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# Legg Mason QS

## MV Global Equity Growth and Income Fund

### Fund performance

Cumulative (%) <sup>1</sup>	3-Month	YTD	1-Year	3-Year	5-Year	Since inception
<b>Class A Acc. (USD)</b>	<b>1.86</b>	<b>1.78</b>	<b>5.64</b>	<b>25.53</b>	<b>48.74</b>	<b>71.17</b>
Benchmark: MSCI AC World Net Dividends Index	3.26	3.38	11.41	39.93	58.66	80.76

Rolling 12-month performance (%) <sup>1</sup> – period ending	31.08.18	31.08.17	31.08.16	31.08.15	31.08.14
<b>Class A Acc. (USD)</b>	<b>5.64</b>	<b>9.05</b>	<b>8.96</b>	<b>0.42</b>	<b>18.00</b>
Benchmark	11.41	17.11	7.24	-6.29	20.99

### Monthly review

**What happened in the market?** In August, U.S. equity markets were preferred by investors over other regions, the latter of which continued to suffer from political turmoil. While global equities appreciated over the month, this was largely driven by the U.S. stock market, as stocks in most international developed and emerging markets declined in U.S. dollar terms. Following the February 2018 spike in volatility and resulting correction, U.S. equities have appreciated in each of the five months since April, exhibiting greater consistency than other regions. Investors were deeply concerned with Italian equities in August, driven by worries over the Italian budget deficit and economic growth. As in the past, contagion fears affected Spain and Greece. In emerging markets, trade tensions and tariff threats between the U.S. and China continued to impact Chinese stocks far more than those in the U.S. A strong U.S. dollar contributed to volatility across equity markets ex-U.S., while the U.S. stock market experienced very low volatility.

**What happened in the Fund?** In August, region/sector allocations were the largest detractors from returns. In particular, an underweight in U.S. information technology was the most significant headwind for results. Stock selection modestly detracted from performance, notably in the U.S., as well as in the resource-based Australia, New Zealand and Canada grouping and emerging markets. In contrast, holdings in Japan and Asia developed ex-Japan were beneficial for returns. Across sectors, stock selection in energy and banks added value, while industrials was the largest detractor from performance. Sector allocation was negative for returns, due to an underweight in information technology.

**What did the portfolio manager do?** Over the month the Fund increased the overweight in continental Europe, reduced the underweight in Japan and, most notably, increased the underweight to the U.S., particularly in the information technology and materials sectors.

**What is the outlook?** The market narrative has moved from talk of global synchronization to global divergence, with significant deviations between U.S. markets and those overseas. In the meantime, in the U.S. this historically long-running bull market continues. U.S. market valuations may be stretched amid a low-volatility environment, while international markets are seeing heightened reactions to geopolitical concerns. Emerging markets are being hurt by the strong U.S. dollar, rising interest rates in the U.S., and potential contagion from crises in Turkey and Argentina. These dynamics may cause further rotations in market performance and increased volatility. The manager believes that their well-diversified, disciplined strategy is positioned to benefit in this environment.

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## This Fund is managed by QS Investors, LLC

<sup>1</sup> Source: Legg Mason, as of 31 August 2018. Class A Acc USD performance is net of fees and is calculated on a NAV to NAV basis (USD). Performance for periods greater than one year is cumulative. Performance is based on reinvestment of any income and capital gains distribution derived from securities held in the Fund. Inception date: 6 September 2012. Class A Acc USD calendar year net of fees performance for year-to-date (1.78%), 2017 (15.72%), 2016 (6.23%), 2015 (-1.19%), 2014 (8.23%) and 2013 (20.72%). On 13 May 2015, the investment objective, policy and restrictions were changed. Benchmark: MSCI AC World Net Dividends Index. **Investment involves risks. Past performance is not indicative of future results.**

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