# VARENNE GLOBAL SELECTION FCP

## MONTHLY REPORT (I-EUR UNIT) - MAY 2017



NAV €1,117.18

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### INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE

The Fund's objective is to target above average returns in a fund that mixes a concentrated long and short equity portfolio (long biased) with an overlay of merger arbitrage (long/short pairs or longs) and opportunistic tail risk hedging.

#### MONTHLY PERFORMANCE Yearly Perf. February October Years January March April May June July August Sept. Nov. Dec. 2015 1.33% -1.45% 1.86% -5.36% 1.09% 5.09% -2.08% -1.95% $-1.80\%^{2}$ 2016 -3.03% 0.51% 1.34% 1.34% -0.25% -1.59% 3.47% -0.35% -0.61% -0.72% 1.04% 3.12% 4.15% 2017 1.23% 2.36% 1.68% 2.77% 0.88% 9.24%

TOP 5 HOLDINGS (Equity)		
LVMH	Long Equity	France
WPP	Long Equity	United Kingdom
GREGGS	Long Equity	United Kingdom
THE PRICELINE GROUP	Long Equity	United States
SESA	Long Equity	Italy

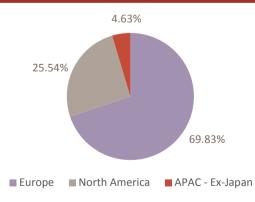
NUMBER OF HOLDINGS		
Equity	19	
Special Situations	4	
Tail Risk Hedging	4	

EXPOSURE BY MARKET CAPITALIZATION (Equity)			
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> EUR 3bn	58.17%		
EUR 500m – 3bn	18.16%		
< EUR 500m	23.67%		

CURRENCY EXPOSURE (Mark-to-market, excluding Tail Risk Hedging)						
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	USD	GBP	DKK	SGD	HKD	CNH
Exposure	28.92%	22.79%	6.96%	3.21%	0.59%	0.00%
Hedging	23.13%	9.16%	-	1.29%	-	1.92%
Net Exposure	5.79%	13.63%	6.96%	1.92%	0.59%	-1.92%

TOP 10 SECTORS (GICS sub-ind. - Equity, gross exposure, mark-to-market)

# GEOGRAPHIC BREAKDOWN (Equity, gross exposure, mark-to-market)



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Food Retail	16.76%
Apparel, Accessories & Luxury	13.17%
Advertising	12.37%
Internet & Direct Marketing Retail	10.31%
Technology Distributors	9.29%
Pharmaceuticals	7.91%
Apparel Retail	7.33%
Leisure Products	4.50%
Footwear	3.99%
Leisure Facilities	3.92%

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Risk indicator scored on a scale of 1 (lower risk) to 7 (higher risk). Category 1 does not mean "risk-free". This indicator may change over time. The Fund's track record is less than 5 years, SRRI calculation is completed by Varenne Selection Fund's data.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Inception I-EUR unit: 4/30/2015

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CUMULATIVE AND ANNUA	LIZED PERFORMANC	E		
		CUMULATIVE		ANNUALIZED
	Year to date	1 year	Since Inception <sup>2</sup>	Since Inception <sup>2</sup>
VARENNE GLOBAL SELECTION	9.24%	13.94%	11.72%	5.46%
ANNUALIZED VOLATILITY				
Annualized volatility % (w)	1	. year	Sino	ce Inception <sup>2</sup>
VARENNE GLOBAL SELECTION	(	5.83%		11.09%

### INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT REVIEW

Macro Context: The main central banks kept their key rates on hold. Ten-year sovereign bond yields retreated in all regions, with the US T-Note down 8 basis points to 2.20%, the French OAT down 10bp to 0.73%, and the Spanish Bono down 10bp to 1.55%. By extension, high-yield bond yields fell further during the month, to 2.42% in Europe and 5.57% in the US.

Volatility continued to recede, to 10.41% in the case of VIX (S&P 500) and to 14.55% on the VSTOXX (EURO STOXX 50).

Crude oil fell by 2.05% in May to \$48.32/barrel, while both precious and industrial metals were flat, including gold at \$1,268.92/ounce (+0.05%) and copper at \$5,682/tonne (-0.93%). On the forex markets, the euro posted further gains to the dollar, at 1.12 (+3.20%), and to the Swiss franc, at 1.09 (+0.36%). It also soared against sterling, to 0.87 (+3.68%).

Equity (Long Equity and Short Equity): We continued to reduce our exposure to Groupe Fnac (FR).

Merger Arbitrage: A new position was set up in Havas (FR) as part of the bid by Vivendi (FR), and in Syngenta (CH) upon the mandatory reopening of the bid by China National Chemical Corp (CN). We also raised our exposure to the simplified bid announced by Groupe Arnault (FR) for Christian Dior (FR).

Tail Risk Hedging: The fund is hedged against economic crisis risk or monetary shocks, mainly through a variance/volatility swap on the S&P 500, put-on-best options on Eurostoxx 50 and Nikkei maturing in March 2020 and yen/dollar put options maturing in 2020/21.

Fund Structure	Professional AIF / Unit Trust	Administrator	CACEIS Fund Administration
Туре	Accumulation	Subscriptions/	Weekly
Benchmark	None	Redemptions	No minimum
Initial NAV	€1,000	Subscription Fee	Up to 2%, fully paid to distributors when
Inception	1/31/2014 (A-EUR unit)		applicable
Isin	FR0012536498 (I-EUR unit)	Redemption Fee	None
Bloomberg	VARGLSI FP	Management Fee	1.10% of Net Assets
Investment Manager	Varenne Capital Partners	Performance Fee	14.95% of the Fund's performance
	AMF Approval no. GP-06 000004		Hurdle Rate: 12-month rolling average of
Custodian	CACEIS Bank France		capitalised EONIA + 300 basis points

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