

Managed Volatility Shines In Challenging Markets

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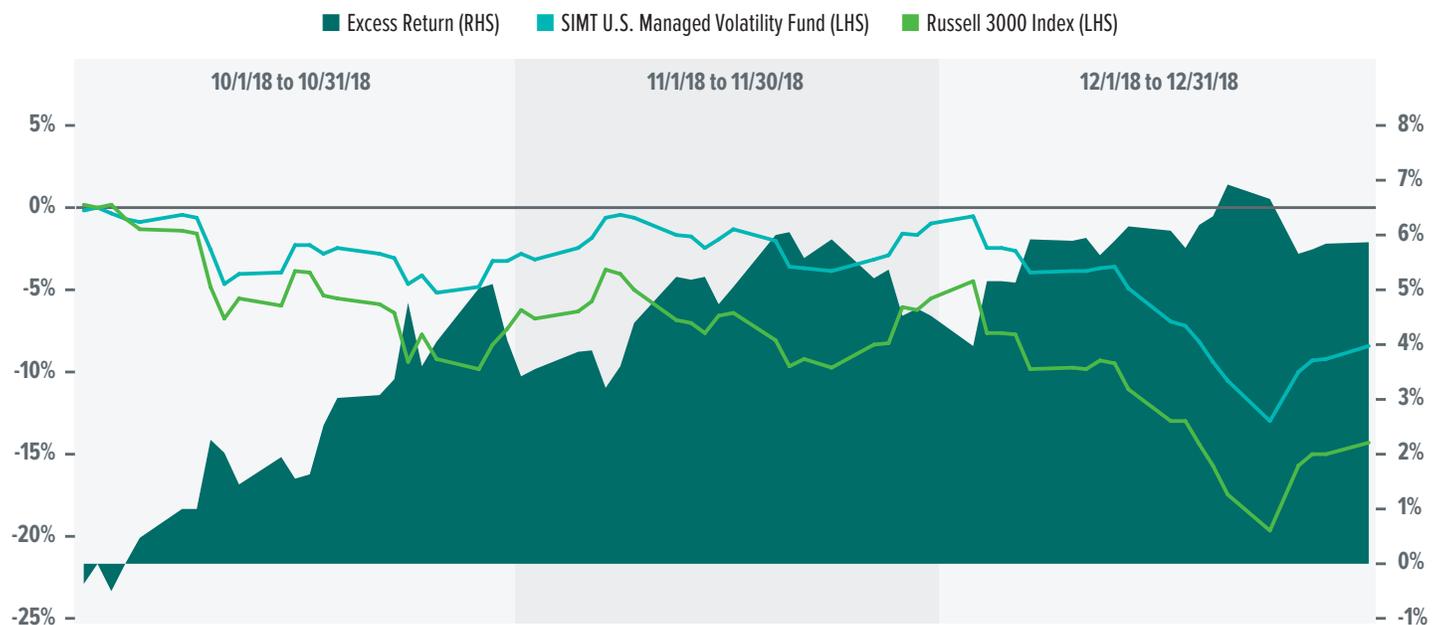
Snapshot

- Volatility picked up significantly in the final days of 2018.
- In this environment, the SIMT U.S. Managed Volatility Fund performed as intended.
- SEI, a leader in managed volatility investing, has historically promoted its use as part of a diversified portfolio.

While corrections and bear markets are a normal part of investing, investors do not like to lose 10%, 20% or possibly more of their assets associated with these types of declines. One way to help dampen the impact of market downturns is to invest in managed volatility strategies that focus on more-stable companies with less potential downside risk.

Exhibit 1 shows cumulative performance from October 1 to December 31, 2018 for the SEI U.S. Managed Volatility Fund, the Russell 3000 Index, and the excess return of the Fund over the Index. Despite negative absolute performance, the Fund significantly outperformed the Russell 3000 Index, to the tune of almost 6%, during the fourth-quarter market turmoil. The Fund also met its primary goal of reducing risk, posting a 30.1% reduction in volatility (standard deviation).

Exhibit 1: SIMT U.S. Managed Volatility Fund Cumulative Performance (Y Shares Net)



Source: SEI, Russell. 10/1/18 – 12/31/18.

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SEI's Strategies

When stock prices are rising, investors often question the value of diversification in general and, more specifically, of managed volatility strategies. SEI has been a steadfast supporter of both diversification and managed volatility. We have always maintained that markets can turn quickly and that, when they do, diversification—including exposure to managed volatility—can help to soften the impact.

As a pioneer in the space, SEI offers several managed-volatility strategies that have a primary objective of realizing less volatility than the overall stock market. By doing so, we hope to experience smaller drawdowns than the market when stocks sell off. And while we don't normally expect them to outperform the broader market in the long-term, our strategies do seek equity market-like returns. When these two objectives are met, a managed-volatility approach should produce attractive risk-adjusted returns compared to the stock market as a whole. Recent weeks have provided a clear and concise illustration of how a well-designed managed-volatility strategy can benefit investors during turbulent periods.

See table in the disclosures section for standardized SIMT U.S. Managed Volatility Fund–Y Shares performance.

Standardized Annualized Performance as of December 31, 2018

	1 Year (%)	5 Year (%)	10-Year (%)	Since Inception (%)*
SIMT U.S. Managed Volatility Fund–Y Shares	-2.53	8.10	12.13	6.09
Russell 3000 Index	-5.24	8.96	13.17	N/A

Sources: SEI, Russell

*Date of inception is 10/28/2004.

The inception date provided is for the Fund's oldest share class, Class F. Performance prior to Dec 31, 2014, the inception of the Class Y shares, is that of Class F. The performance data quoted represents past performance. Past performance does not guarantee future results. The investment return and principal value of an investment will fluctuate so that an investor's shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than their original cost and current performance may be lower or higher than the performance quoted. For performance data current to the most recent month end, please call 1.800.DIAL.SEI.

Expense ratio before waivers: 0.98%. Expense ratio after waivers: 0.70%. Fee waivers are voluntary and may be discontinued at any time.

Definitions

The Russell 3000 Index measures the performance of the largest 3,000 U.S. companies representing approximately 98% of the investable U.S. equity market.

Standard deviation is a statistical measure of volatility; it is the average difference between a series of return observations and their average.

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