

STRATEGY REPORT As of 31 December 2024

# **Europe Equity Strategy**

Total Europe Equity Strategy Assets: €1.1 billion<sup>1</sup>

Figures shown in Euros

#### INVESTMENT APPROACH

- Fundamental research is critical to successfully identify and assess long-term investment opportunities. The portfolio results from our considerable equity research resources with over 20 European analysts seeking insights into the industries and companies that they cover.
- We look to discover quality businesses that may benefit from change, either as a result of being on what we believe to be the "right side" of change, or from idiosyncratic change, and where we have an insight on key long-term drivers
- Valuation needs to present an attractive risk/reward profile, and we follow this overall approach across the market cycle and across style and market cap boundaries.
- ESG considerations are embedded across our investment process, particularly as the can be a key indicator of the durability of a business and a source of change across many industries.
- Risk management is integral to the portfolio construction process, and the portfolio results from close collaboration with our Risk, Quantitative and ESG teams as well as other investment personnel.

#### PORTFOLIO CONSTRUCTION

- Typically 50-80 stocks
- Individual position size up to 4.0% relative to the benchmark
- Sector ranges: typically +/-10% relative to benchmark
- Market ranges: typically +/-10% relative to benchmark
- Cash target range: fully invested, typically less than 5.0%
- Turnover range: 40%-100%

## **BENCHMARK**

MSCI Europe Index Net

## PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT

#### Sebastian Schrott

- 17 years of investment experience; 17 years with T. Rowe Price.
- M.B.A., Stanford Graduate School of Business
- M.Sc., University of Innsbruck

#### PORTFOLIO SPECIALISTS

#### **Andrew Clifton**

- 35 years of investment experience; 14 years with T. Rowe Price.
- M.S., University of Southampton
- B.S., London School of Economics

Portfolio Specialists do not assume management responsibilities.

Effective 1 January 2025, Sebastian Schrott assumed sole portfolio management responsibility for the Composite.

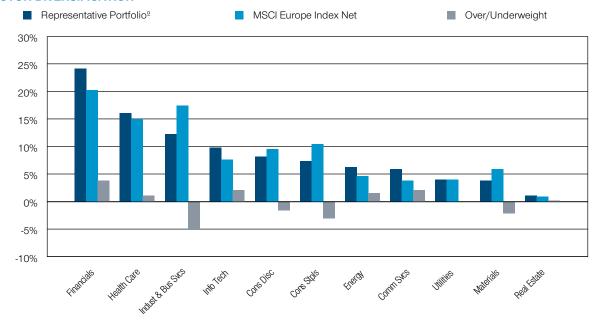
<sup>1</sup> Assets under management are calculated in USD and converted to EUR using an exchange rate determined by an independent third party.

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## **TOP 10 ISSUERS**

	% of Representative Portfolio <sup>2</sup>
SAP	4.1%
ASML Holding	3.9
Novo Nordisk	3.7
AstraZeneca	3.3
Siemens	3.1
Unilever	2.9
TotalEnergies	2.8
Allianz	2.6
LVMH Moet Hennessy Louis Vuitton	2.6
Airbus	2.4
Total	31.4%

## **SECTOR DIVERSIFICATION**



# **PORTFOLIO CHARACTERISTICS**

	Representative Portfolio <sup>o</sup>	MSCI Europe Index Net
Projected Earnings Growth Rate (3 - 5 Years)*° †	9.4%	8.3%
Price to Earnings (Current Fiscal Year)*° †	18.1X	16.0X
Return on Equity (Current Fiscal Year)° †	16.1%	16.4%
Price to Book (trailing)°	2.7X	2.6X
Investment Weighted Median Market Cap (mm)	€45,234	€66,967
Investment Weighted Average Market Cap (mm)	€89,928	€95,829
Number of Issuers	63	404
Top 20 Issuers as % of Total	51.6%	32.3%
Portfolio Turnover ††	26.4%	-
Active Share	71.1%	-

<sup>°</sup>Statistics are based on investment-weighted median.

Market capitalizations are calculated in U.S. dollars and converted to the currency shown using an exchange rate determined by an independent third party.

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<sup>†</sup>These statistics are based on the portfolio's underlying holdings and are not a projection of future portfolio performance. Actual results may vary. 

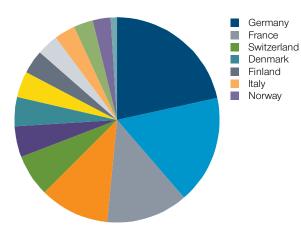
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<sup>††</sup>Portfolio Turnover represents 1 year period ending 12/31/2024.

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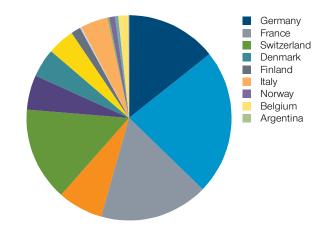
# **GEOGRAPHICAL DIVERSIFICATION**

# Representative Portfolio<sup>o</sup>



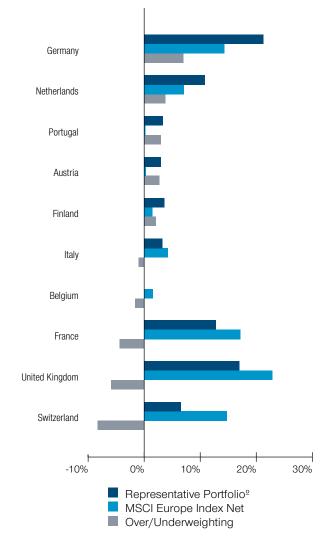


# **MSCI Europe Index Net**





# **TOP AND BOTTOM FIVE OVER/UNDERWEIGHTS**



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>º</sup>Please see Additional Disclosures section for further information.

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## **PERFORMANCE**

			Annualized				
	Three	One	Three	Five	Ten	Fifteen	
	Months	Year	Years	Years	Years	Years	
Europe Equity Composite (Gross)	-1.35%	9.68%	2.34%	6.89%	7.00%	9.35%	
Europe Equity Composite (Net)	-1.47	9.13	1.83	6.36	6.47	8.81	
MSCI Europe Index Net	-2.72	8.59	4.41	6.61	6.63	7.39	
Value Added (Gross)	1.37	1.09	-2.07	0.28	0.37	1.96	
Value Added (Net)	1.25	0.54	-2.58	-0.25	-0.16	1.42	

#### Performance data quoted represents past performance which is not a guarantee or a reliable indicator of future results.

Gross performance returns are presented before management and all other fees, where applicable, but after trading expenses. Net of fees performance reflects the deduction of the highest applicable management fee that would be charged based on the fee schedule, without the benefit of breakpoints. Gross and net performance returns reflect the reinvestment of dividends and are net of all non-reclaimable withholding taxes on dividends, interest income, and capital gains.

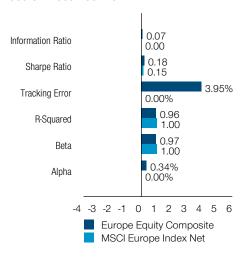
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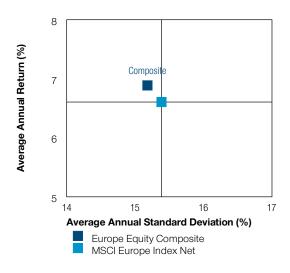
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# **RISK/RETURN CHARACTERISTICS**

Five Years ended 31 December 2024





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Risk/Return Characteristics are computed in USD and converted to EUR using an exchange rate determined by an independent third party.

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# GIPS® Composite Report

#### **Europe Equity Composite**

Period Ended December 31, 2023 Figures Shown in euro

	<u>2014</u>	2015	<u>2016</u>	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Gross Annual Returns (%)	8.49	12.98	-6.89	11.39	-7.78	30.50	4.28	24.85	-16.06	16.42
Net Annual Returns (%) <sup>1</sup>	6.70	11.12	-8.44	9.55	-9.32	28.38	2.55	22.82	-17.47	14.51
MSCI Europe Index Net (%) <sup>2</sup>	6.84	8.22	2.58	10.24	-10.57	26.05	-3.32	25.13	-9.49	15.83
MSCI Europe Index (%) <sup>2</sup>	7.40	8.78	3.22	10.88	-10.00	26.88	-2.82	25.85	-8.92	16.57
Composite 3-Yr St. Dev.	8.39	11.15	12.42	12.70	10.84	10.21	14.66	14.12	17.76	15.35
MSCI Europe Index Net 3-Yr St. Dev.	9.00	12.46	12.97	12.88	9.91	10.08	16.66	16.29	18.30	13.67
MSCI Europe Index 3-Yr St. Dev.	8.96	12.48	12.99	12.91	9.97	10.10	16.65	16.28	18.31	13.67
Composite Dispersion	N/A	N/A	0.24	0.20	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Comp. Assets (Millions)	2,219.3	3,137.3	2,331.7	2,461.5	1,506.7	2,100.7	1,950.0	1,783.4	908.5	1,147.4
# of Accts. in Comp.	7	9	9	7	5	7	6	5	3	4
Total Firm Assets (Billions)	619.5	711.0	774.8	833.0	850.9	1,085.3	1,211.6	1,454.1	1,159.4	1,270.9 <sup>3</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>The fee rate used to calculate net returns is 1.67%. This represents the maximum fee rate applicable to all composite members. Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future performance.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Effective July 1, 2018, the benchmark for the composite changed from gross to net of withholding taxes. The change was made because the firm viewed the new benchmark to be more consistent with the tax impacts of the portfolios in the composite. Historical benchmark representations have been restated.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>Preliminary - subject to adjustment.

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Portfolio Construction: There is no guarantee that the investment will remain within the anticipated ranges of exposure.

Unless indicated otherwise the source of all data is T. Rowe Price.

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The representative portfolio is an account in the composite we believe most closely reflects current portfolio management style for the strategy. Performance is not a consideration in the selection of the representative portfolio. The characteristics of the representative portfolio shown may differ from those of other accounts in the strategy. Please see the GIPS® Composite Report for additional information on the composite.

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## **Risks**

The following risks are materially relevant to the portfolio.

**Currency** - Currency exchange rate movements could reduce investment gains or increase investment losses. **Small and mid-cap** - Small and mid-size company stock prices can be more volatile than stock prices of larger companies. **Style** - Style risk may impact performance as different investment styles go in and out of favor depending on market conditions and investor sentiment.

#### **General Portfolio Risks**

Equity - Equities can lose value rapidly for a variety of reasons and can remain at low prices indefinitely. ESG and sustainability - ESG and Sustainability risk may result in a material negative impact on the value of an investment and performance of the portfolio. Geographic concentration - Geographic concentration risk may result in performance being more strongly affected by any social, political, economic, environmental or market conditions affecting those markets or regions in which the portfolio's assets are concentrated. Investment portfolio - Investing in portfolios involves certain risks an investor would not face if investing in markets directly. Management - Management risk may result in potential conflicts of interest relating to the obligations of the investment manager. Market risk may subject the portfolio to experience losses caused by unexpected changes in a wide variety of factors. Operational - Operational risk may cause losses as a result of incidents caused by people, systems, and/or processes.

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