



# Handelsbanken Sverige

## Investment Focus

The fund is actively managed, which means that the portfolio manager takes active, independent investment decisions. The long term objective of the fund is to exceed the returns of the underlying market, defined as the benchmark index. Fund returns are determined by how the fund's investments in equities increase or decrease in value. The fund invests in equities and equity-related instruments issued by companies headquartered in Sweden, or that are traded on a regulated market in Sweden. The fund also has the option of investing a maximum of 10% of the fund capital in companies headquartered in other European countries. We place particular emphasis on ensuring that the company's strategy concurs with our assessment of what can generate favourable share price performance when we select equities for the fund. International norms and guidelines for the environment, social responsibility and corporate governance are taken into consideration within the scope of the fund's investment focus. The fund applies an exclusion strategy for companies operating within the fossil fuels, military equipment, tobacco, cannabis, alcohol, commercial gambling and pornography segments/sectors. However, the fund may invest in companies or funds that invest in companies involved in power generation, distribution or services related to fossil fuels in those cases where the company is deemed to be transitioning its operations to more renewable energy. The fund may invest in derivative instruments as part of its investment focus. The fund may invest a maximum of 10% of the fund capital in fund units. We compare the fund's performance with SIX Sweden SRI Index GI. As the fund is actively managed the performance will over time deviate from this index. Additional information about the sustainability work, the share class designation in parentheses and the management in relation to the funds benchmark index and risk level, may be found in the prospectus.

## Portfolio

The fund rose by 9.8% during H1 2024\*. The benchmark index rose by 10.5% over the same period. The fund underperformed its benchmark index after taking into account management fees. The strongest contributors consisting of Electrolux Professional, AFRY and Sweco. Conversely, the holdings in Paradox, RVRC and H&M weighed on returns. The gaming company Paradox launched a number of games that did not meet market expectations. The clothing company RVRC declined in the wake of updated financial targets and downsales from prior major owners. H&M's share price has had significant volatility during the year and the equity market's confidence in the company's ability to deliver higher profitability and growth has shifted several times during the period. The broad equity market (measured as SIX gross index) began H1 with an upturn of almost 11%. In general, the upturns in share prices have not been driven by upward adjustments to earnings forecasts, but rather by expectations for sharp cuts to interest rates by the central banks and thereby expectations for increased economic activity and earnings growth as of Q4. The overall theme of the fund during the period has been exposure to growing companies where the market has chosen for the moment to not fully appreciate the companies' potential. A good example of this is the consultancy company AFRY, whose share price fell almost 60% from autumn 2021 to autumn 2023, while the share price of its competitor, Sweco, has been largely unchanged. As a result, AFRY's valuation is less than half of Sweco's multiple, which cannot be justified by operational factors, but rather by psychological factors in the stock market. The catalyst in this case was a stronger than expected quarterly report at the beginning of the year and by mid-year AFRY's share price has risen over 40%. We believe that the portfolio includes a number of similar positions where there will be significant potential when investors change their perspective from a glass half empty to one that is half full and are more optimistic. At the beginning of the year, we already thought that a number of high-quality companies were fully valued, in particular serial acquirers and certain manufacturing

companies, and are cautiously positioned as a result. Instead, we chose to take an opportunistic position for a possible economic upturn through commodity-related companies, as these do not reflect expectations for economic improvements to the same extent from a valuation perspective. The uncertainty in this recovery has now increased and we have therefore divested the majority of these positions and favor smaller cyclical equities instead, which has resulted in the significant increase to the positions in Essity, Sobi and Nokia, for example. In addition to these commodity-related companies, the fund decreased its holdings substantially in banks, Volvo Car and Getinge. We believe that the valuations for banks are low, although the banks are also facing a period of declining earnings with the upcoming rate cuts by the central banks. Volvo Car is currently facing challenges with a weaker market for electric vehicles and threats of import tariffs in Europe, while Getinge continues to grapple with quality issues.

\* The fund may have additional share classes, the concerned share class is stated in the Fund facts. Refer to fund statistics for comparable index

## Significant risks

The fund is an equity fund which means a higher risk, but also the potential for a higher return. The investments are concentrated to securities in Sweden, which means the risk in the fund can be higher than an investment in a diversified global fund that distributes its investments across several regions. The fund may invest in derivatives as part of its investment focus to increase returns in the fund and to create leverage. The volume of trading is limited where applicable and is expected to have a marginal impact on the fund's risk profile. A sustainability risk is an environmental-, social-, or corporate governance-related event or condition that, should it occur, could cause an actual or potential significant adverse impact on a company's value. Accordingly, environmental-related, as well as social-, or governance-related events can arise from a company's own business operations or from events that occur independently of the company. The sustainability risks in the fund are systematically measured and followed up. The risk is deemed to be low and the actual measurement will be reported in the annual report.

## Trading with derivatives

According to the fund rules, the fund may trade with derivatives as part of its investment focus. The fund did use this option during 2024\*. The fund has the option of lending securities. The fund did use this option during 2024. The fund may use other techniques and instruments. The fund did not use this option during 2024.

• Highest leverage during the financial year	0.1%
• Lowest leverage during the financial year	0.0%
• Average leverage during the financial year	0.0%

\* During the year, the fund has had minor leverage arising from subscription rights.

## Information

March 20, 2024, the fund changed its fund rules. In conjunction with the change, the name of the fund changes from Handelsbanken Sverige Tema to Handelsbanken Sverige.

Since the changes in tax regulations for Swedish funds (2012) and due to developments within the area of taxation, it is unclear how foreign distributions will be taxed. More information about foreign withholding taxes can be found at the end of this report.

## Shareholder commitments

Based on the Management Company's Policy for shareholder engagement and responsible investment and the Management Company's Voting policy, the Management Company carries out voting at shareholders' meetings, nomination committee work and dialogues held in-house with the portfolio companies or in collaboration with others. The Management Company's work in nomination committees is also regulated by the

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Guidelines for nomination committee work. It is our view that this work will improve governance and reduce sustainability risks in the portfolio companies, which in turn will result in positive value growth.

The Management Company ensures that relevant information is available as a basis for analysis and voting decisions. This information is provided through analyses from proxy advisors, as well as through market information, third-party analyses or contact with the company. The Management Company then makes independent decisions on those issues where voting or other decisions are to be taken.

The Management Company primarily votes at the general meetings where the funds own a minimum of 0.5% of the votes, where the companies constitute significant holdings in each fund, where the Management Company determines that a specific engagement effort is necessary in accordance with the Management Company's established sustainability objectives and commitments, at companies with which the Management Company holds dialogues in which the subject of the dialogue will be presented for a decision at the general meeting, at shareholders' meetings where relevant sustainability issues will be presented for a decision, as well as at other general meetings that address principal or controversial issues. The Management Company determines which equities will be lent. For example, equity lending does not occur in companies in which the Management Company has a seat on the nomination committee. In each individual case, the Management Company makes an assessment of whether or not an equity loan will be withdrawn. Securities lending revenues for the fund are weighed against opportunities for shareholder engagement at the general meeting.

Handelsbanken Fonder participates in all nomination committees where we have a sufficiently large ownership to be offered a seat. However, nomination committees are not common outside of the Nordics and the board composition can only be impacted by voting at the shareholders' meetings.

Within its shareholder engagement, Handelsbanken Fonder conducts

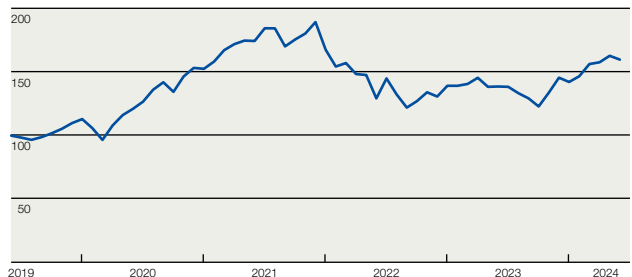
engagement dialogues with companies to encourage the company to enhance its sustainability work as well as with companies that we believe are not compliant with the international norms and conventions respected by the Management Company.

Engagement work is conducted primarily through direct dialogues between Handelsbanken Fonder and the companies, joint dialogues together with other investors, as well as in collaborations and initiatives with focus on specific sustainability issues.

There have been no conflicts of interest between the Management Company and the portfolio companies in conjunction with the fund's investments. Information about how the Management Company in general addresses conflicts of interest that may arise in conjunction with the fund's investments is available in the Management Company's Policy for shareholder engagement and responsible investment.

Read more about Handelsbanken Fonder's approach to ownership issues and about the Management Company's guidelines for responsible investment in the Company's Policy for shareholder engagement and responsible investment, the Management Company's Voting policy and the Guidelines for nomination committee work, which are available at [handelsbankenfonder.se/policy](https://handelsbankenfonder.se/policy) och riktlinjer. The sustainability-related disclosures included as an appendix to the annual report provide additional information about the engagement work in the form of dialogue and corporate governance that has been undertaken by the Management Company on behalf of the fund.

#### Fund performance \*



\* The graph is indexed with starting value 100. Performance is shown in the fund's base currency. The fund may have several share classes.

#### Fund facts - history

	1/1-30/6 2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
Net asset value, SEK										
Sverige A1 - SEK	3,459.90	3,151.08	2,829.14	4,099.99	3,317.91	2,375.26	1,707.13	1,851.47	1,716.07	1,618.57
Sverige A9 - SEK	140.78	127.90	114.26	164.76	133.49	-	-	-	-	-
Sverige A10 - SEK	3,571.26	3,244.37	2,898.03	4,178.68	3,364.71	2,396.73	1,713.97	-	-	-
Sverige B1 - SEK	124.85	118.36	110.67	166.81	143.47	-	-	-	-	-
The fund's total net flow, SEK m	-800	-1,823	-3,616	1,841	2,590	-590	-406	-759	-1,255	-690
Fund capital total, SEK m	15,028	14,461	14,733	26,048	19,435	11,786	8,825	9,960	9,950	10,593
Sverige A1 - SEK	14,952	14,335	14,215	25,019	18,489	11,779	8,810	9,960	9,950	10,593
Sverige A9 - SEK	74	115	263	659	555	-	-	-	-	-
Sverige A10 - SEK	0	0	0	0	38	7	15	-	-	-
Sverige B1 - SEK	2	10	256	370	352	-	-	-	-	-
Number of units total, 1000's	4,863	5,539	9,637	12,323	12,199	4,962	5,170	5,380	5,798	6,545
Sverige A1 - SEK	4,322	4,549	5,024	6,102	5,573	4,959	5,161	5,380	5,798	6,545
Sverige A9 - SEK	524	902	2,303	4,002	4,161	-	-	-	-	-
Sverige A10 - SEK	0	0	0	0	11	3	9	-	-	-
Sverige B1 - SEK	18	88	2,309	2,218	2,454	-	-	-	-	-
Total returns in %										
Sverige A1 - SEK	9.8	11.4	-31.0	23.6	39.7	39.1	-7.8	7.9	6.0	10.8
Sverige A9 - SEK	10.1	11.9	-30.7	23.4	33.5	-	-	-	-	-
Sverige A10 - SEK	10.1	12.0	-30.6	24.2	40.4	39.8	-7.3	8.4	6.6	11.4
Sverige B1 - SEK	9.8	11.3	-31.0	21.1	39.7	39.1	-7.8	7.9	6.0	10.8
Index including dividends in %										
Sverige A1 - SEK	10.5	19.5	-24.6	39.1	13.8	35.1	-4.4	7.6	9.3	10.5
Sverige A9 - SEK	10.5	19.5	-24.6	39.1	10.3	-	-	-	-	-
Sverige A10 - SEK	10.5	19.5	-24.6	39.1	13.8	35.1	-4.4	7.6	9.3	10.5
Sverige B1 - SEK	10.5	19.5	-24.6	39.1	13.8	35.1	-4.4	7.6	9.3	10.5
Tracking error, 2 yrs. %										
Sverige A1 - SEK	3.6	3.7	3.6	7.3	6.1	5.3	4.8	1.8	1.5	1.1
Sverige A9 - SEK	3.6	3.7	3.7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sverige A10 - SEK	3.6	3.7	3.6	7.3	6.1	5.3	4.8	-	-	-
Sverige B1 - SEK	3.6	3.7	4.1	7.8	6.1	-	-	-	-	-
Average yearly return, 2 yrs. %										
Sverige A1 - SEK	11.2	-12.3	-7.7	31.4	39.4	13.3	-0.3	7.0	8.4	13.6
Sverige A9 - SEK	11.8	-11.9	-7.5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sverige A10 - SEK	11.8	-11.9	-7.2	32.0	40.1	13.8	0.2	-	-	-
Sverige B1 - SEK	11.2	-12.3	-8.5	30.1	39.4	-	-	-	-	-

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Comparison to index including dividends, %	18.9	-5.1	2.4	25.8	24.0	13.6	1.4	8.4	9.9	13.2
Average yearly return, 5 yrs. %										
Sverige A1 - SEK	9.9	13.0	8.8	19.0	15.4	10.2	6.4	13.2	14.8	9.9
Sverige A10 - SEK	10.4	13.6	9.4	19.6	16.0	10.8	7.0	-	-	-
Sverige B1 - SEK	9.4	12.6	8.4	18.6	15.4	-	-	-	-	-
Comparison to index including dividends, %	12.0	14.0	9.0	17.1	11.6	10.9	7.6	14.0	15.9	10.6
Average yearly return, 10 yrs. %										
Sverige A1 - SEK	9.6	9.6	11.0	16.9	12.6	11.5	12.5	8.0	7.1	8.9
Sverige A10 - SEK	10.2	10.2	11.6	17.6	13.4	12.3	13.4	-	-	-
Sverige B1 - SEK	9.4	9.4	10.8	16.2	12.0	-	-	-	-	-
Comparison to index including dividends, %	10.8	10.7	11.5	16.5	11.1	12.3	13.7	8.7	7.7	9.3
Dividends per unit, SEK	4.85	4.45	5.17	6.10	-	-	-	-	-	-

Historically, the fund may have had share classes that have now been terminated and are not available under Fund facts - history. Therefore, both Number of units in total, thousands and Fund capital total can deviate from the sum of displayed share classes.

Benchmark: SIX Sweden SRI Index

Up to 2016-05-01: SIX Portfolio Return Index (SIXPRX)

The fund's benchmark represents a comparable reference with regard to the fund's investment focus, types of assets, markets or relevant sectors. In the event the fund issues dividends, performance is calculated with distributions added back.

Detailed information for the share classes' designation (nomenclature) is provided in the funds Prospectus.

Refer to the last pages for definitions.

## Fund facts - costs

Max. allowed mgmt. costs in % according to fund rules	
Sverige A1	1.00
Sverige A9	0.50
Sverige A10	0.50
Sverige B1	1.00
Collected mgmt. costs in % of average fund capital	
Sverige A1	1.00
Sverige A9	0.50
Sverige A10	0.50
Sverige B1	1.00
Management fees and other administrative or operating costs, %	
Sverige A1	1.01
Sverige A9	0.51
Sverige A10	0.51
Sverige B1	1.01
Transaction costs, SEK thousand	3,233
Transaction costs in % of turnover	0.03

## Fund facts - other key figures

Turnover rate	0.4
Share of turnover conducted via closely-related securities companies in %	21.2
Share of turnover conducted between funds managed by Handelsbanken Fonder AB, %	0.0

## Risk and return measurements \*

Total risk % - A1 SEK	18.5	Active return % - B1 SEK	-7.7
Total risk % - A9 SEK	18.5	Information ratio - A1 SEK	Negative
Total risk % - A10 SEK	18.5	Information ratio - A9 SEK	Negative
Total risk % - B1 SEK	18.5	Information ratio - A10 SEK	Negative
Total risk in index % - A1 SEK	18.1	Information ratio - B1 SEK	Negative
Total risk in index % - A9 SEK	18.1	Sharpe ratio - A1 SEK	0.5
Total risk in index % - A10 SEK	18.1	Sharpe ratio - A9 SEK	0.5
Total risk in index % - B1 SEK	18.1	Sharpe ratio - A10 SEK	0.5
Benchmark	SIX Sweden SRI Index	Sharpe ratio - B1 SEK	0.5
Active Share %	47.2	Sharpe ratio in index - A1 SEK	0.9
Active return % - A1 SEK	-7.7	Sharpe ratio in index - A9 SEK	0.9
Active return % - A9 SEK	-7.1	Sharpe ratio in index - A10 SEK	0.9
Active return % - A10 SEK	-7.1	Sharpe ratio in index - B1 SEK	0.9

\* Risk statistics are based on historical monthly returns over two years. Refer to the last page for definitions. Total exposure in the fund is calculated in accordance with the commitment method.

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## Balance sheet, SEK thousand

	30 jun 2024	% of fund capital	31 dec 2023	% of fund capital
<b>ASSETS</b>				
Transferable securities	14,525,132	96.7	13,696,732	94.7
<b>Total financial instruments with positive market value</b> <sup>Note 1)</sup>	<b>14,525,132</b>	<b>96.7</b>	<b>13,696,732</b>	<b>94.7</b>
Bank assets and other liquid assets	590,761	3.9	719,221	5.0
Prepaid expenses and accrued income	65	0.0	107	0.0
Other assets	-	-	56,538	0.4
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>15,115,957</b>	<b>100.6</b>	<b>14,472,598</b>	<b>100.1</b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>				
Accrued expenses and prepaid income	12,470	0.1	11,971	0.1
Other liabilities	75,144	0.5	-	-
<b>Total liabilities</b>	<b>87,614</b>	<b>0.6</b>	<b>11,971</b>	<b>0.1</b>
<b>Fund capital</b>	<b>15,028,343</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>14,460,628</b>	<b>100.0</b>
<b>ITEMS INCLUDED IN THE BALANCE SHEET</b>				
Lended financial instruments	375,622	2.5	167,097	1.2
Collateral received for lended financial instruments	409,940	2.7	173,483	1.2

Note 1) for Balance sheet

## Fund holdings in financial instruments

### Transferable securities admitted to trading on a regulated market or equivalent market outside the EEA

	Number/Nominal amount in 1000's	Market value SEK t	% of fund capital
<b>LISTED EQUITIES</b>			
<b>ADMINISTRATIVE AND SUPPORT SERVICE ACTIVITIES</b>			
Assa Abloy B	1,250,000	374,500	2.5
		<b>374,500</b>	<b>2.5</b>
<b>CONSTRUCTION</b>			
Bravida	1,100,000	86,460	0.6
JM	700,000	138,670	0.9
Skanska B	1,050,000	200,340	1.3
		<b>425,470</b>	<b>2.8</b>
<b>FINANCIAL AND INSURANCE ACTIVITIES</b>			
EQT	1,200,000	375,840	2.5
Handelsbanken A	3,100,000	312,945	2.1
Investor B	5,100,000	1,480,020	9.8
RVRC	2,600,000	118,820	0.8
Sampo SDB	170,000	77,350	0.5
SEB A	3,300,000	516,450	3.4
Swedbank A	1,900,000	414,390	2.8
		<b>3,295,815</b>	<b>21.9</b>
<b>INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION</b>			
Modern Times Group MTG B	2,200,000	187,880	1.3
Stillfront Group	8,300,000	82,627	0.5
Truecaller B	7,500,000	266,100	1.8
		<b>536,607</b>	<b>3.6</b>
<b>MANUFACTURING</b>			
AarhusKarishamm	350,000	108,710	0.7
ABB	375,000	220,500	1.5
Alfa Laval	300,000	139,230	0.9
AstraZeneca	350,000	581,350	3.9
Atlas Copco B	8,300,000	1,420,545	9.5
Beijer Ref B	925,000	151,238	1.0
Biotech	600,000	97,860	0.7
Bonesupport	280,000	73,640	0.5
Electrolux Professional	3,500,000	246,400	1.6
Engcon Holding B	350,000	30,380	0.2
Epiroc B	1,250,000	242,250	1.6
Ericsson B	8,300,000	546,140	3.6
Essity B	1,450,000	393,530	2.6
Getinge B	350,000	63,018	0.4
Hexagon B	4,500,000	538,425	3.6
Husqvarna B	1,600,000	135,904	0.9
Indutrade	200,000	54,320	0.4
Lagercrantz Group	500,000	86,100	0.6
Lifco B	300,000	87,300	0.6
Mips	300,000	124,500	0.8
Mycronic	250,000	102,150	0.7
NIBE Industrier B	4,500,000	202,230	1.3
Nokia SEK	2,500,000	100,988	0.7
Sandvik	1,000,000	212,400	1.4
SCA B	600,000	93,930	0.6
Sobi	400,000	113,440	0.8
Thule Group	500,000	139,000	0.9
Trox Group A	100,000	23,700	0.2
Volvo B	2,850,000	772,635	5.1
		<b>7,101,812</b>	<b>47.3</b>
<b>PROFESSIONAL, SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL ACTIVITIES</b>			
AFRY	1,000,000	190,000	1.3
BTS Group	325,000	102,700	0.7
Sdiptech	450,000	145,350	1.0
Sweco B	1,050,000	152,670	1.0
		<b>590,720</b>	<b>3.9</b>
<b>REAL ESTATE ACTIVITIES</b>			
Castellum	1,300,000	168,220	1.1
Fastighets AB Balder	2,800,000	203,336	1.4
Sagax B	700,000	189,840	1.3
		<b>561,396</b>	<b>3.7</b>
<b>WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE; REPAIR OF MOTOR VEHICLES AND MOTORCYCLES</b>			
Addtech B	425,000	111,945	0.7
Hennes & Mauritz B	4,250,000	712,513	4.7
Rusta	1,750,000	136,500	0.9
Synsam Group	1,500,000	79,050	0.5
		<b>1,040,008</b>	<b>6.9</b>
<b>Listed equities</b>		<b>13,926,327</b>	<b>92.7</b>

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**Transferable securities that are traded regularly on any other market which is regulated and open to the public 4.0**

	Number/Nominal amount in 1000's	Market value SEK t	% of fund capital
<b>LISTED EQUITIES</b>			
<b>ADMINISTRATIVE AND SUPPORT SERVICE ACTIVITIES</b>			
Yubico	300,000	67,950	0.5
		<b>67,950</b>	<b>0.5</b>
<b>INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION</b>			
Paradox Interactive	650,000	92,300	0.6
		<b>92,300</b>	<b>0.6</b>
<b>PROFESSIONAL, SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL ACTIVITIES</b>			
Surgical Science Sweden	650,000	81,315	0.5
Virman Group	10,400,000	357,240	2.4
		<b>438,555</b>	<b>2.9</b>
<b>Listed equities</b>		<b>598,805</b>	<b>4.0</b>
<b>Total financial instruments with positive market value</b>		<b>14,525,132</b>	<b>96.7</b>
<b>Total financial instruments with negative market value</b>		<b>0</b>	<b>0.0</b>
<b>Net, other assets and liabilities</b>		<b>503,211</b>	<b>3.3</b>
<b>Total fund capital</b>		<b>15,028,343</b>	<b>100.0</b>

The numbers in the tables are rounded to the nearest thousand and first decimal point, respectively, which may result in an amount in the summation of the columns that differs from the final total.

**Information about the fund's securities lending**

**Volume of lent securities, SEK thousand: 375,622**

**Volume of lent securities as a % of total lendable assets 2.6**

**The ten largest issuers of collateral for securities lending per issuer, SEK thousand:**

U.S.A.	122,672
France	33,059
Germany	24,841
United Kingdom	14,117
Nvidia	9,086
Apple	8,324
Conocophillips	8,301
The Procter & Gamble	8,301
Pepsico	8,301
Oracle	8,301

**The largest counterparties for securities lending, SEK thousand**

J.P. Morgan Securities	167,020
Goldman Sachs International	76,347
Merrill Lynch International	55,468
Barclays Capital Securities	52,420
SEB	36,955
Handelsbanken	19,303
Morgan Stanley & Co. International	1,356
BNP Paribas Financial Markets	1,073

**Type and quality of collateral, SEK thousand**

Bonds and other interest-bearing instruments	200,730
Equities, shares	209,210
	<b>409,940</b>

We accept government bonds and treasury bills with a rating of AA- from S&P or Aa3 from Moody's or higher issued by the United States, the British government, states within the eurozone (Austria, Belgium, Finland, France, Germany, Ireland, Italy, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, Portugal and Spain) as well as Australia, Canada, Denmark, Japan, New Zealand, Norway, Sweden and Switzerland. We also accept equities in major and well-known indexes as collateral.

**Profile of the collateral's duration, SEK thousand:**

Less than 1 day	-
1 Day to 1 Week	-
1 Week to 1 Month	59
1 Month to 3 Months	571
3 Months to 1 Year	3,851
Above 1 Year	196,249
Open Maturity	209,210
	<b>409,940</b>

**The domicile of the counterparties, SEK thousand:**

Frankrike	1,073
United Kingdom	352,610
Sweden	56,258
	<b>409,940</b>

**Currency of the collateral, SEK thousand:**

AUD	149
CHF	246
DKK	223
EUR	66,099
GBP	38,278
JPY	1,304
NZD	4
SEK	8
SGD	2,803
USD	300,827
	<b>409,940</b>

**Settlement and clearing, SEK thousand:**

Triparty	409,940
	<b>409,940</b>

The profile of the duration for securities lending is undetermined, but may be immediately terminated.

The collateral received is held by J.P. Morgan Bank Luxembourg S.A. or another group and is not reused.

**Information about returns and expenses:**

Securities lending for the full year generated a total revenue of SEK 408 thousand of which 80% was passed on to the fund and 20% to J.P. Morgan Bank Luxembourg S.A. in its role as the intermediary of securities lending.

**Counterparties for securities lending during the year:**

- Barclays Capital Securities
- BNP Paribas Financial Markets
- Citigroup Global Markets
- Goldman Sachs International
- Handelsbanken
- J.P. Morgan Securities
- Merrill Lynch International
- Morgan Stanley & Co
- SEB
- UBS, London Branch

# Information from Handelsbanken Fonder AB

## Management Company's Board of Directors, CEO, Auditors and Personnel

As of June 30, 2024

### Handelsbanken Fonder AB

#### Board of Directors

DANIEL ANDERSSON, Chairman

Executive Vice President, Svenska Handelsbanken AB (publ), Head of the Handelsbanken Savings and Financing

MALIN HEDMAN BJÖRKMO

Consultancy specializing in corporate governance and financial regulations

HELEN FASTH GILLSTEDT

Managing Director and owner of a management consultancy firm

LARS SEIZ

Strategic advisor in asset management

ÅSA HOLTMAN ÖHMAN

Employee representative for the Union of Financial Sector Employees, Regional section, CHK club, Svenska Handelsbanken AB (publ)

Chief Executive Officer

MAGDALENA WAHLQVIST ALVESKOG

#### Management Company's auditors

##### Elected at the Annual General Meeting

PRICEWATERHOUSECOOPERS AB, PETER NILSSON

#### Personnel and organisation

The Management Company is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Svenska Handelsbanken AB (publ).

#### Key members of management within Handelsbanken Fonder AB are as follows:

Chief Executive Officer

MAGDALENA WAHLQVIST ALVESKOG

Head of Sustainability

AURORA SAMUELSSON

Deputy Chief Executive Officer

EMMA VIOTTI

Head of Products and Communications

EMMA VIOTTI

Chief Operating Officer

CARINA ROECK HANSEN

Head of Compliance

MONIKA JENKS

Head of Risk

FREDRIK ALHEDEN

Head of Sales

STEFAN BLOMÉ

Head of Corporate Governance and Board secretary

STAFFAN RINGVALL

CIO Active Asset Management

KATARINA PASCHAL

Head of Legal

FREDRIK KÖSTER

CIO Passive Asset Management and Asset Allocation

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# Information from Handelsbanken Fonder AB

## Corporate Governance

Handelsbanken Fonder exercises an active ownership role. The purpose is to participate so that the Company takes decisions that lead to a sustainable and positive value growth, which in turn benefit our unit holders. We view our ownership role from a long-term perspective, given that changes in companies often take time to implement. As a guideline for our actions, the Board of Directors of Handelsbanken Fonder has adopted a Policy for shareholder engagement and responsible investments. Our work is also guided by those principles established in the Swedish Corporate Governance Code. The Management Company's work in nomination committees is also regulated by the Guidelines for nomination committees.

An essential channel is the regular contacts that our portfolio managers have with those companies in which we invest or intend to invest. This provides a very good opportunity to present our views on the performance demonstrated by the companies. We emphasize good corporate governance, sustainability and transparency at the companies in which we invest.

Handelsbanken Fonder AB participates in a number of nomination committees where we have a sufficiently large ownership to be able to influence the recommendations to the composition of the board of directors. The board shall have extensive and relevant competence and its composition shall be characterized by different perspectives. We work actively for a more equal distribution of genders in the boards. The management companies ambition is to vote at the annual general meetings where we have significant ownership and where our votes could impact the course of events, which is normally over approximately 0.5 per cent of the votes.

We participate in a substantial number of annual meetings each year, in the Nordics, but also in other countries where we have a substantial ownership. In some cases, companies request a dialogue with shareholders prior to a proposal being presented at the annual meeting to gain support for the proposal by the major shareholders.

Handelsbanken Fonder AB participates in such discussions to the extent we have been invited and presents our views that aim at achieving a favourable result for unit holders.

The Management Company's Policy for shareholder engagement and responsible investments is available on our website at: <https://www.handelsbanken.se/sv/om-oss/svenska-dotterbolag/handelsbanken-fonder/our-work>.

## Responsible Investments

Handelsbanken Fonder's vision is to create financial wealth and planetary health through sustainable investments. In order to clarify our path to achieving this, we have established sustainability goals, constituting part of Handelsbanken Group's obligations under the UN Principles for Responsible Banking, which the Bank signed in 2019, and the fund company's obligations according to the Net Zero Asset Managers (NZAM) initiative. The purpose of setting quantitative goals is to ensure measurable results, and also allow our stakeholders to follow our development. The goals encompass all of our funds, and relate to two main areas.

Paris-aligned investment portfolios

- 50 per cent reduction in our funds' emission intensity by 2030.
- doubling of investments in climate-related solutions by 2030.

Increase our contribution to the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development

- increase the proportion of sustainable investment by 30 per cent by 2025.
- increase engagement activities with a positive outcome every year until 2025.

Handelsbanken Fonder's sustainability work is guided by our Policy for shareholder engagement and responsible investment. The Policy describes the starting point for integration of sustainability, our undertakings in terms of Global Compact, the Principles for

Responsible Investment (PRI) and international norms and conventions. It also describes the methods for sustainability applied in the asset management and principles of our corporate governance. Read more about this in the reports for each individual fund and in the Management Company's Policy for shareholder engagement and responsible investments that is available at: <https://www.handelsbanken.se/sv/om-oss/svenska-dotterbolag/handelsbanken-fonder/our-work>.

## Accounting and valuation principles

The Annual Report is drawn up in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. The accounting principles for the securities funds are based on the Swedish Investment Funds Act (2004:46) and on the Alternative Investment Fund Managers Act (2013:561) for our non-UCITS funds, ESMA's guidelines. The principles are also based on the Swedish Investment Fund Association's Guidelines for Key Ratio Accounting of Swedish UCITS and non-UCITS funds as well the Financial Supervisory Authority's regulations regarding Swedish UCITS funds (FFFS 2013:9) and the Financial Supervisory Authority's regulations regarding alternative investment fund managers (FFFS 2013:10) for our non-UCITS funds. Further, applicable provisions in the Swedish Accounting Act are also applied. Accounting is based on the transaction date.

### Valuation principles

Financial instruments, assets and liabilities are valued at market value.

Equities and equity-related instruments are valued primarily at the official closing price, thereafter at the latest trading price from the same day as the time of the valuation.

Interest-bearing securities are valued primarily at the bid price. Swedish government bonds and covered bonds are valued primarily at the median mid-yield.

Interest rate and currency derivatives that are not exchange-traded are valued in accordance with generally-accepted valuation models.

In the event a reliable price is unavailable, alternatively the instrument is not regularly traded, a valuation model can be utilized. This also applies when an instrument that is normally valued through the use of a market price is no longer deemed to have a reliable price.

Financial instruments, assets and liabilities that are revalued to the fund's portfolio currency are recalculated based on the official closing exchange rate on the balance sheet date.

## Foreign withholding taxes

Due to the changes in the tax regulations for Swedish funds on January 1, 2012, as well as the developments within taxation, there is significant uncertainty with regard to the application of withholding taxes on equity distributions. This can result in both higher revenues and increased expenses regarding withholding taxes in funds with foreign holdings. The revenues or expenses will be reported when received or paid, respectively. The distributions will be reported in the amount actually received, although it cannot be ruled out that the withholding taxes can be revised, which would result in an additional withholding tax on the previously received distributions made in the fund. A remittance (repayment of withholding tax paid) is reported when received. With regard to restitution for certain funds and from certain countries, e.g., Denmark and Finland, the principle of reporting restitution when received or paid can be waived if there are tax and reporting grounds for doing so.

## More information

You will find the complete information brochure with fund rules, fact sheets and current share price performance on our website at [www.handelsbanken.se/funds](http://www.handelsbanken.se/funds). For further information on the subscription and redemption of fund units, please contact your local Handelsbanken branch office.

# Definitions

## Fund statistics

**Average fund capital** – Calculated as the mean value of the fund's net asset value during the year (or that portion of the year during which the fund existed). The fund's net asset value is calculated on a daily basis.

**Average yearly return, 2, 5 and 10 years, respectively** – The fund's average effective annual yield during the last 2, 5 or 10 years, respectively.

**Collected management costs in % of average fund capital** – Actual management fees collected. Expenses are calculated daily and represent costs for management, administration, marketing and distribution. Expressed in percent of the average fund capital and calculated on a rolling 12-month basis.

**Costs for monthly savings SEK 100** – Total costs charged to a unit holder who had SEK 100 invested on the first banking day of each month during the year and retained the investment throughout the year. Calculated for the full year only and for funds and share classes that have existed during the full year. The corresponding amount for funds with EUR as the base currency is EUR 10. The corresponding amount for funds with NOK as the base currency is NOK 100.

**Costs for one-time subscription SEK 10 000** – Total costs charged to a unit holder who had SEK 10 000 invested in the fund at the beginning of the year and retained the investment throughout the year. Calculated for the full year only and for funds and share classes that have existed during the full year. The corresponding amount for funds with EUR as the base currency is EUR 1 000. The corresponding amount for funds with NOK as the base currency is NOK 10 000.

**Dividends per unit** – The Management Company determines the amount of the dividend to be paid to fund unit holders of the distribution share class on an annual basis. Distributions are paid to those fund unit holders registered for distribution shares on the distribution date determined by the Management Company.

**Duration** – The duration of a fund is a measure of how sensitive the fund is to changes in interest rates. Simply stated, it is the weighted average of the residual maturity in the fund's investments. Measured in years or months.

**Fund capital** – The fund's net asset value on the closing date for the respective year.

**Fund's total net flow** – Subscriptions less redemptions in the fund, excluding reinvested dividends and any flows from mergers.

**Index** – The index used by the fund as its benchmark.

**Index incl. dividends** – Performance of the fund's benchmark during the respective year. Performance is expressed in percent and is converted to the currency for each share class in those cases where the index is published in another currency. The table shows the index including dividends.

**Management fees and other administrative or operating costs** – From the 1 of January management fees and other administrative or operating costs replace ongoing charges. The cost measurement includes management fee and refer to the ongoing costs in the fund, excluding transaction costs for securities, interest expenses, transaction-related tax expenses and any performance-based fees.

When the fund engages in security lending, 80% of the revenue earnings derived from the lending agreement is allocated to the fund whilst the remaining 20% is allocated to the securities lending agent. Given that the revenue allocation agreement increases the fund's costs, the remuneration paid to the securities lending agent will be included in the management fees and other administrative or operating costs.

The measure is based on the fees deducted from the fund during the period. It is expressed as a percentage of the average fund capital and calculated on a rolling 12-month basis.

A supplement for the underlying fund's most recently available management fees and other administrative or operating costs, after deducting for discounts received, will be added for funds that invest in other funds.

**Net asset value** – Net asset value expressed as the rate prevailing on the balance sheet date for the respective year.

**Number of units** – The number of outstanding units on the last banking day for the respective year. Reported in thousandths of units.

**Other assets in the balance sheet** contain receivables for unsettled trades, received after balance sheet date. This applies to both sold securities and issued fund shares.

**Other costs in the income statement** include transaction costs, taxes and bank costs.

**Other financial costs** in the income statement include expenses for security lending.

**Other financial income in the income statement** includes premiums for security lending and discounts for management costs in underlying funds.

**Other income in the income statement**

refers to money paid back for bank charges and taxes.

**Other liabilities in the balance sheet** contain liabilities for unsettled trades, paid after balance sheet date. This applies to both purchased securities and redemption of fund shares.

**Other techniques and instruments** – Techniques and instruments used to improve the effectiveness of fund management refers to the following: techniques and instruments are attributable to transferable securities and money market instruments used in a cost-effective manner to lower risks and expenses or to increase returns in the fund with a risk level that is consistent with the fund's risk profile and applicable rules for the distribution of risk. Example of techniques and instruments include securities lending and agreements on the repurchase of securities sold, i.e., repos and reverse repo transactions.

**Risk** – The calculation of the fund's risk is the same for all EU member states. 1 is for the lowest risk (small price fluctuations) and 7 is for the highest risk (risk for substantial price fluctuations). The classification is based on the standard deviation (volatility) for the fund, calculated using the unit values over a five-year period. If five years of performance is not available, the standard deviation for the relevant comparable index or other benchmark will be used. Risk describes primarily market risk and currency risk.

**Share classes** – A fund can have several share classes. Different share classes have different conditions, e.g., currency, with dividends or without, management fee or an initial minimum subscription amount. Fund capital is the same for the share classes and therefore information refers to the fund as a whole unless stated otherwise. Fund units within each individual share class are the same size and have the same rights to the assets included in the fund. The distribution in a distribution share class impacts the relationship between the value of units that are non-distribution and the value of the units that are distribution, with the value of the distribution fund units decreasing in relation to the size of the distribution.

**Share of turnover conducted via closely related securities companies** – The proportion of fund purchases and sales of financial instruments conducted by Handelsbanken in terms of value. Expressed in percent of the fund's total turnover.

**Share of turnover conducted between funds managed by the same fund management company** – The proportion of fund purchases and sales of financial instruments

conducted on behalf of the securities fund from another fund managed by the same fund management company. Expressed in percent of the fund's total turnover.

**Total returns** – Reports how the value of a unit has changed during the respective year. If the fund has paid dividends during the year the change in value has been calculated as though the dividend or contribution before tax was added back on the distribution date. Annual return is measured in percent from the date of the previous year's closing date to the closing date for the respective year. Returns for the semi-annual review are reported for the first half of the current year.

**Transaction costs** – Expressed partly as an amount and partly as a percentage of the value of the financial instruments turned over. The value refers to the overall market value, but for futures and future related instruments the value refers to the exposure value. Calculated on a rolling 12-month basis. Reported in the Income Statement under the heading "Other expenses". Examples of transaction costs are brokerage and derivative costs.

**Turnover rates (general principle)** – The fund's turnover rate calculated, on the one hand, as the ratio between the lowest total amount for securities purchased or sold during the year and, on the other hand, as the average fund capital during the same period. With regard to equity funds, fixed income securities with a residual maturity of a maximum of 397 days at the time of acquisition are excluded from purchased or sold securities. The turnover rate is reported as the number of times turned over per year and is calculated on a rolling 12-month basis.

**Turnover rate (leveraged funds)** – If a fund has traded with derivative instruments during the period and the turnover calculation conducted in accordance with the general principle makes the turnover information appear misleading, the fund's turnover rate is also calculated by decreasing the total of purchased and sold financial instruments during the period by the total of the subscribed and redeemed units in the fund. This amount is divided by the fund's average fund capital during the period. Negative turnover arises when the total amount for purchased and sold fund units exceeds the total amount for purchased and sold derivatives.

**Volume of lent securities as a % of total lendable assets** – Is the market value of lent securities as of the balance sheet date divided by the market value of the fund's financial instruments with positive market value.

## Key figures for risk follow-up

*In order to obtain relevant comparisons, dividends have been reinvested in the funds and their respective benchmarks. All key figures have also been calculated on the basis of the Annual effective yields. The values for the past two years have been used for the majority of the funds. A risk forecast has been made for more recent funds, with fund holdings as of balance sheet date as the basis. In these cases, historical data for relevant reference portfolios is used for the calculation of the risk forecast.*

**Active return** states the annual over- or under effective return attained by the fund in comparison to its benchmark.

**Active Share** compares the equity fund's holdings with the holdings in its benchmark. The key figures are stated in percent, from 0% (exact same distribution as the index) to 100% (none of the holdings are included in the index). The measurement is calculated as one-half of the sum of the absolute deviations between a securities' weighting in the fund and its weight in the index.

**Information ratio** is a measure of the active returns attained by the fund when deviating from its benchmark. It is the ratio between the active returns and the tracking error. A negative information ratio means that the

fund has underperformed its benchmark.

**Index** shows the average returns on the underlying market in which the fund invests.

**Sharpe ratio/Sharpe ratio** in index is a measure of the fund/index's return, taking into consideration the risk of the fund/index. A high return attained at a lower risk is better than an equivalent return attained at a high risk. Calculated, on the one hand, as the ratio between the return, less the risk-free interest (interest on government securities) and, on the other hand, as the total risk of the fund/index. The Sharpe ratio is the most relevant ratio for comparing.

**Spread exposure** is shown for fixed income funds, as of the closing date, and is a measure of credit risk. The spread exposure

shows how much the fund will depreciate, in percent of the value of the fund, if the spread between the value of a fixed income fund and government bonds is doubled. Calculated as capital-weighted credit duration multiplied by the spread of the instrument (differential) compared to the government yield curve.

**Tracking error** measures the standard deviation of the difference in the yields between the fund and its benchmark (the variation in the relative yields). The historical tracking error indicates how much the fund's yield has deviated from benchmark.

**Total risk/Total risk** in index is stated as the standard deviation for variations in the monthly yields of the fund/index. The higher the number, the higher the risk.

**VaR** is a parametric in this case and is calculated in accordance with the covariance method. The covariance matrix is presented by the risk system and is updated on a monthly basis. The confidence level is 95% and the time horizon is one day.

## Abbreviations

A number of abbreviations are used for certain securities in the table of contents:

<b>ADR</b> American Depository Receipt	<b>IR</b> Redemption Right
<b>ADS</b> American Depository Share	<b>KV</b> Convertible
<b>BTA</b> Interim Share	<b>NVDR</b> Non-Voting Depository Receipt
<b>CB</b> Callable Bond	<b>Pref</b> Preference Share
<b>ETF</b> Exchange Traded Fund	<b>SDB</b> Swedish Deposit Certificate
<b>f/r</b> Foreign Registered	<b>TO</b> Warrants
<b>FRN</b> Floating Rate Note	<b>TR</b> Subscription Right
<b>GDR</b> Global Depository Receipt	

[The prospectus, fund rules and fact sheets for each fund are available in the mutual fund price list at handelsbanken.se/funds.](#)

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**About risk**

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. Summary of investors' rights, prospectus, fund rules and KID are available under each fund at [handelsbanken.se/funds](#).