

Latest European Fund Growth Statistics

The European Fund and Asset Management Association (“EFAMA”) recently issued the 2024 Quarter Three statistics relating to European funds. These show that Ireland was by far the leading domicile for net inflows into UCITS and accounted for over half of all net inflows into European funds so far in 2023. Inflows into European funds in the first three quarters of 2024 have grown significantly and were almost equal to net inflows for all of 2023. Total assets in European funds are now in excess of \$23 Trillion,

Background

EFAMA issues detailed fund statistics on a quarterly and annual basis. These show net flows by country, regulatory category (UCITS and AIFs) as well as type and target asset class (ETFs, equity, bond, money market etc). They also show a breakdown of the statistics by investor type (households, insurers, pensions etc.) and country. As such they are highly useful in assessing distribution trends and determining marketing strategy.

Key Trends in Quarter Three

UCITS and AIF net assets grew by 2.7% in Q3 2024 with net inflows of €179 Billion. However, the main flows were into UCITS, as has been the case throughout 2024, with the total amounting to €400 Billion compared to only €27 Billion.

Money market funds saw significant net inflows of EUR 96 billion, as did long-term funds, which registered net inflows of EUR 83 billion, (although this was down from EUR 110 billion in Q2 2024).

ETFs continued to grow, with UCITS ETFs recording net sales of EUR 57 billion, so that net sales so far

this year of approximately EUR 170 billion are already higher than the total ETF net sales for the entire year of 2023 (EUR 169 billion).

As Ireland is the leading domicile in Europe for both money market funds and ETFs this meant that it was the domicile to experience the largest net inflows in the period.

ESG – Article 8 and 9 Funds

Funds registered under Article 8 of the Sustainable Finance Disclosures Regime (“SFDR”) experienced net inflows of EUR 37.5 billion in Q3 2024. However, Article 9 funds experienced net outflows of EUR 3.2 billion. This was the third consecutive quarter of net outflows for Article 9 funds, although the rate has slowed from the net outflows of EUR 6.9 billion seen in Q2 2024.

How Clerkin Lynch Can Help

The asset management team at Clerkin Lynch can assist with the establishment and ongoing operation of all forms of investment funds in Ireland. We can also assist with international distribution. Contact us for more information



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