



# Universe Bond Strategic Bias

## Summary

This quantitative strategy aims to generate a yield to maturity exceeding that of the index by investing in various categories of Canadian bonds.

Style	Quantitative
Process	Top-down
Horizon	Medium to long term
Benchmark	FTSE Canada Universe
Value-added objective	0.35% over 4-year moving averages (before management fees)
Main sources of value added	Sectors, curve, provincial and municipal selection, asset allocation

## Why invest in this strategy

- Construction based on strategic biases, ensuring stable yields
- Long historical performance and constant value added
- Use of exclusive state-of-the-art technology integrating quantitative and qualitative filters
- Rigorous, disciplined investment process that integrates ESG factors
- Objective to generate an information ratio greater than 0.50 (high potential for outperformance)
- Stable, experienced multidisciplinary management team

## Investment Philosophy

The strategy combines an overweight in quality credit and a centred positioning on the yield curve. These two exposures are negatively correlated and are used to construct a portfolio whose yield to maturity exceeds that of the index. The strategy focuses on the return in relation to portfolio risk. Tactical decisions are used to integrate market developments into the model while respecting the product philosophy. Finally, security selection relies on the Big Data System, a decision-aid technology platform that allows us to quickly identify the most attractive potential return opportunities.

## Investment Process

### ANALYSIS

Fundamental	Technical	Sentiment
Seasonality	ESG factors	Multiasset class

### PORTFOLIO CONSTRUCTION

Use of the Big Data System, a decision-aid tool developed in house to improve traditional fundamental and macroeconomic approaches.

This system makes it possible to determine markets whose securities have the best value-added potential.

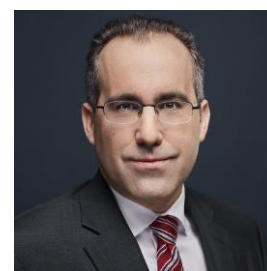
## Management Team



**Martin Delage**  
CFA, M. Fin.

**Canadian Chief Investment Officer**

30 years of experience



**Hugues Sauvé**  
CFA, M. Fin., B.B.A., Fin. Econ.

**FVP, Fixed Income and Executive Assistant to the Chief Canadian Investment Officer**

24 years of experience