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# Horizon Pan European Alpha Fund (SICAV)

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**Léopold Arminjon**Portfolio Manager

John Bennett Portfolio Manager





### The Fund Managers



Léopold Arminjon Fund Manager

- Léopold Arminjon joined Henderson from Gartmore in 2011
- Worked on European long/short portfolios since 2007
- Previously worked on the sell-side for 8 years
- Strategy assets of over €1.2bn



John Bennett Fund Manager

Works with a wider European equity team managing over €17bn\*

Source: Henderson Global Investors, as at 31 August 2014
\* Henderson Global Investors, as at 30 June 2014

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### **Overview**

#### **Objective**

Steady capital appreciation with minimal volatility

#### **Strategy**

- Stock picking: Highest conviction best ideas, both long-term and opportunistic
- Focus on liquid large and mid cap companies in European markets
- Risk management Active beta management

#### **Structure**

Available in onshore and offshore vehicle



### Risk/Return is our focus

| Cumulative performance                         |     |      |      |      |      |  |  |  |  |
|--|-----|------|------|------|------|--|--|--|--|
| YTD 1 year 2 year 3 year Since FM ch<br>(30 No |     |      |      |      |      |  |  |  |  |
| The strategy                                   | 4.1 | 11.8 | 29.7 | 36.2 | 40.0 |  |  |  |  |
| MSCI Europe TR                                 | 5.0 | 15.6 | 36.1 | 39.8 | 45.4 |  |  |  |  |

| Risk – volatility (daily basis)                  |      |      |      |      |      |  |  |  |  |
|--|------|------|------|------|------|--|--|--|--|
| YTD 1 year 2 year 3 year Since FM cha<br>(30 Nov |      |      |      |      |      |  |  |  |  |
| The strategy                                     | 4.0  | 4.0  | 4.3  | 4.0  | 4.2  |  |  |  |  |
| MSCI Europe TR                                   | 10.9 | 10.6 | 11.5 | 16.3 | 15.8 |  |  |  |  |

Source: Henderson Global Investors, as at 31 July 2014

Data for the Strategy

Performance: Net of fees, in Euros, close of business pricing

Sharpe ratio: Since fund manager change



### **Investment approach**

#### Seeking longs and shorts

Structural change Cyclicality Opportunistic

#### Idea sources

Sell side brokers Company meetings Henderson Equity Teams

#### Sizing

Conviction
Liquidity
Upside to target
Downside risk

#### Portfolio construction

Does the portfolio fit my view of the world?

Gross exposure

Net exposure

Balance of the books



# **Example positioning**

|                     | Number of positions | Exposure (%) | Gross exposure (%) | Net exposure (%) |  |
|---------------------|---------------------|--------------|--------------------|------------------|--|
| Long defensives     | 17                  | 34.7         | 46.3               | .22.4            |  |
| Short defensives    | 8                   | -11.6        | 40.3               | +23.1            |  |
|                     |                     |              |                    |                  |  |
| Long cyclicals      | 18                  | 22.6         | 34.0               | +11.2            |  |
| Short cyclicals     | 10                  | -11.4        | 34.0               | +11.2            |  |
|                     |                     |              |                    |                  |  |
| Long financials     | 10                  | 13.0         | 15.0               | .44.0            |  |
| Short financials    | 2                   | -2.0         | 15.0               | +11.0            |  |
|                     |                     |              |                    |                  |  |
| Short index futures | 3                   | -15.9        | 15.9               | -15.9            |  |
| Total portfolio     | 68                  |              | 111.2              | +29.4            |  |

Source: Bloomberg, Henderson Global Investors, as at 5 November 2013 Data for the Strategy



### Risk management

- Rolling Stop loss of 20%
- Permanent Control of market exposure, and nature of exposure (defensive, cyclical, financial)
- Liquidity Portfolio can be liquidated quickly
- Risk oversight
  - Independent risk team and CRO

| Typical exposures   |             |
|---------------------|-------------|
| Gross exposure*     | 50% to 150% |
| Net exposure        | -5 to +50%  |
| Position size       | 2% to 5%    |
| Number of positions | 50 to 80    |

| Rigid limits            |              |
|-------------------------|--------------|
| Maximum gross exposure* | 200%         |
| Net exposure            | -75% to +75% |
| Position size           | 10%          |

When calculating total gross exposure, the Fund's option exposure will be calculated by multiplying the notional amount of its options by the delta (in percentage terms) for such options



### Our aim is to avoid deep drawdowns

#### **Underwater chart**



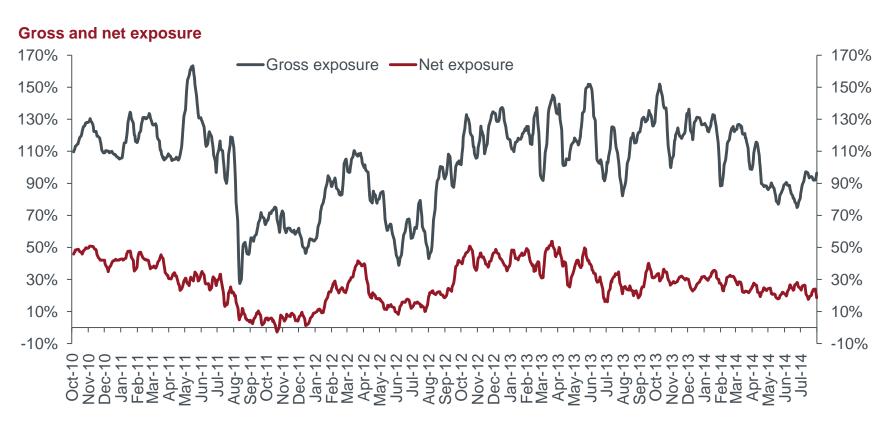
Source: Henderson Global Investors, as at 31 July 2014
Each time the fund makes new highs it is capped at 100

| Largest drawdown – MSCI Europe |           |                 |  |  |  |  |
|--------------------------------|-----------|-----------------|--|--|--|--|
| Drawdown period                | Draw down | Recovery period |  |  |  |  |
| March '11 -<br>September '11   | -19.1%    | 20 months       |  |  |  |  |

| Largest drawdown – The Strategy |           |                 |  |  |  |
|---------------------------------|-----------|-----------------|--|--|--|
| Drawdown period                 | Draw down | Recovery period |  |  |  |
| May '11 -<br>August '11         | -3.4%     | 8 months        |  |  |  |



### Active management of gross and net exposure



Source: Henderson Global Investors, as at 31 July 2014 Basis: Data for The Strategy, 5 day moving average



# **Current positioning**

| Top 10 long positions |                        |                  |  |  |  |
|-----------------------|------------------------|------------------|--|--|--|
| Name                  | Sector                 | Portfolio weight |  |  |  |
| SAP                   | Information Technology | 3.1              |  |  |  |
| Air Liquide           | Materials              | 3.1              |  |  |  |
| RWE                   | Utilities              | 2.8              |  |  |  |
| Bayer                 | Healthcare             | 2.6              |  |  |  |
| Novartis              | Healthcare             | 2.5              |  |  |  |
| Liberty Global        | Consumer Discretionary | 2.1              |  |  |  |
| Orange                | Telecoms               | 2.1              |  |  |  |
| ENI                   | Energy                 | 2.0              |  |  |  |
| Pearson               | Consumer Discretionary | 2.0              |  |  |  |
| HSBC                  | Financials             | 1.8              |  |  |  |

Source: Henderson Global Investors, as at 31 August 2014



### Risk management – example liquidity

| Market Cap   | Gross exposure (%) |
|--|--------------------|
| >€20bn   | 53.7               |
| €5bn to €20bn  | 29.0               |
| €1bn to €5bn   | 13.4               |
| <€1bn  | 0.0                |
| Source: Henderson Global Investors, Factset, as at 31 July 2014 Data for the Horizon Pan European Alpha Fund |                    |

## The strategy performance statistics

### Since inception

| Net monthly returns – Euro class 'B' |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |       |
|--------------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|-------|
|                                      | 2005 % | 2006 % | 2007 % | 2008 % | 2009 % | 2010 % | 2011 % | 2012 % | 2013 % | 2014% |
| January                              | 1.9    | 4.4    | 4.4    | -7.8   | 2.4    | -1.0   | 1.5    | 1.7    | 3.1    | 2.1   |
| February                             | 1.0    | 2.0    | -0.4   | 1.4    | 1.3    | -2.3   | 1.9    | 1.0    | 1.6    | 3.3   |
| March                                | 0.6    | 2.5    | 5.2    | -1.1   | 4.6    | 3.7    | -1.3   | 1.2    | 2.3    | -1.0  |
| April                                | -0.3   | 1.8    | 2.8    | 2.0    | 2.0    | 0.7    | 1.0    | -0.4   | -0.2   | -0.2  |
| May                                  | 3.3    | -2.6   | 1.9    | 0.9    | 7.5    | -4.1   | -0.5   | -0.9   | 2.2    | 0.4   |
| June                                 | 4.0    | 1.6    | -0.8   | -2.9   | 0.2    | -2.6   | -1.1   | 0.8    | -0.3   | -0.3  |
| July                                 | 2.6    | 0.2    | -1.1   | -4.0   | 8.3    | 2.3    | -0.8   | 0.4    | 1.2    | -0.3  |
| August                               | 1.3    | 2.2    | -1.3   | -0.3   | 7.2    | -2.2   | -1.1   | 0.3    | 0.1    | 0.3   |
| September                            | 4.4    | 0.9    | 1.5    | -9.9   | 3.4    | 3.2    | 1.1    | 0.3    | 1.5    |       |
| October                              | -4.4   | 3.8    | 3.1    | -6.3   | -2.4   | 2.7    | 1.2    | 2.0    | 3.6    |       |
| November                             | 1.8    | 0.8    | -3.3   | 0.0    | -0.9   | -0.5   | -0.1   | 1.8    | 1.1    |       |
| December                             | 3.7    | 3.8    | -0.5   | -0.8   | 2.8    | 2.2    | 0.0    | 0.5    | 0.9    |       |
| YTD                                  | +21.5  | +23.4  | +11.5  | -26.0  | +42.0  | +2.2   | +1.7   | +9.1   | +18.5  | +4.4  |

Source: Henderson Global Investors, as at 31 August 2014

Inception date: 18 January 2005

Basis: Net of performance & management fees, COB, Share Class 'B' Euro Note: Léopold Arminjon took control of the Fund on 31 November 2012

For illustrative purposes only - no representation is being made that the Fund is likely to achieve returns in the future similar to those shown.



### **Biographies**



#### **Léopold Arminjon – Investment Manager**

Léopold Arminjon joined Henderson as a European equity long/short fund manager following its acquisition of Gartmore in April 2011. He joined Gartmore in 2007 to work on European long/short mandates which he began managing in September 2010. Prior this he was a research analyst at Cheuvreux focusing on the Telecom and Media sectors. Previously he held a number of research roles, including Head of Telecom Research at Kepler Equities.

Léopold graduated from HEC (Ecole des Hautes Etudes) in 1997.



#### John Bennett - Director of European Equities

John Bennett has a 26-year track record of managing European equities. He joined Henderson as a Director of European Equities in April 2011, as part of the Gartmore acquisition. John manages a number of Continental and Pan European funds as well as European long/short funds. He received the Fund Manager of the Year 2014 award from Finanzen-Verlag.

John joined Gartmore in 2010 from GAM where he spent 17 years as a fund manager. During this time he managed their flagship European long only and European equity L/S hedge fund, which was launched in June 1998.

Prior to GAM, John was a fund manager at Ivory and Sime and has been a Member of the Chartered Institute of Bankers in Scotland since 1987.

### Henderson European Equity long short team

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Client communication and investment support Eleanor Cameron Richard Brown



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50+ Fund managers

Europe – All cap long only

Tim Stevenson Nick Sheridan

Europe – Mid cap long only

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Source: Henderson Global Investors, as at 30 June 2014

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