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Global Small-Mid Cap Equity Annual Performance Presentation

As of December 31 Period End
Reporting Currency: USD

Period	Annual Performance %			Composite Characteristics				Annualized 3 Year Standard Deviation % (2)	
	Composite Gross*	Composite Net*	Benchmark (a)	Assets \$Millions	Number of Accounts	Internal Dispersion (1)	Total Firm Assets \$ Millions	Composite Gross	Benchmark (a)
2023	25.74	24.93	16.02	243	12	0.25	21,705	14.71	17.80
2022	-4.22	-4.83	-18.72	204	12	0.34	17,604	18.14	22.89
2021	18.77	18.00	16.24	227	13	1.28	20,179	16.30	20.14
2020	10.17	9.39	15.67	220	20	0.90	18,595	16.11	21.44
2019	5.45	4.56	25.37	243	33	0.60	21,451	9.42	12.07
2018	-12.67	-13.45	-13.80	145	53	0.61	22,106	10.46	11.77
2017	9.48	8.51	24.18	151	76	0.43	25,578	10.02	10.62
2016	26.97	25.84	9.26	158	91	3.03	22,971	10.90	11.59
2015	1.16	0.25	-1.34	126	81	1.13	20,666	10.51	10.70
2014	1.51	0.48	3.17	133	95	0.86	20,722	13.20	11.32

Annualized Performance %	1 Year	5 Years	10 Years
Global Small-Mid Cap Equity Composite (gross)	25.74	10.69	7.55
Global Small-Mid Cap Equity Composite (net)	24.93	9.92	6.68
Benchmark (a)	16.02	9.71	6.58

(1) The measure of dispersion is the asset-weighted standard deviation for annual period gross returns in USD of all portfolios in the composite for the full reporting period. Beginning in 2017, dispersion is not presented for periods with less than 2 accounts in the composite. Prior to 2017, dispersion is not presented for periods with less than 6 accounts in the composite.

(2) 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.

* The net and gross annual returns, calculated in USD, presented for the Brandes Global Small-Mid Cap 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.

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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.

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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.

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