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# A World of Opportunities

## High-Conviction Investing Across the Globe

As growth potentially slows and volatility rises, investors are increasingly seeking to diversify their portfolios and mitigate risks. We believe today's challenging markets demand actively managed, high-conviction approaches that seek opportunities around the globe.

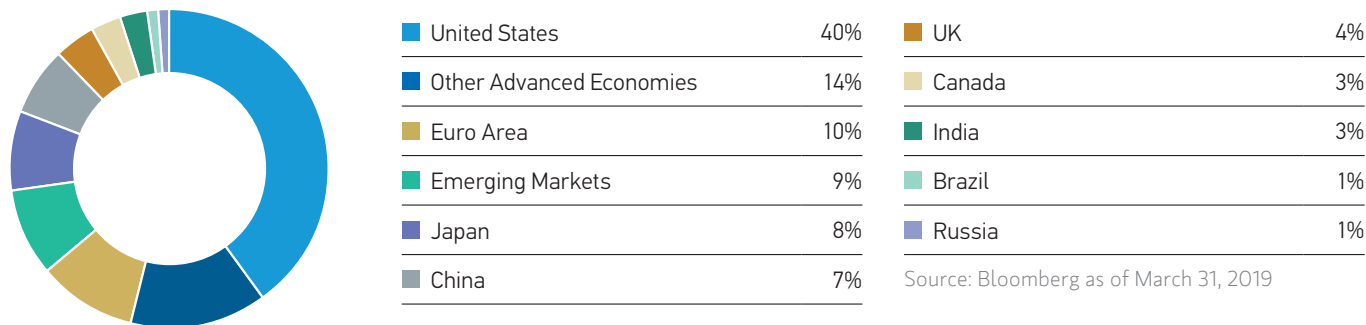
# Expanding Opportunities Outside of the U.S.

Overcoming the home bias in equity investing can be challenging. However, given the historical run up in the U.S. equity market, attractive valuation opportunities and yields overseas have encouraged advisors to revisit the mix of international exposure in their portfolios. Here are five observations to consider:

## 1 A wider lens can broaden the opportunity set

More than half of investable markets are outside of the U.S., including Emerging Markets and Asia.

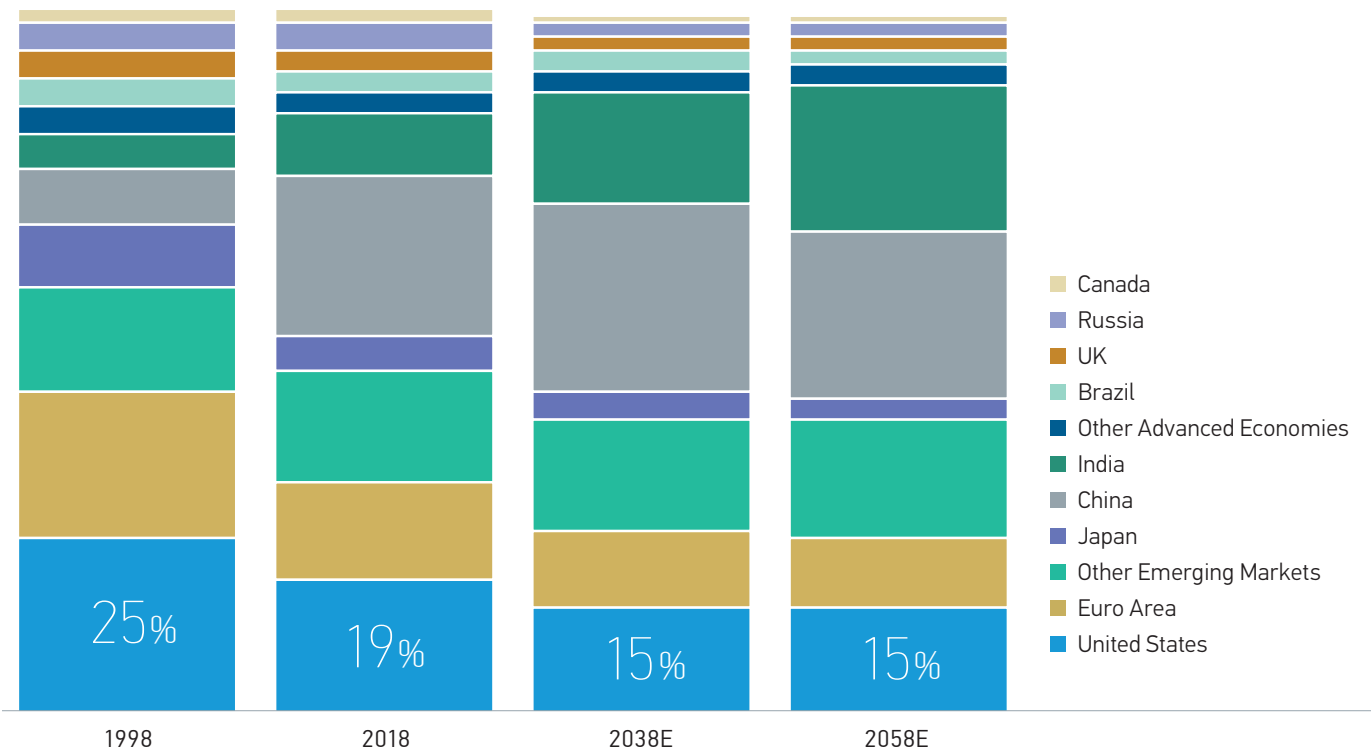
Global Equities Market (Current Market Capitalization as of March 31, 2019)



## 2 U.S. share of global GDP continues to fall

Owning a predominately U.S. portfolio underweights the fastest growing portions of the global economy.

Historical and Projected Share of Global GDP. GDP shown is based on purchasing power.

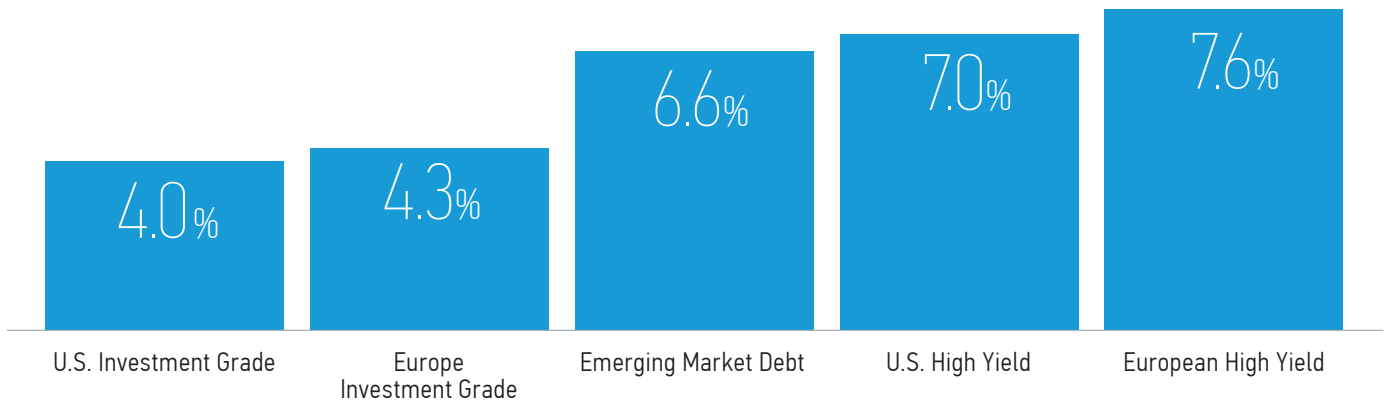


Source: OECD, Morgan Stanley Wealth Management Investment Resources as of March 31, 2019.

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## Today's search for yield can demand a global, flexible approach

With U.S. interest rate and trade policy still in flux, a global approach can help balance risks while providing access to higher yields.



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## Better diversification is possible

Adding assets with lower correlations to U.S. stocks can help improve portfolio diversification

### Correlations to the S&P 500

MSCI WORLD EX USA	MSCI EAFE	MSCI EMERGING MARKETS	MSCI CHINA
0.79	0.76	0.63	0.62

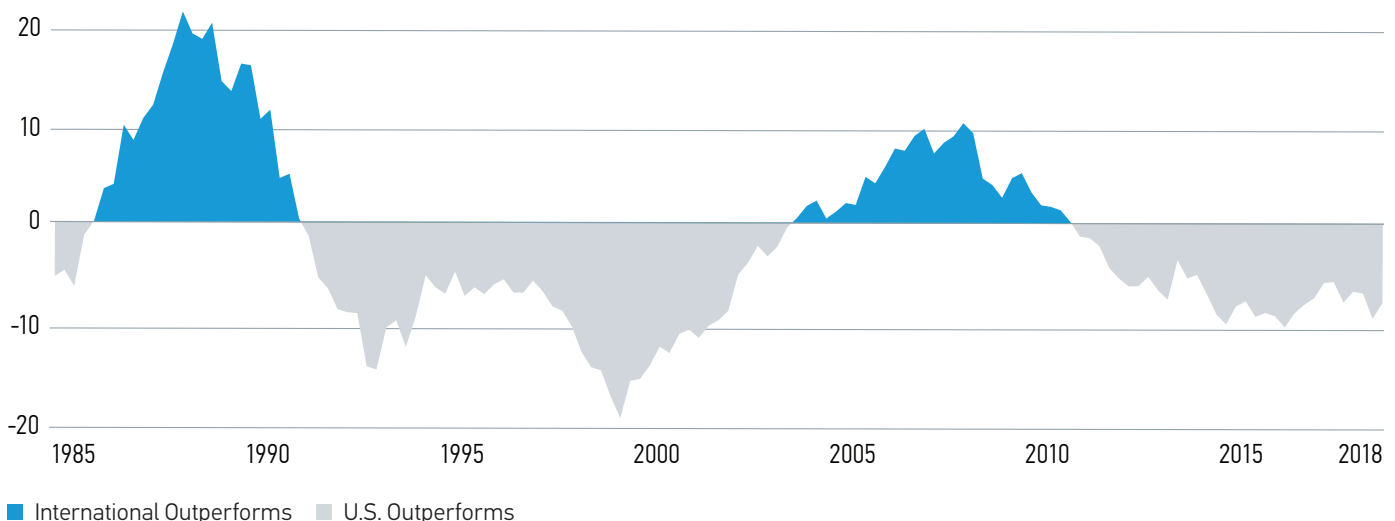
Source: FactSet, Bloomberg January 1, 2009 – December 31, 2018. **Past performance is no guarantee of future results.** The correlation between two variables can assume any value from -1.00 to +1.00, inclusive. Diversification does not protect an investor against a loss in a particular market; however it allows an investor to spread that risk across various asset classes.

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## A turning point may be around the corner; change in leadership is overdue

Leadership in equity markets typically alternates between U.S. and non-U.S. markets

### S&P 500 vs. MSCI EAFE Dispersion of Rolling 5 Year Returns



Source: FactSet, Bloomberg, Morgan Stanley Wealth Management from March 1, 1985 – December 31, 2018. **Past performance is no guarantee of future results.**



# High-Conviction Funds Providing Diversification Beyond the U.S.

4/5 Star Rated Funds – as of September 30, 2019

	Lower Volatility			
	GLOBAL FIXED INCOME OPPORTUNITIES	GLOBAL STRATEGIST	GLOBAL SUSTAIN	GLOBAL FRANCHISE
<b>OVERVIEW</b>				
<b>Asset Class</b>	Global Fixed Income	Global Multi Asset	Global Equity	Global Equity
<b>Morningstar Overall Rating</b>	★★★★★ Out of 290 in category	★★★★★ Out of 376 in category	★★★★★ Out of 727 in category	★★★★★ Out of 727 in category
<b>Morningstar Category</b>	Multisector Bond	World Allocation	World Large Stock	World Large Stock
<b>Portfolio Summary</b>	An active, flexible approach to investing within the global fixed income universe that does not track a benchmark and seeks to generate alpha	A fundamentally driven portfolio guided by themes, informed by global macro context, managed tactically	A portfolio of 25-50 stocks that is strong on engagement, low on carbon and built on quality	A portfolio of 20-40 of the world's highest quality franchises supported by intangible assets, high return-on-invested-capital and strong free cash flow
<b>I Share Class Ticker</b>	DINDX	MPBAX	MGQIX	MSFAX
<b>Fund Inception</b>	7/28/1997	12/31/1992	8/30/2013	11/28/2001
<b>Total Assets: Fund   Strategy</b>	\$760M   \$6.1B	\$421M   \$525M	\$26M   \$717M	\$1.9B   \$25.7B
<b>Expense Ratio (Gross   Net)</b>	0.65   0.60	0.85   0.74	2.82   0.90	0.94   0.94
<b>Investment Team</b>	Global Fixed Income	Global Multi Asset	International Equity	International Equity
<b>Benchmark Index</b>	Bloomberg Barclays Global Aggregate Hedged USD Index	MSCI All Country World Index	MSCI World Net Index	MSCI World Net Index
<b>COMPOSITION</b>				
<b># of Holdings</b>	539	1570	35	28
<b>% in top 10</b>	20.6	20.0	49.1	53.9
<b>Average Market Cap (\$B)</b>	–	47,155	109,249	97,745
<b>Direct EM Exposure (%)</b>	7	12	1	0
<b>Direct U.S. Exposure (%)</b>	51	45	62	60
<b>RISK STATISTICS*</b>				
<b>Up Capture % (vs. benchmark)</b>	64	59	96	98
<b>Down Capture % (vs. benchmark)</b>	-6	66	73	68
<b>Sharpe Ratio</b>	1.11	0.34	0.83	0.91
<b>Standard Deviation (%)</b>	2.8	7.7	11.1	11.4

\* Risk statistics shown are for the 5 year period, except for Asia Opportunity Fund which is shown as 3 year period due to shorter track record.

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## Higher Volatility

INTERNATIONAL ADVANTAGE	GLOBAL ADVANTAGE	GLOBAL OPPORTUNITY	INTERNATIONAL OPPORTUNITY	ASIA OPPORTUNITY
International Equity	Global Equity	Global Equity	International Equity	Emerging Markets Equity
★★★★★	★★★★★	★★★★★	★★★★★	★★★★★
Out of 396 in category	Out of 727 in category	Out of 727 in category	Out of 396 in category	Out of 78 in category
Foreign Large Growth	World Large Stock	World Large Stock	Foreign Large Growth	Pacific/Asia ex-Japan Stock
A concentrated portfolio of 30-45 undervalued, high quality established companies internationally	A global portfolio of high quality established companies with sustainable competitive advantages, strong free-cash-flow yield and favorable return-on-invested-capital trends	A concentrated portfolio of 30-45 undervalued, high quality established and emerging companies globally	A concentrated portfolio of 30-45 undervalued, high quality established and emerging companies internationally	A concentrated portfolio of 25-40 undervalued, high quality established and emerging companies in Asia
MFAIX	MIGIX	MGGIX	MIOIX	MSAQX
12/28/2010	12/28/2010	5/30/2008	3/31/2010	12/29/2015
\$1.9B   \$2.3B	\$136M   \$413M	\$3.3B   \$20.8B	\$1.5B   \$1.6B	\$79M   \$957M
1.11   1.00	1.82   1.10	0.95   0.95	1.04   1.00	1.67   1.10
Counterpoint Global	Counterpoint Global	Counterpoint Global	Counterpoint Global	Counterpoint Global
MSCI All Country World ex-US Index	MSCI All Country World Index	MSCI All Country World Index	MSCI All Country World ex-US Index	MSCI All Country Asia ex Japan Index
33	37	40	41	29
45.3	42.0	49.8	40.6	50.3
24,176	38,188	58,108	18,888	32,938
14	7	18	34	77
9	51	52	8	0
107	124	132	119	141
47	97	78	66	72
1.05	0.76	1.04	0.78	1.04
11.9	13.8	14.1	14.5	19.2

Where the net expense ratio is lower than the gross expense ratio, certain fees have been waived and/or expenses reimbursed. These waivers and/or reimbursements will continue for at least one year from the date of the applicable fund's current prospectus (unless otherwise noted in the applicable prospectus) or until such time as the fund's Board of Directors acts to discontinue all or a portion of such waivers and/or reimbursements. Absent such waivers and/or reimbursements, returns would have been lower. Expenses are based on the fund's current prospectus. The minimum initial investment is \$5,000,000 for Class I shares.

### Separate account offerings that "stay in the game"

When diversifying outside of the U.S., don't forget about separate account offerings. Led by Andrew Slimmon, Applied Equity Advisors (AEA) is an unconstrained, flexible global manager that offers retail separate accounts. With no geographic or style constraints, their portfolios have access to a wider set of investment opportunities, allowing them to "stay in the game" as market conditions change.

The team's process blends quantitative factor timing analysis with stock-specific analysis. The goal is to capture excess returns at both the market factor level as well as at the individual stock level. The portfolio managers' experience and judgement serve as an overlay to the model output and for stock selection.

The resulting portfolios are characterized by attractive valuations, above-average appreciation potential and competitive dividend yields:

- **APPLIED GLOBAL CONCENTRATED EQUITY:** A portfolio of approximately 20 global companies
- **APPLIED GLOBAL CORE EQUITY:** A portfolio of approximately 30-60 global companies

## True Global Footprint, Local Market Expertise



Data as of September 30, 2019.

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