NORTHERN FUNDS

Investment Objective

The Fund seeks to provide long-term capital appreciation. Any income received is incidental to this objective. Investment Approach

The Fund seeks to efficiently deliver excess returns by investing in a diverse portfolio of non-U.S. companies. The Fund employs a multi-factor investment process using value, quality and momentum to select securities and construct a portfolio with the potential to provide excess return to its benchmark.

INVESTMENT PERFORMANCE % - AS OF 6/30/21

- Northern Funds International Equity Fund
- MSCI World ex USA Index¹
- Morningstar Category Avg Foreign Large Value



				Average Annual Returns			
Fund	5.37	11.60	32.82	5.29	7.79	4.23	4.77
Benchmark ¹	5.65	9.92	33.60	8.57	10.36	5.70	5.67
Morningstar	4.11	11.56	35.63	5.74	8.25	4.29	_

Performance quoted represents past performance and does not guarantee future results. Investment return and principal value will fluctuate so that shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than their original cost. Current performance may be lower or higher than that shown here. Performance data current to the most recent month end is available by calling 800-595-9111.

Northern Trust Investments, Inc. has contractually agreed to reimburse a portion of the operating expenses of the Fund (other than certain excepted expenses, i.e., acquired fund fees and expenses; the compensation paid to each Independent Trustee of the Trust, expenses of third party consultants engaged by the Board of Trustees, membership dues paid to the Investment Company Institute and Mutual Fund Directors Forum, expenses in connection with the negotiation and renewal of the revolving credit facility, and extraordinary expense and interest) to the extent the "Total Annual Fund Operating Expenses" exceed 0.50%. This contractual limitation may not be terminated before July 31, 2021 without the approval of the Board of Trustees. The "Total Annual Fund Operating Expenses After Expense Reimbursement" may be higher than the contractual limitation as a result of the excepted expenses that are not reimbursed. In the absence of contractual expense reimbursements, yield, total return, growth since inception and dividends would have been reduced. Total return is based on net change in NAV assuming reinvestment of distributions.

Please see back page for calendar year returns, index definitions and investment terms.

FUND	
OVERVIEW	Fund
Benchmark/Index	MSCI World ex USA Index ¹
Morningstar Category	Foreign Large Value
Inception Date	4/1/94
Total Net Assets	\$113.9 Million
Symbol/CUSIP	NOIGX
Dividend Schedule	Annually
Redemption Fee	2% on shares sold or exchanged within 30 days of purchase
Expense Ratio - Gross	(%) 0.66
Expense Ratio - Net (%) 0.55

The Gross and Net Expense Ratios are as of the most recent prospectus. The Net Expense Ratio includes contractual expense reimbursements that, if not extended, will end on July 31, 2021.

FUND CHARACTERISTICS	Fund	Benchmark ¹
Number of Holdings	220	933
Weighted Average Market Cap (\$M)	64,079.4	78,114.4
Return on Equity (%)	13.9	11.5
Trailing 12-month Price-to-Earnings Ratio	15.9	21.1
Price-to-Book Ratio	1.6	2.0
Annual Portfolio Turnover as of 3/31/21 (%)	63.8	

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RISK CHARACTERISTICS (3 YR)	Fund
Beta	1.03
Information Ratio	-1.05
Upside Capture Ratio	99.91
Downside Capture Ratio	110.75

Above risk characteristics are based on 3-year time period.

INTERNATIONAL EQUITY FUND

CALENDAR YEAR RETURNS %	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011
International Equity Fund	1.64	16.59	-15.10	22.90	3.90	-5.96	-7.08	24.12	17.88	-13.10
Benchmark ¹	7.59	22.49	-14.09	24.21	2.75	-3.04	-4.32	21.02	16.41	-12.21
Morningstar Foreign Large Value	0.88	17.80	-15.44	22.08	3.34	-3.10	-6.32	20.81	16.21	-12.77
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TOP HOLDINGS %	Fund
Roche Holding Ltd	2.0
Toyota Motor Corp.	1.6
Royal Dutch Shell Plc Class B	1.6
Deutsche Post AG	1.4
Novartis AG	1.4
Tokyo Electron Ltd.	1.3
BNP Paribas SA Class A	1.3
Daimler AG	1.3
GlaxoSmithKline plc	1.2
Australia and New Zealand Banking Group Ltd	. 1.2

SECTOR

ALLOCATION %	Fund	Benchmark ¹
Financials	18.9	18.9
Industrials	14.6	14.9
Consumer Discretionary	11.8	12.1
Health Care	11.4	11.2
Consumer Staples	9.9	9.8
Information Technology	9.7	9.5
Materials	8.3	8.2
Communication Services	5.0	4.7
Energy	4.1	4.3
Utilities	3.5	3.4
Real Estate	2.8	2.8

TOP REGIONS/

COUNTRIES %	Fund	Benchmark ¹
Japan	20.6	20.8
United Kingdom	13.2	13.0
France	10.1	10.2
Canada	9.7	10.2
Switzerland	9.3	8.8
Germany	8.4	8.4
Australia	5.8	6.4
Sweden	3.7	3.3
Hong Kong	3.6	2.9
Netherlands	3.3	4.0

ASSET ALLOCATION %

Stocks	
Cash	



Fund 97.4 2.6

PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT

Refer to Northern Trust's website for more information on the Portfolio Management Team managing this fund.

DISCLOSURE AND RISKS

All data is as of date indicated and subject to change.

Equity Risk: Equity securities (stocks) are more volatile and carry more risk than other forms of investments, including investments in high-grade fixed-income securities. The net asset value per share of this Fund will fluctuate as the value of the securities in the portfolio changes.

International Risk: International investing involves increased risk and volatility.

DEFINITIONS

¹ MSCI World ex US Index is a free float-adjusted market capitalization weighted index that is designed to measure the equity market performance of developed markets, excluding the United States. The index is calculated net of foreign tax withholdings. It is not possible to invest directly in an index.

Beta: Beta represents the systematic risk of a portfolio and measures its sensitivity to a benchmark. **Down Market Capture:** A measure of a managers performance in down markets relative to the market. **Information Ratio:** A measure of risk-adjusted relative return.

Price-to-Book Ratio: A ratio used to compare a stocks market value to its book value. It is calculated by dividing the current price of the stock by the latest quarters book value per share.

Return on Equity: Amount of net income returned as a percentage of shareholders equity.

Trailing 12-month Price-to-Earnings Ratio: The sum of a companys price-to-earnings. Calculated by taking the current stock price and dividing it by the current earnings per share for the past 12 months. **Up Market Capture:** A measure of a managers performance in up markets relative to the market.

Please carefully read the prospectus and summary prospectus and consider the investment objectives, risks, charges and expenses of Northern Funds before investing. Call 800-595-9111 to obtain a prospectus and summary prospectus, which contain this and other information about the funds.

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