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Overall Morningstar Ranking (Class I)

★★★★

RAIIX received a 4-Star Overall Rating out of 121 Foreign Small/Mid Growth funds. The Rating is based on risk-adjusted returns derived from a weighted average of the Fund's 3-, 5- and 10-year Morningstar metrics.

See next page for additional details.

Investment Objective

To provide investors with long-term capital appreciation by investing primarily in the common stock of small- to mid-capitalization companies located outside the U.S.

Investment Strategy

The Series is primarily invested in the common stock of small- and mid-capitalization companies traded outside the U.S. Rainier typically selects investments that fall within the market capitalization range of the MSCI ACWI ex USA Small Cap Index at the time of purchase. The Team will invest in any type of company whether it is in the index or not, as long as it is within the market cap range and fits the investment objectives. To control risk, extreme overweighting or underweighting of the Series relative to the Index is normally avoided.

Investment decisions are based on fundamental analysis, which emphasizes bottom-up stock selection of companies that exhibit strong growth, clear key earnings drivers and attractive valuations. The investment team evaluates companies across all sectors and regions using this growth and valuation criteria.

Portfolio Managers

| Name | Experience |
|-------------------|------------------------------------|
| Henrik Strabo | 40 years industry 13 years Firm |
| Anthony Han, CFA® | 33 years industry 6 years Firm |
| Badan Tuladhar | 25 years industry 6 years Firm |

Top Ten Investments

| Holdings | % |
|----------------------------|------|
| ELEMENT FLEET MGMT COM | 2.37 |
| FUGRO NV | 2.14 |
| EURONEXT | 1.86 |
| HOWDEN JOINERY GR ORD | 1.83 |
| TFI INTERNATIONAL COM | 1.74 |
| DIPLOMA ORD | 1.71 |
| ALK-ABELLO A/S | 1.66 |
| KAYNES TECHNOLOGY | 1.58 |
| FUKUOKA FINANCIAL GROUP | 1.54 |
| TOROMONT INDUSTRIE COM STK | 1.44 |

Top Ten Investments is unaudited and excludes cash.

Fund Information

| | Ticker | Cusip | Inception | Minimum Investment* | Gross Expenses | Net Expenses** |
|---------|--------|-----------|------------|---------------------|----------------|----------------|
| Class Z | RAIRX | 56382R662 | 08/21/2017 | \$1M | 1.07% | 1.01% |
| Class I | RAIIX | 56382R688 | 03/28/2012 | \$1M | 1.19% | 1.16% |
| Class S | RISAX | 56382R670 | 11/30/2012 | \$2,000 | 1.47% | 1.41% |

*For Class S, the minimum may be waived for certain qualified retirement plans, participants in an automatic investment program, and discretionary investment accounts of the advisor. For Class Z and Class I, the minimum may be waived for certain qualified retirement plans and discretionary investment accounts of the Advisor.

**Reflects the Advisor's contractual agreement to limit its fees and reimburse certain expenses. The contractual waiver may not be amended or terminated without the prior approval of the Fund's Board of Directors. Class S includes a 12b-1 fee of 0.25%, of which up to 0.25% is available as a shareholder servicing fee. Class Z shares do not make payments to financial intermediaries.

Trailing Performance

| | QTD | YTD | 1Y | 3Y | 5Y | 10Y | Inception (03/28/2012) |
|-------------------|-------|--------|--------|--------|-------|-------|------------------------|
| Class Z | 4.49% | 7.73% | 17.26% | -5.69% | 7.37% | 7.47% | 9.51% |
| Class I | 4.42% | 7.58% | 17.08% | -5.82% | 7.23% | 7.36% | 9.42% |
| Class S | 4.38% | 7.40% | 16.82% | -6.05% | 6.95% | 7.09% | 9.15% |
| ACWIxUS Small Cap | 8.90% | 11.93% | 23.25% | 1.39% | 8.21% | 6.08% | 6.66% |

Performance data quoted represents past performance and does not guarantee future results.

Performance for periods greater than one year is annualized. The investment return and principal value of an investment will fluctuate, so that an investor's shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than their original cost. Current performance may be higher or lower than that quoted; investors can obtain the most recent month-end performance at www.manning-napier.com or by calling (800) 466-3863.

The Rainier International Discovery Fund (Predecessor Fund), which was managed by Rainier Investment Management, LLC, was reorganized into the Manning & Napier Fund, Inc. Rainier International Discovery Series on 08/21/2017. For periods prior to 08/21/2017, performance for the Class I and Z Shares is based on the historical performance of the Predecessor Fund's Institutional Shares, and will differ to the extent that the Predecessor Fund's Institutional Shares had a higher expense ratio. For periods between 11/30/2012 and 08/21/2017, performance for Class S is based on the historical performance of the Predecessor Fund's Class A Shares; performance prior to 11/30/2012 is based on the historical performance of the Predecessor Fund's Institutional Shares and adjusted for the Predecessor Fund's Class A Shares expenses. If the sales charges were reflected or if performance had been adjusted to reflect the Class S Shares' expenses, the performance would have been different depending on total expenses incurred by the Predecessor Fund.

Equity Sector Allocation

| Sector | Series | ACWIxUS Small Cap | Weighting |
|------------------------|--------|-------------------|------------|
| Communication Services | 7.2% | 3.5% | ██████ |
| Consumer Discretionary | 7.0% | 11.9% | ██████ |
| Consumer Staples | 3.2% | 6.3% | ██████ |
| Energy | 2.0% | 3.5% | ██ |
| Financials | 12.6% | 11.4% | ██ |
| Health Care | 7.7% | 6.6% | ██ |
| Industrials | 33.9% | 21.2% | ██████████ |
| Information Technology | 18.6% | 11.2% | ██████████ |
| Materials | 1.3% | 11.4% | ██████████ |
| Real Estate | 5.2% | 9.7% | ██████ |
| Utilities | 1.3% | 3.3% | ██ |

What You Should Know About Investing

All investments involve risks, including possible loss of principal. As with any stock fund, the value of your investment will fluctuate in response to stock market movements. Small- and medium-capitalization companies tend to have limited liquidity and greater price volatility than large-capitalization companies. Funds whose investments are concentrated in foreign and emerging market countries may be subject to fluctuating currency values, different accounting standards, and economic and political instability. The value of the Series may be affected by changes in exchange rates between foreign currencies and the U.S. dollar. Investments in emerging markets may be more volatile than investments in more developed markets. Additionally, the Series is subject to portfolio turnover risk as it may buy and sell investments frequently, which may result in higher expenses and an increase in realized capital gains and potential tax implications for shareholders.

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Fund Characteristics

| | Series | ACWIxUS Small Cap |
|--------------------------------|---------|----------------------|
| Strategy Assets (\$M) | \$758 | -- |
| Fund Assets (\$M) | \$430 | -- |
| Weight. Avg Mkt. Cap (\$M USD) | \$5,354 | \$2,159 |
| Current P/E | 22.5 | 19.3 |
| P/Cash Flow | 15.7 | 10.0 |
| Active Share (vs. ACWIxUS SC) | 95.5% | -- |
| Annual Turnover | 64% | -- |
| 5 Yr Avg Turnover | 82% | -- |

Regional Allocation

| | | |
|--------------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| Americas | 10.9% | 8.5% |
| Europe (ex. UK) | 31.8% | 21.2% |
| UK | 12.3% | 9.6% |
| Africa/Middle East | -- | 4.8% |
| Asia/Pacific Basin (ex. Japan) | 26.9% | 33.5% |
| Japan | 18.1% | 22.4% |
| Developed Markets | 76.5% | 69.5% |
| Emerging Markets | 23.5% | 30.5% |

Market Capitalization

| | | |
|--------------------|-------|-------|
| Under \$2 billion | 9.7% | 58.8% |
| \$2 - \$5 billion | 38.2% | 33.6% |
| \$5 - \$10 billion | 36.7% | 7.3% |
| Over \$10 billion | 15.4% | 0.2% |

Risk Statistics (Since Inception)

| | Class I | ACWIxUS Small Cap |
|--------------------|---------|----------------------|
| Alpha | 3.74% | -- |
| Beta | 0.91 | -- |
| Standard Deviation | 15.68% | 15.67% |
| Sharpe Ratio | 0.53 | 0.33 |
| Up Mkt Capture | 101.48% | -- |
| Down Mkt Capture | 86.94% | -- |

Fund Commentary

Global financial markets continued their push higher as they largely shrugged off a gradually slowing economy in the U.S. and rising geopolitical conflict around the world. We saw the beginnings of a rotation and broadening out of the equity market away from the dominance of mega-capitalization U.S. tech companies that has defined the recent past as non-U.S. markets notably outperformed domestic stocks, and small-capitalization stocks led their larger counterparts as well.

The fund delivered positive absolute returns during the quarter but underperformed its benchmark, the MSCI ACWI ex USA Small Cap Index, on a relative basis. Similarly on a year-to-date basis, the fund's returns are positive but behind those of the benchmark. Save for mild drags from an overweight to the Information Technology sector and an underweight to the Real Estate sector, individual stock decisions were the main drivers of relative underperformance for the quarter.

Specific detractors included BE Semiconductor (or "Besi", a Dutch manufacturer of semiconductor equipment) and COSMAX (a Korean "white label" manufacturer for cosmetic products). Besi, as a supplier to the chipmaking industry, has been negatively impacted by changes to the outlook in growth from end-customers. COSMAX, which is a relatively new addition to the portfolio, had been negatively impacted by weakness in China prior to sentiment improving in China recently.

Positive contributors to performance included two Indian companies in Kaynes Technology (a provider of electronics system services across a range of industries) and KFin Technologies (a financial services platform solutions provider). Kaynes has been a recent beneficiary of the Indian government's focus on making the country more self-reliant, while KFin has similarly benefited from strong growth in the Indian market in addition to expansion outside of India.

Geographically, the portfolio remains overweight to Europe and underweight to the Pacific region. Japan, despite being a relative underweight, remains a primary area of absolute exposure in the portfolio as the investment environment continues to improve in a country with many high-quality growing companies. Emerging market exposure is underweight relative to market but remains a prominent absolute portion of the portfolio and source of new ideas, specifically in India and Taiwan.

Several new positions were added to the fund during the quarter, including Japan Elevator (the largest independent elevator maintenance company in Japan) and Swissquote Group (a high-quality retail brokerage firm in Switzerland). Japan Elevator is in an attractive industry and is driving growth through its focus on modernization of existing elevators, while Swissquote has shown the ability to generate consistent growth in client assets and is also likely to benefit from international expansion.

Several names were also removed during the quarter, including Varun Beverage (the preeminent Pepsi product distributor in India) and Alesa (a Mexican multi-brand restaurant operator). Varun was a long-time holding for the portfolio, and we've decided to sell due to how large the company has grown. We sold our position in Alesa on the back of increasing weakness in their non-Mexican businesses and growing uncertainty within Mexico after the most recent elections.

Definitions

Alpha: A measure of an investment's performance relative to a benchmark index. It represents the excess return of an investment compared to the return of the benchmark.

Beta: A measure of an investment's volatility relative to the overall market.

Standard Deviation: A statistical measure of the dispersion of returns for a given investment. It quantifies the amount of variation or volatility from the average return.

Sharpe Ratio: A measure of risk-adjusted return, calculated by subtracting the risk-free rate from the investment's return and then dividing by its standard deviation.

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