# **Aegon Emerging Market ESG Equity Investment Fund** institutional series



## GENERAL INFORMATION

Benchmark composition:

**DISTRIBUTORS** 

AEGON Hungary Fund Manager Ltd. Fund Manager: Unicredit Bank Hungary Zrt. Custodian:

Main distributor: AEGON Hungary Fund Manager Ltd.

100% MSCI Emerging Net Total Return USD

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ISIN code: HU0000723655 05/19/2020 Start: HUF Currency

Total Net Asset Value of the whole 2.889.583.904 HUF Fund:

Net Asset Value of institutional series: 513,529,940 HUF

Net Asset Value per unit: 0.970143 HUF

# INVESTMENT POLICY OF THE FUND:

The objective of the fund is to benefit on the economical growth of emerging countries. The fund accomplishes this goal basically via individual equity investments, however it may also hold collective investment instruments, if it is necessary for the efficient management of the portfolio. These can primarily be ETFs listed on the stock exchange, bank deposit, account money, repo transactions, and open-end public investment funds. In the course of selecting the equities the Fund dedicates special attention to the compliance of individual companies with ESG (environmental, social, governance) criteria, so in addition to analyzing the financial factors, portfolio managers also take into consideration environmental, social and governance factors during the investment decision making process. The goal of the Fund Manager is to establish a portfolio, in which the average of indicators measuring ESG compliance of the individual companies is more favorable than the aggregated indicator of the benchmark index, i.e. their operation is characterized by more advanced environmental, social and governance responsibility. Environmental criteria include elements in the course of which the company comes into contact with the environment. Besides these, no additional special goals are set by the Fund. These include for example the energy utilization, waste management, pollutant emission and/or the preservation of natural resources. Social criteria include all relations maintained by the company with its external partners, customers and internal employees. Corporate governance criteria are legal factors impacting reliable operation of a company.

#### NET PERFORMANCE OF THE SERIES NET ASSET VALUE PER SHARE, 05/19/2020 - 05/31/2020 1.0048 1.0010 0.9973 0.9935 0.9898 0.9860 0.9823 0.9785 0.9748 0.9710 0.9673 2020.05.202020.05.21 2020.05.252020.05.26 2020.05.282020.

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Past performance is no quarantee of future results. This report should not be considered as an offer or investment advisory. The Fund Prospectus contains the detailed conditions of the investment. The distribution costs of the fund purchase can be found at the distributors

Annualized standard deviation of the fund's weekly yields: no data Annualized standard deviation of the benchmark's weekly yields: no data WAM (Weighted Average Maturity): 0.00 years WAL (Weighted Average Life): 0.00 years

#### MARKET SUMMARY:

The first wave of the crown virus beginning to slow down around the world. In both Western Europe and the United States, fewer new infections were diagnosed in the last few weeks of May than in previous months. It is an open question whether we can breathe a sigh of relief, or as the economies beginning to open up, another wave will hit. Stock markets are pricing in the best-case scenario, as the NASDAQ index is 1/2% from its all-time high in February, and other major indices also be experiencing an extraordinary rise since the March low. However, the economic data do not support a stock market rise. In the U.S., the unemployment rate has risen to 15% and more than 30 million people are out of work. The situation in Europe is similar to that in the United States. The ECB is trying to alleviate the economic difficulties caused by the crown virus with a 500 billion aid package. The European rescue package faces greater opposition than in the U.S. because 4 countries have different ideas on how to help the European economy. Some kind of aid package is needed because although economic data show an upward trend, they still point to a recessionary environment. Positive economic data is coming out of China. Exports grew by 3.5 per cent year-on-year in April instead of a double-digit decline, and inflation data were lower than expected. Consumer prices rose 3.3 percent and producer prices fell 3.1 percent year-on-year, while industrial production grew better than expected year-on-year by 3.9 percent in April. In Hungary, the MNB did not change the key interest rate at its May meeting. This is understandable because the forint has stabilized against foreign currencies and the central bank wants to see the impact of the virus on the Hungarian economy. If the economic environment becomes clearer, than necessary measures will be taken. The fund achieved a negative return in May, but outperformed its benchmark. The main attribute of the negative return is that if you measure it in HUF, the emerging markets underperformed the developed markets. Within emerging markets, Brazil and Korea achieved the best returns, while Taiwan was the biggest underperformer last month. During the month, we reduced our weight in the Chinese internet sector, in addition we increased our exposure in Korea, Taiwan, and Saudi Arabia, while we reduced our exposure in Mexico. In addition, we further increased the weight of positive ESG-rated investments in the fund.

#### ASSET ALLOCATION OF THE FUND ON 05/31/2020 Asset type Weight Collective securities 69.46 % International equities 30.29 % -21.53 % Liabilities 14.35 % Current account Receivables 7.43 % total 100,00 % Derivative products 7.82 % Net corrected leverage 106.99 % Assets with over 10% weight There is no such instrument in the portfolio NET YIELD PERFORMANCE OF THE SERIES Interval Yield of note Benchmark yield From start -2.99 % -1.86 % INVESTMENT HORIZON: Suggested minimum investment period: 3 months 6 months 1 year 2 years 3 years 5 years Risk and Reward Profile: significant very low moderate intermediate very high

**TOP 5 POSITIONS** Counterparty / issuer Maturity Type Lyxor MSCI Korea UCITS ETF Lyxor MSCI Korea UCITS ETF (LU) investment note Fidelity Funds - China Consumer Fund Y-ACC-USD investment note Fidelity Funds - China Consumer Fund Y-ACC-USD (LU) MSCI EmgMkt Jun20 Buy Erste Bef. Hun (HU) 2020.06.19 derivatív KraneShares CSI China Internet UCITS KraneShares CSI China Internet UCITS (IE) investment note Fidelity Funds - Taiwan Fund Y-ACC-USD investment note Fidelity Funds - Taiwan Fund Y-ACC-USD (LU)

