

# **Annual Management Report of Fund Performance**

for the financial year ended August 31, 2020

All figures are reported in Canadian dollars unless otherwise noted.

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## **Management Discussion of Fund Performance**

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

Investment Objective: Renaissance Canadian Balanced Fund (the *Fund*) seeks to achieve long-term investment return through a combination of income and capital growth by investing primarily in a diversified portfolio of Canadian equity securities, investment-grade bonds, and money market instruments.

Investment Strategies: The Fund invests in a combination of equity and fixed income securities issued by governments or corporations. The Fund uses a bottom-up, fundamental approach to primarily invest in equity securities of high-quality companies, in combination with a strategic asset allocation strategy. The Fund may also diversify its holdings across different countries and geographical regions in an effort to manage the risks of the Fund.

## Risk

The Fund is a Canadian equity balanced fund that is suitable for medium- to long-term investors who can tolerate low to medium investment risk.

For the period ended August 31, 2020, the Fund's overall level of risk remains as discussed in the simplified prospectus.

## **Results of Operations**

CIBC Asset Management Inc. (*CAMI*, the *Manager* or *Portfolio Advisor*) and American Century Investment Management, Inc. (*ACI*) provide investment advice and investment management services to the Fund. The investment style and the percentage of the portfolio allocated to CAMI and ACI are outlined below. The portfolio allocation may change from time to time.

- CAMI: Canadian Equity and Canadian Fixed Income, approximately 85%
- ACI: Global Growth, approximately 15%

The commentary that follows provides a summary of the results of operations for the period ended August 31, 2020. All dollar figures are expressed in thousands, unless otherwise indicated.

The Fund's net asset value decreased by 16% during the period, from \$184,165 as at August 31, 2019 to \$154,444 as at August 31, 2020. Net redemptions of \$34,896 were partially offset by positive investment performance, resulting in an overall decrease in net asset value.

Class A units of the Fund posted a return of 4.2% for the period. The Fund's benchmarks, the FTSE Canada Universe Bond Index and the S&P/TSX Composite Index (the *primary benchmarks*), returned 5.8% and 3.8%, respectively, for the same period. The Fund's return is after the deduction of fees and expenses, unlike the benchmarks' returns. See the section *Past Performance* for the returns of other classes of units offered by the Fund.

During the period, the COVID-19 pandemic led to a virtual shutdown of economic activity across the globe. Amid the uncertainty, most markets declined sharply as many investors chose to reduce their exposure to risk.

Central banks and governments around the world announced broad measures to help financial markets continue to function and to limit the financial impact from the economic disruptions. Supported by those government measures, markets rebounded sharply.

The U.K. came to an agreement with the European Union (*EU*) regarding its exit from the EU (*Brexit*). The outcome of the U.K. general elections was viewed by markets as positive for the remaining Brexit negotiations. Also, the U.S. and China agreed on a phase-one trade deal, although some outstanding issues remained unresolved.

As the period progressed, the gradual reopening of economies proceeded fairly smoothly. Any signs of a renewed outbreak were typically managed with localized lockdowns or by shutting down certain activities that may have contributed to the spread of the virus. Research for treatments and vaccines continued to show progress, helping to support investor optimism.

In the Fund's Canadian Equity and Canadian Fixed Income component, currency selection detracted from performance. Holdings

in emerging markets currencies led to significant exposure to movements within the economic cycle. As the global pandemic persisted and economic challenges arose, these currencies declined.

A moderate underweight allocation to U.S. equities moderately contributed to performance in the Canadian Equity and Canadian Fixed Income component. As the pandemic became more prominent, equity markets declined sharply. Moderately overweight exposure to gold also contributed to performance. Central banks reacted to the pandemic by aggressively lowering interest rates and restarting asset purchase programs, which resulted in an environment of negative real interest rates that was favourable for gold prices. Moderately overweight exposure to emerging markets bonds also contributed to performance. As central banks in emerging countries lowered their interest rates, these bonds attracted global investors.

In the Canadian Equity and Canadian Fixed Income component, exposure to emerging markets bonds was increased as these securities became more attractive to global investors in an environment of declining interest rates. Exposure to gold was also increased as central banks were expected to keep interest rates low for the foreseeable future, providing support for gold prices. Exposure to global equities was increased as equity valuations improved after the pandemic-induced market decline.

In the Canadian Equity and Canadian Fixed Income component, exposure was decreased to government bonds issued by G10 countries (a group of 10 developed countries that have committed to cooperate on a range of financial matters). With bond yields near zero, CAMI believes the bond market does not offer enough of a reward for taking duration (interest rate sensitivity) risk.

In the Fund's Global Growth component, stock selection in the information technology sector detracted from performance. Individual detractors from performance included an underweight holding in Microsoft Corp. as the company outperformed during the pandemic-related downturn. Cosmetics and skincare company Shiseido Co. Ltd. also detracted from performance as trade negotiations continued between the U.S. and China.

Stock selection in the consumer discretionary sector contributed to performance in the Global Growth component, particularly a moderate overweight exposure to internet and catalogue retail stocks. Holdings in outperforming stocks in the health care sector contributed to performance, specifically a moderate overweight exposure to the outperforming life sciences tools and services industry.

In the Global Growth component, individual holdings that contributed to performance included Etsy Inc., Catalent Inc. and Amazon.com Inc. Online niche retailer Etsy benefited from an increase in the number of consumers engaging in online shopping during the pandemic. Catalent, a manufacturer of oral and biologic medications, reported quarterly earnings that exceeded analysts' expectations. Amazon.com made strong gains as the pandemic raised the prominence of cloud computing, e-commerce and emerging technology companies.

In the Global Growth component, new holdings included AXA SA, which is principally a property and casualty insurance provider. AXA was purchased as ACI expects growth to improve given AXA's

acquisition of competitor XL Group Ltd. Increased holdings included automobile parts manufacturer Aptiv PLC as ACI believes global automotive production may stabilize after two years of decline.

In the Global Growth component, eliminated holdings included The Home Depot Inc. as ACI's investment thesis for this stock had matured. Decreased holdings included Sysmex Corp. as the medical device manufacturer's operations in China had already recovered as much as ACI had expected.

The Fund's higher portfolio turnover rate for the period was primarily due to the transitional period in advance of the portfolio sub-advisor change described under "Recent Developments".

# **Recent Developments**

Effective September 1, 2020, CAMI assumed all portfolio management responsibilities for the Fund, replacing ACI.

Effective September 1, 2020, the annual management fee payable was reduced from 1.65% to 1.60% in respect of Class A units of the Fund, and from 0.65% to 0.60% in respect of Class F units of the Fund.

The composition of the Independent Review Committee (*IRC*) changed during the period. Don Hunter and Merle Kriss retired effective April 26, 2020. Effective April 27, 2020, David Forster and Deborah Leckman were appointed as members of the IRC. Marcia Lewis Brown was appointed Chair effective April 1, 2020.

The international spread of COVID-19 caused a significant slowdown in the global economy and volatility in financial markets. The COVID-19 outbreak may adversely affect global markets and the performance of the Fund.

# **Related Party Transactions**

CIBC and its affiliates have the following roles and responsibilities with respect to the Fund, and receive the fees described below in connection with their roles and responsibilities.

# Manager, Trustee, and Portfolio Advisor of the Fund

CAMI, a wholly-owned subsidiary of CIBC, is the Fund's Manager, Trustee, and Portfolio Advisor. As Manager, CAMI receives management fees with respect to the Fund's day-to-day business and operations, calculated based on the net asset value of each respective class of units of the Fund as described in *Management Fees*. As Trustee, CAMI holds title to the Fund's property (cash and securities) on behalf of its unitholders. As Portfolio Advisor, CAMI provides, or arranges to provide for, investment advice and portfolio management services to the Fund. CAMI also compensates dealers in connection with their marketing activities regarding the Fund. From time to time, CAMI may invest in units of the Fund.

# Distributor

Dealers and other firms sell units of the Fund to investors. These dealers and other firms include CAMI's related dealers such as the CIBC Investor's Edge discount brokerage division of CIBC Investor Services Inc. (*CIBC ISI*), the CIBC Imperial Service division of CIBC

ISI, and the CIBC Wood Gundy division of CIBC World Markets Inc. (*CIBC WM*). CIBC ISI and CIBC WM are wholly-owned subsidiaries of CIBC.

CAMI may pay sales commissions and trailing commissions to these dealers and firms in connection with the sale of units of the Fund. These dealers and other firms may pay a portion of these sales commissions and trailing commissions to their advisors who sell units of the Fund to investors.

# Brokerage Arrangements and Soft Dollars

CAMI generally delegates trading and execution authority to the portfolio sub-advisors and does not, in its capacity as portfolio advisor, receive any goods or services directly through soft dollar arrangements.

The Portfolio Advisor and any portfolio sub-advisors make decisions, including the selection of markets and dealers and the negotiation of commissions, with respect to the purchase and sale of portfolio securities, certain derivative products and the execution of portfolio transactions. Brokerage business may be allocated by the Portfolio Advisor and any portfolio sub-advisor to CIBC WM and CIBC World Markets Corp., each a subsidiary of CIBC. CIBC WM and CIBC World Markets Corp. may also earn spreads on the sale of fixed income securities, other securities, and certain derivative products to the Fund. A spread is the difference between the bid and ask prices for a security in the applicable marketplace, with respect to the execution of portfolio transactions. The spread will differ based upon various factors such as the nature and liquidity of the security.

Dealers, including CIBC WM and CIBC World Markets Corp., may furnish goods and services, other than order execution, to the Portfolio Advisor and any portfolio sub-advisors when they process trades through them (referred to in the industry as "soft-dollar" arrangements). These goods and services are paid for with a portion of the brokerage commissions and assist the Portfolio Advisor and any portfolio sub-advisor with investment decision-making services for the Fund or relate directly to the execution of portfolio transactions on behalf of the Fund. As per the terms of the portfolio sub-advisory agreements, such soft dollar arrangements are in compliance with applicable laws.

In addition, the Manager may enter into commission recapture arrangements with certain dealers with respect to the Fund. Any commission recaptured will be paid to the Fund.

During the period, the Fund paid brokerage commissions and other fees of \$16,528 to CIBC WM; the Fund did not pay any brokerage commissions and other fees to CIBC World Markets Corp. Spreads associated with fixed income and other securities are not ascertainable and, for that reason, cannot be included when determining these amounts.

# Fund Transactions

The Fund may enter into one or more of the following transactions (the *Related Party Transactions*) in reliance on the standing instructions issued by the IRC:

- invest in or hold equity securities of CIBC or issuers related to a portfolio sub-advisor;
- invest in or hold non-exchange-traded debt securities of CIBC or an issuer related to CIBC, with terms-to-maturity of 365 days or more, issued in a primary offering and in the secondary market;
- make an investment in the securities of an issuer for which CIBC WM, CIBC World Markets Corp., or any affiliate of CIBC (a *Related Dealer*) acts as an underwriter during the offering of the securities or at any time during the 60-day period following the completion of the offering of such securities (in the case of a "private placement" offering, in accordance with the exemptive relief order granted by the Canadian securities regulatory authorities and in accordance with the policies and procedures relating to such investment);
- purchase equity and debt securities from or sell them to a Related Dealer, where it is acting as principal;
- undertake currency and currency derivative transactions where a Related Dealer is the counterparty;
- purchase securities from or sell securities to another investment fund or a managed account managed by the Manager or an affiliate of the Manager; and
- engage in in-specie transfers by receiving portfolio securities from, or delivering portfolio securities to, a managed account or another investment fund managed by the Manager or an affiliate, in respect of a purchase or redemption of units of the Fund, subject to certain conditions.

At least annually, the IRC reviews the Related Party Transactions for which they have issued standing instructions. The IRC is required to advise the Canadian securities regulatory authorities, after a matter has been referred to or reported to it by the Manager, if it determines that an investment decision was not made in accordance with conditions imposed by securities legislation or the IRC in any Related Party Transactions requiring its approval.

# Custodian

CIBC Mellon Trust Company is the custodian of the Fund (the *Custodian*). The Custodian holds all cash and securities for the Fund and ensures that those assets are kept separate from any other cash or securities that the custodian might be holding. The Custodian also provides other services to the Fund including record-keeping and processing of foreign exchange transactions. The fees and spreads for services of the Custodian directly related to the execution of portfolio transactions by the Fund are paid by CAMI and/or dealer(s) directed by CAMI, up to the amount of the credits generated under soft dollar arrangements from trading on behalf of the Fund during that month. All other fees and spreads for the services of the Custodian are paid by the Manager and charged to the Fund on a recoverable basis. CIBC owns a 50% interest in the Custodian.

# Service Provider

CIBC Mellon Global Securities Services Company (*CIBC GSS*) provides certain services to the Fund, including securities lending,

fund accounting and reporting, and portfolio valuation. Such servicing fees are paid by the Manager and charged to the Fund on a recoverable basis. CIBC indirectly owns a 50% interest in CIBC GSS.

# **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 period ended August 31.

#### The Fund's Net Assets per Unit<sup>1</sup> - Class A Units

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	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	
Net Assets, beginning of period	\$ 16.61	\$ 17.82	\$ 17.80	\$ 17.29	\$ 17.13	
Increase (decrease) from operations:						
Total revenue	\$ 0.41	\$ 0.52	\$ 0.49	\$ 0.45	\$ 0.39	
Total expenses	(0.38)	(0.38)	(0.42)	(0.41)	(0.40)	
Realized gains (losses) for the period	0.55	0.65	2.03	1.20	0.90	
Unrealized gains (losses) for the period	0.06	(0.52)	(0.88)	(0.37)	(0.30)	
Total increase (decrease) from operations <sup>2</sup>	\$ 0.64	\$ 0.27	\$ 1.22	\$ 0.87	\$ 0.59	
Distributions:						
From income (excluding dividends)	\$ 0.08	\$ 0.06	\$ 0.04	\$ _	\$ 0.06	
From dividends	0.16	-	0.17	-	0.05	
From capital gains	0.60	1.33	0.99	0.33	0.38	
Return of capital	-	-	-	-	-	
Total Distributions <sup>3</sup>	\$ 0.84	\$ 1.39	\$ 1.20	\$ 0.33	\$ 0.49	
Net Assets, end of period	\$ 16.45	\$ 16.61	\$ 17.82	\$ 17.80	\$ 17.29	

<sup>1</sup> This information is derived from the Fund's audited annual financial statements.

<sup>2</sup> Net assets and distributions are based on the actual number of units outstanding at the relevant time. The total increase (decrease) from operations is based on the weighted average number of units outstanding during the period.

<sup>3</sup> Distributions were paid in cash, reinvested in additional units of the Fund, or both.

#### **Ratios and Supplemental Data - Class A Units**

	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	
Total Net Asset Value (000s) <sup>4</sup>	\$ 147,867	\$ 168,758	\$ 195,477	\$ 217,857	\$ 257,589	
Number of Units Outstanding <sup>4</sup>	8,987,748	10,160,333	10,968,461	12,241,439	14,896,319	
Management Expense Ratio <sup>5</sup>	2.18%	2.17%	2.20%	2.21%	2.30%	
Management Expense Ratio before waivers or						
absorptions <sup>6</sup>	2.18%	2.20%	2.20%	2.22%	2.34%	
Trading Expense Ratio <sup>7</sup>	0.17%	0.14%	0.18%	0.10%	0.11%	
Portfolio Turnover Rate <sup>8</sup>	108.24%	60.84%	77.87%	57.72%	57.07%	
Net Asset Value per Unit	\$ 16.45	\$ 16.61	\$ 17.82	\$ 17.80	\$ 17.29	

<sup>4</sup> This information is presented as at August 31 of the period(s) shown.

<sup>5</sup> Management expense ratio is based on the total expenses of the fund (excluding commissions and other portfolio transaction costs), incurred by or allocated to a class of units for the period shown, expressed as an annualized percentage of the daily average net asset value of that class during the period. The management expense ratio includes the fees attributable to exchange traded funds.

<sup>6</sup> The decision to waive and/or absorb management fees and operating expenses is at the discretion of the Manager. The practice of waiving and/or absorbing management fees and operating expenses may continue indefinitely or may be terminated at any time without notice to unitholders. The management expense ratio before waivers or absorptions includes the fees attributable to exchange traded funds.

<sup>7</sup> The trading expense ratio represents total commissions and other portfolio transaction costs before income taxes expressed as an annualized percentage of the daily average net asset value during the period. Spreads associated with fixed income securities trading are not ascertainable and, for that reason, are not included in the trading expense ratio calculation. Previously, the trading expense ratio included the fees attributable to exchange traded funds which are now no longer included in in the TER. Prior year fees attributable to exchange traded funds have been reclassified to the management expense ratio and management expense ratio before waivers or absorptions.

<sup>8</sup> The portfolio turnover rate indicates how actively the portfolio advisor and/or portfolio sub-advisor manages the portfolio investments. A portfolio turnover rate of 100% is equivalent to a fund buying and selling all of the securities in its portfolio once in the course of the period. The higher a portfolio turnover rate in a period, the greater the trading costs payable by a fund in the period, 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.

#### The Fund's Net Assets per Unit<sup>1</sup> - Class F Units

	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	
Net Assets, beginning of period	\$ 11.07	\$ 11.88	\$ 11.90	\$ 11.64	\$ 11.28	
Increase (decrease) from operations:						
Total revenue	\$ 0.28	\$ 0.35	\$ 0.32	\$ 0.30	\$ 0.25	
Total expenses	(0.12)	(0.12)	(0.13)	(0.12)	(0.11)	
Realized gains (losses) for the period	0.38	0.45	1.35	0.82	0.66	
Unrealized gains (losses) for the period	0.06	(0.36)	(0.61)	(0.30)	(0.07)	
Total increase (decrease) from operations <sup>2</sup>	\$ 0.60	\$ 0.32	\$ 0.93	\$ 0.70	\$ 0.73	
Distributions:						
From income (excluding dividends)	\$ 0.13	\$ 0.12	\$ 0.11	\$ 0.07	\$ 0.13	
From dividends	0.17	0.05	0.19	-	0.10	
From capital gains	0.33	0.89	0.69	0.38	_	
Return of capital	-	-	-	-	-	
Total Distributions <sup>3</sup>	\$ 0.63	\$ 1.06	\$ 0.99	\$ 0.45	\$ 0.23	
Net Assets, end of period	\$ 11.03	\$ 11.07	\$ 11.88	\$ 11.90	\$ 11.64	

<sup>1</sup> This information is derived from the Fund's audited annual financial statements.

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<sup>3</sup> Distributions were paid in cash, reinvested in additional units of the Fund, or both.

#### **Ratios and Supplemental Data - Class F Units**

2020		2019		2018		2017		2016	
\$ 6,577	\$	7,641	\$	7,454	\$	6,299	\$	4,099	
596,223		689,952		627,667		529,163		352,134	
0.93%		0.93%		0.93%		0.93%		0.93%	
0.99%		1.00%		0.98%		0.98%		0.98%	
0.17%		0.14%		0.18%		0.10%		0.11%	
108.24%		60.84%		77.87%		57.72%		57.07%	
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#### The Fund's Net Assets per Unit<sup>1</sup> - Class O Units

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	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	
Net Assets, beginning of period	\$ 11.27	\$ 12.13	\$ 12.24	\$ 11.82	\$ 11.85	
Increase (decrease) from operations:						
Total revenue	\$ 0.20	\$ 0.35	\$ 0.33	\$ 0.31	\$ 0.26	
Total expenses	(0.02)	(0.02)	(0.02)	(0.01)	(0.01)	
Realized gains (losses) for the period	0.12	0.46	1.38	0.82	0.64	
Unrealized gains (losses) for the period	(1.76)	(0.31)	(0.61)	(0.27)	(0.17)	
Total increase (decrease) from operations <sup>2</sup>	\$ (1.46)	\$ 0.48	\$ 1.08	\$ 0.85	\$ 0.72	
Distributions:						
From income (excluding dividends)	\$ _	\$ 0.17	\$ 0.17	\$ 0.11	\$ 0.19	
From dividends	0.22	0.10	0.25	-	0.16	
From capital gains	0.51	0.95	0.80	0.31	0.38	
Return of capital	-	-	-	-	-	
Total Distributions <sup>3</sup>	\$ 0.73	\$ 1.22	\$ 1.22	\$ 0.42	\$ 0.73	
Net Assets, end of period	\$ 11.10	\$ 11.27	\$ 12.13	\$ 12.24	\$ 11.82	

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<sup>3</sup> Distributions were paid in cash, reinvested in additional units of the Fund, or both.

#### **Ratios and Supplemental Data - Class O Units**

	2020	2019		2018	2017	2016	
Total Net Asset Value (000s) <sup>4</sup>	\$ -	\$ 7,766	\$	7,537	\$ 7,250	\$ 7,882	
Number of Units Outstanding <sup>4</sup>	1	689,381		621,434	592,281	666,684	
Management Expense Ratio <sup>5</sup>	0.01%	0.00%		0.00%	0.01%	0.01%	
Management Expense Ratio before waivers or absorptions <sup>6</sup>	0.12%	0.09%		0.08%	0.09%	0.07%	
Trading Expense Ratio <sup>7</sup>	0.17%	0.14%		0.18%	0.10%	0.11%	
Portfolio Turnover Rate <sup>8</sup>	108.24%	60.84%		77.87%	57.72%	57.07%	
Net Asset Value per Unit	\$ 11.10	\$ 11.27	\$	12.13	\$ 12.24	\$ 11.82	
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<sup>5</sup> Management expense ratio is based on the total expenses of the fund (excluding commissions and other portfolio transaction costs), incurred by or allocated to a class of units for the period shown, expressed as an annualized percentage of the daily average net asset value of that class during the period. The Fund does not pay any management fees or operating expenses with respect to Class 0 units of the Fund, but may have a MER as a result of its holdings in exchange traded funds, representing the weighted average MER of those exchange traded funds for the reporting period.

<sup>6</sup> The decision to waive and/or absorb management fees and operating expenses is at the discretion of the Manager. The practice of waiving and/or absorbing management fees and operating expenses may continue indefinitely or may be terminated at any time without notice to unitholders. The Fund does not pay any management fees or operating expenses with respect to Class O units of the Fund, but may have a MER as a result of its holdings in exchange traded funds, representing the weighted average MER of those exchange traded funds for the reporting period.

<sup>2</sup> The trading expense ratio represents total commissions and other portfolio transaction costs before income taxes expressed as an annualized percentage of the daily average net asset value during the period. Spreads associated with fixed income securities trading are not ascertainable and, for that reason, are not included in the trading expense ratio calculation. Previously, the trading expense ratio included the fees attributable to exchange traded funds which are now no longer included in in the TER. Prior year fees attributable to exchange traded funds have been reclassified to the management expense ratio and management expense ratio before waivers or absorptions.

<sup>8</sup> The portfolio turnover rate indicates how actively the portfolio advisor and/or portfolio sub-advisor manages the portfolio investments. A portfolio turnover rate of 100% is equivalent to a fund buying and selling all of the securities in its portfolio once in the course of the period. The higher a portfolio turnover rate in a period, the greater the trading costs payable by a fund in the period, 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.

# **Management Fees**

The Fund pays CAMI an annual management fee to cover the costs of managing the Fund. Management fees are based on the Fund's net asset value and are calculated daily and paid monthly. Management fees are paid to CAMI in consideration for providing, or arranging for the provision of, management, distribution, and portfolio advisory services. Advertising and promotional expenses, office overhead expenses, trailing commissions, and the fees of the portfolio sub-advisors are paid by CAMI out of the management fees received from the Fund. The Fund is required to pay applicable taxes on the management fees paid to CAMI. Refer to the simplified prospectus for the annual management fee rate for each class of units.

For Class O units, the management fee is negotiated with and paid by, or as directed by, unitholders or dealers and discretionary managers on behalf of unitholders. Such Class O management fee will not exceed the Class F unit management fee rate.

The following table shows a breakdown of the services received in consideration of the management fees, as a percentage of the management fees collected from the Fund for the period ended August 31, 2020. These amounts do not include waived fees or absorbed expenses.

	Class A Units	Class F Units
Sales and trailing commissions paid to dealers	46.75%	0.00%
General administration, investment advice, and profit	53.25%	100.00%

#### **Past Performance**

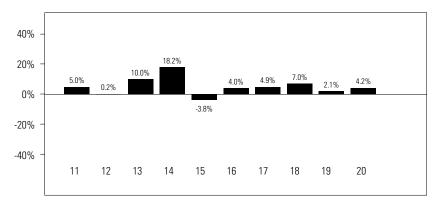
The performance data provided assumes reinvestment of distributions only and does not take into account sales, redemption, distribution, or other optional charges payable by any unitholder that would have reduced returns. Past performance does not necessarily indicate how a fund will perform in the future.

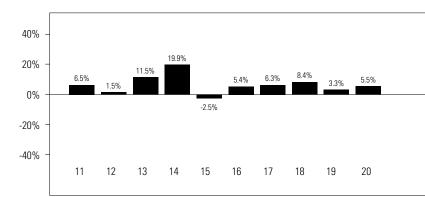
The Fund's returns are after the deduction of fees and expenses, and the difference in returns between classes of units is primarily due to differences in the management expense ratio. See *Financial Highlights* section for the management expense ratio.

## Year-by-Year Returns

These bar charts show the annual performance of each class of units of the Fund for each of the periods shown, and illustrate how the performance has changed from period to period. These bar charts show, in percentage terms, how an investment made on September 1 would have increased or decreased by August 31, unless otherwise indicated.

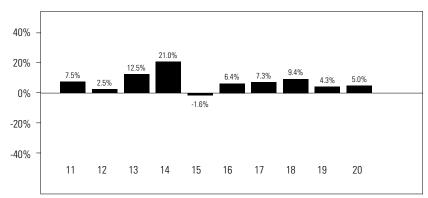
Class A Units





#### Class F Units





## **Annual Compound Returns**

This table shows the annual compound return of each class of units of the Fund for each indicated period ended on August 31, 2020. The annual compound return is compared to the Fund's benchmarks.

The Fund's primary benchmarks are the FTSE Canada Universe Bond Index and the S&P/TSX Composite Index.

The Fund's blended benchmark (Blended Benchmark) is comprised of the following:

- 55% S&P/TSX Composite Index
- 30% FTSE Canada Universe Bond Index
- 15% MSCI World Index

	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years*	or	Since Inception*	Inception Date
Class A units	4.2%	4.4%	4.4%	5.0%			March 10, 1999
S&P/TSX Composite Index	3.8%	6.0%	6.8%	6.4%			
FTSE Canada Universe Bond Index	5.8%	5.5%	4.1%	4.4%			
Blended Benchmark	6.5%	7.0%	6.7%	7.0%			
Class F units	5.5%	5.7%	5.8%	6.4%			October 7, 2005
S&P/TSX Composite Index	3.8%	6.0%	6.8%	6.4%			
FTSE Canada Universe Bond Index	5.8%	5.5%	4.1%	4.4%			
Blended Benchmark	6.5%	7.0%	6.7%	7.0%			

	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years*	or	Since Inception*	Inception Date
Class O units	5.0%	6.2%	6.4%	7.3%			March 15, 2005
S&P/TSX Composite Index	3.8%	6.0%	6.8%	6.4%			
FTSE Canada Universe Bond Index	5.8%	5.5%	4.1%	4.4%			
Blended Benchmark	6.5%	7.0%	6.7%	7.0%			

\* If a class of units has been outstanding for less than 10 years, the annual compound return since inception is shown.

S&P/TSX Composite Index is intended to represent the Canadian equity market and includes the largest companies listed on the TSX.

**FTSE Canada Universe Bond Index** is comprised of marketable Canadian bonds intended to reflect the performance of the broad Canadian investment-grade bond market. Returns are calculated daily and are weighted by market capitalization.

**MSCI World Index** is a free float-adjusted market capitalization index composed of companies representative of the market structure of developed market countries in North America, Europe and the Asia/Pacific region.

A discussion of the Fund's relative performance compared to its primary benchmarks can be found in Results of Operations.

#### Summary of Investment Portfolio (as at August 31, 2020)

The summary of investment portfolio may change due to ongoing portfolio transactions of the investment fund. A quarterly update is available by visiting www.renaissanceinvestments.ca. The Top Positions table shows a fund's 25 largest positions. For funds with fewer than 25 positions in total, all positions are shown. Cash and cash equivalents are shown in total as one position.

	% of Net Asset
Portfolio Breakdown	Value
Other Equities	18.1
Financials	18.3
Corporate Bonds	13.9
Materials	9.1
Industrials	8.3
Information Technology	8.1
Energy	7.1
Government of Canada & Guaranteed Bonds	5.2
Foreign Currency Bonds	4.4
Other Bonds	4.0
Cash & Cash Equivalents	3.7
Other Assets, less Liabilities	-0.2

	% of Net Asset
Top Positions	Value
Shopify Inc., Class 'A'	3.9
Cash & Cash Equivalents	3.7
Royal Bank of Canada	3.3
Toronto-Dominion Bank (The)	2.7
Canadian National Railway Co.	2.5
Enbridge Inc.	2.1
Barrick Gold Corp.	2.0
Government of Canada, 4.00%, 2041/06/01	1.8
Brookfield Asset Management Inc., Class 'A'	1.6
Canadian Pacific Railway Ltd.	1.6
Bank of Nova Scotia	1.5
TC Energy Corp.	1.4
Bank of Montreal	1.2
Alimentation Couche-Tard Inc., Class 'B'	1.1
Kirkland Lake Gold Ltd.	1.1
Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce	1.0
Suncor Energy Inc.	0.9
Canadian Natural Resources Ltd.	0.9
Canada Housing Trust No. 1, 1.75%, 2030/06/15	0.9
Agnico Eagle Mines Ltd.	0.8
Constellation Software Inc.	0.8
Element Fleet Management Corp.	0.8
Manulife Financial Corp.	0.8
Canadian Apartment Properties REIT	0.7
Wheaton Precious Metals Corp.	0.7

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