

Global Equities

Performance (CAD)										
Annualized (%)	3 month	s `	YTD	1 year	3 years	5 ye	ars	10 years	Since in	nception
Hexavest Global Composite	5.3	3 -	1.45	-1.45	4.51	6	.00	10.44		6.49
MSCI World (net)	8.6	9 1	3.87	13.87	11.16	10	.27	12.63		4.95
VALUE ADDED	-3.3	6 -1	5.32	-15.32	-6.65	-4	.27	-2.19		1.54
Ten last years (%)	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	201	7 2018	2019	2020
Hexavest Global Composite	0.08	10.10	32.38	15.06	20.20	8.81	7.72	2 1.16	14.51	-1.45
MSCI World (net)	-3.20	13.26	35.18	14.39	18.89	3.79	14.3	6 -0.49	21.22	13.87
VALUE ADDED	3.28	-3.16	-2.80	0.67	1.31	5.02	-6.64	4 1.65	-6.71	-15.32

Positioning vs MSCI World (Representative Account) **COUNTRY DEVIATIONS SECTOR DEVIATIONS CURRENCY DEVIATIONS** 9.6% **Staples** 3.4% 5.1% Emerg. Mkts JPY (17.4%) 4.1% 9.9% (12.7%) (3.4%)3.7% Materials 3.6% 2.8% CHF (5.7%) Europe 0.6% 2.6% (8.1%)(20.0%) -1.5% Utilities 2.5% Emerg. Asia 0.9% (5.6%) 1.2% 1.9% (0.9%)Asia 0.5% (11.9%)1.5% Industrials -3.0% -2.8% USD (63.2%) (7.5%) -0.7% -2.4% North Amer. -13.1% Cons. Discr. -4.5% (56.1%) -2.9% -12.3% CAD (0.2%) (7.7%) -3.6% -2.7% 8.6% Cash IT -9.4% -3.7% GBP (0.7%) (8.6%)8.6% (12.7%) -3.7% -9.0% ■ As of Dec. 31, 2020 ■ As of Sept. 30, 2020 ■ As of Dec. 31, 2020 ■ As of Sept. 30, 2020 ■ As of Dec. 31, 2020 ■ As of Sept. 30, 2020

Market Outlook							
MACROECONOMIC ENVIRONMENT	VALUATION	SENTIMENT					
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While we are concerned about the near-term outlook, we expect a synchronized global recovery to begin in 2021 as a result of mass vaccination. The first six months of the year could see false starts and setbacks, depending on how the pandemic unfolds and how virulent the latest mutation of the virus proves to be. However, the vaccines' positive impact on economic activity, starting in the second half of 2021, justifies an upward adjustment of our macroeconomic vector from double negative to single positive (+).

Global equities are in the most expensive decile; on average, the main valuation metrics of the MSCI World Index are in the 95th percentile of their historical distribution. The only period when such rich valuation was the technology bubble of 2000. Low interest rates are often cited to justify the high price of global equities. However, rates are low today because of the risk of persistent economic weakness, which is a very negative scenario for earnings growth and is a far cry from the one reflected in share prices. Our valuation vector is therefore still triple negative (---).

There are increasing signs of exuberance in the markets. The euphoria gripping the equity markets, which was previously confined to the technology sector, has become more widespread. The large volume of liquidity injected by central banks in 2020 appears to be fuelling speculation in some market segments, including initial public offerings and cryptocurrencies. For these reasons, our assessment of the sentiment vector has gone from double negative to triple negative (---).

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Summary

Benchmark MSCI World (net)

Value added objective 2% (4-year rolling periods)

Active risk 3% to 5%

Number of holdings 275 to 350 (higher if exposure to EM)

Currency management Active Maximum cash exposure

DEVIATIONS VS. BENCHMARK

Regions: +/- 15% Countries: +/- 15% Currencies: +/- 15% Sectors: +/- 10%

MANAGEMENT FEES

Commingled vehicle

First \$10 million: 0.60% Next \$30 million: 0.50% > \$40 million: 0.40%

Administrative fees: 0.01%

(2019)

Separate accounts

First \$20 million: 0.70% Next \$30 million: 0.60% Next \$50 million: 0.50%

Next \$100 million: 0.40% > \$200 million: 0.30%

Investment Team

Vital Proulx, CFA Chief Investment Officer Experience: 32 years

Team member since 1991

Christian Crête, CFA

Vice President & Portfolio Mgr Experience: 22 years Team member since 2012

Jean-Pierre Couture, M.Sc.

Chief Economist & Portfolio Mgr Experience: 26 years Team member since 2010

Marc C. Lavoie, CPA, CA, CFA

President & Portfolio Mgr Experience: 21 years Team member since 2003

Amélie Nolin, LL.B., M.Sc.

Experience: 2 years Team member since 2019

Samuel Proulx, M.Sc.

Analyst

Experience: 1 year Team member since 2020 Jean-Christophe Lermusiaux, MBA

Vice President & Portfolio Mgr Experience: 23 years Team member since 2017

Jean-Benoit Leblanc, M.Sc., CFA

Senior Portfolio Manager Experience: 22 years Team member since 2009

Julien Tousignant, M.Sc., CFA

Economist Experience: 8 years Team member since 2013

Jean-François Bérubé, Ph.D.

Executive Vice President Experience: 14 years Team member since 2009

Nelson Cabral, M.Sc., CFA

Portfolio Manager Experience: 10 years Team member since 2011

Gabriel Laprise, B.Eng., M.Sc.A.

Quantitative Analyst Experience: 3 years Team member since 2018

ESG RESEARCH

Jo-Annie Pinto, CIM® Vice President

Experience: 23 years Team member since 2012 Véronique Marchetti, CFA

Senior Analyst Experience: 16 years Team member since 2010

Investment Approach

- Top-down and contrarian approach
- Diversified sources of alpha: regions, countries, currencies, sectors, industries, stocks
- Strong focus on downside protection
- Systematic integration of ESG factors
- Experienced and nimble investment team
- Clearly defined process, applied for nearly 30 years

Investment Process

TOP-DOWN DECISIONS

VECTORS OF ANALYSIS Sentiment

~ 1,700 stocks

derivatives

PORTFOLIO CONSTRUCTION Initial universe

Top-down decisions Top-down portfolio Final portfolio 4 Currency overlay and

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