

also view the overall market expectations for a

more positive development to be non-existent.

Based on central banks' recent interventions,

including unlimited asset purchasing, we deter-

mine the risk for a full-blown financial crisis to

be reduced. The \$2 trillion U.S. stimulus pack-

age further strengthens our view. The size of

the stimulus package is 10% of the U.S. GDP,

a country representing approximately one

When looking ahead a few years and doing the

numbers on the small caps in the portfolio and

on our radar, we see huge opportunities. We

have therefore covered our protection as well

as some of our more successful short posi-

tions. We have added to many of our core long

positions at historically low valuation multiples.

Further, we have added two new companies to

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up a meeting, please reach out to us a at info@

the portfolio which we will release soon.

The net exposure is currently 77%.

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fourth of the global GDP.

# **ORIGO QUEST 1**

# Monthly Report March 2020

### **Fund Strategy**

Origo Quest 1 is an alternative investment fund (AIF) that primarily invests in Nordic small and medium sized companies, with an emphasis on Sweden. In addition, the fund takes short positions in individual stocks and indices to optimize return and risk.

Our investment approach is based on an active, long-term, fundamental strategy focused on value-creating opportunities in small and medium sized companies. The portfolio is concentrated and could therefore deviate from the general market direction. The fund has a long bias (net exposure) over time. The goal is to deliver competitive risk-adjusted return over rolling five years.

### Manager Comment

The speed of the Covid-19 pandemic as well as the shut-down of several cities, regions and industries contributed to a 13.1% decline of the MSCI World index during March.

The turbulence across global markets had a big negative impact on Nordic small caps, and also the performance of Origo Quest 1. The fund declined 13.1% in March, which means a 17.9% decline year to date. This can be put in relation to the VINX Nordic Small Cap index which declined 19.7% in March and 25.7% year to date.

We are certainly not satisfied with the performance, despite a significantly better result than the overall market.

During the second half of February, we expected the pandemic to have much greater consequences than we initially thought. This resulted in us hedging a third of the fund through the futures market. We also added to our selective short positions. On aggregate, we brought down the fund's net exposure from 61% in January to 37% at the end of February. In the beginning of March, we continued to lower our net exposure. This turned out to be a successful strategy which to a large extent explains the fund's outperformance versus the market.

The overall economy will most likely not get going again until government's declare control over the virus. We expect a very weak economy for the coming 6–9 months. However, we

### Annual return since inception<sup>2</sup>



**Fund Managers** 





Portfolio Manager

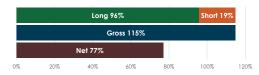
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#### Return

Class	NAV	1 mo	2020	Start
А	152.21	-13.1%	-17.9%	59.2%
В	124.02	-13.1%	-17.9%	38.4%
С	156.89	-13.1%	-17.9%	25.3%

### Exposure<sup>1</sup>



<sup>1</sup> The chart visualises the relation between the fund's long and short positions in equity and equity-alike financial instruments in relation to the assets under management.

### Top five holdings

Company	Value driver	% of fund		
Catena AB	Expand	9.95%		
Recipharm	Expand & Execute	9.78%		
Hoist Finance	Expand	8.26%		
Lindab International	Transform	7.80%		
Resurs Holding	Expand & Execute	6.48%		
Total		42.27%		



<sup>2</sup> The return chart shows the annual return in share class A compared with the NHX Equities index (current month's index figures are preliminary). The fund launched on 31 January 2013. The figure for 2013 and the current year does not represent a full calendar year.





# **ORIGO QUEST 1**

### The Fund in Brief

- Focus on Nordic Small Caps in a phase of change
- Engaged owners and active management approach •
- Has historically provided a good return to a lower risk •
- Alternative strategy that can contribute to diversification and thus • less market dependent

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#### Differentiate Expand Business model Expansion Technology Geography, Products Service Organic, M&A Transform Execute Transformation M&A, Spin-offs Capital structure

Value Creation Model

Management / Board Strategy / Targets Sustainability

## **Detailed return**

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	Мау	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Year
2020	-3.5%	-2.1%	-13.1%										-17.9%
2019	5.2%	3.1%	-2.4%	5.5%	0.2%	-1.3%	5.1%	-2.4%	-2.0%	-1.6%	1.0%	2.1%	12.6%
2018	-2.6%	-4.3%	-1.6%	1.3%	-0.8%	0.0%	2.7%	0.4%	-1.3%	0.4%	1.4%	-6.9%	-11.3%
2017	3.4%	2.9%	-3.4%	-0.9%	0.2%	-0.2%	0.1%	-2.0%	4.1%	-2.2%	-3.7%	4.1%	2.2%
2016	-6.1%	4.5%	3.5%	3.1%	0.7%	-0.7%	-0.5%	5.0%	5.2 %	0.7 %	-1.5 %	-0.2 %	13.8 %
2015	0.7%	7.0%	-3.3%	2.9%	3.5%	-4.1%	2.4%	2.7%	-2.2%	8.0%	4.9%	6.9%	32.7%
2014	4.5%	3.4%	-4.7%	3.5 %	4.6%	1.1%	-0.3%	-1.6%	-2.2%	1.1%	4.3%	-1.1%	12.6%
2013		1.3%	-1.0%	-0.2%	1.2%	-2.0%	0.7%	2.2%	3.3%	2.3%	1.1%	2.2%	11.6%

## Key Figures<sup>3</sup>

36 months	Annual return	Volatility	Beta
Origo Quest 1 A	-6.6%	12.3%	0.50
Risk-free interest (OMRXTBILL90)	-0.7%	0.1%	0.00
Equity Hedge Fund Index (NHX Equities)	-1.0%	5.3%	0.31
Swedish Equity Index (OMXSGI)	2.9%	15.4%	1.00
Swedish Small Cap Index (CSRX)	4.7%	17.1%	1.04

## **Risk / Reward Profile**

Lower ris	k				Н	igher risk
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Potentially lower reward Potentially higher r				er reward		

<sup>3</sup> The key figures compare the fund with some chosen indices. The fund does however not have an official benchmark index. Volatility shows how returns vary over time. Beta shows adherence to each market. Sharpe and Treynor are measures that show risk-adjusted returns

# More information

Further information about the fund's characteristics and risks as well as the conditions to invest in the fund can be found in the prospectus and fund rules, which are available at www. origocapital.se.

#### If you have questions, please contact us at: info@origocapital.se

Origo Quest 1 is a Swedish special fund under the Swedish Act (2013:561) on Alternative Investment Fund Managers, which means that it has somewhat more free investment rules than ordinary UCITS funds. The fund is managed by Origo Capital AB, which is licensed by the Swedish Financial Supervisory Authority to manage alternative investment funds, and is thus under the supervision of the Authority.

### Sustainability

We consider sustainability factors in the management of the fund and are members of Swesif. Read more about our sustainability work on www.origocapital.se.



### **Risk Information**

Past performance does not guarantee future performance. The value of your investment may rise as well as fall and there is no guarantee you will recover your original investment. An investment in Origo Quest 1 should be seen as a long-term investment.

### How to invest

Investments in Origo Quest 1 can be made in any of the Share Classes A, B or C. Class A suits larger investors and requires a minimum initial investment of SEK 500 000. Class B normally distributes an annual dividend and therefore fits foundations and others who prefer an annual direct return. <u>Class C</u> is targeted to smaller investors and those who want to invest in the fund through our partners

If you want to invest in Class A or B, you need to submit subscription documents directly to us. If you want to invest in Class C you can either contact any of the institutions where the fund is available or submit subscription documents directly to us. Our partners enable investment in the class through e.g. ISK, unit-linked insurance and ordinary fund account. More information on www.origocapital.se.

The fund is open for trading on the last banking day of each month. We must have received your order no later than five banking days and payment no later than two banking days before the last banking day of the month.

#### Fees

We charge fixed and performance-based management fees from the fund to cover administration costs. The fixed fee is 1.25% for Classes A and B and 1.35% for share class C. The variable fee corresponds to 20% of the fund's excess return relative to a return threshold defined as 90 days Swedish Treasury Bills plus 5 percentage points. Underperformance for previous periods must be recovered before performance fee is paid (High Watermark Principle).

The calculations of the fund's return, risk, holdings etc. represent class A in SEK as per the last business day of the current calendar month, unless otherwise stated. When calculating past performance in Class A and B, we consider the applicable model for individual calculation of performance fee, which may result in investors being allotted compensatory fund units in connection with payment of performance fees. NAV may therefore not be representative of past performance for these share classes. The share classes are presented from the respective start: 2013-01-31 (A), 2014-03-31 (B) and 2014-12-30 (C), which means that the first year for each class does not represent a full calendar year. See www.origocapital.se for more information and a glossary

