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#### **Fund facts**

ISIN: NO0010140502

Launch date, share class: 05.04.2002 Launch date, fund: 05.04.2002

Domicile: NO

NAV: 95.93 EUR AUM: 1,334 MEUR

Benchmark index: MSCI Emerging

Markets Index

Minimum purchase: 50 EUR
Fixed management fee: 2.00 %
Performance fee: 10 % (see
prospectus for details)
Ongoing charge: 2.00 %
Number of holdings: 44

SFDR: Article 8



**Fredrik Bjelland** Managed fund since 27 August 2017



**Cathrine Gether** Managed fund since 30 September 2010



**Espen Klette** Managed fund since 01 July 2022

### Investment strategy

SKAGEN Kon-Tiki is a value-based emerging markets equity fund. It seeks to generate long-term capital growth through an actively managed, high conviction portfolio of companies which are listed in, or have significant exposure to, developing markets. Subscriptions are made in fund units and not directly in stocks or other securities. The benchmark reflects the fund's investment mandate. Since the fund is actively managed, the portfolio will deviate from the composition of the benchmark.

# **SKAGEN Kon-Tiki A**

RISK PROFILE YTD RETURN ANNUAL RETURN

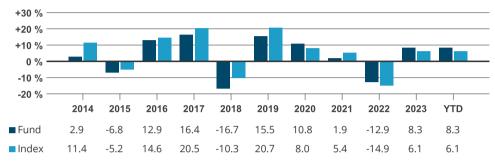
8.35 % 4.24 %

4 of 7 31.12.2023 Average last 5 years

Monthly report for December as of 31.12.2023. All data in EUR unless otherwise stated.

Historical returns are no guarantee for future returns. Future returns will depend, inter alia, on market developments, the fund manager's skills, the fund's risk profile and subscription and management fees. The return may become negative as a result of negative price developments. The fund's Key Investor Information Document and prospectus are available on www.skagenfunds.com

# Historical return in EUR (net of fees)



The benchmark index is the MSCI EM Index (net total return), this index did not exist at the inception of the fund and consequently the benchmark index prior to 01.01.2004 was the MSCI World AC Index.

Period	Fund (%)	Index (%)
Last month	1.77	2.63
Year to date	8.35	6.11
Last 12 months	8.35	6.11
Last 3 years	-1.28	-1.79
Last 5 years	4.24	4.20
Last 10 years	2.58	4.85
Since inception	9.60	6.40

Key figures	1 year	2 years	3 years
Standard deviation	-	-	14.74
Standard deviation index	-	-	13.45
Tracking error	-	-	6.76
Information ratio	-	-	0.07
Active share: 88 %			

Returns over 12 months are annualised.

# Quarterly commentary, Q4 2023

2023 turned out well for SKAGEN Kon-Tiki despite a tough end to the year. Meanwhile, the MSCI EM index underperformed the broad equity rally in December and for the full year. While the US has been the best performing region in five of the past six years, MSCI EM has been the worst performer in four out of the past five years. Now that the Fed has signalled it is (probably) done raising interest rates, we would argue (yet again) that now should be the time for emerging markets to play catch-up. If consensus is right about peaking rates, a weakening dollar and US growth slowing relative to EM – and if we take history as a guide – then a higher EM equity allocation from the current close-to-record lows should be considered.

A new paradigm shift may be in store as high inflation and sharp rate hikes make way for growth supportive central banks in 2024. Some major EM central banks have already pivoted ahead of the US while valuations are still appealing both on a relative basis as well as based on history. Despite the significant dispersion within EM, collectively they tend to do well when the US dollar is weakening, the global rates outlook is benign, and the world economy is growing.

China has been a major disappointment for the year; it makes up around 30% of the index and the property bust has hit the domestic economy while regulatory uncertainty and geopolitics have impacted trust and confidence. President Xi said "we will consolidate and strengthen the momentum of economic recovery and work to achieve steady and long-term economic development" during his annual New Year address. Bolstering confidence in China will be crucial for the coming year, and we have seen signs of supportive measures being taken. China-related weakness marked the last month and the quarter for Kon-Tiki, however. Prosus and Naspers, which are driven mainly by their stakes in Tencent, fell sharply on

the last day of trading as regulators surprised the gaming industry with new rules to cap in-game spending and prohibit mechanisms to incentivise more play time. In another twist, authorities then fired the top official at the country's gaming regulator who was responsible for the announcement, saying they may review the controversial rules. As a result, we've started to see a gradual reversal in the share prices again. On the positive side for the month, Brazilian sugar and ethanol producer Raizen gained as the company surprised positively on sugarcane crushing performance while the government is also showing a more benign positioning towards the sector with signs of increasing biodiesel and ethanol blending rates. South African listed mining and metals processing company Sibanye Stillwater reversed some of the recent weakness caused by operational issues. A newcomer in the portfolio, Phinia Inc, also reversed some of the recent weakness as key forces now seem to be moving in the right direction.

For the year, India and Taiwan contributed most positively to EM index returns while China and South Korea were weak. That is in stark contrast to Kon-Tiki's contributors for 2023; Chinese CNOOC and Foxconn Industrial Internet were the two strongest contributors. Korean holdings Samsung Electronics and Hyundai Motor also made it onto the list. We are finally back to an environment where stock-picking and active management are back in the fore. Over the past year our strong conviction in our Brazilian holdings has paid off well with Banco do Brasil, Suzano and Raizen ending up as strong positive contributors. So, despite a significant underweight to some of the best performing countries like India and Taiwan, where we have struggled to find new investment opportunities due to high pricing, Kon-Tiki ended the year well ahead of index. We exited Colombian retailer Exito after the company received a bid after being spun off from Brazilian grocery operator GPA. We also exited Ghana Commercial when a liquidity window opened up, given more attractive opportunities elsewhere. Our remaining position in Ivanhoe was also cleared out since it approached less appealing risk-reward levels. We have re-entered Foxconn Industrial Internet again after recent weakness as the valuation returned to very attractive levels given the unique AI exposure and strong growth and margin potential.

Kon-Tiki has an actively managed portfolio of attractively valued companies, providing exposure to strong emerging markets trends and themes. It trades at almost half the price of the MSCI EM index despite strong quality characteristics. The portfolio is highly diversified and constructed to perform well in various macro scenarios. EM diversification should be beneficial for anyone holding a global portfolio where EM stocks tend to be underrepresented despite their strong growth characteristics and unique diversification effect.

### Contribution last month

✓	Weight (%)	Contribution (%)
Raizen SA	3.25	0.28
Sibanye Stillwater Ltd	1.28	0.19
Phinia Inc	1.32	0.14
SIMPAR SA	1.58	0.12
Samsung Electronics Co Ltd	4.78	0.10

<b>△</b> Largest detractors	Weight (%) Contril	oution (%)
Prosus NV	3.35	-0.56
Naspers Ltd	3.21	-0.42
Cnooc Ltd	5.61	-0.35
Korean Reinsurance Co	2.58	-0.35
Ping An Insurance Group Co of China Ltd	5.37	-0.34

Absolute contribution based on NOK returns at fund level

## Portfolio information

Top 10 investments	Share (%)
Alibaba Group Holding Ltd	6.2
Ping An Insurance Group Co of China Ltd	5.8
Cnooc Ltd	5.6
Samsung Electronics Co Ltd	4.9
LG Electronics Inc	4.6
UPL Ltd	3.6
Raizen SA	3.4
Naspers Ltd	3.2
Prosus NV	3.1
Hyundai Motor Co	3.0
Total share	43.5 %

Country exposure	Share (%)
China	27.6
South Korea	24.8
Brazil	17.3
South Africa	4.5
Taiwan	4.1
India	3.6
Hong Kong SAR China	2.3
France	2.1
Netherlands	2.0
Cayman Islands	2.0
Total share	90.3 %

Sector exposure	Share (%
Consumer discretionary	23.5
Financials	15.8
Energy	15.8
Materials	12.6
Information technology	11.0
Consumer Staples	6.6
Industrials	3.4
Fund	3.4
Communication Services	2.9
Health care	1.3
Total share	96.3 %

Sustainability

#### SKAGEN's approach to sustainability

Our ESG approach is built on four pillars. In keeping with SKAGEN's active investment philosophy, our sustainability activities centre on active engagement with our holding companies, which is where we believe we can have the greatest impact. We recognise, however, that the full potential of a sustainable investment strategy is best realised when combining the following four pillars.

√ Exclusion √ Enhanced due diligence √ ESG factsheet √ Active ownership

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION

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Future fund performance is subject to taxation which depends on the personal situation of each investor, and which may change in the future.

The tax treatment of the gains and losses made by the investor and distributions received by the investor depend on the individual circumstances of each investor and may imply the payment of additional taxes. Before any investment is made in the Fund, investors are urged to consult with their tax advisor for a complete understanding of the tax regime, which is applicable to their individual case.

Storebrand Asset Management AS is a management company authorised by the Norwegian supervisory authority, Finanstilsynet, for the management of UCITS under the Norwegian Act on Securities Funds and has its registered office at Professor Kohts vei 9, 1366 Lysaker, Norway. Storebrand Asset management AS is part of the Storebrand Group and owned 100% by Storebrand ASA. Storebrand Group consists of all companies owned directly or indirectly by Storebrand ASA.

Following the merger of Storebrand Asset Management AS and SKAGEN AS, SKAGEN's portfolio team will continue to manage the funds' portfolios from the new separate legal entity, SKAGEN AS, while Storebrand Asset Management AS carries out the role of the management company.

No offer to purchase units can be made or accepted prior to receipt by the offeree of the Fund's prospectus and PRIIPS KID (for UK: KIID) and the completion of all appropriate documentation. You can download more information including subscription/redemption forms, full prospectus, PRIIPs KID (for UK: KIID), General Commercial Terms, Annual Reports and Monthly Reports in English language from SKAGEN's webpages.

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