

#### **Fund facts**

ISIN: NO0008004009 Launch date, share class: 07.08.1997 Launch date, fund: 07.08.1997 Domicile: NO NAV: 293.14 EUR AUM: 3,263 MEUR Benchmark index: MSCI All Country World Index Minimum purchase: 50 EUR

Fixed management fee: 1.00 % Performance fee: 10 % (see prospectus for details)

Ongoing charge: 1.00 % Number of holdings: 30 SFDR: Article 8



Knut Gezelius Managed fund since 11 November 2014



Chris-Tommy Simonsen Managed fund since 31 May 2007

#### Investment strategy

The fund selects undervalued companies from around the world, including emerging markets, with attractive risk-reward for long-term investors. The fund is suitable for those with at least a five year investment horizon. Subscriptions are made in fund units and not directly in stocks or other securities. The benchmark reflects the fund's investment mandate. Since the fund is actively managed, the portfolio will deviate from the composition of the benchmark.

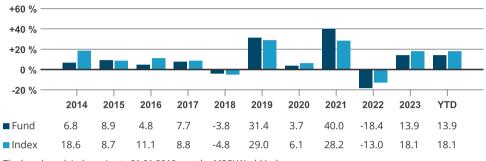
# **SKAGEN** Global A

RISK PROFILE	YTD RETURN	ANNUAL RETURN
	13.88 %	12.13 %
4 of 7	31.12.2023	Average last 5 years

Monthly report for December as of 31.12.2023. All data in EUR unless otherwise stated.

Historical returns are no guarantee for future returns. Future returns will depend, inter alia, on market developments, the fund manager's skills, the fund's risk profile and subscription and management fees. The return may become negative as a result of negative price developments. The fund's Key Investor Information Document and prospectus are available on www.skagenfunds.com

### Historical return in EUR (net of fees)



The benchmark index prior to 01.01.2010 was the MSCI World Index.

Period	Fund (%)	Index (%)
Last month	4.58	3.52
Year to date	13.88	18.06
Last 12 months	13.88	18.06
Last 3 years	9.15	9.41
Last 5 years	12.13	12.49
Last 10 years	8.38	10.33
Since inception	12.76	5.67

Key figures	1 year	2 years	3 years
Standard deviation	-	-	17.43
Standard deviation index	-	-	13.34
Tracking error	-	-	6.79
Information ratio	-	-	-0.04
Active share: 87 %			

Returns over 12 months are annualised.

# Quarterly commentary, Q4 2023

Global equity markets rallied in the fourth quarter as interest rates began to come down in the US and market worries around a hard landing quickly subsided. In mid-December, we published a comprehensive write-up of the fund's positioning, commentary on recent reporting from portfolio holdings and some thoughts about the outlook for 2024 and beyond. The report is available on the SKAGEN homepage.

SKAGEN Global outperformed its benchmark index MSCI AC World in the fourth quarter. The market began to acknowledge the undervaluation in many of our holdings as the fund finished the year on the front foot, although it was not enough to make up the gap in relative performance from earlier in the year. The fund's three best quarterly performers measured by absolute return were Microsoft, Moody's and Dollar General (DG). Microsoft performed exceptionally well in 2023 and its market dominance in terms of product innovation and customer satisfaction has come through in its full glory. The Microsoft stock has been one of the largest positions in SKAGEN Global throughout the year as our analysis at the beginning of the year indicated that the stock was vastly undervalued. The credit-rating agency Moody's also delivered impressive performance and benefited from the perception that interest rates have likely peaked. With interest rates (possibly) heading lower, companies are more likely to take up debt financing, thus increasing the overall demand for Moody's credit-rating services. The business model continues to be first-class and the stock should be a core holding at current valuation levels for long-term investors. DG started the journey back to redemption after a weak period and made solid progress in the fourth quarter. Under the reinvigorated leadership of CEO Todd Vasos, the stock advanced as the market sensed that the company is serious about its turn-around efforts. As shareholders of DG, we see

ourselves as supportive partners of the CEO and his team and look forward to engaging directly with the company going forward to monitor the progress. The next stop is the quarterly report that is due to be presented in a few weeks. In summary, we remain positive to DG's recovery story.

The fund's three largest quarterly detractors were DSV, Marsh & McLennan and Estee Lauder. The Danish logistics firm DSV took a step back with the announcement that its well-liked CEO since 2008 will retire in 2024. Additionally, the company announced a joint venture in Saudi Arabia that surprised some investors. However, the market consternation around this business deal seems highly overblown to us. We have engaged directly with the company as part of our ongoing ESG assessment to hear more about the setup and we believe the long-term business case is firmly intact. The global insurance broker and risk advisory firm Marsh & McLennan saw some profit-taking after a strong run in the share price but there was no major company-specific news and the quarterly results were fine. The global cosmetics giant Estee Lauder has been a large and continuous disappointment for many different reasons throughout 2023 and investors clearly remain sceptical about the narrative. We believe the controlling Lauder family should inject some fresh thinking in the company leadership team because with strong execution there is plenty of latent value to be crystalised in the stock, in our view.

For the 2023 calendar year, the fund's top-3 contributors to absolute return were Microsoft, Alphabet (Google) and Moody's while the top-3 detractors were Dollar General, Estee Lauder and Nasdaq. SKAGEN Global did not initiate any new holdings during the fourth quarter. However, we exited our position in Adobe after the stock delivered 77% total shareholder return in the calendar year 2023 measured in US dollars and we no longer find it to be significantly undervalued. We also noted that Adobe officially called off its proposed acquisition of Figma, citing excessive regulatory obstacles. As a reminder, some 15 months ago, Adobe agreed to acquire Figma for approximately 20 billion US dollars. We have been critical of the proposed acquisition ever since the announcement for a variety of reasons - especially the price tag that we consider overly high - and it should now be clear to everyone that shareholders would have been better off had the acquisition (that is now dead and buried) never been pursued in the first place.

The portfolio is still attractively valued and we believe the prospect of delivering solid returns over the fund's 3-5 year investment horizon remains as strong as ever. SKAGEN Global is virtually fully invested at present to take advantage of the upside we see in the fund's undervalued portfolio holdings.

# Contribution last month

∼7 Largest contributors	Weight (%)	Contribution (%)
DSV A/S	4.99	0.45
Intercontinental Exchange Inc	3.92	0.25
Canadian Pacific Kansas City Ltd	5.19	0.20
Estee Lauder Cos Inc/The	2.83	0.18
Edwards Lifesciences Corp	3.29	0.18

Absolute contribution based on NOK returns at fund level.

# Portfolio information

Top 10 investments	Share (%)
Canadian Pacific Kansas City Ltd	5.6
Microsoft Corp	5.5
DSV A/S	5.2
Moody's Corp	4.8
JPMorgan Chase & Co	4.5
Accenture PLC	4.4
Abbott Laboratories	4.3
Intercontinental Exchange Inc	4.1
Alphabet Inc	4.0
Visa Inc	4.0
Total share	46.5 %

Country exposure	Share (%)
United States	74.7
Canada	8.2
Denmark	5.2
France	3.3
Netherlands	3.2
South Korea	2.1
United Kingdom	1.5
New Zealand	1.1
Total share	99.3 %

Sector exposure	Share (%)
Financials	34.8
Industrials	18.0
Information technology	16.1
Consumer discretionary	10.7
Health care	9.4
Consumer Staples	6.2
Communication Services	4.0
Total share	99.3 %

## Sustainability

#### SKAGEN's approach to sustainability

Our ESG approach is built on four pillars. In keeping with SKAGEN's active investment philosophy, our sustainability activities centre on active engagement with our holding companies, which is where we believe we can have the greatest impact. We recognise, however, that the full potential of a sustainable investment strategy is best realised when combining the following four pillars.

- ✓ Exclusion
- $\checkmark$  Enhanced due diligence
- ✓ ESG factsheet
- ✓ Active ownership

#### IMPORTANT INFORMATION

This is a marketing communication. Except otherwise stated, the source of all information is Storebrand Asset Management AS. Statements reflect the portfolio managers viewpoint at a given time, and this viewpoint may be changed without notice.

Future fund performance is subject to taxation which depends on the personal situation of each investor, and which may change in the future.

The tax treatment of the gains and losses made by the investor and distributions received by the investor depend on the individual circumstances of each investor and may imply the payment of additional taxes. Before any investment is made in the Fund, investors are urged to consult with their tax advisor for a complete understanding of the tax regime, which is applicable to their individual case.

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Following the merger of Storebrand Asset Management AS and SKAGEN AS, SKAGEN's portfolio team will continue to manage the funds' portfolios from the new separate legal entity, SKAGEN AS, while Storebrand Asset Management AS carries out the role of the management company.

No offer to purchase units can be made or accepted prior to receipt by the offeree of the Fund's prospectus and PRIIPS KID (for UK: KIID) and the completion of all appropriate documentation. You can download more information including subscription/redemption forms, full prospectus, PRIIPS KID (for UK: KIID), General Commercial Terms, Annual Reports and Monthly Reports in English language from SKAGEN's webpages.

└─」 Largest detractors	Weight (%)	Contribution (%)
Brown & Brown Inc	4.06	-0.44
Marsh & McLennan Cos Inc	3.86	-0.42
Microsoft Corp	5.56	-0.37
NIKE Inc	4.10	-0.28
Visa Inc	4.02	-0.18

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