# CARMIGNAC PORTFOLIO MERGER ARBITRAGE PLUS FEUR ACC

Recommended minimum investment horizon: 
 LOWER RISK
 HIGHER RISK

 Potentially lower return
 Potentially higher return

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LUXEMBOURG SICAV SUB-FUND

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## **INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE**

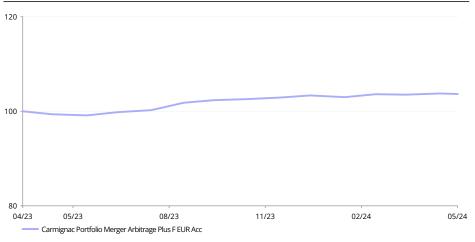
Carmignac Portfolio Merger Arbitrage Plus is a UCITS fund, following an alternative investment strategy that seeks to benefit from the price discontinuities ("arbitrage") of the shares related to merger and acquisition transactions. The Fund invests in officially announced M&A deals in the developed markets. The Fund seeks to achieve a positive absolute return over a 3-year investment horizon through capital growth.

Fund Management analysis can be found on P.3

### PERFORMANCE

Past performance is not necessarily indicative of future performance. Performances are net of fees (excluding possible entrance fees charged by the distributor).

### FUND PERFORMANCE SINCE LAUNCH (Basis 100 - Net of fees)



#### CUMULATIVE AND ANNUALIZED PERFORMANCE (as of 31/05/2024 - Net of fees)

|               | Cumulative F            | Annualised Performance (% |                     |  |  |
|---------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------|--|--|
| F EUR Acc     | 1<br>Year               | Since<br>14/04/2023       | Since<br>14/04/2023 |  |  |
|               | 4.65                    | 3.66                      | 3.23                |  |  |
|               |                         |                           |                     |  |  |
| ANNUAL PERFOR | MANCE (%) (Net of fees) |                           | 2023                |  |  |

VAR

Fund VaR







F. Cretin-Fumeron

# S. Dieudonné

## **KEY FIGURES**

| Merger Arbitrage Exposure <sup>(1)</sup> | 100.5% |
|--|--------|
| Number of Strategies                     | 42     |
| Cash and Others                          | 30.9%  |
| Net Equity Exposure                      | 70.3%  |

#### FUND

SFDR Fund Classification: Article 8 Domicile: Luxembourg Fund Type: UCITS Legal Form: SICAV SICAV Name: Carmignac Portfolio Subscription/Redemption: Daily Order Placement Cut-Off Time: Before 13:30 (CET/CEST) Fund Inception Date: 14/04/2023 Fund AUM: 143M€ / 155M\$ <sup>(2)</sup> Fund Currency: EUR

#### SHARE

Dividend Policy: Accumulation Date of 1st NAV: 14/04/2023 Base Currency: EUR NAV: 103.66€

#### FUND MANAGER(S)

Fabienne Cretin-Fumeron since 14/04/2023 Stéphane Dieudonné since 14/04/2023

#### OTHER ESG CHARACTERISTICS

Minimum % Taxonomy Alignment ...... 0% Minimum % Sustainable Investments ..... 0% Principal Adverse Impact Indicators ...... Yes

\* For the share class Carmignac Portfolio Merger Arbitrage Plus F EUR Acc. Risk Scale from the KIID (Key Investor Information Document). Risk 1 does not mean a risk-free investment. This indicator may change over time. (1) Sum of all the long equity exposures from the portfolio, the short book is excluded. (2) Exchange Rate EUR/USD as of 31/05/2024.

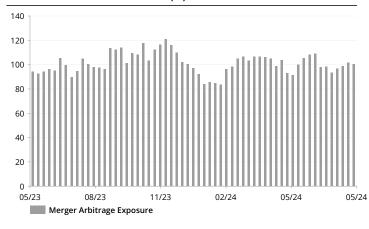
#### MARKETING COMMUNICATION

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### MERGER ARBITRAGE EXPOSURE (%) <sup>(1)</sup>



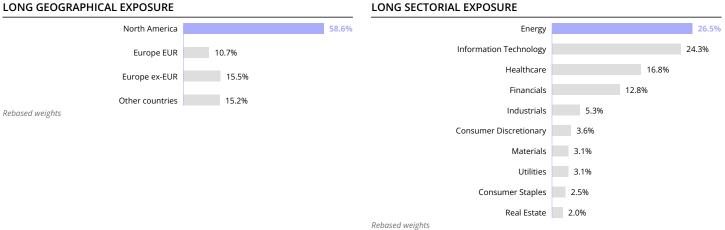
| TOP TEN - MERGER ARBITRAGE |
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| Name                                 | Country   | Sector / Rating        | %     |
|--------------------------------------|-----------|------------------------|-------|
| HESS CORP                            | USA       | Energy                 | 8.3%  |
| ENERPLUS CORP                        | Canada    | Energy                 | 4.9%  |
| SOUTHWESTERN ENERGY CO               | USA       | Energy                 | 4.1%  |
| AXONICS INC                          | USA       | Healthcare             | 3.9%  |
| SHINKO ELECTRIC INDUSTRIES CO<br>LTD | Japan     | Information Technology | 3.9%  |
| ANSYS INC                            | USA       | Information Technology | 3.5%  |
| PGS ASA                              | Norway    | Energy                 | 3.3%  |
| ALTIUM LTD                           | Australia | Information Technology | 3.1%  |
| ENCAVIS AG                           | Germany   | Utilities              | 3.1%  |
| HASHICORP INC                        | USA       | Information Technology | 3.1%  |
| Total                                |           |                        | 41.1% |

#### MERGER ARBITRAGE RISK LEVEL MERGER ARBITRAGE TYPE MERGER ARBITRAGE NATURE С 71.9% Strategic 69.6% Friendly 100.0% Rebased weights А 26.0% Financial 30.4% Rebased weights B 2.2%

Rebased weights

#### LONG GEOGRAPHICAL EXPOSURE



#### MAIN MERGERS & ACQUISITIONS OVER THE MONTH

| Target                         | Buyer  | Sector                 | Size (M€) | Country        |
|--------------------------------|--|------------------------|-----------|----------------|
| MARATHON OIL CORP              | CONOCOPHILLIPS   | Energy                 | 21082     | USA            |
| BANCO DE SABADELL SA           | BANCO BILBAO VIZCAYA ARGENTARI   | Financials             | 11586     | Spain          |
| ATLANTICA SUSTAINABLE INFRASTR | ENERGY CAPITAL PARTNERS LLC  | Utilities              | 6818      | United Kingdom |
| SQUARESPACE INC                | PERMIRA HOLDINGS LLP   | Information Technology | 5958      | USA            |
| ALLETE INC                     | CANADA PENSION PLAN INVESTMENT<br>BOARD, GLOBAL INFRASTRUCTURE<br>MANAGEMENT LLC | Utilities              | 5166      | USA            |



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### FUND MANAGEMENT ANALYSIS

#### MARKET ENVIRONMENT

- May was a difficult month for the strategy, with the HFRX Merger Arbitrage index down 0.8%.
- This was partly due to the increase in the DS Smith spread amid rumours of an offer for its potential buyer, International Paper, from Brazil's Suzano.
- Other spreads also rose in May, though without anything specific to point out: Hess, Ansys and Cerevel Therapeutics
- A few major deals were completed: Pioneer Natural Resources, SP Plus and MorphoSys
- It seems the resources freed up are being reallocated to some recently announced smaller deals, on which spread are fairly small.
- M&A activity is holding up well with 30 new deals announced in May for a total of \$114bn. Most of this growth is coming from Europe and Asia.
- Private Equity funds account for nearly half of all bidders in deals announced during the month.

#### PERFORMANCE COMMENTARY

- The Fund delivered a positive return.
- The main contributors were: Pioneer Natural Resources, SP Plus and MorphoSys
- The main hindrances were: Hess, Ansys and Cerevel Therapeutics
- We had no position on the DS Smith spread when rumours emerged about an offer for its potential buyer. Shortly after, though, we opened a small position when the risk-reward profile looked interesting.

#### OUTLOOK AND INVESTMENT STRATEGY

- The Fund's investment rate increased from 98% to 100% given the large number of deals closed in May.
- With 42 positions in the portfolio, diversification remains satisfactory.
- 2024 should see the M&A cycle pick up due to the stabilisation (or even reduction) in interest rates, the energy transition spreading to more sectors of the economy, private equity funds making a return, and Japanese stock markets undergoing regulatory change.
- The risk premium on the Merger Arbitrage strategy still offers investors some attractive returns, especially at a time when few deals are collapsing.







### GLOSSARY

Active Management: An investment management approach where a manager aims to beat the market through research, analysis and their own judgement. See also Passive management.

Investment/net exposure rate: The investment rate constitutes the volume of assets invested expressed as a percentage of the portfolio. Adding the impact of the derivatives to this investment rate results in the net exposure rate, which corresponds to the real percentage of asset exposure to a certain risk. Derivatives can be used to increase the underlying asset's exposure (stimulation) or reduce it (hedging).

Merger Arbitrage Exposure: The Merger Arbitrage Exposure level refers to the equity long book of the portfolio, the short book used as coverage is excluded from this calculation

Merger Arbitrage Risk: The risk level of each deal from the equity long book of the portfolio is assessed to determine the risk of deal failure. Ratings are based on our in-house methodology and rated between A and C, where A is the least risky and C is the highest risk.

Net asset value: Price of all units (in an FCP) or shares (in a SICAV).

SICAV: Société d'Investissement à Capital Variable (Open-ended investment company with variable capital)

## **ESG DEFINITIONS & METHODOLOGY**

#### ESG: E for Environment, S for Social, G for Governance

**ESG score Calculation:** Only the Equity and Corporate Bond holdings of the fund considered. Overall Fund Rating calculated using MSCI Fund ESG Quality Score methodology: excluding cash and non ESG-rated holdings, performing a weighted average of the normalized weights of the holdings and the Industry-Adjusted Score of the holdings, multiplied by (1+Adjustment%) which consists of the weight of positively trending ESG ratings minus the weight of ESG Laggards minus the weight of negatively trending ESG ratings. For a detailed explanation see "MSCI ESG Fund Ratings Methodology," Section 2.3. Updated June 2021. https://www.ms ci.com/documents/1296102/15388113/MSCI+ESG+Fund+Ratings+Exec+Summary+Methodology.pdf/ec622acc-42a7-158f-6a47-ed7aa4503d4f?t=1562690846881.

Principal Adverse Impacts (PAI): Negative, material, or potentially material effects on sustainability factors that result from, worsen, or are directly related to investment choices or advice performed by a legal entity. Examples include GHG emissions and carbon footprint.

Sustainable Investments: The SFDR defines sustainable investment as an investment in an economic activity that contributes to an environmental or social objective, provided that the investment does not significantly harm any environmental or social objective and that the investee companies follow good governance practices.

**Taxonomy Alignment:** In the context of an individual company, taxonomy alignment is defined as the proportion of a company's revenue that comes from activities that meet certain environmental criteria. In the context of an individual fund or portfolio, alignment is defined as the portfolio-weight weighted average taxonomy alignment of included companies. For more information, please follow this link: https://ec.europa.eu/info/sites/default/files/business\_economy\_euro/banking\_and\_finance/documents/sustainable-finance-taxonomy-faq\_en.pdf

### **CHARACTERISTICS**

|               | Date of 1st |            |              |         |           |        | Onarina           | Deuteumenee                      |     | Single Year Performance (%) |                       |   |   |   |                       |
|---------------|-------------|------------|--------------|---------|-----------|--------|-------------------|----------------------------------|-----|-----------------------------|-----------------------|---|---|---|-----------------------|
| Share Class   | NAV         | Bloomberg  | ISIN         | SEDOL   | CUSIP     | WKN    | Management<br>Fee | Ongoing<br>Charge <sup>(1)</sup> | fee |                             | 31.05.23-<br>31.05.24 |   |   |   | 31.05.19-<br>29.05.20 |
| F EUR Acc     | 14/04/2023  | CARMERF LX | LU2585801173 | BLFB0G0 | L14562273 | A3D6V6 | Max. 1%           | 1.25%                            | Yes | -                           | 4.7                   | - | - | - | -                     |
| F GBP Acc Hdg | 14/04/2023  | CAPMAFG LX | LU2601234169 | BLFB0J3 | L1506T837 | A3D9M5 | Max. 1%           | 1.25%                            | Yes | _                           | 5.6                   | _ | - | _ | _                     |

(1) Ongoing charges are based on the expenses for the last financial year ended. They may vary from year to year and do not include performance fees or transaction costs. (2) Please refer to the prospectus for the minimum subsequent subscription amounts. The prospectus is available on the website: www.carmignac.com.

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EQUITY: The Fund may be affected by stock price variations, the scale of which is dependent on external factors, stock trading volumes or market capitalization. ARBITRAGE RISK: Arbitrage seeks to benefit from such price differences (e.g. in markets, sectors, securities, currencies). If arbitrage performs unfavorably, an investment may lose its value and generate a loss for the Sub-Fund. RISK ASSOCIATED WITH THE LONG/SHORT STRATEGY: This risk is linked to long and/or short positions designed to adjust net market exposure. The fund may suffer high losses if its long and short positions undergo simultaneous unfavourable development in opposite directions. LIQUIDITY: Temporary market distortions may have an impact on the pricing conditions under which the Fund might be caused to liquidate, initiate or modify its positions.

#### The Fund presents a risk of loss of capital.

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