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### **Highlights**

Review	As a result of two sales amounting to CHF 24 million, the debt ratio was reduced to below 27 %, generating a capital gain of CHF 2.5 million. Thanks to active management, the occupancy rate remained at 95 % and the WAULT at the previous year's level of 3.7 years. As in the previous year, the distribution per unit amounted to CHF 5.35.
Ausblick	In February 2024, the properties in Chiasso (TI) and Sissach (BL) were sold for a total of CHF 14 million. Further sales are planned in order to keep debt financing within the target corridor and to service fund redemptions in March 2025. Debt capital will continue to be tied up for the longer term. The merger of the HSC Fund with the HSO Fund is scheduled to take place by mid-2024. At CHF > 1 billion, the "new" HSC Fund will be more broadly diversified and more liquid.

### **Portfolio Key Figures**

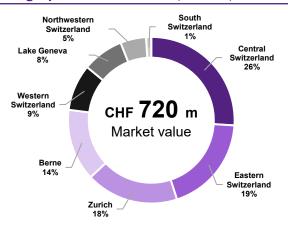
As per month end		12.2023	09.2023	06.2023
Market value	CHF m	720	740	750
Properties	Quantity	33	34	35
Rental space	m²	291'251	295'666	307'994
Actual rental income p.a.1)	CHF m	42	43	44
Target rental income p.a.	CHF m	44	45	46
Occupancy rate	%	95	95	95
Gross target yield	%	6.1	6.1	6.0
Gross actual yield	%	5.8	5.8	5.8
Rent per square meter	CHF	150	152	150
Unexpired lease term	Years	3.7	3.5	3.6
Discount rate nom.	%	4.8	4.8	4.8

<sup>1) 94.8%</sup> of rental income is indexed and thus tied to inflation.

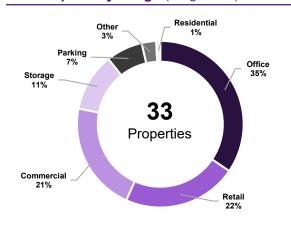
### **Fund Key Facts**

As per month end		12.2023	12.2022	12.2021
Gross asset value (GAV)	CHF m	737	775	781
Net asset value (NAV)	CHF m	499	509	504
Debt financing ratio	%	26.8	28.7	31.0
Rental income	CHF m	42	43	42
Unexpired lease term	Year	3.7	3.7	3.9
Occupancy rate (Default rate)	%	95 (6.2)	95 (5.6)	93 (6.5)
Distribution yield (-quote)	%	7.1 (83.7)	5.5 (79.3)	4.6 (83.0)
Return on investment	%	2.6	5.8	5.4
TER <sub>REF</sub> GAV	%	0.96	0.94	0.95
Net asset value per unit	CHF	114.80	117.19	116.04
Price per unit	CHF	75.80	98.00	115.00

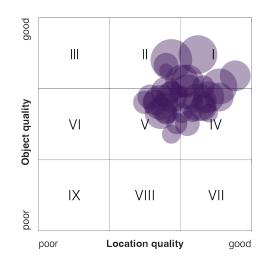
### Geographical breakdown (Portfolio)



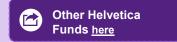
### Rent to primary usage (Target rent)



### **Property and Location Quality**









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### **Fund Description**

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The fund invests in high-quality income-producing commercial properties in Swiss economic areas in good locations with good public and private transportation links. Sector wise, the focus is on office and commercial properties with multiple tenants and mixed uses. The primary focus is on properties with stable and sustainable income and potential

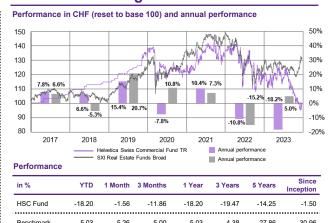
The long-term investment objective is mainly the preservation of value and the distribution of

adequate dividends.

### **Fund Information**

Name	Helvetica Swiss Commercial Fund (HSC Fund)
Fund Management Company	Helvetica Property Investors AG, Zurich
Auditors	PricewaterhouseCoopers AG, Zurich
Fund type	Swiss collective investment scheme
Investors	Public investors
Launch date	9 December 2016
Custodian Bank	Bank J. Safra Sarasin AG, Basel
Stock exchange	SIX Swiss Exchange
Valor / ISIN	33550793 / CH0335507932
Valuation experts	Wüest Partner AG, Zurich
Benchmark	SXI Real Estate Funds Broad TR
Management Fee	0.70% p.a. (from 01.01.2024: 0.60% p.a.)

### Performance and growth



### Do you have any questions?

appreciation.

Are my fund units tradeable?

Fund units can be purchased and sold through your house bank. Just provide the ISIN number, securities number or ticker symbol of the fund you wish to trade.

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### Office and Commercial, Gwatt (Thun) (BE)



### Retail, Arbon (TG)









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### **Investment Arguments**

- You benefit from solid investment and distribution yields.
- Inflation protection is provided through real assets.
- You participate in investments in profitable commercial properties in economically strong locations with a stable cash flow yield as well as appreciation potential.
- The strictly regulated fund management offers high investor protection.
- Your investment will be overseen and managed by experienced real estate specialists with a proven track record.
- Your fund units are tradable on the Swiss stock exchange.

### What strategies does the fund pursue

#### In what does the fund invest

The fund invests in properties in easily accessible locations in Switzerland<sup>1</sup> with a focus on office and commercial use. It also invests in mixed-use properties with residential and commercial components.

#### Why a growth strategy

We expect strong economic growth in the mid-term and an increase in demand for space. Commercial property in economically strong locations is undervalued in our view. Compared to prime locations, the yield differential is too high. We are therefore pursuing a value-oriented growth strategy with a clear focus on optimizing the existing portfolio and diversifying by acquiring profitable individual properties. Here we see potential for earnings and value growth in the long term.

#### A consistent financing strategy

The fund's regulatory low debt financing ratio allows it to strategically focus on and benefit from lower short-term interest rates. Historically, short-term interest rates have been lower on average than long-term rates, but slightly more volatile.

<sup>1</sup> See map chart on page 5, according to the Federal Office for Statistics.

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### What are the long-term goals

#### What are the investment objectives

The long-term target return should be around 6% above the 10-year bonds of the Swiss Confederation. Furthermore, the Fund Management company aims for a sustainable distribution of profits of around CHF 5 per fund unit in the long term.

#### Which sustainability goals does the fund pursue

In line with the federal government's climate strategy, the Fund Management aims to reduce the greenhouse gases of the existing portfolio to net zero by 2050. To this end, energy-related renovation and operational optimization measures are coordinated on an overarching basis and implemented on an ongoing basis.

#### What is the focus of the cost policy

The fund generates solid returns on investment and follows the peer group in terms of costs. Therefore, the fund performance pursues a disciplined cost management with the long-term goal of a  ${\sf TER}_{\sf REF}$  GAV of around 0.90%.

#### What is the target fund size over the long term

The ideal portfolio size is around CHF 1.5 billion, mainly distributed among properties in German- and French-speaking Switzerland.

### What are the key priorities

#### 1. To ensure a sustainable return on investment

The main focus is on exploiting potential in existing properties by letting, revitalizing, refurbishing and extending existing leases. Furthermore, by acquiring well-rented and well-maintained properties with affordable rents.

#### 2. Ensure sustainability

Based on our sustainability strategy, we create comparable and resilient transparency by participating in the REIDA  $\rm CO_2$  benchmark. In conjunction with sustainable investment planning at property level, we are developing a  $\rm CO_2$  reduction path that serves as a central element in our day-to-day business.

#### 3. Expansion of the portfolio

With a view to the capital market and in the event of profitable purchase opportunities, the portfolio is to be further expanded with suitable properties. Usages such as office and commercial, as well as mixed-use properties are in the foreground. Further growth steps will be examined on an ongoing basis.

### Our sustainability commitment

E - Environment



We commit to finding new ways to effect positive, long-lasting change, bringing our passion and our energy to protecting the environment and enriching the lives of future generations.

S - Social



We treat our employees and communities with fairness, equity and respect and are committed to forging long-lasting relationships. We ensure a safe, inclusive workplace and contribute actively to our communities.

G - Governance

We create trust through transparency, are fiercely independent and ensure alignment of stakeholder interests while aiming for the highest ethical reporting standards possible.

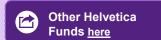
#### Our sustainability initiatives must:

- Be smart
- Make sense
- Stand the test of time

### **Our Helvetica product range**

Our investment vehicles are designed to preserve value over the long-term and are open to both public and qualified investors. You can purchase units at any Swiss bank. You only need the ISIN. <a href="Here">Here</a> you can find more information about our products.

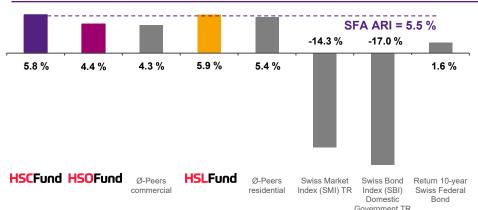
	HSC Fund	HSL Fund	HSO Fund	Helvetica Life
Investors	All Investors	Qualified Investors	Qualified Investors	Pension funds
Investment Focus	Office, commercial, warehouse	Residential properties	Logistics, production retail market	Residential properties
Property and location quality	High	High	High	Very high
Trading	All Banks	All Banks	All Banks	All Banks
Supervision	FINMA	FINMA	FINMA	OAK
Dividend Distribution	Annual	Annual	Annual	Accumulating
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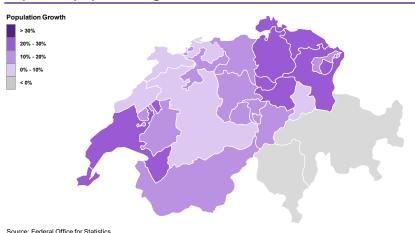
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#### **Investment Return 2022**



Helvetica funds annual reports as per 31.12.2022; For comparable peers most recently published annual or semi-annual report in 2022; SFA investment return indicator (SFA-ARI) for real estate funds as of 31.12.2022; SMI and SBI total return for the period 30.12.2021 to 30.12.2022 according to SIX Swiss Exchange; Return 10-year Swiss Federal Bond as per 30.12.2022 according to SIX Swiss Exchange

### **Expected population growth until 2045**



#### **Reasons for Real Estate Funds**

#### Predictable and safe Returns

Real estate funds generate stable long-term investment and distribution yields that are above the average of other asset classes. A profitable investment opportunity - especially in times of low interest rates.

#### Stable Swiss Real Assets

Real estate funds invest in properties. They often provide the necessary stability to a balanced and diversified asset portfolio. The correlation to other asset classes is low, as is the volatility.

#### High stability

Broadly diversified thanks to distribution across a large number of properties. Stable and secure revenues due to conservative leverage and low vacancy rates.

#### Inflation protection

Real estate funds largely protect against inflation. If interest rates rise, rental income tends to rise as well.

#### Investor-friendly and tradable

Real estate funds are transparent and open to public investors as well as qualified investors. You can purchase units at all Swiss banks. The funds are subject to the strict supervision of FINMA.

### Reasons for Helvetica





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