

## AXS Merger Fund Named Finalist in 2022 Annual HFM Performance Awards

GAKIX selected on time-tested performance, innovation and unique access for the broader investing public

**NEW YORK, September 16, 2022** – AXS Investments, a leading asset manager providing access to alternative investments for growth, income and diversification, today announced that the AXS Merger Fund (GAKIX) has been named Best Merger Arbitrage Fund Finalist in the industry's 2022 HFM US Performance Awards.

The HFM US performance awards are the most prestigious hedge fund awards ceremony in North America, recognizing excellence among hedge funds, CTAs and funds of hedge funds within the US. Award criteria includes a track record of outstanding returns and excellent performance and growth over the past 12 months. The judging panel is comprised of leading CIOs, senior directors, and managing directors from allocators and investors.

"We are honored and grateful that GAKIX was named to the shortlist in the highly competitive "Best Merger Arb Fund" category in this year's HFM US Performance Awards, particularly in a year when Merger Arb strategies have garnered increasing attention from investors due to their ability to provide a unique return stream to complement investment portfolios," said Greg Bassuk, CEO of AXS Investments. "We're deeply proud of our partnership with George Kellner and Kellner Capital, a Merger Arb pioneer – and equally proud of the 10-Year track record of GAKIX in delivering time-tested results for investors."

"We have seen all types of M&A environments over our 40-plus years focused on Merger Arb, but 2022's unique environment has shone a spotlight on the power of merger arb investing and the attributes it can provide for investor portfolios," said George Kellner, CEO and founder of Kellner Capital and portfolio manager of GAKIX. "We believe investors in the AXS Merger Fund can benefit from the M&A deal activity as we have the know-how to evaluate the best trades for the portfolio."

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## **About AXS Investments**

AXS Investments is a leading alternative investment manager providing a diversified family of alternative investments for growth, income and diversification. The firm empowers investors to diversify their portfolios with investments previously available only to the largest institutional and high net worth investors. The investor-friendly AXS funds are time-tested, liquid, transparent and managed by high pedigreed portfolio managers with long and strong track records. For more information, visit <a href="https://www.axsinvestments.com">www.axsinvestments.com</a>.

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