# VIG Polish Equity Investment Fund

B series HUF

MONTHLY report - 2024 FEBRUARY (made on: 02/29/2024)



# INVESTMENT POLICY OF THE FUND

The Fund aims to share in the returns of the Polish stock market, and to profit from Polish economic growth through stock prices and dividend income. In accordance with the risk characteristics of equity investments, the Fund qualifies as a high-risk investment. According to the Fund Manager's intentions, the bulk of the Fund's portfolio is made up of the shares of foreign companies issued through public offerings. The primary investment targets are the securities, traded on the stock exchange or about to be listed on the stock exchange, of companies that operate in Poland or that derive a significant portion of their revenues from Poland, or whose shares are listed on the Warsaw Stock Exchange. The Fund may also invest in equities of other Central and Eastern European companies (Austria, Czech Republic, Hungary, Russia, Romania and Turkey). When developing the portfolio, the shares determine the nature of the Fund, and thus the proportion of shares that can be held in the Fund at any given time may reach the prevailing legal maximum. The Fund holds more than 30% of its assets in currencies other than the local currency (HUF).

### MARKET SUMMARY

In the US, the most important market event remains the Federal Reserve's interest rate meeting and the subsequent press conference. Investors will be trying to guess when the Fed will cut rates for the first time and how many rate cuts there will be in 2024. 2023 has ended with the idea that this year the economy will either land hard, meaning a recession, or soft, meaning the economy will slow but there will be no recession. At the rate-setting meeting, it was decided not to cut interest rates just yet as inflation is falling, but there are signs that inflation could rise again in the future. According to the central bank president, "it would be inappropriate to lower interest rates before there is greater certainty that inflation is on a sustainable path towards the 2%

The Hungarian National Bank cut its key interest rate by 100 basis points to 9.00% in January. The decision was not unanimous, but according to the bank's vice-president Barnabas Virág, a large majority supported the higher rate cut. The decision was heavily influenced by the fact that inflation has fallen faster than market and central bank expectations, and that although global political risks remain, but these have not led to an increase in energy prices. The Hungarian economy is experiencing strong and widespread disinflation. Consumer prices rose by 3.8% year-on-year in January, bringing inflation within the central bank's tolerance band. According to the Vice-President's forecast, the key interest rate will be lowered to 6-7% by the end of the first half of the year. Following the rate decision, the forint weakened against the euro, rising above the 390 level.

The main Polish stock indices continued to rise in February. The rally in the banking sector continued, with the WIGBANK banking index gaining more than 14%. Oil and gas giant Orlen and the commodity-linked sector underperformed. The Fund continued to outperform its benchmark in the second month of the year. The outperformance was driven by an overweight in mid-caps. The political noise of January subsided in February, resulting in a higher equity exposure relative to the benchmark throughout the month. We maintained an overweight position in companies that benefited from the improvement in household consumption. We were slightly overweight in the banking sector and were selective in our selection of video game producers. On average, the Fund's equity exposure was 6% higher than the benchmark in February.

Lower risk

## **GENERAL INFORMATION**

VIG Investment Fund Fund Manager: Management Hungary

Unicredit Bank Hungary Zrt. Custodian:

Main distributor: Management Hungary

100% MSCI Poland IMI Loc Net Benchmark composition:

VIG Investment Fund

HU0000710843 ISIN code:

01/03/2012 Start.

HUF Currency:

Net Asset Value of the whole

169,286,302 PLN Fund:

Net Asset Value of B series: 2,369,831,296 HUF

1.918674 HUF Net Asset Value per unit:

## **DISTRIBUTORS**

Concorde Securities Ltd., Raiffeisen Bank cPlc., VIG Asset Management Hungary Plc.

## SUGGESTED MINIMUM INVESTMENT PERIOD

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ASSET ALLOCATION OF THE FUND	
Asset	Weight
International equities	86.68 %
Collective securities	6.18 %
Government bonds	1.19 %
Hungarian equities	1.01 %
Current account	5.29 %
Liabilities	-0.41 %
Receivables	0.06 %
Total	100,00 %
Derivative products	19.49 %
Net corrected leverage	120.65 %
Assets with over 10% weight	
PKO Bank	
Polski Koncern Naftowy	
RISK PROFILE	
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NET YIELD PERFORMANCE OF THE SERIES					
Interval	Yield of note	Benchmark yield			
YTD	8.33 %	7.90 %			
From launch	5.51 %	4.98 %			
1 month	9.34 %	9.20 %			
3 months	15.85 %	15.29 %			
2023	41.12 %	39.52 %			
2022	-18.24 %	-13.32 %			
2021	21.67 %	22.81 %			
2020	-6.59 %	-7.85 %			
2019	0.01 %	-0.29 %			
2018	-10.05 %	-10.92 %			
2017	28.61 %	28.15 %			
2016	6.87 %	4.66 %			
2015	-11.01 %	-12.48 %			
2014	1.62 %	1.10 %			

## **NET PERFORMANCE OF THE SERIES**

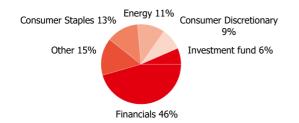
net asset value per share, 01/03/2012 - 02/29/2024



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Benchmark

#### Stocks by sectors



RISK INDICATORS	
Annualized standard deviation of the fund's weekly yields-based on 1 year	22.76 %
Annualized standard deviation of the benchmark's weekly yields- based on 1 year	23.65 %
Annualized standard deviation of the fund's weekly yields-based on 3 year	23.20 %
Annualized standard deviation of the fund's weekly yields-based on 5 year	24.86 %
WAM (Weighted Average Maturity)	0.00 years
WAL (Weighted Average Life)	0.00 years

TOP 10 POSITIONS						
Asset	Туре	Counterparty / issuer	Maturity			
PKO Bank	share	PKO Bank Polski SA		13.62 %		
Polski Koncern Naftowy	share	PL Koncern Naftowy		10.61 %		
Bank Pekao SA	share	Bank Pekao Sa		8.84 %		
POWSZECHNY ZAKŁAD UBEZPIECZEŃ	share	POWSZECHNY ZAKŁAD UBEZPIECZEŃ		8.14 %		
Dino Polska SA	share	DINO POLSKA SA		7.18 %		
LPP	share	LPP		6.80 %		
VIG Polish Money Market Fund	investment note	VIG Lengyel Pénzpiaci Befektetési Alap		6.19 %		
SANTANDER BANK POLSKA SA	share	Santander Bank Polska S.A.		5.14 %		
Allegro.eu SA	share	Allegro.eu SA		3.82 %		
MIDWIG INDEX FUT Mar24 Buy	derivative	Erste Bef. Hun	03/15/2024	3.71 %		

#### 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 VIG Fund Management Zrt. VIG Investment Fund Management Hungary | 1091 Budapest, Üllői út 1. | +36 1 477 4814 | alapkezelo@am.vig | www.vigam.hu