

# iMGP DBi Managed Futures Strategy ETF DBMF



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DBMF: Five Star Overall Morningstar Rating™ as of June 30, 2024 out of 67 US ETF Systematic Trend Funds based on risk adjusted returns.



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# 1. iM Global Partner



# Who we are



iM Global Partner is a **worldwide asset management network** providing access to highly talented investment firms.

## Who we are

We are a global asset management network built on trust, respect and integrity, scouring the globe for the most talented investment companies and individuals.

We carry out deep research to find only world class investors, forming long-lasting, entrepreneurial relationships to help bring high-quality investment solutions, best-in-class services and strategic research insights to our clients.

## What we do

We select proven investment managers - our Partners - and through a non-controlling stake, they benefit from a strong financial and operational relationship with us, and gain access to our global resources and distribution capabilities.

## Who we work with

Our clients include institutional investors, financial intermediaries and wealth advisory platforms.

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GLOBAL LOCATIONS

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BN USD AUM\*

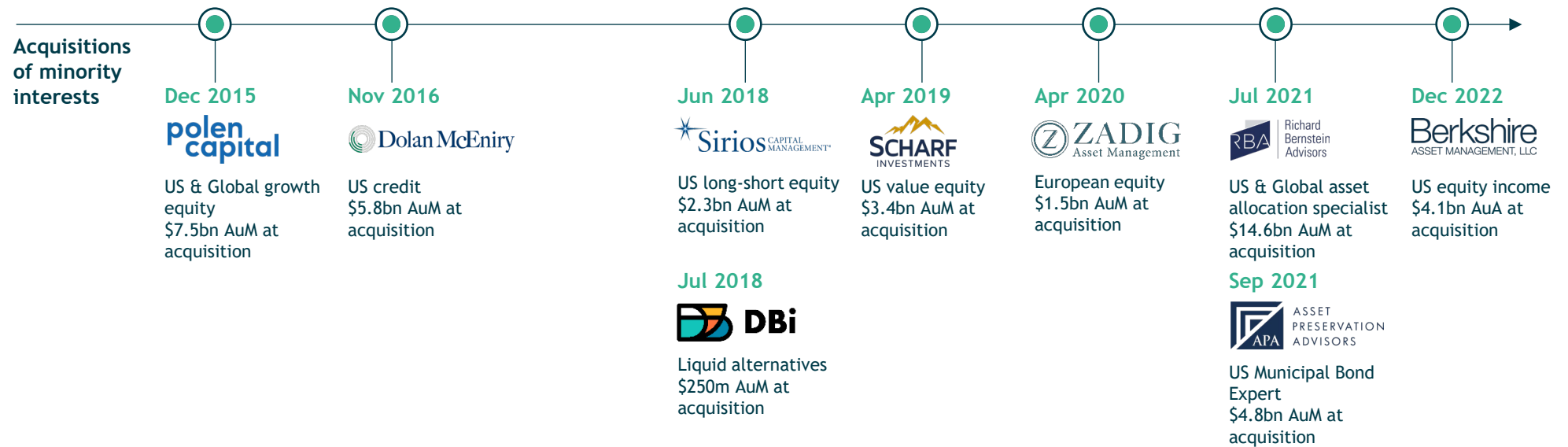
Source iM Global Partner, data as of end of May 2024.

\*Assets under management include Partner assets in proportion to iM Global Partner's participations.

# Key milestones



**Jun 2021**  
Acquisition of 100% of Litman Gregory \$4.5bn AUM



# 2. DBi



## About the firm

DBi specializes in building portfolios that aim to outperform leading hedge funds by identifying, and investing in, the key drivers of pre-fee performance.

- Founded in New York in 2012 by Andrew Beer and Mathias Mamou-Mani.
- Partially owned by iM Global Partner.
- Managed by Andrew Beer and Mathias Mamou-Mani.
- Widely followed research on hedge funds and liquid alternatives.

# 2012

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# 10+

YEARS LIVE TRACK RECORD

# 2.7

BN USD AUM IN LIQUID ALTERNATIVE ASSETS

## Strategies

DBi serves clients across the US, Europe and Japan. It is a sub-advisor to two UCITS funds, two US ETFs and separately managed accounts. It focuses on the replication of three key strategies:

- Multi-strategy
- Equity long/short
- Managed futures

### DBI'S UNIVERSE

	DBi Multi-Strategy	DBi Equity Hedge <sup>4</sup>	DBi Managed Futures <sup>4</sup>	SEI Liquid Alternative
Target Hedge fund Portfolio	50 Largest ELS, ED, RV	40 Largest ELS	Basket of Leading CTAs	70 Largest ELS, ED, RV, MF
Inception Date	Jun. 2007	Jul. 2012	Nov. 2015	Nov. 2015

# Investment management team



**Andrew Beer**

Managing member and co-portfolio manager

- Nearly 30 years of experience in the hedge fund sector
- Co-founded Pinnacle Asset Management in 2003 and was a founder of Apex Capital Management, a hedge fund focused on Greater China.
- Holds an MBA from Harvard Business School and AB degree from Harvard College.



**Mathias Mamou-Mani**

Managing member and co-portfolio manager

- 15 years of experience in asset management
- Previously a Vice President and Head of Trading at Belenos Capital Management, LLC.
- Holds an MBA from the NYU Stern School of Business, with a specialization in Quantitative Finance, and degrees from the University of Paris Dauphine, France.



**Matt Grayson**

Scientific advisor

- 35+ years of experience in mathematics, research and financial modeling.
- Key member of DBi's research team since 2009.
- Holds a PhD and Master's degree in mathematics from Princeton University and AB degree from Harvard College.



- DBi is focused on providing liquid alternative and hedge fund portfolio solutions to institutional and retail investors.
- The firm believes replication is a proven, effective and transparent way to gain exposure to leading hedge fund performance.
- DBi's replication strategies aim to solve the challenges that most allocators struggle with: single-manager risk, illiquidity, and high fees and expenses.

## How DBi Manages Portfolios

- Replicates portfolios of leading hedge funds using factor models
- Focuses on Multi-Strategy, Equity Hedge and Managed Futures strategies
- Combines those strategies into portfolios to meet specific client objectives
- Invests only in highly liquid futures

## What DBi Does Not Do

- Invest directly in hedge funds
- Replicate single funds
- Replicate arbitrage or highly illiquid strategies
- Build its own hedge fund strategies or alternative risk premia

# 3. Why Managed Futures?

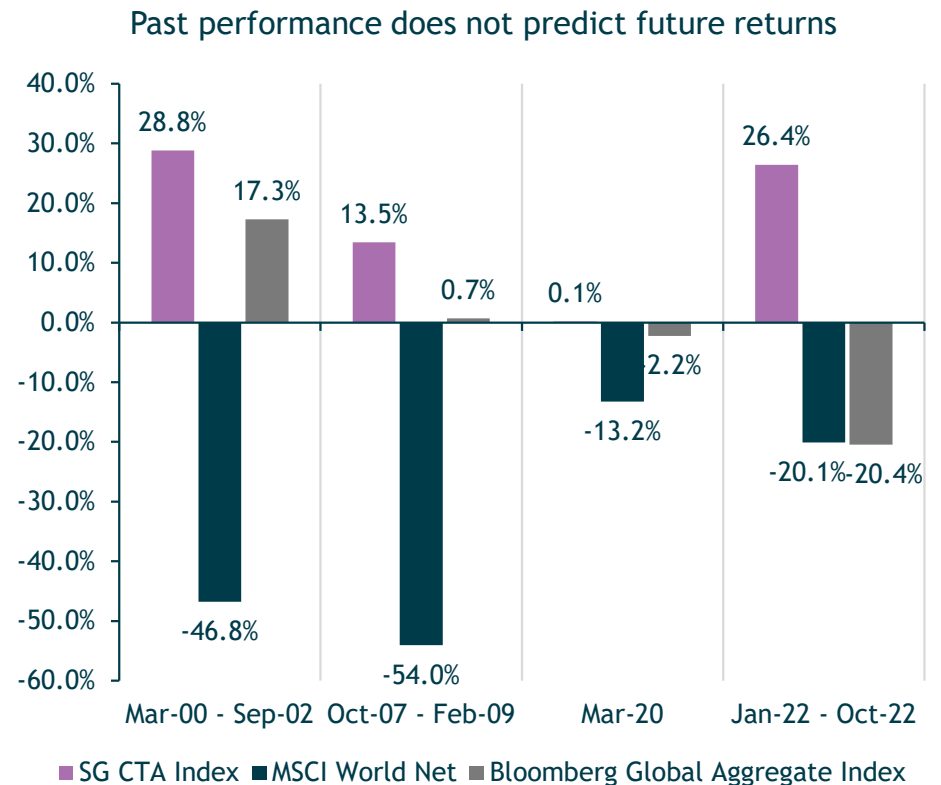
# Why Own Managed Futures?

- **Low correlation** to traditional asset classes over the long term.
- Can provide a **hedge in volatile markets** and times of market stress.
- Represents an attractive source of **diversification**.
- Managed Futures strategies have a strong long-term track record before management and performance fees.



SG CTA vs MSCI AC World Index and Bloomberg Global Agg from 1/1/2000 to 6/30/2024

## Performance of Asset Class Comparators During Selected Periods of Market Stress



# Managed Futures In A Nutshell



## Based on quantitative models

Humans build models that determine the portfolio based on current trends, both downward and upward. These vehicles are called CTAs or Managed Futures funds.



## Hold highly liquid futures

The portfolio takes long and short positions across the asset classes, including commodity, fixed income, currency and equity futures, rather than investing directly.



## Actively managed

Highly dynamic and tactical approach using computer-based models that are rebalanced and optimized on a regular basis.



## Identifies major trends

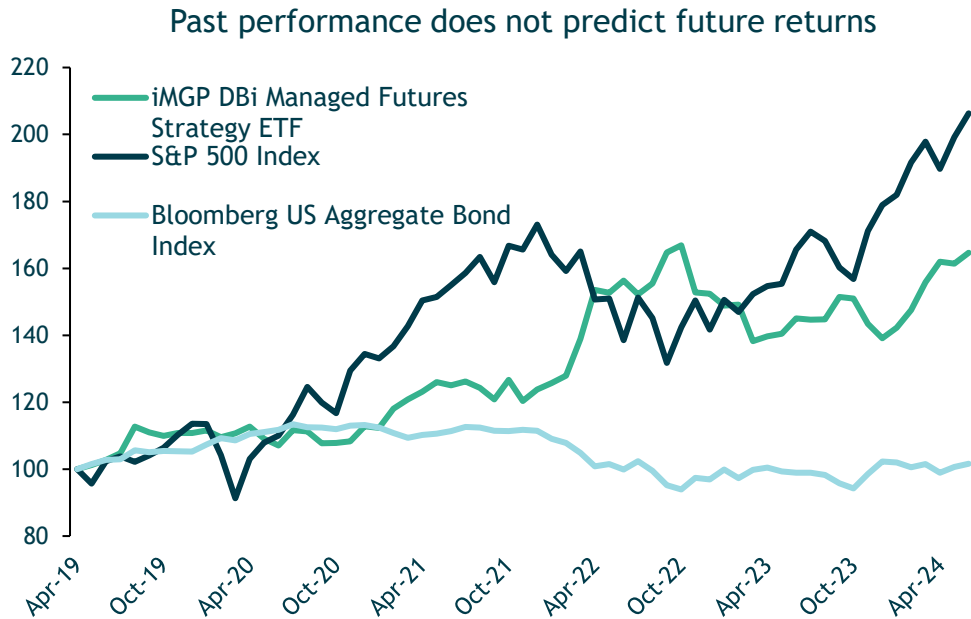
A simple but durable concept - identifying the key trends and trades.

# Managed Futures vs Other Competitors



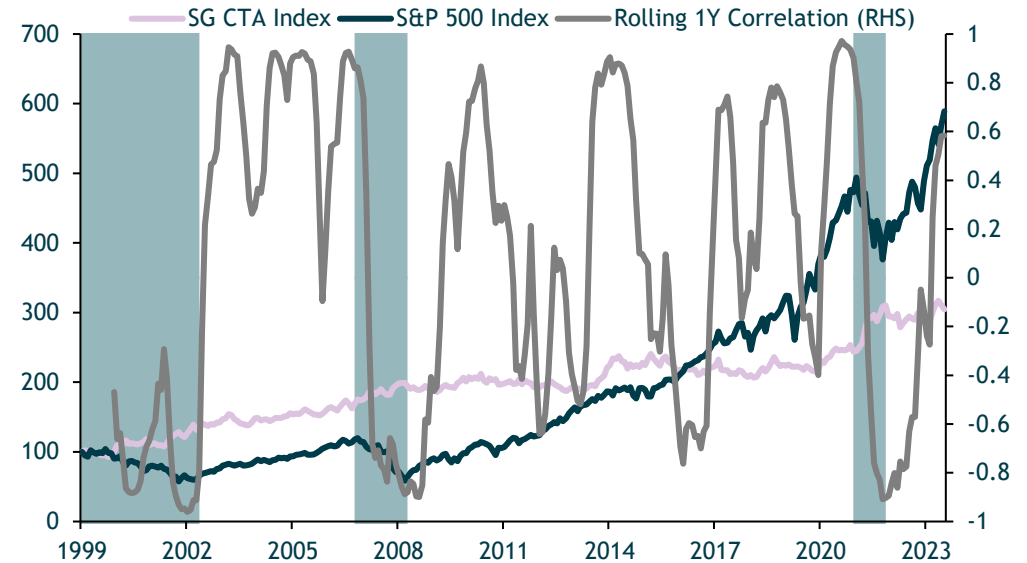
- Managed futures have a dynamic exposure to equities and fixed income.
- Betas and correlations change over time and can be **positive, zero** or **negative**.
- Managed futures have had a negative correlation to equities when markets were falling.

## Performance of DBMF vs equities and fixed income since inception



## Rolling correlation of comparator vs S&P 500

(Shaded areas show periods of falling equity markets)



Source: Bloomberg, DBi, As of June 30, 2024. Data refers to cumulative past performance of the fund, rebased to 100. Performance of the fund is net based on fees of 85 bps. These data are being shown for illustrative purposes only. The SocGen CTA Index is not representative of the entire population of CTAs or hedge funds and its performance may not be indicative of any individual CTAs or hedge funds. See slide 24 for standardized performance.

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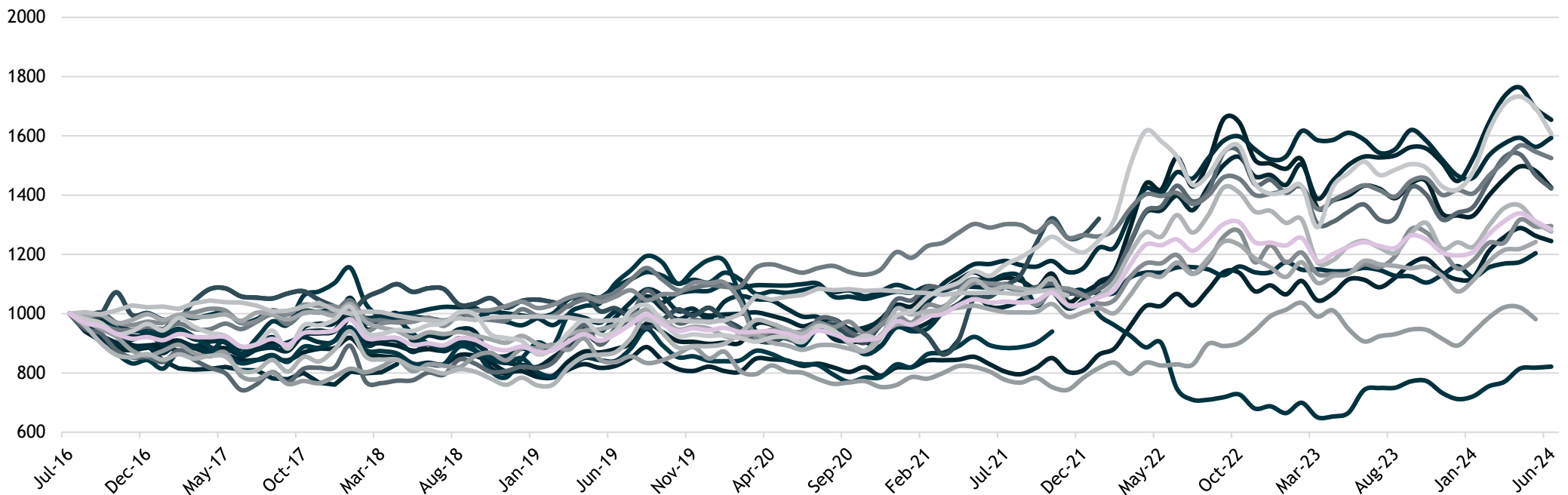
# Consistently Selecting Managers is Challenging



Diversification is important: there is a **wide variation** in performance between the leading managed futures hedge funds.

DBMF seeks to provide investors with **smooth returns** and **lower volatility** over the long term.

Past performance does not predict future returns



Source: Bloomberg, DBi and DBi calculations. Data as of 30 June 2024. Note that from July 2016 to May 2019, DBi executed its managed futures strategy through direct investments in futures contracts. Starting in May 2019, DBi's managed futures strategy was deployed through a listed ETF for which DBi is the sole sub-advisor and invests in futures contracts. Performance data of the strategy is net of fees and expenses. Data refers to cumulative past performance of the fund. These data are being shown for illustrative purposes only. The index is not representative of the entire population of CTAs. The index may not have been adjusted for fees/commissions. The index cannot be traded by individual investors. The index's performance may not be indicative of any individual CTA. The actual rates of return experienced by investors may be significantly different and more volatile than those of the index.

# Hedge Fund Replication at a Lower Cost



DBi believes that “fee reduction is the purest form of alpha.”

Fees and expenses consume alpha.

Replication strategies seek to optimize the net return to end-investors by:

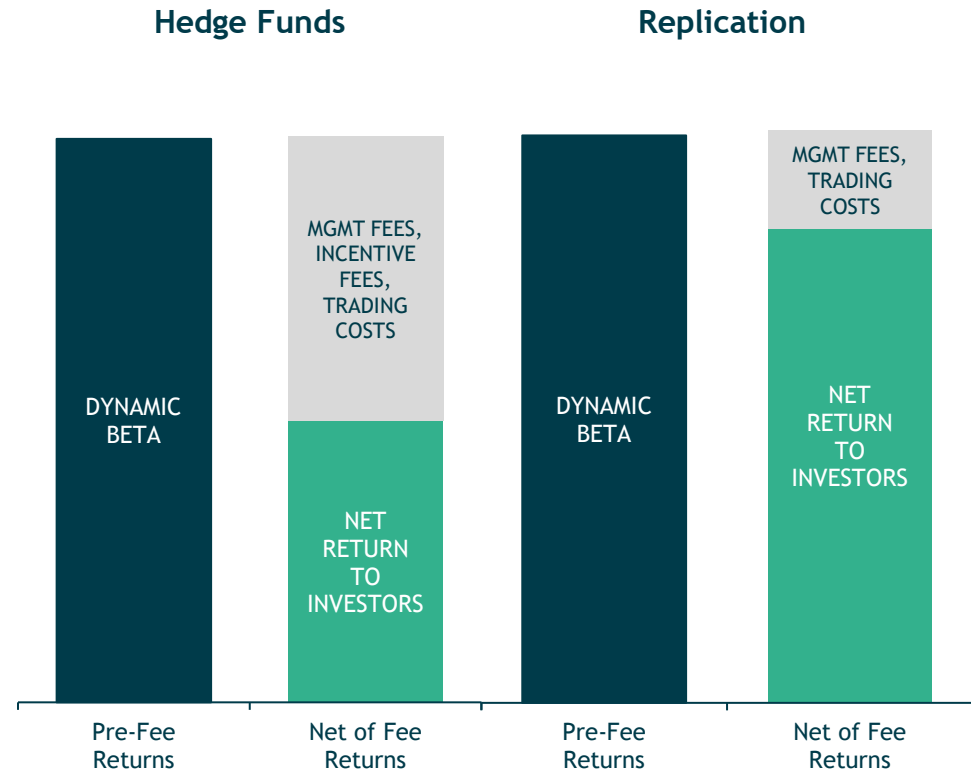
- Approximating the key market exposures that drive pre-fee performance
- Minimizing trading and implementation costs
- Lower all-in fees

On average, management fees and expenses in the hedge fund industry can total 300-500+ bps per annum.

DBi aims to **replicate** up to 100% of the pre-fee returns of leading hedge funds over time.

Through fee and expense ‘disintermediation,’ DBi seeks to outperform the target hedge funds by up to 400 bps per annum.

## Managed Futures Strategy



Source: DBi -For illustrative purpose only. Managed Futures Hedge Funds performance net returns to investors is the performance of the Societe Generale CTA index from December 2015 to October 2022. Managed Futures Replication net return to investor is the performance of the DBi Managed Futures Composite net of 54 bps p.a. from December 2015 to October 2022. Calculation methodology is available on request.

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# 4. DBi's Investment Approach

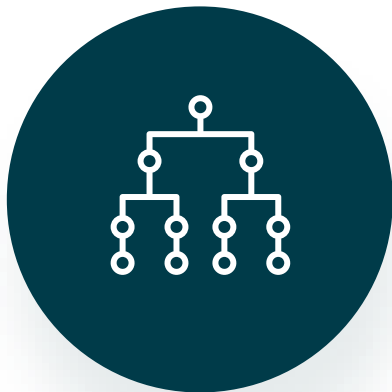


# DBi's Approach To Managed Futures



- The **iMGP DBi Managed Futures fund** seeks to **replicate** the pre-fee performance of a representative basket of leading managed futures hedge funds.
- Factor analysis is used to determine the current positions of the managed futures hedge funds.
- The positions are then replicated using **highly liquid futures contracts** in equity, fixed income, currencies and commodities.
- This approach is a **smart and efficient** way to gain exposure to managed futures, with the aim of outperforming the representative basket by 300-400 bps per annum, net of fees.

Through this strategy, the fund aims to mitigate three key investment risks:



## Market Structure

Illiquidity, trade crowding,  
counterparty



## Concentration

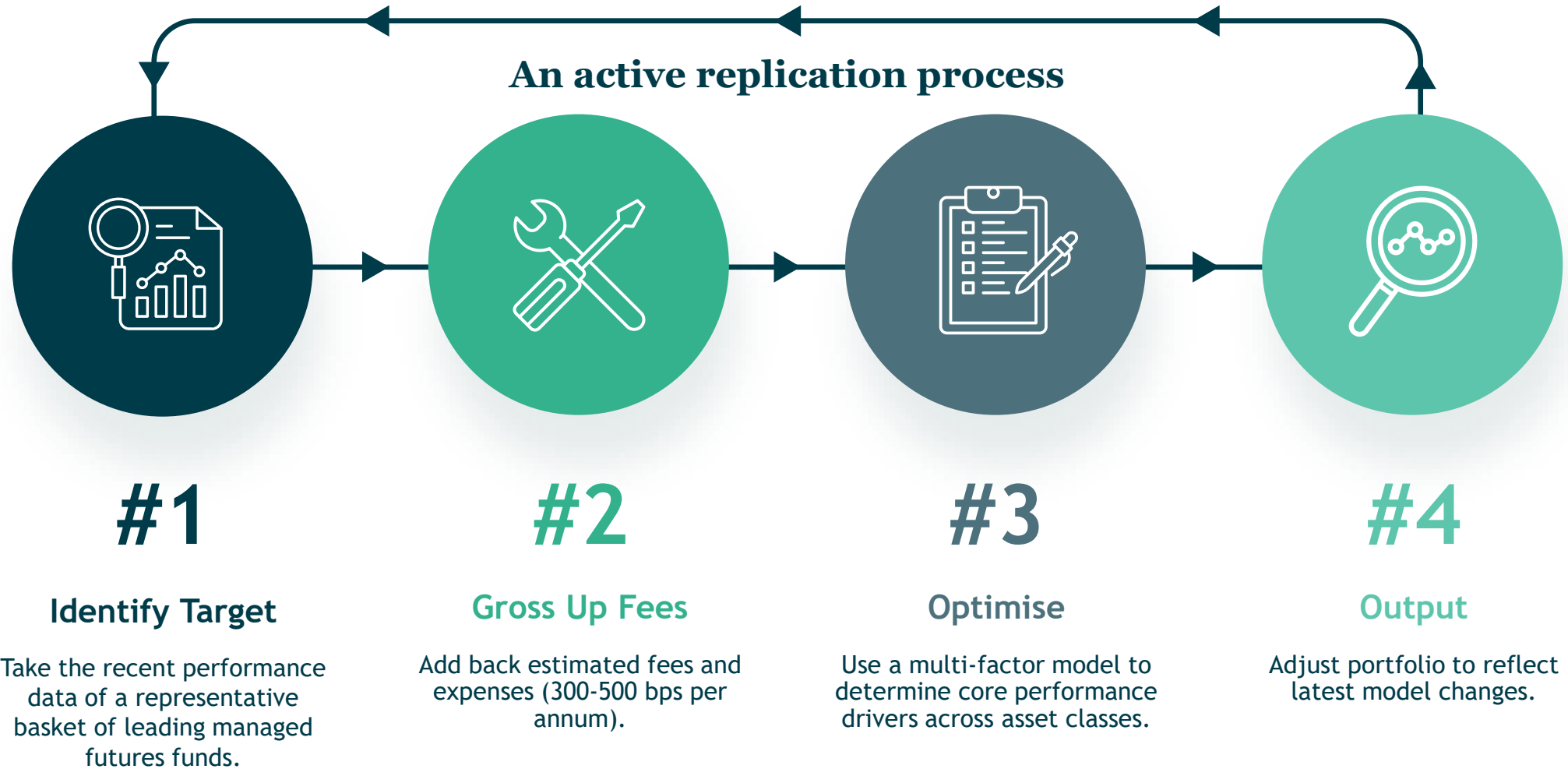
Single fund, Industry,  
Geography



## Human Biases

Selection bias, etc.

# Investment Process



# Replicating The Positions of Leading Managed Futures Hedge Funds



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It replicates the **average positions** of a representative basket of leading managed futures hedge funds.

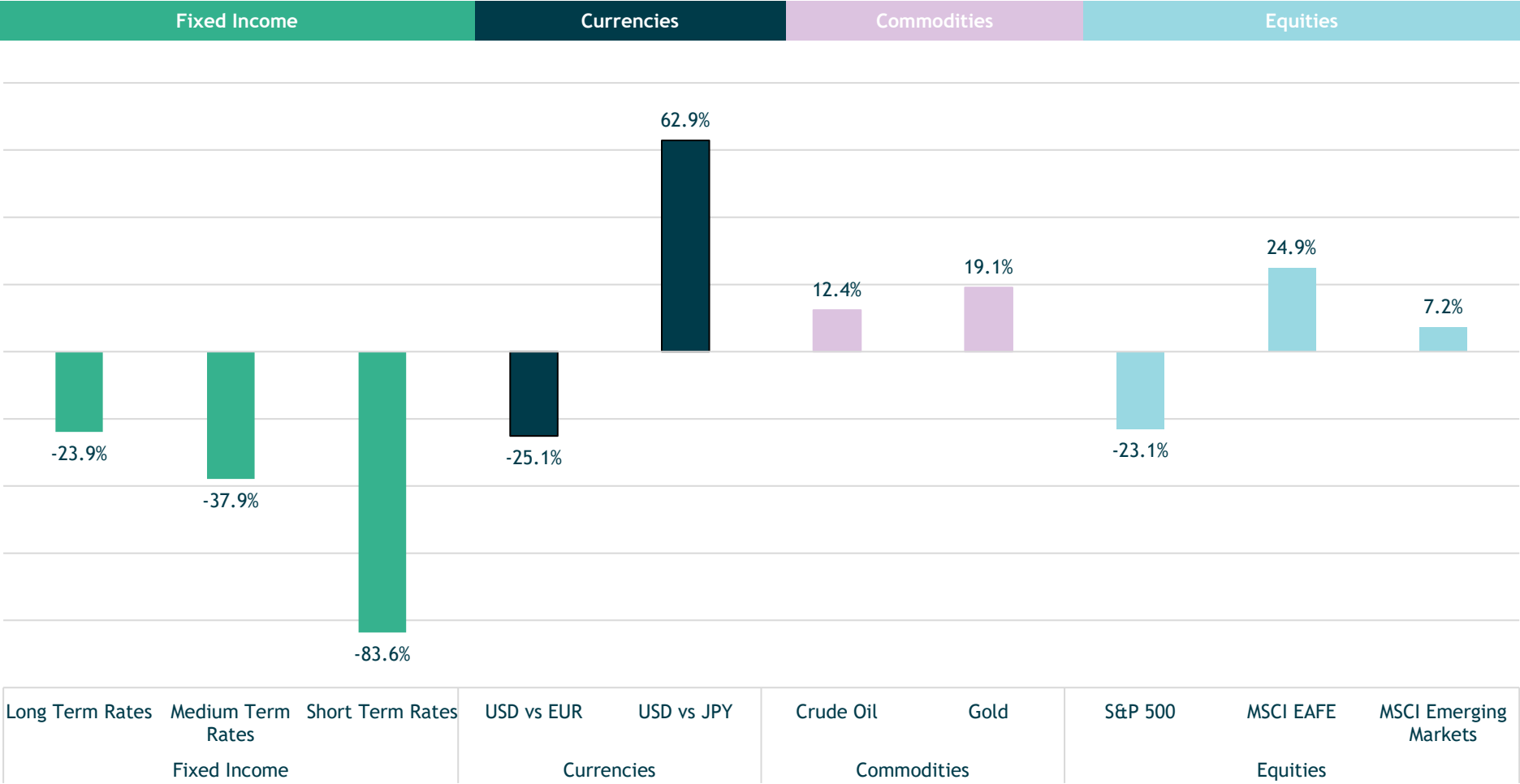
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Portfolio of futures contracts is **rebalanced weekly**.

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Target constituents of managed futures funds are **rebalanced annually**.

# Current Notional Exposures of DBMF



Source: DBi. For illustrative purposes only. Data as of 30 June 2024. Derivatives exposures only.  
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# DBMF Performance



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## Annualized performance vs Universe

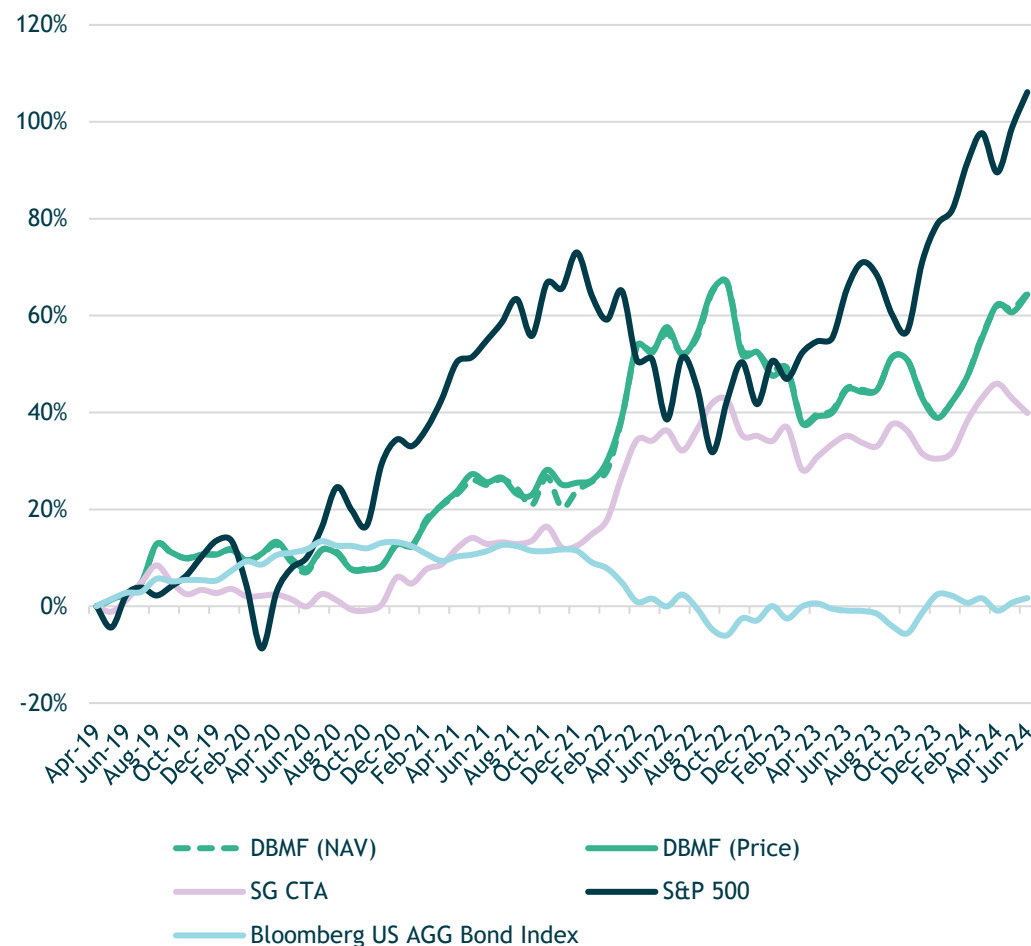
	YTD	1Y	3Y	Since Inception of Fund	Standard Deviation Since Inception
DBMF (NAV)	18.31%	13.47%	9.60%	10.13%	11.83%
DBMF (Price)	18.34%	13.53%	9.38%	10.09%	11.63%
SG CTA	7.23%	3.48%	7.42%	6.71%	9.15%
S&P 500	15.25%	24.45%	9.99%	15.03%	18.14%
Bloomberg US AGG Bond Index	-0.71%	2.63%	-2.99%	0.33%	6.17%

	DBMF	SG CTA	US Fund Systematic Trend
Compounded Annual Return	6.7%	3.4%	2.3%
Annualized Standard Return	10.8%	8.8%	7.9%
Cumulative Compounded Return	68.4%	30.2%	19.6%
Max Drawdown	-17.2%	-12.8%	-11.8%
Sharpe Ratio	0.47	0.19	0.07
Correlation to S&P 500	-0.07	-0.05	-0.03
Beta to S&P 500	-0.05	-0.03	-0.02
Annualized Alpha to S&P 500	5.7%	2.1%	0.8%

## Calendar year performance since inception vs Universe

	2023	2022	2021	2020
DBMF (NAV)	-8.72%	23.07%	9.80%	1.84%
DBMF (Price)	-8.94%	21.53%	11.38%	1.80%
SG CTA	-3.49%	20.15%	6.17%	3.16%
S&P 500	26.29%	-18.11%	28.71%	18.40%
Bloomberg US AGG Bond Index	5.53%	-13.01%	-1.54%	7.51%

## DBMF vs Universe since inception



Source: Bloomberg, DBi. As of 30 June 2024. Data refers to cumulative past performance of the fund, rebased to 100 since inception on 7 May 2019. Performance of the fund is net based on fees of 85 bps. These data are being shown for illustrative purposes only. The index is not representative of the entire population of CTAs or hedge funds. The index's performance may not be indicative of any individual CTAs or hedge funds. See slide 24 for standardized performance.

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# 5. Key Information



# iMGP DBi Managed Futures Strategy ETF



## DBMF at a glance

- Seeks to **replicate the pre-fee performance** of a representative basket of leading managed futures hedge funds.
- Active positions in **highly-liquid futures**.
- Provides access to **big trades of major hedge funds** for a lower fee.
- **Lower correlation** to major asset classes.
- Aims to **capture upside** in rising markets and **mitigate against the downside** in falling markets.

*Past performance does not predict future returns*

## Key figures<sup>1</sup>

Since July 2016

### Performance

Net annualized<sup>1</sup>

**+6.7%**

vs +3.4%

Comparator\*

### Volatility

Annualized<sup>1</sup>

**+10.8%**

Strategy

### Resilience<sup>3</sup>

▲ 115%

▼ 88%

Capture ratio

### Sharpe Ratio<sup>2</sup>

**+0.47**

Strategy

vs +0.19

Comparator\*

Source: eVestment. Data as of June 30, 2024. Data refers to cumulative past performance of the strategy, rebased to 100. Performance of the strategy is net based on fees of 85 bps. Data relative to the comparator SocGen CTA Index. This data is being shown for illustrative purposes only. The index is not representative of the entire population of CTAs or hedge funds. The index's performance may not be indicative of any individual CTAs or hedge funds. 1) Performance net of fees and expenses in USD - Return may increase/decrease as a result of currency fluctuations for non-USD investors. 2) Measures the risk-adjusted return of a portfolio. 3) Upside/Downside Capture Ratios measures the fund performance (relative to the comparators) resp. in up/down markets.

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# iMGP DBi Managed Futures Strategy ETF Performance



Performance as of 6/30/24	Average annual total returns				Since inception (5/7/19)
	Three-month	Year-to-date	One year	Three year	
iMGP DBi Managed Futures Strategy ETF (NAV)	5.64%	18.31%	13.47%	9.60%	10.17%
iMGP DBi Managed Futures Strategy ETF (Price)	5.70%	18.34%	13.53%	9.38%	10.15%
SG CTA	-2.23%	7.22%	3.47%	7.41%	6.73%
SG Trend	-3.16%	8.69%	4.02%	10.45%	9.46%
Morningstar Fund Systematic Trend	-1.42%	7.02%	2.97%	5.10%	5.00%
Bloomberg US AGG Bond TR USD	0.07%	-0.71%	2.63%	-3.02%	0.34%

Gross Expense Ratio - 0.85%

Performance data quoted represents past performance. Past performance does not guarantee future results. The investment return and principal value of an investment will fluctuate so that an investor's shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than their original cost. Current performance of the fund may be lower or higher than the performance quoted. Performance data current to the most recent month end may be obtained by calling 888-898-1041.

Short term performance, in particular, is not a good indication of the fund's future performance, and an investment should not be made based solely on returns.

All of the assets and liabilities of the Predecessor Fund were transferred to the Fund in a reorganization on 09/20/2021.

Shares of any ETF are bought and sold at market price (not NAV), may trade at a discount or premium to NAV and are not individually redeemed from the Fund. Brokerage commissions will reduce returns.

SG CTA Index:

The SG CTA Index is an index published by Société Générale that is designed to reflect the performance of a pool of Commodity Trading Advisor (CTAs) selected from larger managers that employ systematic managed futures strategies. The index is reconstituted annually.

SG Trend Index:

The SG Trend Index is equal-weighted and reconstituted annually. The index calculates the net daily rate of return for a pool of trend following based hedge fund managers.

Morningstar Systematic Trend Category: Contains funds that primarily implement trend-following, price-momentum strategies by trading long and short liquid global futures, options, swaps, and foreign exchange contracts. The remaining exposure may be invested in a mix of other complementary non-traditional risk premia. These portfolios typically obtain exposure referencing a mix of diversified global markets, including commodities, currencies, government bonds, interest rates and equity indexes.

Bloomberg US AGG Bond TR USD: is a market capitalization-weighted index, meaning the securities in the index are weighted according to the market size of each bond type. Most U.S. traded investment grade bonds are represented. The index includes US Treasury Securities (non TIPS), Government agency bonds, Mortgage backed bonds, Corporate bonds, and a small amount of foreign bonds traded in U.S.





**DBi**

iM  
Global  
Partner

# Why DBMF?

- Index-plus replication approach
- Low fees/efficient underlying construction helps reduce expense drag
- Seeks to mitigate single-manager risk
- Daily liquidity and efficient to implement



# Important Disclosures

**The Fund’s investment objectives, risks, charges, and expenses must be considered carefully before investing. The statutory and summary prospectuses contain this and other important information about the investment company, and it may be obtained by calling 800-960-0188 or visiting [www.partnerselectfunds.com](http://www.partnerselectfunds.com). Read it carefully before investing.**

iMGP DBi Managed Futures Strategy ETF Risks: Investing involves risk. Principal loss is possible. The Fund is “non-diversified,” so it may invest a greater percentage of its assets in the securities of a single issuer. As a result, a decline in the value of an investment in a single issuer could cause the Fund’s overall value to decline to a greater degree than if the Fund held a more diversified portfolio.

The Fund should be considered highly leveraged and is suitable only for investors with high tolerance for investment risk. Futures contracts and forward contracts can be highly volatile, illiquid and difficult to value, and changes in the value of such instruments held directly or indirectly by the Fund may not correlate with the underlying instrument or reference assets, or the Fund’s other investments. Derivative instruments and futures contracts are subject to occasional rapid and substantial fluctuations. Taking a short position on a derivative instrument or security involves the risk of a theoretically unlimited increase in the value of the underlying instrument. Exposure to the commodities markets may subject the Fund to greater volatility than investments in traditional securities. Exposure to foreign currencies subjects the Fund to the risk that those currencies will change in value relative to the U.S. Dollar. By investing in the Subsidiary, the Fund is indirectly exposed to the risks associated with the Subsidiary’s investments. Fixed income securities, or derivatives based on fixed income securities, are subject to credit risk and interest rate risk.

The Morningstar Rating for funds, or “star rating”, is calculated for managed products (including mutual funds, variable annuity and variable life subaccounts, exchange-traded funds, closed end funds, and separate accounts) with at least a three-year history. Exchange-traded funds and open ended mutual funds are considered a single population for comparative purposes. It is calculated based on a Morningstar Risk-Adjusted Return measure that accounts for variation in a managed products monthly excess performance, placing more emphasis on downward variations and rewarding consistent performance. The top 10% of products in each product category receive 5 stars, the next 22.5% receive 4 stars, the next 35% receive 3 stars the next 22.5% receive 2 stars, and the bottom 10% receive 1 star. The Overall Morningstar Rating for a managed product is derived from a weighted average of the performance figures associated with its three-, five, and 10-year (if applicable) Morningstar Rating metrics. The weights are 100% three-year rating for 36-59 months of total returns, 60% five-year rating/40% three-year rating for 60-119 months of total returns, and 50% 10-year rating/30% five-year rating/20% three-year rating for 120 or more months of total returns. While the 10 year overall rating formula seems to give the most weight to the 10-year period, the most recent three-year period actually has the greatest impact because it is included in all three rating periods. iMGP DBi Managed Futures Strategy ETF (DBMF) was rated against the following numbers of U.S. Systematic Trend funds over the following time periods as of 6/30/2024: 67 funds in the last 3 years, and 64 funds in the last 5 years. With respect to these U.S. Systematic Trend funds, iMGP DBi Managed Futures Strategy ETF (DBMF) received an overall Morningstar rating of 5 stars.

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