



# Why it Pays to Invest in Brookfield Global Listed Infrastructure Income Fund Inc.

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**B**rookfield Global Listed Infrastructure Income Fund an Attractive Proposition for Yield-starved Environments

By the time 2018 came to an end, the increasing stock volatility and rising interest rates from the Federal Reserve proved to be a combination that had many investors spooked and

caused markets to plummet even lower. In just the fourth quarter, for example, there were declines in S&P 500 valuations to the tune of -7.57% – putting noticeable pressure on many investors' core holdings.

However, more recently, the Federal Reserve has changed its stance somewhat which signals an abrupt end to an era where extended monetary tightening was the norm. This could quite possibly lead to stocks trading at weakened valuations – the shifting macro landscape may place specific assets

at the forefront where investors seek yield in a low-interest rate environment.

**Brookfield Global Listed Infrastructure Income Fund, Inc.**, is a closed end fund investing in publicly traded infrastructure companies, and may offer sound income opportunities.

## **End of 2018: Closed-End Funds Bearing Most of the Brunt**

In 2018, the last quarter witnessed a number of closed-end funds

◀ falling victim to the market sell-off – with [Brookfield Global Listed Infrastructure Income Fund](#) being no exception. In fact, the Fund saw a -13.74% decline on the basis of market price during that period with its NAV (net asset value) widening.

However, investors may pay heed to the Fund's potential because even though most of its investment resources are focused on the US, it also maintains additional asset exposure in international markets. For one, this achieves an improved diversification profile for investors and may offset some of the recent storms that have manifested due to stressful and somewhat compromised US-China trade relations.

That's not all – the Fund also has leverage which could potentially optimize returns and also cut down potential risk for long-term investors.

The Fund is managed by Brookfield Public Securities Group LLC, is a subsidiary of Brookfield Asset Management – a globally recognized asset manager with \$350 billion in assets as of December 31, 2018.

The Fund's main focus is on the infrastructure industry, which may provide some offset in a down-market – compared to conventional global equities.

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aims to achieve its investment goals by investing mostly in publicly traded infrastructure companies' securities. However, the Fund also invests in a number of sectors such as electric utilities and power generation, pipelines, toll roads, water, telecoms, midstream, water, power transmission and distribution, gas, utilities, etc. Its current geographical portfolio includes the US, UK, Spain, New Zealand, France, Switzerland, Australia, Germany, Brazil and Mexico.

Within a portfolio, listed infrastructure can offer investors many key potential benefits:

### **Lower Volatility**

Due to the way infrastructure assets work, demand is relatively stable throughout the year – providing significantly lower volatility than conventional equities and infrastructure revenue resiliency during all the various business cycles.

Even during periods of an economic downturn, consumers will not stop using electricity, water

gas, drive on toll roads and other necessary infrastructure services.

### **Stable Cash Flow**

Infrastructure companies can provide investors with fairly predictable income distributions because stable earnings can be had from an underlying asset. Long-term contracts and regulation provide greater stability for capital and cash.

In short, there's excellent visibility for investors in terms of revenues and dividends.

### **Protection against Inflation**

Majority of infrastructure assets are linked explicitly with inflation through concession agreements, regulation or contracts – all of which provide investors with inflation protection.

### **Diversification**

The Fund's universe consists of publicly listed infrastructure companies located across the globe.

### **In Closing**

With a strong and highly skilled management team at its core, the Fund can offer access to a currently undervalued market section – its distribution may be attractive for investors who want to continue focusing on income-generating areas of the market.