# Palos Equity Income Fund Interim Financial Statements

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June 30, 2017 and 2016

(expressed in Canadian dollars)

Notice

The following Palos Equity Income Fund semi-annual Financial Statements have not been subject to a review by the Fund external auditors.

Statements of Financial Position

(expressed in Canadian dollars)		
	As at June 30, 2017 \$	As at Dec.31 2016 \$
Assets		
Current assets Investments Cash Subscriptions receivable Receivable from investments sold Accrued income receivable	25,433,257 915,573 6,544 99,715 69,582	23,002,565 1,335,798 29,075 - 88,654
	26,524,671	24,456,092
Liabilities		
Current liabilities Payable for investments purchased Redemptions payable Distributions payable Accrued liabilities Management fees payable Performance fees payable	252,000 13,893 74,481 21,810 - 23,041	7,375 71,264 21,330 850 70
	385,225	100,889
Net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units	26,139,446	24,355,203
Net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units per series Series A Series F	17,347,058 8,792,388	18,648,521 5,706,682
Net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units	0,732,300	3,700,002
per series per unit Series A Series F	6.28 6.59	6.38 6.67
Approved by the Manager, Palos Management Inc.		
(s) Charles Marleau	(s) Robert Boisjoli Director	

Statements of Comprehensive Income

For the periods ended June 30, 2017 and 2016

(expressed in Canadian dollars)

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	Note	2017 \$	2016 \$
Income Dividend income Interest income for distribution purposes Other changes in fair value of investments		273,172 72,945	245,350 66,823
Net realized gain on sale of investments  Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation)  of investments		383,064 (41,635)	665,343 467,802
Total income, net	_	687,546	1,445,318
Expenses  Management fees Performance fees Administration and other professional fees Trustee fees Audit fees Legal fees Bank charges and interest Independent review committee fees Transaction cost Withholding tax expense	8 8	185,015 23,042 42,723 8,408 25,688 138 1,528 5,951 26,737 268	163,852 41,676 6,842 20,675 7,666 3,160 5,951 42,692 1,962
Total expenses, net	_	319,498	294,476
Increase in net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units	-	368,048	1,150,842
Increase in net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units per series Series A Series F		285,053 82,995	921,082 229,760
Increase in net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units per series per unit Series A Series F	10 10	0.10 0.08	0.31 0.41

Statements of Changes in Net Assets Attributable to Holders of Redeemable Units For the periods ended June 30, 2017 and 2016

(expressed in Canadian dollars)

	Series A		Series F	
	2017 \$	2016 \$	2017 \$	2016 \$
Net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units – Beginning of period	18,648,521	17,441,588	5,706,682	2,638,160
Increase in net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units	285,053	921,082	82,995	229,759
Distributions to holders of redeemable units Net investment income From net realized gains on investments and derivatives Return of capital	(26,150) (272,469) (254,522)	(520,742)	(25,199) (96,980) (106,685)	(21,995) (103,724) (58,404)
Total distributions to holders of redeemable units	(553,141)	(882,961)	(228,864)	(184,123)
Redeemable unit transactions Proceeds from redeemable units issued Reinvestments of distributions to holders of redeemabl units Redemption of redeemable units	725,400 427,421 (2,186,196)	667,042	3,499,029 207,197 (474,651)	1,823,467 179,140 (64,965)
Net increase (decrease) from redeemable unit transactions	(1,033,375)	347,434	3,231,575	1,937,642
Net increase (decrease) in net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units	(1,301,463)	385,555	3,085,706	1,983,278
Net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units – End of period	17,347,058	3 17,827,143	8,792,388	4,621,438

Statements of Cash Flows

For the periods ended June 30, 2017 and 2016

(expressed in Canadian dollars)

	2017 \$	2016 \$
Cash flows from operating activities		
Increase in net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units	368,048	1,150,841
Adjustments for		
Foreign exchange gain	(15,142)	(195,095)
Net realized gain on sale of investments  Net change in unrealized depreciation (appreciation)	(383,064)	(665,343)
of investments	41,635	(467,802)
Proceeds from sale and maturity of investments	7,051,221	11,635,828
Purchases of investments	(8,988,199)	(12,072,034)
Prepaid	-	(13,799)
Accrued income receivable	19,072	6,529
Accrued liabilities	480	2,862
Management fees payable	(850)	(274)
Performance fees payable	22,971	(110,290)
Net cash from operating activities	(1,883,828)	(728,577)
Cash flows from financing activities Distributions paid to holders of redeemable units, net of reinvested		(
distributions	(144,170)	(296,879)
Proceeds from issuance of redeemable units	4,246,960	2,048,348
Amount paid on redemption of redeemable units	(2,654,329)	(1,011,729)
Net cash from financing activities	1,448,461	739,741
Foreign exchange gain on cash	15,142	195,095
Net change in cash during the period	(420,225)	206,259
Cash – Beginning of period	1,335,798	154,653
Cash – End of period	915,573	360,912
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Supplementary information on cash flows from operating activities		
Interest received	34,882	68,685
Dividends received, net of withholding taxes	292,142	249,997

Schedule of Investment Portfolio

As at June 30, 2017

(expressed in Canadian dollars)

	Maturity date	Coupon or dividend rate	Number of shares or par value	Average cost \$	Fair value \$
Bonds					
Convertible bonds Boralex Inc. Chemtrade Logistics Income Fund Element Fleet Management Corp. Northland Power Inc.	June 30, 2020 June 30, 2021 June 30, 2019 June 30, 2020	4.500% 5.250% 5.125% 4.750%	300,000 240,000 250,000 400,000	300,000 240,000 259,525 426,004	361,860 245,280 252,120 458,872
Total convertible bonds				1,225,529	1,318,132
Corporate bonds Canadian Energy Service & Technology Corp. DHX Media Ltd. Parkland Fuel Corp.	April 17, 2020 Dec. 2, 2021 May 28, 2021	7.375% 5.875% 5.500%	250,000 500,000 200,000	264,375 500,000 200,000	261,563 531,565 205,376
Total corporate bonds				964,375	998,504
Total bonds				2,189,904	2,316,636
Common stocks					
Consumer discretionary Cineplex Inc. Dollarama Inc. Enercare Inc. Imvescor Restaurant Group Inc. Park Lawn Corp. Spin Master Corp. Stingray Digital Group Inc.			4,000 3,000 19,500 100,000 7,000 9,000 40,120	176,999 236,004 337,048 306,989 133,000 247,515 306,601	211,440 371,730 384,540 367,000 131,740 348,300 316,146
Total consumer discretionary				1,744,156	2,130,896
Consumer staples Alimentation Couche Tard Inc Class B Goodfood Market Corp. Jamieson Wellness Inc. Maple Leaf Foods Inc.			4,500 35,330 16,000 8,000	263,478 88,325 252,000 172,504	279,720 62,534 252,000 261,920
Total consumer staples				776,307	856,174

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	Number of shares or par value	Average cost \$	Fair value \$
Energy AltaGas Ltd ARC Resources Ltd. CES Energy Solutions Corp. Keyera Corp. Leucrotta Exploration Inc. Parkland Fuel Corp. Pembina Pipeline Corp Secure Energy Services Inc. Seven Generations Energy Ltd Spartan Energy Corp. Tamarack Valley Energy Ltd. Tidewater Midstream and Infrastructure Ltd. Tourmaline Oil Corp. Trican Well Service Ltd Veresen Inc. Vermilion Energy Inc. Whitecap Resources Inc.	17,000 19,000 51,000 15,200 60,000 4,000 3,400 38,900 5,000 28,333 130,000 265,000 5,000 62,900 34,000 8,300 39,000	527,000 334,446 299,061 518,285 108,600 110,800 105,879 409,677 131,147 171,392 407,223 372,650 128,618 247,197 506,718 370,325 474,352	501,330 322,240 294,780 620,464 111,600 110,800 146,030 344,265 111,050 174,248 289,900 347,150 139,400 228,327 623,560 341,462 361,140
Total energy	,	5,223,370	5,067,746
Financials Bank of Montreal Bank of Nova Scotia Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce ECN Capital Corp. Intact Financial Corp. Royal Bank of Canada Sun Life Financial Inc. Toronto - Dominion Bank	4,000 13,000 2,500 55,000 4,200 9,000 10,000 13,514	345,492 880,491 262,564 203,164 385,324 679,916 389,472 534,390	380,880 1,014,130 263,475 220,000 407,460 847,440 463,600 883,140
Total financials		3,680,813	4,480,125
Health Care Sienna Senior Living Inc.	10,000	172,600	179,700

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	Number of shares or par value	Average cost \$	Fair value \$
Industrials Boyd Group Income Fund Canadian Pacific Railway Ltd CanWel Building Materials Group Ltd Exchange Income Corp. Hardwoods Distribution Inc. Morneau Shepell Inc. New Flyer Industries Inc. People Corp. Savaria Corp. SNC – Lavalin Group Inc. Waste Connections Inc. WSP Global Inc.	3,000 1,500 50,000 10,000 15,000 11,635 4,000 30,000 16,000 6,100 4,650 8,000	259,465 293,635 305,000 325,700 251,593 121,452 161,940 114,441 184,180 313,845 260,881 320,910	288,450 312,975 328,000 330,600 278,850 242,473 216,960 164,400 250,840 343,247 388,415 430,480
Total industrials		2,913,042	3,575,690
Information technology Blackberry Ltd CGI Group Inc. – Class A Kinaxia Inc. Pivot Technology Solutions Inc. Shopify inc.  Total information technology	17,000 5,500 4,650 50,000 3,700	233,390 322,842 304,808 91,539 141,691 1,094,270	220,320 364,430 375,441 123,500 416,620 1,500,311
Materials Agnico Eagle Mines Ltd Agrium Inc. B2Gold Corp. CCL Industries Inc. – Class B First Quantum minerals Ltd Franco-Nevada Corp. Lundin Mining Corp. Nemaska Lithium Inc. Trevali Mining Corp.	6,000 2,400 70,000 8,000 22,000 5,000 75,000 60,000 240,000	242,274 263,999 260,853 235,007 271,736 360,363 348,867 63,000 285,536	350,880 282,072 255,500 524,880 241,340 467,850 552,750 58,800 292,200
Total materials		2,331,635	3,026,272
Real estate American Hotel Income Properties REIT LP InterRent Real Estate Investment Trust Tricon Capital Group Inc.	25,500 46,200 22,000	241,414 343,611 232,992	253,980 373,758 255,640
Total real estate		818,017	883,378

Schedule of Investment Portfolio ... continued

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	Number of shares or par value	Average cost \$	Fair value \$
Utilities Algonquin Power & Utilities Corp. Crius Energy Trust Northland Power Inc. Superior Plus Corp.	35,000 45,500 7,500 25,700	380,049 375,085 173,631 317,494	477,750 471,835 173,250 293,494
Total utilities		1,246,259	1,416,329
Total common stock		20,000,469	23,116,621
Total investments		22,190,373	25,433,257
Other assets, less liabilities			706,189
Net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units			26,139,446

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#### 1 General information

Palos Equity Income Fund (the "Fund") was formed in January 3, 2008 under the laws of the Province of Quebec pursuant to a trust agreement (the agreement), as amended for the last time on August 26, 2013, between Computershare Trust Company of Canada (the trustee) and Charles Marleau (the settlor). The address of the Fund's registered office is 1 Place Ville-Marie, Suite 1670, Montréal, Québec, H3B 2B6, Canada. The Fund is an open-ended mutual fund, is qualified as a unit trust and is a registered investment fund under Section 204.4 of the Income Tax Act (Canada).

Series A opened on January 3, 2008 and Series F opened on February 24, 2012.

The Fund acts as an investment holding unit trust for the benefit of unitholders by acquiring, investing in, holding, transferring, disposing of, or otherwise dealing with such investments as the trustee and the investment fund manager determine, at their discretion, in accordance with the investment objectives of the Fund, which are to preserve capital, to provide an attractive and steady stream of income and to deliver trading-enhanced returns.

The investment fund manager and portfolio advisor is Palos Management Inc. (the Manager).

These financial statements have been authorized for issue by the Board of Directors of the Manager on August 23, 2017.

#### 2 Basis of presentation

These financial statements have been prepared in compliance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) as published by the International Accounting Standards Boards (IASB).

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#### 3 Summary of significant accounting policies

#### **Financial instruments**

#### Recognition

Regular way purchases and sales of financial assets are recognized at their trade date. The Fund's investment assets and liabilities are measured at fair value through profit or loss (FVTPL), including certain investments in debt securities which have been designated at FVTPL. The Fund's non-derivative investments are designated at FVTPL upon initial recognition and all derivatives are classified in this category as held for trading. The Fund's obligation for net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units is classified as a financial liability and is measured at amortized cost which corresponds to the redemption amount. The redemption amount is determined as the net difference between total assets and all other liabilities for which accounting policies are described herein. All other financial assets and financial liabilities are classified as loans and receivables and other financial liabilities respectively and are measured at amortized cost. Under this method, financial assets and financial liabilities reflect the amount required to be received or paid, discounted, when appropriate, at the contract's effective interest rate. The Fund's accounting policies for measuring the fair value of its investments and derivatives are identical to those used in measuring its net asset value (NAV) for transactions with unitholders.

#### Income recognition

The interest income for distribution purposes shown on the statements of comprehensive income (loss) represents the contractual interest accounted for on an accrual basis. The Fund does not amortize premiums paid or discounts received on the purchase of fixed income securities except for zero coupon bonds and loans which would be amortized on a straight-line basis. Dividend income is recorded on the ex-dividend date.

Realized gain (loss) on sale of investments and unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of investments are determined on an average cost basis. Average cost does not include amortization of premiums or discounts on fixed income securities with the exception of zero coupon bonds.

#### Fair value measurement

Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. The fair value of financial assets and financial liabilities traded in active markets (such as publicly traded derivatives and marketable securities) are based on quoted market prices at the close of trading on the reporting date. The Fund uses the last traded market price for both financial assets and financial liabilities where the last traded price falls within that day's bid-ask spread. In circumstances where the last traded price is not within the bid-ask spread, the Manager determines the point within the bid-ask spread that is most representative of fair value based on the specific facts and circumstances.

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The fair value of financial assets and financial liabilities that are not traded in an active market, including overthe-counter derivatives, is determined using valuation techniques. The Fund uses a variety of methods and makes assumptions that are based on market conditions existing at each reporting date. Valuation techniques include the use of comparable recent arm's length transactions, reference to other instruments that are substantially the same, discounted cash flow analysis, option pricing models and others commonly used by market participants and which make the maximum use of observable inputs.

#### Classification of redeemable units

The Fund's outstanding redeemable units are in different series which do not have identical features. Consequently, the Fund's outstanding redeemable units are classified as financial liabilities and recorded as net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units, in accordance with the requirements of International Accounting Standard (IAS) 32, Financial Instruments: Presentation.

#### Foreign currency translation

The Fund's subscriptions and redemptions are denominated in Canadian dollars, which is also its functional and presentation currency. Foreign currency transactions are translated into the functional currency using the exchange rates prevailing at the dates that transactions occur. Foreign currency assets and liabilities denominated in a foreign currency are translated into the functional currency using the exchange rate prevailing at the measurement date. Foreign exchange gains and losses relating to cash and to other financial assets and financial liabilities are presented as "Net realized gain on sale of investments" and "Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of investments" in the statements of comprehensive income (loss).

#### Offsetting financial assets and financial liabilities

Financial assets and financial liabilities are offset in the Fund's statements of financial position when and only when there is a legally enforceable right to offset the recognized amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis, or to realize the asset and settle the liability simultaneously. The Fund has a legally enforceable right to offset a financial asset and financial liability when such right is enforceable in the normal course of business and in the event of default, insolvency or bankruptcy.

Over-the-counter derivatives, securities lending, repurchase agreements and receivable for investments sold and payable for investments purchased are subject to master netting or similar agreements that do not meet the criteria for offsetting in the statements of financial position as they give a right to set-off that is enforceable only in the event of default, insolvency or bankruptcy.

#### Cash

Cash comprises deposits with financial institutions and bank overdraft.

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#### Increase (decrease) in net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units per unit per series

The increase (decrease) in net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units per unit of each series is calculated by dividing the increase (decrease) in net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units of each series by the weighted average number of units outstanding during the period.

#### **Taxation**

The Fund qualifies as a mutual fund trust under the Income Tax Act (Canada). All of the Fund's net income for tax purposes and sufficient net capital gains realized in any period are required to be distributed to unitholders such that no income tax is payable by the Fund. As a result, the Fund does not record income taxes. Since the Fund does not record income taxes, the tax benefit of capital and non-capital losses has not been reflected in the statements of financial position as a deferred income tax asset.

The Fund currently incurs withholding taxes imposed by certain countries on investment income and capital gains. Such income and gains are recorded on a gross basis and the related withholding taxes are shown as a separate expense in the statements of comprehensive income (loss).

#### Accounting standards issued but not yet adopted relevant to the Fund

IFRS 9 - Financial Instruments

In July 2014, the IASB issued the complete and final version of IFRS 9, which will replace IAS 39, Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurement. IFRS 9 includes, among others, the requirements for the classification and measurement of financial assets and financial liabilities.

IFRS 9 sets out a new classification and measurement model for financial assets to determine whether a financial asset should be classified at amortized cost, at FVTPL or at fair value through other comprehensive income. This model is based on the contractual cash flow characteristics of the financial asset and the business model under which the financial asset is held. The valuation basis of financial assets, namely amortized cost or fair value, may need to be changed, as well as the recognition of unrealized gains and losses arising from changes in fair value. For the classification and measurement of financial liabilities, the new standard essentially carries forward the current requirements under IAS 39.

The Fund will have to adopt IFRS 9 retrospectively for annual periods beginning on or after January 1, 2018. However, the restatement of comparative periods is not mandatory, as an exemption from applying the standard allows comparative periods to be presented in accordance with the previous GAAP under certain conditions. The Manager continues to assess the impact of adopting IFRS 9.

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### 4 Critical accounting estimates and judgments

The preparation of financial statements requires management to use judgment in applying its accounting policies and to make estimates and assumptions about the future. The following discusses the most significant accounting judgments and estimates that the Manager has made in preparing the financial statements:

a) Fair value measurement of derivatives and securities not quoted in an active market

The Fund may hold financial instruments that are not quoted in active markets, including derivatives. Fair values of such instruments are determined using valuation techniques and may be determined using reputable pricing sources or indicative prices from market makers. Broker quotes as obtained from the pricing sources may be indicative and not executable or binding. Where no market data is available, the Manager may value positions using its own models, which are usually based on valuation methods and techniques generally recognized as standard within the industry. The models used to determine fair values are validated and periodically reviewed by experienced personnel of the Manager. The models used for private equity securities are based mainly on earnings multiples adjusted for a lack of marketability as appropriate.

Models use observable data, to the extent practicable. However, areas such as credit risk (both own and counterparty), volatilities and correlations require the Manager to make estimates. Changes in assumptions about these factors could affect the reported fair values of financial instruments. The Manager considers observable data to be market data that is readily available, regularly distributed and updated, reliable and verifiable, not proprietary, and provided by independent sources that are actively involved in the relevant market.

b) Classification and measurement of investment and application of the fair value option

In classifying and measuring financial instruments held by the Fund, the Manager is required to make significant judgments about whether or not the business of the Fund is to invest on a total return basis for the purpose of applying the fair value option for financial assets under IAS 39. The most significant judgments made include the determination that the fair value option can be applied to all investments as the Fund is managed on a fair value basis.

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### 5 Risks associated with financial instruments

#### Risk factors

The Fund's activities expose it to a variety of risks associated with financial instruments, as follows: credit risk, liquidity risk, market risk (including currency risk, interest rate risk and price risk) and concentration risk. The Fund's overall risk management program seeks to maximize the returns derived for the level of risk to which the Fund is exposed and seeks to minimize potential adverse effects on the Fund's financial performance. All investments result in a risk of loss of capital. These risks are moderated through careful selection of securities and other financial instruments within the Fund's investment guidelines. The risks are measured using a method that reflects the expected impact on the results and net assets attributable to unitholders of the Fund from reasonably possible changes in the relevant risk variables.

#### Credit risk

The Fund is exposed to credit risk, which is the risk that one party to a financial instrument will cause a financial loss for the other party by failing to discharge an obligation. The majority of the credit risk to which the Fund is exposed arises from its investments in debt securities. In selecting fixed income securities for the Fund, the Manager considers factors such as the debt security's yield, risk of interest rate fluctuation, credit risk, the issuer's capital structure, credit spread and duration. The analysis below summarizes the credit quality of the Fund's debt portfolio as at June 30, 2017 and December 31, 2016.

	June 30, 2017	December 31, 2016
Credit rating	Total fixed income %	Total fixed income %
BB - B - Non-rated	8.9 - 91.1	26.9 9.8 63.3
	100.0	100.0

Source: Standard & Poor's

All portfolio transactions in securities are settled or paid for upon delivery using approved brokers. The risk of default is considered minimal as delivery of securities sold is only made once the broker has received payment. Payment is made on a purchase once the securities are received by the broker. The trade will not settle if either party fails to meet its obligation. In addition, the Fund lodges its cash with quality institutions which have credit ratings of A- or above. Credit risk with respect to accrued income receivable is limited as the receivables are derived from a portfolio of diversified investments.

The Fund's maximum exposure to credit risk is equal to the carrying value of the assets presented on the statements of financial position. The Fund does not anticipate any significant losses from the non-performance of counterparties.

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#### Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Fund will encounter difficulty in meeting obligations associated with financial liabilities. The Fund is exposed to daily cash redemptions. Financial liabilities that potentially subject the Fund to liquidity risk consist of payable for investments purchased, redemptions payable, distributions payable, accrued liabilities and management and performance fees payable. The Fund's investment approach focuses on investing in highly liquid securities and moderately liquid securities, which are therefore readily saleable to meet liquidity needs.

The Fund may invest in debt securities and unlisted equity investments that are not traded in an active market. As a result, the Fund may not be able to quickly liquidate its investments in these instruments at amounts which approximate their fair values, or be able to respond to specific events such as deterioration in the creditworthiness of any particular issuer. In accordance with the Fund's policy, the Manager monitors the Fund's liquidity position on a daily basis. The tables below analyze the Fund's financial liabilities into relevant maturity groupings based on the remaining period to the contractual maturity date. The amounts in the tables are the contractual undiscounted cash flows.

			June 30, 2017
Financial liabilities	On demand \$	< 3 months \$	Total \$
Payable for investments purchased Redemption payable Distributions payable Accrued liabilities Performance fees payable Redeemable units	- - - - 26,139,446	252,000 13,893 74,481 21,810 23,041	252,000 13,893 74,481 21,810 23,041 26,139,446
		December 31, 2016	
Financial liabilities	On demand \$	< 3 months \$	Total \$

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Redemptions payable	-	7,375	7,375
Distributions payable	-	71,264	71,264
Accrued liabilities	-	21,330	21,330
Management fees payable	-	850	850
Performance fees payable	-	70	70
Redeemable units	24,355,203	-	24,355,203

Redeemable units are redeemable on demand at the holder's option. However, the Manager does not expect that the contractual maturity disclosed above will be representative of the actual cash outflows, as holders of these instruments typically retain them for a longer period.

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#### Market risk

The Fund's investments are subject to market risk which is the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market prices. To monitor the risk, the Fund's Manager uses stress testing to examine the impact that abnormally large swings in market factors and periods of prolonged inactivity might have on trading portfolios. The stress testing is designed to identify key risks and ensure that the losses from abnormal events are not above the Fund's risk tolerance.

The following include sensitivity analyses that show how the net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units would have been affected by a reasonably possible change in the relevant risk variable at each reporting date. In practice, the actual results may differ and the difference could be material.

#### a) Currency risk

The Fund invests in monetary assets denominated in currencies other than Canadian dollar. These investments result in currency risk, which is the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in foreign exchange rates.

The table below indicates the foreign currencies to which the Fund had significant exposure as at June 30, 2017 and December 31, 2016, in Canadian dollars. The table also illustrates the potential impact on the net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units if the Canadian dollar had strengthened or weakened by 5% in relation to each of the other currencies, with all other variables held constant. The monetary exposure presents the impact on cash and the non-monetary exposure presents the impact on investments. Non-monetary items are investments in equity securities and are classified based on the currency in which they were purchased.

					Jur	ne 30, 2017
			Exposure	Impact on net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units and the increase (decrease) thereo		
Currency	Monetary \$	Non- monetary \$	Total \$	Monetary \$	Non- monetary \$	Total \$
United States dollar	51,854	-	51,854	2,593	-	2,593
% of net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units	0.2%	-	0.2%	0.01%	-	0.01%

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					Decemb	er 31, 2016
			Exposure	Impact on net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units and the increase (decrease) thereof		
Currency	Monetary \$	Non- monetary \$	Total \$	Monetary \$	Non- monetary \$	Total \$
United States dollar	593,966	450,113	1,044,079	29,698	22,506	52,204
% of net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units	2.4%	1.8%	4.2%	0.1%	0.1%	0.2%

#### b) Interest rate risk

Interest rate risk is the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market interest rates. The Fund holds securities with fixed interest rates that expose the Fund to fair value interest rate risk. The Fund also holds a limited amount of cash subject to variable interest rates which exposes the Fund to cash flow interest rate risk.

The Fund mitigates interest rate risk by monitoring interest rates and the maturities of its portfolio of interest-bearing financial instruments. The following table summarizes the Fund's exposure to interest rate risk. It includes the Fund's interest-bearing financial assets at fair value, categorized by the earlier of contractual interest rate reset dates or maturity dates. The table also illustrates the potential impact on the net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units if the prevailing levels of market interest rates changed by 1%, assuming a parallel shift in the yield curve with all other variable held constant.

		Total exposure	
Terms to maturity	June 30, 2017 \$	December 31, 2016 \$	
1-5 years 5-10 years	2,316,636	2,641,082	
Total	2,316,636	2,641,082	
Impact on net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units	30,255	67,109	
Impact on net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units %	0.1%	0.3%	

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#### c) Price risk

Price risk is the risk that the value of an investment will fluctuate as a result of changes in market prices, whether those changes are caused by factors specific to the individual investment or its issuer, or by factors affecting all securities traded in the market. The Fund is exposed to price risk through its equity investment portfolio, which includes a variety of common shares in a wide range of industries. Other assets and liabilities are monetary items that are short term in nature, and as such are not subject to price risk.

As at June 30, 2017, the expected increase or decrease in net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units of the Fund if the S&P/TSX composite index had increased or decreased by 5%, with all other variables held constant would amount to \$1,123,996 and would represent 4.3% of the net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units of the Fund (December 31, 2016 - \$1,193,405 representing 4.9% of the net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units of the Fund).

#### **Concentration risk**

Concentration risk arises as a result of the concentration of exposure within the same category, whether it is geographical location, product type, industry sector or counterparty type. The following is a summary of the Fund's concentration risk by market segment over the total investments market value:

Market segment	June 30, 2017 %	Dec. 31, 2016 %
Consumer discretionary Consumer staples Energy Financials Heath care Industrials Information technology Materials Real estate Utilities	10.5 3.4 21.8 18.6 0.7 14.0 5.9 12.9 3.5 8.7	15.3 2.4 23.3 23.0 2.2 8.1 5.1 11.8 2.0 6.8
Asset class weighting	June 30, 2017 %	Dec. 31, 2016 %
Convertible bonds Corporate bonds Common stock Other net assets	5.0 3.8 88.4 2.8	6.9 4.0 83.6 5.5

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#### Fair value measurement

The carrying amounts of subscriptions receivable, receivable from investments sold, accrued income receivable, payable for investments purchased, redemptions payable, distributions payable, accrued liabilities and management and performance fees payable approximate their fair values due to the short-term nature of these financial instruments.

The following table provides an analysis of financial instruments that are measured subsequent to initial recognition at fair value, grouped into levels 1 to 3 based on the degree to which the fair value is observable:

- Level 1: Unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities that the entity can access at the measurement date;
- Level 2: Inputs other than quoted prices included within Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly (i.e. as prices) or indirectly (i.e. derived from prices); and
- Level 3: Valuation techniques that include inputs for the asset or liability that are not based on observable market data (unobservable inputs).

			As at	June 30, 2017
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Equities, long Fixed income, long	23,116,621 1,318,132	998,504	-	23,116,621 2,316,636
			As at December 31, 2016	
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Equities, long	20,361,483	-	-	20,361,483
Fixed income, long	1,672,704	968,378	-	2,641,082

All fair value measurements above are recurring. Fair values are classified as Level 1 when the related security or derivative is actively traded and a quoted price is available. If an instrument classified as Level 1 subsequently ceases to be actively traded, it is transferred out of Level 1. In such cases, the instruments are reclassified into Level 2, unless the measurement of its fair value requires the use of significant unobservable inputs, in which case it is classified as Level 3.

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#### a) Equities and convertible bonds

The Fund's equity and convertible bond positions are classified as Level 1 when the security is actively traded and a reliable price is observable. All equities and convertible bonds are classified as Level 1 investments.

#### b) Bonds and short-term investments

Corporate bonds are valued using models with inputs including interest rate curves, credit spreads and volatilities. The inputs that are significant to valuation are generally observable and therefore the Fund's bonds and short-term investments have been classified as Level 2.

There was no transfer between levels during the periods.

#### 6 Gains and losses on financial instruments by category

All of the Fund's non-derivative financial assets were designated, at inception, financial assets at FVTPL. As at June 30, 2017, the total value of the non-derivative assets and liabilities was \$25,433,257 (December 31, 2016 – \$23,002,565). All of the Fund's derivative liabilities are classified as held for trading (HFT). As at June 30, 2017, the total value of the derivative liabilities was nil (December 31, 2016 – nil). Furthermore, all of the Fund's financial assets and financial liabilities other than its non-derivative financial assets and financial liabilities and its derivative liabilities were carried at amortized cost.

The following table presents the net gains (losses) on financial instruments at FVTPL by category for the periods ended June 30, 2017 and 2016:

		Net gain (loss)
Category	2017 \$	2016 \$
Financial assets at FVTPL designated at inception Unrealized gain (loss) Realized gain	(41,635) 383,064	467,802 665,343
Total gain in financial assets at FVTPL designated at inception	341,429	1,133,145
Financial liabilities at FVTPL held for trading Unrealized gain Realized gain	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Total gain in financial liabilities at FVTPL held for trading		
Total	341,429	1,133,145

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#### 7 Redeemable units

During the periods ended June 30, 2017 and 2016 the number of units issued, redeemed and outstanding were as follows:

	2017		2016	
	Series A	Series F	Series A	Series F
Units outstanding - Beginning of period	2,924,098	855,223	2,941,137	430,256
Redeemable units issued Redeemable units issued on reinvestments Redeemable units redeemed	112,352 67,516 (340,639)	518,308 31,229 (70,496)	108,309 114,416 (160,527)	299,398 29,536 (10,784)
Units outstanding – End of period	2,763,327	1,334,264	3,003,335	748,406

#### **Capital structure**

Units issued and outstanding are considered to be the capital of the Fund. The Fund does not have any specific capital requirements.

The Fund is authorized to issue an unlimited number of redeemable unit series, as well as an unlimited number of redeemable units within each series. Each series unit enables its bearer to participate equally in the allocations the Fund completes for the given series. Unit fractions may also be issued.

The Fund is composed of more than one redeemable unit series; each redeemable unit series may feature different structures regarding management fees, performance fees and brokerage. As a result, each redeemable unit entitles its holder to one vote and to participate equally in the allocations the Fund completes and, in the case of Fund liquidation, in the allocation of the redeemable unit series' net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units after all current liabilities have been paid.

#### 8 Related party transactions

#### a) Management fees and performance fees

The Manager provides management and advisory services to the Fund in accordance with the agreement. In return for these services, the Manager is paid a management fee and a performance fee. The Series A units of the Fund are subject to a monthly management fee equal to 1/12 of 1.5% of the net asset value of the Series A units. The Manager will pay a trailer fee of 0.75% out of the management fees collected from the Fund with respect to Series A units.

Series F is similar to Series A, but no trailer fee is included in the management fee. Series F charges a monthly management fee of 1/12 of 0.75% of the NAV of Series F.

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Based on the agreement amended and restated on August 26, 2013, the performance fee is 20% of the amount by which the Fund outperforms its benchmark, the S&P/TSX Composite Index. Performance fees are calculated and accrued daily, and paid annually.

The total management fees and performance fees for the period ended June 30, 2017 amounted to \$185,015 and \$23,042 respectively (June 30, 2016 – \$163,852 and nil respectively), with \$23,041 in outstanding fees due to the Manager as at June 30, 2017 (December 31, 2016 – \$920).

The Manager may waive or absorb the operation of management fees of the Fund. The decision to do so is reviewed regularly and is determined at the sole discretion of the Manager. During the period, the Manager did not waive any fees (2016 – did not waive any fees).

During the period, the Manager sold all 30,654 of its units in the Fund (December 31, 2016 – the Manager held 30,654 units). As a result, as of June 30, 2017, the Manager no longer hold units of the Fund.

#### b) Independent Review Committee fees

The total remuneration paid to members of the Independent Review Committee during the period ended June 30, 2017 amounted to \$5,951 (June 30, 2016 – \$5,951) and consisted only of fixed fees.

#### 9 Brokerage commissions and soft dollars

The total commissions paid by the Fund to brokers in connection with portfolio transactions for the periods ended June 30, 2017 and 2016, together with other transaction charges, are disclosed in the statements of comprehensive income (loss) of the Fund. Brokerage business is allocated to brokers based on the best net result for the Fund. Subject to this criteria, preference may be given to brokerage firms which provide (or pay for) certain services (arrangements referred to as soft dollar), which may include investment research, analysis and reports, and databases or software in support of these services. The ascertainable soft dollar value received as a percentage of total brokerage commissions paid during the periods ended June 30, 2017 and 2016 is disclosed below.

	2017	2016
Soft dollars	\$3,643	\$3,373
Percentage of total transaction costs (%)	14%	8%

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### 10 Increase in net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units per series per unit

The increase in net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units per series per unit for the periods ended June 30, 2017 and 2016 is calculated as follows:

	2017			2016
	Series A \$	Series F \$	Series A \$	Series F \$
Increase in net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units per series Weighted average units outstanding during	285,053	82,995	921,082	229,760
the period	2,847,314	1,104,346	2,970,204	560,419
Increase in net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units per series per unit	0.10	0.08	0.31	0.41

#### 11 Taxes

The Fund qualifies as a mutual fund trust under the Income Tax Act (Canada).

All or substantially all of the net income for tax purposes and net taxable capital gains realized in any period, after use of loss carryforwards, are distributed to unitholders such that no income taxes are payable by the Fund.

Capital and non-capital losses determined for tax purposes as at December 31, 2016 are as 0.