

# 2016 Annual Management Report of Fund Performance

for the year ended December 31, 2016

VentureLink Innovation Fund Inc.



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# VENTURELINK INNOVATION FUND INC.

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## INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE AND STRATEGIES

The Fund's objective is to realize long-term capital appreciation by making debt and equity investments in a diversified portfolio of small and medium sized eligible Ontario businesses.

The Fund's strategy for 2017 will be to invest in and support existing portfolio companies with a view to realization in the period from 2017 to 2018. The Fund will only consider new investment opportunities on an exception basis where there is a high probability of realization within a twenty four month period.

In addition to supporting its existing portfolio of growing Ontario businesses, the Fund invests a portion of the portfolio in eligible reserves.

## RISKS

The Fund is suitable for investors with a longer-term investment focus and higher risk tolerance as discussed in the Fund's annual information form. The market value of the three largest investments represents approximately 51% of the net asset value of the Fund.

The Fund is being managed to preserve liquidity while working with portfolio companies to create successful exits by December 2018. This management process will reduce the number of portfolio holdings from the current level of eighteen private holdings and result in an increase to overall portfolio concentration.

## RESULTS OF OPERATIONS (in \$000's except per share numbers)

The net asset value of the Fund at the end of the 2016 fiscal year was \$54,208. There were 702,051 Class A Shares, Series I, 452,866 Class A Shares, Series II, 4,000,083 Class A Shares, Series III, 1,848,856 Class A Shares, Series IV, and 92,749 Class A Shares, Series VI outstanding.

### **Income**

The Fund had total income of \$7,547 in 2016 compared to \$(34) in 2015, an increase of \$7,581. This increase is related to realized and unrealized gains on investments and reserves of \$6,715 in 2016 versus \$(1,895) in 2015 partially offset by a reduction in interest, dividends and fee income of \$974 in 2016 from \$1,865 in 2015.

### **Expenses**

Operating expenses were \$5,919 in 2016 compared to \$6,143 in 2015, a decrease of \$224 or 3.6%. This decrease is principally related to the decrease in the weighted average net asset value of the Fund during 2016 compared to 2015, partially offset by an increase in performance fee and Class P dividend expense of \$1,753 in 2016 from \$1,044 in 2015.

### **Class A Shares**

Net redemptions of Class A Shares during the year were \$13,121.

### **New investments**

The Fund made a total of \$1,139 new and follow-on venture investments during the period:

- Upsight Inc., \$739 as proceeds from the disposition of Fuse Powered Inc.
- Pitchpoint Solutions Inc., \$400 follow-ons, total investment \$2,300

### **Realizations**

The Fund realized proceeds totaling \$26,017 from the sale of securities of the following venture investments for a net realized gain of \$4,805:

- Aimetis Corp., cost \$2,500
- Embotics Corp., cost \$1,000
- eSentire Inc., cost \$2,293
- Fuse Powered Inc., cost \$1,374
- Investigative Research Group Inc., cost \$352
- Kensington Capital Partners Ltd., cost \$6,350
- Opko Inc., cost nil
- Marquest Asset Management Inc., cost \$1,125
- Pitchpoint Solutions Inc., cost \$100
- Koprash Inc., cost \$2,190
- Wyse Meter Solutions Inc., cost \$3,928

The portfolio holdings continue to reflect the Fund's objective of investing in a diversified portfolio mezzanine debt and equity investments.

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## **Fund performance**

Fund performance varied from an increase in net assets attributable to holders of redeemable shares of \$.32 for Series I to an increase of \$.19 for Series III. The increase was the result of realized and unrealized gains on the venture portfolio partially offset by operating expenses.

## **RECENT DEVELOPMENTS**

### **Fund Liquidity and investment concentration**

The Fund has approximately 25% of its net assets in cash. In addition, a number of privately companies held by the Fund have engaged financial advisors to assist with the en-bloc sale of the businesses. As the orderly wind up of the Fund takes place, the concentration of the investment portfolio is increasing. The three largest investments of the Fund have a total value equal to 51% of net asset value.

The current plan for the operation of the Fund is to manage the existing portfolio with a view towards exiting all or at least most of its investment portfolio by December 2018 followed by an orderly wind-up of the Fund in 2019.

In order to manage fund liquidity until such time as the Fund realizes upon its venture investments, the Fund's prospectus provides the Fund with the discretion to halt redemptions in a given financial year once redemptions have reached an aggregate value of 20% of the net asset value of the Fund on the last day of the preceding financial year. In August 2016, the Fund capped redemptions at 20% of the net asset value of the Fund as of December 31, 2015.

## **RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS**

### **Manager**

The Manager and Investment Advisor and Sponsor are deemed to be related parties and earned \$1,889 from the Fund. This amount represents fees for management, investment advisor and sponsor services. The Fund accrued \$1,186 of performance fees in the year, and made payments of \$296, resulting in an ending accrual of \$4,520. In addition, the Fund incurred dividend expense of \$567 in connection with the issuance of dividends on Class P shares held by VL Holdings LP, the 100% shareholder of the Manager and Investment Advisor. Accrued performance fees will be payable to the Manager in future periods if certain criteria are achieved.

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## FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

The Fund's Net Assets per Share tables show selected key financial information about the Fund and are intended to help you understand the Fund's financial performance for each of the past five years.

The Ratios & Supplemental Data shown below are based on net asset value.

THE FUND'S NET ASSETS PER SHARE (\$)<sup>(1)(2)(8)\*</sup>

CLASS A, SERIES I SHARES Commencement of operations September 10, 2010	Dec. 31 2016	Dec. 31 2015	Dec. 31 2014	Dec. 31 2013	Dec. 31 2012 <sup>^</sup>
<b>Net assets at the beginning of year<sup>(3)</sup></b>	8.07	8.63	8.56	8.52	8.93
<b>Increase (decrease) from operations:</b>					
Total revenue	0.13	0.22	0.14	0.44	0.37
Total expenses (excluding distributions)	(0.74)	(0.56)	(0.58)	(0.39)	(0.44)
Realized gains (losses) for the year	0.66	0.56	-	(0.79)	0.03
Unrealized gains (losses) for the year	0.27	(0.78)	0.52	0.84	(0.37)
<b>Total increase (decrease) from operations<sup>(3)</sup></b>	0.32	(0.56)	0.08	0.10	(0.41)
<b>Distributions:</b>					
From net investment income (excluding dividends)	-	-	-	-	-
From dividends	-	-	-	-	-
From capital gains	-	-	-	-	-
Return of capital	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total distributions<sup>(3)</sup></b>	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Net assets at the end of the year shown<sup>(3)(8)</sup></b>	8.37	8.07	8.63	8.56	8.52
<b>Ratios and Supplemental Data</b>					
Net asset value (\$000's)	5,876	6,431	8,935	11,447	15,592
Number of shares outstanding (000's)	702	797	1,035	1,337	1,830
Portfolio turnover rate (%) <sup>(6)</sup>	2.05	2.98	12.17	22.32	15.67
Trading expense ratio (%) <sup>(7)</sup>	0.01	0.01	0.04	0.05	0.04
Management expense ratio after taxes (%) <sup>(4)</sup>	8.87	7.46	7.22	6.61	6.37
Net assets per share (\$) <sup>(8)</sup>	8.37	8.07	8.63	8.56	8.52

\*Footnotes for the tables are found at the end of the Financial Highlights section.

<sup>^</sup>Historical figures are based on Canadian GAAP, while periods after December 31, 2012 are based on IFRS. For more details refer to footnote 8.

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## FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS (cont'd)

THE FUND'S NET ASSETS PER SHARE (\$) <sup>(1)(2)(8)\*</sup>

CLASS A, SERIES II SHARES Commencement of operations September 10, 2010	Dec. 31 2016	Dec. 31 2015	Dec. 31 2014	Dec. 31 2013	Dec. 31 2012 <sup>^</sup>
<b>Net assets at the beginning of year</b> <sup>(3)</sup>	7.82	8.42	8.39	8.40	8.86
<b>Increase (decrease) from operations:</b>					
Total revenue	0.13	0.18	0.14	0.42	0.36
Total expenses (excluding distributions)	(0.76)	(0.59)	(0.62)	(0.43)	(0.49)
Realized gains (losses) for the year	0.64	0.56	-	(0.76)	0.03
Unrealized gains (losses) for the year	0.26	(0.75)	0.51	0.81	(0.36)
<b>Total increase (decrease) from operations</b> <sup>(3)</sup>	0.27	(0.60)	0.03	0.04	(0.46)
<b>Distributions:</b>					
From net investment income (excluding dividends)	-	-	-	-	-
From dividends	-	-	-	-	-
From capital gains	-	-	-	-	-
Return of capital	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total distributions</b> <sup>(3)</sup>	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Net assets at the end of the year shown</b> <sup>(3)(8)</sup>	8.07	7.82	8.42	8.39	8.40
<b>Ratios and Supplemental Data</b>					
Net asset value (\$000's)	3,654	4,034	5,295	6,763	8,843
Number of shares outstanding (000's)	453	516	629	806	1,053
Portfolio turnover rate (%) <sup>(6)</sup>	2.05	2.98	12.17	22.32	15.67
Trading expense ratio (%) <sup>(7)</sup>	0.01	0.01	0.04	0.05	0.04
Management expense ratio after taxes (%) <sup>(4)</sup>	9.43	8.03	7.78	7.17	6.94
Net assets per share (\$) <sup>(8)</sup>	8.07	7.82	8.42	8.39	8.40

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## FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS (cont'd)

THE FUND'S NET ASSETS PER SHARE (\$) <sup>(1)(2)(8)\*</sup>

CLASS A, SERIES III SHARES Commencement of operations September 10, 2010	Dec. 31 2016	Dec. 31 2015	Dec. 31 2014	Dec. 31 2013	Dec. 31 2012 <sup>^</sup>
<b>Net assets at the beginning of year<sup>(3)</sup></b>	7.38	8.02	8.09	8.18	8.73
<b>Increase (decrease) from operations:</b>					
Total revenue	0.12	0.19	0.12	0.38	0.31
Total expenses (excluding distributions)	(0.80)	(0.65)	(0.68)	(0.51)	(0.57)
Realized gains (losses) for the year	0.62	0.53	0.01	(0.69)	0.05
Unrealized gains (losses) for the year	0.25	(0.72)	0.49	0.74	(0.32)
<b>Total increase (decrease) from operations<sup>(3)</sup></b>	0.19	(0.65)	(0.06)	(0.08)	(0.53)
<b>Distributions:</b>					
From net investment income (excluding dividends)	-	-	-	-	-
From dividends	-	-	-	-	-
From capital gains	-	-	-	-	-
Return of capital	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total distributions<sup>(3)</sup></b>	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Net assets at the end of the year shown<sup>(3)(8)</sup></b>	7.53	7.38	8.02	8.09	8.18
<b>Ratios and Supplemental Data</b>					
Net asset value (\$000's)	30,111	36,874	49,854	57,474	66,060
Number of shares outstanding (000's)	4,000	4,997	6,213	7,105	8,073
Portfolio turnover rate (%) <sup>(6)</sup>	2.05	2.98	12.17	22.32	15.67
Trading expense ratio (%) <sup>(7)</sup>	0.01	0.01	0.04	0.05	0.04
Management expense ratio after taxes (%) <sup>(4)</sup>	10.49	9.12	8.86	8.25	8.00
Net assets per share (\$) <sup>(8)</sup>	7.53	7.38	8.02	8.09	8.18

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## FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS (cont'd)

THE FUND'S NET ASSETS PER SHARE (\$) <sup>(1)(2)(8)\*</sup>

CLASS A, SERIES IV SHARES Commencement of operations September 10, 2010	Dec. 31 2016	Dec. 31 2015	Dec. 31 2014	Dec. 31 2013	Dec. 31 2012 <sup>^</sup>
<b>Net assets at the beginning of year</b> <sup>(3)</sup>	7.35	8.00	8.07	8.17	8.72
<b>Increase (decrease) from operations:</b>					
Total revenue	0.12	0.20	0.11	0.37	0.30
Total expenses (excluding distributions)	(0.80)	(0.65)	(0.68)	(0.52)	(0.58)
Realized gains (losses) for the year	0.63	0.52	0.02	(0.68)	0.05
Unrealized gains (losses) for the year	0.25	(0.72)	0.49	0.73	(0.31)
<b>Total increase (decrease) from operations</b> <sup>(3)</sup>	0.20	(0.65)	(0.06)	(0.10)	(0.54)
<b>Distributions:</b>					
From net investment income (excluding dividends)	-	-	-	-	-
From dividends	-	-	-	-	-
From capital gains	-	-	-	-	-
Return of capital	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total distributions</b> <sup>(3)</sup>	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Net assets at the end of the year shown</b> <sup>(3)(8)</sup>	7.50	7.35	8.00	8.07	8.17
<b>Ratios and Supplemental Data</b>					
Net asset value (\$000's)	13,858	17,462	23,948	27,066	29,776
Number of shares outstanding (000's)	1,849	2,375	2,993	3,354	3,645
Portfolio turnover rate (%) <sup>(6)</sup>	2.05	2.98	12.17	22.32	15.67
Trading expense ratio (%) <sup>(7)</sup>	0.01	0.01	0.04	0.05	0.04
Management expense ratio after taxes (%) <sup>(4)</sup>	10.54	9.19	8.92	8.31	8.06
Net assets per share (\$) <sup>(8)</sup>	7.50	7.35	8.00	8.07	8.17

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## FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS (cont'd)

THE FUND'S NET ASSETS PER SHARE (\$) <sup>(1)(2)(8)\*</sup>

CLASS A, SERIES VI SHARES Commencement of operations September 10, 2010	Dec. 31 2016	Dec. 31 2015	Dec. 31 2014	Dec. 31 2013	Dec. 31 2012 <sup>^</sup>
<b>Net assets at the beginning of year<sup>(3)</sup></b>	7.47	8.11	8.15	8.23	8.75
<b>Increase (decrease) from operations:</b>					
Total revenue	0.13	0.14	0.10	0.36	0.29
Total expenses (excluding distributions)	(0.79)	(0.64)	(0.67)	(0.50)	(0.56)
Realized gains (losses) for the year	0.64	0.55	0.03	(0.66)	0.05
Unrealized gains (losses) for the year	0.25	(0.69)	0.50	0.72	(0.31)
<b>Total increase (decrease) from operations<sup>(3)</sup></b>	0.23	(0.64)	(0.04)	(0.08)	(0.53)
<b>Distributions:</b>					
From net investment income (excluding dividends)	-	-	-	-	-
From dividends	-	-	-	-	-
From capital gains	-	-	-	-	-
Return of capital	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total distributions<sup>(3)</sup></b>	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Net assets at the end of the year shown<sup>(3)(8)</sup></b>	7.64	7.47	8.11	8.15	8.23
<b>Ratios and Supplemental Data</b>					
Net asset value (\$000's)	709	900	1,083	1,116	1,147
Number of shares outstanding (000's)	93	120	134	137	139
Portfolio turnover rate (%) <sup>(6)</sup>	2.05	2.98	12.17	22.32	15.67
Trading expense ratio (%) <sup>(7)</sup>	0.01	0.01	0.04	0.05	0.04
Management expense ratio after taxes (%) <sup>(4)</sup>	10.24	8.89	8.62	8.01	7.76
Net assets per share (\$) <sup>(8)</sup>	7.64	7.47	8.11	8.15	8.23

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- (1) This information is derived from the Fund's annual financial statements.
- (2) The following classes of shares of the Fund commenced operations:

Class A, Series I shares	September 10, 2010
Class A, Series II shares	September 10, 2010
Class A, Series III shares	September 10, 2010
Class A, Series IV shares	September 10, 2010
Class A, Series VI shares	September 10, 2010
- (3) Net assets per share and distributions per share are based on the actual number of shares outstanding for the relevant class on the relevant date. The increase (decrease) in net assets from operations per share is based on the weighted average number of shares outstanding for the relevant class over the financial year.
- (4) The Fund has entered into various agreements including management, investment advisory and administration agreements. The annualized fees are as shown.
- (5) Management expense ratio is calculated based on expenses charged directly to the Fund plus, if applicable, expenses of the underlying funds, calculated on a weighted average basis based on the percentage weighting of each underlying fund and is expressed as an annualized percentage of average daily net asset value for the year.
- (6) The Fund's portfolio turnover rate indicates how actively the Fund's portfolio advisor 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 fiscal year. The higher a Fund's portfolio turnover rate in a year, the greater the trading costs payable by the Fund in the year, and the greater the chance of an investor receiving taxable capital gains in the year. There is not necessarily a relationship between a higher turnover rate and the performance of a Fund. Portfolio turnover rate is calculated by dividing the lesser of the cost of purchases and the proceeds of sales of portfolio securities for the year, excluding cash and short-term investments maturing in less than one year and the value of any securities acquired as a result of merger, by the average of the monthly fair value of investments during the year.
- (7) The trading expense ratio represents total commissions and other portfolio transaction costs expressed as an annualized percentage of daily average net asset value of the Fund during the year.
- (8) For financial years beginning on or after January 1, 2013 the financial highlights are derived from the financial statements prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS"). IFRS allows net assets to be calculated based on the last traded market price for financial assets and financial liabilities where the last traded price falls within the day's bid-ask spread. There are no differences between the net assets calculated for purpose of processing shareholders transactions and the net assets attributable to holders of redeemable shares used for financial statement reporting purposes. For financial years before January 1, 2013, the financial highlights are derived from the financial statements prepared in accordance with Canadian GAAP. Under Canadian GAAP net assets for financial statement purposes were calculated based on bid/ask price while for purpose of processing shareholder transactions net assets were calculated based on the closing market price.

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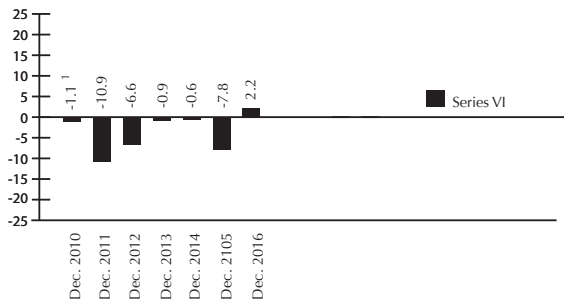
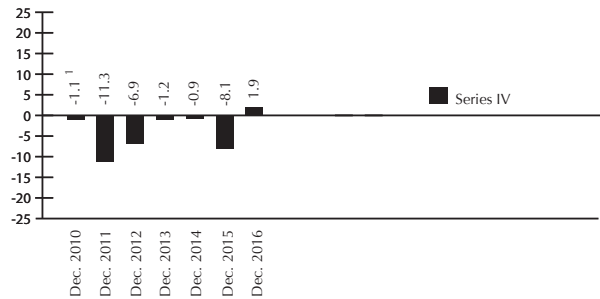
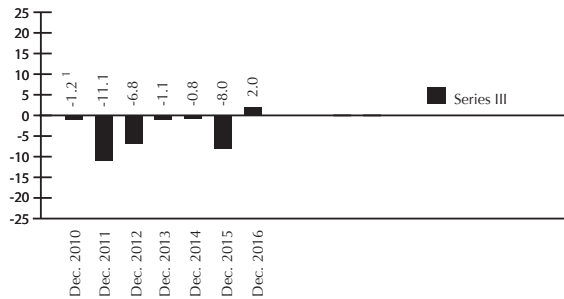
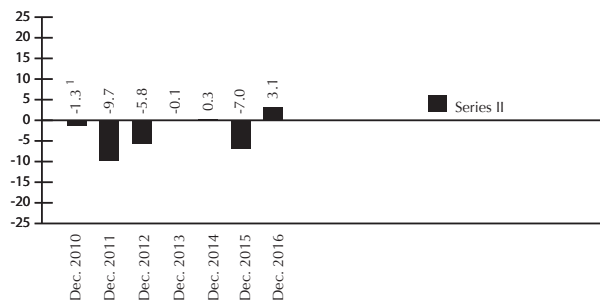
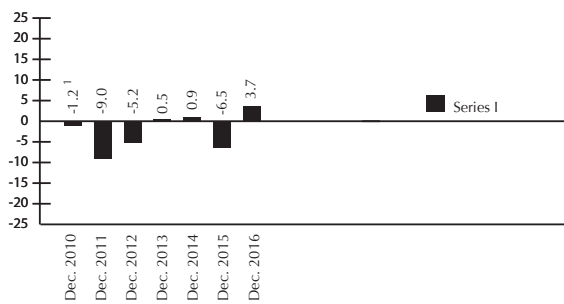
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## PAST PERFORMANCE

This section describes how the Fund has performed in the past. Past returns do not indicate how the Fund will perform in the future. The information shown assumes that dividends paid by the Fund in the years shown were reinvested in additional shares of the relevant classes of the Fund. In addition, the information does not take into account sales, redemption, distribution or other optional charges that would have reduced returns or performance.

## Year-by-Year Returns

The following charts show the Fund's annual performance for each of the years shown, and illustrates how the Fund's performance has changed from year to year. In percentage terms, the charts show how much an investment made on the first day of each financial year would have grown or decreased by the last day of each financial year.



<sup>1</sup> This figure is for the period from September 10, 2010 to December 31, 2010.

Returns for periods up to December 31, 2012 are calculated using Canadian GAAP while returns for years thereafter are calculated using IFRS.

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## Annual Compound Returns

The following table shows the Fund's annual compound returns for each year indicated, compared to the Globe Retail Venture Capital Peer Index.

The Globe Retail Venture Capital Peer Index is a mutual fund sector specific index that combines data from similar funds, in this case labour-sponsored venture capital funds, to provide sector average return information.

	<b>One Year (%)</b>	<b>Three Years (%)</b>	<b>Five Years (%)</b>	<b>Since Inception (%)</b>
Class A, Series I	3.7	(0.7)	(1.4)	(2.8)
Globe Retail Venture Capital Peer Index	(11.3)	(7.6)	(9.9)	(9.1)
Class A, Series II	3.1	(1.3)	(2.0)	(3.3)
Globe Retail Venture Capital Peer Index	(11.3)	(7.6)	(9.9)	(9.1)
Class A, Series III	2.0	(2.4)	(3.0)	(4.4)
Globe Retail Venture Capital Peer Index	(11.3)	(7.6)	(9.9)	(9.1)
Class A, Series IV	1.9	(2.4)	(3.1)	(4.5)
Globe Retail Venture Capital Peer Index	(11.3)	(7.6)	(9.9)	(9.1)
Class A, Series VI	2.2	(2.1)	(2.8)	(4.2)
Globe Retail Venture Capital Peer Index	(11.3)	(7.6)	(9.9)	(9.1)

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## SUMMARY OF INVESTMENT PORTFOLIO as at December 31, 2016

<b>Industry Sector</b>	<b>Number of Companies</b>	<b>Cost (in \$000's)</b>	<b>Fair Value (in \$000's)</b>	<b>% of Cost</b>	<b>% of FV</b>
<b>Sector</b>					
Financial Services	4	9,427	3,456	17.4	7.7
Biotechnology	1	500	375	0.9	0.8
Information Technology and Communications	12	42,566	40,920	78.7	91.2
Services and Others	1	1,648	145	3.0	0.3
	18	54,141	44,896	100.0	100.0

<b>Stage of Development</b>	<b>Number of Companies</b>	<b>Cost (in \$000's)</b>	<b>Fair Value (in \$000's)</b>	<b>% of Cost</b>	<b>% of FV</b>
<b>Investment Stage</b>					
Early	7	19,675	11,277	36.3	25.1
Later	11	34,466	33,619	63.7	74.9
	18	54,141	44,896	100.0	100.0

<b>Investments</b>	<b>Cost (in \$000's)</b>	<b>Fair Value (in \$000's)</b>
Venture Investments	54,141	44,896
Underlying Funds	17,692	13,141
	71,833	58,037

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## SUMMARY OF INVESTMENT PORTFOLIO as at December 31, 2016 (cont'd)

### Top Venture Investment Holdings (as at December 31, 2016)\*

Brandimensions Inc.  
Coventree Inc.  
DCR Strategies Inc.  
Embotics Corp.  
eSentire Inc.  
Futurestate IT Inc.  
Investigative Research Group Inc.  
Marquest Asset Management Inc.  
MMB Research Inc.  
Peraso Technologies Inc.  
Performance Plants Inc.  
Pitchpoint Solutions Inc.  
Sidense Corp.  
Smart Energy Instruments Inc.  
SCI Ltd.  
Upsight Inc.  
WF Fund III Limited Partnership  
WireIE Holdings International Inc.

\*This list includes the eighteen venture investments that continue to be carried at greater than nominal cost or market value.

The summary of investment may change due to ongoing portfolio transactions of the Fund and updates will be available on an annual basis.

### A NOTE ON FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This report may contain forward-looking statements about the Fund, its future performance, strategies or prospects, and possible future Fund action. The words "may," "could," "should," "would," "suspect," "outlook," "believe," "plan," "anticipate," "estimate," "expect," "intend," "forecast," "objective," and similar expressions are intended to identify forward-looking statements.

Forward-looking statements are not guarantees of future performance. Forward-looking statements involve inherent risks and uncertainties, both about the Fund and general economic factors, so it is possible that predictions, forecasts, projections and other forward-looking statements will not be achieved. We caution you not to place undue reliance on these statements as a number of important factors could cause actual events or results to differ materially from those expressed or implied in any forward-

looking statement made by the Fund. These factors include, but are not limited to, general economic, political and market factors in Canada, the United States and internationally, interest and foreign exchanges rates, global equity and capital markets, business competition, technological changes, changes in laws and regulations, judicial or regulatory judgments, legal proceedings 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. All opinions contained in forward-looking statements are subject to change without notice and are provided in good faith but without legal responsibility.