

## Bentham Global Income Fund NZD

## **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 April 2022 (%)							
	1 month	3 months	6 months	1 year	3 years (p.a.)	5 years (p.a.)	Since inception (p.a.)
Gross return (before fees)	0.01	1.30	2.86	4.21	5.42	5.29	6.28
Growth return (after fees)	-0.33	0.34	0.91	-1.06	-0.96	-1.09	-0.28
Distribution return	0.24	0.72	1.49	4.49	5.56	5.58	5.75
Total return (after fees) <sup>1</sup>	-0.09	1.07	2.40	3.43	4.60	4.49	5.47
Benchmark	-0.66	-2.98	-2.25	-3.25	0.11	1.45	2.56
Active return (after fees) <sup>2</sup>	0.57	4.04	4.65	6.68	4.49	3.04	2.91

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 NZD had a total return (after fees) of -0.09% in the month of April, outperforming the benchmark (50% Bloomberg AusBond Bank Bill Index (hedged to NZD), 50% Bloomberg AusBond Composite Index (hedged to NZD)) by 0.57%. On a before fees basis the fund returned 0.01% for the month, outperforming the benchmark by 0.68%.

April was another challenging month for investment markets as bond yields continued to rise on more hawkish comments from central banks. In addition, market sentiment was negatively impacted by the continuing Russian invasion of Ukraine and the widening Covid lockdown in China.

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

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.

COVID appears to be in retreat and the world is beginning to reopen. Economic fundamentals are already strong with unemployment low, wages increasing, and prices creating the perfect backdrop for coordinated central bank hikes for the rest of the year across developed markets.

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 surged but we are wary of a sudden reversal (reflected in the backwardation of the futures curves of those commodity prices).

<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	7.20%
Running yield	5.06%
Credit spread <sup>3</sup>	+334bps
Number of issuers	728
Interest rate duration	1.82 years
Credit duration	4.37 years
Investment grade <sup>4</sup> exposure	51% of portfolio
Fund size	NZ\$124,844,358

Risk Characteristics				
5 Year Volatility <sup>5</sup>	4.95			
5 Year Sharpe Ratio <sup>6</sup>	0.82			
5 Year Tracking Error <sup>7</sup>	5.65			
5 Year Information Ratio <sup>8</sup>	0.68			

## **Fund Distributions**

Distribution frequency	Monthly
Monthly distribution <sup>9</sup>	0.24% (Apr 2022)
Target distribution rate (FY22) <sup>10</sup>	3.00%

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<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 excess return over the Bloomberg NZBond Bank Bill Index (before fees) divided by Standard Deviation.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> 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>&</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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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	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.24	0.25	0.24	-	-	2.51
2021	0.28	0.28	0.28	0.29	0.29	0.29	0.29	0.28	0.30	0.85	0.84	1.12	5.83
2020	0.30	0.31	0.31	0.31	0.30	0.31	0.31	0.31	1.33	0.34	0.32	0.32	4.80
2019	0.37	0.37	0.37	0.37	0.38	0.37	0.37	0.38	0.38	0.38	0.37	3.20	7.18
2018	0.41	0.37	0.38	0.37	0.38	0.37	0.37	0.38	0.38	0.38	0.38	0.37	4.67

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Source: Fidante Partners

2017

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

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<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.

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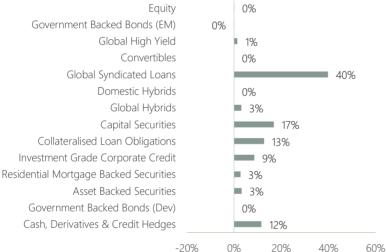
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<sup>2</sup> Annual distribution return (Year-to-Date) is calculated as the Total Return (after fees) minus Growth Return. Total Return (after fees) is calculated using pre-distribution month end withdrawal unit price, and assumes distributions are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

#### **Portfolio Asset Allocation**



# **Credit Rating Breakdown**

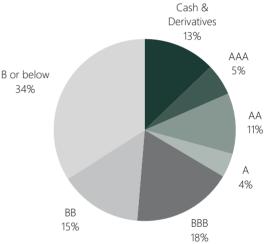
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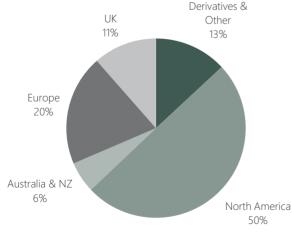
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### **Regional Breakdown**



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

Banking	17.8%
Aerospace and Defense	8.4%
Electronics	7.9%
Healthcare, Education and Childcare	6.9%
Diversified/Conglomerate Service	5.0%

Pricing and Fees	
Unit frequency pricing	Daily
Management fee	0.77%
Recoverable expenses	0.00% (Apr 2022)
Buy/sell spread <sup>3</sup>	+0.290%/-0.290%
Entry and exit fees	Nil
Minimum initial investment	NZ\$50,000

<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.

April 2022



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Fund Overview		Platform Availability		
Portfolio Manager	Richard Quin	AEGIS 🗸		
Inception date	30 September 2013	FNZ (including One Answer and Wealthview) $\checkmark$		
ARSN code	165 696 417			
Benchmark	50% Bloomberg Ausbond Composite Bond Index (hedged to NZD) and 50% Bloomberg Ausbond Bank Bill Index (hedged to NZD)	•		
Investment universe Global credit and fixed interest markets, including but not limited to, government backed bonds, securitised credit, global syndicated loans, global high yield bonds, equities and derivatives		• •		
Credit quality	Actively managed. Minimum exposure of 50% to investment grade rated securities	-		
Interest rate exposure	Actively managed	-		
Currency	Aims to be fully hedged to NZD	•		
Fund features	<ul> <li>Active specialist management</li> <li>Access to global investment opportunities not typically available to direct retail investors</li> <li>Highly diversified portfolio</li> <li>Regular monthly distributions</li> <li>Daily unit pricing</li> <li>Fund track record 5+ years</li> <li>Strategy track record 15+ years</li> <li>Competitive fee</li> </ul>	-		



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