Aegon IstanBull Equity Fund





MONTHLY report - 2021 DECEMBER (made on: 12/31/2021)

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

At the beginning of December, it seemed that the Covid epidemic was no longer a concern, but unfortunately the Omicron variant started to spread very quickly. According to a recent study it was spreading four times as fast as Delta, and by the end of the month there was hardly a country without a case. So far, all we know is that it is more infectious than the earlier mutations, and we can only hope that it is not as deadly as the Delta variant was. Political leaders want to avoid widespread closures, but restrictions have been imposed in almost every country. Unless the death toll starts to rise sharply, we can be sure that widespread economic closures are nowhere to be expected, but problems could re-emerge in the supply chain which was just beginning to recover from the shock of the past

The US Federal Reserve in its December meeting also made a decision that suggests that the cheap money policy may soon be over. The current liquidity program of 120 billion per month will be reduced by 30 billion per month over the next four months, and 2 or 3 interest rate hikes are planned for 2022.

The ECB is facing similar problems as the US Federal Reserve. Inflation is already significantly higher in Europe, but the central bank does not want to raise interest rates. Rising energy prices have been an impactful economic issue for the past month. This is having an impact on the performance of the economy, but the spike in inflation has been the biggest issue.

Hungary has been no exception to the rising inflation environment. Inflation in Hungary is also hitting record highs, in November it was at a 14-year high of 7.4%, and we are not expecting it to improve for 2022. The MNB has been trying to curb inflation with little success so far. It has continued to raise interest rates, with the 1-week depo rate at 4% and the base rate at 2.4%. Contrary to the central bank's expectations, the forint has not strengthened in response to the rate hikes, but sank to a new low against the euro at the end of the year.

The fund posted a negative return in December and underperformed the benchmark index. In December, the Turkish lira continued its volatile movement, which weighed on the fund's performance. After 5 days of continued weakness, the lira strengthened by nearly 40% against the dollar and other currencies after the Turkish president implemented a stealth interest rate hike. Our view is that this strengthening of the lira is temporary and it is only a symptomatic cure of the problem. The fund continues to hold positions in export-oriented and cash-rich companies as we believe these are the companies that will weather this turbulent period the best. The composition of the banking sector in the fund has changed, with over weighting private banks and a under weighting public banks. The oil refining sector overweight has been closed down but the petrochemical sector remains overweight. At the end of the month, the fund was 100% against the index.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Fund Manager: AEGON Hungary Fund Manager Ltd.

Citibank Europe plc Magyarországi Custodian:

Fióktelepe

Main distributor: AEGON Hungary Fund Manager Ltd.

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

Return USD Index HU0000709522

1.269.327 HUF

01/03/2011 Start:

Currency:

Net Asset Value of the whole Fund: 2,187,443,324 HUF

Net Asset Value of institutional

Net Asset Value per unit: 1.256356 HUF

DISTRIBUTORS

ISIN code:

Aegon Magyarország Befektetési Alapkezelő Zrt., Equilor Befektetési 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

ASSET ALLOCATION OF THE FUND		
Asset	Weight	
International equities	89.71 %	
Current account	11.01 %	
Liabilities	-0.84 %	
Receivables	0.14 %	
Total	100,00 %	
Derivative products	17.44 %	
Net corrected leverage	114.05 %	
Assets with over 10% weight		
There is no such instrument in the portfolio		



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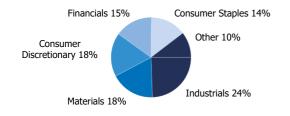




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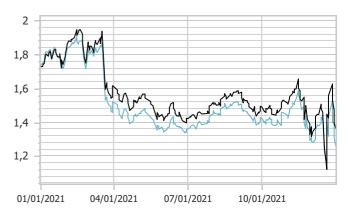
NET YIELD PERFORMANCE OF THE SERIES				
Interval	Yield of note	Benchmark yield		
From start	-5.88 %	-5.50 %		
2021	-27.19 %	-21.17 %		
2020	-6.38 %	4.39 %		
2019	22.09 %	16.70 %		
2018	-36.31 %	-37.86 %		
2017	19.55 %	18.55 %		
2016	-6.27 %	-4.78 %		
2015	-22.42 %	-25.86 %		
2014	41.08 %	38.57 %		
2013	-29.11 %	-28.22 %		
2012	52.45 %	48.47 %		

Stocks by sectors



NET PERFORMANCE OF THE SERIES

net asset value per share, 01/01/2021 - 12/31/2021



Aegon IstanBull Equity Fund institutional series

Benchmark

RISK INDICATORS FOR THE LAST 12 MONTHS	
Annualized standard deviation of the fund's weekly yields	49.92 %
Annualized standard deviation of the benchmark's weekly yields	62.60 %
WAM (Weighted Average Maturity)	0.00 years
WAL (Weighted Average Life)	0.00 years

TOP 5 POSITIONS						
Asset	Туре	Counterparty / issuer	Maturity			
BIST 30 FUTURES Feb22 Buy	derivatív	Raiffeisen Hun	02/28/2022			
BIRLESIK MAGAZALAR	share	BIM BIRLESIK MAGAZALAR				
SISE	share	Sise Ti				
AKBANK T.S.A.	share	AKBANK T.A.				
EREGLI DEMIR VE CELIK FABRIK	share	EREGLI DEMIR VE CELIK FABRIK				

Legal declaration