

Hartford International Opportunities Fund

Tickers A: IHOAX C: HIOCX F: IHOFX I: IHOIX R3: IHORX R4: IHOSX R5: IHOTX R6: IHOVX Y: HAOYX

Morningstar® Category Foreign Large Blend

Inception Date 07/22/1996

Lipper Peer Group International Large-Cap Growth

Market Overview

International equities, as measured by MSCI ACWI ex USA Index, rose for the third straight quarter after two COVID-19 vaccines demonstrated high efficacy rates in Phase 3 trials. Despite this development, the logistical challenges of distributing and administering the vaccines are significant. The European Central Bank expanded its massive monetary stimulus program by €500 billion, as new lockdown measures weighed on the eurozone's economic recovery. The European Union (EU) and China struck an agreement on an investment treaty that opens up opportunities for European companies in the Chinese market. The United Kingdom (UK) and the EU agreed to a trade deal, setting the terms for a post-Brexit future and ending four years of political negotiations since the UK's 2016 referendum on EU membership.

Performance Summary

- The Hartford International Opportunities Fund (I Share) outperformed the MSCI ACWI ex USA Index and the Lipper International Large-Cap Growth peer group average during the quarter
- Security selection contributed to relative performance with strong selection in the information technology, healthcare, and materials sectors. Weaker selection in consumer discretionary and consumer staples partially offset results. On a regional basis, Developed EU & Middle East ex UK contributed most.
- Sector allocation, a result of our bottom-up stock selection process, detracted from relative results led by an underweight to financials and an overweight to health care. A relative overweight to information technology and an underweight to consumer staples contributed.
- Samsung Electronics (information technology) was the absolute contributor for the period and Alibaba (consumer discretionary) was both the top relative and absolute detractor during the period.

Positioning & Outlook

- Markets continued to recover over the fourth quarter as the global economy gradually emerged from lockdown. However, sporadic lockdowns and regional regressions drove persistent volatility.
- We continued to trim perceived beneficiaries of the lockdown that have outperformed this year and rotated into companies where we see better fundamentals going forward, such as financials, commodities, and energy. We are mindful that equity market valuations, especially for high growth business models, have risen this year.
- Some areas in which we are identifying opportunities include commodities, as manufacturing reopens along with the broader economy, as well as energy and the travel and leisure value chains, as pent up demand for travel and experiences returns as restrictions are lifted

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Top Ten Holdings (%)

Samsung Electronics Co., Ltd.	3.00
Tencent Holdings Ltd.	3.00
Alibaba Group Holding Ltd.	2.48
Canadian National Railway Co.	2.05
Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Co., Ltd.	1.95
ASML Holding N.V.	1.94
Keyence Corp.	1.93
Nestle S.A.	1.93
Iberdrola S.A.	1.81
Ferrari N.V.	1.80
Percentage Of Portfolio	21.89

Holdings and characteristics are subject to change. Percentages may be rounded.

Class	Performance (%)		Average Annual Total Returns					Expenses ¹	
	QTD	YTD	1 Year	3 Year	5 Year	10 Year	SI	Gross	Net
A	17.13	20.27	20.27	6.98	8.90	6.20	5.90	1.13%	1.13%
A with 5.5% Max Sales Charge	—	—	13.65	4.98	7.68	5.60	5.65	—	—
F	17.21	20.74	20.74	7.44	9.32	6.59	6.10	0.71%	0.71%
I	17.20	20.66	20.66	7.33	9.23	6.55	6.08	0.80%	0.80%
R3	17.01	19.89	19.89	6.67	8.58	5.93	5.94	1.42%	1.42%
R4	17.12	20.29	20.29	7.00	8.92	6.25	6.15	1.12%	1.12%
R5	17.23	20.59	20.59	7.31	9.24	6.57	6.32	0.81%	0.81%
R6	17.28	20.75	20.75	7.43	9.37	6.68	6.39	0.71%	0.71%
Y	17.22	20.62	20.62	7.36	9.31	6.66	6.38	0.81%	0.77%
MSCI ACWI ex USA Index	17.01	10.65	10.65	4.88	8.93	4.92	—	—	—
Morningstar Category	15.77	9.30	9.30	4.18	7.57	5.33	—	—	—
Lipper Peer Group	14.59	21.21	21.21	9.65	10.50	6.65	—	—	—

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Share Class Inception: A, Y - 7/22/96; F - 2/28/17; I - 5/30/08; R3, R4, R5 - 12/22/06; R6 - 11/7/14. Performance shown prior to the inception of a class reflects performance and operating expenses of another class(es) (excluding sales charges, if applicable). Had fees and expenses of a class been reflected for the periods prior to the inception of that class, performance would be different. Since inception (SI) performance is from 7/22/96. Performance and expenses for other share classes will vary. Additional information is in the prospectus. Only Class A assesses a sales charge.

MSCI AC (All Country) World ex USA Index is a broad-based, unmanaged, market capitalization weighted, total return index that measures the performance of both developed and emerging stock markets, excluding the U.S. MSCI index performance is shown net of dividend withholding tax. Indices are unmanaged and not available for direct investment.

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¹Expenses as shown in the Fund's most recent prospectus. Gross expenses do not reflect contractual fee waivers or expense reimbursement arrangements. Net expenses reflect such arrangements only with respect to Class Y. These arrangements remain in effect until 2/28/21 unless the Fund's Board of Directors approves an earlier termination.

Investors should carefully consider a fund's investment objectives, risks, charges and expenses. This and other important information is contained in a fund's full prospectus and summary prospectus, which can be obtained by visiting hartfordfunds.com. Please read it carefully before investing.

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