# **International Equity**

## Annual Shareholder Report

Institutional Class HLMIX | October 31, 2024

This annual shareholder report contains important information about the International Equity Fund ("Fund") for the period of November 1, 2023 to October 31, 2024. You can find additional information about the Fund at HardingLoevnerFunds.com. You can also request this information by calling (877) 435-8105 or by sending an e-mail request to hardingloevnerfunds@ntrs.com.

This report describes changes to the Fund that occurred during the reporting period.

#### What were the Fund costs for the period?

(based on a hypothetical \$10,000 investment)

Fund (Class)	Costs of a \$10,000 investment	Costs paid as a percentage of a \$10,000 investment
International Equity (Institutional Class)	\$91	0.82%

### Management's Discussion of Fund Performance

The International Equity Institutional Class (HLMIX) returned 22.10% (net of fees and expenses) in the 12-month period ended October 31, 2024. The Fund's benchmark, the MSCI All Country World ex US Index increased 24.33% (net of source taxes).

#### **Key Performance Factors**

Markets rose on hopes that monetary policies would loosen as inflationary pressures eased, particularly in the US and Europe. All sectors gained, led by Information Technology (IT) where semiconductor stocks advanced due to enthusiasm for artificial intelligence (AI). Shares of the fastest-growing companies outperformed overall. The Fund lagged the index due to poor relative returns in Consumer Staples and IT. It benefited from strong returns in Health Care, Energy, and Financials.

#### Sector Analysis

In IT, the AI boom boosted shares of Taiwanese semiconductor giant TSMC, while South Korean semiconductor company Samsung Electronics underperformed. Investors have been concerned Samsung was inadequately capturing a share of the AI memory chip market. Shares of French cosmetics company L'Oréal were hurt by slowing growth in China and US amid tighter consumer spending.

#### **Geographic Analysis**

Mexico's stocks, including Coca-Cola bottler and convenience store operator FEMSA, fell sharply after the June 2024 presidential election with investors fearing the outcome may mean further populist policies. Shares of Canada-based Manulife strongly rose after strong results in its Asian wealth management and insurance businesses.

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#### Performance

#### Ton Contributors

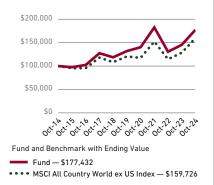
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Samsung Electronics		
FEMSA		
Sanhua Intelligent Controls		
L'Oréal		
Genmab		

The securities shown do not represent all holdings, and it should not be assumed that investment in these securities has been or will be profitable. The following is available upon request: (1) information describing the methodology of the contribution data and (2) a list showing the weight and relative contribution of all holdings during the period. Contribution is the contribution to overall performance over the period.

### Fund Performance

The following graph and chart compare the beginning and ending account values for the most recently completed 10 fiscal years of the Fund. It compares a \$100,000 initial investment in the Fund with an investment in an appropriate, broad-based securities market index.

#### Growth of \$100.000 (USD)



#### Average Annual Total Return (%)

	1 Year	5 Year	10 Year
Fund	22.10	6.10	5.90
MSCI All Country World ex US Index	24.33	5.78	4.79

Performance data quoted represents past performance; past performance does not guarantee future results. Fund performance is shown net of fees. Benchmark performance is shown net of withholding taxes. Returns are annualized for periods greater than one year.

Visit HardingLoevnerFunds.com for the most recent performance information. The graph and table do not reflect the deduction of taxes that a shareholder would pay on Fund distributions or redemption of Fund shares.



> For additional resources and information about the Fund, scan the QR code or visit HardingLoevnerFunds.com.



Fund net assets

\$13.148.0M

by Geography

26.2

23.4

79

14.5

7.6

10

20

30

5.2

3.0

2.0 0

**Total number of holdings** 

60 Period portfolio turnover rate

### **Graphical Representation of Holdings**

The table and charts below show the investment makeup of the Fund; percentages indicated and graphical representations are based on the Fund's net asset value.

Top Ten Holdings	%	Allocation		
Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Ltd Sponsored ADR	Co., 3.9	by Sec	tor	by (
· ·		Financials	21.9	Europe ex EMU
DBS Group Holdings Ltd.	3.3	Industrials	14.6	Emorging Markets
Chugai Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd.	3.2	Health Care	14.5	Emerging Markets
HDFC Bank Ltd ADR	3.2	Consumer Staples	13.4	Europe EMU
Chall alo	3.1	Information Technology	13.0	Japan
Shell plc	3.1	Materials	8.4	
Allianz SE, Reg S	3.0	Consumer Discretionary	5.8	Pacific ex Japan
Haleon plc	2.9	Energy	3.1	Canada
Schneider Electric SE	2.9	Communication Services	2.5	
	2.7	Cash	2.0	Other Markets
Manulife Financial Corp.	2.8	Utilities	0.6	Cash
Roche Holding AG, Genusschein	2.7		0 10 20 30	

### **Material Fund Changes**

Harding Loevner LP contractually agreed to lower the expense cap to 0.85% of average daily net assets through February 28, 2026.

This is a summary of certain changes to the Fund since November 1, 2023. For more comprehensive information, you may review the Fund's next prospectus, which we expect to be available by February 28, 2025 at HardingLoevnerFunds.com or upon special request at (877) 435-8105.

### **Changes in and Disagreements with Accountants**

During the period ended October 31, 2024, there were no changes in or disagreements with the Fund's accountant.

### **Availability of Additional Information**

You can find additional information about the Fund such as the prospectus, financial information, fund holdings and proxy voting information at HardingLoevnerFunds.com. You can also request this information by contacting us at (877) 435-8105.

### Householding

In order to reduce expenses, we will deliver a single copy of prospectuses, proxies, financial reports and other communication to shareholders with the same residential address, provided they have the same last name or we reasonably believe them to be members of the same family. Unless we are notified otherwise, we will continue to send recipients only one copy of these materials for as long as they remain a shareholder of the Fund. If you would like to receive individual mailings, please call (877) 435-8105 and we will begin sending you separate copies of these materials within 30 days after receiving your request.

