



# Artisan Global Equity Fund

MONTHLY  
Commentary

Investor Class: ARTHX

As of 30 November 2018

## Commentary

After October's steep decline, global equities steadied in November. Risk assets rallied in the last week of the month following Fed Chair Powell's more dovish comments which signaled fewer additional rate hikes than were priced by markets. Commodity markets were not as sanguine. Fading global growth expectations sent commodities prices, and especially oil, lower. The price of WTI crude tumbled by a third since early October—from mid-\$70s a barrel to just above \$50. In turn, the commodity-focused energy and materials sectors (along with information technology) were weakest for the month and QTD periods.

Our portfolio trailed the MSCI AC World Index in November and is slightly behind QTD, but it remains ahead YTD. Our weakest QTD performers were electronic payments company Wirecard and defense contractors Raytheon and Harris. Despite recent stock price weakness, Wirecard remains our top YTD contributor. The company is delivering robust organic growth as it's taking advantage of the secular growth in e-commerce as well as the convergence of payments between online, mobile and in-store. Wirecard's valuation remains reasonable against our long-term earnings estimates.

Shares of Raytheon and Harris were down along with the broader defense sector despite strong earnings results by both operators. The pullback looks to be a consolidation as defense stocks have strongly outperformed over the past couple years.

Brazilian oil and gas company Petrobras and frozen potato products supplier Lamb Weston were among our top QTD contributors. Petrobras—one of our weakest performers earlier in the year when a nationwide trucker strike forced the government to lower diesel prices—continued to recover. The political uncertainty that dogged the stock is now behind it following the country's presidential election, easing concerns about Brazil's future energy policy. President-elect Bolsonaro has echoed his support of the current fuel pricing policy and is supportive of further deregulation in the sector. For its part, Petrobras is driving shareholder value through disciplined capital allocation. Besides divestitures of non-core assets, strong free cash flow at prevailing oil prices is enabling the company to rapidly deleverage. We believe the stock is meaningfully undervalued relative to its growth outlook as it trades at a discount to other major oil producers despite a superior production profile.

Lamb Weston, which was spun off from ConAgra Foods in 2016, is a market leader in frozen potato/french fry production and supply to restaurants and food service distributors. In contrast to the tepid growth rates in the packaged foods industry and broader consumer staples sector, Lamb Weston's top-line growth has been relatively brisk. Low double-digits sales growth was driven by both volumes and pricing/product mix as the company's pricing power has been impressive. Although not commonly viewed as high-growth, demand for frozen potato products has been strong due in part to fast-food restaurant growth in Asia. Additionally, tight global manufacturing capacity has allowed Lamb Weston to increase prices.

## Portfolio Details

Net Asset Value (NAV)	\$18.00
ARTHX Inception	29 March 2010
Expense Ratios	
Annual Report 30 Sep 2018	1.36%
Prospectus 30 Sep 2017 <sup>1</sup>	1.40%

<sup>1</sup>See prospectus for further details.

## Top 10 Holdings (% of total portfolio)

Linde PLC (United Kingdom)	4.7
Harris Corp (United States)	4.4
Deutsche Boerse AG (Germany)	4.4
Wirecard AG (Germany)	4.3
Mondelez International Inc (United States)	4.0
Petroleo Brasileiro SA (Brazil)	3.7
Intercontinental Exchange Inc (United States)	3.5
InterXion Holding NV (Netherlands)	3.1
Abbott Laboratories (United States)	2.8
ING Groep NV (Netherlands)	2.8
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>37.8%</b>

Source: Artisan Partners/FactSet (MSCI).

## Sector Diversification (% of total portfolio equities)

	Fund	ACWI <sup>1</sup>
Communication Services	2.9	8.6
Consumer Discretionary	2.5	10.6
Consumer Staples	12.7	8.3
Energy	4.6	6.3
Financials	21.1	17.4
Health Care	16.3	12.4
Industrials	13.0	10.4
Information Technology	18.7	15.0
Materials	7.1	4.8
Real Estate	0.0	3.1
Utilities	1.1	3.1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

Source: Artisan Partners/FactSet (GICS)/MSCI. Cash and cash equivalents represented 0.7% of the total portfolio. <sup>1</sup>MSCI All Country World Index.

## Investment Results (%)

As of 30 November 2018	Average Annual Total Returns							
	MTD	QTD	YTD	1 Yr	3 Yr	5 Yr	10 Yr	Inception
Investor Class: ARTHX	-0.07	-6.60	2.99	4.01	9.52	7.48	—	11.31
MSCI All Country World Index	1.46	-6.14	-2.55	-0.98	8.57	6.16	—	7.78

  

As of 30 September 2018	Average Annual Total Returns							
	MTD	QTD	YTD	1 Yr	3 Yr	5 Yr	10 Yr	Inception
Investor Class: ARTHX	-0.09	4.52	10.27	16.38	13.99	9.88	—	12.44
MSCI All Country World Index	0.44	4.28	3.83	9.77	13.40	8.67	—	8.74

Source: Artisan Partners/MSCI. Returns for periods less than one year are not annualized.

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## Region/Country Allocation (% of total portfolio equities)

REGION	Fund	ACWI <sup>1</sup>
<b>EUROPE</b>	<b>44.5</b>	<b>18.8</b>
France	10.1	3.3
Germany	8.8	2.7
United Kingdom	8.2	5.2
Netherlands	5.9	1.0
Switzerland	4.4	2.6
Italy	2.1	0.7
Denmark	1.7	0.5
Belgium	1.5	0.3
Finland	1.1	0.3
Sweden	0.7	0.8
<b>AMERICAS</b>	<b>44.4</b>	<b>58.7</b>
United States	43.5	55.7
Canada	0.9	3.0
<b>EMERGING MARKETS</b>	<b>6.7</b>	<b>11.2</b>
Brazil	3.7	0.8
India	2.7	1.0
China	0.3	3.5
<b>PACIFIC BASIN</b>	<b>4.4</b>	<b>11.1</b>
Japan	3.3	7.4
Hong Kong	1.1	1.1
<b>MIDDLE EAST</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>0.2</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

Source: Artisan Partners/FactSet (MSCI). <sup>1</sup>MSCI All Country World Index. Countries held in the index, but not held in the portfolio, are not listed.

## Team Leadership (Pictured left to right)



Portfolio Managers	Years of Investment Experience
Mark L. Yockey, CFA	38
Charles-Henri Hamker	28
Andrew J. Euretig	14

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