# In need of dividend income?

Global Strategic Value Dividend SMA As of 3/31/24



TTM\*

#### **Portfolio objective**

- Seeks to provide a high level of dividend income and long-term capital appreciation driven by dividend growth.
- Seeks lower downside risk relative to the broad market.
- Invests in high-quality companies that are located around the globe and positioned to increase their dividends over time.

#### Key portfolio characteristics

- 4.89% weighted average dividend yield^
- 449 dividend increases and 10 cuts since 1/1/13
- 42 dividend increases and zero cuts in the TTM\*
- 50 portfolio holdings
- Beta: 0.86\*\*

#### **Dividend payment history**

- 90% of holdings have paid consecutive dividends for 20 years.
- 58% of holdings have paid consecutive dividends for 50 years.
- 18% of holdings have paid consecutive dividends for 100 years.

	Dividend		dividends	dividend	TTM*	S&P			
Holding	Dividend yield (%)^	Country	consecutively since	change date	e dividend % change				
Communication Services 8.14%									
AT&T Inc.	6.31	U.S.	1893	_	_	BBB			
BCE Inc.	8.67	Canada	1949	Feb-24	3.1%	BBB+			
Telus Corporation	6.94	Canada	1999	May-23 & Nov-23	7.1%	BBB			
Verizon Communications Inc.	6.34	U.S.	1893	Sep-23	1.9%	BBB+			
Consumer Discretionary 1.91	%								
Best Buy Co., Inc.	4.58	U.S.	2004	Feb-24	2.2%	BBB+			
Consumer Staples 11.16%									
British American Tobacco PLC	9.79	U.K.	1998	Feb-24	2.0%	BBB+			
Coca-Cola Company	3.17	U.S.	1920	Feb-24	5.4%	A+			
Kenvue Inc.	3.73	U.S.	1944	-	_	А			
Kimberly-Clark Corporation	3.77	U.S.	1935	Jan-24	3.4%	А			
Philip Morris International Inc.	5.68	U.S.	1928	Sep-23	2.4%	A-			
Unilever PLC	3.67	U.K.	1949	_	_	A+			
Energy 16.99%									
Chevron Corp.	4.13	U.S.	1912	Feb-24	7.9%	AA-			
Enbridge Inc.	7.48	Canada	1953	Nov-23	3.1%	BBB+			
Shell PLC	4.15	U.K.	1943	Feb-24	3.9%	A+			
TC Energy Corp.	7.05	Canada	1985	Feb-24	3.2%	BBB+			
TotalEnergies SE	4.98	France	1945	Feb-24	6.8%	A+			
Williams Companies, Inc.	4.88	U.S.	1974	Jan-24	6.1%	BBB			
Financials 13.86%									
Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce	5.24	Canada	1868	May-23 & Nov-23	5.9%	A+			
Munich Re Group	3.32	Germany	1952	Feb-24	29.3%	AA-			
PNC Financial Services Group, Inc.	3.84	U.S.	1979	Jul-23	3.3%	A-			
Royal Bank of Canada	4.04	Canada	1870	May-23 & Nov-23	4.5%	AA-			
Truist Financial Corp.	5.34	U.S.	1980	-	-	A-			
U.S. Bancorp	4.38	U.S.	1980	Dec-23	2.1%	А			
Zurich Insurance Group AG Ltd	5.35	Switzerland	1999	Feb-24	8.3%	AA			
Health Care 18.47%									
AbbVie Inc.	3.40	U.S.	1924	Oct-23	4.7%	A-			
Amgen Inc.	3.17	U.S.	2011	Dec-23 5.6%		BBB+			
Bristol-Myers Squibb Company	4.43	U.S.	1933			А			
Gilead Sciences, Inc.	4.20	U.S.	2015	Feb-24	2.7%	BBB+			
Medtronic PLC	3.17	U.S.	1977	May-23	1.5%	А			
Novartis AG	3.78	Switzerland	1997	Jan-24	3.1%	AA-			

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\*TTM represents trailing twelve months.

\*\*The 5-year weighted average beta of the underlying stocks using their local market.

Dividend increase and cut history is shown from 1/1/13, when tracking of dividend changes in the portfolio began. Dividend changes prior to sale in the TTM\*: On 5/15/23, Sumitomo Mitsui Financial Group, Inc. increased its dividend by 13.6%. On 12/12/23, SK Telecom Co., Ltd. increased its dividend by 26.5%.

**^Portfolio yield is only one component of available portfolio characteristics and it is not and should not be viewed as a statement of current or future performance of the strategy.** See next page for yield definitions. Dividend growth percentage for ADRs is the dividend growth rate of the underlying foreign registered company.

Past performance is no guarantee of future results. See next page for 1-, 5- and 10-year total returns.

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			Paid dividends	TTM* dividend	TTM*	S&P
Holding	Dividend yield (%)^	Country	consecutively since	change date	dividend % change	credit rating
Health Care 18.47% (continued)		,				5
Pfizer Inc.	6.05	U.S.	1938	Dec-23	2.4%	А
Roche Holding AG	4.18	Switzerland	1990	Feb-24	1.1%	AA
Sanofi	4.13	France	1985	Feb-24	5.6%	AA
Takeda Pharmaceutical Co. Ltd.	4.47	Japan	1949	_	-	BBB+
Industrials 2.65%						
Paychex, Inc.	2.90	U.S.	1988	-	-	IG1 <sup>1</sup>
United Parcel Service, Inc.	4.39	U.S.	1970	Jan-24	0.6%	А
Information Technology 2.96%						
Corning Inc.	3.40	U.S.	1977	-	-	BBB+
Texas Instruments, Inc.	2.98	U.S.	1962	_	_	A+
Materials 3.31%						
Amcor PLC	5.26	U.S.	1922	Oct-23	2.0%	BBB
LyondellBasell Industries N.V.	4.89	U.S.	2011	-	-	BBB
Real Estate 2.72%						
Crown Castle, Inc.	5.92	U.S.	2014	-	-	BBB
Healthcare Realty Trust, Inc.	8.76	U.S.	2012	-	-	BBB
Utilities 17.83%						
American Electric Power Co., Inc.	4.09	U.S.	1910	Oct-23	6.0%	BBB+
Dominion Energy, Inc.	5.43	U.S.	1925	-	-	BBB+
Duke Energy Corporation	4.24	U.S.	1926	Jul-23	2.0%	BBB+
Entergy Corp.	4.28	U.S.	1988	Oct-23	5.6%	BBB+
Fortis, Inc.	4.41	Canada	1972	Sep-23	4.4%	A-
National Grid PLC	5.35	U.K.	1996	Nov-23	10.5%	BBB+
PPL Corporation	3.74	U.S.	1946	Feb-24	7.3%	A-
Southern Company	3.90	U.S.	1948	Apr-23	2.9%	BBB+

## Average annual total returns (%) as of 12/31/23

	1-year	5-year	10-year
Global Strategic Value Dividend SMA (gross)	3.68	8.35	5.84
Global Strategic Value Dividend SMA (net)	0.62	5.17	2.72

\*TTM represents trailing twelve months.

<sup>1</sup>Bloomberg Issuer Default Risk Rating, S&P Global Ratings does not provide a rating for Paychex, Inc.

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Sources: Bloomberg, FactSet and company websites of current holdings.

Holdings information as of 3/31/24.

Refer to the attached GIPS® report for additional information.

Dividend growth percentage for ADRs is the dividend growth rate of the underlying foreign registered company.

Weighted average dividend yield is the dividend yield for each security averaged based on the percentages of the securities in the portfolio. For non-US securities, trailing 12-month dividend yield is calculated for each security by taking the total of all dividend payments made during the prior 12 months, then dividing by the current share price for each security. For US securities, prospective dividend yield is calculated by taking the most recent declared dividend payment multiplied by the number of dividend payments typically made during the year for each holding divided by the current share price for each security. This is calculated based on a snapshot in time and may change due to fluctuations in share prices, dividends actually paid and changes in holdings in the portfolio.

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### Schedule of rates of return and statistics

 Composite
 Federated Hermes Global Strategic Value Dividend SMA

 Index
 MSCI World High Dividend Yield Index (net)

 Periods ending
 12/31/23

	Returns (%)					
	Composite pure gross return^	Index	Net composite return (assuming maximum fee)			
Q4 23	7.79	6.99	7.00			
1 Year	3.68	9.12	0.62			
3 Years (Annlzd)	8.77	6.39	5.57			
5 Years (Annlzd)	8.35	8.19	5.17			
7 Years (Annlzd)	6.64	7.13	3.50			
10 Years (Annizd)	5.84	5.79	2.72			
Oct 11 - Dec 23 (Annlzd)^^	8.08	8.09	4.90			

	Composite pure gross return (%)^	Composite net return (%)	Benchmark return (%)	*Composite 3-yr std dev	*Benchmark 3-yr std dev	Number of portfolios		Composite	
							**Dispersion	assets (\$mil)	Firm assets (\$bil)
2014	4.87	1.78	2.48	10.20	10.44	<5	N/A	0.4	349.3
2015	-0.15	-3.11	-3.20	11.13	11.16	<5	N/A	0.4	343.4
2016	7.39	4.23	9.29	10.50	10.46	<5	N/A	0.4	342.3
2017	15.03	11.66	18.14	9.45	9.46	<5	N/A	0.5	354.7
2018	-8.72	-11.44	-7.56	9.43	9.02	<5	N/A	0.4	377.2
2019	20.62	17.11	23.15	9.18	9.66	<5	N/A	0.5	503.1
2020	-3.76	-6.63	-0.03	14.85	15.69	<5	N/A	0.5	585.7
2021	19.18	15.71	15.83	14.82	15.50	<5	N/A	0.5	634.2
2022	4.12	1.05	-4.74	17.15	17.15	<5	N/A	0.5	627.4
2023	3.68	0.62	9.12	14.43	13.79	<5	N/A	0.4	720.0

^Pure gross returns are shown as supplemental and do not reflect the deduction of transaction costs.

^^Represents composite inception period. See additional notes to the schedule of rates of return and statistics.

\*Represents the 3-year annualized standard deviation for both the gross composite and the index returns. Statistic is used to measure volatility of composite returns.

\*\*Standard deviation is calculated using gross returns. Standard deviation is not applicable ("N/A") for any period if fewer than five accounts are in the composite for that period (see footnote 5).

This composite is comprised of all portfolios investing in U.S. and foreign stocks that management believes will provide high yield, reasonable dividend growth and lower volatility in falling equity market environments yet will provide potential participation in rising markets. Eligible portfolios are managed with wide latitude to choose the sectors and securities to fulfil the mandate. Portfolios may invest in less developed or emerging markets. Within eligible portfolios, securities are selected based on a fundamental assessment of their financial strength, dividend yields, dividend growth rates, and performance during periods of market weakness. Portfolios in this composite implement the strategy using American Depositary Receipts (ADR) versus directly purchasing shares of companies on foreign exchanges. Investments in ADRs entail risks related to daily fluctuations in the value of currency, which may be more volatile in times of increased market risk. There are no guarantees that dividend, paying stocks will continue to pay dividends. Effective January 2013, performance for this composite is calculated in U.S. dollars net of foreign withholding taxes on dividends, interest, and capital gains. Individual tax rates may vary dependent on individual residency. Accounts deemed by the portfolio manager to have a category restriction shall be excluded from this composite. A category is defined as a collection of investments and bicks across 23 developed market countries. The index is designed to reflect the performance of equites in the parent index (xeduding RETIS) with higher dividend income and quality characteristics than average dividend yields that are both sustainable and persistent. Indexes are unmanaged and cannot be invested in directly. Separate accounts eligible for this composite for all time periods. This composite was created in September 2011. Performance shown for 2011 is for a partial period staring October 1, 2011. Federated Hermes has managed portfolios in this investment style since September

# Notes to the schedule of rates of return and statistics

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- 4. Annual composite dispersion is measured and presented using the asset weighted standard deviation of the gross returns of all of the portfolios included in the composite over the entire year. Prior to January 2023, annual dispersion for the CW Henderson composites was measured using the equal weighted standard deviation of the returns of all the portfolios included in the composite over the entire year. Effective January 2023 this was changed to asset weighted. Prior to March 2020 with regard to Federated Clover Investment Advisors composites, annual dispersion was measured using the equal weighted standard deviation of the returns of all the portfolios included in the composite over the entire year.
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Beta measures a portfolio's volatility relative to the market. A beta greater than 1.00 suggests the portfolio has historically been more volatile than the market as measured by the portfolio's benchmark. A beta less than 1.00 suggests the portfolio has historically had less volatility relative to the market.

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