



# **Semi-Annual Report**

June 30, 2021

Sprott Gold Equity Fund Investor Class (Nasdaq: SGDLX)

Sprott Gold Equity Fund Institutional Class (Nasdaq: SGDIX)



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Shareholder Letter June 30, 2021

#### Dear Fellow Shareholders,

We report to you on Sprott Gold Equity Fund's (the "Fund") semi-annual fiscal period ended June 30, 2021. For the six-month period, the Fund declined 9.09%. This compares to a decline of 1.25% for the PHLX Gold/Silver Sector Total Return Index (XXAU),<sup>1</sup> the Fund's prospectus benchmark, over the same period. Given the XXAU's much larger-capitalization bias than the Fund, we are not surprised by the performance gap, which we discuss in more detail. A more apt performance comparison, the NYSE Arca Gold Miners Index (GDM)<sup>2</sup> lost 5.39% during the six-month period; although the GDM is a better measure of medium-capitalization gold mining stocks, it (like XXAU) does not reflect the small-capitalization holdings held by the Fund.

#### **Precious Metals Market Review**

During the six months ended June 30, 2021, gold prices posted an overall decline of 6.76%. Gold prices began the year at \$1,898 per ounce and rose to a first-half high of \$1,950 per ounce shortly afterward, supported by spiking COVID-19 cases, U.S. political uncertainty and talk of tougher lockdown restrictions as the U.S. dollar (DXY)<sup>3</sup> weakened. However, after trending upward initially in January, gold bullion and gold-related investments sold off for the remainder of January and into February. Gold finished February at \$1,734 per ounce, posting one of the worst months in four years for gold prices. Gold and gold equities had to share the limelight with other commodity markets as investors began anticipating a post-COVID global economic recovery, on the back of rising energy prices, the U.S. government spending bolstering the reflation trade and a rally in broader equity markets.

During March, gold prices continued to come under pressure with the roll-out of COVID vaccines in the U.S. encouraging market optimism that was reflected in rising U.S. 10-Year Treasury yields and a stronger U.S. dollar. Towards the end of the first quarter, the accumulation of gold mining equities was apparent in the market even as gold prices fell, with notable rebounds in precious metals equities after gold prices corrected. After gold prices traded to a low for the period in early March at \$1,684 per ounce, they found double-bottom support at around \$1,685 per ounce during late March.

Gold prices made a steady move upward during April and May as yields on U.S. 10-Year Treasuries, which were rising since the beginning of the year, peaked in late March and then edged downward, a move that coincided with U.S. dollar weakness during those months. Gold ETF sales, which have been consistent since the start of the year, eased and began to reverse at the end of April. Investors began to acknowledge more broadly that a robust U.S. economic recovery was likely to incorporate inflationary pressures. This sentiment helped push the gold price back above \$1,800 in early May and to close the month at \$1,907.

The U.S. dollar regained some strength in June and gold initially pulled back from the \$1,900 per ounce level. Gold prices came under pressure during June as markets began to anticipate that the U.S. Federal Reserve may one day tighten monetary policy. Markets then decided that this day may be further out, given a series of new COVID variants and waves of infections spreading worldwide and slowing the global economic recovery. Bond markets took note with U.S. 10-Year Treasury yields sliding back to levels seen earlier in the year, concluding that a move to a higher interest rate environment is not conducive to a solid economic recovery, especially if COVID persists. Gold took a cue from that and put in another double-bottom at around \$1,760 per ounce in late June, higher than the double-bottom support seen during late March, and suggests from a technical perspective, mid-term support for gold prices has been established.

Gold mining equities followed a slightly different but more volatile pattern than the gold bullion price during April and May, with a relatively steady rise during those months. Even though June's pullback in gold stocks in the second half of the month partially offset the April/May recovery, gold stocks ended with a positive move for the second quarter of 2021. As markets head into the second half of the year, the recent positive performance and stronger market activity have begun to offset the January and February correction.

Despite the volatile first half for precious metals investors, a comparison to 2020 reveals that much ground has been gained. The gold price finished the first half of this year at \$1,770 per ounce and averaged \$1,806 during the first six months. That compares to the first half of the 2020 calendar year when gold finished at \$1,781 per ounce and averaged \$1,648. Silver often trades in sync with gold and is considered a monetary metal but tends to be more sensitive to manufacturing activity as it is also a production input. Silver prices landed at \$26.13 per ounce as of June 30, 2021, and averaged \$26.47 for the first half. This compares to a finish of \$18.21 per ounce and an average of \$16.64 for the same calendar period last year.

#### **Fund Positioning & Activity**

Here we offer a deeper analysis of the Fund's performance relative to its prospectus benchmark. The Sprott Gold Equity Fund's allocation process has emphasized greater exposure to small- and mid-capitalization precious metals mining stocks because their valuations offer greater long-term appreciation potential compared to the PHLX Gold/Silver Sector Total Return Index (XXAU). The XXAU is a capital-weighted index which means that the larger companies in the Index account for the greater percentage of the Index's value and performance. Unlike the Fund, the XXAU is heavily weighted to larger precious metals producers, and in particular, to Freeport-McMoRan Inc., which represents one of the largest components of the XXAU and was not a holding of the Fund during the six months. While Freeport produces gold as a byproduct of copper production, it is primarily valued as a copper mining company by market participants. Freeport's performance can have a significant impact on the performance of XXAU. This was certainly the case in the first half of 2021, as copper prices surged during February and May (reaching an all-time high in Q2) while gold corrected during the first half of 2021. Copper prices gained a whopping 23.92% from January 1 to June 30, 2021. Another major difference between the Fund and the XXAU benchmark is that physical gold is not included in the Index; the decline in gold prices of 6.76%, as mentioned earlier, was certainly a drag on the Fund's results in the first half of the year.

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The Fund's largest position as of June 30, 2021, was physical gold (measuring 74,526 gross ounces) which is vaulted in a secure location outside the financial system and audited regularly. This gold bullion position represented 12.10% of the Fund's value as of June 30, 2021. The exposure to physical gold reduces the Fund's volatility and offsets the more volatile moves in gold and silver mining equities. Precious metals equity valuations are greatly influenced by moves in gold and silver prices.

Precious metals equities accounted for 85.91% of the Fund's holdings<sup>5</sup> as of June 30, 2021, and included 69 securities, with about 76.90% allocated to the gold industry and approximately 12.59% in the silver and silver mining industries.

#### Asset Allocation<sup>5</sup> (% of Net Assets)

#### TOP 10 POSITIONS<sup>5</sup> (% OF NET ASSETS)

Gold Bullion	12.10
MAG Silver Corp.	5.78
Corvus Gold Inc.	5.40
Osisko Gold Royalties Ltd	3.97
Kirkland Lake Gold Ltd.	3.56
Osisko Mining Inc.	3.52
Sibanye-Stillwater Limited	3.45
SilverCrest Metals Inc.	3.26
Newmont Corporation	2.98
Kinross Gold Corporation	2.91
Top 10 Total	46.93

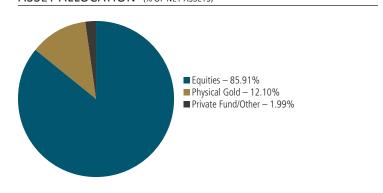
Holdings may vary, and this list is not a recommendation to buy or sell any security.

#### **Portfolio Details and Diagnostics**

Total Number of Holdings	69
Weighted Median Market Cap	\$2.3 Billion
Weighted Avg. Market Cap	\$6.7 Billion
Turnover Ratio	8.00%

Source: FactSet.

#### ASSET ALLOCATION<sup>5</sup> (% of NET ASSETS)



#### 5-Year Risk Measures & Statistics

Volatility (Standard Deviation)	29.53
Sharpe Ratio	0.06
Alpha vs. PHLX Gold/Silver Sector Index (XAU)	-0.35
Beta vs. PHLX Gold/Silver Sector Index (XAU)	0.82

#### **Top Performance Contributors and Detractors**

The precious metals stocks that contributed the most to the Fund's performance during the period included Corvus Gold, Inc., Osisko Gold Royalties Ltd, Sibanye-Stillwater Ltd., Newmont Corporation, and Gatos Silver, Inc. (representing 5.40%, 3.97% 3.45%, 2.98% and 1.45%, respectively, of the Fund's net assets<sup>5</sup> as of June 30, 2021). Corvus Gold, Inc. has had drilling success at its Motherlode and North Bullfrog properties in southern Nevada. This has recently resulted in a proposal by AngloGold Ashanti Ltd., the largest Corvus Gold, Inc. shareholder, to buy the entire company. The Fund is the second-largest owner, holding about 17% of Corvus Gold, Inc. shares and would receive cash under the AngloGold Ashanti Ltd. proposal. Sibanye-Stillwater Ltd. has demonstrated its cash flow generating ability from its various precious metals mines, which produce platinum group metals in addition to gold, while its exploration projects include copper, gold and platinum group metals projects. The company's balance sheet is in a net cash position relative to its debt, providing flexibility to develop additional assets and return shareholder value. After Gatos Silver, Inc. self-financed the build of its mine and initiated metal production, its successful IPO (initial public offering) allowed it to reduce debt quickly and renew regional exploration around its Los Gatos Joint Venture, where numerous exploration targets have not been tested since the company began its mine building project several years ago. Osisko Gold Royalties Ltd. has re-rated and received a better valuation after some restructuring and the market's recognition of its compelling royalty and streaming portfolio. Newmont Corporation continues to establish itself as a reliable environmental, sustainability and governance (ESG) gold mining company. In addition to its growing ESG recognition, Newmont Corporation has added considerable balance sheet strength with its robust cash flows.

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Positions that negatively impacted the Fund's performance during the period included: the physical gold position, SilverCrest Metals Inc., International Tower Hill Mines Ltd., Torex Gold Resources Inc, and Jaguar Mining Inc. (representing 12.10%, 3.26%, 2.59%, 2.57% and 2.38%, respectively, of the Fund's net assets<sup>5</sup> as of June 30, 2021). Jaguar Mining Inc. and SilverCrest Metals Inc. had been outperformers over the past year and a half; while the physical gold bullion position corrected with the gold prices during the period. Torex Gold Resources Inc. is initiating mine construction while International Tower Hill Mines Ltd. continues to work on improving plans and design for processing ore at its project in Alaska in preparation for making a construction decision to build its mine.

#### **Investment Outlook**

Despite a challenging first half for the precious metals complex, we believe the investment rationale for precious metals exposure remains strong. Gold bullion and gold mining stocks are compelling buys. The vast majority of producing miners are generating free cash flow. Current strong earnings are geared to advance at a steep slope should our positive expectation for future gold prices prevail. Valuations, both relative and absolute, are the most attractive they have been in two decades. Although gold experienced a sell-off in June 2021, this was mostly driven by algorithmic, robotic macro funds. The accumulation and investment in physical gold continue. On June 18, 2021, investors bought \$630 million of 100% gold-backed GLD shares (SPDR Gold Shares ETF),<sup>4</sup> the largest one-day inflow since January 15, 2021. Central banks bought \$6.3 billion of gold during the second quarter.

We remain skeptical about the health of this post-COVID global economic recovery. The current level of economic activity is highly dependent on continued fiscal and monetary stimulus. As COVID pandemic-related support begins to decline, disappointing housing, retail sales and employment data show the economy is losing steam. There is ample reason to think that a slowdown could become a downturn in the absence of renewed fiscal support. Without continued stimulus amid rising food and energy costs, consumer spending could come under pressure. Our view is that a significant slowdown lies ahead and that inflation is likely here to stay.

Faith in the Fed's omniscience and ability to control inflation is convenient to the investment consensus because it underpins the current extraordinary overvaluation of financial assets. Let's face it, despite pious subservience to the goals of full employment and price stability, the Fed's real mandate is to keep financial markets from coming unglued. The relationship between overvalued financial assets and belief in an all-knowing Fed is symbiotic. Loss of that faith for heavily sedated markets would lead to losses of trillions of dollars in the world of financial assets. That very real possibility is sufficient rationale for investment in gold and the expectation of much higher gold prices.

#### With best wishes,



John C. Hathaway Senior Portfolio Manager



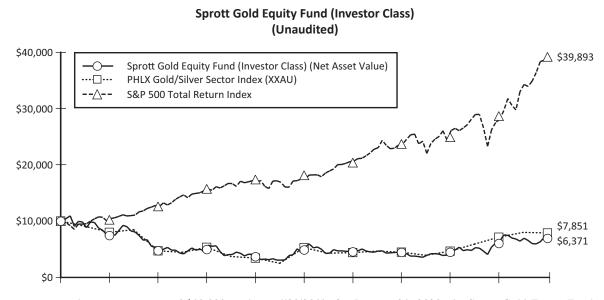
Douglas B. Groh Senior Portfolio Manager

#### July 17, 2021

- The PHLX Gold/Silver Sector Total Return Index (XXAU) is a capitalization-weighted index composed of companies involved in the gold or silver mining industry.
- <sup>2</sup> The NYSE Arca Gold Miners Index (GDM) is a modified market capitalization-weighted index comprised of publicly traded companies primarily involved in mining gold and silver in locations worldwide.
- The U.S. Dollar Index (USDX, DXY, DX) is an index (or measure) of the value of the United States dollar relative to a basket of foreign currencies, often referred to as a basket of U.S. trade partners' currencies.
- <sup>4</sup> SPDR® Gold Shares (GLD) is the largest physically backed gold exchange traded fund (ETF) in the world.
- Net assets exclude cash equivalents, other assets & receivables.

#### **Growth of \$10,000** (as of June 30, 2021)

Comparison of Change in Value of \$10,000 Investment in the Fund and the Underlying Indexes



This chart assumes an initial gross investment of \$10,000 made on 6/30/2011. On January 21, 2020, the Sprott Gold Equity Fund assumed the net asset value and performance history of the Tocqueville Gold Fund (the "Predecessor Fund"). Returns shown do not reflect the deduction of taxes that a shareholder would pay on Fund distributions or the redemption of Fund shares. Returns shown include the reinvestment of all dividends and other distributions. Past performance is not predictive of future performance. Investment return and principal value will fluctuate so that your shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than their original cost. The Fund imposes a 2% redemption fee on shares held 90 days or less.

In 2019 and 2020 the performance of the Sprott Gold Equity Fund (Investor Class) was achieved during a period of unusually favorable market conditions. Such performance may not be sustainable.

The Philadelphia (PHLX) Stock Exchange Gold and Silver Sector Total Return Index (XXAU) is an indicator of the performance of the common stock of companies in the gold and silver mining industry and reflects the reinvestment of any dividends. The Index performance quoted reflects the following indices and dates: the XAU from September 29, 1998 to October 31, 2011, and the XXAU onwards. These Indices do not incur fees and expenses. You cannot invest directly in an index.

The Standard & Poor's 500 Total Return Index (S&P 500) is a capital-weighted index, representing the aggregate market value of the common equity of 500 stocks primarily traded on the New York Stock Exchange. Returns include the reinvestment of all dividends. You cannot invest directly in an index.

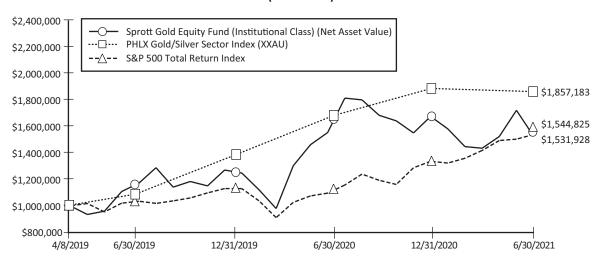
## AVERAGE ANNUAL RATE OF RETURN FOR PERIODS ENDED JUNE 30, 2021

	1 Year	3 Year	5 Year	10 Year
Sprott Gold Equity Fund (Investor Class)	-2.06%	13.35%	3.02%	-4.41%
Philadelphia Gold/Silver Sector Total Return Index (XXAU)	10.72%	21.26%	8.59%	-2.39%
Standard & Poor's 500 Total Return Index	40.79%	18.67%	17.65%	14.84%

#### **Growth of \$1,000,000** (as of June 30, 2021)

Comparison of Change in Value of \$1,000,000 Investment in the Fund and the Underlying Indexes

# Sprott Gold Equity Fund (Institutional Class) (Unaudited)



This chart assumes an initial gross investment of \$1,000,000 made on 4/8/2019 (commencement of operations for Institutional Class). Returns shown do not reflect the deduction of taxes that a shareholder would pay on Fund distributions or the redemption of Fund shares. Returns shown include the reinvestment of all dividends and other distributions. Past performance is not predictive of future performance. Investment return and principal value will fluctuate so that your shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than their original cost. The Fund imposes a 2% redemption fee on shares held 90 days or less.

In 2019 and 2020 the performance of the Sprott Gold Equity Fund (Institutional Class) was achieved during a period of unusually favorable market conditions. Such performance may not be sustainable.

The PHLX Gold/Silver Sector Index (XXAU) is an unmanaged capitalization-weighted index which includes the leading companies involved in the mining of gold and silver. Returns include the reinvestment of all dividends. You cannot invest directly in an index.

The Standard & Poor's 500 Total Return Index (S&P 500) is a capital-weighted index, representing the aggregate market value of the common equity of 500 stocks primarily traded on the New York Stock Exchange. Returns include the reinvestment of all dividends. You cannot invest directly in an index.

# AVERAGE ANNUAL RATE OF RETURN FOR PERIODS ENDED JUNE 30, 2021

	1 Year	Since Inception (April 8, 2019)
Sprott Gold Equity Fund (Institutional Class)	-1.80%	21.08%
Philadelphia Gold/Silver Sector Total Return Index (XXAU)	10.72%	31.99%
Standard & Poor's 500 Total Return Index	40.79%	21.53%

#### Expense Example

June 30, 2021 (Unaudited)

As a shareholder of the Sprott Gold Equity Fund (the "Fund"), you incur two types of costs: transaction costs, including redemptions fees; and ongoing costs, including management fees; distribution fees; and other Fund expenses. This example is intended to help you understand your ongoing costs (in dollars) of investing in the Fund and to compare costs with the ongoing costs of investing in other mutual funds.

The Example is based on an investment of \$1,000 invested at the beginning of the period and held the entire period (Jan 1, 2021 - June 30, 2021).

Actual Expenses: The first line of each table below provides information about actual account values and actual expenses. You may use the information in this line, together with the amount you invested, to estimate the expenses that you paid over the period. Simply divide your account value by \$1,000 (for example, an \$8,600 account value divided by \$1,000 = 8.6), then multiply the result by the number in the first line under the heading entitled "Expenses Paid During Period" to estimate the expenses you paid on your account during this period.

**Hypothetical Example for Comparison Purposes:** The second line of each table below provides information about hypothetical account values and hypothetical expenses based on the Fund's actual expense ratios and an assumed rate of return of 5% per year before expenses, which is not the Fund's actual return. The hypothetical account values and expenses may not be used to estimate the actual ending account balance or expenses you paid for the period. You may use this information to compare the ongoing costs of investing in the Fund and other funds. To do so, compare this 5% hypothetical example with the 5% hypothetical examples that appear in the shareholder reports of the other funds.

Please note that the expenses shown in the table are meant to highlight your ongoing costs only and do not reflect any transactional costs, such as sales charges (loads), redemption fees, or exchange fees. Therefore, the second line of the table is useful in comparing ongoing costs only, and will not help you determine the relative costs of owning different funds. In addition, if these transactional costs were included, your costs would have been higher.

	Beginning Account Value Jan. 1, 2021	Ending Account Value June 30, 2021	Expenses Paid During Period* Jan. 1, 2021 - June 30, 2021
Sprott Gold Equity Fund (Investor Class)			
Actual	\$1,000	\$ 909.10	\$6.48
Hypothetical (5% returns Before expenses)	\$1,000	\$1,018.00	\$6.85

<sup>\*</sup> The dollar amounts shown as expenses paid during the period are equal to the annualized six-month expense ratio (1.37%) multiplied by the average account value during the period, multiplied by the number of days (181) in the most recent six-month period and divided by the number of the days in the most recent twelve month period (365).

	Beginning Account Value Jan. 1, 2021	Ending Account Value June 30, 2021	Expenses Paid During Period* Jan. 1, 2021 - June 30, 2021
Sprott Gold Equity Fund (Institutional Class)			
Actual	\$1,000	\$ 910.30	\$5.12
Hypothetical (5% returns Before expenses)	\$1,000	\$1,019.44	\$5.41

<sup>\*</sup> The dollar amounts shown as expenses paid during the period are equal to the annualized six-month expense ratio (1.08%) multiplied by the average account value during the period, multiplied by the number of days (181) in the most recent six-month period and divided by the number of the days in the most recent twelve month period (365).

as of June 30, 2021 (Unaudited)

	Shares	Value		Shares	Value
COMMON STOCKS (86.7%)					
Gold Related Securities (73.6%)			United States (3.5%)		
Australia (5.5%)			Contango ORE, Inc. <sup>(a)</sup>	263,200	\$ 5,570,628
Bellevue Gold Ltd.(a)	6,023,000	\$ 4,291,109	Electrum Ltd. (a)(f) (Originally acquired		
Northern Star Resources Ltd.	2,964,500	21,743,194	12/21/07, Cost \$13,065,361)	2,127,287	42,546
Perseus Mining Ltd. (a)	12,000,000	13,139,146	Newmont Corporation	511,990	32,449,926
West African Resources Ltd.(a)(b)	27,400,000	20,445,921			38,063,100
	27, 100,000	59,619,370	<b>Total Gold Related Securities</b>		801,266,868
Canada (58.8%)					
Agnico Eagle Mines Ltd.	303,186	18,333,997	Other Precious Metals Related Securitie	s (12.4%)	
Alamos Gold, Inc Class A	3,799,600	29,066,940	Canada (6.6%)		
B2Gold Corp.(c)	1,499,900	6,314,579	Bear Creek Mining Corp. (a)(b)	5,982,800	7,818,761
Barrick Gold Corp.	999,200	20,663,456	MAG Silver Corp. (a)(b)(c)	1,581,135	33,077,344
Baru Gold Corp. (a)(b)	13,290,993	857,760	MAG Silver Corp. (a)(b)(d)(e)	1,432,665	29,956,983
Corvus Gold, Inc. (a)(b)(c)	3,226,901	8,841,709	Nickel Creek Platinum Corp. (a)(b)	14,037,494	1,132,421
Corvus Gold, Inc. (a)(b)(c)(d)	6,954,100	19,129,946	Wicker Creek Hatmam Corp.	14,037,434	71,985,509
Corvus Gold, Inc. (a)(b)(e)	1,739,130	4,784,151	Court Africa (2 FO/)		71,363,303
Corvus Gold, Inc. (a)(b)(d)(e)	9,500,000	26,133,430	South Africa (3.5%)		
Equinox Gold Corp.(a)	2,605,595	18,097,913	Sibanye Stillwater Ltd ADR <sup>(c)</sup>	2,250,000	37,642,500
Falco Resources Ltd. (a)(b)	16,222,300	5,365,556			
Gold Standard Ventures Corp. (a)(c)	3,000,000	1,718,296	United Kingdom (0.7%)		
I-80 Gold Corp. (a)(b)(c)	10,415,264	21,089,313	Hochschild Mining PLC	3,818,200	8,102,141
International Tower Hill Mines Ltd. (a)(b)	6,750,222	7,087,733			
International Tower Hill Mines Ltd. (a)(b)(d)	1,666,667	1,734,431	United States (1.6%)		
International Tower Hill Mines Ltd. (a)(b)(e)			Gatos Silver, Inc. (a)	906,416	15,853,210
	18,664,631	19,423,503	Silver Opportunity Partners Corp. (a)(f)	•	, ,
Jaguar Mining, Inc. (b)	6,006,559	25,923,758	(Originally acquired 3/15/11,		
Kinross Gold Corp. (c)	4,989,967	31,686,290	Cost \$4,525,333)	243,690	1,413,404
Kirkland Lake Gold Ltd.	1,007,513	38,826,151			17,266,614
Maverix Metals, Inc. (c)	1,615,000	8,704,850	Total Other Precious Metals Related Sec	rurities	134,996,764
Maverix Metals, Inc. (c)(d)	2,650,000	14,323,169	Total Other Fredious Metals Melateu See		131,330,701
Novagold Resources, Inc. <sup>(a)</sup>	2,030,800	16,266,708	Other Securities (0.7%)		
NuLegacy Gold Corp. (a)(b)	37,852,485	4,122,366	Other Securities (0.7%)		
Osisko Development Corp.(a)	1,333,400	7,529,687	United States (0.7%)		
Osisko Gold Royalties Ltd.	24,340	333,458	Gold Bullion International LLC <sup>(a)(b)(f)</sup>		
Osisko Gold Royalties Ltd. (d)	3,130,127	42,901,628	(Originally acquired 5/12/10,	<b>=</b> 000 000	
Osisko Mining, Inc. (a)(b)	15,384,239	38,348,902	Cost \$5,000,000)	5,000,000	6,900,000
Pan American Silver Corp.	1,088,445	31,096,874	I-Pulse, Inc. (a)(f) (Originally acquired	74.500	-06.0-6
Pretium Resources, Inc. <sup>(a)</sup>	2,923,485	27,970,742	3/25/2010, Cost \$175,524)	74,532	596,256
Seabridge Gold, Inc. (a)(c)	400,000	7,020,000	Total Other Securities		7,496,256
Silvercrest Metals, Inc. <sup>(a)</sup>	4,056,600	35,539,429	TOTAL COMMON STOCKS		
SSR Mining, Inc.	897,300	14,013,979	(Cost \$855,840,068)		943,759,888
Strategic Metals Ltd. (a)(b)(e)	9,886,500	3,110,467			
Torex Gold Resources, Inc.(a)	2,433,900	28,038,151	PRIVATE FUND (1.2%)		
Trifecta Gold Ltd. <sup>(a)</sup>	2,325,199	187,576	Gold Related Security (1.2%)		
Wesdome Gold Mines Ltd.(a)	3,115,200	29,553,688	Tocqueville Bullion Reserve LP -		
Wheaton Precious Metals Corp.	586,175	25,832,732	Glass G <sup>(a)(b)(f)</sup> (Originally acquired		
		639,973,318	11/28/11, Cost \$13,795,735)	7,619	12,692,002
South Africa (3.3%)			TOTAL PRIVATE FUND	.,013	
AngloGold Ashanti Ltd ADR <sup>(c)</sup>	544,000	10,107,520	(Cost \$13,795,735)		12,692,002
Gold Fields Ltd ADR (c)	2,681,000	23,860,900	(2000 920), 00)	Ounces	12,032,002
Gold Fields Ltd. <sup>(d)</sup>			COLD BUILDON (42.49/)	Ounces	
Goid Fields Ltd. 47	200,000	1,798,319	GOLD BULLION (12.1%)		404.055.55
		35,766,739	Gold Bullion <sup>(a)</sup>	74,526	131,918,421
United Kingdom (2.5%)			TOTAL GOLD BULLION		
Endeavour Mining PLC	1,297,500	27,844,341	(Cost \$32,073,279)		131,918,421

(Originally acquired 10/28/2020, Cost \$0)

TOTAL RIGHT (Cost \$0)

	Shares	Value			Shares	Value
WARRANTS (0.1%)			SHORT	Γ-TERM INVESTMENTS (2.9%)		
Gold Related Securities (0.1%)				Market Fund (0.0%)		
Canada (0.1%)			Inves	sco Treasury Portfolio		
Baru Gold Corp.			In	stitutional Class, 0.010% <sup>(g)</sup>	81,211	\$ 81,211
Expiration: 3/8/2022,						
Exercise Price: CAD \$0.50 <sup>(a)(b)(e)(f)</sup>			Investr	ments Purchased with Collateral		
(Originally acquired 3/3/17, Cost \$0)	3,321,250	\$ _	from	n Securities Loaned (2.9%)		
I-80 Gold Corp.			Mou	nt Vernon Liquid Assets, 0.10%	31,538,625	31,538,625
Expiration: 9/18/2022, Exercise Price: CAD \$3.64 <sup>(a)(b)(d)(f)</sup>			ΤΟΤΑΙ	SHORT-TERM INVESTMENTS		
(Originally acquired 3/2/21, Cost \$0)	1,330,000	161,583	_	31,539,094)		31,619,836
Maverix Metals, Inc.			(0000 9	31,333,034)		31,013,030
Expiration: 12/23/2021,			ΤΟΤΑΙ	INVESTMENTS		
Exercise Price: CAD \$2.41 <sup>(a)(d)(f)</sup>				933,248,176) (103.0%)		1,121,623,386
(Originally acquired 5/9/19, Cost \$0)	437,500	1,219,289		ITIES IN EXCESS OF OTHER ASSET	s ((3 n)%)	(33,038,912)
NuLegacy Gold Corp.			2171012		3 ((3.0)/3)	(33,030,312)
Expiration: 10/8/2022,			ΤΟΤΑΙ	NET ASSETS (100.0%)		\$1,088,584,474
Exercise Price: CAD \$0.12 <sup>(a)(b)(f)</sup> (Originally acquired 10/7/19, Cost \$0)	4,648,198	110 117	IOIAL	14E1 A33E13 (100.070)		\$1,000,304,474
Osisko Gold Royalties Ltd.	4,046,196	118,117	ADR	American Depository Receipt		
Expiration: 2/18/2022,			(a)	Non-income producing security.		
Exercise Price: CAD \$36.50 <sup>(a)(d)</sup>	274,000	31,498	(b)	Affiliated company. See Footnote	7	
Osisko Mining, Inc.	27 1,000	31, 130	(c)	This security or a partial position		itu is on loan at
Expiration: 12/23/2021,			(6)	June 30, 2021. The total market	-	•
Exercise Price: CAD \$5.25 <sup>(a)(b)(f)</sup>				June 30, 2021 was \$29,051,16		
(Originally acquired 6/17/20, Cost \$0)	932,500	9,178		secured with cash collateral of \$.		
Total Gold Related Securities		1,539,665		received consists of common stoc		
				the Fund at the Fund's custodian		
Other Precious Metals Related Securities (	0.0%)			resell this collateral. Collateral is	calculated base	ed on prior day's
Canada (0.0%)				prices. See Footnote 11.		
Nickel Creek Platinum Ltd.			(d)	Denotes an issue that is traded	on a foreign ex	change when a
Expiration: 8/8/2022,				company is listed more than once		
Exercise Price: CAD \$0.35 <sup>(a)(b)(e)(f)</sup>			(e)	Denotes a security that is either	fully or partia	lly restricted to
(Originally acquired 8/4/17, Cost \$0)	6,189,601	_		resale. The value of restricted sec		
Nickel Creek Platinum Ltd.				\$83,408,534, which represented 7	7.66% of net ass	rets.
Expiration: 7/1/2024, Exercise Price: CAD \$0.08 <sup>(a)(b)(f)</sup>			(f)	Security is fair valued using pro-	* *	•
(Originally acquired 07/01/2019				of Trustees which includes si		
Cost \$0)	1,658,293	49,364		and is deemed a Level 2 or 3		
Total Other Precious Metals Related Secur		 49,364		aggregate value of fair valued see		
TOTAL WARRANTS				\$23,245,949, which represented 2	· ·	
(Cost \$0)		 1,589,029	(g)	Variable rate security. Rate listed June 30, 2021.	is the 7-day effe	ective yield as of
RIGHT (0.0%)			The 4	ccompanying Footnotes are an Int	tagral Part of	those Financial
Gold Related Securities (0.0%)			Statem		egrai Tari Of	mese i munetat
Osisko Development Rights			Siatem	orns.		
Expiration: 5/25/2022,						
Exercise Price: CAD \$10.00 <sup>(a)(d)(f)</sup>						

44,210

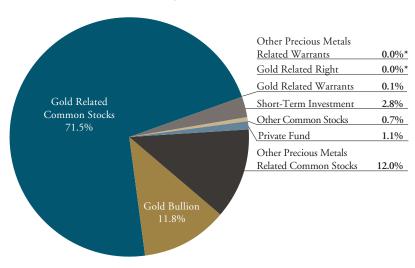
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666,700

June 30, 2021 (Unaudited)

# Percent of Total Investments Allocation of Portfolio Holdings

As of June 30, 2021



<sup>\*</sup> Category is less than 0.1% of total investments.

Schedule of Assets & Liabilities

June 30, 2021 (Unaudited)

		Sprott Gold Equity Fund
ASSETS:		
Investments, at value <sup>(1)</sup>		
Unaffiliated issuers	\$	823,308,687
Affiliated issuers		298,314,699
Foreign currencies, at value <sup>(2)</sup>		32
Cash		50,997
Prepaid to Trustees		26,721
Prepaid to CCO		52,215
Receivable for investments sold		1,504,028
Receivable for Fund shares sold		535,080
Securities lending income receivable		22,718
Dividends, interest and other receivables		411,713
Return of capital receivable		11,713
Other assets		59,910
Total Assets		1,124,286,801
Total / issees		1,124,200,001
LIABILITIES:		
Payable for loans outstanding		486,000
Payable for Fund shares redeemed		2,307,794
Payable to Adviser (see Note 3)		811,679
Payable for collateral upon return of securities loaned		31,538,625
Payable to Administrator		168,277
Accrued distribution fee		100,383
Accrued expenses and other liabilities		289,569
Total Liabilities		35,702,327
NET ASSETS	\$	1,088,584,474
NET ASSETS CONSIST OF:		
Paid in capital	\$	1,159,212,169
Total distributable earnings	Ψ	(70,627,695)
NET ASSETS		1,088,584,474
NET AGGETG	<del>Y</del> _	1,000,304,474
INVESTOR CLASS		
Net assets	\$	822,976,421
Shares of beneficial interest outstanding (unlimited shares of \$0.01 par value authorized)		16,515,332
Net asset value, offering and redemption price per share	\$	49.83
INSTITUTIONAL CLASS		
Net assets	\$	265,608,053
Shares of beneficial interest outstanding (unlimited shares of \$0.01 par value authorized)	Ψ	5,296,887
Net asset value, offering and redemption price per share	\$	50.14
(1) Cost of investments	<u>y</u>	50.14
Unaffiliated issuers	\$	641,635,407
Affiliated issuers		291,466,976
(2) Cost of foreign currencies	\$ \$	
· · cost of foreign currencies	\$	32

See Notes to Financial Statements.

Statements of Operations

June 30, 2021

		Period Ended ne 30, 2021 naudited)
INVESTMENT INCOME:	·	
Dividends*		
Unaffiliated issuers	\$	6,061,448
Affiliated issuers		1,012,260
Interest		306
Income from securities lending (See Note 11)		87,799
Total investment income		7,161,813
EXPENSES:		
Investment Adviser's fee (See Note 3)		4,815,962
Distribution (12b-1) fees - Investor Class Only (See Note 3)		1,092,481
Administration fees (See Note 3)		771,717
Transfer agent and shareholder services fees - Investor Class		228,569
Custody fees		103,865
Fund accounting fees		90,902
Legal fees		87,577
Other expenses		46,618
Printing and mailing expense		43,748
Blue sky fees		41,662
Audit fees		30,007
Trustee fees and expenses		26,265
Transfer agent and shareholder services fees - Institutional Class		17,867
Miscellaneous expense		16,616
Insurance expense		4,893
Interest expense		1,355
Registration fees		1,340
Net expenses		7,421,444
NET INVESTMENT LOSS		(259,631)
REALIZED AND UNREALIZED GAIN (LOSS):		
Net realized gain (loss) on:		
Investments		
Unaffiliated issuers		24,497,943
Affiliated issuers		3,629,067
Foreign currency translation		(29,389)
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		28,097,621
Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on:		
Investments		
Unaffiliated issuers		(117,390,950)
Affiliated issuers		(33,901,962)
Foreign currency translation		12,092,196
-		(139,200,716)
Net gain on investments and foreign currency		(111,103,095)
NET INCREASE IN NET ASSETS RESULTING FROM OPERATIONS	\$	(111,362,726)
* Net of foreign taxes withheld of:	\$	864,157

See Notes to Financial Statements.

Statements of Changes in Net Assets

June 30, 2021

	Sprott Gold Equity Fund(1)			
	_	For the Period Ended June 30, 2021 (Unaudited)		
OPERATIONS:				
Net investment loss	\$	(259,631)	\$	(1,021,375)
Net realized gain on sale of investments and foreign currency		28,097,621		2,862,848
Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation)		(139,200,716)		21,724,396
Net increase (decrease) in net assets resulting from operations		(111,362,726)		23,565,869
DISTRIBUTIONS TO SHAREHOLDERS:				
Net dividends and distributions to shareholders - Investor Class		_		_
Net dividends and distributions to shareholders - Institutional Class		_		_
Total dividends and distributions		_		_
FUND SHARE TRANSACTIONS:  Shares sold - Investor Class		64,574,665		24,862,917
Shares sold - Investor class  Shares sold - Institutional Class		48,847,078		18,623,769
Shares issued to holders in reinvestment of dividends - Investor Class		48,847,078		10,023,703
Shares issued to holders in reinvestment of dividends - Institutional Class		_		_
Shares redeemed - Investor Class*		(117,830,532)		(44,984,274)
Shares redeemed - Institutional Class*		(22,093,012)		(10,268,787)
Net decrease		(26,501,801)		(11,766,375)
Net increase (decrease) in net assets		(137,864,527)		11,799,494
NET ASSETS:				
Beginning of period		1,226,449,001		1,214,649,507
End of period	\$	1,088,584,474	\$	1,226,449,001
*Net of redemption fees of:	\$	70,488	\$	30,676

<sup>(1)</sup> The Fund was reorganized on January 17, 2020 and became a series within the Sprott Funds Trust thereafter.

### Sprott Gold Equity Fund (Investor Class)

Financial Highlights

For a Share Outstanding Throughout the Period

				S	prott Gol	d Ec	quity Fund	t					
Per share operating performance (For a share outstanding throughout the period)	Jur	onths Ended ne 30,2021 naudited)	 iod Ended cember 31 2020	_	2020		Yea 2019		Ended Oc 2018	tobe	er 31, 2017		2016
NET ASSET VALUE, BEGINNING													
OF PERIOD	\$	54.81	\$ 53.75	\$	38.74	\$	29.01	\$	35.64	\$	39.32	\$	26.04
OPERATIONS:													
Net investment loss <sup>(1)(2)</sup>		(0.03)	(0.05)		(0.42)		(0.43)		(0.38)		(0.39)		(0.33)
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss)		(4.95)	1.11		15.43		10.16		(6.25)		(3.29)		13.61
Total from investment operations*		(4.98)	1.06		15.01		9.73		(6.63)		(3.68)		13.28
DISTRIBUTIONS TO SHAREHOLDERS:									_		_		_
Dividends from net investment income		_	_		_		_		_		_		_
Distributions from net realized gains		_	_		_		_		_		_		
Total distributions		_	_		_		_		_		_		
Change in net asset value for the period		(4.98)	 1.06		15.01		9.73		(6.63)		(3.68)		13.28
Net asset value, end of period	\$	49.83	\$ 54.81	\$	53.75	\$	38.74	\$	29.01	\$	35.64	\$	39.32
* Includes redemption fees per share of		$0.00^{(3)}$	$0.00^{(3)}$		0.01		0.02		0.00(3)		0.01		0.01
TOTAL RETURN		(9.1)% <sup>(4)</sup>	2.0%(4)		38.7%		33.5%		(18.6)%		(9.4)%		51.0%
RATIOS/SUPPLEMENTAL DATA													
Net assets, end of period (000)	\$	822,976	\$ 964,071	\$ 9	965,963	\$ 9	998,076	\$ 8	359,394	\$1	,153,287	\$1	,365,282
Ratio to average net assets: Expense		1.37%(5)	1.37%(5)		1.39%		1.47%		1.42%		1.38%		1.39%
Net investment loss		(0.12)%(5)	(0.57)% <sup>(5)</sup>		(0.93)%		(0.94)%	(	(0.88)%		(0.95)%		(0.91)%
Portfolio turnover rate		8%(4)	1% <sup>(4)</sup>		34%		12%		9%		14%		15%

Net investment loss per share is calculated using the ending accumulated net investment income balances prior to consideration or adjustments for permanent book-to-tax differences for the four years ended 2019, 2018, 2017 and 2016.

See Notes to Financial Statements.

Net investment loss per share is calculated using the average shares outstanding method for the period ended June 30, 2021, the period ended December 31, 2020 and the year ended October 31, 2020.

<sup>(3)</sup> Represents less than \$0.01.

<sup>(4)</sup> Not Annualized.

<sup>(5)</sup> Annualized.

### Sprott Gold Equity Fund (Institutional Class)

Financial Highlights

For a Share Outstanding Throughout the Period

	Sprott Gold Equity Fund								
Per share operating performance (For a share outstanding throughout the period)	Jun	onths Ended e 30, 2021 naudited)		riod Ended cember 31, 2020		ear Ended ctober 31, 2020		April 8, 2019 <sup>(1)</sup> through October 31, 2019	
NET ASSET VALUE, BEGINNING OF PERIOD	\$	55.08	\$	53.98	\$	38.81	\$	32.73	
OPERATIONS:									
Net investment income (loss) <sup>(2)(3)</sup>		0.05		(0.03)		(0.30)		(0.10)	
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss)		(4.99)		1.13		15.47		6.18	
Total from investment operations*		(4.94)		1.10		15.17		6.08	
DISTRIBUTIONS TO SHAREHOLDERS:									
Dividends from net investment income		_		_		_		_	
Distributions from net realized gains		_		_		_		_	
Total distributions		_		_		_		_	
Change in net asset value for the period		(4.94)		1.10		15.17		6.08	
Net asset value, end of period	\$	50.14	\$	55.08	\$	53.98	\$	38.81	
* Includes redemption fees per share of		0.00(6)		0.00(6)		0.02		_	
TOTAL RETURN		(9.0)%(4)		2.0%(4)		39.1%		18.6%(4)	
RATIOS/SUPPLEMENTAL DATA									
Net assets, end of period (000)	\$	265,608	\$	262,378	\$	248,686	\$	39,732	
Ratio to average net assets:									
Expense		1.08%(5)		1.09%(5)		1.11%		1.28%(5)	
Net investment income (loss)		0.19%(5)		(0.29)%(5)		(0.63)%		(0.93)%(5)	
Portfolio turnover rate		8%(4)		1%(4)		34%		12%(4)	

<sup>(1)</sup> Institutional Class shares commenced operations on April 8, 2019.

Net investment loss per share is calculated using the ending accumulated net investment income balances prior to consideration or adjustments for permanent book-to-tax differences for the period ended October 31, 2019.

<sup>(3)</sup> Net investment income (loss) per share is calculated using the average shares outstanding method for the period ended June 30, 2021, the period ended December 31, 2020 and the year ended October 31, 2020.

<sup>(4)</sup> Not Annualized.

<sup>(5)</sup> Annualized.

<sup>(6)</sup> Represents less than \$0.01.

Notes to Financial Statements (Unaudited)

June 30, 2021

#### 1. ORGANIZATION

The Sprott Funds Trust (the "Trust") was organized as a Delaware statutory trust on January 3, 2018. As of June 30, 2021, the Trust consisted of three separate portfolios that each represent a separate series of the Trust. This report pertains to the Sprott Gold Equity Fund (the "Fund"). The Fund is a nondiversified, open-end management investment company under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "1940 Act"). The Fund's investment objective is long-term capital appreciation. The Fund seeks to achieve its objective by investing at least 80% of its net assets, plus borrowings for investment purposes, in securities of companies located throughout the world, in both developed and emerging markets that are primarily engaged in mining or processing gold.

#### 2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The following is a summary of significant accounting policies consistently followed by the Fund in the preparation of the financial statements. The accompanying financial statements were prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("U.S. GAAP"). The preparation of financial statements in conformity with U.S. GAAP requires management to make certain estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosures of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenue and expenses during the year. Actual results could differ from those estimates. The Fund is considered an investment company under U.S. GAAP and follows the accounting and reporting guidance applicable to investment companies in the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") Accounting Standards Codification Topic 946 and Accounting Standards Update 2013-08.

#### A. Portfolio Valuation

The Fund's net asset value ("NAV") is determined daily, as of the close of regular trading on the NYSE, normally 4:00 p.m. Eastern time, on each day the NYSE is open for trading. The NAV is computed by dividing the value of all assets of the Fund (including accrued interest and dividends), less all liabilities (including accrued expenses and dividends declared but unpaid), by the total number of shares outstanding.

Portfolio securities are valued at the most recent sale price or official closing price reported on the exchange (U.S. or foreign) or over-the-counter market on which they trade. Portfolio securities traded on more than one securities exchange are valued at the last sale price on the business day as of which such value is being determined at the close of the exchange representing the principal market for such securities. Securities for which no sales are reported are valued at the calculated mean between the most recent bid and asked quotations on the relevant market or, if a mean cannot be determined, at the most recent bid quotation. Investments in open-end mutual funds such as money market funds are valued at the closing NAV.

The Fund's investments are valued at market value or, in the absence of market value with respect to any portfolio securities, at fair value according to procedures adopted by the Trust's Board of Trustees (the "Board"). When market quotations are not readily available or when events occur that make established valuation methods unreliable, securities of the Fund may be valued in good faith by or under the direction of the Board. These securities generally include, but are not limited to, restricted securities (securities which may not be publicly sold without registration under the Securities Act of 1933) for which a pricing service is unable to provide a market price; securities whose trading has been formally suspended; a security whose market price is not available from a pre-established primary pricing source or the pricing source is not willing to provide a price; a security with respect to which an event has occurred that is most likely to materially affect the value of the security after the market has closed but before the calculation of the Fund's NAV or make it difficult or impossible to obtain a reliable market quotation; or a security whose price, as provided by the pricing service, does not reflect the security's "fair value" due to the security being de-listed from a national exchange or the security's primary trading market is temporarily closed at a time when, under normal conditions, it would be open. As a general principle, the current "fair value" of a security would be the amount which the owner might reasonably expect to receive from the sale on the applicable exchange or principal market. A variety of factors may be considered in determining the fair value of such securities.

#### B. Restricted and illiquid securities

The Fund may invest in securities that are subject to legal or contractual restrictions on resale or are illiquid. A security may be considered illiquid if it lacks a readily available market or if its valuation has not changed for a certain period of time. Disposal of these securities may involve time consuming negotiations and expense, and a prompt sale at the current valuation may be difficult.

### Notes to Financial Statements (Unaudited)

June 30, 2021

#### C. Fair Value Measurements

The Fund has adopted authoritative fair valuation accounting standards which establish an authoritative definition of fair value and set out a hierarchy for measuring fair value. These standards require additional disclosures about the various inputs and valuation techniques used to develop the measurements of fair value and a discussion in changes in valuation techniques and related inputs during the year. These inputs are summarized in the three broad levels listed below.

- Level 1 Quoted prices in active markets for identical securities.
- Level 2 Other significant observable inputs (including quoted prices for similar securities, interest rates, prepayment speeds, credit risk, etc.).
- Level 3 Significant unobservable inputs (including the Fund's own assumptions in determining the fair value of investments).

When using the market quotations or closing price provided by the pricing service for equity investments, including common stocks, preferred stocks, foreign issued common stocks, exchange-traded funds, closed end funds and real estate investment trusts, which are traded on an exchange are valued at the last sale price reported by the exchange on which the securities are primarily traded on the day of valuation and when the market is considered active, the security will be classified as a Level 1 security. When using the mean between the latest bid and ask price, the security will be classified as Level 2. Gold bullion is valued using the latest available price on the valuation day, the security is classified as Level 1.

Investment in mutual funds, including money market funds, are generally priced at the ending NAV provided by the service agent of the funds and will be classified as Level 1 securities.

Debt securities, such as corporate bonds, convertible bonds, commercial paper, money market deposit accounts and U.S. government agency issues for which market quotations are not readily available may be valued based on information supplied by independent pricing services using matrix pricing formulas and/or independent broker bid quotations and are classified as Level 2. Warrants and rights for which the underlying security is registered and equities which are subject to a required holding period, but have a comparable public issue, are valued in good faith by the adviser pursuant to procedures established under the general supervision and responsibility of the Board. These securities will generally be classified as Level 2 securities. If the warrant or right is exchange traded and the official closing price of the exchange is used, these instruments are classified as Level 1 securities. Options can diverge from the prices of their underlying instruments. These are valued at the composite last price reported by the exchange on which the options are primarily traded on the day of the valuation and are classified as Level 1. If there is no composite last price on a given day the mean between the latest bid and ask price will be used. These contracts are classified as Level 2.

Any securities or other assets for which market quotations are not readily available are valued at fair value as determined in good faith by the adviser pursuant to procedures established under the general supervision and responsibility of the Board and will be classified as Level 3 securities. In determining fair value, the Fund will seek to assign a value to the security which it believes represents the amount that the Fund could reasonably expect to receive upon its current sale. With respect to securities that are actively traded on U.S. exchanges, the Fund expects that market quotations will generally be available and that fair value might be used only in limited circumstances, such as when trading for a security is halted during the trading day.

For securities traded principally on foreign exchanges, the Fund may use fair value pricing if an event occurs after the close of trading of the principal foreign exchange on which a security is traded, but before calculation of the Fund's NAV, which the Fund believes affects the value of the security since its last market quotation. Such events may involve situations relating to a single issuer (such as news related to the issuer announced after the close of the principal foreign exchange), or situations relating to sectors of the market or the markets in general (such as significant fluctuations in the U.S. or foreign markets or significant changes in exchange rates, natural disasters, armed conflicts, or governmental actions).

In determining whether a significant event has occurred with respect to securities traded principally in foreign markets, the Fund may engage a third party fair value service provider to systematically recommend the adjustment of closing market prices of non-U.S. securities based upon changes in a designated U.S. securities market index occurring from the time of close of the relevant foreign market and the close of the NYSE. Fair value pricing may also be used to value restricted securities held by the Fund or securities with little or no trading activity for extended periods of time. Fair value pricing involves judgments that are inherently subjective and inexact and it is not possible to determine with certainty when, and to what extent, an event will affect a market price. As a result, there can be no assurance that fair value pricing will reflect actual market value and it is possible that the fair value determined for a security may differ materially from the value that could be realized upon the sale of the security.

### Notes to Financial Statements (Unaudited)

June 30, 2021

The following is a summary of the inputs used to value the Fund's investments at June 30, 2021.

#### **Sprott Gold Equity Fund\***

Investments in Securities at Value	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Common Stocks				
Gold Related	\$ 795,653,694	\$ 5,570,628	\$ 42,546	\$ 801,266,868
Other Precious Metals Related	133,583,360	_	1,413,404	134,996,764
Other	_	_	7,496,256	7,496,256
Total Common Stocks	929,237,055	5,570,628	8,952,206	943,759,888
Private Fund**^	_	_	_	12,692,002
Gold Bullion	131,918,421	_	_	131,918,421
Warrants				
Gold Related	31,498	1,508,167	_	1,539,665
Other Precious Metals Related	_	49,364	_	49,364
Total Warrants	31,498	1,557,531	_	1,589,029
Right	_	44,210	_	44,210
Short Term Investments	31,619,836	_	_	31,619,836
Total Investments	\$ 1,092,806,809	\$ 7,172,369	\$ 8,952,206	\$ 1,121,623,386

For a detailed sector breakdown, please see the accompanying Schedule of Investments.

Below is a reconciliation that details the activity of securities in Level 3 during the current fiscal period:

	Sprott Gold Equity Fund
Beginning Balance - December 31, 2020	\$ 8,513,563
Purchases	_
Sales	_
Realized gains	_
Realized losses	_
Change in unrealized appreciation	438,643
Transfers in/(out) of Level 3	_
Ending Balance - June 30, 2021	\$ 8,952,206

As of June 30, 2021 the change in unrealized appreciation on positions still held for securities that were considered Level 3 was \$438,643.

Certain investments that are measured at fair value using the net asset value per share (or its equivalent) practical expedient have not been categorized in the fair value hierarchy. The fair value amounts presented in the table are intended to permit reconciliation of the fair value hierarchy to the Schedule of Investments.

As of June 30, 2021, the Fund currently invests in a private fund that primarily invests in physical gold and is subject to redemption restrictions. This private fund investment can only be disposed of with notice given 24 hours in advance of redemption. Due to the elapsed time, the investment of the Fund is not subject to any redemption fees going forward.

### Notes to Financial Statements (Unaudited)

June 30, 2021

The following table summarizes quantitative information about significant unobservable valuation inputs for Level 3 fair value measurement as of June 30, 2021.

Fund	Type of Security	Industry	Fair Value at 6/30/2021	Valuation Techniques	Unobservable Inputs	ı	Range
Sprott Gold Equity Fund	Common Stock	Gold Related Other Precious	\$ 42,546	Professional analysis of latest company valuation or financing	Financing prices	\$	0.02
		Metals Related Other	\$1,413,404 \$7,496,256	Professional analysis of latest company valuation or financing Professional analysis of latest company valuation or financing	Financing prices	\$ \$1.:	5.80 38 - \$8.00

The significant unobservable inputs used in the fair value measurement of the Fund's common stocks are the most recent financing prices of the portfolio company, which approximate the companies' value in the marketplace. The significant unobservable inputs used for the private fund is the latest price change of an Adviser deemed comparable proxy investment.

Significant changes in a companies' ability to receive financing for new projects in the future would be an indication of the companies' financial position and market value. Significant changes in the latest price change of the comparable proxy investment or a change in the adviser deemed comparable proxy investment could impact the value of the security.

The Trust's valuation procedures have been adopted by the Board, which has established a Valuation Committee to oversee the valuation process. The Valuation Committee meets on an as needed basis to evaluate changes in the valuation of portfolio securities. The full findings and valuations are then reviewed quarterly by the Board including the Independent Trustees.

Portfolio management and the trading department monitor fair valued positions for new financing or corporate actions that could lead to a change in valuation.

#### D. Gold and Precious Metals Mining Industry Risk

The Fund is sensitive to changes in, and its performance will depend to a greater extent on, the overall condition of the gold and precious metals mining industry. In times of stable economic growth, traditional equity and debt investments could offer greater appreciation potential and the value of gold, silver and other precious metals may be adversely affected, which could in turn affect the Fund's returns. The gold and precious metals industry can be significantly affected by competitive pressures, central bank operations, events relating to international political developments, the success of exploration projects, commodity prices, adverse environmental developments and tax and government regulations.

#### E. Foreign Investment Risk

The Fund's investments in non-U.S. issuers may involve unique risks compared to investing in securities of U.S. issuers. Adverse political, economic or social developments could undermine the value of the Fund's investments or prevent the Fund from realizing the full value of its investments. Countries with emerging markets may present heightened risks of nationalization of businesses, restrictions on foreign ownership and prohibitions on the repatriation of assets. The economies of emerging markets countries also may be based on only a few industries, making them more vulnerable to changes in local or global trade conditions and more sensitive to debt burdens, inflation rates or adverse news and events. Where all or a portion of the Fund's underlying securities trade in a market that is closed when the market in which the Fund's shares are listed and trading in that market is open, there may be changes between the last quote from its closed foreign market and the value of such security during the Fund's domestic trading day.

#### F. Foreign Currency Translation

The books and records of the Fund are maintained in U.S. dollars. Investment valuations and other assets and liabilities initially expressed in foreign currencies are converted each business day into U.S. dollars based upon current exchange rates. The portion of realized and unrealized gains or losses on investments due to fluctuations in foreign currency exchange rates is not separately disclosed and is included in realized and unrealized gains or losses on investments, when applicable.

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#### G. Gold Risk

Gold is subject to the special risks associated with investing in gold and other precious metals, including: (1) the price of gold or other precious metals may be subject to wide fluctuation; (2) the market for gold or other precious metals is relatively limited; (3) the sources of gold or other precious metals are concentrated in countries that have the potential for instability; and (4) the market for gold and other precious metals is unregulated.

#### H. Securities Transactions and Investment Income

Securities transactions are recorded as of the trade date. Realized gains and losses from securities transactions are recorded with a specific identification cost method. Dividend income and capital gains distributions, if any, are recorded on the ex-dividend date. Interest income, if any, is recorded on the accrual basis.

#### I. Dividends and Distributions to Shareholders

Dividends from net investment income for the Fund, if any, are declared and paid annually or as the Board may determine from time to time. Distributions of net realized capital gains earned by the Fund, if any, are distributed at least annually.

#### J. Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting year. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

#### K. Indemnification

In the normal course of business the Fund enters into contracts that contain general indemnification clauses. The Fund's maximum exposure under these arrangements is unknown, as this would involve future claims against the Fund that have not yet occurred. Based on experience, the Fund expects the risk of loss to be remote.

#### L. Federal Tax and Tax Basis Information

The timing and character of income and capital gain distributions are determined in accordance with income tax regulations, which may differ from U.S. GAAP. Reclassifications are made to the Fund's capital accounts for permanent tax differences to reflect income and gains available for distribution (or available capital loss carryforwards) under income tax regulations.

For the period ended December 31, 2020, the following reclassifications, which had no impact on results of operations or net assets, were recorded to reflect permanent tax differences:

	Distributable			
		Earnings	Pa	id in Capital
Sprott Gold Equity Fund	\$	9,510,695	\$	(9,510,695)

The permanent differences primarily relate to net operating losses.

As of December 31, 2020, the components of accumulated losses for income tax purposes were as follows:

Tax cost of Investments	\$ 964,941,261
Unrealized appreciation	480,780,646
Unrealized depreciation	(164,012,988)
Net unrealized appreciation	316,767,658
Undistributed operating income	_
Undistributed long-term gains	
Distributable earnings	_
Other accumulated loss	(276,032,627)
Total accumulated gain	\$ 40,735,031

For the fiscal period ended December 31, 2020 the Sprott Gold Equity Fund had no late year losses.

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At December 31, 2020 the Fund had tax basis capital losses which may be carried forward to offset future capital gains as shown below:

	Capital Losses Expiring Indefinite Short-Term	Capital Losses Expiring Indefinite Long Term
Sprott Gold Equity Fund	\$-	\$276,024,734

To the extent that the Fund may realize future net capital gains, those gains will be offset by any of their unused respective capital loss carryforwards.

#### M. COVID-19

The global outbreak of coronavirus disease 2019 ("COVID-19") has disrupted global economic markets and adversely affected individual companies and investment products. The prolonged economic impact of COVID-19 is uncertain. The operational and financial performance of the issuers of securities in which the Fund invests depends on future developments, including the duration and spread of the outbreak, and such uncertainty may in turn impact the value of the Fund's investments.

#### N. Subsequent Events Evaluation

In preparing these financial statements, the Fund has evaluated events and transactions for potential recognition or disclosure resulting from subsequent events after the Statements of Assets and Liabilities date of June 30, 2021 through the date the financial statements were available for issue. This evaluation did not result in any subsequent events that necessitated disclosure and/or adjustments.

#### 3. INVESTMENT ADVISORY AND OTHER AGREEMENTS

Sprott Asset Management L.P. (the "Advisor") serves as the Fund's investment advisor pursuant to an Investment Advisory Agreement with the Trust on behalf of the Fund (the "Advisory Agreement"). Pursuant to the Advisory Agreement, the Advisor receives fees from the Fund, calculated daily and payable monthly, at an annual fee rate of 1.00% on the first \$500 million of the average daily net assets of the Fund, 0.75% of the average daily net assets in excess of \$500 million but not exceeding \$1 billion, and 0.65% of the average daily net assets in excess of \$1 billion. Prior to the Reorganization, the Adviser of the Predecessor Fund received the same tiered fee structure.

The Adviser, on behalf of the Fund, has entered into a Sub-Advisory Agreement with Sprott Asset Management USA Inc. (the "Sub-Adviser"), an affiliate of the Adviser. The Sub-Adviser does not receive a separate sub-advisory fee under the Sub-Advisory Agreement.

Pursuant to an Administrative Services Agreement, the Fund pays the Adviser a fee computed and paid monthly at an annual rate of 0.15% on the first \$400 million of the average daily net assets of the Fund; 0.13% on the next \$600 million of the average daily net assets of the Fund; and 0.12% on all the average daily net assets of the Fund over \$1 billion.

The Adviser has entered into a sub-administration agreement with U.S. Bank Global Fund Services (the "Sub-Administrator"), under which the Adviser pays the Sub-Administrator a fee based on the assets of the Fund. The fee payable to the Sub-Administrator by the Adviser is calculated daily and payable monthly, at an annual rate of: (i) 0.05% on the first \$400 million of the average daily net assets; (ii) 0.03% on the next \$600 million of the average daily net assets; and (iii) 0.02% of the average daily net assets in excess of \$1 billion, subject to a minimum annual fee for the Fund of \$60,000. For the period ended June 30, 2021 the Adviser has made payments of \$212,277 to the Sub-Administrator for services provided under a sub-administration agreement for the Fund.

Sprott Global Resource Investments Ltd. (the "Distributor"), an affiliate of the Adviser, acts as distributor for shares of the Fund. The Investor Class adopted a distribution and services plan pursuant to Rule 12b-1 under the 1940 Act. Pursuant to the plan, the Investor Class pays to the Distributor distribution and service fees of 0.25% per annum of its average daily net assets.

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#### 4. CAPITAL SHARE TRANSACTIONS

Transactions in capital shares for the Fund was as follows:

Sprott Gold Equity Fund (Investor Class)	For the Period ended June 30, 2021	For the Period ended December 31, 2020	For the Year ended October 31, 2020
Shares sold	1,237,876	463,845	4,220,917
Shares issues to holders in reinvestment dividends	_	_	_
Shares redeemed	(2,311,809)	(847,599)	(12,006,462)
Net decrease	(1,073,933)	(383,754)	(7,785,545)

Sprott Gold Equity Fund (Institutional Class)	For the Period ended June 30, 2021	For the Period ended December 31, 2020	For the Year ended October 31, 2020
Shares sold	959,993	347,676	5,357,533
Shares issues to holders in reinvestment dividends	_	_	_
Shares redeemed	(426,793)	(190,717)	(1,774,399)
Net increase	533,200	156,959	3,583,134

#### 5. FUND SHARE TRANSACTIONS

The Fund currently offers two classes of shares of beneficial interest. A redemption fee of 2.00% is imposed on redemptions of shares held 90 days or fewer for the Fund. This fee is retained by the Fund and is credited to paid in capital. For a more detailed description of when the redemption fee does not apply, please see the Fund's Prospectus.

#### 6. INVESTMENT TRANSACTIONS

Purchases and sales of investment securities (excluding short-term instruments) for the period ended June 30, 2021 are summarized below.

	Sprott Gold Equity Fund
Purchases:	\$ 87,363,655
Sales:	107,464,125

#### 7. Transactions with Affiliates\*

The following issuers are affiliated with the Funds; that is, the Adviser had control of 5% or more of the outstanding voting securities during the period from January 1, 2021 through June 30, 2021. As defined in Section 2(a)(3) of the 1940 Act; such issues are:

							June 30,				Change in		
	January	1, 2021	Addi	tions	Reduc	ctions	2021				Gross Unrealized _	June 30	, 2021
	Share		Share		Share		Share	Interest	Dividend	Realized	Appreciation/		
Issuer Name	Balance	Cost	Balance	Cost	Balance	Cost	Balance	Income	Income	Gain/(Loss)	(Depreciation)	Value	Cost
Sprott Gold Equity Fund													
Baru Gold Corp.	194,440	3,148,570	13,096,553	19,647,429	_	_	13,290,993	_	_	_	(18,814,873)	857,760	22,795,999
Baru Gold Corp.	13,096,553	19,647,429			(13,096,553)	(19,647,429)	_	_	_	-	17,949,785	_	_
Baru Gold Corp. Warrant	3,321,250	_		_	_	_	3,321,250	_	_	_	(261)	_	_
Bear Creek Mining Corp.	7,413,200	28,761,181	_	_	(1,430,400)	(6,361,161)	5,982,800	_	_	(4,022,355)	(4,048,781)	7,818,761	22,400,020
Corvus Gold, Inc.	3,226,901	2,212,904	_	_	_	_	3,226,901	_	_	-	1,161,684	8,841,709	2,212,904
Corvus Gold, Inc.	9,500,000	7,163,141	_	_			9,500,000	_	_	-	3,594,346	26,133,430	7,163,141
Corvus Gold, Inc.	6,954,100	8,503,013					6,954,100	_	-		2,631,099	19,129,946	8,503,013
Corvus Gold, Inc.	1,739,130	1,561,600			_	_	1,739,130	_	_	_	658,004	4,784,151	1,561,600
Falco Resources Ltd.	16,222,300	11,973,054	_	_	_	_	16,222,300	_	_	-	140,367	5,365,556	11,973,054
Gold Bullion International LLC	5,000,000	5,000,000	_	_	_	_	5,000,000	_	256,600	_	_	6,900,000	5,000,000
I-80 Gold Corp.	_	_	10,415,264	18,348,947			10,415,264				2,740,366	21,089,313	18,348,947
I-80 Gold Corp. Warrant	_	_	1,330,000		_	_	1,330,000				161,583	161,583	_

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							l 20				Change in		
	January	1 2021	Addit	ione	Reduc	tions	June 30, 2021				Gross Unrealized	June 30	2021
	Share	1, 2021	Share	.10115	Share	illons	Share	Interes	t Dividend	Realized	Appreciation/	Julie 30	, 2021
Issuer Name	Balance	Cost	Balance	Cost	Balance	Cost	Balance	Income			(Depreciation)	Value	Cost
International Tower Hill Mines Ltd.	6,850,222	22,509,061			(100,000)	(125,703)	6,750,222			(3,741)	` ' '	7,087,733	22,383,358
International Tower Hill Mines Ltd.	18,664,631	35,619,856	_	_			18,664,631	_	_	_	(6,676,775)	19,423,503	35,619,856
International Tower Hill Mines Ltd.	1,666,667	8,833,502			_	_	1,666,667	_	_	_	(596,206)	1,734,431	8,833,502
Jaguar Mining, Inc.	7,647,959	5,832,118			(1,641,400)	(2,021,987)	6,006,559	_	755,660	7,655,163	(22,163,437)	25,923,758	3,810,131
MAG Silver Corp.	1,581,135	18,561,846					1,581,135	_	_		632,454	33,077,344	18,561,846
MAG Silver Corp.	1,432,665	15,000,003	_	_	_	_	1,432,665	_	_	_	626,125	29,956,983	15,000,003
Nickel Creek Platinum Ltd.	12,379,201	2,544,342	_	_	(12,379,201)	(2,544,342)	_	_	_	_	941,909	_	_
Nickel Creek Platinum Ltd.	1,658,293	51,762	12,379,201	2,544,342	_	_	14,037,494	_	_	_	(1,463,683)	1,132,421	2,596,104
Nickel Creek Platinum Ltd. Warrant	6,189,601	_	_	_	_	_	6,189,601	_	_	_	(11,184)	_	_
Nickel Creek Platinum Ltd. Warrant	1,658,293	_	_	_	_	_	1,658,293	_	_	_	(54,988)	49,364	_
NuLegacy Gold Corp.	37,852,485	6,682,142					37,852,485	_	_	_	(40,842)	4,122,366	6,682,142
NuLegacy Gold Corp. Warrant	4,648,198	_	_	_	_	_	4,648,198	_	_	_	(11,151)	118,117	_
Osisko Mining, Inc.	15,384,239	45,113,236	_	_	_	_	15,384,239	_	_	_	(6,369,210)	38,348,902	45,113,236
Osisko Mining, Inc. Warrant	932,500	_					932,500	_	_	_	(114,702)	9,178	_
Premier Gold Mines Ltd.(a)	12,738,160	20,409,863			(12,738,160)	(20,409,863)	_		425,233	237,840	(9,711,797)	_	_
Silvercrest Metals, Inc <sup>(a)</sup>	4,756,600	27,338,197			(700,000)	(3,351,640)	4,056,600			2,904,674	(14,134,428)	35,539,429	23,986,557
Strategic Metals Ltd.	9,886,500	14,175,946	_	_			9,886,500	_	_	_	42,538	3,110,467	14,175,946
Tocqueville Bullion Reserve LP -													
Class G <sup>(b)</sup>	7,619	13,795,735	_	_	_	_	7,619	_	_	_	(947,551)	12,692,002	13,795,735
West African Resources Ltd	27,400,000	4,936,439	_	_	_	_	27,400,000		_	_	(1,628,707)	20,445,921	4,936,439
	:	\$329,374,940	!	\$41,552,802		\$(55,474,209)		\$-	\$1,437,493	\$ 6,771,581	\$ (57,748,187)	\$333,854,128	\$315,453,533

All affiliates listed are neither majority-owned subsidiaries or other controlled companies.

#### 8. LINE OF CREDIT

The Fund has a \$20,000,000 line of credit (the "Line"), which is uncommitted, with U.S. Bank N.A. The Line is for temporary emergency or extraordinary purposes, including the meeting of redemption requests that otherwise might require the untimely disposition of securities. The Line is secured by the Fund's assets. The Line has a one-year term and is reviewed annually by the Board. The interest rate as of June 30, 2021 was 2.75%. The average interest rate during the period ended June 30, 2021 was 2.75%. During the period ended June 30, 2021, the Fund's maximum borrowing was \$1,842,000 and average borrowing was \$104,956. This borrowing resulted in interest expenses of \$1,451. As of the period ended June 30, 2021 the Fund has a loan outstanding of \$486,000.

#### 9. PROXY VOTING POLICIES AND PROCEDURES AND PROXY VOTING RECORD

A description of the policies and procedures that the Fund uses to determine how to vote proxies relating to portfolio securities is available without charge, upon request, by calling 1.866.996.3863 and on the SEC's website (http://www.sec.gov). The Fund is required to file how they voted proxies related to portfolio securities during the most recent 12-month period ended June 30. Once filed, the information is available without charge, upon request, by calling 1.866.996.3863 and on the SEC's website (http://www.sec.gov).

#### 10. AVAILABILITY OF QUARTERLY PORTFOLIO HOLDINGS SCHEDULES

The Fund is required to file its complete schedule of portfolio holdings with the SEC for the first and third quarters of each fiscal year on Part F of Form N-PORT. Once filed, the Fund's Part F on Form N-PORT is available without charge on the SEC's website (http://www.sec.gov) and is available upon request by calling 1.866.996.3863. You may also obtain copies of Form N-PORT, Part F by sending your request electronically to publicinfo@sec.gov. Quarterly portfolio holdings are also available on the website for Sprott Gold Equity Fund, https://sprott.com/investment-strategies/sprott-gold-equity-fund/.

Security is no longer an affiliated company at June 30, 2021.

Tocqueville Bullion Reserve ("TBR") is a Delaware Limited Partnership created for the purpose of owning physical gold. John Hathaway is an independent Director of the TBR Cayman entities, and is a TBR limited partner.

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#### 11. SECURITIES LENDING

The Fund may seek additional income by lending its securities on a short-term basis to banks, brokers and dealers in return for cash collateral, which is invested in short term securities. The Fund may return a portion of the interest earned to a third party that is unaffiliated with the Fund and acting as a "placing broker." The Fund receives compensation for lending securities in the form of fees. The Fund also continues to receive dividends on the securities loaned. Security loans are secured at all times by collateral. It is the Fund's policy that the collateral be equal to at least 102% of the market value of the securities loaned (105% if the securities loaned are denominated in different currencies) plus accrued interest when the transaction is entered into, and that the collateral supporting the loans be valued daily. However, due to market fluctuations during the day, the value of securities loaned on a particular day may, during the course of the day, exceed the value of collateral. On each business day, the amount of collateral is adjusted based on the prior day's market fluctuations and the current day's lending activity. Gain or loss in the market price of the securities loaned that may occur during the term of the loan are reflected in the value of the Fund. The risks from securities lending are that the borrower may not provide additional collateral when required or return the securities when due or when called for by the Fund. Lending securities entails a risk of loss to the Fund if and to the extent that the market value of securities loans were to increase, the borrower did not increase the collateral accordingly, and the borrower fails to return the securities. U.S. Bank N.A., the custodian, acts as the securities lending agent for the Fund. The value of the securities on loan and the cash collateral at June 30, 2021 are shown on the Statements of Assets and Liabilities. Shares of the Mount Vernon Liquid Assets Portfolio LLC were purchased with proceeds from cash collateral received from secu

	Value of Securities	Value of Cash
Fund	on Loan	Collateral Received
Sprott Gold Equity Fund	\$29,051,168	\$31,538,625

Trustees & Officers June 30, 2021

#### **Independent Trustees**

Name, Address <sup>1</sup> and Year of Birth	Position(s) Held with the Trust	Term of Office <sup>2</sup> and Length of Time Served	Principal Occupation(s) During Past Five Years	Number of Portfolios in the Fund Complex Overseen by Trustee	Other Directorships Held By Trustee During the Past Five Years	
Michael W. Clark, 1959	Trustee	Since September, 2018	President, Chief Operating Officer, Chief Risk Officer, Head of Executive Committee, and member of Board of Directors of Chilton Investment Company since 2005.	4	Sprott Focus Trust, Inc.	
Barbara Connolly Keady, 1962	Trustee	Since September, 2018	Director of New Business Development at Ceres Partners since 2010.	4	Sprott Focus Trust, Inc.	
Peyton T. Muldoon, 1969	Trustee	Since September, 2018	Licensed salesperson, Sotheby's International Realty, a global real estate brokerage firm (since 2011).	4	Sprott Focus Trust, Inc.	
James R. Pierce, Jr., 1956	Trustee	Since September, 2018	Power, Marsh JLT Specialty, a global specialty operations focusing on the energy and power business served by Marsh, Inc., since September, 2014.	4	Sprott Focus Trust, Inc.	

The address for each Trustee is 200 Bay Street, Suite 2600, Toronto, Ontario, Canada M5J2J1.

Each Trustee serves until resignation, death, retirement or removal.

Trustees & Officers

#### **Interested Trustee and Officers**

Name, Address' and Year of Birth	Position(s) Held with the Trust	Term of Office <sup>2</sup> and Length of Time Served	Principal Occupation(s) During Past Five Years	Number of Portfolios in the Fund Complex Overseen by Trustee	Other Directorships Held By Trustee During the Past Five Years	
John Ciampaglia, President 1970 and Trustee		Since September, 2018	Senior Managing Director of Sprott Inc. and Chief Executive Officer of Sprott Asset Management, Inc. (Since 2010)	3	None.	
Thomas W. Ulrich, 1963	Secretary, Chief Compliance Officer	Since September, 2018	General Counsel and Chief Compliance Officer of Sprott Asset Management USA Inc. (since October, 2012); In- House Counsel and Chief Compliance Officer of Sprott Global Resource Investments Ltd. (since October, 2012).	N/A	N/A	
Varinder Bhathal, 1971	Treasurer and Chief Financial Officer	Since September, 2018	Chief Financial Officer of Sprott Asset Management LP (since Dec 2018); Managing Director, Corporate Finance and Investment Operations of Sprott Inc. (since Oct 2017); Chief Financial Officer of Sprott Capital Partners (since Oct 2016); Vice President, Finance of Sprott Inc. (Dec 2015 to Oct 2017).	N/A	N/A	

The address for each Trustee and officer is 200 Bay Street, Suite 2600, Toronto, Ontario, Canada M5J2J1.

The Statement of Additional information includes additional information about the Fund's Trustees and is available free of charge upon request by calling the Fund toll free at 1-844-940-4653.

Each Trustee serves until resignation, death, retirement or removal.

### Investment Advisory Agreement Disclosure

The Board of Trustees (the "Board") of Sprott Funds Trust (the "Trust") on behalf of its series the Sprott Gold Equity Fund (the "Fund") met in person at a regularly scheduled meeting on June 4, 2021, in Watch Hill, Rhode Island, for purposes of, among other things, considering whether it would be in the best interests of the Fund and its shareholders for the Board to renew the existing Investment Advisory Agreement by and between the Fund and Sprott Asset Management L.P. ("SAM" or the "Advisor") (the "Advisory Agreement"), and the existing Investment Sub-Advisory Agreement by and among the Fund, SAM and Sprott Asset Management USA, Inc. ("SAM USA" or the "Sub-Advisor") (the "Sub-Advisory Agreement" and, together with the Advisory Agreement, the "Agreements"). SAM together with SAM USA are collectively referred to as the "Advisers."

In connection with the Board's review of the Agreements, the Trustees who are not "interested persons" of the Fund or Trust within the meaning of the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "1940 Act") (collectively, the "Independent Trustees") requested, and the Advisers provided the Board with, information about a variety of matters, including, without limitation, the following information:

- Nature, extent and quality of services to be provided by the Advisers, including background information on the qualifications and experience of key professional of the Advisers personnel that provide services to the Fund;
- Investment performance of the Fund, including comparative performance information for registered investment companies similar to the Fund;
- Fees charged to and expenses of the Fund, including comparative fee and expense information for registered investment companies similar to
- Costs of the services provided, and profits realized by the Advisers; and
- Economies of scale.

At the June 4, 2021 meeting, the Board, including the Independent Trustees determined that the continuation of the Agreements was in the best interests of the Fund in light of the services, personnel, expenses and such other matters as the Board considered to be relevant in the exercise of its reasonable business judgment and approved them.

To reach this determination, the Board considered its duties under the 1940 Act as well as under the general principles of state law in reviewing and approving advisory contracts; the fiduciary duty of investment advisers with respect to advisory agreements and the receipt of investment advisory compensation; the standards used by courts in determining whether investment company boards have fulfilled their duties; and the factors to be considered by the Board in voting on such agreements. To assist the Board in its evaluation of each of the Agreements, the Independent Trustees received materials in advance of the Board meeting from the Advisers. The Board applied its business judgment to determine whether the arrangements by and among the Fund, SAM and SAM USA are reasonable business arrangements from the Fund's perspective as well as from the perspective of its shareholders.

#### Nature, Extent and Quality of Services Provided

#### Sprott Asset Management L.P.

The Board reviewed materials provided by the Adviser related to the proposed renewal of the Advisory Agreement, including a description of its oversight and monitoring of the Sub-Adviser and a review of the professional personnel who perform services for the Trust. The Board noted the extensive responsibilities of the Adviser with respect to the Fund, including compliance, research, trade execution, operations, risk monitoring, settlement, and service provider monitoring. The Board further noted that the Adviser monitors the regulatory matters governing the Fund and oversees the operations of the Sub-Adviser. The Board discussed the extent of the Adviser's research capabilities and the quality of its compliance infrastructure, including the Adviser's use of compliance monitoring software. The Board expressed satisfaction with the experience and credentials of the personnel at the Adviser who service the Fund. The Board discussed the Adviser's oversight of the Sub-Adviser, which included oversight of the Sub-Adviser's adherence to the Fund's investment strategies and restrictions, trading, and compliance monitoring. Additionally, the Board received satisfactory responses from the representatives of the Adviser with respect to whether the Adviser was involved in any lawsuits or pending regulatory actions. The Board reviewed the best-execution practices of the Adviser and discussed the various factors considered by the Adviser when selecting brokers. The Board concluded that the Adviser had sufficient quality and depth of personnel, resources, investment methods and compliance policies and procedures essential to continue performing its duties under the Advisory Agreement and that the nature, overall quality and extent of the management services provided by the Adviser to the Trust were satisfactory.

#### Sprott USA

The Board reviewed the responsibilities of the Sub-Adviser with respect to the Fund noting that the Sub-Adviser was responsible for providing portfolio management, research, compliance, and analysis for the Fund together with the Adviser. The Board discussed the compliance program of the Sub-Adviser, which included utilizing third parties to provide compliance reporting on a daily, monthly and quarterly basis. The Board expressed satisfaction with the

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experience and credentials of the individuals servicing the Fund, noting the addition in the fourth quarter of 2020 of two new portfolio managers of the Fund. The Board received satisfactory responses from the Sub-Adviser with respect to a series of questions, including: whether the Sub-Adviser was involved in any lawsuits or pending regulatory actions. The Board acknowledged that broker selection was performed by the Adviser and not the Sub-Adviser. After further discussion the Board concluded that the Sub-Adviser had sufficient quality and depth of personnel, resources, investment methods and compliance policies and procedures essential to continue performing its duties under the Sub-Advisory Agreement and that the nature, overall quality and extent of investment management services provided to the Fund was satisfactory.

#### Investment Performance

The Board considered the absolute performance of the Fund, noting its 46.59% return for the one-year period ending March 31, 2021. The Board also considered the Fund's performance relative to its peers and various benchmarks. The Board noted that for the 1-year, 5-year and 10-year periods the Fund under-performed the Philadelphia Stock Exchange Gold and Silver Sector Total Return Index (the "Gold and Silver Index"), the S&P 500 Index, its Morningstar category and its peer group. The Board noted, however, that the Fund outperformed each of these benchmarks since inception. The Board considered the Adviser's explanations for the Fund's performance relative to the indexes noting the differences between the Fund's holdings and the constituents that make up the indexes. Further, the Board discussed that the Fund held a relatively large weight in physical gold, which was generally less volatile than the gold equities that are components of the Gold and Silver Index and held by peers. After further discussion, the Board concluded that the Adviser had the potential to continue providing reasonable returns for the Fund.

#### **Fees and Expenses**

The Board noted that the Adviser earned a 0.85% fee for managing the Fund and the Fund had a net expense ratio of 1.40%. The Board considered that the management fee was below the peer group average, but above the Morningstar category average. The Board noted that the Fund's expense ratio was below both the peer group and Morningstar category averages.

With respect to the Sub-Adviser, the Board considered that the Adviser and Sub-Adviser were affiliated entities, both controlled by Sprott, Inc. The Board noted that none of the advisory fees received by the Adviser were allocated to the Sub-Adviser, and the Sub-Adviser did not pay any expenses related to services it provided to the Fund.

The Board agreed that the fee structure for the affiliated Advisers, including the advisory fees charged and expense ratio of the Fund, was reasonable.

#### **Profitability**

The Board reviewed the profitability analysis provided by the Adviser with respect to its management of the Fund. The Board considered that no fees or expenses were allocated to the Sub-Adviser, and as such, the Board did not separately analyze the Sub-Adviser's profitability. The Board noted that the Adviser earned a profit from managing the Fund over the past year. The Board considered the experience and expertise of the portfolio managers and the responsibilities of the Adviser. The Board further considered that the fees and expenses of the Fund were in line with the Fund's peer group and Morningstar category. After further discussion and reviewing profitability information, the Board concluded that the advisory fee earned by the Adviser was not unreasonable.

The Board noted that SAM also acts as the Administrator for the Fund and collects fees for the services it provides and that SAM did not make an unreasonable profit from this arrangement.

#### **Economies of Scale**

The Board considered that the advisory fee already contained breakpoints based on the average daily net assets of the Fund as follows: the Adviser receives 1.00% on the first \$500 million of the average daily net assets of the Fund, 0.75% of the average daily net assets in excess of \$500 million but not exceeding \$1 billion and 0.65% of the average daily net assets in excess of \$1 billion. The Board reviewed the breakpoints in place and agreed that they appeared to account for economies of scale.

#### Conclusion

It was noted that no single factor was cited as determinative to the decision of the Trustees. Rather, after weighing all of the considerations and conclusions discussed above, the entire Board, including all of the Independent Trustees, renewed the Advisory Agreement and the Sub-Advisory Agreement, concluding that having the Fund continue to receive services from the Advisers under the Agreements was in the best interest of the shareholders of the Fund and that the investment advisory fee rate was reasonable in relation to the services provided.



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