

# **Todd Q3 2025 International Intrinsic Value Opportunity Review**

	3Q 2025	YTD	1 Year	3 Year*	5 Year*	7 Year*	10 Year*
International IV Opportunity (Gross)	12.60%	44.10%	35.79%	28.94%	16.32%	10.76%	9.54%
International IV Opportunity (Net)	12.37%	43.24%	34.69%	27.89%	15.36%	9.84%	8.63%
MSCI ACWI ex-US (Net)	6.89%	26.02%	16.45%	20.67%	10.26%	7.49%	8.23%
MSCI ACWI ex-US Value (Net)	8.13%	29.64%	20.17%	23.11%	14.41%	7.59%	8.10%

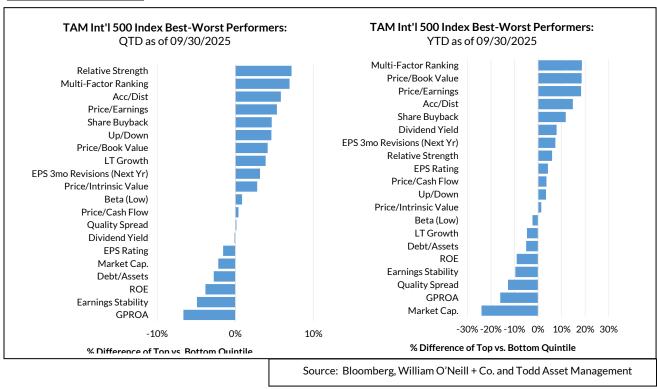
<sup>\*</sup> Annualized Total Returns. Please refer to the attached Performance Disclosure for further information.

## **Performance Review**

International markets have continued to post impressive returns this year, outpacing the US through September by more than +10%. Our International Intrinsic Value Opportunity strategy posted another strong quarter and is up more than +40% year-to-date. There has been no shortage of political/geopolitical events over the past few months, however the disruptions that many feared would prevail as a result of various policy actions have simply not come to bear. As a result, international markets have broken out to new all-time highs for the first time in more than 15 years. This signals to us that investors are starting to recognize that something has changed in the international story and giving more credence to reform efforts across the globe.

Last quarter we wrote about the messaging from the market and that despite seemingly rising tensions on a number of fronts, global equity markets continued to march to new all time highs which suggested that international markets had entered into a new secular bull market. That message continued to ring loud and clear in the third quarter, both at the index level as we continued to trace out new highs and below the surface as leadership has a more cyclical flavor to it. The common narrative as we exited the first half seemed to center around worries that trade friction and tariffs would pressure either inflation (higher) or corporate margins (lower) and that the Fed would continue to sit on their hands. So why have these concerns not materialized? Recession odds in the US remained elevated until tax legislation (OBBB) was passed in July. According to our favorite policy strategist, Dan Clifton at Strategas, the stimulative impact from this piece of legislation essentially neutralized the negative impulse from tariffs which allowed economic forecasts and the broader market to decouple from trade policy. Effective tariff rates (the actual tariff revenue collected as a percent of imports) have also been well below the stickershocking stated rates coming out of the Trump administration. While this could mean that the full effect has yet to be felt (there is probably some truth to this), this is more likely being driven by loopholes and exemptions that have been built into trade agreements. This isn't to say that all risk has been taken off the table as trade policy, particularly with China, will likely remain in flux and the US labor market numbers set to get released over the next month or so are probably going to be soft. Political turmoil is also alive and well with the US government shutdown, Prime Minister turnover and a stalled budget in France and new leadership in Japan. However, to again echo back to last quarter, the market seems to have moved past the headwinds that arose in 2025 and is focusing more on the tailwinds that should materialize in 2026.

## Factor Performance<sup>1</sup>



Value continued to be rewarded in the international space this quarter and is outperforming Growth (e.g. ACWI ex-US Value vs. Growth) for a 5th straight year. This most recent quarter, several Technical measures ranked among the top factors (Relative Strength, Accumulation/Distribution and Up/Down). Momentum has worked well this year given that international markets have been in a nice uptrend, breaking out to new highs. In terms of what hasn't worked, Quality and Market Cap have been the worst performing factors. Markets have had a risk-on flavor to them since the sharp selloff in early April, which largely explains why these have lagged.

### **Performance Attribution**

The strategy's performance during the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter was driven mostly by stock selection within the Materials and Financials sectors, along with positive contribution from our overweight and stock selection in the Consumer Discretionary sector. Stock selection within Communication Services and Health Care and underweights in Information Technology and Industrials detracted from performance. Regionally, our overweight in Europe ex UK and stock selection within Canada (predominantly from our gold exposure) contributed positively to performance, while our low Emerging Market exposure was a drag on performance.

Our top five contributors to performance this quarter were IAMGOLD Corp, Kinross Gold Corp, Vipshop, Repsol, and PDD Holdings. IAMGOLD and Kinross shares surged during the quarter amid a broader gold price rally that saw the metal climb over 15% in the third quarter, fueled by expectations of U.S. rate cuts, a weakening dollar, global central bank demand and heightened geopolitical tensions boosting safe-haven demand. Vipshop and PDD shares rallied on signs of stabilization in China's economy and broader emerging markets, with China PMI's ticking back up near 50 in September and incremental stimulus measures coming through. Vipshop capitalized on resilient back-to-school demand and efficient inventory turnover, delivering Q3 revenue guidance of 0-5% growth. PDD Holdings surged post its August Q2 earnings beat, propelled by Temu's accelerated international user acquisition and domestic logistics optimizations that lifted adjusted EBITDA margins to >25%. Repsol advanced as stable Brent crude prices in a narrow trading range, bolstered by OPEC+ supply discipline offsetting global demand softness, combined with significant improvement in the company's refining margins (~\$8.5/bl now vs <\$5 yr ago), which more than offset a slight production shortfall.

Our five worst contributors to performance this quarter were Novo Nordisk, Chugai Pharmaceutical, SK Telecom, KT Corp, and Heidelberg Materials. Novo Nordisk underperformed amid intensifying competition from Eli Lilly's weight-loss drugs and compounded Semaglutide alternatives, coupled with a July cut to 2025 sales and profit guidance due to slower U.S. uptake, eroding investor confidence despite resilient GLP-1 demand. Chugai Pharmaceutical lagged as U.S. drug price-cut proposals in May triggered a sharp sell-off in Japanese pharma stocks, amplified by broader trade tensions weighing on sector sentiment and export-exposed firms. SK Telecom declined following a major April cyberattack that leaked customer data, leading to subscriber losses, suspended sign-ups, and a downward revision to 2025 revenue guidance, overshadowing Al business gains. KT Corp slipped on a revenue drop in Q2 from weak media and content segments, including falling page views and ad income, alongside broader telecom pressures from rising handset sales costs and stagnant subscriber growth in a saturated Korean market. Heidelberg Materials retreated after a strong Q2 rally, hit by profit-taking and renewed European construction volatility, with softening demand in key regions offsetting earlier growth in the Africa region.

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10/17/2025 MSCI ACWI ex-US (Net) – 392.26 MSCI ACWI ex-US Value (Net) – 408.82

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