

ANNUAL MANAGEMENT REPORT

of Fund Performance for the year ended December 31, 2023

EQUITY FUNDS FÉRIQUE Canadian Dividend Equity Fund

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Management Discussion of Fund Performance

Investment Objective and Strategies

The FÉRIQUE Canadian Dividend Equity Fund seeks to achieve a balance between high dividend income and long-term capital growth. The Fund mainly invests in Canadian equities that produce dividend income.

The investment philosophy of the portfolio sub-manager, Lincluden Investment Management Limited (Lincluden), is grounded in research for value. The team believes that inefficiencies in the short term and medium term are opportunities to discover undervalued companies. A rigorous combination of quantitative analysis and qualitative analysis, or fundamental analysis, enables the team to identify companies trading at significant discounts from their true values. The team believes that free cash flows are an important factor in the growth of a company.

Money is mainly invested and reinvested in all classes of common shares of all Canadian corporations listed on a stock exchange and in convertible bonds, preferred shares, rights, income trusts, exchange-traded funds and warrants.

The Fund may invest in securities of foreign issuers to an extent that will vary from time to time but is not generally expected to exceed 10% of the net assets of the Fund.

Risk

The risks of investing in the Fund remain the same as those described in the Prospectus. This Fund is intended for investors with a medium risk tolerance who want to invest in the long term. It is also intended for investors who seek dividend income and the potential for capital appreciation. It can also be used as the core equity component of a diversified investment portfolio. During the Period, there were no changes to the Fund that materially affected the overall risk level associated with an investment in the Fund.

Results of Operations

The FÉRIQUE Canadian Dividend Equity Fund posted a net return of 5.9% for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2023. Its benchmark, the S&P/TSX Composite Dividend Index, posted 9.6% for the same period. Contrary to benchmark returns, which include no investment fees, Fund returns are expressed net of management and operating expenses payable by the Fund.

On a relative basis, the Fund underperformed its industry median¹, which posted 6.5%, net of management fees for the period.

During the year, the Fund generated moderate positive returns despite underperforming its benchmark index.

The overweight to Real Estate detracted from performance given the higher interest rate environment. Holdings in Allied Properties Real Estate Investment Trust and H&R Real Estate Investment Trust were especially negative given their exposure to offices, which saw a temporary decline in occupancy rates. An underweight to Industrials also detracted from performance as the sector posted strong returns. Yet, within the sector, WSP Global outperformed.

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In Consumer Staples, Metro, Walgreens Boots Alliance, Nutrien and Pfizer underperformed and negatively impacted Fund performance.

Conversely, the underweight to Energy helped as the sector underperformed the broader benchmark index. The slight overweight to Utilities also contributed to relative performance, especially thanks to a position in Hydro One.

Strong performances by Manulife Financial Corporation, Power Corporation of Canada and Quebecor added to the returns.

During the period, the portfolio sub-manager made no material changes to portfolio positioning. It reduced the Fund's exposure to Communication Services and liquidated the position in Rogers Communications due to the rising share price. The allocation to Consumer Staples was also slightly reduced and the positions in retailer The North West Company and dairy processor Saputo were sold off when their shares started trading near their target price. The portfolio sub-manager used the proceeds to add a position in food processor Premium Brands given its attractive valuation. Lastly, the allocation to Financials was slightly increased with the addition of positions in the banking industry when companies came under pressure.

Within the Energy sector, Enbridge was exited as the share reached its target price and proceeds were reinvested into a new position in TC Energy, given the company's attractive valuation, focus on natural gas and compelling dividend yield. The company is exposed to the energy transition through its significant natural gas infrastructure assets. Natural gas has a lower carbon footprint than other hydrocarbons such as oil and is expected to play an increasingly important role going forward. TC Energy is also involved in other green energy areas such as renewable natural gas, hydrogen and nuclear.

With regard to environmental, social and governance (ESG) considerations, the portfolio is invested in several companies that will contribute to society. In addition to TC Energy, the portfolio holds positions in Canadian Apartment Properties REIT, which offers affordable housing by leasing apartments far below market rate. Magna International designs and manufactures electric vehicle (EV) parts and, as such, contributes to boost EV adoption rates. WSP Global is an engineering firm that helps build and design aging infrastructure and energy transition projects.

Moreover, the portfolio sub-manager engaged in dialogue with companies held in the portfolio over ESG matters throughout the year. For instance, the portfolio sub-manager had a first discussion with Superior Plus with a view to improve their disclosure practices.

The portfolio sub-manager also engaged with Metro over the summer about their climate strategy and failure to set a net zero target. The company is currently assessing the feasibility and costs of achieving net zero emissions according to the SBTi standards and will provide more information in their upcoming corporate social responsibility report in 2024. The portfolio sub-manager will continue to engage with the company to follow up on their progress.

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Recent Developments

Markets were very volatile during the year, especially early on, due to concerns over to financial instability and liquidity issues as a result of central banks' significant rate hikes over the past year and problems emerging at specific banks. As time went by, inflation gradually moderated, thanks in part to central banks tightening their monetary policies and commodity markets pulling back.

In the fourth quarter, the market shifted its focus toward lower interest rates as inflation continued to ease and near normalized levels. While the labour market is still quite robust, job growth has slowed down. The U.S. Federal Reserve and Bank of Canada kept their interest rates unchanged at their recent policy meetings. However, both central banks hinted that they would consider cutting rates if necessary.

The portfolio sub-manager remains concerned about the economic outlook given the heightened focus on interest rates, ongoing conflicts in Europe and the Middle East, geopolitical instability and China's resolve to grow its economy. Artificial intelligence also emerged as a catalyst for a number of Information Technology companies, which drove the sector sharply up. However, the portfolio sub-manager expects that the current macroeconomic environment will cause market to stay volatile in 2024.

The Fund is structured to take advantage of mispricing opportunities in higher quality holdings, while benefitting from their steady flow of above-average dividends. It maintains a smaller allocation in higher-potential, out-of-favour companies.

Mr. Jude Martineau's term as Chair and member of the Independent Review Committee (IRC) ended on March 31, 2023. Ms. Louise Sanscartier was Interim Chair of the Committee from April 1 to June 9, 2023, and was appointed Chair of the IRC Committee on June 9, 2023. Mr. Yves Frenette was appointed as an IRC member for a three-year term beginning April 1, 2023.

Ms. Fabienne Lacoste stepped down as President and Chief Executive Officer of FÉRIQUE Fund Management on July 3, 2023, and was replaced by Mr. Louis Lizotte.

Mr. Francis Fortin joined FÉRIQUE Fund Management as Vice-President, Investment Management, on September 11, 2023.

Related Party Transactions

The Manager of the Fund is Gestion FÉRIQUE, a not-for-profit organization. Gestion FÉRIQUE receives management fees to cover its expenses with respect to the day-to-day business and operations of the Fund, as reported under the Management Fees section. These expenses include the portfolio manager's fees, the fees relating to the marketing and distribution of the Fund, as well as the administration fees of the Manager.

Services d'investissement FÉRIQUE (SIF) is a not-for-profit subsidiary of Gestion FÉRIQUE registered as a group savings plan brokerage and financial planning firm, and acts as distributor of units of the Fund. A percentage of the management fees paid by the Fund to Gestion FÉRIQUE is used to cover the expenses of SIF with respect to its day-to-day activities.

Gestion FÉRIQUE is responsible for the operating expenses of the Fund, excluding the expenses of the Independent Review Committee and the filing fees, in return for an administration fee, as reported under the Management Fees section.

Gestion FÉRIQUE has set up an Independent Review Committee for the Fund in accordance with the requirements of National Instrument 81-107 Independent Review Committee for Investment Funds to review conflicts of interest related to the management of the Fund.

For the fiscal year ended December 31, 2023, Lincluden did not enter into any Related Party Transactions as it pertains to the management of the FÉRIQUE Canadian Dividend Equity Fund.

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Financial Highlights

The following tables show selected key financial information about the Fund and are intended to help the reader understand the Fund's financial performance for the accounting periods shown.

	Years ended				
Net Assets per Unit ⁽¹⁾⁽⁵⁾	Dec. 31 2023 (12 months)	Dec. 31 2022 (12 months)	Dec. 31 2021 (12 months)	Dec. 31 2020 (12 months)	Dec. 31 2019 (12 months)
•	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Net assets, beginning of accounting period ⁽⁴⁾	15.65	16.69	13.03	14.58	13.34
Increase (decrease) from operations					
Total revenues	0.71	0.62	0.53	0.57	0.68
Total expenses	(0.16)	(0.16)	(0.16)	(0.13)	(0.15)
Realized gains (losses)	0.63	0.92	0.80	(0.69)	0.47
Unrealized gains (losses)	(0.27)	(1.75)	2.84	(0.52)	1.11
Total increase (decrease) from operations ⁽²⁾	0.91	(0.37)	4.01	(0.77)	2.11
Distributions					
From dividends	0.52	0.46	0.35	0.44	0.52
From capital gains	0.50	0.14	_	-	0.36
Total annual distributions ⁽³⁾	1.02	0.60	0.35	0.44	0.88
Net assets, end of accounting period (4)	15.54	15.65	16.69	13.03	14.58

⁽¹⁾ This information is derived from the Fund's Annual Audited Financial Statements. The net assets per unit presented in the financial statements could 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 weighted average number of units outstanding during the accounting period. This table is not intended to show a reconciliation between net assets per unit at the beginning and at the end of the accounting period.

⁽³⁾ Distributions were paid in cash or reinvested in additional units of the Fund, or both.

⁽⁴⁾ The net assets are calculated in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS).

⁽⁵⁾ In this document, the word "units" indicates Series A units.

		Years ended			
Ratios and Supplemental Data	Dec. 31 2023 (12 months)	Dec. 31 2022 (12 months)	Dec. 31 2021 (12 months)	Dec. 31 2020 (12 months)	Dec. 31 2019 (12 months)
Net asset value (in thousands of \$) ⁽¹⁾	317,842	310,743	342,018	273,509	273,178
Number of units outstanding ⁽¹⁾	20,451,386	19,857,829	20,489,142	20,992,365	18,732,563
Management expense ratio (%) ⁽²⁾	0.97	0.95	1.00	1.00	1.00
Management expense ratio before waivers					
or absorptions by the Manager (%)	0.97	0.95	1.00	1.00	1.00
Portfolio turnover rate (%) ⁽³⁾	21.26	18.69	25.47	21.56	21.07
Trading expense ratio (%) ⁽⁴⁾	0.03	0.02	0.04	0.05	0.03
Net asset value per unit (\$)	15.54	15.65	16.69	13.03	14.58

⁽¹⁾ This information is provided as at December 31 for the comparative accounting periods.

(2) Management expense ratio is based on total expenses for the stated accounting period (including applicable taxes and its proportionate share of the expenses from the underlying funds, where applicable, but excluding commissions, other portfolio transaction costs and withholding taxes on dividend income) and is expressed as an annualized percentage of the daily average net asset value during the accounting period.

(3) The Fund's portfolio turnover rate indicates how actively the Fund's portfolio 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 during the accounting period. The higher a Fund's portfolio turnover rate in the accounting period, the greater the trading costs payable by the Fund during the accounting period, and the greater the chance of an investor receiving taxable capital gains during the accounting period. There is not necessarily a relationship between a high turnover rate and the performance of a Fund.

(4) The trading expense ratio represents total commissions and other portfolio transaction costs, including its proportionate share of the trading expenses from the underlying funds, where applicable, expressed as an annualized percentage of the daily average net asset value during the accounting period. The trading expense ratio is not applicable to fixed-income transactions.

Management Fees

Fees payable by the Fund include management fees and operating charges. Operating charges are made up of administration fees and Fund expenses. Management and administration fees are calculated and credited daily and paid monthly.

Management fees include, among others, the portfolio manager's and/or sub-manager's fees, the fees relating to the marketing and distribution of the Fund and the Manager's administration fees.

Administration fees include, among others, registrar custodian fees and fiduciary fees, expenses relating to accounting and valuation of the Fund, auditors' and legal advisors' fees and reporting fees to unitholders. Fund expenses are made up of regulatory filing fees and expenses of the Independent Review Committee.

For the year, annualized management fees charged to the Fund before government taxes amounted to 0.84% and are detailed as follows:

- Management fees: 0.77%
- Administration fees: 0.07%

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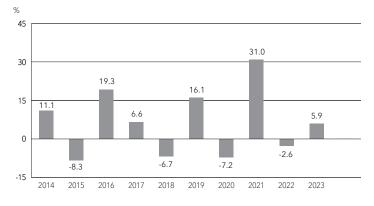
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Past Performance

The performance information assumes that all distributions made by the Fund in the periods shown were reinvested in additional securities of the Fund. The information does not take into account purchase, redemption, investment or other optional charges that would have reduced returns or performance. The Fund's past performance is not necessarily indicative of how it will perform in the future.

Annual Returns

The bar chart shows the Fund's annual performance for each of the years shown, and illustrates how the Fund's performance has changed from year to year. 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 December 31 of each financial year or on the last day of the year.



Annual Compound Returns (%)

	1 year	3 years	5 years	10 years
FÉRIQUE Canadian Dividend Equity	5.9	10.5	7.8	5.8
S&P/TSX Composite Dividend Index	9.6	11.9	11.5	8.1
Median*	6.5	9.1	8.6	6.0

 $^{\star}\,$ Median return of all investment funds of the same category according to Fundata.

S&P/TSX Composite Dividend Index

The S&P/TSX Composite Dividend Index aims to provide a broad-based benchmark of Canadian dividend paying stocks. The Index includes all stocks in the S&P/TSX Composite Index with positive annual dividend yields, as of the latest rebalancing of the S&P/TSX Composite Index.

Comparison with the Index

The Fund posted a net return of 5.9% for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2023, compared to 9.6% for its benchmark index. Contrary to benchmark returns, which include no investment fees, Fund returns are expressed net of management and operating expenses payable by the Fund.

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Portfolio Overview

The Top 25 Holdings in the Portfolio	% of net asset value	
Toronto-Dominion Bank	6.2	
Royal Bank of Canada	5.6	
TC Energy Corp.	4.4	
BCE Inc.	3.8	
Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce	3.7	
Scotiabank	3.6	
Manulife Financial Corp.	3.6	
Hydro One Inc.	3.6	
Nutrien Ltd.	3.5	
Brookfield Corp.	3.5	
Magna International Inc.	3.1	
Quebecor Inc., Class B	2.9	
Canadian National Railway Co.	2.9	
TELUS Corp.	2.8	
Empire Company Ltd., Class A	2.7	
Power Corporation of Canada	2.7	
Chartwell Retirement Residences	2.6	
Pembina Pipeline Corporation	2.5	
Cisco Systems Inc.	2.5	
Intact Financial Corp.	2.5	
Canadian Tire Ltd., Class A	2.5	
Cash, Money Market and Other Net Assets	2.4	
Allied Properties Real Estate Investment Trust	2.2	
Canadian Apartment Properties Real Estate Investment Trust	2.0	
Suncor Energy Inc.	1.9	
	79.7	

Weighting by Sector	% of net asset value
Financials	32.8
Communication Services	10.7
Energy	10.3
Consumer Staples	10.1
Consumer Discretionary	7.4
Real Estate	6.1
Utilities	5.3
Health Care	4.3
Industrials	3.7
Materials	3.5
Information Technology	3.4
Cash, Money Market and Other Net Assets	2.4
Net Asset Value	317,842,104

The allocation of the portfolio may vary due to the transactions carried out by the Fund. A quarterly update is available.

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Other Material Information

The S&P/TSX Composite Dividend Index (the "Index" or "Indices") and associated data are a product of S&P Dow Jones Indices LLC, its affiliates and/or their licensors and has been licensed for use by Gestion FÉRIQUE[©] 2023 S&P Dow Jones Indices LLC, its affiliates and/ or their licensors. All rights reserved. Redistribution or reproduction in whole or in part is prohibited without written permission of S&P Dow Jones Indices LLC. For more information on any of S&P Dow Jones Indices LLC's indices please visit www.spdji.com. S&P® is a registered trademark of Standard & Poor's Financial Services LLC ("SPFS") and Dow Jones® is a registered trademark of Dow Jones Trademark Holdings LLC ("Dow Jones"). Neither S&P Dow Jones Indices LLC, SPFS, Dow Jones, their affiliates nor their licensors ("S&P DJI") make any representation or warranty, express or implied, as to the ability of any index to accurately represent the asset class or market sector that it purports to represent, and S&P DJI shall have no liability for any errors, omissions, or interruptions of any index or the data included therein.

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