

Hedge fund flows reverse negative trend in February

Stockholm (HedgeNordic) - Investors have bought into hedge funds in February. According to data from eVestment, net inflows to hedge funds amounted to USD 7,9 billion during the month, translating into the highest level for industry assets seen since July 2015.

The inflow to the industry in February reverse the negative trend for hedge fund asset flows as of late. Going into February, hedge funds had posted negative flows for five consecutive months. Following the positive number during the month, the industry so far is positive year to date.

On strategy level, quantitative long/short equity funds attracted the largest assets during the month, among other strategies to report positive returns were managed futures and macro.

In 2016, macro hedge funds recorded weak asset flows following erratic returns in 2015, but investors seem to have noticed the benefit many macro managers were able to provide investors in 2016, eVestment writes as a possible explanation to the turnaround in flows year to date. Since the beginning of the year, macro funds have recorded the largest inflows among the strategy groups tracked by eVestment, with net flows of USD 4.4 billion.

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