

INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPED EQUITY ALLOCATION FUND

Year Ending December 31, 2020

OVERVIEW

The GMO International Developed Equity Allocation Fund seeks total return greater than that of its benchmark, the MSCI EAFE Index.

PERFORMANCE (%)

Net of Fees, Class III, Fair Value, USD	+7.40
Gross of Fees, Class III, Local Close, USD	+7.98
MSCI EAFE ¹	+7.82
Value Added	+0.16

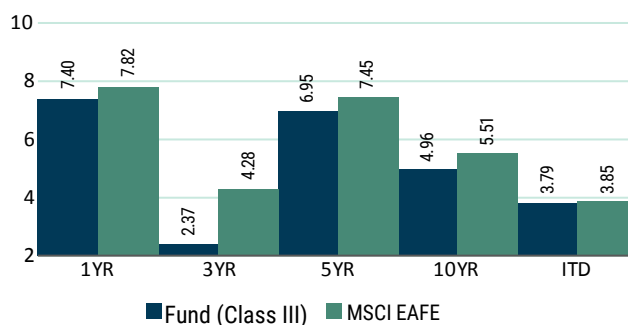
Major Performance Drivers

The Covid-19 pandemic rocked markets in the first quarter, with the MSCI EAFE Index down -22.8%. Unprecedented global monetary and fiscal stimulus triggered an incredible recovery, which was further spurred on by positive vaccine developments in November. Despite the ongoing public health and economic uncertainties MSCI EAFE posted a, somewhat remarkable in the circumstances, 7.8% return for 2020. It was a major headwind to performance to have a valuation-driven approach to investing. For 2020, the difference between a value and growth approach was truly astounding, as the MSCI EAFE Growth Index returned a whopping 18.3% while the MSCI EAFE Value Index was actually negative, at -2.6%.

- Emerging equities, with an emphasis on undervalued stocks within attractively valued countries/sectors, represented an average position of 10% of the portfolio and returned 6.5%. Emerging markets did very well as a region, with the MSCI Emerging Markets Index posting an impressive 18.3%, and being overweight added to relative performance. A value bias was hugely detrimental, however, as the MSCI Emerging Markets Value Index trailed considerably with a relatively paltry 5.5% return.
- European equities accounted for 59% of the total portfolio on average through the year. This is very modestly underweight compared to the benchmark weight and had little impact on relative performance. Within European equities, our portfolio returned 4.6% which modestly lagged the MSCI Europe return of 5.4% but was well ahead of the MSCI Europe Value Index return of -5.1%.
- Japan equities accounted for 20% of the total portfolio on average through the year, which is a little underweight versus the benchmark and had a modest detrimental impact on performance as MSCI Japan posted a very solid 14.5% for 2020. Our Japan exposure had a return of 3.6%, which looks disappointing on the surface but was actually decently ahead of the MSCI Japan Value Index return of 0.8%.
- The portfolio held 9% on average in the remaining catch-all “other international”. In aggregate, across allocation and stock selection, this had a significant positive impact on relative performance as stock selection was extremely strong in Australia.

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ANNUALIZED RETURN (%) AS OF 12/31/2020



Inception date: 06/05/2006

Includes purchase premiums and redemption fees impact if applicable.

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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 fund's prospectus. To obtain a prospectus please visit www.gmo.com. Read the prospectus carefully before investing.

Risks associated with investing in the Fund may include, Market Risk-Equities, Non-U.S. Investment Risk Management and Operational Risk, Currency Risk and Derivative and Short Sale Risk. For a more complete discussion of these risks and others, please consult the Fund's prospectus. The GMO Trust funds are distributed in the United States by Funds Distributor LLC. GMO and Funds Distributor LLC are not affiliated.

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