

# Federated Hermes International Equity Fund

Nasdaq symbol — R6: PEIRX | IS: PIUIX | A: PMIEIX | C: PIUCX

3/31/25

## Product highlights

- Seeks long-term capital appreciation.
- Invests primarily in equity securities that are tied economically to countries throughout the world in both developed and emerging markets.
- May invest in companies of any capitalization and its allocation is typically split between growth and value stocks.
- Employs a top-down approach to country allocation and a bottom-up security selection process.

## Morningstar category

Foreign Large Blend

## Benchmark

MSCI ACWI ex USA Index

## Key investment team

Martin Schulz

Calvin Zhang

Michael Czekaj, CFA

Richard Winkowski, Jr.\*\*

Dariusz Czoch, CFA\*\*

Robert Ricardo, CFA\*\*

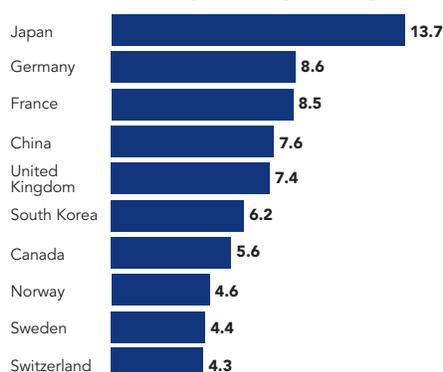
## Fund statistics

Portfolio assets	\$886.2 m
Number of securities	56
Dividends	Paid annually
Portfolio beta (Source: Rolling 3 Yr Performance Attribution vs MSCI ACWI ex USA Index)	1.00
Weighted median P/E (NTM)	13.3x
Weighted median P/E (LTM)	20.1x
Weighted median market cap	\$26.6 b
Weighted median price/book	2.5x

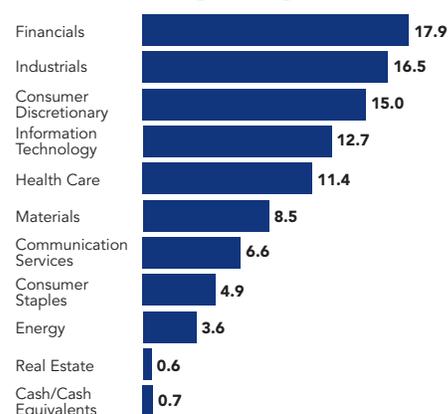
## Top holdings (%)

Federated Hermes International Growth Fund, <i>United States</i>	49.4
DNB Bank ASA, <i>Norway</i>	1.4
Deutsche Telekom AG, <i>Germany</i>	1.3
Koninklijke Ahold Delhaize N.V., <i>Netherlands</i>	1.2
Muenchener Rueckversicherungs-Gesellschaft AG, <i>Germany</i>	1.2
Hannover Rueck SE, <i>Singapore</i>	1.1
Takeda Pharmaceutical Co. Ltd., <i>Japan</i>	1.1
United Overseas Bank Limited, <i>Singapore</i>	1.1
Vipshop Holdings Ltd. Sponsored ADR, <i>China</i>	1.1
Sony Group Corporation, <i>Japan</i>	1.0

## Top country weightings (%)



## Sector weightings (%)



Totals may not add up to 100% due to rounding.

## Average annual total returns (%)

Performance shown is before tax.

NAV	Performance inception	Cumulative 3-month						Expense ratio*		
			1-year	3-year	5-year	10-year	Since inception	Before waivers	After waivers	
<b>R6</b>	8/1/97	5.01	2.82	2.26	11.37	5.63	5.52	1.41	0.90	
<b>IS</b>	8/1/97	5.01	2.81	2.22	11.32	5.60	5.51	1.50	0.94	
<b>A</b>	8/1/97	4.93	2.53	1.96	11.04	5.31	5.22	1.75	1.19	
<b>C</b>	1/5/00	4.69	1.72	1.18	10.21	4.71	4.96	2.50	1.99	
<b>Benchmark</b>		5.23	6.09	4.48	10.92	4.98	-	-	-	
<b>Maximum offering price</b>										
<b>A</b>	8/1/97	-0.85	-3.10	0.06	9.79	4.71	5.01	1.75	1.19	
<b>C</b>	1/5/00	3.69	0.83	1.18	10.21	4.71	4.96	2.50	1.99	

## Calendar year total returns (%)

Institutional Shares/NAV

	YTD	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
<b>NAV</b>	5.01	3.22	14.57	-22.38	8.03	21.78	22.53	-12.54	33.27	0.49
<b>Benchmark</b>	5.23	5.53	15.62	-16.00	7.82	10.65	21.51	-14.20	27.19	4.50

Performance quoted represents past performance, which is no guarantee of future results. Investment return and principal value will fluctuate so that an investor's shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than their original cost. Current performance may be lower or higher than what is stated. To view performance current to the most recent month-end, and for after-tax returns, contact us or visit [FederatedHermes.com/us](https://FederatedHermes.com/us). Maximum offering price figures reflect the maximum sales charge of 5.5% for A Shares, and the maximum contingent deferred sales charge of 1% for C Shares. See the prospectus for other fees and expenses that apply to a continued investment in the fund.

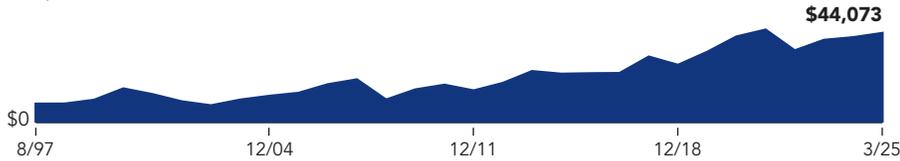
\* The fund's expense ratio is from the most recent prospectus. The expense ratio may reflect voluntary fee waivers and/or expense reimbursements determined by the fund's Advisor and its affiliates. The voluntary waivers and/or reimbursements, if applicable, are in effect up to but not including the later of 8/1/25 or the date of the fund's next effective prospectus.

\*\* Effective May 31, 2025, Richard Winkowski, Jr., Dariusz Czoch and Robert Ricardo were added to manage the Value component of the fund.

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## Growth over time

If you had invested \$10,000 in Institutional Shares on 8/31/97 (month end of the fund's performance inception) and reinvested all distributions, here's how your account would have grown by 3/31/25.



The fund is the successor to the PNC International Equity Fund ("predecessor fund"), a portfolio of PNC Funds, pursuant to a reorganization involving the fund and the predecessor fund on November 15, 2019. Prior to the date of the reorganization, the fund had no investment operations. Accordingly, the performance information, for periods prior to the reorganization is historical information for the predecessor fund. The predecessor fund was managed by the same portfolio management team as the fund, had an identical investment objective and substantially identical strategies, policies, and restrictions.

The fund's assets are allocated among a growth strategy (the "International Growth Component") and a value strategy (the "International Value Component"). The International Growth Component invests substantially all of its assets in Federated Hermes International Growth Fund, an open-end mutual fund advised by the fund's investment adviser. Federated Hermes International Growth Fund invests primarily in equity securities that are tied economically to countries throughout the world in developed, developing and emerging markets.

### A word about risk

Mutual funds are subject to risks and fluctuate in value.

Due to their relatively high valuations, growth stocks are typically more volatile than value stocks.

Value stocks may lag growth stocks in performance, particularly in late stages of a market advance.

The fund's use of derivative instruments involves risks different from, or possibly greater than, the risks associated with investing directly in securities and other traditional instruments.

Diversification does not assure a profit nor protect against loss.

The value of equity securities in the fund's portfolio will fluctuate and, as a result, the fund's share price may decline. Equity securities may decline in value because of an increase in interest rates or changes in the stock market.

The quantitative models and analysis used by the fund's adviser may perform differently than expected and negatively affect fund performance.

International investing involves special risks including currency risk, increased volatility, political risks, and differences in auditing and other financial standards.

Prices of emerging market securities can be significantly more volatile than the prices of securities in developed countries, and currency risk and political risks are accentuated in emerging markets.

Mid-cap companies often have narrower markets and limited managerial and financial resources compared to larger and more established companies.

Small-cap companies may have less liquid stock, a more volatile share price, unproven track records, a limited product or service base and limited access to capital. The above factors could make small-cap companies more likely to fail than larger companies and increase the volatility of the fund's portfolio, performance and price. Suitable securities of small-cap companies also can have limited availability and cause capacity constraints on investment strategies for funds that invest in them.

Growth stocks tend to have higher valuations and thus are typically more volatile than value stocks. Growth stocks also may not pay dividends or may pay lower dividends than value stocks.

Value stocks tend to have higher dividends and thus have a higher income-related component in their total return than growth stocks. Value stocks also may lag growth stocks in performance, particularly in late stages of a market advance.

### Definitions

**The holdings percentages** are based on net assets at the close of business on 3/31/25 and may not necessarily reflect adjustments that are routinely made when presenting net assets for formal financial statement purposes. Because this is a managed portfolio, the investment mix will change.

**Total return** represents the change in value of an investment after reinvesting all income and capital gains. Total return would have been lower in the absence of temporary expense waivers or reimbursements.

**Growth over time** performance is for the fund's Institutional Shares. The fund offers additional share classes whose performance will vary due to differences in charges and expenses.

**Beta** analyzes the market risk of a fund by showing how responsive the fund is to the market. The beta of the market is 1.00. Accordingly, a fund with a 1.10 beta is expected to perform 10% better than the market in up markets and 10% worse in down markets. Usually the higher betas represent riskier investments.

*Investors should carefully consider the fund's investment objectives, risks, charges and expenses before investing. To obtain a summary prospectus or prospectus containing this and other information, contact us or visit [FederatedHermes.com/us](http://FederatedHermes.com/us). Please carefully read the summary prospectus or the prospectus before investing.*

*Past performance is no guarantee of future results.*

**Weighted median P/E (LTM - latest twelve months)** is a ratio comparing share price to earnings per share using data from the previous twelve months.

**Weighted median P/E (NTM - next twelve months)** in calculating this, individual holdings with values greater than 60 are capped at 60 in accordance with Morningstar's methodology for calculating "weighted median P/E."

**Weighted median market capitalization** is the calculation represented by the median market capitalization of the stocks in the portfolio, weighted by the amount of each stock.

**Weighted median price/book** is a ratio comparing share price to book value or assets minus liabilities.

**MSCI ACWI ex USA Index** captures large- and mid-cap representation across 22 of 23 developed markets countries (excluding the US) and 27 emerging markets countries. The index covers approximately 85% of the global equity opportunity set outside the US.

Indexes are unmanaged and cannot be invested in directly.

### Ratings and rating agencies

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