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Mercury Fund

Investing in Portuguese SMEs and Mid Caps

2023



This company meets the highest standards of social and environmental impact

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Fund manager
Overview

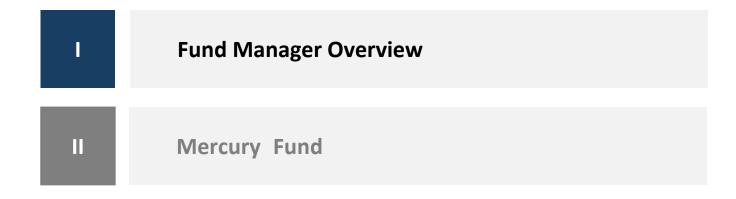
- The **leading Portuguese investment firm**, with **c. €1bn AUM** under several strategies, ranging from growth/buyout, restructuring, real estate and public markets
- Invested in over 70 companies over the last decade
- Main LPs include Portuguese banks, **US Foundations**, EU entities, HNWI, and **Fund manager's team**
- Seasoned team comprised of 25 investment professionals; partners working together since launch in 2012
- Proven track-record of delivering value across strategies aggregate IRR >30% in growth/buyout funds

II Golden Visa Manager is currently fundraising for three Golden Visa-compliant funds, focusing on (i) Private Equity (Mercury Fund – focus of this presentation), allowing investors to mix and match strategies in order to adapt to their risk/return profile

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- Investment in mature Portuguese SMEs/Mid Caps ranging from €1mln to €10mln
- Market turmoil (e.g. higher inflation and interest rates) will pressure companies' treasury over the next 3 to 4 years – these conditions will allow for interesting and opportunistic deals
- Flexible instruments will favor equity-like returns with downside protection, targeting mid teens returns
- Strong active pipeline: The fund has sourced a total of 17 deals with a potential investment of €85-112mln
- Fund already with >€25mln in size, aiming to €50mln until year end. State-owned LP (bank responsible for the EU Funds) representing up to 60% of the Fund. The team will also invest ("skin in the game")



Fund Manager is the leading Portuguese alternative investment firm managing >€1bn across several strategies over >10 years

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	Private Equity	Real Estate	R&D Financing		SMEs Capitalization		Corporate Restructuring
Investment mandate	Flexible equity and debt instruments in growing Iberian companies	Defensive and opportunistic real estate investments in Portugal	Financing SMEs' R&D (grants LPs tax benefit)	High conviction public equities' investments	Minority buyouts and growth financing (execution-focused)	Bad bank real estate/ hospitality	Bad bank industrial
Fund size (launch year)	c. €240mln (2014, 2018, 2021)	c. €20mln (2021)	€44min (2018)	€15mln (2018, 2023)	€80mln (2013)	€545mln (2014)	€440mln (2012)
Limited Partners	 Institutional Investors Family Offices & Private Investors Fund Manager 	Golden Visa investors	Private InvestorsFund Manager	 Private Investors Fund Manager	E.U. Structural FundsPortuguese Banks	 Portuguese Banks 	 Portuguese Banks
Selected Investments Non-exhaustive	SYNERGYM. Vizelpas Vizelpas Videntification Saphety Cloudware Carpro Jimpisoff Ca	VERDELAGO RESORT R. de Inglaterra	proef Cork Supply	Concentrated, long-term investment style, with a focus on poorly followed companies and sectors where the Fund Manager already has experience	feedzai *medicineone campotec MICROplanticon DIREUPAPEL BEAnywhere METALUSA CERAIRPE MERCATUS MERCATUS	Shark agreen Lake by the state of the suppress of the suppres	PIEDADE CABELTE MOTA ENP

The Fund Manager has a strong track record of growing its portfolio companies and performing successful exits

Portfolio companies sold in recent years to international players

Non exhaustive

Company	Sector	Year	Purchaser	EBITDA Entry (€mln)	EBITDA Exit (€mln)
PIEDADE	Cork & Wine Stoppers	2015	OENEO	~6	~7
FITNESS HUT	Health and Fitness	2017	backed by Bridges	~1	~10
Lingote	Aluminum Extrusion	2019	backed CVC CAPITAL PARTNERS	~8	~8
blue&green Lake SPA RESORT	Hospitality	2020	HIP backed by Blackstone	~2	~5
> prio	Oil & Gas	2020	DISC	~16	~33
saphety	E-billing	2021	SOVOS backed Hg by TA ASSOCIATES	~1	~4
blue & green Vilalara THALASSA RESORT	Hospitality	2021	AZORA	~1	~4

Strong operational experience, acquired through years of supporting portfolio companies' growth

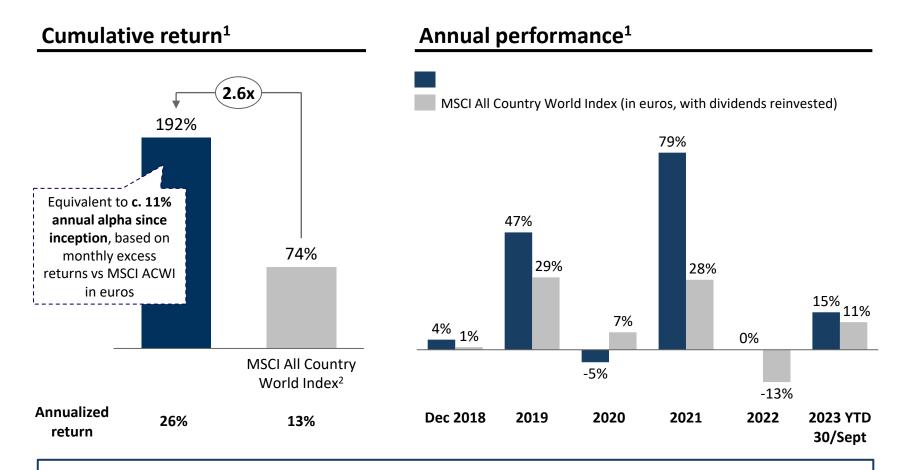
1 Private Equity: Strong performance across all 3 funds, with pooled gross IRR of 33%

Fund	Summary Indicators		Performance ¹ (Q2 2023)			Portfolio	
	Size (€mln)	Called (%subscribed)	Distributed (% called)	Net IRR	Net MM	Realized MM	Hybrid Debt Equity
#1 (May-14)	66	89%	157%	15%	1.6x ²	1.6x	67%
#2 (Oct-18)	73	83%	87%	45%	3.0x ²	0.9x	18% 46%
#3 (Dec-21)	105	70%	-	23%	1.4x	_	19%

^{1.} Includes both realized and unrealized values.

^{2.} Considering LPs peak out of pocket contribution (i.e., net of prior distributions from PortCos sales).

Public Equities: Strong track record in public markets, >2,6x the MSCI all Country World Index



Fund Manager and its partners have a track record of successful investments in public markets

^{1.} Calculated as time-weighted return, i.e. it corresponds to the chain product of returns between redemption dates and capital increases, removing the impact of these movements on the rate of return, and is gross of fees for the period during which invested through Fundo FCR (Dec 2018 until 2022, inclusive); Disclosed performance represents past data and is not a guarantee of future performance. Investment in this investment strategy and consequently in the respective funds may entail the loss of the capital invested; 2. In euros, with reinvested dividends; 3. Partner involved in the initiative generated a return of 22.1% p.a. over the last 12 years (vs 8.5% MSCI World Total Return EUR) by investing in public markets | Source: Bloomberg

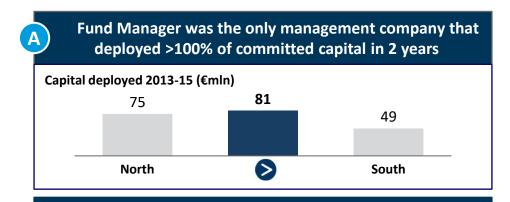
3 SMEs Capitalization: Superior execution and performance vis-à-vis local competitors within the Revitalizar initiative

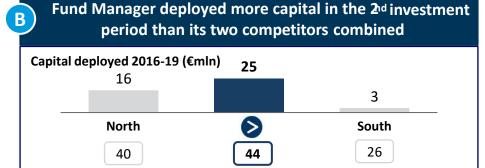
Revitalizar Centro (FRC)

- Execution-focused regional fund set-up in partnership with Portuguese banks and the government
- 3 funds were launched to deploy €220mln divided by North (€80mln), Center (€80mln) and South (€60mln), managed by independent management companies
- Substantial investment restrictions with maximum deployment of €1.5mln per year per company
- Manager won the Center and South Funds and selected the Center region¹
- A <u>1st investment period</u> (2013-15): 2 years to fully invest the Funds
- B 2nd investment period (2016-19): 3 years to deploy capital that had been divested in the meantime

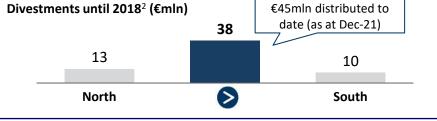
Revitalizar Centro's returns are expected to be superior to competitor funds based on qualitative data of the portfolios

- 1. Each management company could only manage one of the funds.
- 2. Latest publicly available data.





Fund manager was the fastest to distribute capital to investor being responsible for 60% of total capital returned



Restructuring: Proven track record in implementing operational and financial restructurings across a wide range of distressed assets



Real Estate Restructuring



Corporate Restructuring

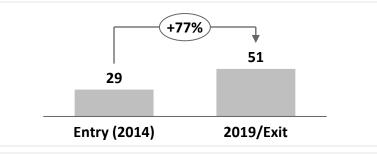
Strategy

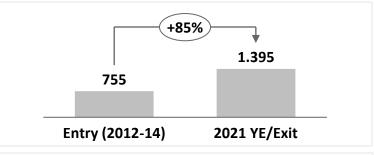
- Overleveraged but viable companies with high exposure to Portuguese banks, which are Limited Partners
- Increasing recovery value (low target returns) through debt-to-equity conversions and operational improvement programs

Highlights

- 5 deals executed (2014-15) in distressed tourism and real estate assets
- 2 divestments of 5-star hotels amid the pandemic (2020 and 2021), after strong increase on the level of quality and profitability
- 5 deals executed (2012-14) in overleveraged industrial companies
- 3 divestments concluded to date, of which one with IRR >40% and other with MOIC >2.0x

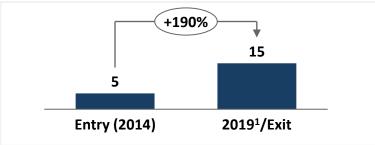
Portfolio Sales (€mln)

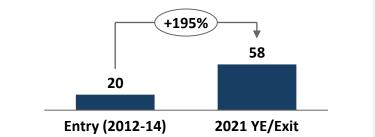




Portfolio

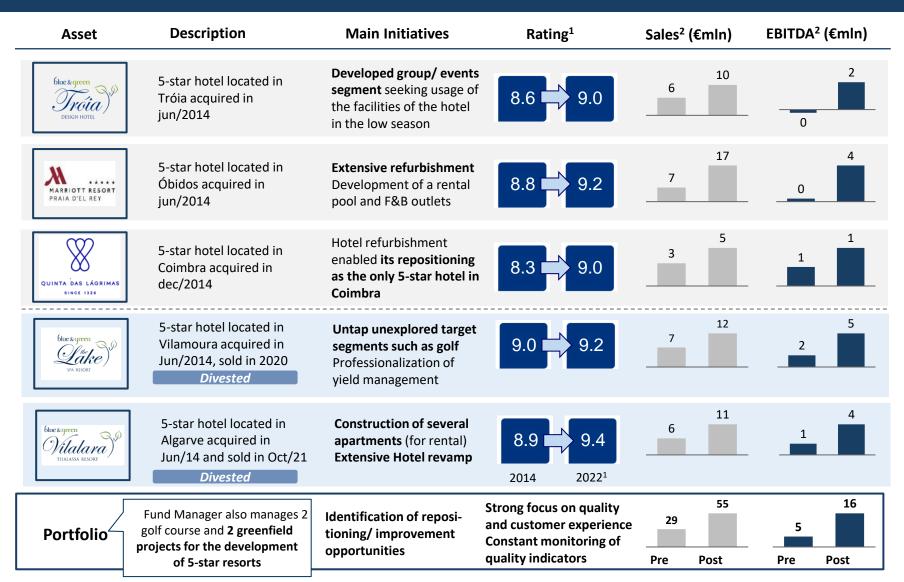
(€mln)





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Fund Manager has extensive experience in implementing value add initiatives in real estate and touristic assets in Portugal

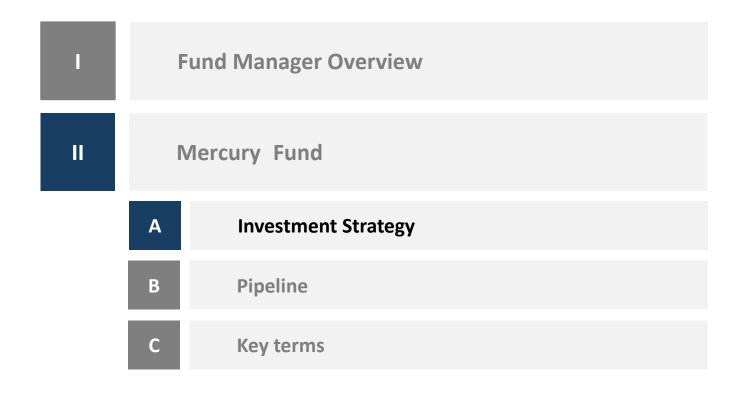


- .. Rating from booking.com (reference date 31/12/2022, except for divested assets).
- 2. Pre-COVID 19 figures. Aggregate EBITDA exceeded break-even in 2020 and 2021.

5 Fund Manager invested in 8 Portuguese groups implementing operational and financial measures to improve results

		Companies	Description	Date	Participation	Sales (€mln)	EBITDA (€mln)
a a	folio	CABELTE	Production of energy cables in copper and aluminium	Mar-13	94.5% + shareholder loans	172 188	-9
Fundo Reestruturação Empresarial	Empresarial Portfolio	*MCS*	Extraction of raw-materials for the ceramic industry and produces ceramic bodies	Aug-13	50% + shareholder loans	40 	8
ruturação		> prio	Distribution and sale of fuel (gas stations); (ii) production and sale of biofuel and (iii) fuel storage	Aug-13	100% + shareholder loans	1.182 501	16
ındo Reest	Exits	PIEDADE	Production and distribution, in the world market, cork closures produced from selected materials	Feb-14	60% + shareholder loans	39,6 44,0	6 7
ቪ		ENP	Construction and repair of naval ships	Nov-14	30% + shareholder loans	1,5 1,6	-1 -1
	Portfolio	FLATLANTIC® MATHOMETER VILLED MATHEMATICAL PROPERTY VILLED	Aquaculture Production of turbot	Jul-17	100%	16 16	3
	Port	Agricultural Assets	>800 ha of super intensive Olive Grove >1.000 ha of Avocados and Tangerines	May-18 Nov-21	-	n.a.	n.a.
	Exit	☐ ALELUIA CERÂMICAS	Production and decoration of wall and floor ceramic tiles	Jan-16	>90%	22 29 Pre Post	Pre Post

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Leveraging on strong track record on Private Equity, the Fund will be focused on equity like returns with strong downside protection

1 Market turmoil

Current size > €25mln with target of €50mln YE

2 Investors Profile

 Covid-19 Pandemic followed by UA/RU war led to a turmoil in the real economy that will pressure companies' treasury. In addition:

- SMEs represent >98%¹ of the number of companies –
 opportunities to consolidate market improving productivity;
- Non-professional / family-owned business with low financial education – support from a financial investor will be needed;
- Portuguese corporate sector is highly levered, with most financial debt concentrated in SMEs

Unique moment to invest in companies impacted by macro environment with sustainable business models

Anchor Investor with €30mln already committed and up to 60% of the Fund





Banco Português de Fomento² State-owned bank responsible for the allocation of EU Fund's

Other

- The Team will invest, aligning the interest of all stakeholders
- Other Private and Institutional investors

Opportunity to invest alongside a team that believes in the success of the Fund – "Skin in the game"

Deal flow origination

Fund Manag has wellestablished **proprietary deal origination channels** through strong professional network and relationships with owners, banks, brokers and advisors

Access to off-market deals with lower competition

4 Track Record

Fund Mana has a **proven track record of investing and generating returns** in Private Equity investments with >80 investments and >40 exits both in restructuring and Growth/Buyout

Strong track record on execution and delivering returns

- 1. Bureau Van Dijk; SABI
- 2. Similar to the KfW Development Bank in Germany

Investment in mature SMEs/Mid Caps with sustainable business models via flexible Debt/Equity instruments

Investment Strategy

- Investment in mature Portuguese companies with EBITDA ranging from €1mln to €10mln
- Proactively sourced with proprietary deal flow (key to achieve higher returns)

Investment Structures

- Flexibility to provide liquidity to companies and/or acquire minority/majority stakes
- Flexible Debt/Equity instruments that will favor attractive returns with downside protection

Target Returns

Mid teens

Target Sectors



Industrial



Health



Retail and Services

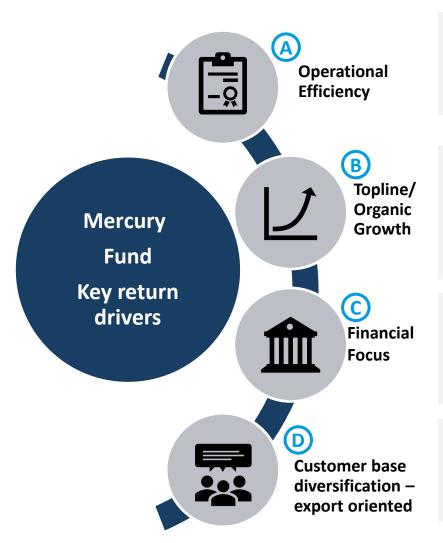


Agrobusiness

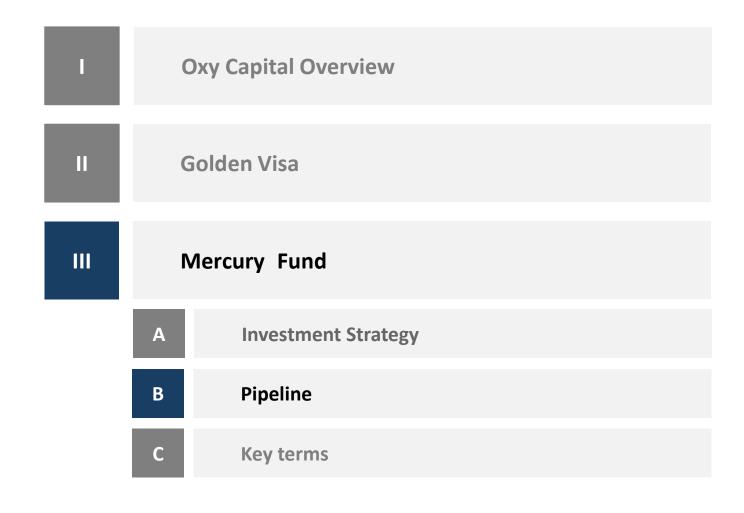


Transportation and Logistics

Fund Manager aims to partner with viable companies on a fundamental shift towards profitability and sustainability



- Increase operational efficiency namely redesigning plant layout, product mix
- Cost reduction measures namely workforce optimisation, suppliers tenders
- Focus on margin control instead of value/volume looking for more value added
- Investment in stable/resilient revenue streams on a medium/long term perspective
- Leverage on brand recognition
- Financial deleveraging
- New Money to level up the company WC and equipment vis-à-vis competitors
- Focus on decrease dependency from certain markets/regions/customers
- Implement strong export oriented mindset at the C-level that will spread to organization

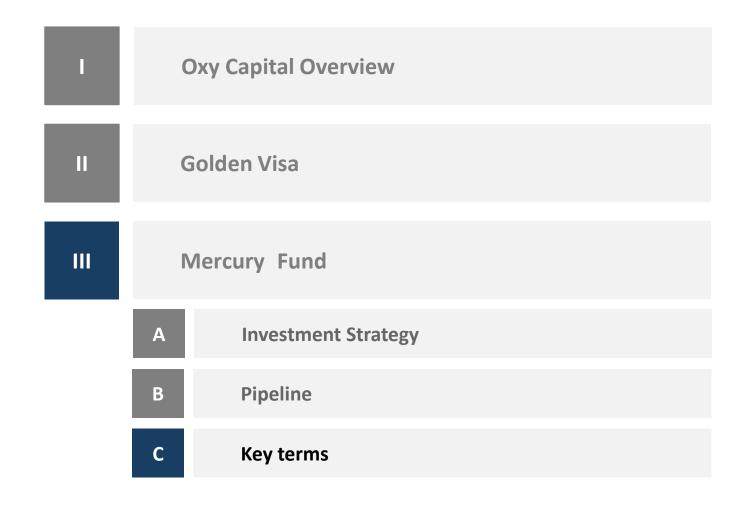


Active pipeline comprised of 17 companies, with one investment already in contracts discussion

Active	Pipe	line

#	Industry	Investment Type	EBITDA (€mln)	Ticket (€mln)	
1	Industrial	Hybrid	c. 2	5	
Contract N	egotiation		-	5	
2	Industrial	Equity	c. 2	3 – 4	
3	Industrial	Hybrid	c. 3	4 – 6	
4	Industrial	Hybrid	c. 2	2	
5	Industrial	Hybrid	c. 1	2 – 3	
6	Services/Tourism	Equity	c. 5	8 – 13	
NBO Signe	d/Under Discussion		•	19 – 28	
Under Ana	lysis		-	61 – 79	
11 cc	11 companies in the Industrial, Food, Agrobusiness and Mining industries				
Total			-	85 – 112	

Employing an opportunistic approach and through proprietary channels, the fund has sourced a total of 17 deals with a total potential investment of €85mln − €112mln, 1 of which to be signed in the upcoming month



Private Equity (Mercury Fund)

Key Terms

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Fund Strategy: Capitalization, Growth and Acquisition of mature SMEs/Mid Caps in Portugal

Closing: Successive periodic closings until final closing

Fund Target Size: €50mln

Gross IRR Target: Mid teens

Subscription Fee: None for subscriptions until the end of Dec-23

Management Fee: 2.0% annual over subscribed capital over the investment period (2025) and over the invested capital on

Portfolio companies after

Hurdle rate: 3.0% per annum (if >50% of the is invested in quasi-equity/debt) or 5% per annum (if >50% of the is

invested in equity)

Carried interest: 20.0% of profits once hurdle rate has been achieved with catch-up

Term of Fund: Dec-30, which can be extended contingent on approval by the General Meeting

Minimum subscription: €100 thousand, fully realized upon subscription

Subscription period: Open until 2024YE

FATCA: FATCA-compliant

Entities

Fund Manager:

Auditor: Ernst & Young Audit & Associados – SROC, S.A.

Legal Counsel: PLMJ Advogados, SP, RL

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