

## **AB GLOBAL REAL ESTATE INVESTMENT FUND**

Class R: ARRRX

#### **OBJECTIVE**

+ Long-term growth of capital and income

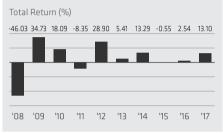
#### **PRIMARY INVESTMENTS**

- + Equity securities of real estate investment trusts ("REITs") and other companies in the industry, such as real estate operating companies ("REOCs")
- + May invest in mortgage-backed securities, short-term investment-grade debt securities and other fixed-income securities

#### **FUND OVERVIEW**

- + Exposure to the real estate market's attractive portfolio-diversification benefits
- + High-conviction, global, diversified portfolio of undervalued stocks
- + Managed by an experienced team with a disciplined process, drawing on a global research platform

### ANNUAL PERFORMANCE FOR CLASS R



### AVERAGE ANNUAL TOTAL RETURNS: CLASS R PERFORMANCE

	QTD	YTD	1 Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs	10 Yrs	Since Inception	Expense Ratios as of 2/28/17
Global Real Estate Investment $Fund^\dagger$	3.43%	13.10%	13.10%	4.87%	6.61%	3.40%	8.34%	Gross 1.60%
FTSE EPRA/NAREIT Developed Real Estate Index (net)	3.60	10.36	10.36	4.44	6.32	3.28	7.56	Net <sup>‡</sup> –
FTSE EPRA/NAREIT Developed Real Estate Index (gross)	3.83	11.42	11.42	5.38	7.20	4.09	8.02	
Morningstar Global Real Estate Category	4.45	15.12	15.12	5.22	6.13	3.04	8.38	

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† The performance for Class R shares prior to 3/1/05, the share class's inception date, reflects Class A share performance, adjusted for differences in operating expenses. The inception date of the Class A shares is 9/30/96.

If applicable, this reflects the Adviser's contractual waiver of a portion of its advisory fee and/or reimbursement of a portion of the Fund's operating expenses. Absent reimbursements or waivers, performance would have been lower.

The FTSE EPRA/NAREIT Developed Real Estate Index is designed to represent general trends in eligible listed real estate stocks worldwide. Net performance represents the time blend of FTSE EPRA/NAREIT Developed RE Index (gross) through 2/28/2005 and FTSE EPRA/NAREIT Developed RE Index (net) from 3/1/2005 to present. Investors cannot invest directly in indices or averages, and their performance does not reflect fees and expenses or represent the performance of any AB fund. Sources: FactSet, Morningstar Inc. and AB.

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#### PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT AND YEARS OF INDUSTRY EXPERIENCE

+ Eric J. Franco, 35 years

Portfolio Characteristics & Statistics	
Assets (\$mil)	\$148.7
Beta (Trailing 3-year) <sup>1</sup>	0.90
Standard Deviation (Trailing 3-year) <sup>2</sup>	9.96
Total Number of Holdings	105
Portfolio Turnover Rate (as of 2/28/17) <sup>3</sup>	83%
Class R Inception Date	3/1/05

Top Ten Holdings <sup>4</sup>	
Simon Property	4.63%
CK Asset Holdings	2.69
Welltower	2.60
Mitsui Fudosan	2.22
Link REIT	2.17
Realty Income	2.07
Digital Realty Trust	1.97
Vonovia	1.93
Essex Property Trust	1.87
Sun Communities	1.56

1 Beta measures a fund's volatility relative to its benchmark. A fund with a beta higher than 1 has been more volatile than the benchmark over the period of measurement. Conversely, a fund with a beta less than 1 has been less volatile than the benchmark over the given period of time.

2 Standard Deviation is a measure of the dispersion of a portfolio's return from its mean. The more spread apart the returns, the higher the deviation.

3 Portfolio Turnover Rate is a measure of how frequently assets within a fund are bought and sold by the managers.

4 Holdings are expressed as a percentage of total investments and may vary over time. They are provided for informational purposes only and should not be deemed as a recommendation to buy or sell the securities mentioned.

Industry Breakdown <sup>4</sup>	
Retail REITs	18.09%
Diversified REITs	13.91
Office REITs	12.77
Residential REITs	11.94
Real Estate Operating Companies	8.19
Industrial REITs	6.89
Diversified Real Estate Activities	5.82
Specialized REITs	5.64
Health Care REITs	5.50
Other	11.25

Country Breakdown <sup>4</sup>	
United States	51.19%
Japan	9.51
Hong Kong	8.24
United Kingdom	5.48
Australia	5.31
Germany	5.15
France	3.24
Canada	2.89
Other	8.99

#### A WORD ABOUT RISK

Market Risk: The market values of the portfolio's holdings rise and fall from day to day, so investments may lose value. Interest Rate Risk: As interest rates rise, bond prices fall and vice versa—long-term securities tend to rise and fall more than short-term securities. Credit Risk: A bond's credit rating reflects the issuer's ability to make timely payments of interest or principal—the lower the rating, the higher the risk of default. If the issuer's financial strength deteriorates, the issuer's rating may be lowered and the bond's value may decline. Foreign (Non-US) Risk: Non-US securities may be more volatile because of political, regulatory, market and economic uncertainties associated with such securities. Fluctuations in currency exchange rates may negatively affect the value of the investment or reduce returns. These risks are magnified in emerging or developing markets. Leverage Risk: Trying to enhance investment returns by borrowing money or using other leverage tools—magnify both gains and losses, resulting in greater volatility. REIT Risk: Investments in real estate can decline due to a variety of factors affecting the real estate market, such as economic conditions, mortgage rates and availability. REITs may have additional risks due to limited diversification and the impact of tax law changes. Derivatives Risk: Investing in derivative instruments such as options, futures, forwards or swaps can be riskier than traditional investments, and may be more volatile, especially in a down market.

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