

EVENT-DRIVEN

OVERVIEW

The GMO Event-Driven Strategy seeks to generate absolute return by investing in opportunities that arise from significant corporate events where there is generally some uncertainty about the outcome of the event in question and where the outcome will be known relatively soon. In practice, the Fund's portfolio generally includes a heavy focus on merger arbitrage transactions, supplemented by other opportunities that exhibit similar risk, return, and time horizon characteristics. GMO's Event-Driven team approaches this opportunity set with a strong emphasis on expected value, assessing the likelihood and returns of each outcome and focusing on situations where the team's assessment of the expected value is greater than that implied by the market.

FACTS

Strategy Inception	31-Jul-16
Composite Inception	31-Jul-16
Total Assets	\$261mm USD
Index	FTSE 3-Mo. T-Bill

CUMULATIVE TOTAL RETURNS (USD, NET OF FEES, %)

	<i>MTD</i>	<i>QTD</i>	<i>YTD</i>	<i>2023</i>	<i>2022</i>	<i>2021</i>	<i>2020</i>	<i>2019</i>
Composite	-2.05	-2.05	-2.16	7.27	6.17	-1.41	-1.73	17.74
Index	0.47	0.47	1.83	5.26	1.50	0.05	0.58	2.25

RISK PROFILE (5-YEAR TRAILING)

Sharpe Ratio	0.10
Standard Deviation	10.57
Max Port. Drawdown (31-Dec-19 - 31-Mar-20)	-12.56

ANNUALIZED TOTAL RETURNS (USD, NET OF FEES, %)

	<i>1 Year</i>	<i>3 Years</i>	<i>5 Years</i>	<i>10 Years</i>	<i>ITD</i>
Composite	4.65	1.51	3.16	–	4.49
Index	5.57	2.86	2.12	–	1.84

PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT



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Risks: Risks associated with investing in the Strategy may include Merger Arbitrage Risks, Special Situation Investment Risks, Equities Risks, Options Risks, and Forward Contracts Risks. Returns shown for periods greater than one year are on an annualized basis. To obtain performance information to the most recent month-end, visit www.gmo.com.

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IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Index(es): The FTSE 3-Month Treasury Bill Index is an independently maintained and widely published index comprised of short-term U.S. Treasury bills.

The above information is based on a representative account in the Strategy selected because it has the fewest restrictions and best represents the implementation of the Strategy.

GLOSSARY

Risk Statistics: Risk profile data is net of fees. Sharpe Ratio is the return over the risk free rate per unit of risk. Std Deviation is a measure of the volatility of a portfolio. Drawdown is based on the portfolio's worst performance over the period based on monthly observations.

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