

# Private Wealth Management

## Global Stock Fund

Seeks long-term total return by investing in stocks of companies in developed markets throughout the world

**Class I Shares**

**PROSPECTUS** April 1, 2008

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Mellon's Private Wealth Management group.**

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## GOAL/APPROACH

The fund seeks long-term total return. To pursue this goal, the fund normally invests at least 80% of its assets in stocks. The fund's investments will be focused on companies located in the developed markets, such as the United States, Canada, Japan, Australia, Hong Kong and Western Europe. The fund ordinarily invests in at least three countries, and, at times, may invest a substantial portion of its assets in a single country. The fund may invest in the securities of companies of any market capitalization. The fund's stock investments may include common stocks, preferred stocks, convertible securities and warrants. Although the fund typically invests in seasoned issuers, it may purchase securities of companies in initial public offerings (IPOs) or shortly thereafter.

The fund's sub-investment adviser, Walter Scott & Partners Limited (WSPL), seeks investment opportunities in companies with fundamental strengths that indicate the potential for sustainable growth. WSPL focuses on individual stock selection, building the fund's portfolio from the bottom up through extensive fundamental research.

The investment process begins with the screening of reported company financials. Companies that meet certain broad absolute and trend criteria are candidates for more detailed financial analysis. For these companies, WSPL restates the company's income statement, flow of funds, and balance sheet to a cash basis. This analysis assists WSPL in identifying the nature of operating margin and value added, the variables contributing to value added, the operating efficiencies, the working capital management, the profitability and the financing model of the company. If a company passes WSPL's more stringent financial criteria, WSPL then conducts a detailed investigation of the company's products, cost and pricing, competition and industry position and outlook. Companies that meet the collective criteria of WSPL are visited with a view to under-

standing whether the company has the ability to generate sustained growth in the future. WSPL uses various valuation measures, including price-to-earnings ratio versus growth rate, price-to-cash and price-to-book. The fund's portfolio managers select those stocks that meet WSPL's criteria where the expected growth rate is available at reasonable valuations.

Geographic and sector allocations are results of, not part of, the investment process. WSPL does not use benchmark indices as a tool for active portfolio management. Traditional benchmark indices, however, may be helpful in measuring investment returns, and the fund's investment returns generally will be compared to those of the Morgan Stanley Capital International (MSCI) World Index.

Although the fund's investments will be focused among the major developed markets of the world, the fund may invest up to 20% of its assets in emerging markets.

WSPL believes that a patient investment approach is necessary to give the companies in which the fund invests an opportunity to realize their growth potential. Accordingly, it is expected that the fund typically will maintain a low annual portfolio turnover rate.

WSPL typically sells a stock when it no longer possesses the characteristics that caused its purchase. A stock may be a sell candidate when its valuation reaches or exceeds its calculated fair value, or there are deteriorating fundamentals. WSPL may reduce the weighting of a stock held by the fund if it becomes overweighted as determined by WSPL.

The fund may, but is not required to, use derivatives, such as futures, options and forward contracts, as a substitute for investing directly in an underlying asset, to increase returns, to manage foreign currency risk, or as part of a hedging strategy. The currency exposure of the fund's portfolio may be substantially unhedged to the U.S. dollar, but, at times, WSPL may seek to manage currency risk by hedging a portion of the fund's currency exposure to the U.S. dollar.

## Concepts to understand

**Growth companies:** companies whose revenue and/or earnings are expected to grow faster than the overall market. Often, growth stocks pay little or no dividends, have relatively high price-to-earnings, price-to-book and price-to-sales ratios, and tend to be more volatile than value stocks.

**MSCI World Index:** is a free float-adjusted, market capitalization index that is designed to measure the equity market performance of developed markets, including the United States, Canada, Australia, Europe, New Zealand and the Far East.



## MAIN RISKS

The fund's principal risks are discussed below. The value of your investment in the fund will fluctuate, sometimes dramatically, which means you could lose money.

- *Market risk.* The market value of a security may decline due to general market conditions that are not specifically related to a particular company, such as real or perceived adverse economic conditions, changes in the general outlook for corporate earnings, changes in interest or currency rates or adverse investor sentiment generally. A security's market value also may decline because of factors that affect a particular industry or industries, such as labor shortages or increased production costs and competitive conditions within an industry.
- *Issuer risk.* The value of a security may decline for a number of reasons which directly relate to the issuer, such as management performance, financial leverage and reduced demand for the issuer's products or services.
- *Smaller company risk.* To the extent the fund invests in small and midsize companies, it will be subject to additional risks because the earnings and revenues of these companies tend to be less predictable (and some companies may be experiencing significant losses), and their share prices more volatile than those of larger, more established companies. The shares of smaller companies tend to trade less frequently than those of larger, more established companies, which can adversely affect the pricing of these securities and the fund's ability to sell these securities.
- *Growth stock risk.* Investors often expect growth companies to increase their earnings at a certain rate. If these expectations are not met, investors can punish the stocks inordinately, even if earnings do increase. In addition, growth stocks typically lack the dividend yield that can cushion stock prices in market downturns. Because different types of stocks tend to shift in and out of favor depending on market and economic conditions, the fund's performance may sometimes be lower or higher than that of other types of funds (such as those emphasizing value stocks).
- *Market sector risk.* The fund may significantly overweight or underweight certain companies, industries or market sectors, which may cause the fund's performance to be more or less sensitive to developments affecting those companies, industries or sectors.
- *Foreign investment risk.* To the extent the fund invests in foreign securities, its performance will be influenced by political, social and economic factors affecting investments in foreign companies. Special risks associated with investments in foreign companies include exposure to currency fluctuations, less liquidity, less developed or less efficient trading markets, lack of comprehensive company information, political instability and differing auditing and legal standards. The securities of issuers located in emerging markets can be more volatile and less liquid than those of issuers in more mature economies.
- *Foreign currency risk.* Investments in foreign currencies are subject to the risk that those currencies will decline in value relative to the U.S. dollar, or, in the case of hedged positions, that the U.S. dollar will decline relative to the currency being hedged. Currency rates in foreign countries may fluctuate significantly over short periods of time. A decline in the value of foreign currencies relative to the U.S. dollar will reduce the value of securities held by the fund and denominated in those currencies. Foreign currencies also are subject to risks caused by inflation, interest rates, budget deficits and low savings rates, political factors and government controls.
- *Liquidity risk.* When there is little or no active trading market for specific types of securities, it can become more difficult to sell the securities at or near their perceived value. In such a market, the value of such securities and the fund's share price may fall dramatically. Investments in foreign securities tend to have greater exposure to liquidity risk than domestic securities.

- *Leveraging risk.* The use of leverage, such as engaging in reverse repurchase agreements, lending portfolio securities, entering into futures contracts or forward currency contracts and engaging in forward commitment transactions, may magnify the fund's gains or losses.
- *Derivatives risk.* The fund may use derivative instruments, such as options, futures and options on futures (including those relating to stocks, indexes and foreign currencies), and forward contracts. A small investment in derivatives could have a potentially large impact on the fund's performance. The use of derivatives involves risks different from, or possibly greater than, the risks associated with investing directly in the underlying assets. Derivatives can be highly volatile, illiquid and difficult to value, and there is the risk that changes in the value of a derivative held by the fund will not correlate with the underlying instruments or the fund's other investments. Derivative instruments also involve the risk that a loss may be sustained as a result of the failure of the counterparty to the derivative instruments to make required payments or otherwise comply with the derivative instruments' terms.
- *IPO risk.* The fund may purchase securities of companies in IPOs. The prices of securities purchased in IPOs can be very volatile. The effect of IPOs on the fund's performance depends on a variety of factors, including the number of IPOs the fund invests in relative to the size of the fund and whether and to what extent a security purchased in an IPO appreciates or depreciates in value. As a fund's asset base increases, IPOs often have a diminished effect on such fund's performance.

#### Other potential risks

Under adverse market conditions, the fund could invest some or all of its assets in U.S. Treasury securities and money market securities. Although the fund would do this for temporary defensive purposes, it could reduce the benefit from any upswing in the market. During such periods, the fund may not achieve its investment objective.

The fund may lend its portfolio securities to brokers, dealers and other financial institutions. In connection with such loans, the fund will receive collateral from the borrower equal to at least 100% of the value of the loaned securities. If the borrower of the securities fails financially, there could be delays in recovering the loaned securities or exercising rights to the collateral.

#### What this fund is – and isn't

This fund is a mutual fund: a pooled investment that is professionally managed and gives you the opportunity to participate in financial markets. It strives to reach its stated goal, although as with all mutual funds, it cannot offer guaranteed results.

An investment in this fund is not a bank deposit. It is not insured or guaranteed by the FDIC or any other government agency. It is not a complete investment program. You could lose money in this fund, but you also have the potential to make money.



## PAST PERFORMANCE

The bar chart and table shown illustrate the risks of investing in the fund. The bar chart shows the performance of the fund's Class I shares for the fund's first full calendar year of operations. The table compares the average annual total returns of the fund's Class I shares to those of the MSCI World Index, an unmanaged index designed to measure the performance of stocks that are publicly traded in developed markets. All returns assume reinvestment of dividends and distributions. Of course, past performance (before and after taxes) is no guarantee of future results. Performance of each share class will vary from the performance of the fund's other share classes due to differences in charges and expenses.

After-tax returns are calculated using the historical highest individual federal marginal income tax rates, and do not reflect the impact of state and local taxes. Actual after-tax returns depend on the investor's tax situation and may differ from those shown, and the after-tax returns shown are not relevant to investors who hold their shares through tax-deferred arrangements such as 401(k) plans or individual retirement accounts.

### Year-by-year total returns *as of 12/31 each year (%)*

#### Class I shares



**Best Quarter:** Q2 '07 +5.83%

**Worst Quarter:** Q4 '07 -0.76%

### Average annual total returns *as of 12/31/07*

Share class/ inception date	1 Year	Since inception
<b>Class I</b> (12/29/06) <i>returns before taxes</i>	<b>9.48%</b>	<b>9.38%</b>
<b>Class I</b> <i>returns after taxes on distributions</i>	<b>9.40%</b>	<b>9.31%</b>
<b>Class I</b> <i>returns after taxes on distributions and sale of fund shares</i>	<b>6.35%</b>	<b>8.01%</b>
<b>MSCI World Index</b> <i>reflects no deduction for fees, expenses or taxes</i>	<b>9.04%</b>	<b>9.04%</b>

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## EXPENSES

As an investor, you pay certain fees and expenses in connection with the fund, which are described in the table below. Because annual fund operating expenses are paid out of fund assets, their effect is included in the share price. The fund's Class I shares have no sales charge (load) or Rule 12b-1 distribution fees.

### Fee table

	Class I
<b>Annual fund operating expenses</b>	
<i>% of average daily net assets</i>	
Management fees	.85
Other expenses	1.20
<b>Total annual fund operating expenses</b>	<b>2.05</b>
Fee waiver and/or expense reimbursements	(.80)
<b>Net operating expenses*</b>	<b>1.25</b>

*\* The fund's investment adviser has contractually agreed, until March 31, 2009, to waive receipt of its fees and/or assume the expenses of the fund so that the expenses of the fund's Class I shares (excluding taxes, interest, brokerage commissions, commitment fees on borrowings and extraordinary expenses) do not exceed 1.25%.*

### Expense example

	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years
<b>Class I</b>	<b>\$127</b>	<b>\$565</b>	<b>\$1,030</b>	<b>\$2,315</b>

This example shows what you could pay in expenses over time. It uses the same hypothetical conditions other funds use in their prospectuses: \$10,000 initial investment, 5% total return each year and no changes in expenses. The one-year example and the first year of the three-, five- and ten-years examples are based on net operating expenses, which reflect the expense waiver/reimbursement by investment adviser. Because actual returns and expenses will be different, the example is for comparison only.

## Concepts to understand

**Management fee:** the fee paid to the fund's investment adviser for managing the fund's portfolio and assisting in all aspects of the fund's operations.

**Other expenses:** fees paid by the fund for miscellaneous items such as transfer agency, custody, professional and registration fees. The fund also makes payments to certain financial intermediaries, including affiliates, who provide sub-administration, recordkeeping and/or sub-transfer agency services to beneficial owners of the fund.





## MANAGEMENT

### Investment advisers

The investment adviser for the fund is The Dreyfus Corporation (Dreyfus), 200 Park Avenue, New York, New York 10166. Founded in 1947, Dreyfus manages approximately \$276 billion in approximately 180 mutual fund portfolios. For the past fiscal year, the fund paid Dreyfus a management fee at the annual rate of 0.05% of the fund's average daily net assets. A discussion regarding the basis for the board's approving the fund's management agreement with Dreyfus is available in the fund's annual report for the period from December 29, 2006 (commencement of operations) through the fiscal year ended November 30, 2007. Dreyfus is the primary mutual fund business of The Bank of New York Mellon Corporation (BNY Mellon), a global financial services company focused on helping clients move and manage their financial assets, operating in 34 countries and serving more than 100 markets. BNY Mellon is a leading provider of financial services for institutions, corporations and high-net-worth individuals, providing asset and wealth management, asset servicing, issuer services, and treasury services through a worldwide client-focused team. BNY Mellon has more than \$23 trillion in assets under custody and administration and \$1.1 trillion in assets under management, and it services more than \$11 trillion in outstanding debt. Additional information is available at [www.bnymellon.com](http://www.bnymellon.com).

The Dreyfus asset management philosophy is based on the belief that discipline and consistency are important to investment success. For each fund, Dreyfus seeks to establish clear guidelines for portfolio management and to be systematic in making decisions. This approach is designed to provide each fund with a distinct, stable identity.

Dreyfus has engaged its affiliate, Walter Scott & Partners Limited (WSPL), located at One Charlotte Square, Edinburgh, Scotland, UK, to serve as the fund's sub-investment adviser. WSPL is a wholly-owned subsidiary of BNY Mellon. As of February 29, 2008, WSPL had approximately \$32 billion in assets under management. WSPL, subject to Dreyfus' supervision and approval, provides investment advisory assistance and research and the day-to-day management of the fund's investments.

Investment decisions for the fund are made by a team of portfolio managers, which has managed the fund since the fund's inception. Dr. Ken Lyall and Mr. Alan McFarlane are the investment directors who lead the investment team with responsibility for the fund's portfolio. Dr. Lyall joined WSPL in 1983 and currently is Chairman of WSPL. Mr. McFarlane joined WSPL in 2001 and currently is a Managing Director of WSPL.

The fund's Statement of Additional Information (SAI) provides additional information about the portfolio managers' compensation, other accounts managed by the portfolio managers, and the portfolio managers' ownership of fund shares.

### Distributor

The fund's distributor is MBSC Securities Corporation (MBSC), a wholly-owned subsidiary of Dreyfus. The investment adviser or MBSC may provide cash payments out of its own resources to financial intermediaries that sell shares of the fund or provide other services. Such payments are separate from any sales charges, 12b-1 fees and/or shareholder services fees or other expenses paid by the fund to those intermediaries. Because those payments are not made by you or the fund, the fund's total expense ratio will not be affected by any such payments. These additional payments may be made to intermediaries, including affiliates, that provide shareholder servicing, sub-administration, record-keeping and/or sub-transfer agency services, marketing support and/or access to sales meetings, sales representatives and management representatives of the financial intermediary. Cash compensation also may be paid from Dreyfus' or MBSC's own resources to intermediaries for inclusion of the fund on a sales list, including a preferred or select sales list or in other sales programs. These payments sometimes are referred to as "revenue sharing." From time to time, Dreyfus or MBSC also may provide cash or non-cash compensation to financial intermediaries or their representatives in the form of occasional gifts; occasional meals, tickets or other entertainment; support for due diligence trips; educational conference sponsorship; support for recognition programs; and other forms of cash or non-cash compensation permissible under broker-dealer regulations. In some cases, these payments or compensation may create an incentive for a financial intermediary or its employees to recommend or sell shares of the fund to you. Please contact your financial representative for details about any payments they or their firm may receive in connection with the sale of fund shares or the provision of services to the fund.

### Code of ethics

The fund, Dreyfus, WSPL and MBSC have each adopted a code of ethics that permits its personnel, subject to the code, to invest in securities, including securities that may be purchased or held by the fund. Each of the Dreyfus and WSPL code of ethics restricts the personal securities transactions of its employees, and requires portfolio managers and other investment personnel to comply with the relevant code's preclearance and disclosure procedures. The primary purpose of each code is to ensure that personal trading by Dreyfus or WSPL employees does not disadvantage any fund managed by Dreyfus or WSPL, as the case may be.

## Performance Information for Related Accounts

The fund's portfolio managers follow substantially the same investment policies and strategies managing the fund's assets as they do managing certain discretionary investment management accounts managed by WSPL (collectively, the "Related Accounts"). The following tables show the returns for the Related Accounts and for the MSCI World Index. The Index information is provided to represent the investment environment existing at the time periods shown. The Index is unmanaged and an investor may not invest directly in the Index. Investors should not consider this performance data as an indication of the future performance of the fund or the Related Accounts.

The performance figures for the Related Accounts reflect the deduction of the highest management fee charged any investor in the Related Accounts during the periods shown, and not that charged to the fund. Actual fees charged investors in the Related Accounts may vary. The fee schedule is disclosed in Part II of WSPL's Form ADV. The performance of the Related Accounts could have been adversely affected by the imposition of certain regulatory requirements, restrictions and limitations, if such accounts had been regulated as investment companies under the U.S. federal securities and tax laws. Additionally, although it is anticipated that the fund and the Related Accounts may hold similar securities, their investment results are expected to differ. In particular, differences in asset size and in cash flow resulting from purchases and redemptions of fund shares may result in different security selections, differences in the relative weightings of securities or differences in the price paid for particular fund holdings. The performance information does not reflect the deduction of any applicable sales loads which, if reflected, would reduce the performance quoted. In addition, the fund's total operating expenses are higher than those of the Related Accounts; if the fund's expenses were reflected, the

performance shown would be lower. Please remember that past performance is not indicative of future returns, and that the investment return and principal value of an investment will fluctuate so that an investor's shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than their original cost.

Historical performance information for the Related Accounts and the MSCI World Index is shown below. The performance information was prepared and presented in compliance with the Global Investment Performance Standards (GIPS®). All returns are calculated in U.S. dollars and reflect the reinvestment of dividends and other distributions.

Additional information regarding WSPL's policies and procedures for calculating and reporting performance returns, and a listing and description of all of its composites, is available upon request for financial advisors by calling 1-800-334-6899 and for individual shareholders by calling 1-800-554-4611. WSPL's performance data (gross of fees) has been verified by an independent verifier on a bi-annual basis from January 1, 1994 through June 30, 2007.

**WSPL**  
**Global Equity Composite**  
**Annual total returns for the year ended December 31,**

Period	Related Accounts total return	MSCI World Index return*	Number of portfolios	Composite dispersion (range)	Total composite assets (millions)	Percentage of Firm assets
2007	11.48%	9.04%	28	4.82%	4,225.1	12.34%
2006	15.40%	20.07%	26	3.06%	3,596.3	11.63%
2005	19.01%	9.49%	23	5.01%	2,308.0	9.60%
2004	19.08%	14.71%	15	2.43%	1,426.1	9.60%
2003	25.68%	33.10%	8	4.01%	773.8	10.20%
2002	(7.83%)	(19.89%)	4	4.05%	245.0	10.50%
2001	(14.61%)	(16.82%)	4	6.04%	297.9	12.40%
2000	(5.52%)	(13.18%)	5	4.94%	428.5	12.30%
1999	51.70%	24.95%	5	10.46%	456.4	12.10%
1998	16.10%	24.33%	4	2.30%	313.3	11.40%

WSPL Global Equity Composite  
Average annual total returns *as of 12/31/07*

	1 Year	5 Years	10 Years
<b>Related Accounts</b>	<b>11.48%</b>	<b>18.13%</b>	<b>11.69%</b>
<b>MSCI World Index*</b>	<b>9.04%</b>	<b>16.96%</b>	<b>7.00%</b>

\* Sources of foreign exchange rates may be different between the composite and the Index.



## FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

The following table describes the performance for Class I shares for the period from December 29, 2006 (commencement of operations) to November 30, 2007. All information (except portfolio turnover rate) reflects financial results for a single fund share. "Total return" shows how much your investment in the fund would have increased (or decreased) dur-

ing the period, assuming you had reinvested all dividends and distributions. These figures have been audited by Ernst & Young LLP, an independent registered public accounting firm, whose report, along with the fund's financial statements, is included in the annual report, which is available upon request.

	Class I*
	Shares
<b>Per-Share Data (\$):</b>	
Net asset value, beginning of period	12.50
Investment Operations: Investment income (loss) – net <sup>1</sup>	.07
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss) on investments	1.19
Total from Investment Operations	1.26
Net asset value, end of period	13.76
Total Return (%) <sup>2</sup>	10.08
<b>Ratios/Supplemental Data (%):</b>	
Ratio of total expenses to average net assets <sup>3</sup>	2.05
Ratio of net expenses to average net assets <sup>3</sup>	.18
Ratio of net investment income (loss) to average net assets <sup>3</sup>	.58
Portfolio turnover rate <sup>2</sup>	14.53
Net assets, end of period (\$ x 1,000)	8,312

\* Effective June 1, 2007, Class R shares were redesignated as Class I shares.

<sup>1</sup> Based on average shares outstanding at each month end.

<sup>2</sup> Not annualized.

<sup>3</sup> Annualized.

# Your Investment



## ACCOUNT POLICIES

### Buying shares

The fund is offering its Class I shares in this prospectus.

Clients of Mellon's Private Wealth Management group that maintain qualified fiduciary, custody, advisory or other accounts with Mellon Bank, N.A. or Mellon Trust of New England, N.A., or their affiliates, are eligible to purchase Class I shares of the fund.

To purchase Class I shares of the fund, contact your account officer.

You pay no sales charges to invest in Class I shares of the fund. Your price for Class I shares is the net asset value per share (NAV) for that class, which is generally calculated as of the close of trading on the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE) (usually 4:00 p.m. Eastern time) on days the NYSE is open for regular business. Your order will be priced at the next NAV calculated after your order is received in proper form by the fund's transfer agent or other authorized entity. When calculating NAV, the fund's equity investments are valued on the basis of market quotations or official closing prices. If market quotations or official closing prices are not readily available, or are determined not to reflect accurately fair value (such as when the value of a security has been materially affected by events occurring after the close of the exchange or market on which the security is principally traded (for example, a foreign exchange or market), but before the fund calculates its NAV), the fund may value those investments at fair value as determined in accordance with procedures approved by the fund's board. Fair value of investments may be determined by the fund's board, its pricing committee or its valuation committee in good faith using such information as it deems appropriate under the circumstances. Fair value of foreign equity securities may be determined with the assistance of a pricing service using correlations between the movement of prices of foreign securities and indexes of domestic securities and other appropriate indicators, such as closing market prices of relevant ADRs and futures con-

tracts. Using fair value to price securities may result in a value that is different from a security's most recent closing price and from the prices used by other mutual funds to calculate their net asset values. Forward currency contracts will be valued at the current cost of offsetting the contract. Foreign securities held by the fund may trade on days when the fund does not calculate its NAV and thus may affect the fund's NAV on days when investors have no access to the fund.

Investments in foreign securities, small-capitalization equity securities and certain other thinly traded securities may provide short-term traders arbitrage opportunities with respect to the fund's shares. For example, arbitrage opportunities may exist when trading in a portfolio security or securities is halted and does not resume, or the market on which such securities are traded closes before the fund calculates its NAV. If short-term investors in the fund were able to take advantage of these arbitrage opportunities they could dilute the NAV of fund shares held by long-term investors. Portfolio valuation policies can serve to reduce arbitrage opportunities available to short-term traders, but there is no assurance that such valuation policies will prevent dilution of the fund's NAV by short-term traders. While the fund has a policy regarding frequent trading, it too may not be completely effective to prevent short-term NAV arbitrage trading, particularly in regard to omnibus accounts. Please see "Your Investment — Account Policies — General Policies" for further information about the fund's frequent trading policy.

### Concept to understand

**Net asset value (NAV):** the market value of one share, computed by dividing the total net assets of a fund or class by its shares outstanding.

## Selling shares

To sell (redeem) Class I shares of the fund, contact your account officer.

**You may sell (redeem) shares at any time.** Your shares will be sold at the next NAV calculated after your order is received in proper form by the fund's transfer agent or other authorized entity. Your order will be processed promptly and you will generally receive the proceeds within a week.

## General policies

**The fund is designed for long-term investors.** Frequent purchases, redemptions and exchanges may disrupt portfolio management strategies and harm fund performance by diluting the value of fund shares and increasing brokerage and administrative costs. As a result, the investment adviser and the fund's board have adopted a policy of discouraging excessive trading, short-term market timing, and other abusive trading practices (frequent trading) that could adversely affect the fund or its operations. The investment adviser and the fund will not enter into arrangements with any person or group to permit frequent trading.

**The fund reserves the right to:**

- change or discontinue its exchange privilege, or temporarily suspend the privilege during unusual market conditions
- change its minimum or maximum investment amounts
- delay sending out redemption proceeds for up to seven days (generally applies only during unusual market conditions or in cases of very large redemptions or excessive trading)
- "redeem in kind," or make payments in securities rather than cash, if the amount redeemed is large enough to affect fund operations (for example, if it exceeds 1% of the fund's assets)
- refuse any purchase or exchange request, including those from any individual or group who, in the investment adviser's view, is likely to engage in frequent trading

More than four roundtrips within a rolling 12-month period generally is considered to be frequent trading. A roundtrip consists of an investment that is substantially liquidated within 60 days. Based on the facts and circumstances of the trades, the fund may also view as frequent trading a pattern of investments that are partially liquidated within 60 days.

The investment adviser monitors selected transactions to identify frequent trading. When its surveillance systems identify multiple roundtrips, the investment adviser evaluates trading activity in the account for evidence of frequent trading. The investment adviser considers the investor's trading history in other accounts under common ownership or control, in certain other funds managed by the investment adviser or its affiliates, and if known, in non-affiliated mutual funds and accounts under common control. These evaluations involve judgments that are inherently subjective, and while the investment adviser seeks to apply the policy and procedures uniformly, it is possible that similar transactions may be treated differently. In all instances, the investment adviser seeks to make these judgments to the best of its abilities in a manner that it believes is consistent with shareholder interests. If the investment adviser concludes the account is likely to engage in frequent trading, the investment adviser may cancel or revoke the purchase or exchange on the following business day. The investment adviser may also temporarily or permanently bar such investor's future purchases into the fund in lieu of, or in addition to, canceling or revoking the trade. At its discretion, the investment adviser may apply these restrictions across all accounts under common ownership, control, or perceived affiliation.

Fund shares often are held through omnibus accounts maintained by financial intermediaries, such as brokers and retirement plan administrators, where the holdings of multiple shareholders, such as all the clients of a particular broker, are aggregated. The investment adviser's ability to monitor the trading activity of investors whose shares are held in omnibus accounts is limited and dependent upon the cooperation of the financial intermediary in providing information with respect to individual shareholder transactions. However, the agreements between the distributor and financial intermediaries include obligations to comply with the terms of this prospectus. Further, all intermediaries have been requested in writing to notify the distributor immediately if, for any reason, they cannot meet their commitment to make fund shares available in accordance with the terms of the prospectus and relevant rules and regulations.

To the extent that the fund significantly invests in foreign securities traded on markets that close before the fund calculates its NAV, events that influence the value of these foreign securities may occur after the close of these foreign markets and before the fund calculates its NAV. As a result, certain investors may seek to trade fund shares in an effort to benefit from their understanding of the value of these foreign securities at the time the fund calculates its NAV (referred to as price arbitrage). This type of frequent trading may dilute the value of fund shares held by other shareholders. The fund has adopted procedures designed to adjust closing market prices of foreign equity securities under certain circumstances to reflect what it believes to be their fair value.

To the extent that the fund significantly invests in thinly traded small-capitalization equity securities, certain investors may seek to trade fund shares in an effort to benefit from their understanding of the value of these securities (referred to as price arbitrage). Any such frequent trading strategies may interfere with efficient management of the fund's portfolio to a greater degree than funds that invest in highly liquid securities, in part because the fund may have difficulty selling these portfolio securities at advantageous times or prices to satisfy large and/or frequent redemption requests. Any successful price arbitrage may also cause dilution in the value of fund shares held by other shareholders.

Although the fund's frequent trading and fair valuation policies and procedures are designed to discourage market timing and excessive trading, none of these tools alone, nor all of them together, completely eliminates the potential for frequent trading.

Transactions made through automatic investment plans, automatic withdrawal plans, auto-exchange privileges and automatic non-discretionary rebalancing programs approved in writing by the investment adviser generally are not considered to be frequent trading.

#### Small account policy

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If your account falls below \$500, the fund may ask you to increase your balance. If it is still below \$500 after 45 days, the fund may close your account and send you the proceeds.





## DISTRIBUTIONS AND TAXES

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The fund earns dividends, interest and other income from its investments, and distributes this income (less expenses) to shareholders as dividends. The fund also realizes capital gains from its investments, and distributes these gains (less any losses) to shareholders as capital gain distributions. The fund normally pays dividends and capital gain distributions annually. Fund dividends and capital gain distributions will be reinvested in the fund unless you instruct the fund otherwise. There are no fees or sales charges on reinvestments.

**Distributions paid by the fund** are subject to federal income tax, and may also be subject to state or local taxes (unless you are investing through a tax-advantaged retirement account). For federal tax purposes, in general, certain fund distributions, including interest income and distributions of short-term capital gains, are taxable to you as ordinary income. Other fund distributions, including dividends from U.S. companies and certain foreign companies and distributions of long-term capital gains, generally are taxable to you as qualified dividends and capital gains, respectively.

**High portfolio turnover** and more volatile markets can result in significant taxable distributions to shareholders, regardless of whether their shares have increased in value. The tax status of any distribution generally is the same regardless of how long you have been in the fund and whether you reinvest your distributions or take them in cash.

**If you buy shares of a fund** when the fund has realized but not yet distributed income or capital gains, you will be “buying a dividend” by paying the full price for the shares and then receiving a portion back in the form of a taxable distribution.

Your sale of shares, including exchanges into other funds, may result in a capital gain or loss for tax purposes. A capital gain or loss on your investment in the fund generally is the difference between the cost of your shares and the amount you receive when you sell them.

The tax status of your distributions will be detailed in your annual tax statement from the fund. Because everyone’s tax situation is unique, please consult your tax advisor before investing.





# For More Information

## Global Stock Fund

A series of Strategic Funds, Inc.

SEC file number: 811-3940

More information on this fund is available free upon request, including the following:

### Annual/Semiannual Report

Describes the fund's performance, lists portfolio holdings and contains a letter from the fund's managers discussing recent market conditions, economic trends and fund strategies that significantly affected the fund's performance during the last fiscal year. The fund's most recent annual and semiannual reports are available at [www.dreyfus.com](http://www.dreyfus.com).

### Statement of Additional Information (SAI)

Provides more details about the fund and its policies. A current SAI is available at [www.dreyfus.com](http://www.dreyfus.com) and is on file with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC). The SAI is incorporated by reference (is legally considered part of this prospectus).

### Portfolio Holdings

The fund will disclose its complete schedule of portfolio holdings, as reported on a month-end basis, at [www.dreyfus.com](http://www.dreyfus.com), under Mutual Fund Center – Dreyfus Mutual Funds – Mutual Fund Total Holdings. The information will be posted with a one-month lag and will remain accessible until the fund files a report on Form N-Q or Form N-CSR for the period that includes the date as of which the information was current. In addition, fifteen days following the end of each calendar quarter, the fund will publicly disclose at [www.dreyfus.com](http://www.dreyfus.com) its complete schedule of portfolio holdings as of the end of such quarter.

A complete description of the fund's policies and procedures with respect to the disclosure of the fund's portfolio securities is available in the fund's SAI.

To obtain information:

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**By telephone**

Call your Account Officer or 1-888-281-7350

**By mail** Write to your

Account Officer  
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Pittsburgh, PA 15258

**On the Internet** Text-only versions of certain fund documents can be viewed online or downloaded from: <http://www.sec.gov>

You can also obtain copies, after paying a duplicating fee, by visiting the SEC's Public Reference Room in Washington, DC (for information, call 1-202-551-8090) or by E-mail request to [publicinfo@sec.gov](mailto:publicinfo@sec.gov), or by writing to the SEC's Public Reference Section, Washington, DC 20549-0102.



# Private Wealth Management

## International Stock Fund

Seeks long-term total return by investing in stocks of foreign companies in developed markets

**Class I Shares**

**PROSPECTUS** April 1, 2008

**This prospectus is to be used only by clients of Mellon's Private Wealth Management group.**

As with all mutual funds, the Securities and Exchange Commission has not approved or disapproved these securities or passed upon the adequacy of this prospectus. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

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*See back cover.*

This prospectus offers Class I shares of the fund and is designed to be used only by clients of Mellon's Private Wealth Management group that maintain qualified fiduciary, custody, advisory or other accounts with Mellon Bank, N.A. or Mellon Trust of New England, N.A., or their affiliates.



## GOAL/APPROACH

The fund seeks long-term total return. To pursue this goal, the fund normally invests at least 80% of its assets in stocks. The fund normally invests primarily in foreign companies located in the developed markets, such as Canada, Japan, Australia, Hong Kong and Western Europe. The fund ordinarily invests in at least three foreign countries, and, at times, may invest a substantial portion of its assets in a single foreign country. The fund may invest in the securities of companies of any market capitalization. The fund's stock investments may include common stocks, preferred stocks, convertible securities and warrants. Although the fund typically invests in seasoned issuers, it may purchase securities of companies in initial public offerings (IPOs) or shortly thereafter.

The fund's sub-investment adviser, Walter Scott & Partners Limited (WSPL), seeks investment opportunities in companies with fundamental strengths that indicate the potential for sustainable growth. WSPL focuses on individual stock selection, building the fund's portfolio from the bottom up through extensive fundamental research.

The investment process begins with the screening of reported company financials. Companies that meet certain broad absolute and trend criteria are candidates for more detailed financial analysis. For these companies, WSPL restates the company's income statement, flow of funds, and balance sheet to a cash basis. This analysis assists WSPL in identifying the nature of operating margin and value added, the variables contributing to value added, the operating efficiencies, the working capital management, the profitability and the financing model of the company. If a company passes WSPL's more stringent financial criteria, WSPL then conducts a detailed investigation of the company's products, cost and pricing, competition and industry position and outlook. Companies that meet the collective

criteria of WSPL are visited with a view to understanding whether the company has the ability to generate sustained growth in the future. WSPL uses various valuation measures, including price-to-earnings ratio versus growth rate, price-to-cash and price-to-book. The fund's portfolio managers then select those stocks that meet WSPL's criteria where the expected growth rate is available at reasonable valuations.

Geographic and sector allocations are results of, not part of, the investment process. WSPL does not use benchmark indices as a tool for active portfolio management. Traditional benchmark indices, however, may be helpful in measuring investment returns, and the fund's investment returns generally will be compared to those of the Morgan Stanley Capital International (MSCI) Europe, Australasia and Far East (EAFE®) Index.

Although the fund's investments will be focused among the major developed markets of the world, excluding the United States, the fund may invest up to 20% of its assets in emerging markets.

WSPL believes that a patient investment approach is necessary to give the companies in which the fund invests an opportunity to realize their growth potential. Accordingly, it is expected that the fund typically will maintain a low annual portfolio turnover rate.

WSPL typically sells a stock when it no longer possesses the characteristics that caused its purchase. A stock may be a sell candidate when its valuation reaches or exceeds its calculated fair value, or there are deteriorating fundamentals. WSPL may reduce the weighting of a stock held by the fund if it becomes overweighted as determined by WSPL.

The fund may, but is not required to, use derivatives, such as futures, options and forward contracts, as a substitute for investing directly in an underlying asset, to increase returns, to manage foreign currency risk, or as part of a hedging strategy. The currency exposure of the fund's portfolio may be substantially unhedged to the U.S. dollar, but, at times, WSPL may seek to manage currency risk by hedging a portion of the fund's currency exposure to the U.S. dollar.

## Concepts to understand

**Foreign companies:** companies (i) that are organized under the laws of a foreign country; (ii) whose principal trading market is in a foreign country; or (iii) that have a majority of their assets, or that derive a significant portion of their revenue or profits from businesses, investments or sales, outside the United States.

**Growth companies:** companies whose revenue and/or earnings are expected to grow faster than the overall market. Often, growth stocks pay little or no dividends, have relatively high price-to-earnings, price-to-book and price-to-sales ratios, and tend to be more volatile than value stocks.

**MSCI EAFE Index:** is a free float-adjusted, market capitalization index that is designed to measure the equity market performance of developed markets, excluding the United States and Canada. While the EAFE Index excludes stocks of Canadian companies, the fund may invest in such stocks.





## MAIN RISKS

The fund's principal risks are discussed below. The value of your investment in the fund will fluctuate, sometimes dramatically, which means you could lose money.

- *Foreign investment risk.* The fund's performance will be influenced by political, social and economic factors affecting investments in foreign companies. Special risks associated with investments in foreign companies include exposure to currency fluctuations, less liquidity, less developed or less efficient trading markets, lack of comprehensive company information, political instability and differing auditing and legal standards. The securities of issuers located in emerging markets can be more volatile and less liquid than those of issuers in more mature economies.
- *Foreign currency risk.* Investments in foreign currencies are subject to the risk that those currencies will decline in value relative to the U.S. dollar, or, in the case of hedged positions, that the U.S. dollar will decline relative to the currency being hedged. Currency rates in foreign countries may fluctuate significantly over short periods of time. A decline in the value of foreign currencies relative to the U.S. dollar will reduce the value of securities held by the fund and denominated in those currencies. Foreign currencies also are subject to risks caused by inflation, interest rates, budget deficits and low savings rates, political factors and government controls.
- *Market risk.* The market value of a security may decline due to general market conditions that are not specifically related to a particular company, such as real or perceived adverse economic conditions, changes in the general outlook for corporate earnings, changes in interest or currency rates or adverse investor sentiment generally. A security's market value also may decline because of factors that affect a particular industry or industries, such as labor shortages or increased production costs and competitive conditions within an industry.
- *Issuer risk.* The value of a security may decline for a number of reasons which directly relate to the issuer, such as management performance, financial leverage and reduced demand for the issuer's products or services.
- *Smaller company risk.* To the extent the fund invests in small and midsize companies, it will be subject to additional risks because the earnings and revenues of these companies tend to be less predictable (and some companies may be experiencing significant losses), and their share prices more volatile than those of larger, more established companies. The shares of smaller companies tend to trade less frequently than those of larger, more established companies, which can adversely affect the pricing of these securities and the fund's ability to sell these securities.
- *Growth stock risk.* Investors often expect growth companies to increase their earnings at a certain rate. If these expectations are not met, investors can punish the stocks inordinately, even if earnings do increase. In addition, growth stocks typically lack the dividend yield that can cushion stock prices in market downturns. Because different types of stocks tend to shift in and out of favor depending on market and economic conditions, the fund's performance may sometimes be lower or higher than that of other types of funds (such as those emphasizing value stocks).
- *Market sector risk.* The fund may significantly overweight or underweight certain companies, industries or market sectors, which may cause the fund's performance to be more or less sensitive to developments affecting those companies, industries or sectors.
- *Liquidity risk.* When there is little or no active trading market for specific types of securities, it can become more difficult to sell the securities at or near their perceived value. In such a market, the value of such securities and the fund's share price may fall dramatically. Investments in foreign securities tend to have greater exposure to liquidity risk than domestic securities.
- *Leveraging risk.* The use of leverage, such as engaging in reverse repurchase agreements, lending portfolio securities, entering into futures contracts of forward currency contracts and engaging in forward commitment transactions, may magnify the fund's gains or losses.

- *Derivatives risk.* The fund may use derivative instruments, such as options, futures and options on futures (including those relating to stocks, indexes and foreign currencies), and forward contracts. A small investment in derivatives could have a potentially large impact on the fund's performance. The use of derivatives involves risks different from, or possibly greater than, the risks associated with investing directly in the underlying assets. Derivatives can be highly volatile, illiquid and difficult to value, and there is the risk that changes in the value of a derivative held by the fund will not correlate with the underlying instruments or the fund's other investments. Derivative instruments also involve the risk that a loss may be sustained as a result of the failure of the counterparty to the derivative instruments to make required payments or otherwise comply with the derivative instruments' terms.

#### What this fund is – and isn't

This fund is a mutual fund: a pooled investment that is professionally managed and gives you the opportunity to participate in financial markets. It strives to reach its stated goal, although as with all mutual funds, it cannot offer guaranteed results.

An investment in this fund is not a bank deposit. It is not insured or guaranteed by the FDIC or any other government agency. It is not a complete investment program. You could lose money in this fund, but you also have the potential to make money.

- *IPO risk.* The fund may purchase securities of companies in IPOs. The prices of securities purchased in IPOs can be very volatile. The effect of IPOs on the fund's performance depends on a variety of factors, including the number of IPOs the fund invests in relative to the size of the fund and whether and to what extent a security purchased in an IPO appreciates or depreciates in value. As a fund's asset base increases, IPOs often have a diminished effect on such fund's performance.

#### Other potential risks

Under adverse market conditions, the fund could invest some or all of its assets in securities of U.S. issuers, U.S. Treasury securities and money market securities. Although the fund would do this for temporary defensive purposes, it could reduce the benefit from any upswing in the market. During such periods, the fund may not achieve its investment objective.

The fund may lend its portfolio securities to brokers, dealers and other financial institutions. In connection with such loans, the fund will receive collateral from the borrower equal to at least 100% of the value of the loaned securities. If the borrower of the securities fails financially, there could be delays in recovering the loaned securities or exercising rights to the collateral.



## PAST PERFORMANCE

The bar chart and table shown illustrate the risks of investing in the fund. The bar chart shows the performance of the fund's Class I shares for the fund's first full calendar year of operations. The table compares the average annual total returns of the fund's Class I shares to those of the MSCI EAFE Index, an unmanaged index designed to measure the performance of stocks that are publicly traded in developed markets, excluding the U.S. and Canada. All returns assume reinvestment of dividends and distributions. Of course, past performance (before and after taxes) is no guarantee of future results. Performance of each share class will vary from the performance of the fund's other share classes due to differences in charges and expenses.

After-tax returns are calculated using the historical highest individual federal marginal income tax rates, and do not reflect the impact of state and local taxes. Actual after-tax returns depend on the investor's tax situation and may differ from those shown, and the after-tax returns shown are not relevant to investors who hold their shares through tax-deferred arrangements such as 401(k) plans or individual retirement accounts.

Year-by-year total returns *as of 12/31 each year (%)*

### Class I shares



**Best Quarter:** Q2 '07 +5.07%  
**Worst Quarter:** Q1 '07 -0.64%

## Average annual total returns *as of 12/31/07*

Share class/ inception date	1 Year	Since inception
<b>Class I</b> (12/29/06) <i>returns before taxes</i>	<b>8.46%</b>	<b>8.37%</b>
<b>Class I</b> <i>returns after taxes on distributions</i>	<b>8.36%</b>	<b>8.27%</b>
<b>Class I</b> <i>returns after taxes on distributions and sale of fund shares</i>	<b>5.76%</b>	<b>7.17%</b>
<b>MSCI EAFE Index</b> <i>reflects no deduction for fees, expenses or taxes</i>	<b>11.17%</b>	<b>11.17%</b>

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## EXPENSES

As an investor, you pay certain fees and expenses in connection with the fund, which are described in the table below. Because annual fund operating expenses are paid out of fund assets, their effect is included in the share price. The fund's Class I shares have no sales charge (load) or Rule 12b-1 distribution fees.

### Fee table

	Class I
Maximum redemption fee <i>% of transaction amount (charged only when selling shares you have owned for less than 60 days)</i>	<b>2.00</b>
<b>Annual fund operating expenses</b> <i>% of average daily net assets</i>	
Management fees	<b>.85</b>
Other expenses	<b>.53</b>
<b>Total annual fund operating expenses</b>	<b>1.38</b>
Fee waiver and/or expense reimbursements	<b>(.13)</b>
<b>Net operating expenses*</b>	<b>1.25</b>

*\* The investment adviser has contractually agreed, until March 31, 2009, to waive receipt of its fees and/or assume the expenses of the fund so that the expenses of the fund's Class I shares (excluding 12b-1 fees, shareholder services fees, taxes, interest, brokerage commissions, commitment fees on borrowings and extraordinary expenses) do not exceed 1.25%.*

### Expense example

	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years
<b>Class I</b>	<b>\$127</b>	<b>\$424</b>	<b>\$743</b>	<b>\$1,646</b>

This example shows what you could pay in expenses over time. It uses the same hypothetical conditions other funds use in their prospectuses: \$10,000 initial investment, 5% total return each year and no changes in expenses. The one-year example and the first year of the three-, five- and ten-years examples are based on net operating expenses, which reflect the expense waiver/reimbursement by the investment adviser. Because actual returns and expenses will be different, the example is for comparison only.

### Concepts to understand

**Management fee:** the fee paid to the fund's investment adviser for managing the fund's portfolio and assisting in all aspects of the fund's operations.

**Other expenses:** fees paid by the fund for miscellaneous items such as transfer agency, custody, professional and registration fees. The fund also makes payments to certain financial intermediaries, including affiliates, who provide sub-administration, recordkeeping and/or sub-transfer agency services to beneficial owners of the fund.



## MANAGEMENT

### Investment advisers

The investment adviser for the fund is The Dreyfus Corporation (Dreyfus), 200 Park Avenue, New York, New York 10166. Founded in 1947, Dreyfus manages approximately \$276 billion in approximately 180 mutual fund portfolios. For the past fiscal year, the fund paid Dreyfus a management fee at the annual rate of 0.72% of the fund's average daily net assets. A discussion regarding the basis for the board's approving the fund's management agreement with Dreyfus is available in the fund's annual report for the period from December 29, 2006 (commencement of operations) through the fiscal year ended November 30, 2007. Dreyfus is the primary mutual fund business of The Bank of New York Mellon Corporation (BNY Mellon), a global financial services company focused on helping clients move and manage their financial assets, operating in 34 countries and serving more than 100 markets. BNY Mellon is a leading provider of financial services for institutions, corporations and high-net-worth individuals, providing asset and wealth management, asset servicing, issuer services, and treasury services through a worldwide client-focused team. BNY Mellon has more than \$23 trillion in assets under custody and administration and \$1.1 trillion in assets under management, and it services more than \$11 trillion in outstanding debt. Additional information is available at [www.bnymellon.com](http://www.bnymellon.com).

The Dreyfus asset management philosophy is based on the belief that discipline and consistency are important to investment success. For each fund, Dreyfus seeks to establish clear guidelines for portfolio management and to be systematic in making decisions. This approach is designed to provide each fund with a distinct, stable identity.

Dreyfus has engaged its affiliate, Walter Scott & Partners Limited (WSPL), located at One Charlotte Square, Edinburgh, Scotland, UK, to serve as the fund's sub-investment adviser. WSPL is a wholly-owned subsidiary of BNY Mellon. As of February 29, 2008, WSPL had approximately \$32 billion in assets under management. WSPL, subject to Dreyfus' supervision and approval, provides investment advisory assistance and research and the day-to-day management of the fund's investments.

Investment decisions for the fund are made by a team of portfolio managers, which has managed the fund since the fund's inception. Dr. Ken Lyall and Mr. Alan McFarlane are the investment directors who lead the investment team with responsibility for the fund's portfolio. Dr. Lyall joined WSPL in 1983 and currently is Chairman of WSPL. Mr. McFarlane joined WSPL in 2001 as a Managing Director.

The fund's Statement of Additional Information (SAI) provides additional information about the portfolio managers' compensation, other accounts managed by the portfolio managers, and the portfolio managers' ownership of fund shares.

### Distributor

The fund's distributor is MBSC Securities Corporation (MBSC), a wholly-owned subsidiary of Dreyfus. Dreyfus or MBSC may provide cash payments out of its own resources to financial intermediaries that sell shares of the fund or provide other services. Such payments are separate from any sales charges, 12b-1 fees and/or shareholder services fees or other expenses paid by the fund to those intermediaries. Because those payments are not made by you or the fund, the fund's total expense ratio will not be affected by any such payments. These additional payments may be made to intermediaries, including affiliates, that provide shareholder servicing, sub-administration, recordkeeping and/or sub-transfer agency services, marketing support and/or access to sales meetings, sales representatives and management representatives of the financial intermediary. Cash compensation also may be paid from Dreyfus' or MBSC's own resources to intermediaries for inclusion of the fund on a sales list, including a preferred or select sales list or in other sales programs. These payments sometimes are referred to as "revenue sharing." From time to time, Dreyfus or MBSC also may provide cash or non-cash compensation to financial intermediaries or their representatives in the form of occasional gifts; occasional meals, tickets or other entertainment; support for due diligence trips; educational conference sponsorship; support for recognition programs; and other forms of cash or non-cash compensation permissible under broker-dealer regulations. In some cases, these payments or compensation may create an incentive for a financial intermediary or its employees to recommend or sell shares of the fund to you. Please contact your financial representative for details about any payments they or their firm may receive in connection with the sale of fund shares or the provision of services to the fund.

### Code of ethics

The fund, Dreyfus, WSPL and MBSC have each adopted a code of ethics that permits its personnel, subject to the code, to invest in securities, including securities that may be purchased or held by the fund. Each of the Dreyfus and WSPL code of ethics restricts the personal securities transactions of its employees, and requires portfolio managers and other investment personnel to comply with the relevant code's preclearance and disclosure procedures. The primary purpose of each code is to ensure that personal trading by Dreyfus or WSPL employees does not disadvantage any fund managed by Dreyfus or WSPL, as the case may be.

## Performance Information for Related Accounts

The fund's portfolio managers follow substantially the same investment policies and strategies managing the fund's assets as they do managing certain discretionary investment management accounts managed by WSPL (collectively, the "Related Accounts"). The following tables show the returns for the Related Accounts and for the MSCI EAFE Index. The Index information is provided to represent the investment environment existing at the time periods shown. The Index is unmanaged and an investor may not invest directly in the Index. Investors should not consider this performance data as an indication of the future performance of the fund or the Related Accounts.

The performance figures for the Related Accounts reflect the deduction of the highest management fee charged any investor in the Related Accounts during the periods shown, and not that charged to the fund. Actual fees charged investors in the Related Accounts may vary. The fee schedule is disclosed in Part II of WSPL's Form ADV. The performance of the Related Accounts could have been adversely affected by the imposition of certain regulatory requirements, restrictions and limitations, if such accounts had been regulated as investment companies under the U.S. federal securities and tax laws. Additionally, although it is anticipated that the fund and the Related Accounts may hold similar securities, their investment results are expected to differ. In particular, differences in asset size and in cash flow resulting from purchases and redemptions of fund shares may result in different security selections, differences in the relative weightings of securities or differences in the price paid for particular fund holdings. The performance information does not reflect the deduction of any applicable sales

loads which, if reflected, would reduce the performance quoted. In addition, the fund's total operating expenses are higher than those of the Related Accounts; if the fund's expenses were reflected, the performance shown would be lower. Please remember that past performance is not indicative of future returns, and that the investment return and principal value of an investment will fluctuate so that an investor's shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than their original cost.

Historical performance information for the Related Accounts and the MSCI EAFE Index is shown below. The performance information was prepared and presented in compliance with the Global Investment Performance Standards (GIPS®). All returns are calculated in U.S. dollars and reflect the reinvestment of dividends and other distributions.

Additional information regarding WSPL's policies and procedures for calculating and reporting performance returns, and a listing and description of all of its composites, is available upon request for financial advisors by calling 1-800-334-6899 and for individual shareholders by calling 1-800-554-4611. WSPL's performance data (gross of fees) has been verified by an independent verifier on a bi-annual basis from January 1, 1994 through June 30, 2007.

**WSPL**  
**International Equity Composite**  
**Annual total returns for the year ended December 31,**

Period	Related Accounts total return	MSCI EAFE Index return*	Number of portfolios	Composite dispersion (range)	Total composite assets (millions)	Percentage of Firm assets
2007	11.77%	11.17%	42	3.80%	8,733.6	25.51%
2006	19.78%	26.34%	53	6.96%	10,484.1	33.91%
2005	17.01%	13.54%	55	3.74%	8,845.6	36.80%
2004	18.58%	20.25%	44	5.60%	4,633.0	31.20%
2003	25.18%	38.59%	37	3.96%	3,156.3	41.60%
2002	(4.88%)	(15.94%)	28	6.08%	1,433.9	61.32%
2001	(20.95%)	(21.44%)	30	4.52%	1,614.4	67.30%
2000	(13.84%)	(14.17%)	32	7.17%	2,211.7	63.50%
1999	54.80%	26.96%	33	25.64%	2,889.2	71.20%
1998	10.23%	20.00%	38	14.45%	2,118.4	77.20%

WSPL International Equity Composite  
Average annual total returns *as of 12/31/07*

	1 Year	5 Years	10 Years
<b>Related Accounts</b>	<b>11.77%</b>	<b>18.48%</b>	<b>9.96%</b>
<b>MSCI EAFE Index*</b>	<b>11.17%</b>	<b>21.59%</b>	<b>8.66%</b>

\* Sources of foreign exchange rates may be different between the composite and the Index.





## FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

The following table describes the performance for Class I shares for the period from December 29, 2006 (commencement of operations) to November 30, 2007. All information (except portfolio turnover rate) reflects financial results for a single fund share. "Total return" shows how much your investment in the fund would have increased (or decreased) dur-

ing the period, assuming you had reinvested all dividends and distributions. These figures have been audited by Ernst & Young LLP, an independent registered public accounting firm, whose report, along with the fund's financial statements, is included in the annual report, which is available upon request.

	Class I*
	Shares
<b>Per-Share Data (\$):</b>	
Net asset value, beginning of period	12.50
Investment operations: Investment income (loss) – net <sup>1</sup>	.11
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss) on investments	1.15
Total from investment operations	1.26
Net asset value, end of period	13.76
Total Return (%) <sup>2</sup>	10.08
<b>Ratios/Supplemental Data (%):</b>	
Ratio of total expenses to average net assets <sup>3</sup>	1.38
Ratio of net expenses to average net assets <sup>3</sup>	1.16
Ratio of net investment income (loss) to average net assetse <sup>3</sup>	.81
Portfolio turnover rate <sup>2</sup>	13.34
Net assets, end of period (\$ x 1,000)	69,201

\* Effective June 1, 2007, Class R shares were redesignated as Class I shares.

<sup>1</sup> Based on average shares outstanding at each month end.

<sup>2</sup> Not annualized.

<sup>3</sup> Annualized.

# Your Investment



## ACCOUNT POLICIES

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### Buying shares

The fund is offering its Class I shares in this prospectus.

Clients of Mellon's Private Wealth Management group that maintain qualified fiduciary, custody, advisory or other accounts with Mellon Bank, N.A. or Mellon Trust of New England, N.A., or their affiliates, are eligible to purchase Class I shares of the fund.

To purchase Class I shares of the fund, contact your account officer.

You pay no sales charges to invest in Class I shares of the fund. Your price for Class I shares is the net asset value per share (NAV) for that class, which is generally calculated as of the close of trading on the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE) (usually 4:00 p.m. Eastern time) on days the NYSE is open for regular business. Your order will be priced at the next NAV calculated after your order is received in proper form by the fund's transfer agent or other authorized entity. When calculating NAV, the fund's equity investments are valued on the basis of market quotations or official closing prices. If market quotations or official closing prices are not readily available, or are determined not to reflect accurately fair value (such as when the value of a security has been materially affected by events occurring after the close of the exchange or market on which the security is principally traded (for example, a foreign exchange or market), but before the fund calculates its NAV), the fund may value those investments at fair value as determined in accordance with procedures approved by the fund's board. Fair value of investments may be determined by the fund's board, its pricing committee or its valuation committee in good faith using such information as it deems appropriate under the circumstances. Fair value of foreign equity securities may be determined with the assistance of a pricing service using correlations between the movement of prices of foreign securities and indexes of domestic securities

and other appropriate indicators, such as closing market prices of relevant ADRs and futures contracts. Using fair value to price securities may result in a value that is different from a security's most recent closing price and from the prices used by other mutual funds to calculate their net asset values. Forward currency contracts will be valued at the current cost of offsetting the contract. Foreign securities held by the fund may trade on days when the fund does not calculate its NAV and thus may affect the fund's NAV on days when investors have no access to the fund.

Investments in foreign securities, small-capitalization equity securities and certain other thinly traded securities may provide short-term traders arbitrage opportunities with respect to the fund's shares. For example, arbitrage opportunities may exist when trading in a portfolio security or securities is halted and does not resume, or the market on which such securities are traded closes before the fund calculates its NAV. If short-term investors in the fund were able to take advantage of these arbitrage opportunities they could dilute the NAV of fund shares held by long-term investors. Portfolio valuation policies can serve to reduce arbitrage opportunities available to short-term traders, but there is no assurance that such valuation policies will prevent dilution of the fund's NAV by short-term traders. While the fund has a policy regarding frequent trading, it too may not be completely effective to prevent short-term NAV arbitrage trading, particularly in regard to omnibus accounts. Please see "Your Investment — Account Policies — General Policies" for further information about the fund's frequent trading policy.

### Concept to understand

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**Net asset value (NAV):** the market value of one share, computed by dividing the total net assets of a fund or class by its shares outstanding.

## Selling shares

To sell (redeem) Class I shares of the fund, contact your account officer.

**You may sell (redeem) shares at any time.** Your shares will be sold at the next NAV calculated after your order is received in proper form by the fund's transfer agent or other authorized entity. Your order will be processed promptly and you will generally receive the proceeds within a week.

## General policies

**The fund is designed for long-term investors.** Frequent purchases, redemptions and exchanges may disrupt portfolio management strategies and harm fund performance by diluting the value of fund shares and increasing brokerage and administrative costs. As a result, the investment adviser and the fund's board have adopted a policy of discouraging excessive trading, short-term market timing, and other abusive trading practices (frequent trading) that could adversely affect the fund or its operations. The investment adviser and the fund will not enter into arrangements with any person or group to permit frequent trading.

**The fund reserves the right to:**

- change or discontinue its exchange privilege, or temporarily suspend the privilege during unusual market conditions
- change its minimum or maximum investment amounts
- delay sending out redemption proceeds for up to seven days (generally applies only during unusual market conditions or in cases of very large redemptions or excessive trading)
- "redeem in kind," or make payments in securities rather than cash, if the amount redeemed is large enough to affect fund operations (for example, if it exceeds 1% of the fund's assets)
- refuse any purchase or exchange request, including those from any individual or group who, in the investment adviser's view, is likely to engage in frequent trading

More than four roundtrips within a rolling 12-month period generally is considered to be frequent trading. A roundtrip consists of an investment that is substantially liquidated within 60 days. Based on the facts and circumstances of the trades, the fund may also view as frequent trading a pattern of investments that are partially liquidated within 60 days.

The investment adviser monitors selected transactions to identify frequent trading. When its surveillance systems identify multiple roundtrips, the investment adviser evaluates trading activity in the account for evidence of frequent trading. The investment adviser considers the investor's trading history in other accounts under common ownership or control, in certain other funds managed by the investment adviser or its affiliates, and if known, in non-affiliated mutual funds and accounts under common control. These evaluations involve judgments that are inherently subjective, and while the investment adviser seeks to apply the policy and procedures uniformly, it is possible that similar transactions may be treated differently. In all instances, the investment adviser seeks to make these judgments to the best of its abilities in a manner that it believes is consistent with shareholder interests. If the investment adviser concludes the account is likely to engage in frequent trading, the investment adviser may cancel or revoke the purchase or exchange on the following business day. The investment adviser may also temporarily or permanently bar such investor's future purchases into the fund in lieu of, or in addition to, canceling or revoking the trade. At its discretion, the investment adviser may apply these restrictions across all accounts under common ownership, control, or perceived affiliation.

Fund shares often are held through omnibus accounts maintained by financial intermediaries, such as brokers and retirement plan administrators, where the holdings of multiple shareholders, such as all the clients of a particular broker, are aggregated. The investment adviser's ability to monitor the trading activity of investors whose shares are held in omnibus accounts is limited and dependent upon the cooperation of the financial intermediary in providing information with respect to individual shareholder transactions. However, the agreements between the distributor and financial intermediaries include obligations to comply with the terms of this prospectus. Further, all intermediaries have been requested in writing to notify the distributor immediately if, for any reason, they cannot meet their commitment to make fund shares available in accordance with the terms of the prospectus and relevant rules and regulations.

To the extent that the fund significantly invests in foreign securities traded on markets that close before the fund calculates its NAV, events that influence the value of these foreign securities may occur after the close of these foreign markets and before the fund calculates its NAV. As a result, certain investors may seek to trade fund shares in an effort to benefit from their understanding of the value of these foreign securities at the time the fund calculates its NAV (referred to as price arbitrage). This type of frequent trading may dilute the value of fund shares held by other shareholders. The fund has adopted procedures designed to adjust closing market prices of foreign equity securities under certain circumstances to reflect what it believes to be their fair value.

To the extent that the fund significantly invests in thinly traded small-capitalization equity securities, certain investors may seek to trade fund shares in an effort to benefit from their understanding of the value of these securities (referred to as price arbitrage). Any such frequent trading strategies may interfere with efficient management of the fund's portfolio to a greater degree than funds that invest in highly liquid securities, in part because the fund may have difficulty selling these portfolio securities at advantageous times or prices to satisfy large and/or frequent redemption requests. Any successful price arbitrage may also cause dilution in the value of fund shares held by other shareholders.

Although the fund's frequent trading and fair valuation policies and procedures are designed to discourage market timing and excessive trading, none of these tools alone, nor all of them together, completely eliminates the potential for frequent trading.

Transactions made through automatic investment plans, automatic withdrawal plans, auto-exchange privileges and automatic non-discretionary rebalancing programs approved in writing by the investment adviser generally are not considered to be frequent trading.

### Small account policy

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If your account falls below \$500, the fund may ask you to increase your balance. If it is still below \$500 after 45 days, the fund may close your account and send you the proceeds.



## DISTRIBUTIONS AND TAXES

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The fund earns dividends, interest and other income from its investments, and distributes this income (less expenses) to shareholders as dividends. The fund also realizes capital gains from its investments, and distributes these gains (less any losses) to shareholders as capital gain distributions. The fund normally pays dividends and capital gain distributions annually. Fund dividends and capital gain distributions will be reinvested in the fund unless you instruct the fund otherwise. There are no fees or sales charges on reinvestments.

**Distributions paid by the fund** are subject to federal income tax, and may also be subject to state or local taxes (unless you are investing through a tax-advantaged retirement account). For federal tax purposes, in general, certain fund distributions, including interest income and distributions of short-term capital gains, are taxable to you as ordinary income. Other fund distributions, including dividends from U.S. companies and certain foreign companies and distributions of long-term capital gains, generally are taxable to you as qualified dividends and capital gains, respectively.

**High portfolio turnover** and more volatile markets can result in significant taxable distributions to shareholders, regardless of whether their shares have increased in value. The tax status of any distribution generally is the same regardless of how long you have been in the fund and whether you reinvest your distributions or take them in cash.

**If you buy shares of a fund** when the fund has realized but not yet distributed income or capital gains, you will be “buying a dividend” by paying the full price for the shares and then receiving a portion back in the form of a taxable distribution.

Your sale of shares, including exchanges into other funds, may result in a capital gain or loss for tax purposes. A capital gain or loss on your investment in the fund generally is the difference between the cost of your shares and the amount you receive when you sell them.

The tax status of your distributions will be detailed in your annual tax statement from the fund. Because everyone’s tax situation is unique, please consult your tax advisor before investing.





# For More Information

## International Stock Fund

A series of Strategic Funds, Inc.

SEC file number: 811-3940

More information on this fund is available free upon request, including the following:

### Annual/Semiannual Report

Describes the fund's performance, lists portfolio holdings and contains a letter from the fund's managers discussing recent market conditions, economic trends and fund strategies that significantly affected the fund's performance during the last fiscal year. The fund's most recent annual and semiannual reports are available at [www.dreyfus.com](http://www.dreyfus.com).

### Statement of Additional Information (SAI)

Provides more details about the fund and its policies. A current SAI is available at [www.dreyfus.com](http://www.dreyfus.com) and is on file with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC). The SAI is incorporated by reference (is legally considered part of this prospectus).

### Portfolio Holdings

The fund will disclose its complete schedule of portfolio holdings, as reported on a month-end basis, at [www.dreyfus.com](http://www.dreyfus.com), under Mutual Fund Center – Dreyfus Mutual Funds – Mutual Fund Total Holdings. The information will be posted with a one-month lag and will remain accessible until the fund files a report on Form N-Q or Form N-CSR for the period that includes the date as of which the information was current. In addition, fifteen days following the end of each calendar quarter, the fund will publicly disclose at [www.dreyfus.com](http://www.dreyfus.com) its complete schedule of portfolio holdings as of the end of such quarter.

A complete description of the fund's policies and procedures with respect to the disclosure of the fund's portfolio securities is available in the fund's SAI.

To obtain information:

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Call your Account Officer or 1-888-281-7350

#### By mail

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**On the Internet** Text-only versions of certain fund documents can be viewed online or downloaded from:  
<http://www.sec.gov>

You can also obtain copies, after paying a duplicating fee, by visiting the SEC's Public Reference Room in Washington, DC (for information, call 1-202-551-8090) or by E-mail request to [publicinfo@sec.gov](mailto:publicinfo@sec.gov), or by writing to the SEC's Public Reference Section, Washington, DC 20549-0102.

