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#### Highlights

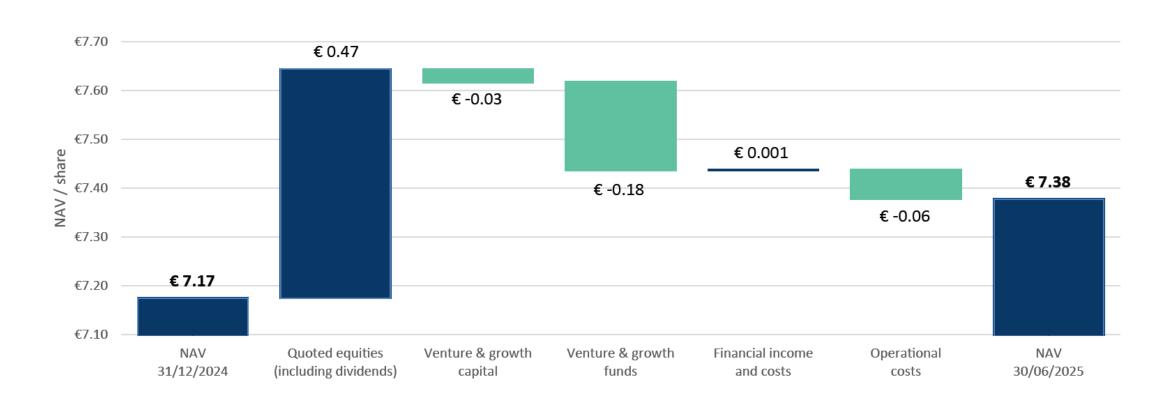
	Net Asset Value per share	Stock price	Discount	
30/06/2025	7.38 EUR	4.04 EUR	45.2%	
31/05/2025	7.44 EUR	4.05 EUR	45.6%	
31/12/2024	7.17 EUR	3.98 EUR	44.5%	

- Net asset value per share: € 7.38 per share (31 December 2024: € 7.17 per share)
- Share price: € 4.04 per share (31 December 2024: € 3.98 per share)
- Net profit: € 3.797.226. or € 0.20 per share (FY 2024: € -6.338.360. or € -0.34 per share)
- Discount of share price vs net asset value: 45.2% (31 December 2024: 44.5%)
- Wolters Kluwer, Datron, Roche and Nexus (takeover) sold in the quoted portfolio. De'Longhi, Arcadis, Beijer Alma, and Norbit added
- Second (larger) direct investment in Gradyent (co-investment with Capricorn Digital Growth Fund)





#### Added value per share per segment



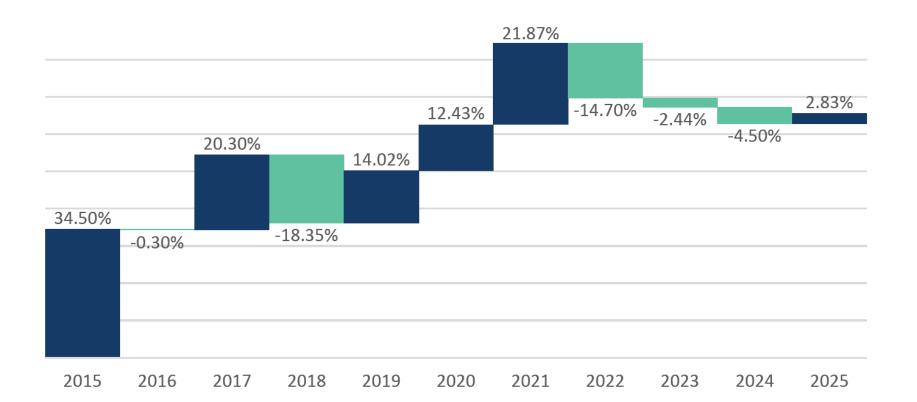


Added val	lue per	share	per	segment
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	For the pe	eriod until
In EUR	30/06/2025	30/06/2024
Revenues from investments in quoted equities	9,052,923	3,182,214
Revenues from investments in venture & growth capital	-498,007	-2,633,597
Revenues from investments in venture & growth funds	-3,383,430	-1,101,009
Net interest income / (expenses)	17,314	75,902
Net realised foreign exchange gains / (losses)	1,645	-1,735
Net unrealised foreign exchange gains / (losses)	-211	0
Total revenues from investments	5,190,233	-478,225
Other operating income / (loss)	0	40
Total operating income / (loss)	5,190,233	-478,185
Management fee	-741,495	-737,443
Other operating expenses	-349,962	-332,554
Profit / (loss) from operating activities	4,098,777	-1,548,182
Net finance expenses	-654	-1,437
Profit / (Loss) before income taxes	4,098,123	-1,549,619
Withholding tax expenses	-268,548	-316,929
Other incomes taxes	-32,349	-32,149
Profit / (Loss) for the period	3,797,226	-1,898,697



# Long term performance (ROE) Results and performance from 1/01/2015 until 30/06/2025









# Long term performance 10-year total shareholders return

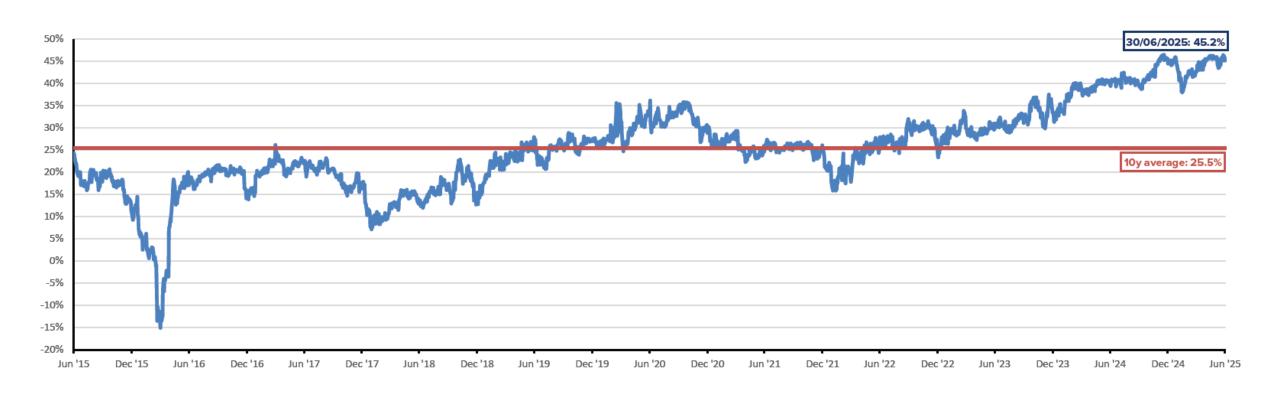


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## Long term performance 10-year evolution of the discount

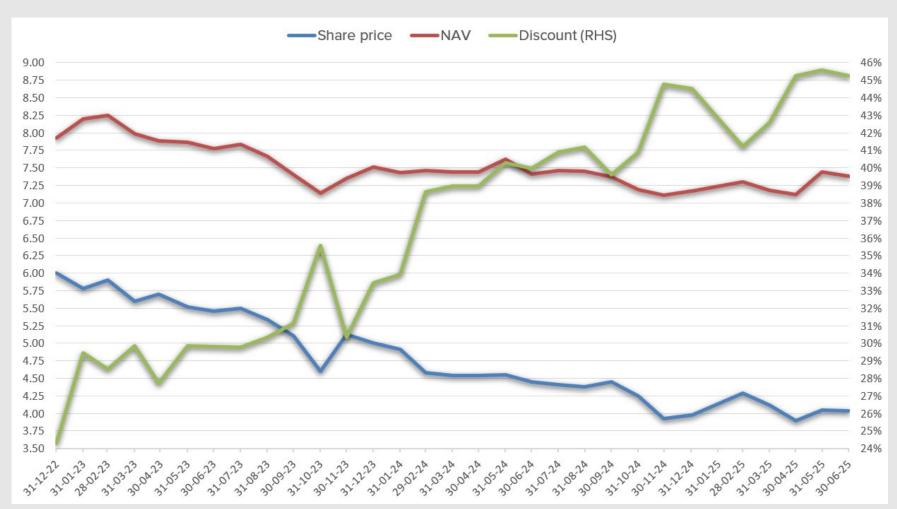




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Share price, NAV, and discount since 2023



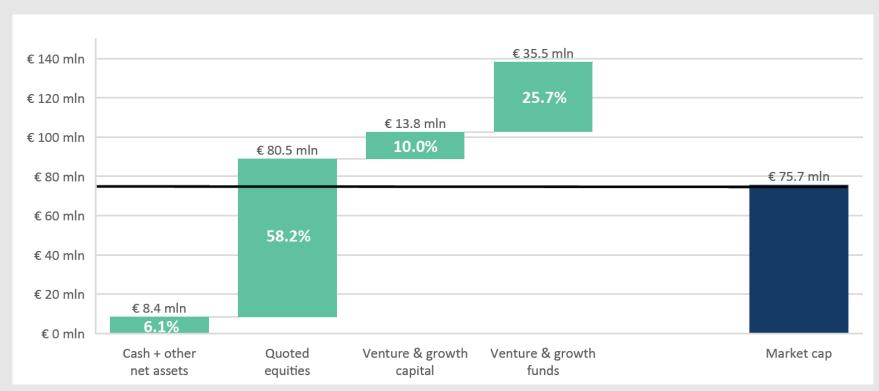






### **Portfolio**

### Composition and market capitalization





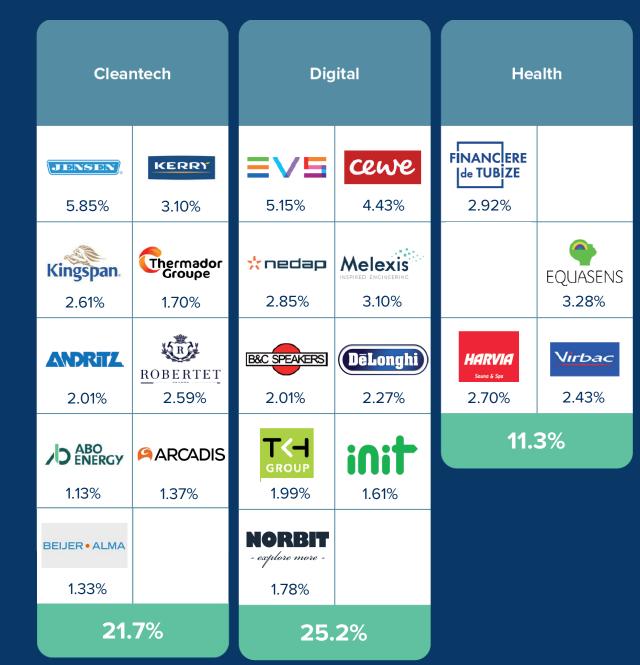






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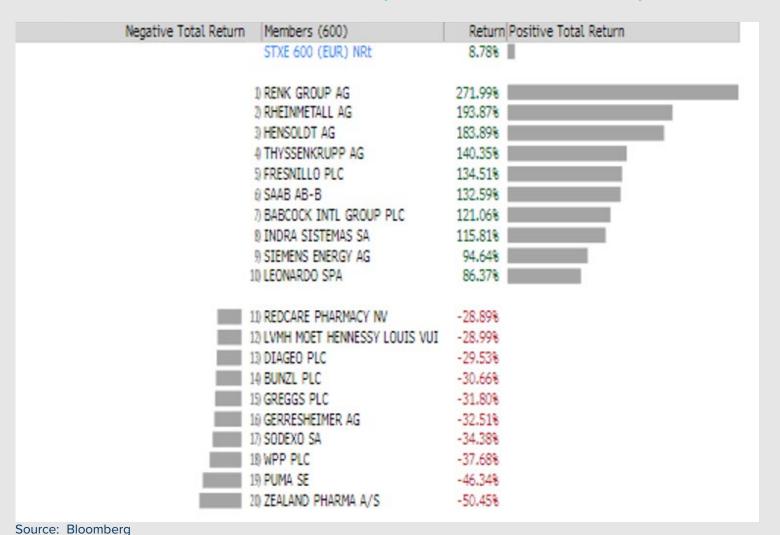
### Market environment – Equity markets in 2025







#### Market environment – sector performance in Europe in 2025







Relative performance STOXX Europe Small 200 NR index vs STOXX Europe 600 NR index



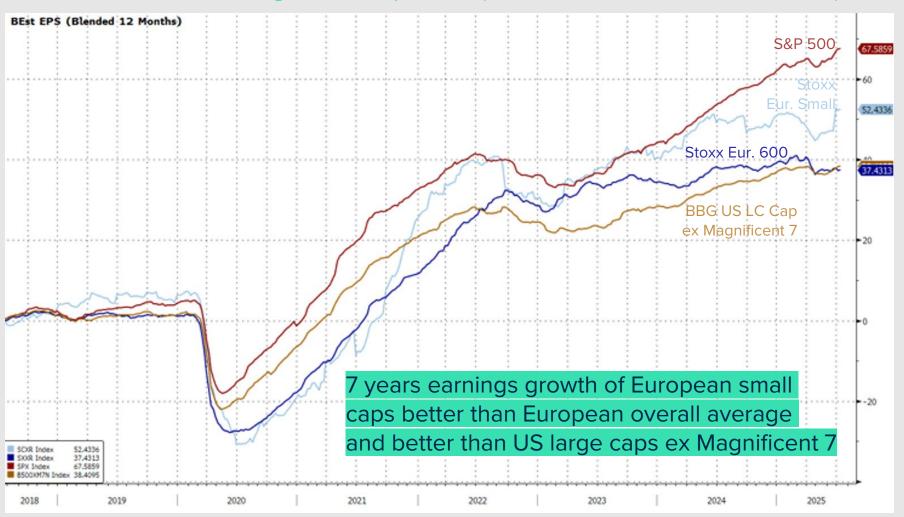


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Fundamentals: earnings development (12-month forward EPS in I.c.)

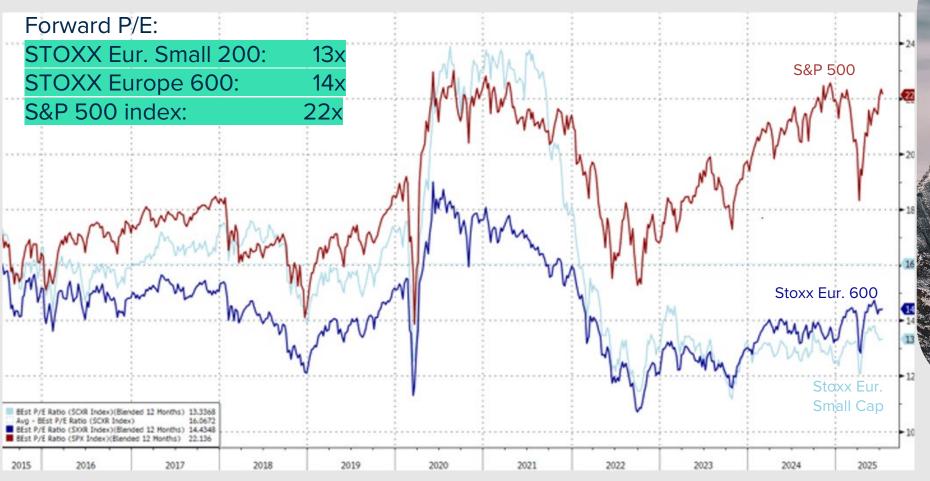




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Sentiment: valuations

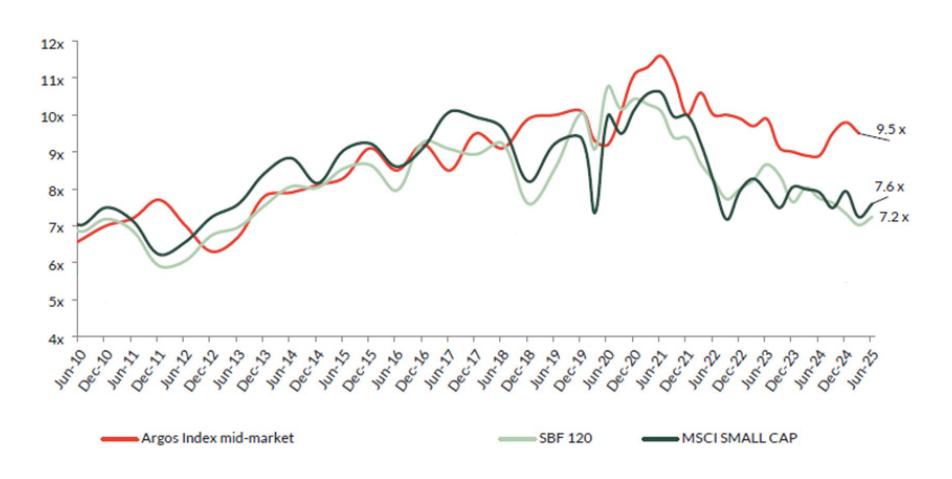




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Valuations (EV/EBITDA) listed equities vs private sector (Argos Index)





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**Transactions HY 2025** 

	Harvia		De'Longhi	De'Longhi	
7	Robertet	Robertet	Robertet	Init	De'Longhi
	Virbac	Init	Init	Virbac	Norbit
				Arcadis	

Arcadis Beijer Alma
De'Longhi Norbit

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**EVS** 

Harvia

Melexis

Norbit

C	Wolters K	luwer	Datron Roche	Nexus	
		EVS		Jensen	
	Tubize	Melexis	Tubize	Kerry	Tubize
7	Thermador	Nedap	Harvia	Thermador	Init

Roche

Datron





#### Transactions HY 2025 – Sale Wolters Kluwer





source: Bloomberg



#### Transactions HY 2025 - Sale Roche





source: Bloomberg



#### Transactions HY 2025 - Sale Datron





source: Bloomberg



#### Transactions HY 2025 – Sale Nexus





source: Bloomberg, Capricorn Partners





Transactions HY 2025 – Introduction Arcadis



- Well-positioned in supporting sustainability trends such as environmental remediation, water, green building and rail
- Global player and increasing digital offering
- Potential to increase margin further
- Market cap: approx. € 4 bn
- Portfolio entry: 2020







Transactions HY 2025 – Introduction De'Longhi



- Italian maker of espresso machines with strong premium branded products, based on proprietary technology
- Rising penetration of fully automatic coffee machines and healthy food trend
- Good M&A track record, strong FCF and net cash position
- Market cap: ca. €4 bn
- Portfolio entry: 2025







Transactions HY 2025 – Introduction Norbit



- Norbit is a provider of tailored technology in areas such as the maritime market (sonars) and vehicle management (tolling)
- More investments in the blue economy and demand for safe and green mobility are driving growth
- Impressive historical growth track-record & ambitious future growth targets
- Market cap: ca. 1 bn
- Portfolio entry: 2025



5y EPS CAGR 19% 34%

Debt ratio 0.4x





Transactions HY 2025 – Introduction Beijer Alma

#### BEIJER • ALMA

- Owns and develops industrial companies specialized in manufacturing of springs (Lesjöfors) and industrial trading (Beijer Tech) for customers in automotive, engineering and infrastructure
- Strong track record of sales growth in both divisions
- New CEO to improve profitability in both divisions in combination with continued sales growth to drive earnings growth over the coming years
- Market cap: ca. 1 bn €
- Portfolio entry: 2025





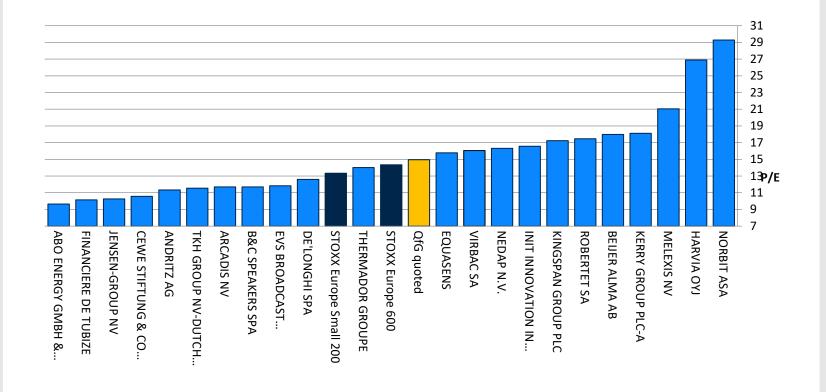
### Top 10 holdings

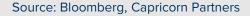
company	country	activity	segment	ptf. entry	% NAV
Jensen Group	Belgium	Heavy-Duty Laundry Equipment	Cleantech	2016	5,9%
EVS	Belgium	Live Broadcasting Equipment	Digital	2022	5,2%
CEWE	Germany	Photo and Online Printing Services	Digital	2017	4,4%
Equasens	France	Software for Pharmacies	Digital	2010	3,3%
Kerry	Ireland	Food Ingredients	Cleantech	2020	3,1%
Melexis	Belgium	Automotive sensors	Digital	2011	3,1%
Tubize	Belgium	Biopharmaceuticals	Health	2020	2,9%
NEDAP	Netherlands	Technological Solutions	Digital	2018	2,9%
Harvia	Finland	Heaters for Saunas	Health	2024	2,7%
Kingspan	Ireland	Insulation Products	Cleantech	2023	2,6%
Robertet	France	Natural Ingredients	Cleantech	2024	2,6%





Valuation of portfolio companies (NTM P/E)

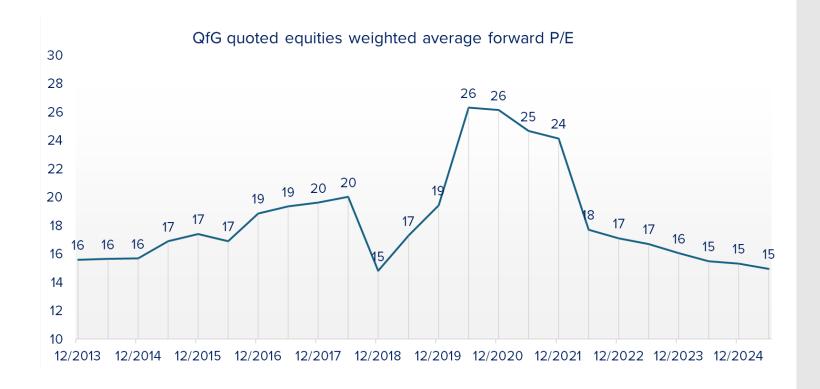








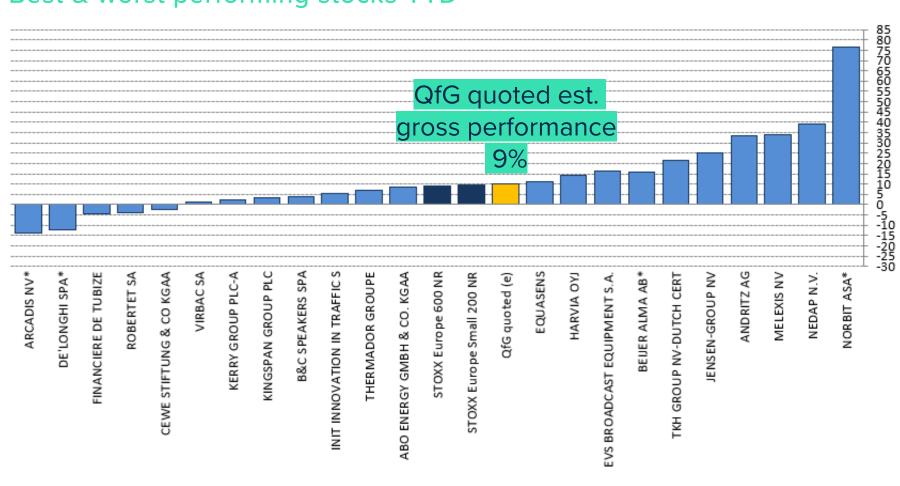
Valuation of portfolio companies (NTM P/E)



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Best & worst performing stocks YTD









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10.0%
Venture &
growth
capital





#### VENTURE & GROWTH CAPITAL

Participations	Sector	Change since 31/12/2024	Currency	Valuation in base currency	Valuation in EUR	In % of Net Asset Value
CONFO THERAPEUTICS	Health		EUR	500,000	500,000	0.36%
DMC	Cleantech		USD	1,504,999	1,284,129	0.93%
ECLECTICIQ	Digital	EUR 175,159	EUR	2,206,731	2,206,731	1.60%
FRUITCORE ROBOTICS	Digital		EUR	1,177,223	1,177,223	0.85%
GRADYENT	Digital	EUR 1,548,036	EUR	2,440,783	2,440,783	1.77%
NGDATA	Digital		EUR	150,348	150,348	0.11%
QPINCH	Cleantech		EUR	2,369,804	2,369,804	1.71%
REIN4CED	Cleantech	EUR 257,920	EUR	257,920	257,920	0.19%
SENSOLUS	Digital		EUR	3,205,312	3,205,312	2.32%
					13,592,250	9.83%
Debt	Sector					
DMC	Cleantech	USD 142,000	USD	142,000	121,160	0.09%
REIN4CED	Cleantech	EUR 65,625	EUR	65,625	65,625	0.05%
					186,785	0.14%





#### **Venture & growth capital**

#### **New follow-on investments**

**Gradyent:** Investment of € 1.5 million in Gradyent's € 28 million Series B round as a co-investment with Capricorn Digital Growth Fund.



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We're happy to announce that Gradyent has raised €28 million in an oversubscribed growth funding round to accelerate the optimisation and transformation of heating and cooling grids worldwide 

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The round was led by Blue Earth Capital AG, a global impact investment firm, with new investor SEB Greentech Venture Capital joining, and continued support from Capricorn Partners, Eneco Ventures, Helen Ventures, and ENERGIIQ.

We already work with leading energy providers in 35+ cities across Europe including Veolia, Shell, and Helen - to decarbonise and optimise some of the most complex heating and cooling systems.

As heating and cooling grids become more dynamic and interconnected, our Digital Twin helps providers future-proof their entire system, from production through distribution to end-users - navigating complexity, reducing  $\mathrm{CO}_2$ , and cutting costs.

What's next for us?

- ♦ Expanding the capabilities of our real-time Digital Twin Platform
- ♦ Growing our team of engineers, data scientists & energy experts
- Extending our impact globally to support the transition toward smarter, cleaner, and more resilient energy systems

We're proud of the progress so far and even more excited about what lies ahead.

Thank you to our investors and partners for your continued trust. We're just getting started

Smaller investments done in **EclecticIQ** (coinvestment with Capricorn Digital Growth Fund, **Rein4ced** and **DMC** (co-investment with Capricorn Sustainable Chemistry Fund.







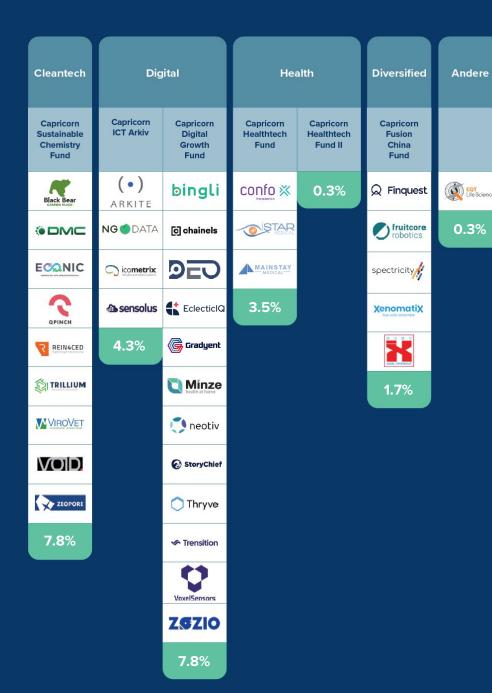




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25.7%
Venture & growth funds





### VENTURE & GROWTH FUNDS

Capricorn Partners		Last valuation date	Change since 31/12/2024	Currency	Valuation in base currency	Valuation in EUR	In % of Net Asset Value
CAPRICORN DIGITAL GROWTH FUND	Digital	30/06/2025	EUR 2,500,000	EUR	10,813,629	10,813,629	7.82%
CAPRICORN FUSION CHINA FUND	Diversified	30/06/2025		EUR	2,385,514	2,385,514	1.73%
CAPRICORN HEALTHTECH FUND	Health	30/06/2025		EUR	4,835,885	4,835,885	3.50%
CAPRICORN HEALTHTECH FUND II	Health	30/06/2025		EUR	459,999	459,999	0.33%
CAPRICORN ICT ARKIV	Digital	30/06/2025		EUR	5,870,381	5,870,381	4.25%
CAPRICORN SUSTAINABLE CHEMISTRY FUND	Cleantech	30/06/2025	EUR 600,000	EUR	10,750,975	10,750,975	7.78%
Other funds							
LIFE SCIENCES PARTNERS IV	Health	31/03/2025		EUR	398,000	398,000	0.29%
						35,514,385	25.70%





#### **Venture & growth funds**

#### Capricorn HealthTech Fund I

#### **Confo Therapeutics**:

- Development program with Eli Lilly continues to progress well
- Obesity program gathers further interest, more mature data package in the fall
- Cash runway extending well into 2027, valuation unchanged

#### iStar:

- Sales continue to grow, US strategy under re-evaluation
- Clinical study confirms sustained 5-year efficacy in treating glaucoma
- Valuation reduced based on cash runway and awaiting new US market strategy

#### Mainstay:

- Continues to scale commercially, Q2 biggest quarter ever
- Secured first commercial insurance plan coverage from Anthem/Blue Shield, will accelerate US sales and generate higher interest from investors and strategics
- On track for potential IPO in 2026







#### **Venture & growth funds**

#### Capricorn SCF, formerly known as Capricorn Sustainable Chemistry Fund

**DMC** and **Econic** are approaching commercial-scale production, expected in Q3 and Q4 respectively.

**Zeopore** continues to scale up and anticipates a commercial breakthrough later this year.

**Trillium's** "Falcon" demonstration project is entering the on-site construction phase, with completion targeted for early Q4.

**Qpinch** and **UOP** are collaborating on a modular scale-up package to expand for 5MW units.

**Void** has experienced delays in volume ramp-up due to low-cost virgin polymers, which has temporarily reduced the urgency for adoption. However, **Berry** and **CNG** remain committed and are expanding product trials at commercial scale.

**Econic** is steaming ahead with its Chinese customer Changhua with a quadruple-sized plant vs the original size and a target timing of first polyols produced from this manufacturing plant by end of 2025

**Rein4ced:** Moving into other product segments such as aerospace. Thermoplast materials replacing thermosets due to recyclabity and higher productivity and REIN4CED is well suited to capitalize on this

Black Bear Carbon: Bankruptcy declared, IP being sold

Virovet: working to sell the IP.





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I am very proud to share the new icometrix branding with the world. It was a wonderful journey, which forced us to think again about who we are, what we stand for, and what we aim to achieve.

The result is not just a cooler logo, refreshed website (see comments), updated colour scheme, etc (which it all is as well), it is a statement. It is a statement about what we have achieved already. It is a statement about our responsibility towards people with brain disorders to improve their lives on a massive scale.

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#### **Venture & growth funds**

#### **Capricorn ICT Arkiv**

icometrix: the company is going strong, and strategic interest is emerging

Sensolus: passed the € 10 million recognized revenue and has a healthy cash buffer to invest in further growth

Arkite: in final negotiations for a large deal. Growing cooperation with strategic partners is important for increasing future exit potential

**NGDATA**: promising developments from its partnership with FIS, but more time and investments will be needed





#### **Venture & growth funds**

#### **Capricorn Digital Growth Fund (1/2)**

**Gradyent**: sales caught up well in Q2, ending slightly below target for mid-year. The the team is making steps to signing more Industrial Heat deals during Q3

**Neotiv**: under the leadership of the co-CEO's ad interim, the strategic focus has shifted to a revenue-driven mindset leading to an organizational restructuring

**Chainels**: in Q2 the company started creating buzz around the Al powered version of their platform, called LumenAl. This triggered significant interest leading to record pipeline growth

**Bingli**: in Q2, the team focused on delivering specific product developments outlined in its large US contract. A new investment round is being set up

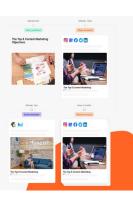
**DEO.care**: the company's offering produces convincing positive outcomes at clients, leading to a healthy pipeline

**VoxelSensors**: the company is raising a series A round of € 15 million after an internal bridge round was done in February 2025





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#### **Capricorn Digital Growth Fund (2/2)**

**StoryChief**: after a strong Q1, the company continued on its accelerated growth in Q2 and is now operationally break-even

**EclecticlQ**: the EIQ team continues to focus on driving the turnaround towards €10M ARR

**Thryve**: Q2 was a disappointing quarter because of contract delays from prospective insurance clients. The new self-onboarding system, the company should attract smaller DTx companies

**Minze Health**: under the leadership of Minze's new independent Chairman, the company is going through a strategic re-set and some organizational restructuring

**Zozio**: after its pivot to material scheduling, Zozio continues on its accelerated growth during Q2 and is working on its financing

**Trensition**: in the first days of Q3, the company signed a term sheet with a new lead investor for a a € 6 million series A round





#### **Venture & growth funds**

#### **Capricorn Fusion China Fund**

**Spectricity:** Announced the opening of its new office in Shanghai, China to be closer to its customers and supply chain partners. Progressing towards getting design-ins with major smartphone makers;

**XenomatiX:** Introduced Xavia, its most advanced next-generation solid-state lidar system. Xavia features an Alpowered brain, enhanced sensing capabilities, high-speed processing, seamless plug-and-play integration and an all-in-one sensor-fusion (LIDAR + Camera) solution in a single box (XenoLidar Xavia | True Solid State Lidar | XenomatiX);

#### XenomatiX Unveils Its Most Advanced Solid-State Lidar Yet

Leuven, Belgium – 12 June 2025 – XenomatiX, pioneer in solid-state lidar technology, proudly announces the launch of XenoLidar *Xavia*, its most advanced next-generation solid-state lidar system.

Xi'an Thiebaut: Secured 50-year land use rights to build a new production facility in XiAn (China);



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