



### Investment Process Highlights

The team's investment approach is based on idea generation, a systematic framework for analyzing companies and proactive risk management. Utilizing this approach, the team seeks to construct a focused portfolio designed to maximize alpha while limiting downside risk over the long term.

#### Idea Generation

- Identify inflections in multi-year trends caused by changes in supply/demand dynamics, societal behavior, market conditions, technology, laws/regulations and business models, among other variables—these can lead to powerful re-ratings of industries and companies
- Find areas where the team's views on industry fundamentals differ from consensus estimates—a key element in alpha generation

#### Systematic Analytical Framework

- Apply a systematic framework for analyzing companies across sectors and themes, creating a repeatable and methodical decision-making process
- Focus on multi-year earnings power differentiation, expected outcome scenario analysis, return on invested capital and discounted cash flow valuations using the team's proprietary company models
- Utilize internally developed visual outputs to consistently evaluate positions across the portfolio

#### Proactive Risk Management

- Incorporate risk management into all stages of the investment process
- Evaluate metrics including crowding, correlation, volatility, stress tests, liquidity, factor analysis and macro drivers, in order to inform portfolio construction and position sizing
- Where appropriate, use various instruments, such as options, in an effort to magnify alpha and minimize downside

#### Sector Diversification\* (% of net assets)

Communication Services	4.5	
Consumer Discretionary	5.8	
Consumer Staples	0.0	
Energy	4.3	
Financials	16.3	
Health Care	5.2	
Industrials	15.6	
Information Technology	31.6	
Materials	0.0	
Real Estate	5.4	
Utilities	4.2	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>92.8%</b>	

Source: Artisan Partners. Cash and cash equivalents represented 3.5% of the total portfolio. Portfolio sector classifications are defined by the investment team and may differ substantially from the GICS classifications. Upon request, Artisan Partners will provide the portfolio's sector breakdown according to GICS methodology.

#### Investment Results (% USD)

As of 31 December 2024	Average Annual Total Returns						
	QTD	YTD	1 Yr	3 Yr	5 Yr	10 Yr	Inception
<b>Composite — Gross</b>	<b>2.68</b>	<b>32.68</b>	<b>32.68</b>	<b>5.26</b>	<b>13.80</b>	—	<b>18.62</b>
<b>Composite — Net</b>	<b>2.42</b>	<b>31.39</b>	<b>31.39</b>	<b>4.22</b>	<b>12.68</b>	—	<b>17.46</b>
S&P 500® Index	2.41	25.02	25.02	8.93	14.51	—	14.44

#### Calendar Year Returns (% USD)

<b>Composite — Net</b>	<b>10.45</b>	<b>32.80</b>	<b>29.53</b>	<b>23.95</b>	<b>-25.67</b>	<b>15.93</b>	<b>31.39</b>
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Source: Artisan Partners/S&P. Returns for periods less than one year are not annualized.

Past performance does not guarantee and is not a reliable indicator of future results. Current performance may be lower or higher than the performance shown. Composite performance has been presented in both gross and net of investment management fees. The Strategy's investments in initial public offerings (IPOs) made a material contribution to performance. IPO investments may contribute significantly to a small portfolio's return, an effect that will generally decrease as assets grow. IPO investments may be unavailable in the future.

**Investment Risks:** Investments will rise and fall with market fluctuations and investor capital is at risk. Investors investing in strategies denominated in non-local currency should be aware of the risk of currency exchange fluctuations that may cause a loss of principal. These risks, among others, are further described on the next page, which should be read in conjunction with this material.

### Portfolio Details

Composite Inception	1 May 2017
Total AUM (USD Millions)	\$1,979

### Portfolio Statistics\*

Number of Companies	27
Top 5 Issuers (% of net assets)	33.7%
Non-US Companies (% of net assets)	11.5%
Weighted Avg. Market Cap (USD Billions)	\$932.7
Weighted Avg. ROE	32.9%
Weighted Avg. LT EPS Growth Rate (3-5 Yr)	24.2%
Weighted Avg. P/E (FY2) <sup>1</sup>	29.5X
Active Share <sup>2</sup>	79.9%

Source: Artisan Partners/FactSet. <sup>1</sup>Harmonic. <sup>2</sup>Not delta-adjusted and includes cash, cash equivalents, ETFs and ETF/Index options.

### Top 5 Issuers\* (% of net assets)

NVIDIA Corp (Transformation of the Enterprise)	10.1
Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Co Ltd (Transformation of the Enterprise)	8.5
Equinix Inc (Network Infrastructure Modernization)	5.4
General Electric Co (Aero Normalization)	4.9
Nasdaq Inc (Data Monetization)	4.8
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>33.7%</b>

Source: Artisan Partners.

### Portfolio Exposure By Theme\* (% of net assets)

Transformation of the Enterprise	26.6
De-Globalization	16.8
Data Monetization	16.3
Digitization of User Experience & Commerce	11.9
Network Infrastructure Modernization	10.9
Aero Normalization	5.2
Medical Innovations	5.2
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>92.8%</b>

Source: Artisan Partners. Theme categorizations are at the sole discretion of the team. Themes and constituents are as of the date indicated and subject to change. The Digitization of Commerce theme was broadened to Digitization of User Experience and Commerce as of 31 Mar 2024.

\*% of net assets represents the portfolio's exposures based on the economic value of investments and options are delta-adjusted. Categories "Other" and "Not Applicable" may include ETFs, ETF/Index options and other securities which have not explicitly been classified.

## Team Leadership

Portfolio Manager	Years of Investment Experience
Christopher Smith	21

## Market Cap Distribution\* (% of net assets)

\$ USD in billions	
75.0+	74.2
25.0–75.0	18.6
5.0–25.0	0.0
0.0–5.0	0.0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>92.8%</b>

Source: Artisan Partners.

## Portfolio Construction

- Typically hold 20-40 names across 5-8 themes
- Maximum position size generally 15%<sup>1</sup>
- Maximum of 25% in any one industry<sup>1</sup>
- Primarily US with ability to invest globally

Based on a model portfolio. <sup>1</sup>Limitations apply at the time of purchase.

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