



# Eaton Vance Floating-Rate ETF (EVLN)

FUND PROFILE | March 2024

## A New ETF from a Pioneer in Floating-Rate Loans

EVLN is an actively managed floating-rate ETF (Exchange Traded Fund), delivering Eaton Vance's flagship loan expertise in a transparent, tax-efficient and exchange-traded format.

## Why Floating-Rate Loans Now?

- Loan yields remain at some of their historically highest levels
- Potential for historically equity-like returns with lower volatility
- Near-zero interest-rate risk and a hedge on bond investments

#### LOANS PROVIDE AN ATTRACTIVE YIELD AND DIVERSIFICATION OPPORTUNITY



Sources: Morningstar, ICE Data Indices, LLC, Bloomberg, and Leveraged Commentary & Data (LCD). As of December 31, 2023. Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future results. Data provided is for informational use only. It is not possible to invest directly in an Index. Loans represented by Morningstar LSTA US Leveraged Loan Index. US High Yield represented by ICE BofA US High Yield Index. US IG Corporates represented by ICE BofA US Corporate Index. 10Y Treasury represented by ICE BofA Current 10Y US Treasury Index. EM Sovs represented by JPMorgan EMBI Global Diversified. Agg represented by the Bloomberg US Aggregate Bond Index. See end of material for important additional information and disclosures.

## Why EVLN?

- Invests broadly across the floating-rate loan market, providing diversified exposure to the asset class. Managed by Eaton Vance, a loan market pioneer since 1989.
- Investment process cornerstones are bottom-up credit research and risk management, with high yield and securitized bonds rounding out the opportunity set.
- Access a low-cost, transparent and tax-efficient ETF that seeks attractive yields and competitive performance.

### **Fast Facts**

#### AT A GLANCE

EVLN
February 6, 2024
The Fund seeks to provide a high level of current income
Morningstar LSTA US Leveraged Loan Total Return Index
Minimum 80% in floating-rate credit investments
Floating-rate loans, CLO debt securities, corporate bonds
150-250 issues across 75-150 issuers
0.60%
Monthly

Expenses are based on the Fund's current prospectus. Please see the Fund's prospectus for additional information. This represents how the portfolio management team generally implements its investment process under normal market conditions. The turnovers and exposures presented are typical ranges. There is no assurance that these targets will be attained.

## We Are a Pioneer in Floating-Rate Loan Investment Management

- Premier manager with more than 30 years loan market experience, over twice the median of our competitors
- 40+ member team dedicated exclusively to loan management
- Systematic risk-weighted portfolio construction underpinned by bottom-up credit research
- Dedicated to excellence in investment outcomes and client relationships

35 YEARS OF LOAN MANAGEMENT EXPERIENCE

40+ DEDICATED LOAN TEAM MEMBERS

31.8 BILLION TOTAL LOAN AUM

## **Portfolio Management Leadership**



ANDREW SVEEN Chairman of Fixed Income, Head of Floating-Rate Loans

29 years of industry experience



JAKE LEMLE
Managing Director
17 years of industry experience



RALPH HINCKLEY
Managing Director
27 years of industry experience



BRANDON MATSUI, CFA
Executive Director
21 years of industry experience

All data as of 12/31/2023. Team members may change, without notice, from time to time. This represents how the portfolio management team generally implements its investment process under normal market conditions.

#### **INDEX DEFINITIONS:**

**Bloomberg U.S.** Aggregate Bond Index is an index made up of the Bloomberg U.S. Government/Corporate Bond Index, Mortgage-Backed Securities Index, and Asset-Based Securities Index, including securities that are of investment grade quality or better, have at least one year to maturity, and have an outstanding par value of at least \$100 million.

**ICE BofA 10-year U.S. Treasury Index** is a one-security index comprised of the most recently issued 10-year US Treasury note.

ICE BofA U.S. Corporate Index tracks the performance of US dollar denominated investment grade corporate debt publicly issued in the US domestic market.

**ICE BofA US High Yield Index** tracks the performance of US dollar denominated below investment grade corporate debt publicly issued in the US domestic market.

**JP Morgan EMBI Global Bond Index** tracks the performance U.S. dollar - denominated debt instruments issued by emerging markets.

**Morningstar LSTA US Leveraged Loan Index** is an unmanaged index of the institutional leveraged loan market.

#### **RISK CONSIDERATIONS**

There is no assurance that a portfolio will achieve its investment objective. Portfolios are subject to market risk, which is the possibility that the market values of securities owned by the portfolio will decline. Market values can change daily due to economic and other events (e.g. natural disasters, health crises, terrorism, conflicts and social unrest) that affect markets, countries, companies or governments. It is difficult to predict the timing, duration, and potential adverse effects (e.g. portfolio liquidity) of events. Accordingly, you can lose money investing in this portfolio. Please be aware that this portfolio may be subject to certain additional risks. Loans are generally associated with fixed income securities risk and are traded in a private, unregulated inter-dealer or inter-bank resale market and are generally subject to contractual restrictions that must be satisfied before a loan can be bought or sold. These restrictions may impede the Fund's ability to buy or sell loans (thus affecting their liquidity) and may negatively impact the transaction price. It may take longer than seven days for transactions in loans to settle; therefore the Fund may hold cash, sell investments or temporarily borrow from banks or other lenders to meet short-term liquidity needs. Loans to entities located outside of the U.S. may have substantially different lender protections and covenants as compared to loans to U.S. entities and may involve greater risks. Loans may be structured such that they are not securities under securities law, and in the event of fraud or misrepresentation by a borrower, lenders may not have the protection of the anti-fraud provisions of the federal securities laws. Loans are also subject to risks associated with other types of income investments. Fixed-income securities are subject to the ability of an issuer to make timely principal and interest payments (credit risk), changes in interest rates (interest-rate risk), the creditworthiness of the issuer and general market liquidity (market risk). In a rising interest-rate environment, bond prices may fall and may result in periods of volatility and increased portfolio redemptions. In a declining interest-rate environment, the portfolio may generate less income. In addition to fixed income securities risk, asset-backed securities are subject to the risk that various federal and state consumer laws and other legal and economic factors may result in the collateral backing the securities being insufficient to support payment on the securities. Some also entail prepayment risk and extension risk, and may become more volatile in certain interest rate environment. Collateralized loan obligations carry additional risks such as the Fund may invest in CLOs that are subordinate to other classes and the complex structure may not be fully understood at the time of investment and may produce disputes with the issuer or unexpected investment results. **Distressed** and defaulted securities are speculative and involve substantial risks in addition to the risks of investing in **high yield securities**, which are lower rated securities that may have a higher degree of credit and liquidity risk. The Fund will generally not receive interest payments on the distressed securities and the repayment of principal may also be at risk. These securities may present a substantial risk of default or may be in default at the time of investment, requiring the Fund to incur additional costs. Mezzanine investments are subordinated debt securities, thus they carry the risk that the issuer will not be able to meet its obligations and

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