

## LOOMIS SAYLES GROWTH EQUITY STRATEGIES TEAM REOPENS GROWTH FUND TO INVESTORS

**BOSTON (26 APRIL 2023)** – Loomis, Sayles & Company, an affiliate of Natixis Investment Managers, today announced the reopening of its Loomis Sayles Growth Fund (LSGRX) to all investors, effective immediately. Prior to this announcement the Fund remained open only for retirement plans (defined contribution and defined benefit plans), new clients of registered investment advisers and registered representatives trading through intermediaries where the Fund is already available, and existing investors for capital additions.

The Loomis Sayles Growth Fund is among a suite of growth equity products managed by Aziz V. Hamzaogullari, CIO and founder of the firm's Growth Equity Strategies (GES) Team, all of which employ the exact same philosophy and process. The longest-dated strategies, including the Large Cap Growth strategy which is employed by the Fund, will cross their 17-year anniversaries this June. Collectively, the Growth Equity Strategies Team manages \$59.5 billion in assets under management.

The \$10 billion fund was closed to most new investors in November 2016 in order to ensure the team's ability to efficiently manage future cash flow growth in the best interests of our investors. Cash flow has subsequently subsided and market conditions have changed since the fund's closing.

"Our ongoing evaluation of capacity constraints, flow trends and overall market conditions, among other factors led us to the conclusion that the Growth Fund has ample alpha-generating capability," said Hamzaogullari.

Loomis Sayles and the GES team remain committed to thoughtfully and proactively managing capacity as needed to ensure portfolio management flexibility.

### Loomis Sayles Growth Fund

Since Aziz Hamzaogullari assumed management of the Loomis Sayles Growth Fund on June 1, 2010, it has generated an annualized net return of 14.83% as of March 31, 2023, ranking ahead of 90% of Morningstar large cap growth funds (82 out of 960). Under Hamzaogullari's management, the fund has generated 0.43% of alpha, ahead of 94% of Morningstar large cap growth funds (52 out of 960).

A differentiated investment philosophy – supported by a proprietary seven-step research framework – underpins the GES team's long-term, private equity approach. The team seeks to invest in those few high-quality businesses with sustainable competitive advantages and profitable growth only when they trade at a discount to the GES estimate of intrinsic value.

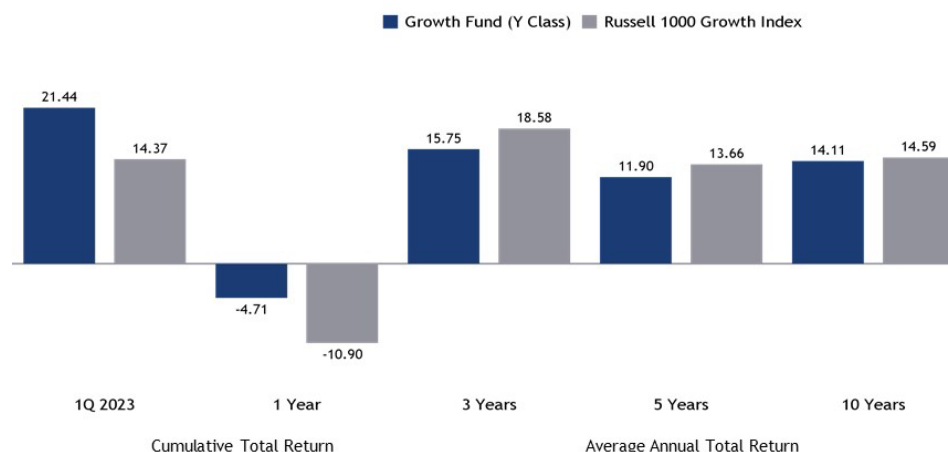


Learn more about the [Loomis Sayles Growth Equity Strategies](#) team and the [Loomis Sayles Growth Fund](#), which earned a Morningstar Analyst Rating™ of Gold (as of 9 January 2023).

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## LOOMIS SAYLES GROWTH FUND (Y CLASS) PERFORMANCE (%) AS OF MARCH 31, 2023



Period	1Q 2023	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years
Net Return	21.44	-4.71	15.75	11.90	14.11
Benchmark Return	14.37	-10.90	18.58	13.66	14.59
Excess Return	7.07	6.19	-2.83	-1.76	-0.48
Peer Group Percentile	3 <sup>rd</sup>	5 <sup>th</sup>	45 <sup>th</sup>	26 <sup>th</sup>	13 <sup>th</sup>
Rank/Count	19 out of 1,272	44 out of 1,255	446 out of 1,177	258 out of 1,130	115 out of 1,038

Morningstar Large Cap Growth Funds

Data sources: Natixis Distribution, LLC and Russell.

Total returns reflect Fund fees and expenses and assume reinvestment of dividends and capital gains distributions. Returns include the expenses of the Fund's Class Y shares and assume reinvestment of dividends and capital gains distributions. Performance data reflects certain fee waivers and reimbursements. Without such waivers, performance would be lower.

Y shares are only available to certain institutional investors with a minimum initial investment of \$100,000. Performance for multi-year periods is annualized.

Indices are unmanaged and do not incur fees. It is not possible to invest directly in an index.

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

Total return and value will vary and you may have a gain or loss when shares are sold. Current performance may be lower or higher than quoted. For most recent month-end performance, visit [www.loomissayles.com](http://www.loomissayles.com).

Loomis, Sayles & Company, L.P. ("Loomis Sayles") is an independent advisory firm registered under the Investment Advisors Act of 1940. For additional information on this and other Loomis Sayles strategies, please visit our website at [www.loomissayles.com](http://www.loomissayles.com).

## ABOUT LOOMIS SAYLES

Since 1926, Loomis, Sayles & Company has helped fulfill the investment needs of institutional and mutual fund clients worldwide. The firm's performance-driven investors integrate deep proprietary research and risk analysis to make informed, judicious decisions. Teams of portfolio managers, strategists, research analysts and traders collaborate to assess market sectors and identify investment opportunities wherever they may lie, within traditional asset classes or among a range of alternative investments. Loomis Sayles has the resources, foresight and the flexibility to look far and wide for value in broad and narrow markets in its commitment to deliver attractive, risk-adjusted returns for clients. This rich tradition has earned Loomis Sayles the trust and respect of clients worldwide, for whom it manages \$302.1 billion\* in assets (as of 31 March 2023).

\*Includes the assets of both Loomis, Sayles & Co., LP, and Loomis Sayles Trust Company, LLC. (\$35.7 billion for the Loomis Sayles Trust Company). Loomis Sayles Trust Company is a wholly owned subsidiary of Loomis, Sayles & Company, L.P.

## ABOUT NATIXIS INVESTMENT MANAGERS

Natixis Investment Managers' multi-affiliate approach connects clients to the independent thinking and focused expertise of more than 15 active managers. Ranked among the world's largest asset managers<sup>1</sup> with more than \$1 trillion assets under management<sup>2</sup> (€1 trillion), Natixis Investment Managers delivers a diverse range of solutions across asset classes, styles, and vehicles, including innovative environmental, social, and governance (ESG) strategies and products dedicated to advancing sustainable finance. The firm partners with clients in order to understand their unique needs and provide insights and investment solutions tailored to their long-term goals.

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<sup>1</sup> Cerulli Quantitative Update: Global Markets 2022 ranked Natixis Investment Managers as the 18th largest asset manager in the world based on assets under management as of December 31, 2021.

<sup>2</sup> Assets under management ("AUM") of affiliated entities measured as of December 31, 2022 are \$1,151.3 billion (€1,078.8 billion). AUM includes AlphaSimplex Group, LLC (\$8.2 billion / €7.7 billion), which was acquired by Virtus Investment Partners, Inc., effective April 1, 2023. AUM, as reported, may include notional assets, assets serviced, gross assets, assets of minority-owned affiliated entities and other types of non-regulatory AUM managed or serviced by firms affiliated with Natixis Investment Managers.

<sup>3</sup> A brand of DNCA Finance.

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Equity securities are volatile and can decline significantly in response to broad market and economic conditions. Foreign and emerging market securities may be subject to greater political, economic, environmental, credit, currency and information risks. Foreign securities may be subject to higher volatility than U.S. securities, due to varying degrees of regulation and limited liquidity. These risks are magnified in emerging markets. Investments in small and mid-size companies can be more volatile than those of larger companies. Growth stocks may be more sensitive to market conditions than other equities as their prices strongly reflect future expectations. Currency exchange rates between the U.S. dollar and foreign currencies may cause the value of the fund's investments to decline.

**Before investing, consider the fund's investment objectives, risks, charges, and expenses. Please visit [www.loomissayles.com](http://www.loomissayles.com) or call 800-225-5478 for a prospectus and a summary prospectus, if available, containing this and other information. Read it carefully.**

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