## SostonPartners

International Equity

**Quarterly Update** 

Fourth Quarter 2023

## Performance Attribution - International Equity

Fourth Quarter 2023

Portfolio			<b>N</b>	MSCI EAFE Index			Attribution Analysis		
GICS SECTOR	Average Weight	Total Return	Contribution To Return	Average Weight	Total Return	Contribution To Return	Sector Allocation	Stock Selection	Total Effect
Communication Services	3.41	1.32	0.05	4.13	9.03	0.37	0.02	-0.26	-0.24
Consumer Discretionary	13.84	7.40	1.19	11.99	8.06	0.99	-0.06	-0.04	-0.10
Consumer Staples	7.87	2.81	0.21	9.65	5.22	0.51	0.09	-0.21	-0.11
Energy	9.57	-7.45	-0.86	4.67	0.42	0.00	-0.44	-0.86	-1.30
Financials	21.38	5.00	0.98	19.03	10.01	1.90	-0.02	-1.03	-1.05
Health Care	8.12	0.88	-0.14	13.05	4.91	0.59	0.28	-0.37	-0.09
Industrials	16.00	15.71	2.66	15.93	14.39	2.27	0.05	0.23	0.28
Information Technology	6.67	19.04	1.28	8.19	21.34	1.72	-0.18	-0.09	-0.26
Materials	10.16	12.67	1.39	7.55	17.12	1.27	0.22	-0.45	-0.22
Real Estate	0.00	0.00	0.00	2.36	14.98	0.35	-0.10	0.00	-0.10
Utilities	2.98	21.39	0.65	3.44	14.04	0.50	-0.02	0.18	0.16
Total	100.00	7.41	7.41	100.00	10.47	10.47	-0.16	-2.90	-3.05

Data are preliminary, unaudited, for a representative account, are gross of fees and are shown as a percentage. Attribution is calculated by Factset using end of day security prices. Returns shown reflect equity only and exclude cash. Individual portfolio results may vary. A GIPS<sup>®</sup> compliant report is contained herein. Please refer to the appendix for applicable disclosures.

## Performance Attribution – International Equity

Fourth Quarter 2023

	Portfolio			MS	MSCI EAFE Value Index			Attribution Analysis		
GICS Sector	Average Weight	Total Return	Contribution to Return	Average Weight	Total Return	Contribution to Return	Allocation Effect	Selection Effect	Total Effect	
Communication Services	3.42	1.32	0.05	4.58	9.40	0.44	0.02	-0.28	-0.26	
Consumer Discretionary	13.83	7.40	1.19	8.51	5.73	0.45	-0.11	0.25	0.14	
Consumer Staples	7.88	2.81	0.21	6.04	5.36	0.34	-0.03	-0.22	-0.26	
Energy	9.59	-7.45	-0.86	9.01	0.21	-0.02	0.02	-0.83	-0.81	
Financials	21.40	5.00	0.98	28.26	9.54	2.66	-0.11	-0.93	-1.03	
Health Care	8.14	0.88	-0.14	9.18	-0.66	-0.05	0.04	0.12	0.15	
Industrials	15.98	15.71	2.66	13.02	11.72	1.54	0.13	0.65	0.78	
Information Technology	6.66	19.04	1.28	1.82	8.61	0.16	0.02	0.67	0.69	
Materials	10.13	12.67	1.39	9.44	13.98	1.29	0.11	-0.15	-0.04	
Real Estate	0.00	0.00	0.00	3.96	14.04	0.58	-0.23	0.00	-0.23	
Utilities	2.98	21.39	0.65	6.17	14.03	0.89	-0.18	0.18	0.00	
Total	100.00	7.41	7.41	100.00	8.28	8.28	-0.32	-0.55	-0.86	

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## **Portfolio Characteristics - International Equity**

A proof statement that the stock selection process results in a 'three-circle' portfolio

### "Three Circles"

An attractive valuation, strong business fundamentals, and positive business momentum. In our experience, porfolios with all three characteristics tend to outperform over time.

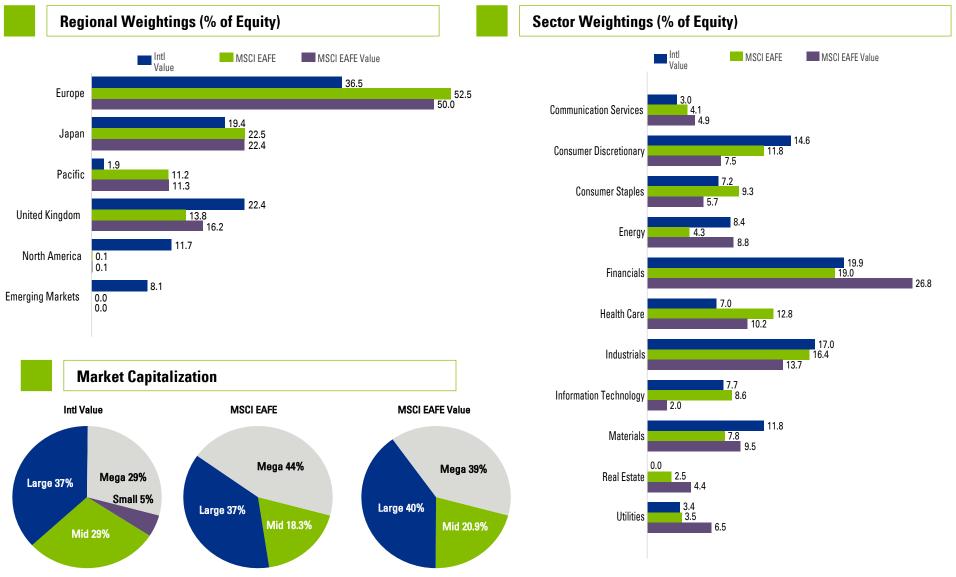


	Va	luation		X	Fundame	ntals	
	Int'l Value	MSCI EAFE	MSCI EAFE Value		Int'l Value	MSCI EAFE	MSCI EAFE Value
- CF Yield	7.9%	5.5%	7.5%	Asset TO	0.6x	0.5x	0.5x
P/E (FY1)	9.7x	13.1x	9.7x	<b>ROE TTM</b>	14.3%	17.7%	14.3%
P Model	35	50	38	BP Model	34	39	43
			Business	Momentu	m		
			Int'l Equity	MSCI EAFE	MSCI EAFE Value		Composite BP Mode
		BP Model	40	45	44	Int'l Val	ue 3.5
						MSCI E	AFE 4.9
						MSCI E Value	AFE 4.1

Data are preliminary, unaudited, for a representative account as of December 31, 2023 and are subject to change. FCF Yield is reported as weighted average excluding financials of the underlying securities. Asset T0 = Asset Turnover. BP Model = The current results are generated by our Global DMxU.S. All-Cap Model. The results do not reflect actual trading, were achieved by means of a mathematical formula, and are not indicative of actual future results which could differ substantially. Companies are scored between 1 and 100 with lower measurements ranking more favorably than higher measurements. Each key factor: value, fundamentals, and momentum receives an individual score based on a number of different factors. In addition, the composite score incorporates all three factors into one measure between 1 and 10. As with the individual factor scores, lower is more favorable for the composite score. Portfolio characteristics are from a representative account in the Boston Partners International Equity composite. Individual portfolio characteristics may vary. A GIPS® compliant report is contained herein. Please refer to the appendix for other important disclosures.

## Portfolio Positioning - International Equity

Our assessment of where the opportunities exist



#### Small < \$3.7 B; Mid \$3.7 B - \$15.6 B; Large \$15.6 B - \$61.7 B; Mega > \$61.7 B

Data are preliminary and unaudited for a representative account as of December 31, 2023 and are subject to change. Individual portfolio characteristics may vary. Specific securities identified and described do not represent all securities purchased, sold or recommended for advisory clients. It should not be assumed that investments in these sectors or securities were or will be profitable. Please refer to the back for other important disclosures. A GIPS® compliant report is contained herein.

# **Boston Partners**

Appendix

## Investment Performance - International Equity

As of December 31, 2023

Annualized Performance (%)								
	40 2023	1 Year	3 Year	5 Year	10 Year	15 Year	Since Inception*	
International Equity - Gross of Fees	7.38	20.13	9.53	10.09	5.34	8.68	5.26	
International Equity - Net of Fees	7.19	19.29	8.76	9.32	4.59	7.88	4.48	
MSCI EAFE Index - Net	10.42	18.24	4.02	8.16	4.28	6.93	3.63	
MSCI EAFE Value Index - Net	8.22	18.95	7.59	7.08	3.16	6.02	2.91	

Calendar Year Performance (%)										
	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
International Equity - Gross of Fees	20.13	-4.12	14.09	5.46	16.69	-18.07	26.38	0.76	3.54	-3.65
International Equity - Net of Fees	19.29	-4.80	13.29	4.74	15.86	-18.67	25.48	0.01	2.77	-4.37
MSCI EAFE Index - Net	18.24	-14.45	11.26	7.82	22.01	-13.79	25.03	1.00	-0.81	-4.90
MSCI EAFE Value Index - Net	18.95	-5.58	10.89	-2.63	16.09	-14.78	21.44	5.02	-5.68	-5.39

\*Inception date is July 1, 2008.

Boston Partners has prepared and presented this report in compliance with the GIPS<sup>®</sup>. Returns reflect composite results gross and net of fees and individual portfolio results may vary. Past performance is not an indication of future results. Please refer to the appendix for other important disclosures.

## International Equity Performance Disclosures

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Boston Partners claims compliance with the Global Investment Performance Standards (GIPS®) and has prepared and presented this report in compliance with the GIPS<sup>®</sup>. Boston Partners has been independently verified for the periods 2007 through 2021. Before then, Boston Partners Asset Management ("BPAM"), the previous entity name, and WPG were independently verified on an annual basis from 1995 through 2006 and 1993 through 2006, respectively. A firm that claims compliance with the GIPS® must establish policies and procedures for complying with all the applicable requirements of the GIPS®. Verification provides assurance on whether a firm's policies and procedures related to composite and pooled fund maintenance, as well as the calculation, presentation, and distribution of performance, have been designed in compliance with the GIPS<sup>®</sup> and have been implemented on a firm-wide basis. Verification does not provide assurance on the accuracy of any specific performance report. The Boston International Equity Composite has had performance examinations for the periods 2008 through 2021. The verification and performance examination reports are available upon request. A list of composite descriptions is available upon request. GIPS® is a registered trademark of the CFA Institute. CFA Institute does not endorse or promote this organization, nor does it warrant the accuracy of quality of the content contained herein. Past performance is not indicative of future results. This document is not an offering of securities nor is it intended to provide investment advice. It is intended for informational purposes only.

#### **Composite Construction**

The Boston Partners International Composite includes all separately managed and commingled vehicles, fully discretionary, fee-paying accounts under management with a similar investment mandate. No composites have a minimum account size for inclusion as of June 1, 2019. Prior to that, minimum account size for inclusion in the composite was \$1 million. The composite may contain proprietary assets. The inception date and creation date of the Boston Partners International Composite is July 1, 2008. This strategy is unconstrained and primarily invests in equity securities in non-U.S. markets without using hedges on currency. The strategy is benchmarked against the MSCI EAFE Index-Net as of August 1, 2017. From July 1, 2008 to June 30, 2010 the primary benchmark was MSCI EAFE Value Index and on July 1, 2010 the primary benchmark changed to the MSCI EAFE Index. This change to the MSCI EAFE Index was made retroactively to July 1, 2008. Non-performance related statistics are measured against the MSCI EAFE Index. The MSCI EAFE Value Index-Net and the MSCI ACWI ex U.S. Index-Net are presented as supplemental information.

#### Benchmark

Index returns are provided for comparison purposes only to show how the composite's returns compare to a broad-based index of securities, as the index does not have costs, fees, or other expenses associated with its performance. In addition, securities held in the index may not be similar to securities held in the composite's accounts. The MSCI EAFE Index captures large and mid-cap equities across developed markets around the world, excluding the U.S. and Canada. MSCI style indices use a multi-factor approach, which uses three variables (book value to price, 12-month forward earnings to price and dividend yield) to define the value investment style. The MSCI ACWI (All Country World Index) captures both the MSCI World and MSCI Emerging Markets Index covering approximately 85% of the global investable equity opportunity set. The MSCI ACWI ex-U.S. Index excludes the equity opportunity set within the U.S. Net total return indexes reinvest dividends after the deduction of withholding taxes, using (for international indexes) a tax rate applicable to non-resident institutional investors who do not benefit from double taxation treaties.

#### **Calculation Methodology**

Composite account returns are asset value weighted using beginning of month asset values and composite account returns are calculated on a total return, time-weighted basis using trade date valuations. Composite returns are geometrically linked on a monthly basis. Effective January 1, 2011, Boston Partners adopted a significant cash flow policy. Accounts are temporarily removed from the composite when a significant external cash flow occurs, which is typically defined as a flow that is greater than or equal to 10% of the beginning market value of an account on the day of the flow; and greater than or equal to 10% of the beginning market value of the composite for that month. An account is generally added back to the composite as of the first full month following the significant cash flow. Returns reflect the reinvestment of dividends and other earnings and are expressed in U.S. Dollars unless otherwise noted. Additional information regarding policies for valuing accounts, calculating performance, and preparing compliant reports is available upon request.

#### **Fees and Expenses**

Composite returns are provided on a gross and net of fee basis. Composite account returns will be reduced by any fees and expenses incurred in the management of the account. Net of fee composite returns are asset weighted and reflect the deduction of management fees, which may include performance-based fees, commissions and transaction costs, and are calculated by deducting actual fees charged to the accounts in a composite. Gross composite returns are calculated by deducting commissions and transaction costs charged to the accounts in a composite. Fees are applied to gross returns at month end. Actual fees may vary depending on the applicable fee schedule and account size. Additional information regarding policies for valuing accounts, calculating performance, and preparing compliant reports is available upon request. Investment advisory fees are listed herein and are fully described in Boston Partners' Form ADV, Part 2.

#### **Composite Dispersion**

The measurement of composite dispersion is calculated by the weighted average standard deviation of the annual account gross-of-fee returns within the composite. Dispersion in composites with less than five accounts included for the entire year is not considered meaningful and is denoted with "N/A". The three-year annualized standard deviation measures the variability of the composite and the benchmark returns over the preceding 36-month period. This calculation has been adopted effective with the period ended December 31, 2011.

## International Equity

Performance Disclosures (continued)

#### **International Equity:**

	# of Accts	Total Assets	Comp	Comp 3-Yr	Bench. 3-Yr.	% of Firm
	in Comp.	in Comp.	Dispersion	•	Std. Dev.	AUM
2021:	4	\$2.7 bn	n/a	19.47%	16.92%	3%
2020:	n/a	\$2.4 bn	0.08%	19.90%	17.90%	3%
2019:	n/a	\$1.8 bn	0.13%	11.41%	10.81%	2%
2018:	6	\$1.4 bn	0.05%	11.98%	11.24%	2%
2017:	5	\$1.2 bn	0.10%	11.31%	11.83%	1%
<b>2016</b> :	3	\$603 mm	n/a	11.81%	12.48%	1%
<b>2015</b> :	1	\$261 mm	n/a	11.07%	12.47%	0%
2014:	2	\$33 mm	n/a	11.77%	12.99%	0%
2013:	2	\$20 mm	n/a	14.28%	16.21%	0%
2012:	2	\$18 mm	n/a	18.16%	19.34%	0%
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#### Firm Assets:

Year	Assets (mm)	Year	Assets (mm)
2021:	\$96,320	2016:	\$87,222
2020:	\$77,120	2015:	\$78,363
2019:	\$89,368	2014:	\$73,250
2018:	\$81,550	2013:	\$52,334
2017:	\$99,241	2012:	\$29,023

#### **Other Disclosures**

GICS (Global Industry Classification Standard) sector classification is used for the International Equity Composite. All product characteristics and sector weightings are calculated using a representative account. Risk statistics are calculated using composite data. Account composition is subject to change and information contained in this publication may not be representative of the current account.

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