

Looking Beyond U.S. Large Caps: Can Diversifying Globally, Benefit an Equity Portfolio?

- By comparing the S&P 500 yearly performance, to U.S. small caps, markets in Europe, Asia Pacific, and World Excluding U.S, a compelling case for an equity portfolio diversified by region and market cap size can be made.
- Out of these equity asset classes, the S&P 500 performed best, only three times and was often outperformed by several of the indexes, comparing yearly returns going back to 1999.
- Valuations: International markets including Europe, and Asia Pacific appear attractive compared to the U.S at the moment based on Forward P/E ratio. Europe and Asia Pacific have forward P/Es of 14.5 and 13.6 respectively. The MSCI World Excluding U.S. Index has a forward P/E of 14.9. Each region is lower than the S&P 500 at 17.8.



1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017 (YTD)
58.7%	-3.1%	2.5%	-8.1%	47.3%	20.9%	24.1%	32.0%	21.5%	-33.8%	38.2%	26.8%	2.1%	19.9%	38.8%	13.7%	1.4%	21.3%	25.2%
28.8%	-8.0%	-11.9%	-15.4%	42.5%	18.9%	15.1%	26.3%	14.9%	-37.0%	34.5%	17.5%	-4.2%	17.4%	32.4%	4.9%	-1.5%	12.0%	22.1%
27.3%	-9.1%	-20.3%	-20.5%	41.3%	18.3%	7.6%	18.3%	13.0%	-41.4%	29.7%	15.1%	-11.7%	17.1%	27.0%	0.5%	-2.5%	5.4%	19.7%
21.3%	-13.0%	-21.0%	-22.1%	40.1%	18.2%	4.9%	17.1%	5.6%	-43.2%	27.1%	9.6%	-14.7%	16.4%	21.7%	-3.7%	-4.4%	3.4%	14.2%
21.0%	-28.4%	-23.9%	-24.2%	28.7%	10.9%	4.5%	15.8%	-1.6%	-45.2%	26.4%	-9.1%	-16.9%	16.0%	12.5%	-8.7%	-4.5%	0.7%	10.9%

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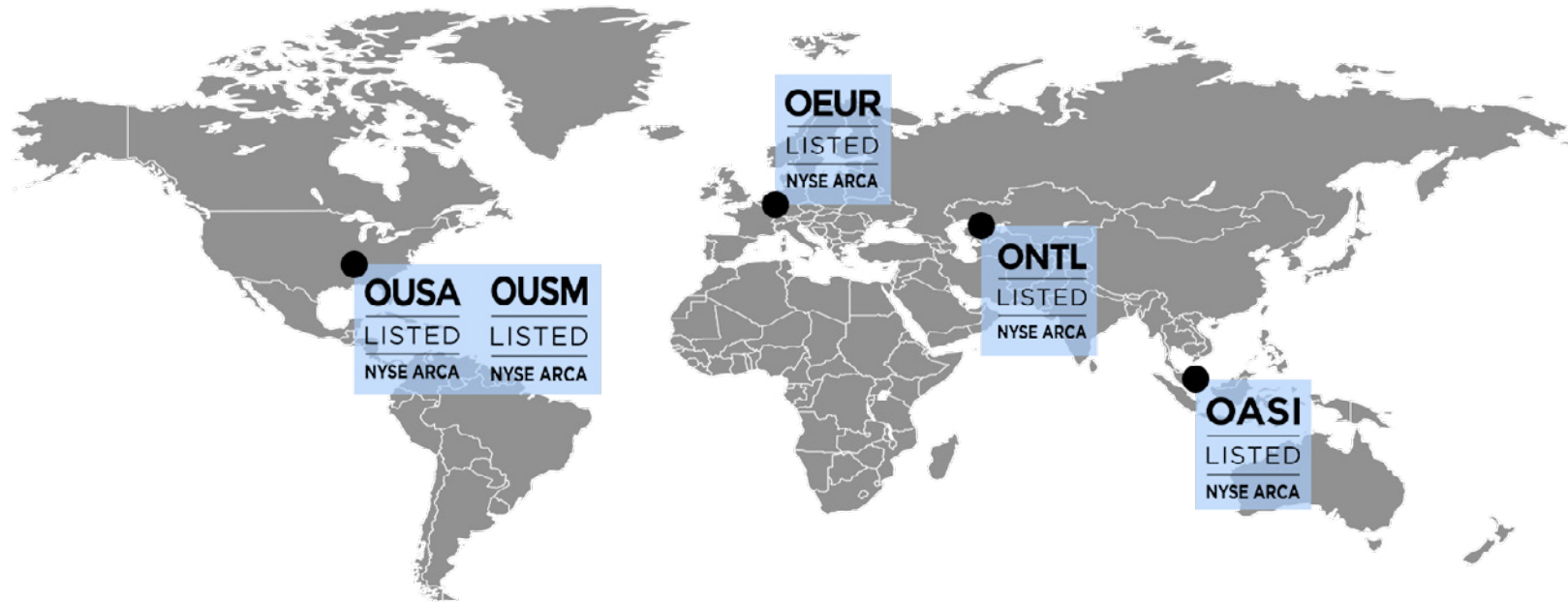
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Source: Bloomberg. Data from 12/31/1998 to 9/30/2017. * Returns are in USD. U.S.: S&P 500 Index, Asia Pacific: MSCI AC Asia Pacific Index, US Small Cap: Russell 2000 Index, MSCI World Ex. US: MSCI World Excluding United States Index, Europe: EURO STOXX 50 Net Return USD. Past performance is not indicative of future results. One cannot invest directly in an index.

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