

# VARENNE VALEUR A-USD

MONTHLY REPORT (A-USD) - SEPTEMBER 2019



NAV

116.29 \$

## INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE

The Fund's objective is to target above average returns in a fund that mixes a concentrated long and short equity portfolio (long biased) with an overlay of merger arbitrage (long/short pairs or longs) and opportunistic tail risk hedging.

## MONTHLY RETURNS

Years	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	Sept.	October	Nov.	Dec.	Yearly perf.
2016							0.15%	-0.83%	-0.31%	-0.81%	1.29%	0.90%	0.38%
2017	-0.06%	1.74%	1.94%	1.80%	0.12%	-0.74%	-0.80%	-0.78%	2.07%	-0.07%	1.01%	0.65%	7.04%
2018	1.11%	-1.75%	-0.64%	2.35%	1.53%	-0.42%	1.53%	2.00%	0.20%	-2.65%	-0.65%	-3.60%	-1.17%
2019	4.58%	1.16%	1.32%	1.87%	-1.87%	2.55%	0.77%	-1.01%	-0.09%				9.51%

## TOP 5 HOLDINGS (Equity)

ULTA BEAUTY	United States	6.24%
LVMH	France	5.82%
ACCENTURE	United States	5.78%
GIVAUDAN	Switzerland	5.77%
ASML	Netherlands	5.56%

## NUMBER OF HOLDINGS PER FRAMEWORK

	Lines	Exposures	
Long Equity	21	64.12% <sup>(2)</sup>	76.45% <sup>(3)</sup>
Short Equity	1	7.47% <sup>(2)</sup>	7.47% <sup>(3)</sup>
Merger Arbitrage	7	12.27% <sup>(2)</sup>	12.27% <sup>(3)</sup>
Tail Risk Hedging	6	0.59% <sup>(1)</sup>	240.63% <sup>(3)</sup>

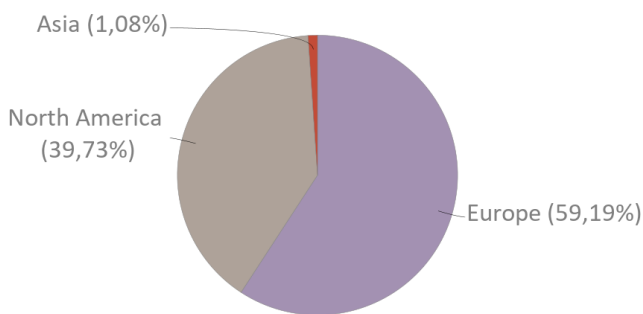
## EXPOSURE BY CAPITALIZATION (Equity)

> EUR 3bn	81.47%
EUR 500m - 3bn	14.45%
< EUR 500m	4.08%

## CURRENCY EXPOSURE (excluding tail risk hedging<sup>2</sup>)

	USD	EUR	GBP	CHF	CAD	DKK	SGD
Exposure	25.20%	19.99%	8.49%	5.77%	5.07%	4.95%	0.62%
Hedging	22.17%	-	8.49%	-	3.53%	-	0.25%
Net exposure	3.03%	19.99%	-	5.77%	1.54%	4.95%	0.37%

## GEOGRAPHIC BREAKDOWN (Equity<sup>2</sup>)



## TOP 10 SECTORS (GICS sub-ind, Equity<sup>2</sup>)

Apparel, Accessories & Luxury Goods	20.55%
Specialty Stores	10.80%
IT Consulting & Other Services	9.99%
Specialty Chemicals	9.98%
Semiconductor Equipment	9.62%
Pharmaceuticals	8.56%
Movies & Entertainment	8.46%
Restaurants	6.11%
Footwear	6.01%
Packaged Foods & Meats	2.64%

## MONTHLY RETURN ATTRIBUTION PER FRAMEWORK

Long - Equity	0.62%
Short - Equity	-0.60%
Special Situations	0.16%
Tail Risk Hedging	-0.05%

## TOP 5 CONTRIBUTORS

ASML	Long - Equity	0.44%
NIKE	Long - Equity	0.38%
ULTA BEAUTY	Long - Equity	0.33%
WALT DISNEY	Long - Equity	-0.25%
GIVAUDAN	Long - Equity	0.22%

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## CUMULATIVE AND ANNUALIZED RETURNS

	Year to date	CUMULATIVE			ANNUALIZED
		1 year	3 years	Inception	Inception
VARENNE VALEUR	9.51%	2.11%	17.45%	16.29%	4.87%

## ANNUALIZED VOLATILITY

	1 year	3 years	Inception
VARENNE VALEUR	7.81%	6.41%	6.30%

## MONTHLY COMMENTARY

**Contribution** : The fund's performance was primarily driven by the Long equity component (+0.62%) and the Special situations strategy (+0.16%). The main sources were ASML call options (+0.44%), Nike (+0.38%) and Ulta Beauty (+0.33%). Conversely, the short (-0.60%) and long baskets (-0.58%) weighed on monthly performance.

**Long Equity** : No major change was made to the portfolio.

**Short Equity** : No major change was made to the portfolio.

**Merger Arbitrage** : We opened two new positions in BCA Marketplace (UK) and Pivotal Software (US). The offers on Finisar (US) and Tribune Media (US) were successfully completed.

**Tail Risk Hedging** : The fund is hedged against economic and financial risks through credit derivatives (CDS on subordinated financial debt and the 7–15% tranche of the CDX Investment Grade North America), swaps on the US yield curve (Cap CMS 2s10s), put options on indices (put-on-best EuroStoxx 50/Nikkei and put EuroStoxx 50/EURUSD), and yen/dollar put options maturing in 2023.

## TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Fund status	UCITS / Unit Trust	Investment manager	Varenne Capital Partners
Benchmark	None	Custodian	CACEIS BANK
Initial NAV	100 \$	End of year	Last trading day of December
NAV frequency	Daily	Subscribers concerned	All subscribers
Term investment	5 years	Subscriptions/Redemptions	Daily before 11am
Currency	Dollar	Subscription fee	Up to 2%, fully paid to distributors when applicable
Fund inception	31/01/2003 (A-EUR)	Redemption fee	None
Class inception	28/07/2016	Management fee	1.794% of Net Assets
AMF approval	GP-06 000004	Performance fee**	14.95% of the Fund's performance.
ISIN	FR0013192507		Hurdle Rate: Average TEC 5 annual yield calculated over the 12 most recent months
Bloomberg	VARVALD FP Equity		
VALOR	33361626		

(1) : Gross exposure, mark-to-market, (2) : Gross exposure, delta-adjusted, (3) : Gross exposure, notional

Data sources: Varenne Capital Partners

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