

FEP

First Trust Europe AlphaDEX Fund

Analyst Report

This ETF is one of many products offering exposure to the developed economies of Western Europe, an asset class that includes many of the world's largest stocks markets and is often a core holding within long-term, buy-and-hold portfolios. As such, FEP may be appealing to both investors with a long-term focus and to those looking to establish a shorter-term tactical tilt towards European stock markets. FEP is unique from other options in the Europe Equities ETFdb Category thanks to the methodology of the underlying index; this fund seeks to replicate an AlphaDEX benchmark that employs a quant-based screening system designed to select the component stocks with the greatest potential for capital appreciation. In exchange for this attempt to generate alpha relative to cap-weighted benchmarks, investors can expect to pay a bit more; FEP has an expense ratio quite a bit higher than low cost options for European exposure such as VGK. For those who believe that the AlphaDEX methodology has the ability to generate excess returns over the long run, this ETF might be the optimal way to establish exposure to European stock markets. Those looking to minimize costs or who believe in fully efficient markets may prefer cheaper options such as VGK or FEZ.

ESG Themes and Scores

7.42/10

ESG Rate

83.99%

Global Percentile

8.14%

Peer Percentile

Performance Data

	FEP	ETF Database Category Average	Factset Segment Average
1 Month	2.44%	3.53%	2.70%
3 Month	6.96%	8.29%	5.44%
YTD Return	10.91%	8.17%	7.67%
1 Year Return	31.01%	20.07%	17.50%
3 Year Return	25.10%	17.84%	15.41%
5 Year Return	9.79%	8.57%	8.41%

Top 5 Holdings

Symbol	Holding	% Assets
PRY	Prysmian S.p.A.	1.19%
NDA	Aurubis AG	1.13%
HOT	HOCHTIEF Aktiengesellschaft	1.00%
GL9	Glanbia Plc	1.00%
ABDN	Aberdeen Group plc	1.00%

Vitals

Issuer	First Trust
Brand	First Trust
Structure	ETF
Expense Ratio	0.80%
Inception	Apr 18, 2011
Index Tracked	NASDAQ AlphaDEX Europe Index

ETF Database Themes

Category	Europe Equities
Asset Class	Equity
Asset Class Size	Multi-Cap
Asset Class Style	Blend
Region (General)	Developed Europe
Region (Specific)	Broad

FactSet Classifications

Segment	Equity: Developed Europe - Total Market
Category	Size and Style
Focus	Total Market
Niche	Broad-based
Strategy	Multi-factor
Weighting	Tiered

