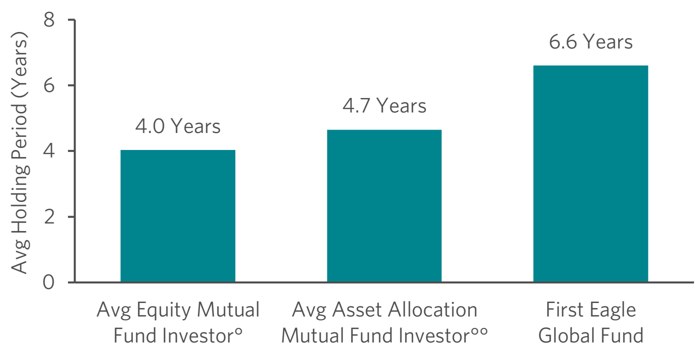
FIRST EAGLE
INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT

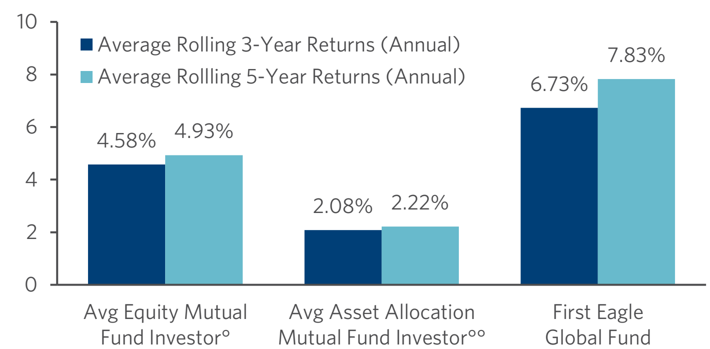
Helping Investors Stay Invested

Viewpoints: *Thoughts from a Value Perspective*

Investors in the First Eagle Global Fund have generally stayed invested longer than the average mutual fund investor.[1] We believe our focus on avoiding the permanent impairment of capital is one of the reasons. Since inception in 1979,[2] the Global Fund has had a downside capture ratio of 30%.[3] In our view, investors who are spared the full brunt of a bear market are more likely to stay invested, which has historically resulted in capturing attractive returns (*Exhibit 1*).

Exhibit 1: Investors Have Generally Stayed Longer in First Eagle Global Fund and Earned Attractive Returns





° The "Average Equity Fund investor" is those invested in all domestic equity stock funds (growth, value,large, medium & small cap funds and aggressive equity funds). For the calendar year ending, December 31, 2017. The Average Equity Fund Investor is comprised of a universe of both domestic and world equity mutual funds. It includes growth, sector, alternative strategy, value, blend, emerging markets, global equity, international equity, and regional equity funds.

°° The "Average Asset Allocation Fund investor" is those invested in life stage funds, life cycle funds, retirement date funds and balanced funds. For the calendar year ending December 31, 2017. The Average Asset Allocation Fund Investor is comprised of a universe of funds that invest in a mix of equity and debt securities.

Source: Dalbar, First Eagle Investment Management. Represents the 10-year average of rolling return data (annual frequency) from 1/1/2001 - 12/31/2017.

First Eagle Global Fund A Shares (without sales charge). This chart illustrates a hypothetical investment in Class A shares without the effect of sales charges and assumes all distributions have been reinvested and if a sales charge was included values would be lower. Date selected assumes purchase at month end.

1. Source: Dalbar, First Eagle Investment Management.
2. The Fund commenced operation April 28, 1970. Performance for periods prior to January 1, 2000 occurred while a prior portfolio manager of the fund was affiliated with another firm. Inception date shown is when this prior portfolio manager assumed portfolio management responsibilities.
3. Source: First Eagle Investment Management. Downside capture measures a fund's performance in down markets relative to the benchmark. Down markets are defined as those periods in which the market return is less than zero. Based on quarterly returns.

The performance data quoted herein represents past performance and does not guarantee future results. Market volatility can dramatically impact the fund's short term performance. Current performance may be lower or higher than figures shown. The investment return and principal value will fluctuate so that an investor's shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than their original cost. Past performance data through the most recent month end is available at www.feim.com or by calling 800.334.2143.

For more than two decades now, well-known research by Dalbar has reconfirmed that the average investor in equity mutual funds has generally realized much smaller gains than the portfolio itself delivered.

Average investors have often done themselves harm—typically by selling equity mutual funds into bear markets, when prices are depressed, and later buying into bull markets at high prices. Fear of loss is a very powerful force. Daniel Kahneman, a founder of behavioral finance, has shown that investors' risk aversion is roughly twice as powerful as their desire for investment gain.[4] And, of course, the damage from a bear market is not just psychological: To recoup a 20% loss, a fund has to regain 25% just to break even, and to recoup a 50% loss, it has to rise 100%. (*Exhibit 2*)

Exhibit 2: The Importance of Downside Protection

Investment Loss	Gain Required to Break Even
–10%	11.1%
–20%	25.0%
–30%	42.9%
–40%	66.7%
–50%	100.0%

For illustrative purposes only. Not representative of actual fund performance.

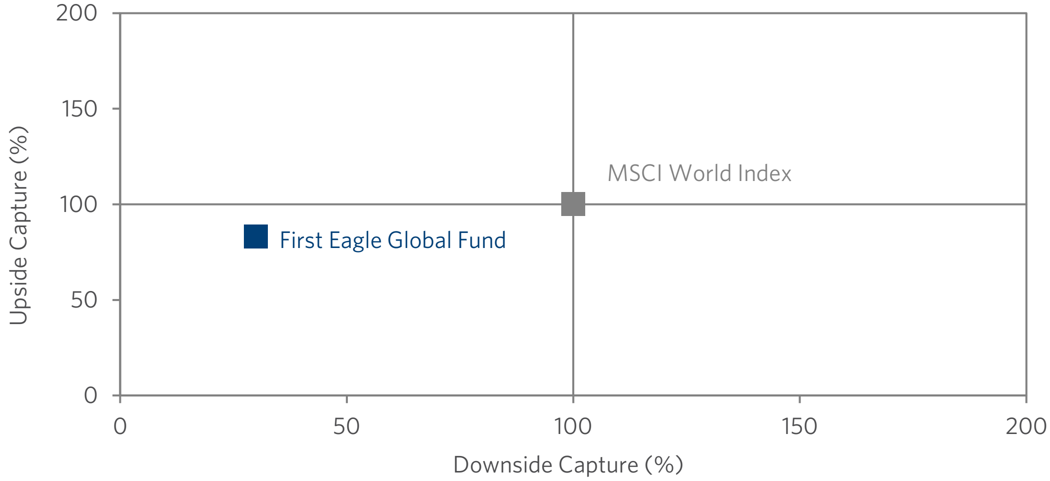
In market downturns, advisors may spend hours encouraging investors to resist the urge to sell—reminding them of the rational asset-allocation decisions they made in calmer times and using data from past market recoveries to strengthen their resolve. But there may be a simpler and less painful way to help investors stay invested: lower-volatility mutual funds with strongly defensive character.

At First Eagle, we do not deliberately try to curb short-term market turmoil, but as a by-product of our investment approach, we have, historically, avoided the full severity of market downturns. First Eagle Global Fund is a go-anywhere mutual fund that invests primarily in equities but also holds cash,[5] bonds and gold—the latter as a potential hedge against severe market dislocation. We are disciplined, benchmark-agnostic value investors who buy shares that are trading at what we consider a discount to their intrinsic value. In a roaring bull market, when shares of this kind become scarce, our cash holdings generally grow. In a bear market, our holdings of gold and gold-related investments serve as potential ballast in the portfolio, and our cash provides purchasing power. Since we tend not to own growth stocks, which we rarely deem to be attractively priced, we have avoided the severe losses that may have followed when these companies fell from favor.

4. Daniel Kahneman, *Thinking, Fast and Slow,* (New York: Farrar, Straus and Giroux, 2011), 278–288.
5. References to "cash" include both cash and cash equivalents.

Exhibit 3: Upside/Downside Capture

Upside/Downside Capture Since Inception (1/1979 – 09/2018)[2,6]



Source: FactSet

By adhering to this defensive approach, we have kept our down-market capture ratio to an average of 30% of the MSCI World Index since the inception of the Global Fund in January 1979 (*Exhibit 3*).[6] Over this same period, we have captured 83%[7] of the up-market gains in the MSCI World Index.[8] Since inception in January 1979, the First Eagle Global Fund has had annualized performance of 13.02%, versus 9.71% for the MSCI World Index, with low annualized volatility (standard deviation) of 10.12% for the Fund, versus 14.56% for the Index.[9]

Reducing investors' losses in down markets can potentially add to their long-term returns. Helping them stay in the market so they may potentially participate in the next upturn can be just as valuable. These are among the key advantages of a low-volatility mutual fund with strongly defensive character.

6. Source: FactSet. Performance for periods prior to January 1, 2000, occurred while a prior portfolio manager of the fund was affiliated with another firm. Inception date shown is when this prior portfolio manager assumed portfolio management responsibilities.
7. Upside capture measures a fund's performance in up markets relative to the benchmark. Based on quarterly returns.
8. Source: FactSet
9. Source: FactSet. This illustrates a hypothetical investment in Class A shares without the effect of sales charges and assumes all distributions have been reinvested; if a sales charge were included, values would be lower. Date selected assumes purchase at month end. One cannot invest directly in an index.

Average Annual Returns as of 09/30/2018 (%)

				YTD	1 Year	5 Years	10 Years	Expense Ratio*
First Eagle Global Fund	Class A	without sales charge	SGENX	-0.02	3.20	6.07	7.92	1.11
		with sales charge	SGENX	-5.02	-1.97	4.99	7.37	
MSCI World Index				5.43	11.24	9.28	8.56	

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There are risks associated with investing in funds that invest in securities of foreign countries, such as erratic market conditions, economic and political instability and fluctuations in currency exchange rates.

Investments in gold and gold-related investments present certain risks, and returns on gold-related investments have traditionally been more volatile than investments in broader equity or debt markets.

The principal risk of investing in value stocks is that the price of the security may not approach its anticipated value or may decline in value.

All investments involve the risk of loss.

The Fund may invest in gold and precious metals through investment in a wholly owned subsidiary of the Fund organized under the laws of the Cayman Islands (the "Subsidiary"). Gold bullion and commodities include the Fund's investment in the Subsidiary.

* The annual expense ratio is based on expenses incurred by the Fund, as stated in the most recent prospectus.

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The MSCI World is a widely followed, unmanaged group of stocks from 23 developed market countries and is not available for purchase. The index provides total return in US dollars with net dividends reinvested. One cannot invest directly in an index.

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