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# MFS® Global New Discovery Fund

(Class R6 Shares)

Second quarter 2026 investment report

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# Fund Risks and Investment Objective



The fund may not achieve its objective and/or you could lose money on your investment in the fund.

**Stock:** Stock markets and investments in individual stocks are volatile and can decline significantly in response to or investor perception of, issuer, market, economic, industry, political, regulatory, geopolitical, environmental, public health, and other conditions.

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**Emerging Markets:** Emerging markets can have less market structure, depth, and regulatory, custodial or operational oversight and greater political, social, geopolitical and economic instability than developed markets.

**Mid-cap:** Investments in mid-cap companies can be more volatile than investments in larger companies.

**Small-cap:** Investments in small-cap companies can be more volatile than investments in larger companies.

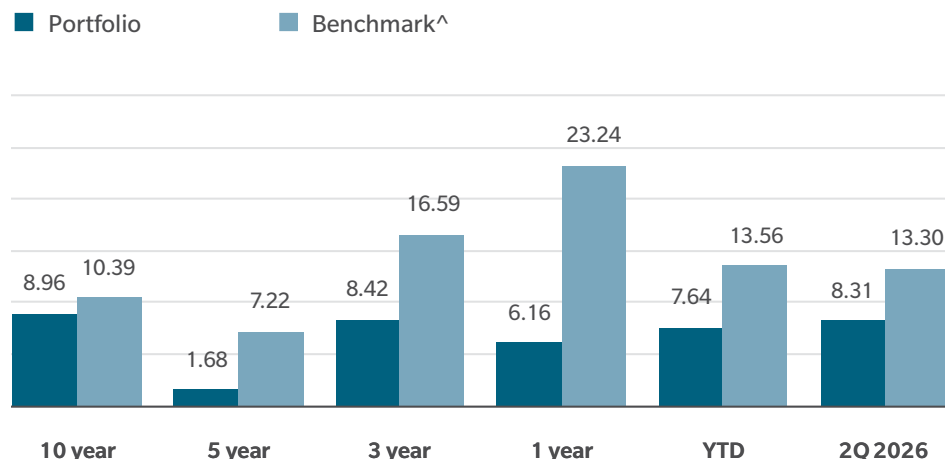
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**Investment Objective:** Seeks capital appreciation

# Executive Summary



## Performance results (%) R6 shares at NAV (USD) as of 30-Jun-26



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Shares are available without a sales charge to eligible investors.

Source for benchmark performance SPAR, FactSet Research Systems Inc.

For periods of less than one-year returns are not annualized.

^ MSCI All Country World Small Mid Cap Index (net div)

## Sector weights (%) as of 30-Jun-26

|                         | Portfolio | Benchmark^^ |
|-------------------------|-----------|-------------|
| <b>Top overweights</b>  |           |             |
| Industrials             | 31.4      | 20.2        |
| Materials               | 10.8      | 7.6         |
| Energy                  | 4.6       | 3.8         |
| <b>Top underweights</b> |           |             |
| Utilities               | -         | 4.8         |
| Financials              | 10.1      | 14.8        |
| Health Care             | 5.3       | 9.3         |

^^ MSCI All Country World Small Mid Cap Index

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The MFS Global New Discovery Fund underperformed the MSCI All Country World Small Mid Cap Index (net div) in the second quarter of 2026.

## Contributors

- Individual stocks:
  - Ttm Technologies Inc
  - Selcuk Ecza Deposu Ticaret Ve Sanayi A.S.
  - Okta Inc
  - Element Solutions Inc (Eq)
  - Nvent Electric Plc
  - Chroma Ate Inc

## Detractors

- Information Technology - Stock selection and an underweight position
- Industrials - Stock selection
- Individual stocks:
  - Matador Resources Co
  - Alamos Gold Inc.

# Performance Results



Performance results (%) R6 shares at NAV (USD) as of 30-Jun-26

| Period   | Portfolio | Benchmark^ | Excess return vs benchmark |
|----------|-----------|------------|----------------------------|
| 2Q 2026  | 8.31      | 13.30      | -4.99                      |
| 1Q 2026  | -0.62     | 0.23       | -0.85                      |
| 4Q 2025  | -2.50     | 2.08       | -4.57                      |
| 3Q 2025  | 1.15      | 6.31       | -5.16                      |
| 2026 YTD | 7.64      | 13.56      | -5.92                      |
| 2025     | 8.45      | 19.29      | -10.84                     |
| 2024     | 2.71      | 8.68       | -5.97                      |
| 2023     | 18.53     | 16.02      | 2.51                       |
| 2022     | -26.82    | -18.72     | -8.09                      |
| 2021     | 12.26     | 16.23      | -3.97                      |
| 10 year  | 8.96      | 10.39      | -1.43                      |
| 5 year   | 1.68      | 7.22       | -5.54                      |
| 3 year   | 8.42      | 16.59      | -8.18                      |
| 1 year   | 6.16      | 23.24      | -17.08                     |

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## Performance Drivers - Sectors



| Relative to MSCI All Country World Small Mid Cap Index (USD) - second quarter 2026 |                        | Average relative weighting (%) | Portfolio returns (%) | Benchmark returns (%) | Sector allocation <sup>1</sup> (%) | + Stock selection <sup>2</sup> (%) | + Currency effect (%) | = Relative contribution (%) |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------|
| <b>Contributors</b>                                                                | Utilities              | -4.9                           | —                     | -0.0                  | 0.7                                | —                                  | -0.0                  | 0.7                         |
|                                                                                    | Health Care            | -2.6                           | 21.9                  | 11.4                  | 0.0                                | 0.6                                | -0.0                  | 0.6                         |
|                                                                                    | Communication Services | -2.1                           | 7.3                   | 2.4                   | 0.2                                | 0.1                                | -0.0                  | 0.3                         |
|                                                                                    | Consumer Discretionary | -0.8                           | 11.0                  | 7.8                   | 0.1                                | 0.3                                | -0.0                  | 0.3                         |
|                                                                                    | Real Estate            | -0.5                           | 9.8                   | 6.8                   | 0.0                                | 0.1                                | 0.0                   | 0.2                         |
|                                                                                    | Materials              | 1.9                            | 6.1                   | 2.3                   | -0.3                               | 0.4                                | -0.0                  | 0.2                         |
| <b>Detractors</b>                                                                  | Information Technology | -4.2                           | 32.9                  | 53.9                  | -1.4                               | -1.7                               | -0.1                  | -3.2                        |
|                                                                                    | Industrials            | 14.0                           | 6.9                   | 13.2                  | 0.0                                | -2.3                               | 0.1                   | -2.2                        |
|                                                                                    | Financials             | -4.3                           | 5.7                   | 11.8                  | 0.1                                | -0.6                               | -0.1                  | -0.6                        |
|                                                                                    | Cash                   | 2.3                            | 0.9                   | —                     | -0.4                               | —                                  | -0.0                  | -0.4                        |
|                                                                                    | Consumer Staples       | 0.5                            | 0.5                   | 2.1                   | -0.1                               | -0.1                               | -0.0                  | -0.2                        |
|                                                                                    | Energy                 | 0.7                            | -7.3                  | -8.9                  | -0.1                               | 0.1                                | -0.0                  | -0.0                        |
| <b>Total</b>                                                                       |                        |                                | <b>9.1</b>            | <b>13.5</b>           | <b>-1.1</b>                        | <b>-3.1</b>                        | <b>-0.2</b>           | <b>-4.4</b>                 |

<sup>1</sup> Sector allocation is calculated based upon each security's price in local currency.

<sup>2</sup> Stock selection is calculated based upon each security's price in local currency and included interaction effect. Interaction effect is the portion of the portfolio's relative performance attributable to combining allocation decisions with stock selection decisions. This effect measures the relative strength of the manager's convictions. The interaction effect is the weight differential times the return differential.

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# Performance Drivers - Stocks



| Relative to MSCI All Country World Small Mid Cap Index (USD) - second quarter 2026 |                                           | Average Weighting (%) |           | Returns (%)            |           | Relative contribution(%) |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------|------------------------|-----------|--------------------------|
|                                                                                    |                                           | Portfolio             | Benchmark | Portfolio <sup>1</sup> | Benchmark |                          |
| <b>Contributors</b>                                                                | Ttm Technologies Inc                      | 1.3                   | 0.1       | 92.0                   | 92.0      | 0.7                      |
|                                                                                    | Selcuk Ecza Deposu Ticaret Ve Sanayi A.S. | 0.6                   | 0.0       | 149.6                  | 149.6     | 0.6                      |
|                                                                                    | Okta Inc                                  | 0.8                   | 0.1       | 73.4                   | 73.4      | 0.4                      |
|                                                                                    | Element Solutions Inc (Eq)                | 1.7                   | 0.0       | 40.1                   | 40.1      | 0.4                      |
|                                                                                    | Nvent Electric Plc                        | 1.6                   | 0.1       | 43.6                   | 43.6      | 0.4                      |
| <b>Detractors</b>                                                                  | Sandisk Corp/De                           | 0.1                   | 0.7       | 16.1                   | 257.9     | -0.8                     |
|                                                                                    | Renk Group Ag                             | 1.5                   | 0.0       | -16.4                  | -16.4     | -0.5                     |
|                                                                                    | Primoris Services Corp                    | 0.7                   | 0.0       | -40.6                  | -30.6     | -0.5                     |
|                                                                                    | Gfl Environmental Inc (Eq)                | 1.4                   | 0.0       | -11.8                  | -11.6     | -0.4                     |
|                                                                                    | Matador Resources Co                      | 1.0                   | 0.0       | -20.7                  | -20.7     | -0.4                     |

<sup>1</sup> Represents performance for the time period stock was held in portfolio.

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## Significant Impacts on Performance - Detractors



| Relative to MSCI All Country World Small Mid Cap Index (USD) - second quarter 2026 |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | Relative contribution [%] |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| <b>Sandisk Corp/De</b>                                                             | The timing of the portfolio's ownership in shares of flash memory storage products maker SanDisk (United States) weakened relative performance. The company delivered very strong financial results, driven by significant gross margin expansion and substantial revenue growth in its data center segment, which serves AI workloads. Top-line performance was further supported by several major long-term customer agreements that included minimum contractual revenue commitments and financial guarantees. The stock also benefited from tight industry supply, strong pricing power, and successful next-generation technology ramps. | -0.8                      |
| <b>Renk Group Ag</b>                                                               | The portfolio's overweight position in defense gearbox solutions provider Renk Group (Germany) weighed on relative returns. The share price underperformed due to a major strategic shareholder selling down a significant portion of its equity stake. Market sentiment was further pressured by a sudden sell-off following the cancellation of a key naval frigate program. Operationally, customer logistics delays and supplier shortages in naval gearbox housings caused substantial revenue deferrals in the marine segment.                                                                                                          | -0.5                      |
| <b>Primoris Services Corp</b>                                                      | The timing of the portfolio's ownership in shares of construction and engineering services provider Primoris Services (United States) hindered relative results. The company's stock price declined due to failures in project execution and reductions in financial guidance. The contraction of profit margins was mainly caused by redesigning projects, challenges in labor productivity, sequencing errors, and adverse weather conditions.                                                                                                                                                                                              | -0.5                      |

## Significant Impacts on Performance - Contributors



| Relative to MSCI All Country World Small Mid Cap Index (USD) - second quarter 2026 |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | Relative contribution [%] |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| <b>Ttm Technologies Inc</b>                                                        | The portfolio's overweight position in printed circuit boards and backplane assemblies manufacturer TTM Technologies (United States) bolstered relative performance. The stock price rose as the company posted record net sales and earnings that exceeded expectations. This financial growth was primarily led by strong demand within the commercial segment's data center and networking end market, which benefited significantly from the ongoing construction of AI infrastructure.                                                                                                                                    | 0.7                       |
| <b>Selcuk Ecza Deposu Ticaret Ve Sanayi A.S.</b>                                   | The portfolio's overweight holdings of pharmaceutical products distributor Selcuk Ecza Deposu (Turkey) bolstered relative returns. The stock's performance was driven by a sharp recovery in earnings and a strong increase in sales revenue during the reporting period. Profitability was significantly supported by periodic reference exchange rate adjustments applied to pharmaceutical pricing, which generated substantial inventory gains. Furthermore, robust volume growth, market share expansion, and disciplined operating expense management led to a notable recovery in gross and operational profit margins. | 0.6                       |
| <b>Okta Inc</b>                                                                    | An overweight position in Identity management services provider Okta (United States) contributed to relative performance. Shares gained as subscription revenue and free cash flow improved, supported by demand for identity governance and AI-related security products, stronger enterprise sales, and share repurchases.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | 0.4                       |

## Significant Transactions



| From 01-Apr-26 to 30-Jun-26 |                                   | Sector                 | Transaction type   | Trade (%) | Ending weight (%) |
|-----------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------|--------------------|-----------|-------------------|
| <b>Purchases</b>            | DONALDSON CO INC                  | Industrials            | New position       | 1.2       | 1.3               |
|                             | SUBSEA 7 SA                       | Energy                 | New position       | 1.1       | 1.2               |
|                             | DEXERIALS CORP                    | Information Technology | New position       | 1.0       | 0.9               |
|                             | SIMPSON MANUFACTURING CO INC      | Industrials            | New position       | 0.8       | 0.9               |
|                             | BENCHMARK ELECTRONICS INC         | Information Technology | New position       | 0.8       | 0.8               |
| <b>Sales</b>                | ATMUS FILTRATION TECHNOLOGIES INC | Industrials            | Eliminate position | -1.6      | –                 |
|                             | NORDSON CORP (EQ)                 | Industrials            | Eliminate position | -1.2      | –                 |
|                             | BIO-TECHNE CORP                   | Health Care            | Eliminate position | -1.2      | –                 |
|                             | US FOODS HOLDING CORP             | Consumer Staples       | Trim               | -1.2      | 0.9               |
|                             | ADVANCED DRAINAGE SYSTEMS INC     | Industrials            | Eliminate position | -0.9      | –                 |

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# Sector Weights



| As of 30-Jun-26        | Portfolio (%) | Benchmark^ (%) | Underweight/overweight(%) | Top holdings                                                |
|------------------------|---------------|----------------|---------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|
| Industrials            | 31.4          | 20.2           | 11.2                      | Elis SA, RB Global Inc, GFL Environmental Inc               |
| Materials              | 10.8          | 7.6            | 3.2                       | Element Solutions Inc                                       |
| Energy                 | 4.6           | 3.8            | 0.8                       | TechnipFMC PLC, Subsea 7 SA                                 |
| Real Estate            | 5.9           | 6.1            | -0.2                      | Equity LifeStyle Properties Inc REIT, Janus Living Inc REIT |
| Consumer Discretionary | 8.1           | 8.6            | -0.5                      | Burlington Stores Inc, Lottery Corp Ltd, Aramark            |
| Consumer Staples       | 4.5           | 5.1            | -0.6                      | Cranswick PLC                                               |
| Communication Services | 1.4           | 3.4            | -2.0                      | CTS Eventim AG & Co KGaA                                    |
| Information Technology | 14.3          | 16.3           | -2.0                      | Tekscend Photomask Corp, TTM Technologies Inc, Obic Co Ltd  |
| Health Care            | 5.3           | 9.3            | -4.0                      | STERIS PLC, Charles River Laboratories International Inc    |
| Financials             | 10.1          | 14.8           | -4.7                      | Euronext NV, Shizuoka Financial Group Inc, AUB Group Ltd    |
| Utilities              | -             | 4.8            | -4.8                      |                                                             |

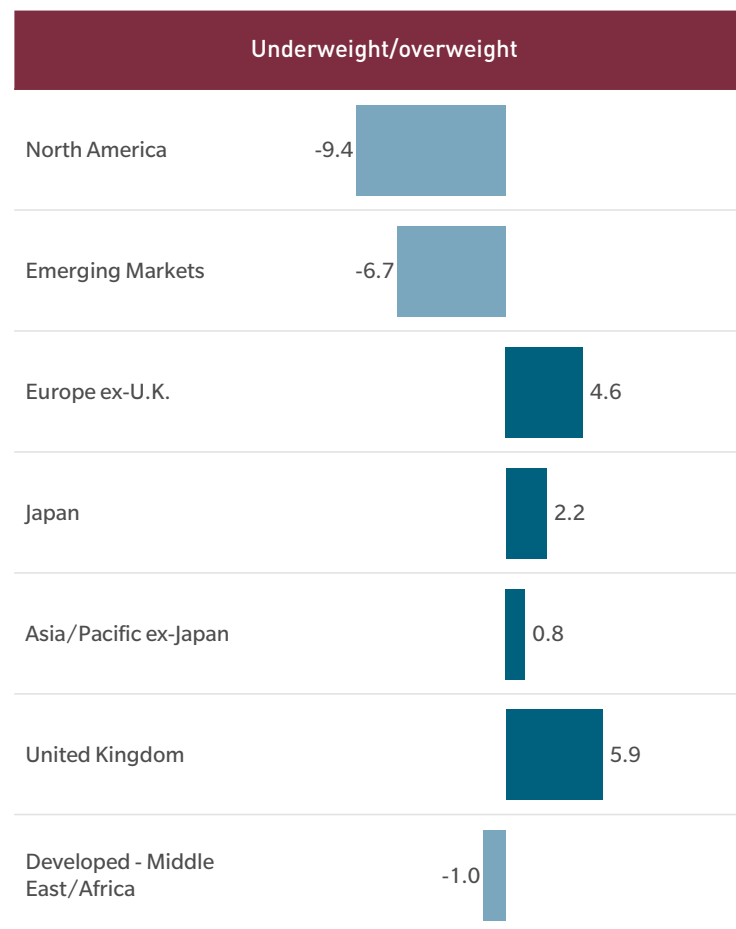
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## Region and Country Weights



| As of 30-Jun-26                       | Portfolio<br>[%] | Benchmark^<br>[%] | Underweight/<br>overweight[%] |
|---------------------------------------|------------------|-------------------|-------------------------------|
| <b>North America</b>                  | <b>48.1</b>      | <b>57.5</b>       | <b>-9.4</b>                   |
| Canada                                | 6.3              | 3.5               | 2.8                           |
| United States                         | 41.8             | 54.0              | -12.2                         |
| <b>Emerging Markets</b>               | <b>7.3</b>       | <b>14.0</b>       | <b>-6.7</b>                   |
| Brazil                                | 2.2              | 0.7               | 1.5                           |
| Turkey                                | 0.7              | 0.3               | 0.4                           |
| South Korea                           | 0.8              | 1.7               | -0.9                          |
| India                                 | 1.3              | 2.5               | -1.2                          |
| China                                 | 0.7              | 1.9               | -1.2                          |
| Taiwan                                | 1.7              | 3.7               | -2.0                          |
| Other countries <sup>1</sup>          | —                | 3.2               | -3.2                          |
| <b>Europe ex-U.K.</b>                 | <b>15.5</b>      | <b>10.9</b>       | <b>4.6</b>                    |
| Germany                               | 5.5              | 1.2               | 4.3                           |
| France                                | 5.0              | 1.2               | 3.8                           |
| Norway                                | 2.0              | 0.6               | 1.4                           |
| Cyprus                                | 1.0              | —                 | 1.0                           |
| Italy                                 | 1.4              | 1.2               | 0.2                           |
| Switzerland                           | 0.6              | 1.5               | -0.9                          |
| Other countries <sup>1</sup>          | —                | 5.1               | -5.1                          |
| <b>Japan</b>                          | <b>11.5</b>      | <b>9.3</b>        | <b>2.2</b>                    |
| <b>Asia/Pacific ex-Japan</b>          | <b>5.1</b>       | <b>4.3</b>        | <b>0.8</b>                    |
| Australia                             | 3.6              | 2.7               | 0.9                           |
| Hong Kong                             | 1.5              | 0.8               | 0.7                           |
| Other countries <sup>1</sup>          | —                | 0.8               | -0.8                          |
| <b>United Kingdom</b>                 | <b>9.0</b>       | <b>3.1</b>        | <b>5.9</b>                    |
| <b>Developed - Middle East/Africa</b> | <b>—</b>         | <b>1.0</b>        | <b>-1.0</b>                   |
| Other countries <sup>1</sup>          | —                | 1.0               | -1.0                          |



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<sup>1</sup> The portfolio does not own any securities in countries represented in the benchmark in the following percentages: Sweden 1.4%; Israel 1.0%; Netherlands 0.9%; Spain 0.7%; Denmark 0.6%; Singapore 0.6%; South Africa 0.6%; Finland 0.5%; and 22 countries with weights less than 0.5% which totals to 3.9%. 3.6% Cash & Cash Equivalents.

# Characteristics



| As of 30-Jun-26                                         | Portfolio | Benchmark <sup>^</sup> |
|---------------------------------------------------------|-----------|------------------------|
| <b>Fundamentals - weighted average</b>                  |           |                        |
| IBES long-term EPS growth <sup>1</sup>                  | 16.0%     | 15.3%                  |
| Price/earnings (12 months forward ex-negative earnings) | 18.4x     | 16.0x                  |
| Return on equity (3-year average)                       | 14.2%     | 12.0%                  |
| <b>Market capitalization</b>                            |           |                        |
| Market capitalization (USD) <sup>2</sup>                | 13.0 bn   | 22.3 bn                |
| <b>Diversification</b>                                  |           |                        |
| Top ten issues                                          | 15%       | 4%                     |
| Number of Issues                                        | 108       | 7,147                  |
| <b>Turnover</b>                                         |           |                        |
| Trailing 1 year turnover <sup>3</sup>                   | 55%       | —                      |
| <b>Risk profile (current)</b>                           |           |                        |
| Active share                                            | 96%       | —                      |
| <b>Risk/reward (5 year)</b>                             |           |                        |
| Beta                                                    | 1.00      | —                      |

<sup>^</sup> MSCI All Country World Small Mid Cap Index

**Past performance is no guarantee of future results.**

**No forecasts can be guaranteed.**

<sup>1</sup> Source: FactSet

<sup>2</sup> Weighted average.

<sup>3</sup> US Turnover Methodology: (Lesser of Purchase or Sales)/Average Month End Market Value

## Top 10 Issuers



| Top 10 Issuers as of 30-Jun-26 | Portfolio (%) | Benchmark^ (%) |
|--------------------------------|---------------|----------------|
| ELEMENT SOLUTIONS INC (EQ)     | 2.0           | 0.0            |
| ELIS SA                        | 1.8           | 0.0            |
| BURLINGTON STORES INC          | 1.6           | 0.1            |
| RB GLOBAL INC                  | 1.6           | 0.1            |
| CRANSWICK PLC                  | 1.5           | 0.0            |
| TEKSCEND PHOTOMASK CORP        | 1.4           | 0.0            |
| GFL ENVIRONMENTAL INC (EQ)     | 1.4           | 0.0            |
| XPO INC                        | 1.4           | 0.1            |
| LISI SA                        | 1.3           | 0.0            |
| STERIS PLC                     | 1.3           | 0.1            |
| <b>Total</b>                   | <b>15.2</b>   | <b>0.4</b>     |

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# Portfolio Outlook and Positioning



## Market Overview

Global small- and mid-cap equities advanced meaningfully during the second quarter, with the MSCI ACWI SMID Index returning 13.3% in USD. Performance was highly thematic and concentrated among companies exposed to artificial intelligence, digital infrastructure, industrial investment, and resilient financial-sector earnings. The quarter unfolded against a complex macroeconomic backdrop marked by geopolitical tension in the Middle East, energy-price volatility, cautious central-bank communication, and a less linear path for interest-rate expectations.

Sector leadership was led decisively by information technology, which returned 53.9% and accounted for nearly half of total benchmark gains. Technology hardware, storage & peripherals, electronic equipment, and semiconductors & semiconductor equipment were among the strongest industries, supported by sustained investment in AI infrastructure, data centers, connectivity, and advanced computing supply chains. Industrials and financials also generated solid returns, rising 13.2% and 11.8%, respectively, as infrastructure spending, reshoring, automation, defense-related demand, and the earnings impact of higher-for-longer interest rates remained supportive. Health care, consumer discretionary, and real estate also advanced, while materials, staples, communication services, utilities, and energy lagged as investors continued to favor cyclical growth and structural technology exposure over defensive or commodity-sensitive areas.

From a regional perspective, North America and Emerging Markets led returns, advancing 15.6% and 16.9%, respectively. The United States was the largest contributor to total benchmark return, gaining 16.6% and accounting for more than half of benchmark gains, supported by its technology and industrial composition. Taiwan was the strongest-performing country, rising 56.2% on semiconductor and AI supply-chain strength, while India generated robust gains amid continued confidence in domestic growth, reform momentum, and consumption trends. Japan, the United Kingdom, and Europe ex-U.K. also produced positive returns, though they trailed the broader benchmark. China, Brazil, Indonesia, and Norway underperformed amid weaker growth expectations, commodity sensitivity, currency pressure, or less favorable sector composition.

Global small- and mid-cap equities modestly underperformed large-cap equities, as large-cap benchmarks continued to benefit from a concentrated group of mega-cap technology companies with direct exposure to AI infrastructure spending. While AI-related enthusiasm broadened into select areas of the SMID universe—particularly semiconductor equipment, electronic components, and technology

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hardware—the scale, liquidity, and earnings momentum of the largest global technology franchises remained a meaningful performance hurdle.

Overall, the quarter underscored that global SMID returns were driven less by broad economic acceleration and more by the intersection of macroeconomic resilience and secular growth. AI-linked technology, financials, and industrial beneficiaries of capital investment led the advance, while commodity-sensitive, defensive, and weaker domestic-demand exposures lagged.

## Portfolio Review

During the quarter, the strategy lagged the MSCI ACWI SMID Index, as relative results reflected narrow AI-led market leadership and significant stock-level dispersion. Positive attribution came from utilities avoidance and selected health care holdings, while relative performance was pressured by information technology and portions of industrials, where investors concentrated capital in companies perceived as direct beneficiaries of artificial intelligence, digital infrastructure, and next-generation semiconductor investment.

The AI investment cycle remained the defining market theme, broadening beyond semiconductor manufacturers and hyperscale cloud providers into semiconductor equipment, networking infrastructure, electrical components, data center construction, software infrastructure, and power generation. Investors increasingly favored companies with direct exposure to AI-related capital expenditures, creating exceptional dispersion within technology and industrials.

The strongest area of portfolio outperformance came from utilities, where the portfolio benefited from avoiding this capital-intensive and highly regulated sector that lagged during the period. The absence of benchmark constituents such as PG&E, Consolidated Edison, Atmos Energy, Xcel Energy, Entergy, FirstEnergy, and PPL added to relative performance.

Health Care also generated positive attribution, primarily through stock selection within health care providers & services. Selcuk Ecza Deposu, the Turkish pharmaceutical distributor, was the standout contributor, supported by favorable pharmaceutical pricing adjustments, inflation-linked reimbursement mechanisms, inventory gains, and continued demand growth.

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Information technology was the largest source of relative underperformance. Leadership narrowed around advanced GPU infrastructure, hyperscale networking, custom silicon, AI compute, and storage, while investors were more selective toward traditional hardware, analog semiconductors, memory, industrial electronics, and mature semiconductor capital equipment.

The portfolio's underweight exposure to SanDisk and lack of exposure to Seagate Technology were meaningful detractors within technology hardware & equipment. Both benefited from improving enterprise storage demand, normalization in NAND pricing, disciplined industry supply, and expectations for sustained cloud infrastructure investment, while SanDisk also benefited from enthusiasm around its separation from Western Digital earlier in the year.

Within semiconductors & semiconductor equipment, broader weakness reflected the portfolio's underweight exposure to the industry. The largest negative contributors included the lack of exposure to Credo Technology, Astera Labs, Teradyne, MKS Instruments, Winbond Electronics, Microchip Technology, and ON Semiconductor.

Weakness within information technology was less a function of deteriorating fundamentals than of the extraordinary concentration of capital in a narrow subset of AI infrastructure winners. It should be noted that this leadership also presents risks, as elevated valuations, crowded positioning, or any moderation in AI-related spending expectations could lead to sharper volatility and a more abrupt rotation into broader market participation.

Industrials were another source of relative underperformance, with weakness concentrated across machinery, construction & engineering, and commercial services & supplies. Although long-term secular themes such as electrification, infrastructure modernization, reshoring, and increased capital investment remain intact, investors became more focused on near-term execution, valuation, and earnings delivery.

Within machinery, RENK Group was the largest detractor, as investors took profits and reassessed valuation following strong performance and enthusiasm around European defense spending.

Within commercial services & supplies, GFL Environmental weighed on performance as investors rotated away from higher-multiple defensive compounders. While underlying operating performance remained solid, concerns around leverage, acquisition integration, and moderating volume growth pressured sentiment.

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Additional weakness came from Melrose Industries, Allegion, and QXO. Melrose detracted as investors focused on aircraft delivery timing, supply-chain bottlenecks, and the pace of margin expansion; Allegion underperformed amid caution on non-residential construction and institutional building demand; and QXO lagged as enthusiasm around its acquisition-led strategy moderated and investors focused more closely on execution risk, financing needs, and integration.

Overall, the strategy's relative underperformance reflected one of the narrowest and most momentum-driven market environments in recent years. Capital became increasingly concentrated in a small group of perceived AI beneficiaries, while businesses with attractive long-term fundamentals but less immediate AI earnings acceleration lagged. Although challenging during the quarter, periods of extreme market concentration have historically been temporary rather than permanent features of the market cycle.

## Portfolio Positioning and Trades

As of June 30, 2026, the portfolio's largest overweight was the industrials sector, with a continued focus on the commercial services & supplies industry. Elis, a France-based provider of circular textile, hygiene, and facility services, GFL Environmental, a major Canadian-based diversified environmental services company, and Ritchie Bros. Auctioneers, the world's largest industrial auctioneer and seller of used heavy machinery, remained prominent holdings. The portfolio also maintained overweight exposure to machinery stocks, including RENK Group—a German developer and producer of mission-critical drive solutions for both civil and military markets—and the addition of Donaldson, a global provider of technology-led filtration products and solutions used across mobile equipment, industrial air and liquid filtration, aerospace, food and beverage, and life sciences applications. We also increased our exposure to aerospace & defense within the industrials sector where we hold such names as LSI, Melrose Industries, Leonardo DRS and LIG Defense & Aerospace.

The portfolio's largest underweights remained in the utilities sector as well as financials, with an underweight in banks and insurance companies.

Regionally, the U.S. remained the portfolio's largest underweight, reflecting the valuation gap between U.S. equities and their counterparts in the U.K. and Europe ex-U.K., which were the portfolio's largest overweights. The portfolio also maintained an

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underweight in emerging markets due to the higher threshold for inclusion and the elevated risks associated with investing in those regions.

Portfolio turnover increased to 19% during the period, bringing year-to-date turnover to 33%. Recent trading activity reflected a deliberate repositioning toward companies we believe are well positioned to benefit from a multi-year global investment cycle centered on AI infrastructure, industrial modernization, manufacturing reshoring, energy security, critical materials, and infrastructure spending. Rather than increasing exposure to the most crowded areas of the market, we added to “picks-and-shovels” businesses that provide the equipment, components, services, and infrastructure required to support these structural trends.

Purchases were concentrated in businesses tied to semiconductor infrastructure, industrial automation, engineering services, energy infrastructure, critical materials, and digital infrastructure. These included Benchmark Electronics, TD SYNEX, Advantech, Dexerials, ASMPT, Tekscend Photomask, SanDisk, Innio and Bechtel. We view these holdings as beneficiaries of broader technology investment, including semiconductor manufacturing, electronics assembly, connectivity, industrial computing, memory and storage, technology distribution, and enterprise IT infrastructure. Importantly, many of these companies provide participation in AI and digitization without requiring exposure to the premium valuations associated with the most widely owned direct AI beneficiaries.

We also increased exposure to industrial businesses levered to capital spending and modernization. Additions such as Applied Industrial Technologies, Donaldson, Simpson Manufacturing, Weir Group, Spirax Group, and Applied Aerospace & Defence provide exposure to factory investment, automation, infrastructure replacement, mining activity, utility spending, and aerospace and defense demand. At the same time, we reduced or exited several industrial holdings, including Nordson, Interpump, Modine, Advanced Drainage Systems. This represented a rotation within industrials rather than a broad reduction in exposure, with capital redeployed toward companies we believe offer stronger participation in a durable capital spending cycle.

A related theme was the portfolio’s increased exposure to infrastructure across physical, energy, and digital categories. Physical infrastructure exposure was added through companies such as Simpson Manufacturing, Applied Industrial Technologies and Weir Group. Energy infrastructure exposure increased through Subsea 7 and Innio, while digital infrastructure exposure was expanded through Blackstone Digital Infrastructure Trust, TD SYNEX, Bechtel, and Advantech. Collectively, these positions reflect our view that AI-related

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data center construction, grid modernization, broadband expansion, energy transition investment, industrial reshoring, and transportation upgrades may support elevated capital spending over a multi-year period.

Several purchases also supported the broader reshoring and supply-chain security theme. Lynas Rare Earths, Century Aluminum, Dexerials, Benchmark Electronics, ASMPT, and Tekscend Photomask operate within supply chains that are increasingly important to governments and corporations seeking greater resilience, redundancy, and strategic independence. We believe the shift from pure efficiency toward security of supply may create sustained opportunities for companies involved in semiconductor manufacturing, advanced materials, electronics assembly, critical minerals, and industrial capacity expansion.

Overall, recent trading activity should be viewed as a re-underwriting of where we believe capital spending and investment activity are likely to occur over the next several years. We remain focused on companies with durable competitive positions, strong balance sheets, and exposure to secular growth drivers, while seeking to avoid areas where expectations, valuations, or near-term demand visibility appear less favorable.

We remain confident in the portfolio's positioning and continue to believe that owning high-quality businesses with durable competitive advantages, strong balance sheets, attractive returns on capital, and sustainable long-term earnings growth is the most effective approach to creating value over a full market cycle. The portfolio remains broadly diversified across sectors, industries, and structural growth themes, with exposure to businesses benefiting from secular drivers such as electrification, digital infrastructure, healthcare innovation, defense modernization, industrial automation, and business services, rather than relying on a narrow set of momentum-driven market leaders. As market leadership inevitably broadens and investor focus shifts from short-term thematic enthusiasm toward underlying business fundamentals, earnings durability, and valuation discipline, we believe the portfolio is well positioned to benefit. History has consistently shown that periods of exceptionally narrow market leadership are often followed by broader participation, and we remain confident that our disciplined emphasis on identifying fundamentally superior businesses across a diverse opportunity set will be rewarded over the long term.

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# Portfolio Holdings



| As of 30-Jun-26                      | Country        | Equivalent exposure (%) |
|--------------------------------------|----------------|-------------------------|
| <b>Cash &amp; Cash Equivalents</b>   |                | <b>3.6</b>              |
| Cash & Cash Equivalents              |                | 3.6                     |
| <b>Communication Services</b>        |                | <b>1.4</b>              |
| CTS Eventim AG & Co KGaA             | Germany        | 0.7                     |
| Scout24 SE                           | Germany        | 0.7                     |
| <b>Consumer Discretionary</b>        |                | <b>8.1</b>              |
| Burlington Stores Inc                | United States  | 1.6                     |
| Lottery Corp Ltd                     | Australia      | 1.1                     |
| Aramark                              | United States  | 1.1                     |
| USS Co Ltd                           | Japan          | 0.8                     |
| Greggs PLC                           | United Kingdom | 0.7                     |
| Shimano Inc                          | Japan          | 0.6                     |
| Burberry Group PLC                   | United Kingdom | 0.6                     |
| ABC-Mart Inc                         | Japan          | 0.6                     |
| ZOZO Inc                             | Japan          | 0.5                     |
| Lottomatica Group Spa                | Italy          | 0.5                     |
| <b>Consumer Staples</b>              |                | <b>4.5</b>              |
| Cranswick PLC                        | United Kingdom | 1.5                     |
| US Foods Holding Corp                | United States  | 0.9                     |
| China Resources Beer Holdings Co Ltd | China          | 0.7                     |
| Dabur India Ltd                      | India          | 0.7                     |
| Toyo Suisan Kaisha Ltd               | Japan          | 0.7                     |
| <b>Energy</b>                        |                | <b>4.6</b>              |
| TechnipFMC PLC                       | United States  | 1.3                     |
| Subsea 7 SA                          | Norway         | 1.2                     |
| Matador Resources Co                 | United States  | 0.9                     |
| Gaztransport Et Technigaz SA         | France         | 0.8                     |
| Uranium Energy Corp                  | United States  | 0.5                     |
| <b>Financials</b>                    |                | <b>10.1</b>             |
| Euronext NV                          | France         | 1.2                     |
| Shizuoka Financial Group Inc         | Japan          | 1.2                     |
| AUB Group Ltd                        | Australia      | 1.1                     |
| GMO Payment Gateway Inc              | Japan          | 1.1                     |

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|----------------------------------------------|----------------|-------------------------|
| <b>Financials</b>                            |                | <b>10.1</b>             |
| Carlyle Group Inc                            | United States  | 1.0                     |
| Bank of Cyprus Holdings PLC                  | Cyprus         | 1.0                     |
| FinecoBank Banca Fineco SpA                  | Italy          | 0.9                     |
| B3 SA - Brasil Bolsa Balcao                  | Brazil         | 0.8                     |
| Columbia Banking System Inc                  | United States  | 0.8                     |
| Cboe Global Markets Inc                      | United States  | 0.6                     |
| Prosperity Bancshares Inc                    | United States  | 0.5                     |
| <b>Health Care</b>                           |                | <b>5.3</b>              |
| STERIS PLC                                   | United States  | 1.3                     |
| Charles River Laboratories International Inc | United States  | 1.1                     |
| Sartorius AG IPS                             | Germany        | 0.8                     |
| As One Corp                                  | Japan          | 0.8                     |
| Convatec Group PLC                           | United Kingdom | 0.7                     |
| Selcuk Ecza Deposu Ticaret ve Sanayi A.S.    | Turkey         | 0.7                     |
| <b>Industrials</b>                           |                | <b>31.4</b>             |
| Elis SA                                      | France         | 1.8                     |
| RB Global Inc                                | Canada         | 1.6                     |
| GFL Environmental Inc                        | Canada         | 1.4                     |
| XPO Inc                                      | United States  | 1.4                     |
| LISI SA                                      | France         | 1.3                     |
| nVent Electric PLC                           | United States  | 1.3                     |
| Donaldson Co Inc                             | United States  | 1.3                     |
| RENK Group AG                                | Germany        | 1.2                     |
| Allegion plc                                 | United States  | 1.1                     |
| Melrose Industries PLC                       | United Kingdom | 1.0                     |
| Modine Manufacturing Co                      | United States  | 0.9                     |
| CACI International Inc                       | United States  | 0.9                     |
| Leonardo DRS Inc                             | United States  | 0.9                     |
| Flowserve Corp                               | United States  | 0.9                     |
| AGCO Corp                                    | United States  | 0.9                     |
| Rosebank Industries PLC                      | United Kingdom | 0.9                     |
| Kadant Inc                                   | United States  | 0.9                     |

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|-------------------------------------|----------------|-------------------------|
| <b>Industrials</b>                  |                | <b>31.4</b>             |
| Spirax Group PLC                    | United Kingdom | 0.9                     |
| QXO Inc                             | United States  | 0.9                     |
| Simpson Manufacturing Co Inc        | United States  | 0.9                     |
| TransUnion                          | United States  | 0.8                     |
| Zurn Elkay Water Solutions Corp     | United States  | 0.8                     |
| Applied Industrial Technologies Inc | United States  | 0.8                     |
| Intertek Group PLC                  | United Kingdom | 0.8                     |
| LIG Defense&Aerospace Co Ltd        | South Korea    | 0.8                     |
| Diploma PLC                         | United Kingdom | 0.8                     |
| Daiseki Co Ltd                      | Japan          | 0.7                     |
| Arxis Inc                           | United States  | 0.7                     |
| Applied Aerospace & Defense Inc     | United States  | 0.7                     |
| Innio NV                            | Germany        | 0.6                     |
| AtkinsRealis Group Inc              | Canada         | 0.6                     |
| Kardex Holding AG                   | Switzerland    | 0.6                     |
| Weir Group PLC                      | United Kingdom | 0.5                     |
| <b>Information Technology</b>       |                | <b>14.3</b>             |
| Tekscend Photomask Corp             | Japan          | 1.4                     |
| TTM Technologies Inc                | United States  | 1.2                     |
| Obic Co Ltd                         | Japan          | 1.2                     |
| Okta Inc                            | United States  | 1.2                     |
| Teledyne Technologies Inc           | United States  | 1.0                     |
| Azbil Corp                          | Japan          | 1.0                     |
| Dexerials Corp                      | Japan          | 0.9                     |
| Chroma ATE Inc                      | Taiwan         | 0.9                     |
| Benchmark Electronics Inc           | United States  | 0.8                     |
| ASMP Ltd                            | Hong Kong      | 0.8                     |
| Advantech Co Ltd                    | Taiwan         | 0.7                     |
| TD SYNNEX Corp                      | United States  | 0.7                     |
| Kinaxis Inc                         | Canada         | 0.6                     |
| Sandisk Corp                        | United States  | 0.6                     |
| Bechtle AG                          | Germany        | 0.6                     |

| As of 30-Jun-26                                  | Country        | Equivalent exposure (%) |
|--------------------------------------------------|----------------|-------------------------|
| <b>Information Technology</b>                    |                | <b>14.3</b>             |
| TOTVS SA                                         | Brazil         | 0.5                     |
| <b>Materials</b>                                 |                | <b>10.8</b>             |
| Element Solutions Inc                            | United States  | 2.0                     |
| International Paper Co                           | United States  | 1.0                     |
| Symrise AG                                       | Germany        | 0.9                     |
| Knife River Corp                                 | United States  | 0.9                     |
| ERO Copper Corp                                  | Canada         | 0.8                     |
| James Hardie Industries PLC                      | Australia      | 0.8                     |
| Borregaard ASA                                   | Norway         | 0.8                     |
| SSR Mining Inc                                   | Canada         | 0.7                     |
| Breedon Group PLC                                | United Kingdom | 0.7                     |
| Alamos Gold Inc                                  | Canada         | 0.6                     |
| UPL Ltd                                          | India          | 0.6                     |
| Lynas Corp Ltd                                   | Australia      | 0.5                     |
| Century Aluminum Co                              | United States  | 0.5                     |
| <b>Real Estate</b>                               |                | <b>5.9</b>              |
| Equity LifeStyle Properties Inc REIT             | United States  | 1.0                     |
| Janus Living Inc REIT                            | United States  | 1.0                     |
| Highwoods Properties Inc REIT                    | United States  | 0.9                     |
| Multiplan Empreendimentos Imobiliarios SA        | Brazil         | 0.9                     |
| Mid-America Apartment Communities Inc REIT       | United States  | 0.8                     |
| Swire Properties Ltd                             | Hong Kong      | 0.7                     |
| Blackstone Digital Infrastructure Trust Inc REIT | United States  | 0.5                     |

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