# Polen Capital

A high conviction growth investment manager

#### Marketing Communication

1979 Founded in \$53.0bn

AUM as of December 2024



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### The Firm

Polen Capital is a global asset manager that provides active, high-conviction and competitively advantaged growth equity and high-yield credit strategies. Founded in 1979, it is independently owned and employee controlled, with offices in Boca Raton, Boston, Waltham, London and Hong Kong.

Polen Capital has four distinct investment teams that operate autonomously and maintain a concentrated, disciplined approach. Polen's culture is based on an unwavering commitment to its clients, investors, community and colleagues.

## **Investment Philosophy**

Polen Capital implements an innovative bottom-up, concentrated approach to growth stock investing.

The strategies are based on the same repeatable investment process building for the long-term, concentrated portfolios of **high-quality** businesses capable of delivering sustainable, above-average earnings growth.

### The Strategies

### Large Company Growth

Polen Capital's main investment team is the Large Company Growth team, covering a global equity universe of high-quality growth companies.

### Strategies:

- Focus Growth
- Global Growth
- International Growth

### Small Company Growth

The **Small Company Growth** team seeks durable business that have competitive advantages and effective management teams that will drive long-term growth.

#### Strategies:

- US Small Company Growth
- US SMID Company Growth
- Global SMID Company Growth

The iMGP USD Small and Mid Company Growth Fund is based on Polen's US SMID Company Growth strategy.

### Emerging Markets Growth

The Emerging Markets Growth team builds portfolios that offer differentiated exposure to emerging markets, applying a long-term lens to seek opportunities.

### Strategies:

- China Growth
- Emerging Markets Growth
- Emerging Markets ex China Growth
- India Growth

Credit

Polen's **Credit** team manages active, high-conviction strategies that aim to capitalize on the leveraged credit university to deliver a significant and durable yield advantage.

#### Strategies:

- Bank Loan
- Credit Opportunities
- ESG Upper Tier US High Yield
- US High Yield
- US Opportunistic High Yield

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# Strong track-record across a range of strategies

# Polen Focus Growth



Past performance does not predict future returns

Source: eVestment and iM Global Partner, performance net of fees in USD as of March 31, 2025, since January 1992 (availability of monthly performance). Returns may increase or decrease as a result of currency fluctuations for investors whose natural currency differs from the fund's currency.

# Polen Global Growth



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### Polen U.S. Small Company Growth

#### Past performance does not predict future returns

#### Performance since inception of the strategy





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# Polen U.S. Small and Mid Company Growth

### Past performance does not predict future returns



Source: eVestment and iM Global Partner, performance net of fees in USD as of March 31, 2025 since inception in April 2020. Returns may increase or decrease as a result of currency fluctuations for investors whose natural currency differs from the fund's currency.

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# Polen Focus Growth strategy – Calendar Year Performance

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| Strategies:                | YTD          | 2024           | 2023           | 2022            | 2021  | 2020  | 2019   | 2018         | 2017  | 2016           | 2015  |
|----------------------------|--------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------|-------|-------|--------|--------------|-------|----------------|-------|
| Polen Focus Growth (Net)   | -6.3%        | 16.1%          | 39.0%          | -38.0%          | 24.1% | 34.0% | 38.2%  | 8.5%         | 27.1% | 1.2%           | 15.3% |
| Russell 1000 Growth TR USD | -10.0%       | 33.4%          | 42.7%          | - <b>29.</b> 1% | 27.6% | 38.5% | 36.4%  | -1.5%        | 30.2% | 7.1%           | 5.7%  |
| Spread                     | 3.7%         | -17.2%         | -3.7%          | -8.9%           | -3.5% | -4.5% | 1.8%   | 10.0%        | -3.1% | - <b>5.9</b> % | 9.6%  |
| S&P 500 TR USD             | -4.3%        | 25.0%          | 26.3%          | -18.1%          | 28.7% | 18.4% | 31.5%  | -4.4%        | 21.8% | 12.0%          | 1.4%  |
| Spread                     | -2.0%        | - <b>8.9</b> % | 12.7%          | -19.9%          | -4.6% | 15.6% | 6.7%   | 12.9%        | 5.3%  | -10.7%         | 13.9% |
|                            |              |                |                |                 |       |       |        |              |       |                |       |
| Strategies:                | 2014         | 2013           | 2012           | 2011            | 2010  | 2009  | 2008   | 2007         | 2006  | 2005           | 2004  |
| Polen Focus Growth (Net)   | 17.0%        | 23.1%          | 11 <b>.8</b> % | 8.3%            | 14.7% | 38.5% | -28.4% | <b>9.9</b> % | 14.0% | -1,4%          | 7.8%  |
| Russell 1000 Growth TR USD | 13.0%        | 33.5%          | 15.3%          | 2.6%            | 16.7% | 37.2% | -38.4% | 11.8%        | 9.1%  | 5.3%           | 6.3%  |
| Spread                     | <b>3.9</b> % | -10.4%         | -3.5%          | <b>5.6%</b>     | -2.0% | 1.3%  | 10.0%  | -2.0%        | 5.0%  | -6.7%          | 1.5%  |
| S&P 500 TR USD             | 13.7%        | 32.4%          | 16.0%          | 2.1%            | 15.1% | 26.5% | -37.0% | 5.5%         | 15.8% | 4.9%           | 10.9% |
| Spread                     | 3.3%         | - <b>9.3</b> % | -4.3%          | 6.1%            | -0.4% | 12.0% | 8.6%   | 4.4%         | -1.8% | -6.3%          | -3.1% |

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# Polen Global Growth strategy - Calendar Year Performance

### Past performance does not predict future returns

| Strategies:               | YTD   | 2024   | 2023          | 2022   | 2021  | 2020           | 2019         | 2018  | 2017  | 2016  |
|---------------------------|-------|--------|---------------|--------|-------|----------------|--------------|-------|-------|-------|
| Polen Global Growth (Net) | -5.5% | 12.0%  | <b>30.9</b> % | -31.4% | 17.1% | 24.1%          | 36.3%        | 2.2%  | 31.6% | 0.3%  |
| MSCI ACWI Growth NR USD   | -6.8% | 24.2%  | 33.2%         | -28.6% | 17.1% | 33.6%          | 32.7%        | -8.1% | 30.0% | 3.3%  |
| Spread                    | 1.4%  | -12.2% | -2.3%         | -2.8%  | 0.0%  | - <b>9.5</b> % | 3.6%         | 10.4% | 1.6%  | -2.9% |
| MSCI ACWI NR USD          | -1.3% | 17.5%  | 22.2%         | -18.4% | 18.5% | 16.3%          | 26.6%        | -9.4% | 24.0% | 7.9%  |
| Spread                    | -4.1% | -5.5%  | 8.7%          | -13.0% | -1.5% | <b>7.9</b> %   | <b>9.8</b> % | 11.6% | 7.6%  | -7.5% |

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