

INVESTMENT OUTLOOK

Dukascopy offers diversified fund

Amid the sub-prime crisis, the Geneva-based company Dukascopy - SWFX Swiss FX Marketplace - has unveiled a unique new investment opportunity for its clients, aimed at diversifying their portfolios and reducing their exposure to risk.

Dukascopy, experts in foreign exchange funds, say they will only accept up to a total of \$500 million into the new fund. With an expected rate of return of 15 percent per year, this automated fund strategy will allow clients to diversify.

The company says that their strategy, which is not correlated to the stock market, offers an expected return that is superior to the traditional deposit while guaranteeing a weekly liquidity.

"It's a new opportunity that is being offered to investors and to banks alike," said Dukascopy in a statement. "We ask investors to trust in this new asset class at a time when traditional tools are experiencing a crisis."

The recent credit crisis in the United States has provoked a rout on global equity markets as investors seek a safer place to store their cash. Dukascopy's investment program is entirely automated but a team of managers and computer specialists supervises its performance on an around-the-clock basis.

"After many years of testing and regulating, Dukascopy can finally officially announce the launch of this program, ideal for investors wishing to diversify away from the major risks plaguing the classic financial markets," the company said.