

# LOOMIS SAYLES CELEBRATES 5-YEAR ANNIVERSARY OF GROWTH EQUITY STRATEGIES TEAM'S INTERNATIONAL GROWTH STRATEGY

- The strategy is among a suite of equity offerings managed by Aziz V. Hamzaogullari, founder, chief investment officer and portfolio manager of the Loomis Sayles Growth Equity Strategies (GES) Team.
- Since inception, International Growth has outperformed its benchmark on an annualized basis and achieved top quintile ranking versus peers for risk-adjusted measures of return.

**BOSTON (24 MARCH 2025)** – Loomis, Sayles & Company celebrates the five-year anniversary of the Loomis Sayles International Growth strategy. Managed by Aziz V. Hamzaogullari, founder, chief investment officer and portfolio manager of the Loomis Sayles Growth Equity Strategies (GES) Team, the \$39.3 million strategy has delivered its investors strong risk-adjusted returns since inception on 1 January 2020.

The GES Team has \$89.5 billion in total assets under management as of 31 December 2024 across a suite of offerings, including US domestic, global, international, and long/short growth equity strategies. A singular differentiated investment philosophy – supported by a proprietary seven-step research framework – underpins their 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.

The International Growth strategy seeks to produce long-term, excess returns vs. the MSCI All Country World ex-US Index on a risk-adjusted basis over a full market cycle (at least 5 years) through bottom-up stock selection. Over the last five years since inception, the International Growth strategy has:

- Outperformed the MSCI ACWI ex US Index by 3.17% (gross), 2.31% (net) annualized. The strategy ranked in the top quintile for performance 15th percentile (gross), 14th percentile (net) versus peers (inception through 31 December 2024).
- Ranked top quintile versus peers for risk-adjusted measures of return including Sharpe ratio (15th percentile) and Alpha generation (12th percentile gross and net).
- Achieved up market capture since inception exceeding 110 versus benchmark, while down market capture has been in the 90s, similar to the GES Team's longer-dated strategies.

Further, with annualized turnover of 7.5% since inception, International Growth has benefited from the GES Team's dedication to a long investment horizon, which affords the opportunity to capture value from secular growth as well as capitalize on the stock market's shortsightedness through time arbitrage. The high-conviction portfolio of 35 securities reflects the team's belief that less than one percent of all businesses are able to sustain their competitive advantages beyond a decade and can generate durable and profitable long-term growth, a rare trait. With high median active share since inception of 92.0%, International Growth has exhibited the necessary condition for generating alpha and outperforming net of fees over the long term.

### Learn more about the Loomis Sayles International Growth Strategy, including current performance.

"In just five years since the strategy's inception, the GES Team has achieved an impressive performance track record for International Growth that echoes those of its longer-dated sibling strategies, including Large Cap Growth, All Cap Growth and Global Growth," said Kevin Charleston, chief executive officer of Loomis Sayles. "This success is a testament to the team's passion for a patient, disciplined investment process and commitment to deep fundamental research with a long-term view, a philosophy that continues to deliver value for our investors."

"We believe the qualities that make a business great are universal in nature," said Hamzaogullari. "Regardless of location or domicile, structural drivers for sound investment decision making and analysis such as basic business characteristics, competitive advantage, business model, financial strength, management, growth drivers and valuation remain the same."

Learn more about the Loomis Sayles Growth Equity Strategies Team.

## COMPOSITE PERFORMANCE AS OF 3/31/2025 (%) Trailing returns

	1Q 2025	YTD	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	Since Inception 1/1/2020
International Growth (gross)	-1.78	-1.78	7.39	7.93	11.16	7.03
International Growth (net)	-1.98	-1.98	6.54	7.08	10.29	6.18
MSCI ACWI ex-US gross Index	5.36	5.36	6.65	5.03	11.46	5.43
Excess Return vs. MSCI ACWI ex-US gross Index (gross)	-7.14	-7.14	0.73	2.90	-0.29	1.60
Excess Return vs. MSCI ACWI ex-US gross Index (net)	-7.34	-7.34	-0.12	2.05	-1.17	0.75

<sup>\*</sup>The benchmark for the International Growth Composite is the MSCI ACWI ex-US gross Index. Performance for the MSCI ACWI ex-US Growth net Index is shown as supplemental information.

Source: Loomis Sayles and MSCI.

Gross returns are net of trading costs. Net returns are gross returns less the effective management fees. Returns for multi-year periods are annualized.

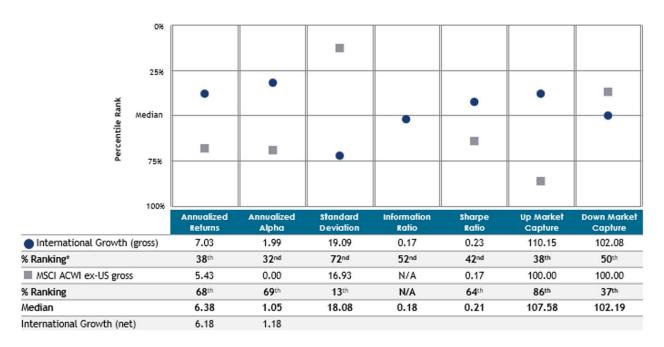
Indices are unmanaged and do not incur fees. It is not possible to invest directly in an index.

Returns may increase or decrease as a result of currency fluctuations.

Past performance is no guarantee of future results.

#### COMPOSITE INCEPTION (1/1/2020) THROUGH 3/31/2025

Statistics & rankings vs index



\*Ranking out of 244 observations. (eVestmentAlliance's ACWI ex-US Large Cap and ACWI ex-US All Cap Universe.)

Source: eASEAnalytics System; eVestmentAlliance is the ranking agency. Rankings are based on gross fees.

Gross returns are net of trading costs. Net returns are gross returns less effective management fees. Annualized performance is calculated as the geometric mean of the product's returns with respect to one year. The highest (or most favorable) percentile rank is 1, and the lowest (or least favorable) percentile rank is 100. Rankings are subject to change. Although we believe it is reliable, we cannot guarantee the accuracy of data from a third party source. This information cannot be copied, reproduced or redistributed without authorization in any form.

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\*Includes the assets of both Loomis, Sayles & Co., LP, and Loomis Sayles Trust Company, LLC. (\$47.1 billion for the Loomis Sayles Trust Company). Loomis Sayles Trust Company is a wholly owned subsidiary of Loomis, Sayles & Company, L.P.

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