



# Swisscanto Flex Collective Foundation

## FLEX 40

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### Description

The actively managed investment pool invests in bonds, equities, real estate, and gold. The assets are primarily invested in Swisscanto funds and units in investment foundations. The investment pool pursues a balanced investment strategy, with which it aims to generate capital gains on equity investments in addition to regular income. The equities portion averages 46%, the bond portion around 22%, the real estate portion around 27% and the portion gold around 3%. The BVV2 investment guidelines apply.

### Profile / Suitability

Only the investment of assets of tax-exempt occupational pension vehicles in Switzerland is permitted (pillar 2). Investment involves risks, especially with regard to fluctuations in value and return. Furthermore, investments in foreign currencies are subject to exchange rate fluctuations.

### Key Facts

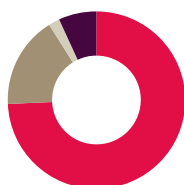
Accounting Year End	31.10
Start	01.04.2013
Currency	CHF
Benchmark	Customized
Volume in millions (31.10.2023)	200.60

### Portfolio Data

Volatility p.a.	6.54%
Tracking Error p.a.	1.00%

### Breakdown by Currency

CHF	74.3%
USD	16.8%
EUR	2.1%
Others	6.9%



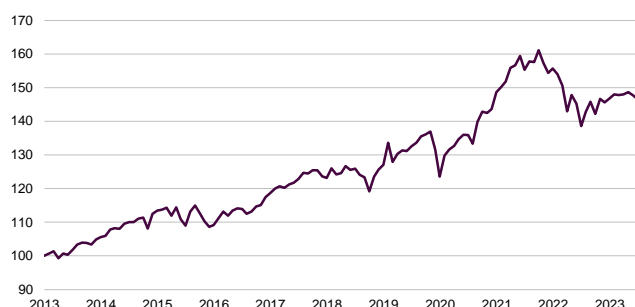
### Risk Indicator

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Important note for Switzerland: The sole binding basis for participation is the participation agreement. The rules and annual reports are available free of charge from the Swisscanto Flex Collective Foundation of the Cantonal Banks, Office, P.O. Box, 8152 Glattpburg or [www.swisscanto-flex.ch](http://www.swisscanto-flex.ch).

### Indexed Performance in CHF (net)



### Performance in % as of 31.10.2023

	1M	3M	YTD	12M	Lanc. p.a.	2021	2022
Portfolio	-2.33	-3.78	0.67	0.14	3.44	12.98	-11.90
Benchmark	-2.46	-4.38	0.78	0.03	3.58	12.65	-12.65

Past performance is no indicator for future performance and does not offer any guarantee for future success.

### Breakdown by Asset Category in %

	Portfolio	BM	Delta	Spread
Cash	3.19	2.00	1.19	0 - 10
Bonds CHF	10.35	12.00	-1.65	6 - 18
Bonds Foreign Currency	10.44	10.00	0.44	4 - 16
Swiss Equities	24.97	23.00	1.97	18 - 28
Foreign Equities	20.26	23.00	-2.74	18 - 28
Swiss Real Estate	23.17	21.00	2.17	18 - 24
Foreign Real Estate	6.25	6.00	0.25	3 - 9
Gold	3.19	3.00	0.19	0 - 5

### Sustainability approaches in use



# Explanations regarding sustainability approaches

## Voting Engagement



As a shareholder and lender, an active and continuous dialogue is maintained with the corporate management. Companies are urged to set ambitious CO<sub>2</sub>e reduction targets, implement them consistently and provide transparent reporting in this context. Voting rights are exercised in accordance with our voting guidelines, which are based on Swiss and international corporate governance rules and the United Nations Principles for Responsible Investment (UN PRI). In the case of equity investments, voting behaviour is published transparently on [www.swisscanto.com/voting](http://www.swisscanto.com/voting).

## Swisscanto Blacklist



Blacklist exclusions predominantly of manufacturers of prohibited weapons (cluster bombs and cluster munitions, anti-personnel and landmines, biological and chemical weapons, nuclear weapons, systems or material\*, enriched uranium\* as well as blinding laser weapons and incendiary weapons). In the evaluation, we primarily rely on Swiss legislation and agreements that have been ratified by Switzerland and are recognised internationally. In general, our evaluation is also consistent with the recommendations for exclusion made by SVVK-ASIR. \*Only in the case of proliferation contrary to the Non-Proliferation Treaty (NPT).

## Further exclusions



Application of further exclusion criteria, in addition to the Swisscanto blacklist, to reduce ESG risks and with the aim of not investing in securities with ESG-critical business models. The exclusion criteria apply to companies associated with the extraction of coal (>5% revenue)\*, coal reserves (excluding metal production)\*, production of weapons and ammunition, manufacture of military hardware (>5% revenue), production of pornography, child labour and/or UN Global Compact violations (excluding Green and Sustainability bonds, if applicable). In the event of potential violations by companies of the UN Global Compact Principles (United Nations standard on human and labour rights, environmental standards and anti-corruption) resulting from our screening, we seek dialogue as part of our engagement and urge companies to change their behaviour. If no change in behaviour occurs within a reasonable period of time, existing investments will be sold. In addition to the exclusion criteria for business activities, we also maintain an exclusion list for states. When preparing this exclusion list, we primarily take into account socio-economic risk dimensions such as money laundering and corruption. \*Green and Sustainability bonds excluded

## Systematic ESG-integration



The systematic analysis of ESG criteria forms an integral component of the active investment process, with the aim of identifying risks and opportunities based on ESG trends at an early stage. ESG criteria supplement the pure financial analysis and lead to more informed investment decisions.

## Paris Agreement



With a firm commitment to the Paris agreement of limiting warming to below 2 degrees by 2050, the investment activity of the portfolio is oriented towards reducing CO<sub>2</sub>e emissions by at least 4% per year. The investment strategy target is based on the CO<sub>2</sub>e intensity of the investment universe at the end of 2019.

## Sustainability approaches

For the corresponding portfolio illustrated sustainability approaches apply to all invested assets or a substantial part of it. Individual criteria may be implemented differently for the various invested investment products and asset categories. Detailed information on Swisscanto investment funds and assets of the Swisscanto investment foundation can be found in the corresponding prospectus, fund agreement and investment guidelines respectively.

## CO<sub>2</sub>e

CO<sub>2</sub> equivalents (CO<sub>2</sub>e) are a measure to standardise the climate impact of the greenhouse gases carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>), methane (CH<sub>4</sub>), nitrous oxide (N<sub>2</sub>O) and fluorinated greenhouse gases (CFCs). All of these gases remain in the atmosphere for different lengths of time and do not contribute equally to the greenhouse effect.

## ESG

ESG stands for the aspects of environment (E), social (S) and governance (G).

## SVVK-ASIR

The Swiss Association for Responsible Investments (SVVK) is an association of institutional investors and was founded in 2015. The association provides services to its members so that they can focus their investment decisions on the environment, society and the economy.