

PELARGOS CAPITAL B.V.

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Company profile

Pelargos Capital B.V. (hereafter: Pelargos) is an investment boutique with an institutional type infrastructure that runs fundamental value strategies focused on alpha generation in the Japanese equity market. Pelargos was founded in March 2008 with Aegon Asset Management as cornerstone investor. Pelargos Japan Alpha Fund, launched in 2008, strives for capital growth by taking long and short exposures in securities related to Japanese companies. In February 2020, Pelargos launched a Japan long only equity fund, Pelargos Japan Reiwa Fund. At the end of June 2021, the Management Committee at Pelargos consists of Richard Dingemans (CEO), Pieter van Putten (CFO/COO) and Michael Kretschmer (CIO).

Key figures

Key figures (€)			
	HY1 2021	HY1 2020	2020
Revenues	896,371	710,679	1,516,488
Costs	976,090	979,218	1,892,753
Net result	-64,643	-255,932	-347,140
Equity	1,981,101	2,136,952	2,045,744
Assets under management	180,350,128	167,425,140	170,328,012



Legal information

Pelargos, incorporated and domiciled in the Netherlands, is a private limited liability company organized under Dutch law and recorded in the Commercial Register of The Hague under its registered address at Prinses Margrietplantsoen 43, 2595 AM, The Hague.

Pelargos was established on March 4th in 2008. The statutory objectives of the company are:

- to act as a manager of one or more funds for joint account;
- to conduct the management over and to be (managing) director of one or more other investment institutions, companies and legal entities; and
- to invest assets in any other way, whether or not at the risk and expense of third parties; as well as to participate in, to take an interest in any other way in, to conduct the management of other business enterprises of whatever nature, furthermore to finance third parties, in any way to provide security or undertake the obligations of third parties and finally all activities which are incidental to or which may be conducive to any of the foregoing.

Pelargos has been granted the license to manage investment funds (as meant in *Article 2:65, first paragraph, sub a, Wet Financieel Toezicht*) by Autoriteit Financiële Markten on 9 December 2010. As of 22 July 2014, this license has been converted into an AIFMD license. Pelargos has been granted an extension to its license, which enables it to offer additional investment services (as meant in *Article 2:67, 2nd paragraph, sub a, sub b and sub d Wet Financieel Toezicht*) by Autoriteit Financiële Markten as of 1 March 2017.



Management report

Introduction

The first half of 2021 saw a continuation of the Covid-19 crisis. Pelargos Japan Alpha Fund performed +5.53% during the period in EUR terms. Pelargos Japan Reiwa Fund had a positive performance of +5.24% up to the end of June. Assets under management increased from EUR 170 mln to EUR 180 mln during the first half of 2021.

Business development

Pelargos was established in 2008 with the strategic backing and long-term committed cornerstone investor Aegon. Since its start Pelargos has built an institutional infrastructure. It supports our fundamental research and risk management framework. It also enables effective reporting and performance attribution analysis to provide transparency for our clients. Pelargos is a member of the Alternative Investment Management Association and our key service providers are best in class partners.

The focus of our team is on generating performance and raising capital. The main driver of profitability comes from increasing revenues through acquisition of new customers. To support this process, we constantly search for investors as well as partners with proven distribution capabilities.

Organisation

In early 2020 Pelargos started managing a Japan long only equity fund listed on the UCITS platform of Universal Investment Luxembourg S.A. The fund completed its first 12 months of performance track record early 2021.

Covid-19 continued to have relatively little impact on the operations of Pelargos Capital. No disruptions in daily work procedures were reported so far. The impact of the crisis on investment performance was small. During the first half of 2021, sister company Saemor Capital closed for business. Pelargos was able to continue its operations without disruption, among other things by taking over staff previously shared between the two companies.

The fund management team continued to intensify its work on governance related matters with Japanse companies, despite the fact that the team was not able to travel to Japan. Corporate governance changes are starting to become more visible in Japan, resulting in positive influence on investment performance for the funds managed by Pelargos.

Financials

In the first half of 2021 Pelargos realized a loss of \in 64.643.

This loss was smaller than the one in the same period in the previous year, due to a higher level of assets under management and a lower cost base.

The current assets of Pelargos are sufficient to meet its current short term, current long term and foreseeable near future financial obligations.

The Hague, 26 August 2021

Orange Dragon Company B.V., R.A. Dingemans

P. Van Putten, CFA

M. Kretschmer



Balance sheet as at 30 June 2021

(Before profit distribution)

	30 June 2021 €	31 De	ecember 2020 €
2,712		2,958	
996		3,080	
	3,708		6,038
310,718		263,244	
-		-	
373,747		244,625	
53,347		16,826	
	737,812		524,695
324,222		307,567	
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1.618.333		1.843.380	
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	2,684,075		2,681,680
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	30 June 2021	31 De	ecember 2020
	£		€
18,000		18,000	
482,000		482,000	
1,545,744		1,892,884	
-64,643		-347,140	
	1,981,101		2,045,744
74,794		100,508	
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312,382		321,170	
315,798		214,258	
	628,180		535,428
	2,684,075		2,681,680
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Profit and loss account 1 January – 30 June 2021

P&L	HY1 2021		HY1 2020	
		2	€	
Performance fee	116,768	4,056		
Management fee	779,603	706,623		
Revenues from fees	896,371		710,679	
Other revenues	-		-	
Total revenues	896,371		710,679	
Total costs	-976,090		-979,218	
Investment results	16,655		14,228	
Other income	338		338	
Interest	-1,917		-1,959	
Result before tax	-64,643		-255,932	
Corporate income tax	-		-	
Result after tax	-64,643	1	-255,932	

Cash flow statement 1 January – 30 June 2021

CASHFLOW STATEMENT		HY1 2021 €		HY1 2020 €
Earnings from operations		-79,719		-268,539
Adjustments for				
Depreciation	1,680		1,680	
Change in receivables	-213,117		12,655	
Change in liabilities	67,037		-54,329	
Due corporate tax	0		0	
	-144,400		- 39,994	
Cash flow from operations		-224,119		-308,533
Change of units of participations in Funds	0		-99,719	
Investments in fixed assets	651		0	
Cash flow from investments		651		-99,719
Interest	-1,917		-1,959	
Dividends paid	. 0		0	
Cash flow from financing		-1,917		-1,959
Other income	338		338	
Cash flow from other		338		338
Change in cash		-225,047		-409,873