

## **RBC O'Shaughnessy International Equity Fund**

#### **Investment Objective**

To provide a long-term total return, consisting of capital growth and current income by investing primarily in equity securities outside of North America based on Strategy Indexing®, a rigorous and disciplined approach to stock selection based on characteristics associated with above average returns over long periods of time.

#### **Fund Details**

Series	Load Structure	Currency	Fund Code
Α	No Load	CAD	RBF586
Adv	Front End	CAD	RBF761
Adv	Low Load	CAD	RBF109

Inception Date Total Fund Assets \$Mil	January 2005 304 0
Series A NAV \$	9.75
Series A MER %	2.25
Benchmark	MSCI EAFE Total Return Net Index (C\$)

Annually

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Capital Gains Distribution	Annually
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Sales Status	upen
Min. Investment \$	500
Subsequent Investment \$	25

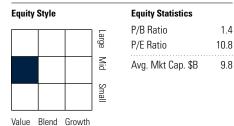
Income Distribution

Fund Category	International Equity				
Management Company	RBC Global Asset Management Inc.				

Web Site

Portfolio Analysis as of January 31, 2019





Top 5 Sectors	% Equity
Financials	16.0
Industrials	13.0
Consumer Staples	11.1
Consumer Discretionary	11.1
Health Care	9.9

Geographic Allocations	% Assets
Japan	22.7
United Kingdom	16.4
Australia	11.2
Netherlands	6.5
France	4.9





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3.7	0.0	-9.7	-11.9	0.9	3.3	6.9	2.4	Fund
2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup>	_	Quartile				
675	671	639	611	424	321	178	_	No. of Funds in Category



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### Management Overview

#### **Manager Bios**

#### Jim P. O'Shaughnessy

#### O'Shaughnessy Asset Management

Jim O'Shaughnessy is the Chairman of O'Shaughnessy Asset Management (OSAM). Also serving as the Chief Investment Officer of the firm, Jim is ultimately responsible for OSAM's investment strategies. He directs the Senior Portfolio Manager, Director of Research, and the Portfolio Management Team and helps to set the agenda for the team. He is also responsible for the development of OSAM's existing strategies and directs the team on idea generation and specific initiatives to improve the models and develop new factors and products.

# Patrick O'Shaughnessy O'Shaughnessy Asset Management

Patrick O'Shaughnessy is the Chief Executive Officer at O'Shaughnessy Asset Management (OSAM). Patrick oversees the day-to-day business of the firm, directing OSAM's initiatives in the areas of research and portfolio management, investor education and client service and relationships. He also serves as a Portfolio Manager. Prior to his role as CEO, Patrick spent 11 years on OSAM's Research & Portfolio Management team, working to improve the firm's investment strategies.

<b>Performance Analysis</b>	Cont'd as o	of Januar	y 31, 20	119							
Distributions (\$)/Unit	YTD*	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009
Total Distributions	_	0.33	0.18	0.20	0.15	0.23	0.14	0.20	0.31	0.12	0.12
Interest	_	0.33	0.18	0.20	0.15	0.23	0.14	0.20	0.31	0.12	0.12
Dividends	_	_	0.00	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
Capital Gains	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
Return Of Capital	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
Best/Worst Periods %	Ended	1 \	Yr	Ended	3 Yr	Е	nded	5 Yr	En	ded	10 Yr
Best	3-2014	41.	.3 7	-2015	21.4	5-2	2017	14.8	1-20	019	6.9
Worst	3-2009	-41.	.3 5	-2010	-19.9	5-2	2012	-11.9	1-20	017	-0.5
Average		4.	5		3.2			4.6			2.3
No. of Periods		15	7		133			109			49
Pct. Positive		65.	.0		65.4						93.9

<sup>\*</sup> Distributions are characterized into income type at year-end.

#### Quarterly Commentary as at December 31, 2018

From a factor perspective, our exposure to smallercapitalization companies was positive. Our overweight exposure to the Value factor was also a positive contributor to performance. The largest factor detractors were Shareholder Yield and our overweight exposure to companies with strong Earnings Quality.

From a sector perspective, allocation and selection effects were negative. Communication Services and Utilities were the top contributors to allocation effects. Meanwhile, Energy and Real Estate were the top detractors. Healthcare and Consumer Staples were the top contributors to selection effects. Meanwhile, Industrials and Energy were the top detractors.

From a country perspective, overall allocation effects had no effect on performance and selection effects detracted. An overweight and selection within the Netherlands and Israel were the top

contributors. Meanwhile, overweights and selection in Japan and Norway were the top detractors.

Based on our key themes, decades of testing and more than 15 years of live performance, we believe the International Equity fund is well positioned relative to the overall market. The portfolio's companies have higher levels of returnon-capital, lower reliance on external financing, and trade at deep discounts across several valuation factors. They are also returning capital to shareholders at a significantly higher rate than the benchmark and exhibit strong momentum. As the year progresses, we will continue to focus on our niche of the market: quality companies, often trading at out-of-favor prices with strong momentum, which are aggressively returning capital to equity shareholders through dividends and share repurchases.



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