

# VARENNE GLOBAL SELECTION FCP

MONTHLY REPORT (I-USD CLASS) - APRIL 2018



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\$1,101.40

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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

Years	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	Sept.	October	Nov.	Dec.	Yearly Perf.
2017	-	-	1.99% <sup>2</sup>	3.40%	0.66%	-1.20%	-1.59%	-0.25%	3.54%	0.67%	1.05%	1.62%	10.20% <sup>2</sup>
2018	0.83%	-4.01%	-1.18%	4.50%									-0.05%

## TOP 5 HOLDINGS (Equity)

ULTA BEAUTY	Long Equity	United States
GREGGS	Long Equity	United Kingdom
ACCENTURE	Long Equity	United States
LVMH	Long Equity	France
ROSS STORES	Long Equity	United States

## NUMBER OF HOLDINGS

Long Equity	21
Short Equity	1
Merger Arbitrage	7
Tail Risk Hedging	3

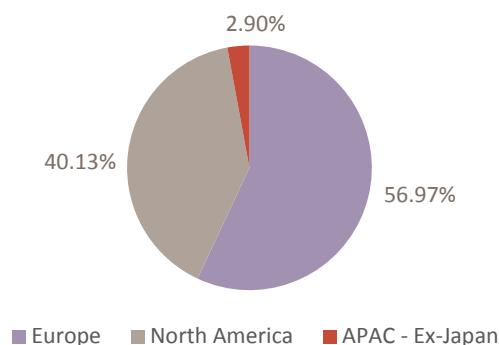
## EXPOSURE BY MARKET CAPITALIZATION (Equity)

> EUR 3bn	66.66%
EUR 500m – 3bn	17.31%
< EUR 500m	16.03%

## CURRENCY EXPOSURE (Delta adjusted, excluding Tail Risk Hedging)

	USD	GBP	DKK	CHF	SGD	HKD	CNH
Exposure	47.07%	15.25%	7.34%	7.06%	2.40%	0.69%	0.00%
Hedging	28.57%	12.42%	-	-	0.96%	-	1.44%
Net Exposure	18.50%	2.83%	7.34%	7.06%	1.44%	0.69%	-1.44%

## GEOGRAPHIC BREAKDOWN (Equity, gross exposure, delta adjusted)



## TOP 10 SECTORS (GICS sub-ind. - Equity, gross exposure, delta adjusted)

Apparel, Accessories & Luxury	13.68%
Specialty Stores	13.41%
Restaurants	10.98%
IT Consulting & Other Services	9.86%
Apparel Retail	7.36%
Pharmaceuticals	6.88%
Technology Distributors	6.86%
Specialty Chemicals	6.62%
Food Retail	4.39%
Movies & Entertainment	4.05%

<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>2</sup> Inception I-USD class: 3/3/2017

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## CUMULATIVE AND ANNUALIZED PERFORMANCE

	Year to date	CUMULATIVE		ANNUALIZED
		1 year	Since Inception <sup>2</sup>	Since Inception <sup>2</sup>
VARENNE GLOBAL SELECTION	-0.05%	4.44%	10.14%	8.70%

## ANNUALIZED VOLATILITY

Annualized volatility % (w)	1 year	Since Inception <sup>2</sup>
VARENNE GLOBAL SELECTION	10.73%	10.35%

## INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT REVIEW

**Macro Context:** The major central banks kept their key rates on hold. Ten-year sovereign bond yields went up on both sides of the Atlantic, with the Bund up to 0.56%, the French OAT to 0.79% and the US T-Bond to 2.95%. High yield bond yields were stable at 6.26% (+8bps) in the US as well as in Europe at 3.23% (-11bps). Volatility slipped over the month to 15.93% in the case of the VIX (S&P 500) and to 13.72% for the VSTOXX (EURO STOXX 50). Energy commodities rallied, with crude oil up 5.59% to \$68.57/bbl. Industrial and precious metals showed mixed performances, with copper gaining 1.39% to \$6,807/tonne and gold down 0.63% to \$1,317/ounce. On the forex market, the euro gave up 1.81% to the dollar at 1.21, was flat vs. the sterling at 0.88 (-0.01%) but gained +1.86% vs. the Swiss franc at 1.20.

**Long Equity:** No major change was made to the portfolio.

**Short Equity:** Initiation of a short position on a proprietary basket composed of companies with cash-burn issues.

**Merger Arbitrage:** Three new holdings were set up in Naturex (FR), Snaitech (IT) and Abertis (ES). The holdings in Refresco (NL) and Callidus Software (US) were tendered to their respective offers.

**Tail Risk Hedging:** The Fund is hedged against economic and financial risks through CDS on European subordinated financial debt maturing in December 2021 and June 2022, put-on-best options on the EuroStoxx 50 and Nikkei maturing in March 2020, and yen/dollar put options maturing in 2023.

## TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Fund Structure	Professional AIF / Unit Trust	Administrator	CACEIS Fund Administration
Type	Accumulation	Subscriptions/	Weekly*
Benchmark	None	Redemptions	No minimum
Initial NAV	\$1,000	Subscription Fee	Up to 2%, fully paid to distributors when applicable
Inception	1/31/2014 (A-EUR class)	Redemption Fee	None
Isin	FR0013240470 (I-USD class)	Management Fee	1.10% of Net Assets
Bloomberg	VARGLSU FP	Performance Fee	14.95% of the Fund's performance
Investment Manager	Varenne Capital Partners		Hurdle Rate: 12-month rolling average of capitalised EONIA + 300 basis points
	AMF Approval no. GP-06 000004		
Custodian	CACEIS BANK		

\*Specific conditions on redemptions: please refer to the Prospectus or KIID

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Data sources: Varenne Capital Partners

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