



# Q3 | 2025

As at 30-Sep-25

# An Alternative to Traditional Value Funds

Rising interest rates, lower yields and greater uncertainty about cash flows and profit margins: The environment for companies worldwide is increasingly challenging.

Finding durable value is the order of the day. However, modern finance usually implies that value investing is simply investing in companies with low price to earnings or price to book ratios. We believe this oversimplification can lead investors down a dangerous path. Why? Because it means ignoring the durability of returns, and it ignores the risks.

That's why the fund's team prefers an 'intrinsic' value approach. Intrinsic value is about having a comprehensive understanding of how a company's cash flows are generated and using that understanding to develop a durable conception of a company's value.

## Investment focus

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Differentiated fundamental research and valuation framework

Emphasis on intrinsic value and long-term investment perspective

Patient, contrarian approach with focus on downside risk management

# Risks of the fund

The fund may not achieve its objective and/or you could lose money on your investment in the fund. **Stock:** 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, environmental, public health, and other conditions. **Intrinsic Value:** The stocks of companies that MFS believes are undervalued compared to their intrinsic value can continue to be undervalued for long periods of time, may not realize their expected value, and can be volatile. **Please** see the prospectus for further information on these and other risk considerations.

# 'Intrinsic' value approach

At the root of the fund's investment philosophy lies the conviction that not all earnings are created equal. We believe that a qualitative understanding of the numbers is often more important than the actual numbers themselves.



#### **DURABLE CASHFLOWS**

- By understanding what drives a company's success or failure, we are able to develop a durable, reliable and stable notion of a company's cashflows and long-term value.
- This means we look for companies with strong franchises, competitive global brand, hard to replicate business model or differentiated intellectual property.



#### LONG-TERM VIEW

- Many investors speculate on nearterm information and overreact to short-term news flow.
- We, on the other hand, assess investment opportunities in the context of a 10-year time horizon.



#### DOWNSIDE MITIGATION

- We only invest where we believe valuations more than compensate for the inherent risks.
- By seeking to avoid stocks with substantial downside risk, our goal is to preserve and grow clients' capital over the long term even if it means missing out on some shortterm returns.

DIFFERENTIATED FUNDAMENTAL RESEARCH AND VALUATION FRAMEWORK

# Top 5 Holdings as at 30-Sep-25

We seek companies which have the potential to benefit from competitive advantages — producing differentiated, mission-critical products for their customers — that may bode well for long-term returns regardless of the macroeconomic environment.

TOP 5 HOLDINGS	SECTOR	INVESTMENT THESIS	PORTFOLIO %
Microsoft Corp	Information Technology	<ul> <li>Develops, licenses, and supports software, services, devices, and solutions worldwide</li> <li>Well positioned over the long-term with cloud exposure, a defensible on-premise business, and a multi-year Office 365 migration</li> <li>Continued to increase their competitive position in the industry</li> </ul>	4.9
Amazon.com Inc. (EQ)	Consumer Discretionary	<ul> <li>Multinational technology company, engaged in e-commerce, cloud computing, online advertising, digital streaming, and artificial intelligence</li> <li>Its Amazon Web Services, the leading cloud computing provider, drives the majority of profits, remains firmly well-placed.</li> <li>Deep focus on retail margins, and valuation multiples appear undemanding as we look a couple of years ahead</li> </ul>	3.1
Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Co. Ltd.	Information Technology	<ul> <li>Engages in manufacturing, selling, packaging, testing, and computer-aided design of integrated circuits and other semiconductor devices</li> <li>Dedicated pure-play semiconductor foundry with undisputed technology leadership in leading-edge geometries</li> <li>Maintains virtual monopoly position in leading-edge node thus benefitting from Al infrastructure-related chips production</li> </ul>	3.1
Franco-Nevada Corp	Materials	<ul> <li>Leading gold-focused royalties and streaming company which provides investors with gold price and exploration optionality while limiting exposure to many of the risks of operating companies</li> <li>High quality company with diversified portfolios and a strong track record of generating returns</li> <li>Gold provides a protective measure against potential geopolitical tensions and the weakening of the global fiat money system, which is burdened by high levels of debt.</li> </ul>	2.7
Wheaton Precious Metals Corp	Materials	<ul> <li>Leading precious metals streaming company. It provides upfront financing to mining companies in exchange for the right to buy a portion of the production at a fixed cost or receive a percentage of the revenue from the mined resources.</li> <li>Streamers provide investors with exposures to precious metals while limiting exposure to many of the risks of operating companies.</li> <li>Held as a protective measure against potential geopolitical tensions and the weakening of the global fiat money system</li> </ul>	2.5

#### Morningstar ranking

	5-YEAR	3-YEAR	1-YEAR
Rank percentile	65th	52nd	47th
Rank/# of funds	2646/3938	2692/5141	3128/6543

Morningstar category: EAA Fund Global Large-Cap Blend Equity Category

#### Performance results as at 30-Sep-25

# PERFORMANCE RESULTS (%) I1USD SHARES 12-MONTH RATES OF TOTAL RETURN AT NAV AS OF THE PERIOD ENDED:

	Global Intrinsic Value Fund	MSCI World Index (net div)
30-Sep-25	14.13	17.25
30-Sep-24	25.13	32.43
30-Sep-23	21.71	21.95
30-Sep-22	-24.14	-19.63
30-Sep-21	21.80	28.82

Past performance is not a reliable indicator for future results. All financial investments involve an element of risk. The value of investments may rise and fall so you may get back less than originally invested. Investors should consider the risks, including lower returns, related to currency movements between their investing currency and the portfolio's base currency, if different.

#### Calendar year returns (%)<sup>^</sup>

	I1USD	Benchmark
2024	8.29	18.67
2023	21.82	23.79
2022	-23.91	-18.14
2021	21.33	21.82
2020	25.06	15.90
Life (as at 30-9-25)	12.09	13.66

#### Annualized Returns (%)

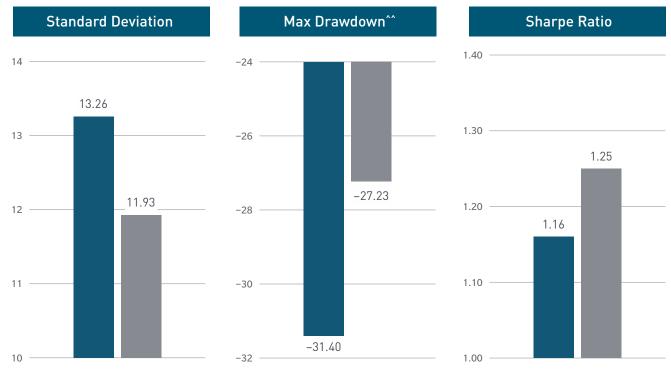
	I1USD	Benchmark
Life (15-Feb-19)	12.09	13.66
5 years	9.94	14.41
3 years	20.23	23.72
1 year	14.13	17.25
Year to Date	18.79	17.43

<sup>^</sup> Results represent the percent change in NAV.

Performance results reflect ongoing charges and any applicable expense subsidies and waivers in effect during the periods shown. All historic results assume the reinvestment of dividends and capital gains. The Fund's benchmark is indicated for performance comparison only.

### Risk return metrics relative to it's Morningstar peers (3 year as at 30-Sep-25)

■ Global Intrinsic Value Fund I1USD ■ Morningstar EAA Fund Global Large-Cap Blend Equity Category Average



<sup>^^</sup>Max drawdown analysis covers the period since inception. Max drawdown periods were Jan 2022 to Sept 2022 for Global Intrinsic Value Fund and Jan 22 to Sept 22 for the Morningstar EAA Fund Global Large-Cap Blend Equity Category Average.

Start of Class Performance Record: 15 February 2019. Fund Inception Date: 15 February 2019.

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Periods less than one year are actual not annualized. Other share classes are available for which performance and expenses will differ.

Source for benchmark performance SPAR, FactSet Research Systems Inc.

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