Annualized

# Tax-Managed International Equity Fund

## **Portfolio Manager**

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Class	CUSIP	Ticker		
Class M	78250G222	RTIUX		
Class A	78249R198	RTNAX		
Class C	78249R180	RTNCX		
Class S	78249R164	RTNSX		
Total net assets (all classes) <sup>§</sup> : \$3.42B				
Market value (fund level) <sup>§</sup> : \$3.74B				
Net asset value (Class M) <sup>§</sup> : \$11.19				

Fund inception date: 06/01/2015

#### **Investment objective**

The Tax-Managed International Equity Fund seeks to provide long term capital growth on an after-tax basis. The Fund invests principally in equity securities, including common stocks and preferred stocks, issued by companies economically tied non-U.S. countries, including emerging market countries, and in depositary receipts. Nothing contained in this material is intended to constitute legal, tax, securities or investment advice, nor an opinion regarding the appropriateness of any investment. The general information contained in this publication should not be acted upon without obtaining specific legal, tax and investment advice from a licensed professional.

Fund facts - class level		
3 year Sharpe ratio <sup>§, **</sup> : 0.08	_	
3 year Standard deviation <sup>§, **</sup> : 15.40		
3 year Alpha <sup>s, **</sup> : -0.39		
3 year Beta <sup>§, **</sup> : 0.85		
3 year R-squared <sup>s, **</sup> : 60.65		
<sup>§</sup> Data as of 12/31/2023 ** See key terms on page two. Calculations are based upon the Eurod's benchmark as stated in the		

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#### Performance review as of December 31, 2023

	Quarterly	Year to date	1 year	3 years	5 years	10 years	Since inception
Tax-Managed International Equity Fund – Class M $^{\dagger,(a),(b)}$	8.54%	13.85%	13.85%	1.12%	5.73%	-	3.21%
Pre-liquidation After-Tax Return <sup>1, 2</sup>	7.70%	12.96%	12.96%	0.81%	5.46%	-	2.99%
Post-liquidation After-Tax Return <sup>2, 3</sup>	5.05%	8.19%	8.19%	1.00%	4.68%	-	2.70%
Annual Total Operating Expenses: 1.13%	Annual Net Operating Expenses: 0.94%						

<sup>1</sup>Pre-Liquidation after-tax returns represent returns after taxes on fund distributions. Returns After Taxes on distributions may be the same as pre-tax returns for the same period if there were no distributions for that period.

<sup>2</sup>After-tax returns are calculated using the historical highest individual federal marginal income tax rates and the 3.8% net investment income tax, and do not reflect the impact of state and local taxes. If the Fund has realized capital losses, the return after taxes on distributions and sale of fund shares may be higher than the return before taxes and the return after taxes on distributions. The calculation of return after taxes on distributions and sale of fund shares assumes that a shareholder has sufficient capital gains of the same character to offset any capital losses on a sale of fund shares and that the shareholder may therefore deduct the entire capital loss. After-tax returns depend on an investor's tax situation and may differ from those shown. Post-liquidation returns may be adversely impacted by an investor's deferred tax liabilities. After-tax returns shown are not relevant to investors who hold their Fund shares through tax-deferred arrangements, such as 401(k) plans or individual retirement accounts. <sup>3</sup>Post-Liquidation after-tax returns represent returns after taxes on distributions and realized taxable gain or loss from sale of Fund

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The Fund first issued Class T Shares on March 17, 2017. The returns shown for Class M Shares prior to that date are the returns of the Fund's Class S Shares. Effective September 15th, 2017, Class T Shares were redesignated as Class M Shares.

# **Annual returns**

2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
-	-	5.68%	28.40%	-16.24%	19.49%	6.95%	8.03%	-15.92%	13.85%

Performance information is historical and does not guarantee future results. Investment return and principal value will fluctuate so that redeemed shares may be worth more or less than their original cost. Current performance may be lower or higher than the performance data quoted. The most recent month-end performance for Russell Investments mutual funds is available by visiting: https://russellinvestments.com/us/funds/performance-prices.

Region

Europe

North America

Latin America

Middle East

Africa

Asia

**Regional allocation** 

Data as of 11/30/2023

<sup>2</sup> Due to rounding, totals may not equal to 100%.

**Top ten holdings**<sup>1, 2</sup> Subject to change

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Holding	Country	Weight
Taiwan Semiconductor	Taiwan	1.9%
Samsung Electronics Co. Ltd.	Rep. of Korea	1.6%
Tencent Holdings, Ltd.	China	1.4%
Novo Nordisk A/S	Denmark	1.3%
UBS GROUP AG	Switzerland	1.3%
Alibaba Group Holding, Ltd.	China	1.0%
Shell PLC	Netherlands	0.9%
Nestle SA	Switzerland	0.8%
LVMH	France	0.8%
Haleon PLC	United Kingdom	0.8%
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Data as of 11/30/2023

The top ten holdings list excludes shares of the

nvestment vehicles in which the Fund invests its cash.

Diversification and strategic asset allocation do not assure profit or protect against loss in declining markets.

Mutual Fund investing involves risk, principal loss is possible.

Fund objectives, risks, charges and expenses should be carefully considered before investing. A summary prospectus, if available, or a prospectus containing this and other important information can be obtained by calling 800-787-7354 or by visiting https://russellinvestments.com. Please read a prospectus carefully before investing.

Weight

40.2%

39.6%

12.2%

4.8%

1.7%

1.5%

# Tax-Managed International Equity Fund (continued)

### Target allocation of fund assets

The percentages below represent the target allocation of the Fund's assets to each money manager's strategy and Russell Investment Management, LLC (RIM) strategy. This does not include liquidity reserves managed directly by Russell Investments, which may constitute 5% or more of Fund assets at any given time.

	Role	Target allocation	Year assigned
Intermede****‡	Growth	12.5%	2019
Oaktree Fund Advisors LLC‡	Value	7.5%	2023
Pzena Investment Management, LLC ‡	Value	12.5%	2015
Russell Investment Management, LLC (RIM)*	Positioning Strategies, Tax Management, and Cash Reserves	40.0%	2015
RWC Asset Advisors (US) LLC‡	Market-Oriented	7.5%	2015
Wellington Management Company LLP‡	Growth/Value	20.0%	2020

Money managers listed are current as of December 31, 2023. Subject to the Fund's Board approval, Russell Investment Management, LLC has the right to engage or terminate a money manager at any time and without a shareholder vote, based on an exemptive order from the Securities and Exchange Commission. Investments in the Funds are not deposits with or other liabilities of any of the money managers and are subject to investment risk, including loss of income and principal invested and possible delays in payment of redemption proceeds. The money managers do not guarantee the performance of any Fund or any particular rate of return.

While the investment styles employed by the money managers are intended to be complementary, they may not in fact be complementary. A multimanager approach could result in more exposure to certain types of securities and higher portfolio turnover.

Non-U.S. markets, which may include developed, emerging, and frontier markets, entail different risks than those typically associated with U.S. markets, including currency fluctuations, political and economic instability, accounting changes and foreign taxation. Non-U.S. securities may be less liquid and more volatile than U.S. securities. The risks associated with non-U.S. securities may be amplified for emerging markets securities. Because frontier markets are among the smallest, least developed, least liquid, and most volatile of the emerging markets, investments in frontier markets are generally subject to a greater risk of loss than investments in developed or traditional emerging markets.

<sup>†</sup> The Net Annual Operating Expense Ratio may be less than the Total Operating Expense Ratio and represents the actual expenses expected to be borne by shareholders after application of: (a) a contractual transfer agency fee or advisory fee waiver through February 29, 2024; (b) a contractual cap and reimbursement on expenses through February 29, 2024; These contractual agreements may not be terminated during the relevant periods except at the Board of Trustee's discretion. Details of these agreements are in the current prospectus. Absent these reductions, the fund's return would have been lower.

\*RIM manages Fund assets not allocated to money manager strategies and utilizes quantitative and/or rules-based processes and qualitative analysis to assess Fund characteristics and invest in securities and instruments which provide the desired exposures. This includes the Fund's positioning strategy, which is used to seek excess return and manage portfolio risks by targeting specific exposures, and the active tax management strategy that is implemented across the entire fund. These strategies are used in conjunction with allocations to third-party managers to fully reflect Russell Investments' strategic and dynamic views with integrated liquidity and risk management.

\*\*\*Intermede refers to Intermede Investment Partners and Intermede Global Partners Inc.

<sup>‡</sup> This money manager is a non-discretionary manager. Russell Investment Management, LLC (RIM) manages this portion of the fund's assets based upon a model portfolio provided by the money manager.

The fund offers other classes of shares with higher fees and expenses. These other classes may charge up to a 0.75% distribution fee and a 0.25% shareholder servicing fee which will result in a higher expense ratio and lower performance than that shown above. For a full description of other available classes, please see the prospectus.

#### KEY TERMS:

**Alpha** - shows how a Fund did relative to what would have been expected given the Fund's Beta and the performance of the Fund's benchmark. For example, an alpha of 1.4 means that the Fund outperformed its estimated return by 1.4%.

Beta - a measure of the Fund's sensitivity to market changes using the Fund's benchmark as an approximation of the market; beta greater than 1 is more volatile than the market; beta less than 1 is less volatile than the market.

**Standard deviation** - defines how widely returns varied from a daily average over a given period of time. A higher standard deviation means a more volatile Fund. For example, a Fund with a standard deviation of 6 and an average annual return of 10% saw annualized monthly returns fall within 6 percentage points of that average (or between 4% and 16%) two-thirds of the time.

Sharpe ratio - a calculation that reflects the reward per each unit of risk in a portfolio. The higher the ratio, the better the Fund's risk-adjusted return.

R-squared - a statistic that indicates how much a Fund's fluctuations were attributable to movements in the Fund's benchmark.

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