



RBC Global Focus Equity

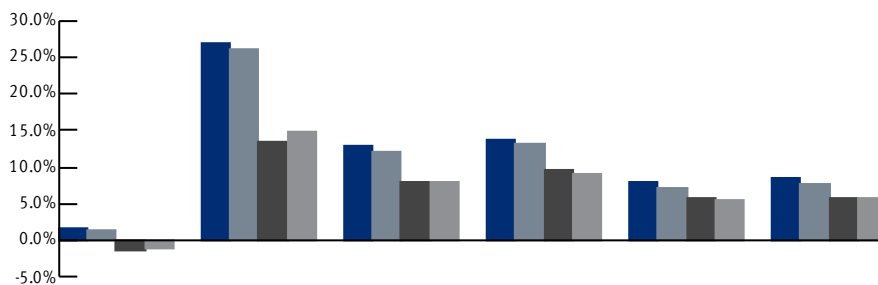
Quarterly Commentary

The first quarter of 2018 can be broken down fairly neatly into its three component months. January delivered much the same as 2017 - equity market appreciation with little volatility. This changed in February with markets selling off in concert, driven by volatility trade unwinds and valuation concerns. March was also negative but was the product of the re-emergence of protectionism, especially between the US and China, and a reappraisal of valuations in the burgeoning technology sector in light of some firms' cavalier attitudes towards customer data.

Within the MSCI ACWI Net Index sector returns were mixed. Despite a late quarter sell-off on the back of Facebook's woes, information technology was the strongest sector followed by consumer discretionary. All other sectors were in negative territory. Quarterly performance benefited from positive stock selection in consumer staples, financials and information technology, but was hurt by stock selection in the consumer discretionary sector as well as a sector overweight in information technology.

The Global Equity Team continues to look to the long term to discover companies with strong inherent qualities that will be robust enough to withstand short-term market forces.

Investment Performance



	QTR (%)	1YR (%)	3YR (%)	5YR (%)	10YR (%)	SI (%)
Strategy (Gross)	1.57	26.90	13.00	13.85	7.94	8.56
Strategy (Net)	1.39	26.02	12.21	13.05	7.18	7.81
Benchmark	-1.28	13.59	7.97	9.70	5.90	5.84
Secondary Benchmark	-0.96	14.85	8.12	9.20	5.57	5.80

Past performance is not indicative of future results.

Source: RBC Global Asset Management, Rimes

Inception of the performance record is 9.1.06.

Returns are presented in gross and net of fees and include the reinvestment of all income. All returns for periods greater than one year are shown on an annualized basis. Performance and composite information presented is supplemental to the "GIPS® Compliant Presentation" which contains additional information regarding calculation of performance data. The secondary benchmark is used for comparison purposes as a comparison for the US market.

Portfolio Characteristics¹

	Strategy	Benchmark	Secondary Benchmark
Fundamental data			
Sales Growth	16.0%	10.9%	11.7%
Net Profit Margin	15.2%	15.2%	15.5%
Asset Turnover	74.8%	61.6%	61.1%
Debt to Equity	0.8	1.2	1.2
ROE (T1Y)	17.1%	11.9%	11.9%
ROA (T1Y)	3.2%	1.9%	1.9%
Market data			
P/E (F1Y)	19.9	15.3	14.8
FCF Yield (ex-Financials)	3.5%	4.2%	4.2%
Weighted Avg Mkt Cap	\$134.1bn	\$136.6bn	\$132.4bn
Active Share	93.5%	-	-
12-Month Turnover	34.2%	-	-

Top Ten Holdings¹

Company Name	Country	Strategy (%)
Roche	Switzerland	4.6
Estée Lauder	United States	4.6
EOG Resources	United States	4.6
UnitedHealth	United States	4.5
Fortive	United States	4.1
HDFC Bank	India	4.1
TJX	United States	3.9
Intuit	United States	3.8
Unilever	Netherlands	3.7
First Republic Bank	United States	3.7

Strategy Overview

- \$2,949 Million Assets Under Management
- Inception: September 2006
- Benchmarks: MSCI World Net Index, Secondary: MSCI ACWI Net Index
- Vehicles: Separate Account, SICAV (ISIN: LU1096671539), US '40 Act, US 3C7, Canadian Mutual Fund

Investment Philosophy & Style

- Businesses with strong competitive dynamics generate considerable economic value over the long-term - poor businesses destroy it
- Owning over-priced stocks puts capital at risk
- Differentiated source of alpha with very low correlation to style-driven managers and peer group

Investment Process

- Competitive Dynamics Assessment: Identify competitive businesses with growth opportunities
- Conviction-based strategy aims to deliver predictable and consistent risk-adjusted returns
- Embedded risk management process dedicated to monitoring and managing risk
- Integrated ESG factors to identify long-term risks to financial sustainability

Portfolio Construction

- High conviction portfolio: 30-40 issues
- Majority of returns from stock selection
- Maximum in a single security: 7.5%
- Sector exposure: +/- 10% versus index
- Country exposure: +/- 10% versus index (except US +/- 15%)

Investment Team

Habib Subjally, Head of RBC Global Equity
Industry Experience: 24 years

Seven Sector Focused Specialists
Three Risk and Portfolio Construction Specialists
The investment team of eleven experts has over 180 years of collective investment experience and is based in the RBC GAM-UK London office.

About RBC Global Asset Management

- Over \$325 billion Assets Under Management
- Offices in North America, Europe and Asia
- Over 300 investment professionals globally
- Part of Royal Bank of Canada (RBC), one of the highest rated and largest banks in the world*

*Ratings: S&P: AA-, Moody's: A1. Ranked 5th largest bank in North America and 10th globally based on market capitalization (Bloomberg, 3.31.18).

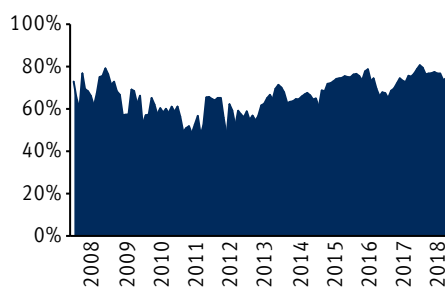
Region Allocation¹

	Strategy (%)
North America	57.6
Europe/Middle East	24.4
Emerging Markets	9.9
Asia Pacific	7.2
Cash	1.0

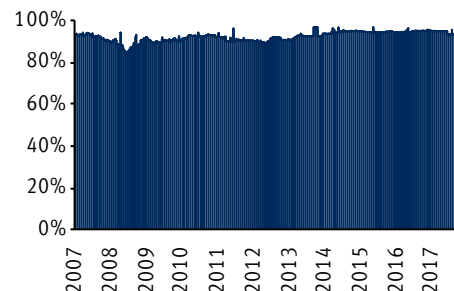
Sector Allocation¹

	Strategy (%)
Financials	21.4
Consumer Discretionary	17.0
Information Technology	15.3
Health Care	14.2
Industrials	11.9
Consumer Staples	11.2
Energy	4.6
Materials	3.4
Cash	1.0

Total Risk from Stock Specific Sources¹

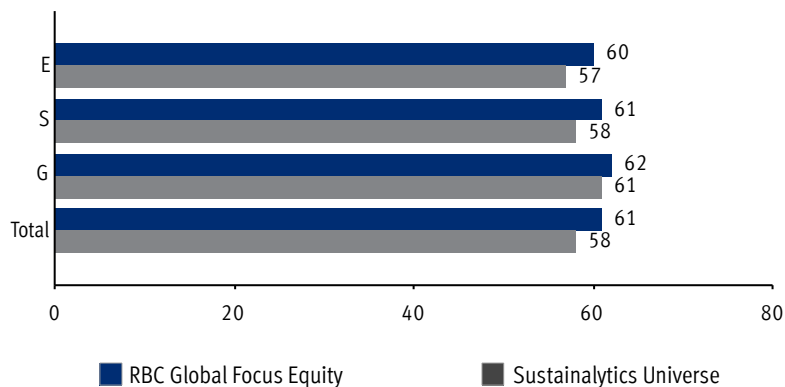


Active Share¹



Source: RBC, MSCI, Northfield, UBS PAS, Citigram, Axima.

Environmental, Social & Governance Credentials¹



Sustainalytics scores these companies on a scale out of 100. The un-weighted average score of holdings in the RBC Global Focus Equity strategy compared to the Sustainalytics coverage universe.

Proxy Voting Record 12 Months Ending 3/2018

With Management	Against	Total
91%	9%	100%

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Source: RBC Global Asset Management, Russell, FactSet
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GIPS® Compliant Presentation, as of March 31, 2018

RBC GAM Global Equity - Concentrated (USD)

Inception Date: September 1, 2006

Benchmark: MSCI World Total Return Net Index

Currency: USD

Annual Returns	Composite Gross Return (%)	Composite Net Return (%)	Benchmark Return (%)	Composite 3-Yr St Dev (%)	Benchmark 3-Yr St Dev (%)	Number of Portfolios	Internal Dispersion (%)	Composite Assets (millions)	Firm Assets (millions)
2008	-40.29	-40.70	-40.71	n/a	n/a	2	-	83.3	164,090.1
2009	28.83	27.93	29.99	21.66	21.40	2	0.09	109.4	228,136.6
2010	9.46	8.69	11.76	23.91	23.72	2	0.11	101.5	252,397.6
2011	-3.00	-3.68	-5.54	20.47	20.15	3	0.07	613.7	244,857.4
2012	15.27	14.46	15.83	17.98	16.74	3	0.31	609.3	279,416.3
2013	29.68	28.78	26.68	14.15	13.54	2	0.12	111.5	296,003.0
2014	7.03	6.28	4.94	10.28	10.23	3	-	1,004.6	302,064.4
2015	4.79	4.06	-0.87	10.34	10.80	4	0.31	1,401.2	276,979.3
2016	4.06	3.34	7.51	10.92	10.92	4	0.22	1,801.6	289,538.6
2017	35.37	34.42	22.40	10.59	10.23	4	0.38	2,806.1	331,885.2
YTD 2018	1.57	1.39	-1.28	11.13	10.47	4	0.12	2,948.7	326,569.8

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Compliance Statement: RBC GAM claims compliance with the Global Investment Performance Standards (GIPS®) and has prepared and presented this report in compliance with the GIPS® standards. RBC GAM has been independently verified for the periods January 1, 2002 through December 31, 2016. Verification assesses whether (1) the firm has complied with all the composite construction requirements of the GIPS® standards on a firm-wide basis and (2) the firm's policies and procedures are designed to calculate and present performance in compliance with the GIPS® standards. The Global Equity - Concentrated (USD) composite has been examined for the periods September 1, 2006 - December 31, 2016. The verification and performance examination reports are available upon request.

Composite Description: The Global Equity - Concentrated (USD) Composite is defined as consisting of those mandates that have exposure primarily in stocks of all the developed markets in the world, with high alpha concentration. Funds may also invest between 20 - 30% of their assets in Emerging Markets.

Benchmark: The primary benchmark for the composite is the MSCI World (net of withholding taxes) - a free-float weighted equity index. The index is designed to measure the equity market performance of developed markets across the world. The MSCI All Country World Index (net of withholding taxes) - a free-float weighted equity index is also used as a secondary benchmark.

Gross of Fees: Performance total returns have been calculated before management fees & expenses and after all trading commissions. Returns are calculated net of non-reclaimable taxes on dividends, interest, and capital gains. Reclaimable withholding taxes have been accrued.

Net of Fees: Net of fee performance is calculated using the maximum stated annual fee of 0.70% calculated and applied monthly.

Performance Calculations: Results are based on all fully discretionary accounts meeting the composite definition, including those accounts no longer with the firm. Returns are shown in U.S. Dollars, and include the reinvestment of all income. Performance shown for the Global Equity - Concentrated Composite is based on information generated by RBC Global Asset Management's internal performance systems starting February 1, 2014, which may differ from the performance shown in official books and records of certain investment funds which form a part of the composite. Official books and records for certain investment funds which form a part of the composite include the impact of a fair value for market timing that is applied to certain securities as of the close of trading for the fund. For the purposes of calculating the Global Equity - Concentrated Composite, we prepare a separate performance stream for such funds that eliminates the impact of this fair value adjustment. This second performance stream is used to calculate performance of the composite in an effort to better align the methodology for calculating composite performance with the methodology applied to calculate the benchmark. Additional information regarding policies for valuing portfolios, calculating performance, and preparing presentations is available upon request. Past performance is not indicative of future results.

Composite Dispersion: The composite dispersion of annual returns is indicated by the performance of individual accounts representing the equal weighted standard deviation of returns. Dispersion of returns is calculated for portfolios included in the composite for the full year.

3-Year Standard Deviation: Periods with less than 3 years of data will show "n/a".

Derivatives, Leverage and Short Positions: The use of hedging or leverage has not been used in the management of any funds within the composite.

Cash Flow Policy: For all periods from January 1, 2010 - January 31, 2014, the composite has had in place a significant cash flow policy whereby a portfolio will be removed from the composite if the cash flow is 10% or more of a portfolio's [or fund's] value. The firm has determined that an external cash flow of 10% or more may temporarily prevent the firm from implementing the intended investment strategy; thereby the fund is no longer representative of the composite strategy.

Fee Schedule: The management fee schedule is as follows: 0.70% for the first US\$50m, 0.60% on the next US\$50m, and 0.55% for all assets over US\$100m. Advisory fees are described on this page and on Form ADV Part 2A. RBC GAM reserves the right to negotiate all advisory fees.

Minimum Account Size: There is currently no minimum account size for inclusion in this composite.

Creation Date: This composite was created on February 1, 2014, with a data inception of September 1, 2006.

Composite History: Performance for the periods September 1, 2006 - January 31, 2014 was achieved while under employment at First State Investments. Past performance has been linked to the on-going performance of the RBC GAM Global Equity Concentrated Composite starting January 1, 2014. While at First State the composite was called the FSI High Alpha Concentrated Composite.

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