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Strategy Description and Objective

The Goldman Sachs EFI Long Short Risk Premia Portfolio offers an allocation to five carefully selected equity factors: Low Beta, Size, Value, Momentum and Quality. It is constructed to deliver diversified exposure, reflecting the interdependencies between the factors, while targeting a beta neutral portfolio.

The Goldman Sachs EFI Long Short Risk Premia Portfolio factors are supported by academic research, measurable using publicly available data and accessible via a liquid, long/short strategy. Although each factor has generated positive returns over the long term, the performance may vary greatly across market cycle and different factors perform well at different times. The Index methodology takes these differences into account to target consistent performance.

The long portfolio is country, region and sector neutral with a beta to the equity universe, in this case the MSCI World Index, that is less than 1. The short portfolio is simply the MSCI World Index, adjusted for this beta exposure, thereby creating a beta-neutralized long short strategy, which may be levered depending on the final investment format.

Goldman Sachs EFI Long Short Risk Premia Portfolio

- Broad, global equity long/short portfolio
- Diversified exposure across equity risk premia
- Based on academic research, systematic and transparent
- Efficient beta-neutral portfolio construction
- Available in a range of leverage levels

The Fund gets exposure to the strategy by entering into a swap with GSI. The investor's proceeds are invested in a portfolio of short-dated US Treasury Bills.

Simulated and Realised Performance (Net of Fees as shown in the Fund Characteristics)

Risk and Return Characteristics

	CLASS I (EUR HEDGED) - 3xs leverage	MSCI Daily TR Net World USD
Return		
MTD	0.7%	-0.9%
QTD	-2.0%	6.5%
YTD	0.7%	-0.2%
Last 1Y	0.7%	-0.2%
Last 3Y Annualised	N/A	N/A
Realised Period ⁵ (04 Dec 14 – 30 Dec 15)		
Annual Return	2.3%	-0.9%
Volatility	5.8%	13.8%
Sharpe Ratio ⁴	0.13	-0.03
Sortino Ratio	0.17	-0.04
% Positive Months	75.0%	41.7%
Worst month	-3.4%	-5.9%
Maximum Drawdown	-6.8%	-13.7%
Correlation to MSCI World	-0.39	-0.39

Fund Characteristics

Strategy:	Equity	Strategy launch date:	17-Jan-13
Benchmark:	None		
Launch Date: - of the Fund:	10-Nov-14	of the Share Class:	04-Dec-14
AUM (USD m) - of the Fund:	292.91	of the Share Class:	8.88
NAV of Share Class (EUR):	10.24		
Fund Base Currency:	USD	Min. Initial Inv. (EUR):	100,000
Fund Domicile:	Luxembourg	Min. Holding (EUR):	100,000
UCITS Compliant:	Yes	Min. Subsequent Inv.(EUR):	1,000
Investment Admin. Fee p.a:	1.00%	Liquidity: ¹	Daily
Distributing	No	Valuation Day: ¹	Daily
Swap Fee p.a:	0.00%	Settlement Day: ²	T+3
Other expenses (capped) p.a:	0.25%	Cut-Off Time: ³	16:00 CET T-1
ISIN Code:	LU1140835932	Bloomberg Ticker:	GSEIEH3 LX Equity

Strategy Performance (01 Jan 13 – 30 Dec 15)



Fund Performance (04 Dec 14 – 30 Dec 15)



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Monthly Commentary

December performance was positive with the fund up over the month. Over the same period MSCI World Net TR Index was down -1.76%.

From a factor perspective, the month's performance was driven by Low Beta, with a strong positive contribution, and by Momentum, which had a positive contribution. Size contributed negatively, while Quality and Value both contributed slightly positive.

The positive performance over the year was driven mainly by Low Beta and Momentum, with Quality being only slightly positive. Value and Size contributed negatively with Size being the largest negative contributor. The underperformance from Size was the result of a significant drawdown over the 2nd half of the year, which, over a rolling return basis, was the largest drawdown after the Financial and European crises. The positive performance from Low Beta can almost be entirely explained by the European Low Beta factor, which performed well in a falling rates environment.

Simulated and Realised¹ Performance (Net of Fees as shown in the Fund Characteristics)

Year	Return (%)	Volatility (%)	Sharpe Ratio	Total Returns ²											
				Return											
				Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
2013	11.3	8.5	1.32	2.9	3.5	3.9	0.7	-4.9	1.2	1.5	-1.8	2.5	1.1	-0.6	1.2
2014	10.9	6.4	1.68	2.1	2.7	0.6	-2.0	1.6	2.3	-2.1	2.1	-2.0	2.6	1.2	1.3
2015	0.7	5.8	0.13	1.9	0.4	0.4	-3.4	1.5	0.3	1.9	-0.9	0.6	-2.9	0.3	0.7
Cumulative-Annualised	7.5	6.9	1.08												
Realised Performance															

Treasury Bill Basket (Asset Portfolio)

ISIN	Maturity	Nominal	Currency	Price at month end
US912796FP91 Govt	07-01-16	31,760,000.00	USD	99.9999
US912796GY99 Govt	21-01-16	35,740,000.00	USD	99.9972
US912796GZ64 Govt	28-01-16	23,340,000.00	USD	99.9944
US912796FV69 Govt	04-02-16	21,490,000.00	USD	99.9920
US912796HB87 Govt	11-02-16	30,490,000.00	USD	99.9880
US912796HC60 Govt	18-02-16	28,700,000.00	USD	99.9860
US912796HD44 Govt	25-02-16	36,250,000.00	USD	99.9872
US912796FZ73 Govt	03-03-16	36,760,000.00	USD	99.9838
US912796HF91 Govt	10-03-16	18,420,000.00	USD	99.9825
US912796HG74 Govt	17-03-16	21,750,000.00	USD	99.9840
Asset Portfolio Monthly Return				0.0193%
Asset Portfolio Average Duration				0.1102
Asset Portfolio Average Turnover				11.6961%

¹ This table/chart contains simulated past performance data for the period from 01-Jan-13 to 04-Dec-14. The Goldman Sachs EFI Long Short Risk Premia Portfolio's share class specified above became live 04-Dec-14. GSI provides no assurance or guarantee that the product will operate or would have operated in the past in a manner consistent with these materials and analysis. Simulated data does not reflect actual trading and has inherent limitations. Past and simulated is not indicative of future results. Please refer to the sections entitled "IMPORTANT INVESTOR DISCLOSURE" and "Principal Risks of Investing in the Portfolio" in the Supplement relating to the Goldman Sachs EFI Long Short Risk Premia Portfolio. Past performance figures are not a reliable indicator of future results. ² Performance annualised if period is greater than one year, not annualised if period is less than one year. Sharpe/Information Ratio and Volatility applicable only if period is greater than one year.

Source: Goldman Sachs



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