

# **OVERVIEW**

The return of the Glocal Universe Fund in October 2023 amounted to 0.76% m/m. This brought the since-inception return up to 11.77% or 29.74% annualized.

The Armenian economy remained on the growth track in September 2023, as well, with a 5.3% y/y increase of the GDP. The 9M figure stood at 9.7% y/y. Trade turnover and construction works were the main drivers of the economic activity: +21.8% y/y and +15.7% y/y. Services increased by 4.6% y/y. Conversely, a decline of 4.3% y/y was reported for the industrial output.

During the same period, the volume of the external trade turnover surged by 7.2% y/y to USD 1,600.8mln, with exports up by 9.6% y/y to USD 654.6mln and imports up by 5.6% y/y to USD 946.2mln. Due to a faster growth of exports, the foreign trade deficit narrowed by USD 7.2mln y/y to USD 291.6mln.

The CPI increased by 0.1% y/y. Persistence of deflation threats forced the CBA to continue the expansionary monetary policy and make another 0.25pps cut of the refinancing rate (fourth consecutive) on 31 October. The new rate was set at 9.5%.

In October, the CBA sold USD 50.0mln at an average exchange rate of AMD 419.3. As of the end of the month, the Armenian Dram depreciated against both USD and EUR, standing at AMD 403.0 and AMD 428.8 respectively.

# **FUND FACTS**

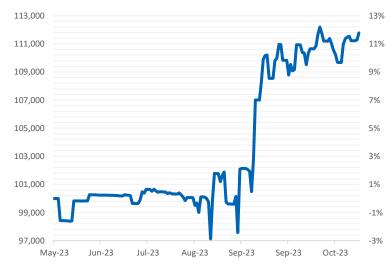
The Fund is registered with the Central Bank of Armenia with participation allowed to qualified investors.

NAV 31 October 2023	USD 111.77
Type of fund	Non-public, unclassified open-ended, contractual
Date of 1st NAV	29 May 2023
Base currency	USD
Holdings	Government and corporate Eurobonds and Bonds, stocks, depositary receipts, ETFs, financial derivatives, bank deposits and bank current accounts
Refinancing instrument	Repurchase agreements
NAV Calculation	Daily
Management fee	1.5% on NAV
Performance fee*	15%
Tax rate	0.01% of NAV
Initial investment, min.	USD 100,000
Distribution policy	Reinvesting
Unit custodian	Armbrok Investment Company
Assets under management	USD 1,563.60k
Net assets	USD 434.34k

<sup>\*</sup> Calculated and deducted at the end of each year following the placement of units, and if they are redeemed before the settlement date, upon redemption.

# **PERFORMANCE**

#### **Cumulative Performance Since Inception (per \$100K)**



Net of management fees and operational costs and taxes.

Returns to 31 October 2023	
Average Monthly Returns	2.11%
Since Inception	11.77%
Inception Annualized	29.74%
October 2023	0.76%

Risk Measures	
Standard Deviation of Returns (monthly)	4.37%
% Gain Periods	51.35%
Value at Risk (parametric) – 95% (monthly)	-5.07%

# Portfolio Allocation breakdown as of 31 October 2023

By Sector	
ETF	15.92%
Equity	8.66%
Cash	75.42%
By Currency	
USD	99.07%
AMD	0.81%
EUR	0.12%

Weighted by fair value

The Fund's total portfolio comprised 15.92% of ETF shares, 8.66% of other stocks, with the remaining 75.42% allocated in cash.

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