# CIGOGNE FUND

### **Credit Arbitrage**

### 31/05/2025



12.00%

14.00%

#### **Assets Under Management :** 361 059 638.65 €

| PERFORMANCES |         |          |        |        |       |        |       |        |           |         |          |          |        |
|--------------|---------|----------|--------|--------|-------|--------|-------|--------|-----------|---------|----------|----------|--------|
|              | January | February | March  | April  | May   | June   | July  | August | September | October | November | December | YTD    |
| 2025         | 1.60%   | 0.57%    | -0.14% | -1.00% | 1.00% |        |       |        |           |         |          |          | 2.03%  |
| 2024         | 1.78%   | 2.30%    | 2.83%  | 1.43%  | 0.79% | 0.58%  | 0.17% | -0.45% | 0.30%     | 1.12%   | 0.90%    | 0.13%    | 12.49% |
| 2023         | 1.23%   | 1.59%    | -1.13% | 1.23%  | 1.27% | 1.41%  | 1.19% | 0.48%  | 0.41%     | -0.18%  | 0.31%    | -0.06%   | 8.00%  |
| 2022         | 0.04%   | -1.38%   | -1.13% | 0.14%  | 0.56% | -0.97% | 1.19% | 2.22%  | -1.22%    | -3.18%  | 3.71%    | 4.51%    | 4.30%  |
| 2021         | 0.69%   | 0.59%    | 0.11%  | 0.09%  | 0.28% | 0.38%  | 0.04% | 0.42%  | 0.29%     | 0.36%   | 0.05%    | 0.09%    | 3.43%  |

### PORTFOLIO STATISTICS SINCE 18/04/2008 AND FOR 5 YEARS

|                       |         | ogne<br>rbitrage | ES      | TR         | HFRX Global Hedge Fund EUR Index |            |  |
|-----------------------|---------|------------------|---------|------------|----------------------------------|------------|--|
|                       | 5 years | From Start       | 5 years | From Start | 5 years                          | From Start |  |
| Cumulative Return     | 48.92%  | 141.09%          | 6.96%   | 9.78%      | 9.59%                            | -11.06%    |  |
| Annualised Return     | 8.29%   | 5.26%            | 1.35%   | 0.54%      | 1.85%                            | -0.68%     |  |
| Annualised Volatility | 4.51%   | 5.80%            | 0.55%   | 0.41%      | 3.26%                            | 5.30%      |  |
| Sharpe Ratio          | 1.54    | 0.81             | -       | -          | 0.15                             | -0.23      |  |
| Sortino Ratio         | 3.80    | 1.14             | -       | -          | 0.30                             | -0.29      |  |
| Max Drawdown          | -4.37%  | -14.24%          | -1.24%  | -3.38%     | -8.35%                           | -23.91%    |  |
| Time to Recovery (m)  | 2       | 5                | 9       | 16         | > 19                             | > 62       |  |
| Positive Months (%)   | 81.67%  | 82.04%           | 53.33%  | 47.09%     | 56.67%                           | 57.28%     |  |

DISTRIBUTION OF RETURNS (Monthly Basis)

### PERFORMANCE (Net Asset Value)



### INVESTMENT MANAGERS' COMMENTARY

The monthly performance of the Cigogne - Credit Arbitrage fund stands at +1.00%.

May was marked by a renewed sense of confidence in the markets, supported by several positive developments on the trade front. Partial agreements between the United States, China, and the United Kingdom helped ease the tariff tensions introduced in April, creating a more predictable environment for investors. In the U.S., economic data remained constructive overall, despite signs of moderation. Consumer spending slowed slightly, while producer prices continued to rise, mainly in the services sector. The Federal Reserve kept interest rates unchanged, tying any future policy shifts to more concrete evidence of disinflation. In the eurozone, May's PMI surveys indicated a decline in services activity, hindered by a persistently uncertain external backdrop. Wage growth remained subdued, and inflation continued its gradual decline. The ECB reaffirmed its commitment to maintaining an accommodative policy stance. Against this backdrop, credit indices saw a significant tightening of spreads-approximately 10 basis points in the Investment Grade segment and over 50 basis points in High Yield. Equity markets also advanced, buoyed by easing political tensions and more stable outlooks. The S&P 500 ended the month up 6%, while the EuroStoxx 50 gained 4%, in a climate marked by renewed risk appetite.

The fund delivered a solid performance over the period, driven by increased risk appetite and strong momentum in the primary market. Following a volatile April, May saw a sharp rebound in new issuance, creating a more favorable backdrop for investors. The primary market was particularly active, with record volumes of €97 billion in Europe—the highest since 2010—and \$155 billion in the U.S., marking the most active month since 2020. The Reverse Yankee segment also stood out with \$28 billion issued—the highest since May 2007. In this context, positions were taken in new issues offering attractive premiums, such as Orange 5/29 vs. CDS and Pfizer 5/29, directly benefiting from strong primary market dynamics. Demand remained robust throughout the month, with an average oversubscription rate of 3.7x in Europe, supported by solid corporate balance sheets, still-competitive carry, and persistent institutional investor appetite. Other positions benefited from the tightening between cash spreads and CDS, including Bertelsmann 5/29 and Nokia 6/27 vs. issuer protection. Carry positions in Citigroup 10/27 and Crédit Agricole 03/27 also contributed positively. The automotive sector trades initiated in April-Ford 05/27, Renault 05/26, Volkswagen 03/27 vs. protectionproved particularly relevant. Lastly, arbitrage strategies on the 6-12% and 12-100% tranches of the iTraxx Main index also had a positive impact.



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|   |         | FUND SPECIFICS                       |  | STMENT OBJECTIVES  |  |  |  |
|---|---------|--------------------------------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| € 361 059 638.65                        | €       | Net Asset Value :                    | Strategies set forth in the Credit compartment are split across four core specialties:   |  |  |  |  |
| € 84 474 023.61                         | €       | Net Asset Value (O Unit) :           | basis trade arbitrage consisting in taking advantage of the credit spread difference<br>between a corporate bond and the CDS on the same issuer, relative value strategies |  |  |  |  |
| € 24 109.47                             | €       | Liquidative Value (O Unit) :         |  |  |  |  |  |
| LU0648560497                            |         | ISIN Code :                          | r a sector) against a pee  | aim to exploit the difference in credit risk of an issuer (or  |  |  |  |
| FCP - SIF, AIF                          |         | Legal Structure :                    | position on the probability  | r (or sector), correlation arbitrage consistsing in taking a p |  |  |  |
| April 18 <sup>th</sup> 200              |         | Inception Date of the fund :         | ·  | currence of specific and / or systemic risk while resorting    |  |  |  |
| April 18 <sup>th</sup> 200              |         | Inception Date (O Unit) :            |  | underlyings are credit instruments (credit indexes Itrax       |  |  |  |
| EUR                                     | Month   | Currency :<br>NAV calculation date : | r widening of the cred   | ns), spread driven positions aiming at the tightening of       |  |  |  |
| Monthly, last calendar day of the month | wonthi  | NAV calculation date :               |  | d of an issuer or an index.                                    |  |  |  |
| Monthly                                 | _       | Subscription / redemption :          |  |  |  |  |  |
| € 100 000.00                            | €       | Minimum Commitment:                  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 month                                 |         | Minimum Notice Period:               |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1,50% per annur                         |         | Management Fee:                      |  | I EXPOSURES (In percentage of gross asset base)                |  |  |  |
| 20% above €STR with a High Water Mark   | 20% abo | Performance Fee :                    |  |  |  |  |  |
| FR, LU                                  |         | Country of Registration :            | 0.57%  | BANK OF AMER CORP EUR3+53 280128                               |  |  |  |
| Cigogne Management SA                   |         | Management Company:                  | CREDIT AGRICOLE SA 5.134% 110327 0.44%   |  |  |  |  |
| CIC Marchés                             |         | Investment Advisor:                  | BNP PARIBAS MULTICP 30/06/27 0.42%   |  |  |  |  |
| Banque de Luxembourg                    |         | Depositary Bank:                     | 0.36%  |  |  |  |  |
| UI efa                                  |         | Administrative Agent:                | CITIBANK NA MULTICP 19/11/27 0.30%   |  |  |  |  |
| KPMG Luxembourg                         |         | Auditor:                             |  |  |  |  |  |

### RISK PROFILE

| Lower Risk Higher Ris                              |   |   |   |   |   |   |  |  |  |  |
|--|---|---|---|---|---|---|--|--|--|--|
| Potentially lower Return Potentially higher Return |   |   |   |   |   |   |  |  |  |  |
| 1  | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |  |  |  |  |

The risk category has been determined on the basis of historical data and may not be a reliable indication of the future risk profile. The risk and reward category shown does not necessarily remain unchanged and the categorization of the fund may shift over time.

#### REASONS TO INVEST IN CIGOGNE CREDIT ARBITRAGE

In addition to traditional financial investment, alternative investments aim to provide investors with absolute performances independent from the return of traditional asset classes such as shares, bonds etc. With these objectives, alternative investments can be construed as the natural complement to assets allocation between classical portfolio investment and risks managed performance strategies that take advantages of market inefficiencies.

Cigogne Management S.A. is the alternative asset management branch of Crédit Mutuel Alliance Fédérale, a major actor in the industry. Cigogne Management S.A. benefits from CIC Marchés' deep expertise. Cigogne Management S.A. currently manages the Cigogne Fund, Cigogne UCITS and Cigogne CLO Arbitrage funds (single-strategy funds) as well as the Stork Fund (multi-strategy funds).

Cigogne Fund - Credit Arbitrage aims to achieve stable and positive performances over time, uncorrelated from traditional asset classes by setting up basis trade arbitrage strategies, relative value strategies and correlation strategies.

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