



Structured Note Income Portfolio (SNIP)

Q4 2024

Portfolio Introduction and Objective

Diversified structured note portfolios offered through the NewEdge Structured Note Income Portfolio (SNIP) seek to offer a carefully curated selection of Structured Notes, implemented tactically during periods of market volatility across multiple months. The strategy seeks to preserve capital through downside protection and achieve equity-like returns in the form of periodic cash coupon payments, even in environments where equity index returns may be flat-to-negative. Key areas of strategy differentiation include: tactical executions (executed during market volatility) and diversified portfolio implementation (8-15 unique holdings within the average fully built portfolio, targeting adequate diversification across issuer credit, coupon and maturity observation dates, and underlying asset exposure). The strategy utilizes auction technology that ensures each trade is executed at a competitive level, relative to other note implementation methods. SNIP is an actively managed portfolio monitoring beyond the initial execution in order to capitalize on opportunities/manage risk via tactical secondary market sales prior to maturity if deemed prudent by market and pricing factors.

Strategy Details¹

Strategy Inception	Strategy Assets Managed	No. of Managed Accounts	Notes Outstanding	Latest Investment Tranche
9/1/2021	\$111.04M	181	21	December 2024

Source: NewEdge Wealth, ICE Market Data as of 12/31/2024.

Underlying Note Terms²

YIELD FOCUSED STRUCTURED NOTES are designed to generate a stream of cash flow throughout the lives of a note. These structure types are **most appropriate for investors desiring a compelling cash flow stream via coupon-paying notes**, along with downside protection and favorable return targets; implemented on a shorter-term basis.

Contingent Yield Note	
% of Portfolio	100%
Average Downside Principal Protection	30.4%
Average Per Annum Coupon	10.29%

Source: NewEdge Wealth, ICE Market Data as of 12/31/2024.

Performance Composite Data

Strategy / Benchmark	QTD (Quarter-to-Date)	YTD (Year-to-Date)	Rolling 1 Year	3-Year	ITD (Inception-to-Date) ²
SNIP (Gross)	1.77%	8.23%	8.23%	5.78%	5.23%
SNIP (Net) ¹	1.50%	7.08%	7.08%	4.66%	4.10%
Benchmark: 40% MSCI ACWI, 60% Bloomberg US Aggregate	-2.21%	7.61%	7.61%	0.91%	0.95%

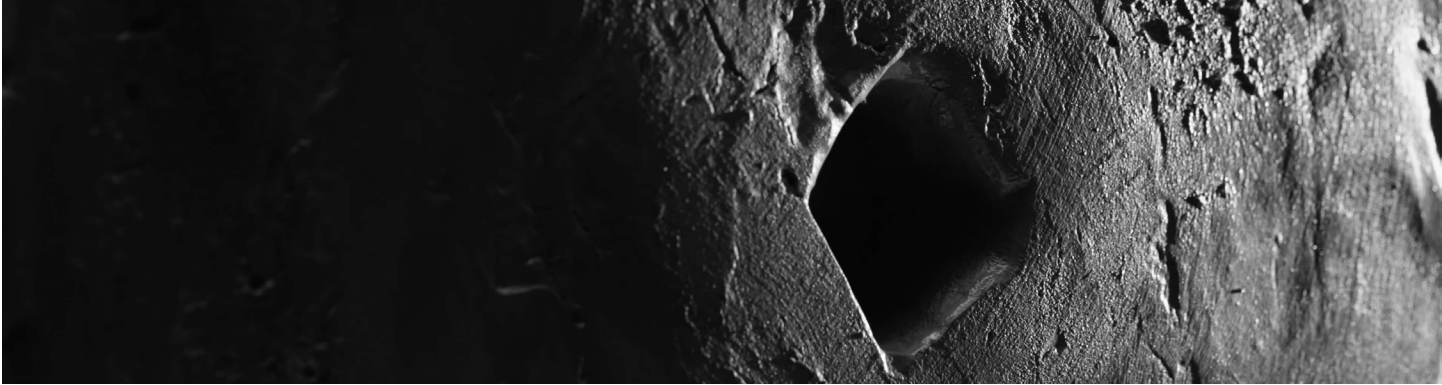
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Performance annualized for periods greater than one year.

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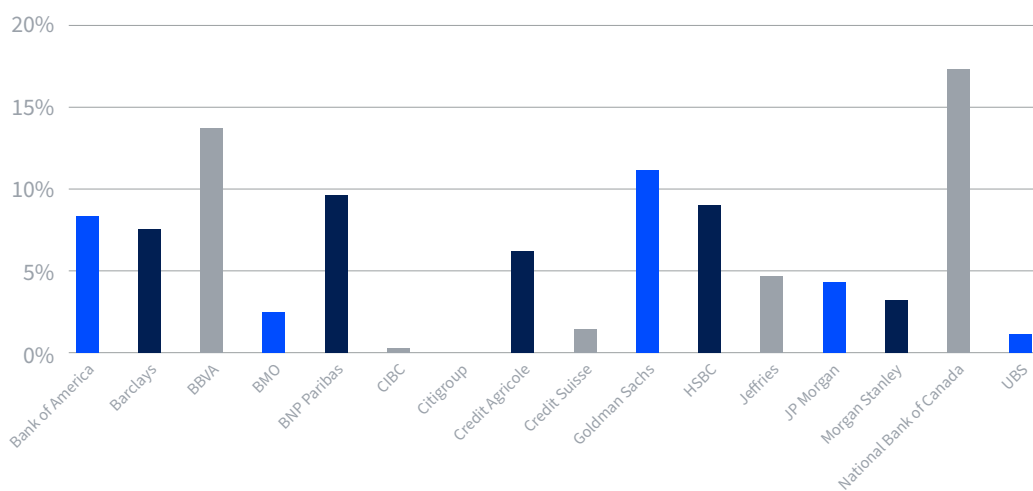
² Inception date: 9/1/2021.



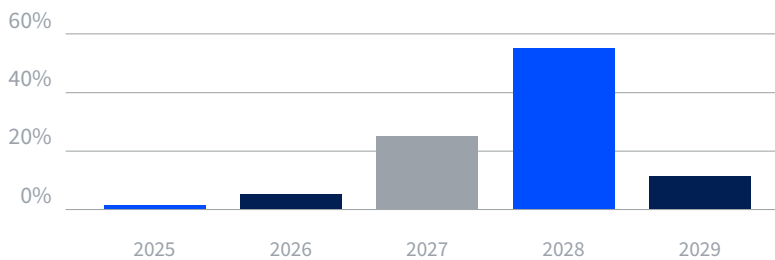


Strategy Characteristics³

Issuer Exposure



Maturity Schedule



As of 12/31/2024. Source: NewEdge Wealth.

Structured notes in the strategy may be called prior to maturity and reinvested with different maturity dates.

Issuer and maturity breakdown will change over time given perpetual nature of the portfolio and reinvestments.

Strategy Commentary

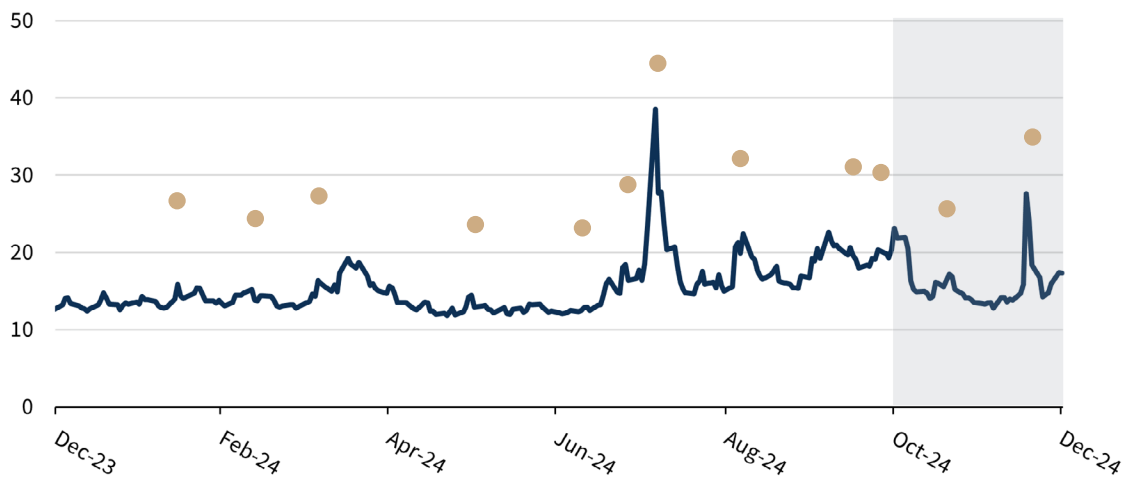
In the fourth quarter of 2024, the NewEdge Structured Note Income Portfolio (SNIP) strategy achieved composite performance of +1.77% (+1.50% net) vs -2.21% for the benchmark, composed of 40% MSCI All Cap World Index and 60% Bloomberg US Aggregate Bond Index. The quarter brought full-year 2024 performance to a return of +8.23% (+7.08% net) vs +7.61% for the benchmark.

Strong performance of underlying equity indices throughout 2024 resulted in a relatively high turnover year for the SNIP strategy, with many of the underlying note positions being called away for early redemptions.

33 Notes Redeemed in 2024

With so many of the strategies' notes redeeming in 2024, reinvestment of called capital was a key focus throughout the year. Despite the challenging lack of volatility in the first half of the year, the second half of 2024 presented us with several opportunities to deploy capital during periods of elevated market volatility.

Figure 1: Full Year 2024 VIX with SNIP Execution Dates



Seeking out these periods of heightened volatility allowed us to reinvest capital at yields higher than the notes that were recently redeemed during multiple instances in 2024. Combined with the benefits that the SNIP strategy seeks to provide through its auction process and economies of scale, which can result in better execution terms, 2024 was a solid year for new SNIP executions.

Average Yield Note Trade Size

\$7M

Average Yield Note Coupon

10.31%

Average Yield Note Principal Protection

30.4%



Looking Ahead

While predicting the future of the economy and financial markets can sometimes be more art than science, based on the information we have available to us today, 2025 may be what we would consider a Goldilocks environment for the SNIP strategy. An environment where the return potential of the strategy is consistently elevated but the most significant risks to investors, while still present, would be viewed as lower probability events. Let's spend time breaking this down further:

Potential for Elevated Returns

The 2024 calendar year provided SNIP investors with several positive realized return outcomes and attractive note terms on new trade executions. In 2025, we expect the call frequency of notes executed in 2024 and prior to maintain at a high rate and reinvestment opportunities to be robust as a beneficial macro environment of higher equity market volatility and higher interest rates boost terms on new Structured Note executions.

- **Equity Market Volatility:** We predict 2025 will be a year of heightened equity market volatility as the US market struggles with its expensive valuation relative to historical averages, a slowing economy and earnings growth trajectory and expectations for sustained higher interest rates. Throughout 2024, the VIX index averaged at only 15.58, while the last 10 trading days of 2024 saw the index spike to an average of 18.24. This trend of elevated volatility has continued into the first half of January, despite the fact that as of January 15th, the S&P 500 Index sits just a few percentage points away from its all-time highs. As markets struggle to push higher in 2025, we believe that these periods of volatility are a trend likely to continue throughout a much greater portion of 2025.
- **Interest Rates:** Following December's Federal Open Market Committee (FOMC) announcement, US treasury yields rose sharply across the curve, with bond markets now signaling what may be a prolonged period of higher interest rates. Higher interest rates have historically resulted in higher yields on newly executed notes, though the rate of change is not 1:1 as there are several other factors that dictate how much upside issuers are willing to pay on any given Structured Note.

Downside Risks Managed

So, we believe that new execution terms have a high probability of being abundant in the coming market, but what about strategy risks? No investment is without its set of risks, but we feel that the largest risks to the SNIP strategy (issuer credit default and risk of a devastating sustained equity downturn) are low-probability events based on our knowledge of today's economy and what we believe may be yet to come.

Issuer Default / Credit Risk is actively diversified and closely monitored within client portfolios. While the risk of an issuer default continues to be an active risk, it is not one that keeps us up at night in the current environment. Aggregate data of all utilized financial issuers within the SNIP strategy shows strong balance sheet strength and a low perceived risk of default by bond rating agencies and institutional investors (Figure 2). While these risks can change rapidly (as we experienced in 2023 with Credit Suisse), we feel good about the strength of Structured Note issuers, and the broad market seems to agree with this sentiment as issuance of new Structured Notes in the United States has grown significantly over the past 5 years (Figure 3).

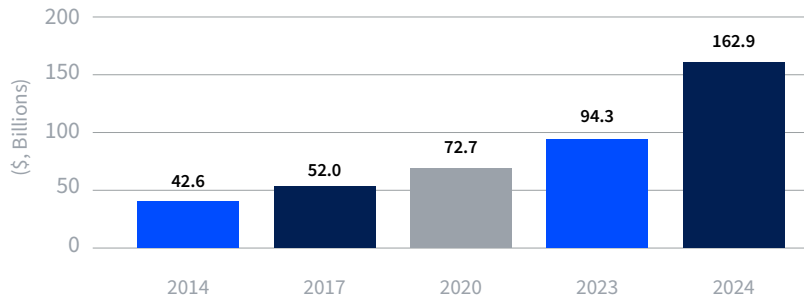
Figure 2: SNIP Composite Issuer Holdings & Credit Risk Information

Issuer Details		Credit Exposures		CDS		Fitch (a/o November 2024)		Standard & Poors (a/o November 2024)		Moody's (a/o November 2024)	
Issuer	Domicile	Market Cap (\$B)	SNIP Exposure (%)	Credit Default Swap (5yr)	% Change (QTD)	Rating	Outlook	Rating	Outlook	Rating	Outlook
JP Morgan*	USA	675.26	4.3%	42.36	-1.6%	AA-	Stable	A	↑ Stable	A1	→ Positive ↑
Bank of America*	USA	355.06	8.2%	55.87	0.1%	AA-	Stable	A-	Stable	A1	Stable
Wells Fargo*	USA	242.65	0.0%	54.88	-3.3%	A+	Stable	BBB+	→ Stable →	A1	Stable
Morgan Stanley*	USA	213.46	3.2%	57.88	1.1%	A+	Stable	A-	Stable	A1	→ Stable →
Goldman Sachs*	USA	187.34	11.2%	58.38	-1.4%	A	Stable	BBB+	Stable	A2	→ Stable →
Citigroup*	USA	133.16	0.0%	55.87	-1.6%	A	→ Stable →	BBB+	→ Stable →	A3	→ Stable →
Jefferies	USA	15.28	4.6%	64.65	-20.6%	BBB+	→ Reviewed →	BBB	Stable	Baa2	Stable
RBC*	Canada	175.66	0.0%	36.39	-4.0%	AA-	Stable	AA-	→ Stable →	Aa1	→ Stable →
TD Bank*	Canada	98.83	0.0%	38.07	-16.3%	AA-	Negative	A+	↓ Stable	Aa3	↓ Stable
BMO	Canada	68.81	2.5%	40.32	-14.5%	AA-	Stable	A+	→ Stable →	Aa2	→ Stable →
CIBC	Canada	60.86	0.2%	45.32	10.8%	AA-	Stable	A+	Stable	Aa2	Stable
National Bank of Canada	Canada	45.21	17.3%			A+	Stable	A+	↑ Stable →	Aa3	Under Review
HSBC*	UK	160.76	9.0%	28.60	8.1%	A+	→ Stable →	A-	Stable	A3	Stable
Barclays*	UK	48.01	7.5%	59.83	-1.3%	A	Stable	BBB+	Stable	Baa1	Stable
BNP Paribas*	France	71.22	9.6%	47.35	-2.1%	A+	→ Stable →	A+	Stable	Aa3	→ Negative ↓
Credit Agricole*	France	41.03	6.2%	45.38	-0.1%	A+	→ Stable →	A+	→ Stable →	Aa3	→ Negative ↓
Société Générale	France	21.47	0.0%	52.88	-8.3%	A-	→ Stable →	A	→ Stable →	A1	Negative
BBVA	Spain	54.81	13.7%	45.30	-1.5%	BBB+	→ Stable →	A	→ Stable →	A3	Positive
UBS*	Switzerland	99.88	2.4%	45.86	1.0%	A	Stable	A-	Stable	A3	Developing
			100%								

Source: Bloomberg, HALO, Google Finance, Fitch, S&P, Moody's. Does not include non-discretionary accounts or cash balances.

*Bank listed on Financial Stability Board's List of Globally Systemic Important Banks (G-SIBs)

Figure 3: Structured Note Notional Issuance in the US



Tiburon Strategic Advisors, The Future of Wealth & Investment Management (Dec 12, 2023) & Halo Investing

Another risk that SNIP investors need to be aware of is the potential for a deep, sustained equity market selloff and the impact that it would potentially have on strategy returns. The SNIP strategy focuses on 3-5 year note tenor and downside protection on all positions. While short-term equity market corrections may cause a disruption in yield payments from certain underlying note positions, they are less likely to result in realized individual position or strategy losses. However, equity market corrections that breach note protection levels (often between 25% - 35% protection) for sustained periods (several years or more) could begin to more negatively impact SNIP investor returns. These types of long, drawn-out corrections are not historically frequent on the equity indices that we utilize within the strategy, and furthermore, our market outlook for 2025 does not call for a recession and we maintain a positive view on most parts of the equity markets, though we see the potential for greater periods of challenge and volatility in 2025. In short, NewEdge Investment Solutions' team views don't assign a high probability to future scenarios that would be likely to result in negative realized returns for SNIP investors.

Why Now, the Equity Dilemma

The combination of an environment where SNIP executed terms stay elevated and strategy risks are nominal is a good thing for investors, but we believe that the biggest "why now" factor is one that comes from the broader market environment rather than being specific to the strategy.

In the trailing 5-10 years, broad equity market equity indices have generated above-average returns when compared to their longer-term historical average returns (Figure 4).

Figure 4: Annualized Returns of Indices Over Time

	MSCI ACWI ¹	S&P500 ²
5Yr	10.06%	14.53%
10Yr	9.23%	13.10%
15Yr	9.21%	13.88%
20Yr	7.65%	10.35%
25Yr	5.61%	7.70%
30Yr		10.92%

Source: Bloomberg

¹Returns are from 12/31/2024 to 12/31/1999

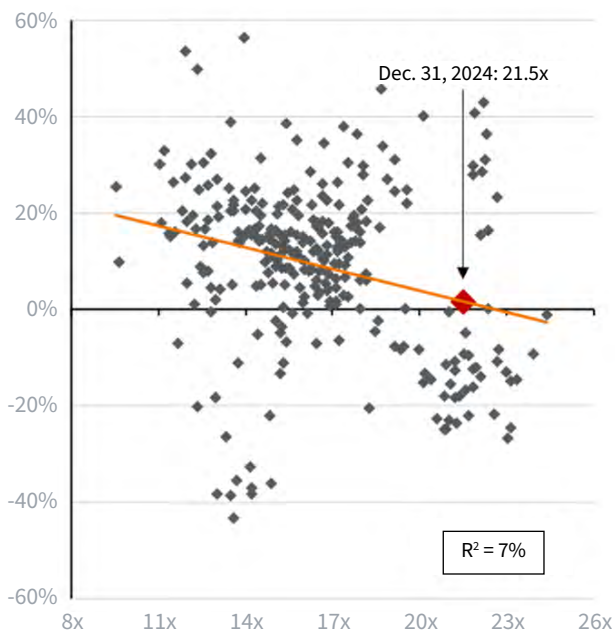
²Returns are from 12/31/2024 to 12/31/1994

These equity-fueled portfolio returns have created a lot of investor optimism leading into 2025, with both institutional investment analysts and individual investors believing that the joy ride may continue through 2025. Our view may be a bit more nuanced; while we do see a path for equity markets to continue to perform positively in 2025, we believe that the path for performance would be far from straight (up) as the US equity market struggles with a historically expensive valuation and other headwinds present themselves throughout the year.

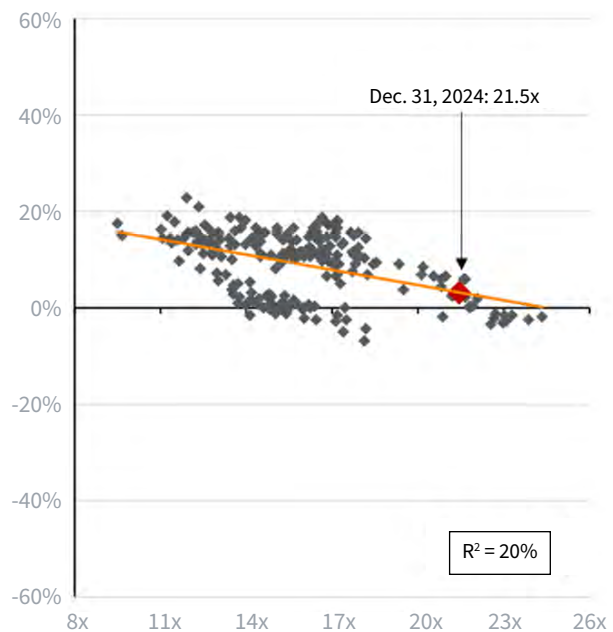
Concentrating on equity market valuations, valuation metrics like PE ratios (price to earnings) have been driven to highs not experienced frequently throughout history. When using PE ratios to help predict forward equity returns over 1-year periods, PE ratios may not be very effective; however, when using PE to predict longer-term forward returns (5 years), predictive accuracy improves substantially (Figure 5).

Figure 5: Forward P/E and Subsequent Returns

Forward P/E and Subsequent 1-Year Returns
S&P 500 Total Return Index



Forward P/E and Subsequent 5-Year Annualized Returns
S&P 500 Total Return Index



Source: JP Morgan Asset Management Guide to the Markets 1Q 2025

In the next several years, we believe that there is a moderate to strong possibility that broad equity market returns come down meaningfully from recent years. If equity returns do fail to generate double-digit annualized returns, this is likely to be an environment where the SNIP strategy thrives, being able to potentially outperform the total return of equity risk assets, even though it benchmarks to a blend of both equity and bond exposure.



Appendix

Q4 Realized Returns

Description	Purchase Date	Redemption Date	Outstanding Tenor (Years)	Realized Gain/Loss (% Total) Net*	Realized Gain/Loss (% Annual) Net*
UBS, Linked to Russell 2000 (IWM), Nasdaq-100 (QQQ), S&P 500 (SPY)	10/15/2021	10/15/2024	3.0	18.00%	5.67%
Credit Agricole, Linked to Russell 2000 (IWM), S&P 500 (SPY) ¹	7/9/2024	10/16/2024	0.3	2.11%	2.11%
JP Morgan, Linked to MSCI EAFE (MXEA), Russell 2000 (IWM), S&P 500 (SPY)	10/24/2023	10/28/2024	1.0	9.99%	9.87%
Citigroup, linked to Russell 2000 (RUT), SPDR Technology Sector ETF (XLK)	10/27/2021	10/30/2024	3.0	24.29%	7.50%
Credit Agricole, Linked to Nasdaq-100 (QQQ), Russell 2000 (IWM), S&P 500 (SPY)	4/26/2023	11/1/2024	1.5	16.34%	10.51%
BMO, Linked to Nasdaq-100 (NDX), Russell 2000 (RUT)	1/11/2022	11/11/2024	2.8	22.66%	7.48%
Barclays, Linked to S&P 500 (SPX), Nasdaq-100 (NDX), Russell 2000 (RTY) ¹	9/12/2024	11/12/2024	0.2	2.29%	2.29%
Morgan Stanley, Linked to Dow Jones Industrial Avg. (DJI), SPDR S&P 500 (SPY), MSCI Emerging Markets ETF (EEM) ¹	6/3/2024	12/5/2024	0.5	3.99%	3.99%
BMO, Linked to Nasdaq-100 (NDX), Russell 2000 (RUT), S&P 500 (SPX)	12/6/2021	12/9/2024	3.0	27.74%	8.48%

Net reflects a 1% fee for each year outstanding.

¹Note was outstanding for less than a year therefore the Realized Return (% Annual) is equivalent to Net Total Realized Return.

Q4 Trade Executions

Issuer	Underlying Asset(s)	Tenor	Principal Protection	Coupon Protection	Call-Return Rate (Per Annum)	Strike Date
Goldman Sachs	S&P 500 (SPX) Euro Stoxx 50 (SX5E) Financial Sector ETF (XLF)	5 Years Non-callable for 6 Months Quarterly Observations	30%	25%	11.00%	10/15/2024
HSBC	S&P 500 (SPX) Dow Jones (DJI) Russell 2000 (RTY)	3 Years Issuer-callable Non-callable for 3 Months Monthly Observations	25%	25%	11.73%	10/25/2024
Barclays	S&P 500 (SPX) Russell 2000 (RTY) Eurostoxx 50 (SX5E)	4 Years Issuer-callable Non-callable for 3 Months Quarterly Observations	30%	30%	11.00%	11/18/2024
Bank of America	S&P 500 (SPX) Dow Jones (DJI) iShares MSCI EAFE ETF (EFA)	3 Years Non-callable for 6 Months Quarterly Observations	25%	25%	9.75%	11/18/2024
Credit Agricole	S&P 500 ETF (SPY) Russell 2000 ETF (IWM)	3 Years Non-callable for 3 Months Issuer-callable Monthly Observations	30%	30%	10.26%	12/19/2024
Morgan Stanley	S&P 500 (SPX) Nasdaq 100 (NDX) S&P Utilities Sector ETF (XLU)	4 Years Non-callable for 3 Months Issuer-callable Quarterly Observations	35%	25%	10.00%	12/19/2024

The Portfolio Management team, led by Michaelangelo Dooley, CFP®, has over two decades of experience investing in Structured Products and managing formal Structured Note portfolio strategies like NewEdge SNIP. As of December 31, 2024, the Structured Notes Strategies team utilizes their expertise to manage over \$500 million of Structured Notes. As a part of NewEdge Investment Solutions, the team has access to market-leading technology, resources and solutions needed to achieve strategy objectives.

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Index Information: All returns represent total return for stated period. S&P 500 is a total return index that reflects both changes in the prices of stocks in the S&P 500 Index as well as the reinvestment of the dividend income from its underlying stocks. Dow Jones Industrial Average is a price-weighted average of 30 actively traded blue-chip stocks trading New York Stock Exchange and Nasdaq. The Nasdaq-100 Index includes 100+ of the largest domestic and international non-financial companies listed on The Nasdaq Stock Market based on market capitalization. The Index reflects companies across major industry groups including computer hardware and software, telecommunications, retail/wholesale trade and biotechnology. It does not contain securities of financial companies including investment companies. Russell 2000 is an index that measures the performance of the small-cap segment of the U.S. equity universe. MSCI Emerging Markets (MSCI Emerging Mkts) measures equity market performance of emerging markets. The S&P Equal Weight Index is based on the S&P 500. All index constituents are members of the S&P 500 and follow the eligibility criteria for that index. The S&P EW Index is maintained in accordance with the index methodology of the S&P 500, which measures 500 leading companies in leading U.S. industries. The EURO STOXX 50 Index represents the performance of the 50 largest companies among the 20 supersectors in terms of free-float market cap in Eurozone countries.

Year	Composite			3-Year Std Deviation		Composite			Firm Assets (\$ M)
	Gross Return TWR	Composite Net Return TWR	Benchmark Return ^b	Composite Gross	Benchmark	Number of Portfolios	Internal Dispersion	Composite Assets	
	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(#)	(%)	(\$ M)	
2021 ^a	0.77	-0.11	8.75			50	N/A	31.98	923.48
2022	-6.04	-7.05	-15.9			96	3.27	51.76	1199.58
2023	16.42	15.19	15.43			133	4.69	80.77	2362.52

(a) Returns are for the period 1 April 2021 to 31 December 2021.

(b) Benchmark Makeup is 60% MSCI ACWI / 40% Bloomberg US Agg

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The benchmark consists of 60% MSCI ACWI Index and 40% Bloomberg US Aggregate. The benchmark is calculated and rebalanced on a daily basis.

The composite was created in December 2023, and the inception date is 1 April 2021.

The strategy management fee is 0.80% per annum when purchased through the HALO Investing TAMP and 0.50% per annum for advisors affiliated with NewEdge Capital Group.

A small percentage of strategy composite assets had a total account fee of 0% as of December 31, 2021: 1.05% of assets, 2022: 1.80% of assets, 2023: 1.95% of assets.

This composite does not have a significant cash flow policy.

Footnotes

¹ As of 12/31/2024. Only includes strategy performance since March 2022. Average protection refers to the protection value at note execution and does not consider underlying index performance.

² Numbers reflect terms of note based on execution and does not include management or advisory fees that may be charged.

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