Benchmark: MSCI ACW ex-US Index
Reporting Date: 31 December 2023
Composite Inception Date: 01 January 2016
Reporting Currency: U.S. Dollar

Composite Description

The composite returns represent the total returns of all fully discretionary portfolios with an International Quality Growth mandate. The Lazard International Quality Growth strategy seeks to generate strong relative returns over a full market cycle. We seek to invest in companies which can sustain strong financial productivity while reinvesting in their businesses and which are trading at attractive valuations. The strategy typically invests in non-US companies, including those from emerging markets, with a market capitalization generally of $3 billion or greater. The emerging markets equity allocation is implemented by investing in individual securities. The strategy is measured relative to the MSCI AC World ex-US index.

Calculation of Performance Returns

Policies for valuing investments, calculating performance, and preparing GIPS reports are available upon request. The composite returns are reported net of foreign withholding taxes on dividends, interest and capital gains. The composite returns presented represent past performance and is not a reliable indicator of future results, which may vary. A complete list and description of all Lazard composites and pooled funds is available upon request.

Fee Schedule

Lazard's standard fee schedule for International Quality Growth accounts is 0.75% on the first $100 million of assets and 0.50% on the balance. (This fee schedule may be presented in non-U.S. local currency equivalents based on prevailing exchange rates.) The management fee schedule and total expense ratio for the collective trust is 0.50% and 0.60%, respectively. Composite net-of-fees returns are calculated by reducing monthly composite returns by the 12th root of the stated strategy fee's highest tier.

Benchmark Information

The MSCI ACW Index ex-US (ACW ex-US) is a free float-adjusted market capitalization index that is designed to measure equity market performance in the global developed and emerging markets. This composite's index is a subset of the official MSCI ACW, with the exclusion of the US. The Index is compiled by MSCI Inc.

GIPS Compliance and Verification Status

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	Calendar							
	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
Lazard Rate of Return (%; Gross of Fees)	19.21	-19.59	12.20	24.47	31.80	-10.99	35.22	2.59
Lazard Rate of Return (%; Net of Fees)	18.31	-20.20	11.36	23.54	30.81	-11.66	34.20	1.82
Benchmark (%; Rate of Return)	15.62	-16.00	7.82	10.65	21.51	-14.19	27.19	4.50
Composite Standard Deviation Gross (3-yr. Ann.)	17.47	19.17	14.83	16.12	11.08	11.54	N/A	N/A
Benchmark Standard Deviation (3-yr. Ann.)	16.07	19.26	16.79	17.93	11.34	11.38	N/A	N/A
# of Portfolios	5	4	4	3	2	1	1	1
Composite Dispersion Gross (Asset Wtd. Std. Dev.)	0.15	0.33	0.42	0.09	0.43	N/A	N/A	N/A
Composite Assets (USD Millions)	1598.5	735.9	695.2	19.3	4.1	1.1	1.4	1.0
Total Firm Assets (USD Billions)	190.7	169.0	222.1	213.0	205.5	177.2	206.6	168.0