

Series MF Fundamental - Global Dividend & Income Equity As of March 31, 2024

## **Key Reasons to Invest**

- The Fund invests in high-quality dividend-paying companies, maintaining strong risk controls at the country, sector and company levels, contributing to historically lower volatility and better downside protection than peers.
- For investors seeking the benefits of global market diversification and capital appreciation potential.

## **Investment Objective**

The fund's objective is to seek long-term total returns by investing primarily in a diversified portfolio of dividend-paying equity securities of issuers located around the world.

## **Investment Strategy**

The portfolio manager uses a quantitative model to assist in determining which countries to invest in and the amount to allocate to each country.

It then uses a bottom-up conservative growth investment philosophy to uncover stocks that are reasonably priced relative to their growth potential.

Overall Morningstar Rating <sup>TM1</sup>	***
Morningstar Category	Global Dividend & Income Equity
Performance Start Date (PSD)	August 22, 2007
Overall Fund Net Assets	\$2,358.8 million
MER <sup>2</sup>	2.38%
Trading Expense Ratio	0.04%
Risk Profile	Low Med High

Benchmark MSCI All Country World Index

### **Fund Codes**

Series	CAD	USD
MF	4000	4100
Т	4013	
V	3000	
F	5000	5100
FV	2507	
Q	1212	
W	1404	

## Distributions (Series MF)

	2023	2022	2021
\$Amount/ Unit	0.12	0.00	0.00
Annual Frequency <sup>3</sup>		on: 2023-12 124/Unit	2-18

Please refer to AGF.com for distribution information.

#### Management Fee Tiers

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	\$100K- \$250K	\$250K- \$500K	\$500K- \$1M	\$1M- \$3M	>\$3M
Series Q	0.90	0.85	0.80	0.775	0.75
Series W	0.90	0.85	0.80	0.775	0.75

The Overall Morningstar Ratings™ and Morningstar Quartile Rankings are series specific as inception date, performance and fee characteristics vary by series. The Overall Morningstar Rating™ measures risk-adjusted returns and is derived from a weighted average of the performance figures associated with its 3-, 5- and 10-year (if applicable) rating metrics.

Source: AGF Investments, Morningstar. This document is not complete without the end disclosures. See last two pages for term definitions.

 $<sup>^{\</sup>rm 1}$  Compared with 191 funds in the Global Dividend & Income Equity category as of March 31, 2024.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> MER as of September 30, 2023. AGFI may, in its discretion, temporarily waive some or all of the expenses of the Fund, which will result in a reduction in the MER. AGFI may cease to offer any such waiver at any time without notice.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> The distribution is not guaranteed, may be adjusted from time to time at the discretion of the fund manager and may vary from payment to payment.



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## Net Compound Returns (CAD) (%)

	1 MO.	3 MO.	6 MO.	YTD	1 YR.	2 YR.	3 YR.	5 YR.	10 YR.	PSD <sup>†</sup>
Fund	2.4	8.7	16.9	8.7	16.9	10.3	8.7	7.5	7.8	6.8
Morningstar Quartile Ranking	4	3	3	3	3	2	3	3	3	-
Number of Funds in the Category	225	225	223	225	210	200	191	178	107	-

<sup>†</sup> Performance start date as of August 22, 2007. Past performance is not indicative of future results. Rates of return for greater than one year have been annualized.

## Net Annual Returns (CAD) (%)

	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
Fund	7.7	-1.7	14.3	1.8	17.2	-5.0	9.1	3.4	17.6	11.4
Morningstar Quartile Ranking	4	1	3	4	3	3	4	2	2	2
Number of Funds in the Category	1,920	1,918	1,857	2,041	2,086	1,721	1,525	1,334	1,302	1,176

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Morningstar Quartile Rankings are calculated as of March 31, 2024 and subject to change monthly. They are calculated based on the Fund's total return percentile rank compared to other funds in the Morningstar Global Dividend & Income Equity category. Percentile ranks are then mapped into quartiles with (1) representing 1-25, (2) representing 26-50, (3) representing 51-75 and (4) representing 76-100 percentile ranks.

## Top 10 Holdings (% of Total Net Assets)

Total Holdings: **51** 

Company Name	Country	Sector	Weight
Microsoft Corp.	United States	Information Technology	5.02%
AbbVie Inc.	United States	Health Care	4.68%
Broadcom Inc.	United States	Information Technology	4.57%
Waste Management Inc.	United States	Industrials	3.89%
Shell PLC	United Kingdom	Energy	3.71%
Eaton Corp. PLC	United States	Industrials	3.65%
JPMorgan Chase & Co.	United States	Financials	3.61%
Mondelez International Inc.	United States	Consumer Staples	3.54%
The TJX Cos. Inc.	United States	Consumer Discretionary	3.34%
Schneider Electric SE	France	Industrials	3.19%
Total			39.2%



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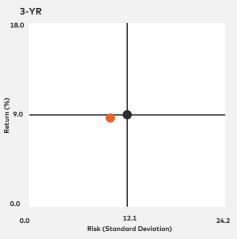
# **Portfolio Characteristics**

	Portfolio
Active Share	87.8%
Price to Earnings	23.8
Forward Sales Growth	3.0%
Forward Earnings Growth	18.3%
Forward Price to Earnings	17.5
Return on Equity	16.4%
Turnover	4.5%
Weighted Average Market Cap (\$ billions)	457.7

## **Region Mix\***

Portfolio
64.5%
21.9%
13.5%

## Risk vs. Returns



- AGF Global Dividend Fund
- Funds in the Morningstar Global Dividend & Income Equity category^

## **Sector Allocation**

	Portfolio
Industrials	18.5%
Financials	18.1%
Information Technology	14.6%
Health Care	13.1%
Consumer Staples	10.2%
Energy	6.1%
Communication Services	5.7%
Consumer Discretionary	4.9%
Materials	4.0%
Real Estate	1.4%
Exchange Traded Fund	0.7%
Cash & Cash Equivalents	2.7%

# **Risk Characteristics**

(3 & 5 Year Annualized)

Portfolio	3-Year	5-Year
Standard Deviation	9.9%	10.7%
Sharpe Ratio	0.62	0.52
Beta	0.69	0.74
Tracking Error	6.2%	5.6%
Upside Capture	66.7%	55.4%
Downside Capture	69.7%	78.8%

Morningstar Global Dividend & Income Equity Category^	3-Year	5-Year
Standard Deviation	12.1%	13.5%
Sharpe Ratio	0.58	0.56
Beta	0.83	0.91

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<sup>\*</sup> Cash is not included.

<sup>^</sup> Morningstar category performance is calculated as the average return of a portfolio constructed of all series of all funds in the category as of the end of each month.



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## **Investment Management Team**

Stephen Way and the global equity team cover a variety of mandates from global core to global specialty and emerging markets. They use their collective industry experience and globally diversified cultural backgrounds to locate opportunities unrecognized by the market.

## Portfolio Managers



Stephen Way, CFA®

SVP and Head of Global & Emerging Markets Equities AGF Investments Inc.

- Industry Exp: since 1987
- Firm Exp: since 1987



Andres Perez, CIM

Co-Portfolio Manager AGF Investments Inc.

- Industry Exp: since 1995
- Firm Exp: since 2013

## Investment Team/Resources



Regina Chi, CFA® VP & Portfolio Manager AGF Investments Inc.

- Industry Exp: since 1994
- Firm Exp: since 2017



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- Industry Exp: since 1999
- Firm Exp: since 2009

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### **Term Definitions**

#### **Active Share**

Active Share tracks the disparity between a portfolio manager's holdings and that of its benchmark index. A low Active Share score indicates that a portfolio manager is closely replicating the target index, while a high Active Share score indicates that a fund's holdings diverge significantly from the target index.

#### Beta

A measure of a fund's sensitivity to market movements (as represented by a benchmark index). The benchmark index has a Beta of 1.0. A Beta of more (less) than 1.0 indicates that a fund's historical returns have fluctuated more (less) than the benchmark index. For example, a Beta of 1.10 shows that the fund performed 10% better than its benchmark index in up markets and 10% worse in down markets, assuming all other factors remain constant.

### **Downside Capture (Ratio)**

The Downside Capture Ratio is calculated by taking the portfolio's return and dividing it by the benchmark's return in periods when the benchmark return was negative. A Downside Capture Ratio of less than 100% is considered desirable.

### **Forward Earnings Growth**

Forward Earnings are an estimate of a company's earnings for an upcoming period; their growth rate is calculated based on forecasted earnings.

## Forward Price/Earnings (Forward P/E)

A Forward P/E is calculated based on forecasted earnings per share; a stock's current price divided by next year's expected earnings.

#### **Forward Sales Growth**

Forward Sales are an estimate of a company's revenues for an upcoming period; their growth rate is calculated based on forecasted revenue.

#### Information Ratio

The Information Ratio is the ratio of the portfolio returns above the returns of the blended benchmark to the volatility of those returns. It's designed to measure the ability to generate excess returns relative to a benchmark on a risk-adjusted basis.

### Management Expense Ratio (MER)

The Management Expense Ratio, commonly referred to as MER, is a measure of the total expenses (fees and other costs) borne by the mutual fund or ETF, expressed as a percentage of the fund's net asset value. The ratio is calculated by dividing the total annual expenses by the average net asset value of the fund for the given year.

#### **Price/Earnings**

(P/E ratio or P/E) The ratio of share price to earnings per share.

### **Return on Equity**

A profitability ratio calculated as net income divided by average shareholders' equity.

#### **Risk Profile**

The Risk Profile is based on the historical volatility of a fund, as measured by the 10-year annualized standard deviation of the 10-year average returns of the fund. The investment risk level is required to be determined in accordance with the Canadian Securities Administrators' standardized risk classification methodology.

## **Sharpe Ratio**

Sharpe Ratio characterizes how well the return of a fund compensates the investor for each unit of absolute risk they assume, as measured by the Standard Deviation of the fund. The greater a fund's Sharpe Ratio, the better its risk-adjusted performance has been.



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#### **Standard Deviation**

A statistical measure of the range/dispersion of a fund's performance. The more variable the returns, the larger the Standard Deviation. When a fund has a high Standard Deviation, it means that its range of performance was wide for the given period, i.e. greater historical volatility. Standard Deviation does not predict the future volatility of a fund.

### **Tracking Error**

The Tracking Error represents a fund manager's added value variability. It reports the difference between the return received and that of the benchmark being compared to. It is reported as a Standard Deviation percentage difference.

## Trading Expense Ratio (TER)

The total gross expenses divided by the fund's average net assets.

#### Turnover (Ratio)

The portfolio Turnover Ratio is the rate at which assets in a fund are bought and sold by the portfolio managers. It is calculated as the minimum of securities bought or sold divided by the average assets over the period.

#### **Upside Capture (Ratio)**

The Upside Capture Ratio is calculated by taking the portfolio's return and dividing it by the benchmark's return in periods when the benchmark return was positive. An Upside Capture Ratio of greater than 100% is considered desirable.

### Weighted Average Market Cap

Market cap is the market value of all the outstanding shares in a company. In a portfolio the Weighted Average Market Cap is the sum of the products of a company's market cap and its percentage allocation in the portfolio.