

# QUARTERLY INVESTMENT REVIEW

### International Opportunistic Value Strategy

### Performance returns (USD)

ANNUALIZED RETURNS (QUARTER-END)	Quarter-End	YTD	1-Year	3-Year	5-Year	10-Year	Since Inception
International Opportunistic Value Strategy (net)	-0.55	3.48	11.89	-	-	-	17.56
International Opportunistic Value Strategy (gross)	-0.39	3.81	12.62	-	-	-	18.33
MSCI World ex USA Value+	-0.51	4.96	11.22	-	_	_	15.14
Value Add	-0.05	-1.48	+0.67	-	-	-	+2.42

#### MAJOR PERFORMANCE DRIVERS

Global equity markets continued to post positive performance in the second quarter, driven by robust performance in the U.S. and Emerging Markets. Developed Markets outside the U.S. were the exception, posting a small decline in the second quarter, but all three regions remain in positive territory year to date. Market optimism persists despite heightened geopolitical tensions in Europe and the Middle East, sticky inflation, and uncertainty around the impact of election results in both Developed and Emerging Markets.

Within the MSCI World ex USA universe, Value outperformed modestly. In this environment the stocks we identified as Deep Value underperformed slightly less cheap Shallow Value names, leading to underperformance of the portfolio's Deep Value positioning.

Deep Value stock selection detracted with notable impacts in Italy Consumer Discretionary, Canada Financials, Materials, and Health Care.

While overall country and sector allocation decisions had a modest impact on performance, overweight positioning toward Automobiles within Consumer Discretionary and underweight positioning toward U.K. Health Care detracted.

Composite Inception Date: 31-May-23

Performance for the year of inception is less than a full calendar year. Returns shown for periods less than one year are not annualized.

Risks: Risks Associated with investing in the Strategy may include, Market Risk-Equities, Management and Operational Risk, Non-U.S. Investment Risk, and Currency Risk.Returns shown for periods greater than one year are on an annualized basis. To obtain performance information to the most recent month-end, visit www.gmo.com. Performance Returns: Performance data quoted represents past performance and is not predictive of future performance. Net returns are presented after the deduction of a model advisory fee and incentive fee if applicable. These returns include transaction costs, commissions and withholding taxes on foreign income and capital gains and include the reinvestment of dividends and other income, as applicable. Fees paid by accounts within the composite may be higher or lower than the model fees used. GMO LLC claims compliance with the Global Investment Performance Standards (GIPS®). A Global Investment Performance Standards (GIPS®) Composite Report is available on GMO.com by clicking the GIPS® Composite Report link in the documents section of the strategy page. GIPS® is a registered trademark owned by CFA Institute. CFA Institute does not endorse or promote this organization, nor does it warrant the accuracy or quality of the content contained herein. Actual fees are disclosed in Part 2 of GMO's Form ADV and are also available in each strategy's Composite Report. The portfolio is not managed relative to a benchmark. References to an index are for informational purposes only. The Index used for performance reporting purposes changed from MSCI World ex-USA to MSCI World ex-USA Value effective June 30th, 2024. Gross returns are presented gross of management fees and any incentive fees if applicable. These returns include transaction costs, commissions, withholding taxes on foreign income and capital gains and include the reinvestment of dividends and other income, as applicable. If management and incentive fees were deducted performance would be lower. For example, if, before fees, the strategy were t



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### PRODUCT OVERVIEW

The GMO International Opportunistic Value Strategy seeks to generate total return by investing primarily in international equities. The Strategy measures its performance against the MSCI World ex-U.S.A. Value Index.

The Strategy aims to profit from our Asset Allocation team's top-down insights as to the most attractively valued segment of developed markets outside the U.S. Currently, the team finds developed, non-U.S. "deep value" (cheapest 20%) stocks to be unusually cheap relative to their own history. This actively managed Strategy concentrates exposure in the deep value segment by focusing on the international stocks that GMO's Systematic Equity team identifies as the most undervalued, using proprietary valuation models because we believe that relying on reported financials and index definitions of value may lead investors to misjudge the opportunity.

#### IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Comparator Index(es): The MSCI World ex USA Value+ is an internally maintained index computed by GMO, comprised of (i) MSCI World ex USA through 06/28/2024 and (ii) MSCI World ex USA Value thereafter.

The above information is based on a representative account in the Strategy selected because it has the fewest restrictions and best represents the implementation of the Strategy.

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