

## Bentham Global Income Fund

### **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 28 February 2022 (%)										
	1 month	3 months	6 months	1 year	3 years (p.a.)	5 years (p.a.)	7 years (p.a.)	10 years (p.a.)	15 years (p.a.)	Since inception (p.a.)
Gross return (before fees)	0.12	1.65	2.28	4.09	4.92	4.97	5.27	7.23	7.13	7.44
Growth return (after fees)	-0.18	0.68	0.38	-2.22	-0.38	-0.33	-0.15	1.07	-0.01	0.26
Distribution return	0.25	0.76	1.53	5.65	4.52	4.54	4.63	5.37	6.33	6.37
Total return (after fees) <sup>1</sup>	0.07	1.44	1.92	3.43	4.14	4.21	4.49	6.43	6.33	6.63
Benchmark	-0.60	-1.06	-2.56	-0.51	1.06	1.90	1.98	2.91	4.00	4.30
Active return (after fees) <sup>2</sup>	0.67	2.50	4.48	3.94	3.08	2.30	2.51	3.53	2.32	2.34

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

<sup>1</sup> Total 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>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.

## **Portfolio and Market Returns**

The Bentham Global Income Fund had a total return (after fees) of 0.07% in the month of February, outperforming the benchmark (50% Bloomberg AusBond Bank Bill Index, 50% Bloomberg AusBond Composite Index) by 0.67%. On a before fees basis the fund returned 0.12% for the month, outperforming the benchmark by 0.73%.

The end of February saw the commencement of the war between Russia the Ukraine, with few places for investors to hide in financial markets. Early in the month, Bonds and Equities both sold-off due to inflation fears. At the end of the month volatility spiked due to concerns about the Russia-Ukraine Geopolitical situation sending credit spreads wider.

The top contributors to performance included Collateralised Loan Obligations (CLO), Equity Securities and Residential Mortgage Backed Securities (RMBS); whilst the bottom performing contributors included Capital Securities, Investment Grade Credit and Global Hybrids.

After a strong rebound of global economic growth in 2021, we expect this growth to moderate in 2022 as central banks begin withdrawing monetary stimulus given elevated inflation risk. Credit market fundamentals remain sound on average with brokers and credit rating agencies forecasting default rates to remain well below historical averages. Companies are, however, likely to be facing short-term supply chain issues, tight labour markets and lingering pandemic interruptions.

The Russia-Ukraine situation is a new concern this month though we expect that its impact on markets will primarily be inflationary with the biggest impact to the portfolio felt in Western European Financials where the economy is more susceptible to the stagflationary impulse of sudden energy price shocks. Global Energy and wheat and metal prices have surges but we are wary of a sudden reversal (reflected in the backwardation of the futures curve of those commodity prices).

<sup>3</sup> Spread over the swap rate.

<sup>5</sup> Volatility is Standard Deviation.

- <sup>7</sup> Tracking Error is the Standard Deviation of the Active Return (before fees).
- <sup>8</sup> Information Ratio is the Active Return (before fees) divided by the Tracking Error.

<sup>10</sup> Bentham intends to achieve the distribution rate for FY2022 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 2021 and assumes the Fund continues to achieve an equivalent yield for FY2022.

Actual distributions, however, can differ from this setting because of future matters which are not known or able to be presently identified.

### **Portfolio Summary Statistics**

Yield to maturity	5.23%		
Running yield	3.18%		
Credit spread <sup>3</sup>	+334bps		
Number of issuers	727		
Interest rate duration	-0.97 years		
Credit duration	4.06 years		
Investment grade <sup>4</sup> exposure	51% of portfolio		
Fund size	A\$2,455,473,223		

Risk Characteristics					
5 Year Volatility <sup>5</sup>	5.09				
5 Year Sharpe Ratio <sup>6</sup>	0.77				
5 Year Tracking Error <sup>7</sup>	5.66				
5 Year Information Ratio <sup>8</sup>	0.54				

### **Fund Distributions**

Distribution frequency	Monthly
Monthly distribution <sup>9</sup>	0.25% (Feb 2022)
Target distribution rate (FY22) <sup>10</sup>	3.00%

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

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Sharpe Ratio is the excess return over the Bloomberg AusBond Bank Bill Index (before fees) divided by Standard Deviation.

<sup>&</sup>lt;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.



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# February 2022

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>
2022	0.25	0.25	0.26	0.26	0.25	0.26	0.25	0.25	-	-	-	-	2.03
2021	0.29	0.28	0.28	0.29	0.29	0.30	0.29	0.30	0.83	0.85	0.85	1.07	6.39
2020	0.29	0.30	0.30	0.29	0.29	0.29	0.30	0.29	0.34	0.33	0.33	0.73	3.95
2019	0.33	0.33	0.32	0.33	0.33	0.34	0.33	0.34	0.34	0.34	0.33	0.33	3.97
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

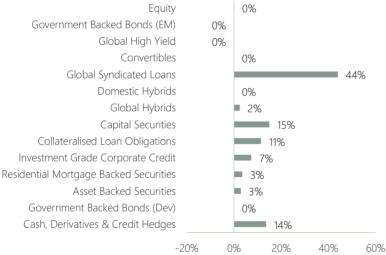
Source: Fidante Partners

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

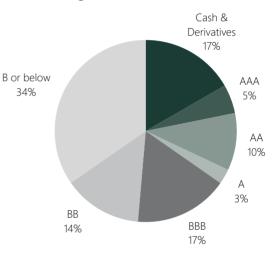
<sup>1</sup> Calculated as the cents per unit (CPU) distribution at month end divided by the ex-distribution unit price at the start of the month.

<sup>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.

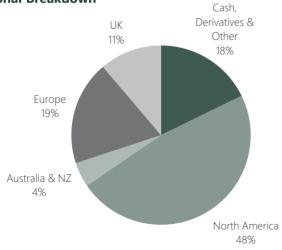
#### **Portfolio Asset Allocation**



### **Credit Rating Breakdown**



### **Regional Breakdown**



#### **Top 5 Industry Exposures (Moody's SIC)**

Banking	14.4%
Aerospace and Defense	9.4%
Electronics	7.0%
Healthcare, Education and Childcare	6.7%
Diversified/Conglomerate Service	5.0%

Pricing and Fees	
Unit frequency pricing	Daily
Management fee	0.72%
Recoverable expenses	0.03% (Feb 2022)
Buy/sell spread <sup>3</sup>	+0.250%/-0.250%
Entry and exit fees	Nil
Minimum initial investment	A\$10,000

<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.



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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	Asgard Master Trust	✓ MLC Wrap – Super ✓				
	high yield bonds, equities and derivatives	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 BAM05				
	Australian domiciled trust with more than     15 years' track record	HUB24	✓				
	Competitive fee						





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