

IF "CBL European Leaders Equity Fund" Semi Annual report 2024 (EUR)



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INFORMATION ABOUT THE INVESTMENT FUND

Name of the Fund: "CBL European Leaders Equity Fund"

Type of the Fund: Investment fund

Date of registration of the Fund: 07.03.2013 Date of start of operations of the Fund: 20.11.2013 Number of the Fund: FL127

Name of the investment management company: "CBL Asset Management" IPAS

Registered office of the investment management

company:

Registration number of the investment

management company:

Number of the license for investment

management company operations:

40003577500

06.03.07.098/367

Name of the Fund's Custodian: SC" Citadele banka"

Registered office of the Fund's Custodian: Republikas laukums 2a, Riga, LV-1010, Latvia Registration number of the Fund's Custodian: 40103303559

Name, surname and position of members of the Supervisory Board and the Management Board of the investment management company:

Supervisory Board of the investment management company:

Republikas laukums 2a, Riga, LV-1010, Latvia

Chairperson of the Supervisory Board - Vaidas Žagūnis, appointed on

03.08.2021

Deputy Chairperson of the Supervisory Board - Vladimirs Ivanovs,

appointed on 03.08.2021

Member of the Supervisory Board - Ruta Ezerskiene - appointed on -

03.11.2023.

Management Board of the investment management company: Chairperson of the Management Board - Kārlis Purgailis Member of the Management Board - Zigurds Vaikulis Member of the Management Board - Lolita Sičeva

Rights and responsibilities related to the investment fund management:

Members of the Supervisory Board and Management Board shall perform all duties provided for in the laws and regulations of the Republic of Latvia and the Articles of Association of the investment

management company

Fund Managers: Andreis Pilka Edgars Lao

Rights and responsibilities related to the Fund management:

The Fund Managers shall perform all duties of the Fund Manager provided for in the laws and regulations of the Republic of Latvia, Articles of Association of the investment management company and

the Fund Prospectus

Auditors: Rainers Vilāns **Certified Auditor** Certificate No. 200

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Licence No. 55



INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT COMPANY REPORT

The asset manager of the investment fund CBL European Leaders Equity Fund (hereinafter – the Fund) is CBL Asset Management, an investment management company with registered office at Republikas laukums 2a, Riga, LV-1010, and registration number 40003577500 (hereinafter – the Company). The investment company's operating licence number is 06.03.07.098/367, which was last re-registered on 19 January 2015.

The Fund's investment objective is to achieve long-term capital growth by primarily investing in shares of companies incorporated or operating mainly in Europe. The Fund generates income through share price appreciation and dividend income. Regarding the Investments underlying this financial product the EU criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities were not considered.

In the first half of 2024, the fund's net assets increased by EUR 1,999,443 and amounted to EUR 10,369,911. The value of gross assets aso f 30.06.2024 amounted to EUR 10,389,450. As at 30 June 2024, the value of the unit increased by EUR 4.76, reaching EUR 55.77. The total yield of the Fund in the first half of 2024 was positive 9.33% in euros according to the ECB exchange rates, fixed by the financial markets at the end of the day.

Global equity markets showed very strong gains in the first half of 2024, continuing robust performance of the previous year. In the first six months of the year, the S&P 500, the main US equity index, climbed by 15.3%, the Stoxx Europe 600, the broad European market index, rose by 9.5% and emerging markets were relatively weaker, with equity indices rising by an average of 7.6%. The macroeconomic situation continued to improve. The US economy was particularly positive, with strong consumer demand, low unemployment and high business activity. In response to the positive macroeconomic data, economists rushed to raise their US GDP growth forecasts for 2024, which improved from 1.3% to 2.4% over the half-year. The euro area economy did not see the same strong improvement in forecasts, but the situation in the region provided the ground for investors' optimism as well. Natural gas shortages did not become a problem in Europe during the winter season, with storage facilities remaining relatively full and the price of natural gas remaining at relatively low levels. Economic activity indicators in Europe have started to improve markedly and the economic cycle seems to be turning upwards. After two quarters of stagnation, the euro area economy finally returned to growth in the first quarter of 2024.

Euro area inflation continued its steady decline to 2.5%, relatively close to the European Central Bank's (ECB) target. As a result, the ECB reacted with its first interest rate cut in an effort to support the region's economic growth and promote financial stability. In the first months of the year, US inflation data provided negative surprises, suggesting that inflation was more resilient. This prompted the Fed to adjust its interest rate easing projections, maintaining its stance of "higher interest rates for longer", while at the same time virtually ruling out the likelihood of further interest rate hikes. Data released in May and June already pointed to a resumption of disinflationary processes in the US, which encouraged market participants to anticipate a faster easing of monetary policy by the Fed.

In addition to the improving macroeconomic situation, strong corporate earnings reports contributed to the upswing in equity markets. More than 80% of US companies beat analysts' first-quarter earnings estimates by more than 8% and profits rose by almost 8% year-on-year. European companies beat earnings estimates by almost 9% on average and around 60% of issuers delivered a positive surprise. The Information Technology sector performed particularly well, supported by strong global demand for technological innovations and products related to the development of artificial intelligence. The good financial results encouraged analysts to raise their earnings forecasts for both European and American companies, which were important stock market drivers in the first half of the year.

The European Union and subsequent French parliamentary elections have created some uncertainty as they could have a negative impact on the stability of the European economy through increased public spending and the growing popularity of protectionism. The European Union's plan to impose tariffs on Chinese electric cars raised legitimate concerns that China might impose tariffs against European goods. China is a very important export market for many companies in European stock indices. These factors left some pressure on European issuers in the second quarter, but overall had little impact on the excellent performance of European equity markets in the first half of the year.

During the period, the Fund grew by 9.31%. The largest positive contributors to the Fund's performance were the Technology, Consumer and Industrials sectors. The largest negative contribution to the Fund's performance came from the materials sector. At the end of the period, the cash position represented 2.16% of the Fund's net assets.

Total management expenses for the period under review amounted to EUR 82,955, which does not exceed the 4.00% ceiling set in the Fund's prospectus. The assets of the Fund during the reporting period covered the remuneration of the investment management company for the management of the Fund's assets of EUR 64,952, the remuneration of the custodian bank of EUR 8,351, and other expenses of EUR 9,652. The prospectuses of the investment funds managed by the Company do not provide for performance fees.

On behalf of the Management Board of the Inves	stment Management Company:	
Kārlis Purgailis Chairperson of the Management Board	Andrejs Piļka Fund Manager	Edgars Lao Fund Manager

^{*}This report is signed with a secure electronic signature and contains a time stamp.



STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

	Notes	30.06.2024.	31.12.2023.
Assets			
Due on demand from credit institutions	1	224,184	177,622
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss:			
Equity instruments	2	10,165,266	8,208,872
Total assets		10,389,450	8,386,494
Liabilities			
Accrued expenses		(19,539)	(16,026)
Total liabilities		(19,539)	(16,026)
Net assets		10,369,911	8,370,468

The annexes on pages 8 to 10 are an integral part of these financial statements.

On behalf of the Management Board of the Investment Management Company:

Kārlis Purgailis Chairperson of the Management Board

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STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENSES

	Notes	01.01.2024 30.06.2024.	01.01.2023 30.06.2023.
Income for the reporting period			
Interest income		1,356	157
Dividend income		81,430	77,360
Other revenue		531	6,015
Total income		83,317	83,532
Expenses for the reporting period			
Remuneration to the investment management company		(64,952)	(48,641)
Remuneration to the custodian bank		(8,351)	(6,254)
Other Fund management expenses		(9,652)	(8,655)
Total expenses		(82,955)	(63,550)
Increase in investment value			
Realised (decrease)/increase in investment value		(220,455)	22,311
Unrealised increase in investment value		1,031,261	1,013,998
Total increase in investment value		810,806	1,036,309
Increase in net assets from investments		811,168	1,056,291

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On behalf of the Management Board of the Investment Management Company:

Kārlis Purgailis
Chairperson of the Management
Board

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS

	Notes	01.01.2024 30.06.2024.	01.01.2023 30.06.2023.
Net assets at the beginning of the reporting period		8,370,468	6,327,317
Increase in net assets from investment		811,168	1,056,291
Transactions in share certificates and units			
Inflow from sale of share certificates and units		1,893,028	557,495
Outflow on redemption of share certificates and units		(704,753)	(393,758)
Increase in net assets from transactions in share certificates and units		1,188,275	163,737
Increase in net assets during the reporting period		1,999,443	1,220,028
Net assets at the end of the reporting period	3	10,369,911	7,547,345
Number of issued share certificates and units at the beginning of the			
reporting year		164,080	151,419
Number of issued share certificates and units at the end of the reporting			
year	3	185,926	154,947
Net assets per share certificate and unit at the beginning of the reporting			
year		51.01	41.79
Net assets per share certificate and unit at the end of the reporting year	3	55.77	48.71

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On behalf of the Management Board of the Investment Management Company:

Kārlis Purgailis Chairperson of the Management Board

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 1 DUE ON DEMAND FROM CREDIT INSTITUTIONS

		% of the Fund's		
		net assets		
	30.06.2024	30.06.2024.	31.12.2023.	31.12.2023.
Due on demand from credit institutions SC Citadele				
banka	224,184	2.16%	177,622	2.12%

NOTE 2 EQUITY INSTRUMENTS

All equity instruments are financial assets at fair value through profit or loss. The following table shows the equity instruments by country of origin of the issuer at 30 June 2024:

Financial instrument	ISIN code	Currency	Quantity	Acquisition value (EUR)	Carrying amount 30.06.2024.	% of the Fund's net assets 30.06.2024.
Financial instruments traded o	n regulated markets	<u>:</u>		<u>7,945,781</u>	10,165,266	<u>98.03%</u>
Equity instruments of Swiss is	suers:			1,544,335	1,811,775	17.46%
ABB Ltd	CH0012221716	CHF	6,615	214,005	342,697	3.30%
VAT Group AG	CH0311864901	CHF	640	227,896	339,199	3.27%
Partners Group Holding AG	CH0024608827	CHF	221	243,609	264,493	2.55%
Inficon Holding AG	CH0011029946	CHF	180	263,839	255,221	2.46%
Logitech International SA	CH0025751329	CHF	2,804	191,447	253,041	2.44%
Cie Financiere Richemont SA	CH0210483332	CHF	1,427	186,774	208,629	2.01%
Temenos AG	CH0012453913	CHF	2,300	216,765	148,495	1.43%
Equity instruments of German	issuers:			1,202,818	1,545,695	14.90%
SAP AG	DE0007164600	EUR	1,800	225,102	342,504	3.30%
Nemetschek SE	DE0006452907	EUR	3,199	190,785	296,707	2.86%
Rational AG	DE0007010803	EUR	295	228,854	231,722	2.23%
Scout24 SE	DE000A12DM80	EUR	3,212	205,469	229,497	2.21%
Beiersdorf AG CTS Eventim AG & Co.	DE0005200000	EUR	1,671	180,739	227,924	2.20%
KGaA	DE0005470306	EUR	2,790	171,869	217,341	2.10%
Equity instruments of Dutch is:	suers:			856,540	1,500,479	14.48%
ASM International NV	NL0000334118	EUR	550	171,601	391,160	3.78%
ASML Holding NV	NL0010273215	EUR	376	118,312	364,006	3.51%
Wolters Kluwer NV BE Semiconductor Industries	NL0000395903	EUR	2,096	229,386	324,461	3.13%
NV	NL0012866412	EUR	1,838	151,470	287,004	2.77%
Adyen NV	NL0012969182	EUR	120	185,771	133,848	1.29%
Equity instruments of French is				989,413	1,117,876	10.77%
Safran SA	FR0000073272	EUR	1,355	241,665	267,341	2.58%
Schneider Electric SE	FR0000121972	EUR	1,150	265,717	258,290	2.49%
LVMH Moet Hennessy Louis						
Vuitton SA	FR0000121014	EUR	299	207,414	214,024	2.06%
Hermes International	FR0000052292	EUR	91	106,603	195,286	1.88%
LOreal SA	FR0000120321	EUR	447	168,014	182,935	1.76%
Equity instruments of UK issue	ers:			952,871	1,037,905	10.01%
RELX PLC	GB00B2B0DG97	GBP	5,555	164,255	239,427	2.31%
Computacenter PLC	GB00BV9FP302	GBP	7,000	242,060	238,853	2.30%
Next PLC	GB0032089863	GBP	2,007	193,441	215,217	2.08%
Auto Trader Group PLC	GB00BVYVFW23	GBP	20,000	174,320	189,513	1.83%
Sage Group PLC/The	GB00B8C3BL03	GBP	12,000	178,795	154,895	1.49%
Equity instruments of Swedish				639,655	735,314	7.10%
Atlas Copco AB	SE0017486889	SEK	18,200	255,229	318,995	3.08%
AAK AB	SE0011337708	SEK	8,889	212,276	243,363	2.35%
Evolution Gaming Group AB	SE0012673267	SEK	1,778	172,150	172,956	1.67%
Equity instruments of Danish is				450,751	612,762	5.92%
Novo Nordisk A/S	DK0062498333	DKK	2,870	261,874	387,003	3.74%
ROCKWOOL A/S	DK0010219153	DKK	600	188,877	225,759	2.18%
Equity instruments of Polish is			_	400,687	477,906	4.61%
LPP SA	PLLPP0000011	PLN	65	209,308	257,345	2.48%
Dino Polska SA	PLDINPL00011	PLN	2,338	191,379	220,561	2.13%



				Acquisition value	Carrying amount	% of the Fund's net assets
Financial instrument	ISIN code	Currency	Quantity	(EUR)	30.06.2024.	30.06.2024.
Equity instruments of Italian is	Equity instruments of Italian issuers:			363,810	410,525	3.95%
Ferrari NV	NL0011585146	EUR	558	176,586	212,989	2.05%
Moncler SpA	IT0004965148	EUR	3,439	187,224	197,536	1.90%
Equity instruments of Spanish	issuers:			193,390	337,354	3.25%
Industria de Diseno Textil SA	ES0148396007	EUR	7,269	193,390	337,354	3.25%
Equity instruments of Norweg	ian issuers:			158,995	316,855	3.06%
Kongsberg Gruppen ASA	NO0003043309	NOK	4,153	158,995	316,855	3.06%
Debt instruments of issuers in	Belgium:			192,516	260,820	2.52%
Lotus Bakeries NV	BE0003604155	EUR	27	192,516	260,820	2.52%
Total equity instruments:				7,945,781	10,165,266	98.03%

The following table shows the equity instruments by country of origin of the issuer at 31 December 2023:

Financial instrument	ISIN code	Currency	Quantity	Acquisition value (EUR)	Carrying amount 31.12.2023.	% of the Fund's net assets 31.12.2023.
Financial instruments traded of	Financial instruments traded on regulated markets:				<u>8,208,872</u>	<u>98.07%</u>
Equity instruments of German	issuers:			1,679,190	1,973,030	23.57%
Beiersdorf AG	DE0005200000	EUR	1,815	195,249	245,570	2.93%
AIXTRON SE	DE000A0WMPJ6	EUR	6,350	151,330	245,110	2.93%
Infineon Technologies AG	DE0006231004	EUR	6,138	191,257	231,525	2.77%
SAP AG	DE0007164600	EUR	1,629	196,016	227,343	2.72%
Nemetschek SE	DE0006452907	EUR	2,870	154,261	225,065	2.69%
Scout24 SE	DE000A12DM80	EUR	3,212	205,469	206,018	2.46%
Muenchener						
Rueckversicherungs	DE0008430026	EUR	470	156,629	176,814	2.11%
CTS Eventim AG & Co. KGaA	DE0005470306	EUR	2,500	144,797	156,875	1.87%
Hannover Rueck SE	DE0008402215	EUR	700	145,867	150,710	1.80%
Dr Ing hc F Porsche AG	DE000PAG9113	EUR	1,350	138,315	108,000	1.29%
Equity instruments of Swiss is	suers:			1,597,931	1,913,391	22.86%
VAT Group AG	CH0311864901	CHF	578	199,007	263,970	3.15%
Partners Group Holding AG	CH0024608827	CHF	191	202,787	250,365	2.99%
STMicroelectronics NV	NL0000226223	EUR	4,966	204,082	225,034	2.69%
ABB Ltd	CH0012221716	CHF	5,472	165,306	220,003	2.63%
Logitech International SA	CH0025751329	CHF	2,550	164,712	219,256	2.62%
Belimo Holding AG	CH1101098163	CHF	415	194,574	206,783	2.47%
Sika AG	CH0418792922	CHF	696	177,333	205,568	2.46%
Straumann Holding AG	CH1175448666	CHF	1,350	167,831	197,324	2.36%
Cie Financiere Richemont SA	CH0210483332	CHF	1,002	122,299	125,088	1.49%
Equity instruments of Dutch is	suers:			838,256	1,170,493	13.99%
BE Semiconductor Industries						
NV	NL0012866412	EUR	1,970	162,348	269,595	3.22%
ASM International NV	NL0000334118	EUR	550	171,601	259,078	3.10%
ASML Holding NV	NL0010273215	EUR	376	118,312	256,582	3.06%
Wolters Kluwer NV	NL0000395903	EUR	1,900	200,224	244,910	2.93%
Adyen NV	NL0012969182	EUR	120	185,771	140,328	1.68%
Equity instruments of French i				432,528	556,678	6.64%
LOreal SA	FR0000120321	EUR	447	168,014	202,089	2.41%
LVMH Moet Hennessy Louis						
Vuitton SA	FR0000121014	EUR	244	157,911	179,560	2.14%
Hermes International	FR0000052292	EUR	91	106,603	175,029	2.09%
Equity instruments of Polish is	suers:			358,101	444,489	5.31%
LPP SA	PLLPP0000011	PLN	60	189,169	222,606	2.66%
Dino Polska SA	PLDINPL00011	PLN	2,095	168,932	221,883	2.65%
Equity instruments of Swedish				296,150	364,762	4.36%
Atlas Copco AB	SE0017486889	SEK	12,000	147,010	187,689	2.24%
Evolution Gaming Group AB	SE0012673267	SEK	1,630	149,140	177,073	2.12%



Financial instrument	ISIN code	Currency	Quantity	Acquisition value (EUR)	Carrying amount 31.12.2023.	% of the Fund's net assets 31.12.2023.
Equity instruments of UK issue	ers:			309,051	350,450	4.19%
RELX PLC	GB00B2B0DG97	GBP	5,096	138,467	182,308	2.18%
Next PLC	GB0032089863	GBP	1,800	170,584	168,142	2.01%
Equity instruments of Italian is	ssuers:			319,341	328,889	3.93%
Moncler SpA	IT0004965148	EUR	3,118	167,513	174,359	2.08%
Ferrari NV	NL0011585146	EUR	505	151,828	154,530	1.85%
Equity instruments of Danish issuers:			261,874	268,404	3.21%	
Novo Nordisk A/S	DK0062498333	DKK	2,870	261,874	268,404	3.21%
Equity instruments of Spanish	issuers:			164,253	259,934	3.10%
Industria de Diseno Textil SA	ES0148396007	EUR	6,564	164,253	259,934	3.10%
Debt instruments of issuers in	Belgium:			213,401	247,500	2.96%
Lotus Bakeries NV	BE0003604155	EUR	30	213,401	247,500	2.96%
Equity instruments of Norwegi	ian issuers:			158,995	171,876	2.05%
Kongsberg Gruppen ASA	NO0003043309	NOK	4,153	158,995	171,876	2.05%
Equity instruments of Portuguese issuers:				156,334	158,976	1.90%
Jeronimo Martins SGPS SA	PTJMT0AE0001	EUR	6,900	156,334	158,976	1.90%
Total equity instruments:	_			6,785,405	8,208,872	98.07%

NOTE 3 PERFORMANCE DYNAMICS OF THE INVESTMENT FUND

	30.06.2024.	31.12.2023.	31.12.2022.
Net assets (EUR)*	10,369,911	8,370,468	6,327,317
Number of share certificates	185,926	164,080	151,419
Value of the unit of the Fund (EUR)	55.77	51.01	41.79
Fund return**	9.33%	22.06%	(35.79%)

^{*} Net asset value in EUR determined using end-of-day foreign exchange rates quoted in financial markets.

^{**} Return is calculated assuming there are 365 days in a year.