

Bentham Global Income Fund

September 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 30 September 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)	0.91	1.73	2.25	6.26	7.34	6.77	9.71	8.19	
Growth return (after fees)	0.55	0.57	-0.88	0.63	1.85	0.97	2.36	0.56	
Distribution return	0.32	1.00	2.79	4.91	4.73	5.03	6.53	6.82	
Total return (after fees) ¹	0.88	1.57	1.90	5.54	6.57	5.99	8.89	7.38	
Benchmark	-0.13	0.53	1.19	2.80	2.41	3.24	4.40	4.92	
Active return (after fees) ²	1.01	1.04	0.71	2.74	4.16	2.75	4.49	2.46	

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 0.88% in the month of September, outperforming the benchmark (50% Bloomberg AusBond Bank Bill Index, 50% Bloomberg AusBond Composite Index) after fees by 1.01%. On a before fees basis the fund returned 0.91% for the month, outperforming the benchmark by 1.05%.

September was a strong month for credit and challenging month for government bonds as market volatility generally subsided. It was a strong quarter for developed markets with US Equities outperforming and US economic data showing continued strength in Animal Spirits, ultimately outweighing concerns around the escalating US-China trade war. The US initially targeted \$34 billion of Chinese products with a 25% tariff in early July. Tariffs on another \$16 billion began in late August, before a 10% tariff was implemented on a further \$200 billion of Chinese goods in September (set to rise to 25% in January).

As expected, the US hiked to 2.25% and rates continued to move higher. Positive economic data continued in the United States despite Hurricane Florence. The top performing contributors to performance included Global Syndicated Loans, Collateralised Loan Obligations and Global Hybrids; whilst the bottom performing contributors included Investment Grade Credit, European Convertibles and RMBS.

We remain cautious on rates especially given the most recent economic prints with unemployment dropping to new lows in the U.S. (3.7%). The "Double Barrel Year" continues to be both an interesting and challenging market to navigate for traditional assets, especially those with fixed cash flows. Our outlook for global credit markets remains cautiously optimistic even as we continue to wind-down our short rates position towards neutral. 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. Markets now anticipate the 4th hike of 2018 to be in December (76.2% priced in).

Portfolio Summary Statistics Yield to maturity 4.91% Running yield 4.40% Credit spread³ +240bps Number of issuers 647 Interest rate duration -1.93 years Credit duration 4.30 years Investment grade⁴ exposure 67% of portfolio Fund size A\$2,476,390,917

Risk Characteristics			

Fund Distributions	
Distribution frequency	Monthly
Monthly distribution ⁹	0.32% (Sep 2018)
Target distribution rate (FY19) ¹⁰	3.75% to 4.25%

¹ 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).

² 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.

³ Spread over the swap rate.

⁴ An assigned credit rating of BBB-/Baa3 or better by a credit rating agency.

⁵ Volatility is Standard Deviation.

⁶ Sharpe Ratio is the excess return over the Bloomberg AusBond Bank Bill Index (before fees) divided by Standard Deviation.

⁷ Tracking Error is the Standard Deviation of the Active Return (before fees).

⁸ Information Ratio is the Active Return (before fees) divided by the Tracking Error.

⁹ 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.

¹⁰ 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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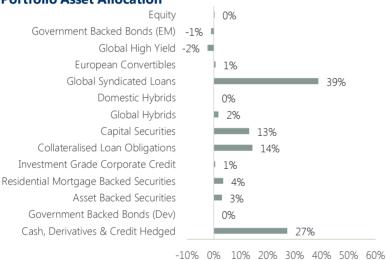
Monthly Distribution Returns History (%) ¹													
Financial Year	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	YTD ²
2019	0.33	0.33	0.32	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.00
2018	0.37	0.33	0.34	0.33	0.33	0.33	0.34	0.33	0.33	0.34	0.54	0.90	4.96
2017	0.37	0.37	0.37	0.37	0.37	0.37	0.38	0.37	0.37	0.37	0.37	0.36	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

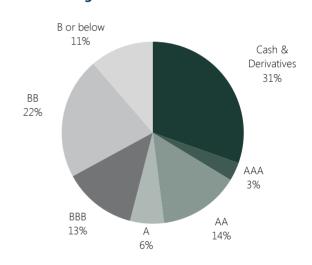
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- ¹ Calculated as the cents per unit (CPU) distribution at month end divided by the ex-distribution unit price at the start of the month.
- ² Annual distribution return (Year-to-Date) is calculated as the Total Return (after fees) minus Growth Return. 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.

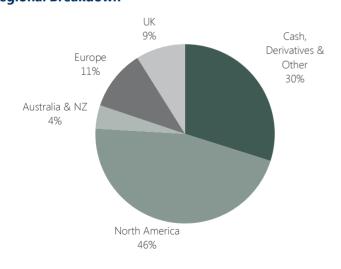
Portfolio Asset Allocation



Credit Rating Breakdown



Regional Breakdown



Top 5 Industry Exposures (Moody's SIC) Banking 11.2% Electronics 5.2% Insurance 4.9% Chemicals, Plastics and Rubber 4.7%

4.4%

Diversified/Conglomerate Service

Pricing and Fees	
Unit frequency pricing	Daily
Management fee	0.72%
Recoverable expenses	0.02% (Sep 2018)
Buy/sell spread ³	+0.215%/-0.215%
Entry and exit fees	Nil
Minimum initial investment	A\$10,000

³ 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.



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Fund Overview		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	50% Bloomberg Ausbond Composite Bond Index	AMP Wealthview	✓	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	✓		
	 Access to global investment opportunities not typically available to direct retail investors 	FirstWrap	✓	Synergy	✓		
	Highly diversified portfolio	Grow Wrap	✓	uXchange	✓		
	Regular monthly distributionsDaily unit pricing	Hillross Portfolio Care	✓	ASX mFund Settlement Service BAM05			
	 Australian domiciled trust with more than 14 years' track record Competitive fee 	HUB24	✓		_		







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