

# Base Investments Sicav - Flexible Low Risk Exposure EUR

## Monthly Factsheet - April 2025

Marketing Document for retail investors in: LU, CH, IT

### Fund Data

Strategy	Flexible
Fund size	€224mln
Portfolio Manager	Giorgio Bertoli
Domicile, Legal Structure	Luxembourg, UCITS
Delegated Investment Manager	Banca del Sempione SA
Custodian Bank	Edmond De Rothschild (Europe)
Administrator/Management Company	Edmond De Rothschild Asset Management (Lux)
Auditor	Pricewaterhouse Coopers Sarl
Management Fee	1.50%
Performance Fee	15% of the performance of NAV against the HWM

Class	Type	ISIN
EUR	Retail	LU0492099089

### Objective

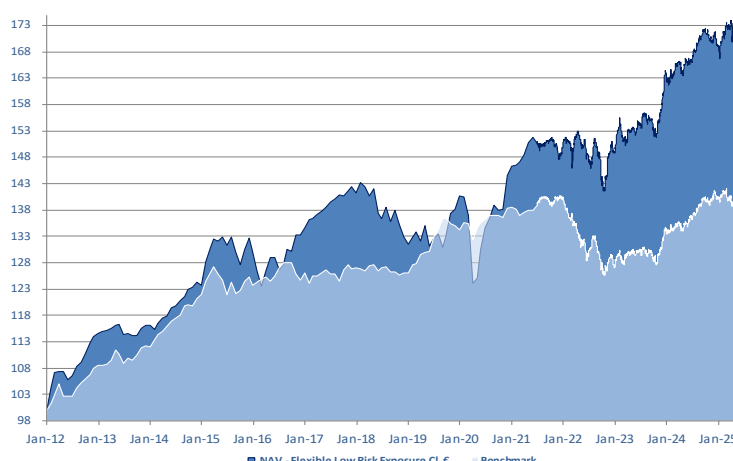
The aim of the Flexible Low Risk Exposure sub-fund is to generate positive real returns for the investor, whilst maintaining particular attention to the preservation of capital.

### Strategy

The active asset allocation process is implemented through a flexible approach on different asset class, mainly government and corporate bonds, equity and Forex. The maximum exposure to high risk securities such as equities and high yield bonds is limited singularly to 15% of total assets.

Global Strategy	High Flexibility	Relative Value	Asymmetries search
Seeking opportunities through a top-down approach in the main geographical regions.	Asset allocations independent from the benchmark. Low correlation with the main risk contributors (rates, equity markets).	Spread between currencies, fixed income curves, equity markets used to generate value on non-directional markets.	The corporate market illiquidity may occasionally generate investment opportunities.

### Performance Summary



The sub-fund is actively managed without reference to any benchmark (index). The benchmark in this graph is shown here for comparative purposes only and is not used for the calculation of the performance fee.



#### Lipper Fund Awards

2025 Europe
2024 Europe
2025 Switzerland
2024 Switzerland
2023 Switzerland
2015 Switzerland

#### Il Sole 24 ORE

##### Premio Alto Rendimento

2024-Mixed bonds over a three years period
2023-Mixed bonds over a three years period
2022-Mixed bonds over a three years period
2017-Mixed bonds over a three years period

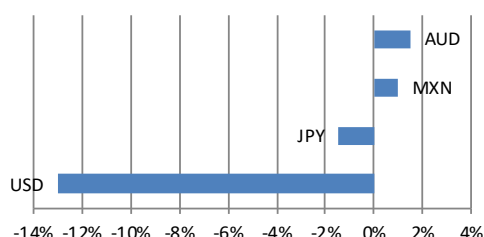
Class EUR	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
2025	0,91	1,38	-0,11	0,84									3,04
2024	0,30	-0,06	1,14	-1,43	1,25	0,07	1,84	0,70	1,13	-0,91	0,34	-1,10	3,25
2023	3,11	-1,39	0,22	0,99	-0,07	0,77	1,44	-0,37	-1,47	-0,55	3,48	3,68	10,10
2022	0,45	-0,94	1,38	-0,22	-0,08	-2,81	1,54	-0,32	-4,06	0,93	3,37	-0,09	-1,06
2021	0,26	0,38	0,87	1,52	0,67	-0,76	-0,15	0,29	0,38	-0,90	-1,54	1,90	2,91
2020	-0,12	-2,58	-9,27	0,75	4,40	3,11	1,20	1,90	-0,63	0,10	4,68	1,09	3,93
2019	1,13	0,76	-1,38	2,27	-2,92	1,20	0,61	-1,87	1,75	3,08	0,59	1,80	7,05
2018	1,43	-0,60	-1,17	1,00	-3,28	-0,82	1,60	-1,94	1,65	-2,02	-1,73	-1,10	-6,91
2017	1,21	0,02	0,65	0,35	0,67	0,60	0,44	-0,87	1,40	0,66	-0,23	-0,12	4,86
2016	-3,09	-2,02	2,38	2,25	-0,03	-1,96	1,32	1,76	-0,28	2,33	0,02	1,03	3,58
2015	3,57	2,01	1,27	-0,21	0,61	-1,27	1,29	-2,27	-1,85	2,41	1,65	-1,96	5,15

Source: Banca del Sempione SA

**Past performance is not indicative of future performance.** The performance data does not take into account the commissions and expenses applied to the issue and redemption of shares. Past performance is shown in the share class currency. **Returns are gross of tax charges.** The fund's performance may be the result of currency fluctuations, either rising or falling. Investors may not recover their entire capital invested

### Portfolio

#### Currency diversification



Rating Breakdown	%	Risky assets	%
Investment grade	80.0%	High Yield	7.0%
AAA	10.0%	BB	5.5%
AA	9.5%	B	1.0%
A	10.0%	<B	0.5%
BBB	50.5%		
Cash	10.0%		
Not rated	3.0%		

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Bond Portfolio		%	Statistics	
<b>Government Bond</b>		38.0	Duration	6.38
of which inflation linked		21.0	Yield to Maturity	4.20
<b>Corporate Bond</b>		25.0	Average Quality	BBB+
of which corporate hybrid		5.0	Volatility daily (180 days)	3.89%
<b>Financials</b>		24.5	Volatility weekly (104 weeks)	4.37%
of which subordinated		15.5	Correlation vs. Barclays Global Aggregate EUR (12m)	0.78
<b>Convertible Bond</b>		2.5	Correlation vs. MSCI Hedged Eur(12m)	0.10
<b>Cash</b>		10.0		
Commodities		%	Contribution to duration - currency	
Gold		0.0	EUR	2.17
			USD	3.13
			GBP	1.0
			Other	0.08
Equity Portfolio			<b>Total duration</b>	<b>6.38</b>
<b>Equity net exposure</b>		<b>0.0</b>		
Europe		0.0		
US		0.0		
EM		0.0		

Source: Banca del Sempione SA

### Monthly summary

At the beginning of April, the Trump administration revealed the reciprocal tariffs to be applied to its trading partners, on what was called "liberation day". The percentage of the tariffs applied have been identified through a simple equation that relates imports and exports to and from the US with the relevant country. What emerged was an average level of tariffs that was higher than the market's worst expectations and which generated a significant global sell-off, in particular on all American assets such as stocks, the Dollar and ultimately the Treasury. The market movement led to a turnaround by the American president, with the suspension of tariffs for a period of 90 days towards all countries except China, guilty of having countered American impositions. Later in the month, a more relaxed climate and an openness to dialogue between the various parties led the market to find higher stability.

On the bond side, we witnessed a significant increase in Treasury yields, which went from a minimum of 3.85% to a maximum of 4.60% in just a few days. Such a sudden increase has worried market and non-market operators quite a bit, also due to the fear of the potential loss of the global safe haven status for the American ten-year bond. The reaction of European assets was decidedly more moderate with the Bund yield falling to 2.45%. Volatility was also felt at the corporate spread level, both for investment grade and High Yield companies, with widenings of 30/40 bps and 120/130 bps respectively for the riskiest spectrum.

As anticipated, volatility was also very high on the equity side, with levels not seen since last summer and the VIX that reached 60. Despite a partial drop of -15% in the month for the S&P 500, the closing saw a decline of only -0.75% for the main American index, with the Stoxx 50 down -1.70%. In addition to the American administration more open to dialogue, it is also worth noting a good earnings season in the final part of the month, especially for technology stocks which further improved sentiment.

Finally, on the currency side, there was a strong weakening of the USD against the other main currencies, with EUR/USD reaching 1.13, gold rising sharply and reaching 3500 before closing the month at 3300, and finally oil still down with a closing below 60 USD per barrel.

#### Top performance contributors

- Short usd
- US bonds short-end

#### Top performance detractors

- Inflation-linked bond
- US bonds long-end

### Positioning and market view

**Rates:** Duration during the month fluctuated between 5.75 and 6.5, due to greater tactical activity than usual, in particular on the short US part. Long positions on the 5-year US were reopened following the correction at the beginning of the month. However, we remain structurally invested in the long inflation-linked part, although the price action of this segment being far from encouraging. We believe valuation levels (for example 30yr real yield in the United States above 2.5%) are attractive enough to justify greater volatility tolerance.

**Credit:** few changes to the credit portfolio, as the widening of spreads does not seem significant enough to justify a structural increase in risk. Some small opportunistic purchases were made during the month, but we maintain a liquidity buffer around 10%.

**Equity:** no structural position.

**Fx:** The long Eur/Usd has a long-term strategic role, and the basic idea is to maintain exposures of around 10%-15%.

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### Risk Indicator



The summary risk indicator assumes you keep the Product until maturity end of the recommended holding period (5 years). The actual risk can vary significantly if you cash in at an early stage and you may get back less. The summary risk indicator is a guide to the level of risk of this Product compared to other products. It shows how likely it is that the Product will lose money because of movements in the markets or because we are not able to pay you. This Product is rated in the category above mentioned, in line with the type of securities and geographic regions detailed under the heading "Objectives and investment policy". The capital is not guaranteed.

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**Credit Risk:** the Product may invest in debt securities which are exposed to the risk that the borrower will be unable to meet its repayment obligations.

**Counterparty Risk:** the Product may suffer losses if a counterparty to a financial instrument defaults and fails to meet its payment obligations to the Product.

**Emerging and Frontiers Markets Risk:** increased political or social instability, economies based on only a few industries, unstable currencies, runaway inflation, highly volatile securities markets, unpredictable shifts in policies relating to foreign investments, lack of protection for investors may affect the investments of the Product.

**Market Risk:** the Product may experience losses from fluctuations in securities prices in portfolio.

**Liquidity Risk:** when investments are made in financial instruments that could have a lower level of liquidity in some circumstances for example in the case of a market crash or default of issuers and/or due to massive redemptions of shareholders resulting in a potential decrease of the value of certain of the Product's investments.

**Interest Rate Risk:** interest rate risk is the possibility that the value of the assets of the Product will decline as the result of an unexpected change in interest rates, especially but not limited, for investments in bonds.

**Currency Risk:** the Product invests in assets priced in foreign currencies which may be adversely affected by changes in exchange rates in relation to the reference currency of the Product and of the share classes denominated in a currency other than the reference currency.

**Operational Risk:** this is the risk that failures, problems and/or inadequacies of systems, processes and/or people (in particular by the investment manager) may cause losses to the Product.

**Risk linked to the use of derivative instruments:** a careful use of derivatives can be beneficial to the Product but implies additional risks different from traditional assets such as the risk of divergent valuation depending on the application of different pricing methodologies. The use of derivatives can result in greater fluctuations of the Product assets and may cause the Product to lose as much as or more than the amount invested. Due to the use of derivatives, the Product may have an increased exposure to particular investment known as leverage. A fall in value of such investments can result in a proportionately greater loss to the Product.

**Volatility-Leverage:** In order to efficiently implement the Sub-Fund's strategy and to achieve the risk target that is consistent with the Sub-Fund's risk profile, the Sub-Fund will rely intensively on financial derivative instruments and underlyings that may generate a high level of leverage and the Sub-Fund may experience higher volatility than a fixed income fund that does not use leverage.

**The list of possible risks is not exhaustive; full risk information is available in the Sale Prospectus, chapter 5 "Special consideration on risks".**

### Glossary

**Share class** sub-fund of a fund differentiated in terms of client type, fee structure, currency, minimum investment or other characteristics. The characteristics of each share class are described in the offering prospectus. **Management fee** is a fee that covers all costs charged to a fund in relation to portfolio management services and, if applicable, distribution services. **Incentive fee (performance)** is a fee withheld by the management company based exclusively on the results achieved by the fund and is calculated if the fund performs better than a reference index, the benchmark, or if it records a gain in absolute terms. **Duration** indicates the number of years an investor should keep a position in the bond until the present value of the bond's cash flows to equal the amount paid for that bond. Longer is the duration, more the price of a bond will be influenced by changes in interest rates. Duration can also be used to compare the risk of debt securities with maturities and yields. **High Water Mark (HWM)** is the highest value achieved by a fund and it is used as a threshold to measure a manager's performance. In the case of this fund, according to the HWM principle, no performance fee will be charged if the NAV, before considering the fee, is lower than the latest reference NAV. Any losses accumulated in the past can be written off after a period of five years. The performance fee is assessed at the end of each calendar year, following a calculation method described in the prospectus. **Index** is a portfolio that holds a broad range of securities according to predefined rules. Some indices are used to represent the performance of particular markets and therefore serve as a point of reference for measuring the performance of other portfolios. An index used as a reference for performance comparison is called a "benchmark index". **ISIN** (International Securities Identification Number) unique code that identifies a specific financial security. It is assigned by the respective national coding agency of a country. **Bonds** are debt (for the entity that issues them) and credit securities (for the entity that purchases them) that represent a portion of debt taken out by a company or public body for financing. They guarantee the buyer the reimbursement of the capital (at the end of the pre-established period) plus interest (the remuneration that is due to those who purchase bonds in exchange for the sum invested). **High Yield Bonds** are a type of corporate bond that offers a higher interest rate due to its greater risk of default. Credit rating evaluates the ability of a bond issuer to repay all its debt obligations (interest and principal) on time. High ratings, such as AAA or Aaa, indicate low risk (i.e. a low probability of default), while ratings such as BBB- or Baa3 indicate greater risk. **Yield to maturity (YTM)** indicates the fund's return if all the bonds in the portfolio were to be held until the maturity date. The ratio is expressed as a percentage annual return. **Volatility**, the fluctuation of a fund's performance over a given period, provides an analysis of the amount of risk and uncertainty in a security or portfolio. Typically, higher is the volatility, riskier is the securities or portfolio.

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