

# **UCITS** Fund Overview

# GQG Partners Quality Growth Funds

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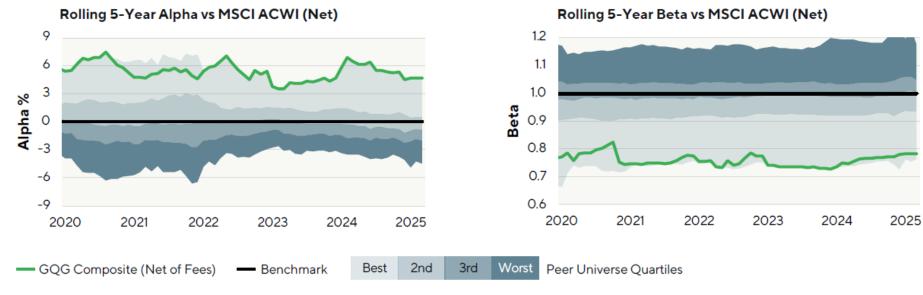




### All-Weather Alpha

### GQG Partners Global Equity Composite Rolling Outperformance and Volatility

GQG outperformed the benchmark and peer universe average, with less volatility, 67 of 67 times (100%)



GOG Composite As of 31 March 2025. Inception: 1 October 2014. Benchmark: MSCI ACWI (Net). Universe Source: Morningstar. Peer Universe: Global Large Cap (231 strategies). GQG Partners LLC claims compliance with the Global Investment Performance Standards (GIPS®) and has prepared and presented this performance information in compliance with the GIPS Returns Net of Fees GQG Bench standards. Performance data is based on the firm's composite for the strategy. Performance presented prior to 1 June 2016 was achieved prior to the creation of the firm. The prior % track record has been reviewed by Ashland Partners & Company, LLP and conforms to the portability requirements of the GIPS standards. On 28 June 2017, ACA Performance 1.40 7.15 1yr Services, LLC acquired the investment performance service business of Ashland Partners & Company, LLP. For periods after 1 June 2016, the composite consists of accounts managed by GQG pursuant to the strategy. Please see the Appendix for additional disclosures regarding the composite. The US dollar is the currency used to express performance. 16.73 15.18 5yrs Returns are presented both gross and net of management fees and include the reinvestment of all income, calculated after the deduction of actual trading expenses and other 12.82 8.84 10yrs administrative fees (custody, legal, administration, audit and organization fees). Net returns are calculated using the highest/model rack rate fee which will differ from the actual fees 12.62 8.68 ITD and expenses paid by a fund investor. Gross and Net performance are net of foreign withholding taxes. Returns for periods greater than one year are annualized. The illustrations do not reflect the experience of a fund. PAST PERFORMANCE MAY NOT BE INDICATIVE OF FUTURE RESULTS.



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# **INVESTING OVERVIEW**

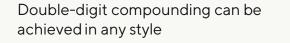
### Quality Across the Style Box

We are investors dedicated to finding companies exhibiting "Forward-Looking Quality"

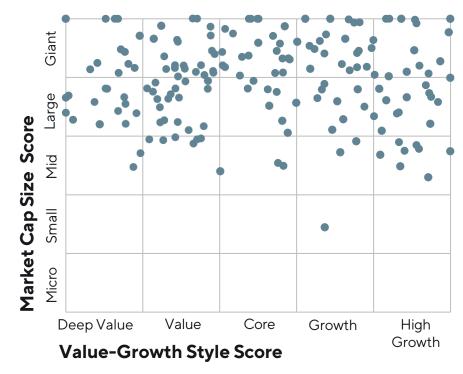
### We seek companies with:

- Visibility of earnings
- Competitive advantages
- Reasonable valuations
- Ultimately the potential to compound capital at double-digit rates

Through this lens, we believe companies we view as high quality can exist across the traditional value-growth "style box" spectrum









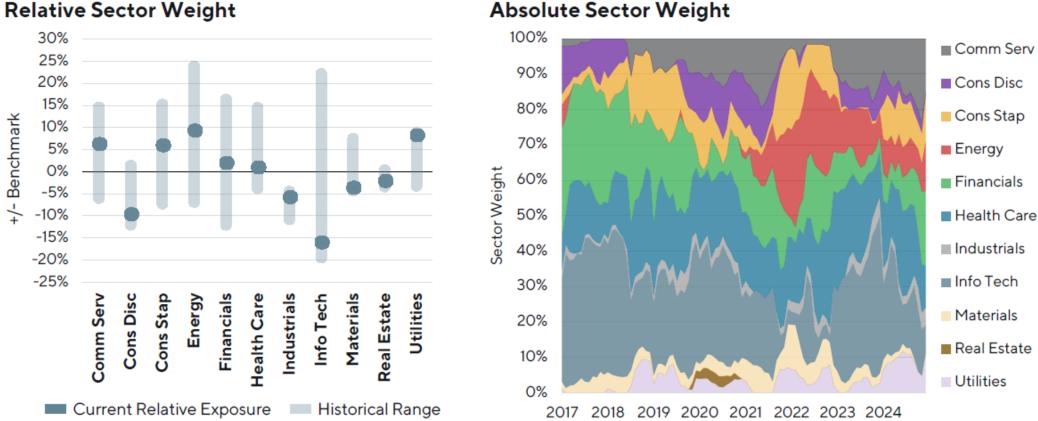






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### **GQG Partners Global Equity Composite Sector Weights**



### **Absolute Sector Weight**

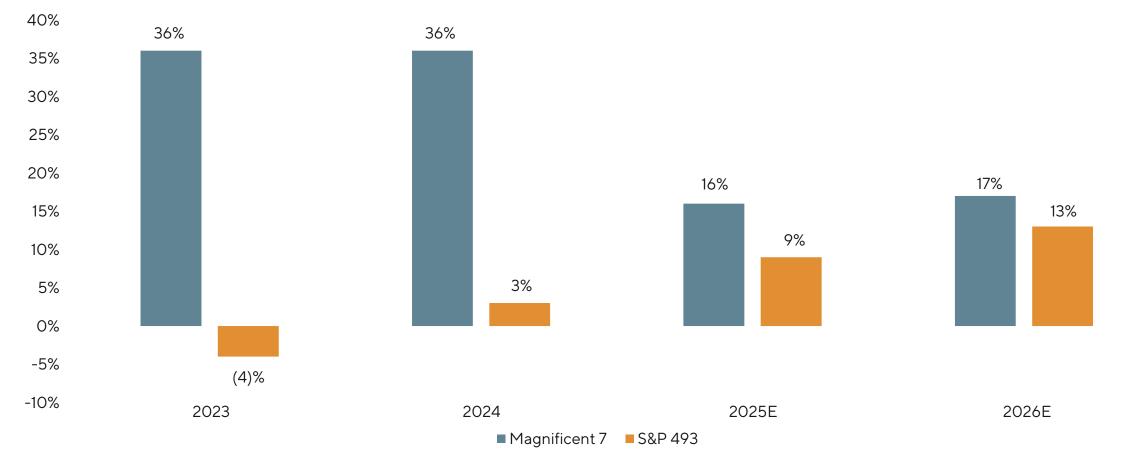
As of 31 March 2025. Benchmark: MSCI ACWI Value (Net). Sector exposure is based upon the representative portfolio, which is an account in the Composite that GQG believes most closely reflects the current portfolio management style for the Strategy. Please see the Appendix for additional important information. For institutional investor, professional client/investor, and financial professional use only. Not for use with retail investors. Not for public distribution



# MAG. 7 VS. S&P 493 EARNINGS

### Bottom-up Consensus Expects Narrower Earnings Growth Gap

Annual Earnings Growth





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539%

# **AT&T BACKWARD LOOKING**

Total Return This Century





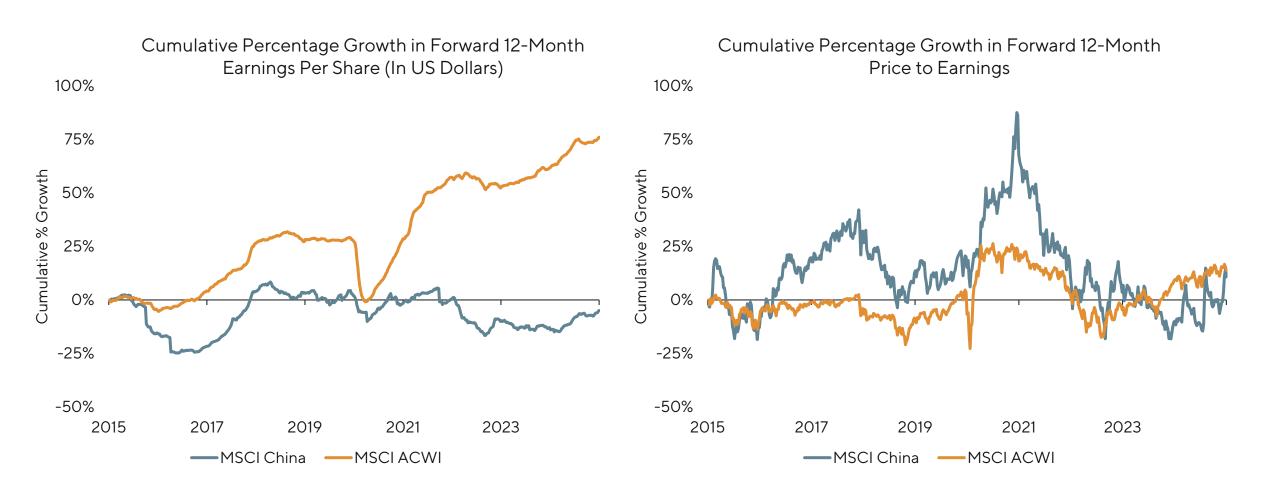
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AT&T Vs S&P 500



# VALUATION VS. REALITY

At Today's Earnings Multiples, We believe Chinese Equities are Hardly a Bargain



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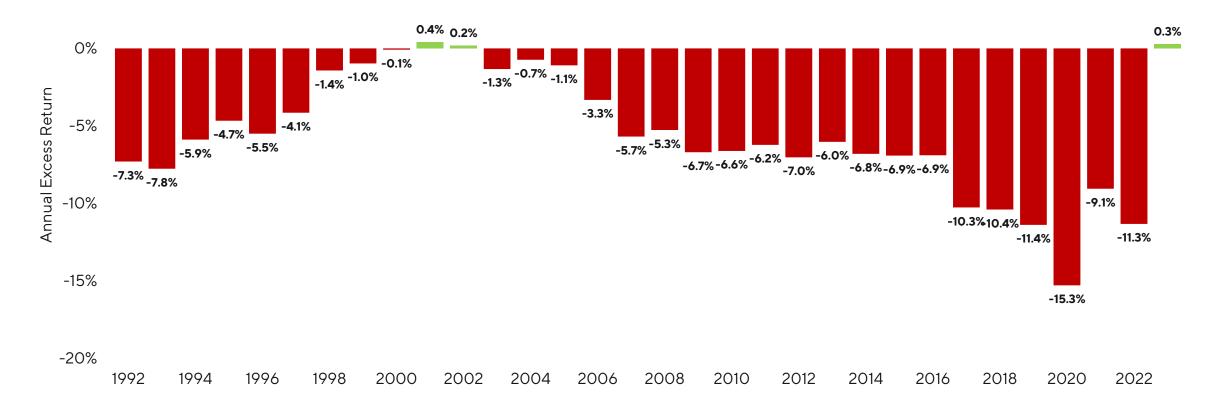


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# BEING BULLISH ON MSCI CHINA HAS BEEN DOOMED TO FAIL

Even with Near-perfect Timing, Positive Outcomes Did Not Exceed +20-40 bps Per Year

Buy & Hold Annualized Excess Returns by Initial Investment Year MSCI China vs. MSCI ACWI

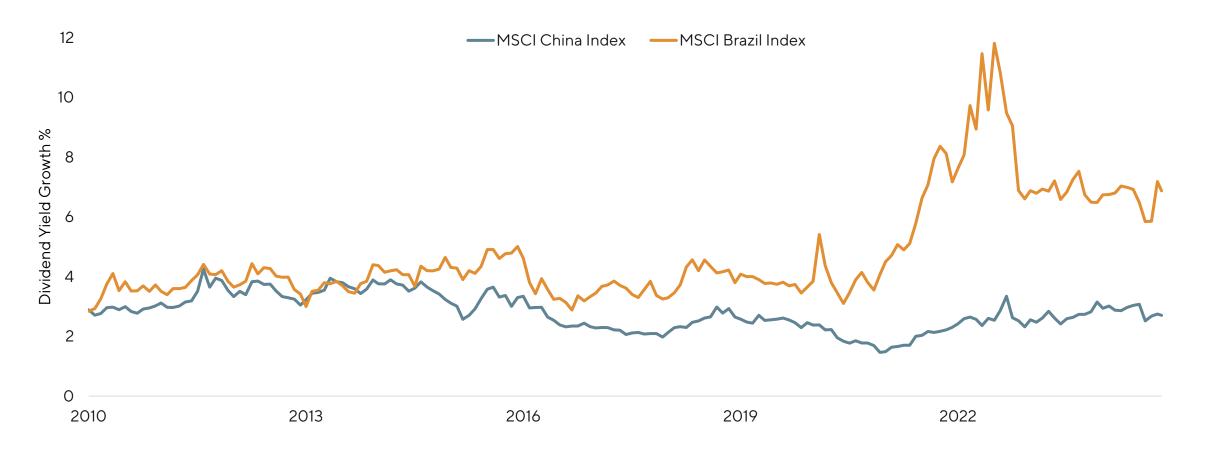




# CHINA VS. BRAZIL - AN INCOME-BASED VIEW

We Believe Brazil Valuations are Compelling

MSCI China Index vs MSCI Brazil Index Forward 12 Months Dividend Yield





# **INVESTING OVERVIEW**

### Measuring Performance Consistency

Rolling Period Excess Return vs Benchmark	GQG % Period Outperformance	GQG # Period Outperformance	GQG Average Excess Return	Universe % Period Outperformance	Universe # Period Outperformance	Universe Average Excess Return
3-Month Rolling Periods	62%	77 of 124	0.85%	48%	58 of 124	-0.11%
1-Year Rolling Periods	77%	89 of 115	4.01%	48%	53 of 115	-0.52%
3-Year Rolling Periods	92%	84 of 91	4.09%	48%	42 of 91	-0.47%
5-Year Rolling Periods	100%	67 of 67	3.89%	55%	36 of 67	-0.49%

### GQG Partners Global Equity Composite Rolling Success Rate Since Inception (Net of Fees)

### GQG Partners Global Equity Composite Risk Statistics and Percentile Rank % Since Inception (Net of Fees)

lisk Statistics	GQG	Benchmark	Universe Rank		Risk-Return	GQG	🕒 Benchmark 🌑 F	eer Unive
Alpha	5.03	-	2				)	
Beta	0.78	1.00	12	16			•	
Standard Deviation	13.28	14.61	14	11				
Sharpe Ratio	0.81	0.47	1				• •	
Upside Capture	99.31	100.00	53	<b>E</b> 6			• •	
Downside Capture	76.92	100.00	11	L Ret		•		
R-Squared	74.49	100.00	-		B 13	18	23	
Tracking Error	8.41	-	-		Standard Deviation			

As of 31 March 2025. Benchmark: MSCI ACWI (Net). Inception: 1 October 2014. Source: Morningstar. Peer Universe: Global Large Cap (231 strategies).

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### **GQG** PARTNERS

# **FUND OVERVIEW**

### GQG Partners Global Equity Fund

Top 10 Holdings %	GQG
AT&T Inc	5.52
Verizon Communications Inc	4.03
Progressive Corp/The	4.02
American Electric Power Co Inc	3.70
Cigna Group/The	3.21
Petroleo Brasileiro SA	2.99
American International Group I	2.88
ICICI Bank Ltd	2.79
Duke Energy Corp	2.75
Eli Lilly & Co	2.71
Top 10 Holdings	34.60

GICS Sectors %	GQG	Benchmark	-/+
Communication Services	13.66	8.16	5.51
Consumer Discretionary	1.73	10.64	-8.90
Consumer Staples	3.53	6.29	-2.77
Energy	14.85	4.16	10.69
Financials	20.52	18.06	2.45
Health Care	12.69	10.32	2.37
Industrials	4.80	10.57	-5.77
Information Technology	6.80	23.37	-16.57
Materials	-	3.63	-3.63
Real Estate	-	2.12	-2.12
Utilities	11.43	2.69	8.74
Cash	9.99	-	9.99

Top 10 Countries %	GQG	Benchmark	-/+
United States	61.27	64.55	-3.27
India	6.35	1.92	4.43
France	4.26	2.58	1.68
Brazil	4.09	0.46	3.64
Canada	3.03	2.78	0.25
Italy	2.45	0.69	1.76
United Kingdom	1.87	3.39	-1.52
Switzerland	1.48	2.23	-0.75
Denmark	1.39	0.53	0.85
Taiwan	1.17	1.74	-0.58

Characteristics	GQG	Benchmark
# of Holdings	50	2,558
Weighted Average Market Cap (bn)	\$329	\$598
Median Market Cap (bn)	\$146	\$14
Dividend Yield %	2.91	1.92
Long-Term Earnings Growth %	9.71	11.98
Return on Equity %	19.01	17.56
FCF Yield %	6.27	5.73
Price / Earnings	14.73	17.74
Price / Book	2.71	3.10
Active Share	80.42	-

#### As of 31 March 2025. Benchmark: MSCI ACWI (Net).

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#### MSCI Emerging Markets (Net) Index

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#### MSCI China (Net) Index

The MSCI China Index captures large and mid cap representation across China A shares, H shares, B shares, Red chips, P chips and foreign listings (e.g. ADRs). The index covers about 85% of this China equity universe. Currently, the index includes Large Cap A and Mid Cap A shares represented at 20% of their free float adjusted market capitalization. MSCI Brazil (Net) Index

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#### EAA Fund Global Large-Cap Growth Equity peer group

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EAA Fund Global Emerging Markets Equity peer group

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