

zMonthly May 26

AI enthusiasm is driving stock markets

In May, the situation in the Middle East continued to have a significant impact on global financial markets. Periods of hope for a swift agreement were repeatedly followed by setbacks. Meanwhile, the ongoing blockade of the Strait of Hormuz has led to increased inflationary pressure due to rising commodity and transport costs. Consequently, consumer prices, and even more so producer prices, have risen significantly in the US. Against this backdrop and amid rising interest rates, the new US Federal Reserve Chairman, Kevin Warsh, will find it difficult to justify a cut in key interest rates any time soon. Despite this challenging environment, stock markets have proven to be highly resilient and, with some reaching new record highs. In particular, companies in the semiconductor sector have benefited from the AI boom, with technology-focused stock markets in the US, Taiwan and South Korea performing exceptionally well. Defensive markets such as Switzerland were less able to capitalise on this. Computer accessories manufacturer Logitech reported revenue and profit figures for the past financial year that exceeded expectations. Shares in Valiant Bank came under pressure following the release of disappointing quarterly figures. Private bank Julius Bär fell short of expectations with weak net new money growth, prompting investors to sell off shares. The fund rose by 2.0% in May (SPI +3.3%).

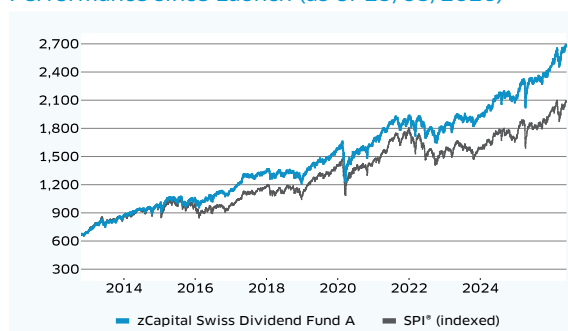
Active on the buy side

During the month under review, we increased our positions in Holcim, Roche, Galenica, Partners Group and BKW. Conversely, due to strong share price performance, we reduced our exposure to Inficon.

How long can risks be ignored?

The situation in the Middle East remains volatile despite tentative steps towards reconciliation between the US and Iran. Although markets have long anticipated the imminent reopening of the Strait of Hormuz, a swift negotiated solution remains uncertain. According to experts, Iran can withstand the US naval blockade for another two to three months. President Trump, on the other hand, is making it clear that he wants to extricate himself from this conflict as quickly as possible as the midterm elections in early November draw nearer. Meanwhile, optimism continues to dominate the stock markets, led by the boom surrounding artificial intelligence. Rising inflation figures and the accompanying higher long-term interest rates seem to be of little concern. In our view, however, this poses risks that investors cannot completely ignore.

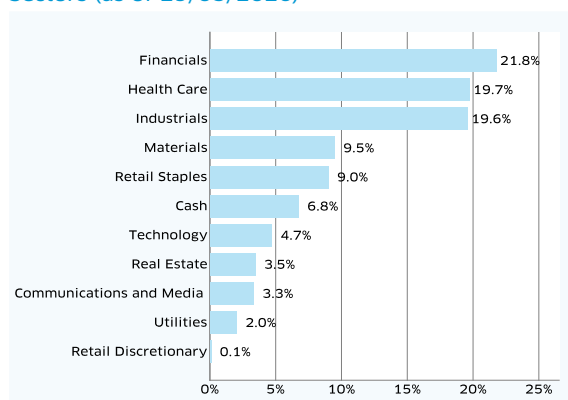
Performance since Launch (as of 29/05/2026)



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MTD (Fund / Benchmark)	2.0% / 3.3%
YTD	8.9% / 5.2%
1 year	16.3% / 14.1%
3 years p.a.	11.7% / 8.3%
5 years p.a.	8.1% / 5.4%
10 years p.a.	9.4% / 7.9%
Since launch p.a.	10.6% / 8.6%

Sectors (as of 29/05/2026)



Largest Positions (as of 29/05/2026)

1	Roche	9.1%
2	Nestle	9.0%
3	Novartis	9.0%
4	ABB	7.0%
5	Zurich Insurance Group	4.9%
6	Givaudan	3.5%
7	Holcim	2.9%
8	Partners Group	2.5%
9	Logitech	2.5%
10	Swisscom	2.3%
11	Inficon	2.2%
12	SGS	2.1%
13	Swiss Re	2.1%
14	Helvetia Baloise	1.9%
15	Accelleron	1.9%

Investment Strategy

The zCapital Swiss Dividend Fund invests in Swiss equities that pay an attractive, reliable dividend or where dividend income is expected to grow. The fund invests in 30 to 40 companies from the universe of the SPI® (Swiss Performance Index). Around half of the fund assets is invested in blue chips and the other half in second-line stocks. zCapital pursues a long-term, active investment style. The stock selection is based on a combination of fundamental company analyses with a proprietary dividend analysis tool. Key ESG aspects and macroeconomic factors are also included in the decision-making process.

Portfolio Structure (as of 29/05/2026)

Net Asset Value	CHF 2,682.65 per Share A
Total Assets	CHF 1158 m
Number of Companies	38

Statistics 3 Years (as of 29/05/2026)

Volatility Fund p.a.	10.2%
Beta (current)	0.8
Dividend yield of invested companies *	3.3%
Large caps in percentage of portfolio	58.9%

* This figure includes the weighted future dividend yields from the companies invested in, as estimated by zCapital. It does not provide any indication of the final level of dividend that will be paid out by the "zCapital Swiss Dividend Fund". As of 29/05/2026.

Termsheet

Fund-Name	zCapital Swiss Dividend Fund (Class A)
Asset Manager	zCapital AG, Zug
Swiss Security Number / ISIN	19466655 / CH0194666555
Price Publications	www.zcapital.ch, www.swissfunddata.ch, www.fundinfo.com
Bloomberg / Reuters	ZCAPDIV SW Equity / 19466655.S
Benchmark	Swiss Performance Index SPI®
Morningstar-Rating	★★★★★
Minimum Investment / Reference Currency	No minimum investment required / CHF
Fund Type / Distribution	Swiss Securities Fund / Authorized for public distribution in Switzerland and Germany
Management Fee (incl. Fund Management and Custodian Fees)	1% p.a.
Issue Fee / Redemption Fee	None
Total Expense Ratio (TER) as of 30/11/2025	1.00%
Fund Management Company / Custodian Bank	LLB Swiss Investment AG, Zürich / Bank Julius Bär & Co. AG, Zürich
Subscriptions and Redemptions	On each bank working day at Net Asset Value (NAV). Subscriptions and redemptions which are placed with the Custodian Bank by 2.45 pm CET on a bank business day (Order Day), are processed on the next bank working day (Valuation Day) based on the Order Day's closing price.
Auditor	PricewaterhouseCoopers AG, Zurich

Yearly Performance (as of 29/05/2026)

	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Fund	2.2%*	25.8%	12.7%	7.3%	7.8%	17.5%	-7.0%	27.1%	5.7%	15.3%	-7.9%	9.2%	9.0%
SPI®	1.1%*	24.6%	13.0%	2.7%	-1.4%	19.9%	-8.6%	30.6%	3.8%	23.4%	-16.5%	6.1%	6.2%

	2025	2026
Fund	17.0%	8.9%
SPI®	17.8%	5.2%

* since Launch date (22 October 2012)

Monthly Performance (as of 29/05/2026)

2026	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Year
Fund	1.9%	5.7%	-5.1%	4.4%	2.0%								8.9%
SPI®	0.0%	5.7%	-7.4%	4.0%	3.3%								5.2%

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