

# **RBC Global Precious Metals Fund**

# A specialty equity fund providing exposure to gold, silver and other precious metals

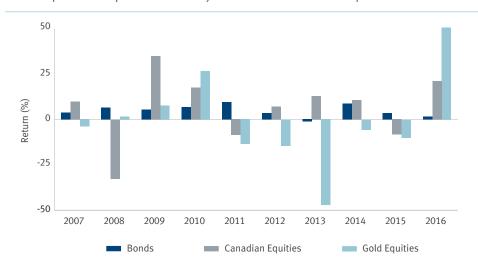
RBC Global Precious Metals Fund seeks to provide investors with long-term capital growth by investing in precious metal companies from around the world that demonstrate strong growth potential.

### Why Precious Metals?

- Precious metals like gold, silver and platinum are often considered a "safe haven" in times of geopolitical or economic uncertainty as they have been considered a reliable store of value for centuries.
- Although not a perfect solution, precious metals (similar to other commodities) have shown an ability to rise in value in an inflationary environment. This is because contrary to "financial" assets (paper currency), precious metals are considered "real" assets. Commonly, when the cost of living increases due to inflation, real assets such as commodities and real estate rise in value as well.
- Precious metals can be used to diversify a portfolio and reduce risk as they tend to perform differently at various points in the market cycle as compared to fixed-income and equity securities.

Diversifying with precious metals equity can help manage risk in certain market environments and enhance long-term returns

Gold equities often perform differently than bonds and Canadian equities



Source: Morningstar Direct. Data as of December 31, 2016. Gold equities measured by S&P/TSX Global Gold TR Index. Bonds represented by FTSE TMX Canada Universe Bond Index. Canadian Equities represented by S&P/TSX Composite TR Index.

## APPROPRIATE FOR INVESTORS WHO:

Are seeking diversification from core portfolio assets, have a long-term investment horizon and can tolerate large fluctuations in the value of their investment.

#### **FUND FACTS**

- Access to the growth potential of precious metals
- Helps to diversify the equity portion of a portfolio with a sector-specific fund
- Competitive management fee
- Minimum investment
- registered plans \$500
- non-registered plans \$500
- additional investments \$25
- Fund launched October 1988

### Why the RBC Global Precious Metals Fund?

- RBC Global Asset Management is one of the most-recognized names both domestically and internationally in managing precious metals mandates.
- The Fund is managed by a team of investment professionals with more than 40 years of experience researching precious metals companies. Portfolio manager Chris Beer's prior experience as a field geologist brings unique insight and a strong complementary perspective to the analysis of precious metal companies.
- The Fund invests in companies that have proven management teams, strong balance sheets, proven ore bodies and excellent geological potential.
- To manage risk and to provide diversified exposure to the sector, the Fund is divided between senior producers, junior producers and pure exploration companies.



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Chris Beer leads the RBC Global Asset Management Inc. coverage of the Energy and Materials sectors, and co-manages the RBC Global Precious Metals Fund, RBC Global Resources Fund and RBC Global Energy Fund. Chris is also a member of the Canadian Equity Committee. He joined the firm in 2000 and has been researching and analyzing natural-resources companies since 1993, with a focus on precious metals and base-metal mining companies. His combination of investment-industry experience and four years as a field geologist bring diverse perspectives to his analysis of resource-based companies. He also holds the Chartered Financial Analyst designation.



Brahm Spilfogel Vice-President and Senior Portfolio Manager, Canadian Equities

Brahm Spilfogel has worked in the financialservices industry since 1991. In his current position at RBC Global Asset Management, Brahm is part of the team that manages investments in the Materials and Energy sectors. He co-manages the RBC Global Resources Fund, RBC Global Precious Metals Fund and RBC Global Energy Fund and is a member of the Canadian Equity Committee. In the latter capacity, Brahm helps manage natural-resources stocks for the RBC Canadian Equity Fund and the RBC Balanced Fund. He also holds the Chartered Financial Analyst designation.

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