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# ALTINUM FUNDS SICAV PLC

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Report and financial statements

31 August 2022

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Mr. David Galea Souchet Mr. Michael Vella

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## Directors' report

Year ended 31 August 2022

The directors present their report and the audited financial statements of the Altinum Funds SICAV plc (the "Company") for the year ended 31 August 2022.

## **Description of Company**

The Company is an investment company with variable share capital with limited liability incorporated under the Laws of Malta. The Company is licensed by the Malta Financial Services Authority with license number PIF/309A to carry out the activities of a collective investment scheme in the form of an Alternative Investment Fund pursuant to article 6 of the Investment Services Act, 1994.

### **Principal Activities**

The principal activity of the Company is to achieve its investment objectives as defined in its Offering Memorandum and Offering Supplement. The Company has one sub-fund, the Altinum Fund (the "sub-fund"), which during the year had one class of investor shares: Class A.

The Investment objective of the Altinum Fund is to invest in listed equities, bonds, derivative financial instruments and to a limited extent in unlisted equities, bonds and derivative financials instruments, to achieve capital appreciation and secondary income in all market situations. There is no guarantee that the sub-fund will achieve its investment objectives.

## Compliance with standard license conditions (SLCs) and regulatory sanctions

During the year under review the Company did not provide the Authority with the 30-day notification period prior to the change in registered address of the Company as is stipulated in SLC 1.06 [II] but a 19-day prior notice was provided. No administrative penalties or regulatory sanctions have been imposed. The Company does not change its registered address often, yet it has given the Authority the necessary comfort that if the registered office is changed in the future, the necessary time frame will be adhered to. Furthermore, the Director's confirm that during the year under review, there were no other breaches of the standard license conditions and no breaches of regulatory requirements which were subject to any administrative penalty or regulatory sanction.

## **Performance Review**

In the year under review the Altinum Fund had subscriptions of EUR460,000 (year ended 31 August 2021: EUR3,125,000) from investors and had redemptions amounting to EUR2,380,054 (year ended 31 August 2021: EUR2,533,482).

The Company registered a profit of EUR1,872,648 (year ended 31 August 2021: profit of EUR3,867,848). Net Assets attributable to holders of investor shares at the end of the year amounted to EUR39,603,205 (year ended 31 August 2021: EUR39,650,611).

## **Directors' report (continued)**

Year ended 31 August 2022

#### Events during the reporting year

Due to the outbreak of conflict between Russia and the Ukraine, followed by new sanctions announced by the U.S. and the EU countries against Russia, the Company has assessed the relevant risk factors relating to its business, results of operations and financial condition in a holistic approach. The Company has no business flows with Russian and Ukrainian counterparties and service providers nor with Russian banks and, therefore, is not directly negatively affected as of the date of the approval of these financial statements.

#### Results and Distribution

The results for the year ended 31 August 2022 are shown in the Statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income on page 8. No dividend is paid out as the entire net income of the Company is accumulated within the sub-fund and reflected in the net asset value.

#### **Directors**

The directors who served during the year were:

Mr. Michael Vella

Mr. David Galea Souchet

Mr. Ivan Fsadni

In accordance with the company's articles of association the directors are to remain in office.

#### **Auditors**

A resolution to reappoint Deloitte Audit Limited as auditor of the Company will be proposed at the forthcoming annual general meeting.

Approved by the board of directors and signed on 19 January 2023 by:

Mr. Ivan Fsadn

Director

Mr. David Galea Souchet

Director

## Statement of directors' responsibilities

The directors are required by the Companies Act (Cap. 386) to prepare financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles and practices, which give a true and fair view of the situation of the Company at the end of each financial year and of the profit or loss of the Company for the year then ended. In preparing the financial statements, the directors should:

- select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently.
- make judgments and estimates that are reasonable; and
- prepare the financial statements on a going concern basis, unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will continue in business as a going concern.

The directors are responsible for ensuring that proper accounting records are kept which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and which enable the directors to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act (Cap. 386). This responsibility includes designing, implementing and maintaining internal control as the directors determine is necessary to enable the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error. The directors are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Company, and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Additionally, the directors of a multi-fund Company are responsible for ensuring that such separate records, accounts, statements and other records are kept as may be necessary to evidence the liabilities and assets of each sub-fund as distinct and separate from the assets and liabilities of other sub funds in the same Company.

# Statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income Year ended 31 August 2022

	Notes	Year from 1 September 2021 to 31 August 2022 EUR	Year from 1 September 2020 to 31 August 2021 EUR
Investment income			
Dividend income		330,273	198,108
Interest income		736,074	690,180
Other income Net gain on financial instruments at fair value		3,546	•
through profit or loss		1,580,685	4,325,086
Net investment income		2,650,578	5,213,374
Administrator fees	5	26,826	26,405
Audit fees		5,945	6,189
Printing and stationary costs		250	-
Custodian fees	5	21,905	18,974
Directors' fees		27,616	26,301
Legal fees		13,211	5,192
Management fees	5	244,982	230,466
Performance fees	5	314,119	925,545
Other expenses	•	58,732	52,414
Interest expenses		**	1,085
Transaction costs		-	2,318
Commission and other charges		39,090	33,425
Operating expenses		752,676	1,328,314
Change in net assets attributable to holders of investor shares before withholding tax Withholding tax paid on behalf of holders of		1,897,902	3,885,060
investor shares		(25,254)	(17,212)
Change in net assets attributable to holders of investor shares		1,872,648	3,867,848

## Statement of financial position

Year ended 31 August 2022

		2022	2021
	Notes	EUR	EUR
Assets			
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	6	35,815,254	38,370,618
Trade and other receivables	7	165,833	218,266
Due from broker		38,873	23,292
Cash and cash equivalents	10	4,321,392	2,280,522
Total assets	-	40,341,352	40,892,698
Liabilities			
Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss	6	72,230	189,450
Trade and other payables	8	465,917	1,052,637
Subscriptions received in advance		200,000	
Total liabilities (excluding net assets attributable	<del></del>		
to holders of investor shares)	-	738,147	1,242,087
Net assets attributable to holders of investor			
shares		39,603,205	39,650,611

These financial statements were approved by the board of directors, authorized for issue on 19 January 2023 and signed on its behalf by:

Mr. Ivan Fsadni

Director

Mr. David Galea Souchet

Director

# Statement of changes in net assets attributable to holders of investor shares

Year ended 31 August 2022

	Year from 1 September 2021	Year from 1 September 2020
	to	to
	31 August 2022	31 August 2021
	EUR	EUR
Net assets attributable to holders of investor shares		
at the beginning of the year	39,650,611	35,191,245
Creation of investor shares	460,000	3,125,000
Redemption of investor shares Change in net asset attributable to holders of	(2,380,054)	(2,533,482)
investor shares	1,872,648	3,867,848
Net asset attributable to holders of investor		
shares at the end of the year	39,603,205	39,650,611

# Statement of cash flows Year ended 31 August 2022

	Year from	Year from
	1 September 2021	1 September 2020
	to 31 August 2022	to 31 August 2021
	EUR	EUR
Cash flows used in operating activities		
Net bond and bank interest received	798,664	559,843
Dividend income received	322,888	200,685
Operating expenses paid	(1,338,622)	(420,684)
Income taxes paid	(25,254)	(17,212)
Interest expense paid	-	(1,085)
Decrease in due to broker	(45.504)	(2,031,602)
Increase in due from broker	(15,581)	(23,292)
Net cash flows used in operating activities	(257,905)	(1,733,347)
Cash flows from/ (used in) investing activities Payment to acquire financial assets and liabilities		
at fair value through profit or loss Receipts from disposal of financial assets and	(30,650,616)	(41,374,651)
liabilities at fair value through profit or loss	34,669,445	40,522,295
Cash flows from/ (used in) investing activities	4,018,829	(852,356)
Cash flows (used in)/from financing activities		
Amount received on creation of investor shares	660,000	3,050,000
Amount paid on redemption of investor shares	(2,380,054)	(2,533,482)
Net cash flows (used in)/from financing activities	(1,720,054)	516,518
Net movement in cash and cash equivalents	2,040,870	(2,069,185)
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year	2,280,522	4,349,707
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the year		
(note 10)	4,321,392	2,280,522

## Notes to the financial statements

31 August 2022

### 1. Company information and basis of preparation

Altinum Fund SICAV PLC ("the Company") has constituted one sub-fund which is a segregated patrimony of assets and during the year under review was represented by one class of share. These financial statements comprise the financial statements of the Company which include the following sub-fund licensed on 23 April 2014: Altinum Fund ("the sub-fund").

The Company is domiciled in Malta and registered as an Alternative Investment Fund licensed by the Malta Financial Services Authority (MFSA) as a multi-fund limited liability company with variable share capital targeting experienced investors pursuant to the Companies Act (Cap. 386), with registration number SV309 and registered office is Quad Central, Q3 Level 9, Triq L-Esportaturi, Zone 1, Central Business District, Birkirkara, CBD 1040, Malta.

The financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis, except for certain financial instruments which are stated at their fair values and in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards as adopted by the EU. The significant accounting policies adopted are set out below.

## 2. Significant accounting policies

#### Financial instruments

Financial assets and financial liabilities are recognized when the Company becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument. Financial assets and financial liabilities are initially recognised at their fair value plus directly attributable transaction costs for all financial assets or financial liabilities not classified at fair value through profit or loss.

Financial assets and financial liabilities are offset and the net amount presented in the statement of financial position when the Company has a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and intends either to settle on a net basis or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

Financial assets are derecognised when the contractual rights to the cash flows from the financial assets expire or when the entity transfers the financial asset and the transfer qualifies for derecognition.

Financial liabilities are derecognised when they are extinguished. This occurs when the obligation specified in the contract is discharged, cancelled or expires.

An equity instrument is any contract that evidences a residual interest in the assets of the Company after deducting all its liabilities. Equity instruments are recorded at the proceeds received, net of direct issue costs.

## Trade and other receivables

Trade receivables are classified with assets and are stated at their nominal value unless effect of discounting is material. Appropriate allowances for estimated irrecoverable amounts are recognised in profit or loss when there is objective evidence that the asset is impaired.

## Notes to the financial statements (continued)

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## 2. Significant accounting policies (continued)

Financial instruments (continued)

#### (ii) Financial assets

The Company classifies its financial assets as subsequently measured at amortised cost or measured at Fair value through profit and loss (FVTPL) based on both:

- The entity's business model for managing the financial assets; and
- The contractual cash How characteristics of the financial asset.

#### Financial assets at amortised cost

A financial asset is measured at amortised cost if it is held within a business model whose objective is to hold financial assets to collect contractual cash flows and its contractual terms give rise on specified dates to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding. Financial assets measured at amortised cost include debt securities, accrued income, other receivables (representing amounts receivable for transactions contracted for but not yet delivered by the end of the period) and cash and cash equivalents.

An assessment of business models for managing financial assets is fundamental to the classification of a financial asset. The Company determines the business models at a level that reflects how groups of financial assets are managed together to achieve a particular business objective.

For financial assets at amortised cost, appropriate allowances for expected credit losses ('ECLs') are recognised in profit or loss in accordance with the Company's accounting policy on ECLs.

#### Financial assets at FVTPL

A financial asset is measured at FVTPL if it is not held within a business model whose objective is either to collect contractual cash flows, or to both collect contractual cash flows and sell or its contractual terms do not give rise on specified dates to cash (lows that are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding.

At initial recognition, the Company may irrevocably designate a financial asset as measured at FVTPL when doing so eliminates or significantly reduces an accounting mismatch that would otherwise arise from measuring assets or liabilities or recognising the gains and losses on them on different bases.

The Company includes in this category, derivative contracts in an asset position, financial assets classified as held for trading and financial assets managed, evaluated and reported on a fair value basis in accordance with the Funds' documented investment strategy, which are mandatorily measured at FVTPL.

## Notes to the financial statements (continued)

31 August 2022

## 2. Significant accounting policies (continued)

Financial instruments (continued)

(iii) Financial liabilities

Financial liabilities measured at amortised cost

Financial liabilities that are not classified at FVTPL are classified at amortised cost. Financial liabilities measured at amortised cost include other payables (representing amounts payable for transactions contracted for but not yet delivered by the end of the period) and overdrawn bank balances.

Financial liabilities measured at FVTPL

A financial liability is measured at FVTPL if it meets the definition of held for trading. The Company includes in this category, derivative financial liabilities.

Recognition, derecognition and measurement

Regular purchases and sales of financial assets are recognised on trade date, the date on which the Company commits to purchase or sell the asset. Financial assets or financial liabilities are initially recognised at fair value, and transaction costs for all financial instruments carried at FVTPL are expensed as incurred. Financial assets are derecognised when the rights to receive cash flows expire or when the entity transfers the financial asset and the transfer qualifies for derecognition. Financial liabilities are derecognised when they are extinguished. This occurs when the obligation specified in the contract is discharged, cancelled or expires.

Financial assets and financial liabilities are offset and the net amount presented in the statement of financial position when the company has a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and intends either to settle on a net basis or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

After initial recognition, all financial assets and financial liabilities at FVTPL arc measured at fair value. Realized and unrealized gains and losses arising from changes in the fair value of the financial assets and liabilities at FVTPL category are included in the Statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income in the period in which they arise. Interest and dividends earned or paid on these instruments are recorded in 'net gain/(loss) on financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss' and 'dividend income' in the Statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income.

Financial assets, other than those classified as at FVTPL, are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method less any allowance for impairment. Interest income, foreign exchange gains and losses and impairment are recognised in the Statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income. Any gain or loss on derecognition is recognised in the Statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income.

Financial liabilities, other than those classified as at FVTPL, are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

## Notes to the financial statements (continued)

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## 2. Significant accounting policies (continued)

Financial instruments (continued)

(iii) Financial liabilities (continued)

The fair value of financial instruments listed or dealt on a regulated market, is based on the latest available dealing price, appearing to the Directors. The fair values of unquoted investments are established by using valuation techniques. These include reference to recent financial statements and similar financial instruments as well as option pricing models.

#### **Impairment**

The Company recognizes a loss allowance for ECLs on the following - financial assets at amortised cost.

Under IFRS 9, loss allowances are measured on either of the following bases:

- 12-month ECLs: these are ECLs that result from possible default events within the 12 months after the reporting date; and
- Lifetime ECLs: these are ECLs that result from all possible default events over the expected life of a financial instrument.

The Company measures loss allowances at an amount equal to lifetime ECLs, except for the following, which are measured as 12-month ECLs:

- · Financial assets that are determined to have a low credit risk at the reporting date; and
- Other financial assets for which credit risk (i.e., the risk of default occurring over the expected life of the financial instrument) has not increased significantly since initial recognition.

When determining whether the credit risk of a financial asset has increased significantly since initial recognition and when estimating ECLs, the Company considers reasonable and supportable information that is relevant and available without undue cost or effort. In this regard, the Company has an internal credit scoring system in place that analyses the credit quality of the counterparties accordingly. Such credit scoring system takes into consideration both quantitative and qualitative information and analysis, based on the Company's historical experience and informed credit assessment, and considers the counterparties' macroeconomic context.

The Company has elected the rebuttable presumption from IFRS 9 by assuming that the credit risk on a financial asset has increased significantly if the financial asset is more than 30 days past due.

Moreover, if the counterparty becomes downgraded by two notches (or more) based on the credit score assessment, the Company deems the financial asset's credit risk to have increased significantly.

## Notes to the financial statements (continued)

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## 2. Significant accounting policies (continued)

Financial instruments (continued)

#### (iii) Financial liabilities (continued)

Moreover, the Company considers a financial asset to be in default when:

- The borrower is unlikely to pay its credit obligations to the Company in full, without recourse by the Company to actions such as realizing security (if any is held); or
- The financial asset is more than 90 days past due.

The maximum period considered when estimated ECLs is the maximum contractual period over which the Company is exposed to credit risk.

## (iv) Realized and unrealized gains and losses

Investment transactions are recorded on a trade date basis. Realized gains or losses on investments are calculated on a weighted average cost and are disclosed within net gain/loss on financial assets at fair value through profit of loss in the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income.

## (v) Trade and other payables

Trade and other payables are stated at their nominal value unless the effect of discounting is material.

#### (vi) Net assets attributable to shareholders

The liability to participating shareholders is presented in the statement of financial position as "Net assets attributable to holders of investor shares" and is determined based on the residual assets of the company after deducting all other liabilities.

#### Revenue recognition

Revenue is recognised to the extent that it is probable that future economic benefits will flow to the company and these can be measured reliably. The following specific recognition criteria must also be met before revenue is recognised:

#### (i) Interest income

Interest income on structured products is recognised when there is a right to receive payment. Interest income on all other interest-bearing securities is accrued on a time basis, by reference to the principal outstanding and at the effective interest rate applicable, which is the rate that exactly discounts the estimated future cash receipts through the expected life of the financial asset to the asset's net carrying amount.

## Notes to the financial statements (continued)

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## 2. Significant accounting policies (continued)

Revenue recognition (continued)

#### (ii) Dividend income

Dividend income is recognised when the shareholder's right to receive payment is established. Dividend income relating to exchange-traded equity securities and dividend expense relating to exchange-traded equity securities sold short are recognised in the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income on the ex-dividend date.

#### **Taxation**

The taxation of collective investment schemes is based on the classification of funds into prescribed or non-prescribed funds in accordance with the Collective Investment Schemes (Investment Income) Regulations, 2001.

The Company qualifies as a non-prescribed fund in terms of these regulations on the basis that the value of the fund's assets situated in Malta are less than 85% of the value of its total assets. Accordingly, the income and capital gains of the Company are not subject to Malta income tax pursuant to the provisions of the Income Tax Act (Cap. 123).

Foreign tax withheld on dividend income is accounted for when the company recognizes the related dividend or interest in the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income.

#### Currency translation

As allowed by sub-legislation 386.02 of the Companies Act (Investment Companies with Variable Share Capital) Regulations, a company with fund whose capital is denominated in different currencies may elect to present its financial statements in any one of these currencies. Consequently, the financial statements of the company are presented in the functional currency, the Euro, according to its Memorandum and Articles of Association.

Transactions denominated in currencies other than the functional currency are translated at the exchange rates ruling on the date of transaction. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in currencies other than the functional currency are re-translated to the functional currency at the exchange rate ruling at year-end.

Fees, commission and other expenses

Fees, commission and other expenses are recognised in the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income on accrual basis.

## Notes to the financial statements (continued)

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## 2. Significant accounting policies (continued)

## Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash at banks and margin balances held with brokers. Cash equivalents are short-term highly liquid investments that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash, are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value, and are held for the purpose of meeting short-term cash commitments rather than for investment or other purposes.

#### Distributions

Distributions are recognised as liabilities in the period in which they are declared.

### 3. Judgements in applying accounting policies and key sources of estimation uncertainty

In the process of applying the Company's accounting policies, management has made no judgements which can significantly affect the amounts recognised in the financial statements. At the reporting date, there were no key assumptions concerning the future, or any other key sources of estimation uncertainty, most have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year.

#### 4. International Financial Reporting Standards in issue but not yet effective

The following new standards, amendments to standards and interpretations have been issued to date and are not yet effective for the period from 1 July 2021, and have not been applied nor early adopted, where applicable, in preparing these financial statements:

Standard:	Narrative:	Effective Date*:
IAS 1 (amendments	Classifications of liabilities as current or non current	Not yet endorsed
IAS 8 (amendments	) Definition of accounting estimates	Not yet endorsed

The Board of Directors anticipate that the adoption of new standards, interpretations and amendments that were in issue at the date of authorization of these financial statements, but not yet effective, will have no material impact on the financial statements in the year of initial application.

## Notes to the financial statements (continued)

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#### 5. Fees

## (i) Management fees

Altinum Fund - The Investment Manager, Praude Asset Management Limited, receives an Investment Management Fee as follows:

Class A Investor Shares: 0.6% per annum of the Net Asset Value calculated on the Net Asset Value of the sub-fund on every valuation day, or the previous day if such a day is not a business day.

The management fee borne by the Company during the financial year ended 31 August 2022 was that of *EUR244*,982 (year ended 31 August 2021: *EUR230*,466).

#### (ii) Performance fees

Altinum Fund - The Investment Manager, Praude Asset Management Limited, receives a performance fee calculated based on the Net Asset Value per share. The performance fee shall be equal to 20% in the case of Class A Investor Shares, of the percentage increase in the Net Asset Value per Investor Share on the Calculation Point (before the deduction of the Performance Fee) over and above one percent (1%) hurdle rate plus the 3 month EURIBOR per annum, multiplied by the Net Asset Value per share at the previous Calculation Point and the average number of Investor Shares in issue between the Calculation Point and the previous Calculation Point.

The performance fee borne by the Company during the financial year ended 31 August 2022 was that of *EUR314*, 119 (year ended 31 August 2021: *EUR925*, 545).

#### (iii) Administrator fees

Altinum Fund -Apex Fund Services (Malta) Limited appointed as the Administrator, received a fee of:

Up to EUR50 million

6 basis points per annum of NAV

From EUR50 million to EUR100 million

4 basis points per annum of NAV

Greater than EUR100 million

2 basis points per annum of NAV

Subject to a minimum fee of EUR24,000 per annum of the NAV.

## Notes to the financial statements (continued)

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## 5. Fees (continued)

## (iii) Administrator fees (continued)

The administrator fee borne by the Company during the financial year ended 31 August 2022 was that of EUR26,826 (year ended 31 August 2021: EUR26,405)

## (iv) Custodian fees

Altinum Fund - Sparkasse Bank Malta p.l.c. appointed as the Custodian, received a fee of 0.03% per annum based upon the average monthly closing balances for the quarter and a fee of 0.025% per annum for Depository services.

The custodian fee borne by the Company during the financial year ended 31 August 2022 amounted to *EUR21,905* (year ended 31 August 2021: *EUR18,974*).

## 6. Financial assets and liabilities at fair value through profit or loss

	2022 Fair value EUR	% Of net assets	% Of total assets
Financial assets classified as held for trading			
-Equity instruments	20,336,569	51.35%	50.41%
-Debt instruments	15,170,446	38.31%	37.61%
-Equity Warrant	529	0.00%	0.00%
-Futures	307,710	0.78%	0.76%
	35,815,254	90.44%	88.78%
	2022		
	Fair	% Of	% Of
	value	net	total
	EUR	assets	liabilities
Financial liabilities classified as held for trading		ė.	
-Futures	(72,230)	(0.18%)	(9.79%)

2022: Investments in futures

## Notes to the financial statements (continued)

6. Financial assets and liabilities at fair value through profit or loss (continued)

31 August 2022

	Notional amounts of	Fair valu
	futures at	at year-eı
Details	the end of	-
	the year	
	EUR	EU
IKU2 EUX September 2022	(10,277,860)	255,8
RXU2 EUX September 2022	(3,551,280)	51,8
STU2 MIL September 2022	(6,470,400)	(52,85
VGU2 EUX September 2022	(1,196,800)	(19,38
	(21,496,340)	235,4

	2021		
	Fair	% Of	% Of
	value	net	total
	EUR	assets	assets
Financial assets classified as held for trading			
-Equity instruments	13,110,315	33.06%	32.06%
-Debt instruments	25,046,823	63.17%	61.25%
-Exchange traded funds	209,560	0.53%	0.51%
-Equity warrant	3,920	0.01%	0.01%
	38,370,618	96.77%	93.83%
	2021		
	Fair	% Of	% Of
•	value	net	total
•	EUR	assets	liabilities
Financial liabilities classified as held for trading	·		
-Fair value of futures	(189,450)	(0.48%)	(15.27%)

## Notes to the financial statements (continued)

31 August 2022

6.	Financial assets and liabilities at fair value throu	gh profit or loss (continued)	
	2021: Investments in futures		
	Details	Notional amounts of futures at the end of	Fair value of futures at year-end
	Dotans	the end of the year EUR	EUR
	IKU1 EUX September 2021 STU1 MIL September 2021	(7,511,210) (3,381,300) (10,892,510)	(136,150) (53,300) (189,450)
<i>-</i> -	Further details on the other financial instruments are	The state of the s	
7.	Trade and other receivables		
		2022 EUR	2021 EUR
	Accrued interest Dividend receivables	147,984 7,385	210,574
	Prepaid expenses and other debtors	10,464 165,833	7,692 218,266
8.	Trade and other payables	Particular visit and the state of the state	
		2022 EUR	2021 EUR
	Performance fees payables Accruals	314,118 151,799	925,545 127,092

Included in accruals are management fees payable which are due to related parties. The terms and conditions of these related parties' payables are disclosed in note 11.

465,917

1,052,637

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## 9. Share capital

Authorised share capital

The Company may issue up to a maximum of five billion one thousand fully paid-up shares without any nominal value assigned to them.

Issued share capital

The initial share capital of the Company is one thousand Euros, with no nominal value, representing 1,000 founder shares issued at an initial price of 1 Euro.

The share capital of the Company shall have no nominal value and shall always be equal to the Net Asset Value of the Company. Each sub-fund shall constitute a separate class of shares in the Company, except for the founder shares, which shall not constitute a separate sub-fund. Each sub-fund shall be constituted by separate classes of shares.

Founder shares shall be the only class of shares in the Company carrying voting rights and shall rank pari passu among themselves in all respects. All other classes of shares shall not, unless the terms under which they are issued provide otherwise, be entitled to vote. The Founder Shares do not carry a right to participate in any dividends or other distributions of the Company or in the assets of the Company on a winding up (other than the return of the paid-up capital after payment of all amounts due to the Investor Shares).

Investor shares may be issued and redeemed at prices based on the value of the sub-fund's net asset value as determined in accordance with the articles of association.

The Company's obligations in connection with the redemption of the investor shares are disclosed in the liquidity risk section of note 13. The directors do not envisage that the contractual obligations disclosed in that note will be representative of the actual cash outflows. The Investor Shares of the fund participate in the assets and in any dividends, and distributions of the Company upon liquidation.

Investor shares

	Number of
	Shares
	Class A
Balance as of 1 September 2021	299,051.814
Issue of investor shares during the year	3,434.852
Redemption of investor shares during the year	(17,400.000)
Balance as of 31 August 2022	285,086.666

## Notes to the financial statements (continued)

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## 9. Share capital (continued)

Investor shares (continued)

	Shares
	Class A
Balance as of 1 September 2020	293,985.021
Issue of investor shares during the year	24,343.718
Redemption of investor shares during the year	(19,276.925)_
Balance as of 31 August 2021	299,051.814

The amounts received and paid on the creation and redemption of shares are disclosed in the statement of changes in net assets attributable to holders of investor shares on page 10.

#### 10. Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents included in the statement of cash flows comprise bank balances. The following statement lists the financial position amounts.

	2022	2021
	EUR	EUR
Collateral cash	1,442,276	680,381
Cash at bank	2,879,116	1,600,141
	4,321,392	2,280,522

Cash at bank earns interest at floating rates based on bank deposit rates.

## 11. Related party disclosure

During the year, the Company entered transactions with key management personnel as set out below:

Mr. Michael Vella is a director of the Company, a member on the Praude Investment Committee and a director of Praude Asset Management Limited, the investment manager of the sub-fund. During the year under review, the Company incurred management fees amounting to EUR244,982 (year ended 31 August 2021: EUR230,466) and performance fees amounting to EUR314,119 (year ended 31 August 2021: EUR925,545). Directors' fees amounting to EUR27,616 (year ended 31 August 2021: EUR26,301) were incurred during the year.

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## Notes to the financial statements (continued)

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#### 12. Fair value of financial assets and financial liabilities

On 31 August 2022 and 2021, the fair value of listed investments is based on quoted prices in an active market at the end of the reporting period. Pursuant to the adoption of IFRS 13 "Fair Value Measurement", the quoted market price used for financial assets and liabilities held by the Company is the price within the bid-ask spread that is most representative of the fair value in the circumstances to be used to measure fair value. The fair values of derivative contracts are valued by reference to the price at which a new contract of the same size and maturity could be undertaken at valuation date. On 31 August 2022 and 2021 the carrying amounts of other financial assets and financial liabilities classified with assets and liabilities respectively approximated their fair values due to short term maturities of these assets and liabilities.

Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date.

The Company classifies fair value measurements using a fair value hierarchy that reflects the significance of the inputs used in making the measurements. The fair value hierarchy has the following levels:

- Level 1 fair value measurements are those derived from quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities.
- Level 2 fair value measurements are those derived from inputs other than quoted prices included within level 1 that are observable, either directly (i.e., as prices) or indirectly (i.e., Derived from prices).
- Level 3 fair value measurements are those derived from inputs that are not based on observable market data (unobservable inputs).

The level in the fair value hierarchy within which the fair value measurement is categorized in its entirety is determined based on the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement in its entirety. For this purpose, the significance of an input is assessed against the fair value measurement in its entirety. If a fair value measurement uses observable inputs that require significant adjustment based on unobservable inputs, that measurement is a level 3 measurement. Assessing the significance of a particular input to the fair value measurement in its entirety requires judgment, considering factors specific to the asset or liability.

The determination of what constitutes 'observable requires significant judgment by the Company. The Company considers observable data to be that market data that is readily available, regularly distributed or updated, reliable and verifiable, not proprietary, and provided by independent sources that are actively involved in the relevant market.

## Notes to the financial statements (continued)

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## 12. Fair value of financial assets and financial liabilities (continued)

The following table analyses within the fair value hierarchy the Company's financial assets and financial liabilities measured at fair value for 31 August 2022.

Financial assets and financial liabilities at fair value as of 31 August 2022

	Total	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
	EUR	EUR	EUR	EUR
Financial assets held for trading				
- Equity instruments	20,336,569	20,336,569	-	-
- Debt instruments	15,170,446	13,808,865	1,361,581	-
- Equity warrant	529	529	-	_
- Futures	307,710	307,710	-	=
	35,815,254	34,453,673	1,361,581	-
Financial liabilities held for trading				
- Futures	(72,230)	(72,230)		_

The following table analysis within the fair value hierarchy the Company's assets and liabilities not measured at fair value for which fair value is disclosed:

2022	Level 1 EUR	Level 2 EUR	Level 3 EUR	Total EUR
Assets	LON	LOIX	LON	COR
Trade and other receivables	-	165,833	_	165,833
Due from broker	•	38,873		38,873
	-	204,706	-	204,706
Liabilities				
Trade and other payables	-	465,917	-	465,917
Subscriptions received in advance	•	200,000	-	200,000
Net assets attributable to holders of investor shares	*	39,603,205	*	39,603,205
Total	**	40,269,122	-	40,269,122

## Notes to the financial statements (continued)

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## 12. Fair value of financial assets and financial liabilities (continued)

Financial assets and financial liabilities at fair value as of 31 August 2021

	Total EUR	Level 1 EUR	Level 2 EUR	Level 3 EUR
Financial assets held for trading				
- Equity instruments	13,110,315	13,110,315	-	-
- Debt instruments	25,046,823	22,353,613	2,693,210	_
- Exchange traded funds	209,560	209,560		-
- Equity warrant	3,920	3,920	-	-
	38,370,618	35,677,408	2,693,210	-
Financial liabilities held for trading - Futures	(189,450)	(189.450)	-	-

The following table analysis within the fair value hierarchy the Company's assets and liabilities not measured at fair value for which fair value is disclosed:

2021	Level 1 EUR	Level 2 EUR	Level 3 EUR	Total EUR
Assets				
Trade and other receivables	. <del>-</del>	218,266	-	218,266
Due from broker		23,292	-	23,292
	-	241,558	-	241,558
Liabilities	1			A STATE OF THE PROPERTY OF THE
Trade and other payables  Net assets attributable to holders of	-	1,052,637	*	1,052,637
investor shares	_	39,650,611	•	39,650,611
Total		40,703,248	-	40,703,248

The fair values of other financial assets and financial liabilities are not materially different from their carrying amounts.

Cash and cash equivalents include deposits held with banks and collateral cash.

The fees payable and accruals represent the contractual amounts and obligations due by the Company for settlement of expenses.

## Notes to the financial statements (continued)

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### 12. Fair value of financial assets and financial liabilities (continued)

The puttable value of investor shares is calculated based on the net difference between total assets and all other liabilities of the sub-fund in accordance with the offering documents. A demand feature is attached to these shares, as they are redeemable at the holders' option and can be put back to the sub-fund at any dealing dale for cash equal to a proportionate share of the sub-fund's net asset value attributable to the share class. The fair value is based on the amount payable on demand, discounted from the first date that the amount could be required to be paid. The impact of discounting in this instance is not material. As such, Level 2 is deemed to be the most appropriate categorization for net assets attributable to holders of investor shares.

#### 13. Financial risk management

#### Risk management

Where possible, the Company aims to reduce and control risk concentrations. Concentrations of financial risk arise when financial instruments with similar characteristics are influenced in the same way by changes in economic or other factors. The amount of the risk exposure associated with financial instruments sharing similar characteristics is disclosed in more detail in the notes to the financial statements.

The activities of the Company expose it to a variety of financial risks: market risk (including price risk, interest rate risk and currency risk), credit risk and liquidity risk.

#### Market risk

The Company trades in financial instruments, taking positions in traded instruments including derivatives. All securities present a risk of loss of capital. The Company moderates this risk through a careful selection of securities and other financial instruments within specifies limits. The maximum risk resulting from financial instruments is determined by the fair value of the financial instruments. The Company's overall market positions are monitored on a regular basis by the company's investment manager.

The Company's exposure to the different types of investments is summarized in note 6 to the financial statements.

At the year-end, the Company's market risk is affected by three main components: changes in actual market prices, interest rates and foreign currency movements, all of which are covered below.

## Notes to the financial statements (continued)

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## 13. Financial risk management (continued)

Price risk

Price risk is the risk that the value of an instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market prices whether caused by factors specific to an individual investment, its issuer or all other factors affecting all instruments traded in the market.

The Company's equity, debt instruments and trading derivative financial instruments are susceptible to price risk asking from uncertainties about future prices of the instruments.

As all the Company's financial instruments are carried at fair value with fair value changes recognised in the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, all changes in the market price will directly affect net investment income as shown in the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income on page 8.

Price risk is mitigated by the Company's investment manager by constructing a diversified portfolio of instruments traded on various markets. In addition, price risk may be hedged using derivative financial instruments such as forwards, futures and options. The Company may employ various techniques and enter hedging transactions to attempt to mitigate a portion of the risks inherent to its investment strategies. The Company did not use derivative financial instruments for speculative purposes and had not designated any of its derivative financial instruments in a hedging relationship for accounting purposes.

The following is an analysis of the Company's industry diversification as at the reporting date:

	2022	2021
	%	%
Financial services industry	12.75	13.78
Basic materials	2.06	2.23
Industrial	27.29	34.44
Consumer, Cyclical	0.97	6.22
Consumer, Non-cyclical	18.35	4.49
Consumer Staples	0.82	<u> </u>
Consumer services	1.56	4.53
Consumer goods	3.97	24.01
Communications	0.80	0.93
Materials	2.18	_
Energy	4.37	1.26
Non-financial corporations	0.78	0.52
Technology	12.50	2.81
Utilities	1.26	1.54
Other	0.60	(0.47)
	90.26	96.29
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## Notes to the financial statements (continued)

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#### 13. Financial risk management (continued)

#### Interest rate risk

Interest rate risk represents the accounting loss that would be recognised should changes in interest rates adversely affect the value of the Company's investments.

At the statement of financial position date, 49.22% (2021: 62.13%) of the financial assets of the Company are interest bearing. Management monitors the movement in interest rates and, where possible, reacts to material movements in such rates by restructuring its financing structure.

Except as mentioned above, the financial instruments of the Company are non-interest bearing except for cash at bank which earns interest at floating rates based on bank deposit rates.

Investment in equity instruments and derivative financial instruments are not exposed to interest rate risk.

The carrying amounts of the Company's financial instruments carrying a rate of interest at the reporting date are disclosed in the notes to the financial statements.

#### Currency risk

Currency fluctuations between the base currency of the Company, and the currency of the underlying investments of the Company, may adversely affect the portion of the value of investments and the income derived therefrom. On 31 August 2022, 1.46% of the sub-fund's net assets are denominated in USD (2021: 2.16%), 0.45% of the sub-fund's net assets are denominated in GBP (2021: 0.48%), 3.54% of the sub-fund's net assets are denominated in NOK (2021: 3.72%), 0.28% of the sub-fund's net assets are denominated in SEK (2021: 0.53%), and 1.63% of the sub-fund's net assets are denominated in CHF (2021: 6.50%).

The risk arising from foreign currency transactions is managed by regular monitoring of the relevant rates and management's reactions to material movement thereto.

### Sensitivity analysis

For financial instruments held or issued, the Company has used sensitivity analysis techniques that measure the change in the fair value of the Company's financial instruments at the reporting date for hypothetical changes in the relevant market risk variables.

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### 13. Financial risk management (continued)

Currency risk (continued)

Sensitivity analysis (continued)

The sensitivity of profit or loss due to changes in the relevant risk variables are set out below. The amounts generated from the sensitivity analysis are forward-looking estimates of market risk assuming certain market conditions. Actual results in the future may differ materially from those projected results due to the inherent uncertainty of global financial markets. The sensitivity analysis is for illustrative purposes only, as in practice market rates rarely change in isolation and are likely to be interdependent.

The estimated change in fair values for changes in financial instruments prices is based on an instantaneous increase or decrease of 10% at the reporting date, with all other variables remaining constant.

The estimated change in fair values for changes in market prices and market interest rates are based on an instantaneous increase or decrease of 1,000 and 200 basis points, respectively at the reporting date, with all other variables remaining constant.

	Profit or loss	Profit or loss
	2022	2021
	EUR	EUR
Financial instruments prices	+/-3,574,302	+/-3,818,117
Market interest rates – fair value	+/-303,409	+/-500,936

## Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Company will encounter difficulty in meeting obligations associated with its financial liabilities. The Company's offering documents provide for the creation and cancellation of shares and are therefore exposed to the liquidity risk of meeting shareholders' redemptions at any time.

The Company is exposed to cash redemptions of investor shares every 15 days with 5 business days' notice. Investor shares are redeemed on demand at the holder's option. Notwithstanding the Company has the option to limit the number of investor shares redeemed on any redemption day to 10% of the total net asset of value of the Company on that redemption day. In addition, the directors have the right to suspend the calculation of the net asset value and no redemptions shall take place during such period. All other liabilities are due within one to three months.

A significant portion of the Company's assets is maintained as cash and cash equivalents to meet unexpected redemptions and other liabilities. In addition, the Company's listed securities are readily realizable as they are listed on recognised stock exchanges.

## Notes to the financial statements (continued)

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## 13. Financial risk management (continued)

Liquidity risk (continued)

The following tables show the contractual, undiscounted cash flows of the Company's financial liabilities on 31 August 2022 and 2021.

2022	Less than 1 month	1-3 months	Total
Financial liabilities	EUR	EUR	EUR
Derivative instruments	72,230	-	72,230
Other fees payable	-	465,917	465,917
Subscriptions received in advance  Net assets attributable to holders of investor	200,000		200,000
shares	39,603,205	-	39,603,205
2021	Less than	1-3	
	1 month	months	Total
Financial liabilities	EUR	EUR	EUR
Derivative instruments	189,450	<del>-</del> .	189,450
Other fees payable  Net assets attributable to holders of investor	•	1,051,292	1,051,292
shares	39,650,611	<del>-</del>	39,650,611

In accordance with the Company's policy, the investment manager monitors the Company's liquidity position on a regular basis.

#### Credit risk

Credit risk is the risk that an issuer or counterparty will be unable or unwilling to meet a commitment that it has entered with the Company. The Company has policies that limit the amount of credit exposure to any single issuer. Accordingly, the investment manager monitors the Company's credit position on a regular basis. Financial assets, which potentially subject the Company to credit risk, consist principally of trade and other receivables, cash and cash equivalents and debt instruments.

Trade and other receivables mainly constitute accrued income and preplaced transactions. These receivables are all short-term. Accordingly, the Company has no significant credit risk in respect of accounts receivable.

Cash and cash equivalents and derivative instruments are respectively held and entered with reputable counterparties.

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13. Financial risk management (continu	ied)
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Credit risk (c	ontinued)
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2022	Credit	Market	% Of net
	rating	value	assets
		2022	
		EUR	
FIRST CAPITAL SPA	NR	258,350	0.65
FRIGOGLASS FINANCE BV	ccc	269,700	0.68
FUGRO NV	NR	1,728,883	4.37
HAVILA ARIEL ASA	NR	98,570	0.25
ILLIMITY BANK SP	В	86,645	0.22
ILLIMITY BANK SPA	BB-	501,035	1.27
MARCOLIN SPA	B-	136,427	0.34
NET INSURANCE SPA	NR	1,361,581	3.44
NET INSURANCE SPA	NR	172,650	0.44
NEXI SPA	NR	369,675	0.93
PUBLIC POWER CORP	BB-	447,490	1.13
RIMINI BIDCO SPA	В	864,800	2.18
ROSSINI SARL	В	976,680	2.47
SOFIMA HOLDING S.P.A J	В	1,885,460	4.76
SUPERSTRADA PEDE VENET	NR	6,012,500	15.18
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2021	Credit	Market	% Of net
2021	Credit rating	value	% Of net assets
2021		value 2021	
	rating	value 2021 EUR	assets
AKKA TECHNOLOGIES	rating NR	value 2021 EUR 993,690	assets 2.51
AKKA TECHNOLOGIES FJORD 1 ASA	rating NR NR	value 2021 EUR 993,690 493,712	assets 2.51 1.25
AKKA TECHNOLOGIES FJORD 1 ASA FUGRO NV	rating NR NR NR	value 2021 EUR 993,690 493,712 500,730	2.51 1.25 1.26
AKKA TECHNOLOGIES FJORD 1 ASA FUGRO NV GREENYARD FRESH	rating  NR  NR  NR  NR  NR	value 2021 EUR 993,690 493,712 500,730 7,566,900	2.51 1.25 1.26 19.08
AKKA TECHNOLOGIES FJORD 1 ASA FUGRO NV GREENYARD FRESH GROUPE ACROTEC	rating  NR  NR  NR  NR  NR  NR  NR	value 2021 EUR 993,690 493,712 500,730 7,566,900 1,852,923	2.51 1.25 1.26 19.08 4.67
AKKA TECHNOLOGIES FJORD 1 ASA FUGRO NV GREENYARD FRESH GROUPE ACROTEC ILLIMITY BANK SP	rating  NR  NR  NR  NR  NR  NR  NR  NR	value 2021 EUR 993,690 493,712 500,730 7,566,900 1,852,923 101,980	2.51 1.25 1.26 19.08 4.67 0.26
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AKKA TECHNOLOGIES FJORD 1 ASA FUGRO NV GREENYARD FRESH GROUPE ACROTEC ILLIMITY BANK SP ILLIMITY BANK SPA ITALIAN WINE BRANDS	rating  NR  NR  NR  NR  NR  NR  NR  NR  NR  N	value 2021 EUR 993,690 493,712 500,730 7,566,900 1,852,923 101,980 522,830 123,079	2.51 1.25 1.26 19.08 4.67 0.26 1.32 0.31
AKKA TECHNOLOGIES FJORD 1 ASA FUGRO NV GREENYARD FRESH GROUPE ACROTEC ILLIMITY BANK SP ILLIMITY BANK SPA ITALIAN WINE BRANDS MARCOLIN SPA	rating  NR  NR  NR  NR  NR  NR  NR  NR  NR  N	value 2021 EUR 993,690 493,712 500,730 7,566,900 1,852,923 101,980 522,830 123,079 154,359	2.51 1.25 1.26 19.08 4.67 0.26 1.32 0.31 0.39
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AKKA TECHNOLOGIES FJORD 1 ASA FUGRO NV GREENYARD FRESH GROUPE ACROTEC ILLIMITY BANK SP ILLIMITY BANK SPA ITALIAN WINE BRANDS MARCOLIN SPA NET INSURANCE SPA PUBLIC POWER CORP	rating  NR  NR  NR  NR  NR  NR  NR  NR  NR  N	value 2021 EUR 993,690 493,712 500,730 7,566,900 1,852,923 101,980 522,830 123,079 154,359 1,313,510 1,379,700 522,920	2.51 1.25 1.26 19.08 4.67 0.26 1.32 0.31 0.39 3.31 3.48 1.32
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## Notes to the financial statements (continued)

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#### 13. Financial risk management (continued)

Credit risk (continued)

Offsetting financial assets and liabilities

As of 31 August 2022, and 2021, the Company did not enter into master netting arrangements and similar agreements.

Capital risk management

The Company's capital is represented by investor shares with no par value and with no voting rights. They are entitled for payment of a proportionate share based on the Company's net asset value per share on the redemption date.

The Company has the option to limit the number of Investor Shares in the fund repurchased on any redemption day to 10% of the total net asset value on that redemption day. The relevant movements are shown in the statement of changes in net assets attributable to holders of investor shares. The sub-fund endeavors to invest the subscriptions received in appropriate investments while maintaining sufficient liquidity to meet redemptions, such liquidity being augmented by short-term borrowings or disposal of listed securities where necessary.

#### 14. Salient statistics and information about the Company

Altinum Funds SICAV PLC ("the Company") is domiciled in Malta and registered as an Alternative Investor Fund licensed by the Malta Financial Services Authority as a multi fund limited liability company with variable share capital targeting experienced investors.

The Company, to date, has established one sub-fund - Altinum Fund.

Net Asset Value per investor share

The Net Asset Value per share is determined by dividing the net asset value of investor shares by the shares in issue at the statement of financial position date.

	Altinum Fund Class A Number of shares 2022	Altinum Fund Total Number of shares 2022
Investor shares in issue as on 31 August 2022	285,086.6660	285,086.6660
	EUR	EUR
Net asset value of investor shares as per Statement of financial position and official valuation date 31 August		- Literature Approved of
2022	39,603,205	39,603,205

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## 14. Salient statistics and information about the Company (continued)

	Altinum Fund Class A Number of shares 2021	Altinum Fund Total Number of shares 2021
Investor shares in issue as on 31 August 2021	299,051.8140	299,051.8140
	EUR	EUR
Net asset value of investor shares as per Statement of financial position and official valuation date 31 August 2021	39,650,611	39,650,611

#### 15. Events during the reporting year

Due to the outbreak of conflict between Russia and the Ukraine, followed by new sanctions announced by the U.S. and the EU countries against Russia, the Company has assessed the relevant risk factors relating to its business, results of operations and financial condition in a holistic approach. The Company has no business flows with Russian and Ukrainian counterparties and service providers nor with Russian banks and, therefore, is not directly negatively affected as of the date of the approval of these financial statements.

## 16. Events after the reporting year

For the period from 1 September 2022 to the latest available published NAV, there have been subscription submissions of EUR 505,000.



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## Independent auditor's report

to the members of Altinum Funds SICAV p.l.c

#### Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

#### Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Altinum Funds SICAV p.l.c. (the "Company") and its sub-fund, set out on pages 8 to 35, which comprise the statements of financial position as at 31 August 2022, and the statements of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, statements of changes in net assets attributable to holders of investor shares and statements of cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including significant accounting policies.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements give a true and fair view of the financial position of the Company and its sub-fund as at 31 August 2022, and of its financial performance and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRSs) as adopted by the EU and have been properly prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act (Cap. 386).

#### **Basis for Opinion**

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (ISAs). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are independent of the Company in accordance with the International Ethics Standards Board for Accountants' International Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants including International Independence Standards (IESBA Code) together with the Accountancy Profession (Code of Ethics for Warrant Holders) Directive (Maltese Code) that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in Malta, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the IESBA Code and the Maltese Code. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

## Information Other than the Financial Statements and the Auditor's Report Thereon

The directors are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the Company Information on page 3, the investment manager's report on page 43, the Statement of Directors' responsibilities on page 7, the custodian's report on page 47 and the information included in the Directors' Report but does not include the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon.

Except for our opinion on the Directors' Report in accordance with the Companies Act (Cap. 386), our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

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## Independent auditor's report (continued)

to the members of Altinum Funds SICAV p.l.c

Information Other than the Financial Statements and the Auditor's Report Thereon (continued) In accordance with the requirements of sub-article 179(3) of the Companies Act (Cap. 386) in relation to the Directors' Report on page 5, in our opinion, based on the work undertaken in the course of the audit:

- The information given in the Directors' Report for the financial year for which the financial statements are
  prepared is consistent with the financial statements; and
- The Directors' Report has been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

In the light of the knowledge and understanding of the Company, its sub-fund and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified any material misstatements in the Directors' Report.

## Responsibilities of the Directors for the Financial Statements

As explained more fully in the Statement of Directors' responsibilities on page 7, the directors are responsible for the preparation of financial statements that give a true and fair view in accordance with IFRSs as adopted by the EU and the requirements of the Companies Act (Cap. 386), and for such internal control as the directors determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the directors are responsible for assessing the Company's and is sub-fund's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the directors either intend to liquidate the Company or its sub-fund or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

## Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

This report, including the opinions set out herein, has been prepared for the Company's members as a body in accordance with articles 179 and 179A of the Companies Act (Cap. 386).

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinions in accordance with articles 179 and 179A of the Companies Act (Cap. 386). Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

In terms of article 179A(4) of the Companies Act (Cap. 386), the scope of our audit does not include assurance on the future viability of the Company or that of its sub-fund or on the efficiency or effectiveness with which the directors have conducted or will conduct the affairs of the Company and its sub-fund. The financial position of the Company and/or its sub-fund may improve, deteriorate, or otherwise be subject to change as a consequence of decisions taken, or to be taken, by the management thereof, or may be impacted by events occurring after the date of this opinion, including, but not limited to, events of force majeure.



## Independent auditor's report (continued)

to the members of Altinum Funds SICAV p.l.c

## Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements (continued)

As such, our audit report on the Company's and its sub-fund's historical financial statements is not intended to facilitate or enable, nor is it suitable for, reliance by any person, in the creation of any projections or predictions, with respect to the future financial health and viability of the Company and/or its sub-fund, and cannot therefore be utilised or relied upon for the purpose of decisions regarding investment in, or otherwise dealing with (including but not limited to the extension of credit), the Company and/or its sub-fund. Any decision-making in this respect should be formulated on the basis of a separate analysis, specifically intended to evaluate the prospects of the Company and/or its sub-fund, and to identify any facts or circumstances that may be materially relevant thereto.

As part of an audit in accordance with ISAs, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are
  appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the
  Company's and its sub-fund's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the directors.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of the directors' use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Company's or its sub-fund's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Company and/or its sub-fund, to cease to continue as a going concern. Accordingly, in terms of generally accepted auditing standards, the absence of any reference to a material uncertainty about the Company's and/or its sub-fund's ability to continue as a going concern in our auditor's report should not be viewed as a guarantee as to the Company's and/or its sub-fund's ability to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

For the avoidance of doubt, any conclusions concerning the formulation of a view as to the manner in which financial risk is distributed between the various stakeholders cannot be reached on the basis of these financial statements alone and must necessarily be based on a broader analysis supported by additional information.

We communicate with the directors regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

# Deloitte

## Independent auditor's report (continued)

to the members of Altinum Funds SICAV p.l.c

## Report on Other Legal and Regulatory Requirements

Under the Companies Act (Cap. 386), we have responsibilities to report to you if in our opinion:

- Proper accounting records have not been kept;
- · Proper returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us;
- · The financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- We have been unable to obtain all the information and explanations which, to the best of our knowledge and belief, are necessary for the purpose of our audit.

We have nothing to report to you in respect of these responsibilities.

The audit report was drawn up on 19 January 2023 and signed by:

Julia Gingell as Director

in the name and on behalf of

**Deloitte Audit Limited** 

Registered auditor

Central Business District, Birkirkara, Malta.

19 January 2023

## Portfolio statement

Year ended 31 August 2022

	Market Value	
	31.08.2022	
	EUR	% Of NAV
Quoted equities	200 210	~ ~~
JUNGFRAUBAHN HOLDING AG - REG	303,312	0.77
VAUDOISE VERS N (SWI LISTING)	332,530	0.84
ADESSO SE	20,898	0.05
ATLANTIA SPA COM (AUTO IM)	4,386,648	11.08
AUTOGRILL SPA	334,152	0.84 3.53
AUTOSTRADE MERIDIONALI SPA	1,397,009	
BANCA POPOLARE DI SONDRIO	239,000	0.60
BE SHAPING THE FUTURE SPA	4,042,185	10.21 0.55
BUZZI UNICEM SPA	218,512 153,097	0.39
CELLULARLINE SPA	211,675	0.53
CEMENTIR HOLDING NV	565,707	1.43
DOLE PLC EDISON SPA	303,707	0.00
FILA SPA	150,600	0.38
FLUGHAFEN WIEN AG	67,379	0.33
FNM SPA	498,620	1.26
GRAMMER AG	51,916	0.13
GRUPO CATALANA OCCIDENTE SA	176,660	0.45
HAVILA KYSTRUTEN AS	617,282	1.56
IREN SPA	50,291	0.13
ITALIAN WINE BRANDS SPA	372,834	0.94
KOMPLETT BANK ASA	148,716	0.38
LACROIX INDUST STK (FRA LISTING)	168,144	0.42
LAURENT-PERRIER	322,304	0.81
NSI NV	780,579	1.97
OHB SE	139,032	0.35
OPENJOBMETIS SPA AGENZIA (DOUBLE VOTING)	138,250	0.35
ORSERO SPA	635,617	1.60
PRIMA INDUSTRIE SPA	1,033,200	2.61
PROFILE SYSTEMS & SOFTWARE S	310,000	0.78
PUBLIC POWER CORP	309,416	0.78
RELATECH SPA	1,782	0.00
RESURS HOLDING AB	91,636	0.23
SOL SPA	814,089	2.06
SOURCESENSE SPA	422,240	1.07
TRAINLINE PLC	180,016	0.45
VIB VERMOEGEN AG	298,222	0.75
WUESTENROT & WUERTTEMBERG	352,931	0.90
Total Quoted Equities	20,336,569	51.35

# Portfolio statement (continued) Year ended 31 August 2022

	Market Value 31.08.2022	
	EUR	% Of NAV
Quoted corporate bonds		7
FIRST CAPITAL SPA DEC 26 3.75%	258,350	0.65
FRIGOGLASS FINANCE BV EURO 6.875 12 FEB 25	269,700	0.68
FUGRO NV NOV 24 4.5%	1,728,883	4.37
HAVILA ARIEL ASA DEC 24 FLOATING	98,570	0.25
ILLIMITY BANK SP OCT 31 FLOATING	86,645	0.22
ILLIMITY BANK SPA DEC 23 3.375%	501,035	1.27
MARCOLIN SPA NOV 26 6.125%	136,427	0.34
NET INSURANCE SPA DEC 30 4.6	1,361,581	3.44
NET INSURANCE SPA SEP 31 5.1%	172,650	0.44
NEXI SPA FEB 28 0%	369,675	0.93
PUBLIC POWER CORP MAR 26 3.875%	447,490	1.13
RIMINI BIDCO SPA 4.662%	864,800	2.18
ROSSINI SARL OCT 25 FLOATING	976,680	2.47
SOFIMA HOLDING S.P.A JAN 28 FLOATING	1,885,460	4.76
SUPERSTRADA PEDE VENETA JUN 47 FLOATING	6,012,500	15.18
Total Quoted Corporate Bonds	15,170,446	38.31
Quoted equity warrant		
WARRANT COFLE SPA 2021-2023	529	0.00
Total Quoted Equity Warrant	529	0.00
Derivative- futures		
IKU2 EUX SEP 22	255,870	0.65
RXU2 EUX SEP 22	51,840	0.13
STU2 MIL SEP 22	(52,850)	(0.13)
VGU2 EUX SEP 22	(19,380)	(0.05
Total Derivative Futures	235,480	0.60

# Portfolio statement (continued) Year ended 31 August 2022

	% Of	% Of
	net assets	net assets
	31.08.2022	31.08.2021
	EUR	EUR
Quoted Equities	51.35	33.06
Quoted Bonds	38.31	63.17
Quoted Exchange Traded Funds	-	0.53
Quoted Equity Warrant		0.01
Derivative Financial Assets/(Liabilities)	0.60	(0.48)

## **Investment Manager's Report**

Year ended 31 August 2022

#### **INTRODUCTION**

Altinum Funds SIVAC plc is a collective investment scheme organized as a multi-fund limited liability investment company with variable share capital under the laws of the Republic of Malta and licensed by the Malta Financial Services Authority with License Number SV 309 under the Investment Services Act, Cap 370 of the Laws of Malta as an Alternative Investment Fund targeting Qualifying Investors and Professional Investors.

#### **INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE**

The investment objective of Altinum Fund, a sub-fund of Altinum Funds SICAV plc, (the "Fund") is to invest in listed equities, bonds, derivative financial instruments and to a limited extent in unlisted equities, bonds and derivative financial instruments, in order to achieve capital appreciation and secondarily income in all market situations.

#### STRATEGY AND INVESTMENT POLICY

To obtain this investment objective and where the equity investment strategy is concerned, the Investment Manager strives to invest in equities which are expected to express a better performance than the relative market index. Futures and options on indexes and single stocks may be used to control and mitigate the overall risk of the portfolio.

Depending on market conditions, the Fund may also invest in cash or money market instruments. The Fund's investments have no geographical bias or be restricted to any particular market or industry. The Fund may also invest in regulated collective investment schemes whose investment objective may be similar to that of the Fund.

Within the investment objective, the Investment Manager has the necessary flexibility to exploit a very wide range of investment opportunities as they arise. The Investment Manager conducts research in order to identify suitable investment opportunities, evaluate their risk and profit potential, and invest when it deems appropriate. Investment decisions are based on analysis and research taking into account, among other factors, the relationship of book value to the market value of the securities, cash flow and the multiple of earnings. Each prospective security is examined separately.

The Fund may use any form of financial derivative technique for hedging and for investment purposes and for efficient portfolio management including repurchase/reverse repurchase agreements for one or more of the following specific aims: (a) the reduction of risk; (b) the reduction of cost; and/or (c) the generation of additional capital or income for the Fund. In addition, the Fund may invest and/or zhedge its currency exposure by entering into futures, options, derivatives, and foreign exchange transactions.

## **Investment Manager's Report (continued)**

Year ended 31 August 2022

Additionally, the Fund may temporarily invest up to 100% of the Net Asset Value in credit instruments to allow for the time needed to research new opportunities in the preferred investment areas and execute the said investments. Such credit instruments must, in the opinion of the Investment Manager be liquid credit instruments, and may include but are not limited to on-demand government bonds.

The Fund does not have a benchmark index. The Fund's total value can fluctuate and capital is not guaranteed.

#### REPORT OF THE INVESTMENT MANAGER

During the financial year from 1<sup>st</sup> September 2021 to 31<sup>st</sup> August 2022, Altinum Fund returned +4.77%. We note that the average 3-month Euribor over the same period was -0.37%.

The Fund aims to generate a positive return with a low volatility regardless of market conditions. This is done by deploying the assets of the Fund through various strategies which we will elaborate on below.

#### Bonds

As at end August 2022, approximately 38% of the portfolio of the Fund was held in bonds, considerably lower than the exposure of 62% held as at end of the previous financial year. This lower exposure was mainly due to the largest bond holding – the Greenyard NV 3.75% December 2021 convertible bond – being redeemed by the company at nominal value plus accrued interest. At the time of redemption, this position made up 18.5% of the portfolio.

In the previous report, the looming risk of rising inflation and the subsequent increase in interest rates on the Fund's bond portfolio was highlighted and the Manager took the necessary action and reinforced the level of protection by increasing the short exposure on BTP Futures, adding a short position on BUND Futures and moving into floating rate bonds versus fixed when possible.

Over the course of this financial year inflation rose higher, hence the Manager increased the short positions on Government bond Futures further and as at end of August, the short exposure on BTP was 25.70% and that on the BUND was 8.88% of the portfolio.

The exposure to the BTP short partly finds its reason in the hedge that was created with the long position in Superstrada Pede Veneta 2047 bond — which is 15.03% of the portfolio. The Manager in fact believes that the price of Superstrada Pede Veneta bond is mispriced in comparison to the 20YR Italian Government BTP Bonds. The credit risk is in fact not very different as the revenues that are needed to pay back the Superstrada Pede Veneta bond are partly warranted by the Veneto Region that has the same credit rating as the Republic of Italy (BBB). Superstrada Pede Veneta bond is obviously much less liquid and not eligible for all those purposes where a credit rating is required but even considering these factors, the Manager believes that the strategy makes substantial sense. The strategy does not use instruments that match in terms of maturity, but this factor is duly considered by the Manager.

## Investment Manager's Report (continued)

Year ended 31 August 2022

Frigoglass 6.875% 2025 bond performed negatively during the period, albeit the position was relatively small at 1% of the portfolio. The company's operations were effected by the disruptions caused as a direct consequence of the Russian invasion of Ukraine, which occurred within less than a year after the company had suffered an unfortunate accident at its plant in Romania. During the period the bond price declined to 54.22 from 88.

## **Equities**

At the end of the financial year, approximately 51% of the Fund was held in equities, comprising of both long-term holdings in small to mid-caps as well as special situations.

### a) Small to mid-cap holdings

The best performing equity holding in the year under review (and the best performing security outside of the short future positions held) was Autostrade Meridionali SpA (exposure of 2.2% at the start of the year), the price of which rose from €27.90 to €37.00 during the financial year. The share price rose in response to the award of the concession to manage and maintain the A3 highway being officially awarded to the SIS Consortium (Autostrade Meridionali's main rival in the tendering process) leading to Autostrade Meridionali receiving a sizeable compensation for the period it managed and maintain the A3 Highway since their concession expired (31st December 2012) which translates in a net liquidity of €46 per share.

The second largest gain in terms of equities (and the second best performing security outside of the short future positions held) was Orsero SpA (exposure of 1.00% at the start of the year), whose share price increased from €9.44 to €16.48 during the financial year. The company further improved profitability and financial performance over the period as management hedged fuel costs while increasing prices of their produce, benefitting from the inflationary environment.

Also, it is to be said that Orsero SpA and Autostrade Meridionali SpA were among the very few shares with positive performance in the Italian Market in period.

As in previous years, the exposure to the Italian equity portfolio was tactically hedged with a short position in FTSEMIB Index futures in order to lower the volatility of the performance of the Fund and to partially hedge the country risk of Italy.

#### a) Special Situations

The Fund also invests in securities which are undergoing special situations. For example, for companies that are subject to a takeover offer, the Manager may buy the share at a certain percentage below the offer price and then tender the shares into the offer if the risk/reward is deemed to be attractive. This segment of the portfolio was developed further during this financial year as SPAC shares at a price lower than the redemption value, largely utilized by the fund in the previous period, were no longer available.

## **Investment Manager's Report (continued)**

Year ended 31 August 2022

The largest gain under this section was Atlantia SpA – the company was taken over post the end of the Fund's financial year. On the 14<sup>th</sup> April 2022, a cash offer for all Atlantia SpA shares was announced at €23.00 (€23.74 when including the dividend to be paid out until the closure of the deal) per share by the Benetton family and a Blackstone PLC investment vehicle. The Manager started building a position, at prices below the offer price, as from the announcement date – a position of 11% of the Fund was built by the end of the Financial year, at an average price of €22.59 – price as at end August 2022 was €22.83 and the takeover was successfully completed, at €23 per share, post the close of Financial year.

The second largest gain within the Special Situations portion of the portfolio was BE Shaping the Future SpA – the Italian IT services company was targeted by Engineering SpA – on the 14<sup>th</sup> February 2022 a letter of intent was signed in which Tamburi Investment Partners SpA agreed to sell their 43.209% holding of Be Shaping the Future SpA to Engineering SpA at a price of €3.45 per share. Eventually Engineering SpA would then launch a cash offer for all the remaining Be Shaping the Future SpA shares at the same price of €3.45 (€3.48 when including the dividend to be paid out until the closure of the deal). The Manager started building a position, at prices below the offer price, as from the announcement date, reaching a level of 10.11% exposure in the Fund as at the end of the Financial year, at an average price of €3.34 – price as at end August 2022 was €3.395 and the takeover was successfully completed, at €3.45 per share, post the close of Financial year.

Other positive contributors within the Special Situations strategy for the reference period include SITI B&T Group SpA, Coima Res SpA and TAS Tecnologia Avanzata SpA amongst others.

#### Conclusion

The Manager will continue to deploy the assets of the Fund in the manner described above: in attractive fixed income opportunities whilst aiming to protect the bond portfolio from interest rate risks, in small to mid-caps which the Manager deems to be undervalued and attractive from a fundamental point of view over the medium to long term whilst hedging against market risk, and in special situation opportunities that arise from time to time with an attractive risk/reward profile.



The Directors

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## Custodian's Report

As Custodian to Altinum Fund ("the Sub-fund"), sub-fund of Altinum Fund SICAV plc ("the Scheme"), we hereby confirm having enquired into the conduct of the Scheme in relation to the above mentioned Sub-fund for the period 1st September 2021 until 31st August 2022 and confirm that during this period:

- 1. the Sub-fund was managed in accordance with the limitations imposed on the investment and borrowing powers of the respective sub-fund by its constitutional documents and by the Malta Financial Services Authority;
- 11. And in accordance with the provision of the constitutional documents and the License Conditions with the exception of the below:

Reference is made to the Investment Services Rules for Alternative Investment Funds - Part B: Standard licence conditions applicable to Alternative Investment Funds 1.06 (iii.), where it states that: "[...] any material changes to the conditions for initial authorisation, in particular material changes to the information provided during the application process at least one month in advance of the change being made". As far as the Custodian is aware, the Scheme notified the MFSA late about the change in registered office.

Anna Mironova

Head of Securities & Custody &

**Depositary Services** 

Johannes Jaeger

Manager Depositary Services