



# LIQUID ABS FUND

31 December 2023

## FUND OBJECTIVE

The Fund seeks to generate a return for investors mainly through investment in a portfolio of liquid asset backed securities (ABS) and corporate floating rate notes (FRNs)

## FUND SUMMARY

- Actively managed to aim to deliver positive absolute returns in excess of a cash benchmark
- Aims to add value principally through a focus on daily liquidity management, via a high allocation to AAA and AA rated instruments with short maturities
- Rigorous, disciplined investment process aiming to deliver precision and diversification

## SHARE CLASS PERFORMANCE (%) (S £ Acc share class)

	1 month	3 months	1 year	3 years (pa)	5 years (pa)	Since inception (pa)
Fund	0.57	1.63	6.22	2.54	2.16	1.81
Benchmark	0.45	1.33	4.77	2.06	1.43	1.04

	Calendar year returns					12-month rolling returns				
	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2022-2023	2021-2022	2020-2021	2019-2020	2018-2019
Fund	6.22	0.41	1.08	1.11	2.09	6.22	0.41	1.08	1.11	2.09
Benchmark	4.77	1.42	0.06	0.19	0.80	4.77	1.42	0.06	0.19	0.80

Source: Insight Investment and Rimes. Fund performance is shown for share class S £ Acc and is calculated as total return, including reinvested income, gross of fees and expenses. Gross of fees performance results do not reflect the deduction of charges, which will reduce investors' returns. Benchmark performance shown is for 1-month SONIA (previously 3-Month GBP LIBOR until 1st January 2020). Performance for periods over one year is annualised. Past performance is not a guide to future performance. The value of investments and any income from them will fluctuate and is not guaranteed (this may be partly due to exchange rate fluctuations). Investors may not get back the full amount invested. Investors must read all performance information alongside the full performance information in the KIID.

## FUND MANAGER COMMENTS

The Fund outperformed its cash benchmark in December, ending with a running yield of 93bp ahead of one-month SONIA and a 99% weighting to AAA rated assets. Risk assets rallied on hopes of a soft landing and rate cuts in 2024. European structured credit performed well. Higher beta classes outperformed but the senior market also posted gains. Demand outweighed thin supply, aiding the technical backdrop. It was a quiet month for issuance, in line with the seasonal pattern. US structured credit posted gains, against limited supply and strong demand in secondary markets. Higher beta sectors, including commercial mortgage-backed securities (MBS), outperformed, as concerns around financing costs subsided. Performance was broad-based, with residential MBS contributing most strongly. Our outlook for asset-backed securities remains positive, due to robust technicals, dovish central bank signals and attractive valuations relative to corporate credit.

## FUND FACTS

Fund size: £2.1bn

Inception date: 22 January 2015

Benchmark: 1 Month SONIA

Fund managers: Seema Sopal, Jeremy Deacon

## FUND CHARACTERISTICS

	Fund
Yield (%)	6.11
Weighted average life (years)	1.7
Weighted Average Discount Margin (Assets) vs Sonia (bp)	102
Weighted Average Discount Margin (Fund) vs Sonia (bp)	93

## KEY BENEFITS FOR VAG-REGULATED INVESTORS

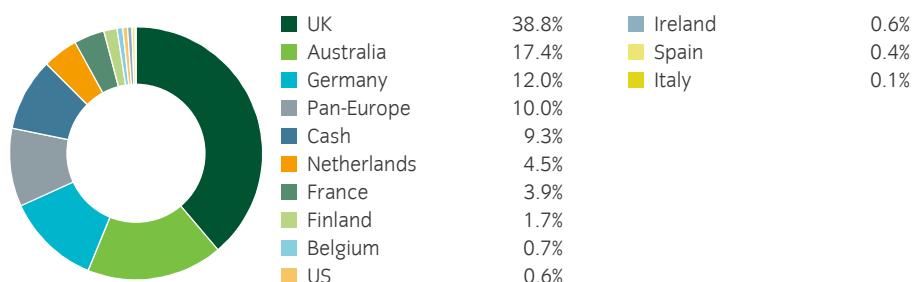
- Predominantly investment grade instruments
- The Fund will invest in securities rated at least B-<sup>1</sup>
- UCITS Fund
- Provision of quarterly VAG reporting
- Provision of German tax reporting
- Gutachten available

<sup>1</sup> The fund may also invest in unrated securities where, in the opinion of the Sub-investment manager, they are at least of equivalent quality to B-.

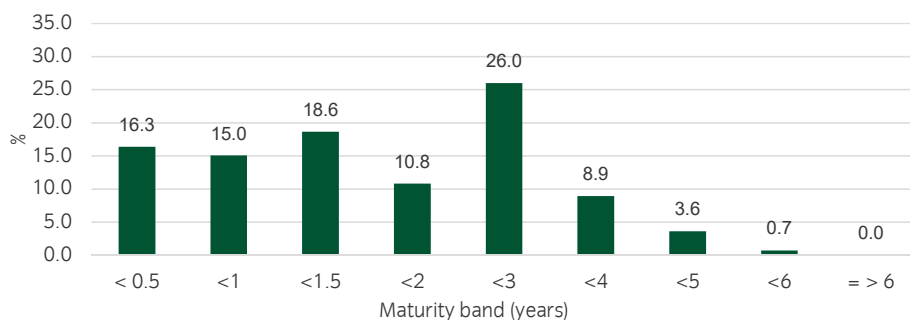
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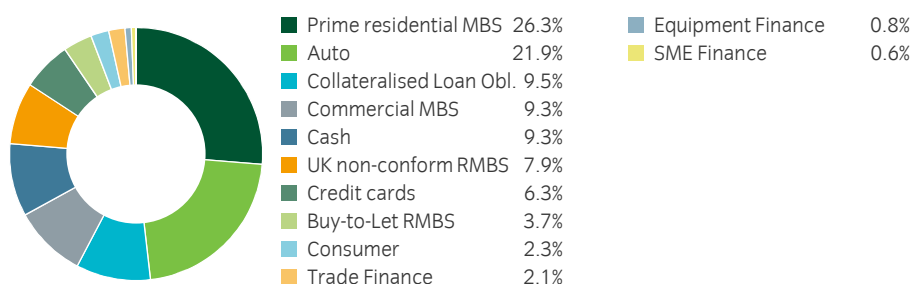
## GEOGRAPHY



## MATURITY PROFILE



## FUND ALLOCATION



## TECHNICAL DETAILS

**Legal structure:** Open Ended Investment Company (UCITS)

**Domicile:** Ireland

**Share class currencies:** Sterling, Euro

**Dealing frequency:** Daily, Midday

**Settlement period:** T+3

**Pricing method:** Swinging single price

**Scheme:** Insight Global Funds II plc

**Depository:** Northern Trust Fiduciary Services (Ireland) Limited

**Administrator:** Northern Trust International Fund Administration Services (Ireland) Limited

**Ongoing charges:** 0.20% (represented by share class B Sterling Accumulation, other share classes are available)



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