# S-Network FolioBeyond Optimized Fixed Income Index (SNFBFI)

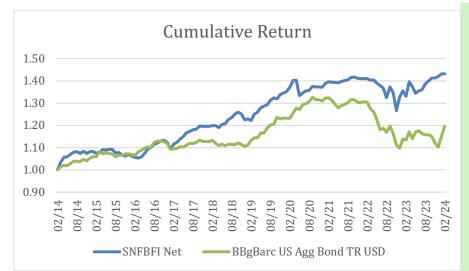
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### **Investment Philosophy**

FolioBeyond employs a disciplined approach utilizing sophisticated algorithms to create optimal portfolios for Fixed Income and core Equity strategies, as well as more tactical Equity and customized Fixed Income portfolio allocations. We emphasize a comprehensive Factor-based optimization model for Fixed Income and Factor-based and Volatility-weighted methodologies for Equities.

### **Investment Objective**

Strategy serves as a Core-Plus, Multisector or Nontraditional Fixed Income allocation.



<sup>1</sup> FolioBeyond Optimized Strategy returns based on back-tested simulation results prior to September 2019..

### **Global Diversification**

Practices broad asset selection as a fundamental investment principle to capture what global markets offer in potential return while controlling for volatility in performance.

### **Risk Management**

Limits exposure to any one sector, based on volatility and correlation effects across all sectors.

#### **Volatility Constrained**

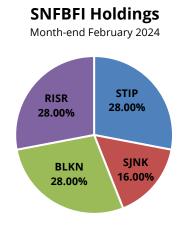
Targets the volatility of the selected portfolio to the long-term historical volatility of the broad investment grade market benchmark, the Bloomberg Barclays US Aggregate Bond Index.

# **Index Construction**

FolioBeyond utilizes an **advanced Factor-based algorithm to optimize portfolio allocations** based on **forward-looking value, momentum, correlations, volatility, and stress-testing** across **24 sub-sector** indices in the Fixed Income market. The ETFs listed below represent the current eligible investments for SNFBFI. This list is subject to change at the sole discretion of FolioBeyond based on relevant considerations such as liquidity and tracking error versus the target index, among other considerations.

- **1.** SHY US Treasury Bills
- 2. SHV US Treasury 1-3 Yr
- **3.** IEI US Treasury 3-7 Yr
- 4. TLH US Treasury 10-20 Yr
- 5. TLT US Treasury 20+ Yr
- 6. AGZ US Agency
- **7.** STIP US TIPS 0-5 Yr
- 8. TIP US TIPS 1+ Yr
- **9.** IGSB US IG Corporate 1-5 Yr
- 10. IGIB US IG Corporate 5-10 Yr
- **11.** LQD US IG Corporate broadbased
- **12.** IGLB US IG Corporate 10+ Yr

- **13.** SJNK US HY Corporate 0-5 Yr
- 14. HYG US HY Corporate broad-based
- 15. BKLN US Corporate Leveraged Loan
- 16. SPMB US Agency MBS
- 17. CMBS US Commercial MBS
- 18. BWZ Global Sovereign Ex-US 1-3 Yr
- **19.** EMB Emerging Market Core
- 20. SHM US Municipal Short-term
- 21. ITM US Municipal Intermediate-term
- 22. HYD US Municipal High Yield
- **23.** REM Real Estate Investment Trusts (primarily MBS)
- 24. RISR Alternative Income and Interest Rate Hedge ETF





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# Optimized Fixed Income Strategy vs Market Benchmarks<sup>1</sup>

### Annualized Returns (through 2/29/24)

STRATEGY	Feb	YTD	1Yr	3Yr	5Yr	10Yr
S-Network FolioBeyond Optimized Fixed Income Index <sup>2</sup>	1.39%	2.63%	6.97%	1.79%	3.14%	3.36%
Standard Deviation (Daily)	N/A	3.23%	4.21%	5.39%	4.73%	3.85%
Sharpe Ratio	N/A	3.29	0.36	-0.11	0.26	0.53
Bloomberg Barclays US Aggregate Bond Index	-1.44%	-1.73%	3.12%	-3.20%	0.54%	1.42%
Standard Deviation (Daily)	N/A	6.10%	7.10%	6.53%	5.71%	4.59%
Sharpe Ratio	N/A	-2.61	-0.28	-0.84	-0.22	0.04

## Calendar Year Return (%)

Strategy	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	YTD
SNFBFI Net of Fees	5.08	10.76	-2.99	7.51	-1.71	5.55	7.52	1.87	12.38	1.78	1.05	-5.67	7.57	2.63
Bloomberg Barclays US Aggregate Bond Index	7.84	4.22	-2.02	5.97	0.55	2.65	3.54	0.01	8.72	7.51	-1.54	-13.03	5.48	-1.73

Source for Bloomberg Barclays US Aggregate TR data: Morningstar

<sup>1</sup> S-Network FolioBeyond Optimized Fixed Income Index returns are net of underlying ETF fees and 30 bp assumed management fee. Returns are monthly based on back-tested simulation results prior to September 2019. Back-tested performance does not represent actual performance and should not be interpreted as an indication of such performance. Actual performance for client accounts may be materially lower than that of the index portfolios. Back-tested performance results have certain inherent limitations. Such results do not represent the impact that material economic and market factors might have on an investment adviser's decision-making process if the adviser were actually managing client money. Back-tested performance also differs from actual performance because it is achieved through the retroactive application of model portfolios (in this case, FolioBeyond's ETF portfolios) designed with the benefit of hindsight. As a result, the models theoretically may be changed from time to time and the effect on performance results could be either favorable or unfavorable.

<sup>2</sup> Strategy is currently only available for Separately Managed Accounts.

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5. Back-tested performance results assume the reinvestment of dividends and capital gains and rebalancing, as required based on a 15% risk deviation threshold on fixed income model. It is important to understand that the assumption of rebalancing has an impact on the monthly returns reported for the FolioBeyond ETF portfolios. Actual monthly and year-to-date returns will differ from the back-tested returns due to the cost impact of rebalancing transactions on the overall portfolio. Back-tested risk and return data can be a combination of live (or actual) ETF results and simulated results. All returns data reflect net returns applying a deduction of 30 basis points of investment advisory fees. Tax liability is not deducted from performance results. Performance results reflect estimated transaction fees (e.g., commissions, platform access fees and ETF bid-offer spreads) but there is no assurance that these assumptions are accurate and represent actual transaction costs that would have been incurred by investors in live accounts.

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