### **ORIGO QUEST 1**

# Monthly Report June 2019

#### **Fund Strategy**

Origo Quest 1 is an alternative investment fund (AIF) that invests primarily 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 returns and risk.

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

## **Manager Comment**

Equity markets continued to climb in June, driven by dovish comments by the FED and the ECB regarding downside risks across the global economy. Interest rates declined further, along with inflation expectations. Equity markets interpreted these comments as further stimulus would occur if needed and that hardly any economic decline would be necessary for further policy easing measures. CSX Return Nordic increased by 4.2% in June. NHX Equity, which generally focus on more risk-adjusted and market neutral return, was relatively flat for the month. Quest lost 1.3% in June. Catena (long) contributed positively, while Ramirent (short) contributed negatively.

The first half of 2019 ended as one of the fund's strongest ever with a positive return of 10.4%. NHX Equity increased by 4.2% during the same period. Since start, the fund has now delivered a total return of 90.1%, compared to NHX Equity of 40.4%. The fund's long positions have developed very well so far in 2019. The short book has not performed as well, which is somewhat a reflection of the current market environment. The correlation to a relevant index has been below half of what equity funds generally have, and volatility has been approximately 20% less than the overall market.

During the second quarter, we have built up a

# new position. We see clear value drivers which will gradually materialize during the next three to five years. First and foremost, a new management team. Their initial task is to tackle the excessive overhead costs (2018–2019). Next phase (2019–2020) entails a transformation towards a more simplified business model with higher margins. Third step (2020–2021) focuses on growth opportunities including acquisitions within new high-growth segments. We are happy to welcome Munters into the Quest portfolio.

Our view is that the global economy will slow during the next year and that volatility will increase across equity markets. A generally split market with wide valuation differences across sectors is a challenge, but to an extent more of an opportunity for the prudent investor. The goal of Quest's alternative equity strategy is to deliver competitive returns independent of market trends. Currently, this strategy appears more relevant than ever.

#### **Fund Managers**



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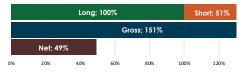


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#### Return

Class	NAV	1 mo	2019	Start
Α	182.95	-1.3%	10.4%	90.1%
В	149.07	-1.3%	10.4%	65.3%
С	187.52	-1.4%	10.3%	49.8%

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



<sup>&</sup>lt;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

# Top five holdings

Company	Value driver	% of fund
Alimak	Differentiate	12.4%
Catena	Expand	11.2%
Hoist Finance	Expand/execute	9.9%
Lindab	Transform	9.8%
Qliro Group	Transform/expand	9.4%
Total		52.7%

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



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> The return chart shows the fund's past performance in share class A compared with the NHX Equities index (current month's index figures are preliminary). The fund launched in february 2013, hence the figure for 2013 does not represent a full calendar year. The figure for the current year shows the return until the end of the current calendar month.

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#### 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

#### Value Creation Model

#### Differentiate

Business model Technology Service

**Transform** 

Transformation

M&A, Spin-offs

Capital structure

#### Expand

Expansion Geography, Products Organic, M&A

#### Execute

Management / Board Strategy / Targets Sustainability

#### **Detailed return**

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Year
2019	5.2%	3.1%	-2.4%	5.5%	0.2%	-1.3%							10.4%
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	2.9%	10.2%	0.36
Risk-free interest (OMRXTBILL90)	-0.7%	0.1%	0.00
Equity Hedge Fund Index (NHX Equities)	3.4%	4.0%	0.28
Swedish Equity Index (OMXSGI)	13.0%	12.6%	1.00
Swedish Small Cap Index (CSRX)	14.8%	12.3%	0.90

#### Risk / Reward Profile

Lower ris	ik				Н	igher risk
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Potentially lower reward Potentially higher reward						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 <a href="https://www.origocapital.se">www.origocapital.se</a>

If you have questions, please contact us at: <a href="mailto:kundservice@origocapital.se">kundservice@origocapital.se</a>

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 <a href="www.origocapital.se">www.origocapital.se</a>.



#### **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.  $\underline{\text{Class A}}$  suits larger investors and requires a minimum initial investment SEK 500 000.  $\underline{\text{Class B}}$  normally distributes an annual dividend and therefore fits foundations and others who prefer an annual direct return.  $\underline{\text{Class C}}$  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 financial 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 <a href="https://www.origocapital.se.">www.origocapital.se.</a>

The fund is open for trading on the last banking day of each month. To be able to handle your order, we must have 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 the costs for the administration. 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 <a href="https://www.origocapital.se">www.origocapital.se</a> for more information and a glossary.