# Bentham Global Income Fund

July 2018

### **Investment Objective**

The Fund provides exposure to global credit markets and aims to generate income with some potential for capital growth over the medium to long term.

Fund Performance as at 31 July 2018								
	1 month	3 months	6 months	1 year	3 years (p.a.)	5 years (p.a.)	10 years (p.a.)	Since inception (p.a.)
Gross return (before fees)	0.51	0.12	0.76	6.10	6.27	6.86	9.15	8.19
Growth return (after fees)	0.12	-1.83	-2.36	0.43	0.80	0.99	<i>1.75</i>	0.54
Distribution return (after fees)	0.33	1.77	2.76	4.91	4.70	5.09	6.59	6.85
Total return (after fees) <sup>1</sup>	0.45	-0.06	0.40	5.34	5.50	6.08	8.34	7.38
Benchmark	0.18	0.92	1.54	2.42	2.50	3.23	4.61	4.94
Active return (after fees) <sup>2</sup>	0.28	-0.99	-1.14	2.92	3.00	2.85	3.73	2.44

Past performance is not indicative of future performance. Returns may be volatile and may vary from year to year.

### **Portfolio and Market Returns**

The Bentham Global Income Fund had a total return (after fees) of 0.45% in the month of July, outperforming the benchmark (50% Bloomberg AusBond Bank Bill Index, 50% Bloomberg AusBond Composite Index) after fees by 0.28%. On a before fees basis the fund returned 0.51% for the month, outperforming the benchmark by 0.34%.

July was a positive month for credit and a challenge for government bonds which generally sold-off. Favourable economic conditions in the US outweighed worries in Europe and potential Trade Wars with China which re-escalated during the month.

The top performing contributors to performance included Global Syndicated Loans, Bank Capital Securities and Global Hybrids; whilst the bottom performing contributors included RMBS, Global High Yield and European Convertibles.

We still remain cautious about rates especially given the most recent economic prints with strong Non-Farm Payrolls and Employment. The "Double Barrel Year" continues to be both an interesting and challenging market to navigate for traditional assets and the knock-on impacts felt abroad in Emerging Markets continue to keep us concerned.

Our outlook for global credit markets remains cautiously optimistic even as we begin to wind-down our short rates position. We expect that the improving macroeconomic environment in the US will continue to be supportive of credit markets and bearish for most bond markets, and potentially even for Equities. We continue to be concerned about growing risks in emerging markets (where we are currently short) and their potential impact on Australia even after the recent sell-off. Even though July was a good month for Emerging Markets, the headwinds of a stronger USD will continue to weigh on EM valuations.

Portfolio Summary Statistics				
Yield to maturity	5.03%			
Running yield	4.43%			
Credit spread <sup>3</sup>	+259bps			
Number of issuers	635			
Interest rate duration	-2.29 years			
Credit duration	4.23 years			
Investment grade <sup>4</sup> exposure	62% of portfolio			
Fund size	A\$2,364,321,818			

Risk Characteristics	
5 Year Volatility <sup>5</sup>	3.12
5 Year Sharpe Ratio <sup>6</sup>	1.16
5 Year Tracking Error <sup>7</sup>	3.79
5 Year Information Ratio <sup>8</sup>	0.96

Fund Distributions					
Distribution frequency	Monthly				
Monthly distribution <sup>9</sup>	0.33% (July 2018)				
Target distribution rate (FY19) <sup>10</sup>	3.75% to 4.25%				

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Total Net Return (after fees) is calculated using pre-distribution month end withdrawal unit prices, and assumes all income is reinvested in additional units. Total Return equals Growth return (after fees) plus Distribution return (after fees).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Active Return of the Fund is the difference between the Total Return and the return of the Benchmark. Gross Returns (before fees) are calculated by adding back the fees and expenses deducted. Please refer to the PDS for more information on fees and expenses.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Spread over the swap rate.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> An assigned credit rating of BBB-/Baa3 or better by a credit rating agency.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Volatility is Standard Deviation.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Sharpe Ratio is the Active Return (before fees) divided by Standard Deviation.

Tracking Error is the Standard Deviation of the Active Return (before fees).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> Information Ratio is the Active Return (before fees) divided by the Tracking Error.

<sup>9</sup> Calculated as the cents per unit (CPU) distribution at the month end divided by the ex-distribution unit price at the start of the month.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> Bentham intends to achieve the distribution rate for FY2019 with taxable income. If there is a shortfall of taxable income, the distribution may possibly include a capital return. The current distribution rate setting was based on the running yield of the Fund as at 30 June 2018 and assumes the Fund continues to achieve an equivalent yield for FY2019. Actual distributions, however, can differ from this setting because of future matters which are not known or able to be presently identified.



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Monthly Distribution Returns History (%) <sup>1</sup>													
Financial Year	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	YTD <sup>2</sup>
2019	0.33	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.33
2018	0.37	0.33	0.34	0.33	0.33	0.33	0.34	0.33	0.33	0.34	0.54	0.90	4.96
2017	0.37	0.37	0.37	0.37	0.37	0.37	0.38	0.37	0.37	0.37	0.37	0.36	4.88
2016	0.36	0.38	0.36	0.37	0.37	0.37	0.38	0.38	0.38	0.36	0.38	0.37	4.32
2015	0.44	0.43	0.44	0.44	0.44	0.42	0.44	0.44	0.43	0.43	0.43	0.77	5.58
2014	0.50	0.49	0.50	0.49	0.50	0.49	0.50	0.50	0.50	0.50	0.50	0.07	5.94

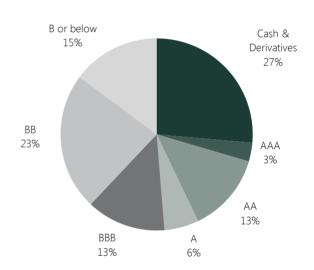
Source: Fidante Partners

### Past distributions are no indication of future distributions.

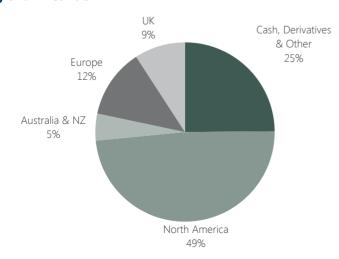
### **Portfolio Asset Allocation**



### **Credit Rating Breakdown**



### **Regional Breakdown**



# Top 5 Industry Exposures (Moody's SIC) Banking 11.3% Electronics 5.6% Insurance 4.9% Chemicals, Plastics and Rubber 4.4% Diversified/Conglomerate Service 4.3%

<b>Pricing and Fees</b>	
Unit frequency pricing	Daily
Management fee	0.77%
Buy/sell spread3	+0.24%/-0.24%
Entry and exit fees	Nil
Minimum initial investment	A\$10,000

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Buy/sell spread is retained in the Fund to cover transaction costs. It is not paid to the Investment Manager. The buy/sell spread is reviewed on a monthly basis to ensure it fairly reflects market transaction costs.

 $<sup>^{1}</sup>$  Calculated as the cents per unit (CPU) distribution at month end divided by the ex-distribution unit price at the start of the month.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Annual distribution return (Year-to-Date) is calculated as the Total Return (after fees) minus Growth Return. Total Return (after fees) is calculated using pre-distribution month end withdrawal unit price, and assumes distributions are reinvested. Growth Return equals the percentage change in unit price.



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<b>Fund Overview</b>		Platform Availability & mFund Code					
Portfolio Manager	Richard Quin	AMP Flexi Super MT	✓	OnePath OneAnswer	✓		
Inception date	16 September 2003	AMP PortfolioCare	✓	OnePath PortfolioOne	✓		
APIR code	CSA0038AU	AMP PPS	✓	IOOF – Pursuit Select	✓		
Benchmark			✓	Macquarie Wrap Super Manager	✓		
	and 50% Bloomberg Ausbond Bank Bill Index	- Asgard eWrap	✓	Macquarie Wrap Investment	✓		
Investment universe	Global credit and fixed interest markets, including but not limited to, government backed bonds,	Asgard Infiniti-Select	✓	MLC Wrap – IDPS	✓		
	securitised credit, global syndicated loans, global high yield bonds, equities and derivatives	Asgard Master Trust	✓	MLC Wrap – Super	✓		
		North	✓	MLC Navigator	✓		
Credit quality	Actively managed. Minimum exposure of 50% to investment grade rated securities	Summit	✓	Netwealth – Public	✓		
Interest rate exposure	Actively managed	BT Panorama	✓	Oasis	✓		
Currency	Aims to be fully hedged to AUD	BT Wrap	✓	Perpetual Wealth Focus	✓		
Fund features	Active specialist management	Federation	✓	PowerWrap	✓		
	<ul> <li>Access to global investment opportunities not typically available to direct retail investors</li> </ul>	FirstWrap	✓	Synergy	✓		
	Highly diversified portfolio	Grow Wrap	✓	uXchange	✓		
	<ul><li>Regular monthly distributions</li><li>Daily unit pricing</li></ul>	Hillross Portfolio Care	✓	ASX mFund Settlement Service BAN	M05		
	<ul> <li>Australian domiciled trust with more than 14 years' track record</li> <li>Competitive fee</li> </ul>	HUB24	✓		_		







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