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Goal

Seeks to outperform the TOPIX over full market cycles.

Investment team

Team of Investment Professionals

- General Oversight
- Ayako Mikami, CFA
- 20 years with MFS 24 years in industry
- Akira Fuse, CMA
- 5 years with MFS
- 36 years in industry

Assets under management (USD)

MFS Investment Management®	626.1 billion
MFS [®] Japan Equity	283.9 million

Philosophy

- A global perspective is an advantage in the Japanese market
- Rigorous bottom-up fundamental research offers the best opportunity to identify high-quality and durable companies
- Long term focus allows us to capitalise on opportunities created by investors with shorter-term investment horizon

Performance (%) total return

MFS (gross of fees)

Gross vs. TOPIX

Net vs. TOPIX

MFS (net of fees)

TOPIX		
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For periods of less than one-year returns are not annualized.

20.31 7.49 6.98 6.54 6.04 6.34 5.88 3.65 0.39 -0.04 10 Years 5 Years 3 Years 1 Year -3.26 -3.56 -0.44 -1.15 -0.94 -1.61 -3.69 -3.98

Annual performance (%)

	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024 YTD
MFS (gross of fees)	-4.99	14.98	2.50	25.18	-12.94	21.93	19.32	-0.48	-20.32	18.22	7.85
MFS (net of fees)	-5.44	14.44	2.02	24.50	-13.43	21.40	18.81	-0.96	-20.71	17.80	7.76
ΤΟΡΙΧ	-3.33	11.69	3.46	26.55	-13.73	19.25	13.04	1.08	-14.87	20.04	10.05

MIFID II performance standard - 12-month rates of total return (%) as of the period ended

	31-Mar-20	31-Mar-21	31-Mar-22	31-Mar-23	31-Mar-24
MFS (gross of fees)	-5.03	41.52	-11.88	-4.91	20.73
MFS (net of fees)	-5.44	40.91	-12.31	-5.34	20.31
ΤΟΡΙΧ	-7.21	38.86	-7.15	-3.50	24.29

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See the GIPS Composite Report at the end of this presentation for performance methodology and other information.

The Markets in Financial Instruments Directive (MIFID) is the EU legislation that regulates firms who provide services to clients linked to financial instruments.

Source: Benchmark performance from SPAR, FactSet Research Systems Inc.

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Total gross of fee returns include both capital appreciation and reinvestment of income but exclude custody fees.

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MFS[®] Japan Equity (USD)

CHARACTERISTICS		
	MFS	TOPIX
Fundamentals - weighted average		
Return on equity (3-year average)	13.1%	11.5%
Return on invested capital	10.0%	8.1%
Long term debt/capital	18.1%	26.6%
Price/book	2.0x	1.6x
Price/earnings (12 months forward exnegative earnings)	18.3x	15.7x
Market capitalization		
Market capitalization (USD) ¹	46.1 bn	59.4 bn
Diversification		
Top ten issues	32%	22%
Number of Issues	56	2,148
Turnover		
Trailing 1 year turnover ²	31%	-
Risk profile (current)		
Active share	71%	-
Barra predicted tracking error ³	2.99%	-
Risk/reward (5 year)	Gross/Net	
Information ratio	-0.33/-0.47	-

TOP 10 HOLDINGS (%)			
Security	Sector	MFS	ΤΟΡΙΧ
HITACHI LTD	Technology	4.6	1.7
TOKYO ELECTRON LTD	Technology	3.7	2.1
TOYOTA INDUSTRIES CORP	Capital Goods	3.3	0.3
DENSO CORP	Capital Goods	3.3	0.6
SUMITOMO MITSUI FINANCIAL GROUP INC	Financial Services	2.9	1.6
MITSUBISHI UFJ FINANCIAL GROUP INC	Financial Services	2.8	2.4
KEYENCE CORP	Capital Goods	2.8	1.8
NITTO DENKO CORP	Capital Goods	2.7	0.2
SEVEN & I HOLDINGS CO LTD	Consumer Cyclicals	2.7	0.6
MITSUI & CO LTD	Capital Goods	2.6	1.4

SECTOR WEIGHTS UNDERWEIGHT/OVERWEIGHT (%)[†] TOPIX Technology Health Care **Consumer Cyclicals** 0.6 **Consumer Staples** 0.6 -0.6 Capital Goods Telecom / CATV -1.6 Energy -2.3 **Financial Services** -3.6

¹ Weighted average.

² US Turnover Methodology: (Lesser of Purchase or Sales)/Average Month End Market Value

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[†] 1.6% Cash & Cash Equivalents.

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Composite: MFS Japan Equity Composite in USD

Benchmark: TOPIX

Creation Date: 02-Jun-2005

Inception Date: 01-Apr-2005

Composite Description: The MFS Japan Equ Composite includes all discretionary portfolios mar to the MFS Japan Equity strategy that do not have extensive guideline restrictions. The strategy seeks capital appreciation by investing in a diversified po of Japanese companies that the Japan equity anal team believe are high-quality, durable businesses trading at attractive valuations. Investments in cert markets can involve greater risk and volatility beca of adverse market, currency, economic, industry, political, regulatory, geopolitical, or other conditions. Stock markets and investments in individual stocks are volatile and can decline significantly in response to or investor perception of, issuer, market, economic, industry, political, regulatory, geopolitical, and other conditions.

in						Accounts in	Annualiz	ed 3-Year		
		Composite a	and Benchmark	Return %	Composite	Composite at	Standard	Deviation	Assets (U	SD million)
	Period	Gross of fees	Net of fees^	Benchmark	Dispersion	End of Period	Composite	Benchmark	Composite	Firm
	2023	18.22	17.80	20.04	n/a	<6	15.55	14.80	\$267.2	\$575,589.7
	2022	-20.32	-20.71	-14.87	n/a	<6	17.57	17.14	\$267.2	\$527,229.5
	2021	-0.48	-0.96	1.08	n/a	<6	13.79	13.85	\$363.1	\$674,375.8
luity .	2020	19.32	18.81	13.04	n/a	<6	15.54	15.43	\$368.3	\$599,076.3
anaged /e	2019	21.93	21.40	19.25	n/a	<6	10.84	10.64	\$344.9	\$518,568.9
eks	2018	-12.94	-13.43	-13.73	n/a	<6	12.01	11.95	\$304.5	\$426,543.5
ortfolio	2017	25.18	24.50	26.55	n/a	<6	12.52	12.11	\$421.0	\$491,012.9
alyst s	2016	2.50	2.02	3.46	n/a	<6	13.23	12.74	\$467.4	\$425,539.8
ertain	2015	14.98	14.44	11.69	n/a	<6	14.29	13.14	\$336.7	\$412,412.4
cause	2014	-4.99	-5.44	-3.33	n/a	<6	13.18	13.02	\$302.1	\$430,214.0

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Asset Breakpoints (USD)	Fee	
For Assets Up To 50 MM	55 bp	
For Assets From 50 MM To 100 MM	50 bp	
For Assets Over 100 MM	45 bp	

Accounts are eligible for inclusion in the composite if they have assets greater than 1 MM USD. Accounts are included as of their first full month of performance. Total Gross of fee returns in USD (includes both capital appreciation and reinvestment of income) are net of transaction costs, withholding taxes and direct expenses, but before management fees, custody and other indirect expenses. Typical separate accounts utilize 4:00 PM (London Time) foreign exchange rates; retail products will use rates deemed most appropriate for daily NAV per share calculations. The possibility exists for performance dispersion between otherwise similarly managed accounts and also with the benchmark.

Net of fee returns presented in this table are gross of fee returns reduced by management fees and performance fees if applicable (actual fees). For certain accounts where the actual fees are unavailable, the maximum applicable annual institutional separate account fees were applied. Total returns of the benchmark are provided for each period depicted, expressed in USD. Source of Benchmark Performance: FACTSET ®.

TOPIX Gross Return - is a capitalization weighted gross return index of all companies listed on the First Section of the Tokyo Stock Exchange.

Composite Dispersion is measured by the asset-weighted standard deviation of gross of fees account returns for all accounts in the composite for the full period. For composites containing less than six accounts for the full period, dispersion is deemed not meaningful and is not presented. The three-year annualized ex post standard deviation measures the variability of the gross of fees composite returns and the benchmark returns over the preceding 36-month period.

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