

# QUARTERLY INVESTMENT REVIEW

## International Opportunistic Value Fund

### Performance returns (USD)

ANNUALIZED RETURNS (QUARTER-END)	Quarter-End	YTD	1-Year	3-Year	5-Year	10-Year	Since Inception
International Opportunistic Value Fund (net)	9.68	46.29	46.29	21.98	12.64	9.25	7.10
International Opportunistic Value Fund (gross)	9.87	47.28	47.28	22.81	13.41	10.03	7.84
MSCI World ex USA Value	8.15	42.23	42.23	21.58	13.95	9.16	6.06
Value Add vs. MSCI World ex USA Value	+1.53	+4.06	+4.06	+0.40	-1.31	+0.09	+1.05
MSCI World ex USA	5.20	31.85	31.85	17.64	9.47	8.55	5.52
Value Add vs. MSCI World ex USA	+4.49	+14.44	+14.44	+4.34	+3.17	+0.70	+1.59

Net of all fees and expenses after reimbursement by the Manager, but not transaction costs, if any. If certain expenses were not reimbursed, performance would be lower. Gross of fees, expenses and transaction costs, if any. If these fees, expenses and costs were included, performance would be lower. **Performance data quoted represents past performance and is not indicative of future results. The investment return and principal value of an investment will fluctuate so that an investor's shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than their original cost. Current performance data may be lower or higher than the performance data provided herein. To obtain performance information to the most recent month-end, visit [www.gmo.com](http://www.gmo.com).** The portfolio is actively-managed, is not managed relative to a benchmark and uses an index for performance comparison purposes only and, where applicable, to compute a performance fee. The performance information for all periods prior to May 15, 2023, was achieved prior to the change in the Fund's investment objective and principal investment strategies. The Index used for performance reporting purposes changed from MSCI World ex-USA to MSCI World ex-USA Value effective June 30th, 2024. Returns include a substantial, one-time litigation settlement recovery received on December 16, 2024. This event contributed 0.44% to 2024 annual performance. Performance for other periods, including this date, was also positively impacted, sometimes materially. Without this recovery, performance would have been lower in both absolute terms and relative to the benchmark. Additional information is available upon request.

### MAJOR PERFORMANCE DRIVERS

Global equity markets ended the year on a high note, posting solid gains in the fourth quarter. The U.S. underperformed both emerging and developed markets outside the U.S., a trend consistent throughout the year and the quarter. While emerging markets led for the year, developed markets outside the U.S. led for the fourth quarter. Growth was fueled by a mix of drivers, including strong earnings and interest in AI-related stocks, despite ongoing geopolitical and tariff uncertainty.

MSCI World ex USA Value beat MSCI World ex USA Growth again in the fourth quarter, to leave value leading growth by more than 20% in 2025. Within value, the deep value cohort we aim to capture outperformed again in the fourth quarter, consistent with the outperformance of the portfolio. All three underlying valuation models, Price to Fair Value, Quality Boosted Value, and Composite Value, contributed to the outperformance.

The success of the portfolio's deep value-oriented stock selection was seen in a wide range of positions across countries and sectors. Amid this favorable environment, Financials stock selection was a key contributor, including overweight positioning in Canadian and Spanish Banks and underweight positioning in Australian and Japanese banks. This theme was reflected in top contributors, which included overweight positioning in Banco Bilbao Vizcaya Argentaria, Toronto-Dominion Bank, and Bank of Nova Scotia, and underweight positioning in Mitsubishi UFJ Financial Group.

Detractors in the quarter were relatively modest, including an overweight position in Norwegian Energy and stock selection within the Health Care sector.

Portfolio weights, as a percent of equity, for the positions mentioned were: Banco Bilbao Vizcaya Argentina (3.4%), Toronto-Dominion Bank (3.7%), Bank of Nova Scotia (3.3%), and Mitsubishi UFJ Financial Group (0.0%)

Inception Date: 29-Jul-98

Performance for the year of inception is less than a full calendar year. Returns shown for periods greater than one year are on an annualized basis.

**Risks:** Risks associated with investing in the Fund may include: (1) Market Risk - Equities: the market price of equities may decline due to factors affecting the issuer, its industries, or the economy and equity markets generally. Declines in stock market prices generally are likely to reduce the net asset value of the Fund's shares; (2) Non-U.S. Investment Risk: The market prices of many non-U.S. securities (particularly of companies tied economically to emerging countries) fluctuate more than those of U.S. securities. Many non-U.S. markets (particularly emerging markets) are less stable, smaller, less liquid, and less regulated than U.S. markets, and the cost of trading in those markets often is higher than it is in U.S. markets; and (3) Management and Operational Risk: The risk that GMO's investment techniques will fail to produce desired results, including annualized returns and annualized volatility. For a more complete discussion of these and other risks, please consult the Fund's Prospectus. **Performance Returns:** Annualized Returns may include the impact of purchase premiums and redemption fees. The GMO Trust funds are distributed in the United States by Funds Distributor LLC. GMO and Funds Distributor LLC are not affiliated.

**Net Expense Ratio: 0.69%; Gross Expense Ratio: 0.75%** Net Expense Ratio reflects the reduction of expenses from fee reimbursements. The fee reimbursements will continue until at least June 30, 2026. Elimination of this reimbursement will result in higher fees and lower performance. Gross Expense Ratio is equal to the Funds Total Annual Operating Expenses set forth in the Funds most recent prospectus dated June 30, 2025.

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## PRODUCT OVERVIEW

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

The Fund 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 Fund 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

An investor should consider the fund's investment objectives, risks, charges and expenses before investing. This and other important information can be found in the funds prospectus. To obtain a prospectus please visit [www.gmo.com](http://www.gmo.com). Read the prospectus carefully before investing.

**Comparator Index(es):** The MSCI World ex USA Value Index (MSCI Standard Index Series, net of withholding tax) is an independently maintained and widely published index comprised of global developed markets, excluding the United States. MSCI data may not be reproduced or used for any other purpose. MSCI provides no warranties, has not prepared or approved this report, and has no liability hereunder. The MSCI World ex-USA Index (MSCI Standard Index Series, net of withholding tax) is an independently maintained and widely published index comprised of global developed markets, excluding the United States. MSCI data may not be reproduced or used for any other purpose. MSCI provides no warranties, has not prepared or approved this report, and has no liability hereunder.

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