# **Brompton European** Dividend Growth ETF



**Geographic Allocation** 

## **FUND PROFILE** AS AT MAY 31, 2019

**EDGF** TSX Symbol **CUSIP** 11222M100 Inception Date July 21, 2017 **ETF Conversion Date** Apr. 23, 2019 NAV \$9.46 Monthly/Annual Distribution \$0.0416 /\$0.4992 Distribution Rate<sup>1</sup> **Total Assets** \$33 million Management Fee 0.75% p.a. Currency Hedged to CAD Management Style Actively Managed Manager/PM **Brompton Funds Limited Auditor PWC** Custodian CIBC Mellon Registered Account Eligibility? Yes

### THIS ETF IS FOR INVESTORS WHO ARE:

Medium

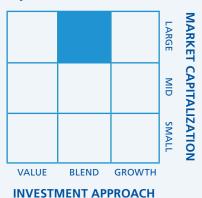
Seeking capital appreciation

Risk Rating

- Seeking enhanced income and lower volatility through covered call strategies
- Comfortable with equity risk

**ESG SCORE<sup>2</sup>** A-

## **EQUITY STYLE BOX**



**EXCHANGE TRADED FUNDS** 

### Overview

This ETF provides high monthly distributions and the opportunity for capital appreciation through an investment in an actively managed portfolio of large cap European dividend growth companies selected by Brompton, complemented by a proprietary covered call options program.

Our PM team first uses top-down analysis to identify attractive sectors. Rigorous fundamental analysis focuses the portfolio on at least 20 large capitalization European equities that have a history (or in the managers view, a future likelihood) of dividend growth. The PMs then set the level of covered call writing (up to a maximum of 33%), with the goal of optimizing distributable cash and total returns while reducing portfolio volatility.

# **Investment Highlights: Europe**

Why Invest In Europe?

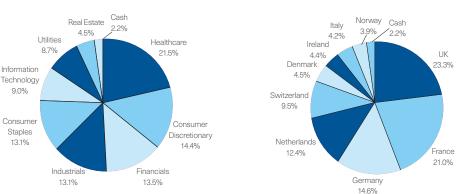
- European companies are expected to grow earnings by 9.3% over the next year3
- Manager believes European equities are currently attractively valued and have significantly lagged the performance of their U.S. peers
- Diversification benefits: Europe provides an opportunity for Canadians to diversify by investing in equity sectors that are underrepresented in the Canadian market

### Portfolio: May 31, 2019

9.0%

13.1%

#### **Sector Allocation**



Top 10 Holdings	<b>% of Portfolio</b> 5.4%	
Adidas AG		
LVMH Moet Henessy Louis Vuitton SE	5.0%	
Experian PLC	4.9%	
Diageo PLC	4.9%	
AON PLC	4.8%	
London Stock Exchange Group PLC	4.8%	
SAPSE	4.7%	
Nestle SA	4.6%	
Orsted A/S	4.5%	
Vonovia SE	4.5%	
Total	48.1%	

## Portfolio Manager and Manager: Brompton Funds Limited



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# Historical Performance: May 31, 2019

Annual Compound Returns⁵	YTD	1-YR	Since Inception
Brompton European Dividend Growth ETF	17.3%	3.3%	4.4%
STOXX Europe 600 Index	9.3%	(3.7%)	(2.1%)

<sup>(1)</sup> Distribution rate is based on market price on May 31, 2019. Source: Thomson Reuters.

(6) Returns are for the periods ended May 31, 2019. Inception date July 21, 2017. ETF conversion date April 23, 2019. The table shows the ETF's compound return since inception compared with the STOXX Europe 600 Index. The ETF invests in large-capitalization European equity securities that are selected from the STOXX Europe 600 Index. The STOXX Europe 600 Index is a subset of the STOXX Global 1800 Index, representing large, mid and small capitalization companies across 17 European developed countries. Since the Fund is actively managed, the sector weightings may differ from those of the indices. The benchmark indices are calculated without the deduction of management fees and ETF expenses, whereas the performance of the ETF is calculated after deducting such fees and expenses.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>(2)</sup> Source: Thomson Reuters as at May 31, 2019. Reflects the weighted average ESG Score of the companies held in the portfolio. The ESG Score is an overall score of a company based on the reported information in the environmental, social and corporate governance pillars. Letter grades range from D-for the lowest ESG scores to A+ for the highest scores. See https://www.refinitiv.com/content/dam/marketing/en\_us/documents/methodology/esg-scoresmethodology.pdf for more information.

<sup>(9)</sup> Source: Bloomberg, as at April 12, 2019. Data based on forward 12-month consensus earnings expectations for the STOXX 600 (Europe).

<sup>(4)</sup> Please visit www.bromptongroup.com for further information.