

# INTERNATIONAL SMALL COMPANIES PORTFOLIO

Institutional Class / September 30, 2020 Ticker: HLMRX

### **■ INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE**

The International Small Companies Portfolio seeks long-term capital appreciation through investments in equity securities of small companies based outside the United States.

## ■ INVESTMENT PHILOSOPHY & PROCESS

We believe a diversified portfolio of high-quality, durable-growth companies purchased at reasonable prices will provide superior investment returns with belowaverage risk over the long term. Our analysts conduct careful bottom-up research of individual companies and analyze the competitive dynamics of their industries to identify what we believe are the best growth companies and to assess the value of their shares. To qualify for investment, companies must be well-managed, financially strong, and possess clear competitive advantages relative to their peers.

FUND FACTS	
CUSIP	412295875
INCEPTION DATE	6/30/2011
MIN. INVESTMENT <sup>1</sup>	\$100,000
TOTAL FUND ASSETS	\$374.5M
SALES CHARGE	None
TOTAL # OF HOLDINGS	82
NET EXPENSE RATIO*	1.15%
GROSS EXPENSE RATIO*	1.23%
TURNOVER (5 YR. AVG.)	39%
DIVIDEND POLICY	Annual
NAV	\$17.44

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#### PERFORMANCE (% TOTAL RETURN)

as of September 30, 2020

INCEPTION DATE	3 MONTHS	1 YEAR	3 YEARS	5 YEARS	SINCE INCEPTION
Intl Small Companies Portfolio Inst Net 6/30/2011	12.30	15.84	4.99	9.72	6.87
MSCI All Country World ex-US Small Cap	10.50	6.97	0.93	6.80	4.33

Returns are annualized for periods greater than one year.

#### **CALENDAR YEAR RETURNS**



Performance data quoted represents past performance; past performance does not quarantee future results. The investment return and principal value of an investment will fluctuate so that an investor's shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than their original cost. Current performance of the Portfolio may be lower or higher than the performance quoted. Performance data current to the most recent month end may be obtained by calling (877)435-8105 or visiting www.hardingloevnerfunds.com.

## Diversification does not assure a profit or protect against a loss in a declining market.

# **SECTOR EXPOSURE (%)**

SECTOR	HLMRX	BENCHMARK <sup>2</sup>
COMM SERVICES	9.4	4.5
CONS DISCRETIONARY	5.2	12.5
CONS STAPLES	10.6	6.4
ENERGY	1.8	2.0
FINANCIALS	4.5	9.5
HEALTH CARE	11.3	8.1
INDUSTRIALS	17.5	19.9
INFO TECHNOLOGY	26.7	12.4
MATERIALS	6.2	10.2
REAL ESTATE	1.0	11.2
UTILITIES	1.4	3.3
CASH	4.4	_

#### **GEOGRAPHIC EXPOSURE (%)**

REGION	HLMRX	BENCHMARK <sup>2</sup>
CANADA	2.9	6.5
EMERGING MARKETS	19.4	21.5
EUROPE EMU	22.5	14.5
EUROPE EX-EMU	27.2	24.0
FRONTIER MARKETS <sup>3</sup>	5.5	_
JAPAN	15.5	22.4
MIDDLE EAST	1.5	1.4
PACIFIC EX-JAPAN	0.5	9.7
OTHER4	0.6	_
CASH	4.4	_

All holdings and sector/geographic allocations are subject to review and adjustment in accordance with the Portfolio's investment strategy and may vary in the future, and should not be considered recommendations to buy or sell any security. The Portfolio is actively managed; therefore holdings may not be current.

The MSCI All Country World ex-US Small Cap Index is a free-float market capitalization index that is designed to measure small cap developed and emerging market equity performance. The Index consists of 48 developed and emerging market countries, and is comprised of companies that fall within a market capitalization range of USD 32-10,202 million (as of September 30, 2020). The Index is net of foreign withholding taxes on dividends. You cannot invest directly in this Index.

#### **■ INVESTMENT ADVISER**

Harding Loevner manages global equity portfolios. Our distinct strategies are available to institutions and individuals around the world. Investing in quality-growth companies for the long term has been our exclusive focus since 1989.

#### **■ PORTFOLIO MANAGERS**

# JAFAR RIZVI, CFA CO-LEAD PORTFOLIO MANAGER

Aligarh University, BA, 1988 J Nehru University, MA, 1990 Baruch College, The City University of New York, MBA, 1998 Columbia University, School of International & Public Affairs, Masters (MPA), 2010 Harding Loevner since 2008

# ANIX VYAS, CFA CO-LEAD PORTFOLIO MANAGER

Fordham University, BS/BA, 2002 University of Pennsylvania, The Wharton School, MBA, 2010 Harding Loevner since 2013

#### TEN LARGEST HOLDINGS

	SECTOR	COUNTRY	% ASSETS
BECHTLE	INFO TECHNOLOGY	GERMANY	3.3
STRATEC BIOMEDICAL	HEALTH CARE	GERMANY	3.2
REPLY	INFO TECHNOLOGY	ITALY	3.0
PARADOX INTERACTIVE	COMM SERVICES	SWEDEN	2.9
KINAXIS	INFO TECHNOLOGY	CANADA	2.9
HOA PHAT GROUP	MATERIALS	VIETNAM	2.4
ARIAKE	CONS STAPLES	JAPAN	2.2
FUCHS PETROLUB	MATERIALS	GERMANY	2.1
TOMRA SYSTEMS	INDUSTRIALS	NORWAY	2.1
VAISALA	INFO TECHNOLOGY	FINLAND	2.1
TEN LARGEST HOLDINGS			26.2%

## **PORTFOLIO CHARACTERISTICS**

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QUALITY AND GROWTH	HLMRX	BENCHMARK <sup>2</sup>	RISK AND VALUATION	HLMRX	BENCHMARK <sup>2</sup>
PROFIT MARGIN⁵(%)	10.9	7.2	ALPHA6	3.29	-
RETURN ON ASSETS5(%)	9.0	5.0	BETA <sup>6</sup>	0.92	_
RETURN ON EQUITY <sup>5</sup> (%)	15.1	10.2	R-SQUARED <sup>6</sup>	0.91	_
DEBT/EQUITY RATIO5(%)	26.2	55.6	ACTIVE SHARE <sup>7</sup>	97	_
STD DEV OF 5 YEAR ROE <sup>5</sup>	3.4	4.0	STANDARD DEVIATION6	16.07	16.60
5 YEAR ROE <sup>5</sup> (%)	15.9	10.5	SHARPE RATIO <sup>6</sup>	0.53	0.34
SALES GROWTH <sup>5,6</sup> (%)	6.5	3.9	TRACKING ERROR <sup>6</sup>	5.1	-
EARNINGS GROWTH <sup>5,6</sup> (%)	8.9	8.1	PRICE/EARNINGS8	29.8	16.0
CASH FLOW GROWTH <sup>5,6</sup> (%)	11.0	8.9	PRICE/CASH FLOW8	16.0	9.3
SIZE	HLMRX	BENCHMARK <sup>2</sup>	PRICE/BOOK <sup>8</sup>	3.1	1.3
WTD MED MKT CAP (\$B)	3.2	1.9			
WTD AVG MKT CAP (\$B)	3.5	2.4			

Earnings Growth is not a measure of the Portfolio's future performance.

#### ENDNOTES

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(1) Lower minimums available through certain brokerage firms (2) MSCI All Country World ex-US Small Cap Index (3) Includes countries with less-developed markets outside the Index (4) Includes companies classified in countries outside the Index (5) Weighted median (6) Trailing five years, annualized (7) Five-year average (8) Weighted harmonic mean. \*The Gross and Net Expense Ratios are as of the most recent Prospectus, dated February 28, 2020, as supplemented June 30, 2020, and are based on expenses for the most recent fiscal year end. The Net Expense Ratio is shown net of Harding Loevner's contractual agreement through February 28, 2021. Harding Loevner's contractual agreement caps the net expense ratio at 1.15%. The Net Expense Ratio is applicable to investors.

# DISCLOSURES

Source (Alpha, Beta, R-Squared, Standard Deviation, Sharpe Ratio): eVestment Alliance (eA); Harding Loevner International Small Companies Portfolio, based on the Portfolio returns; MSCI Inc. Source (Active Share): based on the Harding Loevner International Small Companies model.

Source (other Characteristics): FactSet (Run Date: October 8, 2020, based on the latest available data in FactSet on this date.), based on the Portfolio's underlying holdings.

Profit Margin: relationship of gross profits to net sales. Return on Assets: net income for past 12 months divided by total assets. Return on Equity: the net income divided by total common equity outstanding, expressed as a percent. Debt/Equity Ratio: total long-term debt divided by total shareholder's equity. Earnings Per Share: portion of a company's profit allocated to each outstanding share of common stock. Alpha: a measure of risk-adjusted return. Beta: a measure of the portfolio's sensitivity to the market. R-Squared: a measure of how well a portfolio tracks the market. Active Share: the proportion of holdings by weight that differ from holdings of the benchmark index. Standard Deviation: the statistical measure of the degree to which an individual value in a probability distribution tends to vary from the mean of the distribution. Sharpe Ratio: the return over the risk free rate per unit of risk. Tracking Error: a measure of how closely a portfolio follows the index to which it is benchmarked. Price/Earnings: the ratio of a firm's closing stock price & its fiscal year end cash flow/share. Price/Book: the ratio of a firm's closing stock price & its fiscal year end book value/share. Average Weighted Market Capitalization: the product of a security's price & the number of shares outstanding. Median Market Cap: the point at which half of the market value of a portfolio is invested in stocks with a greater market cap, and consequently the other half is invested in stocks with a lower market cap.

The Portfolio invests in foreign securities, which will involve greater volatility and political, economic, and currency risks and differences in accounting methods. It also invests in emerging markets, which involve unique risks, such as exposure to economies less diverse and mature than the U.S. or other more established foreign markets. Economic and political instability may cause larger price changes in emerging markets securities than other foreign securities. Investing in participation notes involve the same risks associated with a direct investment in the underlying security, currency or market. The securities of smaller companies have historically exhibited more volatility with a lower degree of liquidity than larger companies.

The Portfolio's investment objectives, risks, charges and expenses must be read and considered carefully before investing. The statutory and summary prospectuses contain this and other important information about the investment company. They may be obtained by calling toll free (877) 435-8105, or visiting www.hardingloevnerfunds.com.

While the Portfolio is "no load", management and other expenses still apply. Please refer to the Prospectus for further details. The Portfolio is distributed by Quasar Distributors, LLC.