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## **Performance Commentary**

Global equities' upward trajectory came to an abrupt halt towards the end of October, with fears rising in tandem with higher COVID infection numbers. SKAGEN Vekst felt the impact but the fund fell less than the overall market, helped by positive company-specific news from a number of holdings. Vestas was one of these, with the Danish wind turbine producer announcing a buy-out of the JV partner in its offshore wind business. Offshore wind will be the main growth driver for the industry going forward, so getting full control of this business at an attractive price is seen as very positive. AIG also had a strong month as the US insurer announced a separation of its life and retirement business, which will help to simplify the company's complex structure. Despite upgrading its full year guidance, Novo Nordisk was among the largest detractors to the fund's absolute return in October. While volume growth was strong, higher use of rebates for its latest product created some uncertainty. Despite the stock market's large gains since its mid-March low, we still see significant upside in many cyclical companies, particularly within the financial and materials sectors.

## Historical performance (net of fees)

Period	SKAGEN Vekst A	Benchmark index
Last month	-2.2%	-3.6%
Year to date	-14.5%	-1.7%
Last year	-8.5%	4.1%
Last 3 years	-2.9%	4.6%
Last 5 years	2.2%	6.4%
Last 10 years	3.5%	8.8%
Since start	11.7%	9.3%

The fund selects low-priced, high-quality companies in the Nordic region and from around the world.

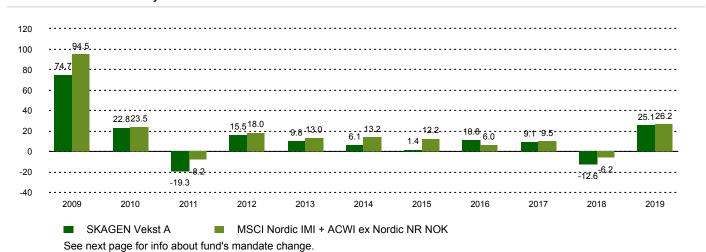
The objective is to provide the best possible risk adjusted return.

The fund is suitable for those with at least a five year investment horizon.

#### **Fund Facts**

Туре	Equity
Domicile	Norway
Launch date	01.12.1993
Morningstar category	Global Flex-Cap Equity
ISIN	NO0008000445
NAV	233.11 EUR
Fixed management fee	1.00%
Total expense ratio (2019)	1.00%
Benchmark index	MSCI Nordic IMI + ACWI ex Nordic NR NOK
AUM (mill.)	589.90 EUR
Number of holdings	45
Portfolio manager	Søren Christensen

## Performance last ten years



# Contributors in the month

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#### Largest contributors

Holding	Weight (%)	Contribution (%)
Vestas Wind Systems	5.23	0.39
FLEX LNG Ltd	1.59	0.21
Samsung Electronics Co	4.54	0.19
American International Group	1.22	0.19
Chubb Ltd	1.17	0.16

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## Largest detractors

Holding	Weight (%)	Contribution (%)
Novo Nordisk A/S	8.02	-0.42
Bonheur ASA	4.62	-0.41
Yara International	4.87	-0.38
Golden Ocean Group Ltd	1.52	-0.18
Gazprom PJSC	1.72	-0.17

Absolute contribution based on NOK returns at fund level

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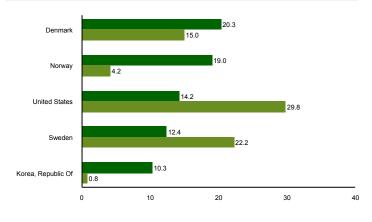
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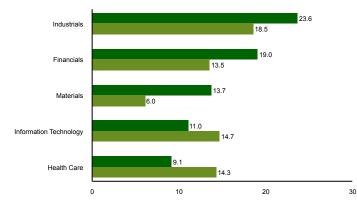
### Top ten investments

Holding	Sector	Country	%
Novo Nordisk A/S	Health Care	Denmark	7.8
Vestas Wind Systems A/S	Industrials	Denmark	5.2
Yara International ASA	Materials	Norway	4.8
Samsung Electronics Co Ltd	Information Technology	Korea, Republic Of	4.6
Bonheur ASA	Industrials	Norway	4.5
Kinnevik AB	Financials	Sweden	3.9
Citigroup Inc	Financials	United States	3.2
DSV PANALPINA A/S	Industrials	Denmark	3.1
Broadcom Inc	Information Technology	United States	3.1
Volvo AB	Industrials	Sweden	2.7
Combined weight of top 10 holdings			42.9

## Country exposure (top five)

## Sector exposure (top five)





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