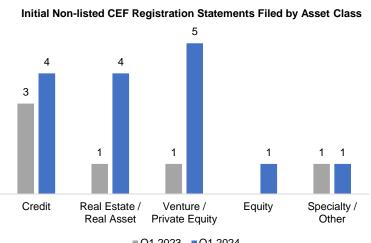


# XA Investments (XAI) Monthly Update on Interval Fund and Listed CEF Market Developments

## Non-listed CEF Initial SEC Registration Statements: Q1 2024 Filings More than Double Q1 2023 Filings

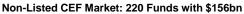
- The non-listed closed-end fund (CEF) market (interval / tender offer funds) has seen a surge in the number of initial registration statements filed this year
- 15 registration statements were filed in Q1 2024 as compared to 6 filings over the same period last year
- ☐ The pace of new fund filings has been driven by both existing fund sponsors and new market entrants
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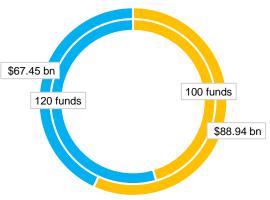


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## **Current Non-listed CEF Total Managed Assets**

## **Overview of Non-Listed CEF SEC Registrations**

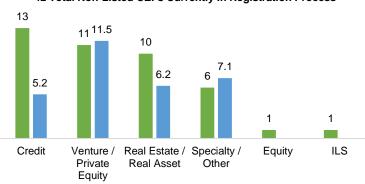




#### Tender Offer Interval

Features the latest publicly available data as of 3/31/2024. Outer circle represents total managed assets. Inner circle represents number of funds.

## 42 Total Non-Listed CEFs Currently In Registration Process



# of Funds in Registration Process Avg. Months in Registration

As of 3/31/2024. Avg. Months in Registration represents the avg. time in registration for funds that have gone effective with an initial filing date after 1/1/2022. 1940 Act funds have been excluded from the average calculations as they do not receive a Notice of Effectiveness from the SEC.

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Largest Interval / Tender Offer Funds						
Fund	Structure	Ticker	Asset Class	Wire Platform	Net Assets (\$mm)1	As of
Cliffwater Corporate Lending Fund	Interval	CCLFX	Credit	-	17,000	2/29/2024
Partners Group Private Equity Fund	Tender	-	Private Equity	ML, MS, WF	14,278	12/31/2023
ACAP Strategic Fund	Interval	XCAPX	Equity	ML, MS, UBS, WF	7,274	12/31/2023
Apollo Diversified Real Estate Fund	Interval	GRIFX	Real Estate	MS, UBS	4,901	12/31/2023
Ironwood Institutional Multi-Strategy Fund	Tender	-	Specialty	-	4,858	1/31/2024
Bluerock Total Income + Real Estate Fund	Interval	TIPWX	Real Estate	MS, UBS	4,738	12/31/2023
CION Ares Diversified Credit Fund	Interval	CADUX	Credit	MS, UBS, WF	4,026	2/29/2024
Variant Alternative Income Fund	Interval	NICHX	Credit	-	3,002	1/31/2024
Cliffwater Enhanced Lending Fund	Interval	CELFX	Credit	-	2,900	2/29/2024
Versus Capital Real Assets Fund LLC	Interval	VCRRX	Real Estate	-	2,859	2/29/2024
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<sup>1.</sup> Net asset data is sourced from regulatory filings and fund websites and may be delayed due to reporting lags.

Developments in Non-Listed CEF Registrations				
Initial Registration Statement Filings	Structure	Asset Class	Filing Date	
John Hancock Multi Asset Credit Fund	Interval	Credit	3/6/2024	
Accordant Real Estate Growth Fund	Interval	Real Estate / Real Asset	3/7/2024	
FT Vest Hedged Equity Income Fund: Series A2	Tender	Equity	3/11/2024	
Axxes Opportunistic Credit Fund	Interval	Credit	3/15/2024	
The Pop Venture Fund	Interval	Venture / Private Equity	3/29/2024	
Post-Launch Filings				
Institutional Investment Strategy Fund	Interval	Specialty / Other	3/1/2024	
Denali Structured Return Strategy Fund	Interval	Credit	3/7/2024	
MainStay MacKay Municipal Inc Opportunities Fund	Interval	Tax-Free Bond	3/25/2024	



Historical Listed CEF
Premium/Discount Averages
(as of 3/28/2024)

Current	-6.51%
2/29/2024	-8.04%
2024 YTD	-8.18%
2023	-8.59%
2022	-5.78%
2021	-3.13%
10 Year Historical	-5.92%
10 Year – Munis	-5.09%
10 Year - Taxable	-6.22%

Top 10 Current Average Listed CEF Premium / Discount				
Equity / Hybrid	Premium / Discount	Fixed Income	Premium / Discount	
Sector Equity	-3.11%	Multi-Sector	0.62%	
Commodities	-3.35%	Limited Duration	-1.17%	
Real Estate	-5.00%	Investment Grade	-1.52%	
Covered-Call Funds	-8.69%	Global Income	-2.73%	
MLP	-9.09%	Senior Loans	-3.56%	
U.S. Allocation	-10.79%	Convertibles	-4.06%	
Global Allocation	-12.17%	Taxable Muni	-4.78%	
U.S. Equity	-12.36%	Emerging Market Income	-5.11%	
Asia Equity	-12.80%	High Yield	-5.31%	
Global Equity	-13.24%	Preferreds	-5.90%	

Forward Listed CEF IPO Calendar (IPO Market Currently Closed) <sup>1</sup>				
IPO Month	Sponsor	Fund Name	Initial Filing Date	Strategy
TBD	DoubleLine	DoubleLine Shiller CAPE Enhanced Income Fund	6/10/2021	Equity
TBD	First Eagle	First Eagle Global Opportunities Fund	8/4/2021	Equity / Debt
TBD	PIMCO	PIMCO Municipal Credit Income Fund	10/3/2022	Municipal Bonds
TBD	Nuveen	Nuveen Municipal Opportunities Fund	10/4/2022	Municipal Bonds
TBD	BlackRock	BlackRock 2038 Municipal Target Term Trust	6/23/2023	Municipal Bonds
TBD	Pershing Square	Pershing Square USA, Ltd.	2/7/2024	Equity

CEF Industry News and Upcoming Events			
Date	Source	Summary	
Apr 8 – 10	ADISA	ADISA, the Alternative & Direct Investment Securities Association, will hold its 2024 Spring Conference on April 8- 10 <sup>th</sup> in Chicago. To register or to learn more visit <u>www.adisa.org</u>	
April 25	XAI	XA Investments will bring together industry experts to discuss best practices for interval fund sales and marketing. We will discuss the different sales channels (RIA, FO, IBD, Wires) and implications for your go-to-market plan and marketing strategy. Please email Nicole Matousek at <a href="mailto:nmatousek@xainvestments.com">nmatousek@xainvestments.com</a> to register	
Apr 30 – May 1	Institutional Investor	The Institutional Investor will hold its 19th Annual East Coast Sub-Advisory Roundtable, bringing together industry professionals in market research, asset management, and other financial services. To register or to learn more visit <u>iinow.com</u>	
May 15	XAI	XA Investments and Clifford Chance will discuss the democratization of private funds and the novel ways asset managers can access non-institutional capital in the U.S. and Europe. Please email Nicole Matousek at <a href="mailto:nmatousek@xainvestments.com">nmatousek@xainvestments.com</a> to register	
Ongoing	AICA	Help promote industry insights by participating in <u>AICA's 2024 Advisor Survey on CEF</u> s. The goal of the survey is to better understand the use of CEFs by financial advisors in their practices	

## **CEF Market: Legal & Regulatory Update**

On March 6, the SEC adopted final rules to require registrants to disclose climate-related information in registration statements and annual shareholder reports. While the rules will no doubt directly impact operating company disclosure more than investment funds, funds will still need to provide disclosure on a number of new items. The rules will require additional registration statement disclosure regarding, among other items, (i) climate-related risks that have had or may be likely to have a material impact on a fund's strategy, operations, financial condition, or outlook; (ii) activities or steps a fund has undertaken to mitigate or adapt to material climate-related risks, including the financial impact of such activities; (iii) board oversight of a fund's climate-related risk assessment, if any. Financial statement disclosure will also include costs, expenditures and losses and financial offsets related to climate change and severe weather events. Compliance dates will be phased in based on filer status. The SEC's fact sheet on the rules can be found here.

On March 18, the SEC announced settlements against two investment advisers for "Al washing". Each of the firms were charged under anti-fraud provisions of Section 206(2) of the Advisers Act. The Commission found that both firms touted their use of artificial intelligence (Al) systems and capabilities in investment processes and model forecasting. Neither firm could substantiate the claims it made in investor disclosures about its use of Al. This comes on the heels of a Fraud Alert issued by the SEC in January, noting the increase of investment fraud touting the use of Al. There is no doubt that the Commission will continue scrutinizing claims regarding the use of Al, which includes policies and procedures to support and document the use.



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