# 30 Lazard <sup>2022</sup> Managed Equity Volatility Portfolio

The Lazard Managed Equity Volatility Portfolio seeks long-term capital appreciation. The portfolio management team uses a proprietary, systematic investment process to identify stocks that we believe represent the best combination of attractive fundamentals and low volatility characteristics to generate attractive risk-adjusted returns. A robust, team-led research initiative underpins our efforts to generate alpha and dampen equity volatility over time.

	Institutional	Open	R6
Ticker	MEVIX	MEVOX	RMEVX
Inception Date	5/29/15	5/29/15	5/29/15
Benchmark	MSCI World Index		
Total Net Assets	\$26.7 million <sup>1</sup>		

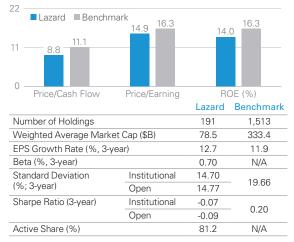
## Performance Review (%; net of fees. As of September 30, 2022)

					Annualized	
	3 M	YTD	1 Y	3 Y	5Y	Since Inception 5/29/2015
Institutional	-7.17	-16.62	-10.13	-0.45	2.36	3.97
Open	-7.27	-16.78	-10.39	-0.69	2.07	3.67
Benchmark	-6.19	-25.42	-19.63	4.56	5.30	5.91

#### Calendar Year



# Characteristics (As of September 30, 2022)



Source: Lazard, FactSet, MSCI

Please see "Important Information" for definitions.

The performance quoted represents past performance. Past performance does not guarantee future results. The current performance may be lower or higher than the performance data quoted. Calendar year returns reflect only full-year performance. An investor may obtain performance data current to the most recent month-end online at www.lazardassetmanagement.com. The investment return and principal value of the Portfolio will fluctuate; an investor's shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than their original cost. Returns of certain share classes reflect reimbursement of expenses as described in the prospectus. Had expenses not been reimbursed, returns would have been lower, and the expense ratio would have been higher.

## Allocations

Geographic Holdings	Lazard (%)	Benchmark (%)
North America	65.1	73.3
Japan	15.2	6.0
Continental Europe	9.8	12.9
United Kingdom	4.2	4.2
Asia-ex-Japan	3.1	3.4
Middle East	0.2	0.2
Cash & Equivalents	2.4	0.0

Sector	Lazard (%)	Benchmark (%)
Health Care	20.1	14.1
Consumer Staples	19.3	7.8
Utilities	11.1	3.1
Communication Services	8.9	7.1
Financials	8.5	13.5
Industrials	7.9	10.0
Information Technology	7.6	21.0
Consumer Discretionary	6.9	11.2
Real Estate	5.3	2.8
Energy	1.2	5.2
Materials	0.7	4.2
Cash & Equivalents	2.4	0.0

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# Top 10 Holdings<sup>2</sup>

	Lazard (%)	Country
Merck & Co	1.5	United States
Gilead Sciences	1.5	United States
Unilever	1.5	United Kingdom
Republic	1.5	United States
Metro	1.5	Canada
Tokyo Gas	1.4	Japan
Bristol-Myers Squibb	1.4	United States
Johnson & Johnson	1.4	United States
Novo Nordisk	1.4	Denmark
Japan Post	1.3	Japan

For a complete list of holdings, please visit www.lazardassetmanagement.com. Source: Lazard, FactSet

### **Expenses**

Minimum Initial Investment Institutional: \$10,000 Open: \$2,500 R6: \$1,000,000 Total Expense Ratio Institutional: 1.20% Open: 6.85% R6: 1.20%

## Net Expense Ratio\*

Institutional: 0.75% Open: 1.00% R6: 0.70%

\* The net expenses reflect a contractual agreement by Lazard to waive its fee and, if necessary, reimburse the Portfolio through April 29, 2023 to the extent the Total Expense Ratio exceeds 0.75%, 1.00% and 0.70% of the average daily net assets of the Portfolio's Institutional, Open and R6 Shares, respectively.

### Notes

- 1 As of September 30, 2022.
- 2 As of September 30, 2022. Allocations and security selections are subject to change. The information provided should not be considered a recommendation or solicitation to purchase or sell any particular security. It should not be assumed that any investment in these securities was, or will prove to be, profitable, or that the investment decisions we make in the future will be profitable or equal to the investment performance of securities referenced herein. The securities mentioned may not represent the entire Portfolio. Market Forecast and strategy allocations are as of September 30, 2022, and subject to change.

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