

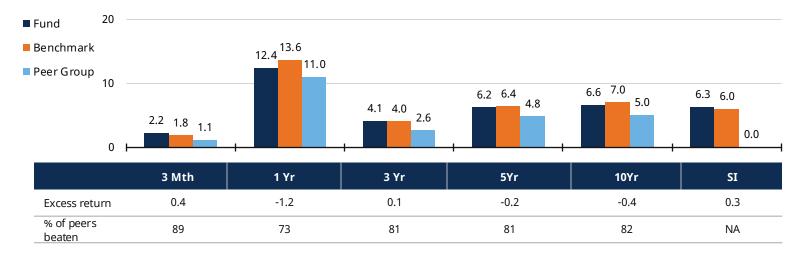
# Mackenzie Global Strategic Income Fund

Inception date	11/24/2006
AUM (millions in CAD)	2139.2
Management Fee	0.70%
MER	0.94%
Benchmark	52.5% MSCI World + 47.5% GBMI (Hgd to CAD)
CIFSC Category	Global Neutral Balanced
Risk Rating	Low-Med
Lead Portfolio Managers	Konstantin Boehmer

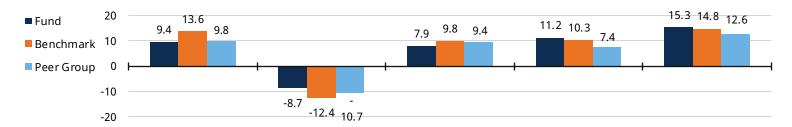
#### Strategy overview

- A truly global approach, the Fund invests in a diversified portfolio of equities and fixed income securities that are income producing with an aim to deliver superior risk-adjusted returns in all market environments
- In fixed income, the Fund selects from the broadest array of securities globally to build a portfolio that provides best value for risk
- The equity style is core, investing in quality companies anywhere in the world

#### **Trailing returns %**



#### Calendar returns %



	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
Excess return	-4.2	3.7	-1.9	0.9	0.5
% of peers beaten	43	75	36	98	96



#### **Portfolio characteristics**

	Portfolio	Benchmark
Current yield	4.4	3.0
Equity		
P/E 12m forward	20.0	19.7
Dividend yield	2.0	1.8
Net debt/EBITDA	1.1	1.1
EPS growth (FY E)	12.7	25.5
P/B	4.6	3.3
Fixed income		
Yield to Maturity	9.0	4.1
Duration	6.6	6.5
Average credit quality	Α	AA

# **Performance metrics (3 year trailing)**

Metrics	Portfolio	Benchmark
Standard Dev.	8.6	9.2
Sharpe Ratio	0.1	0.1
Tracking Error	2.3	-
Information Ratio	0.0	-
Alpha	0.2	-
Beta	0.9	-
Upside Capture (%)	93.3	-
Downside Capture (%)	90.5	-

# **Credit breakdown**

Rating	Portfolio	Benchmark
A	6.9	-
AA	35.4	-
AAA	16.0	-
В	4.2	-
BB	9.8	-
BBB	26.7	-
CCC & Below	0.6	-
NR	0.5	-

# **Sector allocation**

Sector	Portfolio (%)	Benchmark (%)	Relative weight (%)
Financials	8.8	7.8	1.0
Energy	3.7	2.2	1.5
Materials	2.9	1.9	1.0
Industrials	6.4	5.6	0.8
Information Technology	12.8	13.6	-0.8
Communication Services	2.9	4.1	-1.2
Utilities	1.1	1.3	-0.2
Consumer Staples	4.8	3.3	1.5
Consumer Discretionary	4.4	5.3	-0.9
Real Estate	0.3	1.1	-0.8
Health Care	7.6	6.2	1.4
Other	1.6	6.7	-5.1

# **Country allocation**

Country	Weight	Benchmark (%)	Relative weight
United States	48.7	55.2	-6.5
Canada	11.7	3.4	8.3
Germany	6.0	3.4	2.7
United Kingdom	5.5	4.2	1.3
Mexico	2.8	0.1	2.7
Japan	2.6	8.1	-5.5
Other	22.7	25.7	-2.9

## **Asset allocation**



		Portfolio (%)
•	Equity	55.6
•	Fixed Income	38.2
•	Cash	6.2



# **Top 10 equity holdings**

Security name	Country	Sector	Weight
10Y T-Note (CBT) Sep 24	Other		3.4
Microsoft Corporation	United States	Information Technology	2.9
Government Of The United States Of America 3.5% 15-feb-2033	United States		2.7
Apple Inc.	United States	Information Technology	2.3
Government Of The United States Of America 0.125% 15-feb-2052	United States		1.9
Amazon.com, Inc.	United States	Consumer Discretionary	1.7
Broadcom Inc.	United States	Information Technology	1.6
Government Of New Zealand 3.5% 14-apr-2033	New Zealand		1.6
JPMorgan Chase & Co.	United States	Financials	1.6
Alphabet Inc. Class A	United States	Communication Services	1.6

# **Equity - Attribution**

	Sector	Portfolio Average Weight (%)	Portfolio Contribution to Return (%)
	Information Technology	12.3	1.6
Contributors	Communication Services	2.8	0.4
	Health Care	7.8	0.3
	Consumer Discretionary	4.6	0.0
Detractors	Industrials	6.5	-0.1
	Materials	3.3	-0.2

# **Fixed Income - Attribution**

	Sector	Portfolio Average Weight (%)	Portfolio Contribution to Return (%)
Contributors	Corporate	15.8	0.2
	Bank Loan	1.0	0.0
Detractors	Government	20.2	-0.1



#### **Market Overview**

It was a positive period for US and global equities. The economic momentum while slowing continued in the second quarter. Inflation data came in better than expected, offsetting the hotter data seen in the first quarter. Markets had dialed back interest rate cut expectations in the first quarter and continued to expect fewer rate cuts by the FED than they did at the beginning of the year. It remained challenging for fixed income investors as despite softening economic data the FED struck a hawkish tone at its June meeting, however markets started to become more hopeful as the inflation data eased, keeping treasury bond yields mostly rangebound.

The S&P 500 rose 4.3% (5.4% CAD) with the magnificent seven once again contributing to the majority of the returns. Globally, the MSCI ACWI returned 2.9% in USD (3.9% CAD). The Bloomberg Global Aggregate Bond Index (hedged to CAD) was flat and returned - 0.1%. The FTSE Canada Universe Bond Index rose 0.9% (total return) as the Bank of Canada began easing monetary policy.

Within credit, high yield bonds outperformed investment-grade corporates with the ICE BofA U.S. High Yield Bond Index (hedged to CAD) returning 0.9%.

In Canada, the S&P/TSX Composite was close to flat -0.5%, driven by weakness in all sectors except materials which benefitted from higher gold prices and consumer staples. The Canadian dollar depreciated against the pound, US dollar and Australian dollar while appreciating against the yen.

#### **Fund Performance**

Mackenzie Global Strategic Income Fund (Series F) was up over the quarter, and outperformed its blended benchmark comprised of 52.5% 52.5% MSCI World Index and 47.5% ICE BofA Global Broad Market (Hedged to CAD) Index. Fixed income contributed the most to performance. Equities also added, led by the health care and consumer discretionary sectors.

From an equity perspective, security selection in the health care and communication services sectors contributed the most to relative performance. On the contrary, underweight positions in the communication services and information technology sectors detracted the most to relative performance. From a fixed income allocation perspective, government bonds contributed the most to relative performance.

### **Portfolio Activity**

Within Global Equity & Income Equities, the portfolio management team implemented several changes in the portfolio through the quarter. These changes were driven by stock specific opportunities with the objective of further optimizing the reward to risk profile and enhancing the portfolio's fundamental characteristics. Overall, the stock specific changes did not result in significant changes to either the relative sector or geographic weights. The investment strategy remains consistent, focusing on high-quality companies with superior financial metrics and appropriate valuations. Amidst ongoing technological, geopolitical, and macroeconomic risks, the portfolio is well positioned to navigate these uncertainties.



#### Market Outlook - Fixed Income Team

Markets generally focus on the fundamental outlook, with technicals, flows, positioning, and momentum occasionally taking the lead. However, geopolitics can sometimes spike cross-asset volatility, as seen in 2024, "The Year of the Election." In the second quarter, three electoral surprises in South Africa, India, and Mexico negatively impacted markets, especially emerging markets (EM). Mexico's Morena party's Congressional majority affected Mexican and EM assets. Coupled with the other electoral surprises, this caused increased volatility in EM markets, and while EM volatility has decreased, the risks of higher volatility remain with global VaR models likely having been tweaked.

In France, a snap election followed the EU elections where center and far-right parties performed strongly. French President Macron lost Lower House seats, causing French bonds to widen against German benchmarks from around 45-50bp to over 80bp before retreating into the 60s. The ECB's concern over French fiscal stability highlights significant market recalibration. Despite minor ECB comments, the main policy focus remains on semi-frothy real-time inflation, sticky elevated wages, and the central bank's ability to ease into high inflation rates. We expect the ECB to ease rates in September but doubt a significant easing cycle beyond 50bp, making us cautious on European duration compared to North America.

The Trump-Biden debate at the end of the quarter raised concerns about Republican fiscal policies. Biden's perceived underperformance led to fears of unchecked fiscal spending, debt issuance, and curve steepening, though market reaction was muted. Internal Democratic Party polling showed Trump potentially winning 350 electoral college seats, increasing calls for Biden to step aside. Former House Speaker Pelosi's refusal to endorse Biden added to the speculation. This debate's aftermath saw a concern over a Republican Party "down the ticket" outcome, which could lead to significant fiscal spending and higher yields.

With the upcoming US election, we are aware of risks in sovereign fixed income, especially in the long end of the US curve if fiscal concerns grow. US inflation is slowing, but core PCE needs to drop below 20 basis points (bp) per month for a significant decrease. The April and May data suggest US inflation is back on a slowing track. The Fed requires at least three months of favorable inflation data before considering rate cuts, possibly by the September meeting if the labor market continues to weaken. Indicators like slowing temporary employment, a lower hiring rate, and a lower quits rate suggest the labor market is coming "better into balance."

The Bank of Canada (BoC) has already begun easing, cutting rates by 25bp in June. We expect further cuts in July or September, with the BoC possibly cutting three times before the Fed starts. The BoC is cautious about easing too much to avoid Canadian dollar depreciation and imported inflation. As a small, open market economy, the BoC must manage these risks carefully. We prefer long North American duration positions but favor short-duration positions in Japan. The Bank of Japan (BoJ) may continue its hiking cycle, possibly surprising markets with a 10bp hike in July, justified by domestic data and wage growth. Another federal election in Japan could overlap with BoJ meetings, pushing the BoJ to act sooner.

Overall, elections have significant market consequences, and we remain vigilant about the macro risks and opportunities in the current economic and political landscape. With the US election approaching, fiscal and electoral risks, combined with slowing economic fundamentals, particularly in the US and Canada, create a complex environment for investors. We continue to monitor these developments closely to navigate the evolving landscape effectively.

#### Market Outlook - Global Equity & Income Team

We believe that in periods of elevated volatility, it is most important to focus on what can be controlled. This involves investing in leading companies that generate high returns on their capital base, have strong cash flow and are in a position to improve their market share in times of uncertainty. In response to higher levels of inflation and market volatility, we continue to focus on companies where the business quality and financial strength enable the portfolio to weather economic downturns better than most. But one can never completely immunize yourself from recessionary risks. A good process is designed to achieve good outcomes but does not guarantee it. However, we feel comfortable with what companies are telling us today and we expect our companies to grow their earnings significantly above the benchmark's growth rate. The portfolio on average has a higher dividend yield, significantly better ROIC, ROE, operating profits margins and balance sheet strength. While "surprises" have become the norm in stock markets in recent years, the companies we own are well positioned to ride out unpredictability.



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