



## Driehaus Emerging Markets Sustainable Equity Fund\*



\*A sub-fund of Heptagon Fund plc

The Fund has been classified as an Article 8 for the purposes of the EU's Sustainable Finance Disclosure Regulation. Please see <u>prospectus</u> for further information on the Fund's environmental and/or social characteristics and relevant sustainability risks.

## **Important Information**



The following presentation provides information on the Driehaus Emerging Markets Sustainable Equity Fund (the "Fund"), a sub-fund of Heptagon Fund Plc which is an open-ended umbrella type investment company authorised pursuant to UCITS regulations. Heptagon Capital Limited ("Heptagon") is the Investment Manager and Driehaus Capital Management LLC ("Driehaus") is the Sub-Investment Manager meaning Driehaus exercises discretionary investment authority over the Fund. Driehaus was appointed Sub-Investment Manager of the Fund on 06.12.2016, prior to this OFI Global Institutional, Inc. was the Sub-Investment Manager from 25.06.2012 to 05.12.2016.

Please note that the Driehaus Emerging Markets Equity Fund changed to the Driehaus Emerging Markets Sustainable Equity Fund on 01.10.2020, on which date Environmental, Social and Governance ("ESG") criteria were formally implemented into the investment process.

The portfolio management team at Driehaus has been managing its Emerging Markets Equity Strategy since 1997 and has recently expanded to include the Emerging Markets Sustainable Equity Strategy. The Fund has the same Portfolio Managers and investment team, the same investment objective and uses the same philosophy and strategy as the Driehaus Emerging Markets Sustainable Equity Strategy. Since the Fund has a relatively short time period, the following presentation makes extensive reference to the Driehaus Emerging Markets Growth Composite ("Composite" or "Driehaus Emerging Markets Composite") to provide a better understanding of how the team has managed the Driehaus Emerging Markets Growth strategy over a longer time period. The Composite presented includes all unleveraged "emerging markets growth accounts" over which Driehaus exercises discretionary investment authority of both cash and equities using the same investment objective and philosophy (this includes the Fund, any segregated accounts under Driehaus' management and Driehaus' US mutual fund). The Composite was created on 01.01.1997, however performance data is presented since 01.01.2008 since the current Portfolio Manager has been in place since then. As of 01.10.2020 the Composite no longer includes the Fund and a new composite has been created, the Driehaus Emerging Markets Sustainable Composite (the "EM Sustainable Composite"), which is currently comprised of the Driehaus Emerging Markets Sustainable Equity Fund.

Driehaus manages the Fund according to the same investment principles, philosophy and execution of approach as those used for the EM Sustainable Composite, however it should be noted that due to certain factors including, but not limited to, differences in cash flows, fees, expenses, performance calculation methods, and portfolio sizes and composition, there may be variances between the investment returns demonstrated by each portfolio in the future.

For the same reason, although the following presentation makes extensive reference to the performance of Driehaus' Composite, the data for the Composite is provided purely for indicative purposes to demonstrate how Driehaus has performed historically in its role as investment advisor to this specific strategy. The performance for the Composite is not the performance of the Fund and is not an indication of how the Fund would have performed in the past or will perform in the future. This material should not be viewed as a solicitation or offer of services by Driehaus. It is provided for informational purposes only. The information contained herein does not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to purchase any U.S. registered security or U.S. investment product.

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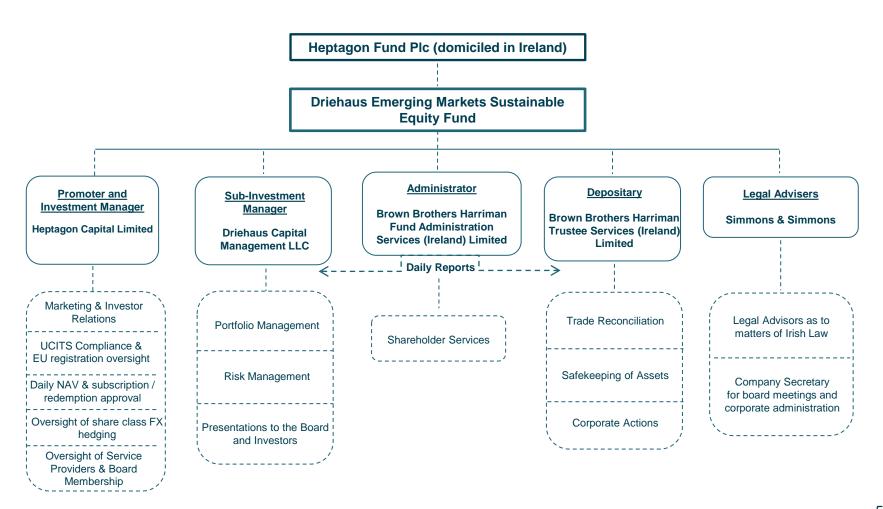
## The Investment Manager & Sub-Investment Manager



### Irish UCITS Fund Structure



The diagram below explains the Irish UCITS fund structure and the relationship between the Investment Manager, Sub-Investment Manager and other relevant service providers for the Driehaus Emerging Markets Sustainable Equity Fund.



## Investment Manager - Heptagon Capital



- Heptagon Capital\* is a private investment firm, run on partnership principles, that was founded in 2005 by three senior former Morgan Stanley Executives.
- The Company has extensive investment management, structuring and advisory expertise, across multiple asset classes, and currently actively advises on/manages approximately **\$14.8bn in assets**\*\*.
- Further principals have joined taking the team to 36 people of 16 different nationalities.

#### Heptagon Capital\*

#### **Heptagon UCITS Fund Platform**

#### In-house

- Heptagon European Focus Equity Fund
- · Heptagon Future Trends Equity Fund
- Heptagon Listed Private Assets Fund

#### Sub-advised

- Yacktman US Equity Fund
- Driehaus Emerging Markets Sustainable Equity Fund
- · Driehaus US Micro Cap Equity Fund
- Driehaus US Small Cap Equity Fund
- Kopernik Global All-Cap Equity Fund
- WCM Global Equity Fund
- Heptagon Kettle Hill US L/S Equity Fund
- · Summit Sustainable Opportunities L/S Equity Fund
- Easterly US Value Equity Fund\*\*\*

#### **External Manager Platform**

- Hedge Funds
- Private Equity
- Alternative Funds
- Long Only Funds
- Real Estate

#### **Discretionary Portfolio Management**

- Discretionary Portfolio Management
- Concentrated Equity Management
- · Hedging and Overlay Strategies
- Asset Allocation Advice
- Bespoke Mandates

Signatory of:



PRI is a leading global network for investors who are committed to integrating environmental, social and governance considerations into their investment practices and ownership policies. Heptagon signed the UN PRI on 10th July 2019.

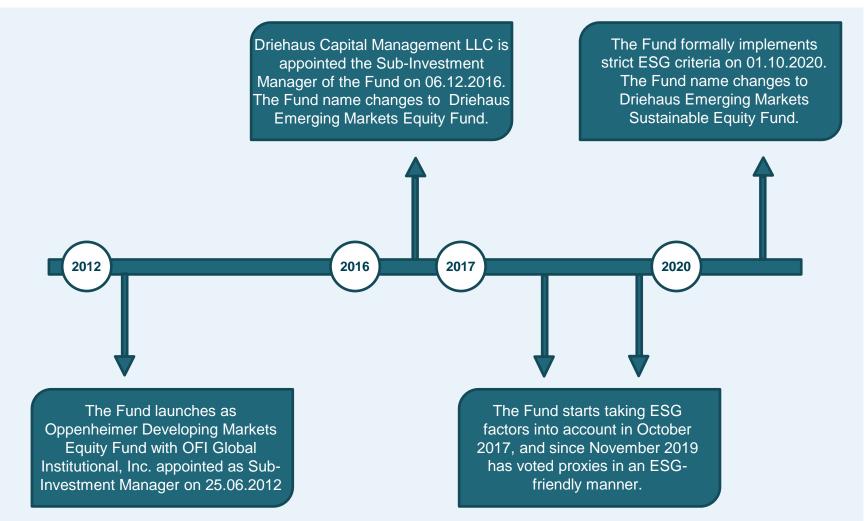
\*Heptagon Capital includes Heptagon Capital Limited, licensed to conduct investment services by the Malta Financial Services Authority and Heptagon Capital LLP, authorised and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority

\*\*As of 31.03.2021

\*\*\* The Levin Easterly US Equity Fund changed to the Easterly US Value Equity Fund on 06.05.2021 following a change in the Sub-Investment Manager's name.

## **Fund Evolution**





# Sub-Investment Manager – Driehaus Capital Management

Independent boutique asset management firm

Founded in 1982

Based in Chicago, USA

\$12.9 billion of assets under management

89 total employees

31 investment professionals

**ESG** factors integrated into investment process

Registered with the SEC since 1983

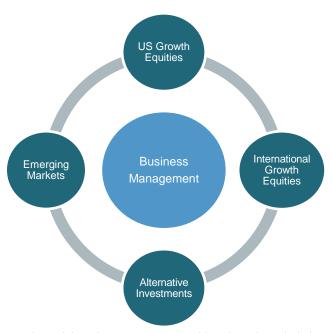
#### **Strengths**

- Stable firm with 39+ year history
- Focus on less-efficient investable universes
- Proven investment philosophies with differentiated sources of alpha
- Well resourced, experienced investment talent
- Strong alignment of interests with investors
- Robust business infrastructure

Signatory of:



#### **Four Experienced Investment Teams**



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## Driehaus – Awards, Ratings and Rankings



	Awards
Driehaus US Micro Cap Equity Fund	2021 Lipper Fund Award for Best Fund over 3 years in Equity US Sm&Mid Cap classification
Driehaus Emerging Markets Growth Fund (DREGX)	THOMSON REUTERS LIPPER FUND AWARDS 2015 Lipper 10-Year Award 2016 for Emerging Markets Funds <sup>1</sup> Lipper 10-Year Award 2016 for Emerging Markets Funds <sup>1</sup>
Jeff James (Portfolio Manager)	Sauren Golden Awards 2020 - Two gold medals for excellent fund management for Equity USA Small Caps category Citywire AAA rated.
Howard Schwab (Portfolio Manager)	Citywire AA rated.
Chad Cleaver (Portfolio Manager)	CITYWIRE AA Citywire AA rated.
Richard Thies (Portfolio Manager)	CITYMIRE AA Citywire AA rated.
Michael Buck (Portfolio Manager)	CITYWIRE AAA Citywire AAA rated.
	Rankings
Driehaus Micro Cap Growth Strategy	#1 strategy (of 598 managers) in eVestment database for All US Equity category and US Micro Cap and US Small Cap Equity Categories <sup>2</sup>
Driehaus Emerging Markets Growth Strategy	#1 (of 41 managers) in eVestment database for All Emerging Markets Equity category <sup>3</sup>
Driehaus Small Cap Growth Strategy	#1 (of 31 managers) in eVestment database for All US Equity category and US Small Cap Equity category <sup>4</sup>
Driehaus Emerging Markets Sustainable Equity Fund	#1 (out of 464 funds) on Citywire for trailing 3-year risk-adjusted returns <sup>5</sup>
	Ratings
Driehaus Emerging Markets Growth Fund (DREGX)	MORNINGSTAR® Overall 10 Yr <b>5 Star Rating</b> for Emerging Markets Category <sup>6</sup>
Driehaus Micro Cap Growth Fund (DMCRX)	MORNINGSTAR® Overall 3 and 5 Yr <b>5 Star Rating</b> for Small Growth Category <sup>6</sup>
Driehaus Small Cap Growth Fund (DNSMX)	MORNINGSTAR® Overall 3 Yr <b>5 Star Rating</b> for Small Growth Category <sup>6</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The Lipper Fund Awards program honours funds that have excelled in delivering consistently strong risk-adjusted performance, relative to peers. In addition, the Lipper Fund Awards program recognizes fund families with high average scores for all funds within a particular asset class or overall.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> As of 31 December 2020 since inception date 1 January 1996.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> As of 31 December 2020 since inception date 1 January 1997.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> As of 31 December 2020 since inception date 1 January 1980.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> As of 30 July 2020

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Morningstar, as of 31 March 2021. The Overall Morningstar Rating™ for a fund is derived from a weighted average of the risk-adjusted performance figures associated with its three-, five- and ten year (if applicable) Morningstar Rating™ metrics.

## Investment Philosophy & Process



## Driehaus Emerging Markets Sustainable Strategy



#### **Competitive Edge**

#### **Team**

- Experience: 3 Portfolio Managers with 36+ years of Emerging Markets portfolio management experience at Driehaus.
- Leadership: Portfolio Managers own senior sector coverage responsibilities.

#### **Market Inefficiency**

Market anomaly: A differentiated philosophy and process exploits a persistent market anomaly driven by investors' behavioural biases.

#### **Alignment and Incentivisation**

Revenue share: Team is highly incentivised to outperform with its own P&L and revenue share.

#### **Investment Process**

- Market cycles: Robust process has been tried, tested and proved consistently repeatable across multiple market cycles.
- Growth profiles: Strategy is diversified by different growth exposures.
- Sustainability: Strong ESG attributes relative to the benchmark.

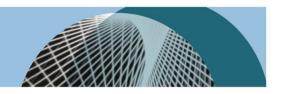
## Driehaus Emerging Markets Sustainable Strategy



### **Key Alpha Generation Features**

Focus on Inflection Points	❖ Captures a persistent market inefficiency
~ 100 Positions	<ul> <li>Optimises the investment style</li> <li>Fully captures the opportunity set</li> </ul>
Trading	<ul> <li>Captures the sweet spot of stocks' outperformance</li> <li>Ensures stocks benefit from a positive trend</li> <li>Component of strategy's risk management</li> </ul>
Macro Integration	<ul> <li>Integrated into bottom up company analysis</li> <li>Ensures aggregate portfolio exposures are consistent with Team's big picture views</li> </ul>
Behavioural Analysis	Enhances both the buy and sell discipline

## **Driehaus Emerging Markets Team**



The below employees at Driehaus are responsible for the portfolio management (including idea generation, portfolio construction, security selection, investment research and risk management) of the Driehaus Emerging Markets Sustainable Equity Fund.

#### **Dedicated Emerging Markets Expertise -**

Experienced Portfolio Managers and Analysts with Specialised Areas of Coverage

Portfolio Management										
Richard Portfolio M ESG Lead/Mac	Manager	Chad Clea Portfolio Materials/Ener	Manager	Howard Schwab Portfolio Manager Information Technology/Consumer						
Assistant Portfolio Management / Analyst Coverage										
Mihaela Za Senior A ESG/Consumer	nalyst		Chandra, CFA Analyst Thomas Ansen-Wilson, CFA* Senior Analyst ESG/ Information Technology							
	nathon Mershime ortfolio Manager/Senio Financials/Macro	-	Jason Shao Analyst Generalist/China-Focussed							
		Risk Cove	rage							
	Maximilian Heitner* ctor of Risk Manageme	nt	Michael So* Risk Analyst							
Traders										
Jason Vedder Director of Trading and Operations	<b>Jeffrey Funk</b> Senior Trader	Troy Frederick Senior Trader	Kimberly Nagy Senior Trader	Samuel Borrelli, CMT Trader	Jack Crowley, CFA Trader					

The Emerging Markets team benefits from formal and informal sharing of research and insight with the wider Driehaus investment research organization (macroeconomic/geopolitical/sector/industry/technical market environment)

The team's structure is flat to foster independent thinking and ownership of research ideas.

Additionally, the team benefits from the firm's 24-hour trading department and its wider investment research resources.

All analysts, including portfolio managers, have specific areas of expertise and/ or coverage responsibilities.

<sup>\*</sup> Also serves on the Firm's ESG Committee.

## Driehaus Emerging Markets Sustainable Strategy Overview

Investment Approach	Clear and proven investment philosophy and process, integrating fundamental and macroeconomic analysis that exploits inefficiencies linked to company-specific and macro inflections. True emerging markets opportunity including off-benchmark exposure
Investment Objective	The strategy aims to outperform, net of fees, the MSCI Emerging Markets Index
Sustainability	Focus on companies with strong or improving ESG attributes and growth opportunities tied to social, environmental and/or governance solutions
Investment Style	Bottom up equity investment approach
Portfolio Managers	<ul> <li>Stable, experienced, proven three-person portfolio management team</li> <li>Richard Thies, Portfolio Manager, ESG Lead <ul> <li>9+ years of emerging markets experience at Driehaus</li> <li>Leads macro and financials coverage</li> <li>Trained economist with microfinance background in sub-Sahara Africa</li> </ul> </li> <li>Chad Cleaver, CFA, Portfolio Manager <ul> <li>12+ years of emerging markets experience at Driehaus</li> <li>Leads materials, energy and industrial coverage</li> </ul> </li> <li>Howard Schwab, Portfolio Manager <ul> <li>18+ years of emerging markets experience at Driehaus</li> <li>Leads information technology and consumer coverage</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Benchmark	MSCI Emerging Markets Index
AUM	<ul> <li>Emerging Markets Sustainable Equity Composite <sup>1</sup>: \$96m</li> <li>Total Emerging Markets Strategy Assets<sup>2</sup>: \$5,683m</li> </ul>
Diversification	Active conviction based portfolio, generally fully invested with 80-140 stocks Position weights generally between 0.5% and 4%

#### What to Expect

- Consistent and repeatable investment and risk management process
- Strong ESG attributes relative to the benchmark
- Investments in fundamentally sound companies undergoing positive change
- Manager engagement with companies on material ESG issues and sustainable proxy voting
- Diversification via different types of company growth profiles
- Macroeconomic analysis integrated into all aspects of the investment process
- Alpha contribution and risk reduction through security selection and active trading
- Lower volatility and downside market capture than the benchmark
- Alignment of interests

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Composite assets include those accounts that meet the composite objectives and eligibility requirements. As of 31 March 2021.

 $<sup>^{2}</sup>$  Total strategy assets include all assets managed in the strategy style. As of 31 March 2021.

The Fund does not have a sustainable designated reference benchmark.

## **Investment Philosophy**



#### **Driehaus Believes**

#### Stock prices are driven by earnings growth over the long-term

Companies with strong business models, growth potential and quality management teams generate strong long-term shareholder returns

#### Markets tend to misprice securities following company-specific growth inflections

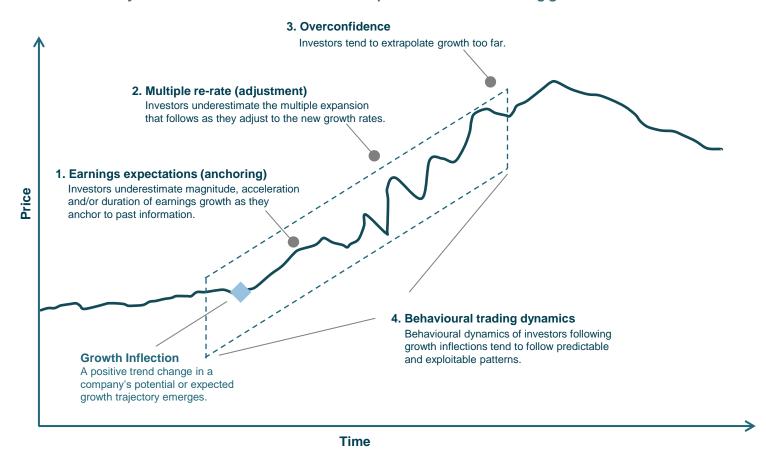
- These inefficiencies exist and persist due to investors' cognitive biases
- They follow predictable and exploitable patterns
- Identifying and capitalising on these inefficiencies at inflection points facilitates alpha creation

## Investment Philosophy



#### Philosophy capitalizes on a persistent market inefficiency......

The Dynamics of Growth: How markets misprice securities following growth inflections



Inefficiencies follow predictable and investable patterns

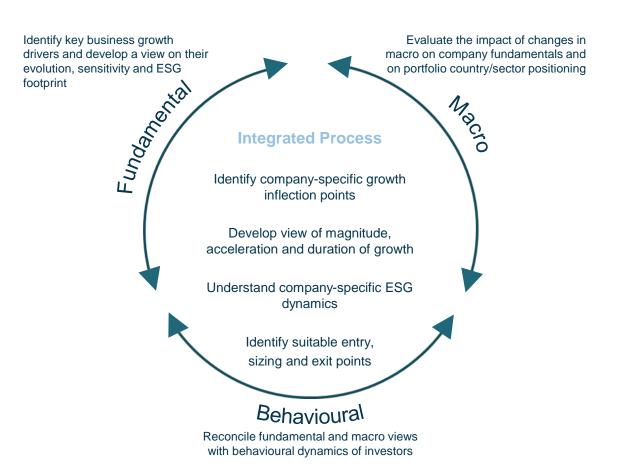
## Investment Philosophy



#### The interplay of fundamental, macro and behavioural analysis......

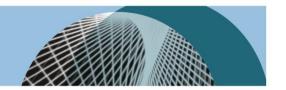
#### **Driehaus' Philosophy**

- Companies with strong business models and quality management teams generate strong long-term shareholder returns
- Investors' cognitive biases produce market inefficiencies
- Identifying and capitalising on these inefficiencies at inflection points facilitates alpha capture
- Material ESG factors will affect the sustainability of companies' future earnings and profitability
- The linkage between ESG factors and corporate fundamentals will persist if not increase



.....Provides a definable and repeatable edge

## Sustainability Overview



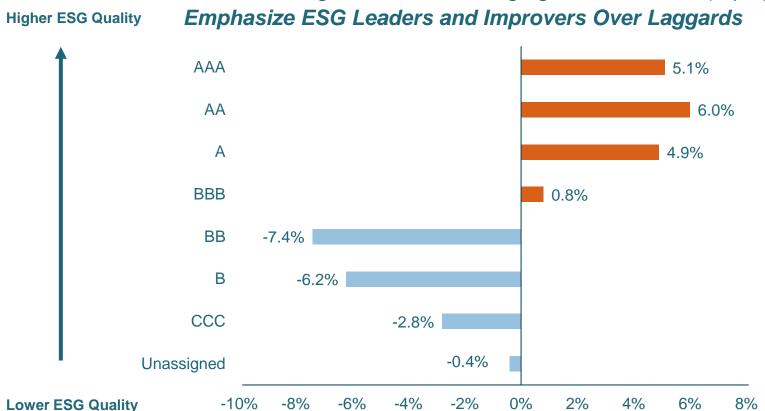
Driehaus seeks to identify companies with strong or improving ESG business practices relative to their sector peers.

Sustainability	<ul> <li>Focus on companies with strong or improving ESG attributes and growth opportunities tied to social and environmental solutions.</li> <li>Exclusions include involvement in adult entertainment, coal production, gambling, tobacco, weapons.</li> <li>Sustainable proxy voting and engagement to drive ESG improvements.</li> </ul>
Guidelines & Analysis	<ul> <li>Considerations which are used in our ESG analysis varies by industry and sector and may include:</li> <li>Alignment with UN Sustainable Development goals;</li> <li>Environmental and social reporting, disclosures and transparency;</li> <li>Material environmental and/or social controversies;</li> <li>Human rights considerations;</li> <li>Environmental practices;</li> <li>Board structure;</li> <li>Transparency in financial disclosure and accounting policies;</li> <li>Board and work force diversity;</li> <li>Executive compensation;</li> <li>Third-party ESG research from MSCI Inc., Sustainalytics and Truevalue Labs; and</li> <li>Expected improvement in ESG practices, factors and ratings.</li> </ul>
Engagement	<ul> <li>Engage with company management on potential ESG concerns identified.</li> <li>Sustainable-focused proxy voting policy.</li> </ul>

## **ESG** Ratings

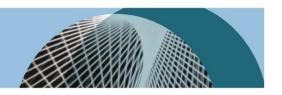


#### Relative Portfolio Weight vs. MSCI Emerging Markets Index (%pts)



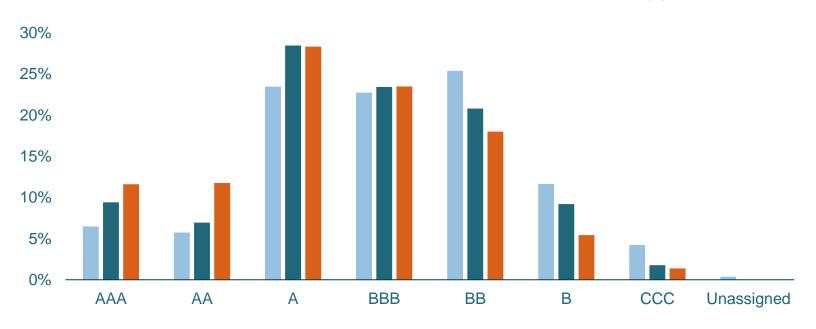
Source FactSet Research Systems LLC, MSCI Inc. ESG Ratings, and Driehaus Capital Management LLC
Portfolio and benchmark holdings are as of 31/03/21 and represent the model Driehaus Emerging Markets Sustainable Equity Strategy account and the MSCI Emerging Markets Index. Cash is excluded.

## **ESG** Ratings



#### Relative Portfolio Weight vs. MSCI Emerging Markets Index (%pts)

#### Emphasize ESG Leaders and Improvers Over Laggards

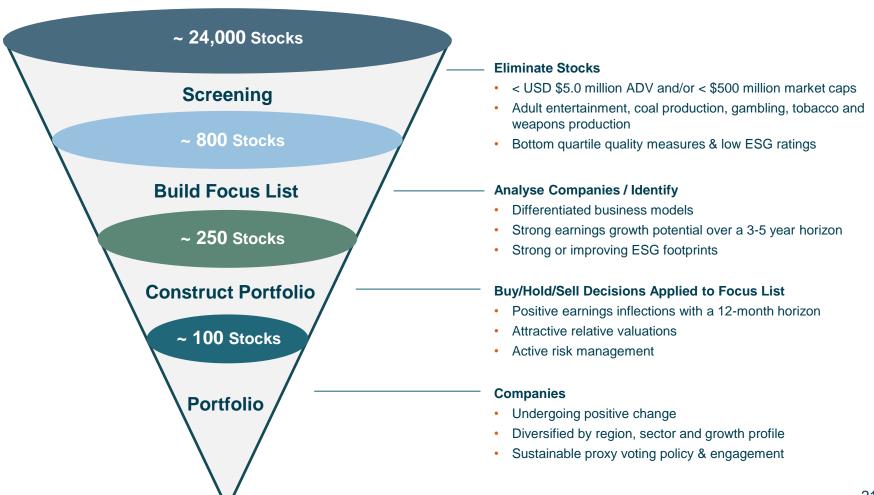


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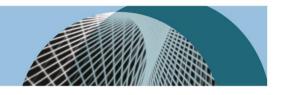
### **Investment Process Overview**



A consistent and repeatable process that leads to a portfolio of emerging market companies undergoing positive change with strong ESG attributes.



## Fundamental Analysis



Driehaus develops company-specific investment theses with a defined research focus for specific growth profiles.

#### **Dynamic Growth**

Research focused on magnitude and acceleration of growth

Typical Range: 25-45%

- Disruptive business models and/or technologies
- Differentiated product or service
- Supportive demographic trends
- Underpenetrated market
- May offer improvements to major social and environmental problems

#### **Cyclical Growth**

Research focused on magnitude and acceleration of growth

Typical Range: 15-35%

- Growth prospects linked to economic or product cycles
- Inflections tied to shifts in macro or industry conditions
- May be experiencing improving ESG business practices
- Earnings profiles may be more volatile/shorter term in nature

#### **Recovery Growth**

Research focused on magnitude, acceleration and/or duration of growth

Typical Range: 10-25%

- Weakness in fundamentals deemed to be transitional and market expectations appear overly pessimistic
- Relative value opportunities deemed to be attractive in relation to growth potential
- May be experiencing improving ESG business practices

#### **Consistent Growth**

Research focused on duration of growth

Typical Range: 15-35%

- Durable organic growth rates based on strong market position
- Attractive, defensible margins
- Strong management quality
- May trade at premium valuation as a result of sustainable competitive advantages
- Typically have relatively strong ESG attributes

Result: A diversified focus list of fundamentally vetted companies with relatively strong or improving ESG business practices

#### **Focus List**



A selective list of emerging markets-related companies that possess strong relative growth and ESG performance potential on a three-to five-year horizon.

#### **Focus List**

- ❖ ~250 stocks diversified across region, sector, market cap and growth buckets (classifications). Each analyst covers 40-50 focus list companies.
- Low name turnover (<25%). Much of the portfolio turnover is opportunistic trading around focus list positions for the purposes of risk management, rather than adding or removing new stocks.
- A focus list company has a strong/differentiated business model, management quality, competitive position, and/or market opportunity.
- ❖ The investment team generally has extensive history/interaction with focus list companies, which explains the lower turnover rate of focus list companies.
- Focus list companies are fundamentally monitored on a continuous basis and frequently engage with management teams.
- ❖ Focus list companies have strong and/or improving ESG business practices relative to their sector peers.

#### **Purpose**

Eliminates approximately 80% of the investable universe leaving companies that exhibit the attributes of our investment philosophy and ESG preference

Increases the efficiency of our research effort and improves our ability to target and detect positive inflection points

Ensures that evolving ESG business practises and risks are well understood

Provides portfolio managers with well vetted eligible securities that serve as building blocks for portfolio construction (buy decisions applied to the Focus List)

## Portfolio Construction



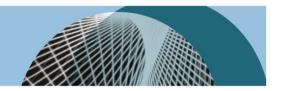
#### Bottom-up, conviction driven process.......

- · Positions sizing is based on conviction
- Broad portfolio guidelines (see below) provide sensible diversification parameters
- · Understand individual and aggregate risk factor exposure

Characteristic	Parameter	Rationale				
Cash	Fully invested	Market timing conflicts with investment objective				
Position size	Maximum 5% pts > index	Express conviction while minimising concentration risks				
Number of holdings	~ 100	Sufficiently robust universe				
Country / Sector	Maximum 15% pts > index	Express conviction while limiting country / sector risks				
Market capitalisation	All capitalisation	Optimises universe				
Off benchmark holdings	No limit	Optimises universe				
Growth Profiles	Maintain exposure to Dynamic/Cyclical/Recovery Consistent	Enhances end market and risk factor diversification without sacrificing conviction				
Volatility	No tracking error restrictions	Avoid closet indexing				
Key Risk Management Considerations	Decompose expected tracking error Understand exposures/sensitivities Technical overlay	Accentuate idiosyncratic investments Avoid surprises Avoid biases				

#### ......Understand the risks Driehaus are taking

## Buy and Sell Discipline



Turnover is a by-product of new idea generation and risk management......

#### **Buy/Hold When**

- High conviction that future earnings will exceed expectations
- Valuations are justified relative to peers and stock's history
- Macro and behavioural picture confirms investment thesis
- Attractive asymmetric return potential exists (security still likely mispriced)

#### **Sell Reasons**

- Changes to the fundamental investment thesis
- Take profits
- Security is efficiently (or overly) valued
- Make room for new investment
- Macro and/or behavioural picture inconsistent with fundamental views

......Avoid falling in love with stocks through unbiased sell discipline

## Risk Management



Risk management process supports portfolio construction, quantifying exposures and sensitivities to minimise unintended outcomes.

#### **Understand Exposures**

#### **Monitor exposures:**

- · Country / Sector / Currency / Security
- Style factors such as
  - Momentum
  - Volatility
  - Valuation
- ESG factors
- Analyse exposures on a relative, absolute and beta-adjusted basis
- Ensure appropriate portfolio diversification

#### **Understand Sensitivities**

#### Monitor sensitivities:

- Intra-portfolio correlations
- · Country / Sector / Currency / Security
- Correlations, betas, volatilities

#### Conduct / Analyse:

- Scenario Analysis
- Stress tests



Ensure
awareness of
significant active
exposures and
make certain
that they are
being
consciously
made

#### Risk management is integrated into every step of the investment process

Idea Generation

Analysis

Sustainability

Portfolio Construction

Trading

Inv. Policy Committee

Compliance

**Ensure liquidity** 

Validate investment theses

Changes in MSCI ESG Ratings and Controversies systematically monitored Optimise intended exposures

Best execution

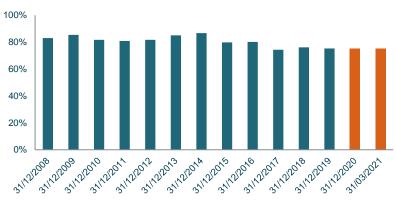
Multi-departmental oversight

Adherence to firm policies and obligations

### Portfolio Characteristics

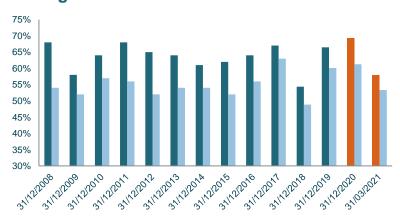
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#### **Active Share**



Source: Factset Research Systems, Inc.

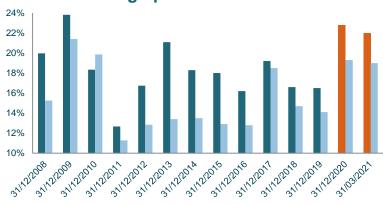
#### **Earnings Revisions**



Source: Driehaus Capital Management, sourced as of 03.05.2021.

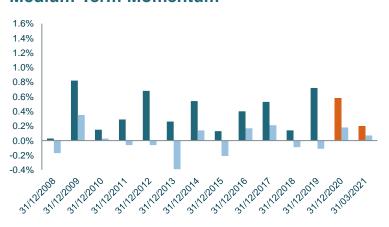
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#### 3-5 Year Earnings-per-Share Growth Rates



Source: Factset Research Systems, Inc.

#### **Medium-Term Momentum**



Source: Axioma, Inc.

Characteristics listed above are related to the model Driehaus Emerging Markets Growth strategy account up to 30 September 2020. As of 1 October 2020, all information relates to the Driehaus Emerging Markets Sustainable Strategy. MSCI represents the MSCI Emerging Markets Index (gross) USD. Exposures are a 27 by-product of the investment approach and subject to change based on the market environment.

## Driehaus Emerging Markets Sustainable Equity Fund\*



<sup>\*</sup> a sub-fund of Heptagon Fund plc, an Irish UCITS vehicle

## Driehaus Emerging Markets Sustainable Equity Fund (Irish UCITS) as of 31/03/2021

Driehaus Capital Management LLC was appointed Sub-Investment Manager of the Fund on 06.12.2016. Prior to this OFI Global Institutional, Inc. was the Sub-Investment Manager from 25.06.2012 to 05.12.2016. The Fund's strategy formally started to implement ESG criteria on 01.10.2020.

Monthly Returns: Class I - Net of fees

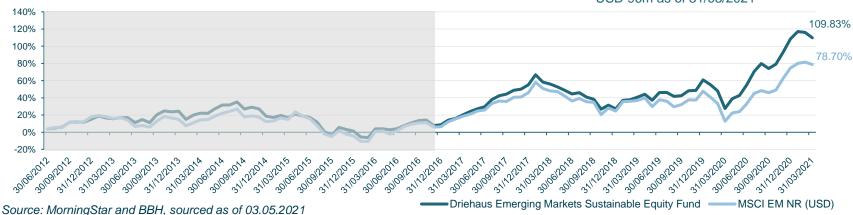
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total	MSCI	Excess Return
2012						3.9%*	1.0%	1.1%	5.3%	0.2%	0.0%	3.0%	15.2%*	18.0%*	-2.8%
2013	3.2%	-1.8%	-0.9%	1.2%	-0.1%	-5.0%	3.3%	-3.1%	8.2%	3.8%	-0.9%	0.6%	8.1%	-2.6%	10.7%
2014	-7.7%	4.4%	1.8%	-0.1%	4.4%	3.4%	-0.1%	2.6%	-6.0%	1.7%	-1.4%	-6.8%	-4.7%	-2.2%	-2.5%
2015	-1.3%	2.0%	-2.2%	3.8%	-2.0%	-1.4%	-4.7%	-10.0%	-4.3%	9.8%	-2.4%	-1.8%	-14.6%	-14.9%	0.3%
2016	-6.7%	-0.8%	10.8%	0.1%	-1.1%	1.2%	3.6%	2.9%	2.4%	0.4%	-5.5%	0.8%	7.3%	11.2%	-3.9%
2017	4.8%	1.8%	3.5%	3.4%	2.5%	2.0%	6.3%	3.3%	1.2%	3.2%	0.9%	3.3%	42.7%	37.3%	5.4%
2018	7.6%	-5.1%	-1.3%	-2.2%	-2.5%	-2.9%	1.0%	-3.6%	-1.7%	-8.2%	3.6%	-3.1%	-17.9%	-14.6%	-3.3%
2019	7.7%	0.5%	2.1%	2.4%	-4.8%	6.5%	0.0%	-3.0%	0.5%	4.1%	0.2%	8.2%	26.3%	18.4%	7.9%
2020	-3.4%	-4.7%	-13.7%	8.9%	2.7%	8.6%	10.0%	5.4%	-3.2%	2.9%	7.9%	7.9%	29.7%	18.3%	11.4%
2021	4.1%	-0.5%	-2.9%	·		·		·		·			0.6%	2.3%	-1.7%

\* Since I share class inception 25/06/2012

#### **Cumulative Performance Since Inception**

#### **UCITS Fund AUM in USD Millions:**

USD 96m as of 31/03/2021

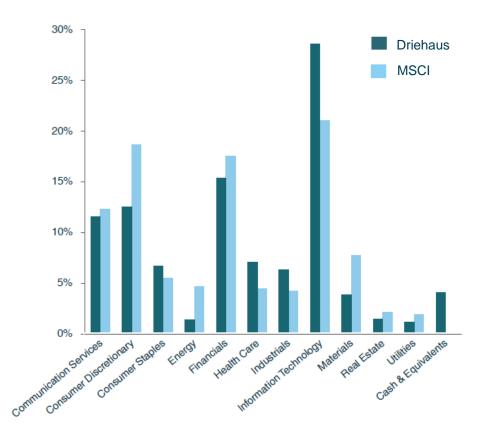


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#### Driehaus Emerging Markets Sustainable Equity Fund (Irish UCITS) as of 28/02/2021

#### **Portfolio Sector Weights**



Top 10 Holdings	% of portfolio
Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Co Ltd	7.6%
Taiwan Holdings Ltd	7.3%
Samsung Electronics Co Ltd	5.4%
Alibaba Group Holdings Ltd	2.6%
HDFC Bank Ltd	2.1%
ICICI Bank Ltd	1.6%
ASML Holding NV	1.5%
Infineon Technologies AG	1.5%
JD.com Inc	1.4%
L'Oreal SA	1.4%
Total of Top 10 Holdings	32.4%

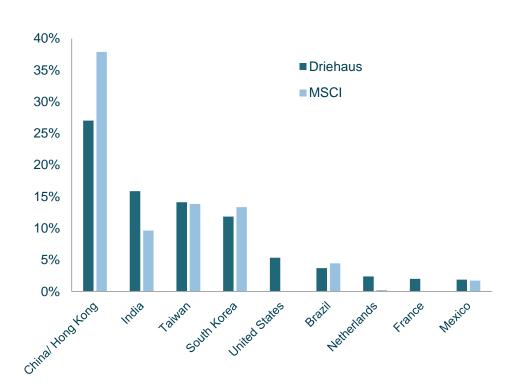
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# Driehaus Emerging Markets Sustainable Equity Fund (Irish UCITS) as of 31/03/2021

#### **Top 10 Country Weights**



Driehaus	MSCI		
93	1,392		
\$188,954	\$173,884		
\$29,545	\$7,324		
22.0%	19.0%		
75.08	N/A		
7.3%	7.7%		
11.6%	21.2%		
80.1%	71.2%		
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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Data is calculated monthly.

Source: Driehaus Capital Management, sourced as of 03.05.2021

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## Driehaus Emerging Markets Sustainable Composite



## Performance of Driehaus Emerging Markets Sustainable Composite as of 31/03/2021 (gross of fees)

Since December 31, 2007 Driehaus Emerging Markets Composite has achieved a cumulative gross return of **122.1%** vs. **44.7%** of the MSCI Emerging Markets Index (net) during the same period of time. Fund performance prior to 01.10.2020 relates to the Driehaus Emerging Markets Growth Composite, gross of fees, thereafter, it relates to the Driehaus Emerging Markets Sustainable Composite, net of fees.

#### **Monthly Returns**

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total	MSCI	Excess Return
2008	-12.0%	4.0%	-4.1%	5.9%	0.9%	-7.5%	-9.8%	-8.5%	-15.6%	-23.4%	-6.4%	6.8%	-53.6%	-53.3%	-0.3%
2009	-8.4%	-4.5%	12.4%	14.0%	19.4%	-3.0%	12.2%	0.1%	9.0%	-1.6%	7.5%	2.9%	73.1%	78.5%	-5.4%
2010	-5.6%	1.2%	8.6%	1.0%	-8.0%	1.2%	7.4%	0.6%	12.4%	2.1%	-2.7%	6.7%	25.6%	18.9%	6.7%
2011	-1.4%	-0.5%	4.5%	3.8%	-1.8%	-2.3%	2.1%	-5.5%	-15.3%	9.3%	-2.0%	-3.9%	-14.1%	-18.4%	4.3%
2012	8.6%	5.8%	-1.4%	0.1%	-10.4%	3.7%	1.9%	-0.2%	5.1%	1.1%	1.4%	5.4%	21.4%	18.2%	3.2%
2013	3.9%	1.6%	-0.9%	2.4%	-0.3%	-5.3%	2.2%	-3.8%	6.7%	4.0%	0.1%	0.2%	10.4%	-2.6%	13.0%
2014	-5.4%	5.0%	0.7%	-0.4%	2.4%	2.6%	-0.0%	2.9%	-6.3%	1.2%	-0.7%	-5.7%	-4.4%	-2.2%	-2.2%
2015	1.3%	2.9%	-0.7%	5.1%	-1.0%	-2.3%	-4.2%	-7.7%	-2.4%	5.4%	-2.7%	-2.3%	-9.1%	-14.9%	5.8%
2016	-3.3%	-2.4%	9.1%	1.6%	-1.5%	3.7%	4.4%	2.1%	1.3%	-1.7%	-5.3%	-0.1%	7.4%	11.2%	-3.8%
2017	5.6%	1.6%	3.7%	3.5%	2.7%	1.8%	6.6%	3.5%	1.5%	3.0%	1.0%	3.4%	44.9%	37.3%	7.6%
2018	7.7%	-4.8%	-0.2%	-2.6%	-2.0%	-3.1%	1.1%	-3.1%	-1.5%	-7.9%	3.5%	-2.6%	-15.1%	-14.6%	-0.5%
2019	8.1%	0.7%	2.1%	2.6%	-4.8%	6.7%	-0.3%	-2.5%	0.8%	4.5%	0.4%	6.6%	27.0%	18.4%	8.6%
2020	-3.8%	-4.2%	-14.4%	9.4%	3.2%	8.8%	9.6%	4.1%	-1.8%	2.9%	7.9%	7.9%	30.3%	18.3%	12.0%
2021	4.1%	-0.5%	-2.9%										0.6%	2.3%	-1.7%

#### **Cumulative Alpha above MSCI Emerging Markets Index as of 31/03/2021**



Statistics - 31/12/2007- 31/03/2021	<b>Driehaus</b>	MSCI
Annualised return	6.2%	2.8%
Annualised volatility	20.2%	21.9%
Information Ratio	0.60	-
Annual Sharpe Ratio (Rf = LIBOR USD3M)	0.29	0.12
Max drawdown	-59.4%	-58.8%
Downside Capture	87.0	100.0
R-Squared	93.7	100.0
Beta to MSCI	0.89	1.00

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Sources: Driehaus Capital Management, Bloomberg, AlternativeSoft, sourced as of 03.05.2021 MSCI represents the MSCI Emerging Markets Index (net) USD.

Performance of Driehaus Emerging Markets Sustainable Composite as of 31/03/2021 (gross of fees)

#### **Historical Cumulative Returns**

Investment growth in the **Driehaus Emerging Markets Sustainable Composite** since December 31, 2007 vs. **MSCI Emerging Markets Index** 



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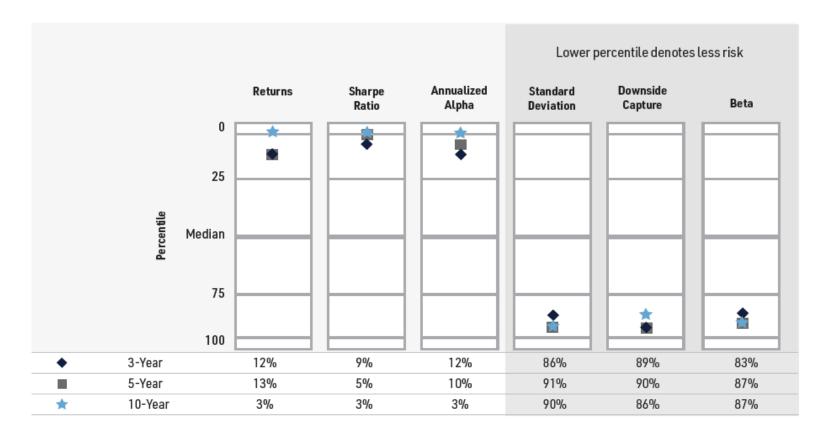
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# Performance Review – Driehaus Emerging Markets Sustainable Strategy as of 31/12/2020 (gross of fees)

#### **Gross of Fee eVestment Emerging Markets All Cap Equity Universe Percentile Rank**



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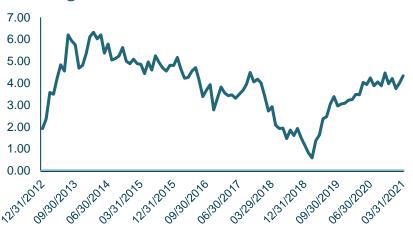
Sources: eVestment Alliance, sourced as of 08.02.2021

Peer group: eVestment Emerging Markets All Cap Equity. Benchmark: MSCI Emerging Markets Index. Data based on monthly returns of 272, 246 and 139 investment portfolios for the three-, five-, and ten-year periods, respectively. Characteristics listed above are related to the model Driehaus Emerging Markets Growth strategy account up to 30 September 2020. As of 1 October 2020, all information relates to the Driehaus Emerging Markets Sustainable Strategy.

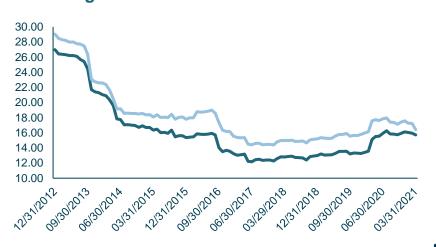
## Rolling 5-Year Return and Risk Statistics 31/12/2007 to 31/03/2021







**Rolling 5-Year Standard Deviation** 



Source: Driehaus Capital Management, as of 06.05.2021

**Rolling 5-Year Sharpe Ratio** 



**Rolling 5-Year Beta** 



■ Driehaus Emerging Markets Sustainable Strategy ■ MSCI Emerging Markets Index

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# Driehaus Emerging Markets Sustainable Equity Strategy Stock Examples



The four companies discussed in this document below were chosen as representations of the type of growth stocks held in each of the Driehaus Sustainable Growth "Buckets" within the Driehaus Emerging Markets Sustainable Equity Fund (Irish UCITS Fund). The fifth company is an example of a stock not held in the Fund based on ESG analysis. The stocks are not presented to demonstrate performance. The positions may not have been profitable as of October 1st, 2020. Holdings are subject to change and may not reflect recent market activity or current holdings.

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### Dynamic Growth Example

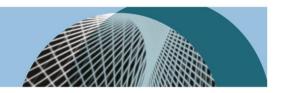


### Contemporary Amperax Technology Co. Limited (ticker CATL)

- Contemporary Amperex Technology Co. (CATL) is China's largest energy vehicle (EV) battery maker. It has roughly 50% domestic market share and 25% global market share.
- ➤ CATL will benefit from broad battery industry growth as global EV penetration rises. EVs accounted for just 2% of global auto market units in 2019. However, that number could rise to 50% by 2030, driven by falling costs and supportive government policies.
- ➤ The company will maintain its strong industry position due to its technology capabilities, tight integration with upstream suppliers, and large scale. CATL spent over \$430 million on R&D in 2019, ahead of their major competitors. Their R&D focus has enabled them to develop capabilities in advanced battery chemistries and technologies.
- > Driehaus expects CATL to gain market share, particularly in Europe. They continue to win orders from the major European auto OEMs.

  Their competitiveness will be further improved after a new factory in Germany opens sometime in the next 1-2 years.
- As a battery maker, the company plays a critical role in driving the growth of cleantech like EVs and energy storage, helping to reduce global emissions. The company also has the opportunity to improve the efficiency of raw materials usage via technology advancements and recycling. The company has a sustainable supply chain management policy which is critical given the upstream materials and processes used in battery production. Still, Driehaus would like to see the company improve its disclosures in this area.

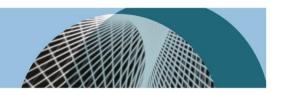
### Cyclical Growth Example



### Silergy Corp (ticker 6415 TT)

- > Silergy is a Chinese analog semiconductor design firm that specialises in power management integrated circuits (PMICs). Analog ICs are used to translate between real world signals that are continuous in nature (like sound, energy, and light) and digital computing signals (which is discrete/binary).
- PMICs play an important role in an application's power efficiency which is important for reducing energy consumption and/or increasing battery life. Silergy's PMICs are used in a wide variety of end-products such as LED lighting, base stations, TVs, smart speakers, PCs, smartphones, and many more. Silergy also has a smart-meter and energy monitoring segment.
- Intellectual property and engineering talent are critical in the analog design business. Silergy's key executives have been able to cultivate a strong engineering organization while keeping costs low (leverage young graduates in China and outsourced manufacturing). They have been able to grow their product portfolio and consistently post strong organic growth. Driehaus expects Silergy will be able to continue to grow at this rate or higher as they expand into new markets like automotive and data centre in the coming years.
- The PMIC market is still dominated by large Western firms such as Texas Instruments, Qualcomm, and Dialog Semiconductor. Silergy only has roughly 1% market share in the large China market but Driehaus expects it can gain share owing to its strong execution and a growing customer preference for local suppliers.
- > Silergy's product focus is important for increasing energy efficiency in a wide variety of products. The company has been able to develop its engineering talent via effective employee training programs, although Driehaus would like to see further progress in this area.

### Recovery Growth Example



### KIA Motors Corporation (ticker 000270 KS)

- ➤ Kia Motors is one of the leading Korean automakers, coming off a disappointing 2019 and a very difficult first half of 2020. The stock has long been under pressure due to losing share in China and in the U.S. market, and has been weighed by labour disputes and product cycle misses but has remained on our focus list because they have maintained a unique value-for-money offering in the global auto market and have long had high potential as an electric vehicle producer.
- ➤ Despite some issues, the company does have a compelling value proposition in the lower-price point of the market globally, with higher-tech cars at cheaper price points. The recent rebranding has successfully improved brand equity as well.
- A long-time low margin operator, Driehaus sees scope for a long-term improvement in profitability led by the company's electric vehicle (EV) portfolio. Kia has been among the more ambitious traditional OEMs, aiming to launch zero fully combustion engine vehicles by 2028. The company's net margin in 2018 was 2.1% and Driehaus sees the potential for that to double in the coming years. They are leading the market in next gen battery systems, offering among the fastest charging times currently on the market which is increasingly likely to be a differentiator.
- ➤ The company is gaining significant market share in each of its biggest markets and Driehaus anticipates that continuing. They are most positive on the market opportunity in India where a very concentrated market dominated by one local incumbent offers a lot of potential for a lower-cost, SUV-focused producer.
- ➤ Kia has had ESG-related concerns in the past; in areas of governance, labour and product quality. Driehaus anticipates improvements in governance going forward given the Korean government's new focus on reforming chaebols. There are also remaining issues with product safety from previous models that must be monitored. The external ratings agencies, however, give the company zero credit for its electric vehicle focus and the positive impact therein, thus Driehaus sees the company's true sustainability level to be understated.

### Consistent Growth Example



### Asian Paints Ltd. (ticker APNT IN)

- Asian Paints is the leader in India's decorative paints industry. The company's extensive dealer network, diversified product offerings and strong brand are key attributes that ensure consistent top line growth and margin expansion opportunities. The company has a strong portfolio of brands and a diversified offering across its established paints business as well as in newer introduced categories such as waterproofing, adhesives and home improvement. Despite the fact that the company has reached ~50% market share, Asian Paints has ample opportunity to further share gains from unorganized players.
- New product introduction has been a core strategy. The company has consistently and successfully introduced new products across the value chain, from expanding the value-for-money category to upgrading consumers to higher price points. As the relevance of the health & hygiene theme has increased, management most recently introduced anti-bacterial products, under the brand Royal Health Shield. The company also launched Nilaya Natural, with 97% of ingredients having a natural origin.
- The company has grown revenue at an 8% CAGR over the past five years while earnings-per-share have increased at a 15% compound rate. Driehaus expects that growth to continue in light of 1) accelerated consolidation of the market, 2) faster growth in higher-end products and 3) higher domestic spend on remodelling.
- ➤ The company has also been active in reducing plastic waste. The company has collected and recycled more than 1,800 tons of post-consumer flexible plastic across 12 states. Asian Paints has also been procuring paper that contains 100% recycled content and uses recycled cardboard cartons (secondary packaging) to pack small size paint containers. The jumbo packaging used to transfer raw materials is also reused for internal purposes.

### Consistent Growth Example



### Asian Paints Ltd. (Continued)

The company has also published its Business Responsibility Report summarizing its sustainability initiatives, with key focus on a) water consumption, b) energy management and renewables, and c) waste management.

- 1. The company is committed to meeting internationally accepted green products standards. The company started its commitment to being truly "green" 7 years ago with the "Lead & Heavy Metal Free Guarantee", before the government's legislation that banned such products.
- 2. Asian Paints is focusing on reducing its consumption of fresh water by collecting rainwater to use in the manufacturing process and improvements in cooling tower operations. The company also has several water replenishment projects in the communities surrounding its factories.
- 3. In recent past, the company has focused on increasing the renewable content of its products and process innovation. Polyols and polymeric carbohydrates with a natural origin have been incorporated in the company's products.
- 4. The company has implemented a new dispersion technology at its manufacturing facilities which enable reduction of rutile (a key contributor of green gas emissions).

### Example of a stock not owned for ESG reasons



### Foshan Haitian Flavouring & Food (ticker 603288 CH)

- Foshan Haitian Flavouring & Food is a leading brand in the condiments sector in China. The industry remains highly fragmented and Haitian is the only company in the sector with national distribution and scale.
- ➤ Over the past 10 years, Haitian has never missed their yearly guidance by consistently delivering double-digit revenue and earnings growth and 30% sustainable ROE. This is due to management's strategy to aggressively increase the distribution channels and successfully expand into new flavours and new product categories. The company has been actively exploring new condiment-related products to ensure future growth. By leveraging its existing platforms, the company is well positioned to penetrate into new categories.
- With only 7.5% market share, Haitian has significant opportunities to continue to consolidate the soy sauce and oyster market. Haitian also has a balanced exposure to in-home consumption and restaurants which reduces the cyclicality of the business.
- > The company has not outlined any specific initiatives that would help them minimize the environmental impact of its soy processing operation (soya is a water-intensive crop). Thus, the company falls behind other global peers in terms of ESG initiatives and rating.
- > Of paramount importance in a company with some sustainability controversies and concerns, the company continues not to communicate an ESG strategy or provide any ESG related data to investors.

# Driehaus Emerging Markets Investment Team



# **Driehaus Emerging Markets Team**



The below employees at Driehaus Capital Management are responsible for the portfolio management (including idea generation, portfolio construction, security selection, investment research and risk management) of the Driehaus Emerging Markets Sustainable Equity Fund.

#### Richard Thies - Portfolio Manager

Richard is a portfolio manager of the Driehaus Emerging Markets Sustainable Equity Strategy and leads the Driehaus Emerging Markets Team's ESG efforts in addition to the Team's coverage of the financials sector and has primary responsibility for macroeconomic analysis. He is also the lead portfolio manager of the Driehaus Emerging Markets Opportunities strategy and a portfolio manager for the Driehaus Emerging Markets Growth and Driehaus Emerging Markets Small Cap Equity strategies. Mr. Thies' macroeconomic analysis, idea generation, security analysis, ESG work, portfolio construction, and risk management responsibilities are leveraged across the four strategies managed by the Driehaus Emerging Markets Team. He joined Driehaus Capital Management in 2011. Mr. Thies received his B.A. in international studied from Emory University in M.A. in international political economy from the University of Chicago.

### Chad Cleaver, CFA - Portfolio Manager

Chad is a portfolio manager of the Driehaus Emerging Markets Sustainable Equity Strategy and leads the Driehaus Emerging Markets Team's coverage of the materials, energy and Industrials sectors. He also serves as the lead portfolio manager of the Driehaus Emerging Markets Small Cap Equity strategy and is a portfolio manager for the Driehaus Emerging Markets Growth and Driehaus Emerging Markets Opportunities strategies. His idea generation, security selection, portfolio construction, and risk management responsibilities, and macro-level analysis, are leveraged across the four strategies managed by the Driehaus Emerging Markets Team. Mr. Cleaver joined Driehaus Capital Management in 2004. He received his A.B. in economics from Wabash College in 2000 and his MBA from the Kenan-Flagler Business School at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill in 2004. Mr. Cleaver is a CFA charterholder.

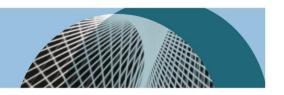
#### Howard Schwab - Portfolio Manager

Howard is a portfolio manager for the Driehaus Emerging Markets Sustainable Equity Strategy and leads the Driehaus Emerging Markets Team's coverage of the information technology and consumer sectors. He also serves as the lead portfolio manager for the Driehaus Emerging Markets Growth strategy and is a portfolio manager for the Driehaus Emerging Markets Small Cap Equity and Driehaus Emerging Markets Opportunities strategies. His idea generation, security selection, portfolio construction, and risk management responsibilities, and macro-level analysis, are leveraged across the four strategies managed by the Driehaus Emerging Markets Team. Mr. Schwab joined Driehaus Capital Management in 2001. He received his B.A. in economics from Denison University in 2001.

#### Mihaela Zahariuc – Senior Analyst

Michaela is a senior analyst on the Emerging Markets Team with a focus on the consumer and health care sectors. She also supports Richard Thies with ESG related initiatives. She is responsible for idea generation, in-depth fundamental research and making relevant buy/sell recommendations to the portfolio managers. Ms. Zahariuc joined Driehaus Capital Management in 2018. She received a B.A. in musicology from the National Conservatory of Music in Bucharest, Romania and an M.A. in Arts, Entertainment and Media Management from Columbia College in Chicago, IL.

# **Driehaus Emerging Markets Team**



### Jonathon Mershimer, CFA - Senior Analyst

Jonathon is responsible for macro and financial research as well as idea generation and buy/sell recommendations. For the Emerging Markets Opportunities strategy, Mr. Mershimer is responsible for structuring and executing directional, relative value and hedges trades across asset classes, including both local and external fixed income, currencies, and interest rates, and providing depth of leadership to the team. Mr. Mershimer joined Driehaus Capital Management in 2020. He received his B.A. in Economics from Bucknell University and his MBA from the University of Chicago Booth School of Business. Mr. Mershimer is a CFA charter holder.

#### Andrew Srichandra, CFA – Senior Analyst

Andrew focuses on the materials, energy, industrials and utilities sectors. He is responsible for idea generation, in-depth fundamental research and making relevant buy/sell recommendations to the portfolio managers. Mr. Srichandra joined Driehaus Capital Management in 2007. He received a B.C. in finance from the University of Manitoba, Canada. He is a CFA charterholder.

### Thomas Ansen-Wilson, CFA - Senior Analyst

Thomas focuses on emerging market stocks. He is responsible for idea generation, in-depth fundamental research and making relevant buy/sell recommendations to the portfolio managers. Mr. Ansen-Wilson joined Driehaus Capital Management in 2014. He received a B.B.A. from the College of William and Mary. He is a CFA charterholder.

### Jason Shao - Analyst

Jason Shao is an analyst on the Emerging Markets Team. As a generalist with a focus on China, his in-depth fundamental research, idea generation and buy/sell recommendations are leveraged across all of the strategies managed by the Driehaus Emerging Markets Team. Before joining Driehaus Capital Management in 2020, Mr. Shao worked as a global trading and market services intern for NASDAQ Stock Market in the market operations department. Prior to that he worked as a Letter of Credit documents examiner intern for China Construction Bank in the international business department. Mr. Shao received a B.A. in economics from Wabash College and a Master of Science in Finance from Simon Business School – University of Rochester.

### Maximilian Heitner - Director of Risk Management

Maximilian works with portfolio managers and analysts to monitor and analyze risk exposure and discuss new investment ideas. Additionally, he serves on the firm's management committee. Mr. Heitner joined Driehaus Capital Management in 2010. He earned his B.A. from Brandeis University and his MBA from Loyola University.

### Michael So, CPA - Risk Analyst

Michael facilitates the firm's overall risk infrastructure and functions. He is responsible for new and existing risk platforms, various quantitative tools and processes, as well as other initiatives that achieve the firm's investment goals. Mr. So joined Driehaus Capital Management in 2015. He earned his B.S. from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. He is a certified public accountant.

# **Driehaus Emerging Markets Team**



#### **Jason Vedder – Director of Trading and Operations**

Jason is responsible for directing the firm's domestic and international trading function, which includes supervising all traders. Additionally, he serves on the firm's business management committee. Mr. Vedder joined the firm in 2000 and has held positions of increasing responsibility prior to assuming his current role in 2010. From 1992 to 1998 Mr. Vedder was a floor specialist and position trader on the Chicago Stock Exchange, as well as a market maker on the NASDAQ. During this time, he was also a member of the Equity Capital Formation Task Force for the US Department of the Treasury. From 1998 to 2000 he worked as a founding partner of Smart Bandwidth, LLC. He has participated as a panelist for a Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) roundtable on thinly traded securities. Additionally, he remains an active participant in global equity market structure issues, including guest speaking at industry conferences and meeting with appointed SEC commissioners and elected government officials. Mr. Vedder received his B.A. in economics from Albion College in 1992 and his M.B.A. from DePaul University in 2003. Mr. Vedder has passed all 3 levels of the Chartered Market Technician program (CMT).

### **Jeffery Funk –** Senior Trader

Jeffery is responsible for executing trades for the firm's international portfolios and providing ongoing information to portfolio managers regarding market sentiment, trading environment, volatility and trends. Mr. Funk joined Driehaus Capital Management in 2000. He received a B.S. in finance from DePaul University.

### Kimberly Nagy - Senior Trader

Kimberly Nagy, Senior Trader, is responsible for executing trades for the firm's international portfolios and providing ongoing information to portfolio managers regarding market sentiment, trading environment, volatility and trends. Ms. Nagy joined Driehaus Capital Management in 2001. She received a B.S. in finance from Illinois State University.

### **Troy Frederick –** Senior Trader

Troy Frederick is responsible for executing domestic trades and providing ongoing information to portfolio managers regarding market sentiment, trading environment, volatility and trends. In addition, he also acts as a back-up for trading international markets and foreign exchange markets.

Mr. Frederick received his B.S. from DePaul University in 1997. He began his career with Ritchie Capital Markets as a trade clerk on the Chicago Board of Trade. From there, he worked for Bank One's foreign exchange markets as a trader assistant.

### Samuel Borrelli, CMT – Trader

Samuel Borrelli is responsible for executing trades and providing ongoing information to portfolio managers regarding market sentiment, trading environment, volatility and trends. Mr. Borrelli joined the firm in 2011. Prior to joining Driehaus Capital Management, Mr. Borrelli was an assistant trader/portfolio manager at Miro Financial and a trader at Sharmac Capital Management. He began his career with Magnetar Capital as an operations specialist. Mr. Borrelli received his B.A. in Economics from Wabash College in 2007. Mr. Borrelli holds the Chartered Market Technician designation.

### Jack Crowley, CFA -Trader

Jack Crowley is responsible for executing trades and providing ongoing information to portfolio managers regarding market sentiment, trading environment, volatility and trends. Mr. Crowley joined the firm in 2017. Prior to joining Driehaus Capital Management, Mr. Crowley was an equity trader for Columbia Wanger Asset Management. Mr. Crowley received his B.S. in Finance and Accounting from Saint Louis University in 2010. He is a CFA charterholder.

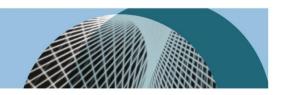
# **UCITS Fund Particulars and Structure**



# Driehaus Emerging Markets Sustainable Equity Fund Particulars

Legal Structure	An open-ended umbrella type investment company authorised pursuant to the European Communities (Undertakings for Collective Investment in Transferable Securities) Regulations 2011, as amended.				
Share Classes	A (Retail) / B (Retail) / I (Institutional)				
ISIN / Bloomberg Ticker	A IE00B76BMG52 HDMEAUS B IE00B6R1HD97 HDMEBUS I IE00B6RSJ564 HDMEIUS				
Exchange Listed	None				
Registered for Retail Sale	Austria, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Ireland, Italy, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Norway, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, UK				
Registered for Accredited Investors	Singapore (CISNET restricted scheme)				
Minimum Investment	A = \$15,000 / B = \$15,000 / I = \$2,000,000				
Management Fee	A = 1.50% / B = 1.95% / I = 0.90%				
Subscriptions	Daily - T+3 Settlement				
Redemptions	Daily - T+5 Settlement				
Lock-up Provision	None				
Leverage	None				
Sub-Investment Manager	Driehaus Capital Management LLC				
Depositary	Brown Brothers Harriman Trustee Services (Ireland) Limited				
Administrator	Brown Brothers Harriman Fund Administration Services (Ireland) Limited				
Lawyers	Simmons & Simmons, Dublin				
Auditor	Grant Thornton				

# Appendix



# Bottom-up Research: Quantitative Screening Example



COMPOSITE — This shows a stock's composite score relative to the EM universe combining the 4 key factors of quant work: quality, valuation, revisions and momentum. These four factors are emphasized because all have historically been shown to outperform over time.

REVISIONS – The revisions score shows the relative strength of a company's earnings revisions trend (1-month and 3-month) compared to

the EM universe.

MEDIUM-TERM

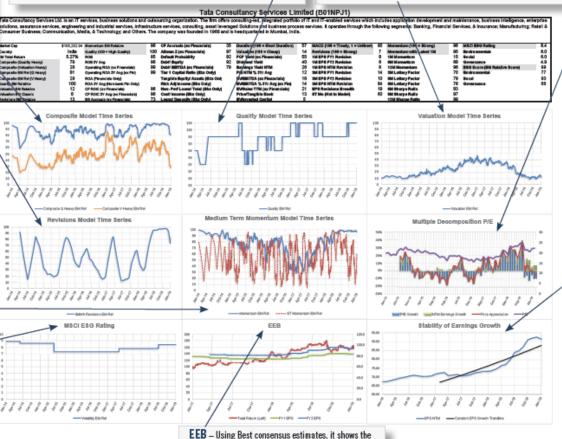
MOMENTUM — The blue+green lines show how medium-term momentum is evolving, while the noisy red dotted line shows short-term momentum (this is mainly used as a timing indicator for entry or sell points since short-term momentum tends to be a highly reverting factor).

MSCI ESG RATING

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provides quantitative scores
based on in-depth research,
ratings and analysis of
the environmental, social
and governance-related
business practices of
companies.

QUALITY — The quality score combines metrics such as profitability, cash conversion and leverage. This chart is helpful for not only showing where a company's quality stands relative to the universe, but more importantly how that quality is evolving. Deteriorating quality may be a sign of underlying fundamental deterioration in the business, while improving quality may suggest the inverse.

VALUATION — The valuation score combines metrics such as FCF yield, dividend yield, PE and price/book, and also looks at where current multiples stand versus history. This chart helps us understand not only how expensive or cheap a company is compared to the EM universe, but importantly where its relative valuation stands compared to its own history (since certain stocks such as healthcare and consumer staples will tend to always screen as expensive versus the universe).



### MULTIPLE Decomposition -

There is a lot going on in this chart but it shows how a stock has performed over the past month and what % of the performance was driven by earnings change versus multiple change. We want to see performance supported by earnings growth for the stocks we own, and look for opportunities to buy stocks where selloffs were purely multiple-driven.

### STABILITY OF EARNINGS GROWTH -

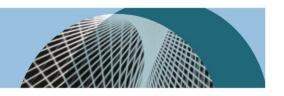
Shows the progression of a stock's next 12 months EPS with a "best fit" trend line. This provides an indication of how stable or volatile a company's growth is, and whether we are seeing any disconnect in current growth rate from trend (potential inflection).

Source: Driehaus Capital Management, Merrill Lynch Investment Research

This slide is shown to demonstrate the firm's quantitative screening process. This is a holding as of 31/12/2018 for the strategy. This information is presented for illustrative purposes only and is not intended to be relied upon as a forecast, research or investment advice, and is not a recommendation, offer or solicitation to buy or sell any securities or to adopt any investment strategy. The fund is actively managed and portfolio holdings, weightings and allocations are subject to change at any time. Driehaus and Heptagon assume no obligation to update or supplement this information to reflect subsequent changes.

trend in analyst earnings revisions.

# Tools used to Identify Growth Inflections



# Quarterly earnings reports and company interactions

- Monitor and analyse earnings report
- 2. Meet with companies: Looking for incremental information that suggests fundamentals or earnings growth is improving
- Pattern recognition is an important part of our process
- 4. Extensive experience looking at a variety of business models over multiple countries and market cycles

#### **Fundamental screens**

Through our quantitative screening process Driehaus screens for

- Accelerating earnings growth rates
- 2. Positive earnings revisions
- Expansion of margins or return ratios
- 4. Analyze how a company's quality score is evolving

# Share price decomposition

- Driehaus decomposes share price performance into earnings growth and valuation rerating/derating
- 2. Then look for positive divergences

# Macroeconomic and industry analysis

- Analyze country and sector trends
- Look for shifts that have implications for the underlying companies



Results in understanding which models work well in EM and what to watch for in order to identify the inflection in a particular model. An example is hospitals, where the positive inflection tends to occur after a company's CAPEX cycle has peaked.



Earnings revisions are particularly important, positive revisions suggest the company's performance is > expectations and the market is attempting to catch up to the new reality. Analyzing how a company's quality score is evolving is also key since improving business quality often coincides with a positive trend change for the company.



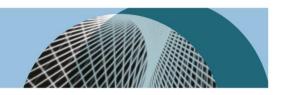
An example of a positive divergence is when a stock sells off or underperforms, but the poor performance is driven entirely by valuation derating, while earnings continue to grow and there has been no change to the structural growth case (something Driehaus assesses when conducting fundamental analysis).



Growth inflections can be externally-driven Examples include regulatory changes, elections, and credit cycles.

Growth Inflections Identified

# **Investor Biases**

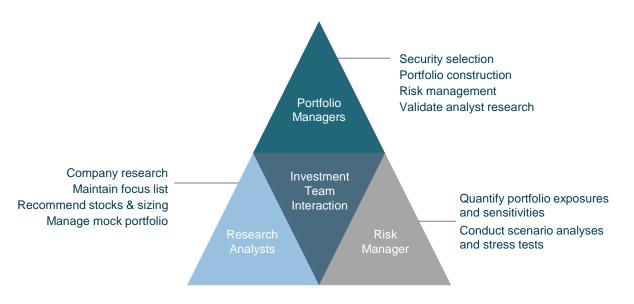


Bias	Description	Effect	
COGNITIVE BIASES			
Conservativism bias	Giving more weight to prior information and underweighting new evidence	Underreact to new information, which may actually be more essential than prior information	
Confirmation bias	Searching for or noticing information that only agrees with one's preconceptions	Make faulty decision if certain information is ignored and lack flexibility of thought	
Representativeness bias	Using heuristics to classify information into pre-existing categories	Overemphasise the ability to categorise new information and not expanding views accordingly	
Control bias (illusion of control)	Overestimating one's ability to control events	Trade excessively or inadequately diversify the portfolio	
Hindsight bias	Seeing past events as being predictable at the time those events happened	Overestimate the accuracy of forecasts made in the past, and as a result, take unanticipated risk in the future	
EMOTIONAL BIASES			
Overconfidence bias (illusion of knowledge)	Having excessive confidence in one's abilities or information	Trade excessively or inadequately diversify the portfolio	
Self-control bias	Focusing more on short-term goals instead of long-term ones	Focus on inappropriate short-term asset allocation or assume higher risk for short-term reward	
Status quo bias	Tending to keep things the way they are	Miss out on profitable opportunities through unwillingness to change	
Endowment bias	Placing more value on what one already owns due to the fact that it is owned	Stick with assets due to familiarity and comfort	
Regret aversion bias	Avoiding to make a decision due to fear that the outcome will not be favourable	Maintain herd mentality as a form of safety and remain too conservative in decision making	

Source: Driehaus Capital Management, Merrill Lynch Investment Research

### **Investment Team Interaction**

The team implements the investment process through a set of clearly defined roles, a structured set of interactions, and a broad set of integrated tools.



### **Team Interaction**

Regular team meeting

- Regular portfolio manager meeting with each analyst
- Bi-weekly risk management meetings
- Central database of analyst research

# Tools and Resources Supporting Team Interaction

### **Internal Research Notes (IRN)**

- Centralised repository of all proprietary equity research integrated into FactSet
- Publish and access internal research through different mediums (FactSet, Microsoft Office, iOS, Android and applications)
- Cross team and cross firm (compliance) information sharing
- Leverage data within other applications

### FactSet Research Systems Inc.

 Research, portfolio analysis and attribution tool integrated with Compass and Axioma

### Axioma, Inc.

 Risk management analysis integrated with FactSet

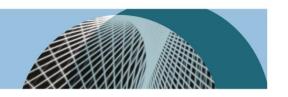
# MSCI, Sustainalytics and Truevalue Labs

 Provides insights into ESG risks and opportunities and flags corporate involvement in major ESG controversies

#### **Additional Tools**

- Bloomberg
- Compass

# Summary of Proxy Voting – Q1 2021



### Total Meetings & Proxy Votes

Meetings	23 <sup>1</sup>
Proposals	176
Against Management	15
For Management	161
Votes in Line with Sustainability Proxy Voting Guidelines	There are no votes against policy

### **Proxy Votes Against Management**

Company	Country	Meeting Date	Proposal	Management Recommendation	Vote Cast
LEENO Industrial, Inc.	South Korea	25-Mar-21	Elect Director	For	Against
LEENO Industrial, Inc.	South Korea	26-Mar-21	Approve Remuneration of Executive Directors and/or Non-Executive Directors	For	Against
Kakao Corp.	South Korea	29-Mar-21	Approve Remuneration of Executive Directors and/or Non-Executive Directors	For	Against
LG Household & Health Care Ltd.	South Korea	19-Mar-21	Elect Director	For	Against
Samsung Electronics Co., Ltd.	South Korea	17-Mar-21	Elect Director	For	Against
Samsung BioLogics Co., Ltd.	South Korea	19-Mar-21	Approve Remuneration of Executive Directors and/or Non-Executive Directors	For	Against
Kaspi.kz JSC	Kazakhstan	26-Mar-21	Fix Board Terms for Directors	For	Against
Wal-Mart de Mexico SAB de CV	Mexico	23-Mar-21	Amend Omnibus Stock Plan	For	Against
Kaspi.kz JSC	Kazakhstan	26-Mar-21	Miscellaneous Proposal: Company-Specific	For	Against
LG Household & Health Care Ltd.	South Korea	19-Mar-21	Elect Director	For	Against
Samsung Electronics Co., Ltd.	South Korea	17-Mar-21	Elect Director	For	Against
Samsung Electronics Co., Ltd.	South Korea	17-Mar-21	Elect Director	For	Against
CEMEX SAB de CV	Mexico	25-Mar-21	Elect Director (Bundled)	For	Against
LG Chem Ltd.	South Korea	25-Mar-21	Elect Director	For	Against
LG Chem Ltd.	South Korea	25-Mar-21	Elect Director	For	Against

Source: Driehaus Capital Management, Merrill Lynch Investment Research. <sup>1</sup>Excludes 1 meeting and 12 votes on 30-Mar-21 related to Commercial International Bank (Egypt) SAE due to Egypt being a share blocking market

# Summary of Significant Management Engagements – Q4 2020

Driehaus spoke with Fund holding **Chailease Holding**, a Taiwanese financial services company. Chailease was recently included in the DJ Sustainability Indices for the first time. The company has strong governance which Driehaus thinks has helped them to maintain strong capitalisation levels and above-average growth. The company intends to continue investing to support positive-ESG industries such as solar. Chailease has received some critical feedback from ratings providers related to its anti-money-laundering (AML) controls. During a call with them, Driehaus learned that Chailease has recently invested in new AML software from a leading provider in order to improve their controls.

Driehaus spoke with Fund holding **Airtac International Group**, a manufacturer of pneumatic components for industrial equipment. They were curious to learn more about the company's anti-corruption efforts and environmental initiatives. The company noted that it has set up supplier management agreements that prohibit bribery. The company also shared that they are setting up solar power generators and aim to reduce their carbon emissions by 1% per year. Additionally, they have made upgrades to adopt energy-saving appliances used in their operations. Finally, the company flagged its water recycling programs and improvements in its packaging to reduce its waste profile. Driehaus applauds these efforts and expect Airtac will continue to make progress on these initiatives.

Driehaus interacted with **Log Commercial Properties e Participacoes SA**, a Brazilian commercial property developer that is held by the Fund. They wanted to learn more about why the company hasn't pursued green building certifications for a large part of its portfolio. The company noted they had joined the Green Building Council in 2013 and do implement systems to lower energy consumption and lower water consumption, such as LED lighting, natural ventilation, clear roofs, and rainwater reuse systems. Therefore, it appears that the company's disclosure is lagging their actual efforts. The company noted that they are to improve their sustainability-related reporting. The company also noted the recent creation of a code of conduct, a compliance policy, and a whistle blower reporting system in order to improve its anti-corruption efforts.

Driehaus spoke with a provider of components used in communication equipment and defence applications. The company scores poorly with external ratings agencies for a lack of ESG initiatives and a poor governance structure. When Driehaus asked, the company did not have much information to share about its philosophy, core values, or systems it had implemented. The Fund elected not to invest in the company. Given the sensitive nature of its business and supply chain, Driehaus felt that a lack of attention to these areas meaningfully increased the risks to investment.

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#### COMPOSITE OBJECTIVES AND ACCOUNTS ELIGIBLE FOR THE EMERGING MARKETS GROWTH COMPOSITE

The Emerging Markets Growth Composite (the Composite) presented includes all unleveraged "emerging markets growth accounts" over which the Company exercises discretionary investment authority of both cash and equities using the same investment objective and philosophy. The Composite was created in January 1997. An account is considered to be an emerging markets growth account if it seeks capital appreciation by investing primarily in equity securities of rapidly growing companies in emerging markets countries around the world. This strategy may invest substantially all (no less than 65%) of its assets in emerging markets companies. Once an account has met the above criteria and is fully invested, it is included in the Composite in the next full monthly reporting period. Accounts that change investment strategies are transferred between composites in the first full monthly reporting period in which the account is managed under the new style. Terminated accounts are excluded from the Composite in the first month in which they are not fully invested as of the end of the month.

#### PERFORMANCE RESULTS

Monthly composite returns are calculated as the sum of the monthly returns of each account weighted by the account's beginning monthly value as compared to the Composite total. For periods prior to November 1, 2004, time-weighted account rates of return were calculated on a monthly basis and allowed for the effect of cash additions and withdrawals using the Modified-Dietz method. If a cash contribution or withdrawal exceeded 10% of an account's value, the account was revalued and the return was calculated for the interim period. Effective November 1, 2004, account rates of return are calculated on a monthly basis by geometrically linking daily returns. Monthly composite returns are geometrically linked to determine annual composite returns. Net of fee returns reflect the payment of advisory fees and in some instances, other fees and expenses such as administrative and transfer fees while the gross of fee returns do not. Both are net of brokerage commissions charged to the accounts. The annualized rate of return is presented as the level annual rate which, if earned for each year in a multiple-year period, would produce the actual cumulative rate of return over that period.

For emerging markets growth accounts, valuations and returns are computed and stated in U.S. dollars. Since returns are stated in U.S. dollars, exchange rates were used in the conversion. The Company is not aware of any significant inconsistencies between exchange rates used in the Composite and those used in the benchmark indices. Securities transactions, which include brokerage commissions, are recorded on a trade date basis, and where information is available, income and expense items are recorded on an accrual basis. Returns are presented on a pretax basis and are net of any actual foreign taxes withheld on dividends and interest. Leverage is not a part of the Companys' investment strategy for this Composite. Securities are valued in the foreign currency in which they are denominated and then translated into U.S. dollars at the spot rate. Forward contracts are generally purchased to hedge the risk of the currency fluctuation between the trade date and the settlement date of the underlying securities transactions.

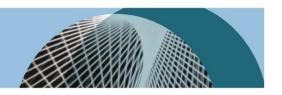
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