

International Small Companies Equity

Year End 2025 Report



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Performance

Total Return (%) Periods Ended December 31, 2025

	3 Months	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years	Since Inception
HL International Small Companies Equity (Gross)	-1.65	16.12	7.81	1.85	7.20	7.68
HL International Small Companies Equity (Net)	-1.86	15.06	6.80	0.89	6.13	6.55
MSCI All Country World ex US Small Cap Index	3.02	29.88	16.16	7.41	8.58	5.97

Performance returns are of the composite. The composite performance returns shown are preliminary. Returns are annualized for periods greater than one year. International Small Companies Equity composite inception date: December 31, 2006. MSCI All Country World ex US Small Cap Index, the benchmark index, is shown gross of withholding taxes.

Past performance does not guarantee future results. Invested capital is at risk of loss. Please read the above performance in conjunction with the disclosures on the last page of this report. All performance and data shown are in US dollar terms, unless otherwise noted.

What's on Our Minds

There are these two young fish swimming along, and they happen to meet an older fish swimming the other way, who nods at them and says,

"Morning, boys. How's the water?"

The two young fish swim on for a bit, and then eventually one of them looks over at the other and goes,

"What the hell is water?"

—David Foster Wallace, *"This Is Water,"* Kenyon College commencement address, May 21, 2005.

Like fish oblivious to the water they swim in, humans often overlook the context that shapes their decisions. The brain is wired for efficiency, not constant critical awareness, so people rely on mental shortcuts generally formed by past experience. Yet most people rarely notice their own cognitive defaults or how they lead to predictable errors in judgment. It's important to regularly question those defaults; otherwise, the brain stays on autopilot—a tendency that has consequences not only in everyday life but also in investing.

For example, markets are vulnerable to shared biases that can put stock prices on autopilot, or what the industry sometimes

more politely refers to as momentum. Price momentum is a well-documented phenomenon where securities whose prices have risen are more likely to keep rising in the short run, while those that have fallen are more likely to keep declining. When momentum takes hold, fundamentals usually fade from view while narratives are used to justify price moves. Investors who don't hold the winning stocks develop fear of missing out, further encouraging herd behavior.

Quality-growth investing demands the opposite: relentless skepticism toward market narratives and constant scrutiny of company fundamentals. Therefore, when markets slip into autopilot, our investment style can appear painfully out of step. In recent years, seductive narratives have repeatedly clashed with our discipline: in Japan, as corporate-governance reforms automatically boosted stocks of the least admirable businesses; in the Materials sector, as surging gold and silver prices sparked a rally in stocks of miners, an industry with a textbook unfavorable structure; and in Information Technology (IT), as AI enthusiasm lifted hardware and semiconductor stocks we don't own while weighing on shares of our software and services holdings.

Many of the market's recent favorites lack the fundamental strength that we think underpins the companies in our portfolio,

even though their performance eclipsed ours in 2025. For example, one of the following Health Care companies was a market winner, and the other was a market loser, but which would you have picked?

	Company A	Company B
Industry	Biotechnology	Medical Equipment
Year founded	2016	2000
What it does	Develops novel cancer and Parkinson's treatments	Sells diagnostic analyzers as well as the reagents essential to performing tests
Industry structure	Operates in a crowded market	Operates in a niche market with high barriers to entry and high switching costs
Revenue	Little revenue as it pursues years of clinical testing and regulatory approvals	Generates recurring revenue from reagents, though growth has recently slowed
Profitability	N/A, doesn't have an approved drug yet	Earns high margins from its recurring revenue

Company A's stock looks to be little more than a lottery ticket—but it was a winning ticket in 2025, surging more than 500%. To be sure, the company, ABL Bio of South Korea, is doing important work: Its cancer drugs are aimed at making treatment more effective with fewer side effects, and its “brain delivery” technology helps medicines more easily reach the brain, a key feature of a Parkinson's drug being developed with Sanofi. Yet these are crowded fields, and any new treatment must be vetted against existing options. The process of completing clinical trials and securing regulatory approvals is costly and can take years—sometimes more than a decade—with no guarantee of a product in the end (only about 10% of new drugs ultimately get approved). In the meantime, revenue is minimal, aside from upfront payments from large pharmaceutical partners hoping to share in the rewards if a drug succeeds. For example, ABL Bio received US\$75 million from Sanofi in 2022, and aside from smaller milestone payments, its next major payment didn't arrive until 2025 (from GSK and Eli Lilly).

Company B is our Italian holding DiaSorin, one of the portfolio's biggest relative detractors for the year. DiaSorin is a well-established business in a growing niche. Hospitals and labs using its diagnostic devices need an ongoing supply of test kits—repeat purchases that generate attractive margins for DiaSorin. Unlike ABL Bio, DiaSorin *benefits* from the highly regulated nature of health care because it raises the barriers to entry. These dynamics help DiaSorin sustain a competitive advantage and deliver strong cash flow returns on investment (CFROI). In November, the company cut its growth outlook for

the full year from 8% to 5% and lowered margin expectations by about 100 basis points, citing reduced demand for molecular respiratory-infection tests compared to 2024 (when there was an outbreak of whooping cough), including decreased COVID-19 and flu testing (although the US is now in the throes of its worst flu season in decades). DiaSorin's stock plunged on the lowered outlook, but even if sales were to remain at these subdued levels, the business would still generate a CFROI above 10%—a level that meets or exceeds long-term Health Care sector returns.

This year, you would have been far better off owning shares of ABL Bio than DiaSorin. In the long run, we still think you'll be glad that it's the reverse.

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Why continue to be patient? We could revisit decades of research that argues for sticking with quality compounders. But we can also look at the recent winners and see that the conditions that have boosted them generally lack a clear basis for continuing.

Consider gold's historic run. Gold is trading at its highest inflation-adjusted level in five decades. But it is a volatile commodity, and gold-mining companies have not had a great history of profitability other than when prices are unusually high.

Other fireworks have similarly flared in recent years, most notably stocks tied to the AI infrastructure buildout. Setting aside questions about the durability of demand across the AI supply chain, the index's biggest “AI winner” is barely even connected to the theme, making the momentum in its shares all the more questionable. The top-performing stock in the small-cap IT sector in 2025 was Winbond Electronics. Winbond has benefited from the AI gold rush, not because it makes the cutting-edge, high-bandwidth chips AI data centers are scrambling for, but because it makes a different kind. Winbond's main products include legacy memory chips known as specialty DRAM, used in everything from cars to consumer electronics to industrial equipment. As industry manufacturing capacity has been redirected toward advanced AI chips, supply of these legacy products has tightened, pushing prices sharply higher. To generate attractive returns over time in cyclical industries such as semiconductor manufacturing, a company must possess a durable advantage, such as cost leadership or proprietary technology that supports strong pricing power. Winbond, however, appears to have neither, evidenced by its history of low CFROI.

We think there's a stark contrast between Winbond and our IT holdings. For example, earlier in the year we purchased a stock from the same industry group: Aspeed Technology. This leading Taiwanese fabless semiconductor company specializes in baseboard management controller (BMC) chips, the most

Market Snapshot

- The year began with significant volatility due to the brief shock of the Trump administration's tariffs in April, which caused a sharp market dip. International small caps outpaced US small caps, supported by cheaper starting valuations, tariff and policy uncertainty in the US, and a decline in the US dollar.
- For both the quarter and year, strong performance across several sectors in Israel boosted the Middle East region. Canada also sharply outperformed, as rising gold prices lifted stocks of Materials businesses in the country.
- EMs underperformed for the quarter and year, as India grappled with tariff uncertainty and an earnings slowdown.
- By sector, Materials significantly led the market throughout the year. Communication Services lagged the most in the quarter, as concerns over AI disruption weighed on shares of online classifieds businesses. Consumer Staples was the weakest sector for the year, as consumers opted for alternatives to costlier branded products.
- By style, the cheapest stocks outperformed the most expensive by a staggering 28 percentage points for the year, while stocks of the highest-quality companies lagged the lowest by nearly 15 percentage points.

Index Performance (USD %)

MSCI ACWI ex US Small Cap Index

Sector	4Q 2025	Trailing 12 Months
Communication Services	-4.0	26.0
Consumer Discretionary	-1.3	14.4
Consumer Staples	-1.8	10.2
Energy	5.8	30.8
Financials	4.6	43.1
Health Care	-2.1	14.3
Industrials	3.3	30.9
Information Technology	5.1	30.2
Materials	10.4	58.8
Real Estate	1.4	23.3
Utilities	4.5	30.9

Source: FactSet, MSCI Inc. Data as of December 31, 2025.

Region	4Q 2025	Trailing 12 Months
Canada	11.0	57.7
Emerging Markets	1.7	19.0
Europe EMU	3.6	42.6
Europe ex EMU	3.4	26.7
Japan	1.1	29.3
Middle East	19.1	73.1
Pacific ex Japan	0.3	29.8
MSCI ACWI ex US Small Cap Index	3.0	29.9

advanced technology for remote server management—a critical capability because, for instance, it enables a frozen server inside a data center to be reset without someone physically being there. Demand is growing for BMC chips, and Aspeed's 70% global share of this niche market gives it a cost advantage that supports continued investment in higher-margin, cutting-edge technology. As a result, its stock was one of our top relative contributors for the quarter.

Still, questioning market narratives also means challenging our own. Therefore, we don't assume the structural advantages and fundamental strength that Aspeed—or any of our holdings—enjoys today will persist. We watch for key changes in the business or

competitive environment, making precommitments about how we'll respond to such changes. With Aspeed, for example, that means monitoring whether the quality of rival products is catching up, or for signs that key customers are bringing more chipmaking in-house.

While markets were captivated by speculative trends in 2025, history shows that it is usually the companies quietly building value that are rewarded most over the long run. Where markets might see boring, we see reliable: financially strong, well-managed companies equipped with durable competitive advantages, operating in industries poised for long-term growth. To us, that makes them exciting.

Portfolio in Focus

Consumer Staples have offered the most compelling valuation opportunities among quality-growth international small caps over the past few years. As a result, the sector is now one of the portfolio's largest active weights.

There's a variety of reasons Consumer Staples had fallen out of favor, including macroeconomic challenges, such as inflation causing consumers to trade down to cheaper goods, as well as the stock market's pivot away from higher-quality companies with less spectacular growth. It's also easy to see how a market hyped up on new technologies could overlook durable consumer trends that are beyond the reach of those technologies (i.e., AI probably won't change the world's need for food and health-related items).

One holding we added along the way is Cranswick, a small UK food producer. Like many Consumer Staples businesses, its work isn't glamorous: Cranswick supplies chicken and pork to stores and restaurants. But there's plenty to like about the business. Its operations span milling facilities that provide animal feed, farms and hatcheries, and plants that produce the final product. This vertical integration gives it greater control over product quality and consistency as well as greater ability to trace potential food-safety concerns—a key challenge in meat production. Global demand for protein is also on the rise, with poultry and meat primary sources, placing Cranswick at the center of a durable, long-term trend.

Other Consumer Staples companies we've added in recent years are Yantai China Pet Foods, Lotus Bakeries, and Rohto Pharmaceuticals. The dynamics are familiar: companies with durable competitive advantages in areas of growing demand. The pet-food market in the US and Europe is largely controlled by large manufacturers such as Nestle and Mars, but in China, these incumbents take a smaller slice of the pie. China Pet Foods is a local leader, and though it started out as a supplier to large global brands, it is increasingly focused on its own branded products in China. Lotus Bakeries is a high-quality snack-food business that has turned Biscoff, a traditional Belgian cookie, into a global brand with a devoted following—thanks in part to a strategic move four decades ago to target airlines. Rohto Pharmaceuticals sells over-the-counter eye-care and skin-care products, two key drugstore categories, which unlike prescription drugs don't require significant R&D investment. Instead, Rohto reinvests the stable cash flow from its eye-care business into faster-growing Japanese skin-care products as well as its international expansion. We had previously owned Rohto, but sold it in 2022 due to the stock's relatively rich valuation. We repurchased it in 2025 when its valuation became attractive again.

Our stock selection this year was strongest in Consumer Staples, with China Pet Foods and Rohto two particularly strong contributors.

Portfolio Positioning (% Weight)

Sector	HL	Index	Relative Weight
Comm Services	10.1	3.7	
Cons Staples	11.7	5.3	
Health Care	11.2	6.6	
Info Technology	15.5	11.3	
Industrials	22.7	20.2	
Cash	2.2	–	
Utilities	2.8	3.1	
Energy	1.5	3.6	
Financials	9.9	12.1	
Materials	7.5	13.3	
Cons Discretionary	4.9	11.3	
Real Estate	0.0	9.5	

Region	HL	Index	Relative Weight
Europe EMU	26.1	11.3	
Europe ex EMU	30.5	17.0	
Frontier Markets	7.8	–	
Cash	2.2	–	
Other	0.9	–	
Middle East	0.0	3.0	
Canada	1.0	7.6	
Japan	14.2	22.4	
Pacific ex Japan	0.5	9.8	
Emerging Markets	16.8	28.9	

"HL": International Small Companies Equity model portfolio. "Index": MSCI All Country World ex US Small Cap Index. "Frontier Markets": Includes countries with less-developed markets outside the index. "Other": Includes companies classified in countries outside the index

Sector and region allocations are supplemental information only and complement the fully compliant International Small Companies Equity composite GIPS Presentation. Source: Harding Loevner International Small Companies Equity model, FactSet, MSCI Inc. MSCI Inc. and S&P do not make any express or implied warranties or representations and shall have no liability whatsoever with respect to any GICS data contained herein. Data as of December 31, 2025.

Meanwhile, IT was our biggest detractor for the year, and poor performance in the sector, primarily weak software and services holdings, has reduced our active weight. Shares of Globant, Reply, and Shift—consulting businesses specializing in different areas of IT—tumbled as the market questioned whether AI will disintermediate their work. We think some cyclical pressures, including reduced customer spending amid economic uncertainty and a near-term shift in IT budgets toward AI-related projects, are being misinterpreted as signs of structural decline. Viewing these pressures as largely temporary, we took advantage of

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share-price weakness to selectively add to our IT-services holdings, businesses we expect to play a key role in helping customers use AI.

IT exposure also declined because of the sale of two holdings. During the quarter, we exited LEM Holdings due to troubling signals about its near-term growth and profitability. The Swiss company is a leader in the market for transducers used to measure electrical parameters and a beneficiary of the long-term global shift from fossil fuels toward electrification. Recently, however, there's been a slowdown in the automotive and solar end markets, leaving the industry at overcapacity.

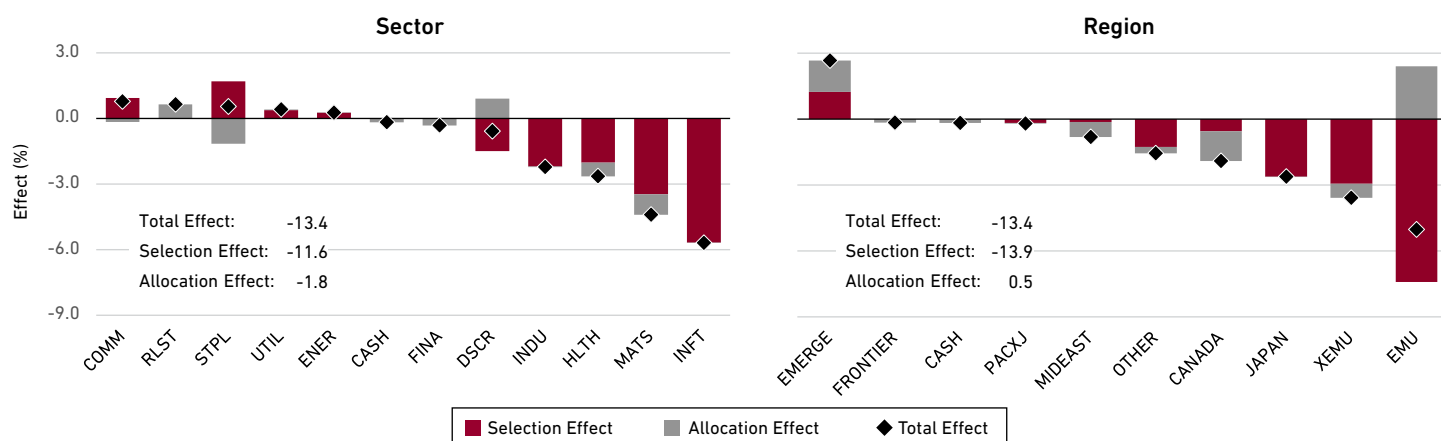
For some good news, Israeli cybersecurity provider CyberArk was acquired by Palo Alto Networks for an attractive premium. CyberArk's compounding returns over the eight years we owned it meant that its removal from the portfolio had a sizable effect on our IT exposure. CyberArk underscores the value of sticking with quality compounders. Several years ago, the company shifted from selling its technology as a one-time purchase to a cloud-based subscription model. While this move temporarily pressured its business, the company's revenues, cash flows, and returns later rebounded, ultimately drawing the attention of a strategic buyer.

Performance and Attribution

The International Small Companies Equity composite declined nearly 1.7% gross of fees in the fourth quarter, compared with a 3.0% increase in the MSCI ACW ex US Small Cap Index. For the year, the composite advanced 16.1% gross of fees, trailing the index's gain of 29.9%.

Trailing 12 Months Performance Attribution

International Small Companies Equity Composite vs. MSCI ACWI ex US Small Cap Index



"FRONTIER": Includes countries with less-developed markets outside the index. "OTHER": Includes companies classified in countries outside the index.

Source: Harding Loevner International Small Companies Equity composite, FactSet, MSCI Inc. Data as of December 31, 2025. The total effect shown here may differ from the variance of the composite performance and benchmark performance shown on the first page of this report due to the way in which FactSet calculates performance attribution. This information is supplemental to the composite GIPS Presentation.

Portfolio Attribution by Sector

Stock selection in IT greatly detracted for the quarter and was responsible for nearly half the portfolio's relative shortfall for the year. Performance in Materials also remained weak. While the quarter contained few bright spots, underperformance for the year was mitigated by a few strong stocks in Communication Services and Consumer Staples as well as an underweight in Real Estate.

Top contributors to relative performance:

- In **Communication Services**, Airtel Africa's revenue and operating profit grew by 26% and 33%, respectively, in its fiscal first half, as Nigeria's telecom regulator permitted price increases. Markets also looked forward to the pending spin-off of its mobile-money business.
- Within **Consumer Staples**, Grupo Herdez, Mexico's leading packaged-food manufacturer, posted solid results and completed two transactions that helped streamline its business. It sold a stake in a joint venture with US spice giant McCormick to its partner, with the proceeds potentially going toward stock buybacks. It also spun off its lower-returning Grupo Nutrisa business of coffee shops and yogurt stores.
- The portfolio continued to benefit from its lack of exposure to **Real Estate**, a sector that lagged the benchmark.

Top detractors from relative performance:

- In **IT**, LEM Holdings was a significant detractor throughout 2025. As discussed above, four of our six IT-services holdings also underperformed for the year amid growing concern over the threat of AI. Globant's stock was worst among them, although it pared some losses after third-quarter results met expectations and management slightly increased revenue guidance for the remainder of the year.
- In **Materials**, SH Kelkar was a significant detractor for the quarter and year. Although revenue climbed 12% in its fiscal first half, the Indian fragrance and flavors company said profits were temporarily squeezed by higher raw material costs as well as expenses stemming from the development of new facilities outside India.
- The quarter saw broad-based weakness among our capital-goods holdings within the **Industrials** sector, especially Burckhardt Compression. Despite a strong backlog, new orders of compressor systems for the petrochemical and chemical end markets plunged due to tariff uncertainty.

Relative Returns (%)

Fourth Quarter 2025

Largest Contributors	Sector	Avg. Weight		Effect
		HL	Index	
Airtel Africa	COMM	2.1	<0.1	0.52
Grupo Herdez	STPL	1.4	–	0.31
Aspeed	INFT	1.1	0.1	0.31
Artea Bankas	FINA	1.9	–	0.26
Bechtle	INFT	1.7	0.1	0.13

Largest Detractors	Sector	Avg. Weight		Effect
		HL	Index	
Baltic Classifieds	COMM	1.3	<0.1	-0.49
Scout24	COMM	1.7	–	-0.42
Shift	INFT	1.5	<0.1	-0.37
Wilcon Depot	DSCR	1.0	–	-0.33
Megacable	COMM	1.2	<0.1	-0.31

Trailing 12 Months

Largest Contributors	Sector	Avg. Weight		Effect
		HL	Index	
Airtel Africa	COMM	2.3	<0.1	2.44
Megacable	COMM	1.6	<0.1	0.75
Bankinter	FINA	1.1	0.1	0.73
Grupo Herdez	STPL	1.1	–	0.67
Aspeed	INFT	0.7	0.1	0.57

Largest Detractors	Sector	Avg. Weight		Effect
		HL	Index	
Globant	INFT	0.9	–	-1.57
Wilcon Depot	DSCR	1.1	<0.1	-1.04
Reply	INFT	2.1	0.1	-1.03
LEM Holdings	INFT	1.1	<0.1	-0.99
YouGov	COMM	1.1	<0.1	-0.94

"HL": International Small Companies Equity composite. "Index": MSCI All Country World ex US Small Cap Index.

Portfolio Attribution by Region

Holdings in Europe, including those outside the European Monetary Union (EMU), hurt relative returns in the quarter and year. For the full year, we had a number of strong EM stocks and helpful allocations in the region.

Top contributors to relative performance:

- In addition to Grupo Herdez, our top **EM** contributors for the year were Taiwan's Aspeed, India's Max Financial, and Mexico's Megacable. Aspeed rallied as new product releases allayed concerns about rising competitive threats and demand for its BMC chips held strong. At life insurer Max Financial, growth in new policies and premiums boosted profitability. Megacable's third-quarter revenue jumped 11% year over year amid a 10% increase in internet subscribers and modestly higher average revenue per user.
- In **Frontier Markets**, shares of Romanian natural gas producer Romgaz surged in the quarter and year, amid a string of solid results and demonstrated progress in developing its Neptun Deep large offshore project, with plans for it to begin delivering gas in 2027.

Top detractors from relative performance:

- In the **EMU**, German holdings Evotec, a provider of outsourced drug discovery and development services, and software provider TeamViewer were key detractors in the quarter and year. Weak spending in the biopharmaceutical industry continued to impact Evotec, whose sales and profits declined in its fiscal third quarter. TeamViewer cut its 2025 revenue outlook due to weaker-than-expected growth in 1E, its newly acquired software business that helps IT teams manage large fleets of employee computer devices and automatically troubleshoot issues.
- In **Europe ex EMU**, LEM's performance hurt the most in the year. For the quarter, shares of Rightmove, the UK's leading property-listing company, tumbled after announcing plans to invest more heavily in AI capabilities, which will weigh on near-term operating profit and margins. Its Lithuanian peer Baltic Classifieds also fell due to concerns over AI disruption and management's suggestion that operating margins may come under pressure.

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Portfolio Holdings

Communication Services		Market	End Wt. (%)
Airtel Africa	Telecom services	UK	1.5
Baltic Classifieds	Online classifieds portal operator	UK	2.0
Cheil Worldwide	Marketing and advertising services	South Korea	0.7
Ipsos	Market-research services	France	0.8
Megacable	Cable operator	Mexico	1.1
Paradox Interactive	Video game publisher	Sweden	0.7
Scout24	Real estate information services	Germany	1.5
TIME dotCom Berhad	Telecom services	Malaysia	0.8
YouGov	Market research and data analytics services	UK	0.9
Consumer Discretionary			
Allegro	E-commerce retailer	Poland	0.7
Games Workshop Group	Game designer and mfr.	UK	0.6
Thule Group	Lifestyle consumer products manufacturer	Sweden	1.1
TravelSky	Aviation IT services	China	1.5
Wilcon Depot	Home improvement retailer	Philippines	0.9
Consumer Staples			
Ariake	Natural seasonings manufacturer	Japan	1.4
Cranswick	Foods manufacturer	UK	2.2
Grupo Herdez	Processed foods manufacturer	Mexico	1.6
KWS SAAT	Agricultural products producer	Germany	2.1
Lotus Bakeries	Confectionery snack manufacturer	Belgium	1.3
Rohto Pharmaceutical	Health and cons. products mfr.	Japan	2.2
Yantai China Pet Foods	Pet food manufacturer	China	1.1
Energy			
Dialog Group Berhad	Petrochemical services	Malaysia	0.4
Romgaz	Natural gas producer	Romania	1.0
Financials			
Artea Bankas	Commercial bank	Lithuania	2.0
Bankinter	Commercial bank	Spain	0.7
GMO Payment Gateway	Payment processing services	Japan	1.6
Linea Directa	Insurance provider	Spain	1.1
Max Financial	Financial services & insurance provider	India	2.0
Rathbones	Wealth manager	UK	0.8
Sony Financial	Insurance and financial services	Japan	1.7
Health Care			
Asahi Intecc	Medical device manufacturer	Japan	1.3
Carl Zeiss Meditec	Medical technology provider	Germany	0.9
CellaVision	Medical device manufacturer	Sweden	1.0
DiaSorin	Reagent kits developer	Italy	0.8
Evotec	Drug discovery and developer	Germany	1.1
Haier Biomedical	Biomedical storage manufacturer	China	1.5
Medistim	Medical device supplier	Norway	1.1
Santen Pharmaceutical	Pharma manufacturer	Japan	1.7
Health Care		Market	End Wt. (%)
Square Pharmaceuticals	Pharma manufacturer	Bangladesh	0.7
Sysmex	Clinical laboratory equipment manufacturer	Japan	0.5
Tecan	Life science products and services	Switzerland	0.6
Industrials			
Belimo	HVAC manufacturer	Switzerland	1.4
Bossard	Industrial components supplier	Switzerland	1.1
Brenntag	Chemical distribution services	Germany	0.7
Burckhardt Compression	Compressor manufacturer	Switzerland	1.4
Carel	HVAC and refrigeration solutions	Italy	1.0
Clarkson	Shipping services	UK	2.5
Copa Holdings	Airline operator	Panama	1.4
Diploma	Specialized technical services	UK	1.7
Grafton	Construction products distributor	UK	1.3
Haitian International	Injection-molding machines mfr.	China	0.7
Hanbell Precise Machinery	Compressor mfr.	China	1.1
MISUMI Group	Machinery-parts supplier	Japan	0.8
Pfeiffer Vacuum	Vacuum pump manufacturer	Germany	1.4
Senior	Aerospace and auto parts manufacturer	UK	3.3
Spirax Group	Industrial components manufacturer	UK	1.9
TOMRA	Industrial sensors manufacturer	Norway	0.9
Information Technology			
Alten	Technology consultant and engineer	France	1.0
ASM Pacific Technology	Semiconductor eqpt. mfr.	Hong Kong	0.5
Aspeed	Electronic chip designer and manufacturer	Taiwan	1.3
Bechtle	IT services and IT products reseller	Germany	1.9
Besi	Semiconductor equipment mfr.	Netherlands	0.8
Bochu	Laser control system manufacturer	China	0.6
FPT	IT services provider	Vietnam	0.3
Globant	IT services provider	US	0.9
Kinaxis	Supply chain software developer	Canada	1.0
Nemetschek	Engineering software developer	Germany	0.5
Reply	IT consultant	Italy	1.8
Shift	Software assurance provider	Japan	2.3
TeamViewer	Remote connectivity software developer	Germany	0.6
Temenos Group	Banking software developer	Switzerland	0.5
Vaisala	Atmospheric measuring devices manufacturer	Finland	1.6
Materials			
Croda	Specialty chemical manufacturer	UK	1.2
Fuchs Petrolub	Lubricants manufacturer	Germany	1.7
Hexpol	Rubber manufacturer	Sweden	0.8
Hoa Phat Group	Steel producer	Vietnam	2.3
JCU	Industrial coating manufacturer	Japan	0.9
SH Kelkar	Fragrances and flavors manufacturer	India	0.7

Real Estate	Market	End Wt. (%)
No Holdings		
Utilities		
Rubis Liquid chemical storage and distribution	France	2.8
Cash		2.2

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Portfolio Facts

Portfolio Characteristics

Quality and Growth	HL	Index	Risk and Valuation	HL	Index
Profit Margin ¹ (%)	9.6	7.6	Alpha ² (%)	-5.11	–
Return on Assets ¹ (%)	8.0	5.1	Beta ²	1.01	–
Return on Equity ¹ (%)	13.4	10.1	R-Squared ²	0.86	–
Debt/Equity Ratio ¹ (%)	30.2	48.0	Active Share ³ (%)	98	–
Std. Dev. of 5 Year ROE ¹ (%)	3.3	4.4	Standard Deviation ² (%)	15.86	14.47
Sales Growth ^{1,2} (%)	8.9	5.3	Sharpe Ratio ²	-0.09	0.28
Earnings Growth ^{1,2} (%)	7.6	10.0	Tracking Error ² (%)	6.0	–
Cash Flow Growth ^{1,2} (%)	11.2	7.5	Information Ratio ²	-0.92	–
Dividend Growth ^{1,2} (%)	11.5	7.1	Up/Down Capture ²	92/117	–
Size and Turnover	HL	Index	Price/Earnings ⁴	18.5	16.4
Wtd. Median Mkt. Cap. (US \$B)	3.3	3.0	Price/Cash Flow ⁴	12.1	9.3
Wtd. Avg. Mkt. Cap. (US \$B)	4.2	3.7	Price/Book ⁴	2.4	1.5
Turnover ³ (Annual %)	18.3	–	Dividend Yield ⁵ (%)	2.3	2.6

¹Weighted median. ²Trailing five years, annualized. ³Five-year average. ⁴Weighted harmonic mean. ⁵Weighted mean. Source: (Risk characteristics) Harding Loevner International Small Companies Equity composite based on the composite returns, gross of fees, eVestment Alliance LLC, MSCI Inc. Source: (other characteristics) Harding Loevner International Small Companies Equity model based on the underlying holdings, FactSet (Run Date: January 6, 2026) based on the latest available data in FactSet on this date), MSCI Inc.

Completed Portfolio Transactions

Positions Established	Market	Sector	Positions Sold	Market	Sector
Games Workshop Group	UK	DSCR	Eclat Textile	Taiwan	DSCR
Ipsos	France	COMM	Grupo Nutrisa	Mexico	DSCR
Sony Financial	Japan	FINA	LEM Holdings	Switzerland	INFT
			Rightmove	UK	COMM
			STRATEC	Germany	HLTH

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Composite Performance

as of December 31, 2025

	HL ISC Gross (%)	HL ISC Net (%)	MSCI ACWI ex US Small Cap ¹ (%)	HL ISC 3-yr. Std. Deviation ² (%)	MSCI ACWI ex US Small Cap 3-yr. Std. Deviation ² (%)	Internal Dispersion ³ (%)	No. of Accounts	Composite Assets (\$M)	Firm Assets (\$M)
2025 ⁴	16.12	15.06	29.88	14.24	12.09	N.M.	1	244	32,260
2024	-5.26	-6.16	3.85	17.84	16.81	N.M.	1	411	35,471
2023	13.91	12.83	16.23	18.05	16.98	N.M.	1	537	43,924
2022	-23.74	-24.46	-19.57	21.96	22.72	N.M.	1	523	47,607
2021	14.71	13.60	13.36	18.81	19.85	N.M.	1	594	75,084
2020	20.14	18.81	14.67	19.78	20.97	N.M.	1	454	74,496
2019	31.30	29.83	22.93	12.36	11.60	N.M.	1	350	64,306
2018	-16.39	-17.34	-17.89	12.47	12.36	N.M.	1	165	49,892
2017	37.61	36.34	32.12	10.76	11.54	N.M.	3	323	54,003
2016	0.79	-0.22	4.29	10.78	12.15	N.M.	2	154	38,996
2015	5.83	4.63	2.95	10.26	11.32	N.M.	1	95	33,296

¹Benchmark index. ²Variability of the composite, gross of fees, and the index returns over the preceding 36-month period, annualized. ³Asset-weighted standard deviation (gross of fees). ⁴The 2025 performance returns and assets shown are preliminary. N.M.—Information is not statistically significant due to an insufficient number of portfolios in the composite for the entire year.

The International Small Companies Equity composite contains fully discretionary, fee-paying accounts investing primarily in non-US equity and equity-equivalent securities of companies with market capitalizations that fall within the range of the composite's benchmark index and cash reserves. For comparison purposes, the composite is measured against the MSCI All Country World ex US Small Cap Total Return Index (Gross). Returns include the effect of foreign currency exchange rates. The exchange rate source of the benchmark is Reuters. The exchange rate source of the composite is Bloomberg. Additional information about the benchmark, including the percentage of composite assets invested in countries or regions not included in the benchmark, is available upon request.

The MSCI All Country World ex US Small Cap Index is a free float-adjusted market capitalization index that is designed to measure small cap developed and emerging market equity performance, excluding the US. The index consists of 46 developed and emerging market countries, and is comprised of companies that fall within a market capitalization range of USD 6-19,033 million (as of December 31, 2025). You cannot invest directly in this index.

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The International Small Companies Equity composite was created on December 31, 2006 and the performance inception date is January 1, 2007.

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