# BARON INTERNATIONAL GROWTH FUND

September 30, 2022

Institutional Shares (BINIX)



### Portfolio Manager

Michael Kass joined Baron in 2007 as a portfolio manager and has 35 years of research experience. From 2003 to 2007, Michael was a managing principal of Artemis Advisors, which he formed to acquire the Artemis Funds, a long-short equity strategy he co-founded in 1998. From 1993 to 2003, he worked at ING as a director of proprietary trading and was named senior managing director and portfolio manager in 1996. From 1989 to 1993, he worked at Lazard Frères in investment banking. From 1987 to 1989, he worked at Bear Stearns as a corporate finance analyst. Michael graduated summa cum laude from Tulane University with a B.A. in Economics in 1987.

## **Investment Principles**

- Long-term perspective allows us to think like an owner of a business
- Independent and exhaustive research is essential to understanding the long-term fundamental growth prospects of a business
- We seek open-ended growth opportunities, exceptional leadership, and durable competitive advantages
- Purchase price and risk management are integral to our investment process

## Investment Strategy

The Fund invests mainly in non-U.S. companies of any size with significant growth potential. The Fund invests principally in companies in developed countries. Diversified.

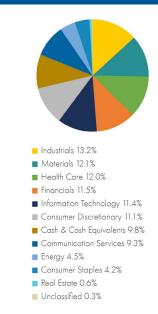
Retail and R6 Shares are also available for this Fund.



#### Portfolio Facts and Characteristics Inception Date December 31, 2008 Net Assets \$447.26 million # of Issuers / % of Net Assets 106 / 90.2% Turnover (3 Year Average) 45.58% Active Share 88.0% Median Market Cap<sup>2</sup> \$10.94 billion Weighted Average Market Cap<sup>2</sup> \$49.95 billion As of FYE 12/31/2021 Institutional Shares **CUSIP** 06828M603 0.96% Gross Expense Ratio Less: Reimbursement of Expenses by Adviser (0.01)% 0.95% Net Expense Ratio

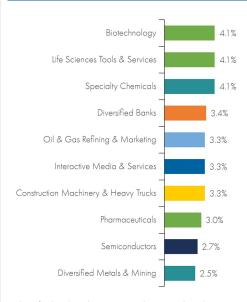
#### Top 10 Holdings % of Net Assets Arch Capital Group Ltd. 2.5 argenx SE 2.5 AstraZeneca PLC 2.5 Linde plc 2.1 Pernod Ricard SA 1.8 Waga Energy SA 1.7 Keyence Corporation 1.7 1.7 Bajaj Finance Limited Nestle S.A. 1.7 Constellation Software, Inc. 1.7 Total 19.9

### GICS Sector Breakdown<sup>1</sup>



Individual weights may not sum to 100% due to rounding.

### Top GICS Sub-Industry Breakdown<sup>1</sup>



Colors of Sub-Industry bars correspond to sector chart above.

#### Risks

Risks: Non-U.S. investments may involve additional risks to those inherent in U.S. investments, including exchange-rate fluctuations, political or economic instability, the imposition of exchange controls, expropriation, limited disclosure and illiquid markets. This may result in greater share price volatility. Securities of small and medium-sized companies may be thinly traded and more difficult to sell. Even

though the Fund is diversified, it may establish significant positions where the Adviser has the greatest conviction. This could increase BARON volatility of the Fund's returns.

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Historical Performance (Calendar Year %)								
Year	BINIX	MSCI ACWI ex USA Index	MSCI ACWI ex USA IMI Growth Index					
2013	21.89	15.29	15.85					
2014	-2.07	-3.87	-2.77					
2015	1.48	-5.66	-0.26					
2016	1.35	4.50	0.06					
2017	37.33	27.19	32.25					
2018	- 17.68	-14.20	- 14.96					
2019	29.39	21.51	26.98					
2020	30.83	10.65	22.40					
2021	9.88	7.82	5.97					

	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years
Std. Dev. (%) - Annualized	20.98	18.35	15.21
Sharpe Ratio	-0.04	-0.02	0.29
Alpha (%) - Annualized	1.78	1.94	2.30
Beta	1.07	1.05	0.98
R-Squared (%)	88.16	87.41	83. <i>7</i> 6
Tracking Error (%)	7.32	6.55	6.13
Information Ratio	0.17	0.25	0.35
Upside Capture (%)	112.63	106.19	100.62
Downside Capture (%)	106.41	98.73	89.20

	% of Net		% of Ne
	Assets		Assets
Other	0.5	Developed (Cont'd)	
Uruguay	0.5	Sweden	1.2
Developed	60.2	Denmark	1.1
United Kingdom	13.1	Norway	0.6
Japan	8.1	Australia	0.5
France	8.0	Emerging	29.3
Netherlands	5.6	China	10.5
Switzerland	4.7	India	7.5
United States	3.8	Brazil	3.7
Spain	3.2	Korea	3.0
Canada	2.6	Poland	1.7
Germany	2.3	Taiwan	1.4
Italy	2.3	Peru	0.8
Israel	1.6	Mexico	0.7
Hong Kong	1.5	Total	90.0

Performance		Total Return (%)			Annualized Returns (%)				Cumulative Returns (%)	
	3rd Q 2022	2nd Q 2022	1st Q 2022	YTD	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years	Since Inception 12/31/2008	Since Inception 12/31/2008
BINIX-Institutional Shares	- 11.51	- 16.18	- 14.64	-36.69	-36.70	-0.24	0.80	5.14	8.11	192.34
MSCI ACWI ex USA Index	-9.91	-13. <i>7</i> 3	-5.44	-26.50	-25.17	-1.52	-0.81	3.01	5.22	101.38
MSCI ACWI ex USA IMI Growth Index	-9.17	-16.30	-10.72	-32.13	-30.68	-1.13	0.15	4.02	6.24	129.80
Morningstar Foreign Large Growth Category Average	-9.43	-16.58	-13.43	-34.43	-32.91	-1.18	0.28	4.40	6.20	128.73

BY SUB-INDUSTRIES <sup>1</sup>			BY HOLDINGS		
Top Contributors	Average Weight(%)	Contribution(%)	Top Contributors	Average Weight(%)	Contribution(%)
Consumer Finance	1.37	0.24	Bajaj Finance Limited	1.37	0.24
Education Services	0.76	0.19	Coupang, Inc.	0.70	0.21
Systems Software	0.36	0.18	Afya Limited	0.76	0.19
Wireless Telecommunication Services	0.55	0.13	WANdisco plc	0.36	0.18
Managed Health Care	0.49	0.09	Wix.com Ltd.	0.76	0.14
Top Detractors	Average Weight(%)	Contribution(%)	Top Detractors	Average Weight(%)	Contribution(%)
Construction Machinery & Heavy Trucks	3.80	-1.02	Korea Shipbuilding & Offshore Engineering Co., Ltd.	1.57	-0.57
Environmental & Facilities Services	2.46	-0.79	Future plc	1.43	-0.45
Pharmaceuticals	3.34	-0.64	Befesa S.A.	1.04	-0.43
Interactive Media & Services	3.35	-0.63	AstraZeneca PLC	2.55	-0.41
Semiconductors	3.04	-0.59	Hyundai Heavy Industries Co., Ltd.	1.18	-0.37

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- 2 Source: FactSet PA and BAMCO.
- 3 Source: FactSet SPAR, Except for Standard Deviation and Sharpe Ratio, the performance based characteristics above were calculated relative to the Fund's benchmark

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