

INVESTMENT OVERVIEW

The Fund seeks attractive long-term returns by providing global real estate securities exposure, emphasizing companies with revenues driven by rental income. The highly experienced portfolio team applies a disciplined, bottom-up investment process, focusing on high-quality commercial real estate owner/operators that derive more than 70% of revenue from rents.

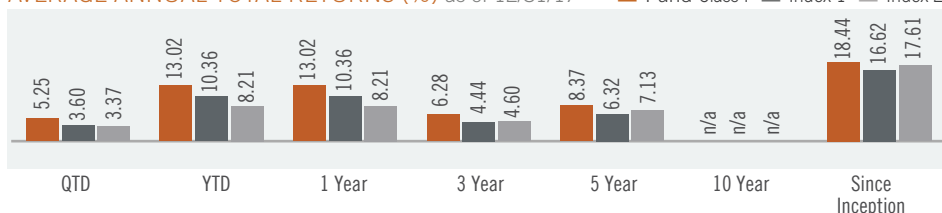
KEY FEATURES

Attractive Income and Growth Potential – Pursues the stable cash flows offered by rental contractual revenues, emphasizing REITs with strong management teams focused on long-term value creation

Broadens Portfolio Diversification – Provides exposure to the lower correlations the global real estate market has historically exhibited to traditional stocks and bonds

Lower Volatility Approach – High-conviction, low-turnover portfolio of 80-90 securities strives to benefit from valuation inefficiencies and the historically higher long-term risk-adjusted returns of rental property companies over non-rental companies

AVERAGE ANNUAL TOTAL RETURNS (%) as of 12/31/17 ■ Fund Class I ■ Index 1 ■ Index 2

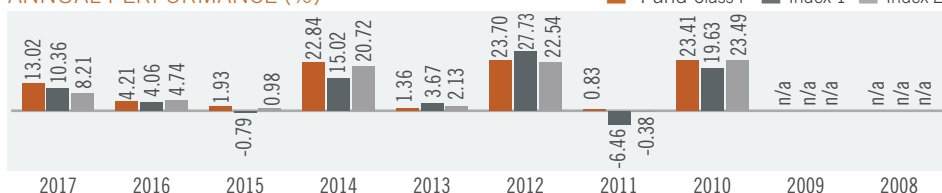


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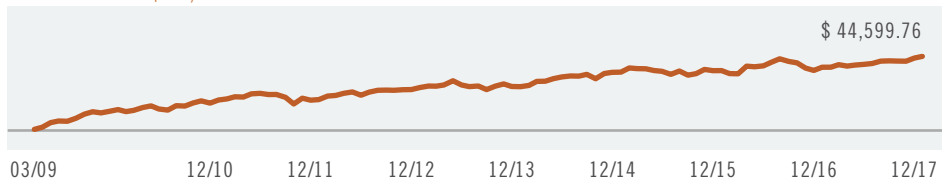
The fund class gross expense ratio is 1.24%. The net expense ratio is 1.15%, which reflects a contractual expense reimbursement in effect through 1/31/2019.

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 (%)



GROWTH OF \$10,000



This chart assumes an initial investment of \$10,000 made on 3/2/2009. As of 12/29/2017 the fund value would have been \$44,599.76. Fund performance assumes reinvestment of dividends and capital gain distributions. This growth reflects no front end sales charges.

Index 1: The FTSE EPRA/NAREIT Developed Index (net) is a free-float market capitalization-weighted index measuring publicly traded equity REITs and listed property companies from developed markets, which meet minimum size and liquidity requirements. 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.

Index 2: The FTSE EPRA NAREIT Developed Rental Index (net) is a free-float market capitalization-weighted index measuring global real estate securities, which meet minimum size, liquidity and investment focus criteria. The index is a sub-set of the FTSE EPRA NAREIT Investment Focus Index Series, which separates the existing constituents into both Rental and Non-Rental Indices. A company is classified as Rental if the rental revenue from properties is greater than or equal to 70% of total revenue. The classification is based on revenue sources as disclosed in the latest published financial statement. 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.

Effective May 8, 2017 this fund changed its name from the Virtus Global Real Estate Securities Fund. Effective September 1, 2017, the fund's new primary benchmark is the FTSE EPRA/NAREIT Developed Index (net). The fund will no longer use the FTSE EPRA/NAREIT Developed Rental Index (net) as a benchmark for performance comparisons. Information is being provided for informational purposes only.

FUND INFORMATION

	Ticker	CUSIP
A Shares	VGSA	92828R412
C Shares	VGSC	92828R396
I Shares	VGIS	92828R388
R6 Shares	VRGEX	92828W239

Inception Date	03/02/09
AUM (\$ millions)	202.6
Number of Holdings	76
Dividends	Semi-Annually
Morningstar Category	Global Real Estate
Lipper Category	Global Real Estate Funds

MORNINGSTAR RATINGS

Time Period	# of Stars	# of Funds
Overall	★★★★★	200
3 Year	★★★★★	200
5 Year	★★★★★	150
10 Year	Not Rated	n/a

Strong ratings are not indicative of positive fund performance.

INVESTMENT ADVISER

Virtus Investment Advisers, Inc.

INVESTMENT SUBADVISER

Duff & Phelps Investment Management Co.



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PORTFOLIO MANAGERS

Geoffrey P. Dybas, CFA

Industry start date: 1989
Start date with Fund: 2009

Frank J. Haggerty, Jr., CFA

Industry start date: 1996
Start date with Fund: 2009

CHARACTERISTICS

	Fund
Average Weighted Market Cap (bn)	11.70
Median Market Cap (bn)	5.53
Trailing P/E	20.55
Price-to-Cash Flow	17.88
Price-to-Book Value	2.10
3-Year EPS Growth Rate	19.66
5-Year EPS Growth Rate	20.17
Active Share	61.50

**RISK STATISTICS
(3 YEAR)**

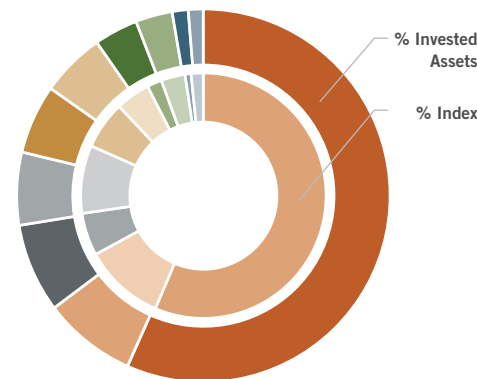
	Fund	Index
R ²	0.97	1.00
Beta	1.02	1.00
Standard Deviation	11.25	10.90
Alpha	1.72	n/a
Sharpe Ratio	0.52	0.37

TOP TEN HOLDINGS

	% Fund
Prologis, Inc.	3.66
Digital Realty Trust, Inc.	3.18
Simon Property Group, Inc.	3.07
Vonovia SE	2.78
AvalonBay Communities, Inc.	2.55
UNITE Group plc	2.30
Link Real Estate Investment Trust	2.20
Duke Realty Corporation	2.01
Regency Centers Corporation	2.00
Sun Communities, Inc.	1.94

Holdings are subject to change.

TOP TEN COUNTRIES



	% Invested Assets	% Index
United States	54.55	52.22
Japan	7.77	9.86
United Kingdom	7.43	5.19
Hong Kong	6.07	8.32
Australia	5.75	5.83
Germany	5.38	4.19
France	3.67	1.81
Canada	3.06	2.92
Spain	1.34	0.74
Sweden	1.24	1.48

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. **Industry/Sector Concentration:** A fund that focuses its investments in a particular industry or sector will be more sensitive to conditions that affect that industry or sector than a non-concentrated fund. **Real Estate:** The fund may be negatively affected by factors specific to the real estate market, including interest rates, leverage, property, and management. **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

3- and 5-Year EPS Growth Rates: Average of earnings per share growth for latest 3- and 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. **Market Capitalization (Wtd. Avg.):** The total dollar market value of all of a company's outstanding shares. **Beta:** A quantitative measure of the volatility, or systematic risk, of a security or a portfolio in comparison to the market as a whole. **Price-to-Book Ratio (P/B):** A ratio used to compare a stock's market value to its book value. **Price-to-Cash Flow Ratio:** Per-share stock price divided by the per-share operating cash flow. **R²:** A measure that represents the percentage of a fund 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. **Trailing P/E:** Per share stock price divided by the latest 12-months earnings per share.

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