### PARETURN GVC GAESCO COLUMBUS EUROPEAN EQUITY FUND (MASTER) **GVC GAESCO COLUMBUS EUROPEAN EQUITIES FI (FEEDER)**







#### **OBJECTIVE AND INVESTMENT STRATEGY**

The fund aims to achieve capital growth through investment in European mid cap companies over the long term

#### MANAGEMENT REPORT

Pareturn Columbus class I returned 3.41% in March and -0.4% since the beginning of the year. Since its inception in June 2008, Columbus has returned 142.21%, far outperforming European equity markets.

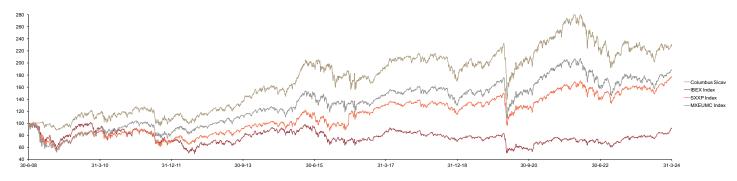
It is a good time to reflect and explain the fund's philosophy well. At Columbus we think that there is an investment opportunity in good medium-sized European companies that in many cases are leaders in their segment, are growing and offer attractive valuations, this is the largest group represented in our portfolio, such as Interpump, Buzzi, Prysmian, Befesa, Trainline, Bodycote or Unicaja. In the portfolio there are also some investments in which we expect a change in trend to positive, normally companies with restructuring or changes in management. This area encompasses the negative impact of Grifois, which has been notable, although diversification into other good companies has moderated the impact. The fund's philosophy is not to take excessive risk and diversify, avoiding poorly managed companies or companies with uncontrollable risks. The result in the quarter has been affected by two stocks that have had a negative impact, Grifois (46% in the quarter), Teleperformacie (32%). We maintain the position in Grifois and it is recovering (+15% in 1 month), paradoxically it was bought with the expectation of changes in its balance sheet that, for now, have proven insufficient but that are still developing and we hope that they will recover, at least, a good part of their

On the positive side we highlight two blocks: 1) Financial sector and insurance: due to persistent inflation and lower rate falls, the financial sector has performed well, in this case we have maintained relevant positions in securities that have seemed to us to remain very undervalue, have good expectations and a very solid dividend, examples of this are Unicaja (+29% in the first quarter of 2024), Mapfre (+21%), Scor (+21%) and Hiscox (+18%). We will reduce positions in some of these securities as the year progresses due to somewhat lighter valuations. 2) Industrial and consumer: in this area we have had good results in companies such as Buzzi (+25%), Progresmens Energy (+24%), Bodyorde (+17%) and Trianline (+15%).

This is an important moment for Columbus. In the last 3 months we have thoroughly reviewed our positions, we have met with more than 100 companies and started some changes that we trust will have a solid return for our co-investors with contained volatility. The investment opportunity in good European companies is still there and we trust in a good return in the medium-long term.

From May 2023, Spanish investors can access the Columbus strategy through the Spanish GVC Columbus European Equities FI fund. The Fund can be purchased through the AllFunds, Inversis and Fundsettle platforms. Columbus has a Master-Feeder structure. The Pareturn GVC Gaesco Columbus European Equity Fund in Luxembourg (master) and the GVC Columbus European Equities FI Fund (subordinate). The Luxembourg vehicle offers institutional and retail share classes denominated in euros and sterling.

## RELATIVE PERFORMANCE OF FUND AND INDICES (Performance is expressed net of management and depository fees)



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PERFORMANCE	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008*
COLUMBUS	9.02%	-23.19%	21.41%	7.04%	27.61%	-15.69%	17,01%	-9,22%	18,21%	11,26%	23,87%	13,04%	-8,22%	-2,13%	22,25%	-2.01%
STOXX 600	12.74%	-12.90%	22.25%	-4.04%	23.16%	-13.24%	7,68%	-1,20%	6,79%	4,35%	17,37%	14,37%	-12,20%	3,90%	23,40%	-40.909
MSCI MID CAPS	11.40%	-21.13%	19.49%	2.40%	26.89%	-15.17%	10.52%	-1.64%	12.69%	6.38%	21.00%	18.70%	-15.60%	16.80%	36.40%	-37.70

COUNTRY DISTRIBUTION	
UNITED KINGDOM	24,66%
ITALY	17,28%
SPAIN	16,81%
GERMANY	12,11%
FRANCE	11,85%
BELGIUM	6,57%
IRELAND	3,68%
SWITZERLAND	2,02%
NORWAY	1,70%

FINANCIAL	19,44%
INDUSTRIAL	18,14%
SERVICES	13,72%
CONSUMER DISCRETIONARY	12,06%
MATERIALS	11,34%
INFRAESTRUCTURE	9,99%
TECHNOLOGY	9,13%
PHARMA	2,86%

EURO	71,629
GBP	24,669
CHF	2,029
NOK	1,709

TOP 10 HOLDINGS	
UNICAJA BANCO SA	4,81%
INTERPUMP GROUP SPA	4,33%
AGEAS	4,02%
ELEMENTIS	3,91%
MAPFRE	3,83%
DALATA HOTELS	3,68%
BODYCOTE PLC	3,65%
REPLY SPA	3,51%
AUTO TRADER GROUP PLC	3,44%
BUZZI SPA	3,39%

## PARETURN GVC GAESCO COLUMBUS EUROPEAN EQUITY FUND (LUXEMBOURG UCITS)

GENERAL	INFORMATION
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INVESTMENT MANAGER CUSTODIAN AUDITOR INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT COMPANY ADVISOR PARETURN GVC GAESCO COLUMBUS EUROPEAN MID-CAP EQUITY GVC GAESCO GESTIÓN SGIIC BNP SECURITY SERVICES LUXEMBOURG BNP SECURITIES LUXEMBOURG

BMY SECURITIES LOZEMBOURG
MOD MANAGEMENT SERVICES FUND
ALTERNATIVES ST JAMES LLP / COLUMBUS INVESTMENT PARTNERS LTD
COLUMBUS INVESTMENT PARTNERS IS AN APPOINTED REPRESENTATIVE OF
ALTERNATIVE ST JAMES WHICH IS AUTHORISED AND REGULATED BY THE FC.

SHARE INFORMATION	
SHARE CLASS	

CLASE R-B MANAGEMENT FEE PERFORMANCE FEE MINIMUM INVESTMENT ONE SHARE NET ASSET VALUE (EUR)

ONE SHARE

CLASS 12-B

CLASE IGO No ONE SHARE

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GENERAL	INFORMAT	LION

CATEGORY INVESTMENT MANAGER CUSTODIAN AUDITOR BASE CURRENCY

PEAN FOLLITIES EUROPEAN EQUITIES GVC GAESCO GESTIÓN SGIIC BNP PARIBAS DELOITTE SL

### SHARE INFORMATION

MANAGEMENT FEE MINIMUM INVESTMENT NET ASSET VALUE (EUR) CLASE A (RETAIL) 2,25% TOTAL FEES 9% ABOVE BENCHI

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ES0143559021 1,35% TOTAL FEES 9% ABOVE BENCHIV ONE SHARE 10,08 €