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# BONDS PLUS FUND



31 August 2023

## FUND OBJECTIVE

The Fund aims to deliver positive absolute returns on an annual basis

## FUND SUMMARY

- Actively managed to aim to deliver positive absolute returns in excess of a cash benchmark
- Invests primarily in fixed income securities and currencies, either directly or via derivatives, to express views on the direction of global bond and currency markets.
- Seeks to add value through a diversified portfolio incorporating positions in global bond and currency markets; aims to achieve attractive risk-adjusted returns in all market conditions.
- Rigorous and disciplined investment process bringing together the 'best ideas' from a large team of fixed income and currency specialists.

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

	1 month	3 months	1 year	3 years (pa)	5 years (pa)	10 years (pa)	Since inception (pa)
Fund	0.37	1.96	4.58	2.77	1.91	1.69	2.86
Benchmark	0.44	1.25	3.83	1.47	1.16	0.84	1.47

	Calendar year returns					12-month rolling returns				
	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2022-2023	2021-2022	2020-2021	2019-2020	2018-2019
Fund	2.48	1.21	1.06	2.61	-2.77	4.58	1.01	2.76	1.49	-0.23
Benchmark	1.42	0.06	0.29	0.80	0.72	3.83	0.58	0.05	0.54	0.82

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 31st December 2020). Performance for periods over one year is annualised. Past performance is not indicative of future results. Investment in any strategy involves a risk of loss which may partly be due to exchange rate fluctuations.

## FUND MANAGER COMMENTS

The Fund generated a positive return in August. Risk free assets were volatile and credit spreads widened. The Fund's credit positioning was neutral. Our long positions in loans and asset-backed securities contributed. Our long positions in European investment grade credit relative to European high yield credit and US investment grade credit were negative. Country selection proved detrimental, owing to our relative short position in Europe against long positions in other markets. Our emerging market positions detracted, due to rising yields. The Fund's swap spread position was a negative. Our yield curve positioning had a positive impact on performance, driven by the steeper position in UK interest rate swaps. The Fund's duration positioning detracted, due to our long position in US Treasuries. Our inflation positions had a positive impact on performance, resulting from our short position in euro-denominated inflation swaps. The Fund's currency positioning was neutral.

## FUND FACTS

**Fund size:** £549.4m

**Inception date:** 1 September 2006

**Benchmark:** SONIA

**Fund manager:** Peter Bentley; Gareth Colesmith; Shaun Casey

**Target return:** Outperform benchmark by 2% pa (before tax, fees and expenses) over rolling three year periods. However, a positive return is not guaranteed and a capital loss may occur.

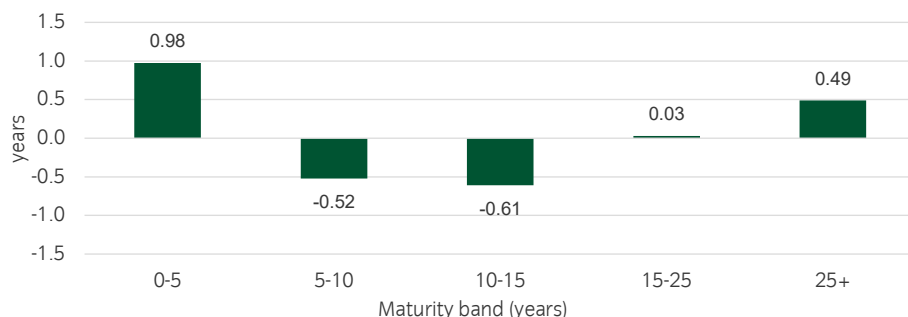
## FUND CHARACTERISTICS

	Fund
Yield (%)	5.25
Duration (years)	0.4
Spread duration (years)	0.5

## DURATION EXPOSURE BY CURRENCY

(years)	Fund
Sterling	0.3
US dollar	0.1
Euro	-0.7
Other	0.7
Total	0.4

## DURATION EXPOSURE BY MATURITY

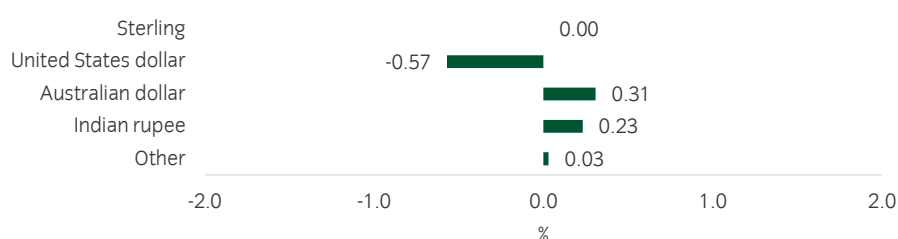


## CREDIT AND EMERGING MARKET EXPOSURE

	Fund
Investment grade <sup>1</sup>	0.2 yrs
High yield <sup>1</sup>	0.2 yrs
Loans <sup>2</sup>	4.6%
Emerging market debt <sup>2</sup>	4.6%
Asset- backed securities <sup>2</sup>	6.0%

<sup>1</sup>Spread Duration Contribution <sup>2</sup>Percentage Allocation

## RELATIVE CURRENCY EXPOSURES



## TECHNICAL DETAILS

**Legal structure:** Qualifying Investor Alternative Investment Fund (QIAIF)

**Domicile:** Ireland

**Share class currencies:** Sterling, Euro

**Dealing frequency:** Every business day, 12pm

**Settlement period:** T+3

**Pricing method:** NAV per Share, which may be subject to an adjustment based on the single swing price adjustment mechanism, as disclosed in the Prospectus

**Scheme:** LDI Solutions Plus ICAV

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

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

**Ongoing charges:** 0.59% (represented by share class B Euro, other share classes are available)



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