

Series MF Fundamental - Floating Rate Loans As of March 31, 2024

## **Key Reasons to Invest**

- Seeks to provide monthly income (that floats with changing interest rates) by investing primarily in U.S. senior floating rate loans.
- Floating rate loan coupons tend to move in line with changing interest rates which can potentially reduce the negative impact of rising interest rates on a portfolio.
- Use to seek enhanced portfolio diversification given the historically low correlation of floating rate loans to traditional bonds.

# **Investment Objective**

The fund's objective is to provide a high level of current income by investing primarily in senior floating rate loans and other floating rate debt securities of companies domiciled in the United States.

## **Investment Strategy**

As a portfolio manager of the Fund, Credit Suisse Asset Management, LLC ("CSAM") has an investment philosophy grounded in fundamental credit analysis of senior loans and high yield bonds. This bottom-up investment approach is complemented by continuous relative value analysis within a capital structure and across issuers. CSAM predicates its decisions on the long-term viability of a business, its capital structure, and its ability to repay its debt, and supplements that with a view on market technicals, risk-return profile of individual issuers, and trading levels of various tranches compared to other opportunities in the market. Given the asymmetric risk profile of senior loans and high yield bonds, security selection and loss avoidance are key facets of CSAM's alpha thesis.

The borrowers of the senior loans and high yield bonds in which the Fund invests are primarily domiciled in the U.S.

As a portfolio manager of the Fund, AGF Investments Inc. will engage in active currency management strategies to realize gains from or hedge the risk of changes in currency exchange rates. The Fund will invest in derivatives, such as currency forwards, to seek to hedge the risk of its exposure to the U.S. dollar and other currencies in which senior loans and other investments are denominated. Generally, a significant portion of the Fund's U.S. dollar and foreign currency exposure will be hedged back to the Canadian dollar.

Effective August 1, 2022, management fees were reduced for AGF Floating Rate Income Fund as follows: Series F and Series FV were reduced from 0.95% to 0.65% and Series Q and Series W were reduced from 0.80% (maximum) to 0.65% (maximum).

Effective July 25, 2022, Credit Suisse Asset Management, LLC and AGF Investments Inc. were named portfolio managers of AGF Floating Rate Income Fund, replacing Eaton Vance Management. Performance prior to this date may have been substantially different had the current portfolio managers been in effect throughout the entire performance measurement period. Credit Suisse Asset Management, LLC, provides advice in Canada in reliance upon the international adviser exemption contained in section 8.26 of National Instrument 31-103. AGF Investments Inc. is responsible for currency management.

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.

Overall Morningstar Rating <sup>TM1</sup>	***
Morningstar Category	Floating Rate Loans
Performance Start Date (PSD)	May 1, 2012
Overall Fund Net Assets	\$53.1 million
MER <sup>2</sup>	1.96%
Trading Expense Ratio	0.00%
Risk Profile	Low Med High

**Benchmark** Morningstar LSTA Leveraged Loan CAD-Hedged Index

#### **Fund Codes**

Series	CAD	USD
MF	4076	4083
Т	2119	
V	3029	
F	5028	5128
Q	1237	
w	1401	

#### Distributions (Series MF)

	2023	2022	2021
\$Amount/ Unit	0.55	0.31	0.23
Monthly Frequency <sup>3</sup>		d on: 2024-0 0.047/Unit	3-28

Please refer to AGF.com for distribution information.

# **Management Fee Tiers**

	\$100K- \$250K	\$250K- \$500K	\$500K- \$1M	\$1M- \$3M	>\$3M
Series Q	0.65	0.625	0.60	0.575	0.57
Series W	0.65	0.625	0.60	0.575	0.57

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Compared with 76 funds in the Floating Rate Loans 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	0.7	2.2	5.0	2.2	9.3	5.8	4.5	3.4	2.6	2.9
Morningstar Quartile Ranking††	2	3	2	3	3	2	2	2	4	-
Number of Funds in the Category	78	78	77	78	77	76	76	70	32	-

<sup>\*</sup> Performance start date as of May 1, 2012. 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	10.4	-0.6	3.0	-0.5	6.7	-2.5	2.3	10.0	-3.1	0.6
Morningstar Quartile Ranking <sup>††</sup>	2	2	3	2	2	4	2	1	4	4
Number of Funds in the Category	78	91	96	116	122	117	110	103	81	54

Past performance is not indicative of future results.

# Top 10 Holdings (% of Total Net Assets)

Total Holdings: 248

Company Name	Country	Weight
Ingram Micro Inc. 1L Sr. Secd Term Loan B July 2, 2028	United States of America	1.20%
GEMS MENASA Cayman Ltd. / GEMS Education Delaware LLC 7.125% July 31 2026	' United States of America	1.03%
William Morris Endeavor Entertainment LLC 1L Gtd Sr. Secd Term Loan B1 Ma 19, 2025	<sup>y</sup> United States of America	1.00%
NFP Corp. 7.50% October 1, 2030	United States of America	0.97%
SRS Distribution Inc. Term Loan B 1L Gtd Sr. Secd June 4, 2028	United States of America	0.94%
Boost Newco Borrower LLC 1L Sr. Secd Term Loan B January 31, 2031	United States of America	0.89%
Escape Velocity Holdings Inc. 1L Gtd Sr. Secd Term Loan October 8, 2028	United States of America	0.87%
Polaris Newco LLC 1L Gtd Sr. Secd Term Loan B June 5, 2028	United States of America	0.86%
DRW Holdings LLC 1L Gtd Sr. Secd Term Loan March 1, 2028	United States of America	0.83%
SS&C Technologies Inc. 1L Gtd Sr. Secd Term Loan B5 April 16, 2025	United States of America	0.83%
Total		9.4%

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>††</sup> The Morningstar category for the Fund changed from Miscellaneous - Income and Real Property to Floating Rate Loans on June 30, 2015. 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 Floating Rate Loans 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.



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#### **Credit Mix**

	Portfolio
BBB	2.2%
BB	28.6%
В	61.5%
CCC or Lower	5.6%
Cash	2.0%

#### **Sector Allocation**

	Portfolio
Technology	22.8%
Consumer Cyclical	17.9%
Capital Goods	13.7%
Financial Institutions	12.9%
Consumer Non-Cyclical	9.5%
Basic Industry	5.8%
Energy	4.8%
Communications	4.8%
Other Industrial	4.7%
Transportation	1.3%
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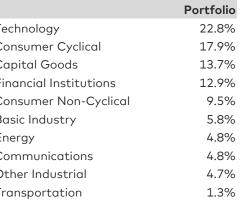
Sector allocation is based on the exposure of corporate securities in the Fund.

## **Investment Mix**

	Portfolio
Loans	79.8%
Bonds	18.2%
Cash	2.0%

#### Risk vs. Returns

9.0



AGF Floating Rate Income Fund

Funds in the Morningstar Floating Rate Loans category<sup>^</sup>

4.3

Risk (Standard Deviation)

<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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# **Country Allocation**

	Portfolio
United States of America	87.7%
Canada	3.9%
Cash	2.0%
Other	6.3%

# **Currency Allocation**

	Portfolio
Canadian Dollar	74.5%
US Dollar	25.5%

# **Portfolio Characteristics**

	Portfolio
Payment Frequency	Monthly
Series Distribution - Trailing 12 Months	6.24%
Current Yield	8.0%
Yield to Maturity	8.5%
Average Term to Maturity	4.5
Modified Duration	0.8
Average Credit Quality	В
Turnover	51.6%

# **Risk Characteristics**

(3 & 5 Year Annualized)

Portfolio	3-Year	5-Year
Standard Deviation	3.1%	6.8%
Sharpe Ratio	0.62	0.21
Beta	0.71	0.94
Tracking Error	1.8%	1.5%
Upside Capture	75.8%	74.2%
Downside Capture	73.1%	95.0%

Morningstar Floating Rate Loans Category^	3-Year	5-Year
Standard Deviation	4.3%	6.7%
Sharpe Ratio	0.43	0.24
Beta	0.23	0.57

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# **Investment Management Team**

Credit Suisse Asset Management is the asset management division of Credit Suisse Group AG. Credit Suisse Group AG is a leading global financial services company headquartered in Zurich, Switzerland. Founded in 1856, the company has over 150 years of experience in meeting the complex financial needs of a wide range of clients. With substantial scale, an extensive network, and experienced local teams in New York and London, CSAM CIG is one of the largest non-investment grade credit managers in the US and Western Europe. The full-service group of dedicated credit professionals offers a broad suite of solutions across the risk/return spectrum to meet a variety of client needs from capital preservation to systematic income and alpha generation. CSAM CIG's primary investment expertise centers around senior secured loans and securitized/structured credit products.

## **Portfolio Managers**



#### Credit Suisse Asset Management, LLC

Credit Investment Group

• Industry Exp: since 1998



#### Tom Nakamura, CFA®

Co-Head of Fixed Income, Currency Strategy & Portfolio Manager AGF Investments Inc.

- Industry Exp: since 1998
- Firm Exp: since 1998

## **Investment Team/Resources**



# **Sherry Xu, MBA, CFA®**Foreign Exchange Analyst AGF Investments Inc.

- Industry Exp: since 2015
- Firm Exp: since 2017



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Effective December 1, 2013, AGF Floating Rate Income Fund ('the Fund') benchmark (S&P/LSTA Leveraged Loan Index) was presented in U.S.-dollar terms. This change, from Canadian- to U.S.-dollar performance, has been applied retroactively to the Fund's performance start date. Then effective June 15, 2021, the benchmark changed from the S&P LSTA Leveraged Loan Index (USD) to the S&P LSTA Leveraged Loan CAD-hedged Index. This change, from U.S.- to Canadian-dollar performance, has been applied retroactively to the Fund's performance start date.

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#### **Term Definitions**

#### **Average Credit Quality**

A weighted average of credit ratings on all fixed income securities in a portfolio.

#### **Average Term to Maturity**

Average remaining time of each security or instrument in a portfolio to reach its maturity.

#### 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.

#### **Current Yield**

The annual income (interest or dividend) of a security divided by its price. The current yield of a portfolio is the weighted average of the current yield of the applicable holdings in a portfolio.

#### **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.

#### 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.

## **Modified Duration**

A measure of the sensitivity of a bond's price to changes in interest rates. The modified duration of a portfolio is the weighted average of the modified duration of the applicable holdings in a portfolio.

#### **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.

#### **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.



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## **Term Definitions**

#### 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.

#### **Yield to Maturity**

The annual rate of return anticipated on a bond if it is held until the maturity date. The yield to maturity of a portfolio is the weighted average of the yield to maturity of the applicable holdings in a portfolio.

#### Yield to Put

The total return anticipated on a bond if it is held to its earliest possible put date (i.e., the date that the bondholder has the option to sell the bond back to the issuer).