The ETF Conference
(2nd Annual)
Leading-Edge ETF Knowledge, Information and Products to Grow Your Book
A Unique, One-Day Educational Conference for Senior IIROC Advisors and MFDA Advisors Looking to Transition Their Books to ETFs

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Steep Growth Curve for ETFs in Canada

As of the end of February, 2015, Canadian ETF assets under management grew to $61.5 Billion. The annual compounded growth of ETFs since the end of 2008 has been at the remarkable rate of 25.8%.

Warren Buffett’s Last Will & ETFs

In a letter to Berkshire Hathaway shareholders last year, Warren Buffett advised his will stipulates that 90% of his cash be put in “a very low cost” index fund which tracks the movement of the S&P 500. Can there be a better endorsement for ETFs than from the Oracle of Omaha?

Canadian Securities Administrators Approve 2015 & 2016 CRM2 Rules for July 15 Implementation

On January 19, 2015, IIROC announced that the CSA approved its 2015 and 2016 CRM2 Rules. Implementation date was announced as July 15, 2015 and July, 2016 for CRM2 rules.

As a result, advisors will need to step up their efforts to be compliant by the deadline and will also need to be educated about low cost investment vehicles such as ETFs. 

ETF Education A Priority for Advisors

Advisors are all too aware of the need to be educated on the complexities and advantages of ETFs – especially in the context of new CRM2 transparency requirements and increased demands from clients for lower cost investment products.

This unique, one-day educational conference is designed for Senior IIROC Advisors as well as MFDA Advisors looking to transition their books over to ETFs. This conference emphasizes high level, comprehensive ETF education.

ETF product promotion will be undertaken in the Exhibit Hall and not from the main-stage.

Twenty Fifth Anniversary of ETFs In Canada

2015 marks the 25th Anniversary of ETF products in Canada. The Toronto 35 Index Participation Unit (TIPs), launched on the Toronto Stock Exchange in 1990. TIPs was the world’s first exchange traded, index-linked product and was the forerunner to today’s widely used ETF products.

Industry Leading Experts to Present

Hear from Industry Leading ETF Experts, Advisors, Consultants and Product Providers on:

~ the latest ETF research and developments
~ learn about ETF Portfolio Strategies from top ETF Strategists
~ TSX interactive discussion panel featuring leading ETF product providers

... and much more

Plus – Learn first-hand from Advisors who are currently using ETF products at the End-of-Day Advisor Discussion Panel.

Conference will Emphasize Education and Delegate Engagement

This CETFA / Mindpath conference will emphasize value-added, practical information through high level, comprehensive ETF education from industry experts. As well, the educational process will be enhanced through delegate participation and interaction. Generous Q&A / discussion periods with leading industry professionals will facilitate the learning process.

This Conference Will Appeal to...

This unique educational forum will appeal to IIROC Investment Advisors and Brokers as well as MFDA Advisors looking to transition their books to ETF based practices.

Attendees at Last Year’s ETF Conference Spoke Highly About Their Experience

"Very informative day. Well organized." Yvonne Weatherell, Raymond James

"Thank you for a wonderful conference. The speakers were tops in the field and covered their topics well. Some of the ETF topics reinforced our understanding while others covered things we had not considered." Jay Cox, Senior Associate Investment Advisor, RBC Dominion Securities Inc.

"I thought the ETF conference was great. It provided me with a solid introduction to the topic which has allowed me to understand what they are about. I would be interested in seeing more specifics on ETF portfolio construction; beta and alpha." Dan Bick, Investment Associate, IPC Securities ~ Bick Advisors

"Just a quick note to offer my congratulations for a great event yesterday. It was a strong combination of diverse content, informed and polished presenters and a relaxed, informal atmosphere." Randall O’Leary, Channel Director, S&P Dow Jones Indices

"All in all, a good format, good location and some new information for me. Having the (speaker presentations) PDFs prior to the conference is a good idea as I could determine my interest and my questions beforehand." David Hall, Portfolio Manager, Burganvest Bic Securities Limited
PROGRAM AGENDA

8:30 AM Opening remarks from Mindpath.
Introduction of Pat Dunwoody

8:35 AM Chair’s Welcoming Remarks

CONFERENCE CHAIR
Pat Dunwoody
Executive Director

cetfa
Canadian ETF Association

8:40 - 9:00 AM
Dan Stanley
Vice President Ontario

BMO Exchange Traded Funds

Topic: “ETFs – The First Twenty Five Years”
Including:
~ the innovation of ETFs re construction and liquidity
~ drivers of ETF growth over the past 25 years and trends supporting future ETF growth in Canada
~ future of ETFs and the need to evolve, innovate AND educate

9:00 - 9:45 AM
Craig Lazzara
Global Head of Index Strategy

S&P Dow Jones Indices
McGraw Hill Financial

Topic: “Is Active Management Getting Harder? – The Shrinking Supply of Alpha”
Including:
~ factor tilts (smart beta) as a substitute for active investing strategies
~ why dispersion of among securities is a good predictor of available alpha
~ challenges to active investing
~ underperformance of equity funds against passive index benchmarks

9:45 - 10:00 AM ~ Morning Refreshment & Networking Break

10:00 - 10:30 AM
Eric Balchunas
Head of ETF Analytics

Bloomberg

Topic: “Doing Due Diligence on Increasingly Complex ETF Products”
Including:
~ doing the necessary homework on increasingly complex ETFs
~ an overview of recent ETF innovations and why due diligence is critical
~ ETF liquidity

10:30 - 11:15 AM
Jason McIntyre
Head of Distribution

Vanguard

Topic: “Global Regulatory Reforms & Their Impact on Advisors – Highlights from the US, UK, Australia & Canada”
Including:
~ increased fee transparency
~ unbundling of fees
~ removal of trailers
~ impact on the growth of ETFs

11:15 AM - 12:00 Noon
Trevor Cummings
Head of Business Development, ETFS

RBC Global Asset Management

Topic: “UK’s Retail Distribution Review (RDR)” (Britain’s equivalent of CRM2)
Including:
~ impact on advisor numbers
~ how the UK market for ETFs changed
~ how Advisor business models were impacted

12:00 - 1:00 PM ~ Event Luncheon

1:00 - 1:45 PM TSX Industry Discussion Panel
Moderator

Amelia Nedovich
Head, Business Development

TMX

Panelists:
Jaime Purvis
Executive Vice President

Horizons Exchange Traded Funds

Justin Oliver
Vice President Institutional

BMO Exchange Traded Funds

Rohit Mehta
Senior Vice President

First Asset

1:45 – 2:30 PM ETF Strategist / ETF Portfolio Manager Discussion Panel
Panel Moderator

Yves Rebetez
Managing Editor

ETF insight

Robyn Graham
Vice President, Institutional Services / Associate Portfolio Manager

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Dave Nugent
Chief Investment Officer & Chief Compliance Officer

Wealthsimple

Ted Bader
National Sales Manager

SIA Wealth Management

2:30 – 2:45 PM ~ Afternoon Refreshment & Networking Break

2:45 - 3:15 PM
Hugh Murphy
Managing Director

Credo

Topic: “Results of a 2015 ETF Attitudinal Research Study Among Advisors”
Including:
~ how advisors are using ETFs
~ which ETFs are advisors favouring and why
~ hear about ETF myths which persist in the market

3:15 - 4:00 PM Advisor Discussion Panel
Moderator

Andrew Dorrington
Partner

21st Avenue Group

Topic: “The Value and Price of Advice”
Andrew will lead a discussion on research his firm has conducted on CRM2 and how advisors are communicating the evolving value proposition to clients.

4:00 - 4:30 PM
Goshka Folda
Senior Financial Advisor

Manulife Securities

Alan Fustey
Managing Principal & Portfolio Manager

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4:30 PM – Closing remarks from Conference Chair Pat Dunwoody & Mindpath + Business Card Draw

4:40 - 5:30 PM ~ Networking Reception

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Investor Economics

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Conference Fees

Early Bird Special! Register by April 15 and save.

I Investment Advisors, Brokers, Financial Advisors

$149.00 Per Delegate + HST = $168.37 (if registered by April 15)
$199.00 Per Delegate + HST = $224.87 (after April 15)

Group discount for Advisors:
Two or more advisors registering from the same branch receive a 10% discount on the above rates.

II Non-Sponsoring CETFA Affiliate Members

$295.00 Per Delegate + HST = $333.35 (if registered by April 15)
$495.00 Per Delegate + HST = $559.35 (after April 15)

III Non-CETFA Member Investment Managers, Portfolio Managers, Fund Managers & ETF Industry Suppliers

$495.00 Per Delegate + HST = $559.35 (if registered by April 15)
$695.00 Per Delegate + HST = $785.35 (after April 15)

Yes i would like to register the following people from my firm:

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City                                      Province                            Postal Code
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Phone                                                         Email Address(es)    *Note: All delegate confirmations will be sent out via emails

Note:
~ Continental Breakfast opens at 7:30 AM
~ Conference commences at 8:30 AM
~ Business Card Draw & Networking Cocktail Reception follow conference takes place between 4:30 PM and 5:30 PM

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