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## Artisan Partners Global Value Team Nominated for Morningstar's International-Stock Fund Manager of the Year Award

Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Artisan Partners is pleased to announce portfolio managers David Samra and Dan O'Keefe of the firm's Global Value team have been nominated for Morningstar, Inc.'s International-Stock Fund Manager of the Year award in the U.S. Morningstar will announce the winner of the 2016 award on January 25, 2017.

Mr. Samra and Mr. O'Keefe were nominated for their efforts managing Artisan International Value Fund. They also manage Artisan Global Value Fund. The team previously won the award in 2008 and 2013 and was also nominated for the award in 2011 and 2012 and 2014, making this the sixth year in the last nine that the team has received a nomination.

Artisan Partners has a long history of being recognized by Morningstar for its outstanding portfolio management teams and risk-adjusted performance results. The firm has received a total of 11 nominations across four investment teams for the International-Stock Fund Manager and Domestic-Stock Fund Manager of the Year awards, resulting in four wins to date.

Artisan Partners CEO Eric Colson said, "We are a talent-driven business and this year's nomination recognizes the incredible investment talent of David Samra and Dan O'Keefe. We are honored that our Global Value team has been recognized repeatedly over the last several years by a high-quality organization like Morningstar. David and Dan have built a great franchise."

Established in 1988, the Morningstar Fund Manager of the Year award recognizes portfolio managers who demonstrate excellent investment skill and the courage to differ from the consensus to benefit investors. To qualify for the award, managers' funds must have not only posted impressive returns for the year, but the managers also must have a record of delivering outstanding long-term risk-adjusted performance and of aligning their interests with shareholders'. Nominated funds must be Morningstar Medalists—a fund that has garnered a Morningstar Analyst Rating<sup>TM</sup> of Gold, Silver, or Bronze. The Fund Manager of the Year award winners are chosen based on research and in-depth qualitative evaluation by Morningstar's Manager Research Group. Morningstar's Manager Research Group consists of various wholly owned subsidiaries of Morningstar, Inc. including, but not limited to, Morningstar Research Services LLC.

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