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Dear Partner,

	October 2021	2021	Alkeon Growth Strategy Since Inception (Cumulative)	Alkeon Growth Strategy Since Inception (Annualized)
Alkeon Growth Partners¹	3.53%	-7.43%	2446.95²	14.55%²
MSCI World	5.59%	18.02%	238.97%	5.26%
MSCI AC World	5.03%	15.31%	227.03%	5.10%

Alkeon Growth Partners Portfolio Information (Approximate)³:

• Net Exposure (delta adjusted)	89.4%
• Gross Exposure	157%
• Number of Long Positions	147
• Number of Short Positions	124

October offered positive results to global equities. Alkeon Growth Partners, LP returned 3.53%. Our long positions contributed positively to performance during the month, while our short positions and market hedges had negative performance contribution. Portfolio performance was positive in Asia and the US, and negative in Latin America and Europe. On a year-to-date basis, our long positions have contributed approximately 3.29% to the portfolio's cumulative performance, while our short positions and market hedges have contributed approximately -9.25%, each on a gross basis.⁴

Year-to-date the performance of our short book has been impacted by the outperformance of low quality stocks. According to Credit Suisse, one of the best performing styles has been the basket of stocks with a high probability of default, up 28.63% for the year through October.⁵ Our portfolio on the short side remains very well diversified, with the highest individual security loss YTD at negative 0.25%.⁶

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Low-quality investments have performed well not only in equities but across all asset classes. For example in fixed income, junk bond yields currently stand near all-time lows.

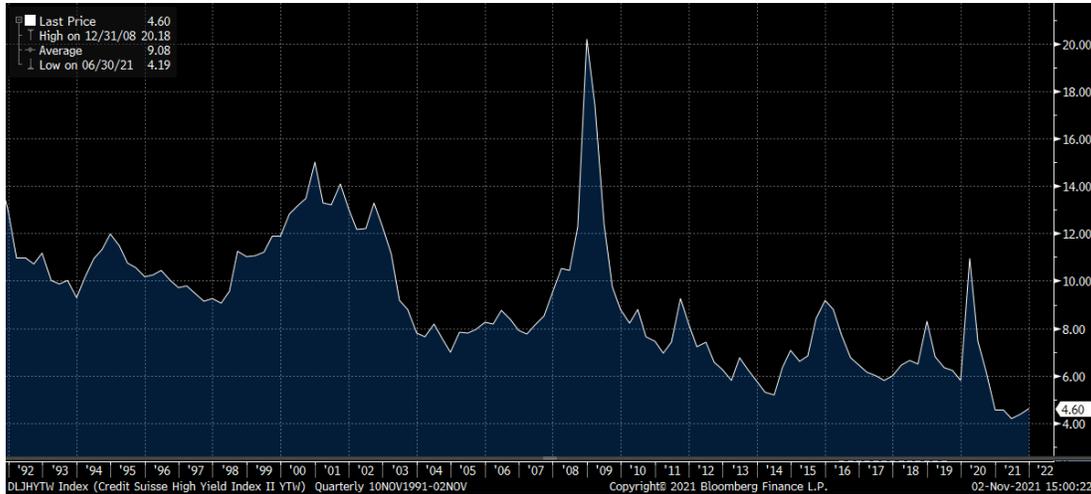


Exhibit 1. CS High Yield Index, Yield to Worst, source Bloomberg.

As we enter the Fed's tapering phase, we currently believe it is likely that we see a rotation into high quality stocks, which have recently traded at a 27% forward P/E discount to low quality stocks following an unprecedented fiscal and monetary liquidity injection.

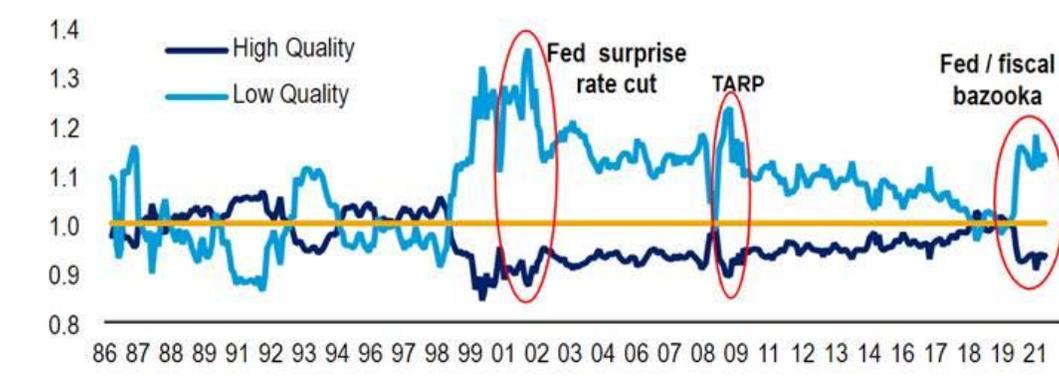


Exhibit 2. Relative fwd. P/E of High Quality vs. Low Quality Stocks, June 2021, source BAML.

We note that the relative underperformance of high quality stocks has affected the relative performance of our long positions year to date. In fact, as seen below, almost the entirety of US equity ETF inflows through June 30th were directed into cyclicals, financials and value stocks, almost \$175 billion since the middle of last year, indicating a crowded consensus reflation trade that may be ending as we near tapering.

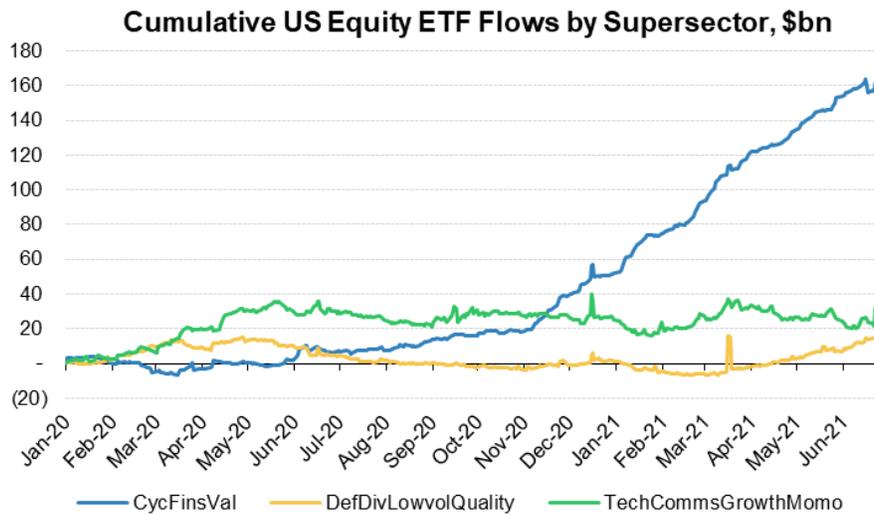


Exhibit 3. Cumulative US Equity ETF Flows by “Supersector”, June 2021, source Morgan Stanley.

Our approach remains consistent regardless of market cycles, and we continue to believe that long-term investors will be strongly rewarded for maintaining a high quality bias in their stock selection over time, from both a return generation and risk mitigation standpoint, despite occasional rotations. For example, since the inception of our program we have almost entirely avoided bank, oil & gas and deep cyclical stocks, many of which have burdened balance sheets, low barriers to entry, and lumpy if not anemic free cash flow generation.

Additionally, as we enter the tapering phase, we also believe we may be nearing the end of value’s outperformance over growth. In fact, and when taking into account the expected earnings growth, the de-rating of growth since its peak last year seems to be almost ending, as the valuation spread between growth and value through June has been in line with its historical average.

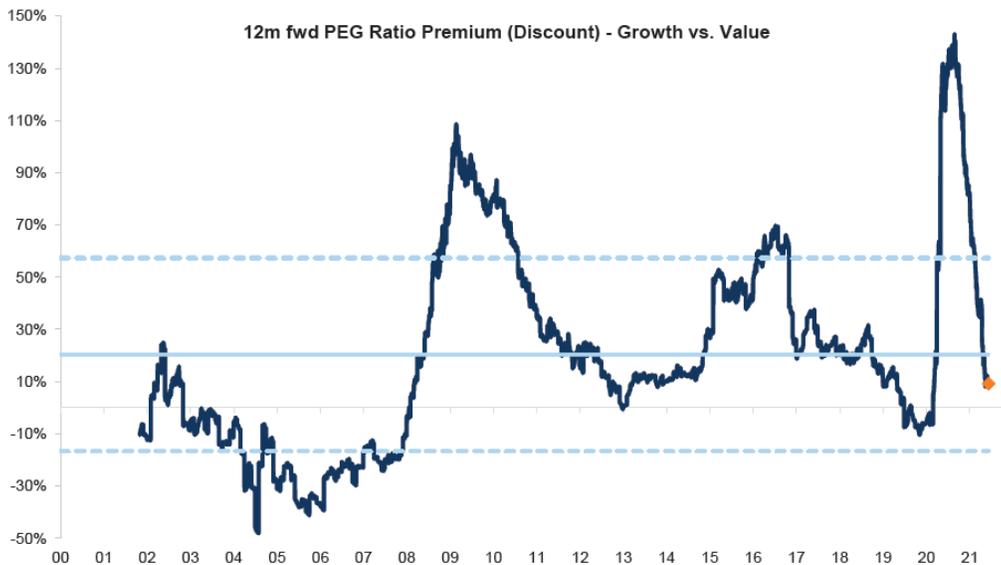


Exhibit 4. Growth vs Value has De-rated Since Last Year’s Peak, June 2021, source Goldman Sachs.

It is noteworthy that this particular value rotation currently appears to have been greater in magnitude than prior ones, although a bit shorter in duration.

Episode		Months elapsed	Returns				Change in 10-year UST yield
From	To		S&P 500	Growth	Value	Growth vs. Value	
Mar-09	May-10	14	61 %	79 %	165 %	(86)pp	43 bp
Feb-11	Feb-12	12	4	(5)	7	(12)	(157)
May-12	Aug-13	15	30	32	56	(24)	103
Jan-16	Dec-16	10	22	17	45	(28)	37
Aug-19	Nov-19	2	8	6	18	(12)	44
May-20	Jun-20	1	15	16	40	(24)	23
Median		11	18 %	16 %	42 %	(24)pp	40 bp
Average		9	23	24	55	(31)	16
Nov-20	Jun-21	7	24 %	18 %	57 %	(39)pp	75 bp

Exhibit 5. Major Episodes of Growth Underperformance vs Value Since the 2008 Financial Crisis, June 2021, source Goldman Sachs.

Moving to our current outlook, we continue to be constructive on equities longer-term and see secular tailwinds in the form of strong excess liquidity, balanced relative valuations and continued strong free cash flow generation as well as tactical support this year in the form of strong pent-up demand. We discuss in detail the factors underpinning this outlook in our most recently published quarterly letter.

In particular, and looking at last year’s market performance from a high level, we believe that the recent unprecedented (in scale, velocity and scope) liquidity injection has not only supported asset prices, but is likely to have a more prolonged positive effect beyond the current crisis, as money continues to be redeployed into real assets and liquid investments.

This is overall positive for equities. As we commented throughout last year, increases in excess liquidity, measured by the difference between M1 growth and global GDP growth, have been positively correlated with an expansion of equity P/Es.

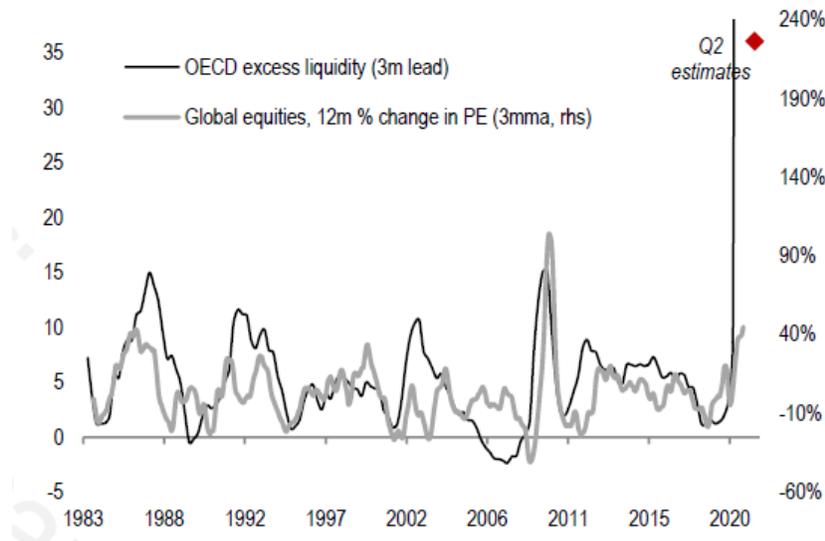


Exhibit 6. Increases in Excess Liquidity Imply Significant Year-over-Year Increases to Forward P/Es, May 2021, source Credit Suisse.

Elevated P/Es effectively embed expectations for a re-acceleration in economic activity. This is unsurprising, as M1 growth has historically led PMIs by approximately nine months on average.

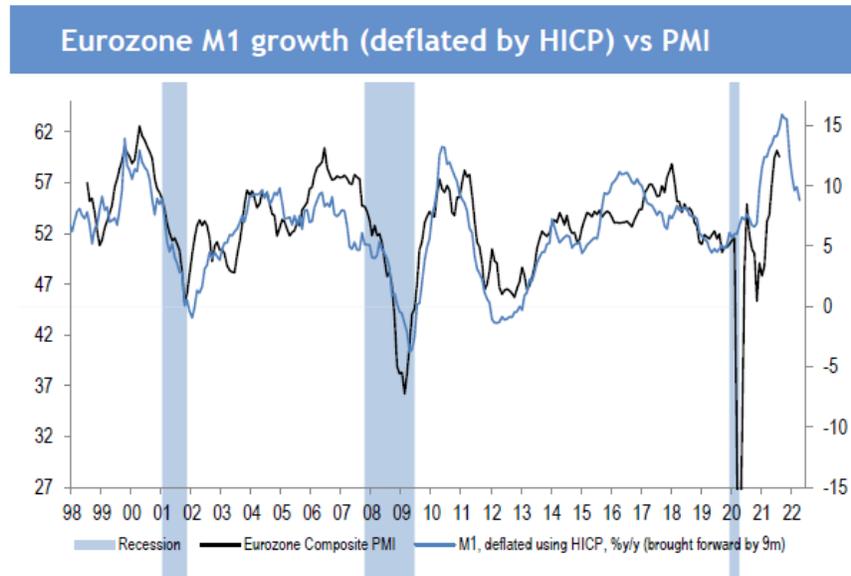


Exhibit 7. Eurozone M1 Growth (Deflated by HIPC) vs. Eurozone PMI, source JP Morgan.

Moreover, the equity market is currently strongly supported by not only liquidity but also by a scarcity of compelling asset allocation alternatives. In particular, from a relative value standpoint, low interest rates continue to make stocks look attractive on a relative basis, as the spread between dividend yield and bond yield has recently been 125-240 basis points above average.

	Dividend yield	10Y Bond yield	Dividend yield minus bond yield	Average since '00	Current vs Average (bp)
US	1.3%	1.3%	0.0%	-1.3%	134
Japan	2.1%	0.0%	2.0%	0.8%	125
Eurozone	2.1%	0.2%	1.9%	0.4%	150
UK	3.7%	0.7%	3.0%	0.6%	240

Exhibit 8. Developed Market Yield Gap, June 2021, source JP Morgan.

Importantly, despite the increase in yields, real rates have been negative and have not moved much. This keeps the relative value of equities at elevated levels and provides price support.



Exhibit 9. Fed Five-Year Real Rates, 10-Year Treasury Minus 5-Year Inflation Swap, source Bloomberg.

And even though P/Es are elevated from an absolute standpoint, free cash flow generation has been very strong, enabling free cash flow valuations to still remain near average historical levels recently.

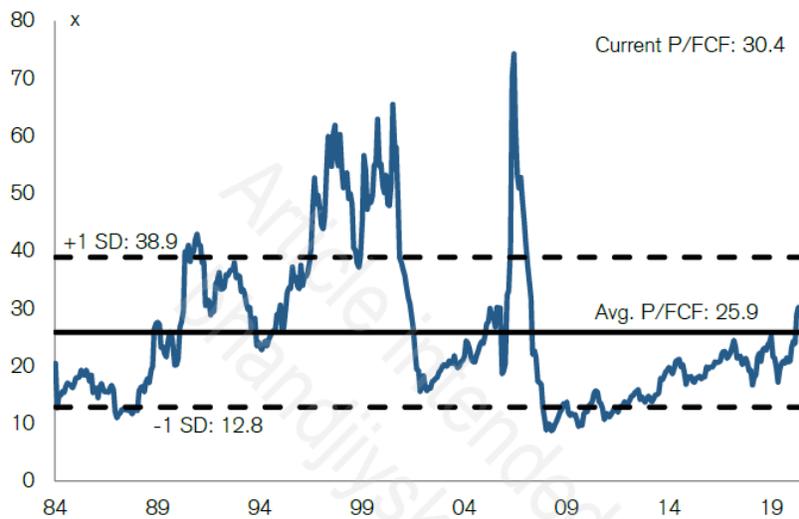


Exhibit 10. S&P 500 Index, Price/Free-Cash-Flow Ratio, August 2021, source Credit Suisse.

This is not unexpected. Although equity prices are up, remarkably, and despite the crisis, corporate free cash flows have continued to reach new highs this year.

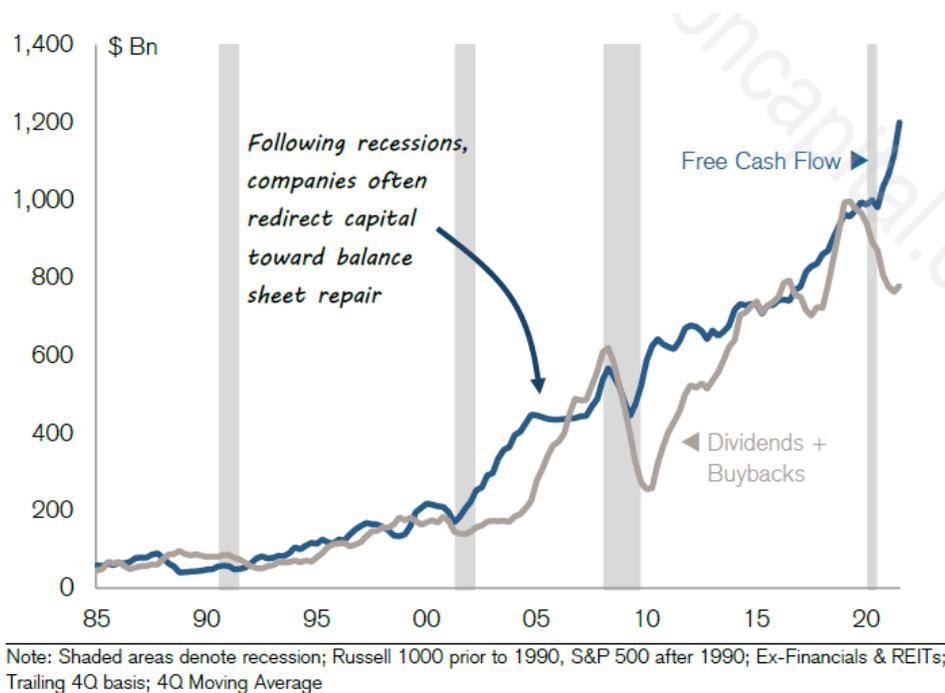


Exhibit 11. US Free Cash Flow vs. Return of Capital (ex-Financials & REITs), August 2021, source Credit Suisse.

The free cash flow picture is similar for consumers. Therefore, last year's equity market resilience has been further aided by a stable systemic backdrop with underlying characteristics that remain healthy if not enhanced by the recent government stimulus.

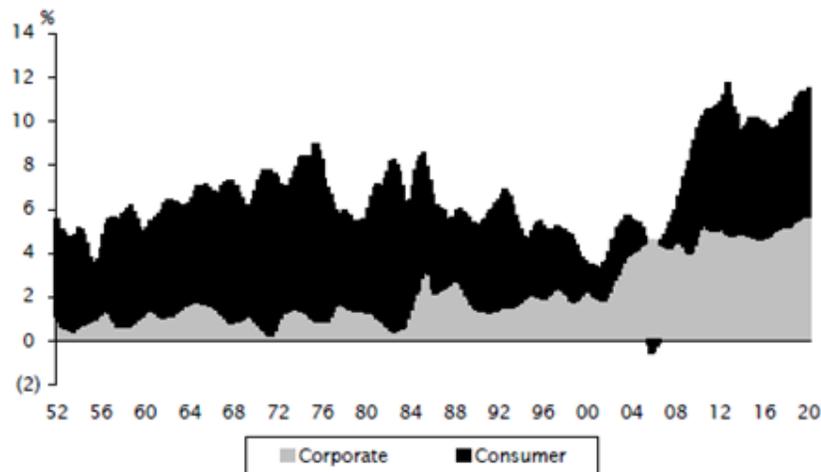


Exhibit 12. US Consumer and Corporate Free Cash Flow as a Percentage of Nominal GDP, September 2020, source Empirical Research.

We continue to favor long duration sectors such as technology, communication services and ecommerce consumer discretionary, which we believe are supported by, one, superior fundamentals, e.g., stronger balance sheets, higher margins and strong free cash flow generation; two, strong secular trends towards digital transformation, distributed workloads and distributed commerce, “work from everywhere”, and the cloud and SaaS ecosystem that supports this decentralized user architecture, with security, redundancy and agility in its deployment, and elasticity in infrastructure scaling; three, scarcity of growth assets; and, four, supporting free cash flow valuations relative to the broader market.

In particular, the scarcity of long-duration growth assets is remarkable. To illustrate how scarce growth assets have become, one need only look at global markets over the last twenty years, and, in particular, observe how slow-growing companies (i.e., those with top-line growth below 4%) have increasingly crowded out fast-growing companies (i.e., those with top-line growth above 8%), creating a severe scarcity of growth assets.

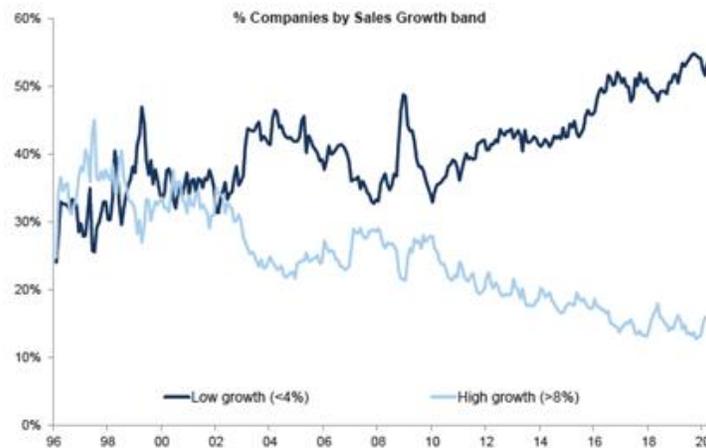


Exhibit 13. *High Growth Companies are Scarce, MSCI World Index, April 2020, source Goldman Sachs Global Investment Research.*

As we have stated in previous investor communications, we consider technology to be not only a growth investment but also a defensive one due to its cost-cutting (high ROI) and productivity enhancing proposition to the end customer, superior balance sheet, strong free cash flow conversion, low labor cost to sales, ongoing industry consolidation, very low sensitivity to interest rates, and strong underlying secular innovation trends.

This defensive posture is also reflected in the steady decline in technology beta over the last two decades.

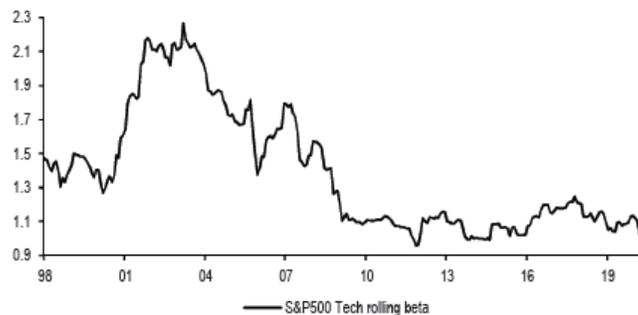


Exhibit 14. *US Tech Beta vs. S&P 500 Index, source JP Morgan.*

Moreover, revenue growth for technology stocks has substantially exceeded that of the broader market in the last decade. This was not the case during the tech bubble, when technology revenues (and earnings) underperformed.

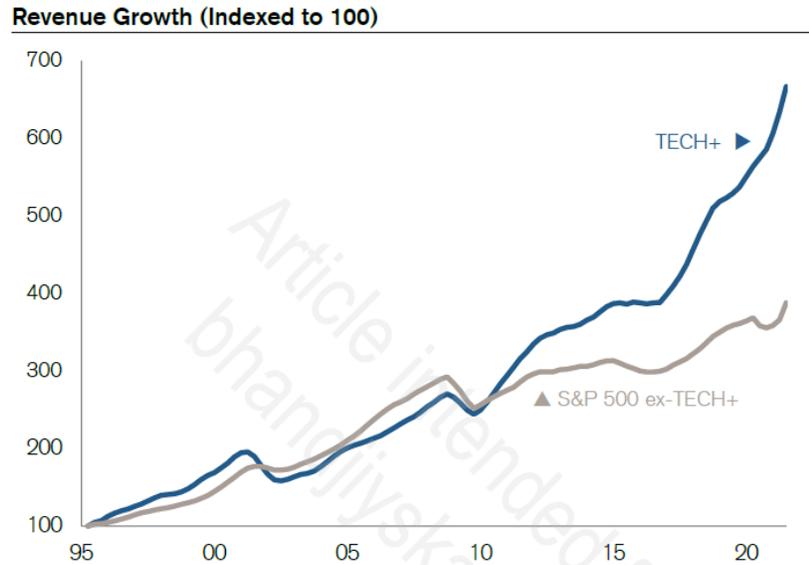


Exhibit 15. S&P 500 Index Technology Revenue Growth, August 2021, source Credit Suisse.

Additionally, during the last decade margins for technology stocks more than doubled the market level.

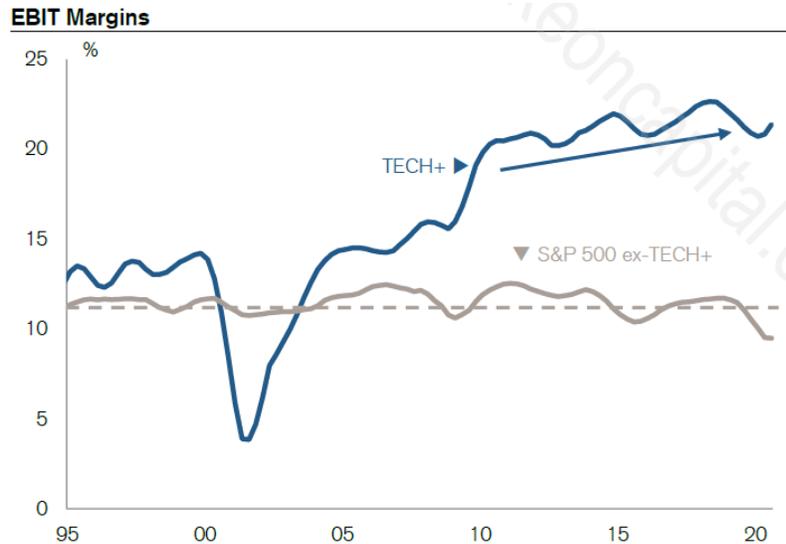


Exhibit 16. S&P 500 Index Technology EBIT Margins Growth, August 2021, source Credit Suisse.

Lastly, the technology sector's market share of earnings has kept up with its share of market cap; this is unlike the tech bubble in the late nineties.

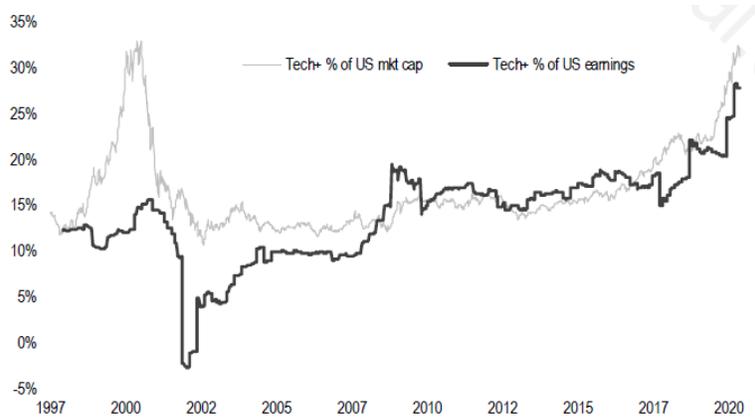


Exhibit 17. *Technology Share of US Market Cap and Earnings, source Credit Suisse.*

Our most recently published quarterly letter also extensively details our views on an emerging wave of technological innovation that we expect to be wide in scope, transformative and highly disruptive. We believe the investment implications of this upcoming wave of technological innovation are likely to be dramatic and generally favor long-short strategies that can benefit not only from long investments in companies that innovate but also from short investments in companies trapped in an equally powerful cycle of technological obsolescence.



Exhibit 18. *AI is Fueling Global Industries, source Nvidia.*

This emerging historic and deeply transformative wave of innovation, the upcoming Fourth Industrial Revolution, is often described as a beautiful "fusion of technologies that is blurring the lines between the physical, digital and the biological", "a technological revolution that will fundamentally alter the way we live, work and relate to one another".⁷ It is exactly what Jen-Hsun Huang, visionary CEO of Nvidia, described as "one of the most important revolutions ever, whereas computer scientists used to specify every single instruction one line at a time, now algorithms write algorithms, software writes software, computers are learning by themselves, the era of [M]achine [L]earning", a historic time when "serendipity meets destiny".⁸

"We always overestimate the change that will occur in the next two years, and we underestimate the change that will occur in the next ten years" – Bill Gates.

Indeed, most recently in 2020, AutoML Zero, developed by scientists at Alphabet, elevated the idea of automatic machine learning algorithms that are machine-created and can automatically improve themselves through Darwinian style evolution. This approach elevates machine learning innovation to a different level by un-constraining the hand-designed machine learning algorithm building and discovery process that biases searches in favor of human-designed algorithms that are inherently limiting in the number of options they consider – as “you cannot search for what you cannot discover”.

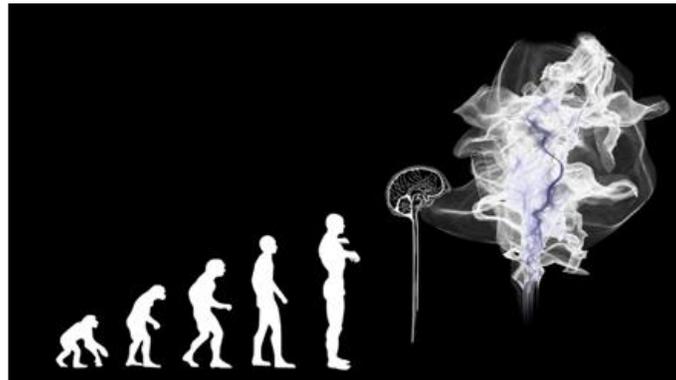


Exhibit 19. AutoML-Zero: Evolving Machine Learning Algorithms from Scratch, source Bigthink.

These recent algorithmic advances bring us closer to the type of AI one sees in movies – human-level AI that rivals the efficacy of human models.

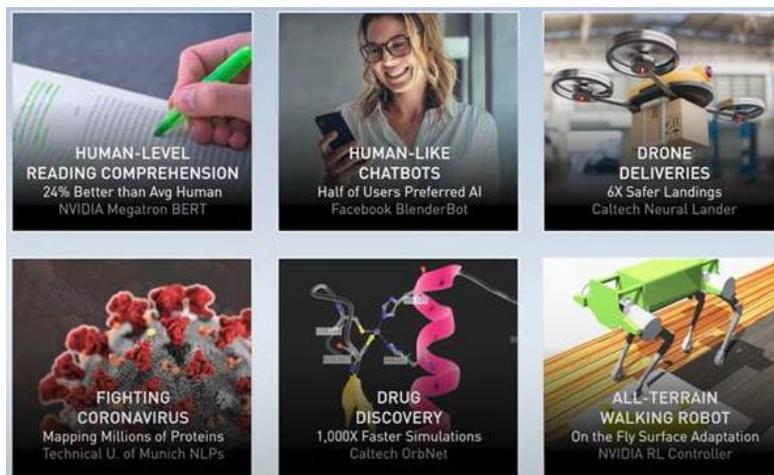


Exhibit 20. Machines Rival Humans, source Nvidia.

It was only three years ago that the amount of data generated by machines surpassed the amount of data generated by humans, and that gap is now widening exponentially.

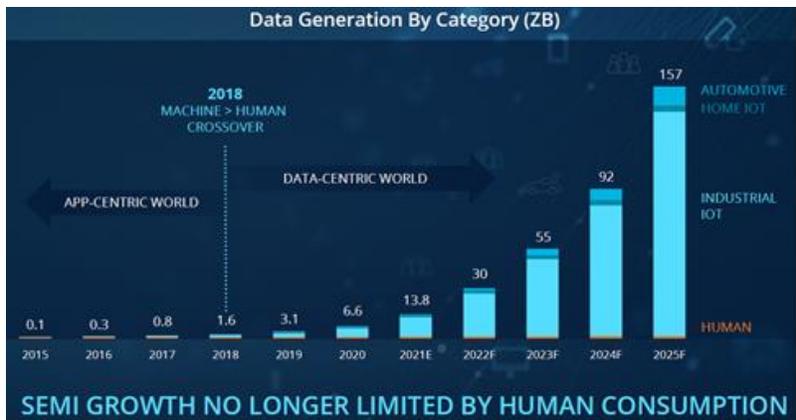


Exhibit 21. Data Generation by Category (in Zetabytes), source Applied Materials.

As a result, the AI era is expected to be the biggest and most transformational era of computing.

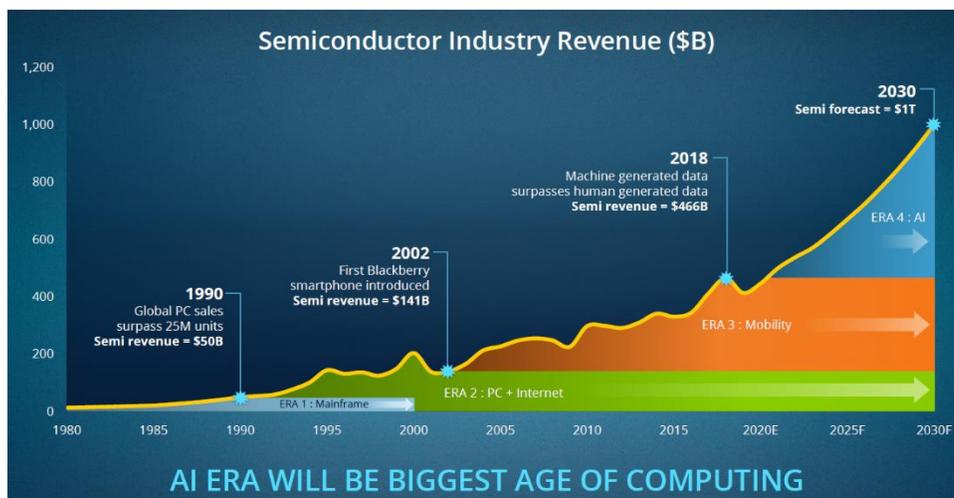


Exhibit 22. Semiconductor Industry Revenue, Billions, source Applied Materials.

As AI begins to handle models with tremendous complexity, AI innovation is shifting and growing, becoming more “human-like”, as next-level use cases require gigantic models. Advanced AI models are becoming massive and highly complex, which is the only way to approach models of human intelligence.

Having solved the image recognition problem, in the last two years, AI researchers have focused on Natural Language Processing (NLP), where the correlation between the size of the model and the sophistication of the algorithm has remained quite high.

More recently, OpenAI's Generative Pre-Trained Transformer ("GPT-3"), one of the largest language models ever trained at 175 billion parameters, received much attention. There is great hype around GPT-3. As Jen-Hsun Huang described at GTC 2021:

*OpenAI's GPT-3 is 175 billion parameters. That is 3,000 larger in just three years. The applications for GPT-3 are really incredible. Generate document summaries, email phrase completion, GPT-3 can even generate Java script and HTML from plain English. Essentially telling AI to write code based on what you wanted to do.*⁹

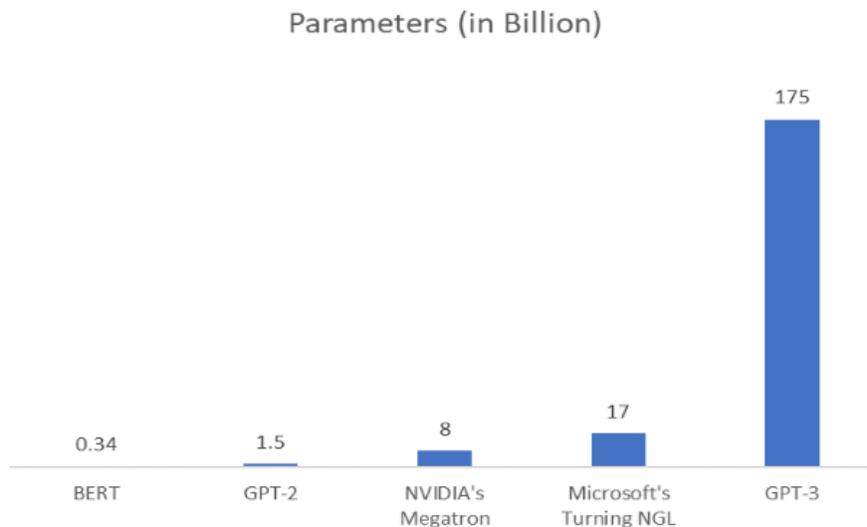


Exhibit 23. *Parameters in Billions, source Merkle Inc. and Search Engine Watch.*

And in another breakthrough, this year researchers at Google developed the world's first trillion parameter model, T5-XXL, a language model with 1.6 trillion parameters. In this connection, Jen-Hsun Huang, also recently noted, "Model sizes are growing exponentially, on a pace of doubling every 2.5 months. We expect to see multi-trillion parameters models by next year and 100 plus trillion parameter models by 2023."¹⁰

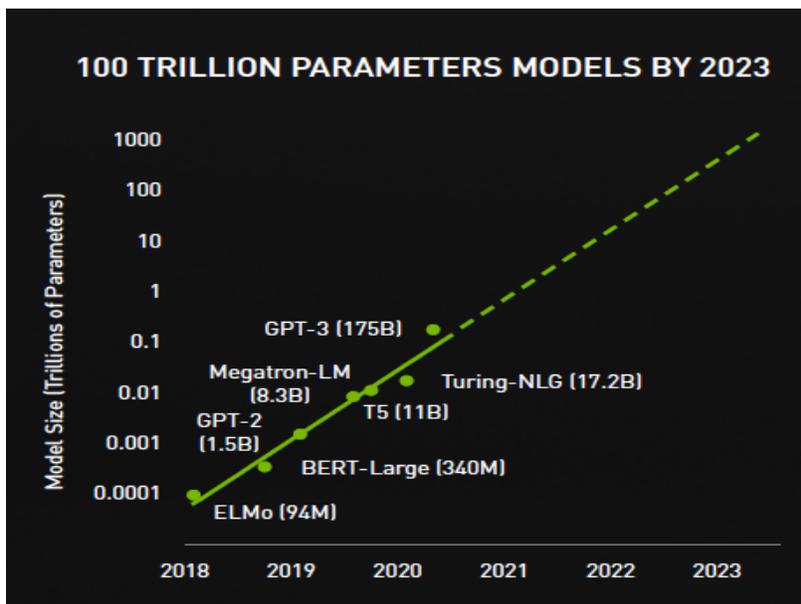


Exhibit 24. *100 Trillion Parameter Models by 2023, source Nvidia.*

Although AI is attracting most of the media headline attention, the underlying foundational components of this upcoming Fourth Industrial Revolution, such as 5G and IoT applications, are equally important.

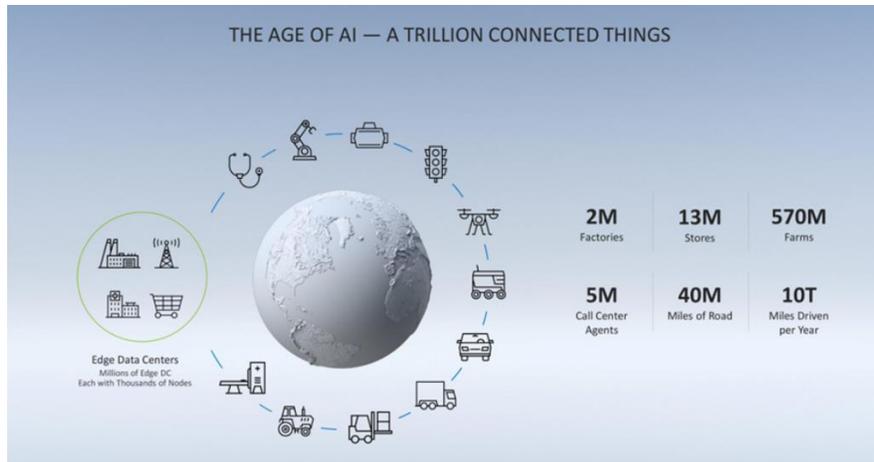


Exhibit 25. The Age of AI, a Trillion Connected Objects, source Nvidia.

Looking at this essential foundational layer, it is important to recognize that we are at the early and beginning stages of this technological revolution. Even 5G, a critical infrastructure platform underneath the compute and application layers, will take years to deploy fully – as 5G is not a single innovation, but rather a set of advances in spectrum usage.

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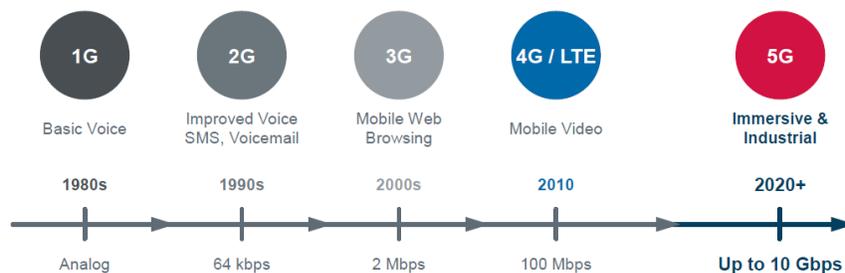


Exhibit 26. What is 5G?, source American Tower.

Indeed, the network evolution towards 5G is just beginning. This creates an exciting, multi-year, secular investment cycle that is largely independent, and can at times be countercyclical to the economic cycle (e.g., currently in China).

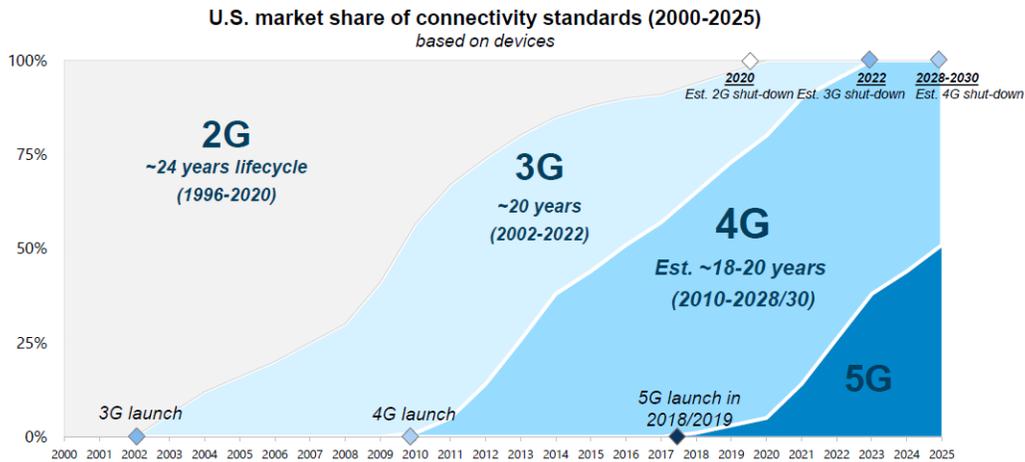


Exhibit 27. *The Evolution Towards 5G, source American Tower.*

This is a multi-year growth trajectory. By 2026, 5G networks are projected to carry more than half of data traffic globally.

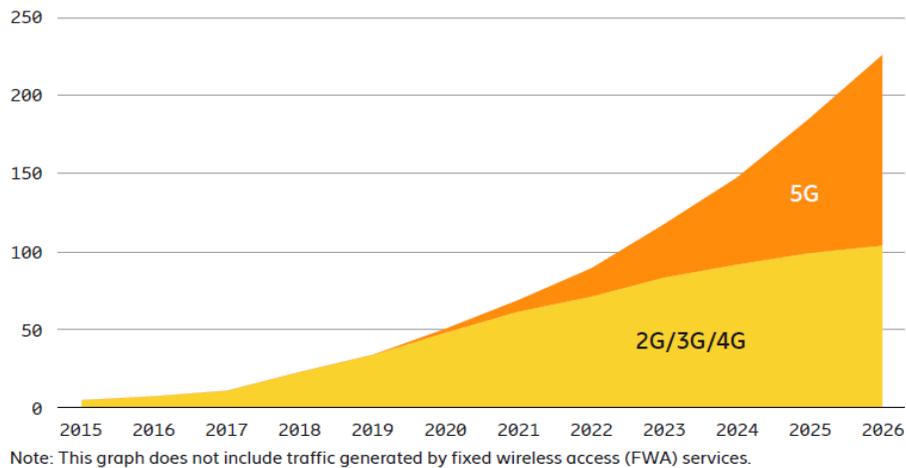


Exhibit 28. *Global Mobile Data Traffic (EB per month), source Ericsson.*

It is important to note that these critical physical-layer components of the upcoming Fourth Industrial Revolution, such as 5G and IoT, are of significant size and rapidly growing. By 2030, the size of the US IoT market, for example, is expected to grow fifteen-fold relative to 2019.

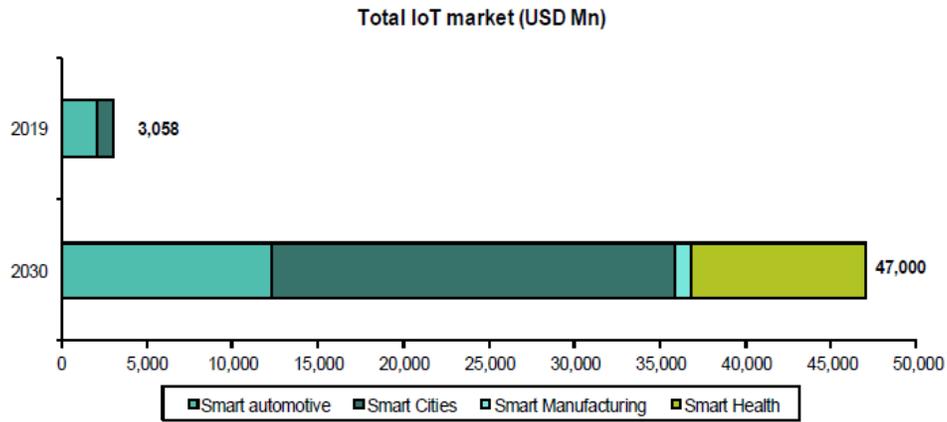


Exhibit 29. Estimated US IoT Market Growth, July 2020, source Bernstein.

Importantly, global carriers, which are now aggressively building 5G networks, have a strong economic incentive to support and promote advanced commercial applications. Smart city projects, another important application, can allow carriers in the US to increase revenues almost twenty-four times over the next ten years.

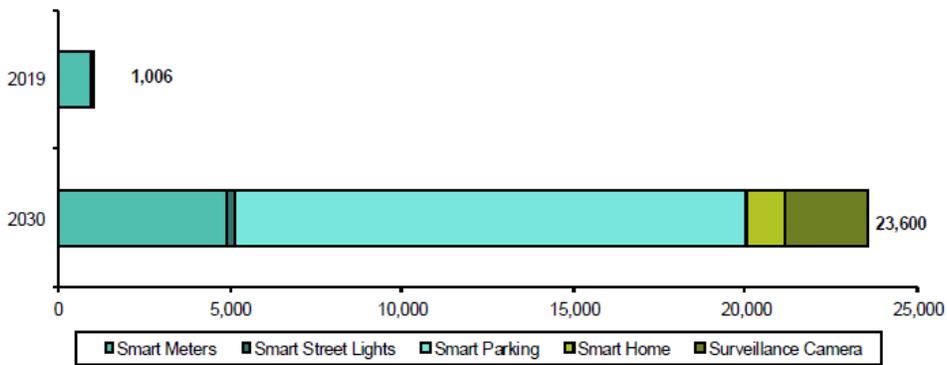


Exhibit 30. Estimated Smart City Revenue Contribution, Millions, July 2020, source Bernstein.

5G can also transform another huge end market, namely logistics, from driverless long-haul transportation, to last-mile delivery robots, to smart delivery boxes, to IoT-5G-assisted sorting centers and fully automated warehouses. In China, companies like Alibaba and JD Logistics are already building intelligent 5G-enabled logistics parks.



Exhibit 31. JD Logistics using 5G in Warehousing and Last-Mile Logistics, source Bernstein.

Our most recently published quarterly letter provides an in-depth analysis of this broad-based wave of technological innovation, which is about to redefine the way we work, live and interact.

In closing, we remain the largest investors in the strategy and have our interests aligned with those of our limited partners.

Sincerely,
Alkeon Capital Management Investment Team

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² Performance data is from another investment vehicle which runs pari-passu to Alkeon Growth Partners, LP (AGP) and follows substantially the same investment strategy (the "Alkeon Growth Strategy" or "AGS") as AGP. The other investment vehicle's performance represents the longest track record available for the Alkeon Growth Strategy with an inception date of January 5, 1998 (MSCI data is as of January 1, 1998) and reflects the deduction of the vehicle's actual fees and expenses during the period shown, including the deduction of a 20% incentive fee and a 1% management fee charged to investors prior to March 1, 2004, a 1.5% management fee charged to new investors beginning March 1, 2004 and a 1.75% management fee charged to all investors beginning July 1, 2011. AGP commenced operations in January 2003, and it is subject to a 20% incentive fee and management fees ranging from 1.25% to 2% depending on the series of interests. AGS performance shown above may have been lower during certain periods had it charged similar fees to AGP. Performance for both AGP and AGS are presented on a fund level. Unless otherwise indicated, index returns are presented on a price return basis only - dividends and reinvestments are excluded. Please see Important Notes at the end of this letter, including "Comparisons to Indices". Past performance is no guarantee of future results.

³ Alkeon Growth Partner, LP's net exposure estimates are obtained from the Morgan Stanley Performance Measurement (MSPM) System. Please see Important Notes at the end of this letter, including "Gross and Net Exposure". Number of positions is calculated on an issuer basis.

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⁵ Bloomberg, November 2021.

⁶ Based on the performance of single-name securities only.

⁷ Klaus Schwab, Founder and Executive Chairman, World Economic Forum, 2016.

⁸ Jen-Hsun Huang, Keynote Speech, GTC 2017.

⁹ GTC 2021 Nvidia Keynote.

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