

# **RBC Global Dividend Growth Fund**

#### **Investment Objective**

To provide long-term capital growth by investing in equity securities of a diversified mix of companies operating in various countries around the world across a range of sectors

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Fund	Details						
Series	Load Structure	Currency	Fund Code				
Α	No Load	CAD	RBF565				
Α	No Load	USD	RBF414				
Adv	Deferred Sales	CAD	RBF803				
Adv	Front End	CAD	RBF703				
Adv	Low Load	CAD	RBF176				
Adv	Low Load	USD	RBF4414				
T5	No Load	CAD	RBF540				
T8	No Load	CAD	RBF600				
Inception Date		December 2000					
Total F	und Assets \$Mil	3,148.7					
Series	A NAV \$	16.09 2.14					
Series	A MER %						
Benchr	mark	MSCI World Total Return Net Index (C\$)					
Income Distribution		Annually					
Capital	Gains Distribution	,					
Sales S	Status	Open					
Min. In	vestment \$	500					

Capital Gains Distribution	Annually
Sales Status Min. Investment \$ Subsequent Investment \$	Open 500 25
Fund Category	Global Equity

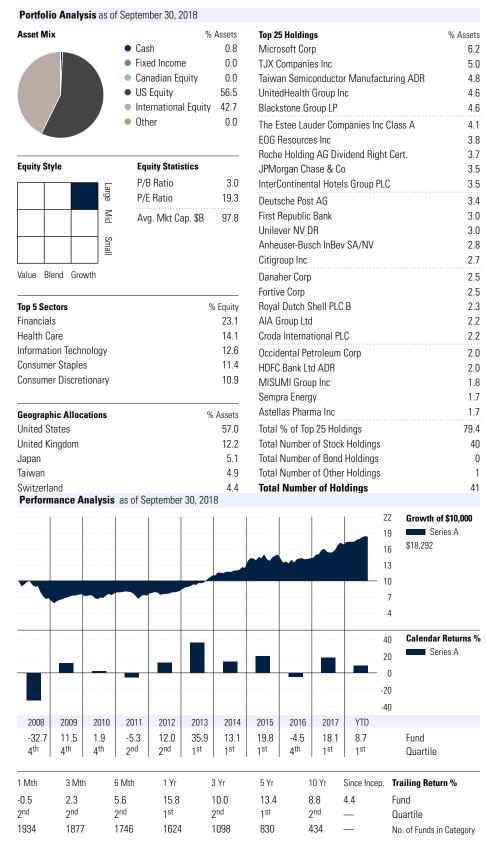
Management Company	<b>RBC Global Asset</b>
	Management Inc.
Web Site	www.rbcgam.com

#### Notes

Performance Analysis is in CAD and for CAD series A fund (RBF565).

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This is a continuing fund resulting from a merger effective June 27, 2014.





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# Management Overview

#### **Manager Bios**

#### **Habib Subjally**

#### **RBC Global Asset Management (UK) Limited**

Habib has served as Head of Global Equities and leader of this team since 2006. Prior to that, he held positions at Head of Global Equities with First State Investments, April 2006 to March 2014, Credit Suisse (Head of Small & Mid Cap Research), Invesco (Head of Global Equities), Merrill Lynch Investment Managers (Head of North American and Global Equities Research, and Manager, Mercury Global Titans Fund) and Ernst & Young. Habib holds a BSc (Hons) from the London School of Economics and the Chartered Accountant and ASIP designations.

Performance Analysis Cont'd as of September 30, 2018											
Distributions (\$)/Unit	YTD*	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008
Total Distributions	_	0.10	0.12	1.30	1.28	0.03	0.05	0.06	_	0.07	0.03
Interest	_	0.01	0.02	0.02	0.13	0.03	0.05	0.06	_	0.07	0.03
Dividends	_	0.00	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
Capital Gains	_	0.09	0.10	1.28	1.15	_	_	_	_	_	_
Return Of Capital	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
Best/Worst Periods %	Ended	1 '	Yr	Ended	3 Yı	r E	nded	5 Yr	End	ded	10 Yr
Best	12-2013	35	.9 7	-2015	25.6	7-2	2015	16.9	9-20	)18	8.8
Worst	2-2009	-35	.7 5	-2010	-13.8	3 2-2	2009	-8.2	9-20	)11	-1.9
Average		5	.5		5.7	,		5.8			3.2
No. of Periods		20	)2		178	}		154			94
Pct. Positive		66	.3		76.4	ļ		63.0			76.6

<sup>\*</sup> Distributions are characterized into income type at year-end.

#### Quarterly Commentary as at September 30, 2018

Our holding in Taiwanese semi-conductor manufacturer TSMC was the biggest contributor to relative returns during Q3 as the stock appreciated after predictions for strong high-end smartphone sales in to the second half of the year. Additionally, TSMC's only major competitor in next generation 7 nanometer wafers, GlobalFoundries, said it was exiting this market segment. U.S. alternative asset manager Blackstone also rose after announcing very solid Q2 results and a reduction in its cash holdings.

Our holding in Belgium-listed global brewer AB InBev was the biggest detractor from relative returns during Q3 as the company has faced emerging market volatility, especially from its significant Brazilian and South African market exposure. Anglo-Irish gaming company Paddy Power Betfair also detracted following some weak performance in the second half of the quarter after euphoria over legislative change in the U.S. market receded somewhat. Reduced guidance from the company near term also did little to support the share price.

In aggregate global equities delivered strong total returns in Q3. The headline story has been the impressive performance of the U.S. market whilst other markets have lagged or indeed retreated as the U.S. has seemingly advanced inexorably. The U.S. has been bolstered by strong earnings upgrades, a strong dollar on the back of rising interest rates, and the beneficial impact of tax cuts at corporate and individual level. Europe continues to suffer from Brexit-driven uncertainty in the UK and inconclusive election results in Italy, Germany and Sweden; Japan has also been hit by the U.S./ China trade tensions and weather-related issues; and emerging markets have entered bear territory.

As always the team remains committed to the discovery of companies that we deem to be future success stories. We are constantly searching for compelling long-term opportunities at the right valuations whilst avoiding those businesses that are overvalued or optically cheap but fundamentally flawed.



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