# **Annual Management Report of Fund Performance**

# **AGF Elements Balanced Portfolio**

September 30, 2023



# 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 portfolio's performance and outlook.

#### Investment Objective and Strategies

Pursuant to the Declaration of Trust, the investment objective of AGF Elements Balanced Portfolio (the "Portfolio") is to provide high long-term returns by investing primarily in a diversified mix of equity, income and bond mutual funds. To achieve this objective, AGF Investments Inc. ("AGFI"), as portfolio manager, generally allocates the Portfolio's assets among underlying mutual funds (the "Underlying Funds") and exchange traded funds ("ETFs"), which are primarily managed by AGFI or an AGFI affiliate. AGFI has set, and reviews quarterly, target dynamic allocations between equity, income and bond funds for the Portfolio, consistent with the Portfolio's investment objective. During periods of market downturn, a significant portion of the Portfolio's assets may be held in cash, money market securities or money market funds.

#### Risk

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

The Portfolio continues to be suitable for investors investing for the medium term, seeking a balanced mix of equity and fixed income funds in a single portfolio and who have low to medium tolerance for risk. The suitability of the Portfolio has not changed from what has been disclosed in the prospectus.

## **Results of Operations**

For the year ended September 30, 2023, the Mutual Fund Units of the Portfolio returned 6.3% (net of expenses) while the MSCI All Country World Index, the Bloomberg Global Aggregate Index and the Blended Benchmark returned 19.4%, 0.5% and 10.1%, respectively. The Blended Benchmark is composed of 45% MSCI All Country World Index/30% Bloomberg Global Aggregate Index/15% S&P/TSX Composite Index/10% Bloomberg Canada Aggregate Index. The performance of the other series of the Portfolio 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 Portfolio holds Series I Shares/Units or Series S Units of the Underlying Funds. The discussion below references performance figures for Mutual Fund Shares/Units or Series S Units of the Underlying Funds. The performance of Series I Shares/Units is substantially similar to that of Mutual Fund Shares/Units, save for differences in expense structure. The Underlying Funds may be subject to valuation adjustments as outlined in the Underlying Funds' valuation policies as it relates to non-North American equities held by the Underlying Funds. A fair value adjustment can either positively or negatively impact the Underlying Funds' rate of return.

The Portfolio is constructed based on an asset allocation framework that allocates to a diverse array of mutual funds and ETFs representing distinct global asset class opportunities, each with unique risk and return expectations.

The Portfolio under-performed the MSCI All Country World Index as equities significantly out-performed bonds over the reporting period. Furthermore, as global equities out-performed almost all other asset classes, allocations other than to global and European equities detracted from relative returns. The Portfolio's selection decisions within fixed income detracted, led by AGF Total Return Bond Fund. On the other hand, the Portfolio's allocations to AGF European Equity Fund and AGF Systematic Global ESG Factors ETF (formerly, AGFiQ Global ESG Factors ETF) contributed to relative returns.

The Portfolio out-performed the Bloomberg Global Aggregate Index due to allocation decisions as equities out-performed bonds over the reporting period. The Portfolio's selection decisions within global fixed income detracted from returns with AGF Total Return Bond Fund under-performing its benchmark. On the other hand, the Portfolio's allocations to AGF European Equity Fund and AGF Global Equity Fund assisted overall performance.

The Portfolio under-performed the Blended Benchmark due to selection decisions, while its allocation decisions added to relative returns. From a holdings perspective, AGF Fixed Income Plus Fund and AGF Total Return Bond Fund detracted the most from relative returns, while AGF European Equity Fund and AGF Systematic Global ESG Factors ETF contributed the most.

During the reporting period, apart from investing in Underlying Funds and ETFs that are managed by AGFI or its affiliates, the Portfolio also invested in U.S. treasury and ETFs that are not managed by AGFI ("external investments"). The Portfolio held approximately 49.0% of its holdings in foreign equity funds, 31.0% in fixed income funds, 13.0% in Canadian equity funds and 7.0% in external investments as at September 30, 2023. During the reporting

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period, the Portfolio's exposure to foreign equity and fixed income increased, while exposure to Canadian equities and external investments was reduced. Within foreign equity, exposure to AGF Global Dividend Fund was increased while exposure to AGF Systematic International Equity ETF (formerly, AGFiQ International Equity ETF) was reduced. Within U.S. equity, exposure to AGF US Market Neutral Anti-Beta CAD-Hedged ETF (formerly, AGFiQ US Market Neutral Anti-Beta CAD-Hedged ETF) increased. Within Canadian fixed income, exposure to AGF Fixed Income Plus Fund increased and within global fixed income, exposure to AGF Total Return Bond Fund was reduced. Within Canadian equity, exposure to AGF Canadian Dividend Income Fund (formerly, AGFiQ Canadian Dividend Income Fund) was reduced. Within external investments, exposure to ETFs not managed by AGFI was reduced.

The Portfolio entered into foreign exchange forward contracts during the period under review. As of September 30, 2023, the Portfolio was long Canadian dollar and short U.S. dollar in order to hedge its indirect currency exposure via the Underlying Funds and ETFs.

Certain series of the Portfolio, 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 Portfolio had a meaningful impact on the Portfolio's ability to implement its investment strategy or to fulfill its investment objectives.

The Portfolio had net redemptions of approximately \$101 million for the current period, as compared to net redemptions of approximately \$30 million in the prior period. The portfolio manager does not believe that redemption activity had a meaningful impact on the Portfolio's performance or the ability to implement its investment strategy.

Total expenses before 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. Expenses have decreased as compared to the previous period due mainly to a decrease in average Net Asset Values. The decrease in custodian fees was due to changes in the rates charged by the custodian during the period. The decrease in independent review committee fees was due to variances between the accrued amounts versus the actual expenses incurred in the previous period. All other expenses remained fairly consistent throughout the periods.

## **Recent Developments**

AGFI, as portfolio manager, monitors and reviews the Portfolio and the strategic asset allocation on a quarterly basis. Rebalancing of the allocation of funds within the Portfolio occurs quarterly, or as deemed appropriate.

Global equities rallied strongly during the reporting period despite facing significant uncertainty and volatility, as central banks continued to fight inflationary pressures with tighter financial conditions. Furthermore, China's faltering economic recovery and a short-lived banking crisis added to the uncertainty. Companies with exposure to artificial intelligence and large language models led a significant market rally, though this was limited to a very narrow group of stocks for the first five calendar months of 2023. However, market breadth started to widen in the final four months of the reporting period as rising real interest rates negatively impacted longer duration equities, which included many technology-focused companies. Long duration equities (often growth-oriented companies) are expected to produce their highest cash flows in the future and thus more sensitive to interest rate changes. The U.S. Federal Reserve (the "Fed") hiked policy rates six times during the reporting period. However, the Fed paused its rate hiking cycle at its September 2023 meeting to assess the lagged effects of rate hikes on the economy as inflationary pressures modestly eased.

Bond markets remained volatile over the reporting period, driven by variable economic data, geopolitical turmoil, the U.S. debt ceiling standoff, the banking system turmoil and central bank policies. Inflation levels broadly moderated but remained elevated versus target levels, and resilient economic activity also supported further central bank rate hikes, albeit at a more moderate pace. Elsewhere, core inflation in Europe and the UK remained sticky through the reporting period. Furthermore, Russia backed out of the Black Sea grain trade agreement in July 2023, reviving concerns about global food inflation.

The U.S. economy grew 2.1% in the second calendar quarter of 2023 versus a 2.4% advanced forecast, following a downward revision in August 2023. Furthermore, consumer spending was revised lower to 0.8% growth versus the previous expectation of 1.7%, signaling a potential turn in the consumer strength. The unemployment rate has remained relatively rangebound throughout 2023 but has ended the third calendar quarter higher at 3.8%, the highest level since February of 2022. The Fed kept the federal funds rate unchanged in its September 2023 meeting at a 22-year high of 5.25%-5.50%, following a 0.25% rate hike in July 2023; however, it indicated there remained a chance of another hike in 2023. Despite lower consumer spending, the consumer price index rose for the second consecutive month to 3.7% in August 2023 from 3.2% in July 2023, led by an increase in oil prices. However, core inflation, which excludes food and energy, slowed for the fifth month to 4.3%. Consumer sentiment decreased to 68.1 in September 2023 from 69.5 in August 2023 due to higher food and energy prices that hurt consumers' purchasing power. Consumer sentiment is an economic indicator that measures how optimistic consumers feel about their finances and the state of the economy.

The U.S. Dollar Index declined over the reporting period despite the Fed continuing its tightening cycle to achieve its 2.0% inflation target. In September 2023, the European Central Bank ("ECB") raised interest rates for the tenth

consecutive time. The ECB also indicated that it is likely done with tightening monetary policy, citing meaningful progress against inflation. The annual inflation rate in the Euro area was 5.2% in August 2023, the lowest since January 2022, but remains much above the ECB target of 2.0%.

However, China's economic growth weakened in the second calendar quarter, which weighed on the emerging markets asset class during the reporting period. Additionally, uncertainty about the U.S. debt ceiling, higher for longer interest rates and a stronger U.S. dollar were just some of the other risks that weighed on the asset class. Property markets in China remained weak during the reporting period. Policymakers in China announced several measures to help support property markets and revive the economy, although they fell well short of expectations.

Emerging markets bond performance varied considerably over the reporting period. Local currency-denominated debt (expressed in local currency) marginally out-performed hard currency debt overall, while the local index expressed in U.S. dollars saw a wider margin of out-performance as the dollar weakened over the reporting period versus emerging markets currencies. Many emerging markets central banks were early in raising rates, and now with inflation trending lower, some countries have started cutting rates before their developed markets peers. Global investment grade bonds delivered positive returns over the reporting period, supported by the declining inflation profile and elevated concerns of slower economic growth. Credit spreads were erratic, particularly between November 2022 to May 2023, but overall tightened substantially during the reporting period, and most credit categories out-performed government bonds on higher carry versus their safer counterparts. Carry is the difference between the yield on a longer-maturity bond and the cost of borrowing.

The portfolio manager continues to maintain a constructive view on equities. While equity markets fell during the third calendar quarter of 2023, the portfolio manager expects positive returns in the final calendar quarter of the year as, historically, the fourth quarter is the seasonally strongest period for equities. Despite the significant tightening so far, the global economic outlook remains somewhat resilient. Inflation has remained sticky, and though it may continue to decelerate in the coming months, central banks remain vigilant about the risk of a resurgence in 2023 and beyond. Meanwhile, policymakers have projected above-target inflation in the next couple of years. As a result, the bar remains high for central banks to cut interest rates soon unless the growth profile deteriorates significantly. Many developed market yield curves have remained substantially inverted for some time, which historically has been a leading indicator of slowing economic growth.

## **Related Party Transactions**

AGFI is the manager ("Manager") and trustee of the Portfolio. Pursuant to the management agreement between the Portfolio and AGFI, AGFI is responsible for the day-to-day business of the Portfolio. AGFI also acts as the investment (portfolio) manager of the Portfolio, providing

analysis and making decisions as to which Underlying Funds and ETFs the Portfolio invests in and the target weighting of the Portfolio's assets. Under the management agreement, the Portfolio (except for Series O, Series Q and Series W Units, if applicable) pays management fees calculated based on the Net Asset Value of the respective series of the Portfolio. Management fees of approximately \$15,701,000 were incurred by the Portfolio during the period ended September 30, 2023.

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 T and Series V Units, as applicable, of the Portfolio. The administration fee is calculated based on the Net Asset Value of the respective series of the Portfolio at a fixed annual rate, as disclosed in the current prospectus. Administration fees of approximately \$679,000 were incurred by the Portfolio during the period ended September 30, 2023.

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

This report may contain forward-looking statements about the Portfolio, 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 Portfolio 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 Portfolio and economic factors.

The forward-looking statements are by their nature based on numerous assumptions, which include, amongst other things, that (i) the Portfolio 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 forward-looking statements made by the Portfolio. 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 Portfolio 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 Portfolio and are intended to help you understand the Portfolio's financial performance for the past five years as applicable.

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

For the periods ended	Sept 30, 2023 (\$)	Sept 30, 2022 (\$)	Sept 30, 2021 (\$)	Sept 30, 2020 (\$)	Sept 30, 2019 (\$)
Net Assets, beginning of period <sup>(1)</sup>	11.85	13.99	12.91	12.50	12.61
Increase (decrease) from operations:					
Total revenue	0.43	0.37	0.68	0.34	0.41
Total expenses	(0.29)	(0.30)	(0.31)	(0.29)	(0.28)
Realized gains (losses)	0.15	0.34	0.48	0.26	0.09
Unrealized gains (losses)	0.51	(1.77)	0.49	0.26	(0.04)
Total increase (decrease) from operations <sup>(2)</sup>	0.80	(1.36)	1.34	0.57	0.18
Distributions:					
From income (excluding dividends)	-	-	-	(0.02)	-
From dividends	-	-	-	(0.06)	-
From capital gains	(0.06)	(0.79)	(0.23)	(0.09)	(0.25)
Return of capital	-	-	-	-	-
Total annual distributions <sup>(3)</sup>	(0.06)	(0.79)	(0.23)	(0.17)	(0.25)
Net Assets, end of period <sup>(4)</sup>	12.54	11.85	13.99	12.91	12.50

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

For the periods ended	Sept 30, 2023	Sept 30, 2022	Sept 30, 2021	Sept 30, 2020	Sept 30, 2019
Total Net Asset Value (\$000's)	711,552	758,231	936,891	935,088	1,032,832
Number of units outstanding (000's)	56,763	63,960	66,951	72,432	82,656
Management expense ratio <sup>(5)</sup>	2.45%	2.46%	2.45%	2.43%	2.42%
Management expense ratio before waivers or absorptions <sup>(6)</sup>	2.46%	2.47%	2.46%	2.45%	2.44%
Trading expense ratio <sup>(7)</sup>	0.13%	0.09%	0.11%	0.10%	0.08%
Portfolio turnover rate <sup>(8)</sup>	21.23%	19.37%	30.45%	37.64%	56.00%
Net Asset Value per unit	12.54	11.85	13.99	12.91	12.50

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

For the periods ended	Sept 30, 2023 (\$)	Sept 30, 2022 (\$)	Sept 30, 2021 (\$)	Sept 30, 2020 (\$)	Sept 30, 2019 (\$)
Net Assets, beginning of period <sup>(1)</sup> Increase (decrease) from operations:	12.59	14.66	13.50	12.98	13.10
Total revenue	0.45	0.38	0.71	0.35	0.43
Total expenses	(0.13)	(0.13)	(0.13)	(0.12)	(0.12)
Realized gains (losses)	0.16	0.33	0.50	0.26	0.09
Unrealized gains (losses)	0.45	(1.93)	0.47	0.27	(0.10)
Total increase (decrease) from operations <sup>(2)</sup>	0.93	(1.35)	1.55	0.76	0.30
Distributions:					
From income (excluding dividends)	(0.03)	-	(0.02)	(0.05)	(0.03)
From dividends	(0.11)	-	(0.14)	(0.12)	(0.13)
From capital gains	(0.06)	(0.83)	(0.24)	(0.10)	(0.26)
Return of capital	-	-	-	-	-
Total annual distributions <sup>(3)</sup> Net Assets, end of period <sup>(4)</sup>	(0.20) 13.36	(0.83) 12.59	(0.40) 14.66	(0.27) 13.50	(0.42) 12.98

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

For the periods ended	Sept 30, 2023	Sept 30, 2022	Sept 30, 2021	Sept 30, 2020	Sept 30, 2019
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Total Net Asset Value (\$000's)	45,938	40,980	40,166	35,488	35,956
Number of units outstanding (000's)	3,438	3,255	2,739	2,629	2,771
Management expense ratio <sup>(5)</sup>	1.10%	1.11%	1.10%	1.08%	1.06%
Management expense ratio before waivers or absorptions <sup>(6)</sup>	1.11%	1.12%	1.11%	1.10%	1.08%
Trading expense ratio <sup>(7)</sup>	0.13%	0.09%	0.11%	0.10%	0.08%
Portfolio turnover rate <sup>(8)</sup>	21.23%	19.37%	30.45%	37.64%	56.00%
Net Asset Value per unit	13.36	12.59	14.66	13.50	12.98

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

For the periods ended	Sept 30, 2023 (\$)	Sept 30, 2022 (\$)	Sept 30, 2021 (\$)	Sept 30, 2020 (\$)	Sept 30, 2019 (\$)
Net Assets, beginning of period <sup>(1)</sup>	11.89	13.93	13.13	13.06	12.54
Increase (decrease) from operations:					
Total revenue	0.42	0.32	0.66	0.35	0.22
Total expenses	(0.15)	(0.16)	(0.17)	(0.16)	(0.16)
Realized gains (losses)	0.14	0.22	0.48	0.26	0.10
Unrealized gains (losses)	0.45	(2.01)	0.54	0.28	0.84
Total increase (decrease) from operations <sup>(2)</sup>	0.86	(1.63)	1.51	0.73	1.00
Distributions:					
From income (excluding dividends)	(0.01)	-	(0.00)	(0.02)	-
From dividends	(0.09)	-	(0.02)	(0.06)	-
From capital gains	(0.19)	(0.35)	(0.58)	(0.27)	-
Return of capital	(0.35)	(0.43)	(0.08)	(0.30)	(0.42)
Total annual distributions <sup>(3)</sup>	(0.64)	(0.78)	(0.68)	(0.65)	(0.42)
Net Assets, end of period <sup>(4)</sup>	12.14	11.89	13.93	13.13	13.06

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

For the periods ended	Sept 30, 2023	Sept 30, 2022	Sept 30, 2021	Sept 30, 2020	Sept 30, 2019
Total Net Asset Value (\$000's)	123	115	60	56	56
Number of units outstanding (000's)	10	10	4	4	4
Management expense ratio <sup>(5)</sup>	1.34%	1.39%	1.42%	1.42%	1.44%
Management expense ratio before waivers or absorptions <sup>(6)</sup>	3.93%	5.14%	6.57%	7.25%	9.71%
Trading expense ratio <sup>(7)</sup>	0.13%	0.09%	0.11%	0.10%	0.08%
Portfolio turnover rate <sup>(8)</sup>	21.23%	19.37%	30.45%	37.64%	56.00%
Net Asset Value per unit	12.14	11.89	13.93	13.13	13.06

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

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

For the periods ended	Sept 30, 2023 (\$)	Sept 30, 2022 (\$)	Sept 30, 2021 (\$)	Sept 30, 2020 (\$)	Sept 30, 2019 (\$)
Net Assets, beginning of period <sup>(1)</sup>	13.33	15.41	14.17	13.55	13.67
Increase (decrease) from operations:					
Total revenue	0.48	0.42	0.75	0.37	0.43
Total expenses	(0.00)	(0.00)	(0.00)	(0.00)	(0.00)
Realized gains (losses)	0.16	0.36	0.52	0.27	0.10
Unrealized gains (losses)	0.52	(1.99)	0.51	0.30	(0.03)
Total increase (decrease) from operations <sup>(2)</sup>	1.16	(1.21)	1.78	0.94	0.50
Distributions:					
From income (excluding dividends)	(0.05)	-	(0.04)	(0.07)	(0.05)
From dividends	(0.20)	(0.04)	(0.25)	(0.17)	(0.22)
From capital gains	(0.07)	(0.88)	(0.25)	(0.10)	(0.28)
Return of capital	-	-	-	-	-
Total annual distributions <sup>(3)</sup>	(0.32)	(0.92)	(0.54)	(0.34)	(0.55)
Net Assets, end of period <sup>(4)</sup>	14.16	13.33	15.41	14.17	13.55

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

For the periods ended	Sept 30,				
	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
Total Net Asset Value (\$000's)	173,786	166,114	187,455	173,512	172,633
Number of units outstanding (000's)	12,271	12,463	12,163	12,243	12,739
Management expense ratio <sup>(5)</sup>	0.11%	0.13%	0.12%	0.11%	0.07%
Management expense ratio before waivers or absorptions <sup>(6)</sup>	0.14%	0.15%	0.15%	0.14%	0.14%
Trading expense ratio <sup>(7)</sup>	0.13%	0.09%	0.11%	0.10%	0.08%
Portfolio turnover rate <sup>(8)</sup>	21.23%	19.37%	30.45%	37.64%	56.00%
Net Asset Value per unit	14.16	13.33	15.41	14.17	13.55

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

For the periods ended	Sept 30, 2023 (\$)	Sept 30, 2022 (\$)	Sept 30, 2021 (\$)	Sept 30, 2020 (\$)	Sept 30, 2019 (\$)
Net Assets, beginning of period <sup>(1)</sup>	10.24	11.84	10.89	10.41	10.50
Increase (decrease) from operations:					
Total revenue	0.37	0.32	0.57	0.28	0.32
Total expenses	(0.00)	(0.00)	(0.00)	(0.00)	(0.00)
Realized gains (losses)	0.12	0.28	0.41	0.21	0.08
Unrealized gains (losses)	0.50	(1.51)	0.41	0.23	(0.09)
Total increase (decrease) from operations <sup>(2)</sup>	0.99	(0.91)	1.39	0.72	0.31
Distributions:					
From income (excluding dividends)	(0.04)	-	(0.03)	(0.05)	(0.04)
From dividends	(0.16)	(0.03)	(0.19)	(0.13)	(0.17)
From capital gains	(0.05)	(0.67)	(0.20)	(80.0)	(0.21)
Return of capital	-	-	-	-	-
Total annual distributions <sup>(3)</sup>	(0.25)	(0.70)	(0.42)	(0.26)	(0.42)
Net Assets, end of period <sup>(4)</sup>	10.88	10.24	11.84	10.89	10.41

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

For the periods ended	Sept 30, 2023	Sept 30, 2022	Sept 30, 2021	Sept 30, 2020	Sept 30, 2019
	2023	2022	2021	2020	2017
Total Net Asset Value (\$000's)	34,502	39,541	48,018	48,116	57,690
Number of units outstanding (000's)	3,171	3,862	4,056	4,419	5,542
Management expense ratio <sup>(5)</sup>	0.11%	0.13%	0.12%	0.11%	0.07%
Management expense ratio before waivers or absorptions <sup>(6)</sup>	0.15%	0.16%	0.15%	0.14%	0.12%
Trading expense ratio <sup>(7)</sup>	0.13%	0.09%	0.11%	0.10%	0.08%
Portfolio turnover rate <sup>(8)</sup>	21.23%	19.37%	30.45%	37.64%	56.00%
Net Asset Value per unit	10.88	10.24	11.84	10.89	10.41

## Series T Units - Net Assets per Unit<sup>(1)</sup>

For the periods ended	Sept 30, 2023 (\$)	Sept 30, 2022 (\$)	Sept 30, 2021 (\$)	Sept 30, 2020 (\$)	Sept 30, 2019 (\$)
Net Assets, beginning of period <sup>(1)</sup>	6.50	7.93	7.79	8.07	8.63
Increase (decrease) from operations: Total revenue	0.23	0.22	0.40	0.21	0.27
Total expenses	(0.15)	(0.17)	(0.18)	(0.18)	(0.19)
Realized gains (losses)	0.08	0.19	0.28	0.16	0.06
Unrealized gains (losses)	0.28	(1.00)	0.27	0.13	(0.06)
Total increase (decrease) from operations <sup>(2)</sup>	0.44	(0.76)	0.77	0.32	0.08
Distributions:					
From income (excluding dividends)	-	-	-	(0.01)	-
From dividends	-	-	-	(0.02)	-
From capital gains	(0.09)	(0.11)	(0.31)	(0.10)	(0.04)
Return of capital	(0.47)	(0.53)	(0.34)	(0.51)	(0.62)
Total annual distributions <sup>(3)</sup> Net Assets, end of period <sup>(4)</sup>	(0.56) 6.36	(0.64) 6.50	(0.65) 7.93	(0.64) 7.79	(0.66) 8.07

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

For the periods ended	Sept 30,				
	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
Total Net Asset Value (\$000's)	18.982	21,228	27.628	25.521	26,808
Number of units outstanding (000's)	2,984	3,263	3,486	3,278	3,322
Management expense ratio <sup>(5)</sup>	2.40%	2.41%	2.41%	2.40%	2.39%
Management expense ratio before waivers or absorptions <sup>(6)</sup>	2.41%	2.43%	2.42%	2.42%	2.41%
Trading expense ratio <sup>(7)</sup>	0.13%	0.09%	0.11%	0.10%	0.08%
Portfolio turnover rate <sup>(8)</sup>	21.23%	19.37%	30.45%	37.64%	56.00%
Net Asset Value per unit	6.36	6.50	7.93	7.79	8.07

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

For the periods ended	Sept 30, 2023 (\$)	Sept 30, 2022 (\$)	Sept 30, 2021 (\$)	Sept 30, 2020 (\$)	Sept 30, 2019 (\$)
Net Assets, beginning of period <sup>(1)</sup>	10.71	12.72	12.13	12.20	12.67
Increase (decrease) from operations:					
Total revenue	0.38	0.35	0.64	0.33	0.41
Total expenses	(0.27)	(0.29)	(0.31)	(0.29)	(0.29)
Realized gains (losses)	0.13	0.31	0.45	0.25	0.09
Unrealized gains (losses)	0.48	(1.65)	0.44	0.24	(0.06)
Total increase (decrease) from operations <sup>(2)</sup>	0.72	(1.28)	1.22	0.53	0.15
Distributions:					
From income (excluding dividends)	-	-	-	(0.01)	-
From dividends	-	-	-	(0.03)	-
From capital gains	(0.15)	(0.25)	(0.45)	(0.14)	(0.06)
Return of capital	(0.43)	(0.48)	(0.18)	(0.43)	(0.54)
Total annual distributions <sup>(3)</sup>	(0.58)	(0.73)	(0.63)	(0.61)	(0.60)
Net Assets, end of period <sup>(4)</sup>	10.80	10.71	12.72	12.13	12.20

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

	Sept 30,				
For the periods ended	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
Total Net Asset Value (\$000's)	5,352	6,027	7,351	7,085	7,564
Number of units outstanding (000's)	496	563	578	584	620
Management expense ratio <sup>(5)</sup>	2.55%	2.55%	2.54%	2.52%	2.49%
Management expense ratio before waivers or absorptions <sup>(6)</sup>	2.56%	2.56%	2.55%	2.53%	2.52%
Trading expense ratio <sup>(7)</sup>	0.13%	0.09%	0.11%	0.10%	0.08%
Portfolio turnover rate <sup>(8)</sup>	21.23%	19.37%	30.45%	37.64%	56.00%
Net Asset Value per unit	10.80	10.71	12.72	12.13	12.20

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

For the periods ended	Sept 30, 2023 (\$)	Sept 30, 2022 (\$)	Sept 30, 2021 (\$)	Sept 30, 2020 (\$)	Sept 30, 2019 (\$)
Net Assets, beginning of period <sup>(1)</sup> Increase (decrease) from operations:	10.09	11.67	10.73	10.26	10.35
Total revenue	0.32	0.31	0.56	0.29	0.32
Total expenses	(0.00)	(0.00)	(0.00)	(0.00)	(0.00)
Realized gains (losses)	0.12	0.28	0.39	0.21	0.08
Unrealized gains (losses)	0.11	(1.38)	0.36	0.21	0.09
Total increase (decrease) from operations <sup>(2)</sup>	0.55	(0.79)	1.31	0.71	0.49
Distributions:					
From income (excluding dividends)	(0.04)	-	(0.03)	(0.05)	(0.04)
From dividends	(0.15)	(0.03)	(0.19)	(0.13)	(0.17)
From capital gains	(0.05)	(0.66)	(0.19)	(80.0)	(0.20)
Return of capital	-	-	-	-	-
Total annual distributions <sup>(3)</sup> Net Assets, end of period <sup>(4)</sup>	(0.24) 10.72	(0.69) 10.09	(0.41) 11.67	(0.26) 10.73	(0.41) 10.26

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

	Sept 30,				
For the periods ended	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
Total Net Asset Value (\$000's)	3,110	1,808	3,020	2,352	3,187
Number of units outstanding (000's)	290	179	259	219	311
Management expense ratio <sup>(5)</sup>	0.11%	0.13%	0.12%	0.11%	0.07%
Management expense ratio before waivers or absorptions <sup>(6)</sup>	0.24%	0.26%	0.25%	0.24%	0.19%
Trading expense ratio <sup>(7)</sup>	0.13%	0.09%	0.11%	0.10%	0.08%
Portfolio turnover rate <sup>(8)</sup>	21.23%	19.37%	30.45%	37.64%	56.00%
Net Asset Value per unit	10.72	10.09	11.67	10.73	10.26

#### **Explanatory Notes**

- (1) a) This information is derived from the Portfolio'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 Portfolio 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	November 2005
Series F Units	November 2005
Series FV Units	November 2018
Series O Units	October 2008
Series Q Units	April 2015
Series T Units	December 2006
Series V Units	August 2007
Series W Units	April 2017

- c) On June 28, 2019, Harmony Balanced Growth Portfolio and Harmony Balanced Portfolio merged into the Portfolio. The financial data of the Portfolio includes the results of operations of Harmony Balanced Growth Portfolio and Harmony Balanced Portfolio from the date of the mergers.
- (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 Portfolio, or both. The computation of the distributions per unit does not take into account the management fee distributions, if applicable (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 Portfolio (including Harmonized Sales Tax, Goods and Services Tax and interest, but excluding commissions and other portfolio transaction costs) and the Portfolio's proportionate share of the MER, if applicable, of the Underlying Funds and ETFs in which the Portfolio 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 during the period, the MER is annualized from the date of the first external purchase.

The Portfolio does not pay duplicate management and advisory fees, as applicable, on the portion of the assets that it invests in the Underlying Funds. Accordingly, AGFI will waive the management and advisory fees payable or paid by the Underlying Funds in order to avoid such duplication.

Under the Elements Advantage Program (the "Program"), holders of Mutual Fund Units, Series D Units and Series F Units of the Portfolio may be entitled to receive distributions in an amount equal to management fee reductions by AGFI. In addition, AGFI may reduce the effective management fee payable by some unitholders by reducing the management fee it charges to the Portfolio and directing the Portfolio 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 such distributions to unitholders.

With respect to the Program, any new units of the applicable series of the Portfolio purchased subsequent to June 19, 2009 were no longer eligible. Units purchased in eligible series of the Portfolio prior to a trade date of June 22, 2009 would be eligible for any subsequent three year periods so long as the relevant units are not redeemed before the end of each three year period, until AGFI terminated the Program effective September 23, 2019. Effective October 1, 2022, there were no longer any units eligible under the Program.

- (6) AGFI waived certain fees or absorbed certain expenses otherwise payable by the Portfolio. 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 Portfolio's proportionate share of the commissions, if applicable, of the

Underlying Funds and ETFs in which the Portfolio has invested, expressed as an annualized percentage of average daily Net Asset Value during the period.

(8) The Portfolio's portfolio turnover rate ("PTR") indicates how actively the Portfolio's portfolio advisor manages its portfolio investments. A PTR of 100% is equivalent to the Portfolio 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 Portfolio is managed by AGFI. As a result of providing investment and management services, AGFI receives a monthly management fee, based on the Net Asset Value of the respective series, calculated daily and payable monthly. Management fees in respect of Series O, Series Q and Series W Units, if applicable, are arranged directly between the Manager and investors and are not expenses of the Portfolio. AGFI uses these management fees to pay for sales and trailing commissions to registered dealers on the distribution of the Portfolio'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 management		
	Annual rates	Dealer compensation	General administration and investment advice	
Mutual Fund Units	2.00%	63.42%	36.58%	
Series F Units	0.80%	-	100.00%	
Series FV Units	0.80%	_	100.00%	
Series T Units	2.00%	59.88%	40.12%	
Series V Units	2.00%	62.02%	37.98%	

## Past Performance\*

The performance information shown assumes that all distributions made by the Portfolio in the periods shown were reinvested in additional securities of the Portfolio. 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 Portfolio 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. During the ten year period

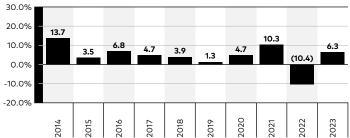
ended September 30, 2023, certain other funds with similar investment objectives merged into the Portfolio. Generally, for fund mergers, the continuing fund is considered a new fund for the purpose of calculating rates of return and therefore, the rates of return have not been provided for the period of the merger and previous periods. However, the mergers of Harmony Balanced Growth Portfolio and Harmony Balanced Portfolio with the Portfolio (see Explanatory Note (1) c)) did not constitute material changes to the Portfolio and accordingly did not impact the ability of the Portfolio to maintain its historical performance.

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

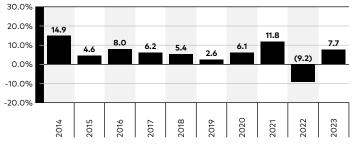
#### Year-By-Year Returns

The following bar charts show the Portfolio's annual performance for each of the past 10 years to September 30, 2023 as applicable, and illustrate how the Portfolio's performance has changed from year to year. The 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**

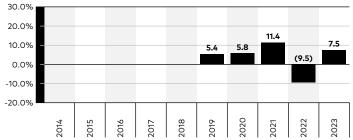


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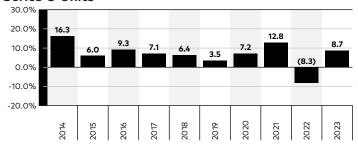
<sup>\*</sup> The indicated rates of return shown here are the historical annual compounded total returns including changes in security value and reinvestment of all distributions and do not take into account sales, redemption, distribution or other optional charges by any securityholder that would have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

## Series FV Units

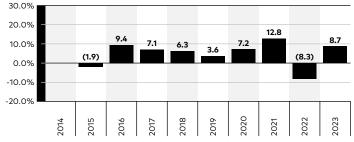


Performance for 2019 represents returns for the period from January 29, 2019 to September 30, 2019.

#### Series O Units

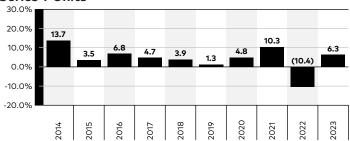


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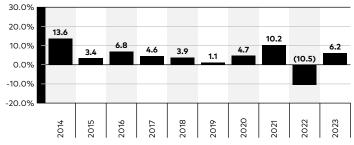


Performance for 2015 represents returns for the period from May 8, 2015 to September 30, 2015.

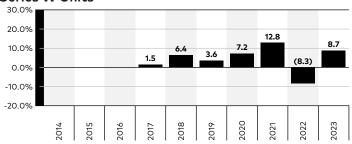
#### **Series T Units**



## Series V Units



#### Series W Units



Performance for 2017 represents returns for the period from July 18, 2017 to September 30, 2017.

#### **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, 2023.

Percentage Return:	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years	Since Inception
Mutual Fund Units	6.3	1.6	2.2	4.3	N/A
MSCI All Country World Index	19.4	8.1	8.1	11.1	N/A
Bloomberg Global Aggregate Index	0.5	(6.3)	(0.6)	2.4	N/A
Blended Benchmark	10.1	2.8	4.9	7.3	N/A
Series F Units	7.7	3.0	3.5	5.6	N/A
MSCI All Country World Index	19.4	8.1	8.1	11.1	N/A
Bloomberg Global Aggregate Index	0.5	(6.3)	(0.6)	2.4	N/A
Blended Benchmark	10.1	2.8	4.9	7.3	N/A
Series FV Units	7.5	2.7	N/A	N/A	4.1
MSCI All Country World Index	19.4	8.1	N/A	N/A	9.8
Bloomberg Global Aggregate Index	0.5	(6.3)	N/A	N/A	(1.7)
Blended Benchmark	10.1	2.8	N/A	N/A	5.5
Series O Units	8.7	4.0	4.5	6.7	N/A
MSCI All Country World Index	19.4	8.1	8.1	11.1	N/A
Bloomberg Global Aggregate Index	0.5	(6.3)	(0.6)	2.4	N/A
Blended Benchmark	10.1	2.8	4.9	7.3	N/A
Series Q Units	8.7	4.0	4.5	N/A	5.2
MSCI All Country World Index	19.4	8.1	8.1	N/A	8.9
Bloomberg Global Aggregate Index	0.5	(6.3)	(0.6)	N/A	1.0
Blended Benchmark	10.1	2.8	4.9	N/A	5.7
Series T Units	6.3	1.7	2.2	4.3	N/A
MSCI All Country World Index	19.4	8.1	8.1	11.1	N/A
Bloomberg Global Aggregate Index	0.5	(6.3)	(0.6)	2.4	N/A
Blended Benchmark	10.1	2.8	4.9	7.3	N/A
Series V Units	6.2	1.5	2.1	4.2	N/A
MSCI All Country World Index	19.4	8.1	8.1	11.1	N/A
Bloomberg Global Aggregate Index	0.5	(6.3)	(0.6)	2.4	N/A
Blended Benchmark	10.1	2.8	4.9	7.3	N/A
Series W Units	8.7	4.0	4.5	N/A	4.9
MSCI All Country World Index	19.4	8.1	8.1	N/A	9.1
Bloomberg Global Aggregate Index	0.5	(6.3)	(0.6)	N/A	(0.2)
Blended Benchmark	10.1	2.8	4.9	N/A	5.5

The MSCI All Country World Index is a free float-adjusted market capitalization-weighted index that is designed to measure the equity market performance of developed and emerging markets.

The Bloomberg Global Aggregate Index provides a broadbased measure of the global investment grade fixed income markets.

The S&P/TSX Composite Index is a capitalization-weighted index designed to measure market activity of stocks and trusts listed on the Toronto Stock Exchange.

The Bloomberg Canada Aggregate Index provides a broadbased measure of the Canadian investment grade fixed income market.

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

# **Summary of Investment Portfolio**

As at September 30, 2023

The major portfolio categories and top holdings (up to 25) of the Portfolio 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 Portfolio and the next quarterly update will be in the Quarterly Portfolio Disclosure as at December 31, 2023.

The prospectus and other information about the underlying investment funds and ETFs are available on the internet at www.sedar.com and/or www.sec.gov/edgar.shtml, as applicable.

Portfolio by Sector	Percentage of Net Asset Value (%)
Equity Funds	40.5
Fixed Income Funds	29.2
ETFs – International Equity	11.2
ETFs – United States Equity	10.7
ETFs – Domestic Equity	4.0
Government Bonds	2.1
ETFs – International Fixed Income	2.0
Cash & Cash Equivalents	0.3
Foreign Exchange Forward Contracts	(0.0)
Other Net Assets (Liabilities)	0.0

Top Holdings	Percentage of Net Asset Value (%)
AGF Fixed Income Plus Fund	13.1
AGF Total Return Bond Fund	11.1
AGF American Growth Fund	8.9
AGF Canadian Dividend Income Fund	7.9
AGF US Market Neutral Anti-Beta CAD-Hedged ETF	5.0
AGF Global Equity Fund	5.0
AGF Systematic Global ESG Factors ETF	4.0
AGF Global Dividend Fund	4.0
AGF Systematic US Equity ETF	4.0
AGF Emerging Markets Fund	3.9
AGF Global Sustainable Growth Equity Fund	3.8
AGF Global Corporate Bond Fund	3.0
AGF Global Real Assets Class**	3.0
AGF Systematic Canadian Equity ETF	3.0
AGF Systematic Global Infrastructure ETF	2.9
Franklin FTSE Japan ETF	2.3
U.S. Treasury*	2.1
AGF Emerging Markets Bond Fund	2.0
AGF Systematic Global Multi-Sector Bond ETF	2.0
AGF European Equity Fund	2.0
AGF Canadian Small Cap Fund	2.0
iShares Core S&P 500 ETF	1.7
iShares Core S&P/TSX Capped Composite Index ETF	1.0
AGF Systematic International Equity ETF	1.0
AGF Systematic Emerging Markets Equity ETF	1.0
Total Net Asset Value (thousands of dollars)	\$ 993,345

<sup>\*</sup> Debt Instruments

<sup>\*\*</sup> Class of AGF All World Tax Advantage Group Limited



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