



## INTERNATIONAL VALUE

Second Quarter 2024

## OBJECTIVE

The GLA International Value strategy seeks to provide total return in excess of the MSCI EAFE Index over a full market cycle.

**Benchmark:** MSCI EAFE

**Inception Date:** May 31, 2020

## PHILOSOPHY &amp; PROCESS

The International Value strategy focuses on three central tenets:

## Stock Selection Comes First

- We employ a value-driven process focused on finding excellent risk/rewards from the ground up
- Each step of the process designed to avoid losses and capture upside, in that order
- Theses are long-term, with expected holding periods of 3-5 years and turnover of approximately 25% annually

## Effectively balance risk and return

- Diversify factor exposures (i.e. sector, country) that inevitably arise from high conviction stock selection
- Aim to ensure key driver of returns is stock selection, which is worth more, and harder to commoditize
- Triangulation of both risk and valuation, relatively and absolutely

## Utilize an independent and nimble approach

- Narrow and disciplined process makes a large universe manageable
- Don't have to "be everywhere", freeing up Investment Team's capacity and mindshare
- Active share expectations of >90% and tracking error expectation of approximately 400-700bps vs. benchmark

## PROCESS (continued)

**Disciplined, Repeatable, and Highly Selective Process, Centered on Four Criteria:**

- Attractive valuation and return potential (both relatively and absolutely)
- Durable, sustainable franchise that has resilient earning power
- Value-creating management with the right incentive and governance structure
- Excellent or misunderstood balance sheet

## PORTFOLIO GUIDELINES

**Holdings:** Typically 35-55 positions

**Sector Over/Underweights:** 0-3x the index sector weighting

**Position weights:** 5% maximum at purchase

**Cash position:** Typically 0% to 10%

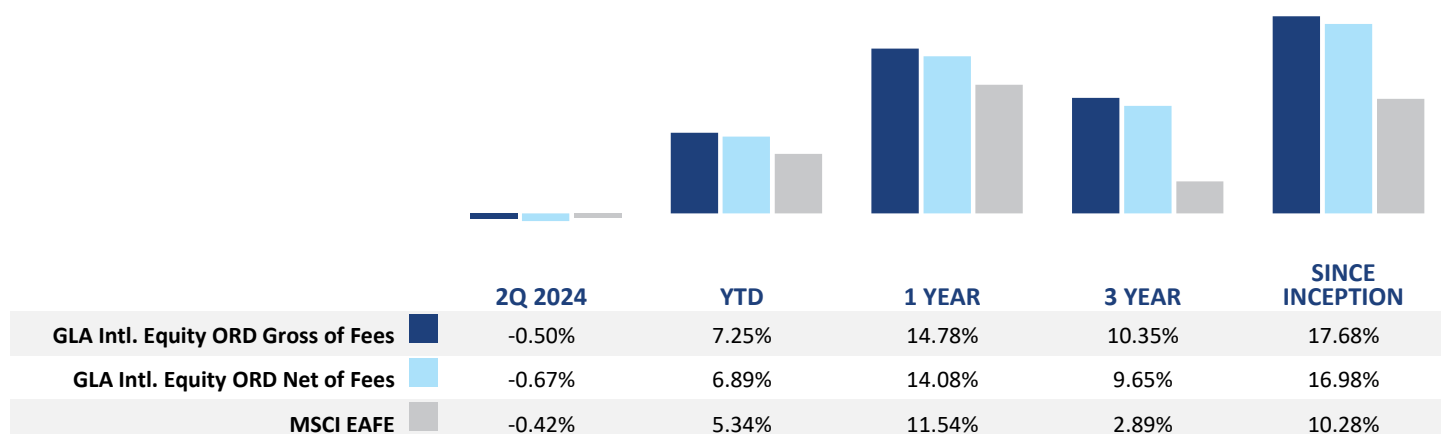
**Average Annual turnover:** Typically 20% to 50%

STRATEGY CHARACTERISTICS<sup>1</sup>

	Intl. Value	MSCI EAFE
Weighted Average Market Cap	\$43.5B	\$104.4B
Est 3-5 Yr EPS Growth Rate	6.5%	11.0%
Return on Equity (ROE)	12.7%	11.0%
Price/Earnings Ratio	10.3x	15.2x
P/E using FY1 Est.	9.7x	14.4x
P/E using FY2 Est.	8.8x	13.2x
Price/Book Ratio	1.1x	1.9x
Dividend Yield	4.0%	3.0%
Beta	0.85	1.00
Number of Holdings	50	770

<sup>1</sup>Source: FactSet. Characteristic data is representative and are subject to change at any time. The benchmark for comparison is iShares TR MSCI EAFE ETF.

## COMPOSITE PERFORMANCE



**PORTFOLIO COMPOSITION**

<b>Top 10 Equity Holdings<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>Intl. Value</b>
RenaissanceRe Holdings Ltd	4.1%
South32 Ltd NPV	3.9%
Aib Group PLC Eur0.625	3.6%
Exor NV EUR	3.3%
ABN AMRO Bank NV Dr Each Rep	3.1%
Shell PLC ORD Euro.07	3.0%
Sompo Holdings Inc NPV	3.0%
Bank of Ireland Gr EUR	2.9%
Stellantis NV	2.7%
Siemens AG NPV (Regd)	2.5%

<sup>2</sup>Holdings are representative, are subject to change at any time, and are not recommendations to buy or sell any securities.

<b>Sector Weightings<sup>3</sup></b>	<b>Intl. Value</b>	<b>MSCI EAFE</b>
Communication Services	2.1%	4.7%
Consumer Discretionary	10.8%	11.8%
Consumer Staples	12.2%	9.1%
Energy	5.5%	4.1%
Financials	32.6%	19.6%
Health Care	3.1%	13.7%
Industrials	14.0%	15.1%
Materials	11.2%	6.5%
Real Estate	6.9%	2.2%
Technology	0.0%	9.6%
Utilities	0.0%	3.1%
Cash	1.7%	0.5%

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