

# Vontobel U.S. Equity Institutional Fund

## 3Q 2024 Factsheet

### FIRM HIGHLIGHTS

- Experienced global investment firm
- Founded in 1984
- SEC-registered investment adviser
- Total QG AUM: \$25.7 bn as of September 30, 2024
- U.S. Equity Strategy AUM: \$10.7 bn
- VTUIX AUM: \$41.1 million

### KEY PRINCIPLES

- Concentrate on business analysis (bottom-up approach)
- Seek high quality growth at sensible prices
- High conviction portfolio
- Benchmark unconstrained
- Long-term focus

### INVESTMENT PHILOSOPHY

We believe long-term, stable and attractive earnings growth drives long-term investment returns. We pursue this by seeking sensibly priced high quality companies that can grow earnings faster than the market on a sustainable basis.

### INVESTMENT APPROACH

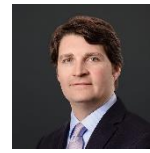
**Earnings Growth.** We believe that long-term, stable and attractive earnings growth drives risk-adjusted outperformance. By investing in sensibly priced, high-quality companies that can grow earnings faster than the market on a predictable and sustainable basis, our investment approach seeks to produce strong returns over several market cycles.

**Long-term Perspective.** We generally hold securities for three to five years. We do not attempt to time the market, and we manage portfolios on a long-term basis rather than trading with a short-term view. We are disciplined, patient investors and we believe our outperformance is consistent with our philosophy and process.

**Benchmark-unconstrained.** We consider the benchmark to be a poor representation of the investment opportunities available, and we actively invest in a concentrated portfolio of companies that we believe are high-quality and that does not mirror an index. As such, our portfolios aim to maintain a high active share percentage.

**Capital growth.** Our philosophy is based on the belief that compounding wealth requires preserving value in down markets. The high-quality companies in which we seek to invest provide downside risk mitigation as their business characteristics lend resiliency when economies or markets are weak. As such, our strategies aim to generally outperform during difficult markets.

### PORTFOLIO MANAGERS



**Matthew Benkendorf**  
CIO Quality Growth  
27 years in industry  
25 years with Vontobel

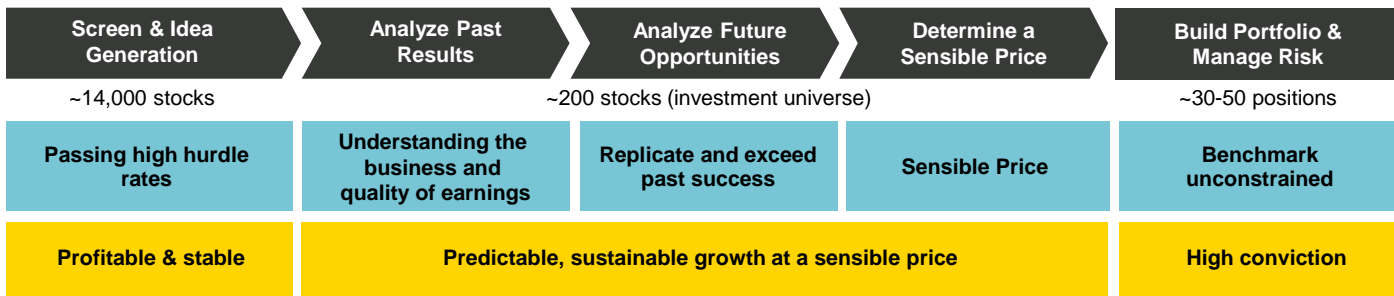


**Edwin Walczak**  
Managing Director  
Deputy Portfolio Manager  
46 years in industry  
36 years with Vontobel

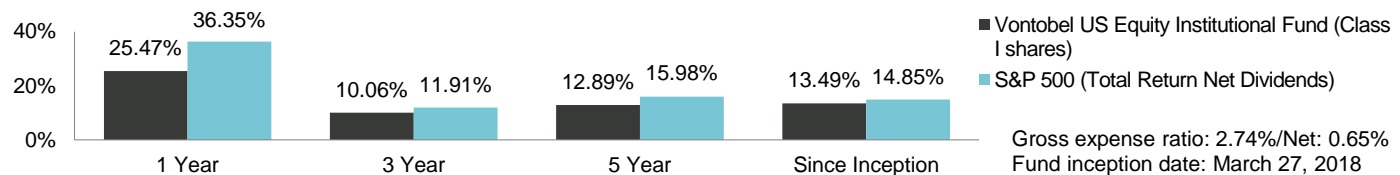


**Chul Chang, CFA**  
Executive Director  
Deputy Portfolio Manager  
24 years in industry  
15 years with Vontobel

### INVESTMENT PROCESS OVERVIEW<sup>1</sup>



### TOTAL RETURNS: VONTOBEL US EQUITY INSTITUTIONAL FUND AS OF SEPTEMBER 30, 2024



The performance data quoted represents past performance; past performance does not guarantee future results. The investment return and principal value of an investment will fluctuate so that an investor's shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than their original cost. The Fund's current performance may be lower or higher than the performance data quoted. Investors may obtain performance information current to the most recent month-end, within 7 business days by calling 866-252-5393 or 312-630-6583.

Returns shown, unless otherwise indicated, are total returns, with dividends and income reinvested. Returns for periods less than one year are not annualized. Fee waivers are in effect; if they had not been in effect performance would have been lower.

The Adviser has contractually agreed to waive fees and reimburse expenses to the extent that Total Annual Operating Expenses exceed 0.65% for Class I Shares until January 28, 2025.

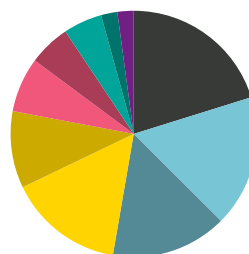
<sup>1</sup> The approximate number of companies is provided as of the date of this presentation and is not necessarily indicative of the approximate number of companies on any other date.

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TOP 10 HOLDINGS <sup>1</sup>	% OF PORTFOLIO
Amazon.com, Inc.	6.4
Microsoft Corporation	5.8
Alphabet Inc.	5.5
Coca-Cola Company	4.9
Intercontinental Exchange, Inc.	4.4
Mastercard Incorporated	4.0
Mondelez International, Inc.	3.8
RB Global, Inc.	3.6
CME Group Inc.	3.4
UnitedHealth Group Incorporated	3.4
<b>Total</b>	<b>45.2</b>

### SECTOR ALLOCATION



- 20.2% Information Technology
- 17.3% Health Care
- 15.2% Consumer Staples
- 15.2% Financials
- 10.1% Consumer Discretionary
- 7.2% Industrials
- 5.5% Communication Services
- 5.1% Materials
- 2.1% Real Estate
- 2.1% Cash & Cash Equivalents

CHARACTERISTICS	VTUIX
Capitalization (US\$ bn), weighted average	585.8
P/E - Forecast 12-month, weighted harmonic average	24.8
5 Yr Historical EPS Growth (%)	13.3
Return on Equity, weighted average (%)	24.6

**An investor should consider the Fund's investment objectives, risks, and charges and expenses carefully before investing or sending any money. This and other important information about the Fund can be found in the Fund's prospectus which can be obtained at <https://am.vontobel.com/en/strategies/mutual-funds> or by calling 866-252-5393 or 312-630-6583. Please read the prospectus carefully before investing.**

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### GLOSSARY

Capitalization is calculated by taking the stock's share price and multiplying it by the total number of shares outstanding.

Forecasted P/E is the weighted harmonic average of each company's forward price-to-earnings ratio over the next 12 months.

Historical EPS Growth rate is the weighted average of each company's compound annual EPS growth rate over the past 5 years. EPS Growth rate is not a measure of the fund's performance.

Return on Equity is the amount of net income returned as a percentage of shareholders equity.

All data provided is as of September 30, 2024, unless otherwise noted, and is generated from Northern Trust and FactSet.

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