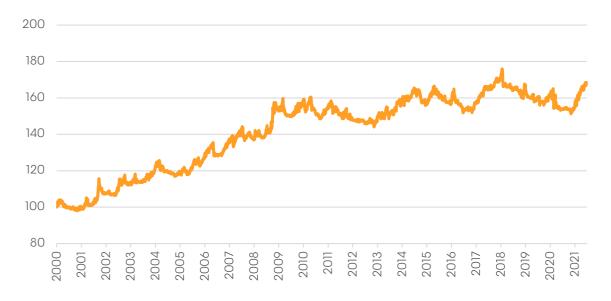
# **Bloomberg GSAM Equity Trend Index**

The Bloomberg GSAM Equity Trend Index provides exposure to the trend factor in the equity index futures market. Individual equity index futures are represented by equity index futures trackers. These constituent trackers are volatility-targeted with the aim being to have all equity index futures provide equal risk contributions to the strategy. For each equity index futures tracker, a trend signal establishes the direction and strength of trend in returns.

#### **INDEX PERFORMANCE**



# **KEY FEATURES**

- Exposure to the trend factor in the equity index market using futures
- Portfolio is rebalanced weekly
- Signal incorporates both direction and strength
- Index returns do not include trading costs
- Rules-based index methodology

#### **SELECTION & REBALANCE**

Since equity indices have differing levels of returns volatility, all constituent equity index futures trackers are levered up or down to target 10% annualized volatility. The aim is to have each equity index future contribute equal risk (as proxied by volatility) to the strategy.

On a weekly basis, the leverage factor for each constituent is determined from its trailing realized volatility, subject to a floor. A trend signal determines the direction and strength of trend of the equity index futures tracker's returns. The leverage factor and trend signal jointly determine the strategy's exposure to each equity index futures tracker.

## **SIGNAL DESCRIPTION**

The trend signal for each equity index futures tracker is the average value of twelve binary directional signals (-1 or 1) that correspond to the sign of an equity index futures tracker's excess return over twelve look-back windows from each of the previous twelve months to date. Thus, the trend signal can range from -1 to +1.

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Index	Bloomberg GSAM Equity Trend Index				
Currency	USD				
Universe	Equity index futures trackers for equity indices in the following regions:  Canada France Germany Hong Kong Italy Japan The Netherlands Singapore Spain Sweden United States				
Rebalance Frequency	Weekly				
Index Publication	Weekdays				
Base Date	06 January 2000				
Base Value	100.0000				

# **PERFORMANCE STATISTICS**

Based on monthly returns as of June 30, 2021

	1 yr	3 yr	5 yr	Since Inception	
Annualized Return	9.02%	0.76%	1.91%	2.44%	
Annualized Volatility	3.60%	4.72%	4.59%	4.99%	
Sharpe Ratio	2.50	0.16	0.42	0.49	
Highest Return	2.92%	3.15%	3.15%	5.98%	
Lowest Return	-0.90%	-3.26%	-4.10%	-4.10%	
Max Drawdown	-12.28%	-12.28%	-12.28%	-12.28%	
% Positive Returns	83.33%	52.78%	56.67%	54.26%	

# **MONTHLY RETURNS**

%	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Year / YTD
2016	1.45	0.55	-1.45	-0.83	-0.76	-1.63	0.52	0.35	0.11	-0.30	0.41	1.58	-0.07
2017	0.36	1.72	1.77	0.73	0.88	-0.74	0.98	0.06	0.73	1.90	-0.15	-0.17	8.33
2018	2.43	-4.10	-0.26	-0.11	-0.45	-0.85	0.68	0.46	-1.28	-0.80	-1.00	3.15	-2.29
2019	-2.91	-0.53	-0.20	1.24	-2.26	0.74	-0.12	-0.82	0.00	0.19	1.09	0.71	-2.92
2020	-0.99	-3.26	1.28	-1.13	-0.08	-0.27	0.07	0.22	-0.29	-0.90	0.08	1.37	-3.90
2021	0.57	1.98	2.92	1.27	0.80	0.64							8.43

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