

# FDP CANADIAN DIVIDEND EQUITY PORTFOLIO, SERIES A AND I

## Interim Management Report of Fund Performance

June 2020

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You may also contact us using one of these methods to request a copy of the Portfolio's proxy voting policies and procedures, proxy voting disclosure records and quarterly portfolio disclosure.

### PERFORMANCE ANALYSIS

### **Investment Objective and Strategies**

The Portfolio seeks to provide income and achieve medium- and long-term capital growth through investment diversification. The Portfolio invests primarily in equity securities, including income trust units of Canadian issuers that pay income or dividends. The Portfolio may also invest in securities of foreign issuers that pay income or dividends and in debt instruments of Canadian and foreign issuers. The Portfolio Manager seeks to add value, principally through the selection of stocks that pay dividends and offer the best investment opportunities. A bottom-up approach is used to select stocks offering the best potential, and a top-down approach to control risks in terms of positions in different sectors.

#### Risk

The Portfolio invests primarily in equities of Canadian issuers. Derivatives may also be used for hedging purposes or to establish market positions. The risks related to investments in the Portfolio remain as set out in the Simplified Prospectus. The risks associated with the Portfolio and its holdings are as follows: stock markets risk, sector risk, specific issuer risk, interest rate risk, credit risk, large transactions risk, foreign securities risk, currency risk, derivatives risk, securities lending risk, exchange-traded funds risk, underlying funds risk, multi-series risk, short selling risk and loss restrictions risk.

### Operating Results

The FDP Canadian Dividend Equity Portfolio, Series A posted a net return of -12.6% for the first six-month period of 2020, versus 19.1% for 2019. The FDP Canadian Dividend Equity Portfolio, Series I posted a net return of -12.1% for the first six-month period of 2020.

In the context of a global economy weakened by a pandemic, governments and central banks introduced unprecedented fiscal and monetary measures, which relieved markets and economies. Markets rebounded during the second quarter, offsetting in part the lows reached in March 2020.

The Canadian stock market, as measured by the S&P/TSX Composite Index, posted a -7.5% return over the first half of 2020. Three of the index's eleven component sectors posted positive returns. Gold prices rising by 17.4% allowed the Materials sector to post a 15.4% return. The Information Technology sector rose by 62.0%, helped by the performance of Shopify. Conversely, falling oil prices, which went from USD61.06 in late December 2019 to USD39.27 as at June 30, 2020, representing a 35.7% decrease, negatively impacted the Energy sector, which posted a -30.4% return. Health Care (-31.0%), Real Estate (-20.0%), Financials (-16.2%) and Communication Services (-11.2%) all contributed negatively to the index's performance.

### **Recent Developments**

There are currently no events to report for 2020.

### **Related Party Transactions**

The Manager of the FDP Canadian Dividend Equity Portfolio is Professionals' Financial – Mutual Funds Inc. The Manager is in charge of the portfolio's research, analyses, selections and transactions. The Investment Committee of Professionals' Financial – Mutual Funds Inc. supervises the execution of the mandates entrusted to the internal managers and to other external managers, as the case may be.

Monthly management fees, calculated daily at an annual percentage of the Portfolio's net assets after deducting the value of interfund investments, are paid to the Manager.

### FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

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The following tables illustrate key financial data concerning the Portfolio. Their purpose is to help you understand its financial results for the past five years and six-month period. This information comes from the audited annual financial statements and the June 30, 2020 unaudited interim financial statements of the Portfolio. You can obtain the financial statements

### Portfolio's Distributions and Net Assets per Unit (in dollars)

Six months ended June		30 Years ended December 31					
Series A	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	
Net assets, beginning of period	9.803	8.624	9.426	9.329	8.867	10.205	
Increase (decrease) from operations:							
Total revenue	0.057	0.294	0.242	0.282	0.254	0.276	
Total expenses	(0.061)	(0.135)	(0.130)	(0.121)	(0.110)	(0.124)	
Realized gains (losses)	(0.146)	0.372	0.147	0.380	0.174	0.368	
Unrealized gains (losses)	(1.071)	1.122	(0.842)	(0.092)	0.556	(0.764)	
Total increase (decrease) from operations (1)	(1.221)	1.653	(0.583)	0.449	0.874	(0.244)	
Distributions:							
from income	0.093	0.002	0.005	_	_	_	
from dividends	_	0.149	0.149	0.173	0.196	0.189	
from capital gains	_	0.312	0.083	0.199	0.299	1.064	
from capital returns	_	_	_	_	_	_	
Total distributions (2)	0.093	0.463	0.237	0.372	0.495	1.253	
Net assets at the end of the period	8.479	9.803	8.624	9.426	9.329	8.867	

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Six months ended June 3		Years ended December 31					
Series I	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	
Net assets, beginning of period	10.745	9.419	10.302	10.161	9.802	10.000	
Increase (decrease) from operations:							
Total revenue	0.066	0.323	0.263	0.303	0.295	0.261	
Total expenses	(0.012)	(0.025)	(0.025)	(0.016)	(0.013)	(0.011)	
Realized gains (losses)	(0.136)	0.410	0.163	0.408	0.358	0.140	
Unrealized gains (losses)	(1.128)	1.198	(0.894)	(0.051)	0.640	(0.350)	
Total increase (decrease)							
from operations (1)	(1.210)	1.906	(0.493)	0.644	1.280	0.040	
Distributions:							
from income	0.166	0.004	0.009	_	_	_	
from dividends	_	0.283	0.283	0.279	0.272	0.229	
from capital gains	_	0.305	0.091	0.208	0.543	0.396	
from capital returns	_	_	_	_	_	_	
Total distributions (2)	0.166	0.592	0.383	0.487	0.815	0.625	
Net assets at the end of the period	9.286	10.745	9.419	10.302	10.161	9.802	

<sup>(1)</sup> 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 over the financial period.

### (2) Distributions were reinvested in additional units of the Portfolio

### Ratios and Supplemental Data

Six months ended June 30		Years ended December 31				
Series A	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
Net asset value	00.000	74.000	07.010	74.005	00.400	00.057
(in thousands of dollars) (1)	63,023	74,893	67,316	74,905	69,468	89,257
Number of units						
outstanding (thousands) (1)	7,433	7,640	7,806	7,946	7,447	10,066
Management expense ratio (%) (2)	1.417	1.400	1.402	1.299	1.217	1.210
Management expense ratio before						
waivers and absorptions (%)	1.417	1.400	1.402	1.299	1.217	1.210
Portfolio turnover rate (%) (3)	95.35	90.35	78.55	448.09	602.38	636.97
Trading expense ratio (%) (4)	0.26	0.08	0.08	0.44	1.00	0.94
Net asset value per unit	8.479	9.803	8.624	9.426	9.329	8.867

Six months ended June 30		Years ended December 31				
Series I	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
Net asset value (in thousands of dollars) (1)	173,595	244,500	204,570	217,326	227,204	160,716
Number of units outstanding (thousands) (1)	18,695	22,754	21,718	21,096	22,361	16,396
Management expense ratio (%) (2)	0.243	0.235	0.248	0.156	0.133	0.113
Management expense ratio before waivers and absorptions (%)	0.243	0.235	0.248	0.156	0.133	0.113
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<sup>(1)</sup> For the years ended December 31, 2015 and before, the information is derived from the audited annual financial statements in accordance with Canadian generally accepted accounting principles as defined in Part Vot the Canada CPA Handbook. As a result, net assets per unit presented in the financial statements differ from the net asset value calculated for the purposes of calculating unit prices and the differences are explained in the notes to the financial statements. For the following fiscal years, the information is derived from audited annual financial statements in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS). In compliance with these Standards, net assets per unit presented in the financial statements generally equal the net asset value calculated to establish unit prices.

### **MANAGEMENT FEES**

Series A and Series I units pay management fees to the Manager, Professionals' Financial—Mutual Funds Inc., for service rendered to the unitholders, and investment management and administration services. Series A units' annual management fees of 1.25% and 0.10% for Series I are calculated daily according to the net assets and paid monthly after deducting the value of interfund investments. For the first six months of the year 2020, Series A units paid \$413,000 and \$114,000 for Series I to the Manager.

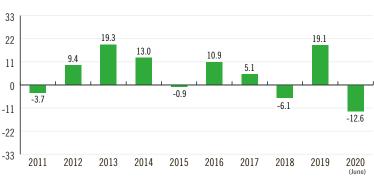
### **PAST PERFORMANCE**

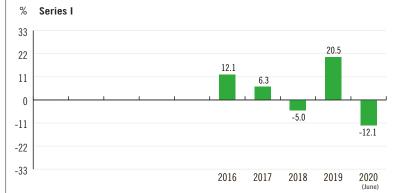
Information on performance presupposes that the Portfolio's distributions during the periods presented have been totally reinvested in additional units of the same series. The returns do not include deductions for sales fees, transfer, redemption or other optional fees (because there are none) or income taxes payable, and would be lower if they included such items. The Portfolio's past performance is not necessarily indicative of future performance.

### **Annual Performance**

The following bar graphs indicate the Portfolio's annual returns for each year. They show the year-to-year variation in the Portfolio's return. The graphs present, in percentage form, what would have been the upward or downward variation, on the last day of the period, of an investment made on the first day of that period.

#### % Series A





<sup>(2)</sup> Management expense ratio includes management fees and operating expenses. It excludes income tax withheld on dividend income and transaction costs, and is expressed as a percentage of the daily average annualized net asset value during the fiscal year.

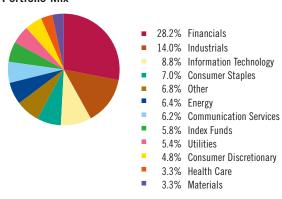
<sup>(3)</sup> The portfolio turnover rate indicates how actively the portfolio manager manages its portfolio investments. A portfolio turnover rate of 100% is equivalent to the Fund buying and selling all of the securities in its portfolio once in the course of the period. The higher portfolio turnover rate in a period, the greater the trading costs payable by the Fund in the period, and the greater the chance of an investor receiving taxable capital gains in the period. There is not necessarily a relationship between a high turnover rate and the performance of a Fund.

<sup>(4)</sup> 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.

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### **OVERVIEW OF PORTFOLIO**

### Portfolio Mix



Top 25 Portfolio Holdings

	% of net asset value
Cash and Cash Equivalent	6.9
iShares S&P/TSX 60 Index ETF	4.4
The Toronto-Dominion Bank	3.8
Royal Bank of Canada	3.7
Power Corporation of Canada	2.2
Metro Inc.	2.1
Hydro One Limited	2.1
Rogers Communications Inc., Cl. B	2.0
Sun Life Financial Inc.	1.9
Scotiabank	1.8
Canadian National Railway Company	1.7
Waste Connections, Inc.	1.7
Constellation Software Inc.	1.7
Canadian Pacific Railway Limited	1.7
Thermo Fisher Scientific Inc.	1.7
Thomson Reuters Corporation	1.6
Nutrien Ltd.	1.6
Roper Technologies, Inc.	1.6
TELUS Corporation	1.6
Canadian Tire Corporation, Limited, Cl. A	1.6
Brookfield Asset Management Inc., Cl. A	1.5
Magna International Inc.	1.5
Bank of Montreal	1.5
Enbridge Inc.	1.4
SPDR S&P 500 ETF Trust	1.4

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