INVESTMENT OVERVIEW

The Fund offers investors exposure to emerging market economies through well-established companies that demonstrate durable and sustainable earnings growth. Fundamental, bottom-up research aims to identify well-managed businesses with consistent operating histories and financial performance that have favorable long-term economic prospects, and, in most cases, generate free cash flow.

KEY FEATURES

High-Quality Growth — Searches for quality, high-return growth businesses with strong profitability and durable franchises, trading at attractive valuations

Benchmark Unconstrained — A high-conviction, concentrated approach to investing that focuses on minimizing business risk rather than Index risk

Lower Volatility Approach — A long-term-focused investment philosophy and approach which strives to offer market participation with less risk and volatility than the Index

AVERAGE ANNUAL TOTAL RETURNS (%) as of 09/30/19

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Performance data quoted represents past results. Past performance is no guarantee of future results and current performance may be higher or lower than the performance shown. Investment return and principal value will fluctuate, so your shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than their original cost. Please visit Virtus.com for performance data current to the most recent month-end.

The fund class gross expense ratio is 1.23%.

Average annual total return is the annual compound return for the indicated period and reflects the change in share price and the reinvestment of all dividends and capital gains. Returns for periods of one year or less are cumulative returns. Class I shares have no sales charges or distribution or service fees, therefore their returns do not reflect these expenses. Fees and expenses vary, and other share classes are subject to sales charges and fees. Class I shares are offered primarily to eligible institutional investors who purchase the minimum amounts required as described in the prospectus and may not be available to all investors. For fund performance on other share classes, please visit www.virtus.com.

ANNUAL PERFORMANCE (%)

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<td>Fund</td>
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GROWTH OF $10,000

This chart assumes an initial investment of $10,000 made on 10/20/1997. As of 9/30/2019 the fund value would have been $40,118.99. Fund performance assumes reinvestment of dividends and capital gain distributions. This growth reflects no front end sales charges.
Measures variability of returns around the Standard Deviation: determine reward per unit of risk. A risk-adjusted measure calculated using standard deviation and excess return to Sharpe Ratio: of a fund or security's movements that can be explained by movements in a benchmark index. Beta: a quantitative measure of the volatility, or systematic risk, of a security or a portfolio in comparison to the market as a whole. Alpha: a measure that represents the percentage of a fund's or security's movements that can be explained by movements in a benchmark index. Sharpe Ratio: a risk-adjusted measure calculated using standard deviation and excess return to determine reward per unit of risk. Standard Deviation: measures variability of returns around the average return for an investment portfolio. Higher standard deviation suggests greater risk. IMPORTANT RISK CONSIDERATIONS Equity Securities: The market price of equity securities may be adversely affected by financial market, industry, or issuer-specific events. Focus on a particular style or on small or medium-sized companies may enhance that risk. Geographic Concentration: A fund that focuses its investments in a particular geographic location will be highly sensitive to financial, economic, political, and other developments affecting the fiscal stability of that location. Foreign & Emerging Markets: Investing internationally, especially in emerging markets, involves additional risks such as currency, political, accounting, economic, and market risk. Prospectus: For additional information on risks, please see the fund's prospectus. GLOSSARY Avg. Weighted Market Cap (bn): The total dollar market value of all of a company's outstanding shares. Trailing P/E: Ex-Negative Earnings: Per share stock price divided by the latest 12-months earnings per share. Price-to-Cash Flow: Per-share stock price divided by the per-share operating cash flow. Price-to-Book Value: A ratio used to compare a stock's market value to its book value. 3-Year EPS Growth Rate: Average of earnings per share growth for latest 3-year period. 5-Year EPS Growth Rate: Average of earnings per share growth for latest 5-year period. Active Share: A measure of the percentage of stock holdings in a manager's portfolio that differ from the benchmark index. Alpha: A risk-adjusted measure of an investment's excess return relative to a benchmark. Beta: A quantitative measure of the volatility, or systematic risk, of a security or a portfolio in comparison to the market as a whole. R²: A measure that represents the percentage of a fund's or security's movements that can be explained by movements in a benchmark index. Sharpe Ratio: A risk-adjusted measure calculated using standard deviation and excess return to determine reward per unit of risk. Standard Deviation: Measures variability of returns around the average return for an investment portfolio. Higher standard deviation suggests greater risk. INDEX DEFINITION Index: The MSCI Emerging Markets Index (net) is a free float-adjusted market capitalization-weighted index designed to measure equity market performance in the global emerging markets. The index is calculated on a total return basis with net dividends reinvested. The index is unmanaged, its returns do not reflect any fees, expenses, or sales charges, and is not available for direct investment. Morningstar Rating™ for funds, or ‘star rating,’ is calculated for managed products (including mutual funds, variable annuity and variable life subaccounts, exchange-traded funds, closed-end funds, and separate accounts) with at least a three-year history. Exchange-traded funds and open-ended mutual funds are considered a single population for comparative purposes. 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