## **STEA**

### **MONTHLY COMMENTARY**

March net performance was up +66 bps.

This month, macro indicators all around the world were encouraging and global equities posted strong returns with both US and Eurozone showing solid economic data but also stickier-than-expected inflation. This keeps on supporting a soft-landing scenario on the long-term but also delayed rates-easing on the short-term. Indeed, the FED sounded less accommodating than markets were expecting, this was clearly translated through implied numbers of 2024 rate cuts which reduced from 6 to 3. Consequently, market environment in March was more challenging for fixed income investors who suffered from a general underperformance in the bond space. However, with US equity valuations becoming less and less attractive, we might attend an asset class rotation in the coming months.

On the portfolio side, our strategies performed globally well on equity index futures and even if commodity strategies suffered from specific risk on grains, our overall portfolio still delivered positive returns thanks, we believe, to a proper systematic risk allocation between strategies.

From a risk perspective, although a VIX back down to usual levels, we remain very careful regarding potential volatility regime swings these coming months as markets will be extremely sensitive to main macroeconomic data issuance.

#### INVESTMENT STRATEGY

The Program consists of complementary systematic strategies, designed to deliver positive and uncorrelated absolute returns independently of market conditions.

In-depth understanding of Futures markets fundamentals and analysis of recurrent patterns are being combined with robust statistical models and advanced data-processing technics to deliver new sources of Alpha.

For this purpose, both fundamental data and alternative data - which contain complementary sources of information - are investigated and confronted. From those analysis, systematic investment technics have been designed to extract Alpha in a consistent manner over time and across different markets and asset classes.

The investment universe is limited to:

- most liquid US and European Equity Index Futures, including S&P500, Nasdaq100, Eurostoxx50, FTSE100, CAC40, DAX30
- most liquid Volatility Index Futures, including VIX and VSTOXX
- most liquid Commodities Futures, including Corn, Wheat and Soybeans

Since strategies are exploiting generic phenomenons and not specific to one particular market, this universe is subject to expansion in order to reach more and more diversification in terms of Alpha sources.

Holding period of each position varies from 1 day to 1 week and the portfolio is rebalanced on a close-to-close basis. This ensures an optimal scalability of the strategy and a limited market impact.

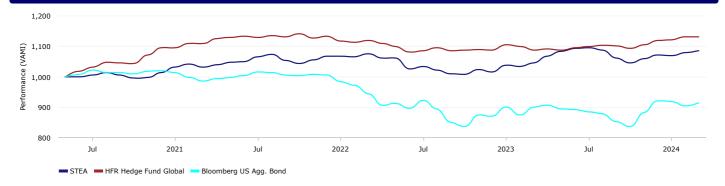
Rcube Asset management has integrated the Rcube STEA Program since June 2022

MONTHLY PERFORMANCE													
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Year
2024	-0.15	0.86	0.66										1.37
2023	2.23	-0.37	1.07	2.17	1.73	0.83	0.24	-0.65	-2.76	-1.44	1.25	1.27	5.57
2022	-0.11	-0.02	0.87	-1.44	0.09	-3.53	0.79	-1.21	-1.26	-0.12	1.48	-0.73	-5.19
2021	1.77	0.85	-0.91	0.69	0.79	0.39	1.55	0.78	-1.93	-1.11	1.14	1.28	5.31
2020						-0.16	0.60	0.86	-0.84	-1.06	0.24	1.73	1.38

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Performance Table is valued in USD. YTD & LTD performance is non compounded. Trading P&L, Commissions, Change in OTE & Interest are actual from broker statement. Management (1.00%) & Incentive Fees (10%) are Pro forma. Trading Level is fixed. Net Performance is added or withdrawn to maintain the fixed Trading Level. Fees exclude an additional 20% VAT that applies only to European Union corporate accounts and any individual accounts notwithstanding their place of residence or citizenship.

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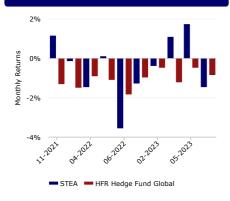
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RETURN REPORT							
Period	Best	Worst	Average	Median	Last	Winning %	
1 Month	2.23%	-3.53%	0.18%	0.49%	0.66%	58.70%	
3 Months	4.97%	-4.88%	0.52%	0.83%	1.37%	68.18%	
6 Months	7.66%	-6.56%	0.95%	1.54%	2.45%	65.85%	
1 Year	6.62%	-5.19%	2.06%	3.57%	4.01%	71.43%	
2 Years	6.08%	-0.65%	1.63%	1.22%	1.01%	95.65%	
3 Years	9.32%	3.77%	6.31%	5.69%	5.35%	100.00%	

DRAWDOWN REPORT							
No.	Depth (%)	Length (Months)	Recovery (Months)	Start date	End date		
1	-6.68%	7	7	04/2022	05/2023		
2	-4.85%	3	0	08/2023	-		
3	-3.04%	2	5	09/2021	03/2022		
4	-1.90%	2	2	09/2020	12/2020		
5	-0.91%	1	2	03/2021	05/2021		

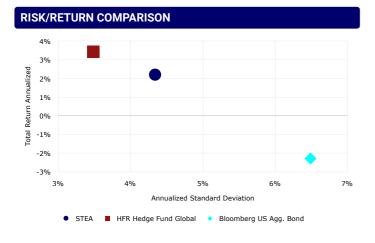
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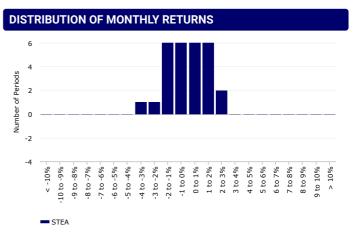


	Portfolio	HFR Hedge Fund Global
Total Return Annualized	2.20%	3.41%
Last Month	0.66%	0.06%
Year To Date	1.37%	1.30%
3 Month ROR	1.37%	1.30%
12 Months ROR	4.01%	4.46%
Total Return Cumulative	8.44%	13.72%
Winning Months (%)	58.70%	58.70%

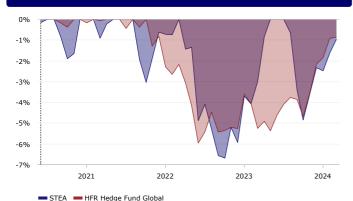
**RETURN STATISTICS** 

RISK STATISTICS						
	Portfolio	HFR Hedge Fund Global				
Sharpe Ratio	0.51	0.98				
Sortino Ratio	0.69	1.82				
Calmar Ratio	0.26	0.12				
Max Drawdown (Monthly)	-6.68%	-5.83%				
Standard Deviation Annualized	4.34%	3.49%				
Correlation vs. HFR Hedge Fund Global	0.40	-				
Correlation vs. Bloomberg US Agg. Bond	0.56	-				

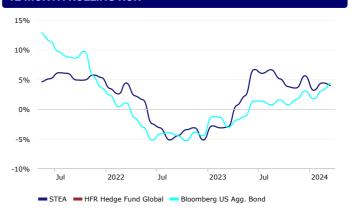




### **DRAWDOWN**



### 12 MONTH ROLLING ROR



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