



Transition report – Phase 2

Effective as of October 27, 2022



In a nutshell

Adjustments to:



- 5 Meritage Investment Portfolios
- 3 Meritage Income Portfolios
- 5 Meritage Global Portfolios
- 3 Meritage Equity Portfolios

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Removing 2 underlying funds

- Fidelity Canadian Disciplined Equity Fund
- Fidelity American Disciplined Equity Fund

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Adding 2 new underlying funds

- AGF American Growth Fund
- Leith Wheeler Canadian Equity Fund



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OP4+ governance process

	More than 25 well-defined criteria
rganization Strong organization top-tier invest	 Organizational culture Access to equity for employees Financial stability
People Stable group investors	 Experience of senior managers and analysts Key staff stability/Clear succession plan Alignment of manager's and analysts' financial interests Enough analysts to thoroughly cover the investment universe Diversity within the investment team (gender, origin and experience)
Process Emphasis on process management to select secuportfolios and	processes rities, build Debate investment ideas in committee
Portfolio Optimized por construction t the investmen ensures sound	hat follows Current size of the partfalia and liquidity of the positions
Performance Strong and pr risk-adjusted	
Integration of Environmenta and Governar	



Meritage Investment Portfolios Target asset allocation

		onservative folio	Meritage Moderate Portfolio		Meritage Balanced Portfolio		Meritage Growth Portfolio		Meritage Growth Plus Portfolio	
Meritage Investment Portfolios	Before	After	Before	After	Before	After	Before	After	Before	After
Fixed income	80%	80%	65%	65%	50%	50%	35%	35%	20%	20%
NBI Sustainable Canadian Short-Term Bond ETF	5%	5%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TD Canadian Core Plus Bond Fund	31%	31%	26.5%	26.5%	20%	20%	14%	14%	7.5%	7.5%
CI Canadian Bond Fund	31%	31%	26.5%	26.5%	20%	20%	14%	14%	7.5%	7.5%
RP Strategic Income Plus Fund	6.5%	6.5%	6%	6%	5%	5%	3.5%	3.5%	-	-
Manulife Strategic Income Fund	6.5%	6.5%	6%	6%	5%	5%	3.5%	3.5%	5%	5%
Canadian equity	10%	10%	22.5%	20%	35%	30%	45%	42.5%	55%	55%
Beutel Goodman Canadian Equity Fund	-	5%	10%	7.5%	15%	11.25%	18.75%	16.25%	25%	21.25%
Manulife Canadian Investment Fund	10%	5%	5%	5%	7.5%	7.5%	10%	10%	12.5%	12.5%
Fidelity Canadian Disciplined Equity Fund	-	-	7.5%	-	12.5%	-	16.25%	-	17.5%	-
Leith Wheeler Canadian Equity Fund	-	-	-	7.5%	-	11.25%	-	16.25%	-	21.25%
U.S. equity	-	-	-	5%	-	6.5%	-	7.5%	-	8.5%
AGF American Growth Fund	-	-	-	5%	-	6.5%	-	7.5%	-	8.5%
Global equity	10%	10%	12.5%	10%	15%	13.5%	20%	15%	25%	16.5%
EdgePoint Global Portfolio	-	5%	6.25%	5%	7.5%	6.75%	12.5%	7.5%	15%	8.25%
Capital Group Global Equity Fund	10%	5%	6.25%	5%	7.5%	6.75%	7.5%	7.5%	10%	8.25%



Meritage Investment Porfolios Adjustments

Former	New	Optimized	Key reasons
underlying fund	underlying fund	Meritage Investment Portfolios	for change
 Fidelity Canadian Disciplined Equity Fund Beutel Goodman Canadian Equity Fund* Manulife Canadian Investment Fund* EdgePoint Global Portfolio* Capital Group Global Equity Fund* *Decrease in target allocation, funds are not completely removed 	 Leith Wheeler Canadian Equity Fund AGF American Growth Fund 	 Meritage Conservative Portfolio Meritage Moderate Portfolio Meritage Balanced Portfolio Meritage Growth Portfolio Meritage Growth Plus Portfolio 	 Neutralizing factor tilts in the overall portfolio construction Strategic geographic allocation consistent with CIO Office recommendation



Meritage Income Portfolios Target asset allocation

Meritage Income Portfolios	Meritage Diversified Fixed Income Portfolio		Meritage Conservative Income Portfolio		Meritage Moderate Income Portfolio		Meritage Balanced Income Portfolio		Meritage Growth Income Portfolio		Meritage Growth Plus Income Portfolio	
Meritage Income Portfolios	Before	After	Before	After	Before	After	Before	After	Before	After	Before	After
Fixed income	100%	100%	80%	80%	65%	65%	50%	50%	35%	35%	20%	20%
NBI Sustainable Canadian Short-Term Bond ETF	5%	5%	5%	5%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TD Canadian Core Plus Bond Fund	27.5%	27.5%	31%	31%	26.5%	26.5%	20%	20%	14%	14%	7.5%	7.5%
CI Canadian Bond Fund	27.5%	27.5%	31%	31%	26.5%	26.5%	20%	20%	14%	14%	7.5%	7.5%
RP Strategic Income Plus Fund	10%	10%	6.5%	6.5%	6%	6%	5%	5%	3.5%	3.5%	-	-
Manulife Strategic Income Fund	30%	30%	6.5%	6.5%	6%	6%	5%	5%	3.5%	3.5%	5%	5%
Canadian equity	-	-	15%	15%	25%	25%	40%	35%	55%	48%	65%	60%
Beutel Goodman Canadian Dividend Fund	-	-	-	-	-	-	10%	10%	15%	14%	17.5%	17.5%
BMO Dividend Fund	-	-	7.5%	7.5%	10%	10%	10%	10%	15%	14%	17.5%	17.5%
RBC Canadian Dividend Fund	-	-	7.5%	7.5%	15%	15%	20%	15%	25%	20%	30%	25%
U.S. equity	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5%	-	5.5%	-	6.5%
AGF American Growth Fund	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5%	-	5.5%	-	6.5%
Global equity	-	-	5%	5%	10%	10%	10%	10%	10%	11.5%	15%	13.5%
EdgePoint Global Portfolio	-	-	-	-	5%	5%	5%	5%	5%	5.75%	10%	6.75%
Capital Group Global Equity Fund	-	-	5%	5%	5%	5%	5%	5%	5%	5.75%	5%	6.75%

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Meritage Income Portfolios Adjustments

Former	New	Optimized	Key reasons
underlying fund	underlying fund	Meritage Income Portfolios	for change
 Beutel Goodman Canadian Equity Fund* BMO Dividend Fund* RBC Canadian Dividend Fund* EdgePoint Global Portfolio* Capital Group Global Equity Fund* *Decrease in target allocation, funds are not completely removed 	 AGF American Growth Fund 	 Meritage Balanced Income Portfolio Meritage Growth Income Portfolio Meritage Growth Plus Income Portfolio Meritage Growth Income Portfolio Meritage Growth Plus Income Portfolio 	 Neutralizing factor tilts in the overall portfolio construction Strategic geographic allocation consistent with CIO Office recommendation



Meritage Global Portfolios Target asset allocation

	Meritage Global Conservative Portfolio		Meritage Global Moderate Portfolio		Meritage Global Balanced Portfolio		Meritage Global Growth Portfolio		Meritage Global Growth Plus Portfolio	
Meritage Global Portfolios	Before	After	Before	After	Before	After	Before	After	Before	After
Fixed income	75%	75%	60%	60%	45%	45%	30%	30%	15%	15%
CI Canadian Bond Fund	25%	25%	20%	20%	-	-	-	-	-	-
RP Strategic Income Plus Fund	5%	5%	5%	5%	5%	5%	-	-	-	-
Manulife Strategic Income Fund	5%	5%	5%	5%	5%	5%	7.5%	7.5%	5%	5%
RBC Global Bond Fund	40%	40%	30%	30%	35%	35%	22.5%	22.5%	10%	10%
Canadian equity	-	-	5%	10%	15%	15%	15%	17.5%	15%	20%
Beutel Goodman Canadian Equity Fund	-	-	-	-	5%	5%	5%	5%	5%	5%
Fidelity Canadian Disciplined Equity Fund			5%	-	10%	-	10%	-	10%	-
Leith Wheeler Canadian Equity Fund			-	10%	-	10%	-	12.5%	-	15%
US equity	5%	7.5%	5%	10%	7.5%	13%	10%	16%	15%	20%
Beutel Goodman American Equity Fund Class I	5%	-	5%	-	7.5%	-	10%	-	15%	-
AGF American Growth Fund	-	7.5%		10%		13%		16%		20%
International equity	5%	5%	5%	5%	7.5%	7%	5%	8.5%	10%	10%
CI International Equity	5%	-	5%	-	7.5%	-	5%	-	10%	-
PH&N Overseas Equity Fund		5%		5%		7%		8.5%		10%
Global equity	15%	12.5%	25%	15%	25%	20%	35%	23%	40%	30%
EdgePoint Global Portfolio	7.5%	6.25%	12.5%	7.5%	12.5%	10%	17.5%	11.5%	20%	15%
Capital Group Global Equity Fund	7.5%	6.25%	12.5%	7.5%	12.5%	10%	17.5%	11.5%	20%	15%
Emerging Markets equity	-	-	-	-	-	-	5%	5%	5%	5%
RBC Emerging Markets Equity Fund	-	-	-	-	-	-	5%	5%	5%	5%



Meritage Global Portfolios Adjustments

Former underlying fund	New underlying fund	Optimized Meritage Global Portfolios	Key reasons for change
 Fidelity Canadian Disciplined Equity Fund Beutel Goodman American Equity Fund 	 Leith Wheeler Canadian Equity Fund AGF American Growth Fund 	 Meritage Global Conservative Portfolio Meritage Global Moderate Portfolio Meritage Global Balanced Portfolio 	 Neutralizing factor tilts in the overall portfolio construction Strategic geographic allocation consistent with CIO Office recommendation
 CI International Equity EdgePoint Global Portfolio* Capital Group Global Equity Fund* *Decrease in target allocation, funds are not completely removed 	 PH&N Overseas Eq Fund 	 Meritage Global Growth Portfolio Meritage Global Growth Plus Portfolio 	



Meritage Equity Portfolios Target asset allocation

	Meritage Canadian Equity Portfolio		Meritage Global Equity Portfolio		Meritage International Equity Portfolio		Meritage American Equity Portfolio	
Meritage Equity Portfolios	Before	After	Before	After	Before	After	Before	After
Canadian equity	100%	100%	-	-	-	-	-	-
Manulife Canadian Investment	35%	35%	-	-	-	-	-	-
Beutel Goodman Canadian Equity Fund	35%	35%	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fidelity Canadian Disciplined Equity Fund	30%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Leith Wheeler Canadian Equity Fund	-	30%	-	-	-	-	-	-
US equity	-	-	7.5%	25%	-	-	100%	100%
AGF American Growth Fund	-	-	-	20%	-	-	-	35%
Beutel Goodman American Equity Fund Class I	-	-	-	-	-	-	20%	20%
TD U.S. Mid-Cap Growth Fund	-	-	7.5%	5%	-	-	20%	10%
Fidelity American Disciplined Equity Fund	-	-	-	-	-	-	35%	-
NBI U.S. Equity Private Portfolio	-	-	-	-	-	-	25%	35%
International equity	-	-	7.5%	15%	100%	100%	-	-
CI International Equity	-	-	-	-	35%	35%	-	-
Manulife World Investment Fund	-	-	7.5%	-	35%	35%	-	-
PH&N Overseas Equity Fund	-	-	-	15%	30%	30%	-	-
Global equity	-	-	75%	50%	-	-	-	-
EdgePoint Global Portfolio	-	-	30%	25%	-	-	-	-
Capital Group Global Equity Fund	-	-	45%	25%	-	-	-	-
Emerging Markets equity		-	10%	10%	-	-	-	-
RBC Emerging Markets Equity Fund	-	-	10%	10%	-	-	-	-

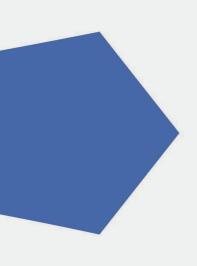
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Meritage Equity Portfolios Adjustments

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 Fidelity Canadian Disciplined Equity Fund Fidelity American Disciplined Equity Fund TD U.S. Mid-Cap Growth Fund* 	 Leith Wheeler Canadian Equity Fund AGF American Growth Fund NBI U.S. Equity Private Portfolio 	 Meritage Canadian Equity Portfolio Meritage Global Equity Portfolio Meritage American Equity Portfolio 	 Reducing factor tilts in the overall portfolio construction Strategic geographic allocation consistent with CIO Office recommendation
 Manulife World Investment Fund EdgePoint Global Portfolio Capital Group Global Equity Fund *Decrease in target allocation, funds are not completely removed 	PH&N Overseas Equity Fund	 Meritage Global Equity Portfolio Meritage International Equity Portfolio 	





About the new investment strategies



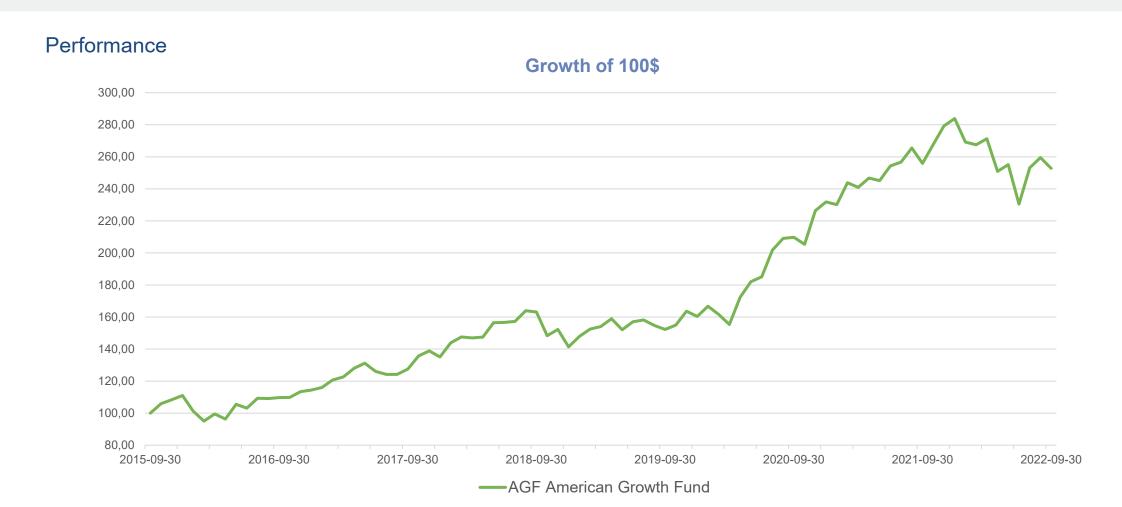


AGF American Growth Fund

OP4+	AGF American Growth Fund
Organization	 AGF (American Growth Fund), founded in 1957 by Allan Manford and Warren Goldring. AGF is based in Toronto and has assets under management estimated at \$37 billion*. The company is publicly traded (AGF. B-TO) but the voting shares are held by the Goldring family.
People	 The fund is managed by Tony Genua, who has 44 years of experience in the markets. He is assisted by Sam Mitter (20 years of experience). 8 research analysts support the portfolio managers. The majority of analysts have an atypical background, often having specialized studies in their sector of coverage (studies in geology, electrical engineering, pharmacology, metallurgy, etc.).
Process	 Investment philosophy: capture market leaders in every cycle. All companies say they are disruptive, but you have to look at the results to see if they truly are disruptive. The manager has established 5 promising investment themes that should define the next decade: 5G, infrastructure, alternative energy, robotics and artificial intelligence, and precision healthcare. The Manager has a growth bias but is flexible and will adapt depending on market circumstances.
Portfolio	 Concentrated portfolio of 30 to 50 stocks, currently at the bottom of the range. Portfolio with very different characteristics from the index, with an active risk greater than 90%. Significant sector rotation between 2020Q2 and 2021Q2 as the energy sector increased from 0% to 10% and information technology declined from 30% to 17%.
Performance	See next slide.
ESG	 Signatory of the UN PRI since 2015. ESG analysis performed by the research team for each portfolio holding. Engagement with portfolio companies as needed.



AGF American Growth Fund



Source: Factset, National Bank Investments. The benchmark used represents an appropriate comparison, based on the portfolio's investment strategies and asset allocation.





Leith Wheeler Canadian Equity Fund

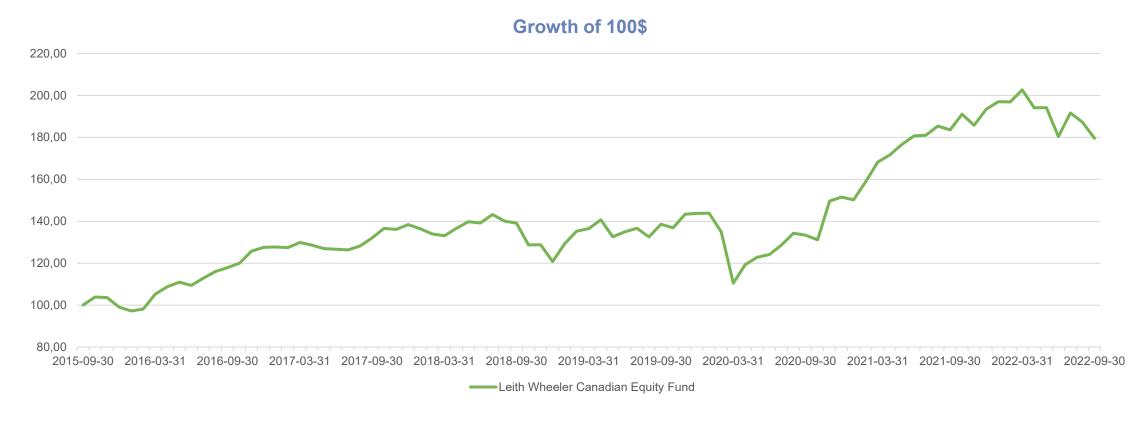
OP4+	Fonds d'actions canadiennes Leith Wheeler
Organization	 Leith Wheeler Investment Counsel is a Vancouver-based firm founded in 1982 by Murray Leith and Bill Wheeler. The firm is wholly owned by 81 current employees and 5 retirees. Assets under management estimated at \$23 billion*.
People	 The fund is managed by 4 sector-specific portfolio managers, David Jiles, Richard Liley, Nick Szucs and Marco Tang. The 4 managers are assisted by 3 research analysts.
Process	 Bottom-up approach, looking for companies that meet 4 criteria: attractive price, established business, financially conservative and quality management. Each member of the team is a sector specialist and manages his or her portfolio section. The 4 managers then ensure consistency in the portfolio.
Portfolio	 Concentrated portfolio of approximately 40 stocks. Bias for the value style and underweighting of large-cap stocks in favor of mid-caps.
Performance	See next slide.
ESG	 Signatory of the UN PRI since 2013. Lisa Meger is an analyst dedicated to ESG issues. Approach based on ESG integration, with a current emphasis on governance issues.





Leith Wheeler Canadian Equity Fund

Performance



Source: Factset, National Bank Investments. The benchmark used represents an appropriate comparison, based on the portfolio's investment strategies and asset allocation.





Additional Information



A fiscal impact is expected, which will be confirmed on or around the date of the changes. A special distribution is, however, not likely. Please note that the impact depends on the market's performance until the day of the changes, the type of investor account and the investor's individual tax considerations.



Performance as at September 29, 2022

	Annualized Returns								
	1 year 3 year 5 year 10 year Inception date Since inception								
AGF American Growth Fund	-1.22%	18.42%	14.68%	16.88%	January 14, 2000	5.10%			
Leith Wheeler Canadian Equity Fund	-2.21%	9.01%	6.35%	8.14%	April 27, 1994	8.85%			



Updated resources

	nbinvestments.ca/meritageportfolios
Summary table	<u>EN</u> <u>FR</u>
Historical changes (login required)	<u>EN</u> <u>FR</u>
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