

Bentham Global Opportunities Fund

December 2019

Fund Aim

To provide diversified exposure to securities across global credit markets, with the flexibility to adapt its credit and cash exposure to suit market conditions across the credit cycle, and deliver consistent levels of income.

Fund Performance as at 31 December 2019 Since inception 1 month 3 months 6 months 1 year 2 years (p.a.) (p.a.) 1.09 Gross return (before fees) 1 80 2 48 6.08 3.94 4.40 Benchmark 0.07 0.24 0.52 150 171 1 71 1.02 4.58 2.24 Active return (before fees)1 156 196 2.69

Portfolio and Market Returns

The Bentham Global Opportunities Fund had a before fees return of 1.09% for the month, outperforming the benchmark by 1.02%. The top performing contributors to performance included Global Syndicated Loans, Bank Capital Securities and Global Hybrids; whilst the bottom performing contributors included Residential Mortgage Backed Securities (RMBS), Investment Grade Credit and Asset Backed Securities (ABS).

Portfolio Asset Allocation

During the month, exposures to Basis Trades and Collateralised Loan Obligations increased, whilst exposures to Capital Securities, Global High Yield and Global Syndicated Loans decreased. Current asset allocations are 2.5% in Global High Yield, 3.6% in Global Hybrids, 46.9% in Global Syndicated Loans, 7.1% in Capital Securities, 18.0% in Collateralised Loan Obligations, 0.5% in Investment Grade Corporate Credit, 3.8% in Residential Mortgage Backed Securities, 0.4% in Equity, 2.6% in Asset Backed Securities and 14.5% in Cash, Derivatives & Credit Hedged.

Portfolio Industry and Issuer Exposures

The Fund's largest industry exposures are: 18.0% in CLO, 7.1% in Banking and 6.2% in Electronics. The Fund's top three company exposures are: 2.1% in Virgin Money Holdings Uk Plc, 1.8% in Galaxy Clo Ltd - 2013-15x and 1.7% in Bilbao Clo - 2x.

Leveraged Loan Market

The top performing leveraged loan industries in December were Energy, Retail and Consumer Durables with returns (sector performance in USD terms) of 4.11%, 2.73% and 2.41% respectively. The worst performing loan industries were Gaming/Leisure, Aerospace and Housing with returns of 0.89%, 0.99% and 1.00% respectively.

Portfolio Summary Statistics		
Yield to maturity	4.29%	
Running yield	3.96%	
Credit spread ²	+322bps	
Number of issuers	455	
Interest rate duration	-0.01 years	
Credit duration	3.84 years	
Investment grade³ exposure	32% of portfolio	
Fund Leverage	0%	
Fund size	A\$538,243,526	

Risk Characteristics	
1 Year Volatility ⁴	2.14
1 Year Sharpe Ratio ⁵	2.14
1 Year Tracking Error ⁶	2.12
1 Year Information Ratio ⁷	2.16

Fund Distributions	
Distribution frequency	Quarterly
Quarterly distribution ⁸	0.93% (Dec 2019)

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

¹ Active Return of the Fund is the difference between the Gross Return (before fees) and the return of the Benchmark. Gross Returns (before fees) are calculated by adding back the fees and expenses deducted. Please refer to the Information Memorandum for more information on fees and expenses.

² Spread over the swap rate

³ An assigned credit rating of BBB-/Baa3 or better by a credit rating agency.

⁴ Volatility is Standard Deviation.

⁵ Sharpe Ratio is the excess return over the Bloomberg AusBond Bank Bill Index (before fees) divided by Standard Deviation.

⁶ Tracking Error is the Standard Deviation of the Active Return (before fees).

⁷ Information Ratio is the Active Return (before fees) divided by the Tracking Error.

⁸ 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.

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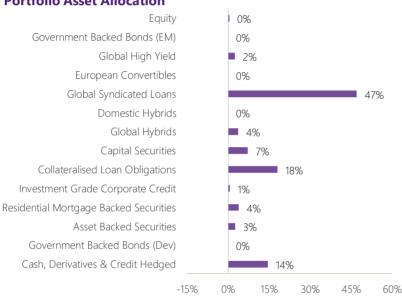
Quarterly Distrib	oution Return	ns History	(%) ¹		
Financial Year	Sep	Dec	Mar	Jun	YTD ²
2020	1.26	0.93	-	-	2.21
2019	1.12	1.12	1.14	0.60	4.03
2018	0.30	0.55	0.49	0.98	2.41
2017				0.37	0.37

Source: Fidante Partners

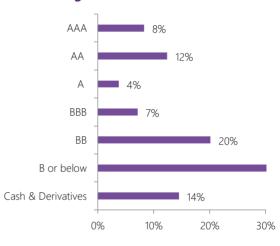
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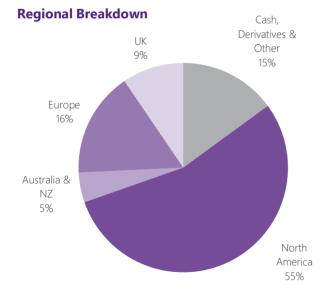
- 1 Calculated as the cents per unit (CPU) distribution at month end divided by the ex-distribution unit price at the start of the month.
- ² Annual distribution return (Year-to-Date) is calculated as the Total Return (after fees) minus Growth Return. Total Return (after fees) is calculated using pre-distribution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





Top 5 Industry Exposures (Moody's SIC)		
CLO	18.0%	
Banking	7.1%	
Electronics	6.2%	
Healthcare, Education and Childcare	4.6%	
Telecommunications	4.5%	

Interest Rate Duration (yrs)	AUD	USD	EUR	GBP	Total
Total	0.16	-0.27	0.10	-0.02	-0.01



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Fund Overview		
Portfolio Manager	Richard Quin	
Inception date	08 June 2017	
APIR code	HOW7031AU	
Benchmark	Bloomberg AusBond Bank Bill Index	
Performance objective	To exceed the Benchmark (cash) by 4% p.a. pre fees over rolling three year periods	
Suggested investment time frame	Medium term, minimum 3 years	
Investment universe	Global credit and fixed interest markets, including but not limited to, Australian and global hybrid securities, global high yield bonds, global syndicated loans, investment grade securities, global capital securities, asset backed securities, equities, and derivatives.	
Credit quality	Actively managed	
Interest rate exposure	Actively managed	
Leverage	Up to 30% of gross asset value	
Currency	AUD denominated, Bentham aims to hedge any foreign currency exposure back to AUD to between 85% and 115% of the NAV of the Fund.	
Fund documentation	Information memorandum for wholesale investors	

Fund Overview (Cont.)

Fund features

- Diversified: Access to a highly diversified, multi sector global portfolio of credit securities that would otherwise not be available to investors in the domestic market.
- Flexible: Actively managed Fund with the flexibility to adapt its credit and cash exposure to suit market conditions across the credit cycle, gravitating to markets with the highest risk adjusted returns. The Fund can be opportunistic when market dislocations arise and uses leverage in a deliberate and measured way when deemed appropriate.
- Regular quarterly distributions
- Daily unit pricing

Daily
1.00%
0.05% p.a. estimate
+0.330%/-0.330%
Nil
A\$250,000

¹ 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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