# Value Investing Conference



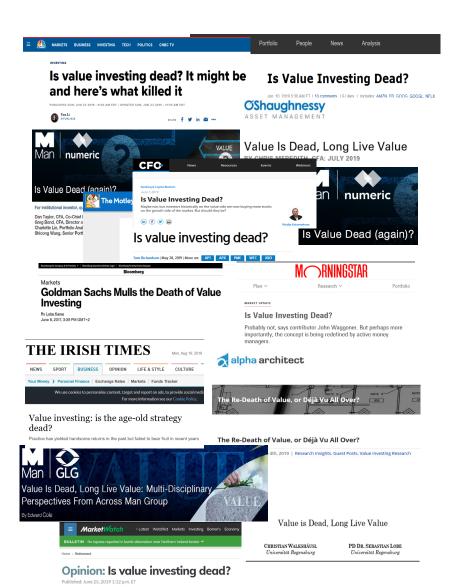
Identifying Value – Focus on Facts not Fiction



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### "Value is dead!"

Public opinion and sentiment - we have seen this before...





# DOTCOM BUBBLE



#### **NIFTY FIFTY**





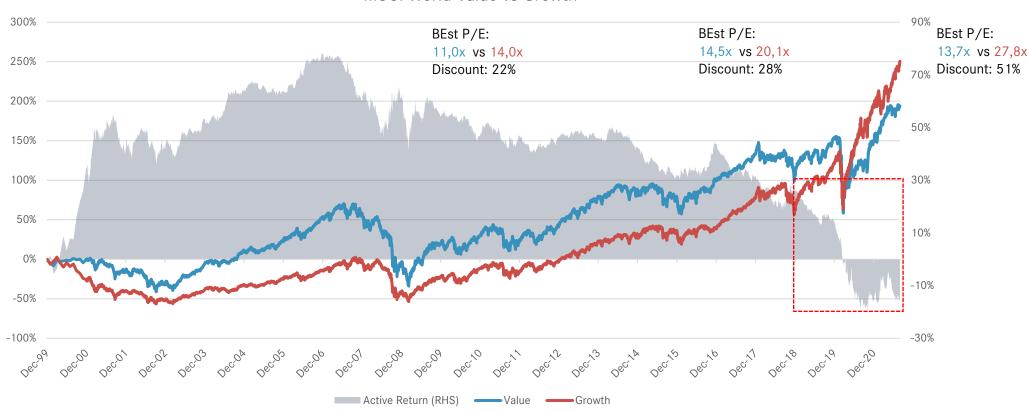
# Multiple Expansion & Value Underperformance

#### **MSCI World Value vs Growth**



Performance of Growth driven by Multiple Expansion

#### MSCI World Value vs Growth



Performance of Value versus Growth:

Since 2008: -48%\*

Since 2018: -36%\*

#### **Factor Matrix**



### Recent underperformance driven by Growth, Quality and Momentum

|                       |                      | 2000 - 2021 |        |               | 2018 - 2021 |        |               |
|-----------------------|----------------------|-------------|--------|---------------|-------------|--------|---------------|
|                       |                      | APAC        | Europe | North America | APAC        | Europe | North America |
|                       | FCF Yield            | 4           | 1      | 2             | 5           | 4      | 5             |
|                       | Book Yield           | 2           | 7      | 5             | 8           | 8      | 6             |
| Value                 | Dividend Yield       | 1           | 6      | 4             | 7           | 6      | 4             |
|                       | EBIT/EV              | 3           | 3      | 1             | 6           | 5      | 7             |
|                       | Earnings Yield (T+1) | 6           | 5      | 3             | 4           | 7      | 8             |
| Momentum Key Momentum |                      | 8           | 2      | 7             | 2           | 1      | 2             |
| Quality               | CFROI FY1            | 7           | 4      | 6             | 1           | 3      | 3             |
| Growth                | EPS growth FY2/FY1   | 5           | 8      | 8             | 3           | 2      | 1             |

The table illustrates the rank of a given factor in each market (column) for each time period.

- Long-term, Value factors provide superior returns, i.e. Fundamentals Matter
- As of 2018, we saw sole-focus on stories and fiction

<sup>1 =</sup> highest performance, 8 = worst performance

## **Multiple Expansion**



Surge of fundamentally unsustainable stocks drove the markets in the pandemic

|        |      | Price / Sa               | Price / Ea  | rnings (FY+1) |      |                          |
|--------|------|--------------------------|-------------|---------------|------|--------------------------|
|        | LVMH | Microsoft<br>Corporation | Tesla, Inc. | NIO Inc.      | LVMH | Microsoft<br>Corporation |
| Dec-17 | 3.1  | 7.1                      | 4.7         |               | 17   | 22                       |
| Dec-18 | 2.9  | 6.8                      | 3.2         | 2.2           | 23   | 27                       |
| Dec-19 | 4.2  | 9.3                      | 3.0         | 3.5           | 20   | 29                       |
| Dec-20 | 5.5  | 11.5                     | 23.0        | 28.8          | 55   | 35                       |
| Aug-21 | 5.7  | 13.6                     | 16.8        | 13.2          | 34   | 39                       |

#### Percent of U.S. Stocks trading over 10x Price/Sales:



Data from 1/1980-6/2021 | Source: GMO, Compustat

- ➤ Performance of trending stocks in 2019 and 2020 was purely the result of multiple expansion.
- Highly overvalued stocks (P/S) tend to underperform in the long-run
- Comparable performance (recently) was only during the TMT bubble
- Long-run return of high-risk stocks comparable to U.S. Aggregate Bond Index

#### Performance of Stocks trading over 10x P/X vs. Indexes:



Data as of 6/30/2021 | Source: GMO, Compustat, Standard & Poor's
The over 10x P/S portfolio is a market capitalization weighted portfolio of all stocks trading above
10x trailing 12-month sales, rebalanced monthly.

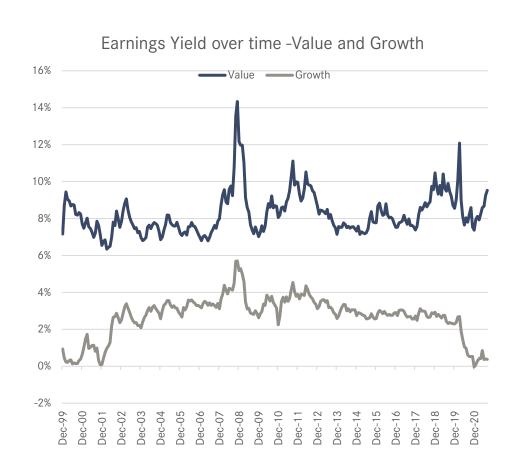


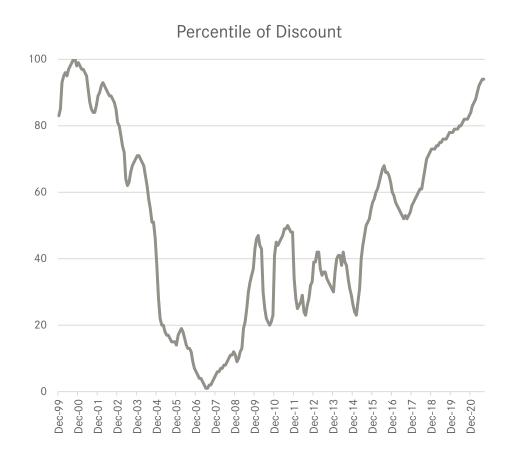
# A look under the hood – fundamental facts

### How attractive is value today?



# Growth has kept getting more expensive – but value remains cheap regardless of its outperformance due to strong fundamentals.





### **Growth Expections – historical contexts**



# Growth expectations: Value is at an all time high – with even higher expectations than a growth portfolio!

#### EPS Growth Expecations for Value and Growth







Realized growth versus expected growth: Turning point reached?

# Value has been through some rough 3 years. Now, it seems the negative surprises are over and strong expectations are arriving.

#### Realized and Estimated EPS Growth



# How attractive is value today?



Upgrades and revisions are at an all time high

# Upgrades and revisions are at an all time highs for value – but have been lagging for growth.





### **Conclusion Chapter 1+2**



Value

| Earnings Yield    | Universe | Value | Growth |
|-------------------|----------|-------|--------|
| Latest (31/8)     | 4,5%     | 9,5%  | 0,4%   |
| Long Term Average | 5,5%     | 8,2%  | 2,7%   |
| Percentile Latest | 16       | 89    | 7      |

Quality

| • | CFROI             | Universe | Value | Growth |
|---|-------------------|----------|-------|--------|
|   | Latest (31/8)     | 10,1%    | 11,0% | 2,5%   |
|   | Long Term Average | 9,6%     | 10,6% | 5,5%   |
|   | Percentile Latest | 80       | 71    | 12     |

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| Est Growth        | Universe | Value | Growth |
|-------------------|----------|-------|--------|
| Latest (31/8)     | 26%      | 35%   | 23%    |
| Long Term Average | 10%      | 7%    | 15%    |
| Percentile Latest | 100      | 100   | 82     |

evisions

| Key Momentum      | Universe | Value | Growth |
|-------------------|----------|-------|--------|
| Latest (31/8)     | 39%      | 81%   | -21%   |
| Long Term Average | -4%      | 4%    | -17%   |
| Percentile Latest | 100      | 99    | 16     |

- > Underperformance of Value led to extreme valuation advantages
- > All other characteristics show strong attractiveness: Growth, Quality & Revisions
- > "All stars" are aligned for a sustained value comeback



# **Transition Matrix**

### The Power of Mean Reversion

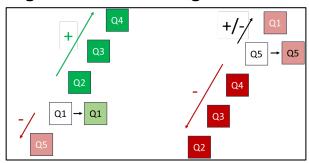


Transition Matrix: Migration und Performance after 12 months – by Quintile, LC, 1999-2017

#### Value Rank - Migration after 12 months:

|               |    | Q1    | Q2    | Q3    | Q4    | Q5    |
|---------------|----|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| 0             | Q1 | 53,6% | 24,9% | 12,2% | 6,4%  | 2,5%  |
| e, t          | Q2 | 24,8% | 33,9% | 24,7% | 12,4% | 4,8%  |
| Quintile, t=0 | Q3 | 12,5% | 23,9% | 31,0% | 24,6% | 9,3%  |
| Žuii          | Q4 | 6,7%  | 12,9% | 23,5% | 35,1% | 23,3% |
| O             | Q5 | 2,4%  | 4,4%  | 8,7%  | 21,5% | 60,1% |

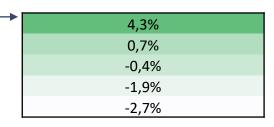
#### Migration Paths → Long Term:



#### Forward Performance (12m):

|          |             | Q1    | Q2    | Q3    | Q4    | Q5    | <b>Grand Total</b> |
|----------|-------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--------------------|
| 0        | Q1          | 15,4% | 18,5% | 19,1% | 20,0% | 14,4% | 16,9%              |
| t=0      | Q2          | 8,7%  | 12,8% | 16,2% | 17,5% | 15,1% | 13,3%              |
| intile,  | Q3          | 7,8%  | 9,4%  | 12,8% | 15,7% | 14,3% | 12,2%              |
| I I      | Q4          | 8,1%  | 7,5%  | 9,3%  | 12,2% | 12,4% | 10,7%              |
| <b>7</b> | Q5          | 12,0% | 8,7%  | 6,8%  | 9,4%  | 10,7% | 9,9%               |
|          | Grand Total | 12,2% | 12,5% | 13,1% | 13,6% | 11,7% | 12,6%              |

#### **Outperformance:**



### The Power of Mean Reversion

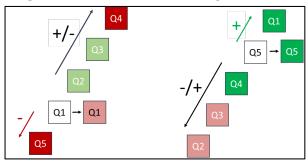


Transition Matrix: Migration und Performance after 12 months – by Quintile, LC, 2017-now

#### **Value Rank - Migration after 12 months:**

|           |    | Q1    | Q2    | Q3    | Q4    | Q5    |
|-----------|----|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| t=0       | Q1 | 58,7% | 22,5% | 9,3%  | 3,7%  | 1,4%  |
|           | Q2 | 25,4% | 36,6% | 23,5% | 9,2%  | 3,1%  |
| Quintile, | Q3 | 10,5% | 26,1% | 33,5% | 23,1% | 6,5%  |
| \uir      | Q4 | 4,3%  | 12,0% | 26,1% | 38,8% | 21,0% |
| 0         | Q5 | 1,1%  | 2,8%  | 7,7%  | 25,2% | 68,0% |

#### Migration Paths → Last 3 years:



#### Forward Performance (12m):

|                    | Q1                   | Q2  | Q3  | Q4  | Q5   | <b>Grand Total</b>   |
|--------------------|----------------------|---|---|---|--|--|
| Q1                 | 7,1%                 | 14,2%   | 14,3%   | 5,7%  | -3,1%  | 9,3%   |
| Q2                 | 5,3%                 | 10,2%   | 17,0%   | 16,3%   | 12,6%  | 11,1%  |
| Q3                 | 5,8%                 | 7,2%  | 12,9%   | 18,5%   | 14,8%  | 12,0%  |
| Q4                 | 10,1%                | 5,3%  | 11,5%   | 18,0%   | 16,4%  | 14,1%  |
| Q5                 | 16,7%                | 12,8%   | 11,9%   | 17,6%   | 25,0%  | 21,5%  |
| <b>Grand Total</b> | 6,7%                 | 9,8%  | 13,6%   | 17,4%   | 21,7%  | 13,6%  |
|                    | Q2<br>Q3<br>Q4<br>Q5 | Q1 7,1%<br>Q2 5,3%<br>Q3 5,8%<br>Q4 10,1%<br>Q5 16,7% | Q1 7,1% 14,2% Q2 5,3% 10,2% Q3 5,8% 7,2% Q4 10,1% 5,3% Q5 16,7% 12,8% | Q1 7,1% 14,2% 14,3% Q2 5,3% 10,2% 17,0% Q3 5,8% 7,2% 12,9% Q4 10,1% 5,3% 11,5% Q5 16,7% 12,8% 11,9% | Q1       7,1%       14,2%       14,3%       5,7%         Q2       5,3%       10,2%       17,0%       16,3%         Q3       5,8%       7,2%       12,9%       18,5%         Q4       10,1%       5,3%       11,5%       18,0%         Q5       16,7%       12,8%       11,9%       17,6% | Q1       7,1%       14,2%       14,3%       5,7%       -3,1%         Q2       5,3%       10,2%       17,0%       16,3%       12,6%         Q3       5,8%       7,2%       12,9%       18,5%       14,8%         Q4       10,1%       5,3%       11,5%       18,0%       16,4%         Q5       16,7%       12,8%       11,9%       17,6%       25,0% |

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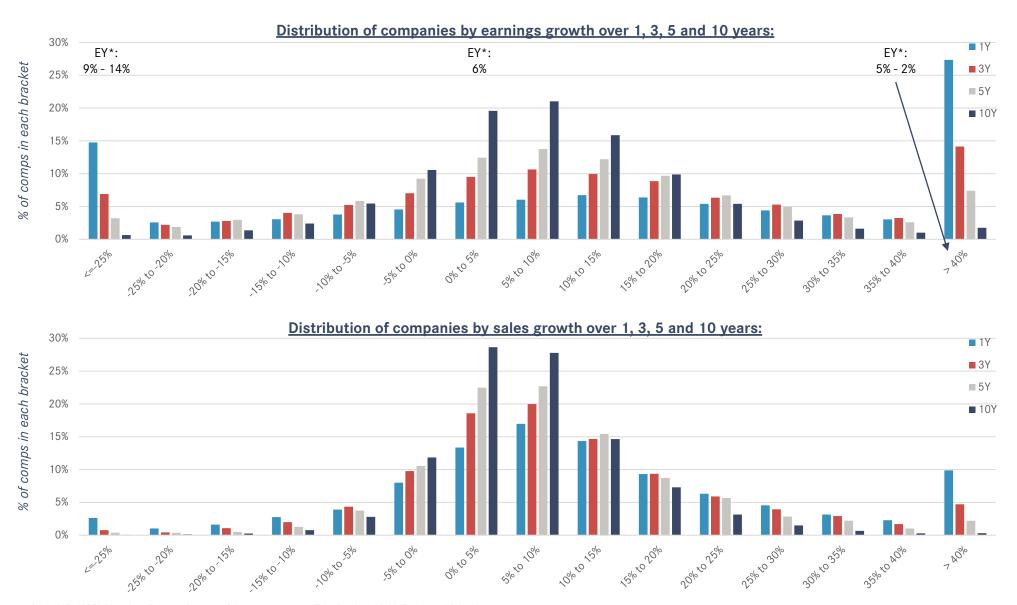


# **Growth Rate Distribution**

## Growth Rate Distribution → Trees do not grow to the sky



Extreme growth hardly sustained throughout time





# **Recovery / Value Cycle**

# **Performance in Crisis and Recovery (I)**



Sector performance in S&P500 and Stoxx600

#### **Crisis performance**

|      |                        | Techbubble        |                   | GFC               |                   | Corona                  |                         |
|------|------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
|      |                        | 03.2000 - 03.2003 | 03.2000 - 03.2003 | 10.2007 - 02.2009 | 10.2007 - 02.2009 | 19.02.2020 - 20.03.2020 | 19.02.2020 - 18.03.2020 |
|      | Sector                 | S&P500            | Stoxx600          | S&P500            | Stoxx600          | S&P500                  | Stoxx600                |
|      | Consumer Discretionary | -30,6%            | -57,3%            | -52,0%            | -62,5%            | -31,5%                  | -38,6%                  |
| als  | Financials             | -10,5%            | -42,1%            | -77,0%            | -76,0%            | -39,9%                  | -43,9%                  |
| Clic | Industrials            | -26,4%            | -50,3%            | -59,7%            | -63,7%            | -39,2%                  | -41,9%                  |
| ℃    | Information Technology | -74,6%            | -84,5%            | -51,2%            | -62,6%            | -30,5%                  | -36,5%                  |
|      | Materials              | -9,9%             | -25,0%            | -54,8%            | -67,6%            | -33,2%                  | -33,9%                  |
|      | Communication Services | -74,1%            | -75,5%            | -45,2%            | -50,0%            | -28,4%                  | -30,4%                  |
| Nes  | Consumer Staples       | 9,7%              | -0,6%             | -32,2%            | -45,2%            | -20,7%                  | -23,6%                  |
| ens  | Energy                 | -12,6%            | -21,1%            | -44,4%            | -50,4%            | -52,9%                  | -51,5%                  |
| Def  | Health Care            | -5,4%             | -24,3%            | -36,7%            | -38,2%            | -24,3%                  | -23,2%                  |
|      | Utilities              | -38,7%            | -35,5%            | -40,9%            | -55,5%            | -32,3%                  | -30,5%                  |

#### 3 years later

|            |                        | Techbubble        |                   | GFC               |                   |
|------------|------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
|            |                        | 03.2003 - 03.2006 | 03.2003 - 03.2006 | 02.2009 - 02.2012 | 02.2009 - 02.2012 |
|            | Sector                 | S&P500            | Stoxx600          | S&P500            | Stoxx600          |
|            | Consumer Discretionary | 46,4%             | 111,7%            | 139,9%            | 91,3%             |
| sls        | Financials             | 56,1%             | 138,4%            | 92,9%             | 48,9%             |
| Cyclicals  | Industrials            | 71,5%             | 170,2%            | 114,5%            | 83,2%             |
| \          | Information Technology | 53,6%             | 106,1%            | 118,5%            | 65,4%             |
|            | Materials              | 77,0%             | 162,4%            | 99,3%             | 117,3%            |
|            | Communication Services | 44,9%             | 56,3%             | 31,8%             | 16,9%             |
| ives       | Consumer Staples       | 27,7%             | 71,7%             | 58,1%             | 77,8%             |
| sua        | Energy                 | 121,2%            | 106,0%            | 68,2%             | 49,4%             |
| Defensives | Health Care            | 17,9%             | 81,4%             | 56,3%             | 57,1%             |
| L          | Utilities              | 67,4%             | 122,8%            | 36,0%             | -9,7%             |

Source: Lingohr & Partner, in USD. Percentiles as of August 31, 2021.

### **Performance in Crisis and Recovery (II)**



Style performance in S&P500 and Stoxx600

#### **Crisis performance**

|          |                            | Techbubble        |                   | GFC               |                   | Corona                  |                         |
|----------|----------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
|          |                            | 03.2000 - 03.2003 | 03.2000 - 03.2003 | 10.2007 - 02.2009 | 10.2007 - 02.2009 | 19.02.2020 - 20.03.2020 | 19.02.2020 - 18.03.2020 |
| Style    | Factor                     | S&P500            | Stoxx600          | S&P500            | Stoxx600          | S&P500                  | Stoxx600                |
| Growth   | 1Y Change Revenue          | -44,4%            | -69,1%            | -55,4%            | -68,5%            | -32,4%                  | -38,8%                  |
| Momentum | 12M-1M Price Momentum      | -36,9%            | -50,2%            | -56,2%            | -59,8%            | -30,2%                  | -36,3%                  |
|          | Key Momentum               | -47,0%            | -37,0%            | -55,3%            | -64,6%            | -34,7%                  | -38,7%                  |
| Quality  | Return on Invested Capital | -7,4%             | -45,4%            | -49,0%            | -59,8%            | -28,9%                  | -33,7%                  |
| Size     | Market Cap                 | -49,9%            | -48,5%            | -51,7%            | -60,9%            | -27,5%                  | -36,1%                  |
| Value    | Book to Price              | -3,0%             | -32,3%            | -66,1%            | -72,6%            | -46,6%                  | -43,5%                  |
|          | Free Cash Flow Yield       | 23,1%             | -7,3%             | -59,4%            | -67,3%            | -37,8%                  | -41,9%                  |

#### 3 years later

|          |                            | Techbubble        |                   | GFC               |                   |
|----------|----------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
|          |                            | 03.2003 - 03.2006 | 03.2003 - 03.2006 | 02.2009 - 02.2012 | 02.2009 - 02.2012 |
| Style    | Factor                     | S&P500            | Stoxx600          | S&P500            | Stoxx600          |
| Growth   | 1Y Change Revenue          | 112,4%            | 146,1%            | 102,2%            | 74,3%             |
| Momentum | 12M-1M Price Momentum      | 92,4%             | 132,2%            | 68,9%             | 68,4%             |
|          | Key Momentum               | 108,4%            | 149,6%            | 75,8%             | 77,1%             |
| Quality  | Return on Invested Capital | 63,8%             | 136,3%            | 107,8%            | 118,0%            |
| Size     | Market Cap                 | 51,4%             | 114,7%            | 77,0%             | 58,4%             |
| Value    | Book to Price              | 137,7%            | 201,5%            | 213,7%            | 97,2%             |
|          | Free Cash Flow Yield       | 131,7%            | 191,6%            | 178,8%            | 139,2%            |

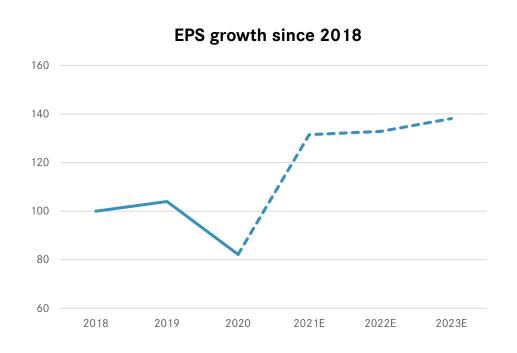
- Historically, Value outperformed most recoveries
- When recessions are induced due to a bubble bursting, the outperformance of Value increases further
- Valuation of cyclical stocks reflect negative scenarios quickly, however they also tend to recover disproportionally better

### **Pro-Value Periods over the last 50 years**



From history we derive a long and durable value cycle

| Pro-Value Cycles | Value <sup>1</sup> | Market <sup>2</sup> | Relative<br>Performance | # Months |
|------------------|--------------------|---------------------|-------------------------|----------|
| Jul '73-Mar '78  | 134.8%             | 7.6%                | 127.2%                  | 57       |
| Dec '80-Aug '88  | 414.7%             | 150.3%              | 264.4%                  | 93       |
| Nov'90-Aug'95    | 248.4%             | 117.1%              | 131.3%                  | 58       |
| Mar '00-Feb '07  | 190.6%             | 13.7%               | 176.9%                  | 84       |
| Dec '08-Jun '14  | 250.3%             | 142.8%              | 107.5%                  | 67       |
| Feb '16-Jan '17  | 40.2%              | 19.6%               | 20.6%                   | 12       |
| Average          | 213.2%             | 75.2%               | 138.0%                  | 62       |
| Oct '20-Mar'21   | 60.3%              | 21.0%               | 39.4%                   | 6        |



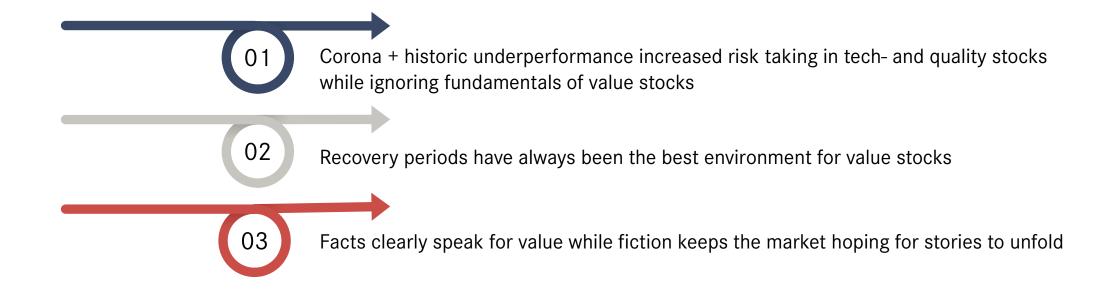
- Value continues to exhibit large valuation discounts versus the market (and other styles)
- Comparable (double-digit) growth, however at >30% discount to the market
- Fundamental recovery of current holdings expected as early as by year-end 2021

#### 13 Years Anti-Value + Corona



Time for sustained Value Comeback





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