

### Q2 2021 FUND COMMENTARY

# Purpose Global Resource Fund

#### **FUND DETAILS**

SERIES F PFC5101
MGMT FEES 0.90%

SERIES A PFC5100
MGMT FEES 1.90%

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#### **MARKET OVERVIEW**

The economy has benefitted from the ongoing vaccine rollout, sizeable fiscal support from governments, and increasing retail sales. For the first time in years. energy was the best performing sector in Q1 2021 for the S&P 500. Moreover, concerns that energy supply won't be able to meet the demand for family travel in the summer led to many exploration & production companies gaining over 50% in the first quarter. Commodities in general have seen surges in prices. Oil, which in April 2020 traded below zero. is over \$70 a barrel.

The commodities moves have led to concerns about inflation, and whether or not inflation is transitory is one of the biggest questions for investors right now. However, the release of the FOMC's April meeting minutes quelled these concerns

by espousing a view that current inflation pressure is likely transitory; this, in turn, helped spark a recovery in equities, which had sold off earlier in May. Overall, the last 16 months will go down as one of the most volatile but profitable periods in investing history, with markets back to all-time highs.

Envisioning the world beyond government and central bank stimulus efforts will be the story of the second half of this year. Many programs will begin to be taken off after Labour Day, and by Q3, earnings comparisons will be harder for companies to achieve. With a market close to being priced for perfection, this could make for a harder investing environment. It should be less of a market focused on the macro, and security selection will become very important.

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## FUND PERFORMANCE AND POSITIONING

As a result of the fund's large exposure to the energy sector, which has had a strong recovery this year, fund performance has been strong year to date. By sector, the fund's energy sector contributed to the bulk of returns, followed by its materials exposure. Commodities, industrials, and utilities have been detractors this year. By asset class and geography, all segments contributed to returns on a year-to-date basis. As a result of the fund's large exposure to the energy sector, which has had a strong recovery this year, fund performance has been strong year to date.

#### **FUND PERFORMANCE**

ALL PERFORMANCE DATA AS AT JUNE 30, 2021.

GLOBAL RESOURCE FUND	1 MONTH	3 MONTHS	6 MONTHS	YTD	1 YEAR	3 YEARS	5 YEARS	SINCE INCEPTION
SERIES A	1.07%	11.30%	23.74%	24.72%	58.01%	-4.25%	-4.09%	-6.53%
SERIES F	1.16%	11.60%	24.55%	25.53%	59.89%	-3.18%	-3.05%	-6.33%

All data sourced from Bloomberg unless otherwise noted.

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