Brown Advisory Global Leaders Strategy

The strategy invests in 30 to 40 leading companies that we believe deliver exceptional customer outcomes. We perform fundamental analysis to identify global companies that have a high return on invested capital and are able to compound performance over long periods of time.

May 2020 Monthly Report

Performance Contributors

TOP FIVE CONTRIBUTORS*

TICKER	NAME	SECTOR	AVG. WEIGHT(%)	MONTHLY RETURN (%)	CONTRIBUTION TO RETURN (%)
MRVL	Marvell Technology Group Ltd.	Information Technology	3.34	21.99	0.71
670909	PT Bank Rakyat Indonesia (Persero) Tbk Class B	Financials	2.33	10.02	0.70
V	Visa Inc. Class A	Information Technology	5.88	9.43	0.57
МА	Mastercard Incorporated Class A	Information Technology	4.68	9.43	0.46
EL	Estee Lauder Companies Inc. Class A	Consumer Staples	3.40	11.94	0.41

BOTTOM FIVE CONTRIBUTORS*

TICKER		SECTOR	AVG. WEIGHT(%)	MONTHLY RETURN (%)	CONTRIBUTION TO RETURN (%)
B4TX8S	AIA Group Limited	Financials	2.70	-12.63	-0.38
TSM	Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Co., Ltd. Sponsored ADR	Information Technology	3.94	-5.27	-0.22
JPM	JPMorgan Chase & Co.	Financials	1.57	-5.55	-0.16
SCHW	Charles Schwab Corporation	Financials	2.34	-4.31	-0.13
TCOM Trip.com Group Ltd. Sponsored ADR		Consumer Discretionary	1.65	-7.61	-0.11

Monthly Portfolio Activity

NEW INVESTMENT

TICKER		REASON FOR DECISION
	None	

DELETION

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JPM	JPMorgan Chase & Co.	Due to COVID-19, U.S. interest rates remaining low into the future and higher loan losses, we decided to swap our capital into more attractive businesses were we are seeing double digit IRRs.
тсом	Trip.com Group Ltd. Sponsored ADR	Due to the outbreak of COVID-19, we realized we were unlikely to see ROIC around our 20% mark within our investment horizon so we fully exited our position in Trip.com after having already moved some capital into Autodesk earlier on.

Top 10 EquityHoldings (%)

Cash and equivalents: 5.4%

1. Microsoft Corp.	8.4	6 . PT Bank Rakyat Indonesia (Persero) Tbk Class B	3.6
2. Visa, Inc.	5.4	7. Marvell Technology Group Ltd.	3.4
3. Alphabet, Inc. CI C	4.5	Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Co., Ltd. Sponsored ADR	3.3
4. Mastercard, Inc.	4.3	9 Estee Lauder Companies, Inc. CI A	3.3
5. Electronic Arts, Inc.	3.9	10. Wolters Kluwer	3.2









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INSIDE THE STRATEGY: FACTS & TYPICAL PORTFOLIO FIGURES

Inception: 05/01/2015	Top 10 Weight: approx.40%
Benchmark: FTSE All-World® NetIndex	Position Limits: 2.5% position size at initiation, maximum 5%; >40% non-U.S. positions
Portfolio: 30-40 Holdings	Cash Position: 10%

Portfolio Comments

The Brown Advisory Global Leaders Composite rose 5.5% (net of fees), outperforming the benchmark, the FTSE All-World Net Index, which returned 4.4% during the month of May.

In May, we sold out of two stocks, JPMorgan and Trip.com. JPMorgan is a leading global bank and the leading U.S. bank. The firm leverages its premier global brand, vast economies of scale and funding advantage to deliver a unique value proposition to their clients, generally in the form of higher prestige, lower prices and better services. The business outcomes are simple: superior loan growth, deposit growth, credit performance, expense structure and returns. However, JPMorgan began falling behind on one of our behavioral process checkpoints – the Vulnerable Position Nudge list – which helped us to reconsider our holding capital in JPMorgan. After recalibrating our model to a COVID-19 global pandemic base case with lower US interest rates and higher loan losses, we decided to trade out of JPMorgan in favor of Bank Rakyat in Indonesia, HDFC Bank in India and AIA Group in Hong Kong. We saw double digit IRRs in both Emerging Market banks and AIA but not in JPMorgan so we swapped our capital into the higher IRR names.

With respect to Trip.com, while the thesis delay on ROIC improvement back to 20% was triggered initially by Hong Kong protests in the fourth quarter of 2019, it was when COVID-19 hit that triggered the realization the stock is now unlikely to reach a 20% ROIC in our investment horizon. We always knew that Trip.com needed to improve as our specific thesis factored in the company reaching 20-30% operating profit margins, but it has now become apparent that it may never get to the 20% ROIC mark sustainably. Initially, we hoped that Trip.com could improve its ROIC to levels of 20% or greater within 5 years, but this has been pushed out due to various reasons beyond management's control. We still believe Trip.com could reach the ROIC target eventually, but the additional time it needs could require meaningfully increasing its debt load to twice gross sales to provide liquidity in the near-term as well as uncertainty around the widened dispersion of outcomes in a post COVID-19 world. We had already used some capital from Trip.com to fund our initial investment into Autodesk in March.

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Brown Advisory Global Leaders Composite

Year	Composite Total Gross Returns (%)	Composite Total Net Returns (%)	Benchmark Returns (%)	Composite 3-Yr Annualized Standard Deviation (%)	Benchmark 3-Yr Annualized Standard Deviation (%)	Portfolios in Composite at End of Year		Composite Assets (\$USD Millions)	GIPS Firm Assets (\$USD Millions)
2018	-2.2	-2.8	-9.6	11	10.5	2	N/A	303	30,529
2017	35.1	34	24.0	N/A	N/A	2	N/A	77	33,155
2016	-0.6	-1.4	8.0	N/A	N/A	2	N/A	38	30,417
2015**	1.2	0.7	-4.4	N/A	N/A	2	N/A	24	43,746

^{**}Return is for period May 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015

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