

# MACKENZIE GLOBAL WOMEN'S LEADERSHIP ETF

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## **Interim Management Report of Fund Performance**

*For the Six-Month Period Ended September 30, 2024*

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## Management Discussion of Fund Performance

November 12, 2024

This Management Discussion of Fund Performance presents the portfolio management team's view on the significant factors and developments that have affected the ETF's performance and outlook in the six-month period ended September 30, 2024 (the "period"). If the ETF was established during the period, "period" represents the period since inception.

In this report, "Mackenzie" and "the Manager" refer to Mackenzie Financial Corporation, the manager of the ETF. In addition, net asset value ("NAV") refers to the value of the ETF as calculated for subscription and redemption purposes, on which the discussion of ETF performance is based.

Please read *A Note on Forward-Looking Statements* on the first page of this document.

## Results of Operations

### Investment Performance

During the period, the ETF returned 6.2% (after deducting fees and expenses). This compares with a return of 9.0% for the ETF's broad-based index, the MSCI World (Net) Index, and a return of 7.8% for the ETF's new narrow index, the MSCI World Women's Leadership Select (Net) Index. Effective April 3, 2024, the narrow index was added to reflect the new portfolio management team's investment process (see *Recent Developments*). All index returns are calculated on a total return basis in Canadian dollar terms. Investors cannot invest in an index without incurring fees, expenses and commissions, which are not reflected in the index returns.

Global equity markets generally rose over the period as most central banks began to cut interest rates. Share prices increased in relation to corporate earnings, with gains in U.S. markets driven mainly by a small number of mega-capitalization stocks. The global economy was resilient as inflation continued to slow across most major markets, although unemployment moved slightly higher.

Within the MSCI World Women's Leadership Select (Net) Index, Hong Kong, Singapore and Belgium were the best-performing markets in Canadian dollar terms, while New Zealand, Denmark and the Netherlands were the weakest. The utilities, real estate and information technology sectors were the strongest performers, while energy, consumer discretionary and health care were the weakest.

The ETF underperformed both the broad-based index and the new narrow index, with stock selection in the United States detracting from performance. In sector terms, stock selection in consumer discretionary and health care detracted from performance. Conversely, stock selection in Japan and Australia contributed to performance relative to both indices.

Relative to the broad-based index, an overweight position and stock selection in the Netherlands detracted from performance, while stock selection in the industrials sector contributed to performance. Given the ETF's mandate, the return of the narrow index is a more meaningful comparison.

Relative to the narrow index, stock selection in France also detracted from performance.

Over the period, the ETF's exposure to Japan increased as a result of the new portfolio management team's investment process. The team finds that international stocks generally have more attractive valuations than North American assets, and favours diversification into cheaper markets with positive economic catalysts, such as Japan. As Japanese companies are investing after years of conserving cash, and benefiting from artificial intelligence and advanced manufacturing trends, the ETF's exposure to information technology sector increased. Exposure to the consumer discretionary sector decreased.

## Environmental, Social and Governance ("ESG") Impact

The new portfolio management team's investment process selects holdings from companies within the narrow index (see *Recent Developments*) based on financial metrics.

At period-end, companies in the ETF had a weighted average of 44% for women on boards of directors and 33% for women in management. By comparison, companies in the MSCI World (Net) Index had a weighted average of 36% women board members and 28% women in management. Additionally, 34% of companies in the ETF had a female chief executive officer ("CEO") or chief financial officer ("CFO"), and 98% had three or more women on their boards. This compares to 23% of companies in the MSCI World (Net) Index with female CEOs or CFOs, and 79% with three or more female board members.

## Net Assets

The ETF's net assets decreased by 3.0% during the period to \$10.0 million. This change was composed primarily of \$0.6 million in net income (including any interest and/or dividend income) from investment performance, after deducting fees and expenses, and a decrease of \$0.9 million due to net unitholder activity (including sales, redemptions and cash distributions).

## Recent Developments

Effective April 3, 2024, the Mackenzie Multi-Asset Strategies team assumed responsibility for portfolio management of the ETF, replacing the previous sub-advisor, Impax Asset Management LLC.

The new portfolio management team employs an investment process based on the relative returns of companies within the MSCI World Women's Leadership Select (Net) Index, which consists of those companies within the MSCI World (Net) Index that meet the following criteria:

- 1) a minimum number of women in leadership positions, namely at least three female directors, or at least one female director and one woman serving as executive chair, chair-, co-chair, chief or co-chief executive officer, or chief or co-chief financial officer;
- 2) a higher percentage of women on the company board than the country's average; and
- 3) a record of avoiding controversy related to discrimination and workforce diversity, as determined by the company's MSCI ESG Controversies: Labor Rights – Discrimination and Workforce Diversity Controversy Score.

The team applies a quantitative analysis to the MSCI World Women's Leadership Select (Net) Index to select the companies that it believes have the best potential to increase in value. As such, the team does not generate market expectations or make investment decisions according to any macroeconomic forecast.

The following changes to the Mackenzie Funds' Independent Review Committee occurred:

- effective September 13, 2023, Saijal Patel was appointed;
- effective March 5, 2024, Atul Tiwari resigned; and
- effective April 30, 2024, the terms for Robert Hines and George Hucal expired, and Rebecca Cowdery was appointed.

## Related Party Transactions

### Management Fees

The annualized management expense ratio ("MER") for the ETF during the period ended September 30, 2024, was similar to the MER for the year ended March 31, 2024. Total expenses paid vary from period to period mainly as a result of changes in average assets in the ETF. The MERs are presented in the *Financial Highlights* section of this report. The ETF paid management fees to the Manager at the annual rate of 0.55%.

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The management fee for the ETF is calculated and accrued daily as a percentage of its NAV. The ETF's management fees were used by the Manager to pay for the costs of managing the investment portfolio of the ETF, including providing investment analysis and recommendations, making investment decisions, making brokerage arrangements for the purchase and sale of the investment portfolio and providing other services, and to pay for all costs and expenses (other than certain specified fund costs as more fully described in the Prospectus) required to operate the ETF.

## Other Related Party Transactions

The Manager is wholly owned by IGM Financial Inc., which in turn is a subsidiary of Power Corp. of Canada. Companies related to Power Corp. of Canada are therefore considered affiliates of the Manager. During the period, the Manager relied on the approval of the Mackenzie Funds' Independent Review Committee to sell all of the ETF's shares of IGM Financial Inc., Groupe Bruxelles Lambert SA and Pernod Ricard SA. The Independent Review Committee issued the approval on the basis that the sale of these investments would be made in compliance with the Manager's policies. The Manager's policies are designed to ensure that the related party transaction (i) is made free from any influence by an entity related to the Manager and without taking into account any considerations relevant to an entity related to the Manager; (ii) represents the business judgment of the Manager, uninfluenced by considerations other than the best interests of the ETF; and (iii) achieves a fair and reasonable result for the ETF.

The Manager relied on a positive recommendation issued by the Mackenzie Funds' Independent Review Committee to proceed with replacing the ETF's sub-advisor, Impax Asset Management LLC, with portfolio managers at Mackenzie effective April 3, 2024.

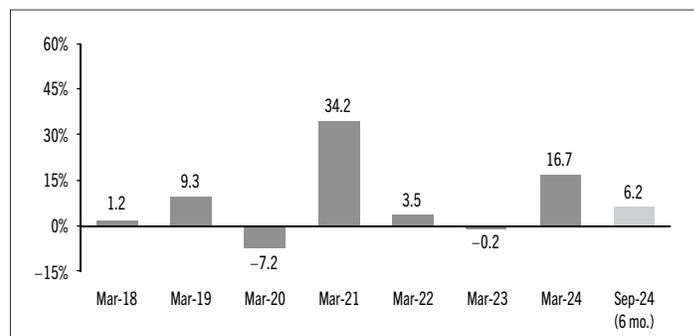
## Past Performance

The ETF's performance information assumes all distributions made by the ETF in the periods presented are reinvested in additional units of the ETF. The performance information does not take into account brokerage commissions or income taxes payable by any investor that would have reduced returns or performance. The past performance of the ETF is not necessarily an indication of how it will perform in the future.

If you hold this ETF outside of a registered plan, income and capital gains distributions paid to you increase your income for tax purposes whether paid to you in cash or reinvested in additional units of the ETF. The amount of reinvested taxable distributions is added to the adjusted cost base of the units that you own. This would decrease your capital gain or increase your capital loss when you later sell from the ETF, thereby ensuring that you are not taxed on this amount again. Please consult your tax advisor regarding your personal tax situation.

## Year-by-Year Returns

The following bar chart presents the performance of the ETF for each of the fiscal periods shown. The chart shows, in percentage terms, how much an investment made on the first day of each fiscal period, or on the ETF's inception date (December 4, 2017), as applicable, would have increased or decreased by the last day of the fiscal period presented.



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## Summary of Investment Portfolio at September 30, 2024

PORTFOLIO ALLOCATION	% OF NAV
Equities	99.0
Cash and cash equivalents	0.8
Other assets (liabilities)	0.2

REGIONAL ALLOCATION	% OF NAV
United States	60.0
Japan	7.0
United Kingdom	4.0
Italy	3.8
Canada	3.5
France	3.3
Switzerland	2.5
Australia	2.4
Netherlands	2.3
Germany	2.2
Norway	2.2
Other	2.1
Austria	1.5
Sweden	1.3
Denmark	0.9
Cash and cash equivalents	0.8
Other assets (liabilities)	0.2

SECTOR ALLOCATION	% OF NAV
Information technology	27.8
Financials	19.3
Health care	11.1
Industrials	7.8
Consumer discretionary	7.7
Consumer staples	7.6
Utilities	6.0
Communication services	4.3
Materials	3.9
Energy	2.9
Cash and cash equivalents	0.8
Real estate	0.6
Other assets (liabilities)	0.2

TOP 25 POSITIONS	% OF NAV
<b>Issuer</b>	
Apple Inc.	9.3
Microsoft Corp.	7.7
Colgate Palmolive Co.	3.5
Prudential Financial Inc.	2.5
ASML Holding NV	2.0
JPMorgan Chase & Co.	2.0
The Coca-Cola Co.	1.9
Terna SPA	1.9
WiseTech Global Ltd.	1.7
Manulife Financial Corp.	1.5
Logitech International SA	1.4
Deutsche Telekom AG	1.4
Fortune Brands Home & Security Inc.	1.4
Snam SPA	1.3
Sekisui House Ltd.	1.3
Cencora Inc.	1.3
Johnson & Johnson	1.2
Cummins Inc.	1.2
DNB Bank ASA	1.2
Accor SA	1.2
Halma PLC	1.1
Cardinal Health Inc.	1.1
Verbund AG	1.1
Visa Inc.	1.0
Eli Lilly and Co.	1.0
<b>Top long positions as a percentage of total net asset value</b>	<b>52.2</b>

*The ETF held no short positions at the end of the period.*

*The investments and percentages may have changed since September 30, 2024, due to the ongoing portfolio transactions of the ETF. Quarterly updates of holdings are available within 60 days of the end of each quarter except for March 31, the ETF's fiscal year-end, when they are available within 90 days.*

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## Financial Highlights

The following tables show selected key financial information about the ETF and are intended to help you understand the ETF's financial performance for each of the fiscal periods presented below. In the period when the ETF was established, "period" represents the period from inception to the end of that fiscal period. The inception date can be found under *Past Performance*.

### THE ETF'S NET ASSETS PER SECURITY (\$)¹

CAD Units (Ticker: MWMN)	Sep. 30 2024	Mar. 31 2024	Mar. 31 2023	Mar. 31 2022	Mar. 31 2021	Mar. 31 2020
<b>Net assets, beginning of period</b>	44.74	39.83	40.47	39.47	29.74	32.60
<b>Increase (decrease) from operations:</b>						
Total revenue	0.51	1.17	0.82	0.74	0.68	0.74
Total expenses	(0.18)	(0.21)	(0.15)	(0.18)	(0.19)	(0.22)
Realized gains (losses) for the period	5.13	2.28	(0.49)	2.42	2.50	(2.00)
Unrealized gains (losses) for the period	(2.81)	1.16	(0.09)	(2.18)	7.21	(4.35)
<b>Total increase (decrease) from operations²</b>	2.65	4.40	0.09	0.80	10.20	(5.83)
<b>Distributions:</b>						
From net investment income (excluding Canadian dividends)	–	–	(0.32)	(0.37)	(0.31)	(0.41)
From Canadian dividends	–	–	(0.04)	(0.05)	(0.06)	(0.06)
From capital gains	–	–	(0.17)	(0.96)	–	–
Return of capital	–	–	–	(0.01)	(0.06)	(0.15)
<b>Total annual distributions³</b>	–	–	(0.53)	(1.39)	(0.43)	(0.62)
<b>Net assets, end of period</b>	47.53	44.74	39.83	40.47	39.47	29.74

(1) These calculations are prescribed by securities regulations and are not intended to be a reconciliation between opening and closing net assets per unit. This information is derived from the ETF's unaudited interim financial statements and audited annual financial statements. The net assets per unit presented in the financial statements may differ from the net asset value per unit calculated for ETF pricing purposes. An explanation of these differences, if any, can be found in the *Notes to Financial Statements*.

(2) Net assets and distributions are based on the actual number of units outstanding at the relevant time. The increase/decrease from operations is based on the weighted average number of units outstanding over the fiscal period.

(3) Distributions were paid in cash/reinvested in additional units of the ETF, or both.

## RATIOS AND SUPPLEMENTAL DATA

CAD Units (Ticker: MWMN)	Sep. 30 2024	Mar. 31 2024	Mar. 31 2023	Mar. 31 2022	Mar. 31 2021	Mar. 31 2020
Total net asset value (\$000)¹	9,980	10,296	26,285	28,331	25,656	14,274
Units outstanding (000)¹	210	230	660	700	650	480
Management expense ratio (%)²	0.62	0.62	0.61	0.63	0.62	0.63
Management expense ratio before waivers or absorptions (%)²	0.62	0.62	0.61	0.63	0.62	0.63
Trading expense ratio (%)³	0.16	0.11	0.12	0.09	0.17	0.26
Trading expense ratio before reimbursements (%)³	0.16	0.11	0.12	0.09	0.17	0.26
Portfolio turnover rate (%)⁴	105.26	40.03	48.26	82.11	82.85	118.43
Net asset value per security (\$)	47.53	44.77	39.83	40.47	39.47	29.74
Closing market price (\$)⁵	47.50	44.74	39.85	40.54	39.43	29.65

(1) This information is provided as at the end of the fiscal period shown.

(2) Management expense ratio ("MER") is based on total expenses, excluding commissions and other portfolio transaction costs, income taxes and withholding taxes, for the stated period and is expressed as an annualized percentage of daily average net assets during the period, except as noted. If the ETF was established in the period, the MER is annualized from the date of inception to the end of the period. Where the ETF directly invests in securities of another fund (including other ETFs), the MER presented for the ETF includes the portion of MERs of the other fund(s) attributable to this investment. Any income distributions received from ETFs managed by the Manager, with the intention of offsetting fees paid within those ETFs but which are not considered to be duplicative fees under regulatory requirements, are treated as waived expenses for MER purposes. The Manager may waive or absorb operating expenses at its discretion and stop waiving or absorbing such expenses at any time without notice.

(3) The trading expense ratio ("TER") represents total commissions and other portfolio transaction costs expressed as an annualized percentage of daily average net assets during the period. Where the ETF invests in securities of another fund (including other ETFs), the TER presented for the ETF includes the portion of TERs of the other fund(s) attributable to this investment. The Manager may reimburse the ETF for certain brokerage commissions and other transaction costs (including those payable to the custodian or its agents). The Manager may make these reimbursements at its discretion and stop these reimbursements at any time without notice.

(4) The ETF's portfolio turnover rate indicates how actively the ETF's portfolio advisor manages its portfolio investments. A portfolio turnover rate of 100% is equivalent to the ETF buying and selling all of the securities in its portfolio once in the course of the period. The higher the ETF's portfolio turnover rate in a period, the greater the trading costs payable by the ETF in the period, and the greater the chance of an investor receiving taxable capital gains in the year. There is not necessarily a relationship between a high turnover rate and the performance of the ETF. The portfolio turnover rate is not provided when the ETF is less than one year old.

(5) Closing market price, or the midpoint of the bid and ask prices in the absence of a closing market price, on the last trading day of the period as reported on Cboe Canada.