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### ADVISORS PREFERRED QUANTIFIED STF FUND MARKS FIVE-YEAR ANNIVERSARY WITH AUM GROWTH, PERFORMANCE

#### Trend-following strategy seeks to outperform the NASDAQ 100 Index

**Rockville, MD, Nov. 13, 2020** -- [Advisors Preferred](#), a leading fund manager with assets exceeding \$1.5 billion under management, announced that its [Quantified STF Fund](#) (QSTFX) has marked its five-year anniversary with an annual return of 18.59% since inception and has approximately \$104 million in AUM as of November 13, 2020. Launched in 2015, the fund received an Overall Morningstar Rating™ of 5 stars as of October 31, 2020 (rated against 219 Tactical Allocation funds) and was the top performing U.S. equity mutual fund in the calendar year 2017 for funds in the Morningstar database with at least \$100 million in AUM.

"We are very pleased with investor reception to the Quantified STF Fund. The fund has been popular with advisors as part of a diversified portfolio allocation for their clients. The QSTFX methodology continues to resonate in today's uncertain market," said Catherine Ayers-Rigsby, President of Advisors Preferred.

Part of the Quantified family of funds, the Quantified STF Fund seeks high appreciation on an annual basis consistent with a high tolerance for risk. The fund applies a proprietary strategy, Self-adjusting Trend Following (STF), to take advantage of both up and down market trends. Fund assets are allocated among long and short equity-related investments and long fixed income-related investments. The market risk exposure of the STF strategy is based solely on the price action of the NASDAQ 100 Index, and the fund's strategy aims to outperform the NASDAQ 100 Index over the long term with less downside risk.

"With STF, we are applying a disciplined methodology that targets optimum return, while deriving income from a short-term bond portfolio. With risk exposure based on the NASDAQ 100 Index, the STF strategy is designed to capture market upside and minimize downside, as well as provide the stability of an income stream to offset fund expenses," said Jerry Wagner, founder and president of Flexible Plan Investments, Ltd., sub-adviser to the Quantified Funds , and one of the Fund's portfolio managers.

For more information about the Quantified Funds, log on to <https://www.quantifiedfunds.com/>, [www.flexibleplan.com](http://www.flexibleplan.com), or [www.advisorspreferred.com](http://www.advisorspreferred.com).

## **About Advisors Preferred LLC**

Advisors Preferred ([www.advisorsprefferred.com](http://www.advisorsprefferred.com)) is a manager of mutual funds distributed to financial advisors and financial professionals. The firm helps advisors build their practices with actively managed mutual funds, as well as product consultation, market intelligence, product placement, sales reporting, and advanced trading. Advisors Preferred has approximately \$1.5 billion in assets under management as of October 15th.

## **About Flexible Plan Investments, Ltd.**

Established in 1981, Flexible Plan Investments, Ltd., invests over \$1.5 billion in assets for clients in its separately managed account business (as of September 30, 2020). As a founding member of the National Association of Active Investment Managers (NAAIM), Flexible Plan, a turnkey asset management program (TAMP) provider, is one of the trade association's largest and oldest active money managers. The company's mission is to provide investors with competitive returns, while reducing risk through the use of dynamic risk management, strategic diversification, and cutting-edge technology and support services. For more information, visit [www.flexibleplan.com](http://www.flexibleplan.com).

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### Fund Performance as of September 30, 2020

	Quarter	YTD	1 Year	3 Year	Since Inception*
QSTFX	20.53%	52.79%	82.39%	23.30%	19.06%
NASDAQ 100 Total Return Index	12.62%	31.65%	48.75%	25.36%	22.35%

\*Inception date: 11/13/2015

Returns for periods greater than one year are annualized

Past performance does not guarantee future results

The NASDAQ-100 Index includes 100 of the largest domestic and international non-financial companies listed on The Nasdaq Stock Market based on market capitalization. The Index reflects companies across major industry groups including computer hardware and software, telecommunications, retail/wholesale trade and biotechnology. It does not contain securities of financial companies including investment companies. It is not possible to directly invest in any index.

Investing in mutual funds involves risk, including loss of principal. For information regarding the risks specific to the Advisors Preferred family of funds, please see each Fund's prospectus.

There is no guarantee any investment strategy will generate a profit or prevent a loss. There is no guarantee the Funds will achieve their investment objectives.

**An investor should carefully consider the investment objectives, risks, charges and expenses of the Funds before investing. This and other information can be found in the Funds' prospectus and summary prospectus, which can be obtained by calling 1-855-650-7453. The prospectus should be read carefully prior to investing.**

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