



## INVESTMENT IDEA: IQ FTSE International Equity Currency Neutral ETF (HFXI)

International investing can be both positively and negatively influenced by the effects of relative currency movements. Rather than choosing between a fully hedged or unhedged position, investors should consider a neutral strategy such as **HFXI, a five-star rated solution as of December 2023.\***

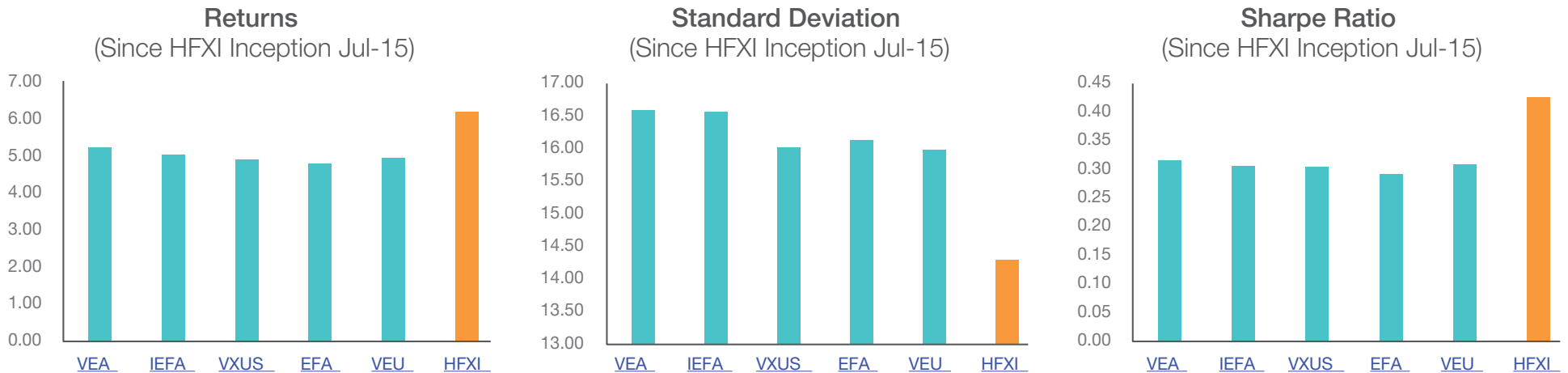
(Morningstar Rating Five Stars Overall, based on the risk-adjusted returns from among 698 Foreign Large Blend funds, as of 12/31/2023)



- A currency neutral solution like HFXI can be an efficient way to implement low-cost passive exposure to international developed equities, potentially providing some of the supplemental performance benefits of incorporating currencies while seeking to lower potential negative impacts
- Lower standard deviation through currency risk management, while maintaining market-cap weighted equity exposure, resulted in a higher Sharpe Ratio compared to peers



### Since Inception Performance – HFXI vs Peers



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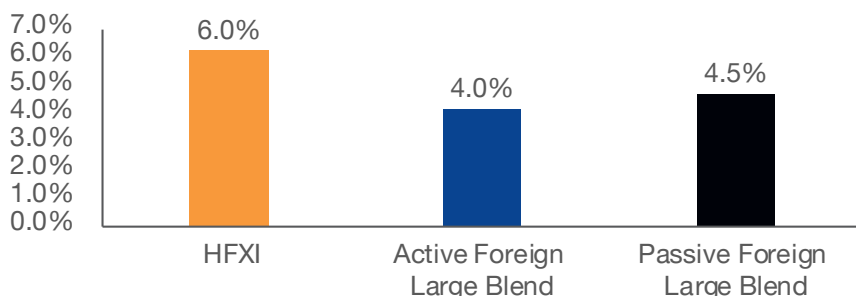
Source: MorningStar as of 12/31/2023. Tax-loss harvesting is a strategy that investors employ to lower the tax paid to government by selling the investments at loss in order to offset the gain on investment/personal income. Standard Deviation measures how widely dispersed a fund's returns have been over a specified period of time. A high Standard Deviation indicates that the range is wide, implying greater potential for volatility. The Sharpe Ratio shown is calculated by dividing annualized excess returns by annualized standard deviation. It is not possible to invest directly in an index. **The above-mentioned funds have a similar passive investment objective of tracking a non-US market-cap weighted Index, except HFXI having one material difference with the benchmark index including a currency hedge to half of the value of the exposure inherent to the equities. This material difference results in a general reduction of risk, as the level of the exposure to currency fluctuation risk is reduced by the hedge. The Prospectus Net Expense ratios of the funds included are as follows: VEA 0.05%, IEFA 0.07%, VXUS 0.07%, EFA 0.33%, VEU 0.08%, and HFXI 0.20%. The fund page for each strategy is linked to the ticker.** The comparison of ETFs are the 5 largest ETFs in Foreign Large Blend Category, in size order: VEA, IEFA, VXUS, EFA, VEU.

▶ Consider IQ FTSE International Equity Currency Neutral ETF (HFXI)



Not FDIC/NCUA Insured	Not a Deposit	May Lose Value
No Bank Guarantee	Not Insured by Any Government Agency	

**Consistent outperformance** - HFXI has historically outperformed both active and passive international categories since 07/22/2015



Source: Morningstar as of 12/31/23. U.S. Active Fund Foreign Large Blend represented by the Morningstar U.S. Active Fund Foreign Large Blend Category. U.S. Passive Fund Foreign Large Blend represented by the Morningstar U.S. Passive Fund Foreign Large Blend ETF Category.

**Before considering an investment in the Fund, you should understand that you could lose money.**

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\*Source MorningStar, for the period ended 12/31/23 HFXI ranked 5 stars for 3-year and 5 stars for 5-year periods respectively based on the risk-adjusted returns from among 698 and 642 Foreign Large Blend funds, respectively.

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## IQ FTSE International Equity Currency Neutral ETF (HFXI)

Average Annual Total Returns, as of 12/31/23 (%)

Share Class	1 year	3 years	5 years	Since Inception
HFXI (NAV)	19.45	6.73	9.89	5.99
HFXI (Market Price)	19.88	6.82	10.09	6.01

Fund inception: 7/22/2015

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**Total annual operating expenses: 0.20%.**

As stated in the Fund's prospectus, the management fee of 0.19% is expressed as a unitary fee to cover expenses incurred in connection with managing the portfolio. Percentages based on total net assets and may change daily.