

World Class Companies
Bigger does not necessarily mean better

Historical Performance of Small Caps
Global small indices have outperformed large-cap indices

Large Opportunity Set
A dedicated small cap team to find investment opportunities

Fund Facts

Number of stocks	85
Total Fund Size	\$274.1m
Inception Date	13 December 2002
Total Management Costs	W Class: 1.12% p.a.
Index	MSCI World Small Cap
Minimum Investment	\$20,000
Buy/Sell Spread	+0.25%/-0.25%
Distributions	Annually
APIR Code	LAZ0012AU

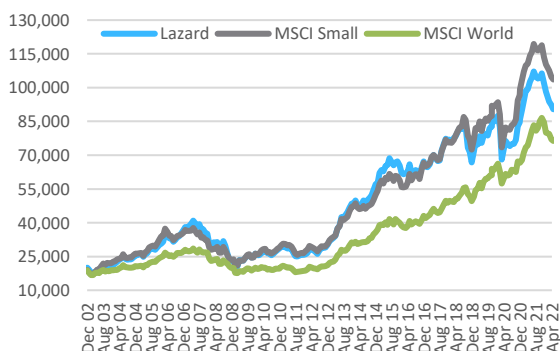
Investment Characteristics

	Lazard	Index
Forward Price/Earnings	14.4	15.5
Forward Return on Equity (%)	15.0	11.6
Price/Cash Flow	10.6	10.4
Weighted Average Market Cap (\$m)	7,545	6,087
Active Share (%)	96.6	-
3 Year Turnover (% pa)	58.2	-

Performance¹ (%)

	Lazard	Index	Excess Return
1 Month	-1.9	-1.1	-0.7
3 Months	-7.9	-6.1	-1.8
1 Year	-8.9	-6.3	-2.6
3 Years (pa)	6.2	8.7	-2.5
5 Years (pa)	5.2	8.1	-2.9
10 Years (pa)	12.5	13.7	-1.2
Since Inception (pa)	8.1	9.0	-0.9

Growth of \$20,000¹



Allocations (%)

Sector	Lazard	Index	Overweight/underweight
Communication Services	2.0	2.9	-0.9
Consumer Discretionary	13.9	12.0	1.8
Consumer Staples	4.8	4.5	0.2
Energy	4.5	6.1	-1.5
Financials	12.6	14.0	-1.3
Health Care	10.4	9.2	1.3
Industrials	19.6	18.7	0.9
Information Technology	10.8	11.3	-0.5
Materials	5.6	8.0	-2.4
Real Estate	10.4	10.2	0.2
Utilities	3.6	3.1	0.4
Other	-	-	-
Cash	1.7	-	1.7
Region			
Europe ex UK	20.9	13.7	7.2
United Kingdom	6.2	6.2	0.0
North America	59.9	63.5	-3.7
Japan	9.2	9.9	-0.7
Asia Pacific ex Japan	1.3	5.6	-4.3
Middle East	-	1.1	-1.1
Emerging Markets	0.9	0.0	0.9
Cash	1.7	-	1.7

Top 5 Holdings (%)

	Lazard	Index
Commerce Bancshares	3.1	0.1
East West Bancorp	2.7	0.1
Cactus	2.2	0.0
Bankinter	1.9	0.1
Curtiss-Wright	1.8	0.2

¹ Performance is presented net of W Class fees, please refer to www.lazardassetmanagement.com for performance of the I Class.

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Market Overview

Global small cap equities fell slightly in the month as the war in Ukraine and China's "zero-COVID" policy continued to stoke investor concerns regarding inflation, rising rates, central bank policy, and global economic growth.

Once again, stocks in the energy sector rose significantly. Among other sectors, financials and utilities outperformed while real estate and consumer discretionary lagged. Regionally, Japan outperformed modestly while Asia non-Japan was a notable underperformer.

Commentary

The Lazard Global Small Cap Equity Fund trailed the MSCI World Small Cap Index (the "Index") in the period, due mainly to negative stock selection impact. Allocation impact was marginally negative on a sector basis and modestly positive on a regional basis. On a more granular industry basis, the portfolio's underweight in fossil fuels (i.e., MSCI GICS level 3 industry, "oil, gas, and consumable fuels") continued to serve as a headwind to relative performance, accounting for approximately half of the negative attribution in the period.

Shares of United Therapeutics (health care) – a U.S.-listed biotechnology company – rose sharply in the month following FDA approval for its key pulmonary hypertension therapy. The portfolio continues to hold the shares.

Shares of Malibu Boats (consumer discretionary) – a U.S.-listed recreational powerboat manufacturer – performed well in the period alongside the release of better-than-expected quarterly results that demonstrated strong pricing power, robust demand, and solid operational execution. The portfolio continues to hold the shares.

Shares of Pegasystems (information technology) – a U.S.-listed Business Process Management software solutions provider – fell in the period following an adverse litigation verdict involving alleged misuse of a competitor's technology. The portfolio no longer holds the shares.

Shares Sterling Check (industrials) – a U.S.-listed provider of background check and identity verification services – fell in the month following the release of quarterly results that included a less optimistic than expected profitability outlook from management due to higher operating costs, integration of a recent acquisition, and recent headcount additions. The portfolio continues to hold the shares.

Outlook

The inflation debate has shifted from one of persistence to one of containment. Expectations for further rate hikes have increased in most parts of the world, and it seems clear central banks are intent on preventing high inflation from becoming entrenched. However, the impact of a prolonged war in Ukraine, as well as China's zero-COVID policy, may make such ambitions easier said than done. While it remains too soon to determine if the Fed and other central banks can cool inflation without stunting economic growth, recession risks appear to be rising.

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