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# BONDS PLUS 400 FUND

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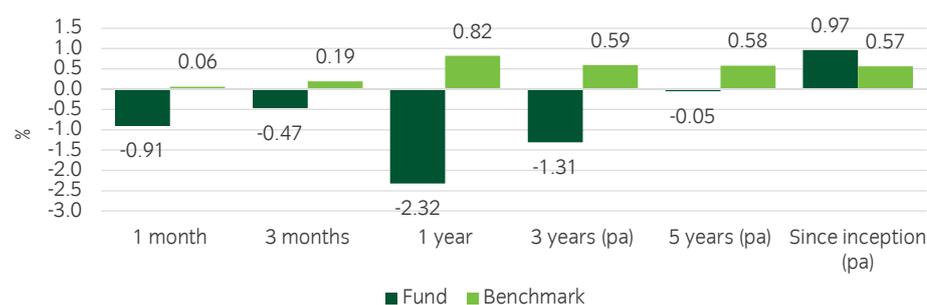
## FUND OBJECTIVE

The Fund seeks to deliver an annualised return, gross of all fees and expenses, that is at least 4% above the return provided by the Fund's benchmark. However, a positive return is not guaranteed and a capital loss may occur

## 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)



Source: Insight Investment and Rimes. Fund performance is shown for share class S £ Acc which was launched on 7 March 2013 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 3 Month Sterling Libor. 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 delivered a negative return, underperforming its cash benchmark. Duration positioning was the largest negative contributor mainly due to our long position in US 30-year real yields. Yield curve positioning was also negative as our 'flattener' position in Italy suffered as the long end of the Italian yield curve steepened during the month. Country allocation was also negative as losses from our long positions in the US (versus Australia and Germany) outweighed the gains made from our UK positions (also held against Australian and Germany) that benefitted as Brexit concerns caused gilts to outperform most major markets. Inflation positioning was a small negative. Investment grade credit was positive due to a combination of security selection in cash bonds and yield curve trading in credit default swap indices. Asset-backed securities, high yield and emerging market debt generated small positive returns. Our loans and currency positions were small negatives.

## FUND FACTS

**Fund size:** £1.2bn

**Inception date:** 7 March 2013

**Benchmark:** 3 Month LIBOR

**Fund manager:** Andrew Wickham

**Target return:** Outperform benchmark by 4% pa (before tax, fees and expenses) over rolling three year periods. However, a positive return is not guaranteed and a capital loss may occur.

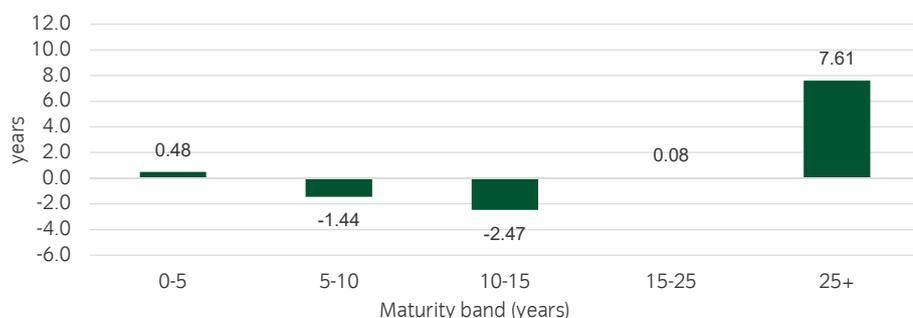
## FUND CHARACTERISTICS

|                               | Fund |
|-------------------------------|------|
| Yield (%)                     | 0.79 |
| Duration (years)              | 4.3  |
| Index linked duration (years) | 7.9  |
| Spread duration (years)       | 1.5  |

## DURATION EXPOSURE BY CURRENCY

| (years)   | Fund |
|-----------|------|
| Sterling  | 0.8  |
| US dollar | 13.3 |
| Euro      | -7.3 |
| Other     | -2.5 |
| Total     | 4.3  |

## DURATION EXPOSURE BY MATURITY

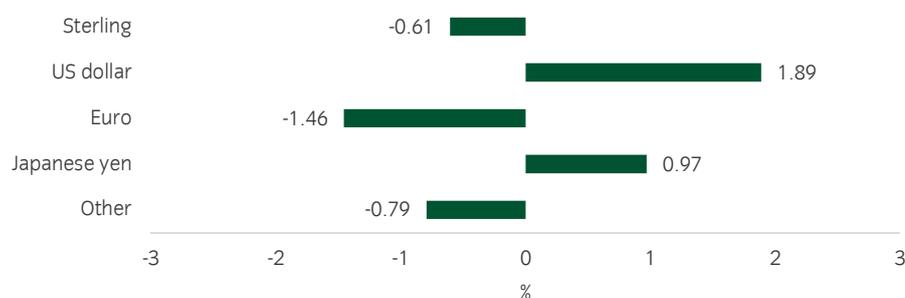


## CREDIT AND EMERGING MARKET EXPOSURE

|                                      | Fund      |
|--------------------------------------|-----------|
| Investment grade <sup>1</sup>        | 1.54 yrs  |
| High yield <sup>1</sup>              | -0.37 yrs |
| Loans <sup>2</sup>                   | 7.1%      |
| Emerging market debt <sup>2</sup>    | 16.5%     |
| Asset-backed securities <sup>2</sup> | 13.2%     |

<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:** Swinging single price

**Scheme:** LDI Solutions Plus ICAV

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

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

**Ongoing charges:** 1.05% (represented by share class B2 sterling, other share classes are available)



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