



# Artisan International Fund

MONTHLY  
Commentary

Investor Class: ARTIX | Advisor Class: APDIX As of 31 July 2022

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Global equities rebounded, giving global stock investors a reprieve from the fierce downdrafts that have dominated markets through the first half of the year. July's rally, which affected most regions and sectors, was especially pronounced in North America and within technology—areas of the market that have seen the largest valuation drops so far this year. While inflation rates continued to push upward and US GDP contracted for the second quarter in a row, moderating price pressures in key areas of the economy, such as gas and food, were constructive. Moreover, a UN-backed deal between Russia and Ukraine unlocked shipments of grain and other important commodities from Black Sea ports, an agreement that should help ease prices further for the many regional economies dependent on the trade. The portfolio generated positive returns but underperformed the benchmark MSCI EAFE in July. As a sign of the market's sudden style reversal, the MSCI EAFE Growth Index more than doubled the return of the MSCI EAFE Value Index during the period. Recently beaten down sectors performed the best, with information technology scoring double-digit gains and industrial stocks putting up equally impressive returns.

Within the portfolio, stock selection in health care detracted from relative performance the most as the market dismissed our high-conviction holdings. Argenx, a developer of antibody therapies for severe autoimmune diseases and cancer, finished lower despite the fact that the Committee for Medical Products for Human Use (CHMP) recommended to the European Commission (EC) that its newly developed medication, Vyvgart, be prescribed as an add-on treatment for certain types of patients. The CHMP typically serves as the final step before the EC decides to approve a treatment or not within the 27 countries that make up the European Union. Vyvgart represents an advanced treatment option for patients with generalized myasthenia gravis, a rare and chronic autoimmune disease that causes debilitating muscle weakness. We value the company's ability to use its intellectual property to create effective treatments in an area of medicine that needs solutions that are safe, effective and targeted. Similarly, shares of biopharmaceutical company UCB fell despite reporting that revenues and earnings beat consensus estimates during the first half of the year. We continue to think UCB has the best-in-industry growth profile over the medium term and should experience rapid profit growth as it develops differentiated drugs in neurology and immunology.

Conversely, stock selection in consumer discretionary added to relative returns. Our investment in Amazon.com outperformed and made the largest contribution to the portfolio's return. Amazon's share price bounced back from last quarter's drop when the company reported its first quarterly loss in seven years. This month, however, the company beat analyst estimates while reducing headcount. AWS and its nascent advertising business showed particular strength. We believe that the company's advanced capabilities in logistics and warehouse automation along with its high-growth, high-margin cloud business will provide strong price support to its stock over the long term.

## Investment Results (%)

As of 31 July 2022	MTD	QTD	YTD	1 Yr	3 Yr	5 Yr	10 Yr	Inception
Investor Class: ARTIX	4.05	4.05	-21.59	-20.53	0.03	2.38	5.24	7.80
Advisor Class: APDIX	4.02	4.02	-21.55	-20.45	0.16	2.52	5.36	7.84
MSCI EAFE Index	4.98	4.98	-15.56	-14.32	3.16	2.61	5.79	4.47
MSCI All Country World ex USA Index <sup>1</sup>	3.42	3.42	-15.63	-15.26	2.91	2.45	5.04	4.82

As of 30 June 2022

Investor Class: ARTIX	-8.63	-13.52	-24.64	-22.67	-1.47	2.24	5.01	7.66
Advisor Class: APDIX	-8.62	-13.46	-24.58	-22.54	-1.31	2.38	5.13	7.71
MSCI EAFE Index	-9.28	-14.51	-19.57	-17.77	1.07	2.20	5.40	4.29
MSCI All Country World ex USA Index <sup>1</sup>	-8.60	-13.73	-18.42	-19.42	1.35	2.50	4.83	4.70

Source: Artisan Partners/MSCI. Returns for periods less than one year are not annualized. <sup>1</sup>Performance represents the MSCI ACWI ex USA (Gross) Index from inception to 31 Dec 2000 and the MSCI ACWI ex USA (Net) Index from 1 Jan 2001 forward. Class inception: Investor (28 December 1995); Advisor (1 April 2015). For the period prior to inception, Advisor Class performance is the Investor Class's return for that period ("Linked Performance"). Linked Performance has not been restated to reflect expenses of the Advisor Class and the share class's returns during that period would be different if such expenses were reflected.

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## Portfolio Details

	ARTIX	APDIX
Net Asset Value (NAV)	\$23.90	\$23.81
Inception	28 Dec 1995	1 Apr 2015
Expense Ratios		
Semi-Annual Report 31 Mar 2022 <sup>1</sup>	1.20%	1.05%
Prospectus 30 Sep 2021 <sup>2</sup>	1.19%	1.04%

<sup>1</sup>Unaudited, annualized for the six-month period. <sup>2</sup>See prospectus for further details.

## Top 10 Holdings (% of total portfolio)

Shell PLC (United Kingdom)	4.7
Linde PLC (United Kingdom)	4.6
Deutsche Boerse AG (Germany)	4.3
Canadian Pacific Railway Ltd (Canada)	4.2
BNP Paribas SA (France)	3.9
Argenx SE (Belgium)	3.6
Alphabet Inc (United States)	3.6
Deutsche Telekom AG (Germany)	3.4
Air Liquide SA (France)	3.4
Schlumberger NV (United States)	3.4
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>39.1%</b>

Source: Artisan Partners/MSCI.

## Sector Diversification (% of portfolio securities)

	Fund	EAFE <sup>1</sup>
Communication Services	7.3	4.9
Consumer Discretionary	8.8	11.5
Consumer Staples	7.4	10.9
Energy	10.3	4.6
Financials	23.0	17.2
Health Care	10.9	13.5
Industrials	17.5	15.4
Information Technology	4.3	8.2
Materials	10.6	7.3
Real Estate	0.0	2.9
Utilities	0.0	3.5
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

Source: Artisan Partners/GICS/MSCI. Cash and cash equivalents represented 4.2% of the total portfolio. <sup>1</sup>MSCI EAFE Index.

## Average Annual Total Returns

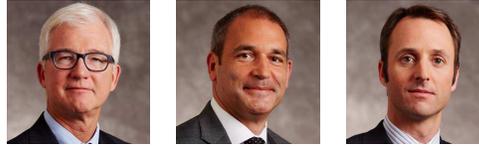
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## Region/Country Allocation (% of portfolio securities)

REGION	Fund	EAFE <sup>1</sup>
<b>EUROPE</b>	<b>75.6</b>	<b>64.1</b>
United Kingdom	18.1	15.7
Germany	16.4	7.6
France	14.6	11.3
Switzerland	9.8	10.4
Belgium	5.6	1.0
Netherlands	4.2	4.3
Ireland	2.5	0.6
Denmark	1.6	2.8
Italy	1.6	2.2
Spain	1.3	2.3
<b>AMERICAS</b>	<b>21.1</b>	<b>—</b>
United States	13.7	—
Canada	7.4	—
<b>EMERGING MARKETS</b>	<b>2.5</b>	<b>—</b>
India	1.8	—
Brazil	0.7	—
Russia	0.0	—
<b>PACIFIC BASIN</b>	<b>0.8</b>	<b>35.1</b>
Japan	0.8	22.4
<b>MIDDLE EAST</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>0.8</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

Source: Artisan Partners/MSCI. <sup>1</sup>MSCI EAFE Index. Countries held in the index, but not held in the portfolio, are not listed.

## Team Leadership (Pictured left to right)



Portfolio Manager	Years of Investment Experience
Mark L. Yockey, CFA	41
<b>Associate Portfolio Managers</b>	
Charles-Henri Hamker	32
Andrew J. Euretig	18

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For the purpose of determining the Fund's holdings, securities of the same issuer are aggregated to determine the weight in the Fund. The discussion of portfolio holdings does not constitute a recommendation of any individual security. These holdings comprise the following percentages of the Fund's total net assets as of 31 Jul 2022: Amazon.com Inc 3.1%. As of 3 Mar 2022, Russian holdings are valued at zero. Securities named in the Commentary, but not listed as a Top Ten Holding or not listed here are not held in the Fund as of the date of this report. The portfolio managers' views and portfolio holdings are subject to change and the Fund disclaims any obligation to advise investors of such changes.

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