

# VARENNE GLOBAL SELECTION FCP

MONTHLY REPORT (I-USD UNIT) - MAY 2017



NAV

\$1,061.59

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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%								6.16% <sup>2</sup>

## 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

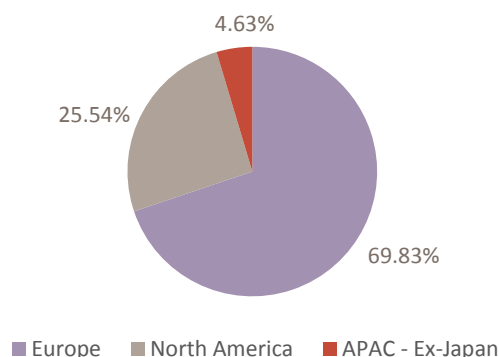
## EXPOSURE BY MARKET CAPITALIZATION (Equity)

> EUR 3bn	58.17%
EUR 500m – 3bn	18.16%
< EUR 500m	23.67%

## CURRENCY EXPOSURE (Mark-to-market, excluding Tail Risk Hedging)

	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%

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



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

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>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 unit: 3/3/2017

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## CUMULATIVE AND ANNUALIZED PERFORMANCE

	Year to date	CUMULATIVE 1 year	Since Inception <sup>2</sup>	ANNUALIZED Since Inception <sup>2</sup>
VARENNE GLOBAL SELECTION	6.16%	-	6.16%	-

## ANNUALIZED VOLATILITY

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

## 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.

## TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Fund Structure	Professional AIF / Unit Trust	Administrator	CACEIS Fund Administration
Type	Accumulation	Subscriptions/	Weekly
Benchmark	None	Redemptions	No minimum
Initial NAV	\$1000	Subscription Fee	Up to 2%, fully paid to distributors when applicable
Inception	1/31/2014 (A-EUR unit)	Redemption Fee	None
Isin	FR0013240470 (I-USD unit)	Management Fee	1.10% of Net Assets
Bloomberg	VARGLSU FP	Performance Fee	14.95% of the Fund's performance
Investment Manager	Varenne Capital Partners AMF Approval no. GP-06 000004		Hurdle Rate: 12-month rolling average of capitalised EONIA + 300 basis points
Custodian	CACEIS Bank France		

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Data sources: Varenne Capital Partners

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