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Virtus Investment Partners Closes on Acquisition of AlphaSimplex

Leading manager of quantitative alternative strategies

HARTFORD, CT, April 3, 2023 – [Virtus Investment Partners, Inc.](#) (NASDAQ: VRTS), which operates a multi-boutique asset management business, completed its previously announced acquisition of [AlphaSimplex, LLC](#), a leading manager of quantitative alternative investment solutions with \$8.3 billion¹ of assets under management.

The transaction, which closed on April 1, further diversifies Virtus' alternative investment offerings by adding AlphaSimplex's systematic, quantitative investment solutions that are available to institutional and individual clients. The firm's distinctive offerings are designed to adapt to changing market dynamics and provide the potential for positive, uncorrelated investment returns even through the markets' most challenging periods.

AlphaSimplex offers its highly regarded trend-following managed futures strategy through the \$2.7 billion, 5-Star Morningstar Rated^{TM2} [AlphaSimplex Managed Futures Strategy Fund](#) (ASFYX), which is the third-largest U.S. mutual fund in its category, and also manages the [AlphaSimplex Global Alternatives Fund](#) (GAFYX). Virtus expects to complete the adoption of these funds in May and the transition of the Luxembourg-domiciled UCITS fund managed by AlphaSimplex, subject to regulatory approval, is expected in the third quarter of 2023. Natixis Investment Managers will continue to distribute the funds until the transitions are complete.

As a boutique affiliate of Virtus, AlphaSimplex will maintain autonomy over its investment processes, brand, and culture, ensuring continuity for its clients, consultants, and distribution partners.

"AlphaSimplex offers innovative capabilities that rely on researching and analyzing market behaviors and employing a proprietary risk management process to help investors succeed in ever-evolving markets," said George R. Aylward, president and chief executive officer of Virtus. "We are

¹ As of February 28, 2023. Assets under management (AUM) includes the trading size (capital) of separately managed accounts managed by AlphaSimplex (other than overlay accounts) for which the client has elected to fund the capital of the strategy on a partial basis. This measure of AUM does not correspond to regulatory AUM.

² Overall rating derived from weighted average of the 3-, 5- and 10-year (if applicable) Morningstar Rating metrics; other ratings based on risk-adjusted returns.

pleased to have the well-respected team at AlphaSimplex join us as an affiliated manager and look forward to supporting their continued growth.”

About AlphaSimplex

[AlphaSimplex](#) is a registered investment adviser that seeks to expand the way the world invests with the power of diversification. The firm specializes in researching and analyzing markets and behaviors, including volatility and risk. AlphaSimplex develops systematic investment strategies that are designed to adapt to changing market dynamics, using primarily liquid futures and forward contracts. The firm seeks to deliver investment success and positively impact clients and colleagues by embracing a thoughtful culture of innovation, collaboration, and excellence.

About Virtus Investment Partners, Inc.

[Virtus Investment Partners](#) (NASDAQ: VRTS) is a distinctive partnership of boutique investment managers singularly committed to the long-term success of individual and institutional investors. We provide investment management products and services from our [affiliated managers](#), each with a distinct investment style and autonomous investment process, as well as select subadvisers. Investment solutions are available across multiple disciplines and product types to meet a wide array of investor needs. Additional information about our firm, investment partners, and strategies is available at [virtus.com](#).

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Morningstar Information (As of December 31, 2022)

AlphaSimplex Managed Futures Strategy Fund (Class Y: ASFYX)

Morningstar Category: Systematic Trend

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Overall out of 68 funds ★★★★★

Three years out of 68 funds ★★★★★

Five years out of 62 funds ★★★★★

Ten years out of 33 funds ★★★★★

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