

# ADVANCE INVEST

## Investment Objective

To seek long term capital appreciation through investments in stocks listed on the Bulgarian & Romanian markets. The fund is actively managed through bottom-up selection of undervalued stocks with high growth potential as determined by fundamental measures.



\*This is marketing material

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### Fund Manager's Comment

Stock indices in Bulgaria and Romania continued to trail behind the regional benchmark and the top performing CEE markets in July. The Bulgarian SOFIX increased 2.6%, while the Romanian BET gained 6.0%. Trading activity in Sofia was seasonally lower, with equity turnover down 44% MoM. The average daily liquidity on the Bucharest Stock Exchange was significantly higher, up 160% MoM, against the backdrop of Hidroelectrica's IPO.

Among SOFIX constituents, Shelly Group (a.k.a. Allterco) recorded the highest monthly return (SLYG, +16.9%) and had an outsized contribution to the index performance, as analyst continued to revise upwards the company's revenue and net profit forecasts. FIB (+8.3%) was the second best performing stock, as the bank reported more than double net income in 1H23 (BGN 74.5mn vs 30.8mn in 1H22). Among the outperformers were also MONB (+7.9%), BSE (+5.0%), GR6 (+4.1%) and BREF (+3.8%), with the latter reporting a new long-term tenant and marked increase in the occupancy rate in one of its office buildings.

The Romanian BET increased 6.0%, as trading activity was elevated by Hidroelectrica's IPO. Among index-heavy sectors, financials outperformed again (+11.9%), while energy stocks gains were more modest (+4.9%). Utilities emerged as the third largest sector, as their weight doubled to almost 20% after the inclusion of Hidroelctrica.

The fund's NAV per share was up 4.2%. Sector wise, information technology and financials contributed more than half of the monthly return, followed by industrials and energy stocks. Previously big UW, utilities had the second highest total return, as we opened a new position in Hidroelectrica.

### Fund Facts

Fund type	open-end
Fund Manager	Georgi Georgiev
Fund size	BGN 12.61 M
NAV/share	BGN 1.9293
Launch date	10/05/2004
Benchmark	MSCI EFM Europe + CIS ex RU
Currency of account	BGN (1EUR = BGN 1.95583)
Subscription fee	up to 1.50%
Management fee	2.5 % NAV p.a.
Redemption fee	none
Minimum investment	none

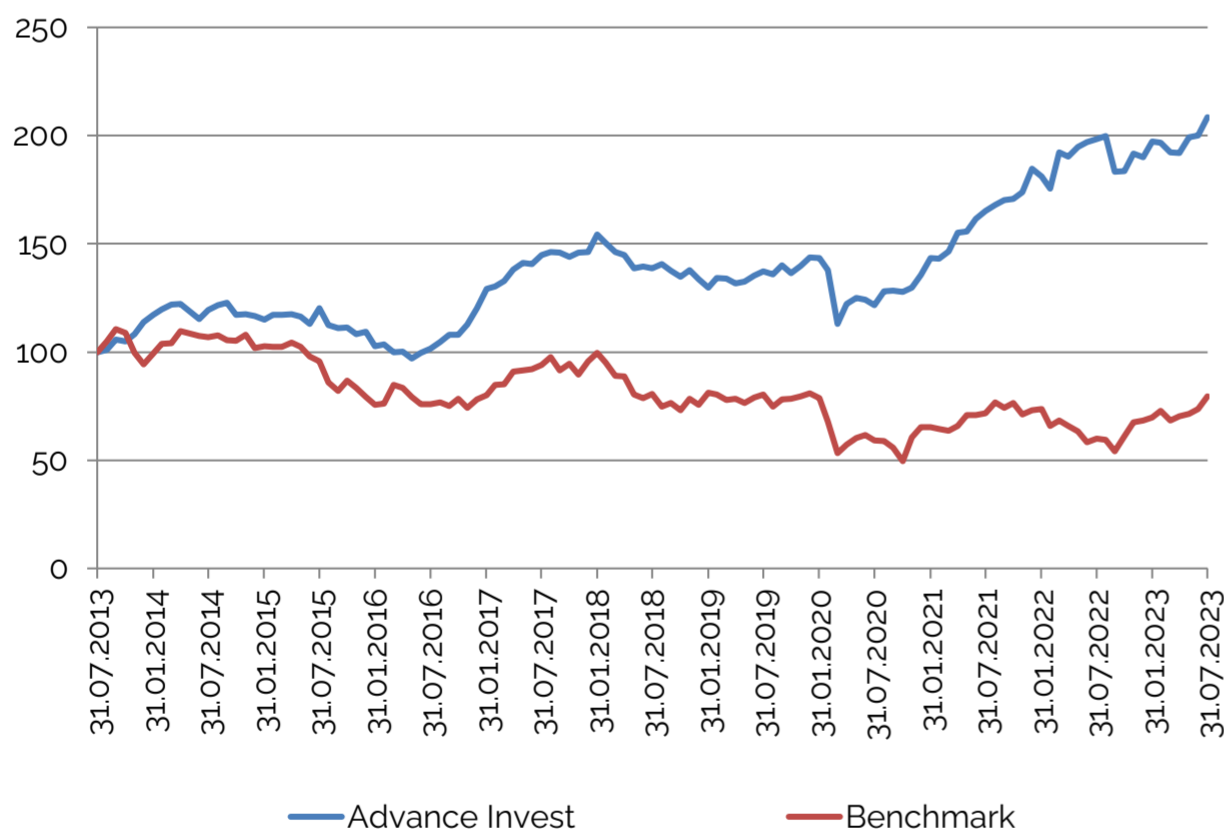
### Fund Identifiers

ISIN	BG9000014134
Reuters Lipper	68417296
Код в Bloomberg	ADVIMFD BU

### Fund Results

	Fund	Benchmark
1 month	4.24%	7.85%
1 year	5.04%	32.57%
Year to Date	9.79%	16.28%
Since Launch (annualized)	3.48%	1.41%

### Fund performance vs Benchmark

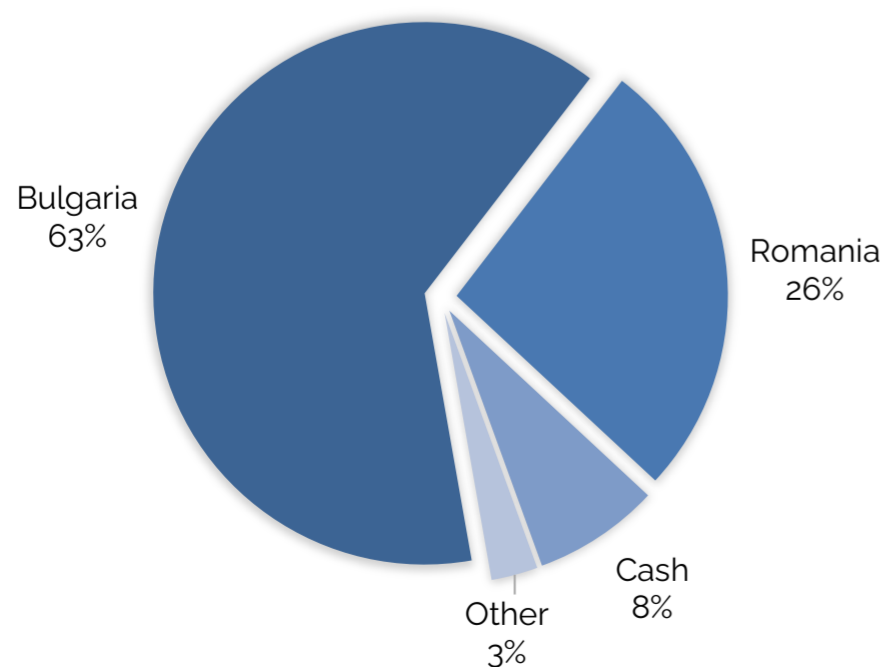


### Annual Performance

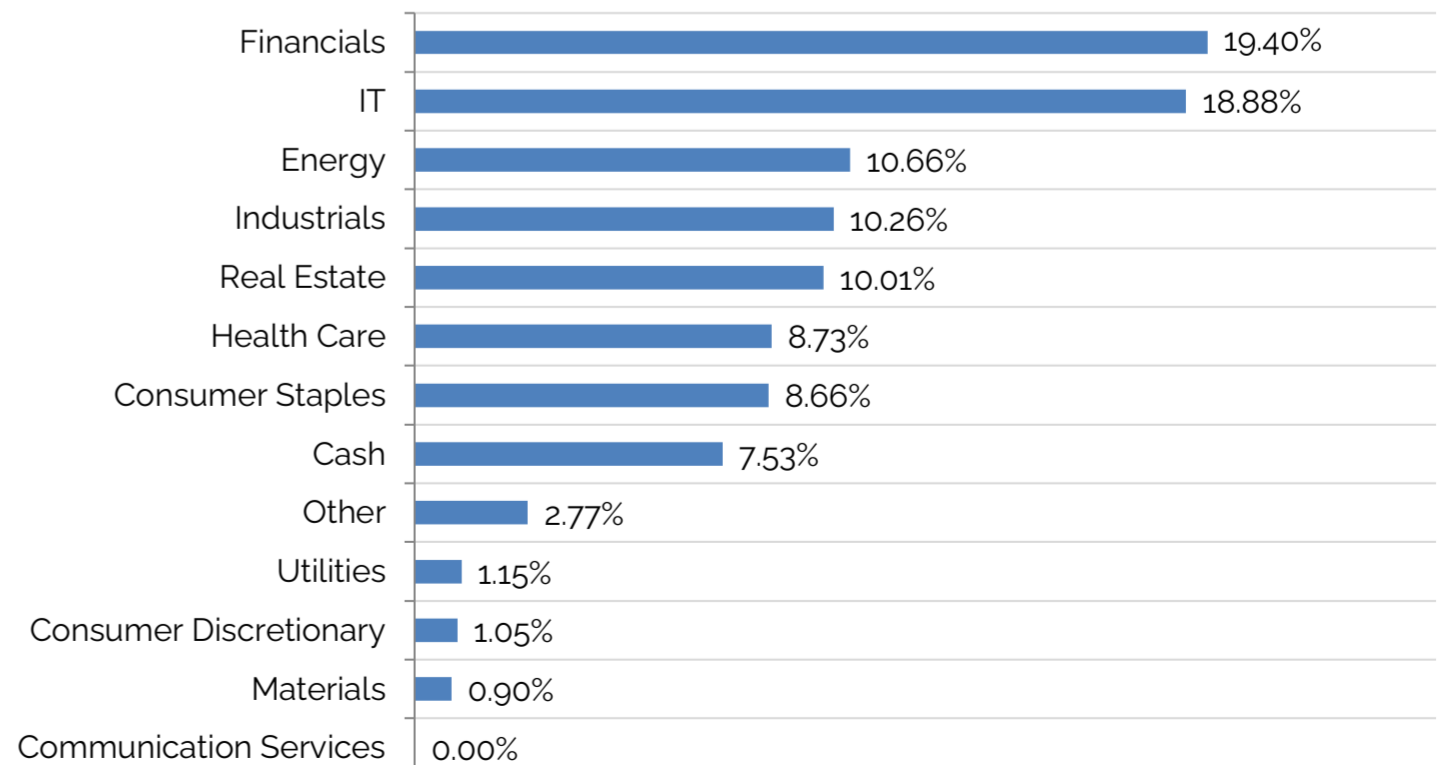
Year	Fund	Benchmark
2022	2.84%	-6.49%
2021	36.06%	11.71%
2020	-5.56%	-19.20%
2019	7.62%	6.91%
2018	-8.79%	-20.91%
2017	21.56%	22.39%
2016	10.02%	-1.29%
2015	-6.26%	-22.13%
2014	5.61%	2.24%
2013	18.95%	-16.81%
2012	-5.02%	34.08%
2011	-17.02%	-29.75%
2010	-11.73%	16.29%
2009	2.20%	51.49%
2008	-66.57%	-56.45%
2007	55.37%	20.71%
2006	31.20%	9.97%
2005	32.60%	51.04%
2004	38.00%	-17.05%

### Portfolio Breakdown

#### Market Breakdown



#### Sector Breakdown



### 5 Largest holdings

Agria Group Holding Jsc (Bulgaria), Consumer Staples	OMV PETROM, Romania, Energy	ELEVEN CAPITAL (Bulgaria), Information technology	Advance Terrafund REIT (Bulgaria), Real Estate	Shelly Group, Bulgaria, IT
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