

# International DSIP

## **BENCHMARK:**

MSCI EAFE Index (Net)

#### TEN LARGEST COMPANY WEIGHTS (%)

Astrazeneca PLC Sponsored ADR	3.43
SAP SE Sponsored ADR	3.39
BAE Systems plc Sponsored ADR	3.37
TotalEnergies SE Sponsored ADR	3.09
Nestle S.A. Sponsored ADR	3.03
Novartis AG Sponsored ADR	2.98
ING Groep NV Sponsored ADR	2.95
Sumitomo Mitsui Financial Group, Inc. Sponsored ADR Veolia Environnement SA Sponsored	2.85
ADR	2.62
adidas AG Sponsored ADR	2.59
Largest company weights are based on mark	/ot

value of the model portfolio and not necessarily held in all client portfolios. The information shown is not intended to be, nor should it be construed to be, a recommendation to buy or sell an individual security. A list of all holdings from the prior one-year period is available upon request.

### PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT

Industry Start Date

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Technology and Internet-related
stocks smaller, less-seasoned
companies, tend to be more volatile than the overall market.

# Designed for clients needing income

- Providing enhanced equity-based income and capital appreciation for clients in a tax-efficient manner.
- International equities generally offer higher yield than U.S. peers.
- Upside participation during market rallies fueled by company-specific catalysts and rising dividends.
- Seeks to provide downside mitigation of valuations supported by steady and growing dividends, coupled with a quality commitment.
- Focused active management with stock selection as the primary driver of excess returns.

## Investment philosophy

The team believes that superior long-term returns with lower-than-market risk are produced by:

- Investing in high-quality companies that are long-term value creators, where
- The company's potential is underappreciated in the market, creating a value gap, and where
- Rising dividends/catalysts exist to accelerate value creation, while
- Maintaining a long-term perspective to take advantage of market inefficiencies.

## Investment process

- Discerning high-quality businesses with attractive dividend yields that trade efficiently in U.S. dollars.
- Appraising the value of businesses to seek attractively valued stocks and meeting dividend yield threshold.
- Identifying companies with favorable dividend and payout characteristics and catalysts to unlock hidden value within 3 to 5 years.
- Constructing internationally-focused portfolio with a limited number of investments allowing analysts to have a deep understanding of each company.
- Identifying potential fundamental deterioration early on by continually reviewing current holdings.

## Related Institutional Information

Annualized returns (%)								
	3 months <sup>1</sup>	YTD <sup>1</sup>	1 year	3 years	5 years	10 years	Since inception	
Related Institutional Composite — Gross <sup>2</sup> (incept 6-1-22)	-2.01	4.23	9.15	_	_	_	10.34	
Related Institutional Composite — Net <sup>3</sup>	-2.76	2.65	5.88	-	-	-	7.03	
MSCI EAFE Index (Net)	-0.42	5.34	11.54	_	_	_	9.23	

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Portfolio characteristics		
Statistic	Portfolio	Benchmark
Dividend Yield	3.26%	3.00%
Price/Book	2.44x	1.98x
P/E (trailing 1-year)	16.93x	15.56x
ROE	18.24%	18.87%
EPS 3-5 Year est	13.13%	10.93%
Historical 5 Yr EPS Growth	10.75%	10.94%
Wtd. Avg. market cap (\$B)	123.18	105.58

Sector weightings <sup>4</sup>	(% equities)
Sector	Portfolio
Communication services	4.47
Consumer discretionary	9.14
Consumer staples	13.06
Energy	6.61
Financials	17.86
Health care	12.13
Industrials	16.60
Information technology	8.14
Materials	4.60
Real estate	0.00
Utilities	4.21
Cash & equivalents	3.18

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# International DSIP Institutional Composite Disclosure



# GIPS® Composite Report

Period	"Pure" Gross Annual Return (%)	Net Annual Return (%)	Primary Index Return (%)		Primary Index 3-Yr Std. Dev. (%)		Number of Accounts	Composite Assets (\$-mm)	Total Firm Assets (\$-mm)
2023	20.69	19.85	18.24	N/A	N/A	N/A	1	0.12	432,838
06/01/22-12/31/22	2 -2.42	-2.82	-3.51	N/A	N/A	N/A	1	0.10	374,321

#### Primary Index: MSCI EAFE (Net)

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