Aegon IstanBull Equity Fund





MONTHLY report - 2021 SEPTEMBER (made on: 09/30/2021)

INVESTMENT POLICY OF THE FUND

The objective of the fund is to get a share of the yields of the Turkish equity market, and to benefit on the Turkish economy growth through equity rates and dividends incomes. In accordance with the risk features of the equity investments, the fund is considered as a high-risk investment. According to the intentions of the Fund Manager, the portfolio of the Fund is predominantly formed by equities publicly issued by foreign companies, so the ratio of equities in the fund may reach the legal maximum at the time. Primary targets of investment are the equities of companies listed on the stock that operate in Turkey or make most of their revenues in those countries. The fund registers its assets in Hungarian Forint, the Fund Manager is entitled to cover part of all the currency risks with forward currency positions, while complying with the effective legal provisions.

MARKET SUMMARY

September had similar movements in the stock markets just like the previous months. Indices rose to new highs, but unlike in the previous period, stock markets got over valued I'll after the first week and ended the month in negative territory. The US legislature failed to agree on the budget for next year and the US is in danger of another government shutting down. This already has happened in the early 2010s, when a credit rating firm downgraded the US government's debt in response. In the middle of the month, the US Federal Reserve also met and gave the strongest signal yet that it would start reducing liquidity as early as this year, and aim to complete the process by next summer, which would mean a \$15 billion a month reduction in bond buying. Nine of the 13 voting FOMC members expect an interest rate hike as early as next year. That would put the Fed funds rate to 1% by the end of 2023 which would also be higher than expected. Investors have grown accustomed to the abundance of money provided by the central banks in recent years, and this withdrawal could cause serious problems. The central bank chairman is trying in vain to communicate that reducing liquidity is not the same as raising interest rates if the combined effect is the same for financial markets. In Europe, the ECB took a similar decision to the US at its September meeting, except that they are targeting yields rather than volume. The ECB's communication for years has been that they are targeting an inflation rate of 2%. In Hungary, the central bank raised the benchmark interest rate by a further 15 basis points in September to 165 basis points. The MNB's communication shows that QE has been reduced from 50 billion to 40 billion, bond purchases are mainly targeting the long side and forint swap liquidity is being reduced to achieve higher interest rates. The central bank's clear aim is to contain inflation without torpedoing economic growth. At the same time, they also want to stabilize the forint exchange rate, preferably in the EUR/USD 350-360 range. The fund posted a negative return in August and underperformed its benchmark index. During the month, the Turkish central bank unexpectedly cut its benchmark interest rate by 100 basis points, which negatively impacted the performance of the Turkish market. In response to the news, we sharply reduced our exposure to the retail sector in the fund. However, when the banking sector started to fall we started to close the banking underweight. The chemical sector overweight continues to perform very well in the fund. We have also bought oil refining stocks over the last month as we believe this sector will continue to perform well. In addition, we have taken a specific exposure to the automotive sector as we believe it has good growth potential. By the end of the month, the fund was underweight against the benchmark index by 8-9%.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Fund Manager: AEGON Hungary Fund Manager Ltd.

Custodian: Citibank Europe plc Magyarországi

Fióktelepe

Main distributor: AEGON Hungary Fund Manager Ltd.

Benchmark composition: 100% MSCI Turkey 10/40 Net Total

Return USD Index

ISIN code: HU0000709522

Start: 01/03/2011

Currency: HUF

Net Asset Value of the whole Fund: 2,768,415,402 HUF

Net Asset Value of institutional 102,024,066 HUF

Net Asset Value per unit: 1.427925 HUF

DISTRIBUTORS

Aegon Magyarország Befektetési Alapkezelő Zrt., Raiffeisen Bank Zrt., Unicredit Bank Hungary Zrt.

SUGGESTED MINIMUM INVESTMENT PERIOD

3 mths	6 mths	1 yr	2 yr	3 yr	4 yr	5 yr

Weight
90.67 %
-35.72 %
33.86 %
11.22 %
100,00 %
0.00 %
100.00 %



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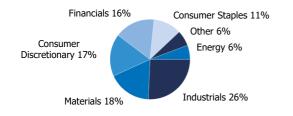


institutional series

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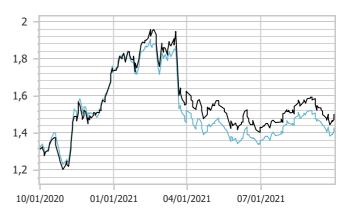
NET YIELD PERFORMANCE OF THE SERIES					
Interval	Yield of note	Benchmark yield			
From start	-4.89 %	-4.80 %			
2020	-6.38 %	4.39 %			
2019	22.09 %	16.70 %			
2018	-36.31 %	-37.86 %			
2017	19.55 %	18.55 %			
2016	-6.27 %	-4.78 %			
2015	-22.42 %	-25.86 %			
2014	41.08 %	38.57 %			
2013	-29.11 %	-28.22 %			
2012	52.45 %	48.47 %			

Stocks by sectors



NET PERFORMANCE OF THE SERIES

net asset value per share, 10/01/2020 - 09/30/2021



Aegon IstanBull Equity Fund institutional series

---- Benchmark

RISK INDICATORS FOR THE LAST 12 MONTHS	
Annualized standard deviation of the fund's weekly yields	31.55 %
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WAM (Weighted Average Maturity)	0.00 years
WAL (Weighted Average Life)	0.00 years

TOP 5 POSITIONS					
Asset	Туре	Counterparty / issuer	Maturity		
EREGLI DEMIR VE CELIK FABRIK	share	EREGLI DEMIR VE CELIK FABRIK			
BIRLESIK MAGAZALAR	share	BIM BIRLESIK MAGAZALAR			
PETKIM PETROKIMYA HOLDING SA	share	PETROKIMYA HOLDING SA			
KOC HOLDING AS	share	KOC HOLDING AS			
TUPRAS	share	TUPRAS			

Legal declaration