

APPLIED RESEARCH INVESTMENTS

MONTHLY PORTFOLIO COMMENTARY

October 13, 2021

To:

Leading Edge Investment Advisors

ARI Account Number: U19A104 Client Name: NYCTRS Custodian Account: N0TR

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Portfolio Commentary for the month of September 2021:

The portfolio lagged the benchmark as investors rotated out of growth stocks and bought value stocks during the last week of September as US bond yields rose sharply and discounted a higher inflation outlook. Our holdings in the consumer discretionary and financial sectors were the main performance laggers, whereas, those in the communications services, consumer staples had the strongest performances. Due to the increasing regulatory risks, the portfolios exposure to China has been steadily reduced throughout the quarter, including September.

Market Outlook:

- The Quarter... In Q3-21, U18A104 outperformed the benchmark MSCI ACWI ex. US Index by +0.34%, the account declined -2.64% in the period.
 - During the period, the decline in the global equity markets reflected the increased volatility due to rising regulatory risks in China, uncertainties related to the impact of Evergrande's potential default, higher US bond yields and a strong rotation from growth to value in the last week of September.
 - As equity markets face uncertainties related to inflation, growth, high valuation and China, ARI believes investing in companies that have a clear growth path forward, funded by internally generated cashflow and command a strong market position offer a favorable risk/reward versus the broader market. ARI has seen volatility and these temporary sector rotations in the past and continues to stick to its investment process.

ARI's View...

- During the period, there were increasing signs of gradual deceleration in industrial activities in the U.S. and China (the two main engines of global GDP growth), exacerbated by supply chain constraints, labor shortages and rising input costs. The Eurozone and large emerging economies, excluding China, are on track to slowly return to growth, although the latter continue to face enormous challenges combatting the Covid Delta variant.
- In order to better understand the recent regulatory changes in China, ARI established a framework to categorize the recent events: (1) limiting the dominance of powerful corporate players (2) promoting common prosperity to reduce income/wealth inequality (3) evolving social values (4) reinvigorating long term population growth and therefore long term sustainable economic growth. This framework allowed ARI to understand the factors that drove changes and analyze companies accordingly.
- Recently, evidence has clearly emerged that the Chinese property sector has reached a point it needs to undergo
 deleveraging. One such consequence of excessive property lending has been illustrated in the potential default of
 Evergrande, which can hopefully be carried out in an orderly manner.
- Risks ARI is Monitoring...1. Further increase in US bond yields. 2. High equity market valuation. 3. A resurgence of COVID Delta variant. 4. US-China relations. 5. China: regulatory/policy changes (powerful corporates, common prosperity, evolving social values, measure to promote population growth) and the highly leveraged property sector. 6. Potential impact of rapidly increasing sovereign debt levels in a rising yield environment
- Portfolio Positioning... the ARI ACWI ex US Strategy significantly reduced its exposure to Chinese equities after concluding
 that further changes related to ARI's Chinese Policy framework are likely to take place. The proceeds from the sale of Chinese
 stocks were mainly redeployed to purchase Infosys, Atlas Copco, and Thomson Reuters. Each company fits ARI's investment
 criteria well, and helps keep the growth drivers of the portfolio companies diversified.



Statement of Performance

For the Period: September 01, 2021 - September 30, 2021

Account No: U19A104

Custodian Account No: NOTR

Account Activity Summary

Fund Balance Details:

Contribution Since Inception ¹	Beginning Market Value	Contributions/ (Redemptions)	Portfolio Profit/(Loss)	Gross Ending Market Value	Management Fees	Net Market Value
\$26,734,256.57 ²	\$35,530,451.32	\$0.00	(\$2,027,699.36)	\$33,502,751.97	(\$33,288.70)	\$33,469,463.27

Contribution/(Redemption) Details

Date Activity Amount Description

Account Performance Summary		MTD %	QTD %	YTD %	One Year %	Since Inception ¹ %
Strategy: U19A104	Gross	-5.71%	-2.64%	1.61%	13.92%	16.55%
	Net	-5.80%	-2.74%	1.31%	13.48%	16.08%
Benchmark : MSCI AC World ExUS N	-3.20%	-2.99%	5.90%	23.92%	11.80%	

Note: Unless specifically noted, the performance shown reflect the deduction for management fees, accrued performance allocations, all expenses of the strategy/account, net interest and the reinvestment of dividends, and include gains or losses from "new issues," if any. Actual returns for a particular investor will vary depending upon, among other things, the level of fees charged, whether such investor participates in new issues and the timing of subscriptions and redemptions. In the event of any discrepancy between the information contained herein and the information contained in an investor's monthly account statement, the latter shall govern.

- 1. Inception Date: February 01, 2020.
- 2. Initial contribution made on January 17, 2020.

All amounts reflected in USD



Holdings Report

As of: 30 September, 2021

Book Mkt Book Mkt **Security Description** % of Share Listing % Div Security Quantity Value Value Value Value Fund Price Currency Yield Type (In Local Currency) (In Fund Currency)

Account No: U19A104

Custodian Account No: NoTR

FC - Fund Currency USD

Net Assets

Accrued Investment Income and Expenses

Canada

Canada Dollar	Currencies	0.0 %	1,352	1.00	CAD	 1,352	1,352	1,067	1,067
Total for Canada		0.0 %						1,067	1,067
Japan									
Japanese Yen	Currencies	0.0 %	539,250	1.00	JPY	 539,250	539,250	4,845	4,845
Total for Japan		0.0 %						4,845	4,845
United Kingdom									
Cash	Currencies	0.0 %	9,883	0.00	GBP	 9,883	9,883	13,317	13,317
Total for United Kingdom		0.0 %						13,317	13,317
United States									
Cash	Currencies	0.0 %	5,349	0.00	USD	 5,349	5,349	5,349	5,349
Total for United States		0.0 %						5,349	5,349
Total for Accrued Investment Income and Expenses		0.1 %						24.579	24.579

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Security Description	Security Type	% of Fund	Quantity	Share Price	Listing Currency	Book Value	Mkt Value	Book Value	Mkt Value	% Div Yield
						(In Local	Currency)	(In Fund	Currency)	
Cash and Due Upon Settlement										
Australia										
Cash Cash	Currencies Currencies	0.0 % 0.0 %	-3,060 3,060	0.00 0.00	AUD AUD	-3,060 3,060	-3,060 3,060	-2,212 2,212	-2,212 2,212	
Total for Australia		0.0 %						0	0	
United States										
Cash Cash	Currencies Currencies	0.0 % 1.4 %	2,195 472,614	0.00 0.00	USD USD	2,195 472,614	2,195 472,614	2,195 472,614	2,195 472,614	
Total for United States		1.4 %						474,809	474,809	
Total for Cash and Due Upon Settlement		1.4 %					-	474,809	474,809	
Investments										
Australia										
CSL LTD REA GROUP LTD	Equity Equity	1.2 % 2.8 %	1,925 8,113	293.40 158.85	AUD AUD	584,492 935,211	564,795 1,288,750	401,839 642,957	408,290 931,637	1.0 % 0.8 %
Total for Australia		4.0 %						1,044,796	1,339,928	
Canada										
CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY LTD THOMSON REUTERS CORP SHOPIFY INC - CLASS A CONSTELLATION SOFTWARE INC	Equity Equity Equity Equity	1.4 % 2.2 % 3.8 % 4.0 %	7,114 6,637 932 814	82.71 140.05 1,719.22 2,075.02	CAD CAD CAD CAD	598,035 996,451 587,523 1,197,929	588,399 929,512 1,602,313 1,689,066	459,025 784,383 441,304 929,163	464,550 733,864 1,265,051 1,333,544	0.9 % 1.4 % 0.2 %
Total for Canada		11.3 %						2,613,875	3,797,008	
China										
YUM CHINA HOLDINGS INC JD.COM INC - CL A	Equity Equity	1.2 % 1.4 %	6,900 13,100	460.60 283.20	HKD HKD	3,578,610 3,471,797	3,178,140 3,709,920	460,988 447,045	408,255 476,566	0.8 %

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WUXI APPTEC CO LTD-H	Equity	1.5 %	21,120	182.10	HKD	3,183,463	3,845,952	410,060	494,040	0.2 %
Total for China		4.1 %						1,318,094	1,378,860	
Denmark										
NOVO NORDISK A/S-B	Equity	1.6 %	5,380	621.40	DKK	2,002,401	3,343,132	302,560	520,778	1.5 %
DSV Panalpina A/S Total for Denmark	Equity	3.9 %	5,395	1,540.50	DKK	5,437,631	8,310,998	856,313	1,294,649	0.3 %
France		5.4 %						1,158,873	1,815,426	
L'OREAL PERNOD RICARD SA	Equity Equity	1.4 % 2.3 %	1,134 3,525	356.85 190.70	EUR EUR	358,462 604,077	404,668 672,218	434,887 670,102	468,767 778,697	1.1 % 1.5 %
LVMH MOET HENNESSY LOUIS VUI	Equity	3.2 %	1,497	620.10	EUR	640,242	928,290	709,369	1,075,331	1.0 %
TELEPERFORMANCE	Equity	3.3 %	2,800	340.10	EUR	637,849	952,280	707,566	1,103,121	0.7 %
AIRBUS SE	Equity	3.3 %	8,416	115.10	EUR	838,500	968,682	1,019,575	1,122,121	
Total for France		13.6 %						3,541,499	4,548,037	
Germany										
ZALANDO SE	Equity	1.6 %	5,969	79.32	EUR	586,328	473,461	714,968	548,457	
Total for Germany		1.6 %						714,968	548,457	
India										
ICICI BANK LTD-SPON ADR	Equity	1.2 %	21,808	18.87	USD	422,377	411,517	422,377	411,517	0.3 %
INFOSYS LTD-SP ADR HDFC BANK LTD-ADR	Equity Equity	2.8 % 3.5 %	41,630 16,021	22.25 73.09	USD USD	939,309 988,738	926,268 1,170,975	939,309 988,738	926,268 1,170,975	1.6 % 0.4 %
Total for India		7.5 %						2,350,425	2,508,759	
Indonesia										
BANK RAKYAT INDONESIA PERSER	Equity	2.4 %	2,971,100	3,850.00	IDR	13,875,439,585 11	1,438,735,000	1,017,336	799,185	2.5 %
Total for Indonesia		2.4 %						1,017,336	799,185	
Japan										
M3 INC DAIKIN INDUSTRIES LTD	Equity	1.2 % 2.4 %	5,722 3,600	7,992.00 24,460.00	JPY JPY	46,373,081 57,266,619	45,730,224 88,056,000	443,434 519,849	410,910 791,230	0.2 % 0.7 %
	Equity	2.4 70	3,000			37,200,019	66,030,000	317,649	771,230	U./ %
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RECRUIT HOLDINGS CO LTD	Equity	3.8 %	20,500	6,832.00	JPY	86,530,277	140,056,000	785,496	1,258,478	0.3 %
Total for Japan		7.3 %						1,748,779	2,460,618	
Mexico										
WALMART DE MEXICO SAB DE CV	Equity	3.0 %	299,250	70.13	MXN	18,211,935	20,986,403	958,513	1,016,532	2.2 %
Total for Mexico		3.0 %						958,513	1,016,532	
Netherlands										
ASML HOLDING NV KONINKLIJKE DSM NV	Equity Equity	3.4 % 3.7 %	1,528 6,118	645.90 172.75	EUR EUR	431,088 678,467	986,935 1,056,885	473,209 752,624	1,143,266 1,224,295	0.4 % 1.4 %
Total for Netherlands		7.1 %						1,225,833	2,367,561	
New Zealand										
FISHER & PAYKEL HEALTHCARE C	Equity	3.2 %	47,767	30.68	AUD	1,025,086	1,465,492	704,746	1,059,404	1.2 %
Total for New Zealand		3.2 %						704,746	1,059,404	
Poland										
DINO POLSKA SA	Equity	3.1 %	12,384	332.20	PLN	1,950,355	4,113,965	510,310	1,034,517	
Total for Poland		3.1 %						510,310	1,034,517	
Singapore										
SEA LTD-ADR	Equity	4.1 %	4,301	318.73	USD	940,416	1,370,858	940,416	1,370,858	
Total for Singapore		4.1 %						940,416	1,370,858	
Sweden										
ATLAS COPCO AB-A SHS	Equity	3.4 %	18,912	532.20	SEK	10,213,981	10,064,966	1,202,818	1,150,006	1.3 %
Total for Sweden		3.4 %						1,202,818	1,150,006	
Switzerland										
NESTLE SA-REG LONZA GROUP AG-REG	Equity Equity	1.5 % 2.9 %	4,169 1,272	112.70 701.60	CHF CHF	424,510 762,567	469,846 892,435	433,082 813,974	504,127 957,548	2.4 % 0.4 %
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SIKA AG-REG	Equity	4.0 %	4,176	296.80	CHF	758,252	1,239,437	782,778	1,329,868	0.8 %
Total for Switzerland		8.3 %						2,029,834	2,791,543	
Taiwan										
TAIWAN SEMICONDUCTOR-SP ADR	Equity	3.9 %	11,559	111.65	USD	668,881	1,290,562	668,881	1,290,562	1.6 %
Total for Taiwan		3.9 %						668,881	1,290,562	
United Kingdom										
LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE GROUP DIAGEO PLC	Equity Equity	1.9 % 3.2 %	6,467 22,165	7,450.00 3,606.00	GBP GBP	495,202 730,571	481,792 799,270	644,456 950,765	649,166 1,076,936	1.0 % 2.0 %
Total for United Kingdom		5.2 %						1,595,222	1,726,102	
Total for Investments		98.5 %						25,345,218	33,003,364	
Total for Net Assets		100.0 %						25,844,606	33,502,752	
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Transaction Report

Transaction Type	Description	Quantity	Trade Date	Settlement Date	Price	Cashflow	Notes
Account No:	U19A104						
Custodian Ac	ecount No: NOTR						
AUD							
ivTaxes	REA GROUP LTD	2,503.44	26 Aug 2021	16 Sep 2021	1.0000 AUD	-2,503.44	Dividend tax on cash dividend
ivIncome	REA GROUP LTD	8,344.80	26 Aug 2021	16 Sep 2021	1.0000 AUD	8,344.80	Cash dividend
ivIncome	CSL LTD	3,060.09	02 Sep 2021	30 Sep 2021	1.0000 AUD	3,060.09	Cash dividend
11	Australia Dollar	5,841.36	16 Sep 2021	17 Sep 2021	0.7313 AUD	-5,841.36	
tal for AUD						3,060.09	
AD							
vIncome	METRO INC/CN	1,871.75	31 Aug 2021	22 Sep 2021	1.0000 CAD	1,871.75	Cash dividend
rchase	THOMSON REUTERS CORP	3,617.00	08 Sep 2021	10 Sep 2021	151.2130 CAD	-546,973.59	Initiating position
chase	Canada Dollar	546,973.59	09 Sep 2021	10 Sep 2021	0.7917 CAD	546,973.59	
1	Canada Dollar	1,871.75	22 Sep 2021	23 Sep 2021	0.7795 CAD	-1,871.75	
1	METRO INC/CN	7,487.00	22 Sep 2021	24 Sep 2021	60.2340 CAD	450,897.09	Compliance trade
chase	THOMSON REUTERS CORP	3,020.00	22 Sep 2021	24 Sep 2021	148.8237 CAD	-449,477.77	Building position
rchase	Canada Dollar	449,477.77	23 Sep 2021	24 Sep 2021	0.7886 CAD	449,477.77	
1	Canada Dollar	450,897.09	23 Sep 2021	24 Sep 2021	0.7886 CAD	-450,897.09	
tal for CAD						0.00	
GBP							
ivIncome	LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE GROUP	1,616.75	19 Aug 2021	21 Sep 2021	1.0000 GBP	1,616.75	Cash dividend
ell	British Pound	1,616.75	21 Sep 2021	22 Sep 2021	1.3629 GBP	-1,616.75	
tal for GBP						0.00	

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Account No :	: U19A104						
	ccount No: NOTR						
HKD							
Purchase	YUM CHINA HOLDINGS INC	900.00	17 Sep 2021	21 Sep 2021	431.6667 HKD	-389,230.20	Compliance trade
Purchase	Hong Kong Dollar	389,230.20	20 Sep 2021	21 Sep 2021	0.1284 HKD	389,230.20	
Sell	ALIBABA GROUP HOLDING LTD	18,900.00	27 Sep 2021	29 Sep 2021	142.7682 HKD	2,693,254.23	Compliance trade
Sell	Hong Kong Dollar	2,693,254.23	28 Sep 2021	29 Sep 2021	0.1285 HKD	-2,693,254.23	
Total for HKD						0.00	
IDR							
Purchase	Bank Rakyat Indonesia 22SEPT21 RTS BBRI/R IJ	683,734.37	10 Sep 2021	10 Sep 2021	0.0000 IDR	0.00	Spin Off: Open a spin off position
Sell	Bank Rakyat Indonesia 22SEPT21 RTS BBRI/R IJ	0.37	10 Sep 2021	10 Sep 2021	1.0000 IDR	0.37	Spin Off: Reduce fractional position
MiscAdjExp	Indonesian Rupiah	0.37	10 Sep 2021	10 Sep 2021	1.0000 IDR	-0.37	Reversal cash inflow for BBRI/R
ExpireLong	Bank Rakyat Indonesia 22SEPT21 RTS BBRI/R IJ	683,734.00	22 Sep 2021	22 Sep 2021	0.0000 IDR	0.00	
Total for IDR						0.00	
USD							
DivIncome	YUM CHINA HOLDINGS INC	720.00	24 Aug 2021	16 Sep 2021	1.0000 USD	720.00	Cash dividend
IntIncomeNonTrading	United States Dollar	11.16	01 Sep 2021	01 Sep 2021	1.0000 USD	11.16	Interest income
Sell	STONECO LTD-A	11,879.00	08 Sep 2021	10 Sep 2021	42.7457 USD	507,654.79	Compliance trade
Purchase	Canada Dollar	546,973.59	09 Sep 2021	10 Sep 2021	0.7917 USD	-433,013.18	
MiscAdjExp	United States Dollar	8.80	16 Sep 2021	16 Sep 2021	1.0000 USD	-8.80	HCMP Hard Dollar
DivTaxes	YUM CHINA HOLDINGS INC	216.00	16 Sep 2021	16 Sep 2021	1.0000 USD	-216.00	Dividend tax on cash dividend
Sell	Australia Dollar	5,841.36	16 Sep 2021	17 Sep 2021	0.7313 USD	4,271.79	
Purchase	Hong Kong Dollar	389,230.20	20 Sep 2021	21 Sep 2021	0.1284 USD	-49,993.99	
Sell	British Pound	1,616.75	21 Sep 2021	22 Sep 2021	1.3629 USD	2,203.47	
Sell	Canada Dollar	1,871.75	22 Sep 2021	23 Sep 2021	0.7795 USD	1,458.97	
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Account No :	: U19A104						
Custodian A	ccount No: NOTR						
Purchase	Canada Dollar	449,477.77	23 Sep 2021	24 Sep 2021	0.7886 USD	-354,444.19	
Sell	Canada Dollar	450,897.09	23 Sep 2021	24 Sep 2021	0.7886 USD	355,563.42	
Purchase	INFOSYS LTD-SP ADR	5,036.00	24 Sep 2021	28 Sep 2021	23.6502 USD	-119,152.77	Building position
Sell	Hong Kong Dollar	2,693,254.23	28 Sep 2021	29 Sep 2021	0.1285 USD	346,014.75	
Cotal for USD						261,069.42	

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Commissions 01 Sep 21 - 30 Sep 21

	Total \$ Consideration FC	Total Commission FC	% Commission	Trade Count	# of Shares
Account No: U19A104					
Custodian Account No: N FC - Fund Currency USD	0TR				
Loop Capital Global Cash	515,214.04 USD	248.67 USD	51.99 %	3	24,836
Pictet	1,645,073.31 USD	229.65 USD	48.01 %	4	26,003
Total	2,160,287.35 USD	478.32 USD	100.00 %	7	50,839

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