

# 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.



30 April 2019

### Fund Manager's Comment

The optimism in the global financial markets had a positive impact on Bucharest stock exchange, but has failed to affect investors in Sofia. The SOFIX index was the only losing indicator YTD in Central and Eastern Europe.

The positive sentiment in Romania has brought the indices to new higher values. The main BET index reached 8045.38 points, or a monthly growth of 4.3%. The BET-TR index reported an increase of 4.4%. The shares of MedLife (+ 10.2% MoM), OMV Petrom (+7.1% MoM), Fondul Proprietatea (+6.9% MoM) were among the best performers. The corporate results published by Banka Transilvania and BRD-SGS boosted investors' expectations for good financial results, even accounting for the new tax on assets.

Despite the positive trend, the political situation in Romania remains tense. PSD withdrew its support for the Justice Minister, and he has since been replaced by an interim minister. President Klaus Iohannis announced he would hold a referendum on the day of the European elections, May 26, asking voters to support the fight against corruption.

In April, the Bulgarian stock index SOFIX dropped to 570.84 points. The wider market indicator BGTR30 also dropped to 498.93 points - a monthly decline of 1.4%. Trading remained calm as investors were expecting the public companies' Q1 statements to be published. The published unconsolidated reports, however, failed to spark any trading activity. The disappointment came as most companies showed a decrease in profitability and a slight increase in revenues.

In April, Advance Invest reported a decline of 1.61%, while the benchmark MSCI EFM Europe + CIS ex RU posted a 0.6% increase. The fund continues to outperform its benchmark for the past year as well as 3 and 5 years back.

### Fund Facts

Fund type	open-end
Fund Manager	Tihomir Kaundzhiev
Fund size	BGN 7.80 M
NAV/share	BGN 1.2184
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

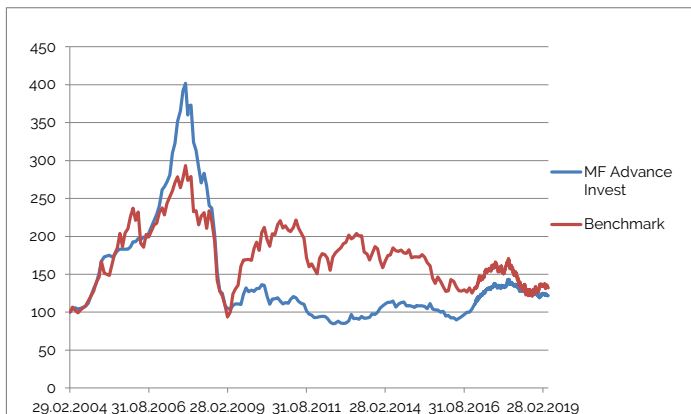
### Fund Identifiers

ISIN	BG9000014134
Reuters Lipper	68417296
Код в Bloomberg	ADVIMFD BU

### Fund Results

	Fund	Benchmark
1 month	-1.61%	0.57%
1 year	-9.03%	-11.72%
Year to Date	-1.31%	3.41%
Since Launch (annualized)	1.33%	1.71%

### Fund performance vs Benchmark

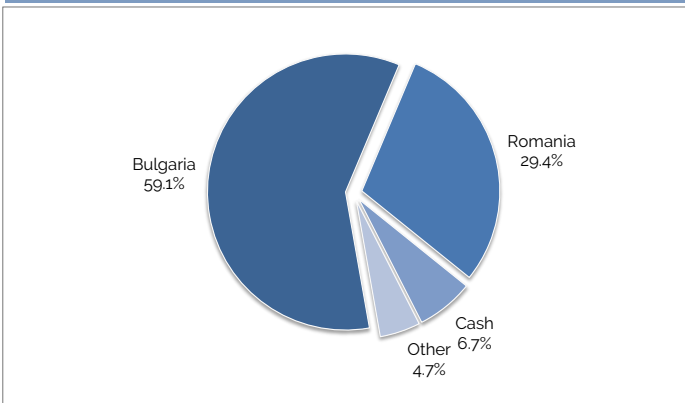


### Annual Performance

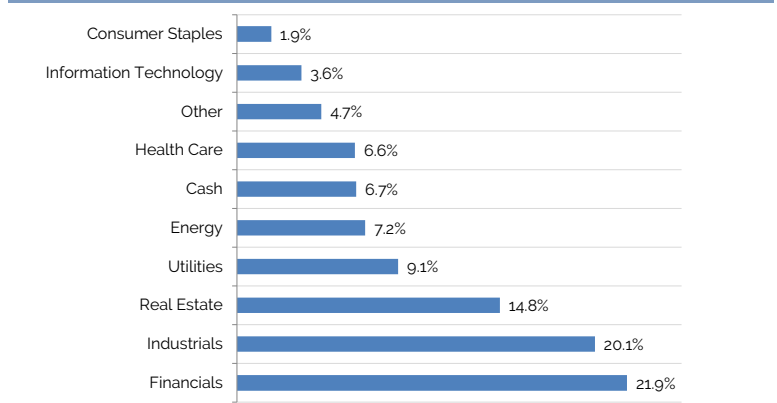
Year	Fund	Benchmark
2018	-8.79%	-20.91%
2017	21.56%	22.39%
2016	10.02%	-1.29%
2015	-6.26%	-22.13%
2014	5.61%	2.24%
2013	18.95%	-16.81%
2012	-5.02%	34.08%
2011	-17.02%	-29.75%
2010	-11.73%	16.29%
2009	2.20%	51.49%
2008	-66.57%	-56.45%
2007	55.37%	20.71%
2006	31.20%	9.97%
2005	32.60%	51.04%
2004	38.00%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

### Portfolio Breakdown

#### Market Breakdown



#### Sector Breakdown



### 5 Largest holdings

CHIMIMPORT AD (Bulgaria), Industrials	CEZ AD (Bulgaria), Utilities	SOPHARMA AD (Bulgaria), Health Care	ACTIV PROPERTIES (Bulgaria), Real Estate	ADVANCE TERAFFUND (Bulgaria), Real Estate
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