## Brandes Investment Partners, L.P.

## U.S. Small Cap Value Equity Annual Performance Presentation

As of December 31 Period End Reporting Currency: USD

	Annual Performance %				Composite Characteristics				Annualized 3 Year Standard Deviation % (2)		
Period	Composite Gross*	Composite Net*	Benchmark (a)	Benchmark (b)	Assets \$Millions	Number of Accounts	Internal Dispersion (1)	Total Firm Assets \$ Millions	Composite Gross	Benchmark (a)	Benchmark (b)
2023	23.55	22.58	16.93	14.65	25	5	0.17	21,705	16.22	21.11	21.75
2022	-6.11	-6.89	-20.44	-14.48	14	6	0.11	17,604	21.17	26.02	27.27
2021	27.44	26.29	14.82	28.27	11	4	1.41	20,179	19.28	23.35	25.00
2020	20.00	18.91	19.96	4.63	8	4	1.36	18,595	20.27	25.27	26.12
2019	12.93	11.86	25.52	22.39	7	4	0.37	21,451	12.77	15.71	15.68
2018	-10.37	-11.21	-11.01	-12.86	24	8	0.52	22,106	12.72	15.79	15.76
2017	6.29	5.38	14.65	7.84	176	7	0.28	25,578	11.13	13.91	13.97
2016	28.90	27.73	21.31	31.74	108	10	1.62	22,971	12.23	15.76	15.50
2015	-0.15	-1.10	-4.41	-7.47	46	7	N/A	20,666	11.41	13.96	13.46
2014	10.73	9.63	4.89	4.22	18	7	N/A	20,722	12.11	13.12	12.79

Annualized Performance %	1 Year	5 Years	10 Years
U.S. Small Cap Value Equity Composite (gross)	23.55	14.90	10.52
U.S. Small Cap Value Equity Composite (net)	22.58	13.89	9.52
Benchmark (a)	16.93	9.97	7.15
Benchmark (b)	14.65	9.99	6.75

<sup>(1)</sup> The measure of dispersion is the asset-weighted standard deviation for annual period gross returns in USD of all portfolios in the composite. Prior to 2017, dispersion is not presented for periods with less than 6 accounts in the composite.

Beginning January 1, 2018, Brandes Investment Partners includes Brandes Investment Partners, L.P., Brandes Investment Partners (Europe) Limited, Brandes Investment Partners (Asia) Pte Ltd., and the Brandes Investment Partners & Co. assets sub-advised by Brandes Investment Partners, L.P. For the period from 1/1/06-12/31/17 the SMA Division of Brandes was excluded from the GIPS firm definition. The firm was redefined to reflect the dissolution of the SMA Division and the firm bringing those former SMA Division assets into compliance with the GIPS Standards.

This composite was created in 1997. The inception date is 9/30/1997.

Prior to April 2014 accounts were removed from the composite when an account's market value falls below US\$50,000 due to capital withdrawals.

The Brandes U.S. Small Cap Value Equity Composite seeks to achieve long-term capital appreciation by investing primarily in equity securities of U.S. issuers with equity market capitalizations of \$2.5 billion or less at the time of purchase. Small capitalization securities involve greater issuer risk than large capitalization securities, and the markets for such securities may be more volatile and less liquid.

From 2013 through 2019 composite performance after management fee returns were determined by reducing the gross of fee returns monthly by the highest applicable fee schedule per account. As of October 2019, actual fees are used with the exception of select portfolios to which the applicable fee schedule was applied for the entire year to better reflect our typical management fees. For periods where actual fees were used to calculate the net return, a model fee representing the standard fee schedule is applied to any non-fee paying accounts included in the composite.

Standard fee schedule - First \$25 million 0.95%; Next \$25 million 0.90%; Next \$100 million 0.80%; Amounts over \$150 million 0.70%. Brandes' investment advisory fees are detailed in Part 2A of its Form ADV.

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A list of composite and limited distribution pooled fund descriptions, a list of broad distribution pooled funds, and policies for valuing investments, calculating performance, and preparing GIPS Reports, are available upon request. Contact client service at 800-237-7119 or write P.O. Box 919048, San Diego, California 92191-9048 or email Client Service@Brandes.com.

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- (a) The Russell 2000 Index with gross dividends measures the performance of the small cap segment of the U.S. equity universe. The benchmark returns are not covered by the report of independent verifiers.
- (b) The Russell 2000 Value Index with gross dividends measures performance of the small cap segment of the U.S. equity universe. Securities are categorized as growth or value based on their relative book-to-price ratios, historical sales growth, and expected earnings growth. The benchmark returns are not covered by the report of independent verifiers. The secondary benchmark was added in 2018 for an additional comparison against a value-constituent index.

<sup>(2)</sup> The three-year annualized ex-post standard deviation measures the variability of the monthly gross composite returns and the benchmark returns over the preceding 36-month period.

<sup>\*</sup> The net and gross annual returns, calculated in USD, presented for the Brandes U.S. Small Cap Value Equity Composite were calculated on a time-weighted and asset-weighted, total return basis, including reinvestment of all dividends, interest and income, realized and unrealized gains or losses and are net of brokerage commissions, execution costs, and any applicable foreign withholding taxes, without provision for federal and state income taxes, if any. Returns for some accounts in the composite reflect the deduction of a broker fee that includes transaction costs and may include advisory, custody, and other administrative fees.