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## BNP PARIBAS PATRIOT TECHNOLOGY INDEX

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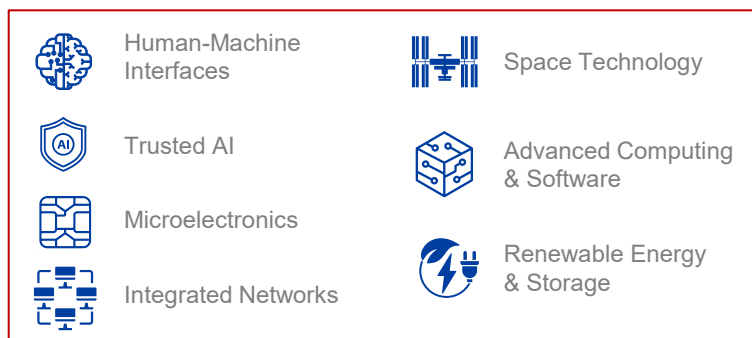
the **Patriot Technology Index** ("the Index") is a rules-based index that aims to provide a balance between growth potential and asset protection by offering exposure to companies that are aligned with the **United States Department of Defense's critical technologies list** and with **low geostrategic risk & foreign influence**. It also adds a layer of risk control through the **BNP Paribas volatility control overlay**.

the Index constituents are selected from the **14 technologies the US Department of Defense seeks to accelerate the development and growth of**, in order to **support and enhance** both the national security capabilities and economic prosperity of the country:

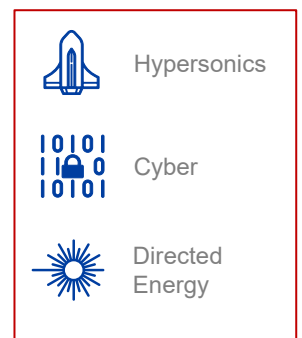
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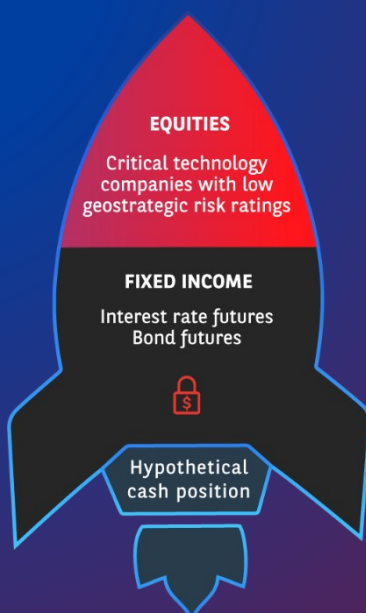
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### DEFENSE SPECIFIC AREAS



## INDEX METHODOLOGY OVERVIEW:



the **Equity** portion of the Index is made up of exposure to companies that pass the critical technology screen and that have a low relative exposure to geostrategic risk and foreign influence as determined by J.H. Whitney<sup>1</sup>.

**Fixed income** is added as the first layer of the risk control mechanism using both interest rate futures as well as bond futures in order to dampen volatility.

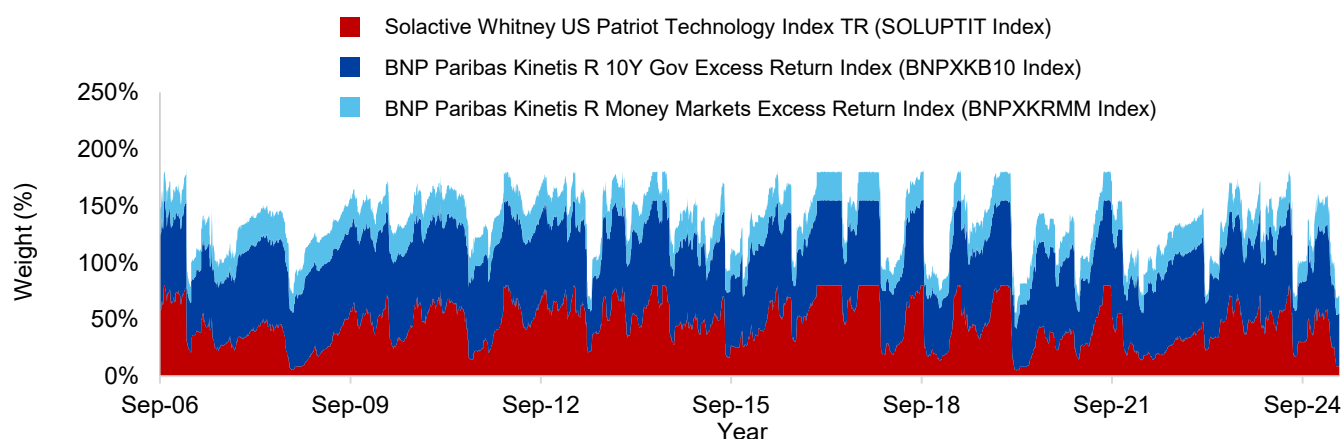
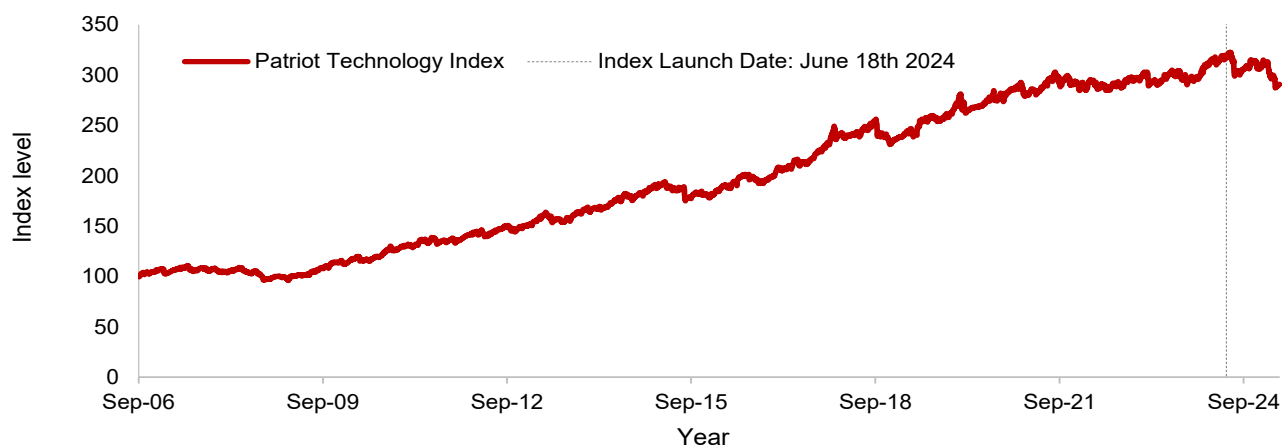
In addition to fixed income, a **hypothetical cash position** is employed as the second layer of the volatility control mechanism, to target an annualized realized volatility of 7%.

<sup>1</sup>J.H. Whitney is a geopolitical risk consulting firm whose proprietary geostrategic risk scoring methodology helps inform the equity portion of the Index.

## INDEX INFORMATION

<b>Bloomberg ticker</b>	PATRIOT Index	<b>Index Launch Date</b>	June 18 <sup>th</sup> , 2024
<b>Calculation Agent</b>	BNP Paribas Financial Markets	<b>Index Type</b>	Excess Return <sup>1</sup>
<b>Index Sponsor</b>	BNP Paribas	<b>Weighting</b>	Daily rebalancing
<b>Index Start Date</b>	September 29 <sup>th</sup> , 2006		

## HISTORICAL & HYPOTHETICAL INDEX PERFORMANCE & EXPOSURE<sup>2</sup>



	YTD	1Y	3Y	5Y	10Y	Since Inception
Annualized Return	-4.87%	-7.11%	0.13%	1.65%	4.32%	5.91%
Annualized Volatility	8.46%	7.64%	7.14%	6.99%	7.10%	7.06%
Annualized Return / Annualized Volatility	-	-	0.02	0.24	0.61	0.84

Source: Bloomberg, BNP Paribas from September 29<sup>th</sup>, 2006 to April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2025. Past performance is not an indicator of future performance.

<sup>1</sup>The Patriot Technology Index is an "Excess Return Index" meaning its returns are derived from changes in the level of its components (known as "price return") and profit or loss gained from rolling from one futures contract to another (known as "roll return"). Unlike Total Return Indices, it does not derive returns based on interest earned on cash or other collateral deposited in connection with the purchase of futures contracts (known as "collateral return").

<sup>2</sup>The Patriot Technology Index is based on hypothetical Past Performance Data ("PPD") prior to the Launch Date of June 18<sup>th</sup>, 2024, actual/historical performance begins after Launch Date. Because the Patriot Technology Index did not exist prior to the Launch Date, all retrospective levels provided in the graphs and tables above are simulated and must be considered illustrative only. The presentation of hypothetical data reflects the deduction of fees and charges. These simulations are the result of estimates made by BNP Paribas at a given moment on the basis of the parameters selected by BNP Paribas, certain assumptions that may or may not hold in future periods, of market conditions at this given moment and of historical data, which should not be used as guidance, in any way, of the future results of the Patriot Technology Index.



# SELECTED RISKS & CONSIDERATIONS ASSOCIATED WITH THE INDEX

## **the Patriot Technology Index levels are based on the values of notional assets and liabilities.**

the Patriot Technology Index only calculates the exposure to a dynamic, hypothetical portfolio that tracks the excess returns of the underlying components and is purely notional. There is no actual portfolio of assets to which any person makes any investment or has any ownership interest.

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## **Strategies relying on the levels of the Patriot Technology Index may not be successful.**

There is a risk that the rules-based methodology of the Patriot Technology Index does not meet its stated objectives, including meeting its annualized target volatility of 7%, resulting in underperformance of the components that comprise the index.

## **Correlation of performances among the underlying components may reduce the levels of the Patriot Technology Index.**

Performances among the underlying components may become highly correlated from time to time. High correlation during periods of negative returns among underlying components representing any one sector or asset type that have a substantial weighting in the Patriot Technology Index could have a material adverse effect on the levels of the Patriot Technology Index, which could in turn negatively affect the performance any product or strategy based partly or wholly on the levels of the Patriot Technology Index.

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## **The Patriot Technology Index has limited historical information.**

The Patriot Technology Index is a new strategy, launched on June 18<sup>th</sup> 2024. The performance shown before that date is hypothetical past performance, based on hypothetical back-tested information. This brochure also contains certain performance data based on back-testing, i.e., calculations of the hypothetical levels of the Patriot Technology Index as if it had actually existed during a defined period of time, and may in certain circumstances contain simulated levels information where the Patriot Technology Index has recently been established or issued. For time periods prior to the launch of any ETF included in the index, back-testing uses alternative performance information derived from a proxy with similar asset exposure, rather than performance information for the relevant ETF. Further, you must note that such analysis is based on a number of working assumptions that may not be capable of duplication in actual trading terms. Unlike actual performance records, hypothetical or simulated performances, returns or scenarios may not necessarily reflect certain market factors such as liquidity constraints, fees and transaction costs and must be considered as illustrative only. Actual historical or back-tested past performance does not constitute an indication of future results. The actual performance of the Patriot Technology Index may bear little relation to its hypothetical historical results.

## **The Patriot Technology Index has limited public information.**

The Patriot Technology Index is a custom index developed by BNP Paribas, the Index Sponsor. There is limited information relating to the Patriot Technology Index that is publicly available. In addition, publicly available information on the Patriot Technology Index, its methodology and its components is limited.

## **The Patriot Technology Index's daily volatility control mechanism may result in a lower index level and the actual volatility of the Patriot Technology Index may not equal its target volatility.**

The Patriot Technology Index's daily volatility control allows the Patriot Technology Index to dynamically adjust the value of the hypothetical exposure to the portfolio the index is based on and any cash component, depending on the volatility environment. However, the risk control overlay might limit overall levels of the Patriot Technology Index in rising equity markets and may provide imperfect, limited protection in falling equity markets, particularly against sudden, large equity losses. No assurance can be given that the Patriot Technology Index methodology will achieve its target volatility goals or that products or strategies based partly or wholly on the levels of the Patriot Technology Index will outperform any alternative investment.

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## **Portions of the Patriot Technology Index may be effectively uninvested and earn no return.**

The Patriot Technology Index, on each day on which it is calculated, adjusts its exposure to its components in an attempt to maintain an annualized volatility of 7%. If the aggregate weight of the components is less than 100%, the Patriot Technology Index will allocate exposure to a hypothetical cash position. As a result, the Patriot Technology Index may underperform a similar index that provides 100% exposure to its components. The hypothetical cash position is an uninvested position that does not earn interest or any other return.

## **The price, level or value of the components used in the Patriot Technology Index may differ from other publicly available prices.**

The levels of the components that are Treasury Futures Indices (the "BNPP Component Indices") are intended to reflect the performance of the relevant futures contracts on a daily volume-weighted average price, subject to a set of trade filters selected by the Index Sponsor to exclude trades with certain codes provided by the relevant exchange that indicate non-standard trades. Such levels are calculated by the Index Calculation Agent or an affiliate thereof and are not publicly available and may not reflect all trades reported by the relevant futures exchange. The daily closing price or any other price of the underlying futures contract may vary from the volume-weighted average price reflected by the level of the applicable BNPP Component Index.

Furthermore, a BNPP Component Index may be subject to a disruption due to the unavailability of a volume-weighted average price despite regular trading of the underlying futures contract and the availability of a closing price for such contract.

## **The Patriot Technology Index 's target volatility feature may reduce its appreciation potential.**

Under normal circumstances, equity or commodity futures may exhibit significantly higher volatility than the target volatility of 7%. Accordingly, the "volatility control" mechanism of the Patriot Technology Index may have the effect of skewing allocations among components in the Patriot Technology Index toward components that provide exposure to fixed-income assets (which typically have lower volatility than components that provide exposure to equity or commodity futures) or to cash (which has zero volatility). Index components that typically have lower volatility may have lower return potential than components that typically have higher volatility, and any allocation to cash will earn no return at all.

Moreover, if the Patriot Technology Index has a relatively high allocation to components that provide exposure to fixed-income assets, it will be particularly sensitive to factors that adversely affect the value of fixed-income instruments, such as increases in interest rates or declining perceptions of credit quality. A high allocation to components that provide exposure to fixed-income assets may also cause the Patriot Technology Index to underperform a portfolio more heavily weighted with higher volatility assets under certain circumstances. For example, in an equity bull market that is accompanied by rising interest rates, a portfolio heavily weighted with components that provide exposure to fixed-income assets might decline in value as a result of the rising interest rates, while a portfolio heavily weighted with components that provide exposure to equities would appreciate in value.

## **Other Key Risks:**

- The Patriot Technology Index involves daily rebalancing that is applied to the components. Changes in the value of the components may offset each other.
- The Patriot Technology Index is subject to risks associated with non-U.S. markets.
- Certain components are based on futures contracts and may be subject to currency exchange risk. The Patriot Technology Index contains a currency conversion mechanism that seeks to reduce losses due to currency exchange risk. It can also reduce or eliminate gains from currency exchange risk.



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