

Monthly Report

FUND DESCRIPTION

MercLin Institutional Equity Fund DBI-RDT (sub-fund of MercLin Institutional Fund) meets the requirements imposed by the applicable regulations to benefit from the Definitely Taxed Income regime (DBI-RDT): the sub-fund distributes at least 90% of the received income, after deducting salaries, commissions and charges. The company-shareholder can – as of income year 2018 – deduct 100% from the taxable basis of the income distributed by the sicav resulting from dividends or from capital gains on shares, which meet the requirements of the DBI-RDT deduction. The fund follows the equity strategies of the MercLin Global Equity fund.

RESULTS^{2,3}

	YTD	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011
MercLin DBI/RDT R	-2,06%	+24,93%	-10,14%	+5,74%	+8,74%	+12,98%	+20,14%	+22,74%	+7,97%	+1,53%
MercLin DBI/RDT F	-1,88%	+25,18%	-10,01%	+5,95%	-	-	-	-	-	-
MSCI AC World Euro ⁶	+4,25%	+28,93%	-4,85%	+8,89%	+11,09%	+8,76%	+18,61%	+17,49%	+14,34%	-4,25%

³ It concerns annual (except YTD) performance numbers based on historical data and which are no guarantee of future results. YTD is a cumulative return over a period from the 1st of January of the current year till a given date (see above) in the current year.

⁶ MSCI AC World Euro Net dividend reinvested. The investment policy of the subfund does not include a tracking error objective with the benchmark. Performances of the subfund may therefore vary from the performance of the benchmark.

MANAGER'S COMMENT

Royal Philips, currently the largest euro-denominated position in the fund, held its capital markets day in November. The company used this occasion to announce a new set of financial targets for the next 5 years, calling for 5-6% organic growth and 60 to 80 basis points of margin expansion per year. These objectives underscore the major transformation the company has been through over the past decade. It is indeed not so long ago that Philips still sold TVs and light bulbs, which means that many people still view it as an industrial conglomerate. Nevertheless, it has actually sold off the vast majority of these activities. Today, roughly 80% of the group's profits are generated in the medical technology market, where Philips offers all kinds of medical imaging systems as well as image-guided therapy appliances and solutions. Had it not been for the dramatic reorientation the company went through over the last decade, it would not have been able to put forward such aggressive financial targets today. Combining the revenue and margin goals leads to comfortable double-digit annual earnings growth for a stock that trades at around 20x earnings.

TOP 10 STOCKS

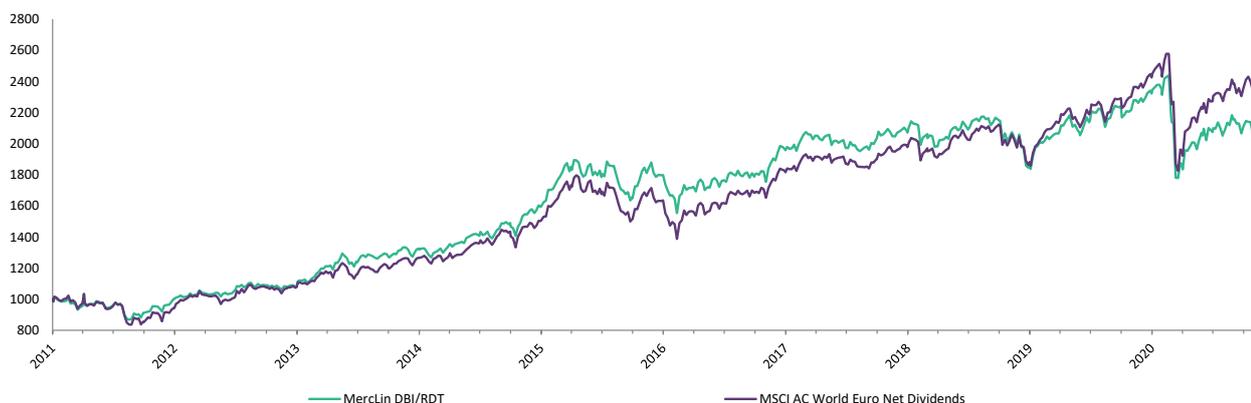
1	Berkshire Hathaway	7,14%
2	Microsoft	5,61%
3	Facebook	5,52%
4	Alphabet	4,44%
5	Novartis	3,49%
6	Goldman Sachs	3,46%
7	Roche	3,17%
8	Merck	3,10%
9	Medtronic	3,07%
10	Fairfax Financial	3,06%
		42,06%

RETURN²

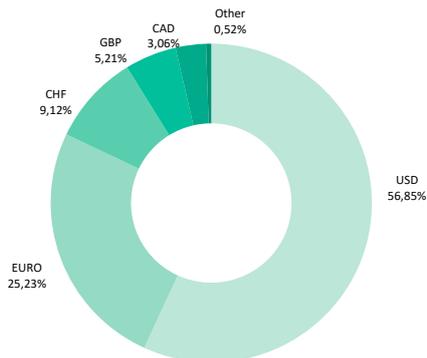
Annualized Returns ⁴	MercLin DBI/RDT R	MercLin DBI/RDT F	Benchmark ²
1 year	-0,72%	-0,53%	+6,01%
3 years	+3,20%	+3,39%	+8,87%
5 years	+3,86%	-	+8,08%
Ann. since inception	+8,76%	+5,91%	+9,79%
Cum. since inception	+130,44%	+32,51%	+152,90%

⁴ The return figures indicated above do not include commissions eventually linked to the issuing and redemption of shares. These are annualized returns based on historical data, which offer no guarantee of future returns.

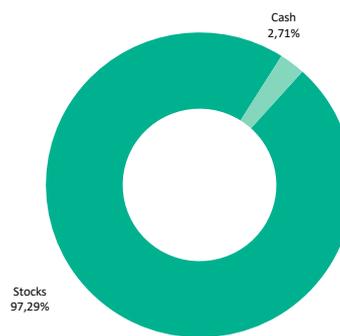
NAV GRAPH^{3,4}



CURRENCY



ASSET ALLOCATION



GEOGRAPHICAL EXPOSURE

USA	58,43%
Euro Zone	23,15%
Switzerland	9,37%
Other	3,69%
Great Britain	5,36%
Emerging Markets	0,00%
Japan	0,00%

SECTOR EXPOSURE

Technology	25,05%
Healthcare	19,77%
Consumer Goods	15,13%
Financials	14,83%
Holding Companies	11,04%
Consumer services	7,27%
Industrials	5,30%
Other	0,00%
Basic Materials	1,61%

LAST BUY - SELL

BUY



SELL



INCREASE



REDUCE



TECHNICAL DATA

Fund Name:	MercLin Institutional Fund
ISIN MerLin DBI/RDT R:	BE6213770470
ISIN MerLin DBI/RDT F:	BE6282942588
Bloomberg:	MERCINS BB
Domicile:	Lange Lozanastraat 254, 2018 Antwerp, Belgium
Legal status:	Belgian institutional SICAV with sub-funds in financial instruments and liquid assets
Type of shares:	Distribution
Management company:	Cadelam S.A.
Financial Agent:	KBC Bank S.A.
Depository:	KBC Bank S.A.
Delegation of the administration:	Cadelam S.A.
Delegation of intellectual management:	Mercier Vanderlinden Asset Management
Distributor:	KBC Bank S.A.
Auditor:	PwC
Maturity:	Not determined
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Minimum subscription amount MerLin DBI/RDT F:	50.000.000,00 EUR
Subscription fee:	Class F and R : 0% (Mercier Vanderlinden)
TOB on exit:	No
Withholding Tax:	30%
Tax on UCITS investing more than 10% of their assets in debt claims:	No
Performance Fee:	No
Anti-Dilution Protection:	0,08% at Subscription, 0,08% at Redemption
N.A.V. calculation:	Weekly on Thursday
Subscription/Redemption:	Before Thursday 1:15 PM
Assets Under Management:	389,0 m EUR
Inception:	17/11/2010

	Management Fee	Ongoing Charge ⁵	ISIN
Class R	0,8% annual	0,90%	BE6213770470
Class F	0,6% annual	0,69%	BE6282942588



The value of an investment in a sub-fund increases or decreases over time. At the time of resale, the price of your shares may be less than the original price, representing a loss. If you invest in a sub-fund whose currency is different from your own, exchange rate fluctuations can also reduce your gains or increase your losses.

The above risk level is calculated on the basis of the sub-fund's volatility over the medium term (i.e. on the basis of actual changes in its value over the last five years or on a simulation, if the subfund was created within that period). The volatility of the sub-fund may increase or decrease over time, which may change its risk level.

The subfund's risk level reflects the following factor(s):

- Equity investments have greater volatility and higher risk than investments in bonds and money market instruments. The risk level does not reflect the potential impact of unusual market conditions or unforeseen events that may increase risk or trigger other risks such as:
 - Counterparty risk: the subfund can lose money as a result of the failure of a market player with which it does business.
 - Credit risk: risk associated with bonds becoming worthless when the issuer of the bond is not able to repay its debt on maturity.
 - Liquidity risk: some financial securities may be impossible to sell quickly at a given time or may have to be sold at a discount.
 - Management risk: under abnormal market conditions, the usual management techniques may be ineffective or unfavourable.
 - Operating risk: in any market, and especially in the emerging markets, the subfund may lose some or all of its money if there is a failure in the custody of assets or in case of fraud, corruption, political actions or any other adverse event.

² Source data: Bloomberg, Morningstar & Banque Degroof Petercam Luxembourg.

⁵ Ongoing charge: charges taken from the subfund over a year (including management fees).

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