# Lysander-Canso Credit Opportunities Fund – Series A

## Fund Code: LYZ494A Portfolio Manager: Canso Investment Counsel Ltd. As of: December 31, 2023 Asset Class: Fixed Income CIFSC Category: Alternative Credit Focused Benchmark: FTSE Canada All Corporate Bond Index<sup>1</sup>

### **Investment Focus**

The Fund is an alternative mutual fund that primarily invests in a diversified portfolio of corporate debt. The Fund may also sell securities short and deploy leverage to achieve its investment objectives. There are no limits on the percentage of the Fund that can be invested in securities rated below BBB. From time to time the Fund may also invest up to 20% in other securities such as convertible bonds, equities, or income trusts.

#### Why Invest in this Fund?

Established in 1997, Canso is an independent firm focused on bottom up security selection. Proprietary research developed over multiple market cycles guides the investment of over \$36 billion in AUM.

Each security is assessed on its own merits using bottom-up, fundamental research. Canso uses its proprietary Maximum Loss grade, where the max loss quantifies recovery value in the event of a default. The greater the potential downside, the lower the portfolio weight. Canso believes in concentrating their best ideas and having high conviction portfolios with limited holdings.

This independent credit expertise and successful investment management experience enables Canso to buy securities when they are out of favour and priced at a discount to their intrinsic value.

- Alternative Fixed Income Solution Corporate bond portfolio that seeks to enhance yield and mitigate interest rate risk through informed security selection and the shorting of government securities.
- Adaptable to Market Conditions Portfolio has the flexibility to shorten duration and diversify across all geographies while maintaining primarily CAD currency exposure.
- **Proven Management Expertise** Large and experienced team of credit specialists with expertise in determining default risks and recovery values of issuers to identify corporate bond opportunities. The continuity of the team has contributed to the successful management of investor portfolios over different market cycles.

## **COMPOUND RETURNS - SERIES A**

1 Month	3 Months	YTD	1 Year	3 Year (Annualized)	Since Inception (Annualized)
1.4%	2.4%	3.8%	3.8%	4.6%	10.5%





#### **FUNDGRADE A+**<sup>®</sup> ACHIEVED FOR THE YEAR 2023

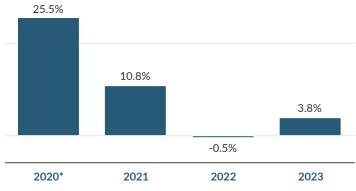
## **Risk Tolerance**



#### **FUND FACTS**

Inception Date	May 11, 2020
Currency	CAD
Fund Net AUM	\$44.2 Million
Total Long AUM	\$57.0 Million
Total Short AUM	-\$12.8 Million
NAVPU	\$11.44
Management Fee	1.25%
Performance Fee	20.00%
MER as of June 30, 2023 (unaudited)	1.67%
Minimum Initial Investment	\$500
Minimum Subsequent Investment	\$100
Liquidity	Monthly
Next Subscription Deadline <sup>4</sup>	January 31, 2024
Next Redemption Deadline <sup>5</sup>	January 15, 2024
Subsequent Redemption Deadline <sup>5</sup>	February 15, 2024
RSP Eligible	Yes

## CALENDAR YEAR RETURNS - SERIES A



\*For the period of May 11th to Dec 31st 2020

### PORTFOLIO CHARACTERISTICS

Number of Securities (Long)	110
Number of Securities (Short)	9
Number of Issuers	69
Average Term to Maturity (Years)	3.6
Average Duration (Years)	2.0
Average Coupon (%)	5.1%
Yield to Maturity (%)	6.5%
Current Yield (%)	5.5%
Average Credit Quality (long only) <sup>2</sup>	А
Cash Weighting	0.7%

#### CREDIT QUALITY BREAKDOWN (LONG ONLY)

AAA	34.8%
AA	6.0%
A	19.8%
BBB	16.7%
BB	7.7%
B & Lower	13.2%
Not Rated	1.8%

## DISTRIBUTIONS

Distribution Frequency: Quarterly Most Recent Distribution per Unit: \$0.1576 12-Month Trailing Distribution Yield: 4.3% Next Record Date: March 21, 2024 Next Distribution Date: March 22, 2024

## **TOP 10 HOLDINGS**

Security	% of Fund	Rating
Canada RRB 0.5% Dec 1, 2050	13.4%	AAA
Canada RRB 4.25% Dec 1, 2026	9.7%	AAA
Air Canada 4.625% Aug 15, 2029	5.4%	BB+
BNS FRN Aug 4, 2026 (CORRA+54)	4.1%	А
Pacific Life Global Funding II FRN Feb 1, 2027 (Q CDOR+38)	4.0%	AA-
Manulife Financial Corp (AT1) 4.1% Mar 19, 2027/2082	3.8%	BBB+
TD Bank 4.477% Jan 18, 2028	3.7%	A+
Home Trust NHA MBS FRN (98004844) Nov 1, 2026 (M CDOR -10)	3.4%	AAA
Canada 0.5% Dec 01, 2030	3.2%	AAA
CIBC FRN Jul 15, 2026 (CORRA+58)	3.2%	А
Total	53.9%	

## **GEOGRAPHIC BREAKDOWN**

Canada	74.0%
USA	19.5%
South America	2.8%
Europe	3.7%

Distributions (\$)/Unit <sup>3</sup>	YTD <sup>*</sup>	2022	2021	2020
Total Distributions	0.4915	0.8619	0.5570	0.7714
Interest	_	0.1689	0.2399	0.3268
Dividends	-	0.0361	0.0401	0.0282
Capital Gains	_	0.6569	0.2773	0.4164
Withholding Tax	_	-	(0.0003)	0.0000

\*The final tax character will be determined based on the Fund's tax year end information.

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