# **Annual Management Report of Fund Performance**

# **AGF Global Corporate Bond Fund**

September 30, 2021



# Management Discussion of Fund Performance

This management discussion of fund performance represents the portfolio management team's view of the significant factors and developments affecting the fund's performance and outlook.

#### **Investment Objective and Strategies**

Pursuant to the Declaration of Trust, the investment objective of AGF Global Corporate Bond Fund (formerly, AGF High Yield Bond Fund) (the "Fund") is to generate a high level of income and maximize return by investing primarily in fixed income securities, issued or guaranteed by corporations around the world and rated BB+ equivalent or lower. AGF Investments Inc. ("AGFI"), as portfolio manager, seeks to maximize the total return of the portfolio through a bottomup approach to corporate bond selection and a top-down approach to category allocation and duration management. A bottom-up investment approach focuses attention on a specific company rather than on the industry in which that company operates or on the economy as a whole. A topdown investment approach involves looking at the "big picture" in the economy and financial world and then breaking those components down into finer details. Duration exposure is the sensitivity of the portfolio due to changes in interest rates. The portfolio manager looks for bond issues that provide an attractive return relative to the risk of each credit. The Fund will primarily invest in below investment grade debt with a credit rating below BBB from Standard & Poor's (or an equivalent rating from another rating agency). During periods of market downturn or for other reasons, a significant portion of the Fund's assets may be held in cash, cash equivalents or fixed income securities.

#### Risk

The risks of investing in the Fund remain as disclosed in the current prospectus. Any changes to the Fund over the period have not affected the overall level of risk of the Fund.

The international spread of COVID-19 has heightened certain risks associated with investing in the Fund, including liquidity risk. There are many factors that affect liquidity as well as the value of an investment. Those factors generally affect securities markets, including but not limited to general economic and political conditions, fluctuations in interest rates and factors unique to each issuer of the securities held by an investment fund, such as changes in management, strategic direction, achievement of strategic goals, mergers, acquisitions and divestitures, changes in distribution and dividend policies and other events. While the precise impact of the COVID-19 outbreak remains unknown, it has introduced uncertainty and volatility in global markets and economies. The duration of the COVID-19 outbreak and its impact cannot be determined with certainty, but it may

adversely affect the performance of the Fund. The portfolio manager, however, does not believe any changes to the Fund over the period has affected the overall risk of the Fund.

The Fund continues to be suitable for investors investing for the medium term, seeking the income potential of fixed income securities and who have low to medium tolerance for risk. The suitability of the Fund has not changed from what has been disclosed in the prospectus.

#### **Results of Operations**

For the year ended September 30, 2021, the Mutual Fund Units of the Fund returned 7.4% (net of expenses) while the Bloomberg U.S. Corporate High-Yield Bond Index and the Bloomberg U.S. Corporate High-Yield Bond Index (hedged to CAD) returned 5.8% and 11.1%, respectively. The performance of the other series of the Fund is substantially similar to that of the Mutual Fund Units, save for differences in expense structure. Refer to "Past Performance" section for performance information of such series.

The Fund out-performed the Bloomberg U.S. Corporate High-Yield Bond Index largely due to currency effects. The Fund effectively fully hedged its U.S. dollar exposure through the majority of the reporting period, whereas the unhedged benchmark index is denominated in U.S. dollars. The U.S. dollar weakened relative to the Canadian dollar by roughly 5.0% over the full course of the reporting period; therefore, hedging against this depreciation supported Fund returns. In early June 2021, the Fund modestly reduced its U.S. dollar hedges just as the currency enjoyed a reprieve rally, recapturing over 3.0% of the previous losses. The Fund again tactically increased its U.S. dollar exposure in late August 2021 for a brief period, which was well-timed. This currency strategy contributed to performance during the reporting period.

The Fund under-performed the Bloomberg U.S. Corporate High-Yield Bond Index (hedged to CAD). The Fund was positioned with duration at roughly half of the benchmark index level during the reporting period in which yields rose rapidly in February and March 2021. While this contributed to performance during the first calendar quarter of 2021, this trend reversed in the second calendar quarter and the Fund under-performed in May 2021 specifically. Positively, the Fund was well-positioned for the reopening trade throughout the reporting period, with added exposure to airlines, retail and gaming. The Fund added around 5.0% total weight to a select number of preferred shares based on idiosyncratic developments. The category generally benefits from yield curve steepening, so this proved to be a strong tactical move in the first calendar quarter of 2021 and again later in the reporting period.

This annual management report of fund performance contains financial highlights, but does not contain the complete annual financial statements of the investment fund. You can get a copy of the annual financial statements at your request, and at no cost, by calling 1 800 268-8583, by writing to us at AGF Investments Inc., 55 Standish Court, Suite 1050, Mississauga, Ontario, Canada LSR 0G3 attention: Client Services, or by visiting our website at www.aqf.com or SEDAR at www.sedar.com.

Securityholders may also contact us using one of these methods to request a copy of the investment fund's proxy voting policies and procedures, proxy voting disclosure record, or quarterly portfolio disclosure.

The Fund entered into foreign exchange forward contracts during the period under review. As of September 30, 2021, the Fund was long Canadian dollar and short U.S. dollar in order to hedge its currency exposure.

Certain series of the Fund, as applicable, make monthly distributions at a rate determined by AGFI from time to time. If the aggregate amount of the monthly distributions made to a series in a year exceeds the portion of the net income and net realized capital gains allocated to such series, the excess will constitute a return of capital. The portfolio manager does not believe that the distributions made by the Fund had a meaningful impact on the Fund's ability to implement its investment strategy or to fulfill its investment objectives.

The Fund had net subscriptions of approximately \$165 million for the current period, as compared to net subscriptions of approximately \$16 million in the prior period. Rebalancing by institutional programs resulted in net subscriptions of approximately \$154 million in the Fund. The portfolio manager does not believe that subscription activity had a meaningful impact on the Fund's performance or the ability to implement its investment strategy.

expenses before foreign withholding taxes, commissions and other portfolio transaction costs vary period over period mainly as a result of changes in average Net Asset Values (see Explanatory Note (1) a)) and investor activity, such as number of investor accounts and transactions. The increase in management and advisory fees accounted for most of the increase in expenses during the period as compared to the previous period due to an increase in average Net Asset Values. Unitholder servicing and administrative fees also increased during the period as a result of the increased average Net Asset Values. Custodian fees increased due to an increase in market value of investment portfolio and registration fees increased due to an increase in subscription activity. Margin fees increased as the Fund entered into credit default swap transactions during the period and interest expense increased due to an increase in overdraft positions throughout the period. All other expenses remained fairly consistent throughout the periods.

#### **Recent Developments**

In the portfolio manager's opinion, as the worst of the COVID-19 pandemic appears to be behind us, barring a major setback, so too are unprecedented stimulus measures. Credit spreads are tight because of the supportive economic backdrop, but given healthy cash flows and low default levels, high yield bonds should help offset government bond weakness despite their historically low yields across all categories. The current coupon clipping environment is expected to continue through the last calendar quarter of 2021, which is positive for corporate bond investors, all things considered.

The Bank of Canada has already completed a significant scaling back of bond purchases and the U.S. Federal Reserve (the "Fed") is poised to follow suit in the coming months. Government bond yields should conceptually trend higher as the economies enter a period of less accommodative policy,

but historically tapering has actually resulted in lower bond yields. However, with a more telegraphed path from the Fed in this cycle compared to past cycles and a more aggressive summary of economic projections increasing the possibility of a rate hike sooner than currently expected, the portfolio manager anticipates that yields still have the potential to move somewhat higher. Inflation pressures that remain more persistent than anticipated, along with the potential for an economic improvement as growth resumes following the peak of the delta variant's impact, could also support a further rise in yields.

Given the portfolio manager's anticipation that the recent rise in yields has further to run, shorter duration positioning is favoured at this time. Risk-on sentiment propelled by continued economic reopening and some alleviation in supply-chain bottlenecks would bode well for market-sensitive categories.

Effective April 30, 2021, the Fund was renamed to better reflect its investment focus, which is to hold both investment grade and high yield corporate bonds. The risk rating of the Fund was also changed from "low" to "low to medium" effective the same date. No material changes have been made to the investment objective, strategies or management of the Fund.

#### **Related Party Transactions**

AGFI is the manager ("Manager") and trustee of the Fund. Pursuant to the management agreement between the Fund and AGFI, AGFI is responsible for the day-to-day business of the Fund. AGFI also acts as the investment (portfolio) manager, managing the investment portfolio of the Fund. Effective August 16, 2021, AGFI entered into an investment sub-advisory agreement with AGF Investments LLC, which acts as a sub-advisor and provides investment sub-advisory services to the Fund. Under the management and investment sub-advisory agreements, the Fund (except for Series I, Series O, Series Q and Series W Units, if applicable) pays management and advisory fees, calculated based on the Net Asset Value of the respective series of the Fund. Management and advisory fees of approximately \$2,696,000 were incurred by the Fund during the period ended September 30, 2021.

Certain operating expenses relating to registrar and transfer agency services are paid directly by AGFI and in exchange, a fixed rate administration fee is payable by the Mutual Fund Series, Series F, Series FV, Series I, Series T and Series V Units, as applicable, of the Fund. The administration fee is calculated based on the Net Asset Value of the respective series of the Fund at a fixed annual rate, as disclosed in the current prospectus. Administration fees of approximately \$368,000 were incurred by the Fund during the period ended September 30, 2021.

AGFI and AGF Investments LLC are indirect wholly-owned subsidiaries of AGF Management Limited.

#### **Caution Regarding Forward-looking Statements**

This report may contain forward-looking statements about the Fund, including its strategy, expected performance and condition. Forward looking statements include statements that are predictive in nature, that depend upon or refer to future events or conditions, or that include words such as "expects", "anticipates", "intends", "plans", "believes", "estimates" or negative versions thereof and similar expressions.

In addition, any statement that may be made concerning future performance, strategies or prospects, and possible future Fund action, is also a forward-looking statement. Forward-looking statements are based on current expectations and projections about future events and are inherently subject to, among other things, risks, uncertainties and assumptions about the Fund and economic factors.

The forward-looking statements are by their nature based on numerous assumptions, which include, amongst other things, that (i) the Fund can attract and maintain investors and has sufficient capital under management to effect its investment strategies, (ii) the investment strategies will produce the results intended by the portfolio manager, and (iii) the markets will react and perform in a manner consistent with the investment strategies. Although the forward-looking statements contained herein are based upon what the portfolio manager believes to be reasonable assumptions, the portfolio manager cannot assure that actual results will be consistent with these forward-looking statements.

Forward-looking statements are not guarantees of future performance, and actual events and results could differ materially from those expressed or implied in any forwardlooking statements made by the Fund. Any number of important factors could contribute to these digressions. including, but not limited to, general economic, political and market factors in North America and internationally, interest and foreign exchange rates, global equity and capital markets, business competition, taxation, changes in government regulations, unexpected judicial or regulatory proceedings, technological changes, cybersecurity, the possible effects of war or terrorist activities, outbreaks of disease or illness that affect local, national or international economies (such as COVID-19), natural disasters and disruptions to public infrastructure, such as transportation, communications, power or water supply or other catastrophic events.

It should be stressed that the above-mentioned list of factors is not exhaustive. You are encouraged to consider these and other factors carefully before making any investment decisions and you are urged to avoid placing undue reliance on forward-looking statements. Further, you should be aware of the fact that the Fund has no specific intention of updating any forward-looking statements whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise, prior to the release of the next Management Report of Fund Performance.

# **Financial Highlights**

The following tables show selected key financial information about the Fund and are intended to help you understand the Fund's financial performance for the past five years as applicable.

## Mutual Fund Units - Net Assets per Unit(1)

	Sept 30,				
For the periods ended	2021 (\$)	2020 (\$)	2019 (\$)	2018 (\$)	2017 (\$)
Net Assets, beginning of period <sup>(1)</sup>	5.16	5.31	5.28	5.46	5.47
Increase (decrease) from operations:					
Total revenue	0.24	0.29	0.27	0.31	0.32
Total expenses	(0.11)	(0.10)	(0.10)	(0.10)	(0.10)
Realized gains (losses)	0.15	(0.06)	(0.11)	(0.26)	0.25
Unrealized gains (losses)	0.05	(0.06)	0.16	0.08	(0.24)
Total increase (decrease) from operations <sup>(2)</sup>	0.33	0.07	0.22	0.03	0.23
Distributions:					
From income (excluding dividends)	(0.12)	(0.21)	(0.18)	(0.20)	(0.24)
From dividends	(0.00)	(0.00)	(0.00)	(0.00)	-
From capital gains	-	-	-	-	-
Return of capital	-	-	-	-	-
Total annual distributions <sup>(3)</sup>	(0.12)	(0.21)	(0.18)	(0.20)	(0.24)
Net Assets, end of period <sup>(4)</sup>	5.42	5.16	5.31	5.28	5.46

#### Mutual Fund Units - Ratios/Supplemental Data(1)

For the periods ended	Sept 30, 2021	Sept 30, 2020	Sept 30, 2019	Sept 30, 2018	Sept 30, 2017
Total Net Asset Value (\$000's)	276.038	183.117	181.386	177.357	264.296
Number of units outstanding (000's)	50,892	35,464	34,134	33,621	48,420
Management expense ratio <sup>(5)</sup>	1.86%	1.86%	1.87%	1.89%	1.87%
Management expense ratio before waivers or absorptions <sup>(6)</sup>	1.86%	1.86%	1.87%	1.89%	1.87%
Trading expense ratio <sup>(7)</sup>	0.10%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Portfolio turnover rate <sup>(8)</sup>	241.88%	168.42%	146.87%	78.47%	83.50%
Net Asset Value per unit	5.42	5.16	5.31	5.28	5.46

#### Series F Units - Net Assets per Unit(1)

For the periods ended	Sept 30, 2021 (\$)	Sept 30, 2020 (\$)	Sept 30, 2019 (\$)	Sept 30, 2018 (\$)	Sept 30, 2017 (\$)
Net Assets, beginning of period <sup>(1)</sup>	5.24	5.38	5.33	5.50	5.49
Increase (decrease) from operations:					
Total revenue	0.25	0.29	0.27	0.31	0.33
Total expenses	(0.06)	(0.05)	(0.05)	(0.06)	(0.06)
Realized gains (losses)	0.20	(0.07)	(0.13)	(0.26)	0.25
Unrealized gains (losses)	0.08	(0.10)	0.17	0.08	(0.26)
Total increase (decrease) from operations <sup>(2)</sup>	0.47	0.07	0.26	0.07	0.26
Distributions:					
From income (excluding dividends)	(0.15)	(0.25)	(0.22)	(0.24)	(0.26)
From dividends	(0.01)	(0.00)	(0.00)	(0.00)	-
From capital gains	-	-	-	-	-
Return of capital	-	-	-	-	-
Total annual distributions <sup>(3)</sup>	(0.16)	(0.25)	(0.22)	(0.24)	(0.26)
Net Assets, end of period <sup>(4)</sup>	5.52	5.24	5.38	5.33	5.50

#### Series F Units - Ratios/Supplemental Data(1)

For the periods ended	Sept 30, 2021	Sept 30, 2020	Sept 30, 2019	Sept 30, 2018	Sept 30, 2017
Total Net Asset Value (\$000's)	1,384	1,537	1,652	1,881	3,288
Number of units outstanding (000's)	251	293	307	353	598
Management expense ratio <sup>(5)</sup>	1.00%	1.00%	1.00%	1.01%	1.02%
Management expense ratio before waivers or absorptions <sup>(6)</sup>	1.43%	1.44%	1.42%	1.33%	1.33%
Trading expense ratio <sup>(7)</sup>	0.10%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Portfolio turnover rate <sup>(8)</sup>	241.88%	168.42%	146.87%	78.47%	83.50%
Net Asset Value per unit	5.52	5.24	5.38	5.33	5.50

# Series I Units - Net Assets per Unit(1)

For the periods ended	Sept 30, 2021 (\$)	Sept 30, 2020 (\$)	Sept 30, 2019 (\$)	Sept 30, 2018 (\$)	Sept 30, 2017 (\$)
Net Assets, beginning of period <sup>(1)</sup>	9.50	9.75	9.66	10.00*	_
Increase (decrease) from operations:					
Total revenue	0.44	0.54	0.50	0.40	-
Total expenses	(0.02)	(0.01)	(0.01)	(0.00)	-
Realized gains (losses)	0.27	(0.11)	(0.15)	(0.42)	-
Unrealized gains (losses)	0.11	(0.09)	0.21	0.07	-
Total increase (decrease) from operations <sup>(2)</sup>	0.80	0.33	0.55	0.05	-
Distributions:					
From income (excluding dividends)	(0.35)	(0.53)	(0.48)	(0.41)	-
From dividends	(0.02)	(0.00)	(0.00)	(0.00)	-
From capital gains	-	-	-	-	-
Return of capital	-	-	-	-	-
Total annual distributions <sup>(3)</sup>	(0.37)	(0.53)	(0.48)	(0.41)	_
Net Assets, end of period <sup>(4)</sup>	10.01	9.50	9.75	9.66	-

# Series I Units - Ratios/Supplemental Data<sup>(1)</sup>

For the periods ended	Sept 30, 2021	Sept 30, 2020	Sept 30, 2019	Sept 30, 2018	Sept 30, 2017
Total Net Asset Value (\$000's)	309,640	217,631	212,909	195,478	
Number of units outstanding (000's)	30,930	22,917	21,842	20,241	-
Management expense ratio <sup>(5)</sup>	0.07%	0.07%	0.07%	0.04%	-
Management expense ratio before waivers or absorptions <sup>(6)</sup>	0.07%	0.07%	0.07%	0.04%	-
Trading expense ratio <sup>(7)</sup>	0.10%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	-
Portfolio turnover rate <sup>(8)</sup>	241.88%	168.42%	146.87%	78.47%	-
Net Asset Value per unit	10.01	9.50	9.75	9.66	-

## Series O Units - Net Assets per Unit(1)

For the periods ended	Sept 30, 2021 (\$)	Sept 30, 2020 (\$)	Sept 30, 2019 (\$)	Sept 30, 2018 (\$)	Sept 30, 2017 (\$)
Net Assets, beginning of period <sup>(1)</sup>	5.21*	_	_	_	_
Increase (decrease) from operations:					
Total revenue	0.22	-	-	-	-
Total expenses	(0.01)	-	-	-	-
Realized gains (losses)	(0.08)	-	-	-	-
Unrealized gains (losses)	(0.02)	-	-	_	-
Total increase (decrease) from operations <sup>(2)</sup>	0.11	_	_	_	_
Distributions:					
From income (excluding dividends)	(0.08)	-	_	_	_
From dividends	(0.01)	-	-	-	-
From capital gains	-	-	-	-	-
Return of capital	-	-	-	-	-
Total annual distributions <sup>(3)</sup>	(0.09)	_	_	_	_
Net Assets, end of period <sup>(4)</sup>	5.46	-	_	_	_

#### Series O Units - Ratios/Supplemental Data(1)

	Comb 20	Sept 30,	Sept 30,	Sept 30.	Camb 20
For the periods ended	Sept 30, 2021	2020	2019	2018	Sept 30, 2017
Total Net Asset Value (\$000's)	156	-	-	-	_
Number of units outstanding (000's)	29	-	-	-	-
Management expense ratio <sup>(5)</sup>	0.00%	-	-	-	-
Management expense ratio before waivers or absorptions <sup>(6)</sup>	4.83%	-	-	-	-
Trading expense ratio <sup>(7)</sup>	0.10%	_	_	_	-
Portfolio turnover rate <sup>(8)</sup>	241.88%	_	_	_	-
Net Asset Value per unit	5.46	-	-	-	-

# Series Q Units - Net Assets per Unit(1)

For the periods ended	Sept 30, 2021 (\$)	Sept 30, 2020 (\$)	Sept 30, 2019 (\$)	Sept 30, 2018 (\$)	Sept 30, 2017 (\$)
Net Assets, beginning of period <sup>(1)</sup>	8.90	9.14	9.05	9.35	9.30
Increase (decrease) from operations:					
Total revenue	0.42	0.50	0.47	0.52	0.55
Total expenses	(0.01)	(0.00)	(0.00)	(0.00)	(0.00)
Realized gains (losses)	0.33	(0.09)	(0.24)	(0.51)	0.47
Unrealized gains (losses)	0.18	(0.12)	0.30	0.19	(0.47)
Total increase (decrease) from operations <sup>(2)</sup>	0.92	0.29	0.53	0.20	0.55
Distributions:					
From income (excluding dividends)	(0.33)	(0.51)	(0.46)	(0.50)	(0.51)
From dividends	(0.02)	(0.00)	(0.00)	(0.00)	-
From capital gains	-	-	-	-	-
Return of capital	-	-	-	-	-
Total annual distributions <sup>(3)</sup> Net Assets, end of period <sup>(4)</sup>	(0.35) 9.39	(0.51) 8.90	(0.46) 9.14	(0.50) 9.05	(0.51) 9.35

# Series Q Units - Ratios/Supplemental Data<sup>(1)</sup>

For the periods ended	Sept 30, 2021	Sept 30, 2020	Sept 30, 2019	Sept 30, 2018	Sept 30, 2017
Total Net Asset Value (\$000's)	558	688	904	1,152	1,111
Number of units outstanding (000's)	59	77	99	127	119
Management expense ratio <sup>(5)</sup>	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Management expense ratio before waivers or absorptions <sup>(6)</sup>	0.64%	0.61%	0.44%	0.42%	0.60%
Trading expense ratio <sup>(7)</sup>	0.10%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Portfolio turnover rate <sup>(8)</sup>	241.88%	168.42%	146.87%	78.47%	83.50%
Net Asset Value per unit	9.39	8.90	9.14	9.05	9.35

## **Explanatory Notes**

- (1) a) This information is derived from the Fund's audited annual financial statements. Under International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS"), investments that are traded in an active market are generally valued at closing price, which is determined to be within the bid-ask spread and most representative of fair value. As a result, there is no difference between the net assets per unit presented in the financial statements ("Net Assets") and the net asset value per unit calculated for fund pricing purposes ("Net Asset Value").
  - b) The following series of the Fund commenced operations on the following dates, which represents the date upon which securities of a series were first made available for purchase by investors.

Mutual Fund Units	February 1994
Series F Units	July 2001
Series I Units	January 2018
Series O Units	October 2020
Series Q Units	December 2012

<sup>\*</sup> represents initial Net Assets (1), (2), (3), (4), (5), (6), (7) and (8) see Explanatory Notes

- c) In October 2020, the Fund recommenced the offering of Series O Units that are available to institutional investors. Series O Units previously commenced offering in June 2006 and was closed due to full redemption by unitholders in June 2013. The financial data of Series O Units includes the results of operations from date of recommencement.
- (2) Net Assets and distributions are based on the actual number of units outstanding at the relevant time. The increase/decrease from operations is based on the weighted average number of units outstanding over the financial period.
- (3) Distributions were paid in cash/reinvested in additional units of the Fund, or both. The computation of the distributions per unit does not take into account the management fee distributions (see note 5 below). The characterization of the distributions is based on management's estimate of the actual income for the year.
- (4) This is not a reconciliation of the beginning and ending Net Assets per unit.
- (5) The management expense ratio ("MER") of a particular series is calculated in accordance with National Instrument 81-106, based on all the expenses of the Fund (including Harmonized Sales Tax, Goods and Services Tax and interest, but excluding foreign withholding taxes, commissions and other portfolio transaction costs) and the Fund's proportionate share of the MER, if applicable, of the underlying funds and exchange traded funds ("ETFs") in which the Fund has invested, allocated to that series, expressed as an annualized percentage of average daily Net Asset Value of that series during the period. For new series launched, the MER is annualized from the date of the first external purchase.

AGFI may reduce the effective management fee payable by some unitholders by reducing the management fee it charges to the Fund and directing the Fund to make management fee distributions to these unitholders in amounts equal to the amounts of the management fee reduction. The MER does not take into account the reduction in management fees due to management fee distributions to unitholders.

- (6) AGFI waived certain fees or absorbed certain expenses otherwise payable by the Fund. The amount of expenses waived or absorbed is determined annually on a series by series basis at the discretion of AGFI and AGFI can terminate the waiver or absorption at any time.
- (7) The trading expense ratio represents total commissions and other portfolio transaction costs, including the Fund's proportionate share of the commissions, if applicable, of the underlying funds and ETFs in which the Fund has invested, expressed as an annualized percentage of average daily Net Asset Value during the period.
- (8) The Fund's portfolio turnover rate ("PTR") indicates how actively the Fund's portfolio advisor manages its portfolio investments. A PTR of 100% is equivalent to the Fund buying and selling all of the securities in its portfolio once in the

course of the year. The higher a fund's PTR in a year, the greater the trading costs payable by the fund in the year, and the greater the chance of an investor receiving taxable capital gains in the year. There is not necessarily a relationship between a high turnover rate and the performance of a fund.

PTR is calculated based on the lesser of the cumulative cost of purchases or cumulative proceeds of sales divided by the average market value of the portfolio, excluding short-term investments.

# Management Fees

The Fund is managed by AGFI. As a result of providing investment advisory and management services, AGFI receives a monthly management and advisory fee, based on the Net Asset Value of the respective series, calculated daily and payable monthly. Management and advisory fees in respect of Series I, Series O, Series Q and Series W Units, if applicable, are arranged directly between the Manager and investors and are not expenses of the Fund. AGFI uses these management and advisory fees to pay for sales and trailing commissions to registered dealers on the distribution of the Fund's units, investment advice, as well as for general administrative expenses such as overhead, salaries, rent, legal and accounting fees relating to AGFI's role as manager.

		As a percentage of man	agement and advisory fees
	Annual rates	Dealer compensation	General administration and investment advice
Mutual Fund Units Series F Units	1.50% 0.90%	15.50% -	84.50% 100.00%

# Past Performance\*

The performance information shown assumes that all distributions made by the Fund in the periods shown were reinvested in additional securities of the Fund. Note that the performance information does not take into account sales, redemption, distribution or other optional charges that would have reduced returns or performance. How the Fund has performed in the past does not necessarily indicate how it will perform in the future.

It is AGFI's policy to report rates of return for series in existence greater than one year. The performance start date for each series represents the date of the first purchase of such series, excluding seed money. Series O Units recommenced operations in October 2020.

All rates of return are calculated based on the Net Asset Value.

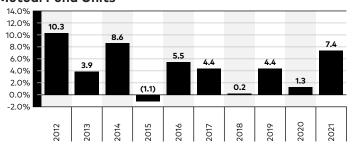
#### Year-By-Year Returns

The following bar charts show the Fund's annual performance for each of the past 10 years to September 30, 2021 as applicable, and illustrate how the Fund's performance has changed from year to year. The

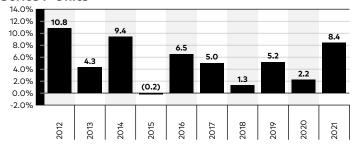
<sup>\*</sup> The indicated rates of return shown here are the historical annual compounded total returns including changes in security value and reinvestment of all distributions and do not take into account sales, redemption, distribution or other optional charges by any security holder that would have reduced returns or performance. Mutual funds are not guaranteed, their values change frequently and past performance may not be repeated.

charts show, in percentage terms, how much an investment made on the first day of each financial period would have grown or decreased by the last day of each financial period.

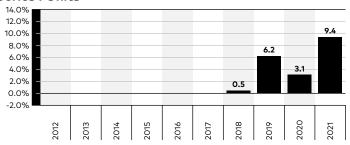
#### **Mutual Fund Units**



# Series F Units

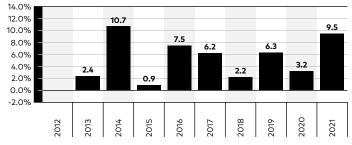


#### Series I Units



Performance for 2018 represents returns for the period from January 10, 2018 to September 30, 2018.

## Series Q Units



Performance for 2013 represents returns for the period from December 27, 2012 to September 30, 2013.

#### **Annual Compound Returns**

The following table compares the historical annual compound returns for each series with the indices, for each of the periods ended September 30, 2021.

Percentage Return:	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years	Since Inception
Mutual Fund Units	7.4	4.3	3.5	4.4	N/A
Bloomberg U.S. Corporate High-Yield Bond Index Bloomberg U.S. Corporate High-Yield	5.8	6.2	5.8	9.6	N/A
Bond Index (hedged to CAD)	11.1	6.0	5.7	7.2	N/A
Series F Units	8.4	5.2	4.4	5.2	N/A
Bloomberg U.S. Corporate High-Yield Bond Index	5.8	6.2	5.8	9.6	N/A
Bloomberg U.S. Corporate High-Yield Bond Index (hedged to CAD)	11.1	6.0	5.7	7.2	N/A
Series I Units	9.4	6.2	N/A	N/A	5.1
Bloomberg U.S. Corporate High-Yield Bond Index Bloomberg U.S. Corporate High-Yield	5.8	6.2	N/A	N/A	6.4
Bond Index (hedged to CAD)	11.1	6.0	N/A	N/A	5.2
Series Q Units	9.5	6.3	5.4	N/A	5.5
Bloomberg U.S. Corporate High-Yield Bond Index	5.8	6.2	5.8	N/A	9.0
Bloomberg U.S. Corporate High-Yield Bond Index (hedged to CAD)	11.1	6.0	5.7	N/A	5.6

The Bloomberg U.S. Corporate High-Yield Bond Index (formerly, Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Corporate High-Yield Bond Index) measures the U.S. dollar denominated, high yield, fixed-rate corporate bond market.

The Bloomberg U.S. Corporate High-Yield Bond Index (hedged to CAD) is a variation hedged to Canadian dollars.

For a discussion of the relative performance of the Fund as compared to the indices, see Results of Operations in the Management Discussion of Fund Performance.

# **Summary of Investment Portfolio**

As at September 30, 2021

The major portfolio categories and top holdings (up to 25) of the Fund at the end of the period are indicated in the following tables. The Summary of Investment Portfolio may change due to ongoing portfolio transactions of the Fund and the next quarterly update will be in the Quarterly Portfolio Disclosure as at December 31, 2021.

The prospectus and other information about the underlying investment funds are available on the internet at www.sedar.com.

Portfolio by Country	Percentage of Net Asset Value (%)
United States	61.5
Canada	24.9
Netherlands	2.7
Luxembourg	2.6
China	2.0
Ireland	1.4
Macau	1.0
United Kingdom	1.0
Cayman Islands	0.9
Cash & Cash Equivalents	0.8
Foreign Exchange Forward Contracts	0.1

Portfolio by Sector	Percentage of Net Asset Value (%)
High Yield Bonds	61.1
Corporate Bonds	24.3
Short-Term Investments	5.0
Fixed Income Funds	5.0
Emerging Markets Bonds	2.0
Cash & Cash Equivalents	0.8
Credit Default Swaps	0.4
Equity Options Purchased	0.3
Foreign Exchange Forward Contracts	0.1
Energy	0.0
Equity Options Written	(0.1)

Portfolio by Asset Mix	Percentage of Net Asset Value (%)
United States Fixed Income	60.9
Canadian Fixed Income	14.9
International Fixed Income	11.6
Canadian Equity	5.0
Short-Term Investments	5.0
Cash & Cash Equivalents	0.8
Credit Default Swaps	0.4
United States Equity Options Purchased	0.3
Foreign Exchange Forward Contracts	0.1
United States Equity Options Written	(0.1)

Portfolio by Credit Rating <sup>⁺⁺</sup>	Percentage of Net Asset Value (%)
AAA	5.0
AA	(0.0)
A	1.4
BBB	5.1
BB	40.3
В	30.8
CCC	5.7
Not Rated	5.4

Top Holdings	Percentage of Net Asset Value (%)
Long Positions:	
Government of Canada**	5.0
AGF Global Convertible Bond Fund	5.0
Ford Motor Credit Company LLC**	2.8
GFL Environmental Inc.**	2.7
CCO Holdings LLC/Capital Corporation**	2.5
Cleveland-Cliffs Inc.**	2.2
Bath & Body Works Inc.**	2.2
Parkland Corporation**	2.2
First Quantum Minerals Limited**	2.1
Enbridge Inc.**	2.1
Avis Budget Car Rental LLC/Finance Inc.**	2.0
American Axle & Manufacturing Inc.**	1.8
Videotron Limited**	1.8
Cinemark USA Inc.**	1.7
Centene Corporation**	1.6
Iron Mountain Inc.**	1.6
Delta Air Lines Inc.**	1.6
Post Holdings Inc.**	1.5
Sirius XM Radio Inc.**	1.5
Uber Technologies Inc.**	1.5
Teva Pharmaceutical Finance Netherlands III BV**	1.5
HCA Inc.**	1.5
The Chemours Company**	1.5
JBS USA LUX SA/Finance Inc.**	1.5
Frontier Communications Holdings LLC**	1.5
Subtotal	52.9
Short Positions:	
Equity Options Written	
SPDR Gold Shares	(0.1)
Subtotal	(0.1)
Total Net Asset Value (thousands of dollars)	\$ 587,776

References made to credit ratings are obtained from Standard & Poor's and/or Dominion Bond Rating Service. Where one or more rating is obtained for a security, the lowest rating has been used.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Debt Instruments



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