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# **BONDS PLUS 400 FUND**



31 July 2019

#### **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. Country allocation was the main negative mainly due to our long US versus short German position as German bunds benefitted from the European Central Bank's (ECB) signal that further easing and a new asset purchase programme are likely in the next months. Duration was also negative mainly due to our short position in Italian bonds, which also rallied on dovish ECB rhetoric. Yield curve positioning was also a negative for performance. Inflation positioning was positive as our 30-year US Treasury Inflation-Protected Securities 'breakeven' position slightly recovered some of last month's losses. In credit, investment grade benefitted from some spread tightening, and our small net long duration position in emerging market debt was also positive. Asset-backed securities, high yield, and loans were neutral. Currency was a small positive.

# **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

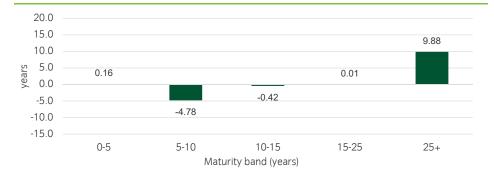
#### FUND CHARACTERISTICS

	Fund
Yield (%)	1.06
Duration (years)	4.9
Index linked duration (years)	6.5
Spread duration (years)	0.7

#### **DURATION EXPOSURE BY CURRENCY**

(years)	Fund
Sterling	6.0
US dollar	10.3
Euro	-11.0
Other	-0.5
Total	4.9

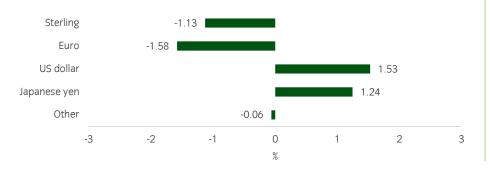
# **DURATION EXPOSURE BY MATURITY**



#### CREDIT AND EMERGING MARKET EXPOSURE

	Fund
Investment grade <sup>1</sup>	0.97 yrs
High yield <sup>1</sup>	1.04 yrs
Loans <sup>2</sup>	7.2%
Emerging market debt <sup>2</sup>	19.5%
Asset-backed securities <sup>2</sup>	14.8%
<sup>1</sup> Spread Duration Contribution <sup>2</sup> Percentage Allocation	

# RELATIVE CURRENCY EXPOSURES



#### **TECHNICAL DETAILS**

Alternative Investment Fund (QIAIF)

Domicile: Ireland

Share class currencies: Sterling, Euro

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

Settlement period: T+3

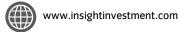
Pricing method: Swinging single price

Scheme: LDI Solutions Plus ICAV

**Depositary:** 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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