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This category of the Canadian Hedge Fund Awards program is for those credit focused hedge funds in which the underlying securities are not marked to market.

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Welcome



Julie Makepeace

Managing Director
Alternative IQ

Dear Delegates,

Welcome to the 2024 Canadian Hedge Fund Awards Gala Dinner. We have been honouring and celebrating Canada's brightest and best hedge fund managers for 17 years!

We are delighted to have Sean Kallir, CEO and CIO of HGC Investment Management, Winner of the 2023 Best Overall Canadian Hedge Fund, as our Keynote Speaker this evening. We know his address will be engaging and inspiring.

The CHF Awards program is intended to acknowledge the talent and accomplishments in Canada's hedge fund industry, and to raise awareness of that expertise in the media and among the wider investment community. A total of 273 unique Canadian Hedge Funds were considered for a 2024 Canadian Hedge Fund Award.

Today's event would not be possible without the generous support of our sponsors and partners. We extend our deep appreciation to everyone who has helped make the 2024 Canadian Hedge Fund program, and this gala awards dinner, such a big success.

Watch for information about the **CHFA Winners Showcase 2025 Investor Conference** coming up in early March 2025 in downtown Toronto. This half-day conference, now in its 11th year, will present selected 2024 CHF Award-Winning Hedge Fund Managers to a discerning audience of individual and institutional hedge fund investors, investment advisors, industry consultants and the media.

We encourage all of you to make sure you are on our contact list for future events by registering through our website www.alternativeiq.com. You can also follow us on LinkedIn and on X (the platform formerly known as Twitter) @AlternativeIQ.

As always, we welcome your feedback so that we may improve upon the Annual CHFA program and expand our service offerings to the alternative investments community in Canada.

Thank you for joining us this evening, and for your continued support of Alternative IQ, as we celebrate, support and help to expand Canada's hedge fund industry. We hope everyone enjoys themselves, and we wish all the Top Contenders good luck this evening!

Warm regards,

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2024 Agenda

5:00

Cocktail Reception

6:30

Awards Dinner – Welcome Remarks

Master of Ceremonies: **Julie Makepeace**, - Managing Director, Alternative IQ

6:35

Keynote Address: **Sean Kallir**, - CEO and CIO of HGC Investment Management

7:00

Dinner and Awards Presentations

Awards Presenters:

Equity Focused

Brian Bridger, Senior Vice President, Analytics & Data, Fundata Canada

Credit Focused and Market Neutral

Denny Doljac, Relationship Manager, Fundata Canada

Global Macro/Multi-Strat/Managed Futures

Joey Chan, Vice President, Data Quality and Innovation, Fundata Canada

Private Debt and Private Equity

John Krisko, Vice President, Investment Analytics, Fundata Canada

Overall Best 2024 Canadian Hedge Fund

Brian Bridger, Senior Vice President, Analytics & Data, Fundata Canada

9:00

Celebratory Reception

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Keynote Address



Sean Kallir

Sean Kallir, CEO, CIO of HGC Investment Management. Sean began his investment career in 2011 as a merger arbitrage and special situations Analyst at a Toronto-based hedge fund. With over a decade of experience Sean has been involved in thousands of merger arbitrage and SPAC positions and has become well versed in nuances of special situations. Sean is a founding partner of HGC and holds an Honors BA in Economics from the University of Western Ontario.

Awards Presenters:



Brian Bridger

Brian Bridger, CFA, FRM, is Senior Vice President, Analytics & Data, at Fundata Canada Inc., a leading source for investment fund information. In his role, Brian leads a dedicated team that oversees data quality and investment analytics. He holds a Bachelor of Business Administration degree from the University of Toronto and is a Chartered Financial Analyst (CFA) charterholder and a Certified Financial Risk Manager (FRM).



Joey Chan

Joey Chan, MMA, is the Vice President of Data Quality & Innovation at Fundata Canada Inc., a leading provider of investment fund information. Joey spearheads initiatives that improve data accuracy, streamline processes, and deliver actionable insights for the investment community. He earned his Master of Management Analytics (MMA) from Queen's University, and is dedicated to transforming complex data into meaningful tools that support informed decision-making in the financial sector.



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Canadian Alternative Investment Funds

Alternative investment funds are specialized investment vehicles with unique strategies and risk profiles. While acknowledging that there are multiple risk measures that can reasonably be applied to alternative funds, Fundata's Canadian Alternative Investment Funds risk ratings were developed using a set of quantitative, all-encompassing measures with large breadth of available data.

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Four risk measures met the criteria for wide market acceptance and breadth of data: **Maximum Drawdown**, **Standard Deviation**, **Up/Down Capture**, and **Batting Average**. A score from 1 to 5 is calculated for each risk measure, and the average is taken to arrive at a rating according to a five-point scale. A **Liquidity Score** was created to account for the added liquidity risk that normally comes with alternative investment funds. The liquidity score ranges from 0 to 1, and is added to the average score from the other four measures resulting in a final risk rating from 1 to 5. The maximum score is 5, representing High Risk.

Fundata Alternative Risk Rating Methodology

Performance History

Regulation for retail investment products requires the use of 10 years of performance history to determine a risk rating. When a fund does not have 10 years of data, proxy data is used.

Fundata chose to use the same historical requirements for the alternative investment fund risk ratings. Funds with less than 10 years of history will be supplemented with proxy data.

Proxy Data

Proxy data is chosen based on the investment strategy of the fund. Funds are assigned to a category and each category has an associated index. The associated index data is then used to fill in the history for the fund.

Risk Measures

Ratings are calculated for each risk measure which include Maximum Drawdown, Standard Deviation, Up/Down Capture, Batting Average and Liquidity Score.

Final Rating

The final rating is determined by taking the average of the four risk measures, adding the liquidity score and rounding to the nearest whole number. The maximum overall score is a 5, representing a High risk rating.

1 LOW	2 LOW TO MEDIUM	3 MEDIUM	4 MEDIUM TO HIGH	5 HIGH
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Example

Fund XYZ	
MEASURE	RATING
MAXIMUM DRAWDOWN	3
STANDARD DEVIATION	4
UP/DOWN CAPTURE	3
BATTING AVERAGE	4
AVERAGE	3.5
LIQUIDITY SCORE	0.41
Final Rating	3.91
RISK RATING	MEDIUM TO HIGH

For questions or to obtain the full methodology please contact:

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Awards Presenters:



John Krisko

John Krisko is Vice President, Investment Analytics, at Fundata Canada. John oversees the intake and processing of investment data, the design and calculation of portfolio level analytics, and equity and bond research. He is a frequent contributor to Fund Library and other financial publications. John holds the CFA designation and represents Fundata as the Vice-Chair of the Canadian Investment Funds Standards Committee.

Event MC



Julie Makepeace

A chief marketing officer and senior executive with more than 30 years financial services marketing experience, Ms. Makepeace is President, Alliance Sales and Marketing, a third-party marketing firm, and Managing Director, Alternative IQ, a division of Alliance Sales and Marketing specifically committed to celebrating, supporting and expanding Canada's hedge fund industry.

Prior to founding Alliance Sales and Marketing in 2000, Julie was a member of the original Executive Team at Working Ventures Canadian Fund, Canada's first national retail venture capital fund. As Senior Vice President, Marketing she was responsible for raising more than \$860 million and creating a new asset class in Canada. Since then, under various types of contracts, Julie has supported numerous asset management companies in launching their firms and/or launching new investment products and can point to an impressive track record of capital-raising success. Ms. Makepeace's strategic planning and marketing expertise was grounded in years of senior management positions with one of Canada's Schedule 1 Banks.

She has the CSC, CPH and OPD of the Canadian Securities Institute, is a Fellow of the Institute of Canadian Bankers and graduated with a Bachelor of Arts (Economics) degree from the University of Western Ontario.



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Top Contenders for a 2024 Canadian Hedge Fund Award by Category in Alphabetical Order

Equity Focused

Best 1 Year Return

- Bedford Park Opportunities Fund
- DKAM Capital Ideas Fund
- Kipling Global Enhanced Dividend Fund
- Kipling Global Enhanced Growth Fund
- Lionguard Opportunities Fund
- Lumen Long Short Equity Fund
- Oasis Growth Fund
- Pathfinder International Fund
- Pender Partners Fund
- Peregrine Investment Management Fund LP

Best 3 Year Return

- Agilith North American Diversified Fund
- Canoe Energy Alpha Fund LP
- Focus International Equity Fund
- Kipling Global Enhanced Dividend Fund
- Kipling Global Enhanced Growth Fund
- Lumen Long Short Equity Fund
- Quintessence Wealth Enhanced Global Equity Fund
- ROMC Fund
- SMI Defensive LP
- Wealhouse Lions Bay Fund

Best 5 Year Return

- Agilith North American Diversified Fund
- Bedford Park Opportunities Fund
- Canoe Energy Alpha Fund LP
- Kipling Global Enhanced Growth Fund
- LSQ SPAC Fund
- Lumen Long Short Equity Fund
- Pathfinder Resource Fund
- ROMC Fund
- SMI Defensive LP
- Wealhouse Lions Bay Fund

Best 3 Year Sharpe Ratio

- Canoe Energy Alpha Fund LP
- Focus International Equity Fund
- Kipling Global Enhanced Dividend Fund
- Kipling Global Enhanced Growth Fund
- Lumen Long Short Equity Fund
- Pathfinder Conviction Fund
- Picton Mahoney Long Short Equity Fund
- ROMC Fund
- SMI Defensive LP
- Wealhouse Lions Bay Fund

Best 5 Year Sharpe Ratio

- Canoe Energy Alpha Fund LP
- Forge First Long Short LP
- Kipling Global Enhanced Dividend Fund
- Kipling Global Enhanced Growth Fund
- LSQ SPAC Fund
- Lumen Long Short Equity Fund
- SMI Defensive LP
- Timelo Strategic Opportunities Fund
- Waratah Alternative ESG
- Wealhouse Lions Bay Fund

Credit Focused

Best 1 Year Return

- Algonquin Debt Strategies Fund LP
- BlueBay Event Driven Credit Fund (Canada)
- BlueBay High Yield Asset-Backed Credit Fund
- East Coast Strategic Credit Trust
- Kipling Strategic Income Fund
- Quintessence Wealth Enhanced Alpha IQ Fixed Income Fund
- Quintessence Wealth Enhanced Global Yield Fund
- RP Debt Opportunities Fund
- RP Select Opportunities Fund
- Wealhouse Amplus Credit Income Fund

Best 3 Year Return

- Access Private Income Fund
- Algonquin Debt Strategies Fund LP
- East Coast Strategic Credit Trust
- Kipling Strategic Income Fund
- NorthStream Credit Strategies Fund LP
- Quintessence Wealth Enhanced Global Yield Fund
- RP Debt Opportunities Fund
- RP Select Opportunities Fund
- Wealhouse Amplus Credit Income Fund
- YTM Capital Credit Opportunities Fund

Best 5 Year Return

- Algonquin Debt Strategies Fund LP
- East Coast Strategic Credit Trust
- Kipling Strategic Income Fund
- Ninepoint Credit Income Opportunities Fund
- NorthStream Credit Strategies Fund LP
- Picton Mahoney Special Situations Fund
- Purpose Credit Opportunities Fund
- RP Debt Opportunities Fund
- RP Select Opportunities Fund
- YTM Capital Credit Opportunities Fund

Best 3 Year Sharpe Ratio

- Access Private Income Fund
- Algonquin Debt Strategies Fund LP
- East Coast Strategic Credit Trust
- Kipling Strategic Income Fund
- NorthStream Credit Strategies Fund LP
- Quintessence Wealth Enhanced Global Yield Fund
- RP Debt Opportunities Fund
- RP Select Opportunities Fund
- Wealhouse Amplus Credit Income Fund
- YTM Capital Credit Opportunities Fund

Best 5 Year Sharpe Ratio

- Algonquin Debt Strategies Fund LP
- East Coast Strategic Credit Trust
- Kipling Strategic Income Fund
- Ninepoint Credit Income Opportunities Fund
- NorthStream Credit Strategies Fund LP
- Picton Mahoney Income Opportunities Fund
- Picton Mahoney Special Situations Fund
- Purpose Credit Opportunities Fund
- RP Select Opportunities Fund
- YTM Capital Credit Opportunities Fund



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Top Contenders for a 2024 Canadian Hedge Fund Award by Category in Alphabetical Order

Market Neutral

Best 1 Year Return

- Amethyst Arbitrage Fund (Canada)
- CC&L Diversified Market Neutral Fund
- CC&L Global Market Neutral
- CC&L Market Neutral Fund
- PCJ Absolute Return
- Picton Mahoney Arbitrage Plus Fund
- Picton Mahoney Market Neutral Equity Fund
- RBC QUBE Market Neutral World Equity
- Waratah One
- Waratah One X

Best 3 Year Return

- Altema Diversified Equity Market Neutral Fund
- CC&L Diversified Market Neutral Fund
- CC&L Global Market Neutral
- HGC Fund LP (The)
- PCJ Absolute Return
- Picton Mahoney Arbitrage Plus Fund
- Picton Mahoney Market Neutral Equity Fund
- RBC QUBE Market Neutral World Equity
- Waratah One
- Waratah One X

Best 5 Year Return

- CC&L Diversified Market Neutral Fund
- CC&L Global Market Neutral
- HGC Fund LP (The)
- PCJ Absolute Return
- Picton Mahoney Arbitrage Fund
- Picton Mahoney Arbitrage Plus Fund
- Picton Mahoney Market Neutral Equity Fund
- RBC QUBE Market Neutral World Equity
- Waratah One
- Waratah One X

Best 3 Year Sharpe Ratio

- Altema Diversified Equity Market Neutral Fund
- CC&L Diversified Market Neutral Fund
- CC&L Global Market Neutral
- HGC Fund LP (The)
- PCJ Absolute Return
- Picton Mahoney Arbitrage Plus Fund
- Picton Mahoney Market Neutral Equity Fund
- RBC QUBE Market Neutral World Equity
- Waratah One
- Waratah One X

Best 5 Year Sharpe Ratio

- CC&L Diversified Market Neutral Fund
- CC&L Global Market Neutral
- HGC Fund LP (The)
- PCJ Absolute Return
- Picton Mahoney Arbitrage Fund
- Picton Mahoney Arbitrage Plus Fund
- Picton Mahoney Market Neutral Equity Fund
- RBC QUBE Market Neutral World Equity
- Waratah One
- Waratah One X

Global Macro/Managed Futures /Multi-Strategy

Best 1 Year Return

- CC&L Absolute Return Fund
- Forge First Multi Strategy LP
- Level 3 Total Return Opportunities Fund
- MacNicol & Associates Absolute Return Fund
- Meckelborg MFG Diversified Strategy Fund
- Nymbus Multistrategy Fund
- PH&N Absolute Return Fund
- SIA ML Global Tactical Pool
- Viewpoint Enhanced Global Multi-Asset
- Viewpoint Global Multi-Asset Trust

Best 3 Year Return

- CC&L Absolute Return Fund
- Forge First Multi Strategy LP
- Level 3 Total Return Opportunities Fund
- Northfront Alternative Asset Fund
- PH&N Absolute Return Fund
- Picton Mahoney Absolute Alpha Fund
- RBC Multi-Strategy Alpha Fund
- SIA ML Global Tactical Pool
- SMI Opportunities LP
- Westcourt Performance Portfolio

Best 5 Year Return

- AIP Convertible Private Debt Fund LP
- CC&L Absolute Return Fund
- Fieldhouse Enhanced Pension Plus
- Forge First Multi Strategy LP
- Level 3 Total Return Opportunities Fund
- Meckelborg MFG Diversified Strategy Fund
- Palos Income Fund, LP
- Polar Multi-Strategy Fund (Canada)
- SIA ML Global Tactical Pool
- SMI Opportunities LP

Best 3 Year Sharpe Ratio

- CC&L Absolute Return Fund
- Forge First Multi Strategy LP
- Kensington Alternative Strategies Fund
- Level 3 Total Return Opportunities Fund
- Northfront Alternative Asset Fund
- PH&N Absolute Return Fund
- Picton Mahoney Absolute Alpha Fund
- RBC Multi-Strategy Alpha Fund
- SMI Opportunities LP
- Westcourt Performance Portfolio

Best 5 Year Sharpe Ratio

- AIP Convertible Private Debt Fund LP
- CC&L Absolute Return Fund
- Fieldhouse Enhanced Pension Plus
- Forge First Multi Strategy LP
- Kensington Alternative Strategies Fund
- Level 3 Total Return Opportunities Fund
- Polar Multi-Strategy Fund (Canada)
- RBC Multi-Strategy Alpha Fund
- SIA ML Global Tactical Pool
- SMI Opportunities LP



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Top Contenders for a 2024 Canadian Hedge Fund Award by Category in Alphabetical Order

Private Debt

Best 1 Year Return

- AGF SAF Private Credit LP
- Celernus Pivot Private Credit Fund
- Espresso Venture Debt Trust
- Hamilton Lane Senior Credit Opportunities Canada (feeder)
- KIWI Business Credit Fund LP
- Merchant Opportunities Fund LP
- Purpose Apollo Private Credit Fund
- Qwest Productivity Media Income Trust
- Westbridge Capital Partners Income Trust
- Yorkville Private Lending LP

Best 3 Year Return

- Capstone Private High Income Pool
- Celernus Pivot Private Credit Fund
- Cortland Credit Strategies LP
- Espresso Venture Debt Trust
- Invico Diversified Income Fund
- Merchant Opportunities Fund LP
- Ninepoint TEC Private Credit Fund
- Qwest Productivity Media Income Trust
- Westbridge Capital Partners Income Trust
- Yorkville Private Lending LP

Best 5 Year Return

- Celernus Pivot Private Credit Fund
- Cortland Credit Strategies LP
- Espresso Venture Debt Trust
- Invico Diversified Income Fund
- Merchant Opportunities Fund LP
- Next Edge Private Debt Fund
- Ninepoint TEC Private Credit Fund
- Portland Private Income Fund
- Qwest Productivity Media Income Trust
- Westbridge Capital Partners Income Trust

Private Equity

Best 1 Year Return

- Bridgeport Private Equity Opportunities Fund
- Caldwell Growth Opportunities Fund
- Canoe Global Private Equity Fund
- Fiera Global Private Equity Fund
- Hamilton Lane Global Private Assets
- Morningside Vintage Secondary 2022 LP
- Morningside Vintage Secondary 2023 LP
- Portland Global Sustainable Evergreen LP
- Purpose Pantheon Private Equity Fund
- Quintessence Wealth Enhanced Private Debt/Equity Fund

Best 3 Year Return

- Bridgeport Private Equity Opportunities Fund
- Caldwell Growth Opportunities Fund
- Canoe Global Private Equity Fund
- Fiera Global Private Equity Fund
- Hamilton Lane Global Private Assets
- Kensington Private Equity Fund
- MacNicol & Associates Emergence Fund
- Portland Global Sustainable Evergreen LP
- Quintessence Wealth Enhanced Private Debt/Equity Fund
- Yorkville Pre-IPO Equity LP

Best 5 Year Return

- Caldwell Growth Opportunities Fund
- Kensington Private Equity Fund
- MacNicol & Associates Emergence Fund
- Portland Global Sustainable Evergreen LP
- Quintessence Wealth Enhanced Private Debt/Equity Fund

Best Overall Canadian Hedge Fund

Best 10 Year Return & Sharpe Ratio (all categories)

- AIP Convertible Private Debt Fund LP
- CC&L Absolute Return Fund
- Forge First Long Short LP
- Forge First Multi Strategy LP
- HGC Fund LP (The)
- Kensington Alternative Strategies Fund
- Lumen Long Short Equity Fund
- Polar Multi-Strategy Fund (Canada)
- Purpose Credit Opportunities Fund
- SMI Defensive LP

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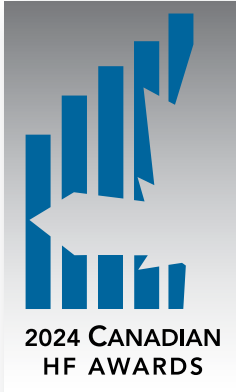


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