

# Global Conservative ETF Strategy

## Portfolio Highlights

### Objective:

Seeks risk-adjusted long-term growth for a conservative risk tolerance by employing a top-down style to construct a global tactical asset allocation portfolio

### Strategy Inception:

June 30, 2016

### Benchmark:

20% MSCI ACWI Index, 75% Bloomberg US Aggregate Bond Index and 5% Bloomberg 1-3 month T-Bill Index.

### Number of Holdings:

5 – 30 US Listed ETFs

### Allocation Guidelines:

The strategy's allocation is based on a long-term neutral policy of 20% equity, 75% fixed-income and 5% cash. But it has the flexibility to go +/- 10%:

**Equity:** 10% to 30%

**Fixed Income:** 65% to 85%

**Cash:** 0% to 15%

## Top 10 Holdings<sup>1</sup> (%)

|  |      |
|--|------|
| iShares 10-20 Year Treasury Bond ETF                       | 21.9 |
| Janus Henderson Mortgage-Backed Securities ETF             | 19.2 |
| SPDR Portfolio Short Term Treasury ETF                     | 10.9 |
| Janus Henderson AAA CLO ETF                                | 9.6  |
| WisdomTree Floating Rate Treasury Fund                     | 6.9  |
| SPDR S&P Dividend ETF                                      | 4.8  |
| Quadratic Interest Rate Volatility and Inflation Hedge ETF | 3.8  |
| Invesco S&P 500 Equal Weight Technology ETF                | 3.3  |
| Vanguard Value ETF   | 2.6  |
| iShares MSCI Eurozone ETF                                  | 2.1  |

## Top-Down Macro

"Top-down" research, time-tested over 30 years, conducted utilizing an extensive array of macro indicators to assess corporate profits, liquidity, and investor sentiment.

## Pactive<sup>®</sup> Investing

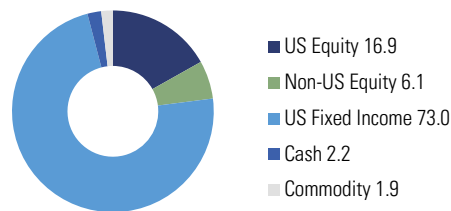
Active management of passive investments. RBA "X-rays" ETFs by analyzing the underlying holdings of each ETF, as though the portfolio holds thousands of individual securities.

## Risk Mitigation

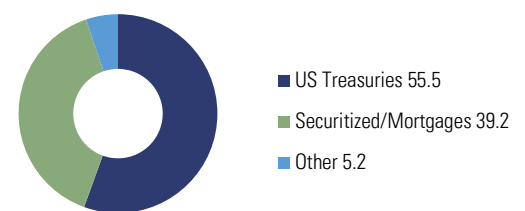
Aims to maximize risk-adjusted returns through all market conditions. Managing within risk parameters is a focus of the approach.

## Portfolio Allocations and Positioning

### Asset Allocation (%)



### Fixed Income Allocation (%)



### Equity Positioning

Overweight

Energy, Utilities, Materials, US, Europe ex UK, Japan, Canada

Underweight

Information Technology, Communication Services, Asia ex-Japan, UK, Emerging Markets

### Fixed Income Positioning

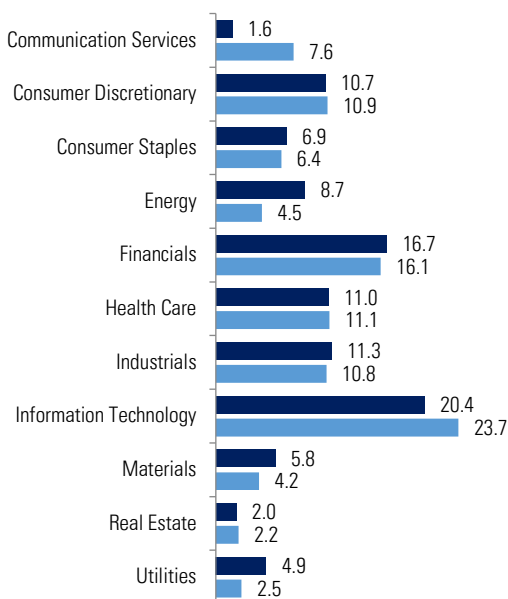
Overweight

Long & Short-Term Nominal Treasuries, Securitized/Mortgages

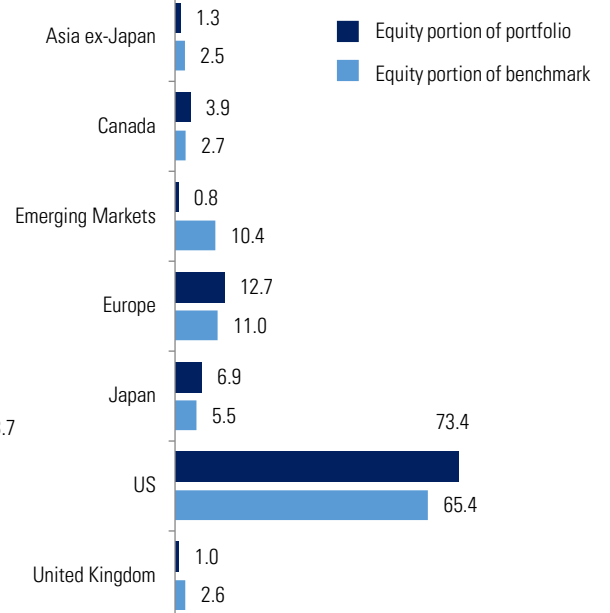
Underweight

Medium-Term Nominal Treasuries, Investment Grade Corporates, Non-US Sovereign Debt

### Equity Sector (%)



### Equity Region (%)



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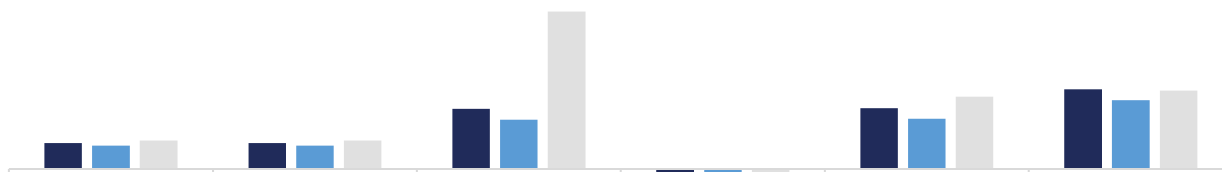
<sup>1</sup> While the material reflects the recommended securities in the Strategy as of the dates indicated, the specific securities purchased, sold or selected for a particular client's account may differ from those identified and described above, including in light of such client's individual circumstances. The reader should not assume that an investment in the securities identified was or will be profitable.

Source: Richard Bernstein Advisors LLC, Bloomberg. Weightings are calculated on an equity-only basis. Allocations are subject to change due to active management. Percentages may not total 100% due to rounding.

Sector references are in accordance with the Global Industry Classification Standard (GICS<sup>®</sup>) [www.msci.com/gics](http://www.msci.com/gics)

Portfolio Performance and Risk Statistics

Annualized Performance<sup>1</sup> (%)



|             | 3 Months | YTD  | 1 Yr | 3 Yrs | 5 Yrs | Since Inception |
|-------------|----------|------|------|-------|-------|-----------------|
| RBA (Gross) | 0.99     | 0.99 | 2.28 | -0.27 | 2.31  | 3.02            |
| RBA (Net)   | 0.89     | 0.89 | 1.87 | -0.66 | 1.90  | 2.61            |
| Benchmark*  | 1.08     | 1.08 | 5.97 | -0.22 | 2.74  | 2.97            |

Historical Returns (%)

|             | 2023 | 2022   | 2021 | 2020 | 2019  | 2018  | 2017 |
|-------------|------|--------|------|------|-------|-------|------|
| RBA (Gross) | 4.42 | -9.09  | 3.46 | 7.29 | 9.43  | -1.14 | 7.44 |
| RBA (Net)   | 4.00 | -9.45  | 3.05 | 6.86 | 9.00  | -1.53 | 7.01 |
| Benchmark*  | 8.78 | -13.18 | 2.38 | 9.56 | 11.86 | -1.72 | 7.24 |

5 Year Risk Measures (%)

|                  | Standard Deviation | Tracking Error | Alpha | Beta | R2    | Information Ratio | Sharpe Ratio | Sortino Ratio |
|------------------|--------------------|----------------|-------|------|-------|-------------------|--------------|---------------|
| Strategy (Gross) | 6.86               | 1.74           | -0.39 | 0.95 | 93.91 | -0.25             | 0.05         | 0.08          |
| Benchmark*       | 7.08               |                |       |      |       |                   | 0.12         | 0.16          |

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\*Benchmark: 20% MSCI ACWI Index, 75% Bloomberg US Aggregate Bond Index and 5% Bloomberg 1-3 month T-Bill Index. Based on monthly data. Source: Richard Bernstein Advisors LLC, Morningstar. Inception June 30, 2016. For investment minimums, please contact your financial advisor.

<sup>1</sup>Returns greater than 1 year are annualized.

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The Strategy has an inception date of June 30, 2016. The Strategy seeks capital preservation with some moderate appreciation potential over a medium to long-term investment horizon by employing a top-down style to construct a global tactical asset portfolio. Accounts in this Strategy obtain desired exposure via ETF vehicles.

The Strategy benchmark is composed as follows: 20% MSCI ACWI USD Net, 75% Bloomberg US Aggregate Index Unhedged USD, and 5% Bloomberg US Treasury Bills: 1-3 Months Index Unhedged. The benchmark is rebalanced daily.

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