

QID Wins 2 Top Gun Awards for 3Q2018

Naples, Florida—November 26, 2018— Quantitative Investment Decisions, LLC has been awarded two Top Gun awards for 3Q2018 by Informa Investment Solutions'. Informa is North America's longest running database of investment managers. QID's Global Balanced Strategy received Top Gun award for three-year performance for the Global/Intl Balanced Universe. In addition, the firm was acknowledged as one of the top International Equity managers for its one-year performance as well.

"QID strategies provide advisors the ability to develop well-diversified portfolios coupled with the extreme downside protection that investor's desire" said Ron Santangelo, QID CIO/Senior Manager. "We are very pleased with the consistency of our tactical strategy performances. The firm has won 20 Top Gun awards, as a Stock/ETF strategist, in just 3years with only six strategies." "As expected in a difficult third quarter our well diversified Global portfolio rose to one of the top performers. Not only did the diversification benefit our investors but the strategy also started to take a defensive position with cash rising to 17% of the portfolio. QID's International Equity remained defensive with an 88% cash position." Said Ron Santangelo QID CIO/Portfolio Manager. QID provides their strategies as a sub-advisory solution to registered investment advisors.

The QID Global Balanced/Retirement Growth Strategy provides broad exposure to the Global Markets. When fully invested and fully diversified, the strategy is allocated across U.S. Equity, Non-U.S. Equity, fixed-income and alternative asset classes such as commodities and real estate. The retirement strategies have a base allocation determined by a series of mean variance optimization models. For the growth strategy the base allocation is 60% U.S. equity, 20% Non-U.S. equity, 15% fixed-income and 5% alternative classes. The asset allocation is tactical in nature and driven by a series of proprietary models based on economic factors, valuation criteria and technical indicators. The equity allocation may be between 40-80%. Whereas, fixed-income and alternatives may be between 20-60%.

The QID International Equity Strategy provides broad exposure to international equities and allocates the portfolio across major international economic areas. The weighting of the country/regional ETFs is based on a GDP weighting system which results in a higher exposure to emerging markets. The strategy is diversified across countries and company specific risk by selecting positions across the universe of Exchange Traded Funds (ETFs). QID's 100% quantitative process produces binary (on/off – own/don't own) signals for each ETF. The strategy uses set percentages for the allocation to each ETF. A defensive position will begin to build as each ETF is sold. The weighting of the defensive position (i.e. cash equivalents or U.S. Treasury instruments) is determined by the original weighting of the country/regional ETF that is removed. The portfolio will go 100% defensive when all international ETFs have been sold.

What differentiates QID is that we wrap every one of our asset Strategies with downside protection. While no investment model can predict the unexpected, QID's strategies help re-move emotional and irrational behavior from the investment decision process. If all sectors indicate extreme downside risk the strategy automatically goes to 100% cash equivalent ETFs or Treasury's.

QID provides tactical strategies for U.S. equity, international equity, global fixed-income, and alternative assets. Our strategies provide Financial advisors the ability to use any of our strategies as a tactical complement to a client's portfolio or as a turnkey solution with diversification by selecting our Global Balanced Strategy. QID's Global Balanced Strategy can be customized to your client's risk profile.

Through a combination of Informa Investment Solutions' proprietary performance screens, [PSN Top Guns](#) ranks products in six proprietary categories in over 50 universes. This is a well-respected quarterly ranking and is widely used by institutional asset managers and investors. Informa Investment Solutions is part of Informa Financial Intelligence, a leading provider of critical decision-making solutions and custom services to financial institutions.

Top Guns firms are awarded a rating from one to six stars, with the number of stars representing continued performance over time.

1-Star Category: Products with this rating performed among the top ten within their respective universes, based on quarterly returns.

2-Star Category: These products were top ten performers within their respective universes, based on returns for the one-year period.

3-Star Category: These products were top five performers within their respective ETF Strategist universes, based on returns for the three-year period.

"PSN Top Guns, which ranks products in six categories in over 50 universes, is a go-to resource for institutional asset managers and investors in their decision-making process," said [Ryan Nauman, VP, product and market strategist at Informa Financial Intelligence](#). "Congratulations to Quantitative Investment Decisions, LLC on being named a PSN Top Gun. This highly respected ranking spotlights the performance of leading investment managers each quarter."

The complete list of PSN Top Guns and an overview of the methodology can be located on <http://www.informais.com/resources/psn-top-guns>.

For more details on the methodology behind the PSN Top Guns Rankings or to purchase PSN Top Guns Reports, contact Ruth Calderon at ruth.calderon@informais.com.

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