D, A, CH, LU	Classification by SFDR -	EU Taxonomy -	% of Sustainable Investments according to SFDR -
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Principal Adverse Impacts

No explicit details regarding the principal adverse impacts.

Sustainable Development Goals

No explicit details regarding the Sustainable Development Goals

NORMAL ALLOCATION

Equities	80 % to 100 %
Bonds	Excluded
Money market/Bank deposits	0 % to 20 %
Commodities	Excluded
Direct investments	Excluded
Derivatives	0 % to 20 % (for hedging only)
Other	-

Sustainability approach

Principal Adverse Impacts	-
Further remarks on the consideration of SDGs	-
Rationale behind classification according to SFDR	-
Engagement	Yes, organized internally Link to engagement policy
Voting	Yes, organized externally Link to voting policy
Best-in/of-Class	No

ESG-Integration	<p>Yes</p> <p>The Investment Manager excludes from the investment uni-verse of the Sub-Fund, all companies producing controversial weapons, tobacco, and palm oil and companies who derive more than a de-minimis percentage of revenues from the following activities: nuclear energy, coal power or coal extraction, oil sands, weapons related military contracting, or adult entertainment, as well as tobacco retailers but with a higher revenue share (please see Vontobel.com/SFDR for up-to-date revenue thresholds for these excluded activities). These controversial sectors are excluded because they are not considered economically successful in the long-term and/or because they cause harm to Sustainability Factors (in particular the environment and public health and safety). The Sub-Fund also excludes companies that are evaluated to have failed international norms and standards (subject to certain specific criteria that allows companies scope to remediate the breach) as codified in the: i) UN Global Compact; ii) OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises; iii) UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights; iv) International Labor Organization's Conventions; as well as iv) underlying conventions and treaties of the above named codes and a long list of other international conventions, norms and instruments. Additionally, the Sub-Fund adheres to the official UN list of sanctioned countries in respect of oppressive regimes and do not invest in companies domiciled in such a country. Based on systematic filtering of the remaining eligible in-vestment universe, the Investment Manager seeks to identify market-leading companies by analyzing fundamental data of the companies, such as return on invested capital and their market position. Companies that provide the best outcome after the completion of the above described stock selection process (Leaders) represent the investment pool for the Sub-Fund. Within this filtered investment universe of Leaders, the Investment Manager conducts additional financial modeling. The outcome of such modelling is a sub-pool of Leaders that are considered potentially eligible for investment, so called the Investible EM Universe. Sustainability (environmental, social and governance (ESG)) assessments are conducted on the Investible EM Universe. The Investment Manager's sustainability investment process consists of detailed, systematic qualitative and quantitative analysis of a potential investee's Sustainability Risks and Sustainability Factors (collectively Sustainability Indicators). Integrating Sustainability Indicators is a central pillar in the investment process with the aim of improving the long-term risk-return characteristics of the Sub-Fund's portfolio and supporting elevated social or environmental practices by the investee companies. The Investment Manager is motivated by the understanding that its investments have the potential to affect society and the environment, and that such investments are affected by society and the environment. The sustainability approach avoids investments in issuers who demonstrate, through various criteria, that they are under-prepared to avoid material Sustainability Risks and identifies issuers that seek to include environmental or social characteristics in their economic activities (as have been evaluated to be most material according to the company's principle business sector). As such, both the risk profile of the Sub-Fund's portfolio is enhanced and the Sub-Fund selects companies who are better at managing their real world impacts. The investee companies are rated for governance aspects using the Investment Manager's sustainability framework. Common governance indicators include board independence & diversity, ownership structures, rights of minority shareholders, executive remuneration, and audit and ac-counting oversight. For each Sustainability Indicator, companies are scored against defined performance thresholds and the indicators have sector-tailored weights to adjust their impact on the overall score. Companies must achieve an overall pass score to be eligible for investment. More information about the strategies, indicators and data sets used to evaluate company's sustainability performance can be found at vontobel.com/SFDR. In addition, the Investment Manager has an over-riding "F-Score" whereby the potential investee company fails the assessment on any Sustainability Indicator(s) even if the company would otherwise attain a pass mark. Thereby, there are hard redlines preventing investment in companies that have highly negative impact on society or the environment even where the business case is unaffected. The implementation of the sustainability selection criteria, as described above, leads to the exclusion of at least 20% of potential investments via the exclusions applied to the starting universe plus the further sustainability screening of the Investible EM Universe. 100% of the securities in the Sub-Fund have had the sustainability selection criteria applied to it. The Sub-Fund further promotes environmental and social characteristics via active ownership, which the Investment Manager considers central to sustainable investing to achieve more sustainable outcomes for society and to sup-port long-term risk adjusted returns for investors in the Sub-Fund. Direct engagements by the Sub-Fund typically target gross breaches of Sustainability Factors or high Sustainability Risks and/or material sustainability issues where disclosure is weak, thereby undermining the Sub-Fund's ability to make an informed evaluation of Sustainability Risk or impact. Compliance with the environmental, social and governance characteristics is monitored using news alert tools on an on-going basis and, in the event of severe incidents, the F-Score Framework was designed to provide a clear decision tree to assess severity of incidents and therefore rule on the need to divest or else to engage regarding the controversy. Each asset in the portfolio has their sustainability performance periodically reevaluated using the sustainability framework.</p>
Norm-based screening	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ UN Global Compact ✓ ILO core labour standards ✓ OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises
Themes	-
Impact Investing	-
Further information on the sustainability approach	🔗 Link to sustainability approach

Research and Transparency

In-house sustainability analysis	Yes, 14 (3 for mtx ESG franchise)
Research partners	Yes MSCI ESG, Sustainalytics, Inrate, Hermes EOS
Percentage of portfolio with sustainability analysis	100 %
Strategically important suppliers included	Yes
Sustainability advisory committee	No
Analysis of portfolio CO2	Yes, backward-looking indicator
Sustainability reporting	Yes
At least monthly portfolio publication	Yes
Certification/Label awarded by independent auditors	-

Environmental

EXCLUSION OF SECTORS / AREAS OF BUSINESS – COMPANIES

Fossil fuels (Coal, Oil and Gas)	No
Nuclear power (operation and components)	Yes 10 % Turnover threshold
Green genetic engineering	No
Chlorine and agrochemicals (biocides)	No
Other	Coal, Oil Sands 10 % Turnover threshold

EXCLUSION OF BUSINESS PRACTICES – COMPANIES

Environmentally damaging behaviour	No
Damage to biodiversity	No
Other	Not formally excluded but part of the ESG analysis.

EXCLUSION CRITERIA – COUNTRIES

Non-ratification of the Paris Climate Agreement	N/A
Non-ratification of the Protocol on Biosafety	N/A
Non-ratification of the UN Biodiversity Convention	N/A
Nuclear power by proportion of gross energy production	N/A
Other	-

Social

EXCLUSION OF SECTORS / AREAS OF BUSINESS – COMPANIES

Weapons/Armaments	Yes
Cluster bombs and anti-personnel mines	Yes
Weapons of mass destruction (ABC/CBRN)	No
Tobacco products	Yes
Pornography	Yes 10 % Turnover threshold
Spirits/Alcohol	No
Gambling	No
Other	-

EXCLUSION OF BUSINESS PRACTICES – COMPANIES

Labour rights (ILO core labour standards)	No
Exploitative child labour	No
Violation of human rights	No
Animal testing	No
Other	Not formally excluded but part of the ESG analysis.

EXCLUSION CRITERIA – COUNTRIES

Labour rights	N/A
Violation of human rights	N/A
Military spending as a percentage of GDP	N/A
Death penalty, torture	N/A
Countries classified by Freedom House as not free	N/A
Violations of the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty	N/A
Violations of other non-proliferation treaties	N/A
Other	-

Governance

EXCLUSION OF BUSINESS PRACTICES – COMPANIES

Corruption and bribery	No
Tax: planned avoidance & detected violations	No
Other	-

EXCLUSION CRITERIA – COUNTRIES

Corruption	N/A
Other	-

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