Active Allocation Portfolio



Ideas for global asset allocation

Introduction

The Active Allocation (AA) Portfolio is a diversified guided portfolio that attempts to bridge the gap between our traditional competency in portfolios of individual stocks and bonds and a broader, moreglobal asset allocation through the use of Exchange Traded Funds (ETFs). Based on a "balanced" investment profile, the AA Portfolio will invest within predefined equity and fixed income allocation ranges as a way to express overweight and underweight views towards specific markets, sectors, countries and regions. The Portfolio compliments the Global Insight Monthly, the flagship client-facing piece of the Portfolio Advisory Group, which represents the firm's big picture view with a timely and dynamic commentary.

Objective

The Active Allocation Portfolio offers ideas on the completion of a total global asset allocation utilizing ETFs.

Key features of the AA Portfolio include:

• Complements the Global Insight Monthly publication. This document

represents the firm's big picture view and recommendations that are suitable for all clients and can be implemented over a 12-month investment horizon.

- Builds a framework to convey specific product ideas and strategies.
- Provides more timely and dynamic commentary on the outlook for various markets.
- Provides a means of filtering the multiple messages from RBC Capital Markets and RBC Global Asset Management into those that are more big-picture and tactical in nature.

Relationship with global insight monthly

The AA Portfolio will be based broadly on the 12-month view articulated by the Global Insight Monthly. In order to pursue a wider range of strategies and provide articulation of a shorter three- to sixmonth outlook, the AA Portfolio maintains the flexibility to make adjustments to the asset allocation within a set range of the 12-month Global Insight view.

Investment style

Investment decisions are made using a range of inputs from RBC Capital Markets, RBC Global Asset Management, and third-party research covering:

- Macro analysis and research from across RBC and external resources
- Leading global economic indicators and trends
- · Technical analysis and insight
- Fundamental analysis of individual sectors

Indicators used to help inform the decision-making process include macroeconomic, sentiment, monetary supply, valuation and technical indicators. The purpose of these indicators is to give the committee a sense as to the economic direction of different geographies as well as the relative attractiveness of these geographies on a valuation basis.

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ETFs are subject to the same risks as the underlying securities.

ETFs fluctuate in market value and may trade at prices above or below the ETFs net asset value.

Commissions may be charged on every trade, depending on account type.

Within the Consulting Solutions – Specialty Portfolios program, no commissions will be charged on ETF trades; however, advisory fees may apply.

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