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Four Columbia Funds Earn Lipper Fund Awards

Columbia Global Technology Growth Fund Recognized Second Year in a Row for Five-Year Outperformance

BOSTON – March 6, 2020 – Four Columbia funds were recognized as 2020 Lipper Fund Award winners for outperformance versus peers in their respective Lipper classifications for periods ending December 31, 2019:

- Columbia Acorn European Fund, I2
 European Region Funds (19 funds¹) 3 years
 European Region Funds (18 funds¹) 5 years
- Columbia Global Equity Value Fund, I3
 Global Multi-Cap Value Funds (43 funds¹) 3 years
- Columbia Global Technology Growth Fund, I2 Science & Technology Funds (37 funds¹) – 5 years
- Columbia Greater China Fund, I2 China Region Funds (16 funds¹) – 3 years

The U.S. Lipper Fund Awards recognize funds and fund management firms for their consistently strong risk-adjusted three-, five-, and 10-year performance, relative to their peers, based on Lipper's quantitative, performance-based methodology.²

The four award-winning funds showcase the firm's robust, risk-adjusted performance across sectors and regions within equities.

"We are honored to have these funds earn a Lipper Award," said Melda Mergen, Deputy Global Head of Equities at Columbia Threadneedle Investments. "We remain pragmatic in our investment decisions and stay true to our research-intense active management approach which helps our team deliver consistent performance to meet



our clients' goals. Our portfolio managers benefit from the continuous global collaboration across asset classes and sectors."

Past performance does not guarantee future results.

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¹ Within the respective Lipper classification.

- ² The Lipper Fund Awards are based on the Lipper Leader for Consistent Return rating, which is a risk-adjusted performance measure calculated over 36, 60 and 120 months. The highest Lipper Leader® for Consistent Return (Effective Return) value within each eligible classification determines the fund classification winner over three, five or 10 years. For a detailed explanation, please review the Lipper Leaders methodology document.
- ³ As of December 31, 2019. Includes all assets managed by entities in the Columbia and Threadneedle group of companies.

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