# Handelsbanken Finland Småbolag (A1 EUR)

The fund is actively managed and invests in equities mainly issued by small and mid-sized companies in Finland or that have a minimum of 50% of their business operations or market in Finland. As a result, the fund has a currency exposure to these markets. We place particular emphasis on ensuring that the company's strategy concurs with our assessment of what can generate favourable share price performance in equities as well as that the valuations are attractive when we select equities for the fund. The fund is reported as an Article 8 fund pursuant to EU regulation 2019/2088 on sustainability-related disclosures in the financial services sector (SFDR).

20.05.2024

#### **Performance**

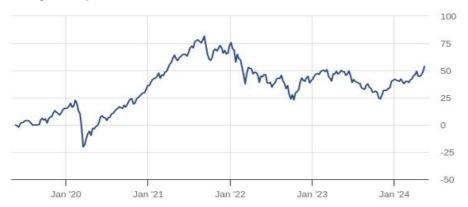
YTD	1 week	1 mth.	3 mån	1 year	5 years	10 years
10.48%	3.59%	9.49%	12.43%	5.03%	58.02%	133.53%

## Average performance

Average. perf.	2 years	3 years	5 years	10 years
Fund <sup>1</sup>	-0.37%	-3.75%	7.09%	8.17%
Index <sup>2</sup>	-0.84%	-2.53%	5.94%	8.55%

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Calculated on the fund's monthly closing price

## Five years performance



#### **Portfolio**



Fund performance was positive and the fund rose 6.5% in SEK during Q1 2024. Market sentiment was affected by expectations of a more persistent inflation and the measures central banks will take to address this.

The rate cuts expected in the spring from European and US central banks were pushed forward to the summer, while the number of expected rate cuts has decreased and market rates have risen. Industrials and the economic state have become much stronger in the US than in Europe where the economy appears to have reached the bottom.

Employment remains strong, although uncertainty has increased as a result of the geopolitical risks. The construction sector in Finland remains weak but there are positive signs within the forestry sector – if the political strikes come to an end.

## Fund manager



#### **Jyrki Nyberg**

Price/Trade

Total Rating™

Experience in the fund industry 1998. Portfolio Manager since 1 March 2021.

 Main category
 Equity Fund

 Risk
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 Rate
 12.12 (20.05.2024)

 Reporting Currency
 EUR

Daily

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Minimum investment 0 EUR
Monthly savings 0 EUR
Traded on the Internet No
Management Fee 1.7%
Entry charge 0%
Exit charge 0%

Fund assets 736 MSEK

Distribution per fund unit - Distribution date -

Fund, date of launch 10.10.2014 <sup>1</sup>
Share class, date of 10.10.2014 launch

<sup>1</sup> The fund's price performance prior to the launch date is derived from the merger between Placeringsfonden Handelsbanken Finland (Finland) and Handelsbanken Finlandsfond (Sverige) that occurred on October 10, 2014. The investment focus after the merger is unchanged and Handelsbanken Fonder AB (Sweden) continues to serve as the fund management company after the merger of the funds.

### Largest holdings

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Stora Enso Oyj Class R	9.11%
Metso Corp	8.33%
Valmet Corp	6.04%
Kesko Oyj Class B	4.50%
Kemira Oyj	4.14%
Terveystalo PLC Ordinar	y Shares 4.08%
Mandatum PLC	3.60%
Qt Group PLC	3.40%
Cargotec Oyj Class B	3.35%
Huhtamäki Oyj	2.81%

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Benchmark index: SIX SRI Finland Small Cap Index NI. The information in the table refers to the benchmark index valid at any given time. In the event the fund has previously had other benchmark indexes, this information can be found in the fund's annual report.

Industrials was the strongest sector, while real estate was the weakest. The fund made new investments in companies such as Alma Media, Bioretec, Detection Technology, Kemira, Terveystalo and Tokmanni, while we divested Fiskars, Musti, Nokian Renkaat, Orion, Outokumpu, Raisio, Scanfil and Tietoevry and three portfolio companies issued profit warnings. Metso, Konecranes and Harvia were the strongest contributors to returns, while Kojamo, Orion and Kempower had the most negative impact.

We expect the upcoming rate cuts from the central banks to support the economy and the equity market. The situation for consumers in Finland is expected to improve during the year as real incomes increase, inflation weakens and interest rates decline. The profit outlooks for companies are also improving and our outlook is positive.

As of: 26.04.2024

Historical yields are not a guarantee of future returns. A fund can both increase and decrease in value and it is not guaranteed that you will recover the entire invested amount. Note that a fund with risk level 5-7, as stated in the fund's fact sheet (KID), can vary greatly in value due to the fund's composition and management methodology. The prospectus, fund rules and KID are available under each fund. Summary of investors' rights.

The fund's fact sheet, risk level, fund rules and prospectus are available at www.handelsbanken.se/funds. Handelsbanken does not assume liability for any errors in the information.

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