



FRANKLIN TEMPLETON  
INVESTMENTS

June 30, 2018

# Semi-Annual Management Report of Fund Performance



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## RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

As at June 30, 2018, total net asset value of the Fund was \$504.8 million, a decrease of 12.5% from December 31, 2017. This was primarily driven by \$46.9 million in net redemptions and a decrease of \$25.3 million in net assets from operations.

During the past six months, the Fund's Series A units generated total returns of -5.6%. Over the same period, the Fund's benchmark, the S&P TSX Small Cap Index (the "Index"), returned -1.7% in Canadian dollar terms. The performance of the Fund's other series is similar to that of its Series A units, except for the differences in expense structure. For the return of the Fund's other series (if applicable), please refer to the "Past Performance" section.

Fund returns lagged the Index over the past six months. An unfavourable allocation to the Consumer Discretionary sector and poor security selection and interaction within the Energy sector were the main detractors from relative returns. Strong selection and interaction within the Industrials and Consumer Discretionary sectors were sources of relative strength during the period.

Year-to-date Index returns have lagged large cap returns, re-confirming the established trend of large cap relative outperformance observed over the past three, five and 10 years. Eight of 11 Index sectors generated negative returns on a year-to-date basis, with the Consumer Discretionary, Consumer Staples and Utilities sectors leading the index downward with double-digit declines over the period. As at June 30, the Fund was overweight in the Consumer Discretionary and Energy sectors while notably underweighted in the Materials sector (with no exposure to gold and precious metal equities) and Real Estate sectors.

Several Fund holdings across a range of sectors generated strong relative returns during the six-month period. Industrials sector holdings Horizon North Logistics, Black Diamond Group and Transcontinental returned 74%, 48% and 26%, respectively, while Consumer Discretionary holding Glacier Media returned 20%. Energy names BlackPearl Resources, Storm Resources, NuVista Energy and Trinidad Drilling gained 32%, 16%, 13% and 10%, respectively, while Information Technology holdings Blackline Safety and Celestica advanced by 33% and 19%.

For the six-month period, Fund purchases were directed toward three Global Industry Classification Standard sectors which included the Information Technology (Blackline Safety, Celestica), Industrials (Bird Construction, Horizon North Logistics) and Consumer Discretionary (WOW Unlimited Media). Fund selling activity was distributed across four sectors, Industrials (HNZ Group, Transcontinental, Black Diamond Group, Horizon North Logistics, Richelieu Hardware), Energy (NuVista Energy, Raging River Exploration, Delphi Energy, Pieridae Energy), Consumer Discretionary (Transat, Leon's Furniture, Martinrea) and Materials (Capstone Mining, Winpak) sectors.

Index performance comparison information is provided for reference only. It is important to note that the Fund's return reflects the effect of fees and expenses for professional management, while an index does not have such costs.

Average net assets of the series of the Fund that bear expenses have decreased for the six months ended June 30, 2018. This has resulted in a corresponding decrease in expenses. Income received from investments held, excluding net realized and/or unrealized gain (loss) on investments and derivatives, as applicable, remained relatively flat due to the results of the Fund's investment activities, including, but not limited to, those previously discussed for the period in review.

## RECENT DEVELOPMENTS

Business conditions for holdings with exposure to the cyclical and resource centric segments of the market have generally improved over the past several years. Better pricing power, streamlined cost structures and stronger financial positions are factors that have enabled portfolio companies to once again reinvest in their businesses and deliver growth in their respective intrinsic values. Nonetheless, the portfolio manager has yet to observe a proportional recovery in share prices—particularly for holdings at the lower end of the capitalization spectrum.

Having lagged large cap returns for much of the past decade, Canadian small cap return prospects (absolute and relative) remain favourable against a backdrop of attractive valuations and a constructive fundamental outlook. The portfolio manager continues to hold a high degree of conviction on the long-term return potential of businesses held in the portfolio given their strong fundamental attributes and attractive valuations. The portfolio manager remains focused on managing overall portfolio risk through sound fundamental research and proper diversification, and by ensuring that expected return is appropriate given the level of risk borne at the security level.

## FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

Investors should take note that certain statements in this report about a fund, including its strategy and expected future performance, are forward-looking. Forward-looking statements are statements that are predictive in nature, depend upon or refer to future events or conditions, or that include words such as "may," "will," "should," "could," "expect," "anticipate," "intend," "plan," "believe," or "estimate" or other similar expressions. Any statement that is made concerning future strategies or performance is also a forward-looking statement. Statements that look

forward in time or include anything other than historical information are subject to risks and uncertainties, and actual results, actions or events could differ materially from those set forth in the forward-looking statements.

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. Any number of factors could contribute to differing results, including, among other things, general economic, political and market factors, interest and foreign exchange rates, global equity and capital markets, business competition, technological change, changes in government regulations, unexpected judicial or regulatory proceedings and catastrophic events. This list of factors is not exhaustive. Investors should not place undue reliance on forward-looking information and should be aware that the Fund may not update any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise.

#### **RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS**

The Manager is an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of Franklin Resources, Inc., a global investment management organization known as Franklin Templeton Investments. The Manager is the manager, registrar and transfer agent and a principal distributor of the Fund. The Manager provides or arranges for the provision of these services for day-to-day Fund operations, including the marketing, promotion and distribution of the Fund and portfolio advisory services. In consideration of these management and portfolio advisory services, the Fund pays the Manager a monthly management fee plus applicable taxes, based on the average net asset value of each series of the Fund (except Series O and OT, as applicable), calculated daily, as set out under Management Fees below. During the six months ended June 30, 2018, the Fund paid management fees of \$583,000 (2017–\$700,000).

Franklin Templeton Services, LLC (FTS) provides the Manager with fund accounting and portfolio valuation services in connection with the Fund, and provides certain back office administration services to the Manager. The Administration Fee, as discussed below, covers the cost of the services provided by FTS.

The Manager pays the operating expenses of the Fund, other than certain fund costs—which include, but are not limited to, the cost of compliance with new governmental and regulatory requirements, fees and expenses of the Fund's Independent Review Committee (IRC), borrowing and interest costs and investor meeting costs (as permitted by Canadian securities regulation)—in exchange for the payment by the Fund of an annual fixed-rate administration fee of 0.25% plus applicable

taxes, applied against the average daily net assets of the Fund (“Administration Fee”), except for Series O and OT, which have no annual Administration Fee. The Manager will pay all operating expenses of Series O and OT, as applicable, as part of its agreement with each investor. The Manager may, at its discretion, waive a portion of a series' Administration Fee or absorb certain fund costs. During the six months ended June 30, 2018, the Fund paid Administration Fees of \$83,000 (2017–\$99,000).

During the six months ended June 30, 2018, the Manager waived Administration Fees and/or absorbed operating expenses of \$1,000 (2017–\$1,000). The decision to waive fees or absorb expenses is made at the discretion of the Manager.

#### **Portfolio Advisor**

Franklin Bissett Investment Management (the “Portfolio Advisor”), part of the Manager, provides investment analysis and recommendations and executes or arranges for brokers to execute portfolio transactions.

#### **Principal Distributor**

As a principal distributor of the Fund, the Manager markets the Fund and arranges for the sale of the Fund through dealers across Canada. The Manager may retain companies to assist in the sale of certain series of units of the Fund.

The Manager's affiliate, FTC Investor Services Inc. (“FTC ISI”), also acts as a principal distributor for Series F, O, OT, FT, PF and PF (Hedged) units of the Fund, as applicable.

For acting as a principal distributor of the applicable series, FTC ISI receives an inter-company service fee of 0.20% of the assets under management of the applicable series from the Manager with respect to those series of units.

#### **Registrar and Transfer Agent**

In addition to management and portfolio advisory services, the Manager acts as the registrar and transfer agent of the Fund. These services are in the normal course of operations and are covered by the Administration Fee paid by the Fund to the Manager.

#### **Standing Instructions from the Independent Review Committee**

The Manager relied on standing instructions from the IRC with respect to the allocation of any operating expenses not covered by the Administration Fee. The Manager relied, or may rely, on standing instructions from the IRC in respect of securities trades amongst mutual funds, investment funds or managed accounts managed by the Manager or an affiliate of the Manager. In both cases, the standing instructions require the Manager to comply with the policies and procedures presented to the IRC with respect to the above matters and to provide periodic reports to the IRC in accordance with NI 81-107.

### MANAGEMENT FEES

A portion of the management fee paid by the Fund to the Manager is for trail fees and sales commissions the Manager pays to dealers (“Dealer Compensation”). The trail fees are a percentage of the daily average net asset value of each series of the Fund, which is held by the dealer’s clients. The remaining portion of the management fee is used to pay for portfolio advisory and administrative services related to the provision of portfolio advisory services. The table below outlines the Fund’s annual management fee, as well as the portion of the management fee used to pay for Dealer Compensation and for portfolio advisory services as an approximate percentage of the management fee for each series:

Series	Management Fee (%)	Dealer Compensation (%)*	Investment management, investment management expenses, and other (%)
A	2.35	41.26	58.74
F	1.35	–	100.00
PF	1.15	–	100.00

\*Dealer compensation may include other fees related to distribution, which are not payable directly to dealers.

The management and administration fees for Series O are paid for by the unitholder directly to the Manager as follows:

- First C\$200,000 to under \$2.5 million—1.40%
- Next C\$2.5 million to under \$5 million—1.30%
- C\$5 million and over—1.25%

Certain institutional investors may negotiate the management and administration fees by written agreement with Franklin Templeton Investments.

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**Summary of Investment Portfolio** (AS AT JUNE 30, 2018)

**REGIONAL WEIGHTINGS (%)\***

North America 96.39

**SECTOR WEIGHTINGS (%)\***

Energy 30.08  
 Consumer Discretionary 23.74  
 Industrials 16.52  
 Financials 13.08  
 Materials 6.61  
 Information Technology 3.40  
 Consumer Staples 2.89

**ASSET CLASS WEIGHTINGS (%)**

Common Stocks 96.32  
 Bonds 0.07  
 Short-term securities and all other assets, net 3.61

**TOP 25 HOLDINGS (%)**

Indigo Books & Music Inc. 7.70  
 Equitable Group Inc. 5.47  
 Leon's Furniture Ltd. 5.39  
 Trican Well Service Ltd. 4.71  
 Transcontinental Inc., A 4.49  
 Horizon North Logistics Inc. 4.48  
 Total Energy Services Inc. 4.04  
 The Westaim Corp. 3.93  
 AGF Management Ltd. 3.69  
 Transat A.T. Inc. 3.47  
 Major Drilling Group International Inc. 3.19  
 Xtreme Drilling Corp. 3.15  
 Richelieu Hardware Ltd. 3.02  
 Reitmans (Canada) Ltd., A 2.80  
 Cash and cash equivalents\*\* 2.77  
 BlackPearl Resources Inc. 2.34  
 Trinidad Drilling Ltd. 2.29  
 Winpak Ltd. 2.12  
 Blackline Safety Corp. 1.93  
 Pieridae Energy Ltd. 1.85  
 Advantage Oil & Gas Ltd. 1.70  
 Nuvista Energy Ltd. 1.69  
 Bird Construction Inc. 1.68  
 Storm Resources Ltd. 1.62  
 Glacier Media Inc. 1.56

**TOTAL NET ASSET VALUE: \$504,844,000**

\* Excluding short-term securities and all other assets, net.

\*\* Cash and cash equivalents may include bonds that have a remaining term to maturity of 365 days or less that are issued by certain governments, supranational agencies or financial institutions and have a "designated rating" (as defined in Canadian securities law).

Above is an outline of the investments held in the Fund as a percentage of the Fund's net assets. Due to ongoing portfolio transactions, the investments and percentages may have changed by the time you purchase units of the Fund. The top 25 holdings are made available quarterly, 60 days after the quarter-end. To obtain a copy, please contact a member of our client services team at 1.800.387.0830 or visit [www.franklintempleton.ca](http://www.franklintempleton.ca).

FRANKLIN BISSETT SMALL CAP FUND  
**MANAGEMENT REPORT OF FUND PERFORMANCE**  
**Series A** (AS AT JUNE 30, 2018)

**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 six months ended June 30, 2018, and for the fiscal periods ended December 31.

<b>Net assets per unit (1)</b>	<b>Jun. 30, 2018</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>2013</b>
<b>Net assets – beginning of period</b>	<b>\$49.77</b>	<b>\$54.75</b>	<b>\$43.13</b>	<b>\$55.58</b>	<b>\$61.80</b>	<b>\$50.35</b> <sup>†</sup>
<b>Increase (decrease) from operations:</b>						
Total revenue	0.38	0.70	0.73	1.07	1.49	2.66
Total expenses	(0.68)	(1.49)	(1.37)	(1.47)	(1.80)	(1.65)
Realized gains (losses) for the period	0.88	4.17	0.77	1.38	4.70	4.05
Unrealized gains (losses) for the period	(3.57)	(5.53)	12.95	(10.92)	(6.84)	11.68
<b>Total increase (decrease) from operations (2)</b>	<b>(2.99)</b>	<b>(2.15)</b>	<b>13.08</b>	<b>(9.94)</b>	<b>(2.45)</b>	<b>16.74</b>
<b>Distributions:</b>						
From income (excluding dividends)	–	–	–	–	–	–
From dividends	–	(0.60)	(0.69)	(1.00)	(1.13)	(2.43)
From capital gains	–	(3.30)	–	(0.34)	(1.85)	(2.87)
Returns of capital	–	–	–	–	–	–
<b>Total annual distributions (3)</b>	<b>–</b>	<b>(3.90)</b>	<b>(0.69)</b>	<b>(1.34)</b>	<b>(2.98)</b>	<b>(5.30)</b>
<b>Net assets – end of period</b>	<b>\$46.98</b>	<b>\$49.77</b>	<b>\$54.75</b>	<b>\$43.13</b>	<b>\$55.58</b>	<b>\$61.80</b>
<b>Ratios and supplemental data:</b>	<b>Jun. 30, 2018</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>2013</b>
Total net asset value (\$ millions) (1)	\$21.22	\$25.89	\$39.82	\$29.81	\$56.98	\$65.88
Number of units outstanding	451,720	520,251	727,347	691,021	1,025,252	1,066,093
Management expense ratio (2)	2.86%	2.86%	2.86%	2.86%	2.86%	2.91%
Management expense ratio before waivers or absorptions	2.86%	2.86%	2.86%	2.86%	2.86%	3.50%
Trading expense ratio (3)	0.05%	0.07%	0.06%	0.12%	0.10%	0.06%
Portfolio turnover rate (4)	2.83%	11.20%	5.62%	23.60%	17.10%	10.57%
Net asset value per unit	\$46.98	\$49.77	\$54.75	\$43.13	\$55.58	\$61.80

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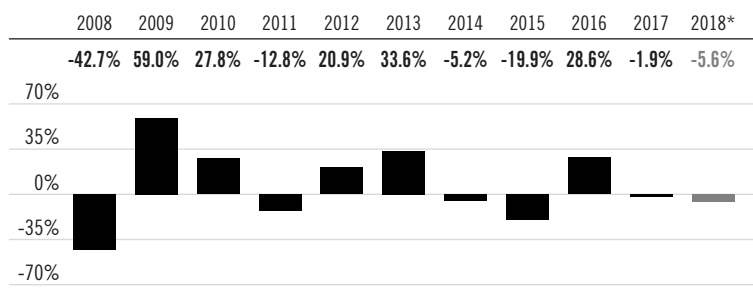
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**PAST PERFORMANCE**

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**Year-by-Year Returns**

The bar chart shows the Fund's performance for the six-month period ended June 30, 2018, and for each of the previous 12-month periods ended December 31. In percentage terms, the bar chart indicates how much an investment made on January 1 would have grown or decreased by the end of the period.



\*For the period January 1 to June 30, 2018

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**MANAGEMENT REPORT OF FUND PERFORMANCE**  
**Series F** (AS AT JUNE 30, 2018)

**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 six months ended June 30, 2018, and for the fiscal periods ended December 31.

<b>Net assets per unit (1)</b>	<b>Jun. 30, 2018</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>2013</b>
<b>Net assets – beginning of period</b>	<b>\$59.78</b>	<b>\$65.02</b>	<b>\$50.67</b>	<b>\$64.57</b>	<b>\$70.99</b>	<b>\$57.19<sup>†</sup></b>
<b>Increase (decrease) from operations:</b>						
Total revenue	0.47	0.83	0.80	1.27	1.71	3.00
Total expenses	(0.50)	(1.08)	(0.98)	(1.04)	(1.27)	(1.16)
Realized gains (losses) for the period	1.11	5.21	0.68	0.54	5.39	4.60
Unrealized gains (losses) for the period	(4.28)	(5.64)	14.32	(12.91)	(8.39)	13.46
<b>Total increase (decrease) from operations (2)</b>	<b>(3.20)</b>	<b>(0.68)</b>	<b>14.82</b>	<b>(12.14)</b>	<b>(2.56)</b>	<b>19.90</b>
<b>Distributions:</b>						
From income (excluding dividends)	–	–	–	–	–	–
From dividends	–	(0.72)	(0.82)	(1.17)	(1.31)	(2.79)
From capital gains	–	(3.97)	–	(0.40)	(2.14)	(3.29)
Returns of capital	–	–	–	–	–	–
<b>Total annual distributions (3)</b>	<b>–</b>	<b>(4.69)</b>	<b>(0.82)</b>	<b>(1.57)</b>	<b>(3.45)</b>	<b>(6.08)</b>
<b>Net assets – end of period</b>	<b>\$56.74</b>	<b>\$59.78</b>	<b>\$65.02</b>	<b>\$50.67</b>	<b>\$64.57</b>	<b>\$70.99</b>
<b>Ratios and supplemental data:</b>	<b>Jun. 30, 2018</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>2013</b>
Total net asset value (\$ millions) (1)	\$10.73	\$12.48	\$13.91	\$36.45	\$51.51	\$58.08
Number of units outstanding	189,067	208,835	213,917	719,414	797,807	818,064
Management expense ratio (2)	1.75%	1.74%	1.74%	1.74%	1.74%	1.79%
Management expense ratio before waivers or absorptions	1.75%	1.74%	1.74%	1.74%	1.74%	1.88%
Trading expense ratio (3)	0.05%	0.07%	0.06%	0.12%	0.10%	0.06%
Portfolio turnover rate (4)	2.83%	11.20%	5.62%	23.60%	17.10%	10.57%
Net asset value per unit	\$56.74	\$59.78	\$65.02	\$50.67	\$64.57	\$70.99

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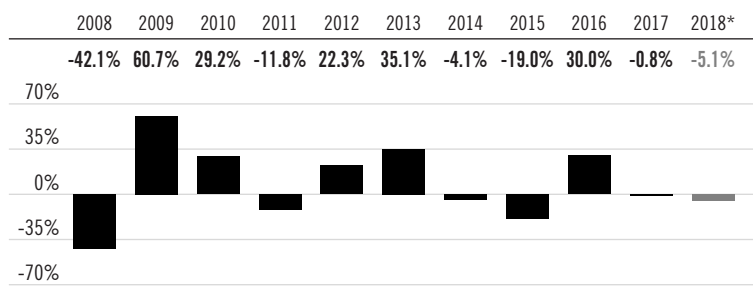
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**Series 0** (AS AT JUNE 30, 2018)

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<b>Net assets – beginning of period</b>	<b>\$80.98</b>	<b>\$86.57</b>	<b>\$66.30</b>	<b>\$83.03</b>	<b>\$89.71</b>	<b>\$71.00†</b>
<b>Increase (decrease) from operations:</b>						
Total revenue	0.64	1.11	1.10	1.65	2.19	3.80
Total expenses	–	–	–	–	–	–
Realized gains (losses) for the period	1.51	6.97	1.09	0.12	7.04	5.74
Unrealized gains (losses) for the period	(5.71)	(8.02)	18.88	(16.12)	(11.34)	17.04
<b>Total increase (decrease) from operations (2)</b>	<b>(3.56)</b>	<b>0.06</b>	<b>21.07</b>	<b>(14.35)</b>	<b>(2.11)</b>	<b>26.58</b>
<b>Distributions:</b>						
From income (excluding dividends)	–	–	–	–	–	–
From dividends	–	(0.97)	(1.10)	(1.54)	(1.69)	(3.52)
From capital gains	–	(5.37)	–	(0.52)	(2.76)	(4.16)
Returns of capital	–	–	–	–	–	–
<b>Total annual distributions (3)</b>	<b>–</b>	<b>(6.34)</b>	<b>(1.10)</b>	<b>(2.06)</b>	<b>(4.45)</b>	<b>(7.68)</b>
<b>Net assets – end of period</b>	<b>\$77.54</b>	<b>\$80.98</b>	<b>\$86.57</b>	<b>\$66.30</b>	<b>\$83.03</b>	<b>\$89.71</b>
<b>Ratios and supplemental data:</b>	<b>Jun. 30, 2018</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>2013</b>
Total net asset value (\$ millions) (1)	\$452.63	\$515.53	\$617.03	\$530.37	\$643.69	\$671.79
Number of units outstanding	5,837,061	6,365,997	7,127,486	7,999,146	7,752,867	7,488,165
Management expense ratio (2)	–	–	–	–	–	–
Management expense ratio before waivers or absorptions	–	–	–	–	–	0.08%
Trading expense ratio (3)	0.05%	0.07%	0.06%	0.12%	0.10%	0.06%
Portfolio turnover rate (4)	2.83%	11.20%	5.62%	23.60%	17.10%	10.57%
Net asset value per unit	\$77.54	\$80.98	\$86.57	\$66.30	\$83.03	\$89.71

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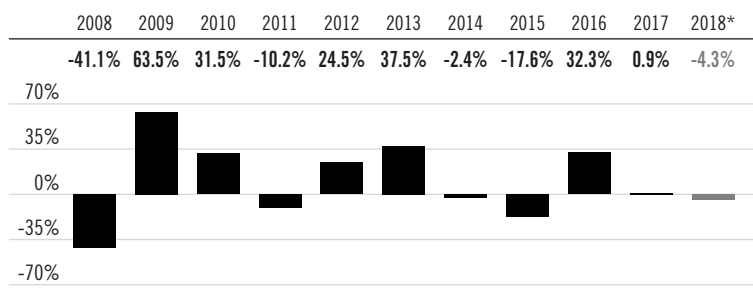
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<b>Net assets – beginning of period</b>	<b>\$9.35</b>	<b>\$10.15</b>	<b>\$7.89</b>	<b>\$10.00</b>
<b>Increase (decrease) from operations:</b>				
Total revenue	0.07	0.13	0.28	0.12
Total expenses	(0.07)	(0.15)	(0.15)	(0.08)
Realized gains (losses) for the period	0.18	0.81	0.70	(1.68)
Unrealized gains (losses) for the period	(0.67)	(0.89)	1.59	0.43
<b>Total increase (decrease) from operations (2)</b>	<b>(0.49)</b>	<b>(0.10)</b>	<b>2.42</b>	<b>(1.21)</b>
<b>Distributions:</b>				
From income (excluding dividends)	–	–	–	–
From dividends	–	(0.11)	(0.13)	(0.18)
From capital gains	–	(0.62)	–	(0.06)
Returns of capital	–	–	–	–
<b>Total annual distributions (3)</b>	<b>–</b>	<b>(0.73)</b>	<b>(0.13)</b>	<b>(0.24)</b>
<b>Net assets – end of period</b>	<b>\$8.88</b>	<b>\$9.35</b>	<b>\$10.15</b>	<b>\$7.89</b>
<b>Ratios and supplemental data:</b>	<b>Jun. 30, 2018</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2015</b>
Total net asset value (\$ millions) (1)	\$20.26	\$23.17	\$25.78	\$0.05
Number of units outstanding	2,280,884	2,478,274	2,539,838	5,730
Management expense ratio (2)	1.52%	1.55%	1.49%	1.58%
Management expense ratio before waivers or absorptions	1.52%	1.55%	1.49%	1.58%
Trading expense ratio (3)	0.05%	0.07%	0.06%	0.12%
Portfolio turnover rate (4)	2.83%	11.20%	5.62%	23.60%
Net asset value per unit	\$8.88	\$9.35	\$10.15	\$7.89

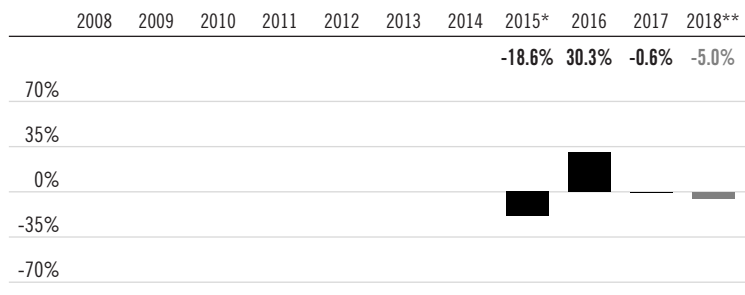
For explanatory notes, please refer to "Explanatory Notes to Financial Highlights" at the end of the section.

**PAST PERFORMANCE**

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

**Year-by-Year Returns**

The bar chart shows the Fund's performance for the six-month period ended June 30, 2018, and for each of the previous 12-month periods ended December 31. In percentage terms, the bar chart indicates how much an investment made on January 1 would have grown or decreased by the end of the period.



\* 2015 Series PF return: June 15 to December 31

\*\* For the period January 1 to June 30, 2018

## **NOTES TO FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS**

### **Net Assets per Unit:**

- (1) This information is derived from the Fund's unaudited interim financial statements and audited annual financial statements. In the period a fund or series is established, the financial information is provided from the date of inception to the end of the period. In cases where the net assets per unit presented in the financial statements differ from the net asset value calculated for Fund pricing purposes, an explanation of these differences can be found in the notes to the financial statements.
- (2) Net assets and distributions are based on the actual number of units outstanding at the relevant time. The increase/decrease in net assets from operations is based on the weighted average number of units outstanding over the fiscal period. This table is not intended to be a reconciliation of opening and closing net assets per unit.
- (3) Distributions were paid in cash or reinvested in additional units of the Fund or both, and exclude distributions of management fee reductions to unitholders.

### **Ratios and Supplemental Data:**

- (1) This information is provided as at the period-end of the year shown.
- (2) Management expense ratio is based on total expenses for the stated period and is expressed as an annualized percentage of daily average net asset value during the period.
- (3) The trading expense ratio represents total commissions and other portfolio transaction costs expressed as an annualized percentage of net asset value during the period.
- (4) The Fund's portfolio turnover rate indicates how actively the Fund's portfolio manager manages its portfolio investments. A portfolio turnover rate of 100% is equivalent to the Fund buying and selling each security in its portfolio once in the course of the relevant period. The higher the portfolio turnover rate in the period, the greater the trading costs payable by the Fund 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 the Fund.

## **OTHER FUND INFORMATION**

Reported year-by-year returns for past years may be revised, based on the results of recalculations, audits and/or other historical review processes. Such revisions are considered immaterial to performance disclosure unless otherwise stated.

Series I and V, as applicable, are presently capped (closed to new investors). Investors who currently own units of Series I and Series V may continue to purchase additional units in those series. These series may become available for purchase by new investors at the discretion of the Manager.