

Annual Management Report of Fund Performance

for the financial year ended December 31, 2024

All figures are reported in Canadian dollars unless otherwise noted.

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Management Discussion of Fund Performance

Investment Objective and Strategies

Investment Objective: CIBC Global Technology Fund (the *Fund*) seeks to provide long-term growth through capital appreciation by investing globally, primarily in companies that are involved in the development, application, production, or distribution of scientific and technology based products and services.

Investment Strategies: The Fund uses fundamental bottom-up research to construct a well-diversified portfolio that focuses on stocks expected to outperform the sector over future periods. The Fund invests in the following sub-industries: hardware, software, computer services, communication services, health care, and internet.

Risk

The Fund is a global equity fund that is suitable for long term investors who can tolerate medium to high investment risk.

For the period ended December 31, 2024, the Fund's overall level of risk remained as discussed in the simplified prospectus.

Results of Operations

The Fund's portfolio advisor is CIBC Asset Management Inc. (*CAMI* or the *Portfolio Advisor*). The commentary that follows provides a summary of the results of operations for the period ended December 31, 2024. All dollar figures are expressed in thousands, unless otherwise indicated.

The Fund's net asset value increased by 36% during the period, from \$391,707 as at December 31, 2023 to \$532,615 as at December 31, 2024. Net sales of \$17,435 and positive investment performance resulted in an overall increase in net asset value.

Class A units of the Fund posted a return of 31.2% for the period. The Fund's primary benchmarks, the MSCI World Information Technology Index and the MSCI World Index (the *primary benchmarks*), returned 45.2% and 30.0%, respectively, for the same period. The Fund's return is after the deduction of fees and expenses, unlike the primary benchmarks' return. See the section *Past Performance* for the returns of other classes of units offered by the Fund.

Declining interest rates were supportive of equity markets during the period. The lowering of interest rates signalled that many central banks perceived inflation to be under control and believed the economy was healthy. Significant interest and investment in generative artificial intelligence (AI) as a transformative technology affected multiple industries. It was a significant growth driver for many AI-related companies.

Continued inventory correction in semiconductors put pressure on some parts of the information technology sector, such as automotive and industrial. In addition, caution in enterprise technology spending put pressure on some parts of the market outside of Al-related programs.

Security selection in the information technology and communication services sectors contributed to the Fund's performance. Overweight holdings in Broadcom Inc. and NVIDIA Corp. were among the top individual contributors to the Fund's performance as these stocks performed well.

Security selection in the health care sector detracted from the Fund's performance. An underweight holding in outperforming stock Eli Lilly and Co. detracted from performance, as did an overweight holding in underperforming stock IQVIA Holdings Inc.

A new holding in Intuit Inc. was added to the Fund based on its market-leading platform in the small and medium-sized business space. The Portfolio Advisor believes the company has significant room for expansion by increasing its user base or improving monetization with new services and technologies, such as AI.

Unity Software Inc. was added to the Fund based on key takeaways from a Goldman Sachs technology conference. With new management, a new product cycle and a more customer-friendly pricing strategy, the Portfolio Advisor believes the company may be able to drive growth in its gaming platform and expand into other enterprise use cases.

The Portfolio Advisor added Advanced Micro Devices Inc. to the Fund as the company's share price declined after it posted disappointing third-quarter results. In the Portfolio Advisor's view, the company continues to be the most viable second source to NVIDIA for AI chips and should continue to gain market share.

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MongoDB Inc. was purchased based on the Portfolio Advisor's view that the company is well positioned to capture new AI workloads, driven by application modernization, new use cases and new architectures.

ON Semiconductor Corp. was eliminated from the Fund based on potential semiconductor inventory corrections in the automotive industry. While trends toward increasing electronic content in vehicles continue, the Portfolio Advisor is seeing signs that the post-pandemic stockpiling of semiconductor supplies in the automotive industry is starting to unwind and high interest rates are having a negative impact on automobile demand.

Amazon.com Inc. was sold as the Portfolio Advisor believes the stock is fairly valued, and the company's capital expenditures are set to increase due to AI investments. The proceeds were directed to higher-conviction investments.

A holding in Adobe Inc. was eliminated after it reported healthy third-quarter results but a disappointing fourth-quarter forecast. The company shows a forecast for growth in Document Cloud rather than its Al products. The Portfolio Advisor therefore anticipates that it could take longer than expected for Adobe to benefit from Al-driven growth.

Recent Developments

Effective May 1, 2025, the Fund's name will change from CIBC Global Technology Fund to CIBC Technology Innovation Fund.

The level of geopolitical risk disrupted the global economy and financial markets in unprecedented and unpredictable ways. This has resulted in significant volatility and uncertainty in financial markets. It is unclear what further actions may be taken by governments and the resulting impact on global economies, businesses and financial markets. Inflation has increased in many markets across the globe, leading central banks to raise interest rates in order to counter rapidly rising prices. These factors may adversely affect the Fund's performance. The Manager continues to monitor ongoing developments and the impact to investment strategies.

Related Party Transactions

CIBC and its affiliates have the following roles and responsibilities with respect to the Fund, and receive the fees described below in connection with their roles and responsibilities.

Manager

CIBC is the Fund's manager (the *Manager*). CIBC receives management fees with respect to the Fund's day-to-day business and operations, calculated based on the net asset value of each respective class of units of the Fund as described in *Management Fees* section. From time to time, CIBC may invest in units of the Fund.

Trustee

CIBC Trust Corporation (*CIBC Trust*), a wholly-owned subsidiary of CIBC, is the Fund's trustee (the *Trustee*). The Trustee holds title to the Fund's property (cash and securities) on behalf of its unitholders.

Portfolio Advisor

The portfolio advisor provides, or arranges to provide, investment advice and portfolio management services to the Fund. CAMI, a wholly-owned subsidiary of CIBC, is the Fund's portfolio advisor.

Distributor

Dealers and other firms sell the units of the Fund to investors. These dealers and other firms include CIBC's related dealers such as the principal distributor, CIBC Securities Inc. (CIBC SI), the CIBC Investor's Edge discount brokerage division of CIBC Investor Services Inc. (CIBC ISI), the CIBC Imperial Investor Service division of CIBC ISI, and the CIBC Wood Gundy division of CIBC World Markets Inc. (CIBC WM). CIBC SI, CIBC ISI, and CIBC WM are wholly-owned subsidiaries of CIBC.

CIBC may pay trailing commissions to these dealers and firms, in connection with the sale of units of the Fund. These dealers and other firms may pay a portion of these trailing commissions to their advisors who sell units of the Fund to investors.

Brokerage Arrangements and Soft Dollars

The Portfolio Advisor makes decisions, including the selection of markets and dealers and the negotiation of commissions, with respect to the purchase and sale of portfolio securities, certain derivative products and the execution of portfolio transactions. Brokerage business may be allocated by the Portfolio Advisor to CIBC WM and CIBC World Markets Corp., each a subsidiary of CIBC. CIBC WM and CIBC World Markets Corp. may also earn spreads on the sale of fixed income securities and other securities and certain derivative products to the Fund. A spread is the difference between the bid and ask prices for a security in the applicable marketplace, with respect to the execution of portfolio transactions. The spread will differ based upon various factors such as the type and liquidity of the security.

Dealers, including CIBC WM and CIBC World Markets Corp., may furnish goods and services, other than order execution, to the Portfolio Advisor in partial exchange for processing trades through them (referred to in the industry as "soft dollar" arrangements). These goods and services are paid for with a portion of the brokerage commissions and assist the Portfolio Advisor with investment decision-making services for the Fund or relate directly to the execution of portfolio transactions on behalf of the Fund.

During the period, the Fund paid brokerage commissions and other fees of \$13,450 to CIBC WM and \$1,519 to CIBC World Markets Corp. Spreads associated with fixed income and other securities are not ascertainable and, for that reason, cannot be included when determining these amounts.

Fund Transactions

The Fund may enter into one or more of the following transactions (*Related Party Transactions*) in reliance on the standing instructions issued by the IRC:

- invest in or hold equity securities of CIBC or issuers related to a portfolio sub-advisor;
- invest in or hold non-exchange-traded debt securities of CIBC or an issuer related to CIBC, with terms-to-maturity of 365 days or more, issued in a primary offering and in the secondary market;
- make an investment in the securities of an issuer for which CIBC WM, CIBC World Markets Corp., or any affiliate of CIBC (the Related Dealer or Related Dealers) acts as an underwriter during the offering of the securities or at any time during the 60-day period following the completion of the offering of such securities (in the

case of a "private placement" offering, in accordance with the exemptive relief order granted by the Canadian securities regulatory authorities and in accordance with the policies and procedures relating to such investment);

- purchase equity or debt securities from or sell them to a Related Dealer, where it is acting as principal;
- undertake currency and currency derivative transactions where a Related Dealer is the counterparty;
- purchase securities from or sell securities to another investment fund or a managed account managed by the Manager or an affiliate; and
- engage in in-specie transfers by receiving portfolio securities from, or delivering portfolio securities to, a managed account or another investment fund managed by the Manager or an affiliate, in respect of a purchase or redemption of units in the fund, subject to certain conditions.

At least annually, the IRC reviews the Related Party Transactions for which they have issued standing instructions. The IRC is required to advise the Canadian securities regulatory authorities, after a matter has been referred or reported to the IRC by the Manager, if it determines that an investment decision was not made in accordance with a condition imposed by securities legislation or the IRC in any Related Party Transactions requiring its approval.

Custodian

CIBC Mellon Trust Company is the Fund's custodian (the *Custodian*). The Custodian holds all cash and securities for the Fund and ensures that those assets are kept separate from any other cash or securities that the Custodian might be holding. The Custodian also provides other services to the Fund including record-keeping and processing of foreign exchange transactions. The fees and spreads for the services of the Custodian directly related to the execution of portfolio transactions by the Fund are paid by CAMI and/or the dealer(s) directed by CAMI, up to the amount of the credits generated under soft dollar arrangements from trading on behalf of the Fund during that month. All other fees and spreads for the services of the Custodian are paid by the Manager, in return for receiving a fixed administration fee from the Fund. CIBC owns a 50% interest in the Custodian.

Service Provider

The Custodian also provides certain services to the Fund, including securities lending, fund accounting and reporting, and portfolio valuation. The Manager receives a fixed administration fee from the Fund, in return, the Manager pays certain operating expenses which includes custodial fees (including all applicable taxes) and the fees for fund accounting, reporting, and fund valuation (including all applicable taxes) to CIBC Mellon Trust Company. Where applicable, securities lending fees are applied against the revenue received by the 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 period ended December 31.

The Fund's Net Assets per Unit ¹ - Class	A Units	6			Incep	tion da	ite: December 11, 1995
		2024	2023	2022	2021		2020
Net Assets, beginning of period	\$	60.83	\$ 46.68	\$ 58.91	\$ 57.18	\$	38.66
Increase (decrease) from operations: Total revenue Total expenses Realized gains (losses) for the period Unrealized gains (losses) for the period	\$	0.77 (1.69) 6.89 12.92	\$ 0.80 (1.33) 3.13 11.61	\$ 0.67 (1.25) (6.45) (6.19)	\$ 0.41 (1.58) 12.23 (9.70)	\$	0.38 (1.24) 7.02 12.11
Total increase (decrease) from operations ²	\$	18.89	\$ 14.21	\$ (13.22)	\$ 1.36	\$	18.27
Distributions: From income (excluding dividends) From dividends From capital gains Return of capital	\$	- - - -	\$ - - - -	\$ - - - -	\$ - - - -	\$	- - - -
Total Distributions ³	\$	_	\$ _	\$ _	\$ _	\$	_
Net Assets, end of period	\$	79.79	\$ 60.83	\$ 46.68	\$ 58.91	\$	57.18
Ratios and Supplemental Data - Class A	A Units						
		2024	2023	2022	2021		2020
Total Net Asset Value (000s) ⁴	\$	424,539	\$ 309,297	\$ 259,251	\$ 431,021	\$	353,962
Number of Units Outstanding ⁴		5,320,624	5,085,470	5,554,001	7,316,176		6,190,765
Management Expense Ratio ⁵		2.21%	2.20%	2.21%	2.38%		2.42%
Management Expense Ratio before waivers of absorptions ⁶		2.22%	2.22%	2.22%	2.39%		2.42%
Trading Expense Ratio ⁷		0.03%	0.04%	0.11%	0.15%		0.07%
Portfolio Turnover Rate ⁸		43.36%	55.78%	110.58%	133.00%		69.19%
Net Asset Value per Unit	\$	79.79	\$ 60.83	\$ 46.68	\$ 58.91	\$	57.18
The Fund's Net Assets per Unit ¹ - Class	F Units	;				Ince	otion date: July 6, 2020
		2024	2023	2022	2021		2020 ^a
Net Assets, beginning of period	\$	12.93	\$ 9.80	\$ 12.23	\$ 11.73	\$	10.00 ^b
Increase (decrease) from operations: Total revenue Total expenses Realized gains (losses) for the period Unrealized gains (losses) for the period	\$	0.17 (0.18) 1.47 2.78	\$ 0.17 (0.14) 0.66 2.44	\$ 0.14 (0.14) (1.41) (0.24)	\$ 0.04 (0.16) 2.62 (1.97)	\$	0.02 (0.07) 0.39 1.05
Total increase (decrease) from operations ²	\$	4.24	\$ 3.13	\$ (1.65)	\$ 0.53	\$	1.39
Distributions: From income (excluding dividends) From dividends From capital gains Return of capital	\$	- - - -	\$ -	\$ - - - -	\$ - - - -	\$	- - -
Total Distributions ³	\$	_	\$ 	\$ 	\$ 	\$	_
Net Assets, end of period	\$	17.16	\$ 12.93	\$ 9.80	\$ 12.23	\$	11.73

Ratios and Supplemental Data - Class F Units

	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020 ^a
Total Net Asset Value (000s) ⁴	\$ 108,076	\$ 82,410	\$ 67,001	\$ 2,927	\$ 1,426
Number of Units Outstanding ⁴	6,296,509	6,373,880	6,835,648	239,262	121,569
Management Expense Ratio ⁵	1.03%	0.98%	1.03%	1.17%	1.31% [*]
Management Expense Ratio before waivers or					
absorptions ⁶	1.03%	1.03%	1.03%	1.17%	1.31% [*]
Trading Expense Ratio ⁷	0.03%	0.04%	0.11%	0.15%	0.07%*
Portfolio Turnover Rate ⁸	43.36%	55.78%	110.58%	133.00%	69.19%
Net Asset Value per Unit	\$ 17.16	\$ 12.93	\$ 9.80	\$ 12.23	\$ 11.73

- a Information presented is for the period from the inception date to December 31.
- b Initial offering price.
- * Ratio has been annualized.
- 1 This information is derived from the Fund's audited annual financial statements.
- Net assets and distributions are based on the actual number of units outstanding at the relevant time. The total increase (decrease) from operations is based on the weighted average number of units outstanding during the period.
- Distributions were paid in cash, reinvested in additional units of the Fund, or both.
- ⁴ This information is presented as at December 31 of the period(s) shown.
- ⁵ Management expense ratio is based on the total expenses of the Fund (excluding commissions and other portfolio transaction costs), incurred by or allocated to a class of units for the period shown, expressed as an annualized percentage of the daily average net asset value of that class during the period. The management expense ratio includes the fees attributable to exchange traded funds, where applicable.
- ⁶ The decision to waive management fees and/or fixed administration fees is at the discretion of the Manager. The practice of waiving management fees and/or fixed administration fees may continue indefinitely or may be terminated at any time without notice to unitholders. The management expense ratio before waivers or absorptions includes the fees attributable to exchange traded funds, where applicable.
- The trading expense ratio represents total commissions and other portfolio transaction costs before income taxes expressed as an annualized percentage of the daily average net asset value during the period. Spreads associated with fixed income securities trading are not ascertainable and, for that reason, are not included in the trading expense ratio calculation.
- The portfolio turnover rate indicates how actively the portfolio advisor and/or portfolio sub-advisor manages the portfolio investments. 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 period. The higher a portfolio turnover rate in a period, the greater the trading costs payable by the Fund in the period, 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.

Management Fees

The Fund, either directly or indirectly, pays CIBC an annual management fee to cover the costs of managing the Fund. Management fees are based on the Fund's net asset value and are calculated daily and paid monthly. Management fees are paid to CIBC in consideration for providing, or arranging for the provision of, management, distribution, and portfolio advisory services. Advertising and promotional expenses, office overhead expenses and trailing commissions are paid by CIBC out of the management fees received from the Fund. The Fund is required to pay applicable taxes on the management fees paid to CIBC. Refer to the Simplified Prospectus for the annual management fee rate for each class of units.

The following table shows a breakdown of the services received in consideration of the management fees, as a percentage of the management fees collected from the Fund for the period ended December 31, 2024. These amounts do not include waived fees or absorbed expenses.

	Class A Units	Class F Units
Sales and trailing commissions paid to dealers	43.85%	0.00%
General administration, investment advice, and profit	56.15%	100.00%

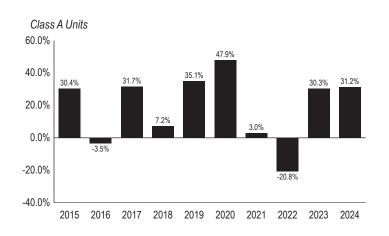
Past Performance

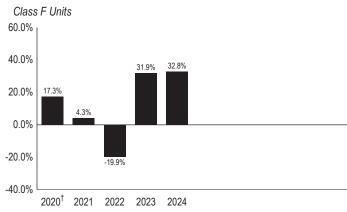
The performance data provided assumes reinvestment of distributions only and does not take into account sales, redemption, distribution, or other optional charges payable by any unitholder that would have reduced returns. Past performance does not necessarily indicate how a fund will perform in the future

The Fund's returns are after the deduction of fees and expenses, and the difference in returns between classes of units is primarily due to differences in the management expense ratio. See the *Financial Highlights* section for the management expense ratio.

Year-by-Year Returns

These bar charts show the annual performance of each class of units of the Fund for each of the periods shown, and illustrate how the performance has changed from period to period. These bar charts show, in percentage terms, how an investment made on January 1 would have increased or decreased by December 31, unless otherwise indicated.





[†] 2020 return is for the period from July 6, 2020 to December 31, 2020.

Annual Compound Returns

This table shows the annual compound return of each class of units of the Fund for each indicated period ended on December 31, 2024. The annual compound total return is also compared to the Fund's benchmark(s).

The Fund's primary benchmarks are the MSCI World Information Technology Index and the MSCI World Index.

The Fund's blended benchmark (Blended Benchmark) is comprised of the following:

- 40% MSCI World Information Technology Index
- 40% MSCI World Healthcare Index
- 20% MSCI World Communication Services Index

Class and Benchmark(s)	1 Year (%)	3 Years (%)	5 Years (%)	10 Years* (%)	or Since Inception* (%)	Inception Date
Class A units	31.2	10.6	15.6	17.4		December 11, 1995
MSCI World Information Technology Index	45.2	17.4	24.2	22.9		
MSCI World Index	30.0	11.6	14.0	12.9		
Blended Benchmark	31.0	11.6	16.3	15.7		
Class F units	32.8	12.0			12.8	July 6, 2020
MSCI World Information Technology Index	45.2	17.4			22.1	•
MSCI World Index	30.0	11.6			15.8	
Blended Benchmark	31.0	11.6			15.4	

If a class of units has been outstanding for less than 10 years, the annual compound return since inception is shown.

MSCI World Communication Services Index is designed to capture the large and mid cap segments across 23 Developed Markets (DM) countries. All securities in the index are classified in the Communication Services sector as per the Global Industry Classification Standard (GICS).

MSCI World Healthcare Index is a market-weighted Index composed of securities traded in 22 of the world's most developed countries. Securities are listed on exchanges in the U.S., Europe, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, and the Far East. The health care sector consists of several industry groups including health care equipment and services, pharmaceuticals and biotechnology.

MSCI World Index is a free float-adjusted market capitalization index composed of companies representative of the market structure of developed market countries in North America, Europe and the Asia/Pacific region.

MSCI World Information Technology Index is designed to capture the large and mid cap segments across 23 Developed Markets (DM) countries. All securities in the index are classified in the Information Technology sector as per the Global Industry Classification Standard (GICS).

A discussion of the Fund's relative performance compared to its benchmark(s) can be found in Results of Operations.

Summary of Investment Portfolio (as at December 31, 2024)

The summary of investment portfolio may change due to ongoing portfolio transactions of the investment fund. A quarterly update is available by visiting www.cibc.com/mutualfunds. The Top Positions table shows the Fund's 25 largest positions. If the fund holds fewer than 25 positions in total, all positions are shown. Cash and cash equivalents are shown in total as one position.

Portfolio Breakdown	% of Net Asset Value
Software	17.5
Interactive Media & Services	14.5
Pharmaceuticals	13.8
Semiconductors & Semiconductor Equipment	13.1
Technology Hardware, Storage & Peripherals	9.4
Life Sciences Tools & Services	8.5
Health Care Equipment & Supplies	5.5
Health Care Providers & Services	4.9
Other Equities	4.1
Cash & Cash Equivalents	3.2
Biotechnology	2.9
Entertainment	2.6

	% of Net Asset
Top Positions	Value
Apple Inc.	9.4
Alphabet Inc., Class 'A'	8.7
NVIDIA Corp.	8.4
Microsoft Corp.	7.6
Meta Platforms Inc., Class 'A'	5.9
Eli Lilly and Co.	5.2
UnitedHealth Group Inc.	4.9
Roche Holding AG Genusscheine	4.5
Novartis AG, Registered	4.0
Thermo Fisher Scientific Inc.	3.8
Broadcom Inc.	3.5
Cash & Cash Equivalents	3.2
Medtronic PLC	2.9
Amgen Inc.	2.9
Netflix Inc.	2.6
IQVIA Holdings Inc.	2.5
Intuitive Surgical Inc.	2.3
Lonza Group AG, Registered	2.2
Salesforce Inc.	1.8
ServiceNow Inc.	1.6
Intuit Inc.	1.5
Palo Alto Networks Inc.	1.3
T-Mobile US Inc.	1.3
Advanced Micro Devices Inc.	1.2
Shopify Inc., Class 'A'	1.1

A note on forward-looking statements

The management report of fund performance may contain forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements include statements that are predictive in nature, that depend upon or refer to future events or conditions, or that include words such as "expects", "anticipates", "intends", "plans", "believes", "estimates", or other similar wording. In addition, any statements that may be made concerning future performance, strategies, or prospects and possible future actions taken by the fund, are also forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements are not guarantees of future performance. These statements involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties, and other factors that may cause the actual results and achievements of the fund to differ materially from those expressed or implied by such statements. Such factors include, but are not limited to: general economic, market, and business conditions; fluctuations in securities prices, interest rates, and foreign currency exchange rates; changes in government regulations; and catastrophic events.

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. CIBC does not undertake, and specifically disclaims, any obligation to update or revise any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future developments, or otherwise prior to the release of the next management report of fund performance.



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