Investment Fund #18 Global Equities Half Year Review - Jan to June 2020

Just Analytics

Spend Wisely

www.justanalytics.ca

Principles of Investment Management

- 1. Active Managers get higher fees than a 'pure' track the Index ETF because they are supposed to provide higher net returns.
- 2. These higher returns should <u>not</u> be purely a result of your Investment Fund (IF) taking on more risk.
- 3. These higher returns should <u>not</u> be purely a result of 'luck' (random) as this is not sustainable for your Investment Fund.

Our Approach

- 1. We utilize the science of Analytics.
- 2. This will tell you if it is 'just luck' or 'skill' (i.e., a better methodology) when your Investment Fund (IF) outperforms the market.
- 3. I want your pension plan funds to repeatedly out perform the market!
- 4. Hire Investment Funds that are most likely to outperform the market & have reasonable fees Spend Wisely!

The Index

- 1. The first step in the analytics is to determine the appropriate Index(es) against which to compare your Investment Fund (IF).
- 2. The appropriate Index for this global Investment Fund is the MSCI World (ex USA); it includes approximately 85% of the market cap in each of 22 Developed Markets.
- 3. We can compare to any Index that you prefer we have also included the MSCI ACWI (All Country World Index both developed and emerging markets) in the analysis.

Which Analytics?

Excess Return

Are you receiving enough return for increased risk in the portfolio?
<u>Value at Risk</u>

- How is your Investment Fund performing when the Index is struggling? Underperformance Ratio
- How often does your Fund underperform the Index in a 5 year period? <u>Likelihood to Outperform</u> - the most critical in my opinion
- Is it random (50% ish) or 'almost science' (90% ish over 3 years)?

Growth of \$100 (net of fees)

Excess Return - MSCI World ex USA Index

This Investment Fund has generated an average excess return (risk adjusted) of 1100+ basis points per annum when compared to the MSCI World ex USA.

| | IF 18 | World ex USA |
|--------------------------|-------|--------------|
| Avg. Monthly Returns | 1.01 | 0.03 |
| Avg. Monthly Std. Dev/n. | 4.42 | 4.20 |
| Avg. Annual Return | 12.17 | 0.38 |
| Avg. Annual Std. Dev/n. | 15.31 | 14.55 |
| Intercept | 0.98 | |
| Slope (Beta) | 0.93 | |
| Expected Return | 0.56 | |
| Excess Return (Alpha) | 11.61 | |
| Tracking Error | 7.19 | |
| Information Ratio | 1.61 | |

Excess Return - MSCI ACWI

This Investment Fund has generated an average excess return (risk adjusted) of 650+ basis points per annum when compared to the MSCI ACWI.

| | IF 18 | ACWI |
|--------------------------|-------|-------|
| Avg. Monthly Returns | 1.01 | 0.45 |
| Avg. Monthly Std. Dev/n. | 4.42 | 4.20 |
| Avg. Annual Return | 12.17 | 5.36 |
| Avg. Annual Std. Dev/n. | 15.31 | 14.53 |
| Intercept | 0.58 | |
| Slope (Beta) | 0.98 | |
| Expected Return | 5.31 | |
| Excess Return (Alpha) | 6.86 | |
| Tracking Error | 5.70 | |
| Information Ratio | 1.20 | |
| | | |

Value at Risk - MSCI World ex USA

- Stress test how did the Investment Fund perform when the Index had its worst months (i.e., a loss of greater than 2.00).
- The MSCI World ex USA Index had a cumulative loss of 81+% in those 15 worst months, the IF had a cumulative loss of 61%; the IF was 20% better.

| Date | IF 18 | World Ex USA | Difference |
|--------|--------|--------------|------------|
| Mar-20 | -13.66 | -14.58 | 0.92 |
| Feb-20 | -6.00 | -9.06 | 3.06 |
| Oct-18 | -8.31 | -8.03 | -0.28 |
| Aug-15 | -6.77 | -7.52 | 0.75 |
| Jan-16 | -6.42 | -6.94 | 0.52 |
| May-19 | -4.27 | -5.30 | 1.03 |
| Sep-15 | -3.80 | -5.29 | 1.49 |
| Dec-18 | -6.42 | -5.28 | -1.14 |
| Feb-18 | -3.63 | -4.94 | 1.31 |
| Jun-16 | -4.23 | -3.25 | -0.98 |
| Aug-19 | 1.00 | -2.73 | 3.73 |
| May-18 | 3.55 | -2.43 | 5.98 |
| Mar-18 | 0.36 | -2.16 | 2.52 |
| Aug-18 | 3.04 | -2.15 | 5.19 |
| Oct-16 | -5.19 | -2.02 | -3.17 |
| Sum | -60.75 | -81.66 | 20.91 |

Value at Risk - MSCI ACWI

- Stress test how did IF 18 perform when the Index had its worst months?
- The MSCI ACWI had a cumulative loss of 69% in those 11 worst months, the IF had a loss of 58%; the IF was 11% better.

| Date | IF 18 | MSCI ACWI | Difference |
|--------|--------|-----------|------------|
| Mar-20 | -13.66 | -13.73 | 0.07 |
| Feb-20 | -6.00 | -8.21 | 2.21 |
| Oct-18 | -8.31 | -7.57 | -0.74 |
| Dec-18 | -6.42 | -7.17 | 0.75 |
| Aug-15 | -6.77 | -7.04 | 0.27 |
| May-19 | -4.27 | -6.24 | 1.97 |
| Jan-16 | -6.42 | -6.10 | -0.32 |
| Feb-18 | -3.63 | -4.36 | 0.73 |
| Sep-15 | -3.80 | -3.80 | 0.00 |
| Aug-19 | 1.00 | -2.57 | 3.57 |
| Mar-18 | 0.36 | -2.37 | 2.73 |
| Sum | -57.92 | -69.15 | 11.23 |

Underperformance Ratio (H1 2020)

- Even the best performing funds will regularly under perform the Index; a Quartile 1 fund will typically underperform the Index in 2 of 5 years (Mercer).
- ▶ IF 18 will likely out perform both the World ex USA and ACWI for 2020.

| | Monthl | | |
|-------------|--------|--------------|-----------|
| Date | IF 18 | World ex USA | MSCI ACWI |
| Jan-20 | 1.39 | -1.98 | -1.17 |
| Feb-20 | -6.00 | -9.06 | -8.21 |
| Mar-20 | -13.66 | -14.58 | -13.73 |
| Apr-20 | 11.45 | 6.79 | 10.59 |
| May-20 | 7.06 | 3.97 | 4.15 |
| Jun-20 | 3.33 | 3.23 | 3.03 |
| YTD 30 June | 1.46 | -12.72 | -7.14 |
| Difference | | 14.18 | 8.60 |

Performance - is it 'Random' or 'Skill'?

- 1. If your Fund out performs the market, they will tell you it is 'skill'.
- 2. If your Fund under performs the market, they will tell you it is 'bad luck'.
- 3. The reality is that either statement could be true or false.
- 4. How do you know?
- 5. 'The science of Analytics' can determine if out performance (or under performance) is random (luck) or skill (better process / meaningful).
- 6. The analytics looks at the returns, the various risk profiles, the correlation, and then runs a regression analysis to determine the probability of the results being more than just luck.

'Random' or 'Skill' - What is the Threshold?

- 1. Scientists expect a 95% confidence level, it is a very rigorous standard.
- 2. I look for a 90% confidence level over 3 years, 85% over 5 years, and 80% over 10 years.
- 3. I believe it is worth reviewing if the results are within 5% of target (e.g., 76% confidence level over 10 years).
- 4. We know that Investment Fund 18 outperformed the market over the past 5 years based on it having generated excess return. Was it luck or skill? That is the critical question...

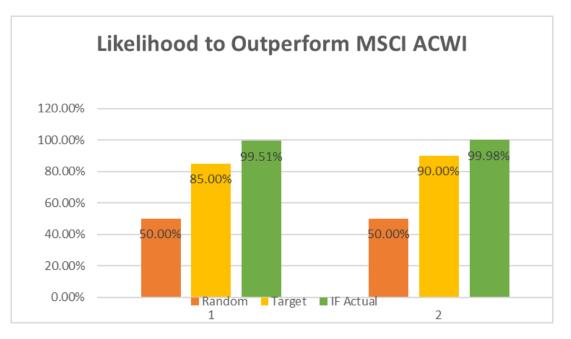
Analytics Results - MSCI World ex USA

We are very confident (99% for both 3 and 5 years) that Fund 18 results are statistically significant - likelihood to outperform.



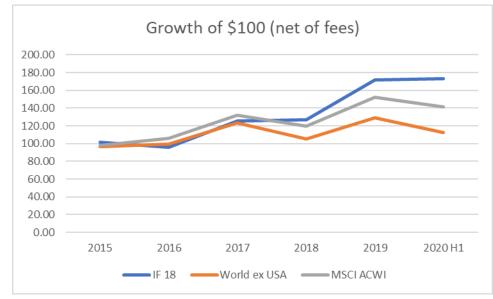
Analytics Results - MSCI ACWI

We are very confident (99%+ for both 3 and 5 years) that Fund 18 results are statistically significant - likelihood to outperform.



Growth of \$100 (net of fees) - 5.5 years

For the period 1 January 2015 thru 30 June 2020 (66 months), the MSCI World ex USA grew to \$112, the MSCI ACWI grew to \$141 - both lost money in the first half of 2020. The MSCW World (not shown) grew to \$140.



The Fund grew to \$173 - 32% better than ACWI.

Exec Summary

- 1. Investment Fund 18 outperformed the market by an average of 600+ basis points per annum, on a risk adjusted basis, over the 5 year period.
- 2. The Value at Risk results were positive at least 1100 basis points better than both World ex USA and ACWI Indexes.
- 3. Investment Fund 18 will likely outperform both Indexes in 2020.
- 4. There is a 99% likelihood that the outperformance is not random (i.e., a better methodology) over both 3 and 5 year timelines.
- 5. Investment Fund 18 generated a net return that was at least 30% greater than the Index in a 5.5 year timeframe.
- 6. This is a Tier 1 fund.

Review Meeting

- Please call me at 403 818 0671 or email me at <u>greg@justanalytics.ca</u> to book our 90 minute review meeting.
- Please let me know if you have any questions.
- Thank you for choosing Just Analytics.ca!

Disclaimer

- This report is the proprietary property of Just Analytics.
- You are more than welcome to download a copy & to share it with people within your Corporation.
- You need our express written consent prior to sharing this information via social media, advertising, etc.
- You are not authorised to resale this report.
- > You are not authorised to share this report with other Corporations.
- You are not authorised to share this report with potential or existing clients.
- Please let me know if you have any questions.

Contact Details

www.justanalytics.ca E mail: <u>greg@justanalytics.ca</u> Cell phone: 403 818 0671