

# RP FIXED INCOME PLUS

CURRENT POSITIONING	FIP	INDEX
Yield to Maturity	2.70%	1.96%
Modified Duration	1.7	2.7
Average Term	2.6	2.8
Average Quality	Α	AA
Sharpe Ratio	1.7	1.1

#### **INVESTMENT TERMS**

Minimum Investment	A:	\$250,000
	F:	\$25,000
Fees	A:	0.60%
	F:	0.60%

# SERVICE PROVIDERS

Administrator	Apex Fund Services
Auditor	Deloitte LLP

## RISK RATING

Low		High

## PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT



MICHAEL QUINN Chief Investment Officer 24 Years Experience



DAVID MATHESON, CFA Portfolio Manager & Principal 17 Years Experience



ILIAS LAGOPOULOS, CFA Portfolio Manager 9 Years Experience

## **RPIA**

RPIA is a global fixed income asset management firm specializing in corporate bonds and active interest rate management. Founded in 2009 by a group of senior executives from RBC, the firm has grown to \$5.0 billion in assets under management and 55 employees. The cornerstone of RPIA's investment philosophy is the view that credit is an inefficient asset class and we seek to add value through credit research, active trading and interest rate management. Our investment process is designed to generate best in class risk-adjusted returns regardless of overall market direction. RPIA partners and employees are significant investors in our funds to ensure alignment with our clients.

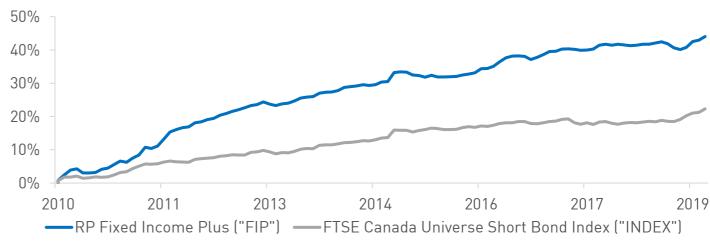
#### STRATEGY OVERVIEW

RP Fixed Income Plus ("FIP") is a daily liquidity product that aims to provide investors with a low risk "cash plus" return stream. The strategy seeks to achieve these objectives by providing:

- Low sensitivity to interest rates by investing in short term and floating rate bonds.
- A high quality portfolio of investment grade corporate and government bonds.
- Risk management via active positioning of the portfolio and global diversification with a focus on capital preservation.

The strategy is an alternative to cash proxy or short-term fixed income instruments. It can be used as a ballast with longer-term investment instruments providing investors with incremental returns over cash and access to capital on a daily basis.

# PERFORMANCE (Net of Fees) \*



	1 Month	3 Months	6 Months	YTD	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	Since Inception
FIP	0.77%	2.33%	1.54%	2.33%	1.94%	2.34%	2.49%	4.28%
INDEX	0.85%	1.74%	3.13%	1.74%	3.46%	1.44%	1.87%	2.34%

# PORTFOLIO BREAKDOWN

# **CREDIT SECTOR BREAKDOWN**



- Corporate Bonds: 64%
- Cash & Cash Equivalents: 16%
- Government Bonds: 20%

# **GEOGRAPHIC ALLOCATION**



- Canada: 26% USA: 43%
- Europe : 31% ■ Asia : 0%
- High (AAA,AA-): 34% Med (A+, BBB-) : 66%

**RATING ALLOCATION** 

- Low (BB+ and under) : 0%
- NR (Non-rated) : 0%



#### MONTHLY RETURNS (Net of Fees)

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
2019	1.23	0.32	0.77										2.33%
2018	0.19	-0.14	-0.17	0.09	0.20	0.00	0.26	0.26	-0.42	-0.87	-0.36	0.46	-0.49%
2017	0.57	0.70	0.04	0.46	0.08	-0.10	-0.20	0.06	0.18	0.85	0.22	-0.21	2.66%
2016	0.26	0.23	0.96	0.02	0.53	1.03	0.84	0.38	0.05	-0.11	-0.68	0.46	4.04%
2015	2.03	0.19	-0.08	-0.61	-0.13	-0.37	0.41	-0.36	-0.02	0.07	0.03	0.32	1.48%
2014	0.80	0.25	0.07	0.30	0.78	0.17	0.17	0.25	-0.18	0.21	0.62	0.10	3.6%
2013	0.50	0.53	0.24	0.65	-0.53	-0.31	0.42	0.14	0.57	0.70	0.18	0.13	3.24%
2012	1.85	0.64	0.51	0.19	1.04	0.23	0.57	0.28	0.82	0.42	0.56	0.38	7.75%
2011	0.08	0.94	0.34	1.06	0.94	-0.35	1.21	0.85	2.17	-0.31	0.67	1.88	9.88%
2010							0.78	1.63	1.44	0.33	-1.13	0.00	3.07%

#### **COMMENTARY - MARCH 2019**

- •FIP posted strong performance based on security selection while our low-duration positioning detracted from returns relative to the index.
- •Our exposure to non-Canadian bonds was a positive as global credit markets rallied while Canadian corporate bonds lagged.
- •Yields on the strategy fell as we rotated from longer-dated securities into the 2 to 3-year section of the curve.
- •The strategy increased exposure to floating rate notes, which are trading at levels similar to much longer-dated securities a relative value opportunity we are happy to exploit.
- •Interest rate positioning remains below 2-years in-line with the strategy's objectives.

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION

\*The performance comparisons presented are intended to illustrate the historical performance of the strategy compared a specified market index since strategy inception. The comparison is for illustrative purposes only and does not imply future performance. There are various differences between an index and the investment strategy that could affect the performance and risk characteristics of each. Market indices are not directly investable and index performance does not account for fees, expense and taxes that might be applicable to an investment strategy.

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Portfolio characteristics are presented in CAD market value as a percentage of NAV. "Yield to Maturity" denotes Yield-to-Worst. "Modified Duration" measures the approximate percentage change in value in response to a 1% change in interest rates. "Sharpe Ratio" is calculated using the CAD risk free rate represented by SCM CDN Money Market Indices 91-day T-Bill (source: PC-Bond). "Geographic Allocation" and "Rating Allocation" excludes Cash, Cash Equivalents and Government Bonds. Cash Equivalents include BAs and Government Bonds with maturity of less than one year. "Geographic Allocation" is calculated using "Country of Risk" as defined by Bloomberg LP.