

# GLOBAL EQUITY ALLOCATION INVESTMENT

#### **OVERVIEW**

The philosophy that underlies all of GMO's Asset Allocation investment strategies is the belief that, at times and in the short term, the pricing of asset classes can deviate from true intrinsic value but mean reverts to appropriate valuation levels over a complete market cycle. Using GMO's 7-Year Asset Class Forecasts, the Fund seeks to allocate to areas of the global equity markets we believe are most attractively valued. Our approach combines the best of GMO's top-down Asset Allocation views and bottom-up equity research to identify mispricings at both the asset class and individual security levels. The Fund allocates to equity strategies that are actively managed by other GMO investment teams with expertise and experience in security selection within their respective markets.

#### **FACTS**

Class	USD Class A
ISIN	IE00BRKD2N47
Class Inception	20-0ct-14
Fund Inception	7-Feb-02
Total Assets	\$90mm USD
Management Fee	0.60% p.a.
Pricing Frequency	Daily
SFDR Classification	Article 6
Index	MSCI ACWI

### CUMULATIVE TOTAL RETURNS (USD, NET OF FEES, %)

	MTD	QTD	YTD	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
USD Class A	-1.33	-1.33	6.09	22.56	-10.29	17.05	7.27	23.68
Index	-3.25	-3.25	4.63	22.20	-18.36	18.54	16.25	26.60

#### RISK PROFILE (5-YEAR TRAILING)

Alpha (Jensen's)	0.84
Beta	0.93
R Squared	0.91
Sharpe Ratio	0.48
Standard Deviation	17.29

#### ANNUALIZED TOTAL RETURNS (USD, NET OF FEES, %)

	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years	ITD
USD Class A	20.00	6.38	9.74	_	7.80
Index	17.46	4.27	9.44	_	8.90

#### PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT



Ben Inker, CFA Joined GMO in 1992 BA, Yale University



John Thorndike Joined GMO in 2015 AB, Bowdoin College



Simon Harris Joined GMO in 1989 BS, The City University

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# PORTFOLIO ALLOCATIONS (%)

Asset Class	Exposure
EQUITY	97.5
US	16.7
Quality	13.1
Japan	10.1
Other International	6.2
Europe	24.8
Emerging Markets	26.6
CASH/CASH PLUS	2.5
Cash & Equivalents	2.5

# SECTORS (%)

Sector	Portfolio	Index
Communication Services	4.0	7.7
Consumer Discretionary	13.7	10.8
Consumer Staples	6.2	6.6
Energy	7.8	4.7
Financials	24.8	16.1
Health Care	9.5	11.1
Industrials	13.3	10.8
Information Technology	16.5	23.2
Materials	3.3	4.3
Real Estate	0.3	2.1
Utilities	0.7	2.6

#### **CHARACTERISTICS**

	Portfolio	Index
Price/Earnings - Hist 1 Yr Wtd Mdn	13.7x	26.3x
Price/Book - Hist 1 Yr Wtd Avg	1.4x	2.9x
Price/Cash Flow - Hist 1 Yr Wtd Mdn	9.8x	18.7x
Return on Equity - Hist 1 Yr Mdn	15.4%	19.8%
Dividend Yield - Hist 1 Yr Wtd Avg	3.7%	1.9%
Market Cap - Wtd Mdn Bil	35.1 USD	101.2 USD
Number of Equity Holdings	583	2724

# REGIONS (%)

Region	Portfolio	Index
Emerging	27.5	10.4
United States	26.9	63.3
Europe ex UK (Developed)	22.1	12.0
Japan	10.2	5.4
Other International	6.3	5.4
United Kingdom	5.6	3.6
Cash Equivalents	1.3	0.0

#### **TOP HOLDINGS**

Company	Country	Sector	%
TotalEnergies SE	France	Energy	1.5
Alphabet Inc	United States	Communication Services	1.4
Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Co Ltd	Taiwan	Information Technology	1.3
Banco Bilbao Vizcaya Argentaria SA	Spain	Financials	1.2
Microsoft Corp	United States	Information Technology	1.2
Mitsubishi UFJ Financial Group Inc	Japan	Financials	1.1
3i Group PLC	United Kingdom	Financials	1.1
Cie de Saint-Gobain SA	France	Industrials	1.1
Manulife Financial Corp	Canada	Financials	1.0
Equinor ASA	Norway	Energy	0.9
Total			11.8

## TOP COUNTRIES (%)

Country	Portfolio	Index
United States	26.9	63.3
Japan	10.2	5.4
China	6.7	2.8
France	5.6	2.8
United Kingdom	5.6	3.6
Taiwan	5.3	1.8
South Korea	4.2	1.2
India	4.1	1.9
Canada	3.2	2.8
Spain	3.1	0.6

## MARKET CAP BAND EXPOSURES (\$B)

	Portfolio	Index
Small (5.4 & Below)	14.0	3.6
Small - Medium (5.4 To 15.5)	21.3	10.0
Medium (15.5 To 40.4)	20.6	16.2
Medium - Large (40.4 To 111.8)	19.3	23.0
Large (111.8 & Above)	24.7	47.1



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Portfolio Allocations: Weightings are as of the date indicated and are subject to change. The groups indicated above represent exposures determined pursuant to proprietary methodologies and are subject to change over time. Totals may vary due to rounding. Group weights under 1% are not reflected.

Risk Statistics: Risk profile data is net of fees. Alpha is a measure of risk-adjusted return. Beta is a measure of a portfolio's sensitivity to the market. R-Squared is a measure of how well a portfolio tracks the market. Sharpe Ratio is the return over the risk free rate per unit of risk. Std Deviation is a measure of the volatility of a portfolio.

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