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## Mawer Global Small Cap Fund

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### Annual Management Report of Fund Performance

For the Year Ended December 31, 2024

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### Management Discussion of Fund Performance

#### Investment Objectives and Strategies

The objective of the Mawer Global Small Cap Fund (the "Fund") is to invest for above average long-term returns in securities of smaller companies around the world. This is done by choosing companies that we believe will be wealth-creating in the long-term and are trading at a discount to their intrinsic value. We prefer companies with enduring competitive advantages that will allow them to earn a return greater than their cost of capital over the long-term. The Fund has a long-term buy-and-hold strategy and seeks to keep turnover low.

#### Risk

The risk level of the Fund did not change during the year. This Fund is suitable for investors seeking long-term growth and who have a medium-to-high tolerance for risk. General risks of investing in this Fund are outlined in the Prospectus and include the possibility of reduction in value of any given investment, liquidity risk, interest rate risk, and currency risk amongst others.

The Manager reduces the exposure to these risks by not concentrating more than 20% of the net assets of the Fund in a particular industry (i.e., sub-sector) as defined by the Global Industry Classification Standards (GICS). The Fund typically owns positions in global corporations with a market capitalization of \$3 billion (USD) or less at the time of purchase. It is the Manager's intention to be generally fully invested (less than 5% in cash).

#### Results of Operations

The Fund's net assets decreased 15.0% to \$2,789.6 million from \$3,280.5 million at December 31, 2024. Of this change, -\$66.2 million is attributable to negative investment performance and -\$424.7 million was due to net redemptions to the Fund.

The Manager assesses the Fund's underlying securities for liquidity on a quarterly basis. During the period the Fund has remained in compliance with National Instrument 81-102.

The Fund's A-series units returned -3.7% after management fees over 2024, in comparison to the blended benchmark return of 17.4% over the same period. Blended benchmark consists of: the Russell Global Small Cap Index from inception to September 30, 2016 and the MSCI ACWI Small Cap (Net) Total Return Index onwards. All performance values provided are in Canadian dollar terms.

Overall, monetary easing and positive sentiment around the potentially transformational impact of artificial intelligence led to strength in equity markets. When assessing relative performance by sector, security selection was negative. In particular, the relative underperformance was concentrated in a handful of larger positions within the Industrials and Technology sectors. Sector allocation was marginally positive. When examining relative return from a geographical perspective, the Fund's underperformance is attributable largely to negative stock selection in the United States and Europe ex UK.

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At the security level, Alten S.A., an outsourced R&D firm, was negatively impacted by investor sentiment surrounding a weaker macro environment, notably from the auto industry weakness in Europe. SoftwareOne Holding AG's shares also declined as weaker demand from customers emphasizing cost-cutting strategies and delaying their purchasing choices has been affecting value-added resellers. Shares of GPS Participacoes e Empreendimentos S.A., a facilities management company based in Brazil, were also unable to escape broad-based weakness in Brazilian financial markets tied to concerns over the fiscal spending ambitions of the left-leaning federal government, even though the firm's earnings continue to grow.

On a positive note, pharmaceutical company Hikma Pharmaceuticals plc benefited from successful new product development in its core injectables segment, which has high regulatory-driven barriers around quality and reliable supply in part due to their complexity and criticality. Elsewhere, Swiss financial institution VZ Holding Ltd. and provider of regulatory filing and deal solutions Donnelley Financial Solutions, Inc. reported strong results driven by rising capital markets activity and performance.

Over the 12-month period, some of the notable initiations included Alten S.A. and XPS Pensions Group plc. Alten S.A. is an engineering services company specializing in outsourced R&D. We believe the return potential has become attractive. The perceived quality of Alten has remained excellent as the company operates in a decentralized manner, which has helped them gain market share in a growing industry characterized by increased complexity and customers that require constant innovation—areas bolstering demand for Alten's expertise.

XPS Pensions Group plc is a leading provider of pension consulting and administration services in the UK. The company boasts core "boring" attributes: asset-light with highly recurring revenues that are nondiscretionary in nature. XPS is led by a talented management team whose strong focus on developing a service-oriented culture and investing in the latest technology has allowed them to gain market share over time. Meanwhile, some of the notable exits include PC Connection, Inc. and CBIZ, Inc., in favour of better opportunities elsewhere.

Admittedly, there are important transitions occurring in the world today. Election results in 2024 can be broadly summarized as a resounding rejection of status quo incumbents and a swing to the right. A shift toward the G-Zero model coined by Ian Bremmer—a multipolar world devoid of global leadership—appears to have accelerated, with mercantilist trade policies and conflict on the rise. There is also the promise of artificial intelligence, and bond investors appear increasingly wary of stretched government coffers.

### Recent Developments

Effective December 31, 2024, Mr. Robert Kennedy retired from the Independent Review Committee (the "IRC"). Mr. Jerry Patava replaced Mr. Robert Kennedy on January 1, 2025.

### Related Party Transactions – Management Fees

The Portfolio Advisor receives management fees of 1.50% per annum for series A units of the Fund. The management fee is calculated daily at the rate of 1/365 (or 1/366 in a leap year) as the percentage of aggregate net asset value of the Series A Units of the Fund as of the last Valuation Date. The fee accrues daily and is paid monthly in arrears. Management fees for Series O Units are payable directly to the Manager by Series O investors and not by the Fund.

The Manager of the Fund has the ability, at their discretion, to reduce the management fees for large investors. This reduction is effected by means of a management fee distribution and will be automatically reinvested in additional units of the Fund at the net asset value of the Fund on the date of distribution. Mawer also receives fees for performing administrative services. As at December 31, 2024 the Fund owes Mawer \$0 related to these administrative services.

### Financial Highlights

The following tables show selected key financial information about the Fund and are intended to help you understand the Fund's financial performance for the past five years. This information is derived from the Fund's audited annual financial statements which are prepared in accordance with IFRS.

#### The Fund's Net Asset Value (NAV) per Unit<sup>1</sup>

SERIES A	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020
Net Assets, beginning of year	16.15	14.29	17.47	18.62	17.06
<b>Increase (decrease) from operations:</b>					
Total revenue	0.48	0.42	0.36	0.39	0.27
Total expenses	(0.32)	(0.31)	(0.29)	(0.39)	(0.32)
Realized gains (losses) for the year	0.30	0.07	(0.55)	2.16	2.15
Unrealized gains (losses) for the year	(0.94)	1.80	(3.02)	(1.31)	0.17
<b>Total increase (decrease) from operations<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>(0.48)</b>	<b>1.98</b>	<b>(3.50)</b>	<b>0.85</b>	<b>2.27</b>
<b>Distributions:</b>					
From net investment income (excluding dividends)	(0.16)	(0.13)	(0.08)	-	-
From dividends	-	-	-	-	-
From capital gains	-	-	-	(2.01)	(0.94)
Return of capital	-	-	-	-	-
Total Annual Distributions <sup>3</sup>	(0.16)	(0.13)	(0.08)	(2.01)	(0.94)
<b>Net Assets, end of year</b>	<b>15.39</b>	<b>16.15</b>	<b>14.29</b>	<b>17.47</b>	<b>18.62</b>

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SERIES O	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020
Net Assets, beginning of year	14.42	12.75	15.60	16.86	15.93
<b>Increase (decrease) from operations:</b>					
Total revenue	0.42	0.38	0.32	0.35	0.25
Total expenses	(0.04)	(0.04)	(0.04)	(0.05)	(0.03)
Realized gains (losses) for the year	0.26	0.06	(0.54)	1.98	2.02
Unrealized gains (losses) for the year	(0.92)	1.61	(2.36)	(1.17)	0.44
<b>Total increase (decrease) from operations<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>(0.28)</b>	<b>2.01</b>	<b>(2.62)</b>	<b>1.11</b>	<b>2.68</b>
<b>Distributions:</b>					
From net investment income (excluding dividends)	(0.38)	(0.36)	(0.31)	(0.28)	(0.16)
From dividends	-	-	-	-	-
From capital gains	-	-	-	(2.04)	(1.56)
Return of capital	-	-	-	-	-
Total Annual Distributions <sup>3</sup>	(0.38)	(0.36)	(0.31)	(2.32)	(1.72)
<b>Net Assets, end of year</b>	<b>13.74</b>	<b>14.42</b>	<b>12.75</b>	<b>15.60</b>	<b>16.86</b>

<sup>(1)</sup> This information is derived from the Fund's audited financial statements.

<sup>(2)</sup> Net asset value and distributions are based on the actual number of units outstanding at the relevant time. The increase/decrease from operations is based on the weighted average number of units outstanding over the financial year.

<sup>(3)</sup> Distributions were reinvested in additional units of the Fund and/or paid in cash.

### Ratios and Supplemental Data

SERIES A	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020
Total net asset value (000's) <sup>1</sup>	471,018	705,302	747,371	1,184,729	1,051,807
Number of units outstanding (000's) <sup>1</sup>	30,611	43,682	52,296	67,811	56,479
Management expense ratio <sup>2</sup>	1.76%	1.77%	1.77%	1.74%	1.76%
Management expense ratio before waivers or absorptions	1.76%	1.77%	1.77%	1.74%	1.76%
Trading expense ratio <sup>3</sup>	0.07%	0.05%	0.05%	0.05%	0.08%
Portfolio turnover rate <sup>4</sup>	28.62%	23.28%	24.32%	32.06%	40.23%
<b>Net asset value per unit<sup>4</sup></b>	<b>15.39</b>	<b>16.15</b>	<b>14.29</b>	<b>17.47</b>	<b>18.62</b>

SERIES O	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020
Total net asset value (000's) <sup>1</sup>	2,318,625	2,575,208	2,382,050	3,036,525	2,781,621
Number of units outstanding (000's) <sup>1</sup>	168,784	178,633	186,852	194,641	164,979
Management expense ratio <sup>2</sup>	0.03%	0.04%	0.04%	0.04%	0.04%
Management expense ratio before waivers or absorptions	0.03%	0.04%	0.04%	0.04%	0.04%
Trading expense ratio <sup>3</sup>	0.07%	0.05%	0.05%	0.05%	0.08%
Portfolio turnover rate <sup>4</sup>	28.62%	23.28%	24.32%	32.06%	40.23%
<b>Net asset value per unit<sup>4</sup></b>	<b>13.74</b>	<b>14.42</b>	<b>12.75</b>	<b>15.60</b>	<b>16.86</b>

<sup>(1)</sup> This information is provided as at December 31 of the year shown, as applicable.

<sup>(2)</sup> Management expense ratio is based on total expenses for the stated year and is expressed as an annualized percentage of daily average net assets during the year.

<sup>(3)</sup> The trading expense ratio represents total commissions and other portfolio transaction costs expressed as an annualized percentage of daily average net assets during the year.

<sup>(4)</sup> The Fund's portfolio turnover rate indicates how actively the Fund's Portfolio Advisors manage its portfolio investments. A portfolio turnover rate of 100% is equivalent to the Fund buying and selling all of the securities in its portfolio once in the course of the year. The higher a fund's portfolio turnover rate in a year, the greater the trading costs payable by the fund in the year, and the greater the chance of an investor receiving taxable capital gains in the year. There is not necessarily a relationship between a high turnover rate and the performance of a fund.

### Past Performance

Sales commissions, trailing commissions, management fees and expenses all may be associated with mutual fund investments. Please read the Prospectus before investing. The indicated rates of return are the historical annual compounded total returns including changes in unit value and reinvestment of all distributions and do not take into account sales, redemption, distribution or optional charges or income taxes payable by any investor that would have reduced returns. Mutual funds are not guaranteed. Their value changes frequently and past performance may not be repeated.

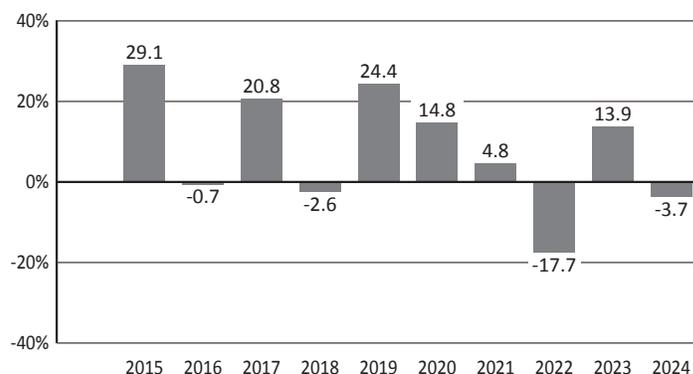
The Fund's performance numbers assume that all distributions are reinvested in additional units of the Fund. If you hold this Fund outside of a registered plan, income and capital gains distributions that are paid to you increase your income for tax purposes whether paid to you in cash or reinvested in additional units. The amount of the reinvested taxable distributions is added to the adjusted cost base of the units that you own. This would decrease your capital gains or increase your capital loss when you later redeem from the Fund, thereby ensuring that you are not taxed on this amount again. Please consult your tax advisor regarding your personal tax situation.

The past performance of the Fund is set out in the following charts.

### Year-by-Year Returns

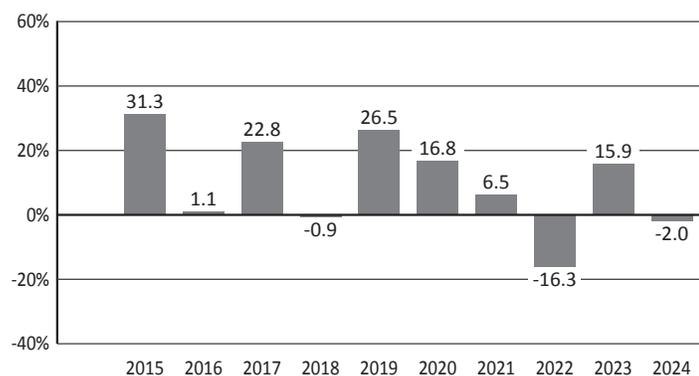
The bar charts below show the Fund's annual performance in each of the past 10 years, if applicable, to December 31. The charts show in percentage terms how an investment made on January 1 would have increased or decreased by December 31 of the fiscal year.

Series A<sup>(\*)</sup>



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Series O(\*)



(\*) Series A start date was October 2, 2007; Series O start date was October 2, 2007.

### Annual Compound Returns

The following table shows the historical annual compound total return of the Fund for the periods shown ending on December 31, 2024. The annual compound total return is benchmarked to the Mawer Global Small Cap Benchmark (GSC Benchmark) and calculated on the same compound basis.

	1 Year	3 Year	5 Year	10 Year	Since Inception
Mawer Global Small Cap Fund – Series A	(3.7)%	(3.4)%	1.6%	7.4%	9.5%
Global Small Cap Benchmark	17.4%	5.2%	8.9%	9.6%	7.6%
Mawer Global Small Cap Fund – Series O	(2.0)%	(1.7)%	3.4%	9.2%	11.4%
Global Small Cap Benchmark	17.4%	5.2%	8.9%	9.6%	7.6%

(\*) Series A start date was October 2, 2007; Series O start date was October 2, 2007.

The GSC Benchmark is a composite return stream consisting of Russell Global Small Cap Index from inception to September 30, 2016 and the MSCI ACWI Small Cap Index (net), as of September 30, 2016. The MSCI ACWI Small Cap Index (net) captures small cap representation across 23 Developed Markets (DM) and 26 Emerging Markets (EM) countries. All index returns are calculated in Canadian dollars on a total return basis, meaning that all distributions are reinvested.

### Summary of Investment Portfolio

A summary of the Fund as at December 31, 2024 is as follows:

Regional Allocation	% of Net Assets
Asia Pacific Ex. Japan	0.52%
Canada	4.44%
Europe Ex. U.K.	48.46%
Japan	2.28%
Latin America	3.33%
United Kingdom	21.28%
United States	16.40%
Cash Equivalents	2.65%
Other Net Assets (Liabilities)	0.64%
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.00%</b>

Sector Allocation	% of Net Assets
Equities	
Communication Services	5.60%
Consumer Discretionary	14.41%
Consumer Staples	5.73%
Energy	3.41%
Financials	13.60%
Health Care	16.01%
Industrials	20.51%
Information Technology	16.42%
Materials	1.03%
Cash Equivalents	2.65%
Other Net Assets (Liabilities)	0.64%
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.00%</b>

The following table lists the 25 largest holdings of the Fund (or all holdings if the total number of holdings is less than 25) as at December 31, 2024.

Issuer	% of Net Assets
De'Longhi SPA	5.74%
Hikma Pharmaceuticals Public Limited Company	5.52%
Ipsos	4.96%
Alten SA	4.79%
Donnelley Financial Solutions, Inc.	4.47%
Dermapharm Holding SE	4.31%
Fagron NV	3.77%
XPS Pensions Group PLC	3.54%
Atea ASA	3.45%
Barrett Business Services, Inc.	3.42%
RS Group PLC	3.35%
GPS Participacoes e Empreendimentos SA	3.33%
Softcat PLC	3.30%
Insperty, Inc.	3.18%
VZ Holding AG	2.78%
Orkla ASA	2.69%
Cash Equivalents	2.65%
Bilia AB Cl. A	2.31%
Bravida Holding AB	2.22%
Netcompany Group A/S	2.18%
Parex Resources Inc.	2.10%
Synsan Group AB	1.91%
Technogym SPA	1.64%
Create SD Holdings Co., Ltd.	1.49%
Winmark Corporation	1.47%
<b>Total</b>	<b>80.57%</b>

The investments and percentages may have changed by the time you purchase units of this fund. The top 25 holdings are made available quarterly, 60 days after quarter-end and may be obtained by contacting your registered representative or by contacting the Manager toll-free at 1-844-395-0747 or by e-mail at [info@mawer.com](mailto:info@mawer.com). The Prospectus and other information about the underlying mutual fund(s) are available online at [www.sedarplus.com](http://www.sedarplus.com) and [www.mawer.com](http://www.mawer.com).