



FIXED-INCOME FUND

**BLUEBAY GLOBAL CONVERTIBLE  
BOND FUND (CANADA)**

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*December 31, 2018*

**Portfolio Manager** *RBC Global Asset Management Inc. ("RBC GAM")*

Sub-Advisor: BlueBay Asset Management LLP, London, England

The Board of Directors of RBC Global Asset Management Inc. approved this annual management report of fund performance on March 11, 2019.

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This report may contain forward-looking statements about the Fund, its future performance, strategies or prospects, and possible future Fund action. The words "may," "could," "should," "would," "suspect," "outlook," "believe," "plan," "anticipate," "estimate," "expect," "intend," "forecast," "objective" and similar expressions are intended to identify forward-looking statements.

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The above list of important factors that may affect future results is not exhaustive. Before making any investment decisions, we encourage you to consider these and other factors carefully. All opinions contained in forward-looking statements are subject to change without notice and are provided in good faith but without legal responsibility.

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## MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION OF FUND PERFORMANCE

### Investment Objective and Strategies

The Fund seeks to provide total returns consisting of interest income and modest capital appreciation by investing primarily in global convertible bonds issued by entities domiciled or carrying out business activities anywhere in the world.

To achieve the Fund's objectives, the sub-advisor conducts detailed credit and equity analysis to identify investment opportunities offering higher probabilities of superior rates of return while minimizing the prospect of default.

### Risk

There were no significant changes to the investment objective and strategies that affected the Fund's overall level of risk during the reporting period. The risks of investing in the Fund and the suitability of the Fund for investors remain as discussed in the Simplified Prospectus.

### Results of Operations

The Fund's net asset value fell to \$831 million as of December 31, 2018, from \$1.1 billion at the end of 2017. The decrease was due to net redemptions.

Over the past year, the Fund's Series A units lost 4.0%, which underperformed the 3.6% decline in the benchmark. The Fund's return is after the deduction of fees and expenses, while benchmark and broad-based index returns do not include any costs of investing. See the Financial Highlights section for the management expense ratios and the Past Performance section for the returns of any other series, which may vary because of differences in management fees and expenses.

Global equity markets and other "risk" assets, such as convertible bonds, got off to a strong start in 2018, with the S&P 500 Index setting records in January on investor optimism that U.S. tax cuts would boost corporate profitability. The U.S. Federal Reserve, in Jerome Powell's first meeting as chairman, raised interest rates by 25 basis points in March. Emerging markets came into focus in August amid currency plunges in Argentina and Turkey, and the outlook worsened as a trade dispute between the U.S. and China led to market declines.

Italian politics were a big concern for investors in 2018, especially in the second half of the year, after the formation of a ruling coalition committed to higher government spending by a country that is already debt-laden. As a result, tension increased between Italy and the European Union (the "EU"), leading to a plunge in Italian bonds as the gap between yields on Italian bonds widened relative to the benchmark.

As the year drew towards a close, falling crude-oil prices put pressure on emerging-market and high-yield debt, much of which is issued by energy producers. In the U.K., Brexit negotiations continued with the U.K. and the EU struggling to find common ground as Prime Minister Theresa May's EU withdrawal agreement had failed to make it through Parliament as of year-end.

Holdings that had a positive impact on the Fund's performance included Sarepta Therapeutics, which rose to a record after initial results of the company's experimental gene-therapy treatment surpassed investors' expectations; Herbalife, whose shares benefited from U.S. tax reform; and U.K. oil explorer Premier Oil, which rallied given its sensitivity to rising oil prices earlier in the year.

Holdings that had a negative impact on the Fund's performance included Dish Network, which reported disappointing revenues and earnings due to costs associated with reactivating hurricane-hit regions; chipmaker Microchip, whose shares plunged after the semiconductor company predicted lower-than-expected results given an industry slowdown; and telecommunications contractor Dycom, whose stock fell due primarily to permitting delays.

### Recent Developments

The recent financial-market weakness has resulted in lower valuations and created some attractive investment opportunities. However, the sub-advisor believes that equity markets are likely to remain volatile, which could lead to price declines in securities that are sensitive to macroeconomic uncertainty. Convertible bonds can offer attractive, risk-adjusted returns against this backdrop.

### Related-Party Transactions

#### *Manager, Trustee and Portfolio Manager*

RBC GAM is an indirect, wholly owned subsidiary of Royal Bank of Canada ("Royal Bank") and is the manager, trustee and portfolio manager of the Fund. RBC GAM is responsible for the Fund's day-to-day operations, holds title to the Fund's property on behalf of its unitholders, provides investment advice and portfolio management services to the Fund and appoints distributors for the Fund. RBC GAM is paid a management fee by the Fund as compensation for its services. The Fund pays a fixed administration fee to RBC GAM, which, in turn, pays certain operating expenses of the Fund. Both the management fee and fixed administration fee are calculated and accrued daily as a percentage of the net asset value of each series of units of the Fund. RBC GAM, as trustee, earns a fee, which is paid by the manager from the fixed administration fee paid by the Fund.

RBC GAM or its affiliates may earn fees and spreads in connection with various services provided to, or transactions with, the Fund, such as banking, brokerage, securities lending, foreign exchange and derivatives transactions. RBC GAM or its affiliates may earn a



foreign exchange spread when unitholders switch between series of funds denominated in different currencies. The Fund also maintains bank accounts and overdraft provisions with Royal Bank for which Royal Bank may earn a fee. Affiliates of RBC GAM that provide services to the Fund in the course of their normal businesses are discussed below.

**Sub-Advisor**

BlueBay Asset Management LLP is the sub-advisor and provides investment advice for the Fund. The sub-advisor earns a fee which is calculated and accrued daily as a percentage of the net asset value of each series of units of the Fund. The sub-advisor is paid by the manager from the management fee paid by the Fund.

**Distributors**

RBC GAM, Royal Mutual Funds Inc., RBC Direct Investing Inc., RBC Dominion Securities Inc. and Phillips, Hager & North Investment Funds Ltd. are principal distributors of, or may distribute certain series of units of, the Fund. Dealers may receive an ongoing commission based on the total value of their clients' investment in certain series of units of the Fund.

**Registrars**

RBC GAM, RBC Investor Services Trust ("RBC IS") or Royal Bank (or a combination thereof) are the registrars of the Fund and keep records of who owns units of the Fund. The registrars earn a fee, which is paid by the manager from the fixed administration fee paid by the Fund.

**Custodian**

RBC IS is the custodian and holds the assets of the Fund. RBC IS earns a fee as the custodian, which is paid by the manager from the fixed administration fee paid by the Fund.

**Securities Lending Agent**

To the extent the Fund may engage in securities lending transactions, RBC IS may act as the Fund's securities lending agent. Any revenue earned on such securities lending is split between the Fund and the securities lending agent.

**Other Related-Party Transactions**

Pursuant to applicable securities legislation, the Fund relied on the standing instructions from the Independent Review Committee with respect to one or more of the following transactions:

*Related-Party Trading Activities*

- (a) trades in securities of Royal Bank;
- (b) investments in the securities of issuers for which a related-party dealer acted as an underwriter during the distribution of such securities and the 60-day period following the conclusion of such distribution of the underwritten securities to the public;

- (c) purchases of equity and debt securities from or sales of equity or debt securities to a related-party dealer, where it acted as principal; and

*Inter-Fund Trading*

- (d) purchases or sales of securities of an issuer from or to another investment fund or managed account managed by RBC GAM.

The applicable standing instructions require that Related-Party Trading Activities and Inter-Fund Trading be conducted in accordance with RBC GAM policy and that RBC GAM advise the Independent Review Committee of a material breach of any standing instruction. RBC GAM policy requires that an investment decision in respect of Related-Party Trading Activities (i) is made free from any influence of Royal Bank or its associates or affiliates and without taking into account any consideration relevant to Royal Bank or its affiliates or associates, (ii) represents the business judgment of the portfolio manager, uninfluenced by considerations other than the best interests of the Fund, (iii) is in compliance with RBC GAM policies and procedures, and (iv) achieves a fair and reasonable result for the Fund. RBC GAM policy requires that an investment decision in respect of Inter-Fund Trading is in the best interests of each Fund.



## FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

The following tables show selected key financial information about the Fund and are intended to help you understand the Fund's financial performance for the past five years or for the periods since inception. This information is derived from the Fund's audited annual financial statements.

### Change in Net Assets Per Unit (\$)

For the Year/ Period Ended	Net Assets Beginning of Year/Period	Increase (Decrease) from Operations <sup>1</sup>					Annual Distributions <sup>2</sup>				Net Assets End of Year/Period	
		Total Revenue (Loss)	Total Expenses	Realized Gains (Losses)	Unrealized Gains (Losses)	Total	From Income (Excluding Dividends)	From Dividends	From Capital Gains	Return of Capital		
<b>Series A</b>												
<b>Dec. 31, 2018</b>	<b>11.81</b>	<b>0.09</b>	<b>(0.24)</b>	<b>0.47</b>	<b>(0.71)</b>	<b>(0.39)</b>	–	–	<b>(0.92)</b>	–	<b>(0.92)</b>	<b>10.42</b>
Dec. 31, 2017	11.73	0.12	(0.25)	0.49	0.08	0.44	–	–	(0.31)	–	(0.31)	11.81
Dec. 31, 2016	11.98	0.12	(0.24)	0.38	(0.39)	(0.13)	–	–	(0.19)	–	(0.19)	11.73
Dec. 31, 2015	11.66	0.14	(0.25)	(0.09)	0.46	0.26	(0.02)	–	–	–	(0.02)	11.98
Dec. 31, 2014	11.27	0.20	(0.24)	0.21	0.26	0.43	–	–	(0.14)	–	(0.14)	11.66
<b>Advisor Series</b>												
<b>Dec. 31, 2018</b>	<b>11.80</b>	<b>0.09</b>	<b>(0.24)</b>	<b>0.47</b>	<b>(0.69)</b>	<b>(0.37)</b>	–	–	<b>(0.92)</b>	–	<b>(0.92)</b>	<b>10.40</b>
Dec. 31, 2017	11.72	0.12	(0.25)	0.49	0.09	0.45	–	–	(0.31)	–	(0.31)	11.80
Dec. 31, 2016	11.98	0.12	(0.24)	0.38	(0.47)	(0.21)	–	–	(0.19)	–	(0.19)	11.72
Dec. 31, 2015	11.66	0.14	(0.26)	(0.09)	0.46	0.25	(0.02)	–	–	–	(0.02)	11.98
Dec. 31, 2014	11.27	0.21	(0.24)	0.21	0.27	0.45	–	–	(0.14)	–	(0.14)	11.66
<b>Advisor T5 Series</b>												
<b>Dec. 31, 2018</b>	<b>10.32</b>	<b>0.09</b>	<b>(0.24)</b>	<b>0.47</b>	<b>(0.66)</b>	<b>(0.34)</b>	<b>(0.04)</b>	–	<b>(0.53)</b>	–	<b>(0.57)</b>	<b>9.37</b>
Dec. 31, 2017	10.50	0.12	(0.25)	0.49	–	0.36	–	–	(0.24)	(0.28)	(0.52)	10.32
Dec. 31, 2016	11.13	0.12	(0.24)	0.38	(0.30)	(0.04)	–	–	(0.16)	(0.40)	(0.56)	10.50
Dec. 31, 2015	11.36	0.14	(0.26)	(0.09)	0.46	0.25	–	–	–	(0.57)	(0.57)	11.13
Dec. 31, 2014 <sup>3</sup>	11.50 <sup>†</sup>	0.21	(0.24)	0.21	0.27	0.45	–	–	–	(0.43)	(0.43)	11.36
<b>Series T5</b>												
<b>Dec. 31, 2018</b>	<b>10.32</b>	<b>0.08</b>	<b>(0.20)</b>	<b>0.40</b>	<b>(0.65)</b>	<b>(0.37)</b>	<b>(0.04)</b>	–	<b>(0.54)</b>	–	<b>(0.58)</b>	<b>9.35</b>
Dec. 31, 2017	10.49	0.10	(0.21)	0.43	0.15	0.47	–	–	(0.18)	(0.34)	(0.52)	10.32
Dec. 31, 2016	11.12	0.11	(0.22)	0.35	(0.76)	(0.52)	–	–	(0.14)	(0.42)	(0.56)	10.49
Dec. 31, 2015	11.36	0.14	(0.25)	(0.09)	0.43	0.23	–	–	–	(0.57)	(0.57)	11.12
Dec. 31, 2014 <sup>3</sup>	11.50 <sup>†</sup>	0.12	(0.17)	0.12	0.16	0.23	–	–	–	(0.43)	(0.43)	11.36
<b>Series H</b>												
<b>Dec. 31, 2018</b>	<b>11.93</b>	<b>0.09</b>	<b>(0.21)</b>	<b>0.47</b>	<b>(0.56)</b>	<b>(0.21)</b>	–	–	<b>(0.93)</b>	–	<b>(0.93)</b>	<b>10.55</b>
Dec. 31, 2017	11.83	0.12	(0.22)	0.50	0.18	0.58	–	–	(0.31)	–	(0.31)	11.93
Dec. 31, 2016	12.05	0.12	(0.21)	0.39	(0.34)	(0.04)	–	–	(0.19)	–	(0.19)	11.83
Dec. 31, 2015	11.70	0.15	(0.22)	(0.09)	0.46	0.30	(0.02)	–	–	–	(0.02)	12.05
Dec. 31, 2014	11.29	0.21	(0.21)	0.21	0.27	0.48	(0.01)	–	(0.14)	–	(0.15)	11.70
<b>Series D</b>												
<b>Dec. 31, 2018</b>	<b>12.10</b>	<b>0.09</b>	<b>(0.16)</b>	<b>0.48</b>	<b>(0.77)</b>	<b>(0.36)</b>	–	–	<b>(0.95)</b>	–	<b>(0.95)</b>	<b>10.75</b>
Dec. 31, 2017	11.94	0.12	(0.17)	0.50	0.03	0.48	–	–	(0.31)	–	(0.31)	12.10
Dec. 31, 2016	12.11	0.12	(0.16)	0.39	(0.45)	(0.10)	–	–	(0.19)	–	(0.19)	11.94
Dec. 31, 2015	11.72	0.14	(0.17)	(0.09)	0.46	0.34	(0.04)	–	–	–	(0.04)	12.11
Dec. 31, 2014	11.29	0.21	(0.16)	0.21	0.27	0.53	(0.04)	–	(0.14)	–	(0.18)	11.72



**FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS (cont.)**

**Change in Net Assets Per Unit (\$) (cont.)**

For the Year/ Period Ended	Net Assets Beginning of Year/Period	Increase (Decrease) from Operations <sup>1</sup>					Annual Distributions <sup>2</sup>					Net Assets End of Year/Period
		Total Revenue (Loss)	Total Expenses	Realized Gains (Losses)	Unrealized Gains (Losses)	Total	From Income (Excluding Dividends)	From Dividends	From Capital Gains	Return of Capital	Total	
<b>Series F</b>												
<b>Dec. 31, 2018</b>	<b>12.18</b>	<b>0.09</b>	<b>(0.15)</b>	<b>0.49</b>	<b>(0.76)</b>	<b>(0.33)</b>	–	–	<b>(0.96)</b>	–	<b>(0.96)</b>	<b>10.83</b>
Dec. 31, 2017	12.00	0.12	(0.15)	0.51	0.06	0.54	–	–	(0.31)	–	(0.31)	12.18
Dec. 31, 2016	12.15	0.12	(0.15)	0.39	(0.42)	(0.06)	–	–	(0.19)	–	(0.19)	12.00
Dec. 31, 2015	11.75	0.14	(0.16)	(0.09)	0.46	0.35	(0.04)	–	–	–	(0.04)	12.15
Dec. 31, 2014	11.31	0.21	(0.15)	0.21	0.27	0.54	(0.05)	–	(0.14)	–	(0.19)	11.75
<b>Series FT5</b>												
<b>Dec. 31, 2018</b>	<b>10.72</b>	<b>0.08</b>	<b>(0.13)</b>	<b>0.42</b>	<b>(0.63)</b>	<b>(0.26)</b>	–	–	<b>(0.50)</b>	<b>(0.03)</b>	<b>(0.53)</b>	<b>9.86</b>
Dec. 31, 2017	10.81	0.11	(0.13)	0.45	–	0.43	–	–	(0.24)	(0.30)	(0.54)	10.72
Dec. 31, 2016	11.36	0.11	(0.13)	0.36	(0.29)	0.05	–	–	(0.16)	(0.41)	(0.57)	10.81
Dec. 31, 2015	11.49	0.13	(0.14)	(0.09)	0.43	0.33	–	–	–	(0.58)	(0.58)	11.36
Dec. 31, 2014 <sup>3</sup>	11.56 <sup>†</sup>	0.12	(0.10)	0.12	0.16	0.30	(0.03)	–	–	(0.40)	(0.43)	11.49
<b>Series I</b>												
<b>Dec. 31, 2018</b>	<b>12.28</b>	<b>0.09</b>	<b>(0.12)</b>	<b>0.49</b>	<b>(0.83)</b>	<b>(0.37)</b>	–	–	<b>(0.98)</b>	–	<b>(0.98)</b>	<b>10.93</b>
Dec. 31, 2017	12.07	0.12	(0.12)	0.51	0.09	0.60	(0.01)	–	(0.31)	–	(0.32)	12.28
Dec. 31, 2016	12.20	0.12	(0.12)	0.39	(0.38)	0.01	–	–	(0.19)	–	(0.19)	12.07
Dec. 31, 2015	11.77	0.15	(0.12)	(0.09)	0.46	0.40	(0.05)	–	–	–	(0.05)	12.20
Dec. 31, 2014	11.33	0.21	(0.12)	0.21	0.27	0.57	(0.08)	–	(0.14)	–	(0.22)	11.77
<b>Series O</b>												
<b>Dec. 31, 2018</b>	<b>12.53</b>	<b>0.09</b>	<b>(0.03)</b>	<b>0.50</b>	<b>(0.82)</b>	<b>(0.26)</b>	<b>(0.01)</b>	<b>(0.01)</b>	<b>(1.00)</b>	–	<b>(1.02)</b>	<b>11.23</b>
Dec. 31, 2017	12.27	0.12	(0.03)	0.52	(0.03)	0.58	(0.04)	(0.01)	(0.32)	–	(0.37)	12.53
Dec. 31, 2016	12.30	0.12	(0.03)	0.40	(0.36)	0.13	–	–	(0.19)	–	(0.19)	12.27
Dec. 31, 2015	11.80	0.15	(0.03)	(0.10)	0.47	0.49	(0.08)	–	–	–	(0.08)	12.30
Dec. 31, 2014	11.33	0.21	(0.03)	0.21	0.27	0.66	(0.15)	–	(0.14)	–	(0.29)	11.80

<sup>1</sup> 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 financial period. This table is not intended to be a reconciliation of beginning to ending net assets per unit.

<sup>2</sup> Distributions are reinvested in additional units of the Fund or paid in cash.

<sup>3</sup> From April 21, 2014.

<sup>†</sup> Initial offering net asset value per unit.

**Ratios and Supplemental Data**

As at	Net Asset Value Per Unit (\$)	Net Asset Value (\$000s)	Number of Units Outstanding (000s)	Management Expense Ratio (%) <sup>1</sup>	MER Before Absorption (%) <sup>1</sup>	Portfolio Turnover Rate (%) <sup>2</sup>	Trading Expense Ratio (%) <sup>3</sup>
<b>Series A</b>							
<b>Dec. 31, 2018</b>	<b>10.42</b>	<b>28 622</b>	<b>2 748</b>	<b>2.03</b>	<b>2.03</b>	<b>84.83</b>	<b>0.02</b>
Dec. 31, 2017	11.81	42 758	3 621	2.02	2.02	76.71	–
Dec. 31, 2016	11.73	54 395	4 637	2.06	2.06	83.94	0.01
Dec. 31, 2015	11.98	75 067	6 264	2.09	2.09	108.75	0.06
Dec. 31, 2014	11.66	62 201	5 335	2.10	2.10	126.60	0.02
<b>Advisor Series</b>							
<b>Dec. 31, 2018</b>	<b>10.40</b>	<b>51 759</b>	<b>4 975</b>	<b>2.05</b>	<b>2.05</b>	<b>84.83</b>	<b>0.02</b>
Dec. 31, 2017	11.80	81 492	6 907	2.05	2.05	76.71	–
Dec. 31, 2016	11.72	112 654	9 610	2.08	2.08	83.94	0.01
Dec. 31, 2015	11.98	179 667	14 999	2.10	2.10	108.75	0.06
Dec. 31, 2014	11.66	180 624	15 497	2.11	2.11	126.60	0.02



**FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS (cont.)**

**Ratios and Supplemental Data (cont.)**

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<b>Advisor T5 Series</b>							
<b>Dec. 31, 2018</b>	<b>9.37</b>	<b>1 669</b>	<b>178</b>	<b>2.00</b>	<b>2.00</b>	<b>84.83</b>	<b>0.02</b>
Dec. 31, 2017	10.32	2 215	215	2.00	2.00	76.71	—
Dec. 31, 2016	10.50	2 421	231	2.04	2.04	83.94	0.01
Dec. 31, 2015	11.13	2 609	235	2.09	2.09	108.75	0.06
Dec. 31, 2014 <sup>4</sup>	11.36	1 028	91	2.09	2.09	126.60	0.02
<b>Series T5</b>							
<b>Dec. 31, 2018</b>	<b>9.35</b>	<b>224</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>1.96</b>	<b>1.96</b>	<b>84.83</b>	<b>0.02</b>
Dec. 31, 2017	10.32	276	27	1.97	1.97	76.71	—
Dec. 31, 2016	10.49	491	47	2.09	2.09	83.94	0.01
Dec. 31, 2015	11.12	1 069	96	2.15	2.15	108.75	0.06
Dec. 31, 2014 <sup>4</sup>	11.36	708	62	2.16	2.16	126.60	0.02
<b>Series H</b>							
<b>Dec. 31, 2018</b>	<b>10.55</b>	<b>873</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>1.77</b>	<b>1.77</b>	<b>84.83</b>	<b>0.02</b>
Dec. 31, 2017	11.93	2 977	249	1.77	1.77	76.71	—
Dec. 31, 2016	11.83	10 849	917	1.83	1.83	83.94	0.01
Dec. 31, 2015	12.05	13 836	1 148	1.82	1.82	108.75	0.06
Dec. 31, 2014	11.70	15 991	1 366	1.84	1.84	126.60	0.02
<b>Series D</b>							
<b>Dec. 31, 2018</b>	<b>10.75</b>	<b>4 475</b>	<b>416</b>	<b>1.34</b>	<b>1.34</b>	<b>84.83</b>	<b>0.02</b>
Dec. 31, 2017	12.10	5 659	468	1.35	1.35	76.71	—
Dec. 31, 2016	11.94	4 802	402	1.38	1.38	83.94	0.01
Dec. 31, 2015	12.11	6 412	529	1.41	1.41	108.75	0.06
Dec. 31, 2014	11.72	5 075	433	1.41	1.41	126.60	0.02
<b>Series F</b>							
<b>Dec. 31, 2018</b>	<b>10.83</b>	<b>123 798</b>	<b>11 435</b>	<b>1.21</b>	<b>1.21</b>	<b>84.83</b>	<b>0.02</b>
Dec. 31, 2017	12.18	203 368	16 701	1.21	1.21	76.71	—
Dec. 31, 2016	12.00	258 593	21 553	1.25	1.25	83.94	0.01
Dec. 31, 2015	12.15	345 899	28 460	1.28	1.28	108.75	0.06
Dec. 31, 2014	11.75	245 520	20 891	1.28	1.28	126.60	0.02
<b>Series FT5</b>							
<b>Dec. 31, 2018</b>	<b>9.86</b>	<b>3 310</b>	<b>336</b>	<b>1.19</b>	<b>1.19</b>	<b>84.83</b>	<b>0.02</b>
Dec. 31, 2017	10.72	5 543	517	1.20	1.20	76.71	—
Dec. 31, 2016	10.81	6 263	579	1.24	1.24	83.94	0.01
Dec. 31, 2015	11.36	6 573	579	1.22	1.22	108.75	0.06
Dec. 31, 2014 <sup>4</sup>	11.49	1 277	111	1.24	1.24	126.60	0.02
<b>Series I</b>							
<b>Dec. 31, 2018</b>	<b>10.93</b>	<b>15 866</b>	<b>1 451</b>	<b>0.98</b>	<b>0.98</b>	<b>84.83</b>	<b>0.02</b>
Dec. 31, 2017	12.28	36 027	2 934	0.99	0.99	76.71	—
Dec. 31, 2016	12.07	57 679	4 777	0.99	0.99	83.94	0.01
Dec. 31, 2015	12.20	79 878	6 548	1.00	1.00	108.75	0.06
Dec. 31, 2014	11.77	63 395	5 385	1.01	1.01	126.60	0.02



**FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS (cont.)**

**Ratios and Supplemental Data (cont.)**

As at	Net Asset Value Per Unit (\$)	Net Asset Value (\$000s)	Number of Units Outstanding (000s)	Management Expense Ratio (%) <sup>1</sup>	MER Before Absorption (%) <sup>1</sup>	Portfolio Turnover Rate (%) <sup>2</sup>	Trading Expense Ratio (%) <sup>3</sup>
<b>Series O</b>							
<b>Dec. 31, 2018</b>	<b>11.23</b>	<b>600 378</b>	<b>53 474</b>	<b>0.22</b>	<b>0.22</b>	<b>84.83</b>	<b>0.02</b>
Dec. 31, 2017	12.53	706 189	56 374	0.22	0.22	76.71	—
Dec. 31, 2016	12.27	580 047	47 293	0.22	0.22	83.94	0.01
Dec. 31, 2015	12.30	651 563	52 987	0.22	0.22	108.75	0.06
Dec. 31, 2014	11.80	495 425	41 995	0.22	0.22	126.60	0.02

<sup>1</sup> The management expense ratio ("MER") is based on expenses for the stated period, excluding commissions and other portfolio transaction costs, and is expressed as an annualized percentage of the daily average net asset value during the period. RBC GAM may, at its discretion and without notice to unitholders, waive or absorb certain operating expenses. MER includes the waiver or absorption by RBC GAM of certain operating expenses, while the MER before absorption shows the MER prior to operating expenses being waived or absorbed by RBC GAM.

<sup>2</sup> The Fund's portfolio turnover rate gives an indication of the level of activity employed by the portfolio manager. A portfolio turnover rate of 100% is equivalent to the Fund buying and selling all of the securities in its portfolio once in the course of the year. The higher the Fund's portfolio turnover rate in a year, the greater the trading costs payable by the Fund in the year, 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 Fund. The portfolio turnover rate is not applicable to money market funds.

<sup>3</sup> The trading expense ratio represents total commissions and other portfolio transaction costs expressed as an annualized percentage of daily average net asset value during the period. The trading expense ratio is not applicable to fixed-income transactions.

<sup>4</sup> From April 21, 2014.

Effective June 30, 2016, the management fees were changed in respect of Series A, Advisor Series, Advisor T5 Series, Series T5, Series D, Series F and Series FT5 units of the Fund. If the changes to the management fees would have been in effect throughout 2016, the adjusted MER for each series of the Fund would be: Series A – 2.03%, Advisor Series – 2.05%, Advisor T5 Series – 2.02%, Series T5 – 2.06%, Series D – 1.35%, Series F – 1.22% and Series FT5 – 1.21%.

**Management Fees**

RBC GAM is the manager, trustee and portfolio manager of the Fund. Management fees of each series of the Fund are calculated at the annual percentages, before GST/HST, of the daily net asset value of each series of the Fund. The breakdown of the services received in consideration of the management fees for each series, as a percentage of the management fees, is as follows:

	Management Fees	Breakdown of Services	
		Distribution	Other*
Series A	1.65%	45%	55%
Advisor Series	1.65%	45%	55%
Advisor T5 Series	1.65%	45%	55%
Series T5	1.65%	45%	55%
Series H	1.45%	52%	48%
Series D	1.05%	14%	86%
Series F	0.90%	—	100%
Series FT5	0.90%	—	100%
Series I	0.70%	—	100%

Series O – no management fees are paid by the Fund with respect to Series O units. Series O unitholders pay a negotiated fee directly to RBC GAM for investment-counselling services.

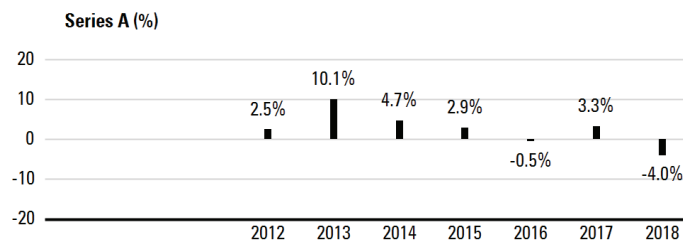
\* Includes all costs related to management, trustee, investment advisory services, general administration and profit.

**PAST PERFORMANCE**

The performance information shown assumes that all distributions made by the Fund in the periods shown were reinvested in additional units of the Fund and would be lower if distributions were not reinvested. The performance information does not take into account sales, redemption, distribution, optional charges or income taxes payable that would have reduced returns or performance. Past performance does not necessarily indicate how the Fund may perform in the future. A fund with more than 10 years of performance history is only permitted to disclose the past 10 years.

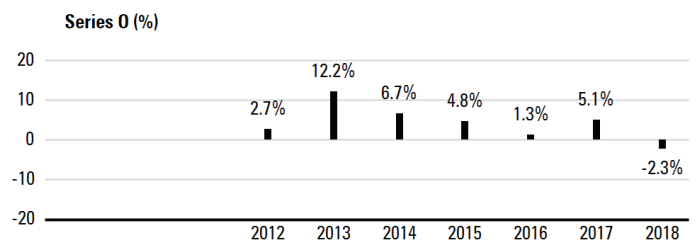
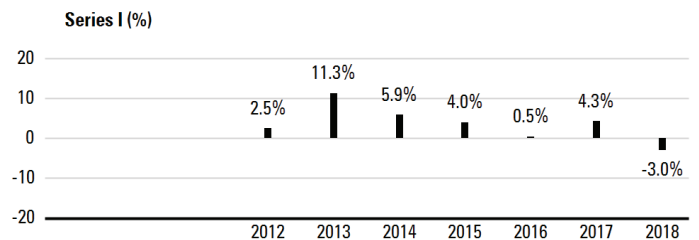
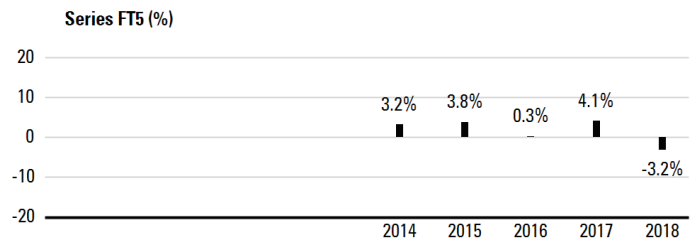
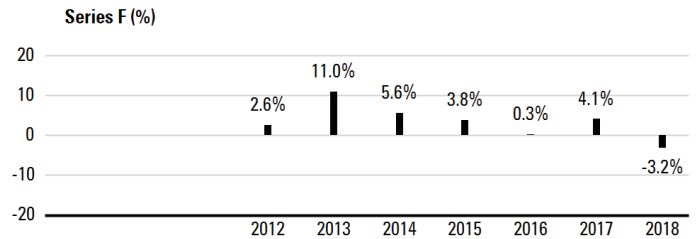
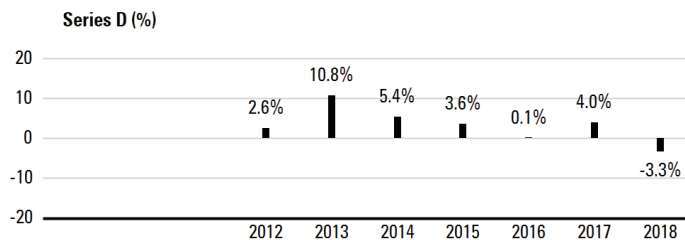
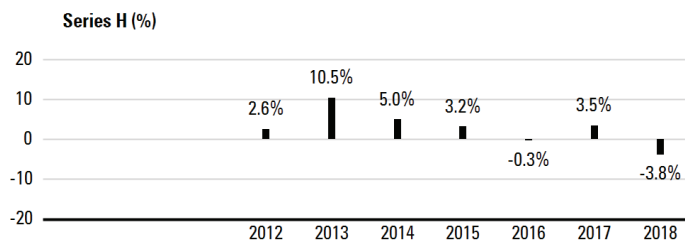
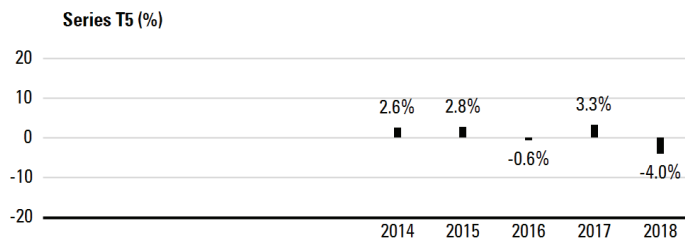
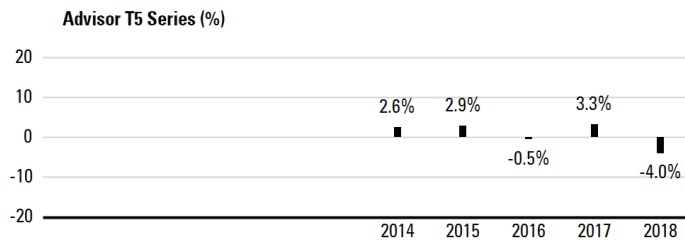
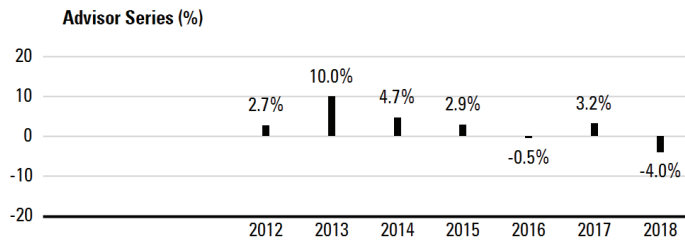
**Year-by-Year Returns (%)**

The bar chart indicates the Fund's performance for each of the years shown, and illustrates how the Fund's performance has changed from year to year. The bar chart shows, in percentage terms, how much an investment made on the first day of each financial year would have grown or decreased by the end of the financial year.





**PAST PERFORMANCE (cont.)**







**PAST PERFORMANCE (cont.)**

**Annual Compound Returns (%)**

The table shows the annual compound returns for each series of the Fund and for each of the periods indicated ended on December 31, 2018, compared with the following benchmark:

Thomson Reuters Convertible Global Focus Index (hedged to CAD)

	Past Year	Past 3 Years	Past 5 Years	Past 10 Years	Since Inception
Series A	-4.0	-0.5	1.2	–	3.0
Benchmark	-3.6	1.1	2.6	–	4.7
Advisor Series	-4.0	-0.5	1.2	–	3.0
Benchmark	-3.6	1.1	2.6	–	4.7
Advisor T5 Series	-4.0	-0.5	–	–	0.9
Benchmark	-3.6	1.1	–	–	2.0
Series T5	-4.0	-0.4	–	–	0.9
Benchmark	-3.6	1.1	–	–	2.0
Series H	-3.8	-0.2	1.5	–	3.3
Benchmark	-3.6	1.1	2.6	–	4.7
Series D	-3.3	0.2	1.9	–	3.7
Benchmark	-3.6	1.1	2.6	–	4.7
Series F	-3.2	0.3	2.0	–	3.9
Benchmark	-3.6	1.1	2.6	–	4.7
Series FT5	-3.2	0.4	–	–	1.7
Benchmark	-3.6	1.1	–	–	2.0
Series I	-3.0	0.6	2.3	–	4.1
Benchmark	-3.6	1.1	2.6	–	4.7
Series O	-2.3	1.3	3.1	–	4.9
Benchmark	-3.6	1.1	2.6	–	4.7

The returns of each series may vary because of differences in management fees and expenses. The Benchmark index returns do not include any costs of investing. See Management Discussion of Fund Performance for a discussion of performance relative to the Benchmark index.

Advisor T5 Series, Series T5 and Series FT5 units have been available for sale to unitholders since April 21, 2014, and Series A, Advisor Series, Series H, Series D, Series F, Series I and Series O units since November 26, 2012.

Inception dates are not provided for series that have been in existence for more than 10 years.

Series H and Series I units have been capped and are no longer available for purchase by new investors effective June 30, 2016.

**INDEX DESCRIPTION**

**Thomson Reuters Convertible Global Focus Index (hedged to CAD)** This index is designed to measure the performance of global convertible bonds and focuses on larger convertible securities, with the number of constituents being limited to ensure breadth and manageability. This index is hedged to Canadian dollars.

**SUMMARY OF INVESTMENT PORTFOLIO**

(after consideration of derivative products, if any)

As at December 31, 2018

**Investment Mix**

	% of Net Asset Value
United States	34.2
China	15.9
Japan	15.4
Germany	7.6
Netherlands	4.2
Hong Kong	2.6
United Kingdom	2.0
Norway	1.6
Taiwan	1.3
France	0.8
South Africa	0.7
Singapore	0.5
Other Countries	10.7
Cash/Other	2.5

**Top 25 Holdings**

	% of Net Asset Value
CRRC Corp Ltd., Convertible USD 0.000% Feb 5 2021	2.8
Microchip Technology Inc., Convertible 1.625% Feb 15 2027	2.8
Deutsche Wohnen SE, Convertible EUR 0.600% Jan 5 2026	2.6
Shanghai Port Group BVI Holding Co. Ltd., Convertible USD 0.000% Aug 9 2021	2.4
Tesla Inc., Convertible 1.250% Jan 3 2021	2.2
Palo Alto Networks Inc., Convertible 0.750% Jul 1 2023	2.1
Cash & Cash Equivalents	2.1
RAG-Stiftung, Convertible EUR 0.000% Oct 2 2024	1.9
Mitsubishi Chemical Holdings Corp., Convertible JPY 0.000% Mar 29 2024	1.9
Ctrip.com International Ltd., Convertible USD 1.990% Jul 1 2025	1.8
Siemens Financieringsmaatschappij N.V., Convertible USD 1.650% Aug 16 2019	1.8
Splunk Inc., Convertible 0.500% Sep 15 2023	1.7
LG Chem Ltd., Convertible EUR 0.000% Apr 16 2021	1.7
NXP Semiconductors N.V., Convertible USD 1.000% Dec 1 2019	1.6
China Evergrande Group, Convertible HKD 4.250% Feb 14 2023	1.6
Kyushu Electric Power Co. Inc., Convertible JPY 0.000% Mar 31 2020	1.6
Atlassian Inc., Convertible 0.625% May 1 2023	1.6
Harvest International Co., Convertible HKD 0.000% Nov 21 2022	1.6
Kansai Paint Co. Ltd., Convertible JPY 0.000% Jun 17 2022	1.5
China Railway Construction Corp. Ltd., Convertible CNY 1.500% Dec 21 2021	1.5
Huazhu Group Ltd., Convertible USD 0.375% Nov 1 2022	1.4
Sika AG, Convertible CHF 0.150% Jun 5 2025	1.3
Akamai Technologies Inc., Convertible 0.125% May 1 2025	1.3
AYC Finance Ltd., Convertible USD 0.500% May 2 2019	1.2
Nutanix Inc., Convertible 0.000% Jan 15 2023	1.1
<b>Top 25 Holdings</b>	<b>45.1</b>

The Summary of Investment Portfolio may change due to ongoing portfolio transactions of the Fund and a quarterly update is available at [www.rbcgam.com/funds](http://www.rbcgam.com/funds).