

Genus High Impact Equity Fund

ANNUAL MANAGEMENT REPORT OF FUND PERFORMANCE

For the year ended December 31, 2024

Management Discussion of Fund Performance

Investment Objective and Strategies

The fund seeks to make positive social and environmental impacts in addition to generating better financial returns. This mandate focuses on investing in global companies who are leaders in areas of sustainability, such as: renewable energy, energy efficiency, green buildings, low negative impact products, as well as innovative companies in the healthcare, education, and technology sectors.

Companies that appear weak with respect to environmental, social and governance characteristics are excluded as an initial screen. For instance, all companies directly involved in extraction, processing and transportation of oil, gas and coal are excluded. Next, a sustainable thematic approach, which seeks to profit from the long-term trends that are unfolding, is applied. The fund strives to thematically emphasize products and services that offer sustainable solutions to some of the world's biggest challenges.

Under applicable securities laws, the fundamental investment objective of the fund may only be changed with the approval of a majority of unitholders at a meeting called for that purpose. However, subject to certain restrictions under the trust agreement that governs the fund, we may change the investment strategies described below at our discretion.

To achieve the fund's investment objective, the portfolio advisor utilizes the following investing strategies. The fund invests in a globally diversified portfolio of equity securities of companies which may be included in the S&P/TSX Composite and MSCI World Indexes. The fund's portfolio reflects diversification by country and Global Industry Classification Standard (GICS) sector.

The primary investment strategy employed by the fund is one of quantitative security selection whereby the fund seeks to hold securities that are expected to outperform the target indices, net of expenses. The fund employs negative and positive screening to arrive at an eligible universe of investable companies and subsequently applies quantitative security selection on the eligible universe. Negative screening strategies seek to exclude companies that fail to meet pre-defined criteria (as detailed below). In particular, the fund's portfolio is restricted to issuers that conduct their affairs in a manner that meets the portfolio advisor's screening criteria in relation to specific environmental, social and governance ("ESG") factors.

Risk

This fund is suitable for investors seeking long-term growth with a medium tolerance of risk. Throughout the reporting period, there were no significant changes to the investment objective and strategies impacting the fund's overall risk profile. Consequently, the risks associated with investing in the fund remain as discussed in the Simplified Prospectus. The general risks inherent in investing in this fund, such as the potential reduction in investment value, liquidity risk, interest rate risk, and currency risk, among others, are delineated in the Simplified Prospectus.

Results of Operations

Investment Performance

The fund's net asset value increased to US\$109 million as of December 31, 2024, from US\$78 million at the end of 2023. The increase in net assets was attributable to an increase from operations of US\$5.4 million and net contributions of US\$25 million.

Over the past year, the fund's Series O units return was 6.85% versus 19.2% for the MSCI World Index. Unlike the benchmark, the fund's return is net of the deduction of fees and expenses paid by the fund. All performance values provided are in U.S. dollar terms.

In the first quarter of 2024, equity markets delivered strong gains, continuing to reflect last year's peak in interest rates and subsequent reductions. In Canadian dollar terms, the MSCI World Index, S&P 500, and TSX advanced by 11.9%, 13.5%, and 6.6%, respectively. This strong performance, largely driven by U.S. equities, was supported by ongoing Al advancements and steady economic data, which heightened market expectations for a potential Federal Reserve rate cut. Unlike the previous year, when the "Magnificent 7" stocks dominated returns, this quarter saw leadership broaden across a more diverse range of companies. Momentum investing stood out as the prevailing strategy, with investors favoring high-momentum, high-quality stocks across sectors.

Equity markets ended the second quarter on a strong note following a temporary pullback in April, supported by a rebound in technology and Alrelated stocks. In Canadian dollar terms, the MSCI World Index and S&P 500 gained 3.9% and 5.5%, respectively, while the TSX experienced a slight decline of 0.5%. The latter half of the quarter saw global markets recover, with the IT and Communication Services sectors maintaining leadership, particularly in Al-related areas. In contrast, economically sensitive sectors such as Real Estate, Materials, and Industrials underperformed.

During the third quarter, equity markets remained resilient, with interest rate-sensitive sectors such as Utilities and Real Estate stabilizing. Market leadership began to expand beyond technology and AI—the dominant themes of the first half of the year—encompassing a broader range of industries. In Canadian dollar terms, the MSCI World Index, S&P 500, and TSX rose 5.1%, 4.5%, and 10.5%, respectively. Strength was evident across most sectors globally, with only Health Care, Communication Services, and Information Technology trailing the broader market. Energy was the sole sector in negative territory, as concerns over a potential global economic slowdown weighed on sentiment.

In the fourth quarter, equity markets posted a strong finish to the year, led by Consumer Discretionary, Information Technology, and Financials, alongside Al-related segments within Communication Services. Defensive sectors and Materials ended in negative territory. In Canadian dollar terms, the MSCI World Index, S&P 500, and TSX advanced by 6.4%, 9.0%, and 3.8%, respectively, for the quarter. On a full-year basis, all sectors posted gains, with the MSCI World Index, S&P 500, and TSX returning 30.0%, 36.4%, and 21.7%, respectively.

Environmental, Social and Governance Impact

The fund seeks to invest most of its assets in sustainable and impactful securities. As such, the fund excluded some industries and companies engaged in certain activities, such as those related to thermal coal, oil and gas, power generation, tobacco, weapons, gambling and adult entertainment. The fund has also excluded companies that are involved in indigenous controversies, misaligned with United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (UNSDGs) related to reducing inequalities and gender equality, and severe biodiversity degradation, based on a proprietary

ESG rating system, irrespective of industry. In total, the fund excluded approximately 1,200 stocks (out of nearly 1,500 stocks in its investible universe) during the period. Additionally, the fund incorporates positive impact considerations when making investment decisions, scoring firms based on a proprietary net impact score.

Recent Developments

Optimism for lower interest rates faded in the fourth quarter as investors recalibrated expectations. The US dollar surged 7.7%, fueled by stronger economic data and stickier-than-expected inflation. Bond yields also climbed as markets priced in a more hawkish outlook—US 10-year yields rose 79 basis points to 4.6%, while Canadian yields increased 28 basis points to 3.2%. This shift reflected a less aggressive rate-cut trajectory from central banks, with the Federal Reserve signaling only two cuts in 2025, down from four projected in September.

Despite US resilience, global economic conditions weakened, particularly in China, where a slowing economy contributed to falling commodity prices. Initial optimism around Chinese stimulus faded as details revealed more limited measures than anticipated. As a result, metals struggled, with copper declining over 10% during the quarter. Rising concerns over China's economic slowdown continue to weigh on the outlook for global demand.

Labour market dynamics diverged further between the US and Canada. While US unemployment remained stable at around 4.0%, Canada's job market showed increasing strain, with unemployment reaching 6.7% in December—nearly 2% higher than early 2022 levels. This divergence allowed the Bank of Canada to take a more accommodative stance, cutting rates by 175 basis points in 2024—75 basis points more than the US—leading to an 8% depreciation of the Canadian dollar.

The US election was a defining event in Q4, introducing policy uncertainty and market volatility. Equity markets surged to record highs post-election, while bond markets declined. The Republican sweep positioned President-elect Donald Trump to advance his policy agenda, though uncertainty remains over potential trade tariffs and fiscal policies. Notably, the newly created Department of Government Efficiency, led by Elon Musk and Vivek Ramaswamy, aims to tackle rising government debt and deficit concerns.

Heading into 2025, our models have shifted to a slightly more defensive positioning. We maintain a neutral equities-to-bonds allocation while favoring cash, reflecting concerns over rising bond yields and stretched equity valuations. From a regional perspective, we hold a slight preference for US equities over Europe, Australia, Asia, and the Far East (EAFE) markets, while remaining neutral on the TSX and emerging markets. Within fixed income, corporate bonds are favored over government debt, and we continue to see opportunities in emerging-market debt.

US equities remain attractive, but their relative appeal has moderated following strong performance earlier in the year. We have adopted a balanced stance across investment styles—momentum, value, and growth—while sector positioning has adjusted. Our models suggest underweighting technology, reflecting concerns of overvaluation, while maintaining a favorable view on Consumer Discretionary and a neutral stance on Financials. For markets to sustain gains, leadership will need to broaden beyond AI and technology stocks to include other sectors.

Looking ahead, key factors influencing market direction in 2025 will include inflation trends, Federal Reserve policy, and the economic impact of new fiscal and trade measures under the Trump administration. Whether the US achieves a soft landing or faces renewed volatility will be critical in shaping investment opportunities in the year ahead.

Related Party Transactions

Genus Capital Management Inc. is the manager and portfolio advisor of the fund and is responsible for the fund's day-to-day operations. Genus Capital Management Inc. is considered a related party of the fund. The fund pays the manager a management fee as compensation for its services in respect of Series F units. The annualized management fee for the Series F units is 0.65% (subject to applicable taxes). During the year ended December 31, 2024, the Series F units accrued \$1,074 in management fees as payable to the manager during the period.

Financial Highlights

The Fund's Net Assets per Unit

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 applicable periods indicated. The fund was previously a reporting issuer from October 23, 2017 to September 6, 2019, and became a reporting issuer again on January 19, 2024. (1)

Series F (1)	2024 Dec 31	2023 Dec 31	2022 Dec 31	2021 Dec 31	2020 Dec 31
Net asset value, beginning of period	\$130.57	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Increase (decrease) from operations:					
Total revenue	(1.73)	-	-	-	-
Total expenses	(7.51)	-	-	-	-
Realized gains (losses) for the period	49.51	-	-	-	-
Unrealized gains (losses) for the period	(163.00)	-	-	-	-
Total increase (decrease) from operations ⁽²⁾	(122.73)	-	-	-	
Distributions:					
From net investment income (excluding dividends)	-	-	-	-	
From dividends	(1.34)	-	-	-	-
From capital gains	(10.91)	-	-	-	-
Return of capital	-	-	-	-	-
Total Annual Distributions ⁽³⁾	(12.25)	-	-	-	
Net asset value at December 31 of period shown	\$124.86	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

Series O * * Series O units are only offered by way of private placement	2024 Dec 31	2023 Dec 31	2022 Dec 31	2021 Dec 31	2020 Dec 31
Net asset value, beginning of year	\$129.05	\$116.77	\$130.01	\$127.71	\$108.34
Increase (decrease) from operations:					
Total revenue	2.58	2.41	2.54	2.91	1.75
Total expenses	(0.83)	(1.30)	(0.89)	(1.16)	(0.70)
Realized gains (losses) for the year	12.43	7.68	(4.92)	21.45	10.10
Unrealized gains (losses) for the year	(6.40)	12.59	(8.14)	(5.32)	16.71
Total increase (decrease) from operations ⁽²⁾	7.78	21.38	(11.41)	17.88	27.86
Distributions:					
From net investment income (excluding dividends)	-	-	-	-	-
From dividends	(1.34)	(2.57)	(1.92)	(2.06)	(1.28)
From capital gains	(10.98)	(6.53)	-	(13.42)	(8.86)
Return of capital	-	-	-	-	
Total Annual Distributions ⁽³⁾	(12.32)	(9.10)	(1.92)	(15.48)	(10.14)
Net asset value at December 31 of year shown	\$125.57	\$129.05	\$116.77	\$130.01	\$127.71

⁽¹⁾ The fund was established on May 15, 2014. Prior to October 23, 2017, the fund existed as a non-public mutual fund. From October 23, 2017 to September 6, 2019, the fund offered Series F units publicly. The fund ceased to offer Series F units to the public on September 6, 2019, and the fund had existed as a non-public mutual fund until January 19, 2024, when the fund became a public mutual fund again and since then has offered Series F units publicly.

⁽²⁾ Net assets attributable to holders of units 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 periods. These tables are not intended to be a reconciliation of the net assets per unit as set out in the fund's financial statements.

⁽³⁾ Distributions are reinvested in additional units of the fund or paid in cash.

Financial Highlights (cont.)

Ratios and Supplemental Data

Series F (1)	2024 Dec 31	2023 Dec 31	2022 Dec 31	2021 Dec 31	2020 Dec 31
Total net asset value ⁽²⁾	\$ 2,210,151	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Number of units outstanding ⁽²⁾	17,701	-	-	-	-
Management expense ratio ⁽³⁾	0.77%	-	-	-	-
Management expense ratio before waivers or absorptions	0.77%	-	-	-	-
Trading expense ratio ⁽⁴⁾	0.38%	-	-	-	-
Portfolio turnover rate ⁽⁵⁾	142.26%	-	-	-	-
Net asset value per unit	\$124.86	-	-	-	-

Series O* * Series O units are only offered by way of private placement	2024 Dec 31	2023 Dec 31	2022 Dec 31	2021 Dec 31	2020 Dec 31
Total net asset value ⁽²⁾	\$106,503,942	\$78,309,264	\$63,132,147	\$71,546,065	\$52,396,131
Number of units outstanding ⁽²⁾	848,155	606,802	540,676	550,326	410,259
Management expense ratio ⁽³⁾	0.21%	0.25%	0.22%	0.20%	0.35%
Management expense ratio before waivers or absorptions	0.21%	0.25%	0.22%	0.20%	0.35%
Trading expense ratio ⁽⁴⁾	0.38%	0.24%	0.26%	0.36%	0.25%
Portfolio turnover rate ⁽⁵⁾	142.26%	122.58%	119.28%	124.26%	111.60%
Net asset value per unit	\$125.57	\$129.05	\$116.77	\$130.01	\$127.71

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Management Fees

Management fees of Series F units of the fund are payable to Genus Capital Management Inc., are calculated at 0.65% of the net asset value of Series F units of the fund on each valuation day (plus applicable taxes) and are paid on a quarterly basis. During the year ended December 31, 2024, the Series F units accrued \$1,074 in management fees as payable to the manager during the period.

In respect of Series O units, no management fees are paid by the fund. The unitholder of Series O pays the manager a negotiated management fee outside of the fund.

⁽²⁾ This information is provided as at December 31 of the year shown.

⁽³⁾ Management expense ratio is based on total expenses (excluding commissions and other portfolio transaction costs) for the stated period and is expressed as an annualized percentage of the daily average net asset value during the period.

⁽⁴⁾ The trading expense ratio represents total commissions and other portfolio transaction costs expressed as an annualized percentage of daily average net asset value during the period.

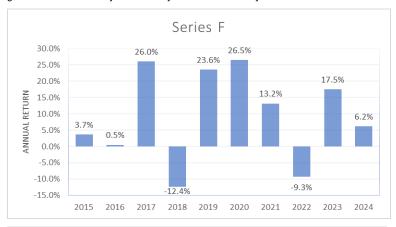
⁽⁵⁾ The fund's portfolio turnover rate indicates how actively the fund's portfolio advisor manages its portfolio investments. A portfolio turnover rate of 100% is equivalent to the fund buying and selling all the securities in its portfolio once in the course of the year. The higher a fund's portfolio turnover rate 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.

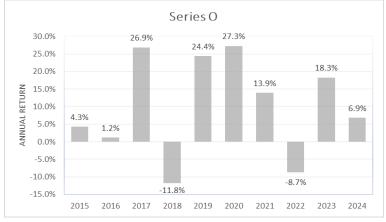
Past Performance

The following charts show how the fund has performed in the past and can help you understand the risks of investing in the fund. These returns include the reinvestment of all distributions and would be lower if an investor did not reinvest distributions. They do not include deduction of sales, switch, redemption, distribution or other optional charges (which dealers may charge) or income taxes payable, and these returns would be lower if they did. The fund's past performance does not necessarily indicate how it will perform in the future.

Year-by-Year Returns

The following bar chart shows the fund's return of Series F and Series O units, for each completed financial year during which the fund was a reporting issuer. The bar chart shows, in percentage terms, how much an investment made on the first day of each financial year would have grown or decreased by the last day of each financial year.





Annual Compound Returns

The following table shows the annual compound returns of the fund for the year ended on December 31, 2024, compared with MSCI World Index benchmark.

For the Year ended December 31, 2024	Past	Past	Past	Since
For the real ended December 31, 2024	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	Inception
Series F*	6.21%	4.23%	10.14%	7.52%
Series O**	6.85%	4.89%	10.85%	8.22%
MSCI World Index	19.19%	6.85%	11.70%	10.00%

^{*} The fund became a reporting issuer again on January 19, 2024 and commenced the offering of Series F units to the public on that date. In reviewing the fund's past performance information, you should consider that: (i) the fund was not a reporting issuer over the entirety of the periods shown; (ii) the expenses of the fund would have been higher during such periods had the fund been subject to the additional requirements applicable to reporting issuers; (iii) during the time it was not a reporting issuer, the fund was not subject to the investment restrictions and practices in National Instrument 81-102 Investment Funds; and (iv) Genus Capital Management Inc. has obtained exemptive relief on behalf of the fund to permit the disclosure of the performance data for the fund for the time period prior to it becoming a reporting issuer. In addition, the exemptive relief allows the fund to disclose performance data in this document and in sales communications relating to Series F units that shows how the Series O units of the fund have performed during periods in which the fund was not a reporting issuer. Series O units of the fund have only been offered on a private placement basis.

A commentary on the market and/or information regarding the relative performance of the fund as compared to its benchmark can be found under the Results of Operations section of this report.

^{**} On May 15, 2014, the fund was launched offering Series O units. The table above shows each completed financial year during which the fund was a reporting issuer.

Index Performance

The MSCI World Index, which is part of The Modern Index Strategy, is a broad global equity index that represents large and mid-cap equity performance across 23 developed markets countries. It covers approximately 85% of the free float-adjusted market capitalization in each country and MSCI World Index does not offer exposure to emerging markets.

Summary of Investment Portfolio

As at December 31, 2024

Summary of Investment Portfolio

Portfolio	by (Category
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Top 25 Holdings	Percentage of Net Asset Value (%)	Sector	Percentage of Net Asset Value (%)
NVIDIA Corp.	5.3	Information Technology	19.5
Marvell Technology Inc.	4.8	Health Care	16.8
Cash and Cash Equivalents	4.7	Industrials	15.0
International Business Machines Corp.	4.2	Consumer Discretionary	12.5
Gilead Sciences Inc.	4.2	Consumer Staples	12.0
Pearson PLC	4.2	Materials	8.5
Texas Instruments Inc.	3.8	Real Estate	8.4
Louisiana-Pacific Corp.	3.7	Derivatives - Long	0.2
Acuity Brands Inc.	3.3	Derivatives - Short	(0.1)
Generac Holdings Inc.	3.3	Cash	4.7
Insulet Corp.	2.9	Other Assets (Liabilities)	2.5
Kimberly-Clark Corp.	2.9		100.0
Colgate-Palmolive Co.	2.8		
BorgWarner Inc.	2.8	Coornelies Allereties	Percentage of Net
Sprouts Farmers Market Inc.	2.8	Geographical Allocation	Asset Value (%)
Stride Inc.	2.6	United States	66.3
Svenska Cellulosa AB SCA	2.4	United Kingdom	7.1
Steel Dynamics Inc.	2.4	Japan	4.7
Klepierre SA	2.2	France	4.2
AbbVie Inc.	2.1	Sweden	3.9
Argenx SE	2.1	Netherlands	2.1
Balfour Beatty PLC	2.0	Canada	1.8
Schneider Electric SE	2.0	Denmark	1.6
Church & Dwight Co., Inc.	2.0	Singapore	1.0
Rivian Automotive Inc.	1.9	Derivatives - Long	0.2
	77.4	Derivatives - Short	(0.1)
Total Net Asset Value	\$108,714,093	Cash	4.7
		Other Assets (Liabilities)	2.5
			100.0

The summary of investment portfolio may have changed since December 31, 2024 due to ongoing portfolio transactions of the fund. Quarterly updates are available within 60 days of each quarter end where an annual or interim report is not published at https://genuscap.com/for-advisors/.

Other Material Information

The fund has received exemptive relief from applicable Canadian securities regulatory authorities that permits the fund to include in its sales communications, Fund Facts and annual and interim management reports of fund performance data relating to Series F units for periods prior to the fund becoming a reporting issuer. In addition, the exemptive relief permits the fund to disclose performance data in sales communications and the Fund Facts for Series F units that shows how Series O units of the fund have performed during periods in which the fund was not a reporting issuer. Series O units have only been offered on a private placement basis. The relief is subject to certain conditions, including that the fund provide investors with certain disclosure regarding the inclusion of performance data for periods prior to the fund becoming a reporting issuer.

This Management Report of Fund Performance may contain forward-looking statements relating to anticipated results or expectations. Forward-looking statements require us to make assumptions and are subject to inherent risks and uncertainties. Forward-looking statements are not guarantees of future performance. We caution you not to place undue reliance on this report, as a number of factors could cause actual future results or events to differ materially from expectations and estimates expressed or implied in any forward-looking statements. Actual results may differ from management expectations for a variety of reasons, including but not limited to market and general economic conditions, interest rates, regulatory and statutory developments. The above-mentioned list of factors is not exhaustive. You should carefully consider these factors and the inherent uncertainty of forward-looking statements before making any investment decisions. Further, you should be aware that the fund 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.