

FUND PROFILE

Brandes U.S. Small Cap Equity Fund

as at December 31, 2017



The Brandes U.S. Small Cap Equity Fund invests in 35–85 smaller U.S. companies that Brandes believes are trading at a price below fair value and that have appreciation potential.

Management Team

Ralph Birchmeier, Yingbin Chen, Mark Costa,
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Features

- Most holdings are <\$1.5 billion in market cap
- Looks different than the benchmark
- Low portfolio valuations (e.g., P/E, P/B)
- Distributions paid annually
- Unhedged USD exposure

Benefits

- Value approach thrives in small cap space
- Can avoid expensive sectors and industries
- Invests in established businesses not start ups
- Can provide diversification to other investments
- Potential for long-term outperformance

ASSET CLASS: **U.S. SMALL CAP**

FUND RISK CLASSIFICATION

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FUNDSEV COMPANY CODE: **BIP**

SERIES	SALES OPTION	FUND NUMBER C\$	FUND NUMBER US\$	MER (%)	MFR (%)
A	SC	142	144	2.72%	-0.52%
A	DSC	242	244	2.72%	N/A
A	LL	217	218	2.72%	N/A
F	-	542	544	1.61%	-0.41%

Performance (CAD, Net of fees) (as at December 31, 2017)

ANNUALIZED (%)	3-Mth	YTD	1-Yr	3-Yr	5-Yr	7-Yr	10-Yr	Since Incept. July 2, 2002
Brandes U.S. Small Cap Equity Fund (Series A)	0.68	-3.28	-3.28	11.03	16.58	14.37	9.51	4.29
Brandes U.S. Small Cap Equity Fund (Series F)	0.88	-2.21	-2.21	12.26	17.88	15.63	10.70	5.41

QUARTILE RANKING	3-Mth	YTD	1-Yr	3-Yr	5-Yr	7-Yr	10-Yr
Brandes U.S. Small Cap Equity Fund (Series A)	4	4	4	2	3	2	2
Brandes U.S. Small Cap Equity Fund (Series F)	4	4	4	1	2	1	2

CALENDAR (%)	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Brandes U.S. Small Cap Equity Fund (Series A)	-49.61	50.22	28.00	-8.91	30.47	33.25	18.08	16.55	21.42	-3.28
Brandes U.S. Small Cap Equity Fund (Series F)	-49.06	51.78	29.33	-7.94	31.88	34.78	19.37	17.86	22.75	-2.21

¹ Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future results.



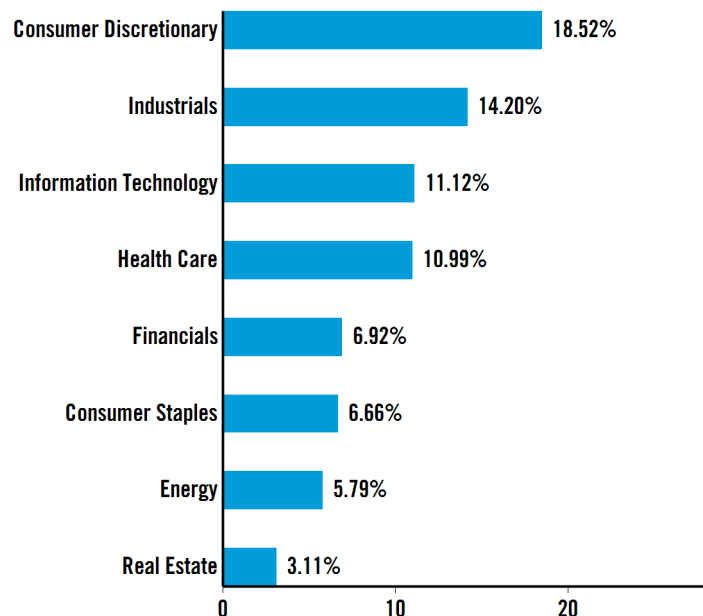
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Top 10 Holdings

COMPANY	FUND (%)
Cash & Cash Equivalent	22.1
Edgewell Personal Care Co	3.6
Resources Connection Inc.	3.5
World Fuel Services Corp	3.5
Owens & Minor Inc	3.2
Briggs & Stratton Corp.	3.2
The St. Joe Co.	3.1
Avnet Inc.	3.0
FTI Consulting Inc.	2.9
Dorel Industries	2.7
% of Fund	50.7
Total Number of Companies	45

Sector Exposure (% Equity)



Portfolio Fundamentals

	P/B Ratio (x)	P/E Ratio (x)	P/CF Ratio (x)	Dividend Yield (%)
Brandes U.S. Small Cap Equity Fund	1.3	18.6	9.5	1.9
Russell 2000	2.3	22.2	12.1	1.5

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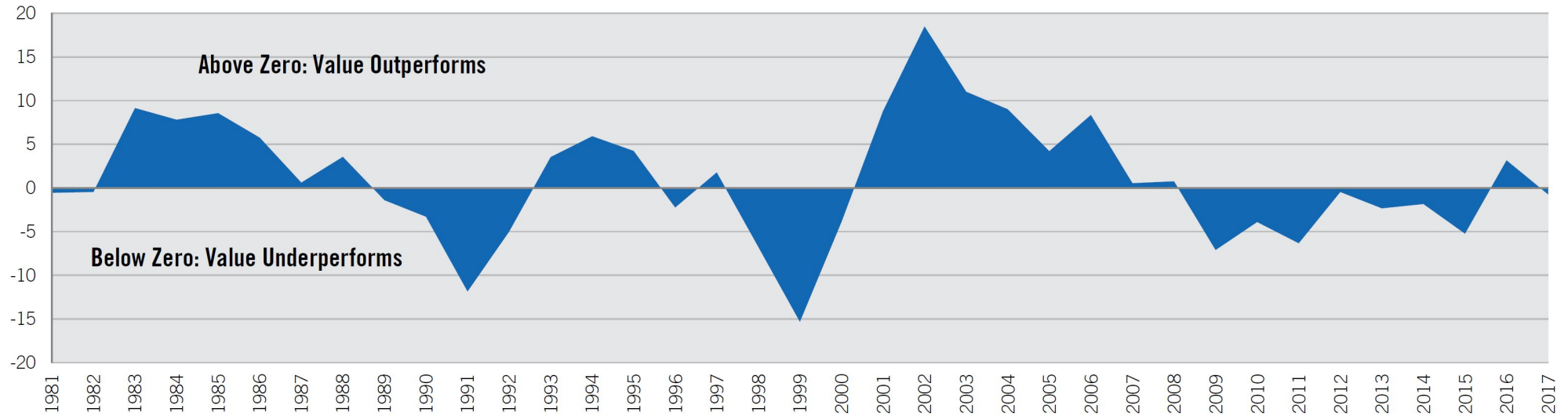
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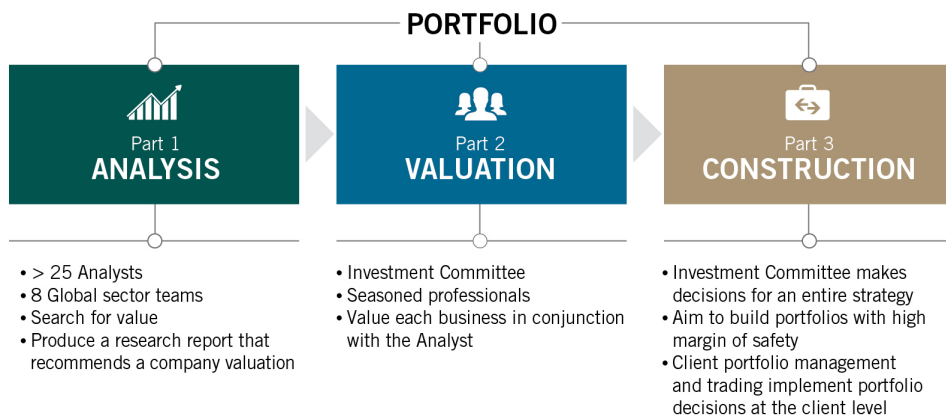
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The Value Cycle is Poised to Perform

Russell 2000 Value Index minus Russell 2000 Growth Index (USD) (Rolling 3-year Relative Returns, %)²



How Brandes Works (3-Part Process)



For illustrative purposes only.

Years of Experience

Supported by more than 25 research analysts.

Committee Member*	Title	Year Started with Brandes	Year Started in the Industry
Ralph Birchmeier, CFA	Director - Investments Group	2000	1994
Yingbin Chen, CFA	Director - Investments Group	2002	2002
Mark Costa, CFA	Director - Investments Group	2001	2001
Luiz Sauerbronn	Director - Investments Group	2002	1995

* Brandes Small-Cap Investment Committee



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