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# Morgan Stanley Institutional Fund International Real Estate Portfolio

4Q18

## **Investment Approach**

We seek attractive long-term, risk-adjusted returns by investing in publicly traded real estate securities worldwide, excluding the U.S. and Canada. We combine a value-oriented, bottom-up-driven investment strategy and a global top-down allocation that seeks diversified exposure to all major asset classes with an overweighting to property markets that we believe offer the best relative valuation.

## **Objective**

Seeks to provide current income and long-term capital appreciation.

**Lipper Category**International Real Estate

# **Morningstar Category**

Global Real Estate

Portfolio Managers	Joined Firm	Years of Investment Experience
Ted Bigman, Managing Director	1995	32
Michiel te Paske, Managing Director	1997	22
Sven van Kemenade, Managing Director	1997	22
Angeline Ho, Managing Director	1997	27
Desmond Foong, Managing Director	2011	15

# Investment Performance - Class I (% net of fees)

% Average Annual Total Returns		1 Year	3 Yea	ır 5 Y	ear :	10 Year	Inception	n
Fund		-8.14	2.5	7 1	.18	7.56	6.9	4
FTSE EPRA Nareit Developed ex-North America Estate - Net Total Return Index <sup>1</sup>	a Real	-6.44	4.1	0 2	52	8.64	5.60	0
Lipper Category Average		-7.93	4.0	2 2	2.76	8.35		_
Morningstar Category Average		-7.11	2.8	9 3	.86	9.05		_
% Calendar Year Returns	4Q18	YTD	2018	2017	20	16 20	15 201	4
Fund	-5.87	-8.14	-8.14	19.13	-1	38 -3.	29 1.6	1
FTSE EPRA Nareit Developed ex-North America Real Estate - Net Total Return Index	-4.74	-6.44	-6.44	20.28	0	25 -2.	58 3.0	5
Lipper Category Average	-5.44	-7.93	-7.93	23.34	-0.0	68 -2.0	07 3.1	2
Morningstar Category Average	-6.26	-711	-711	1512	1 (	97 -0	92 11.6	7

Performance data quoted represents past performance, which is no guarantee of future results, and current performance may be lower or higher than the figures shown. For the most recent month-end performance figures, please visit morganstanley.com/im or call 1-800-548-7786. Investment returns and principal value will fluctuate and fund shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than their original cost.

**Performance and fund information is as of December 31, 2018, unless otherwise noted.** Returns are net of fees and assume the reinvestment of all dividends and income. Returns for less than one year are cumulative (not annualized). Performance of other share classes will vary.

Please keep in mind that double-digit returns are highly unusual and cannot be sustained. Investors should also be aware that these returns were primarily achieved during favorable market conditions.

<b>Expense Ratios</b>	Symbol	Cusip	Gross (%)	Net (%)
Class A	IERBX	61744J341	2.23	1.35
Class C	MSIJX	61760X356	5.62	2.10
Class I	MSUAX	61744J317	1.76	1.00
Class IS	MIREX	61760X745	1.70	0.97

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.

Shares of the portfolio redeemed within 30 days of purchase will be subject to a 2% redemption fee, payable to the portfolio. The redemption fee is designed to protect the portfolio and its remaining shareholders from the effects of short-term trading.

## Morningstar Rankings - Class I Global Real Estate Category

	,, ,	Rank/
	Percentile	Total in Category
1 Year	69	162/213
3 Year	58	107/192
5 Year	96	144/152
10 Year	93	94/106

Source: Morningstar, Inc. Rankings are based on total returns, are historical and do not guarantee future results.

## **Fund Facts**

Inception date	October 01, 1997
Total net assets (\$MM)	\$ 23.2
Benchmark	FTSE EPRA Nareit Developed ex-North America Real Estate - Net Total Return Index
Distribution frequency	At least annually

# **Portfolio Characteristics**

	Fund
Number of holdings	97
Weighted average market	13.46
capitalization (\$B)	
Weighted median market	9.85
capitalization (\$B)	
Turnover (%)*	23

# Risk/Return Statistics (3 Year)

	Fund
Active share (%)	34.73
Alpha (%)	-1.50
Beta (vs. benchmark)	0.99
Excess Return (%)	-1.53
Information ratio	-0.77
R squared	0.97
Sharpe ratio	0.14
Standard deviation (%)	11.32
Tracking error (%)	1.98
Up-capture ratio (%)	93.69
Down-capture ratio (%)	103.32

## **Top Countries (% of Total Net Assets)**

Fund
26.63
22.30
11.35
10.64
8.72
6.29
2.37
2.33
1.94
1.66

## **Sector Allocation (% of Total Net Assets)**

	Fund
Diversified	49.33
Retail	20.42
Office	16.74
Residential	8.92
Industrial	3.28
Industrial/Office Mixed	0.50
Lodging/Resorts	0.43
Cash	0.17

## Top Holdings (% of Total Net Assets)

	Funa
Sun Hung Kai Properties Ltd	5.22
Link REIT	4.98
Hongkong Land Holdings Ltd	4.53
Unibail-Rodamco-Westfield	4.44
Mitsubishi Estate Co. Ltd	3.91
Mitsui Fudosan Co. Ltd	3.73
Vonovia SE	3.14
Land Securities Group Plc	2.71
Klepierre	2.54
British Land Co. Ltd	2.52
Total	37.72

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### PORTFOLIO CHARACTERISTICS DEFINITIONS

Weighted average market capitalization is a stock market index weighted by the market capitalization of each stock in the index. In such a weighting scheme, larger companies account for a greater portion of the index. Most indexes are constructed in this manner, with the best example being the S&P 500. Weighted median market capitalization is 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.

## **RISK/RETURN DEFINITIONS**

Active Share is the fraction of the portfolio or fund that is invested differently than its benchmark as of the last day of the reporting period. A portfolio with a high degree of Active Share does not assure a fund's relative outperformance. Active Share calculation may consolidate holdings with the same economic exposure. Excess Return or value added (positive or negative) is the portfolio's return relative to the return of the benchmark. Alpha (Jensen's) is a risk-adjusted performance measure that represents the average return on a portfolio or investment above or below that predicted by the capital asset pricing model (CAPM) given the portfolio's or investment's beta and the average market return. Prior to 6/30/2018 Alpha was calculated as the excess return of the fund versus benchmark. Beta is a measure of the relative volatility of a security or portfolio to the market's upward or downward movements. A beta greater than 1.0 identifies an issue or fund that will move more than the market, while a beta less than 1.0 identifies an issue or fund that will move less than the market. The Beta of the Market is always equal to 1. Information ratio is the portfolio's alpha or excess return per unit of risk, as measured by tracking error, versus the portfolio's benchmark. R squared measures how well an investment's returns correlate to an index. An R squared of 1.00 means the portfolio performance is 100% correlated to the index's, whereas a low r-squared measures how widely individual performance returns, within a performance series, are dispersed from the average or mean value. Tracking error is the amount by which the performance of the portfolio differs from that of the benchmark. Upside/downside market capture measures annualized performance in up/ down markets relative to the market benchmark.

## **RISK CONSIDERATIONS**

There is no assurance that a portfolio will achieve its investment objective. Portfolios are subject to market risk, which is the possibility that the market values of securities owned by the portfolio will decline and that the value of portfolio shares may therefore be less than what you paid for them. Accordingly, you can lose money investing in this portfolio. Please be aware that this portfolio may be subject to certain additional risks. In general, equities securities' values also fluctuate in response to activities specific to a company. Investments in foreign markets entail special risks such as currency, political, economic, market and liquidity risks. The risks of investing in emerging market countries are greater than the risks generally associated with investments in foreign developed countries. Real estate investments, including real estate investment trusts, are subject

to risks similar to those associated with the direct ownership of real estate and they are sensitive to such factors as management skills and changes in tax laws. Nondiversified portfolios often invest in a more limited number of issuers. As such, changes in the financial condition or market value of a single issuer may cause greater volatility. Illiquid securities may be more difficult to sell and value than public traded securities. Stocks of small-and medium-capitalization companies entail special risks, such as limited product lines, markets and financial resources, and greater market volatility than securities of larger, more established companies. When investing in value securities (those believed to be undervalued in comparison to their peers), the market may not have the same value assessment as the manager, and, therefore, the performance of the securities may decline.

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Rankings as of December 31, 2018. **Rankings:** The percentile rankings are based on the average annual total returns for the periods stated and do not include any sales charges, but do include reinvestment of dividends and capital gains and Rule 12b-1 fees. The highest (or most favorable) percentile rank is 1 and the lowest (or least favorable) percentile rank is 100. The top-performing fund in a category will always receive a rank of 1.

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## OTHER CONSIDERATIONS

¹ The FTSE EPRA Nareit Developed Ex-North America Real Estate - Net Total Return Index is a free float-adjusted market capitalization weighted index designed to reflect the stock performance of companies engaged in the European and Asian real estate markets. The performance of the Index is listed in U.S. dollars and assumes reinvestment of dividends. "Net Total Return" reflects a reduction in total returns after taking into account the withholding tax on dividends by certain foreign countries represented in the Index for periods after 2/18/05 (gross returns used prior to 2/18/05). The term "free float" represents the portion of shares outstanding that are deemed to be available for purchase in the public equity markets by investors. The index is unmanaged and does not include any expenses, fees or sales charges. It is not possible to invest directly in an index.

\* Turnover is sourced from the fund's current prospectus.

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