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# Responsible Active Management



We create long-term value by allocating capital responsibly





- Engagement
- Diversity and collaboration
- Integrated research



## LONG-TERM DISCIPLINE

- Conviction and longer time horizons
- Continuity/Succession planning
- Alignment of incentives



- Risk-aware culture
- Understanding material risks
- Capacity management



## **Active Through the Ages**





A History of Bold Action



Sector Team Leaders								
David Falco, CFA, 21 years	Jeanine Thomson, 26 years	Christopher Cork, 17 years	Deividas Seferis <sup>2</sup> , 15 years	Make final buy and sell decisions				
Capital Goods	Consumer Cyclicals	Consumer Staples	Energy	Coordinate fundamental research in each sector				
Shanti Das-Wermes, 17 years	Yuko Kikuchi, CFA, 26 years	Reinier Dobbelman, 31 years	Eleanor Shing, 21 years	Lead sector team discussions on positioning				
Financial Services	Health Care	Technology	Communication Services					

Portfolio Managers¹				
Nicholas J. Paul, CFA, 26 years	<ul><li>Coordinate team investment process</li><li>Monitor portfolio, cash and risk</li></ul>			
John W. Mahoney, CFA, 21 years	<ul> <li>Communicate investment process and positioning</li> </ul>			

Supported by our fully integrated MFS Global Research Platform					
Co-CIOs of Equity	David Falco, CFA, 21 years Matthew Scholder, 19 years	Jeanine Thompson, 26 years	<ul><li>Oversee analyst team</li><li>Ensure integrity of the research process</li></ul>		
Research Analysts	122 Fundamental analysts 26 US analysts 38 Non-US analysts	53 Credit analysts 3 ESG Analysts	<ul> <li>Conduct fundamental research</li> <li>Assess sustainability and ESG factors</li> </ul>		
Additional Resource					
Investment Product Specialist Marena Hnat-Dembitz, 20 years		<ul> <li>Communicates investment process and positioning</li> <li>Conducts portfolio analysis and product development</li> </ul>			

As of 31-Mar-25.

Years = years of industry experience as of 31-Dec-24.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> As of 01-Jan-25 James Neale, transitions his non-US energy sector lead responsibilities given his retirement from MFS.



Team structure facilitates effective decision making

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The Portfolio Manager advises and communicates on the management of the portfolio, but is not responsible for day-to-day management.

# **Disciplined Investment Approach**



Investment Objective	Seeks capital appreciation
Goal	Seeks to outperform the MSCI EAFE Index (net div) over full market cycles
Philosophy	We believe bottom-up analysis offers the best opportunity to try to identify high-quality companies (generally defined as durable franchises, significant free cash flow, solid balance sheets and strong management teams) with above average earnings growth potential
	<ul> <li>Analyst-driven decision making process</li> </ul>
Strategy	<ul> <li>Core, multi-capitalization investment strategy allows flexibility to search for highest conviction ideas</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Company specific stock selection, not country specific</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Generally, has been sector neutral relative to MSCI EAFE Index</li> </ul>

## **Risks**



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## MFS® Global Research Platform



#### **Collaborative Research Environment**

122 **Fundamental** 

Research Analysts

26 U.S. Equity Analysts

38 Non-U.S. Equity **Analysts** 

53 Fixed Income Analysts

5 Dedicated ESG &

Stewardship Research

**Analysts** 

backed by

37 Investment/Research/

Stewardship

Associates

Global **Sector Teams** 

Organized by region

and sectors

**Toronto Boston** 

**Analyst-Managed Strategies** 

Global, Regional and Country specific strategies with security selection driven by dedicated sector teams on the ground, globally

London

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**Portfolio Managers** 

With significant industry experience in value, core, growth, quantitative and fixed income investing

Quantitative **Analysts** 

**16** Quantitative Analysts backed by

**14** Quantitative Research Associates

Tokyo Hong Kong Singapore

Sydney

As of 31-Mar-25.

We believe a fully integrated global research platform provides competitive advantages

São Paulo

# MFS Sector Coverage Teams With Years of Industry Experience



Equity <sup>1</sup> Fix	xed Income <sup>2</sup>	Quantita	tive	Communication Services (cont.)		Energy (cont.)	Industry Exp.	Consumer Staples (cont.) Industr	
<ul><li>United States</li></ul>	United States			Nick Demko <sup>3</sup>		Scott Walker		Alexis Antonelli	
<ul><li>Canada</li></ul>	Canada			Erin McCarty		Freda Zhuo		Peter McCandless	
<ul><li>Europe</li><li>O</li></ul>	Europe			Louis Dale III		Elias Hoban		Jordan Cant	
	Emerging Ma	rkets <sup>1</sup>		Zahid Kassam		Zahid Kassam		Laura Monty Andres Gonzalez-Puelles	
<u> </u>	Asia Pacific			Omar Hashem		Winter Li			
LatinAmerica	710101 001110			Shanti Das-Wermes		James Neale		Ramanathan Sundaram	
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Matthew Scholder <sup>3</sup>	18	Matthew Doherty	15	Nicholas Spratt		Liren Li		Financial Services	
lames Schuster		Patrick Londergan		Eleanor Shing <sup>3</sup>		Raj Nair		Rick Gable	31
Erica Zieba		Elizabeth McGuire		Aaron Lim		Aaron Lim		Stephen White	
Don Zhang		Rodrigo De Paula		Tim Cronin	39	Mariana Araujo		Matthew Scholder	
Freda Zhuo		Erin McCarty <sup>3</sup>		Sean Carson		O Jeff Wakelin		Molly Frew	
Carla Dibbs		David Corn		Laura Homsy	13			Aparna Bedi Tanna	
Kristov George		Alex Carraway		O John Jackson		Eric Stewart  Matt Kinnan		Andrew Quatrale	
Zahid Kassam		Zahid Kassam		Andres Gonzalez-Puelles	12	WenWen Chen		Lindsey Farrell	
Koki Akala		Winter Li		Allures Golizalez-Puelles	12	Adam Gregg		Elias Hoban	
David Falco		Omar Hashem	08	Noah Rumpf	2/	Sean Carson		Athena Xie	
Christopher Cork		lames Neale		Technology		O Peter McCandless		Colin Moore <sup>3</sup>	
Philip Evans		David Falco <sup>3</sup>		Timothy Dittmer	20			Koki Akala	
Guillermo Espallargas		Andrew Wilson		Erica Zieba <sup>3</sup>				lean-Marc Chow	
Marion de Floris		Marion de Floris		Matthew Doherty		Anna Bear Serge Savchuk		Christopher Cork	
Deividas Seferis		Deividas Seferis		Genevieve Gilroy		Valeria Cisnero		Shanti Das-Wermes <sup>3</sup>	
Liren Li		Liren Li		Lindsey Farrell				Guillermo Espallaragas	
Darius Pielikas		Darius Pielikas		Athena Xie				Deividas Seferis	
leanine Thomson <sup>3</sup>		Gabriele Poy		Rodrigo De Paula				Nick Baker	
Kevin Wei-Cher Yeoh		Raj Nair		David Corn			10	Gabriele Poy	
Lionel Gomez		Mark Syn	28	Colin Moore		Health Care			
Wakako Matsushige		Yuko Kikuchi		Jean-Marc Chow		<ul> <li>Sheba Alexander<sup>3</sup>.</li> </ul>	30	Salman Khan	
Gaurav Tewary		Kevin Wei-Cher Yeoh.		Christopher Cork		Matthew Scholder		Mark Syn	
LiAn Pan		Claudio Aritomi		Reinier Dobbelmann <sup>3</sup>		James Schuster			
Taro Koshiba		Lionel Gomez		Raj Nair		Andrew Quatrale		Kevin Wei-Cher Yeoh	
Shohei Oda		Gaurav Tewary		Nicholas Spratt		Nick Demko		Philip Ingram	
Aaron Lim		Taro Koshiba				Alex Carraway		Takanori Kobayashi	
Ana Paula Lanzana		Yingxin Chen		Takanori Kobayashi		Darius Pieslikas		Lily Chan	
Mariana Araujo		Aaron Lim		Claudio Aritomi		Yuko Kikuchi <sup>3</sup>		Mariana Araujo	
Lauren McCarthy Rottner		Ana Paula Lanzana		Aaron Lim		Taro Koshiba		Andre Reis	
Alejandro Luciano		Mariana Araujo		Jeff Wakelin	39	Zhitong Wei		Gerald Pendleton	
Grace Lee		Andre Reis		O lohn Haddad	33	O David Cobey		<u> </u>	
John Haddad		Gaetan Poirier		John Jackson	13	Matt Kinnan			
Annie Glancy		Matt Kinnan				Laura Homsy		Alejandro Luciano     Neerai Ahuia	
Alexis Antonelli		John Haddad		Nathan Bryant	10				
Adam Gregg		Annie Glancy		Sovereign Analysts		<ul><li>Jenney Zhang Parz</li></ul>	aie20	Grace Lee	
Lior Jassur		Alexis Antonelli		O Annalisa Piazza	26	Consumer Staples		Max Sauray	
Peter McCandless		Greg Baggett		Peter Allen Goves		James Schuster	18	Adam Gregg	
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ordan Cant		Sean Carson		Kjetil Birkeland		Genevieve Gilroy <sup>3</sup> .		Evelyne Assamoi	
Laura Monty		Lior Jassur		O Aimee Kaye		Louis Dale III		Peter McCandless	
Mandela Toyo		Peter McCandless		Michael Higgins		Kristov George		Mario Carrara	
Sui Wang		John Jackson		Stepan Ochodek		Koki Akala		Laura Monty	
Ethan Gao		Jordan Cant				Christopher Cork <sup>3</sup> .		Serge Savchuk	
		Valeria Cisnero		O Carl Ang	1/			Valeria Cisnero	
Capital Goods		Mandela Toyo		Investment Technology Stra	teaist	Guillermo Espallar		Ramanathan Sundaram	19
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### **Investment Process Overview**



Idea Generation

Sector Team Discussion

Portfolio Construction MFS® Research International Fund

# Analysts identify high conviction ideas within their coverage

- Coverage organised by industry within major regions
- Rigorous business analysis
- More than 1,000 non-US Stocks rated by analyst team
- 350-450 non-US "buy" candidates

#### **Analysts**

# Discuss high conviction ideas in each sector

- Sector team meetings and communications facilitate global comparison
- Sector leaders make final buy and sell decisions

#### Sector leaders

# Construct a diversified international portfolio of high conviction ideas

- Generally, has been sector neutral relative to the MSCI EAFE Index
- Portfolio managers oversee portfolio positioning and risk exposures

# Portfolio managers and sector leaders

# High conviction ideas

Generally, has held 80 to 125 holdings

The information listed above is current as of the date of the material, and any additions, modifications, or deletions that have occurred since that date are not reflected.

Collaborative process designed to ensure stock selection drives returns

## Roles and Responsibilities — Consumer Staples Example



Regional Analysts
Fundamental stock analysis

45 stocks 'buy rated'

**Sector Leaders**Select high conviction ideas

7 stocks into portfolio

Portfolio Managers
Oversee portfolio construction

#### **Understand industry dynamics**

- Competitive structure
- Supply and demand drivers
- Regulatory environment

#### **Identify attractive candidates**

- Strength of business model
- Financial strength and capital allocation
- Management quality
- Environmental, social and governance factors

### Determine appropriate valuations

- Use right metric for sector PE, DCF etc.
- Consider downside risk and quality

Nestle SA

British American Tobacco PLC

Diageo PLC

Heineken NV

Kao Corp

Novozymes AS

Kirin Holdings Co Ltd

# Monitor sector positioning in the context of the broader portfolio

- Industry concentration
- Risk metrics including regional, currency, credit, interest rates, and commodity prices
- Characteristics/style factors
- Sector neutrality

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Global analyst led portfolio

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> As of 31-Mar-25.

# **Sector Weights**

#### Relative to MSCI EAFE Index



As of 31-Mar-25	Portfolio (%)	Benchmark (%)	Underweight/Overweight (%)
Financial Services	25.2	25.1	0.1
Communication Services	4.7	4.8	-0.1
Consumer Staples	7.4	7.5	-0.1
Energy	7.1	7.2	-0.1
Consumer Cyclicals	7.5	7.7	-0.2
Capital Goods	23.5	23.9	-0.4
Technology	11.7	12.1	-0.4
Health Care	11.1	11.7	-0.6

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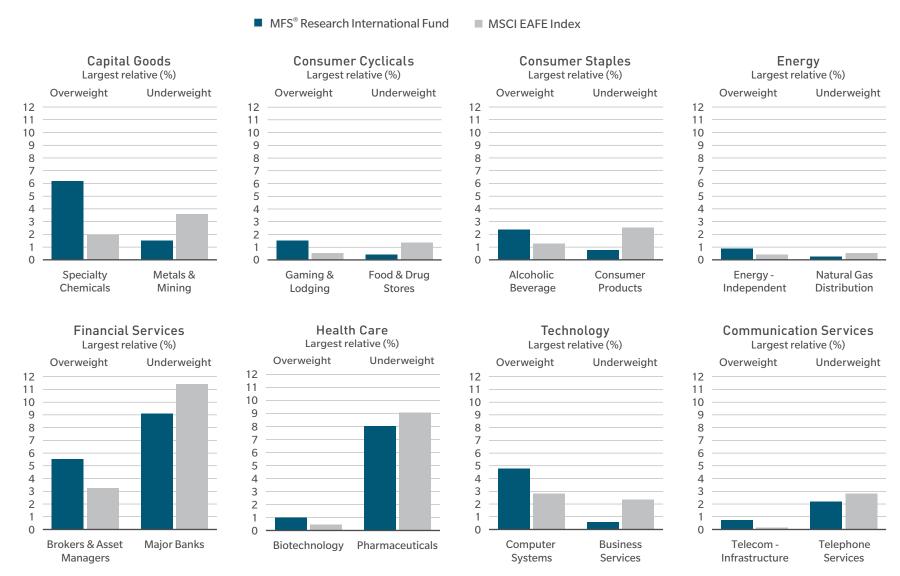
<sup>1.8%</sup> Cash & Cash Equivalents.

<sup>0.0%</sup> Other. Other consists of: (i) currency derivatives and/or (ii) any derivative offsets.

## **Industry Weights**

### Percent of portfolio





#### As of 31-Mar-25.

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# **Region and Country Weights**

Relative to MSCI EAFE Index



As of 31-Mar-25	Portfolio (%)	Benchmark (%)	Underweight/ Overweight	Und	derweight/Overweight (%)	
		[70]	(%)			
Europe ex-U.K.	45.7	51.6	-5.9	Europe ex-U.K.	-5.9	
France	14.7	11.5	3.2	Europe ex-o.k.	-5.9	
Ireland	1.9	0.3	1.6			
Portugal	1.4	0.2	1.2			
Netherlands	5.4	4.3	1.1			
Austria	0.7	0.2	0.5			
Denmark	2.4	2.4	0.0	Japan	-4.3	
Spain	3.0	3.1	-0.1			
Switzerland	8.7	10.0	-1.3			
Italy	0.9	3.1	-2.2			
Sweden	0.8	3.7	-2.9			
Germany	5.9	10.1	-4.2	United Kingdom	-2.1	
Other countries <sup>^</sup>	_	2.7	-2.7			
Japan	17.4	21.7	-4.3			
United Kingdom	13.2	15.3	-2.1			
Asia/Pacific ex-Japan	5.0	10.5	-5.5			
Hong Kong	2.1	1.9	0.2	Asia/Pacific ex-Japan	-5.5	
Australia	2.9	6.6	-3.7	7 Gla/ Facilité ex Japan	3.3	
Other countries <sup>^</sup>	_	1.9	-1.9			
<b>Emerging Markets</b>	5.7	_	5.7			
India	1.4	_	1.4			
Brazil	1.2	_	1.2			
Taiwan	1.1	_	1.1	Emerging Markets	5.7	
South Korea	0.9	_	0.9			
Thailand	0.5	_	0.5			
China	0.2	_	0.2			
Greece	0.2	_	0.2			
North America	11.3	_	11.3	North America		11.3
United States	8.7	_	8.7			
Canada	2.5	_	2.5			

Portfolio does not own securities in the Developed - Middle East/Africa region (0.9%). Portfolio does not own securities in the following countries: Singapore 1.7%; Finland 1.0%; Belgium 1.0%; and 4 other countries with weights less than 1.0% totaling 1.8%.

<sup>1.8%</sup> Cash & Cash Equivalents.

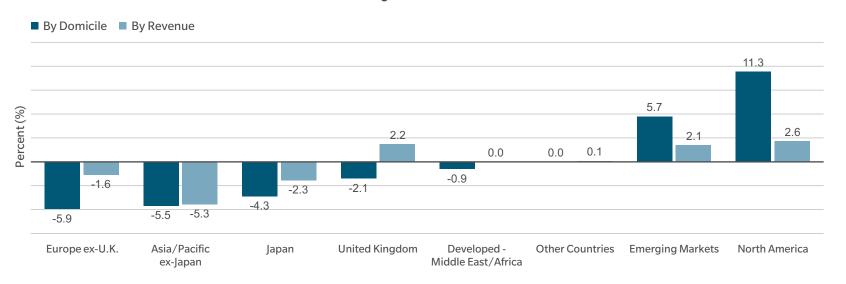
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# Regional Exposures — Domicile vs. Revenue

Portfolio relative to MSCI EAFE Index



#### Relative weight (%) as of 31-Mar-25



## By Domicile

	Portfolio (%)	MSCI EAFE Index (%)	Relative Weight (%)
Europe ex-U.K.	45.7	51.6	-5.9
Asia/Pacific ex-Japan	5.0	10.5	-5.5
Japan	17.4	21.7	-4.3
United Kingdom	13.2	15.3	-2.1
Developed - Middle East/Africa	0.0	0.9	-0.9
Other Countries	0.0	0.0	0.0
Emerging Markets	5.7	0.0	5.7
North America	11.3	0.0	11.3

### By Revenue

Portfolio (%)	MSCI EAFE Index (%)	Relative Weight (%)
21.7	23.4	-1.6
2.8	8.2	-5.3
9.5	11.9	-2.3
9.0	6.7	2.2
0.0	0.0	0.0
3.7	3.6	0.1
25.1	23.1	2.1
25.7	23.1	2.6

Source: MSCI Barra. 0.5% of the portfolio and 0.0% of the benchmark were not covered by the MSCI database. The "Other Countries" category consists of countries not followed by MSCI.

# **Top 10 Portfolio Holdings**



31-Mar-25

	Country	Sector	Portfolio (%)	MSCI EAFE Index (%)
SCHNEIDER ELECTRIC SE	France	Capital Goods	3.3	0.7
LINDE PLC	United States	Capital Goods	2.9	_
ROCHE HOLDING AG	Switzerland	Health Care	2.9	1.4
NESTLE SA	Switzerland	Consumer Staples	2.4	1.6
HITACHI LTD	Japan	Technology	2.2	0.6
EURONEXT NV (EQ)	France	Financial Services	1.9	0.1
NATWEST GROUP PLC	United Kingdom	Financial Services	1.9	0.3
NOVO NORDISKA/S	Denmark	Health Care	1.9	1.3
LVMH MOET HENNESSY LOUIS VUITTON SE	France	Consumer Cyclicals	1.8	1.0
AON PLC	United States	Financial Services	1.7	_

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## **Characteristics**

#### **I** shares



As of 31-Mar-25		Portfolio	MSCI EAFE Index
Fundamentals - weighted average	IBES long-term EPS growth <sup>1</sup>	10.6%	10.2%
	Price/earnings (12 months forward ex-negative earnings)	14.7x	14.2x
	Price/book	2.1x	1.8x
	Return on equity (3-year average)	19.3%	16.7%
Market capitalization	Market capitalization (USD) <sup>2</sup>	99.9 bn	92.4 bn
Diversification	Top ten issues	23%	13%
	Number of Issues	110	694
Turnover	Trailing 1 year turnover <sup>3</sup>	21%	_
Risk profile (current)	Active share	77%	_
Risk/reward (10 year)	Historical tracking error	3.28%	_
	Beta	0.94	_
	Standard deviation	14.66%	15.21%
	Information ratio	-0.04	_

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Source: FactSet

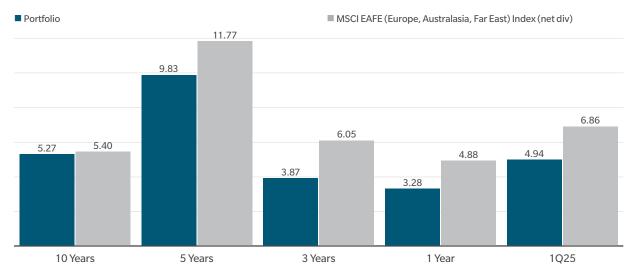
Weighted average.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> US Turnover Methodology: (Lesser of Purchase or Sales)/Average Month End Market Value Past performance is no guarantee of future results. No forecasts can be guaranteed.

Performance as of 31 March 2025



#### Performance results (%) Class I shares



#### Morningstar Category: Foreign Large Blend

51st	82nd	84th	85th	Rank percentile
194/425	506/615	537/651	584/692	Rank/# of funds

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Performance results reflect any applicable expense subsidies and waivers in effect during the periods shown. Without such subsidies and waivers the fund's performance results would be less favorable. All results assume the reinvestment of dividends and capital gains. Periods less than one year are actual, not annualized. Class I shares are available without a sales charge to eliqible investors.

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

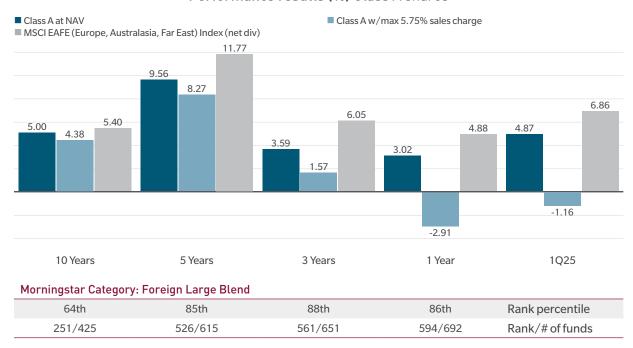
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Performance as of 31 March 2025



#### Performance results (%) Class A shares



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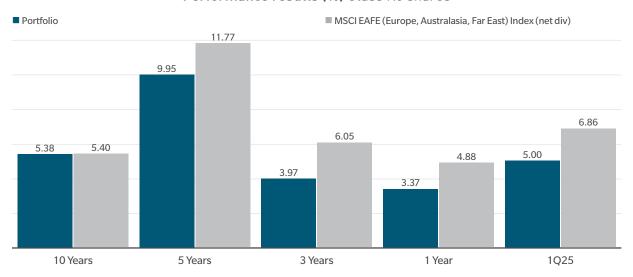
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Performance as of 31 March 2025



#### Performance results (%) Class R6 shares



#### Morningstar Category: Foreign Large Blend

47th	81st	83rd	85th	Rank percentile
168/425	495/615	531/651	582/692	Rank/# of funds

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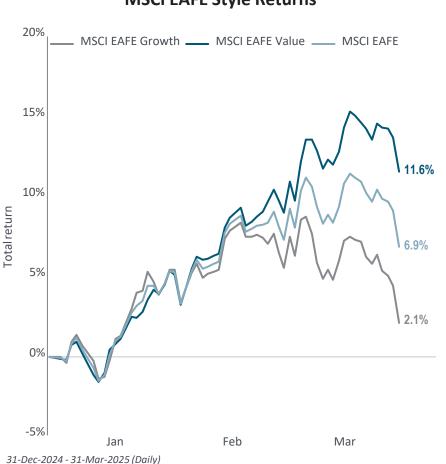
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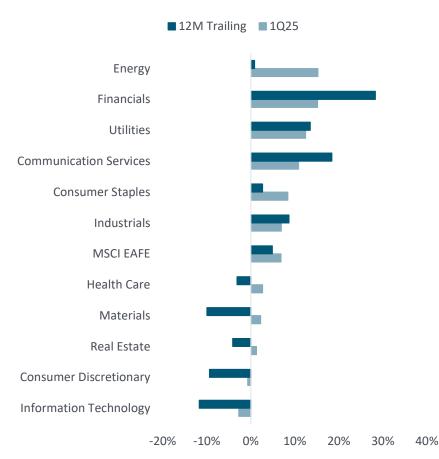
MSCI EAFE style and sector performance



#### **MSCI EAFE Style Returns**



#### **MSCI EAFE Sector Performance**



Source: Left chart: FactSet. Total returns (net) are in USD. Right chart: FactSet Market Aggregates. 12M Trailing performance from 29 March 2024 to 31 March 2025 and Q1 performance from 31 December 2024 to 31 March 2025. Total returns (net) are in USD.

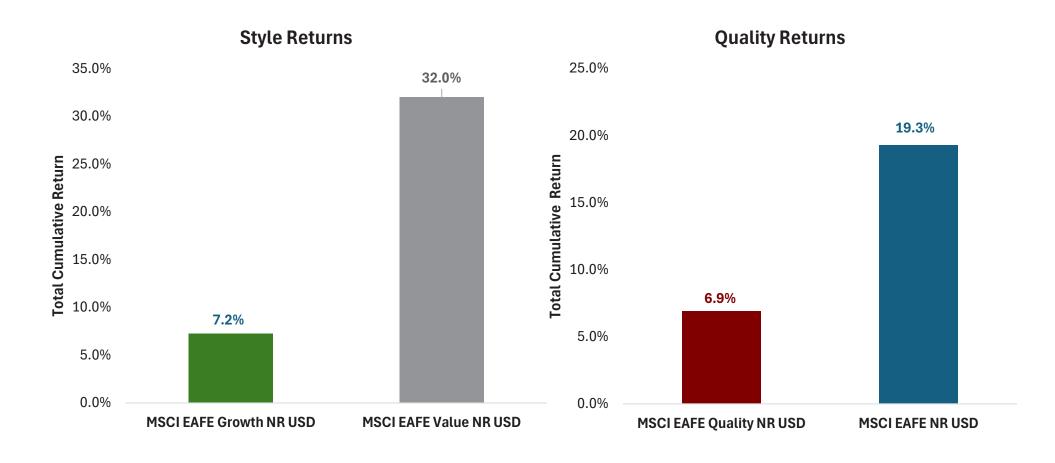
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# MSCI EAFE Returns – 3 years as of 3/31/25

Quality and Growth stocks underperformed





The MSCI EAFE Quality Index aims to capture the performance of quality growth stocks by identifying stocks with high quality scores based on three main fundamental variables: high return on equity (ROE), stable year-over-year earnings growth and low financial leverage.

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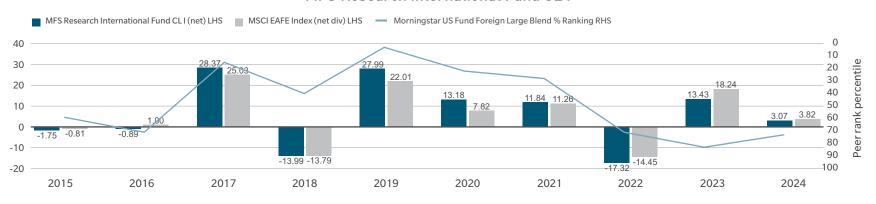
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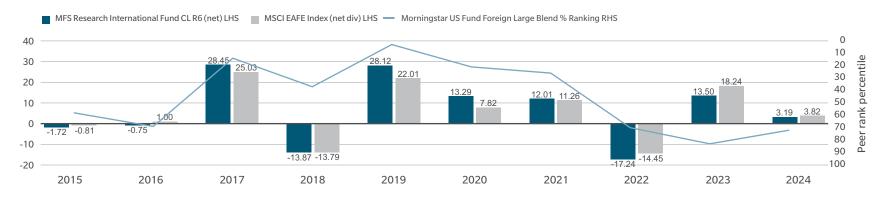
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#### MFS Research International Fund CL I



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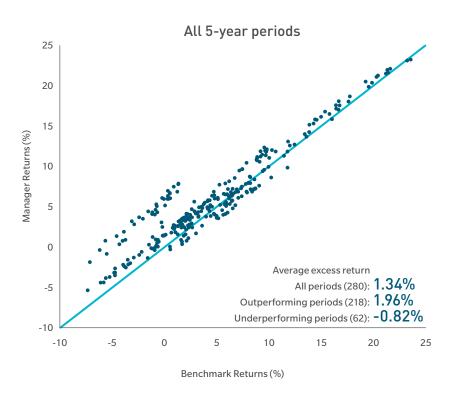
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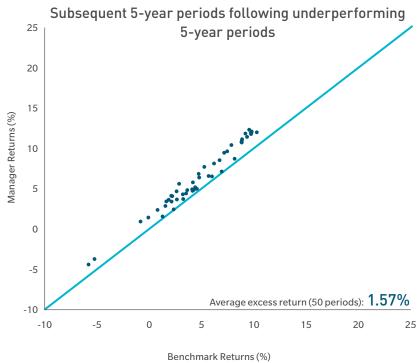
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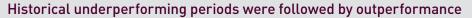
Net of Fees (USD), annualized returns

MFS Research International Fund-Cl I (net) vs. MSCI EAFE Index (net div) January 1997- March 2025





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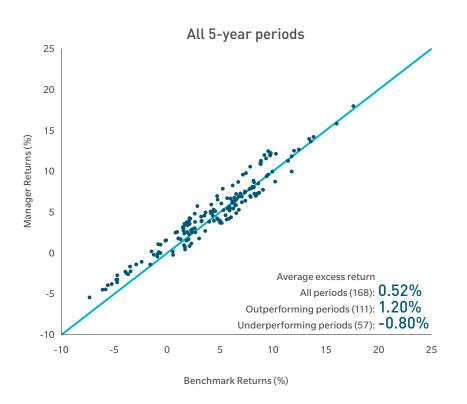
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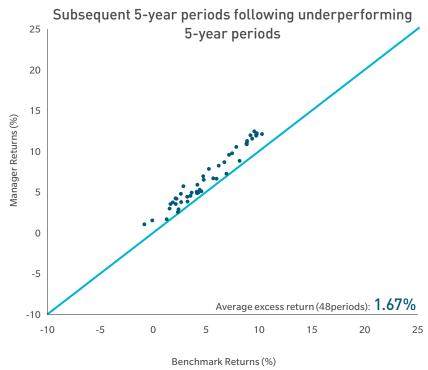


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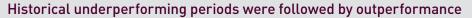
MFS Research International Fund-Cl R6 (net) vs. MSCI EAFE Index (net div)

May 2006 – March 2025





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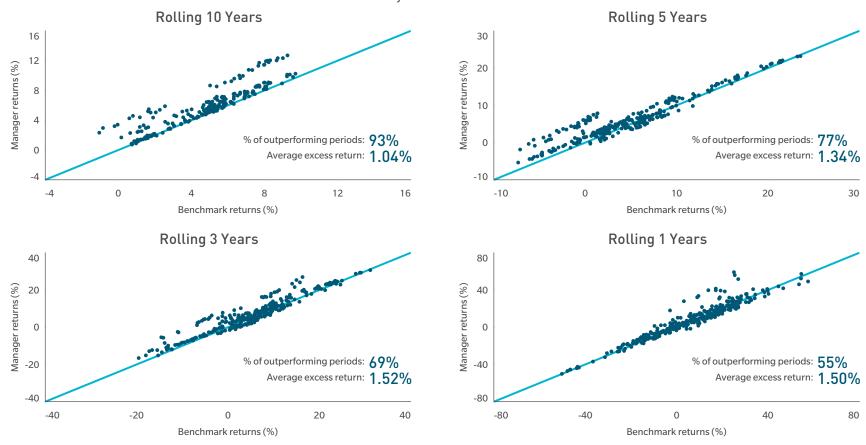
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# Historical Relative Performance Over Rolling Periods

I shares at NAV



# MFS Research International Fund vs. MSCI EAFE (Europe, Australasia, Far East) Index (net div) January 1997–March 2025



The strategy outperformed 205 out of 220 rolling 10 year periods, 218 out of 280 rolling 5 year periods, 212 out of 304 rolling 3 year periods and 183 out of 328 rolling 1 year periods.

Source: Benchmark performance from SPAR, FactSet Research Systems Inc. It is not possible to invest directly in an index. Index performance will differ from our actively managed strategies, which may involve a higher degree of risk.

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For all time periods, results were calculated on a rolling basis, measured monthly. All returns are annualized.

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# MFS Research International Fund Team Additional Resources



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## Performance Drivers — Sectors

Relative to MSCI EAFE Index (USD) — first quarter 2025



		Average Relative Weighting (%)	Portfolio Returns (%)	Benchmark Returns (%)	Sector Allocation (%) <sup>1</sup>	Stock * Selection (%) <sup>2</sup> *	Currency Effect (%)	Relative Contribution (%)
Contributors	Financial Services	0.1	15.7	14.4	0.0	0.4	-0.1	0.3
Detractors	Capital Goods	-0.4	1.3	5.4	0.0	-0.8	-0.2	-1.0
	Communication Services	-0.5	-2.8	9.3	-0.0	-0.5	-0.0	-0.6
	Health Care	-0.4	-1.0	3.3	0.0	-0.5	0.0	-0.5
	Technology	0.0	-5.0	-1.9	0.0	-0.2	-0.2	-0.4
	Consumer Cyclicals	-0.1	-2.0	1.2	0.0	-0.2	-0.0	-0.2
	Energy	0.0	11.8	13.8	0.0	-0.1	-0.0	-0.1
	Consumer Staples	0.0	8.7	9.5	0.0	-0.0	-0.0	-0.1
	Cash	1.3	1.0	_	-0.0	_	-0.0	-0.0
Total			4.4	7.0	0.0	-2.0	-0.6	-2.6

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Sector allocation is calculated based upon each security's price in local currency.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Stock selection is calculated based upon each security's price in local currency and included interaction effect. Interaction effect is the portion of the portfolio's relative performance attributable to combining allocation decisions with stock selection decisions. This effect measures the relative strength of the manager's convictions. The interaction effect is the weight differential times the return differential.

The sectors described and the associated portfolio composition are based on MFS' own sector classification methodology which differs from industry classification standards, including the standard that is associated with the benchmark composition presented. The variance in sector weights between the portfolio and the benchmark would be different if an industry classification standard was used.

Attribution results are generated by the FactSet application utilizing a methodology that is widely accepted in the investment industry. Results are based upon daily holdings using a buy-and-hold methodology to generate individual security returns and do not include fees or expenses. As such, attribution results are essentially estimates and do not aggregate to the total return of the portfolio, which can be found elsewhere in this presentation. Recent geopolitical events may have impacted or disrupted the pricing of specific securities including the use of fair valuation approaches. Fair valuation practices across pricing sources – index providers, pricing vendors, MFS – may not align due to security specific considerations or timing of fair valuation parameters. For instance, decisions to use stale prices vs fair value or on the level of haircut when fair valuing securities are typical sources of discrepancy between pricing sources observed during the events. As these securities are bought or sold, the portion of the security's return attributed to the difference between fair value price and trade price will not be recognized in attribution results. These factors may further compound differences betwee

## Performance Drivers — Stocks

Relative to MSCI EAFE Index (USD) — first quarter 2025



		Average W	Average Weighting (%)		Returns (%)	
		Portfolio	Benchmark	Portfolio <sup>1</sup>	Benchmark	Relative Contribution (%)
Top Contributors	Thales SA	0.8	0.1	84.8	84.8	0.4
	Euronext Nv (Eq)	1.6	0.1	28.8	28.8	0.3
	Abn Amro Bank Nv (Eq)	1.2	0.0	35.6	35.6	0.3
	BNP Paribas	1.5	0.4	35.5	35.5	0.3
	Bank Of Ireland Group Plc	1.3	0.1	28.5	28.5	0.2
Top Detractors	Schneider Electric SA	3.6	0.8	-8.7	-8.7	-0.5
	Taiwan Semiconductor	1.3	_	-16.0	_	-0.3
	Cadence Design Systems Inc	1.2	_	-15.4	_	-0.3
	Hitachi Ltd	2.5	0.7	-7.2	-7.2	-0.3
	Diageo PLC	1.2	0.4	-16.9	-16.9	-0.2

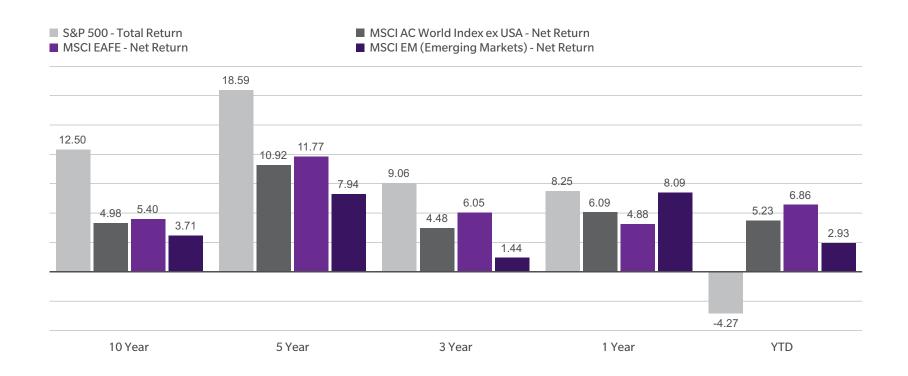
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## Global Markets Performance

As of 31 March 2025 (USD)





Source: SPAR

The fund's benchmark is MSCI EAFE (Europe, Australasia, Far East) Index (net div) and measures the non-US stock market.

S&P 500 Stock Index measures the broad U.S. stock market.

MSCI All Country World (ex-US) Index measures developed and emerging market stock markets.

MSCI Emerging Markets Index measures emerging market stocks.

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