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TRUSTORY

PERFORMANCE

PERIOD	1M	3M	YTD	3Y	5Y	SINCE INCEPTION
RESULT	1.20%	-2.67%	-2.67%	14.44%	18.13%	67.62%
BENCHMARK*	0.44%	4.77%	4.77%	12.20%	15.93%	55.48%

*Kosovo Consumer Price Index as published by the Kosovo Agency for Statistics.

MONTHLY CHANGES

MONTH	MONTHLY UNIT PRICE CHANGE		GROSS RETURN (in million)	NET RETURN (in million)
	STANDARD	KONSERVATIVE		
January	-2.39%	--	€(55.51)	€(56.25)
February	-1.47%	+0.07%	€(32.55)	€(33.22)
March	1.20%	+0.26%	€27.56	€26.82
Quarter	-2.67%	+0.36%	€(60.50)	€(62.65)

CONTRIBUTION

	NEW CONTRIBUTION (in million)	NEW ACCOUNTS	ACTIVE ACCOUNTS
January	€19.96	2,509	303,854
February	€17.96	2,997	303,437
March	€18.11	2,554	317,803
Quarter	€56.03	8,060	308,365*

* quarterly average

RETIREMENT

	PENSION BENEFICIARIES	WITHDRAWN AMOUNT
January	482	€3,439,005
February	628	€4,523,129
March	642	€5,710,049
Quarter	1,752	€13,672,183

SUMMARY OF KEY FACTS

	END OF Q1 2022	END OF Q4 2021
STANDARD UNIT PRICE	€1.676158	€1.7222
KONSERVATIVE UNIT PRICE	€2.007017	--
ASSETS UNDER MANAGEMENT	€2,353,174,911	€2,353,174,908
NUMBER OF ALL ACCOUNTS	769,839	752,523
NUMBER OF ACTIVE ACCOUNTS	317,803	419,654
INVESTMENT FEE FOR THE QUARTER	€1,824,966	€1,886,646
OPERATION FEE FOR THE QUARTER	€325,072	€376,637
INVESTMENTS IN KOSOVO	€597,122,424	€536,279,867
INVESTMENT OUTSIDE KOSOVO	€1,732,712,669	€1,808,309,791
UN-INVESTED (CASH IN CENTRAL BANK OF KOSOVO)	€4,903,847	€9,313,041

ALLOCATION AND PERFORMANCE IN THE END OF Q1 2022

MANAGER ISSUER	ISIN NUMBER OR ISSUER NAME	ALLOCATION AS OF END OF Q1 2022	GROSS RETURN ON INVESTMENT FOR THE PERIOD
Vanguard GSIF	IE00B03HD316	€22,525,228.11	€(835,118.99)
Nordea 1-SRF	LU0539147214	€347,269,682.48	€(12,544,263.79)
Nordea 1-GSEF	LU0257969260	€117,299,838.04	€3,488,461.65
BNY Mellon RRF	IE00B504KX99	€298,562,512.66	€(19,085,894.14)
AXA GILB	LU0227145629	--	€(393,667.12)
Amundi Euro Liquidity-Rated SRI	FRO007038138	€131,703,526.90	€(332,674.18)
BNP Parvest DD	LU0102035119	--	€(3,354,516.04)
iShares Edge S&P 500 MinVol	IE00BYX8XD24	--	€(1,043,652.58)
iShares Edge MSCI Europe	IE00B86MWN23	--	€(1,370,154.18)
Invesco QQQ UCITS	US46090E1038	€105,815,359.27	€5,479,792.06
Amundi MSCI Eu Qual Fact	LU1681041890	--	€(4,513,952.16)
SP OilGas Expl ETF	US91232N2071	€26,605,242.40	€6,778,432.21
FirstT CybrSec ETF	US33734X8469	--	€(3,307,826.71)
L&G E-commerce and Logistics	IE00BFOM6N54	--	€(3,408,586.84)
US Infrastructure Dev ETF	US37954Y6730	€46,281,330.31	€299,646.84
US Infrastructure ETF	US46435U7138	€46,472,344.13	€2,245,399.74
Real Estate US ETF	US9229085538	--	€(5,745,839.50)
Pacer Industrial Real Estate	US69374H7668	--	€(5,281,034.44)
Invesco DB Base Metals ETF	US46140H7008	€54,705,290.33	€8,991,183.30
iShares Global Clean Energy ETF	US4642882249	--	€(1,492,987.24)
First Trust Green Energy Fund	US33733E5006	--	€(4,554,510.88)
Schroder ISF Global Sustainable Growth	LU2305367323	€1,674,729.04	€(2,276,639.20)
BNP Climate Impact	LU0406802768	€2,546,406.97	€(2,748,206.62)
AXA WF - Framlington Digital Economy	LU1694772994	€2,426,381.53	€(3,581,366.59)
T. Rowe - Global Technology Equity	LU1244139827	€1,973,440.96	€(5,277,489.75)
Amundi Global Disruptive	LU1530899811	€2,475,798.15	€(3,650,879.96)
Goldman Sachs Global Millennials	LU1820776075	€1,357,009.54	€(4,829,097.31)
Lyxor US\$ 10Y Inflation Expectations ETF	LU1390062831	€87,922,548.00	€5,566,059.74
Lyxor EUR 2-10Y Inflation Expectations ETF	LU1390062245	€59,999,667.14	€3,042,938.14
Vanguard Value ETF	US9229087443	€86,125,681.92	€3,775,553.57
Invesco KBW Bank ETF	US46138E6288	€80,116,175.02	€(4,032,101.11)
iShares Edge MSCI Europe Val. Factor ETF	IE00BQN1K901	€81,814,960.75	€(2,452,435.05)
Lyxor EURO STOXX Banks ETF	LU1829219390	€72,581,475.90	€(12,463,990.37)
SPDR S&P Oil & Gas Explor. & Prod. ETF	US78468R5569	€54,458,039.58	€4,446,330.38
Treasury of the Republic of Kosovo ¹⁾	Kosovo TB	€542,491,039.43	€2,843,050.64
Bank deposits in banks in Kosovo ¹⁾	Term deposits	€54,631,384.55	€194,189.96
CBK - cash	Un-invested	€4,903,847.34	€(34,076.24)
Other income	--	--	€963,586.92
TOTAL		€2,334,738,940.45	€(60,496,335.84)

¹⁾ These investments are with fixed interest rates.

NEWS

<p>KPST ACCOUNT STATEMENTS NOW WITH QR CODE VERIFICATION</p>	<p>In order to facilitate the verification of the statements of accounts in the KPST, from April 1, 2022 all the account statements generated by the KPST will have in them presented the digital code (QR Code). Through QR code any statement can be verified by a smartphone or device dedicated to scanning QR codes.</p> <p>Thus contributors will find it very easy to confirm the authenticity of the statements of accounts everywhere, without the need for them to be sealed.</p>
<p>KPST IN AN INFORMATIVE MEETING WITH THE HEADS OF THE CBK</p>	<p>The Governor of the Central Bank of the Republic of Kosovo (CBK), Fehmi Mehmeti, received in a meeting the representatives of the Kosovo Pension Savings Fund (KPST), respectively the Chairman of the Board, Ruzhdi Morina, and the Managing Director, Adrian Zalli.</p> <p>The main topic of the meeting was the heads of CBK leaders about the current state of KPST investments in financial markets after the recent events in Ukraine.</p> <p>Mr Morina announced that after 2021, when KPST investments had increased by about 11%, at the beginning of this year, as due to the negative effects of the pandemic on the supply chain, but especially since the war in Ukraine, KPST investments have had a decline, which is currently around 4%. Given that the main indices in the financial markets have currently declined from 15% to 20%, the 4% decline in KPST investments can be considered quite restrained. This is mainly as a result of the protective measures that the Board of Directors has taken during January and February of this year.</p> <p>Also, Mr Morina notified Governor Mehmeti of the second measure imposed by the Board of Directors, launching the Conservative portfolio for contributors aged 63.5 and older. Under this measure, their assets will be calculated invested in the Treasury Bills of the Republic of Kosovo and no contributor 18 months or less close to retirement will be affected by the movements of the financial markets.</p> <p>Mr Mehmeti, on the other hand, after thanking for the information, praised the efforts of the Board of Directors of KPST for the measures taken, which have reduced the risk and impact of these movements on contributors. The Governor stressed the need for regular meetings between the two institutions, in order to continuously monitor the situation and to ensure the appropriate institutional response in the service of protecting the interests of contributors.</p>
<p>KPST IMPLEMENTS THE PORTFOLIO BY AGE GROUPS</p>	<p>Pursuant to the responsibilities and powers defined by the Law on Pension Funds and in the course of the investment strategy on pension assets, KPST Governing Board, in the last meeting held on February 2002, reviewed and decided on the functioning of an additional investment portfolio for persons who are 18 months before retirement age in order to reduce volatility for contributors who are close to retirement. The decision to allocate pension funds according to certain age groups is also a concept which the Governing Board has considered for a long time and has been actively working, analyzing different implementation factors and modalities. In the course of the decision-making for the implementation of the division of contributors in age groups, the Governing Board took into account the recent developments in the financial markets, the unstable geopolitical situation, as well as the positive returns from investments over the previous years.</p> <p>It should be noted that designing several investment plans is a novelty in our pension system and as such is at the service of contributors as a safeguarding mechanism. The breakdown of contributors by age enables the base portfolio (which will include younger contributors) to have a risky investment strategy and potential return on investment, as their age allows for such an approach. Regarding the designed plan (for contributors close to retirement) investments will be more conservative, where the primary goal is to safeguard and maintain the profits accumulated over the years. More specifically, the decision is that, on a monthly basis, contributors reaching the age of 63.5 years (or 18 months before retirement age) will be transferred to a special investment portfolio which will consist mainly of Kosovo Treasury Bills (over 90%), offering a constant return on investment without significant oscillations.</p>

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