



GADD SMP FUND

Monthly Report

April 2026

NAV EUR 2'732.52*

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* at 30.04.2026

	Jan.	Feb.	Mars	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Year
2026	0.3%	5.4%	-4.4%	1.5%									2.6%
2025	4.3%	0.2%	-5.1%	1.7%	2.3%	0.8%	0.0%	2.5%	-0.5%	3.2%	2.1%	1.1%	13.1%
2024	-0.1%	1.5%	5.4%	1.8%	1.4%	-0.7%	4.6%	0.1%	-1.5%	-1.8%	-0.6%	-2.3%	7.7%
2023	3.2%	-1.2%	-1.6%	-0.4%	-2.8%	1.9%	2.2%	-2.9%	-2.3%	-1.0%	2.5%	5.4%	2.7%
2022	-7.0%	-1.8%	5.4%	-1.6%	0.8%	-9.5%	7.7%	-5.0%	-3.5%	4.1%	3.1%	0.4%	-8.1%
2021	0.0%	3.1%	2.8%	3.8%	7.2%	0.0%	4.6%	1.3%	-1.1%	5.9%	1.5%	3.8%	38.2%
2020	1.6%	-4.7%	-15.9%	9.2%	4.3%	1.1%	3.1%	3.9%	2.7%	-3.4%	5.1%	3.3%	8.1%
2019	5.7%	4.6%	-0.1%	4.2%	0.1%	1.1%	0.1%	-1.6%	0.5%	0.1%	3.1%	1.8%	21.4%
2018	1.5%	1.1%	-3.0%	2.5%	1.1%	-0.6%	0.6%	3.4%	-0.9%	-5.5%	-2.0%	-2.9%	-5.1%
2017	0.9%	2.8%	-2.9%	3.9%	1.3%	0.1%	-3.0%	-1.6%	3.7%	1.4%	-1.3%	-1.1%	4.0%

Market Comment

April 2026 was marked by a gradual stabilisation in market sentiment following the sharp turbulence of March, with focus shifting increasingly from geopolitical escalation to actual corporate resilience. While the Middle East conflict remains a significant source of uncertainty, the month brought greater clarity on how its effects are feeding through into the real economy and corporate earnings.

Sweden's Q1 2026 reporting season has broadly been strong, tempering the negative market mood. Industrial companies showed solid margin strength despite currency headwinds from a stronger krona. Construction and real estate presents a mixed picture, with healthy infrastructure order intake but continued weakness in residential construction and rising office vacancies. Banks again exceeded expectations. Lower net interest income has been partly offset by increased business activity, pointing toward stabilisation and potentially improved profitability in the second half of the year.

US corporate earnings have also surprised to the upside. According to FactSet, average earnings growth reached 22.7% for reporting S&P 500 companies - the highest level since Q1 2021. This strong performance has supported US equity markets, which have shown relative resilience despite continued global uncertainty.

Overall, markets moved during April from rapid risk aversion to a more balanced phase, where strong corporate results partially offset lingering macroeconomic and geopolitical risks.

The Federal Reserve held rates unchanged, with some internal disagreement on future policy direction. Several members signaled caution on rate cuts. Inflation is still assessed as elevated, geopolitics adds to uncertainty, and the labour

market is seen as a lesser risk. The tone was somewhat more hawkish - notably in Jerome Powell's final rate decision as Fed Chair.

Swedish inflation in March surprised clearly to the downside, confirming subdued underlying price pressures. CPIX excluding energy came in at 1.1% and total inflation at 1.6%, both below Riksbank forecasts. Absent the geopolitical escalation, rate cuts would likely have been within reach; rate hikes appear unlikely in the near term.

Index	31.12.25	30.04.26	YTD
MSCI World (USD)	4'430.38	4'660.70	5.2%
STOXX50 (EUR)	5'791.41	5'881.51	1.6%
S&P 500 (USD)	6'845.50	7'209.01	5.3%
Nasdaq Comp (USD)	23'241.99	24'892.31	7.1%
Dax (EUR)	24'490.41	24'292.38	-0.8%
SMI (CHF)	13'267.48	13'136.27	-1.0%
OMX30 (SEK)	2'882.97	3'060.48	6.2%
MSCI Russia (USD)	13'041.79	13'357.10	
MSCI China (USD)	82.58	77.81	-5.8%
NIKKEI (YEN)	50'339.48	59'284.92	17.8%
Swe. Gov Bond. 10 y	2.78%	2.78%	

In April 2026, Anthropic launched its model Mythos, which demonstrated an exceptionally strong capability to autonomously execute advanced cyberattacks and exploit zero-day vulnerabilities - security flaws unknown to manufacturers and therefore unpatched. This included vulnerabilities in lega-

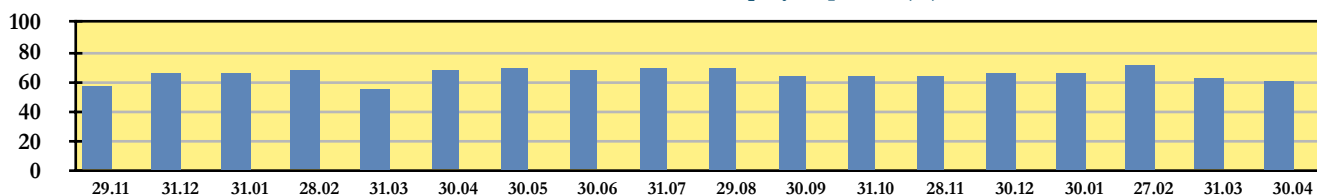
cy banking systems. The event triggered initial panic, with crisis meetings between the Finance Minister, the Fed Chair and Wall Street. Technology stocks were negatively affected while cybersecurity firms such as CrowdStrike and Palo Alto Networks benefited. The situation has since settled relatively quickly as no actual attacks have been reported and Mythos remains strictly confined within Project Glasswing for defensive purposes. The long-term risk of AI-driven cyber threats persists and continues to drive higher cybersecurity investment.

The strongest performer among fund holdings during the month was Dometic, up 21.8% in total. Other gainers included ABB +21.7%, Hexatronic +20.2%, Gränges +17.4% and Epiroc +15.1%.

On the negative side, the main detractors were RevolutionRace (-15.3%), Yabie (-14.3%), Lundin Gold (-11.3%), Indutrade (-8.0%), VEF (-7.6%) and Peab (-7.0%).

Returns above are not adjusted for dividends.

GADD SMP FUND: Net Equity Exposure (%)



The Hungarian elections resulted in a change of government, with Péter Magyar and the Tisza party securing a clear victory and a parliamentary supermajority, ending Viktor Orbán's long hold on power. The outcome offers near-term relief for the EU and Ukraine, particularly from a security policy perspective, and can be viewed as positive for EU cohesion.

The UAE has left OPEC after nearly 60 years, primarily due to dissatisfaction with production quotas set well below the country's capacity and escalating political tensions with Saudi Arabia. OPEC loses one of its largest producers and a significant share of spare capacity, potentially weakening the cartel's ability to manage oil prices. Over time, this points toward a more fragmented oil market and reduced production discipline.

MSCI World (USD) rose 9.5% during the month, S&P 500 gained 10.4% and the Nasdaq 15.3%. In Europe, STOXX 50 rose 5.6%, DAX 7.1% and SMI 2.8%. MSCI Nordic Countries gained 4.4% and OMXS30 in Stockholm 9.1%. MSCI China (USD) rose 7.7% and the Nikkei 13.2%. The Swedish 10-year government bond yield fell 3 basis points during the month, from 2.81% to 2.78%.

Activities of the month

The fund increased its Swedbank holding to 3% from 2%, funded by a corresponding reduction in SEB. Partial sales of 1% each were made in Industrivärden and Investor, as both trade at historically low discounts to underlying values; the fund retains 2% in each.

Following a rising but volatile market, the short-term trend is neutral while the medium- and long-term trends remain positive. The fund began the month with equity exposure of approximately 60%, which was maintained throughout.

Investment strategy

The strong Q1 2026 reporting season has confirmed corporate resilience, with many companies reporting double-digit earnings growth, particularly in technology and financials. This supports the market despite persistent geopolitical headwinds.

At the same time, the Iran conflict has left a clear mark. Germany has halved its 2026 GDP forecast to just 0.5% due to sharply rising energy prices. Europe is particularly exposed through its energy dependence, resulting in higher inflation and compressed margins.

President Trump has maintained a prolonged economic blockade against Iran, targeting oil exports and the country's shadow banking system. This has curtailed Iranian revenues, but no decisive progress on the nuclear programme has been achieved. Uncertainty over the conflict's trajectory and its impact on energy markets persists, and the risk of continued volatility is assessed as high, particularly in Europe.

At the time of writing, the fund's equity exposure remains at approximately 60%. The fund has chosen to maintain this cautious stance for as long as uncertainty around energy prices and geopolitics prevails. The fund monitors developments closely and is well positioned to increase exposure as the risk picture clarifies and attractive opportunities emerge.

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