

# Fidelity Global Innovators® ETF

Semi-Annual Management Report of Fund Performance September 30, 2024

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## Semi-Annual Management Report of Fund Performance as at September 30, 2024 Fidelity Global Innovators® ETF

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### **Management Discussion of Fund Performance**

#### **Results of Operations**

Fidelity Global Innovators ® ETF returned 8.2%, after fees and expenses, for the six-month period ended September 30, 2024. During the review period, global equities, as represented by the MSCI All Country World Index, returned 9.5% (in Canadian dollar terms).

#### Market overview:

Global equities, as broadly measured by the MSCI All Country World Index, returned 9.5% in Canadian dollar terms and 9.7% in U.S. dollar terms, for the six-month period ended September 30, 2024.

Global equities rose during the review period. Steady growth in the U.S. economy along with expectations that declining inflation may support further rate cuts across most developed markets, supported investor confidence. Investor optimism in the artificial intelligence initially boosted gains in the information technology and communication services sectors but faced volatility in the latter part of the review period due to skepticism about stretched valuations. Defensive sectors such as utilities and consumer staples gained, as investors looked for stability amidst ongoing market volatility. Interest rate sensitive sectors, including real estate and financials sectors also rose, indicating optimism about enhanced earnings potential due to lower borrowing costs for consumers and businesses. In Europe, strong corporate earnings and decelerating inflation supported investor confidence. The European Central Bank reduced its benchmark interest rates by 25 basis points in June and September, bringing the rate down to 3.50%. Japanese equities experienced a period of volatility amid rising concerns about a recession in the U.S., an unexpected rise in Bank of Japan's benchmark rate of interest and the rise in the value of yen against the U.S. dollar. Emerging markets rose but lagged developed markets amid concerns about the outlook for China's economy, despite a modest recovery in growth and supportive policy measures announced by the People's Bank of China.

#### Factors affecting performance:

The Fund's benchmark, the NASDAQ Composite Index, returned 11.3% (in Canadian dollar terms) for the period under review. The Fund underperformed its benchmark, primarily due to the Underlying Fund's exposure to certain stocks in the financials and communication services sectors. In the financials sector, investments in U.S.-based cryptocurrency exchange platform Coinbase Global and U.S.-based financial services company Block, Inc. detracted from relative returns. In the communication services sector, an investment in U.S.-based media platform Pinterest and lack of exposure to a U.S.-based telecommunications company detracted from relative returns. In other sectors, an investment in U.S.-based semiconductor manufacturing company Micron Technology and a lower-than-benchmark exposure to U.S.-based electric vehicle and clean energy solutions company Tesla detracted from relative returns. In the industrials sector, investments in Germany-based design and manufacturer of aviation components General Aerospace and U.S.-based manufacturer and supplier of building materials Builders FirstSource contributed to relative returns. In the consumer discretionary sector, investments in U.S.-based household products company Microsoft and a lack of exposure to a U.S.-based components manufacturer contributed to relative returns. In other sectors, investments in U.S.-based household products company SharkNinja and U.S.-based residential home construction company PulteGroup contributed to relative returns. In other sectors, lower-than-benchmark exposure to U.S.-based technology company Microsoft and a lack of exposure to a U.S.-based computer contributed to relative returns. At the end of the review period, the Fund had no exposure to Block, Micron Technology, Tesla or Pinterest. Portfolio changes:

During the review period, the Fund's exposure to the consumer staples and financials sectors was increased. In the consumer staples sector, the portfolio manager initiated a position in U.S.-based tobacco company Philip Morris. In the financials sector, the manager initiated a position in U.S.-based multinational conglomerate holding company Berkshire Hathaway. The portfolio manager believes these companies have an attractive/risk reward outlook and strong growth potential.

In contrast, exposure to the information technology and energy sectors was decreased; the portfolio manager sought investment opportunities which the manager considered to have more attractive risk/reward potential elsewhere. In the information technology sector, the manager reduced exposure to Microsoft. In the energy sector, the portfolio manager exited a position in Canada-based uranium company Cameco.

At the end of the review period, the Fund had its largest absolute exposure to the information technology sector, followed by the communication services sector. The Fund diverged most from its benchmark's sector weightings by having more exposure to the financials sector and less exposure to the information technology sector.

#### **Recent Developments**

Portfolio manager Mark Schmehl's investment approach focuses on identifying what appear to be positive changes in company fundamentals. The manager seeks to add value by uncovering investment opportunities where it appears that business conditions are or could be improving. In the portfolio manager's view, the current market backdrop is positive, with a soft landing in the U.S. having become more probable, given the continued resiliency of the U.S. economy. The manager has been seeking opportunities in different sectors in areas that are expected to benefit from growth tailwinds in the manager's view, as well as among out-of-favour stocks.

#### **Related Party Transactions**

#### Manager and Portfolio Adviser

The Fund is managed by Fidelity Investments Canada ULC (Fidelity). Fidelity is part of a broader collection of companies collectively known as Fidelity Investments.

Fidelity provides or arranges for the provision of all general management and administrative services required by the Fund in its day-to-day operations, bookkeeping, record-keeping and

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other administrative services for the Fund.

Fidelity is the portfolio adviser to the Fund and it provides investment advisory services to the Fund. Fidelity has entered into sub-advisory agreements with a number of entities including Fidelity Management & Research Company LLC, to provide investment advice with respect to all or a portion of the investments of the Fund. The sub-advisors arrange for acquisition and disposition of portfolio investments, including all necessary brokerage arrangements. The Fund pays Fidelity a monthly management and advisory fee for their services, based on the net asset value of each Series, calculated daily and payable monthly. The Fund paid Fidelity management and advisory fees of \$1,347,000 for the period ended September 30, 2024.

#### **Administration Fee**

Fidelity charges the Fund a fixed administration fee in place of certain variable expenses. Fidelity, in turn, pays all of the operating expenses of the Fund, other than certain specified fund costs (e.g. the fees and expenses of the Independent Review Committee, taxes, brokerage commissions and interest charges). The Fund pays an annual rate, which is calculated on a tiered basis, based on the net asset value of each Series, calculated daily and payable monthly. The Fund paid Fidelity administration fees of \$216,000 for the period ended September 30, 2024.

#### **Brokerage Commissions**

The Fund may place a portion of its portfolio transactions with brokerage firms which are affiliates of Fidelity, provided it determines that these affiliates' trade execution abilities and costs are comparable to those of non-affiliated, qualified brokerage firms, on an execution-only basis. Commissions paid to brokerage firms that are affiliates of Fidelity Investments were \$6,000 for the period ended September 30, 2024. Fidelity receives standing instructions from the IRC in respect of policies and procedures governing best execution of transactions with affiliates, which includes brokers affiliated to Fidelity Investments, at least once per year.

#### Independent Review Committee, Cross-Trading and In specie Transactions

#### **Independent Review Committee**

Fidelity has established an independent review committee (IRC) that acts as an impartial and independent committee to review and provide recommendations or, if appropriate, approvals respecting conflict of interest matters referred to it by Fidelity. The IRC prepares, at least annually, a report of its activities for securityholders of the Fund. The report is available at www.fidelity.ca or at the securityholder's request at no cost by contacting Fidelity, using the contact information available on the final page of this document.

#### **Cross-Trading and In specie Transactions**

The Fund received the approval and standing instructions from the IRC in order to:

(i) engage in cross-trading, which is a form of interfund trading. A cross-trade occurs when the Fund purchases or sells portfolio securities from or to another Fund, a U.S. fund or a separately managed account, through a broker;

(ii) permit the Fund, in certain circumstances, to purchase and redeem Fund securities in consideration for securities rather than cash of another investment fund not governed by NI 81-102, or a separately managed account, managed by Fidelity.

For each of the transactions in (i) and (ii) above, the IRC's standing instructions require Fidelity to act in accordance with its associated policies and procedures and applicable law, and comply with the conditions in each of the exemptive relief orders received, which, in the case of cross-trading, requires additional periodic reporting to the Ontario Securities Commission. The standing instructions also require that investment decisions in respect of these transactions (a) are free from any influence by an entity related to Fidelity and without taking into account any consideration relevant to an entity related to Fidelity; (b) represent the business judgment of Fidelity uninfluenced by considerations other than the best interests of the Fund; (c) comply with the applicable policies and procedures of Fidelity; and (d) achieve a fair and reasonable result for 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 end of the years shown. This information is derived from the Fund's audited annual and/or unaudited semi-annual financial statements. Please see the front page for information about how you can obtain the Fund's annual or semi-annual financial statements.

Fidelity Global Innovators® ETF Series L				
		Six months ended September 30, 2024		Periods ended March 31, 2024 <sup>&amp;</sup>
The Series' Net Assets per Security <sup>8</sup>				
	\$	15.51	\$	9.91
Increase (decrease) from operations:				
Total revenue		.10		.05
Total expenses (excluding distributions)		(.11)		(.11)
Realized gains (losses)		.94		.23
Unrealized gains (losses)		.28		6.31
Total increase (decrease) from operations <sup>C</sup>		1.21		6.48
Distributions:				
From net investment income (excluding dividends)		-		-
From dividends		-		-
From capital gains		-		-
Return of capital				
Total distributions <sup>CD</sup>	÷	-	÷	-
	\$	16.78	\$	15.51
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	\$	399,495	\$	213,868
Securities outstanding <sup>E</sup>		23,810,000		13,785,000 1.09%
Management expense ratio <sup>F,G</sup>		1.08% 1.12%		1.09%
Management expense ratio before waivers or absorptions <sup>F,G</sup>		.11%		.08%
Trading expense ratio " Portfolio turnover rate I		.11% 93.65%		.08% 86.63%
	\$	93.65% 16.7794	Ś	00.03% 15.5064
Net asset value per security, end of period	ç	10.//74	Ş	15.5004

- <sup>A</sup> For the period May 4, 2023 (inception date) to March 31, 2024.
- <sup>8</sup> This information is derived from the Fund's audited annual and/or unaudited interim financial statements. The net assets attributable to securityholders per security presented in the financial statements may differ from the net asset value calculated for fund pricing purposes. An explanation of these differences can be found in the notes to financial statements.
- C Net assets and distributions are based on the actual number of securities outstanding at the relevant time. The increase (decrease) from operations is based on the weighted average number of securities outstanding over the financial period. This table is not intended to be a reconciliation of beginning to ending net assets per security.
- <sup>D</sup> Distributions were paid in cash or reinvested in additional securities of the Fund, or both, and excludes any applicable distributions of management fee reduction to securityholders. Distributions are presented based on management's best estimate of the tax character.

<sup>E</sup> This information is provided as at period end of the year shown.

- <sup>F</sup> Management expense ratio is based on total expenses (excluding distributions, commissions and other portfolio transaction costs) for the stated period and is expressed as an annualized percentage of daily average net asset values during the period, including the Fund's pro-rata share of estimated expenses incurred in any underlying investment fund, if applicable.
- <sup>6</sup> Effective May 19, 2023, the manager of the Fund has waived a portion of its administration fee and as of the date of the MRFP has continued to provide the Fund with such waivers. The manager may terminate the waiver at any time, at its sole discretion. It is not known when such waivers will be terminated.
- <sup>H</sup> The trading expense ratio represents total commissions, other portfolio transaction costs and dividends and interest expense on securities sold short expressed as an annualized percentage of daily average net asset value during the period, including the Fund's pro-rata share of estimated trading costs incurred in any underlying investment fund, if applicable.
- <sup>1</sup> The Fund's portfolio turnover rate indicates how actively the Fund's portfolio adviser manages its 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 year. The higher the Fund's portfolio turnover rate in a year, the greater the trading costs payable by the Fund in the year, and the greater chance of an investor receiving taxable capital gains in the year. There is not necessarily a relationship between a high portfolio turnover rate and the performance of the Fund. The portfolio turnover rate is calculated based on the lesser of purchases or sales of securities divided by the weighted average market value of portfolio securities owned by the Fund, excluding short-term securities. The portfolio turnover rate includes any proceeds from a short sale in the value of sales of securities and the cost of covering a short sale in the value of purchases of securities. For periods greater than six months, but less than a full fiscal year, the portfolio turnover rate is annualized. The portfolio turnover rate excludes any adjustment for in-kind transactions.

#### **Management and Advisory Fees**

Fidelity serves as manager and investment advisor of the Fund. The Fund pays Fidelity a monthly management and advisory fee for its services, based on the net asset value of each Series, calculated daily and payable monthly. Fidelity uses these management fees to pay for sales and trailing commissions to registered dealers on the distribution of the Fund securities, as well as for the general investment management expenses. Dealer compensation represents cash commissions paid by Fidelity to registered dealers during the period and includes upfront deferred sales charge and trailing commissions. This amount may, in certain circumstances, exceed 100% of the fees earned by Fidelity during the period. For new Funds or Series the amounts presented may not be indicative of longer term operating periods.

		Dealer	management,
	Management Fees (%)	Compensation (%)	administration and other (%)
Series L	0.850	-	100.00

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## Fidelity Global Innovators® ETF Past Performance

The performance information shown assumes that all distributions made by the Fund in the periods shown were reinvested in additional securities of the Fund. The performance information does not take into account sales, redemption, distribution or other optional charges that would have reduced returns or performance. How the Fund has performed in the past does not necessarily indicate how it will perform in the future.

#### Year-by-Year Returns

The year-by-year return of the Fund will be available when the Fund completes one full year of operation.

## Fidelity Global Innovators® ETF Summary of Investment Portfolio as at September 30, 2024

Sector Mix				
	% of Fund's Net Assets as at September 30, 2024	% of Fund's Net Assets as at March 31, 2024		
Information Technology	34.0	42.1		
Communication Services	13.4	10.6		
Consumer Discretionary	13.3	11.4		
Financials	10.8	7.2		
Health Care	10.1	9.5		
Consumer Staples	9.2	0.0		
Industrials	5.4	9.7		
Materials	3.3	0.0		
Others (Individually Less Than 1%)	0.0	6.9		
Cash and Cash Equivalents	0.4	1.5		
Net Other Assets (Liabilities)	0.1	1.1		

	% of Fund's Net Assets as	% of Fund's Net Assets a
	at September 30, 2024	at March 31, 2024
United States of America	86.2	90.0
Canada	5.3	4.4
China	2.9	0.0
Germany	1.9	0.0
Brazil	1.1	0.0
Others (Individually Less Than 1%)	2.1	3.0
Cash and Cash Equivalents	0.4	1.5
Net Other Assets (Liabilities)	0.1	1.1

1.	Apple, Inc.	% of Fund Net Asset 9.7
2.	Meta Platforms, Inc.	6.3
3.	NVIDIA Corp.	4.4
4.	Alphabet, Inc.	4.1
5.	Broadcom, Inc.	4.1
6.	Roblox Corp.	3.0
7.	Amazon.com, Inc.	2.8
8.	Microsoft Corp.	2.7
9.	Shopify, Inc.	2.3
10.	Agnico Eagle Mines Ltd.	2.2
11.	Philip Morris International, Inc.	1.9
12.	SAP SE	1.9
13.	Berkshire Hathaway, Inc.	1.8
14.	Thermo Fisher Scientific, Inc.	1.8
15.	Walmart, Inc.	1.7
16.	Arista Networks, Inc.	1.6
17.	Costco Wholesale Corp.	1.6
18.	Galaxy Digital Holdings Ltd.	1.6
19.	Boston Scientific Corp.	1.4
20.	Builders FirstSource, Inc.	1.3
21.	Merck & Co., Inc.	1.3
22.	Alibaba Group Holding Ltd.	1.3
23.	Visa, Inc.	1.3
24.	Danaher Corp.	1.2
25.	Eli Lilly & Co.	1.2

Total Fund Net Assets \$399,495,000

Where applicable, the information in the above tables includes the Fund's pro-rata share of the investment in any Fidelity managed underlying fund.

The summary of investment portfolio may change due to ongoing portfolio transactions of the investment fund. The most recent annual report, semi-annual report, quarterly report, fund facts document or simplified prospectus for the investment fund and/or underlying fund is available at no cost, by calling 1-800-263-4077, by writing to us at Fidelity Investments Canada ULC, 483 Bay St. Suite 300, Toronto ON M5G 2N7 or by visiting our web site at www.fidelity.ca or SEDAR+ at www.sedarplus.ca.



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