

## **IQ20 Quarterly Commentary**

## Portfolio Review:

The Mundoval Fund returned -20.35% in the first quarter of 2020 versus -21.05% for the MSCI World Index during the same period. Since inception date of the Fund on September 3, 2004, the average annualized rate of return for the Mundoval Fund has been 5.84% versus 5.86% for the MSCI World Index.

Positive factors impacting performance for the Fund during the quarter included the Healthcare Sector (Biogen, Novo Nordisk & Roche Holding) and Consumer Discretionary Sector (Nestle, Unilever and Nike). Negative factors impacting performance for the Fund during the quarter included the Financial Sector (BNP Paribas, Citigroup & Bank of America) and the Energy Sector (Valero Energy).

During the quarter shares of KDDI Corporation were sold in order to provide liquidity to purchase additional shares of existing holdings and new shares of Boeing Corporation. The geographic diversification of the Fund as of March 31, 2020 consisted of 63.63% domestic stocks, 31.38% international stocks and 4.99% cash equivalents. The Fund owned shares of common stock in 32 companies.

## **Manager Commentary:**

Since it first appeared in Wuhan, China late last year, the new corona virus (Covid-19) has spread around the world and caused a global pandemic. As a result of the health mandates by governments worldwide to combat the spread of the virus, global capital markets experienced extreme volatility during the last month of the quarter. The Standard & Poor's 500 Index posted a 20% decline while the MSCI EAFE (Developed International markets) Index lost 22.83% in the first quarter. The precipitous decline in the price of crude oil during the quarter had a negative impact on most energy companies while the travel and lodging sectors experienced unprecedented declines in their business operations.

Despite the considerable uncertainty associated with the pandemic and its effect on the global economy, it is important to acknowledge that some businesses will continue to thrive while most others will eventually return to normalcy in their operations. During the quarter it was reported by Nike that 80% of the stores that sell its products in China have reopened, after being closed in February. The Walt Disney Company launched Disney+, their streaming service, in Britain, Spain, Italy, Germany and other European countries. Although travel bans and business closures have negatively impacted consumer and business spending, Mastercard reported that it expected 9-10% growth in the first quarter. Facebook confirmed that total messaging across the platform's services had increased 50%, with video messaging more than doubling. Apple and Alphabet (a.k.a. Google) maintain more than \$300 billion of cash combined on their balance sheets, which can be used to repurchase shares and make strategic acquisitions. In March, Roche Holding began shipping 400,000 initial test kits for Covid-19 while Unilever funneled cash to its suppliers worldwide by speeding up payments to small & medium sized vendors and offering credit to small retailers. Years from now we will look back on this pandemic as another example of how economic downturns reveal capitalism's way of sorting out weak business models and stretched balance sheets.

Thank you for your business and continued support.

Arthur Q. Johnson, CFA

## Average Annualized Total Returns as of March 31, 2020

	1Q 2020 (Non- Annualized)	1-Year	3-Year	5-Year	7-Year	10 Year	Since Inception (9/3/04)
Mundoval Fund	-20.35%	-4.02%	3.78%	3.64%	5.75%	6.04%	5.84%
MSCI World Index	-21.05%	-10.39%	1.92%	3.24%	5.77%	6.57%	5.86%

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