# **CLMRCEF**

Closed-End Fund Index

# Claymore CEF Index®

### INDEX FACTS

 Index Symbol
 CLMRCEF

 Index Weighting Methodology
 Modified Liquidity

 Rebalance Schedule
 Every 367 Days

 Index Inception Date
 12.05.2007

Fund overview definitions and footnotes are found on back page.

#### INDEX CHARACTERISTICS

Number of Constituents	73
Average Market Capitalization*	\$1,030.29 Million
Average Indicated Dividend Yield*	9.00%
Average Premium/Discount*	-11.33%

All data as of 12.31.2023 and is subject to change on a daily basis.

\* Weighted average of the underlying closed-end funds that comprise the index. This data is subject to change on a daily basis.

#### HOW TO ACCESS INDEX

#### Bloomberg: CLMRCEF<INDEX>

Performance data quoted represents past performance, which is no guarantee of future results, and current performance may be lower or higher than the figures shown. Since Inception returns assume a purchase of common shares at each fund's initial net asset value (NAV) for NAV returns. Returns for periods of less than one year are not annualized. All distributions are assumed to be reinvested either in accordance with the dividend reinvestment plan (DRIP) for NAV returns. All returns include the deduction of management fees, operating expenses, and all other fund expenses, and do not reflect the deduction of brokerage commissions or taxes that investors may pay on distributions or the sale of shares.

#### **Investment Objective**

The Claymore CEF Index® ("Index") is a 100% rules-based index that is designed to track the performance of a weighted basket of closed-end funds selected based on liquidity, income distribution and market valuation, among other factors. The index follows a modified liquidity weighting methodology developed by Guggenheim Funds Distributors, LLC, and the reconstitution and rebalancing takes place every 367 days. The distributions garnered from the underlying component funds are not reinvested into the index components—the notional shares of the underlying funds will not be increased due to dividends or capital gains distribution. Distributions from each underlying fund are added to the index value as of the close of business on the applicable ex-dividend dates, and the distributions accumulated are subtracted from the index value quarterly.

The index has been licensed to GS Finance Corp. to serve as the basis for the Claymore CEF Index-Linked GS Connect Exchange Traded Notes (NYSE Arca: GCE).

#### Average Annual Total Returns (As of 12.31.2023)

	3-Month	YTD	1-Year	3-Year	5-Year	10-Year	Since Inception
Claymore CEF Index	8.07%	5.74%	5.74%	-4.39%	-0.41%	-2.65%	-3.43%
S-Network Composite CEF Index	7.68%	9.61%	9.61%	1.08%	6.15%	5.41%	5.56%
S&P 500° Index	11.69%	26.29%	26.29%	10.00%	15.69%	12.03%	9.62%

#### **Calendar Year Total Returns**

For the 1-year periods beginning 12.31 and ending 12.31 the following year.

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	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Claymore CEF Index	5.22%	-0.67%	-14.85%	5.20%	8.17%	-18.89%	15.11%	-2.63%	11.47%	-25.86%	5.74%
S-Network Composite CEF Index	4.77%	5.59%	-1.08%	11.96%	14.39%	-8.51%	24.58%	4.77%	15.55%	-18.47%	9.61%
S&P 500° Index	32.39%	13.69%	1.38%	14.94%	21.83%	-4.38%	31.49%	18.40%	28.71%	-18.11%	26.29%

All returns are market price returns. Net asset value (NAV) returns may be higher or lower. The returns will change if the index's constituents or assumptions change.

Past performance does not guarantee future results. The index data does not include management fees or brokerage expenses or charges to purchase the underlying funds that comprise the index, and no such fees or expenses were deducted from any performance shown. An investor cannot invest directly in an index. It is important to note that high returns are highly unusual and cannot be sustained. Investors should be aware that these returns were primarily achieved during favorable market conditions and there is no guarantee that these conditions may continue.

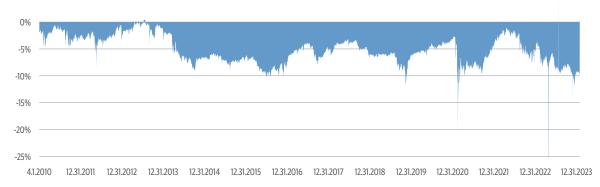
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The S-Network Composite Closed-End Fund Index is a rules-based index intended to give investors a means of tracking the overall performance of a global universe of U.S.-listed closed-end funds. The S&P 500° Index is a capitalization weighted index of 500 stocks designed to measure the performance of the broad economy, representing all major industries. These indices are unmanaged and it is not possible to invest directly in these indices.

12.31.2023

#### Historical Closed-End Funds Daily Average Premium/Discount (4.1.2010-12.31.2023)

Historically, closed-end funds have experienced periods of across-theboard market price weakness during periods of market volatility or distress. The Claymore CEF Index<sup>®</sup> is designed to take advantage of the pricing inefficiencies in the secondary closedend fund market by screening closed-end funds based on their liquidity, income distribution and market valuation, among other factors.



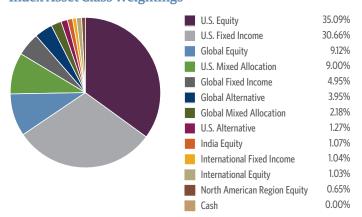
The chart above illustrates the average premium or discount of all U.S. closed-end funds for a given day and is calculated using a simple average. The chart is for illustrative purposed only and is not meant to forecast, imply or guarantee the future performance of any Guggenheim Investments product. **Past performance does not guarantee future results.** There is no guarantee that the trends and projections noted above will continue or come to fruition and they are subject to change. This data is subject to change on a daily basis. Source: Morningstar.

#### **Top Index Constituents**

Kayne Anderson Energy Infrastructure Fund Inc COM	KYN	5.62%
BlackRock Innovation and Growth Term Trust SHS BEN INT	BIGZ	4.70%
BlackRock Science and Technology Term Trust SHS BEN INT	BSTZ	3.99%
BlackRock ESG Capital Allocation Term Trust SHS BEN INT	ECAT	3.95%
Nuveen Preferred & Income Opportunities Fund COM	JPC	3.90%
BlackRock Capital Allocation Term Trust COM	BCAT	3.57%
BlackRock Health Sciences Term Trust COM SHS	BMEZ	3.39%
Royce Value Trust Inc. COM	RVT	2.49%
Cohen & Steers Tax-Advantaged Preferred Securities and Income Fund COM	PTA	2.32%
Adams Diversified Equity Fund Inc COM	ADX	2.22%

This data is subject to change on a daily basis. This is not an offering of any closed-end fund listed.

## **Index Asset Class Weightings**



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