

# AGCM China Stars Fund



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## Alibaba's Ant goes for another World record – Largest IPO in history

During the month of September, the NAV of the AGCM China Stars Fund RC1 SEK share class increased by +0.2%.

Today, October 1, is China's National Day and the start of an eight-day "Golden Week" holiday, a holiday for family reunions and leisure travel. Hundreds of millions of Chinese, travel across the country in planes, trains and automobiles. An estimated 600 million trips will be made across the nation during the eight-day break. Seats on high-speed trains on several routes were sold out in a few hours after release. The total number of domestic flights taken during the holiday period is expected to exceed 15 million, a 10 per cent increase compared to last year.

The Chinese economy has almost recovered from the pandemic. August macro data was positive. China's industrial production rose +5.6% year-on-year, auto sales +12% year-on-year and home sales +27% year-on-year. Retail sales turned positive for the first time since the start of the year. Online retail sales were a particularly bright spot, growing +16% year-on-year. The strength in e-commerce continues to benefit fund holdings Alibaba and JD.com.

On September 15, 2020, the United States imposed sanctions on Chinese technology company Huawei. Huawei is now unable to buy US components for its products. Huawei phones sold internationally also lost access to the Google Play app store. China has responded by doubling down on its efforts to become self-reliant also in high-tech semiconductors. Meanwhile, we believe that our fund holding Samsung Electronics will become one of the main beneficiaries of US sanctions on Huawei. Samsung is likely to grab market share in smartphones, chipsets foundry as well as mobile network equipment.

Chinese social media company Weibo reported second quarter 2020 earnings that suggested a recovery in online advertising. Weibo operates a platform similar to Twitter. The number of monthly active users rose +8% year-on-year to 523 million as the platform continues to become more popular. While revenues dropped 7% in the second quarter due to a weak advertising market, the company guided for a further recovery in the second half of 2020.

Ant Financial, owner of China's largest digital payments provider "AliPay", is planning for an initial public offering in Hong Kong and Shanghai. AliPay has a market share of 54% in China's mobile payment industry and has become the dominant way to purchase goods both online and offline. Our fund holding Alibaba owns 33% of Ant Financial and its stake is likely to become worth more than USD 80 billion, based on Ant Financial's targeted valuation of USD 250 billion. It may well become the largest IPO in history, surpassing Saudi Aramco's IPO in December 2019.

The Shanghai Stock Exchange is set to rank No. 1 globally both in the number of IPOs and the scale of raised funds in the first nine months of 2020, according to a report by Deloitte. Some 179 companies are expected to have raised CNY 275 billion (USD 40 billion) on Shanghai's stock exchange so far this year. The Hong Kong Stock Exchange ranks third in the world with 99 new companies raising HKD213 billion (USD 27 billion), up 67 percent. Finally, Shenzhen Stock Exchange came in fifth place worldwide with 114 new companies raising CNY 80 billion (USD 12 billion). Quite a development since 1990 when China did not even have a mainland stock exchange.

**Gustav Rhenman**, Chief Investment Officer

# AGCM China Stars Fund

Monthly Report

September 2020



## Performance

As of 30/09/2020	1 month	YTD	1 year	Since launch August 28, 2017
AGCM China Stars Fund RC1 SEK	+0.2%	+0.7%	+10.3%	+22.1%
AGCM China Stars Fund RC8 SEK	+0.2%	+1.1%	+10.7%	+24.9%
AGCM China Stars Fund RC9 SEK	+0.1%	+0.8%	+10.8%	+25.3%

## Top 5 holdings

As of 30/09/2020

Company name
Alibaba Group
Tencent Holdings
COLI
Midea Group
Hangzhou Hikvision

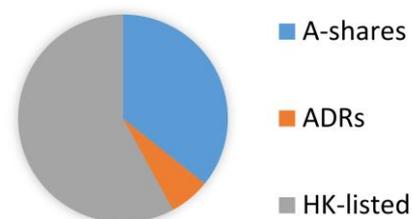
## Industry breakdown

As of 30/09/2020

Consumer	23%
Communi...	20%
Healthcare	17%
Real Estate	17%
Financials	14%
Info Tech	5%
Industrials	3%

## Market breakdown

As of 30/09/2020



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## Fund Facts

Portfolio manager:	Gustav Rhenman
Inception date:	28-August-2017
Fund size:	SEK 198 million
Number of holdings:	31
Management fee (RC1):	1.35% + 10% perf. Fee
Fund management Company:	FundRock Management Company S.A.
NAV:	(RC1) SEK 122.1 (RC8) SEK 124.7 (RC9) SEK 125.3
Minimum subscription:	n.a.
ISIN code:	SEK RC1 LU 1608617111 SEK RC8 LU 1608617384 SEK RC9 LU 1608617467

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