

AGF SAF Private Credit Trust

Portfolio Applications



Private credit is one of the fastest growing categories of alternative investments and investor demand continues to grow¹ as investors seek reliable streams of income, diversification and attractive returns.

AGF SAF Private Credit Trust provides access to a differentiated private credit strategy that aims to deliver attractive risk-adjusted returns with low correlation to traditional asset classes by allocating capital through various credit strategies to middle-market companies, primarily within Canada and the U.S. The Trust offers eligible investors:





A private credit allocation can help to achieve several objectives and may be suitable for a variety of eligible investors. Portfolio applications include:

1) Income Generation

In a low interest rate environment generating income remains challenging. Compressed credit spreads have forced investors to look to alternatives such as private credit for meaningful yield. Private credit strategies that focus on income generation may be a useful supplement to enhance overall portfolio yield.

¹ Source: 2020 Preqin Global Private Debt Report & Preqin Q3 2020 Private Debt Update.



2) Enhance Portfolio Diversification

Generally, investors employ private credit allocations as complements or substitutes to/for traditional fixed income. Given the potential for higher total returns, lower drawdowns and reduced volatility offered by private credit, the asset class may also have utility as a complement or substitute to/for equity exposure, depending on portfolio objectives. An allocation to private credit within a portfolio has historically resulted in enhanced risk-adjusted returns when compared to a portfolio comprised only of public equity and fixed income (see figure 1).





Source: Morningstar Direct & Preqin. Period: January 2010 – June 2020. In U.S. Dollars. MSCI ACWI Index (Global Equities), Bloomberg Barclays Global Aggregate Bond Index (Global IG Bonds), Bloomberg Barclays Global High Yield Index (Global HY Bonds), Preqin Capital Quarterly Index – Private Debt (Private Debt). For illustrative purposes only. One cannot invest in an index. Hypothetical performance is not necessarily indicative of future results.

3) Improved Risk-Adjusted Returns

As a complement to public market equities, corporate bonds and high yield bonds private credit can offer an opportunity for improved risk-adjusted returns as part of a mutli-asset portfolio.



Figure 2. Sharpe Ratio

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