

INVESTMENT LETTER

# Monthly letter

August 2026

Independent Investment Firm

Long-Term Perspective – Fundamental Analysis – Disciplined Capital Allocation

## **SEN Asset Management – Monthly Report August 2026**

### **Head of Research Commentary**

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August was a quieter month for the SEN portfolio following a strong first half of the year. At the end of August, the portfolio had returned +20.91% since inception, compared with +12.22% for the OMXSGI benchmark. This leaves the portfolio approximately 8.7 percentage points ahead of the benchmark since inception.

In line with the caution we flagged in July, we used August to reduce exposure and build up cash rather than add new risk. We enter September with a larger cash buffer than at any point so far this year.

## **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY & PORTFOLIO PERFORMANCE**

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The SEN portfolio returned +3.05% in August, ahead of the OMXSGI's +2.09%. MilDef remains by far the portfolio's strongest contributor since inception, with Hacksaw and Adtraction also continuing to perform well. Sweco and Svedbergs remain below their entry prices and continue to be the portfolio's main laggards.

There was little company-specific news during the month; performance was largely a continuation of existing trends rather than driven by fresh catalysts.

## **MARKET ENVIRONMENT & SECTOR DEVELOPMENTS**

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There is not much new to report on the macro side since our July commentary. The Federal Reserve left rates unchanged at 3.50–3.75% at its July meeting, and there was no scheduled FOMC meeting in August. We have not seen anything that changes our late-cycle assessment from last month — valuations remain elevated and market leadership remains narrow — and we continue to think the balance between potential return and risk has become less attractive in parts of the market.

## **PORTFOLIO STRATEGY & ALLOCATION CHANGES**

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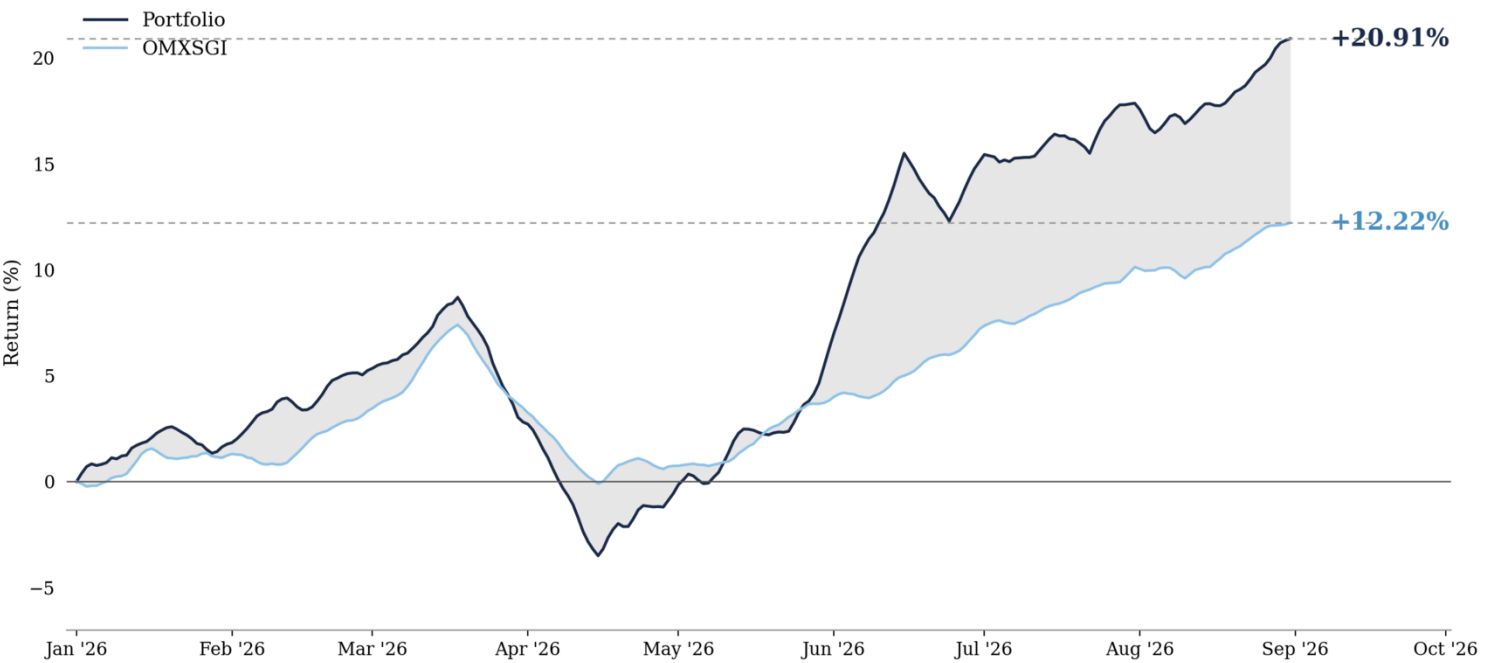
As flagged in July, we used August to act on our more cautious stance. We trimmed our positions in Atlas Copco, Epiroc, MilDef and RugVista in early August, and added back a smaller MilDef position later in the month. This has raised the portfolio's cash allocation to approximately 13%, up from single digits at the end of July.

As before, this is a tactical adjustment rather than a change in our long-term approach. We would rather hold some dry powder given current valuations than be fully invested going into a period we view as increasingly late-cycle.

# Report August 2026

SEN Nordic Equity Portfolio - Monthly Report

| Top Ten Equity Holdings             |                        |                    |            | Gainers and Losers               |             |          |
|-------------------------------------|------------------------|--------------------|------------|----------------------------------|-------------|----------|
| Top ten holdings = 88% of portfolio |                        |                    |            | Five Largest Portfolio % Gainers |             |          |
| Company name                        | Sector                 | % Portfolio        | Return %   | Company name                     | % Portfolio | Return % |
| Svedbergs Group B                   | Consumer Discretionary | 11.30%             | -6,65%     | MilDef Group                     | 11.02%      | +49,16%  |
| MilDef Group                        | Industrials            | 11.02%             | +49,16%    | Hacksaw                          | 7.58%       | +36,99%  |
| Sweco B                             | Industrials            | 10.24%             | -10,50%    | Adtraction                       | 6.43%       | +23,17%  |
| Octave Intelligence SDB             | Technology             | 9.11%              | +21,50%    | Octave Intelligence SDB          | 9.11%       | +21,50%  |
| RaySearch Laboratories B            | Healthcare             | 8.61%              | -1,96%     | SEB A                            | 7.15%       | +17,28%  |
| Intea Fastigheter B                 | Real Estate            | 8.15%              | +7,95%     | Five Largest Portfolio % Losers  |             |          |
| Hacksaw                             | Technology             | 7.58%              | +36,99%    | Company name                     | % Portfolio | Return % |
| RugVista Group                      | Consumer Discretionary | 7.58%              | +3,50%     | Sweco B                          | 10.24%      | -10,50%  |
| Epiroc B                            | Industrials            | 7.16%              | +14,80%    | Svedbergs Group B                | 11.30%      | -6,65%   |
| SEB A                               | Financials             | 7.15%              | +17,28%    | RaySearch Laboratories B         | 8.61%       | -1,96%   |
|                                     |                        |                    |            | RugVista Group                   | 7.58%       | +3,50%   |
|                                     |                        |                    |            | Intea Fastigheter B              | 8.15%       | +7,95%   |
| Total Portfolio Statistics          |                        |                    |            |                                  |             |          |
| Return & Risk                       | Portfolio              | Benchmark - OMXSGI | Allocation |                                  |             |          |
| Last Month                          | 3,05%                  | 2.09%              | Equity     |                                  |             |          |
| Year To Date                        | 20,91%                 | 12.22%             | Cash       |                                  |             |          |
| Last 12 Months                      | 20,91%                 | 12.22%             |            |                                  |             |          |
| Since Inception                     | 20,91%                 | 12.22%             |            |                                  |             |          |
| Average Yearly Return               | N/A                    | N/A                |            |                                  |             |          |
| Volatility (12m)                    | N/A                    | N/A                |            |                                  |             |          |
| Sharpe Ratio                        | N/A                    | N/A                |            |                                  |             |          |
| Equity Portfolio Statistics         |                        |                    |            |                                  |             |          |
| Sector                              | Weight %               |                    | Country    | Weight %                         |             |          |
| Industrials                         | 34.10%                 |                    | Sweden     | 100%                             |             |          |
| Technology                          | 23.11%                 |                    | Norway     | 0%                               |             |          |
| Consumer Discretionary              | 18.88%                 |                    | Denmark    | 0%                               |             |          |
| Healthcare                          | 8.61%                  |                    | Finland    | 0%                               |             |          |
| Real Estate                         | 8.15%                  |                    |            |                                  |             |          |
| Financials                          | 7.15%                  |                    |            |                                  |             |          |



| Last month | 3 months | Year to date | Since inception | OMXSGI (1m) |
|------------|----------|--------------|-----------------|-------------|
| +3.05%     | +4.66%   | +20.91%      | +20.91%         | +2.09%      |

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**Sincerely,**

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