

# Boston Partners Global Long/Short UCITS Fund



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Portfolio Manager

## Key Information

<b>Investment Manager:</b>	Boston Partners Global Investors, Inc.
<b>Fund Type<sup>1</sup>:</b>	ICAV
<b>Regulatory Framework:</b>	Alternative UCITS
<b>Domicile:</b>	Ireland
<b>Inception Date:</b>	28 November 2017
<b>Portfolio Managers:</b>	Joshua Jones, CFA Christopher K. Hart, CFA
<b>Strategy AUM:</b>	\$186 million
<b>Fund Size (USD):</b>	\$61 million
<b>Subscriptions<sup>2</sup></b>	Daily
<b>Redemptions<sup>2</sup></b>	Daily
<b>Trade Cutoff:</b>	5 PM GMT
<b>Global Distributor</b>	Boston Partners Global Investors
<b>Depository Administrator</b>	European Depot Bank
<b>Management Company</b>	FundRock
<b>Auditor</b>	Apex Fund Services (Ireland) LTD
<b>Benchmark</b>	MSCI World Index (Net)
<b>ISIN</b>	IE000BZXDB85

1. Sub-Fund of Fundrock UCITS Platform I ICAV

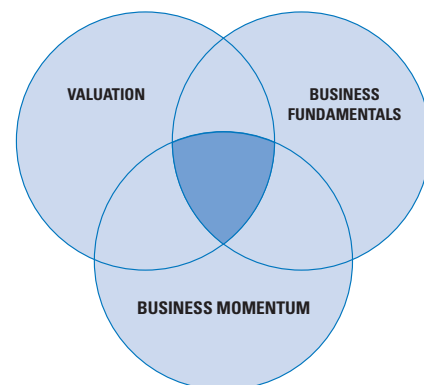
2. Please see the Fund's prospectus for more information on how full and limited portfolio business days are defined. Please visit [WWW.FUNDROCK.COM/FUNDS](http://WWW.FUNDROCK.COM/FUNDS) for all documents.

## Investment Objective

Boston Partners Global Long/Short Fund is a long-biased portfolio which seeks long-term capital appreciation by investing both long and short in equities. The Fund pursues its objective by taking a diversified approach and aims to produce a consistent equity-like return but with less correlation and volatility when compared to the MSCI World Index (Net). The Fund will have a variable net exposure which is expected to be between 30%-70% over a full market cycle

## Fund Overview

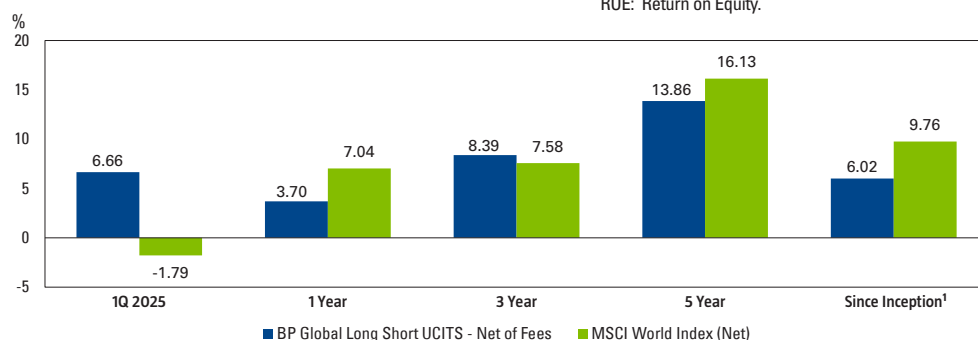
- Managed by Boston Partners Global Equity team led by Joshua Jones, CFA and Christopher K. Hart, CFA
- Disciplined and time tested investment philosophy and process
- Value oriented, fundamentally based long short equity strategy
- Flexible regional strategy consistent with a global benchmark mandate
- Valuation, fundamentals, business momentum, and catalysts are combined to create a portfolio that seeks alpha generation
- Managed Long/Shorts since 1998



## Characteristics

	Long	Short
Wtd Avg Mkt Cap	\$69.8 B	\$32.1 B
Price/Earnings FY1*	10.6x	15.9x
Price/Book	1.7x	2.2x
Number of Holdings	76	94
ROE (Trailing 5 Yr)	16.6%	9.1%

\* P/E weighted harmonic mean excludes negative values.  
ROE: Return on Equity.



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## Calendar Year Performance as of 31 December 2024

	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	SI¹
<b>Global Long/Short UCITS² - Net of Fees</b>	<b>3.52</b>	<b>6.43</b>	<b>15.18</b>	<b>17.98</b>	<b>-0.50</b>	<b>5.86</b>	<b>6.02</b>
MSCI World Index (Net)	18.67	23.79	-18.14	21.82	15.90	27.67	9.76

¹ Inception date of the M-share is 28 November 2017. The performance figures quoted above represent the (net of fees) performance of the Boston Partners Global Long/Short (UCITS) Fund M USD share class since launch on 28 November 2017 until 31 December 2019. Performance figures after 31 December 2019 represent the performance of the Institutional E USD share class. The M share class is closed to new investors. See page 3 of this marketing document for the risk considerations.

² Calendar performance returns for Boston Partners Global Long/Short (UCITS) Fund, show performance returns net of fees in 2018 and 2019 for M USD share class and performance returns net of fees in 2020, 2021, 2022 and 2023 for E USD share class. See page 3 of this marketing document for risk considerations. Past performance does not predict future returns.

Share Class Category	E	I	R
<b>Investor Type</b>	Early Bird*	Institutional	Retail
<b>Min Initial Investment</b>	100,000 USD, EUR, GBP, CHF	500,000 USD, EUR, GBP, CHF	10,000 USD, EUR, GBP, CHF
<b>Investment Management Fee</b>	0.9% p.a.	1% p.a.	1.75% p.a.
<b>Performance Fee Rate</b>	No	15%	15%
<b>Performance Hurdle</b>	N/A	70% of MSCI World Index (Net) return Calculated annually	70% of MSCI World Index (Net) return Calculated annually

Top 5 Long Holdings (%)	
Hiscox Ltd.	3.7
AstraZeneca plc	3.0
The Weir Group plc	3.0
Heineken N.V.	2.7
Nomad Foods Ltd.	2.5

Top 5 Short Holdings (%)	
Zurich Insurance Group Ltd.	1.2
Comm. Bank of Australia	1.2
EQT AB	1.1
Dentsu Group Inc.	1.0
Bank of Hawaii Corp.	0.9

The specific securities identified and described do not represent all of the securities purchased, sold, or recommended for advisory clients. It should not be assumed that an investment in these securities was or will be profitable. Portfolio composition and characteristics are subject to change.

Exposure by Sector			
	Long (%)	Short (%)	Net (%)
Communication Services	7.6	3.3	4.3
Consumer Discretionary	7.2	7.4	-0.3
Consumer Staples	8.7	3.2	5.5
Energy	13.0	1.5	11.6
Financials	13.3	9.6	3.7
Health Care	9.2	2.5	6.8
Industrials	14.9	6.4	8.5
Information Technology	7.9	3.4	4.6
Materials	10.2	2.5	7.8
Real Estate	0.1	1.0	-1.0
Utilities	0.5	1.2	-0.8
<b>Total Exposure</b>	<b>92.7%</b>	<b>42.0%</b>	<b>50.7%</b>

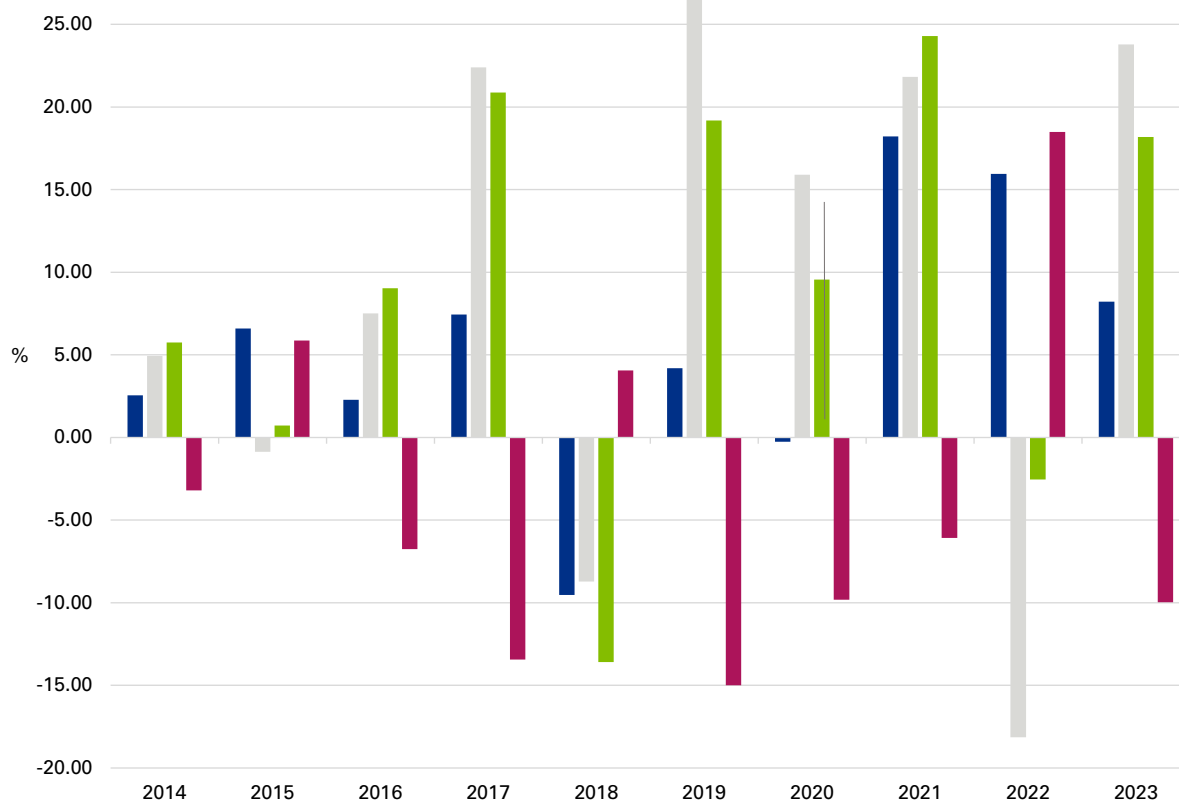
**Sector:** Analysis based on market exposure as a percentage of Total Fund Size excluding currency contracts.

Exposure by Region			
	Long (%)	Short (%)	Net (%)
North America	34.9	20.5	14.5
Continental Europe	23.4	11.8	11.6
United Kingdom	17.3	2.5	14.7
Emerging Markets	10.5	0.3	10.2
Japan	5.3	4.4	0.9
Pacific	1.3	2.5	-1.2

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Risk Measurement Statistics				
	3 Year		Since Inception	
	Portfolio	MSCI World	Portfolio	MSCI World
Standard Deviation	7.85	16.51	9.95	16.40
Sharpe Ratio	0.72	0.23	0.45	0.48

#### Calendar Year Returns as of 31 December 2024



#### Fund Review - First Quarter 2025

The Boston Partners Global Long/Short UCITS fund has outpaced the MSCI World Index by a wide margin through the first three months of 2025, rising 6.66%, compared to a decline of -1.79% for the Index. Both the long and short portfolio have contributed positively to relative returns, with the long portfolio the primary contributor to relative performance. Within the long portfolio, the fund climbed higher by over 5% versus a decline of nearly -2% for the Index. Top contributing sectors came in Information Technology, Consumer Discretionary and Industrials. Within Information Technology, not holding large Index components *NVIDIA*, *Apple* and *Microsoft* were the top contributors, with all names falling 11% or more. Within Consumer Discretionary, off-benchmark holding *Alibaba* has soared higher by 57%, while not holding *Tesla* or *Amazon* also contributed meaningfully. Lastly, in Industrials *BAE Systems* climbed higher by 40%, while *Iveco Group* and *Weir Group*, both off-benchmark holdings, climbed 68% and 10%, respectively. Broadly speaking, the long portfolio added value in all but two sectors, with no sector detracting more than 22 basis points. Within the short portfolio, where short positions declined nearly 3% more than the Index, top contributing sectors came in Consumer Discretionary and Information Technology, where fund positions declined 7% and 10% more than the Index, adding significantly to relative returns. No sector in the short portfolio detracted more than 40 basis points (Industrials), as the short portfolio benefitted relative returns through the first three months of the year.

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**Price/Earnings Ratio:** A method of valuing stocks, calculated by dividing the closing price of a company's stock by its annual earnings per share. A higher multiple means investors have higher expectations for future growth and have bid up the stock's price. P/E FY1 is simple measure of one-year earnings per share growth from the prior fiscal year (FY0) to the current fiscal year.

**Return on Equity:** A measure of a corporation's profitability that reveals how much profit a company generates with the money shareholders have invested.

**Alpha:** A measure of performance on a risk-adjusted basis. Alpha takes the volatility (price risk) of a product and compares its risk-adjusted performance to a benchmark index. The excess return of the product relative to the return of the benchmark index is the alpha.

**Price-to-Book (P/B):** The price per share of a stock divided by its book value (net worth) per share. For a portfolio, the ratio is the weighted average price-to-book ratio of the stocks that it holds.

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