# Aegon Russia Equity Fund





MONTHLY report - 2021 NOVEMBER (made on: 11/30/2021)

## INVESTMENT POLICY OF THE FUND

The objective of the fund is to get a share of the yields of the Russian equity market, and to benefit on the Russian 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. Primary targets of investment are the equities of companies listed on the stock that operate in Russia or countries of the former Community of Independent States or make most of their revenues in those countries. When establishing the portfolio, the equities determine the nature of the fund, so the ratio of equities in the fund may reach the legal maximum at the time. The fund registers its assets in Hungarian Forint. The Fund Manager is entitled to cover part of all the curreny risks with forward currency positions, while complying with the effective legal provisions.

## MARKET SUMMARY

In November, it seemed that the Covid pandemic became a non-factor because of the vaccination and would be just a bad memory, but unfortunately, a potentially more infectious strain had developed in South Africa by the end of the month. Within a short period of time, the new strain has appeared around the world and the question now is how governments will respond to this new challenge. Very little is known about the new variant, communication will mostly consist of encouraging the public to take the 3rd jab. If we are lucky, the current vaccines will provide enough protection against the new variant, if not then the corona virus will continue to cause problems for a long time. We do not think that there will be the repeat of the level of closures that we saw in the first or second wave.

In the US, speculation continues as to when the Fed will raise interest rates. Current pricing suggests the first hike will be next June, followed by two more. At the November Fed meeting, it was also announced that they would start the tapering by \$15 billion per month.

In Europe, the ECB President again rejected the possibility of any monetary tightening, in contrast to the Fed, stating that rising energy prices have already pushed household spending incomes into negative territory.

In Hungary, the central bank raised the benchmark interest rate by a further 30 basis points in November to 2,10%. In addition, the Hungarian National Bank reintroduced the 2-tier interest rate regime in order to stabilize the forint exchange rate. The result is that the official interest rate is 2.10% while the weekly deposit rate is 3.10%. The central bank's clear aim is to keep inflation in check without torpedoing economic growth. At the same time, they also want to stabilize the forint exchange rate, preferably around the EUR/USD 360 level.

The fund posted a negative return in November and underperformed the benchmark index. The negative return was mainly due to the prevailing political environment, while the underperformance was mainly caused by the overweight of the oil sector. We keep the overweight unchanged because we believe the sell-off in November was only temporary and we remain positive on the energy sector. Against the energy sector overweight, we keep the gold, internet and technology companies at underweight. We still hold the airlines as we believe they are fundamentally underpriced. The fund was at neutral weight against the benchmark at the end of the month.

## **GENERAL INFORMATION**

Benchmark composition:

Fund Manager: AEGON Hungary Fund Manager Ltd.

Custodian: Unicredit Bank Hungary Zrt.

Main distributor: AEGON Hungary Fund Manager Ltd.

100% Msci Russia 10-40 Net TR

USD

ISIN code: HU0000707401

Start: 12/04/2008

Currency: HUF

Net Asset Value of the whole Fund: 7,812,965,361 HUF

Net Asset Value of HUF series: 3,913,305,689 HUF

Net Asset Value per unit: 3.853249 HUF

### **DISTRIBUTORS**

Aegon Magyarország Befektetési Alapkezelő Zrt., CIB Bank Zrt., Commerzbank Zrt., CONCORDE Értékpapír Zrt., Equilor Befektetési Zrt, Erste Befektetési Zrt., KBC Securities Magyarországi Fióktelepe, MKB Bank Nyrt., OTP Bank Nyrt., Raiffeisen Bank Zrt., SPB Befektetési Zrt., Takarékbank Zrt, Unicredit Bank Hungary Zrt.

## SUGGESTED MINIMUM INVESTMENT PERIOD

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ASSET ALLOCATION OF THE FUND	
Asset	Weight
International equities	86.28 %
Current account	14.84 %
Liabilities	-5.36 %
Receivables	4.25 %
Total	100,00 %
Derivative products	13.03 %
Net corrected leverage	111.97 %
Assets with over 10% weight	
There is no such instrument in the portfolio	



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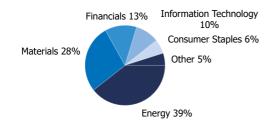




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NET YIELD PERFORMANCE OF THE SERIES						
Interval	Yield of note	Benchmark yield				
From start	10.94 %	12.60 %				
2020	-7.02 %	-0.73 %				
2019	47.23 %	51.89 %				
2018	6.26 %	1.31 %				
2017	-11.80 %	-13.91 %				
2016	50.80 %	48.83 %				
2015	11.61 %	9.86 %				
2014	-32.35 %	-31.22 %				
2013	-1.93 %	-1.19 %				
2012	4.76 %	7.91 %				
2011	-11.05 %	-12.34 %				

#### Stocks by sectors



## NET PERFORMANCE OF THE SERIES

net asset value per share, 12/01/2020 - 11/30/2021



Aegon Russia Equity Fund HUF series

Benchmark

RISK INDICATORS FOR THE LAST 12 MONTHS	
Annualized standard deviation of the fund's weekly yields	21.92 %
Annualized standard deviation of the benchmark's weekly yields	22.28 %
WAM (Weighted Average Maturity)	0.00 years
WAL (Weighted Average Life)	0.00 years

TOP 5 POSITIONS							
Asset	Туре	Counterparty / issuer	Maturity				
Gazprom PJSC	share	Gazprom					
Yandex NV	share	Yandex NV					
LUKOIL PJSC	share	LUKOIL					
SBERBANK-CLS	share	SBERBANK					
RDX USD Index Dec21 Buy	derivatív	Raiffeisen Hun	12/17/2021				

#### Legal declaration