

## Grandeur Peak Launches New Global Explorer Fund

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Todd Matheny, Director of Client Relations Advisors® announced today the launch of the <u>Grandeur</u> <u>Peak Global Explorer Fund</u> (GPGEX). The Fund will invest in what the firm believes are the most interesting equity investments around the world. The holdings will primarily be micro to mid-cap companies.

The Global Explorer Fund is a sister fund to the existing Grandeur Peak Global Reach Fund (GPRIX). The two funds share a similar mandate, but they approach portfolio management from a different angle. The Global Reach Fund (launched in 2013) is managed collaboratively by the firm's five industry teams/portfolio managers, plus a guardian portfolio manager. Similarly, the new Global

Explorer Fund will be managed by the firm's seven geographic region teams/portfolio managers, plus a guardian portfolio manager.

Said Blake Walker, CEO, "In our quest to cover the globe, members of our research team wear multiple hats – some combination of an industry hat, a geography hat, and a fund hat. We long ago divided the world up into industries (5) and geographic regions (7) and gave analysts the charge to find the most interesting companies in their assigned space. The beauty of viewing the world through these two different lenses is that we have at least two people looking at every company, namely the relevant industry analyst and geography analyst. We have found it to be a powerful 'multiple minds' tool."

<u>Juliette Douglas</u>, a geography portfolio manager, and the portfolio manager who will coordinate the Global Explorer team's efforts, continued, "In hindsight, it could have made sense to launch the Global Explorer at the same time as Global Reach, but candidly we weren't staffed or ready to do so eight years ago. Today it's an easy extension for our team and the geographic paper portfolio we have managed for some time. We expect Reach and Explorer will look fairly similar given our collaborative approach, but we also believe there will be a very real benefit in putting

our geography PMs at the helm of their own fund. Those benefits will play out in the Global Explorer Fund, and also radiate through the rest of the Grandeur Peak Funds. The geography teams are thrilled at this opportunity."

Grandeur Peak has from day one shown a very strong commitment to managing capacity at a firm level, and closing funds early. With many of the Grandeur Peak Funds currently closed, Todd Matheny, Director of Client Relations, commented on the capacity of the new Fund: "With the Global Explorer Fund focused on our more capacity-constrained micro to mid-cap space, we plan to soft close the Fund around \$35M in AUM. We are excited about this Fund, and the strategic value it adds across our entire family of funds, but we intend to close it very small to ensure all of our funds retain the investment flexibility they need to remain focused on delivering performance for our clients."

## About Grandeur Peak Global Advisors

Grandeur Peak Global Advisors is comprised of a highly seasoned and collaborative research team taking a bottom-up approach to investing using disciplined global screening, rigorous company due diligence, and close attention to valuation to find what we believe to be the best investment opportunities around the world. Our bias is towards micro to mid-cap companies because we believe we can find faster growth among these firms, and often at better valuations due to the lack of analyst coverage. Grandeur Peak Global Advisors, LLC is an employee-owned investment adviser headquartered in Salt Lake City, Utah and registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission under the Investment Advisers Act of 1940.

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The objective of all the Grandeur Peak Funds is long-term growth of capital. The Global Explorer Fund is new and has limited operating history.

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