

INVESTMENT OVERVIEW

The Fund seeks to generate attractive risk-adjusted long-term returns by investing in the stocks of emerging market small-cap companies with durable competitive advantages, excellent management, lower financial risk, and strong growth trajectories. A disciplined investment process is employed to identify businesses that are differentiated by above-average returns on capital and trading at attractive valuations.

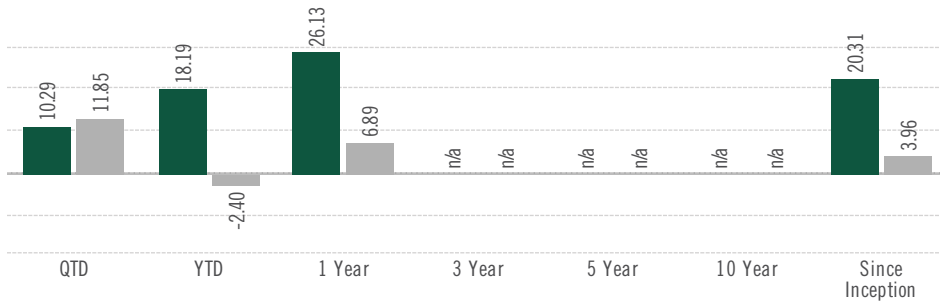
KEY FEATURES

High-Quality Businesses — Searches for quality emerging market small-cap companies with solid balance sheets, consistent growth, profitability, and market dominant business models

Lower Volatility Approach — Extensive fundamental research favors companies with less business risk, as defined by lower earnings variability, consistent and profitable growth, high returns on capital, strong free cash flow, and a low organic need for external financing, all of which can help to protect profits in difficult markets

High-Conviction Portfolio — Focused on the portfolio team’s 30-60 strongest investment opportunities, with a long-term, low-turnover approach to realize full stock value potential

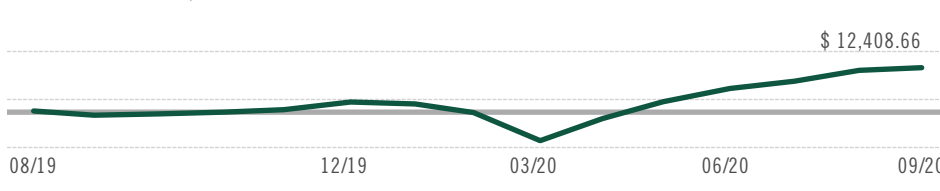
AVERAGE ANNUAL TOTAL RETURNS (%) as of 09/30/20



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The fund class gross expense ratio is 1.63%. The net expense ratio is 1.52%, which reflects a contractual expense reimbursement in effect through 1/31/2021. This ratio reflects the direct and indirect expenses paid by the Fund. The net expense ratio minus the indirect expenses incurred by the underlying funds in which the Fund invests is 1.50%. 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.

GROWTH OF \$10,000



This chart assumes an initial investment of \$10,000 made on 8/1/2019. As of 9/30/2020 the fund value would have been \$12,408.66. Fund performance assumes reinvestment of dividends and capital gain distributions. This growth reflects no front end sales charges.

FUND INFORMATION

	Ticker	CUSIP
A Shares	VAESX	92828W627
C Shares	VCESX	92828W619
I Shares	VIESX	92828W593
R6 Shares	VRESX	92828W189

Inception Date	08/01/19
AUM (\$ millions)	221.9
Number of Holdings	37
Dividends	Semi-Annually
Morningstar Category	Diversified Emerging Mkts
Lipper Category	Emerging Markets Funds
Index	MSCI Emerging Markets Small Cap Index (net)

INVESTMENT ADVISER

Virtus Investment Advisers, Inc.

INVESTMENT SUBADVISER



Kayne Anderson Rudnick

A VIRTUS INVESTMENT PARTNER

Kayne Anderson Rudnick believes that superior risk-adjusted returns may be achieved through investment in high-quality companies with market dominance, excellent management, financial strength, and consistent growth, purchased at reasonable prices.

PORTFOLIO MANAGERS

Craig Thrasher, CFA

Industry start date: 2003

Start date as Fund Portfolio Manager: 2013

Hyung Kim

Industry start date: 2004

Start date as Fund Portfolio Manager: 2017

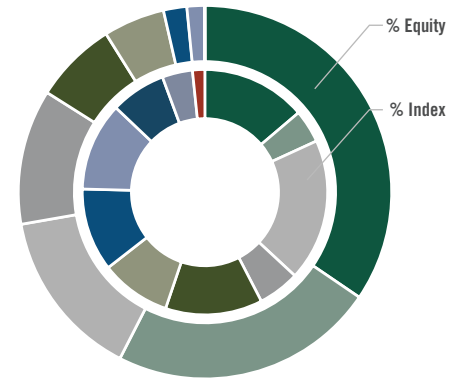
CHARACTERISTICS	Fund	Index
Avg. Weighted Market Cap (bn)	4.05	0.76
Median Market Cap (bn)	1.21	0.35
Trailing P/E Ex-Negative Earnings	18.37	13.75
Price-to-Cash Flow	23.68	13.53
Price-to-Book Value	4.20	2.54
3-Year EPS Growth Rate	16.71	7.03
5-Year EPS Growth Rate	19.35	10.16
Active Share	98.95	n/a

TOP TEN HOLDINGS	% Fund
VNV Global AB publ	5.03
Webcash Corp	4.86
Union Auction PCL	4.85
HeadHunter Group PLC	4.75
IndiaMart InterMesh Ltd	3.98
Sea Ltd	3.47
S-1 Corp	3.44
Anhui Gujing Distillery Co Ltd	3.20
Autohome Inc	3.19
Voltronic Power Technology Corp	3.11

TOP TEN COUNTRIES	% Invested Assets	% Index
Korea (South)	16.92	18.50
Taiwan	14.66	23.14
China	12.55	12.53
Russia	7.77	1.35
Thailand	7.15	3.26
India	6.86	12.68
Brazil	6.12	6.64
Sweden	5.33	0.00
Malaysia	4.54	3.21
United Kingdom	3.24	0.00

Holdings and sector weightings are subject to change.

SECTOR ALLOCATIONS



Sector	% Equity	% Index
Industrials	34.53	13.80
Communication Services	23.01	4.36
Information Technology	14.71	18.77
Consumer Staples	11.73	5.48
Consumer Discretionary	7.13	12.81
Financials	5.33	9.27
Health Care	2.02	10.95
Materials	1.54	11.66
Real Estate	0.00	7.29
Utilities	0.00	3.99
Energy	0.00	1.63

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. **Foreign & Emerging Markets:** Investing in foreign securities, especially in emerging markets, subjects the fund to additional risks such as increased volatility, currency fluctuations, less liquidity, and political, regulatory, economic, and market risk. **Non-Diversified:** The fund is non-diversified and may be more susceptible to factors negatively impacting its holdings to the extent that each security represents a larger portion of the fund's assets. **Market Volatility:** Local, regional, or global events such as war, acts of terrorism, the spread of infectious illness or other public health issues, recessions, or other events could have a significant impact on the portfolio and its investments, including hampering the ability of the portfolio manager(s) to invest the portfolio's assets as intended. **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.

INDEX DEFINITION

Index: The MSCI Emerging Markets Small Cap Index (net) is a free float-adjusted market capitalization-weighted index designed to measure small cap 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.

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