

# Dreyfus Solutions Guide

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MORGAN STANLEY ANALYSIS	GIC THEMES	RECOMMENDATION	FUND TRAITS	FUND OR PORTFOLIO TRAITS
EQUITIES	<p>"Consider neutralizing factor and style exposure by taking down growth and momentum while increasing value and quality."</p>	<p><b>Late Cycle Opportunities Remain in Energy and Financials</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dreyfus Strategic Value Fund (DRGVX)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The fund currently holds an overweight in Financials, which is the single largest sector holding of the fund</li> <li>• Committed to large-cap stocks</li> <li>• Active risk management</li> </ul>
	<p>"As energy crosses its six month momentum threshold, it is expected to trigger higher inflows into energy companies from quantitative investors."</p>	<p><b>Neutralize Outsized Style and Factor Exposures</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• BNY Mellon Income Stock Fund (BMIIX)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A unique dividend approach combining sustainable high current income and solid dividend growth without sacrificing value</li> <li>• A high-conviction, excess-return-driven process that seeks to deliver positive benchmark and peer-relative results</li> <li>• An experienced and tenured team with aligned interests</li> </ul>
	<p>"...recommend exposure through energy stocks and MLPs."</p>			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dreyfus Natural Resources Fund (DLDRX)*</li> <li>• Seeks long-term capital appreciation</li> <li>• Invests at least 80% of its net assets in companies principally engaged in owning or developing natural resources, or supplying goods, technology and services relating to natural resources</li> </ul>
SMALL MID CAP	<p>"We believe... better loan growth and domestic policy initiatives should lead to a better operating environment for small caps."</p> <p>"Dollar strength has likely been a positive tail wind for small caps and further currency strength would support small cap relative performance."</p>	<p><b>SMID Caps Expected to Outperform</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dreyfus/The Boston Company Small/Mid Cap Growth Fund (SDSCX)*</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A smaller-cap diversifier with a proven performance record</li> <li>• Focus on stock selection, with an emphasis on identifying a company's true growth duration</li> <li>• Utilization of profit themes helps identify economic/demography tailwinds</li> </ul>
GLOBAL EQUITIES	<p>"Loose monetary policy and fiscal stimulus combined with political and structural reform may mean that Japanese equities, driven by "Abenomics" and attractively valued, present a rare opportunity after 20+ years of underperformance."</p>	<p><b>Japanese Equities: An Emerging Growth Story</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dreyfus/Newton International Equity Fund (SNIEX),* • Newton Capital Management International Equity (FS)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Employs bottom-up, valuation-sensitive stock picking approach based upon themes that represent large-scale changes with an impact upon sectors/ industries throughout the globe</li> <li>• Currently overweight Japan; significantly less direct exposure to emerging markets</li> <li>• Less volatility vs. its benchmark, with higher tracking error</li> </ul>
	<p>"Emerging markets underperformed the broad market since 2010, but could enter a sustained bull market."</p>	<p><b>Emerging Market Equities Present New Opportunities</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dreyfus Global Emerging Markets Fund (DGIEX)*</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• High-conviction, fundamentally driven, benchmark-agnostic approach</li> <li>• Long-term themes target future growth in emerging markets</li> <li>• Emphasis on quality and governance</li> </ul>

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ALTERNATIVES	“The GIC believes market volatility, which is at multi-decade lows, will normalize, potentially increasing volatility by as much as 30% over the next three-to-five years across asset classes.”	<b>Manage Broad Global Volatility: Consider Global Macro and Managed Futures</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Dynamic Total Return Fund (AVGRX)*</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Unconstrained asset allocation</li> <li>• Tail-risk management tools</li> <li>• Multi-asset pioneers</li> </ul>

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