## **About the Strategy**

### **Investment Philosophy**

FolioBeyond employs a disciplined approach utilizing sophisticated algorithms to create optimal portfolios for Fixed Income and core Equity strategies, as well as more tactical Equity and customized Fixed Income portfolio allocations. We emphasize a comprehensive Factor-based optimization model for Fixed Income and Factor-based and Volatility-weighted methodologies for Equities.

#### **Investment Objective**

Strategy serves as a Core-Plus, Multisector or Nontraditional Fixed Income allocation.

# **Key Advantages**

### **✓** Global Diversification

Practices broad asset selection as a fundamental investment principle to capture what global markets offer in potential return while smoothing the volatility in performance.

### ✓ Risk Management

Limits absolute exposure to any one sector in addition to correlation effects across all sectors.

# **√** Volatility Constrained

Anchors the volatility of the selected portfolio to the historical volatility of the broad investment grade market benchmark, the Bloomberg Barclays US Aggregate Bond Index.

### Fixed Income markets are inefficient

 Bond trading suffers from a significant lack of transparency:

> Only bond dealers see bidoffer spreads and transactions. Execution levels are rarely seen by non-professional investors.

2. Fixed Income pricing inefficiencies are very difficult to quantify:

Market participants have a wide array of goals and objectives driving valuations and reflected in many risk characteristics including credit, options, duration and convexity. These are highly difficult to monitor by most investors on a real-time basis across a diversified portfolio.

3. Market inefficiencies require a disciplined, algorithmic methodology to extract excess returns:

Successful methodologies require calibration, out-of-sample testing and sensitivity analysis.

### **Index Construction**

FolioBeyond utilizes an **advanced Factor-based algorithm to optimize portfolio allocations** based on **forward-looking value, momentum, correlations, volatility, and stress-testing** across **23 sub-sector** indices in the Fixed Income market.

- 1. ICE U.S. Treasury Short Bond TR USD
- 2. ICE U.S. Treasury 1-3 Year Bond TR USD
- 3. ICE U.S. Treasury 3-7 Year Bond TR USD
- 4. ICE U.S. Treasury 10-20 Year Bond TR USD
- 5. ICE U.S. Treasury 20+ Year Bond TR USD
- 6. Bloomberg Barclays US Agency TR USD
- 7. Bloomberg Barclays US TIPS 0-5 Year TR USD
- 8. Bloomberg Barclays US Trsy US TIPS TR USD
- 9. ICE BofA Merrill Lynch 1-5Y US CorpTR USD
- 10. ICE BofA Merrill Lynch 5-10Y Corp TR USD
- 11. Markit iBoxx Liquid IG TR USD
- 12. ICE BofA Merrill Lynch 10+Y Corp TR USD

- 13. Bloomberg Barclays US HY 350mn CP 0-5 2% TR USD
- 14. Markit iBoxx Liquid High Yield TR USD
- 15. S&P/LSTA U.S. Leveraged Loan 100 TR USD
- 16. Bloomberg Barclays US MBS TR USD
- 17. Bloomberg Barclays CMBS ERISA Eligible TR USD
- **18.** Bloomberg Barclays 1-3 Year Global Treasury ex-US Capped Index
- 19. JPM EMBI Global Core TR USD
- 20. Bloomberg Barclays Muni Managed Mny Short TR USD
- 21. Bloomberg Barclays AMT-Free Interm Cont Mun TR USD
- 22. Bloomberg Barclays Municipal Custom High Yield Composite Index
- 23. FTSE Nareit All Mortgage Capped TR USD



# **Optimized Fixed Income Strategy vs Market Benchmarks**

#### Annualized Returns (through 6/30/20)1

STRATEGY	June	YTD	1Yr	3Yr	5Yr	10Yr
FolioBeyond Optimized Fixed Income Strategy <sup>2</sup>	0.15%	-1.04%	3.45%	4.80%	4.75%	4.61%
Standard Deviation (Daily)	N/A	N/A	4.63%	3.48%	3.24%	3.73%
Standard Deviation (Monthly)	N/A	N/A	6.16%	4.39%	4.07%	4.23%
Morningstar Category: US Fund Multisector Bond	1.74%	-1.85%	0.66%	2.71%	3.30%	4.61%
Standard Deviation (Monthly)	N/A	N/A	12.09%	7.46%	6.17%	5.35%
FolioBeyond Strategy Percentile Ranking	94	46	24	10	6	51
US Fund Multisector Bond Category Universe	324	324	316	300	267	176
Bloomberg Barclays US Aggregate TR	0.63%	6.14%	8.74%	5.32%	4.30%	3.82%
Standard Deviation (Daily)	N/A	N/A	5.10%	3.70%	3.54%	3.43%
Standard Deviation (Monthly)	N/A	N/A	3.65%	3.27%	3.08%	2.94%

Source for Bloomberg Barclays US Aggregate TR and US Fund Multisector Bond Category data: Morningstar

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> FolioBeyond Optimized Fixed Income Strategy returns are net of underlying ETF fees and 30 bp assumed management fee. Returns are monthly based on back-tested simulation results. Back-tested performance does not represent actual performance and should not be interpreted as an indication of such performance. Actual performance for client accounts may be materially lower than that of the index portfolios. Back-tested performance results have certain inherent limitations. Such results do not represent the impact that material economic and market factors might have on an investment adviser's decision-making process if the adviser were actually managing client money. Back-tested performance also differs from actual performance because it is achieved through the retroactive application of model portfolios (in this case, FolioBeyond's ETF portfolios) designed with the benefit of hindsight. As a result, the models theoretically may be changed from time to time and the effect on performance results could be either favorable or unfavorable.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Strategy is available in ETF form (Ticker: FWDB), index form (S-Network FolioBeyond Optimized Fixed Income Index - SNFBFI), and for Separately Managed Account environments. FWDB and SNFBI incur additional fees.

## TOTAL RETURN FIXED INCOME FACT SHEET

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- 5. Back-tested performance results assume the reinvestment of dividends and capital gains and rebalancing, as required based on a 15% risk deviation threshold on fixed income model. It is important to understand that the assumption of rebalancing has an impact on the monthly returns reported for the FolioBeyond ETF portfolios. Actual monthly and year-to-date returns will differ from the back-tested returns due to the cost impact of rebalancing transactions on the overall portfolio. Back-tested risk and return data can be a combination of live (or actual) ETF results and simulated results. All returns data reflect net returns applying a deduction of 30 basis points of investment advisory fees. Tax liability is not deducted from performance results. Performance results reflect estimated transaction fees (e.g., commissions, platform access fees and ETF bid-offer spreads) but there is no assurance that these assumptions are accurate and represent actual transaction costs that would have been incurred by investors in live accounts.
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