

# **ANNUAL MANAGEMENT REPORT OF FUND PERFORMANCE**

For the period ended December 31, 2023

Global Equity Private Portfolio

# **NBI Tactical Equity Private Portfolio**

### Notes on forward-looking statements

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### **Management Discussion of Fund Performance**

### **Investment Objective and Strategies**

The NBI Tactical Equity Private Portfolio's investment objective is to achieve long-term capital growth. The Fund invests tactically, directly or through investments in securities of other mutual funds, in a portfolio composed mainly of global equity securities.

The portfolio manager applies a tactical allocation valuation process in which the choice of securities (including the securities of underlying funds) is subject to frequent changes (normally on a quarterly basis) depending on economic and market conditions. When the choice of securities is modified, the Fund is generally rebalanced based on the new selection. When selecting the securities in which to invest (including the securities of underlying funds), the portfolio manager considers the different factors likely to allow it to benefit from market opportunities.

### Risks

The global investment risk of the Fund remains as described in the simplified prospectus or any amendments thereto and Fund Facts.

#### **Results of Operations**

For the twelve-month period ended December 31, 2023, the NBI Tactical Equity Private Portfolio's Series F units returned 15.58% compared to 15.82% for the Fund's blended benchmark. The broad-based index, the MSCI World Index (CAD), returned 20.47%. Unlike the indices, the Fund's performance is calculated after fees and expenses. Please see the *Past Performance* section for the returns of all of the Fund's series, which may vary mainly because of fees and expenses.

Certain series of the Fund, as applicable, may make distributions at a rate determined by the manager. This rate may change from time to time. If the aggregate amount of distributions in such series exceeds the portion of net income and net realized capital gains allocated to such series, the excess will constitute a return of capital. The manager does not believe that the return of capital distributions made by such series of the Fund have a meaningful impact on the Fund's ability to implement its investment strategy or to fulfill its investment objective.

The Fund's net asset value rose by 40.17% over the period, from \$72.96 million as at December 31, 2022 to \$102.27 million as at December 31, 2023.

The increase stemmed mainly from unit purchases by investors in the Fund and market fluctuations.

Turbulence within U.S. regional banks, conflict in the Middle East, advances in artificial intelligence, record fluctuations in interest rates, hope for a soft landing: once again this year, the economic environment has not been kind to investors. Yet, with inflation slowing, the economy holding up, and the Federal Reserve opening the door to potential rate cuts, 2023 ended positively for most investors, with equities, bonds, and even cash posting appreciable gains over the period. Quite a contrast after a particularly trying 2022 on the markets.

Specifically, global equities appreciated strongly in 2023, outperforming traditional Canadian bonds, which nonetheless had a good year. In terms of leadership, 2023 belonged mainly to U.S. technology stocks, which rebounded strongly after a more difficult 2022. This largely explains the outperformance of the U.S. stock market over Canada and emerging markets.

On the fixed-income side, while long-term bonds dominated at the end of the year, it was high-yield bonds that ended 2023 with the best performance in the category against a generally positive backdrop for risky securities. Among commodities, oil prices fell over the period, while gold rebounded amid heightened geopolitical tensions. Finally, widespread market optimism resulted in a weaker U.S. dollar against a majority of currencies at year-end, including the Canadian dollar.

Against this backdrop, the Fund underperformed its benchmark.

The main positive factor in the Fund's performance was the underweight position in emerging markets maintained throughout the year, which proved beneficial as this region finished last in its category. Furthermore, the adoption of an overweight position in U.S. equities and the EAFE region at the end of November was also beneficial, as these two indices outperformed emerging markets and Canadian equities in the final weeks of the year.

#### **Recent Developments**

The Fund made two changes to its strategy in 2023. On February 28, the manager increased the EAFE allocation by selling U.S. and Canadian equities, a move that proved marginally negative, as the EAFE index outperformed Canada, but significantly underperformed the S&P 500 for the rest of the year.

At the end of November, the Fund again increased its allocation to the EAFE region, as well as to U.S. equities, against a reduction in Canadian equities. This change proved beneficial to the fund's performance, with Canadian equities finishing last in the category in December.

On the economic front, with inflation potentially in the Fed's comfort zone as early as in April, we can expect to see central banks gradually shift their rhetoric to pave the way for rate cuts in the second half of 2024 in the U.S., and probably even earlier in Canada. Quantifying the extent of the economic slowdown that will accompany this process is not obvious, but with the most restrictive monetary policy since the 1980s and three "no-fault" recession signals now triggered, the risks are on the downside. Moreover, with market sentiment in "extreme optimism" territory as quantified by the manager's model, it seems that the soft-landing scenario, while not impossible, is already widely discounted.

This backdrop looks more challenging for emerging markets and the Canadian stock market, compared to the U.S. and EAFE. From a macroeconomic point of view, the conditions for the U.S. stock market to outperform emerging markets are likely to remain in place for several months yet, with a strong greenback, slowing global growth and restrictive monetary policies. Finally, a deterioration in economic growth on our side of the border, which is likely to be more significant and imminent, poses a greater threat to a cyclical market such as the Canadian stock market than to the EAFE region, whose largest country is Japan, renowned for the defensive nature of its currency.

On May 1, 2023, the Fund's independent review committee (the "IRC") was increased to four members when Stéphanie Raymond-Bougie was appointed as IRC member.

On July 1, 2023, the blended benchmark was modified to better reflect the categories of assets in which the Fund invests. The previous blended benchmark was composed of the MSCI World Index (CAD) (70%) and the S&P/TSX Composite Index (CAD) (30%). The previous broad-based index was the MSCI World Index (CAD).

The Private Series was launched for the Fund on November 28, 2023 and is offered by way of private placement.

### **Related Party Transactions**

National Bank of Canada ("the Bank") and its affiliated companies' roles and responsibilities related to the Fund are as follows:

### Trustee

National Bank Trust Inc. ("NBT"), a wholly-owned indirect subsidiary of the Bank, is the Fund's trustee. In this capacity, it is the legal owner of the Fund's investments.

#### **Custodian and Registrar**

Natcan Trust Company ("NTC") acts as registrar for the Fund's securities and the names of securityholders. NTC also acts as the Fund's custodian. The fees for NTC's custodial services are based on the standard rates in effect at NTC.

#### Agent for securities lending transactions

NTC acts as the agent for securities lending transactions acts on behalf of the Fund in administering securities lending transactions entered into by the Fund. NTC is an affiliate of the Manager.

### Fund Manager

The Fund is managed by National Bank Investments Inc. ("NBII"), which is a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Bank. Therefore, NBII provides or ensures the provision of all general management and administrative services required by the Fund's current operations, including investment consulting, the arrangement of brokerage contracts for the purchase and sale of the investment portfolio, bookkeeping and other administrative services required by the Fund.

The Manager pays the operating expenses of the Fund other than its "Fund costs" (defined below) (the "variable operating expenses"), in exchange for the Fund's payment to the Manager of annual fixed-rate administration fees with respect to each series of the Fund.

The administration fees are equal to a specified percentage of the net asset value of each series of the Fund, calculated and paid in the same manner as the Fund's management fees. The variable operating expenses payable by the Manager include, but are not limited to: transfer agency and recordkeeping costs; custodial costs; accounting and valuation fees; audit fees and legal fees; costs of preparing and distributing financial reports, simplified prospectuses, annual information forms, Fund Facts, continuous disclosure material and other securityholder communications; and costs of trustee services relating to registered tax plans, as applicable.

In addition to administration fees, the Fund shall also pay certain Fund costs, namely: taxes (including, but not limited to, GST/HST and income taxes); costs of compliance with any changes to existing governmental or regulatory requirements introduced after August 1, 2013; costs of compliance with any new governmental or regulatory requirements, including any new fees introduced after August 1, 2013; interest and borrowing costs; costs related to external services that were not commonly charged in the Canadian mutual fund industry as at August 1, 2013; Independent Review Committee costs, including compensation paid to IRC members, travel expenses, insurance premiums and costs associated with their continuing education; and variable operating expenses incurred outside of the normal course of business of the Fund.

The Manager may, from time to time and at its sole discretion, decide to absorb a portion of a series' management fees, administration fees or Fund costs.

As described under the heading *Management Fees*, the Fund pays annual management fees to NBII as consideration for its services.

#### **Portfolio Manager**

The Manager has appointed National Bank Trust Inc. ("NBT"), an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of the Bank, as the portfolio manager for the Fund. A flat fee is payable annually to NBT for its management services.

#### **Distribution and Dealer Compensation**

National Bank Financial Inc. ("NBF") acts as principal distributor for the Advisor Series, Series F, Series F5 or Series T5 of the Fund. NBF may receive, depending on the distributed series, a monthly commission representing a percentage of the average daily value of the securities held by its clients.

NBII acts as principal distributor for the Series N and Series NR of the Fund. Trailing commissions are covered by NBI Private Wealth Management's service fees, which are paid directly by investors.

#### **Registered Plan Trust Services**

NBT receives a fixed amount per registered account for services provided as trustee for registered plans.

#### Administrative and Operating Services

The provision of certain services was delegated by the Fund Manager, NBII, to National Bank Trust Inc. ("NBT"), a wholly-owned indirect subsidiary of the Bank. These include accounting, reporting and portfolio valuation services. The fees incurred for these services are paid to NBT by the Fund manager.

### **Management Fees**

The Fund pays annual management fees to the Fund manager for its management services. As the Fund invests in underlying funds, the fees and expenses payable in connection with the management of the underlying funds are in addition to those payable by the Fund. However, the Fund manager makes sure that the Fund does not pay any management (or operating) fees that, to a reasonable person, would duplicate a fee payable by the underlying fund for the same service.

The fees are calculated based on a percentage of the Fund's daily net asset value before applicable taxes and are paid on a monthly basis. Under the *Distribution* heading, expenses include the broker's compensation consisting of the maximum annual trailer fees and sales commissions paid to brokers. Under the *Other* heading, the fees relate mainly to investment management, investment advisory services, general administration and profit.

The management fees paid by the Fund only cover management of fund investments, i.e. the fees related to management of fund portfolios constituting the profiles of the NBI Private Wealth Management service ("PWM"). General administration services, trailer fees and sale commissions paid to brokers are covered by the PWM's service fees, which are paid directly by investors. The breakdown of major services provided in consideration of the management fees, expressed as an approximate percentage of the management fees is as follows:

Series	Management Fees	Distribution	Others <sup>†</sup>
Series F	0.60%	_	100.00%
Series N and Series NR*	0.25%	-	100.00%

<sup>(7)</sup> Includes all costs related to management, investment advisory services, general administration and profit.

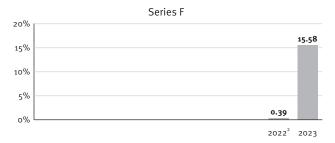
<sup>(\*)</sup> For Series N and NR, offered only to investors using the NBI Private Wealth Management service ("PWM"), management fees only cover management of fund investments, i.e. the fees related to management of fund portfolios constituting the PWM profiles. General administration services, trailer fees and sale commissions paid to brokers are covered by the PWM's service fees, which are paid directly by investors.

### **Past Performance**

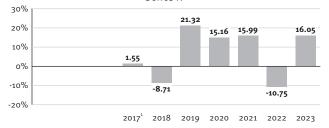
The performance of each series of the Fund is presented below and calculated as at December 31 of each year. It assumes that all distributions made in the periods shown were reinvested in additional securities and does not take into account sales, redemption charges, distributions, or optional charges that would have reduced returns. Past performance of a series of a Fund does not necessarily indicate how it will perform in the future.

### **Annual Returns**

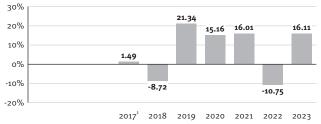
The bar charts indicate the performance for each the Fund's series in existence greater than one year during the years shown, and illustrate how the performance has changed from year to year. They show, in percentage terms, how much an investment made on January 1 (or made commencing from the start of the series) would have grown or decreased by December 31 of that year, in the case of the Annual management report of fund performance, or by June 30, in the case of the Interim management report of fund performance.



Series N



Series NR



<sup>(i)</sup> Returns for the period from October 27, 2017 (commencement of operations) to December 31, 2017.

<sup>(2)</sup> Returns for the period from May 20, 2022 (commencement of operations) to December 31, 2022.

### **Annual Compounded Performance**

The following table shows the Fund's annual compound returns for each series in existence greater than one year and for each of the periods ended on December 31, 2023, compared with the following benchmarks:

The blended benchmark (the "Benchmark") is composed of:

- S&P/TSX Composite Index (CAD) (35%)
- S&P 500 Index (CAD) (35%)
- MSCI EAFE Index (CAD) (20%)
- MSCI Emerging Markets Index (CAD) (10%)

The broad-based index is the MSCI World Index (CAD).

#### **NBI Tactical Equity Private Portfolio**

	1 year	3 years	5 years	10 years	Since inception
Series F <sup>1</sup>	15.58%	-	-	-	9.65%
Benchmark	15.82%	-	-	-	18.94%
Broad-based index	20.47%	-	-	-	26.15%
Series N <sup>2</sup>	16.05%	6.31%	10.91%	-	7.35%
Benchmark	15.82%	8.03%	11.07%	-	8.74%
Broad-based index	20.47%	8.51%	12.01%	-	9.97%
Series NR <sup>2</sup>	16.11%	6.33%	10.93%	-	7.35%
Benchmark	15.82%	8.03%	11.07%	-	8.74%
Broad-based index	20.47%	8.51%	12.01%	-	9.97%

<sup>1</sup>Commencement of operations: May 20, 2022 <sup>2</sup>Commencement of operations: October 27, 2017

A discussion of the Fund's relative performance in comparison to the index (or indices) can be found in the *Results of Operations* Section of this report.

#### Index Descriptions

The **S&P/TSX Composite Index** is a subset of the S&P/TSX and reflects share price fluctuations of a group of companies listed on the Toronto Stock Exchange (TSX) and weighted by market capitalization.

The **S&P 500 Index** is a float-adjusted market capitalization weighted index composed of 500 companies that measures the performance of the large-cap segment of the U.S. market. It measures the performance of the largest U.S. companies.

The **MSCI EAFE Index (Europe, Australasia, Far East)** is a free floatadjusted market capitalization index that is designed to measure the equity market performance of developed markets, excluding the US & Canada. The MSCI EAFE Index consists of 21 developed market country indices.

The **MSCI Emerging Markets Index** measures the performance of the equity markets of the global emerging markets. The index is based on market capitalization and adjusted to reflect "free float" of securities, which is the proportion of outstanding shares that are deemed to be available for purchase in the public markets by international investors.

The **MSCI World Index** is designed to measure global developed market equity performance and is made up of approximately 1,500 companies listed on stock exchanges in the 22 developed countries that make up the MSCI national indexes.

The benchmark was modified to better reflect the categories of assets in which the Fund invests. The information related to the previous benchmark is presented below.

The previous blended benchmark was composed of:

- MSCI World Index (CAD) (70%)
- S&P/TSX Composite Index (CAD) (30%)

The previous broad-based index was the MSCI World Index (CAD).

### NBI Tactical Equity Private Portfolio

	1 year	3 years	5 years	10 years	Since inception
Series F <sup>1</sup>	15.58%	-	-	-	9.65%
Benchmark	17.84%	-	-	-	21.02%
Broad-based index	20.47%	-	-	-	26.15%
Series N <sup>2</sup>	16.05%	6.31%	10.91%	-	7.35%
Benchmark	17.84%	8.89%	11.87%	-	9.46%
Broad-based index	20.47%	8.51%	12.01%	-	9.97%
Series NR <sup>2</sup>	16.11%	6.33%	10.93%	-	7.35%
Benchmark	17.84%	8.89%	11.87%	-	9.46%
Broad-based index	20.47%	8.51%	12.01%	-	9.97%

<sup>1</sup>Commencement of operations: May 20, 2022

<sup>2</sup>Commencement of operations: October 27, 2017

## **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 accounting periods shown.

### Series F

Net Assets per Unit <sup>(1)</sup>			Commencement of operations: May 20, 2022
Accounting Period Ended	2023 December 31	2022 December 31	
Net Assets, Beginning of Accounting Period Shown (4)	9.89	10.00	
Increase (Decrease) from Operations (\$)			
Total revenue	0.16	0.37	
Total expenses	(0.08)	(0.05)	
Realized gains (losses)	0.09	(0.18)	
Unrealized gains (losses)	1.13	0.08	
Total Increase (Decrease) from Operations (\$) (2)	1.30	0.22	
Distributions (\$)			
From net investment income (excluding dividends)	-	0.01	
From dividends	0.14	0.14	
From capital gains	_	_	
Return of capital	_	_	
Total Annual Distributions (\$) <sup>(3)</sup>	0.14	0.15	
Net Assets, End of Accounting Period Shown (\$) (4)	11.29	9.89	

### Ratios and Supplemental Data

Accounting Period Ended	2023 December 31	2022 December 31
Total net asset value (ooo's of \$) <sup>(5)</sup>	854	683
Number of units outstanding <sup>(5)</sup>	75,587	69,087
Management expense ratio (%) <sup>(6)</sup>	0.81	0.81
Management expense ratio before waivers or absorptions (%)	0.81	0.82
Trading expense ratio (%) <sup>(7)</sup>	0.01	0.01
Portfolio turnover rate (%) <sup>(8)</sup>	25.43	29.13
Net asset value per unit (\$)	11.29	9.89

### **Series N**

### Net Assets per Unit<sup>(1)</sup>

et Assets per Unit <sup>(1)</sup> Commencement of operations: October 27, 2017					
Accounting Period Ended	2023 December 31	2022 December 31	2021 December 31	2020 December 31	2019 December 31
Net Assets, Beginning of Accounting Period Shown (4)	12.26	13.96	12.17	10.81	9.07
Increase (Decrease) from Operations (\$)					
Total revenue	0.32	0.27	0.23	0.46	0.28
Total expenses	(0.05)	(0.05)	(0.05)	(0.04)	(0.04)
Realized gains (losses)	0.14	(0.30)	0.84	0.73	0.40
Unrealized gains (losses)	1.52	(1.31)	0.89	0.54	2.15
Total Increase (Decrease) from Operations (\$) (2)	1.93	(1.39)	1.91	1.69	2.79
Distributions (\$)					
From net investment income (excluding dividends)	_	_	_	_	_
From dividends	0.26	0.20	0.16	0.28	0.18
From capital gains	_	_	_	_	_
Return of capital	_	_	_	_	_
Total Annual Distributions (\$) <sup>(3)</sup>	0.26	0.20	0.16	0.28	0.18
Net Assets, End of Accounting Period Shown (\$) (4)	13.97	12.26	13.96	12.17	10.81

### Ratios and Supplemental Data

Accounting Period Ended	2023 December 31	2022 December 31	2021 December 31	2020 December 31	2019 December 31
Total net asset value (ooo's of \$) <sup>(5)</sup>	66,844	49,470	45,110	29,538	22,879
Number of units outstanding <sup>(5)</sup>	4,785,485	4,036,460	3,231,896	2,427,354	2,117,158
Management expense ratio (%) 66	0.40	0.40	0.40	0.37	0.40
Management expense ratio before waivers or absorptions (%)	0.40	0.41	0.43	0.39	0.42
Trading expense ratio (%) <sup>(7)</sup>	0.01	0.01	0.04	0.03	0.02
Portfolio turnover rate (%) <sup>(8)</sup>	25.43	29.13	49.51	38.07	42.58
Net asset value per unit (\$)	13.97	12.26	13.96	12.17	10.81

### Series NR

let Assets per Unit <sup>(1)</sup>			Commenc	ement of operatio	ns: October 27,
accounting Period Ended	2023 December 31	2022 December 31	2021 December 31	2020 December 31	2019 December 31
Net Assets, Beginning of Accounting Period Shown (4)	9.70	11.63	10.58	9.85	8.58
Increase (Decrease) from Operations (\$)					
Total revenue	0.27	0.20	0.19	0.42	0.26
Total expenses	(0.04)	(0.04)	(0.04)	(0.03)	(0.03)
Realized gains (losses)	0.11	(0.25)	0.66	0.65	0.07
Unrealized gains (losses)	1.16	(1.06)	0.86	0.52	2.38
Total Increase (Decrease) from Operations (\$) (2)	1.50	(1.15)	1.67	1.56	2.68
Distributions (\$)					
From net investment income (excluding dividends)	-	_	_	_	_
From dividends	0.20	0.16	0.13	0.26	0.17
From capital gains	-	_	_	_	_
Return of capital	0.44	0.53	0.48	0.44	0.36
Total Annual Distributions (\$) <sup>(3)</sup>	0.64	0.69	0.61	0.70	0.53
Net Assets, End of Accounting Period Shown (\$) <sup>(4)</sup>	10.58	9.70	11.63	10.58	9.85

Ratios and Supplemental Data

Accounting Period Ended	2023 December 31	2022 December 31	2021 December 31	2020 December 31	2019 December 31
Total net asset value (ooo's of \$) (5)	550	354	420	221	162
Number of units outstanding <sup>(5)</sup>	52,045	36,446	36,121	20,872	16,483
Management expense ratio (%) <sup>(6)</sup>	0.40	0.39	0.39	0.34	0.40
Management expense ratio before waivers or absorptions (%)	0.40	0.40	0.41	0.37	0.42
Trading expense ratio (%) <sup>(7)</sup>	0.01	0.01	0.04	0.03	0.02
Portfolio turnover rate (%) <sup>(8)</sup>	25.43	29.13	49.51	38.07	42.58
Net asset value per unit (\$)	10.58	9.70	11.63	10.58	9.85

### Series PW\* / Private Series\*\*

 $^{(\prime)}$  Please note that this Series is offered by way of private placement.

(\*\*) Please note that the Private Series was created on November 28, 2023, and is offered by way of private placement.

				ement of operatio	ns: October 27, 2017
Accounting Period Ended	2023 December 31	2022 December 31	2021 December 31	2020 December 31	2019 December 31
Net Assets, Beginning of Accounting Period Shown (4)	12.24	13.95	12.16	10.82	9.14
Increase (Decrease) from Operations (\$)					
Total revenue	0.35	0.43	0.21	0.37	0.19
Total expenses	(0.06)	(0.05)	(0.01)	(0.01)	(0.01)
Realized gains (losses)	0.15	(0.36)	0.84	0.79	6.97
Unrealized gains (losses)	1.51	(0.68)	0.86	0.35	(4.89)
Total Increase (Decrease) from Operations (\$) (2)	1.95	(0.66)	1.90	1.50	2.26
Distributions (\$)					
From net investment income (excluding dividends)	-	_	_	_	0.01
From dividends	0.25	0.22	0.19	0.33	0.28
From capital gains	-	_	_	_	_
Return of capital	-	_	_	_	_
Total Annual Distributions (\$) <sup>(3)</sup>	0.25	0.22	0.19	0.33	0.29
Net Assets, End of Accounting Period Shown (\$) (4)	13.94	12.24	13.95	12.16	10.82

Ratios and Supplemental Data

Accounting Period Ended	2023 December 31	2022 December 31	2021 December 31	2020 December 31	2019 December 31
Total net asset value (ooo's of \$) <sup>(5)</sup>	34,019	22,450	1,484	974	1,334
Number of units outstanding <sup>(5)</sup>	2,439,603	1,834,668	106,394	80,132	123,266
Management expense ratio (%) <sup>(6)</sup>	0.46	0.41	0.14	0.13	0.13
Management expense ratio before waivers or absorptions (%)	0.46	0.42	0.16	0.15	0.15
Trading expense ratio (%) <sup>(7)</sup>	0.01	0.01	0.04	0.03	0.02
Portfolio turnover rate (%) <sup>(8)</sup>	25.43	29.13	49.51	38.07	42.58
Net asset value per unit (\$)	13.94	12.24	13.95	12.16	10.82

- (1) This information is derived from the Fund's Annual Audited Financial Statements. The net assets per unit presented in the financial statements might differ from the net asset value calculated for fund pricing purposes. The differences are explained in the notes to the financial statements.
- (2) Net assets and distributions are based on the actual number of units outstanding at the relevant time. The increase or decrease from operations is based on the average number of units outstanding over the accounting period.
- <sup>(3)</sup> Distributions were paid in cash or reinvested in additional units of the Fund, or both.
- (4) The net assets are calculated in accordance with IFRS.
- $^{\scriptscriptstyle ({\rm S})}$  This information is provided as at the last day of the accounting period shown.
- (<sup>6)</sup> Management expense ratio is based on total expenses including sales taxes for the accounting period indicated (excluding commission, other portfolio transaction costs and withholding taxes) and is expressed as an annualized percentage of daily average net value during the accounting period. The management expense ratio includes, if necessary, the management expenses from its underlying funds, as described in Article 15.2 of Regulation 81-106.
- (?) 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 accounting period. The trading expense ratio includes, if necessary, the trading expenses from its underlying funds, as described in Article 15.2 of Regulation 81-106.
- <sup>(8)</sup> The Fund's portfolio turnover rate indicates how actively the Fund portfolio's manager manages its portfolio investments. A portfolio turnover rate of 100% is equivalent to the Fund buying and selling all of the securities in its portfolio once in the course of the accounting period. The higher a Fund's portfolio turnover rate in an accounting period, the greater the trading costs payable by the Fund in the accounting period, and the greater the chance of an investor receiving taxable capital gains in the accounting period. There is not necessarily a relationship between a high turnover rate and the performance of a Fund.

### **Summary of Investment Portfolio**

### As of December 31, 2023

Portfolio	Тор	Holdings
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	% of Net
As	set Value
NBI U.S. Equity Index Fund, Series O	44.7
NBI Canadian Equity Index Fund, Series O	30.2
NBI International Equity Index Fund, Series O	24.8
Cash, Money Market and Other Net Assets	0.3
	100.0

#### Asset Mix

% 0	f Net
Asset V	alue
US Equity	40.8
Canadian Equity	33.7
International Equity	
Cash, Money Market and Other Net Assets	(0.2)

The above table shows the top 25 positions held by the Fund. In the case of a Fund with fewer than 25 positions, all positions are indicated.

The Summary of Investment Portfolio may change due to ongoing portfolio transactions of the investment Fund. A quarterly update is available. Please consult our website at www.nbinvestments.ca.

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