

## Bentham Global Income Fund NZD

## November 2022

#### **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 November 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)	2.92	1.18	1.21	3.19	5.20	4.30	5.89		
Growth return (after fees)	2.24	-0.92	-2.63	-2.64	-0.69	-1.86	-0.70		
Distribution return	0.61	1.87	3.38	4.88	5.04	5.32	5.77		
Total return (after fees) <sup>1</sup>	2.86	0.95	0.76	2.24	4.35	3.47	5.07		
Benchmark	0.95	1.04	1.17	-2.47	-0.62	1.27	2.49		
Active return (after fees) <sup>2</sup>	1.90	-0.09	-0.42	4.71	4.97	2.19	2.59		

Source: Fidante Partners. 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 NZD had a total return (after fees) of 2.86% in the month of November, outperforming the benchmark (50% Bloomberg AusBond Bank Bill Index (hedged to NZD), 50% Bloomberg AusBond Composite Index (hedged to NZD)) by 1.90%. On a before fees basis the fund returned 2.92% for the month, outperforming the benchmark by 1.97%.

The top contributors to performance included Asset Backed Securities (ABS), Capital Securities and Collateralised Loan Obligations (CLO); whilst the bottom performing contributors included Global Syndicated Loans, Equity Securities and Residential Mortgage Backed Securities (RMBS).

In November 2022, the global fixed income and credit market performed well, with many investors (including ourselves) taking advantage of higher interest rate to buy long-duration bonds. The possibility of a recession, which has been a concern for many investors, seemed to recede as the global economy continued to expand, with a number of positive economic indicators, including strong job growth and a steady increase in consumer spending. Further support for shares came from signs of China loosening its strict Covid rules which have weighed on economic activity.

Whilst cash rate will continue to increase, yield curves are starting to invert in the US, Europe and UK as market anticipate peak long-term rates. Our strategy has been to add interest rate duration in economies where households have a high sensitivity to the projected rate rises. In our multi-sector credit portfolios, we remain active on managing interest rate risk and have increased our interest rate duration further and reduced credit risk in anticipation of a slowing economy. Whilst we wait for the long and variable lagged impact of monetary policy and possibly wider credit spreads.

Portfolio Summary Statistics					
Yield to maturity	8.25%				
Running yield	9.12%				
Credit spread <sup>3</sup>	+346bps				
Number of issuers	647				
Interest rate duration	6.53 years				
Credit duration	3.03 years				
Investment grade <sup>4</sup> exposure	74% of portfolio				
Fund size	NZ\$125,860,810				

Risk Characteristics				
5 Year Volatility <sup>5</sup>	5.50			
5 Year Sharpe Ratio <sup>6</sup>	0.54			
5 Year Tracking Error <sup>7</sup>	5.84			
5 Year Information Ratio <sup>8</sup>	0.52			

Fund Distributions	
Distribution frequency	Monthly
Monthly distribution <sup>9</sup>	0.61% (Nov 2022)
Target distribution rate (FY23) <sup>10</sup>	7.5%

<sup>&</sup>lt;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>&</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 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.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> Bentham intends to achieve the distribution rate for FY2023 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 2022 and assumes the Fund continues to achieve an equivalent yield for FY2023. 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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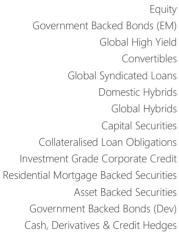
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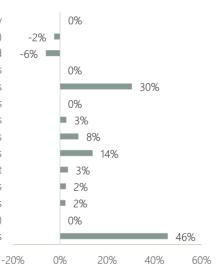
Monthly Distribution Returns History (%) <sup>1</sup>													
Financial Year	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	YTD <sup>2</sup>
2023	0.63	0.63	0.63	0.63	0.61	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.18
2022	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.24	0.25	0.24	0.26	0.28	2.96
2021	0.28	0.28	0.28	0.29	0.29	0.29	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

Source: Fidante Partners

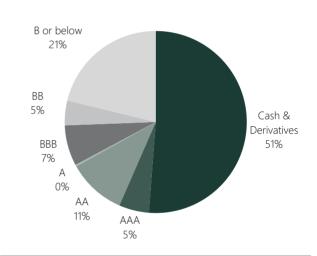
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#### **Portfolio Asset Allocation**

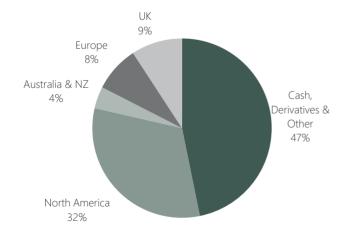




#### **Credit Rating Breakdown**



#### **Regional Breakdown**



# Top 5 Industry Exposures (Moody's SIC) Banking 15.0% Electronics 5.0% Healthcare, Education and Childcare 4.9% Aerospace and Defense 4.5% Diversified/Conglomerate Service 3.1%

<b>Pricing and Fees</b>	
Unit frequency pricing	Daily
Management fee	0.77%
Recoverable expenses	0.00% (Nov 2022)
Buy/sell spread <sup>3</sup>	+0.380%/-0.380%
Entry and exit fees	Nil
Minimum initial investment	NZ\$50,000

<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>&</sup>lt;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	
Portfolio Manager	Richard Quin	AEGIS	✓
Inception date	30 September 2013	FNZ (including One Answer and Wealthview)	✓
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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