## VIG Central European Equity Investment Fund

Alapkezelő

B series EUR

MONTHLY report - 2023 MARCH (made on: 03/31/2023)

#### INVESTMENT POLICY OF THE FUND

The Fund purchases stocks issued by companies in Central and Eastern European region (primarily Hungary, the Czech Republic, Poland, Austria, Romania, secondarily Slovenia, Croatia, Russia, Turkey), but it may also invest in the stocks of other developing and developed foreign companies as well as other collective investment securities. The Fund may hedge some or all of its foreign currency risk using forward currency positions against the target currency composition of the Fund, i.e., the current settlement currency of the benchmark (CEE region currencies), depending on the market processes. In addition, the use of equity and index futures is permitted in order to effectively build the Fund's portfolio. To ensure liquidity, the Fund wishes to add government securities issued by the Government Debt Management Agency on behalf of the Hungarian State to its portfolio. There is no possibility for making individual investor decisions in respect of the Fund.

### MARKET SUMMARY

In March, the impact of the US central bank's interest rate hike policy can finally be felt. Silicon Valley Bank was forced to file for bankruptcy as the deposit withdrawals were so large that they could only be met by selling their portfolio, but as the bank's bond portfolio had been significantly priced down by the Fed's rate hikes, it did not have enough assets to meet these withdrawals. The Federal Reserve chairman still came out strongly in favor of another 50 basis point hike at his usual semi-annual Senate hearing, but the bank panics that have since emerged are likely to prompt policymakers to reconsider their earlier stance. According to Deutsche Bank, the Fed will raise interest rates by 4x25 basis points this year, which could peak at 5.75%, while Goldman believes that it will be raised by only 25 basis points. In Hungary, inflation remains very high. According to official data from the Hungarian Central Statistical Office, inflation was 25.4% in March, 0.3% lower than the previous month. In March, the Hungarian interest rate regime became chaotic again after the Ministry of Economy banned Hungarian financial institutions from accessing the one-week 18% bonds issued by the National Bank. This returned Hungary to a tiered interest rate regime. The base rate has remained at 13%, foreign financial institutions have access to the MNB's 18% bonds, while Hungarian financial institutions can only invest in the 14-15% Treasury bills. On hearing the news, the forint briefly weakened above the 400 level against the euro, but at the end of the month, when the base rate was left unchanged at the interest rate decision meeting and Vice President Barnabás Virágh communicated that they did not intend to cut rates for some time, the forint strengthened back to the 380 level.

The Fund achieved a negative return in March, but outperformed its benchmark index. The outperformance was due to the fact that we started the month underweight and used the banking crisis to buy. The banking underweight was closed out during the month. At country level in the region, all markets are overweight except for the Polish and Czech markets. The Polish market is at neutral, where we prefer smaller companies to large ones, and the Czech market is underweight. At sector level, real estate and consumer discretionary performed well, while energy and finance underperformed. Overall, the Fund is overweight against the benchmark index at around 109% due to long positions.

	INFORMATION	

Benchmark composition:

Fund Manager: AEGON Hungary Fund Manager Ltd.
Custodian: Citibank Europe plc Magyarországi

Fióktelepe

Main distributor: AEGON Hungary Fund Manager Ltd.

45% MSCI Emerging Markets Poland Net Total Return Local Index + 15% MSCI Austria Net Total Return + 15% MSCI Emerging Markets Czech Republic Net Total Return Local Index + 15% MSCI Emerging Markets

Hungary Net Total Return Local Index + 10% MSCI Romania Net

Total Return

ISIN code: HU0000705926 Start: 10/29/2007

Currency: EUR

Net Asset Value of the whole Fund: 15,992,391,887 HUF

Net Asset Value of B series: 1,956,654 EUR
Net Asset Value per unit: 4.414515 EUR

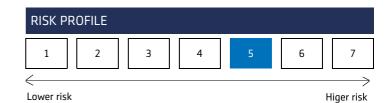
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#### SUGGESTED MINIMUM INVESTMENT PERIOD

Soddesteb Mittimort IIIVest Meitt Telliob						
3 mths	6 mths	1 yr	2 yr	3 yr	4 yr	5 yr

ASSET ALLOCATION OF THE FUND	
Asset	Weight
International equities	75.50 %
Hungarian equities	18.47 %
Collective securities	0.00 %
Current account	7.78 %
Liabilities	-4.59 %
Receivables	2.84 %
Market value of open derivative positions	0.00 %
Total	100,00 %
Derivative products	12.84 %
Net corrected leverage	112.82 %
Assets with over 10% weight	
There is no such instrument in the portfolio	



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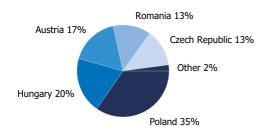


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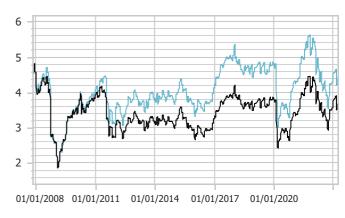
NET YIELD PERFORMANCE OF THE SERIES		
Interval	Yield of note	Benchmark yield
From start	-0.68 %	-1.84 %
2022	-20.75 %	-17.49 %
2021	31.77 %	31.82 %
2020	-14.89 %	-14.70 %
2019	7.88 %	8.98 %
2018	-11.48 %	-11.17 %
2017	26.40 %	25.36 %
2016	8.01 %	6.67 %
2015	-0.97 %	-2.27 %
2014	-3.18 %	-5.06 %
2013	-3.93 %	-6.47 %

#### Stocks by countries



## NET PERFORMANCE OF THE SERIES

net asset value per share, 10/29/2007 - 03/31/2023



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---- Benchmark

RISK INDICATORS FOR THE LAST 12 MONTHS	
Annualized standard deviation of the fund's weekly yields	24.01 %
Annualized standard deviation of the benchmark's weekly yields	23.50 %
WAM (Weighted Average Maturity)	0.00 years
WAL (Weighted Average Life)	0.00 years

TOP 10 POSITIONS			
Asset	Туре	Counterparty / issuer Maturi	
OTP Bank törzsrészvény	share	Országos Takarékpénztár és Kereskedelmi Bank Nyrt.	
CEZ	share	CEZ A.S	
Polski Koncern Naftowy	share	PL Koncern Naftowy	
Erste Bank	share	ERSTE BANK AG	
OMV PETROM SA	share	OMV PETROM	
OMV	share	OMV AV	
Dino Polska SA	share	DINO POLSKA SA	
PKO Bank	share	PKO Bank	
Bank Pekao SA	share	Bank Pekao SA	
BANCA TRANSILVANIA	share	BANCA TRANSILVANIA	

## Legal declaration

The recent document qualifies as Portfolio Report according to the Kbftv. requirements. It contains the following elements based on the last net asset value of the reporting month: presentation of the assets of the fund regarding asset type of portfolio investment and regarding other categories detailed in its investment policy; list of assets (issuers) representing more than 10% of the portfolio; net asset value of the fund, including the cumulated and the calculated value per unit share. Investors are kindly advised, that past performance of the fund does not guarantee future performance. The returns presented are to be considered without applicable taxes, distribution fees and commissions, fees related to account keeping and other costs in relation with holding an investment fund unit. Information presented in the Portfolio Report are for information purposes only, not intended to serve as investment advice, or any other offer. Investors are kindly advised to carefully read the Key Investors Document and Prospectus of the fund, in order to understand the risks of investing into the fund, and to be able to make an informed investor decision. The referred documents are available at the distribution locations and on the official website of Aegon Alapkezelő Zrt. | 1085 Budapest, Kálvin tér 12-13. | +36 1 477 4814 | alapkezelo@aegon.hu | www.aegonalapkezelo.hu