



**Investment fund  
CBL European Leaders Equity Fund**

**Semiannual report 2023  
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**For the period  
1 January till 30 June 2023**

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**CBL ASSET  
MANAGEMENT**



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## INFORMATION ABOUT THE INVESTMENT FUND

Name of the Fund:	CBL European Leaders Equity Fund
Type of the Fund:	Investment fund
Date of registration of the Fund:	7 March 2013
Date of start of operations of the Fund:	20 November 2013
Number of the Fund:	FL127
Name of the investment management company:	"CBL Asset Management" IPAS
Registered office of the investment management company:	Republikas laukums 2a, Rīga, LV-1010, Latvija
Registration number of the investment management company:	40003577500
Number of the license for investment management company operations:	06.03.07.098/367
Name of the Fund's Custodian:	Citadele banka AS
Registered office of the Fund's Custodian:	Republikas laukums 2a, Rīga, LV-1010, Latvia
Registration number of the Fund's Custodian:	40103303559
Name, surname and position of members of the Supervisory Board and the Management Board of the investment management company:	Supervisory Board of the investment management company: Chairperson of the Supervisory Board - Vaidas Žagūnis, appointed on 03.08.2021 Deputy Chairperson of the Supervisory Board - Vladimirs Ivanovs, appointed on 03.08.2021 Member of the Supervisory Board - Blohmé Nils Magnus Göran, appointed on 03.08.2021  Management Board of the investment management company: Chairperson of the Management Board - Kārlis Purgailis Member of the Management Board - Zigurds Vaikulis Member of the Management Board - Andris Kotāns Member of the Management Board - Lolita Sičeva
Rights and responsibilities related to the investment fund management:	The members of the Supervisory Board and the Management Board shall perform all duties of the members of the Supervisory Board and the Management Board provided for in the laws and regulations of the Republic of Latvia and the Articles of Association of the investment management company.
Fund Managers:	Andrejs Piļka Andris Kotāns
Rights and responsibilities related to the Fund management:	The Fund Managers shall perform all duties of the Fund Manager provided for in the laws and regulations of the Republic of Latvia, Articles of Association of the investment management company and the Fund Prospectus
Auditors:	Rainers Vilāns Certified Auditor Certificate No. 200  KPMG Baltics SIA Roberta Hirša iela 1, Rīga Latvia, LV-1045 Licence No. 55

## INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT COMPANY REPORT

The asset manager of the investment fund CBL European Leaders Equity Fund (hereinafter – the Fund) is CBL Asset Management, an investment management company with registered office at Republikas laukums 2a, Riga, LV-1010, and registration number 40003577500 (hereinafter – the Company). The investment company's operating licence number is 06.03.07.098/367, which was last re-registered on 19 January 2015.

The investment objective of the Fund is to achieve long-term capital appreciation by investing primarily in shares of issuers that are incorporated or have their principal operations in Europe. The Fund's income is generated by share price appreciation and dividend payments. The Fund's base currency is the euro.

In the end of the reporting period of 2023, the Fund's net assets increased by EUR 1,220,028 and totalled EUR 7,547,345. Gross asset value as at 30 June 2023 amounted to EUR 7,561,542. At the same time, the value of the unit of the Fund in the first half of the year 2023 increased by EUR 6.92, reaching EUR 48.71. The Fund's overall return in 2023 was positive 16.56% in terms of the Fund's base currency (euro) according to the closing foreign exchange rates.

After the year-long correction, the world stock markets started the first half of 2023 with considerable optimism. There were several reasons for the positive mood. Inflation began to noticeably slow down, while at the same time the increased interest rates were not able to significantly harm the world's economy for the time being. Economists began to reduce the probability of a recession in their forecasts and investors began to quickly adapt to a new possible development scenario. In this scenario, inflation gradually declines, which in the foreseeable future would allow the world's central banks to cut interest rates and the economy, although significantly slowed down, would still avoid a full-scale crisis. Against this hopeful background, investors began to actively buy equities. Relatively low-price levels, which were resulted by last year's financial markets correction, provided additional motivation to the buyers. In Europe, another dose of optimism was provided by the prices of natural gas, which, thanks to a warm winter and a decrease in energy consumption, rapidly slid downwards. It became clear that European households and manufacturers are not threatened by the lack of energy resources for the next season as well, which in turn helped economists to raise their forecasts about the growth prospects of the EU economy.

In the spring, for a relatively short time, the financial markets were shaken by events in the banking sector. At first Silicon Valley Bank went bankrupt, the second largest bank failure in US history. The collapse was caused by a combination of huge bond portfolio losses caused by high interest rates and rapid outflows of customer deposits. In Europe then followed a failure of one of the largest Swiss banks, Credit Suisse, which ran into difficulties and was urgently taken over by its competitor, UBS. Both the US and European central banks reacted very quickly to the events. The FRS supplied the banking system with emergency liquidity and provided guarantees to depositors. The ECB said it was ready to provide liquidity if needed and reassured market participants by saying it saw no systemic risks in the banking sector.

After the first negative reaction, investors began to quickly reassess the situation in a new light. Complications in both the US and European banking sectors led to expectations that the banks would tighten lending conditions, dampening consumer demand and contributing to lower inflation. Thus, commercial banks would actually do part of the central banks' job in taming the inflation, which would mean no further need in substantial key interest rates hiking. Investors began to forecast with greater confidence that the cycle of tighter monetary policy will soon be over and that interest rate cuts could also follow in the foreseeable future. This inspiration encouraged investors to turn their attention to stock purchases again, and global stock indexes continued to move higher. Optimism was further boosted by the good financial reports of US and European companies. Seeing improvements in companies' financial performance, analysts began to upgrade their earnings forecasts, which further helped the stock market move higher. As a result, during the first half of the year, the main US stock index S&P 500 soared by 16.9%. The European broad market index Stoxx Europe 600 rose by 11.5%. Emerging markets showed much weaker performance, with the region's stock indices growing on average by only 5%.

During the period, the Fund was able to outperform the Stoxx Europe 600 index. From the beginning of the year to the end of the reporting period, the largest positive contribution to the Fund's results came from technology, consumer discretionary and industrial sectors. Among the Fund's investments, only the materials sector showed a negative return. At the end of the period, the cash position represented 1.1% of the Fund's net assets.

Total management expenses for the period under review amounted to EUR 63,550, which does not exceed the 4.00% ceiling set in the Fund's prospectus. The assets of the Fund during the reporting period covered the remuneration of the investment management company for the management of the Fund's assets of EUR 48,641, the remuneration of the custodian bank of EUR 6,254 and other expenses of EUR 8,655. The prospectuses of the investment funds managed by the Company do not provide for performance fees.

There have been no significant events since the end of the reporting period and up to the date of approval that have materially affected the financial position of the Fund.

On behalf of the Management Board of the Investment Management Company:

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Kārlis Purgailis  
Chairperson of the Management Board

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Andrejs Piļka  
Fund Manager

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Andris Kotāns  
Fund Manager

Riga, 27 July 2023

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**STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES**

	<b>Notes</b>	<u><b>30.06.2023.</b></u>	<u><b>31.12.2022.</b></u>
<b>Assets</b>			
Due on demand from credit institutions	1	82,499	76,597
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss			
Capital instruments	2	<u>7,479,043</u>	<u>6,264,098</u>
<b>Total assets</b>		<u><b>7,561,542</b></u>	<u><b>6,340,695</b></u>
<b>Liabilities</b>			
Accrued expenses		<u>(14,197)</u>	<u>(13,378)</u>
<b>Total liabilities</b>		<u><b>(14,197)</b></u>	<u><b>(13,378)</b></u>
<b>Net assets</b>		<u><b>7,547,345</b></u>	<u><b>6,327,317</b></u>

The accompanying notes on pages 8 to 10 are an integral part of these financial statements.

On behalf of the Management Board of the Investment Management Company:

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**STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENSES**

	<b>01.01.2023.- 30.06.2023.</b>	<b>01.01.2022.- 30.06.2022.</b>
<b>Income for the reporting period</b>		
Interest income	157	-
Dividend income	77,360	112,175
Other income	6,015	-
<b>Total income</b>	<b>83,532</b>	<b>112,175</b>
<b>Expenses for the reporting period</b>		
Remuneration to the investment management company	(48,641)	(79,501)
Remuneration to the custodian bank	(6,254)	(10,222)
Other Fund management expenses	(8,655)	(3,166)
<b>Total expenses</b>	<b>(63,550)</b>	<b>(92,889)</b>
<b>Increase/(decrease) in investment value</b>		
Realised increase/ (decrease) in investment value	22,311	(3,206,634)
Unrealised increase/ (decrease) in investment value	1,013,998	(2,217,002)
<b>Total increase/(decrease) in investment value</b>	<b>1,036,309</b>	<b>(5,423,636)</b>
<b>Increase/(decrease) in net assets from investments</b>	<b>1,056,291</b>	<b>(5,404,350)</b>

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS**

	<b>01.01.2023.- 30.06.2023.</b>	<b>01.01.2022.- 30.06.2022.</b>
Net assets at the beginning of the reporting period	6,327,317	14,278,209
Increase/(decrease) in net assets from investment	1,056,291	(5,404,350)
<b>Transactions in share certificates and units</b>		
Inflow from sale of share certificates and units	557,495	2,238,910
Outflow on redemption of share certificates and units	393,758	(3,137,709)
<b>Increase/(decrease) in net assets from transactions in share certificates and units</b>	<b>163,737</b>	<b>(898,799)</b>
Increase/(decrease) in net assets during the reporting period	1,220,028	(6,303,149)
<b>Net assets at the end of the reporting period</b>	<b>7,547,345</b>	<b>7,975,060</b>
Number of issued share certificates and units at the beginning of the reporting year	151,419	219,389
Number of issued share certificates and units at the end of the reporting year	154,947	194,164
<b>Net assets per share certificate and unit at the beginning of the reporting year</b>	<b>41.79</b>	<b>65.08</b>
<b>Net assets per share certificate and unit at the end of the reporting year</b>	<b>48.71</b>	<b>41.07</b>

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## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

### 1. PIELIKUMS DUE ON DEMAND FROM CREDIT INSTITUTIONS

	% of the Fund's net assets		% of the Fund's net assets	
	30.06.2023.	30.06.2023.	31.12.2022.	31.12.2022.
Due on demand from credit institutions, Citadele banka AS	82,499	1.09%	76,597	1.21%

### 2. PIELIKUMS EQUITY INSTRUMENTS

All equity instruments are financial assets at fair value through profit or loss.

The following table shows the equity instruments by country of origin of the issuer at 30 June 2023:

Financial instrument	ISIN code	Currency	Quantity	Acquisition value (EUR)	Carrying amount 30.06.2023.	% of the Fund's net assets 30.06.2023.
<b>Financial instruments traded on regulated markets:</b>				<b>6,338,575</b>	<b>7,479,043</b>	<b>99.10%</b>
<b>Equity instruments of Swiss issuers:</b>				<b>1,416,660</b>	<b>1,725,596</b>	<b>22.86%</b>
STMicroelectronics NV	NL0000226223	EUR	5,006	149,140	228,199	3.02%
ABB Ltd	CH0012221716	CHF	5,901	155,738	211,635	2.80%
VAT Group AG	CH0311864901	CHF	531	151,330	200,020	2.65%
Straumann Holding AG	CH1175448666	CHF	1,350	137,787	199,990	2.65%
Belimo Holding AG	CH1101098163	CHF	415	161,067	190,456	2.52%
Sika AG	CH0418792922	CHF	696	189,169	181,580	2.41%
Cie Financiere Richemont SA	CH0210483332	CHF	1,130	156,629	175,884	2.33%
Georg Fischer AG	CH1169151003	CHF	2,500	138,467	171,000	2.27%
Novartis AG	CH0012005267	CHF	1,816	177,333	166,832	2.21%
<b>Equity instruments of German issuers:</b>				<b>1,058,333</b>	<b>1,361,007</b>	<b>18.04%</b>
Nemetschek SE	DE0006452907	EUR	3,100	178,014	213,032	2.82%
Infineon Technologies AG	DE0006231004	EUR	5,500	166,623	208,807	2.77%
SAP AG	DE0007164600	EUR	1,629	140,133	203,430	2.70%
AIXTRON SE	DE000A0WMPJ6	EUR	6,350	146,460	198,755	2.63%
DEUTSCHE BOERSE STK N	DE0005810055	EUR	1,130	112,670	191,591	2.54%
Beiersdorf AG	DE0005200000	EUR	1,517	142,832	184,088	2.44%
Muenchener Rueckversicherungs	DE0008430026	EUR	470	171,601	161,304	2.14%
<b>Equity instruments of Dutch issuers:</b>				<b>896,262</b>	<b>997,141</b>	<b>13.22%</b>
ASM International NV	NL0000334118	EUR	550	180,292	214,143	2.84%
ASML Holding NV	NL0010273215	EUR	316	178,266	209,634	2.78%
BE Semiconductor Industries NV	NL0012866412	EUR	1,970	175,299	196,212	2.60%
Adyen NV	NL0012969182	EUR	120	167,831	190,992	2.53%
Wolters Kluwer NV	NL0000395903	EUR	1,600	194,574	186,160	2.47%
<b>Equity instruments of French issuers:</b>				<b>726,085</b>	<b>905,889</b>	<b>11.99%</b>
LOreal SA	FR0000120321	EUR	482	78,053	206,416	2.73%
LVMH Moet Hennessy Louis Vuitton SA	FR0000121014	EUR	216	196,016	186,710	2.47%
Thales SA	FR0000121329	EUR	1,360	136,170	186,388	2.47%
Hermes International	FR0000052292	EUR	91	164,014	181,945	2.41%
Ipsen SA	FR0010259150	EUR	1,300	151,832	144,430	1.91%
<b>Equity instruments of UK issuers:</b>				<b>498,716</b>	<b>462,907</b>	<b>6.13%</b>
Compass Group PLC	GB00BD6K4575	GBP	6,539	156,334	167,917	2.22%
RELX PLC	GB00B2B0DG97	GBP	5,096	164,625	155,918	2.07%
Burberry Group PLC	GB0031743007	GBP	5,625	177,757	139,072	1.84%
<b>Equity instruments of Polish issuers:</b>				<b>318,868</b>	<b>390,951</b>	<b>5.18%</b>
Dino Polska SA	PLDINPL00011	PLN	1,900	180,999	202,251	2.68%
LPP SA	PLLPP0000011	PLN	60	137,869	188,700	2.50%
<b>Equity instruments of Danish issuers:</b>				<b>388,985</b>	<b>373,898</b>	<b>4.95%</b>
Novo Nordisk A/S	DK0060534915	DKK	1,435	203,214	212,184	2.81%
Genmab A/S	DK0010272202	DKK	465	185,771	161,714	2.14%
<b>Equity instruments of Swedish issuers:</b>				<b>316,461</b>	<b>352,409</b>	<b>4.67%</b>
Evolution Gaming Group AB	SE0012673267	SEK	1,630	147,884	188,329	2.50%
Epiroc AB	SE0015658109	SEK	9,500	168,577	164,080	2.17%



Financial instrument	ISIN code	Currency	Quantity	Acquisition value (EUR)	Carrying amount 30.06.2023.	% of the Fund's net assets 30.06.2023.
<b>Equity instruments of Spanish issuers:</b>				<b>162,348</b>	<b>220,091</b>	<b>2.92%</b>
Industria de Diseno Textil SA	ES0148396007	EUR	6,198	162,348	220,091	2.92%
<b>Equity instruments of Belgian issuers:</b>				<b>138,268</b>	<b>188,500</b>	<b>2.50%</b>
Lotus Bakeries NV	BE0003604155	EUR	26	138,268	188,500	2.50%
<b>Equity instruments of Italian issuers:</b>				<b>136,719</b>	<b>174,819</b>	<b>2.32%</b>
Moncler SpA	IT0004965148	EUR	2,747	136,719	174,819	2.32%
<b>Equity instruments of Portuguese issuers:</b>				<b>106,603</b>	<b>174,294</b>	<b>2.31%</b>
Jeronimo Martins SGPS SA	PTJMT0AE0001	EUR	6,900	106,603	174,294	2.31%
<b>Equity instruments of Norwegian issuers:</b>				<b>174,267</b>	<b>151,541</b>	<b>2.01%</b>
Kongsberg Gruppen ASA	NO0003043309	NOK	3,633	174,267	151,541	2.01%
<b>Total equity instruments:</b>				<b>6,338,575</b>	<b>7,479,043</b>	<b>99.10%</b>

The following table shows the equity instruments by country of origin of the issuer at 31 December 2022:

Financial instrument	ISIN code	Currency	Quantity	Acquisition value (EUR)	Carrying amount 31.12.2022.	% of the Fund's net assets 31.12.2022.
<b>Financial instruments traded on regulated markets:</b>				<b>6,160,051</b>	<b>6,264,098</b>	<b>99.00%</b>
<b>Equity instruments of French issuers:</b>				<b>1,382,452</b>	<b>1,371,636</b>	<b>21.67%</b>
Hermes International	FR0000052292	EUR	144	155,985	209,592	3.31%
LOreal SA	FR0000120321	EUR	532	197,831	178,220	2.82%
Thales SA	FR0000121329	EUR	1,360	168,577	162,044	2.56%
Remy Cointreau SA	FR0000130395	EUR	1,014	159,164	160,922	2.54%
LVMH Moet Hennessy Louis Vuitton SA	FR0000121014	EUR	216	136,719	147,766	2.34%
Airbus SE	NL0000235190	EUR	1,271	133,658	141,894	2.24%
Ipsen SA	FR0010259150	EUR	1,300	137,869	131,170	2.07%
Dassault Systemes SE	FR0014003TT8	EUR	3,879	164,309	131,130	2.07%
Alten SA	FR0000071946	EUR	926	128,340	108,898	1.72%
<b>Equity instruments of Swiss issuers:</b>				<b>1,397,718</b>	<b>1,294,005</b>	<b>20.45%</b>
Belimo Holding AG	CH1101098163	CHF	415	194,574	187,379	2.96%
STMicroelectronics NV	NL0000226223	EUR	5,576	226,741	184,593	2.92%
ABB Ltd	CH0012221716	CHF	5,901	178,266	169,132	2.67%
Roche Holding AG	CH0012032048	CHF	551	189,608	163,241	2.58%
Cie Financiere Richemont SA	CH0210483332	CHF	1,300	156,656	159,906	2.53%
Novartis AG	CH0012005267	CHF	1,816	151,832	155,364	2.46%
Glencore PLC	JE00B4T3BW64	GBP	22,182	136,908	138,154	2.18%
Geberit AG	CH0030170408	CHF	306	163,133	136,236	2.15%
<b>Equity instruments of UK issuers:</b>				<b>915,614</b>	<b>875,094</b>	<b>13.82%</b>
Ferguson PLC	JE00BJVNSS43	GBP	1,414	181,960	166,361	2.63%
Rentokil Initial PLC	GB00B082RF11	GBP	27,000	159,355	154,646	2.44%
Linde PLC	IE00BZ12WP82	EUR	500	154,732	152,575	2.41%
Compass Group PLC	GB00BD6K4575	GBP	6,539	142,832	141,370	2.23%
RELX PLC	GB00B2B0DG97	GBP	5,096	138,467	131,461	2.08%
Burberry Group PLC	GB0031743007	GBP	5,625	138,268	128,681	2.03%
<b>Equity instruments of German issuers:</b>				<b>652,904</b>	<b>684,151</b>	<b>10.81%</b>
AIXTRON SE	DE000A0WMPJ6	EUR	7,400	176,353	199,356	3.15%
DEUTSCHE BOERSE STK N	DE0005810055	EUR	1,130	175,299	182,325	2.88%
Infineon Technologies AG	DE0006231004	EUR	5,500	164,014	156,668	2.48%
Beiersdorf AG	DE0005200000	EUR	1,362	137,238	145,802	2.30%
<b>Equity instruments of Danish issuers:</b>				<b>317,267</b>	<b>433,375</b>	<b>6.85%</b>
Novo Nordisk A/S	DK0060534915	DKK	1,865	144,182	235,567	3.72%
Genmab A/S	DK0010272202	DKK	500	173,085	197,808	3.13%
<b>Equity instruments of Finnish issuers:</b>				<b>317,967</b>	<b>335,534</b>	<b>5.31%</b>
Orion Oyj	FI0009014377	EUR	3,700	172,039	190,180	3.01%
Neste Oyj	FI0009013296	EUR	3,360	145,928	145,354	2.30%

Financial instrument	ISIN code	Currency	Quantity	Acquisition value (EUR)	Carrying amount 31.12.2022.	% of the Fund's net assets 31.12.2022.
<b>Equity instruments of Dutch issuers:</b>				<b>239,120</b>	<b>317,172</b>	<b>5.01%</b>
ASML Holding NV	NL0010273215	EUR	316	78,053	160,212	2.53%
Wolters Kluwer NV	NL0000395903	EUR	1,600	161,067	156,960	2.48%
<b>Equity instruments of Portuguese issuers:</b>				<b>162,832</b>	<b>173,991</b>	<b>2.76%</b>
Jeronimo Martins SGPS SA	PTJMT0AE0001	EUR	8,571	162,832	173,991	2.76%
<b>Equity instruments of Swedish issuers:</b>				<b>164,694</b>	<b>164,952</b>	<b>2.61%</b>
Evolution Gaming Group AB	SE0012673267	SEK	1,800	164,694	164,952	2.61%
<b>Equity instruments of Italian issuers:</b>				<b>183,679</b>	<b>163,812</b>	<b>2.59%</b>
Moncler SpA	IT0004965148	EUR	3,302	183,679	163,812	2.59%
<b>Equity instruments of Spanish issuers:</b>				<b>140,133</b>	<b>154,578</b>	<b>2.44%</b>
Industria de Diseno Textil SA	ES0148396007	EUR	6,198	140,133	154,578	2.44%
<b>Equity instruments of Polish issuers:</b>				<b>147,884</b>	<b>152,258</b>	<b>2.41%</b>
Dino Polska SA	PLDINPL00011	PLN	1,900	147,884	152,258	2.41%
<b>Equity instruments of Norwegian issuers:</b>				<b>137,787</b>	<b>143,540</b>	<b>2.27%</b>
Kongsberg Gruppen ASA	NO0003043309	NOK	3,633	137,787	143,540	2.27%
<b>Total equity instruments:</b>				<b>6,160,051</b>	<b>6,264,098</b>	<b>99.00%</b>

### 3. PIELIKUMS PERFORMANCE DYNAMICS OF THE INVESTMENT FUND

	30.06.2023.	31.12.2022.	31.12.2021.
<b>Net assets of the Fund (EUR)*</b>	<b>7,547,345</b>	<b>6,327,317</b>	<b>14,278,209</b>
Number of share certificates of the Fund	154,947	151,419	219,389
Value of the unit of the Fund	48.71	41.79	65.08
Fund return**	16.56%	(35.79%)	28.14%

\* Net asset value in EUR determined using end-of-day foreign exchange rates quoted on financial markets.

\*\* Return is calculated assuming there are 365 days in a year using end-of-day foreign exchange rates.